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Principal

Greetings Friends!

One of the focus areas for the College in 2017 has been “Be strong and courageous.”

“Have I not commanded you?
Be strong and courageous.
Do not be afraid;
do not be discouraged,
for the LORD your God
will be with you
wherever you go.”

Joshua 1:9

be **STRONG**
& courageous



ST ANDREWS
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

2017

We have learnt that it's not about getting physically stronger – it's about character strength and leaning into Jesus who can help us be strong and give us courage to make good choices and the right decisions.

Mark 15:15 states

“Wanting to satisfy the crown, Pilate released Barabbas to them.

He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.”

Pontius Pilate was a procurator of Judea and he had a dilemma. He knew Jesus was innocent, yet he also feared the mob. After trying to shift the responsibility of making a decision about Jesus' sentence he compromised what he knew was true about Jesus' innocence and made a decision to have Jesus crucified. Pilate was weak, a moral coward.

Although a leader, he wasn't strong or courageous. It was more important to him to be popular than declare the right decision.

A personal relationship with Jesus helps us to be strong and courageous, because it's His strength we rely on – not ours. His values – not the changing values in society.

We are trying to build our students in Christ and in His Word; to be people of integrity, people who influence others rather than just succumbing to popular opinion.

The world is changing; society is changing; laws are changing and education is changing.

To cope with all these changes that are happening in our world our children will need to be critical thinkers who are flexible, adaptable, culturally aware and resilient.

We want to grow students with 21st century capabilities so they can flourish in the ever changing world.

Educationalists declare that our students need more than high results, and a high IQ to be successful.

In conflict, in change, in seeking new ideas and solutions it is those with high EQ (Emotional Intelligence) and CQ (Cultural Intelligence) not IQ who will succeed.

The future will be shaped by those who are strong and courageous, but also by those who seek to understand situations and other people and not pass judgement with just their own opinion.

For us at St Andrews we go even deeper in our growing, learning, thinking and understanding and it is our SQ that underpins everything – SQ is defined as Spiritual Intelligence. This is not just in our mind, but actually the connection to our heart which results in an outpouring into our lives in how we live. When we are in a personal relationship with Jesus and as we engage with God in our life that is when our potential is unlocked. That type of education is not only revolutionary, it is transformational.

We need to stay connected to Jesus and put him first, not just to survive but to live life to the full.

*You make known to me the path of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.*

Psalm 16:11

Jesus is the dimension we lean into and He is where all good, excellence and growth comes from.

Last night at Presentation Night, we celebrated some of the 'excellence' during the past year. If we were to mention every great accomplishment/prize/award that students achieved this year we would have been there all night.

But, excellence is not just the great results and the extraordinary. It's the ordinary happenings of everyday, in a community where Christ is No. 1.

It's the smile on student's faces, the care given by staff to students, the grace shown by people, the encouraging conversations of parents given to staff, the excitement of suddenly understanding a concept in class, it's the stories of those (whether students/staff/families) who share their lives in the beautiful Shalom community we have at St Andrews Christian College.

Thanksgivings abound for 2017

I thank God for the Opening of the Senior School; the 2.1 million dollar grant we just received from the State Government to commence building Middle School classrooms and Science rooms next year; the wonderful NAPLAN results which displayed significant gain and improvement with ACARA recognising St Andrews as a high gain school; the growth of our Sport, Art, Music and

Drama Departments; continued growth in our Learning and Teaching programs; numerical growth in student numbers (this was the first year of 2 classes in Year 12) and continued growth and improvements in Junior, Middle and Senior School. We also passed with flying colours the School Registration Process with VRQA (The Victorian Registration Qualifications Authority) which occurs every 5 years.

But more than those achievements, I thank God for the Shalom community at St Andrews who have worked so hard to achieve those things. It's 'people' that make the difference. God doesn't need us –but He does work through us for others and for the benefit of His Kingdom.

I am thankful to the Board, the PFA and all the committees who work so hard and faithfully behind the scenes to keep St Andrews going and thriving. I am continually thankful for our talented and committed Executive Team. They are an extraordinary group who lead the College with excellence.

