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GOD'S GUIDE TO PARENTING

Dear Friends,

Hope all our Mums had a wonderful Mothers' Day!

I love being a Mum and am so blessed with my beautiful family. Being a mother is the best job in the world, but sometimes the hardest.

I remember as my children were growing up, that when all was going well I felt like a good mum. But, when my children were naughty or didn't fulfil my expectations, or expectations of others, I felt like I had failed.

As a perfectionist I was often hard on myself, and put too much pressure on myself to be the best Mum. I was putting my worth in my mothering and the success of my children.

I gradually learnt that my identity and worth was not in my doing, my performance, job or my children's performance/behaviour.

My identity was being a child of God and when my relationship with God was my top priority then the rest of my life/responsibilities/attitudes fell into place.

I grew up under a guise of performance orientated love and it took me a long time (even as a Christian) to understand that God loves me, despite my sin. His grace and love envelopes me, despite what I do or don't do.

The best gift we can give children is enabling them to grow in the Lord.

How to be a great Mum (and Dad)

- Put God first in your own life.

*"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness,
and all these things will be given to you as well."*

Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

- Dedicate your children to God for His purposes (not yours) and trust Him.
- Be intentional in building their spiritual development, as this is the most important aspect of their development. Build them up for God's Kingdom.

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

"Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (NIV)

- Give them unconditional love! Let your child/children know that you love them because they are yours, not for what they do, or how they perform/behave.
- Be there for your child/children but don't keep rescuing them.
- Spend special time with your child/children, whatever age they are. Make precious memories.
- Forgive.
- Remember you are the parent, not their friend. Many parents find it hard to say 'No'. Be consistent and strong in setting boundaries. Agree with your partner/guardian in these 'rules'.
- Do devotions and pray together as a family.

Blessings on your week,

Happy Parenting!

Catriona Wansbrough



News

THE BATTLE FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

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Christian schools fear 'values' threat from Labor gay shield law

EXCLUSIVE
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St Andrews Christian College principal Catriona Wansbrough. Picture: Aaron Francis

Christian schools have expressed alarm at Labor's bid to dump religious exemptions from anti-discrimination legislation and pose new laws shielding gay and transgender people from harmful speech.

Principals fear Labor's plans, flagged within the party's national platform policy document, could have "devastating consequences" for their schools.

They say the proposed changes to anti-discrimination legislation — likened to section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act and Tasmania's anti-discrimination laws — have the potential to stifle free speech.

St Andrews Christian College principal Catriona Wansbrough said her school community in Melbourne's east was concerned about the potential impact on the school's ability to teach according to its values, including the belief God had.

Our Principal Catriona Wansbrough has been actively involved in the battle to help protect religious freedom, in particular how it relates to Australian Christian education. She is at the forefront, working closely with CSA (Christian Schools Australia) and regularly being asked for views and comment by national publications such as The Australian and Federal Politicians. Recently Catriona was also asked to submit a detailed article about St Andrews Christian College to the Parliamentary Review, Australia's pre-eminent educational review publication circulated to all Federal MP's. As Catriona

says "It is a momentous and challenging time ahead for Australian Christian schools and one that could dramatically change the Christian educational landscape in Australia. It's a time when every Christians need to be actively aware of the issues involved and determined to make their voices heard."

HOPE AUSTRALIA SOCCER ACADEMY



HASA or Hope Australia Soccer Academy launched in April at Casey town Hall to work with refugees and migrant communities in the City of Casey and Cardinia. Some St Andrews students and staff were involved in the launch of the program. Andrew Farmer is on the steering group and hopes to get St Andrews community involved further with the program in future years as junior soccer coaches serving their local communities. Any one interested to know more or sponsor the program please contact Andrew Farmer via the PE office or afarmer@standrews.vic.ed.au

IAN NEO FINALIST IN MGA TOP SHOTS



It's exciting to announce that Ian Neo was selected for TOPshots at the Monash Gallery of Art, for an artwork that he produced during Year 12 Studio Arts, 2018. TOPshots is a highly competitive exhibition showcasing artworks created by students studying the VCE subjects of Art, Media and Studio Arts.

The exhibition will be running from the 25th of May 2019 to 14th of July 2019 at the Monash Gallery of Art. If you see Ian around, be sure to congratulate him.

CALEB LOY SHARES HIS JOURNEY

Past 2016 student Caleb Loy made a special visit to St Andrews to share his journey with teachers and friends and talk about what God has been doing in his life since completing his studies at St Andrews. It was a wonderful encouragement to teachers to hear the impact



their faith and devotion has had on his life. Thank you Caleb, keep sowing seeds and trusting God .

SOLOMON ISLANDS FUND RAISER SUCCESS



What an amazing fun event and it raised \$1,319.65 for the Solomon Islands "SHINE!" team!

Thank you everyone who got involved and for your help and support. Also a big thanks to our amazing SI Team for all their arrangement, the running of the event and our students who took part. You are incredible.

And another big thanks to Andrew Farmer for organising us all.

Blessings Catriona



ST ANDREWS STUDENTS SELECTED FOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



14 St Andrews students from Year 8, 9 and 10 have progressed through regionals and have been selected to represent Victoria at the NCSS National Competition to held in Gold Coast on May 20-24. We have seven netballers, six soccer players and a boys basketball player. The representative students are: **Basketball:** Brendan Lam **Netball:** Andrea Chai, Leilani Beovich, Samantha O'Donnell, Julia Pajor, Ella Cassidy, Charli-Rose Morris, Charlotte Waldron **Soccer:** Jack Moody, Joseph Kuhlmann, Sam Sires, Guransh Makhija, Jason Lam, Wesley Forward. *(Head of PE & Health Andrew Farmer will coach the Victorian Boys Soccer team.)*

ST ANDREWS SWIM CHAMPS





On Friday the 3rd of May a select group of students had the chance to represent St Andrews and themselves at the CSEN Champions swimming competition!