I'm thankful for all our staff who daily serve our College community above and beyond their job descriptions. I'm thankful for our beautiful families and students – who all have the opportunity each day to come to a Christian School that wants to give honour and glory to God in everything we do.

We are blessed!

We have much to be thankful for and much to look forward to.

Although times will get tough, we have a tougher God who will guide us and lead us through the

valleys onto the mountain tops.

We just need to work together, stand firm in Christ and be strong and courageous.

Thanks again everyone for a wonderful year!

Many blessings to you all and your families for Christmas.

Your servant in Christ,
Catriona Wansbrough
Principal





News

Preps receiving their own Bibles

Gifted and Talented

Throughout this term, the area of Gifted and Talented has been reviewed. Many parents have provided feedback via a recent survey that is currently being analysed. Thank you for those of you that have responded. So far, one area that has been identified is what the program looks like at St Andrews.

As a College, we have many activities and programs on offer that are aimed at catering for the diverse needs of our students. We are currently working on compiling a Handbook that will provide details of the Gifted and Talented Program offered here at St Andrews. We are also in the process of updating our website to provide information, activities and links regarding our Gifted and Talented Program.

Merrick Brewer
Head of Learning and Teaching

Mastery Week



Throughout the year, Mastery classes are run during the last week of each term. Selected students are withdrawn from

class so that they can focus on engaging in a small group activity based on a particular interest area. Recent Mastery Classes were held which focussed on Economics. Students were able to build their understanding of trading and the importance of buyers and sellers. Participants reported exciting ideas, along with gaining an understanding of negotiation and decision

making. In another class, the focus was on simple and complex electronic circuits. Students engaged in understanding how circuits work and constructed circuits using a range of electronics.

Merrick Brewer
Head of Learning and Teaching



Calendar

Important Coming Events for Term 1 2018:

February 2018

Thursday 1st - 1st Day School Years 1-12
 Thursday 1st - 24th - PFA Welcome Morning Tea*
 Friday 2nd - 24th - 1st Day School Preps
 Friday 2nd - PFA Tea'n'Tissues Prep Morning Tea*
 Monday 5th - Whole School Assembly 8:55am*

Tuesday 6th - Whole School ID Photos
 Wednesday 7th - Prep - No School
 Wednesday 7th - CSEN Yr9/10 Sport
 Monday 12th - Whole School Assembly 8:55am*
 Wednesday 14th - CSEN Yr7/8 Sport
 Wednesday 14th - Prep - No School
 Friday 16th - Outer Eastern Prayer Breakfast
 Monday 19th - Dedication Assembly 8:55am*

Wednesday 21st - Prep - No School
 Saturday 24th - PFA Welcome Picnic*
 Tuesday 27th - Yr5-12 House Swimming
 Competition*
 Wednesday 28th - Prep - No School
 * *Parents welcome*

Term Dates

TERM DATES FOR 2018

Term 1: Thursday 1st February – Friday 29th
 March

*Prep commence Friday 2nd February

Term 2: Tuesday 17th April – Friday 29th June

Term 3: Monday 23rd July – Friday 21st
 September

Term 4: Mon 8th October – Tuesday
 11th December



Parents and Friends

Christmas and New Year



On behalf of the PFA Executive I would like to thank all those Parents who volunteered their time throughout 2017 to help out at the various PFA activities. The PFA exists to

help create a better sense of Community and to help provide an enriching educational environment for our children to grow and develop within the School Community.

Thankyou to all the Parent Reps and Coordinators of the various PFA activities throughout 2017, without whom nothing would be

achieved or actioned on behalf of the PFA.

I look forward to seeing more Parents volunteer and become involved in the PFA throughout the course of 2018.

I hope each family enjoys a Holy and Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe New Year.

Andrew O'Brien

PFA President

2nd Hand Uniform Shop

Thanks to Liz Romney for managing the Uniform Shop during 2017.