They performed amazingly and showed great sportsmanship each giving their best effort. Lauren Carline in year 8 had a fantastic day qualifying to compete with a small group of select students representing the whole of CSEN and will compete next Monday!



Here are two student accounts of the day:

"On Friday 3/5 we went to CSEN Champions Swimming. Medley Relay was the first event of the day, our superstar relay team was Vicky (Backstroke), Alannah (Breaststroke), Me

(Butterfly) and Annika (Freestyle). We came first by a mile and were very excited. I hope next year we do even better again."

- Bonnie Carline (5F)

"On Friday 3/5 some selected students from St Andrews Christian College participated in the CSEN Champions swimming. To be honest we did quite well and I am very happy about how we did. My Medley relay team came 1st and Freestyle relay placed 3rd. We had lots of fun and now know what to improve on for next year. The best thing about it is that we made lots of friends and had a great time."

- Vicky Zhang (5F)

Cailyn Holland - Senior School Teacher

HELLO FROM DANIEL BROADBRIDGE



Serving missionary families through teaching their children in Thailand



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Save the Humans
www.pioneers.org.au

Hi everyone,

To say I'm missing everyone at St Andrews would be an understatement! I trust everyone has had great start to the year doing God's work at school.

I thought some of you might be interested to know what's happening with me and where I'm headed this year. After much prayer and discussion with many people and organisations, I've decided to jump in the deep end. In short, I am to teach at an international school in Chiang Mai for two years, starting in August. The school, Grace International School, describes itself as a "Christ-centred", "mission-inspired" school which aims to "keep missionary families in the field". It promises to be a vibrant community of believers with single-minded focus on the gospel. I've already had a chance to meet the parents of one of my new students - missionaries planting churches around northern

Thailand - and their son is excited to have a new Maths teacher.

This is a passion of mine - serving missionary families - and I'm excited and nervous about my transition to a new country. Any prayers would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to join my contact list and continue to pray for me or support me in other ways, please email me using broadbridge.d@gmail.com. Also let me know if you have a preferred method of contact (eg. another email address or social medium)

Abundant blessings in the fullness of Christ,

Daniel Broadbridge



Calendar

IMPORTANT COMING EVENTS - Term 2 2019:

- **Monday 20th – Friday 24th May** – National Christian School Sports Carnival – Gold Coast (Selected Students)
- **Monday 27th May** – St Andrews Public Speaking Finals
- **Monday 27th May** – Ensemble Concert
- **Wednesday 29th May** – Year 5 & 6 - SSV Winter Sports Day
- **Thursday 30th May** – St Andrews Christian College AGM + Board Meeting
- **Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th June** – Year 7 – 11 Exam Week
- **Friday 7th June** – Report Writing Day – Student Free Day
- **Saturday 8th June** – VCE Formal

- **Monday 10th June** – Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday – No School for Staff or Students
- **Wednesday 12th June** – Year 12 Gat
- **Friday 14th June** – Year 5 & 6 - SSV Winter Sports Day
- **Monday 24th** – Friday 28th June – Year 10 - Work Experience
- **Wednesday 26th June** – Sunday 7th July – Solomon Islands Mission Trip
- **Thursday 27th June** - St Andrews Christian College Board Meeting
- **Friday 28th June** – Last Day of Term 2

TERM DATES FOR 2019

Term 1

Friday 1st February – Friday 5th April

*Preps start on Monday 4th February

Term 2

Wednesday 24th April – Friday 28th June

*Note: Term 3 holidays are 2.5 weeks and not 3 weeks as in previous years

Term 3

Thursday 18th July – Friday 20th September

Term 4

Monday 7th October – Tuesday 10th December



Parents & Friends

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser

The PFA would like to thank all the volunteers who assisted in the running of the Bunnings BBQ at the Vermont South Store on Saturday May 11th. The PFA was able to raise a profit of \$856 on the day and the money raised will further enable the PFA to provide support for the College activities.

Entertainment Books

The 2019/20 Entertainment Books digital edition is now available for purchase using the following link - [digital membership here.](#)

A portion of each sale goes to the PFA.

School Banking

School Banking will take place on each Tuesday of the School Term.

2nd Hand Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is located just next to the Multi-Purpose Hall and student drop off area. The Uniform Shop will open from 8:30am - 9:30am each Wednesday during the Term. Please note that due to the generosity of families; we currently have a large stock of second-hand uniforms at the present time and will not be accepting further donations of uniforms until the start of Term 3.

Icy Pole Friday

Icy Pole Friday will take place every Friday lunchtime.

Volunteering

Parents are reminded that if you are volunteering at school, you'll need a current Working With Children Check. These can be done [online](#) and then submitted at a post office at no cost.

The school also requires parents who volunteer or go on excursions to read and sign a Child Safety Code of Conduct form, which is available from the school office.

Parent Participation Hours

Families can participate by being involved in a variety of activities. During the year, notices will be sent out requesting parent help at various events or activities, for example, helping at sports carnivals, covering library books, icy pole Fridays, 2nd Hand Uniform Shop, PFA events, classroom help or attending working bees.

Parents are required to record the hours they have completed in the Parent Hours Book which is kept in the College Office. You will be charged a Parent Participation fee of \$250 at the commencement of each year and will be credited at the end of the term for any work done. You will be credited at a rate of \$25 per hour of work completed, up to a maximum of \$250 for the year. The time requirement for each family is ten hours per year.

Keep an eye out for notices in the Week at A Glance for activities and events being held each Term.

2019 PFA Executive Committee

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Vice President: Sally Wade
Secretary: Lesley Goh
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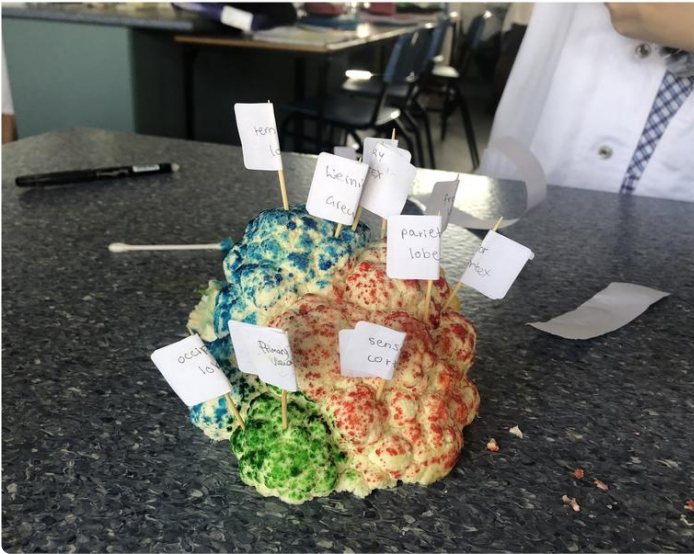
Andrew O'Brien
PFA President



Senior School

PSYCHOLOGY LAB BRAIN TEASER

The Year 11 VCE Psychology students undertook a practical dissection of a sheep's brains late in Term 1. They enjoyed being able to learn about the brains different structures and functions whilst being able to locate and identify them on a real brain. This was a great opportunity for the students to consolidate their knowledge in a collaborative way. In this practical lesson students also learnt about the 4 lobes of the brain; frontal, parietal, occipital and temporal. The students then used a cauliflower as a mock brain where they coloured coded the relevant areas with food dye to identify the approximate location of each lobe and the further structures within the lobes. The students enjoyed getting out of the VCE classroom and challenging themselves in what can be a confronting exercise.



PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALISTS



the assembly.

At the recent Senior School assembly, staff and students were captivated by the wonderful speeches of two senior school students, Becky Schenker from Yr 11 and Evan Hughes from Yr 10.

Both students presented beautiful and heartfelt speeches on the topic 'Jesus is the Light of the World'. Each gave their personal perspective on the verse and articulated an inspiring message of hope, love and light to

Both judges expressed admiration for the skill and courage of the speakers and after a close contest Becky Schenker was chosen to represent the Senior School at the Whole School Finals on Monday 27th May.

BUSINESS STUDENTS RAISE \$\$\$

St Andrews Unit 1/2 Business Studies students finally got to run their businesses that they have been developing for the last few months!

The class as a whole RAISED a fantastic \$1,235.20 for the SOLOMON ISLAND MISSION TRIP!

The students really appreciate the patience of teachers in helping them learn through this experience. A special shout out to our prep teachers & Mrs. Hughes for being such a wonderful support and helping out and giving grace when challenges arose.



I am very proud of how well these students adjusted and solved problems, working really hard to support a fantastic trip!!

Thanks,

Cailyn Holland - Senior School Teacher

NEW SOCCER UNIFORMS FOR YEAR 9/10 GIRLS

The Year 9 and 10 girls are loving their new soccer uniforms. Although they lost their recent game to Lighthouse Christian College, they scored full points for looking cool. Go girls!



SENIOR BOYS CONNECT WITH JUNIORS



It's been fantastic to see our Senior boys spending time with our Junior schools boys in the classroom and during lunch break displaying genuine interest, friendship and having fun and most of all role modelling Jesus to young lives.



VOLLEYBALL HIGH FLYERS



For the first time ever, St Andrews Christian College entered one boys and one girls team in the 'Volleyball Victoria One Day Schools Cup'. The students had a fantastic day competing, learning heaps and discovering what is required to step up to the next level of competition. Overall we did exceptionally well for our first foray into competitive tournament Volleyball. The girls won 2 out of 4 games and defeated Tintern Grammar to secure third place in finals. The boys played four tight games that could have gone either way. All the students thoroughly enjoyed the day and can't wait for next year's competition to roll around!





Middle School

VALUE CHAMPIONS

In Middle School, our passion is to develop faithfully devoted servants of Christ. On a regular basis, we love to celebrate our VALUE CHAMPIONS; the people who live out our values on a daily basis.

Well done to the following students:

Faithfully Honouring Commitments (Matt. 25:14-30) – It's about being faithful in the small things.

- Our class 'Fish Monitors' Lynn Hyun and Bonnie Carline (5F) have been faithful in feeding and looking after our pet fish.
- Sean Ortega (5S) working hard over the holidays to present a polished and impacting speech for the public-speaking competition
- Oliver Lim and Joseph Zhu (5S) Faithfully Honouring Commitments: consistently leading the class line with diligence and faithfulness
- Joseph Cho (6C) for doing his classroom job consistently every day without being asked.
- Jun Xiang (6L) for doing his job everyday without being asked
- Una You (7C) who Faithfully Honours Commitments by keeping track of the timetable and homework on the whiteboard on a daily basis.
- Nicholas Kho (7C) for completing all requirements for the Victorian Premier's Reading Competition before the end of Term 1.

- Jayden Hung (7H) always at classes on time and brings all books required.
- Timothy Adam (8K) comes in early each morning and puts the chairs down to get the classroom ready for a 9am start

Devoted to Growth (1 Tim. 4:14-15) – It's about seeking the small improvement one day at a time.