Please note that there will be a change of day that Uniform Shop will open next year. **In 2018 the Uniform Shop will open on a Tuesday from 8:30am-9:30am in Rembrandts.** We will be looking for Parent volunteers to assist in the shop.

School Banking

Thanks to Juli Tu for coordinating the School Banking during 2017.

We are still looking for parent volunteers for 2018 who can commit to more than 10 weeks, and willing to sign up with Commonwealth Banking as a Banking Coordinator. Please contact Juli Tu via pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au

Icy Pole Friday

Thanks to Andrew Musgrove for coordinating the Icy Pole Friday activities during 2017.

We will be looking for Parent volunteers to assist with sales each Friday.

Term 1 2018 PFA Events

- *Thursday 1st February 2018 – Welcome Morning Tea Years 1 -12*
- *Friday 2nd February 2018 – Prep Welcome Morning Tea*
- *Saturday 24th February 2018 – Welcome Picnic*

2018 PFA Executive Committee

President:	Andrew O'Brien
Vice President:	Sally Wade
Secretary:	Lesley Goh
Treasurer:	Jean Lee
Assistant Treasurer:	Eric Chen
Email:	pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au



Junior School

Year 4 Graduation Day

Junior School Christmas Concert



On Friday 1st December, the Junior School braved the rain and performed the most amazing Christmas musical. The students all sang and acted brilliantly. The beautiful message of Jesus was the focus of the show and many new stars were discovered.



A special thank you to Leo Williames who directed the show and brought the most incredible talents out of the students. I also want to thank all the parents who donated an

enormous number of gifts that were gratefully accepted by Darren Waterworth on behalf of the Salvation Army.

Merry Christmas everyone!

Yvonne Hughes
Head of Junior School

Thank You

Hello Mrs Hughes,

Please pass on this letter of appreciation to the Junior School community for the donation of food and Christmas gifts that were delivered to us yesterday by Mr Darren Waterworth.



Regards ...

Richard Price

Doorways

Coordinator (incorporating
Community Services Centre)

The Salvation Army Box Hill

Year 1 Fun Times

The Year 1 students have had a busy but fun Term 4. We enjoyed a visit to the lovely residents at ARCARE. We went armed with violins, singers and letters for them to read.



Another highlight was when we spent time being clever scientists during our Science Incursion on "How materials change". We did fun experiments and learnt many interesting facts. The best part was playing with "ooblek"!



Year 2 Stay Late

On the 17th November, the Year 2s had a wonderful time at the Stay Late. The day was filled with smiles and laughter, creativity, food and lots and lots of fun!!



A heartfelt “thank you” to all the staff who stayed after school to supervise the craft and sport activities and prepare the food!

Judith Hendricks

Year 2 Teacher

Year 2 Introduction To French

Last week, Madame Marks and her amazing Year 9 and 10 French students gave the Year 2H class a fantastic taste of what they can expect next year. The activities were fun and exciting, and the Year 2s truly enjoyed their first French lesson.



Well done, and thank you, to Jerry, Kassandra, Fiorella, Georgia, Isha, Amber, Amy, Isabelle, Eunice, Carla, Ella, Tiffany and Vanessa! Vous êtes merveilleux!

Judith Hendricks

Year 2 Teacher

3M Lego Symmetry

This week Year 3's are reviewing the different mathematic concepts learnt this semester ... using lego!

Here they are having lots of fun designing with symmetry.



Melanie Lepileo

Year 3 Teacher

Year 4 Graduation

On Monday 4th December, we caught the bus to Belgrave and then got on the Puffing Billy train up to Lake Emerald. We stuck our legs out of the windows and there were many good views.



When we got off the train, we ate lots of food. Some food was fruit, jelly, dumplings, cake and

chicken. Later we had dessert. After lunch, we did a treasure hunt in groups of 5 where we had to find a piece of Christmas ribbon and answer lots of questions. Then we received a bucket, spoon and seeds to grow as our graduation gift. The teachers want us to bloom where we are planted like the flowers. We

also got a DVD disc with photos and videos of our Year 4. At the end of the day we took the bus back and the bus driver put the disc on for us all to watch. It was such a fun day.

Alyssa Kong

Year 4 Student



Middle School

Year 8 Celebration Day

Welcome

Dear community,

As the College continues to grow numerically, we have been working hard to expand our Senior School offering. In 2018, Mr Gibbs will be

playing tennis, reading and of course painting! I exhibit my own artworks (paintings, sculptures) in local galleries and run a private Art School from home. I have met most of the lovely St Andrew's students in my time as a Casual Relief

Year 7/8 Coordinator

Cricket Australia Girls Leadership Day

On Monday 27 November, four Year 7 girls (Roselyn Kho, Julia Pajor, Michelle McCabe and

focusing his energy on building the Art department in the Senior School. Because of this exciting development, the College is pleased to announce that Mrs Marina Heading has been appointed to teach Year 6 to 8 Art in 2018. Here are some words from Mrs Heading:



Hello! My name is Marina Heading and I am very excited to be coming on board to teach Middle Years Visual Arts at St Andrew's Christian College in 2018. I believe that ALL creativity comes from the very nature of our Wonderful Creator God and that supporting students to connect with Him in this way is part of the Father's call on my life. I live in Olinda with my husband Peter and we have two beautiful children together, Samuel (10) and Ruby (7). I am actively involved in our church, St Matthew's Anglican in Olinda, and absolutely love spending time with people,

Teacher in 2016/2017 and have found their standard of work, focus and overall creativity to be outstanding. I know that I can add diverse skills and work alongside the already encouraging and inspiring teaching team here. Here's to 2018!

God Bless,

Marina Heading
Year 6-8 Art Teacher

Congratulations – the exams are over!

Congratulations to our Year 7 and 8 students who have just completed their second exam period for the year! The students used their extra study time well, and most students achieved amazing results.

A big thank you to all the teachers involved in preparing exam papers, supervising exams and study periods, marking exams and preparing reports. All of this involved a huge amount of work and many late nights for our teachers.

Have a blessed and peaceful Christmas!

Christa Cloete

Grace Yu) attended the Cricket Australia Girls Leadership Day, together with Mrs Cloete and Miss Hill. The girls attended interesting forums where they could ask questions from well-known leaders in the sports world, as well as several different workshops.



Roselyn writes the following: *One of the workshops was entitled "Smiling Mind". The workshop talked about mindfulness and taught us ways to keep our mind in the present. From this workshop, I learnt that multitasking is actually harder than you think and that you should not do it. I also learnt that we can use our senses to keep focussing rather than wandering to the past or future. Overall, this workshop was relaxing and very enjoyable!*

According to Julia, the Pilates session was a *"fun but painful experience, where we learned different stretching techniques and exercises. We worked in*

pairs to complete more challenging exercises. Our endurance and effort levels were tested while holding planks and pulsing squats. This session gave great suggestions on how to stay fit while having fun!"

All in all, the girls had a very enjoyable day and learnt many new skills.

Christa Cloete
Year 7/8 Coordinator

Year 8 Celebration Day

On 5 December, the Year 8 students and teachers spent a glorious, fun-filled day exploring God's creation as they cycled 16km from school to Jells Park and back again along the Dandenong Creek Trail. It was a relaxing day at the park - playing games and tucking in to a satisfying pizza lunch. Special thanks to Lionel Chin, a parent, for riding along with the students. Our appreciation also goes to all our Year 8 parents for their support in helping to make the day memorable for our students.



*Today was amazing... I got to hang out with my friends and get a good workout ~ **Sindy Wang 8S***

*It was a great day ... no schoolwork... just lots of fun ~ **Aimee Crotty 8K***

*I enjoyed riding my bike down the hills at Jells Park !! ~ **Alan Philip 8S***

*It was such a lovely day ... I enjoyed having so much time talking to my friends and just relaxing ~ **Natasha Rowley 8K***

*I loved eating pizzas in the park!! ~ **Emma Yeo 8S***

Nation Young Leaders Day- 13th November

National Young Leaders Day, was an amazing day, where we all got to bond with people from different year levels. We played fun games to get to know other schools who went. There were lots of laughs and also some emotional parts. The hosts were so funny and nice and really connected with the students. We got to go out to the food court and eat our lunch together and it was really fun to hang with the people from St Andrews who came, we all had so much to talk about and we all had laughs and a great time.