- Gabriel Armanyous (5F) consistently asks how he could improve upon completing his job as Mathematics Homework monitor. And he always acts upon advice given.
- Anjali Malik and Ruth Liu (5S) making great contributions about wellness in Girls' Health
- Leah Chong (5S) sharing stories with the class confidently
- Noah Malpass (6C) for asking for feedback on his public speaking and practising to apply this.
- Ruby Baxter (6L) consistently asking for feedback in writing to improve her work
- Melissa Yao and Sofia Lopez (7C) for extending themselves and putting in an excellent effort in preparing for the Public Speaking Competition MS finals.
- Christian Bligh (7H) working hard to complete homework and preparing for exams in Maths.
- Hei Hei Yip (7H) amazing behaviour in Chinese, as well as answering questions and a determination to do well.
- Charlie Penny (7H) work consistently getting neater, striving to improve.
- Tylor Zhu (7H) working hard to improve his understanding in Maths and never giving up.
- Andrew Tan (7H) in Health, suggesting prayer as having positive health benefits.
- Grace Jeon (8K) asks questions to improve in her work and has shown a great attitude to learning.
- Luca Nathan (8C) for consistently striving to attain excellence in his performance in Science

Servant Heart (1 Peter 4:7-11) – It's about taking action to add value to others.

- Evan Widjaja (5F) showed a servant heart by continually giving help to people who were struggling with using keynote (iPad app) in class.
- Louis Sun (5S) volunteering to be the 5S eco-captain and contributing to the sustainability of the school
- Hannah Chard, Tiffany Kim & Nicole Ni (6C) for creating a beautiful birthday display for their friend's birthday

- Jaden Cheung and Josh Weldon (6L) for getting out each others books and supplies for every lesson and serving one another so well
- Emily Yeng (7H) supporting others in Maths when they are confused.
- Jed Forbes (8K) faithfully honours uniform rules and is always neatly attired in the correct uniform.

Keep up the great work!

Mr Daniel Lee - Head of Middle School

ECO-CHALLENGE WINNERS RECEIVE AWARDS



Towards the end of Term 3 in 2018, a number of St Andrews took on the 2018 Eco Challenge in teams of two. The Challenge annually provides an exciting and authentic learning experience for students through the online strategic game, Aqua Republica, to explore issues and solutions relating to water management and sustainable development. Over 600 teams took part from around the world and our St Andrews Christian College students were amongst the final winners. Joshua O'Donnell (8c) and Leon Hiew (8c), were the overall Australian winners, and also placed second in the global competition. In second place were Cyrus Ting (8K) and Matthew Baker (former student) and in third place Noah Low (8K) and Kevin Wang (8K). According to the organisers, the St Andrews teams in general ranked very highly across both the national and international events. What an amazing achievement for our students!

Joshua O'Donnell deserves special mention, as he played the winning game! Both Joshua O'Donnell and Leon Hiew, his teammate, received a certificate and \$250.00 Coles/Myer gift card for first place in Australia from Curtin University in WA, as well as a \$150 Amazon gift

card for achieving second place in Australia. They also each received certificates from the international organisers for first place in Australia and second place internationally.

Cyrus Ting and his teammate Matthew Baker, each received a certificate and a Coles/Myer gift card to the value of \$150 for achieving second place in Australia, and also a certificate each from the international organisers, honouring this achievement. Noah Low and his teammate Kevin Wang, received a certificate and a \$100 Coles/Myer gift card each for achieving third place in Australia, as well as a certificate from the international organisers, honouring their achievement. Congratulations to these students for taking on the challenge and being devoted to growth!

Christa Cloete - Head of Year 7/8

2R CELEBRATES MOTHERS' DAY



Mother's day in 2R

We appreciate all our mother's do the love, care and support they give to us so unconditionally! The students made their mums a bunch of flowers and wrote acrostic poems for them.

M - mum makes me feel special.

O - only one for me.

T - takes care of me everyday.

H - helps me.

E - encourages me.

R - really loves me!

SUSTAINABILITY AT ST ANDREWS



It gives me immense pleasure to lead the Sustainability group at St Andrews. This year we had our Senior School members give a talk on Sustainability to our Middle School students informing them about our 'Enviro Team'. Their efforts as well as the homeroom teachers' encouragement resulted in many new members joining our Enviro Team from Years 5-8. Thanks Julia Pajor, Michelle McCabe and Timothy Chou.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our new members to the larger school community. The new members are: Hannah Chard, Jonathan Chen, Ashley Cheng, Ruby Muggerridge, Aruvi Gopesh, Grace Jeon, Rueben Hogen, Tiffany Kim, Caleb Nah, Maya Nallathamby, Louis Sun and Irena Tan. If you teach or meet these students please encourage them for their commitment towards Sustainability at SACC.

Some of these fantastic students have visited all the classes to check if they have the Red Cycle bag. We have been notified the classes that don't have these bags and we have replaced new ones for them. The Red Cycle bags are for wrappers that have no food remains. If we can encourage all our students to use those that would be great.

We are also constantly looking for some parent volunteers who would like to be a part of our Sustainability group. If you are interested in Sustainability or would like to learn about sustainability @SACC, please contact me or the school office. Your contributions in any sort and manner would be greatly appreciated.

God bless you all.

Mr Fernandes

PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALISTS



Congratulations to Melissa Yao (7C) who emerged as the winner and Gabriel Armanyous (5F) runner up, at the Middle School Public Speaking Competition. They delighted the audience with their riveting and inspiring speeches on the topic, "Jesus is the Light of the World".

Well Done, Melissa & Gabriel!

YEAR 5 ENJOY THE THRILL OF THE SPOTLIGHT



There's something about being on stage when those spot lights shine directly on us. It very often brings out the hidden thespian in us all. That's exactly what happened to our year 5s

when Mrs Elbourne introduced them to the power of theatre lighting and it also helped illustrate power of Jesus transforming light and our College theme "Jesus is the Light of the World".

THE 2019 VICTORIAN PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE



The 2019 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is a compulsory reading program for all Year 7 and 8 students.