There were four speakers, John Courtis a man with no legs and with a very emotional story. He taught us some very good things that I will never forget and got most people crying by the end. He was funny and made fun of himself in a good way. Hayden Wilson was a man who wrote a book. He talked to us about being nice and taking chances, never missing out on an opportunity you might regret, he was very inspiring. Gemma Triscari is a female Australian cricket player. She

had a hard time in cricket as she had to leave her WA state team because she agreed to play for a Melbourne 20/20 team, I loved the way she would talk to us and really make us happy. Nick Dal Santo was a professional football

player, he was an amazing guy and I loved to listen to him, he inspired us to do amazing things. It all led us to know how to be a great leader and how to handle hard things in life. I would love to go to National Young Leader Day every year, it

was a great experience. We even got to have photos with speakers.

Charli-Rose Morris

Year 7 Student



Senior School

Yr12 Valedictory Dinner

Valedictory Dinner

On Friday 24th November, we held the Valedictory Dinner for our VCE Class of 2017. It was a lovely evening with special messages for the leaving students delivered by Mrs

Wansbrough and Mr Present, and the Valedictory message delivered by Adam Albertus. Our Year 12 students are now officially finished with formal schooling and await their VCE results anxiously to see what

the next part of their journey through life will bring forth.



We pray that God will go with and before each one as they step out as young adults and we trust that with His leading they will indeed be “inspired by FAITH, distinguished by CHARACTER and leaders by INFLUENCE.”

Elevate Education and Study Skills

This year in Senior School we have continued to tighten our focus on preparing students for their Year 12 exams. From conducting practice exams, holding VCAA exams here on campus, and beginning 2018 subjects early in our HeadStart program—the emphasis on preparing students to achieve their academic potential has been a focal point for us in Senior School.

An exciting program will be commencing in 2018 to further

prepare and equip students in their studies.

This comprehensive program aims to improve the study skills of our students throughout 2018. We have engaged a provider called ‘Elevate Education’

<http://au.elevateeducation.com>

to help us build and improve the skills of our students; helping to maximise their study and revision time. Over the course of the year, Elevate Education will be providing our Years 9-12 students with practical and relevant seminars. There seminars include:

Time Management

Memory and Mnemonics

Study Sensei

Student Elevation

Ace Your Exams

Finishing Line

These seminars will be pitched at each different year levels as the study needs vary from Year 9 to Year 12. Students will not only be provided with materials to work through during these hour-long sessions, but follow up material online is available to students and teachers to reinforce skills and vocabulary learned.

One other benefit is that Elevate Education will run a parent seminar. This will further help you as parents to understand what is being taught to students to allow you to be involved in your student’s learning and studying journey. Be on the lookout for this date in 2018!

In 2018 all Year 10 students will be taking a subject entitled Study Skills. This subject will be taught with the purpose of enhancing our students’ ability to prepare for VCE, reinforce concepts learned in seminars, and provide a place for a teacher to explicitly help students organise themselves.

I am excited about the scope and sequence of seminars we will offer next year to Senior School students, and the benefits both long and short term for them to grow in their capacity as students.

John Presant

Head of Middle School

Christian Ministry and Theology at St Andrews 2018

- **Grow in Christian Life**
- **Serve your community**
- **Discover your purpose**
- **Develop skills for employment**

In 2018, seven St Andrews Year 11 and 12 students will be completing the first VET in Schools subject offered at St Andrews - Certificate III in Christian Ministry & Theology (10432NAT) - through our partnership with Veta Morphus. This nationally accredited discipleship and ministry training course is approved by the Department of Education and Training in Victoria. As such, it will contribute to the VCE and ATAR.