The challenge aims to:

- develop a love for reading and improve our students' literacy skills, with the support of teachers, classmates and parents
- promote a reading culture in school and at home

The Reading Challenge runs from February to August and students are required to read a total of 15 books and complete a number of activities based on the books.

THE FOLLOWING NEW TITLES FOR VPRC IN 2019 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENIOR LIBRARY				
 <p>Genre: Crime</p> <p><i>Enola Holmes is the much younger sister of the famous detective, Sherlock Holmes. Her mother has disappeared and Enola needs to solve the mystery, while hiding her whereabouts from Sherlock Holmes.</i></p>	 <p>Genre: Science Fiction</p> <p><i>Roz is a robot that finds itself abandoned on a remote island. The only way to survive is to adapt to the surroundings and learn from the animals around it.</i></p>	 <p>Genre: Fantasy</p> <p><i>The Ranger's apprentice series continues. This series follows the adventures of Maddie- a princess in disguise who needs to keep her identity secret.</i></p>	 <p>Genre: War</p> <p><i>The central theme for this novel is escape. Josef needs to flee Nazi Germany during the 1930s. Isabel has to leave Cuba during the 1994, while Mahmoud has been forced to leave Syria in 2015. While each has their own story, the stories are also linked.</i></p>	 <p>Genre: Humour</p> <p><i>This book is a must for anyone who has bought the latest gadget without knowing quite what it does.</i></p>

A GOOD DAY FOR YEAR 7 & 8 GIRL'S SOCCER

It was a good day all round for the girls Year 7 and Year 8 soccer team. Not only did they take to the field in flashy new uniforms they also drew in their first match with Lighthouse

Christian College 1-1.

Well done girls!



Junior School

A FASCINATING FUN DAY AT IMAX & MUSEUM

Recently, the year 3 students enjoyed an exciting trip into the city to visit IMAX and the Museum.

It was a joy to watch their wide-eyed amazement and hear their excited giggles as they discovered fascinating exhibits at every turn. Below are some of their comments.

"We watched a fascinating and informative movie about space and we saw interesting things in the Museum." - Liam and Remi

"It was an amazing opportunity to see God's wonderful creations." - Sheanne

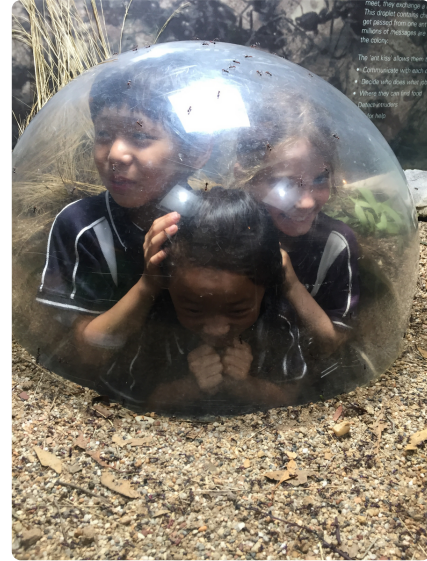
Some of our favourite things we saw were:

"the dinosaur fossils" - Aisha and Jonah; "the beautiful crystals" - Erin;

"the creepy bugs" - Charlie; "lizard" - Vanya; "the scary tarantula and the spiders" - Cooper

It was an absolutely wonderful day!

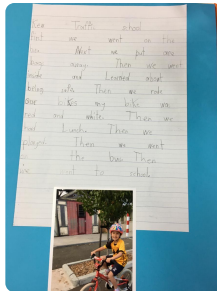
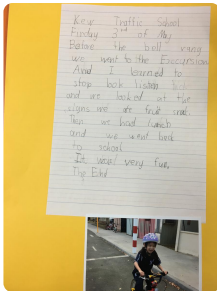
Mrs Albertus and Ms Elliott - Year 3 Teachers



BEEP! BEEP! TRAFFIC SCHOOL

In early May, the Year 1s visited the Kew Traffic School. Students learnt all about road safety and were able to ride bikes around the facility. Students loved stopping at the real traffic lights and riding on the mini roads! You can read more about their visit by looking at some of the students' recount writing.

Mrs Lepileo and Mrs Jones - Year 1 Teachers



ST ANDREWS STUDENTS SELECTED FOR THE ISV SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Several of our students submitted stories in the Independent Schools Short Story Competition. We are proud to announce that out of 350 entries from Independent schools 40 were selected and 3 of these were St Andrews students. This is quite an achievement!

Two of our students were selected to feature on the Short Story Dispenser at the [Arts Leaning Festival](#).

The stories were:

- The Friendship Forest, by Charlotte Cheung (2H)
- The Ransom Note, by Isabella Tan (4C)



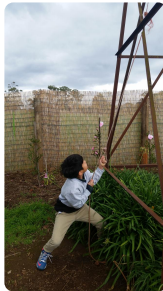
In addition, one of our students Anabelle Tay (4C) received an Honourable Mention in the Years 3-4 category for her story "Rupert". The story will also feature on the Short Story Dispenser.

The Short Story Dispenser is available for use on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at the Atrium at Federation Square.

YEAR 2 GO BACK IN TIME AT MONT DELANCEY

The Year 2s enjoyed a visit to Mont DeLancey on Monday the 13th of May. Mont DeLancey is an old homestead in Wandin with a museum, chapel and an old school. The students were able to experience blacksmithing, wood turning and life as a student over 100 years ago.

The students took part in many activities such as making damper on a fire, apple slinking, peg people and lavender bag crafts as well as go karting and old fashioned games. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all!