Christian Ministry and Theology is a one-year Christian discipleship program for Year 11 and 12 students. The course offers a refreshing break from the traditional classroom setting, inviting students to read and reflect on Scripture, serve in a local ministry, participate in the life of their Christian community and attend three weekend

retreats with students from across the state.



Our 2018 Christian Ministry and Theology students are: Isabel Yeoh (Year 12), Audrey Ang (Year 11), Hannah Koura (Year 12), Caylee Hendricks (Year 11), Michelle Hole (Year 11), Joel Julien (Year 11), Sarah Alexander (Year 12). Students are keen to start their training and share their thoughts:

Isabel Yeoh *As a growing Christian, I think this course will help me grow in faith and maturity.*

Audrey Ang *I would like to discover more about God and I hope to learn more about the gifts God has provided and equipped me with.*

Hannah Koura *I am interested in having a deeper understanding about Christianity and the Bible.*

Caylee Hendricks *I am hoping to learn more about God and*

His word and establish a better foundation with my faith. I am interested in learning how to spread God's word.

Michelle Hole *As a young believer, I would like to grow in my understanding of God. I would also like to grow as a leader.*

We are delighted to offer this wonderful opportunity to our Senior School students. Thank you for your support and prayers for the students and staff taking this course as they engage in deepening their faith journey through hands-on ministry and leadership training.

Irena Yevlahova
VET and Careers Coordinator

Careers News

Welcome to the last issue of St Andrews Careers Newsletter for 2017.

In the previous issue, I provided information about a new Box Hill School Based Hospitality program. Please note that the program information session will be held at Box Hill Institute at

Fountains Restaurant on
December 18th 5:30pm –
7:30pm and registrations have
opened today at:
[https://www.boxhill.edu.au/bo
d-events/school-based-
apprenticeships-and-
traineeships-hospitality/](https://www.boxhill.edu.au/bo
d-events/school-based-
apprenticeships-and-
traineeships-hospitality/)

Once again, thank you very
much for your support and for

reading careers newsletters
and encouraging our
wonderful students to
participate in programs and
explore new opportunities. It is
only together that we can help
them discover who they are
and what kind of people they
can become in the context of
Christian education and life.



St Andrews Car...

If you have a question about a
topic featured in the Careers
Newsletter, please contact
Careers Coordinator Mrs Irena
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ws.vic.edu.au](mailto:iyevlahova@standre
ws.vic.edu.au)

Irena Yevlahova
Careers Coordinator



Sport

St Andrews Netball Club

St Andrews Netball Club

The St Andrews Netball club has had a very successful year. In only its second year it has gone from 1 team in 2016, to 5 teams by the end of 2017 and 7 teams starting in 2018.

The club has succeeded this year through the constant support and volunteers made up of coaches, umpires and parents. I would like to personally thank everyone

involved in the club and extend my gratitude.

Our final ladder positions for the season are as follows:

Under 15 Section 3: Stars: 2nd Place

Under 15 Section 5- Diamonds: 2nd Place

Under 13 Section 3- Swifts: 1st Place

Under 13 Section 6- Vixons: 2nd Place

Under 11 Section 3- Mockingbirds: 4th Place

The Stars, Diamonds and Vixons all lost in close elimination final games to miss out on playing in the grand final. Finishing first on the ladder the Swifts had a direct entry into the grand final however missed out on being back-to-back premiers on the day. The Mockingbirds being in Under 11's do not play finals however they did participate in a round robin tournament where they played 3 matches with 1 win, 1 draw and 1 loss.

I would like to congratulate all the teams for their impressive performances, growth and teamwork this year. The girls involved have seen many highs this year and they should all be very proud of their achievements.

If your daughter is interested in playing netball for St Andrews and is in Yr4 or above in 2018, please contact Lauren Gaschk at netball@standrews.vic.edu.au. We currently have 1-2 spots left in Under 11, 15 and 17. If there is not a spot on a team I

strongly encourage you to still make contact and place your daughter on the waiting list.