INAUGURAL JUNIOR HOUSE CAPTAINS

On Friday 3rd May the Junior School had their inaugural House Captains induction assembly. Our new leaders are Erica Dunham and Joanna Kwe for Deakin, Serafim Oktanio and Annabelle Malpass for Parkes and, Zoe Wong and Derek Qi for Barton. These students went through a rigorous process of submitting an application that needed references from their parents and teachers along with a letter and commitment from them. Then they went through an interview process before the final selection. Each of these students truly understand the principle of "Servant Leadership". At the Assembly our students were presented with their badges by our Deputy Mr Tim Farmilo and the Senior School Captains. Ben Audet our School Captain then prayed for them to be the leaders Jesus would want them to be. In the future these leaders will be attending leadership development classes in their

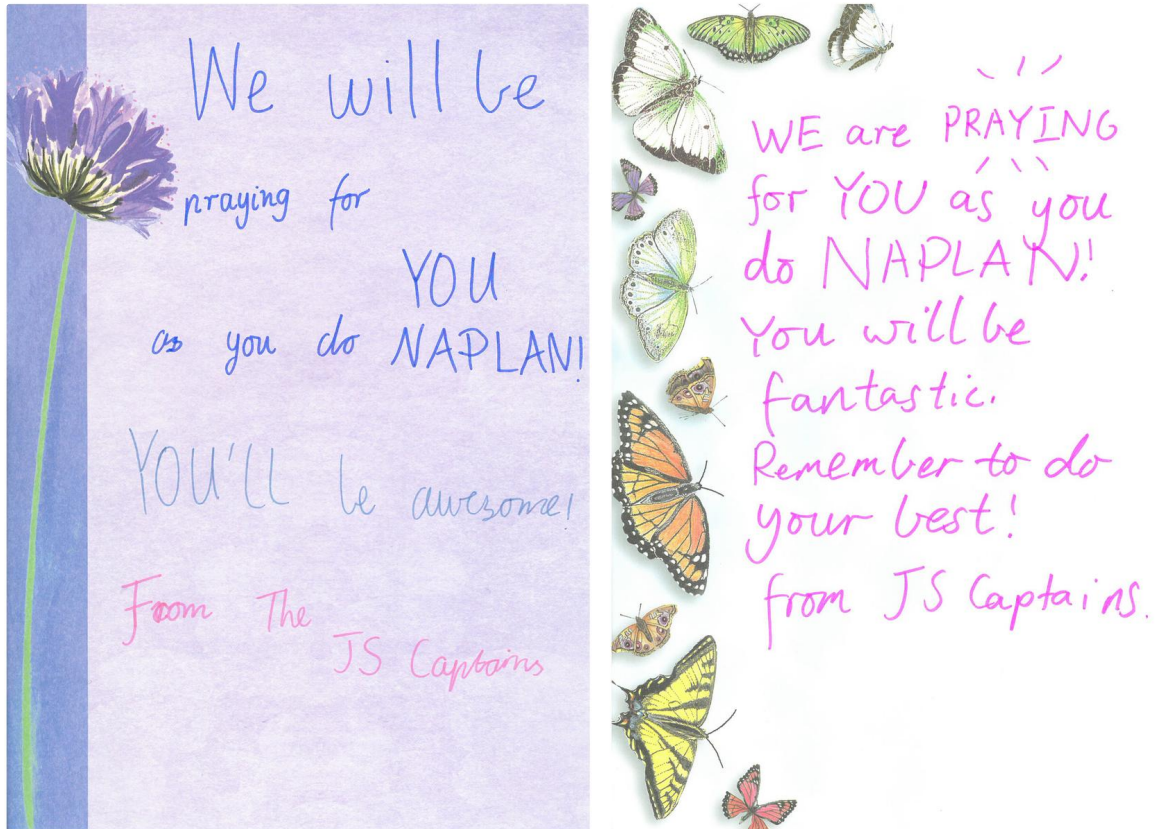
lunchtimes, helping with various events like Assemblies and creating a culture of encouragement in the Junior School. We are all very proud of these students and all of the Year 4s who applied. It is a great start to our new leadership development program in the Junior School.



WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

FROM HOUSE CAPTAINS

Six Middle School Captains wrote 54 notes of encouragement to Year 3 students for their forthcoming NAPLAN test.



ENSEMBLES EXTRAVAGANZA

Tickets are now available for the Ensembles Extravaganza concert to be held in the MPH on Monday 27 May at 7pm. Over 100 of our very talented students from Year 2 - 12 will be performing in a range of ensembles including our four main choirs, Jazz Band, Concert Band, String Ensembles and our newly formed Training Band. We would love to have a huge audience to perform to! Tickets can be purchased from <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=498315&>

"Year 2 have been learning about Life Cycles in Science and in Music we have created an awesome music video featuring our fantastic artwork. Please feel free to sing along <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LMhfWuvRhe79tDRK-w96i2B2VI32R9PO/view>

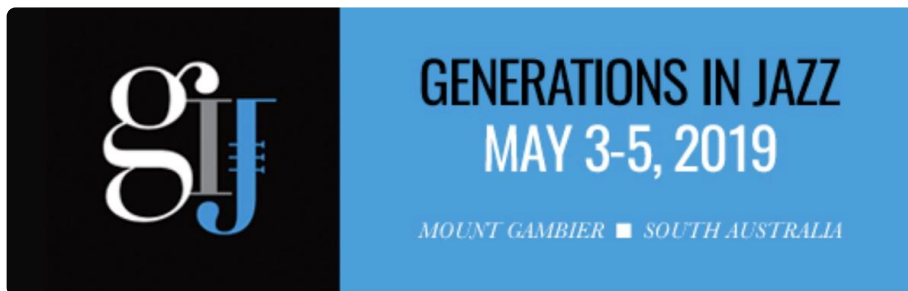


Arts

THEATRE SPORTS FINALISTS

Finals for Theatre Sports were held at Hillcrest Christian College. A solid effort from our theatre sports teams made the final decision very close. Our senior team came in third place, out of the five teams who made the finals. And our juniors scored equal first with Maranatha, but were beaten in the tie breaker, that saw the trophy awarded to Maranatha for 2019. It was a great result all round with some outstanding performances delivered by everyone!