Kind regards,

Lauren Gaschk

St Andrews Netball Club

President



Duke of Edinburgh

Mitchell River Camp

Mitchell River Camp- Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Class of 2017

From the 27th of November to the first day of summer, the 2017 Duke of Ed bronze class headed down to the beautiful Mitchell river. A lot of the first

day was spent travelling and shopping for the busy week ahead. Although the bus trip was long, it was well worth the wait as we were greeted with stunning scenery and a mob of 30+ kangaroos! Before we arrived at the actual campsite though, we went for a short

walk down to the Den of Nargun. After arriving at the campsite, we rushed to set up our tents before the sun went down and cooked our first camp meal over Trangia stoves (camp stoves) for the week.

The next morning was an early start for us, as we woke at 6.30am to get ready for a day of rafting! To prepare for the day we changed into long-sleeved clothes (this aspect didn't happen for all of us- the proof is in the tan-lines) and packed away our lunch into an esky. The air was buzzing with excitement as we arrived to the base of the river as we couldn't wait to jump into it. After listening to safety guidelines and learning some basic paddling techniques we were off! We spent the first two days on the river; going down rapids, having water fights, falling in... The best part of those days was the game we played called: Jenga. Much like the game with wooden blocks, we had to stack our boats two on two, without falling in, and then at the end of it all, had to pull up Larry- in her kayak- to the top of the tower! Rafting was

heaps of fun and I can't wait to do it again!



Due to bushfire warnings close to where we had been staying, we had to move out of our beloved campsite earlier than expected... but it was made up for by the cooked pizza dinner and free time at a local park.

The third- and final day of (planned) activity was estimated to be a hot 34

degrees. So for that reason, our original 15km hike was reduced to a 7km one that ended in a dip into a cool waterhole. We swam till our fingers and toes were wrinkly and our eyes were shutting in exhaustion, but our physical fatigue did nothing to dull our high spirits.

Unfortunately, on the last day (after spending a luxurious night in cabins and washing with soap) our bike riding trip had to be cancelled in way of a massive storm that was due to hit at any time. For this reason, we made an early trip back home. The whole camp was one of my best memories for the year, that ended with new and strengthened bonds between friends and enough joy to last a lifetime.

Rachael Song
Year 9G Student



Library

Yr6 Books of the Year

Library News

Library Staff: Lynne Marks,
Joanne Edwards, Wai-Peng
Heath

Junior Library

Lunchtime Monday

Middle/ Senior Library:

Monday to Friday: Recess and
Lunch

After school:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays
and Fridays until 4pm.
Wednesdays until 3.45pm.

Email:

library@standrews.vic.edu.au

Thank you



The Library staff would like to
thank everyone who has
helped in the Library this year.
Thank you for giving up your

time to shelve books, cover
texts and complete other tasks
that keep the Library running
smoothly. Our job would be
much more difficult without
your help.

Year 6 Library News

This term, the Year 6 students
have been creating their own
Picture Story books. They have
done a fantastic job! The class
ended the year by holding their
own Book of the Year Award. At
the time of printing, only Year
6H had voted.

The winners were:

Book of the Year Award:

Detective Porkchop by
Abigail Lim

Honorable Mention: *A Pig's
Dream* by Su-Ann Lam and Joy
Zeng

Princess Lily by Irena Tan



So You Want To Keep Reading?



Our library here at school may be closed during the summer holidays, but you can keep reading by visiting your local library. Many of these will have a Summer Reading Program that you can join if you wish.

If you can't go in person, have a look at the Library website. If you are a member, you should be able to download ebooks and read these.



The Library Staff



Community Notices

Newsletter 12

This section of our newsletter is to give our families information about programs being run by organisations outside of the school which

may interest our school families.

These organisations are not endorsed by St Andrews Christian College.

Cave Hill Creek Holiday Programs

 Summer Camp ...

For more information and registrations go to: <http://www.cavehillcreek.com.au/summercamp.html>