GENERATIONS IN JAZZ SUCCESS



Report of the Generations in Jazz trip to Mount Gambier - by Rachael Song Music Captain (11E)

"On Friday, the 3rd of May, 29 students woke up bright and early to embark on the trek down to Mount Gambier. After the five-hour long drive (pew!) and a few toilet stops along the way, we made a quick landing in our accommodation for the weekend before making our way over the hill to the festival. The first concert we attended that night introduced us to the guests that would showcase this year including Lizz Wright and Kurt Elling - both world renowned vocalists, Joey deFrancesco - awarded 'best b3 player' by the Jazztimes and Rickey Woodard - who played in Ray Charles' band for several years as well as The Capp-Pierce Juggernaut as a jazz saxophonist.

We also enjoyed hearing from the highly acclaimed performance ensemble all the way from the Herbie Hancock institute of jazz in California. Among all the international visitors it was a joy for the returning students to see the familiar faces of James Morrison, Ross Irwin and the GIJ big band. A hop, skip and a jump later it was competition day; the day we had been working and waiting for for the past 7 months.

The St. Andrews Jazz Band was up first thing in the morning in Division 5 - a non-competitive division that encourages emerging bands. Second for the day was the Division 2 vocal ensemble - Euphonix - the fourth year most of these students had attended. Third came the Division 3 vocal ensemble - Voxology - the third year for most of these students and finally (after a fulfilling lunch) the newly formed VCE vocal group competing in the open small division. That night was another filled with awesome arrangements and stunning jazz compositions that left us smiling all the way home.

The Generations in Jazz festival and competition always finishes with a bang and this year was no different. All guests returned to the stage for their final performances as well as the super-bands (comprised of the most promising musicians from each division) and scholarship finalists (for the James Morrison Academy of Music). In between the glorious performances were the results - a highly anticipated moment for all 10,000 musicians in the tent. Although none of our ensembles placed, Noel Abrahams was awarded the most promising drummer from division 5 - the prize being a \$300 cymbal piece (Woo!). Later on we found out that the Division 2 group came 13th, the Division 3 group came 16th and finally the VCE group placed 4th, a fantastic reward for all the hard work from all the students and teachers involved. The trip was a peek into the music industry and the potentials to be reached by any one of us. We can't wait for next years competition - no doubt even more talent to be showcased and an encouragement to everyone considering being involved - the invitation is open to all."



Again, congratulations to Noel Abraham for winning the Yamaha Drummers Award in his division and being awarded a professional drummers cymbal for his effort. An amazing achievement. Well done Noel, everyone at St Andrews Christian College is proud of you!

Thank you to everyone!

Luke Batty - Director of Music

SCHOLARSHIP BAND PROGRAMME

We had our first band rehearsal for our Concert Band Scholarship Programme. This programme replaced the Year 5 Band Programme and has been aimed at recruiting keen and enthusiastic instrumentalists who want to make a 2 year commitment to learning an instrument and participating in an ensemble, ranging in age from Year 3 to Year 6. The

students have had a term of lessons on their instruments and by now they can confidently play AT LEAST 6 notes - the challenge for 'getting the band together' is that the first 6 notes are not the same on each instrument! Everybody did super well, and all the students were really excited to see all the different instruments and when we all played the same pitch note AT THE SAME TIME it was AMAZING!!



YEAR 11 THEATRE STUDIES PRESENT:

'Scenes from Metamorphoses'

METAMORPHOSES

It's time for another opportunity to see our fabulous students unleash their awesome theatre talents!

This year the Year 11 Theatre Studies class will be presenting 'Scenes from Metamorphoses'. A play that centres around a group of laundresses who tell each other stories from Ovid's Metamorphoses – ancient Roman myths. Some are happy, some are tragic, some are hilarious. But there are lessons to be learned from each of these fables.



Performances are NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 21st May 5:15pm or 7:15pm

Wednesday 22nd May 7:15pm

Tickets are \$6, and available from trybooking:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BCQSO>

The show will go for less than an hour.

The students in the class are:

Katelyn Farmer, Karin Siahay, Becky Schenker, Tiffany Adam, Lachlan Ahearn, Amy Muggerridge, Chloe Iskandar, Isabella Rakers, Amber Swank, Raelyn Ooi and Jolie Wong.

I guarantee that you will come away saying “wow, I didn’t know that kid could act!” and also marvelling at some of the beautiful visuals and design work.

Get your ticket now! *We sold out last time!*

Kathryn Brown - Senior School & Drama Teacher

YEAR 3's "WOW"

ART & SCULPTURE EXPERIENCE

On a day where Mrs Darlison, Mrs Albertus and Miss Elliott were feeling like they might become sodden from torrential downpours, the year 3s set off for McClelland Art and Sculpture Gallery, complete with umbrellas and yellow rain jackets, sketch pads, pencils and backpacks.



The day did prove to be overcast, with only a smattering of rain, but that did not stop the children from enjoying an Art experience to be remembered at the Gallery! Led by our highly knowledgeable hosts, Imogen and Gus, we experienced sculptures that played music, moved eerily with the wind and looked like they had been transported from some suburban street corner into the bush by a freak tornado were on the visual menu as well as interactive pieces that could be climbed into and explored. What a feast for the senses we had!

The children were also able to explore their own creative capabilities outdoors by way of using natural materials such as branches, leaves and bark to create 'ephemeral' art pieces which would subsequently be demolished by wildlife, weather and other visitors to the Gallery over time. Indoors, the children also had the opportunity to create more works of fine art through the use of crayons and water colours. We, the teachers, were ever impressed by the talent emerging from these young ones.

Many thanks to the Gallery for having us there for the day; to the parent who came along to help and to the wonderful Mrs Darlison for organizing such a treat for us to enjoy. Following are some of the comments expressed by the children regarding the day.



"The excursion was very fun. We went to a sculpture museum called McClelland Art and Sculpture Gallery. It was a very good gallery. There was an instrument that played by the wind, there was a very cool one that had metal strings holding up about 30kg of stones! There also was a place with some balls and some of them were hollow! We had our lunchtime over there. We also did some drawing. I liked The Giving Tree picture the most. There was also a broken street part in the gallery, it looked like it flew and landed in the gallery."

- Jincheng Li

"On the 2nd of May grade three went to McClelland Art and Sculpture Gallery. There we saw lots of amazing sculptures. So there was a giant ape or monkey sculpture and there was

even one we could go inside of."

- Minea Leivo

"The year threes went on an art excursion today and it was amazing! We got to see about 50 different sculptures. There was even one which you could go into. There was a small house and when you go into it, if you look up you see lots of stars even if it's daytime!"

- Nathan Elbourne

"At McClelland Art and Sculpture Gallery I was fascinated by the interesting sculptures and the beautiful art inside the gallery. I enjoyed the oil pastel and water colour and I was surprised that water actually doesn't mix with oil!"

- Gabriel Liu

"On Thursday, May 2nd we went to the wonderful McClelland Art and Sculpture Gallery. Our guide was Imogen. She first showed us the sculptures and talked about them. My favourite one was some tubes that made noises. After recess we went inside and drew some pictures with water colour. We also did some sketching with pencils. We sketched all kinds of sculptures."

- Abygail Xiao

"We went to an art gallery. It was called McClelland Art and Sculpture gallery. Our tourist guide was called Imogen. She showed us lots of things. My favourite activity was making our own sculpture. My group made a fire place. We called ours the "Open Art Fire". I had lots of fun on the excursion."

- Annabel Russell.





Library

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Staff: Lynne Marks, Anita Little, Wai Peng Heath

Email: library@standrews.vic.edu.au.

OPENING HOURS

Middle/ Senior Library:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays: Open from 8.15am (for students in Years 4-12 only).

Monday to Friday: Recess and Lunch

After school:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays until 4pm.

Wednesdays until 3.45pm.

Junior Library:

Students may borrow books after school if they bring a book bag and return the books they have finished reading. Please see staff in the Senior Library for access and loans.

May is Family Reading Month

Each year in May, Scholastic runs a Family Reading month. Students are encouraged to read for 10 minutes a day throughout May and keep a reading log of their progress. They can then go into a draw to win a \$100 book voucher.

Entries close: 7th June, 2019

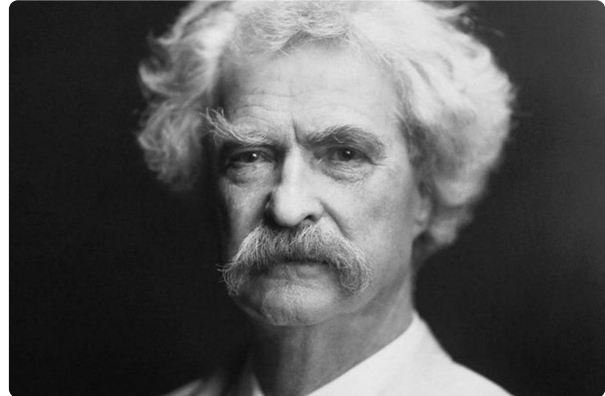
For more information and to sign up go to:

<http://www.scholastic.com.au/nfrm>

From Mrs Heath:

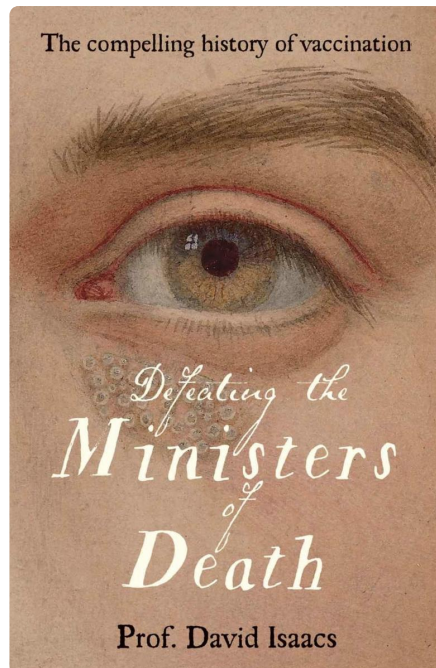
Do you know how Mark Twain choose his name?

One story is that his name came from working on the riverboats on the Mississippi River. The cry that would be given to give the minimum safe level for a boat to pass was two fathoms (3.7 metres). This was often called out as mark twain or by the mark twain. The mark was the measuring line on the rope used to test the depth and twain was another way of saying two.



New Title for the Parent Library

A new book has been added to the Parent Library, located in Reception.



***Defeating the Ministers of Death* by Professor David Isaacs.**

The compelling history of vaccination. We may fear terrorist attacks but in truth humans have always had far more to fear from infections. In 1950 there were an estimated 50 million cases of smallpox worldwide, which killed 10 million people. At the end of WWI, Spanish flu proved deadlier than the war that had just eradicated nearly 20 million people. In 1980, before the measles vaccine was introduced, an estimated 2.6 million children died each year of this disease. Less than 100 years ago, child and infant death due to illness was a tragic event dreaded by every parent - from the

most revered to the poorest. Today, these diseases are seen not at all or only rarely, thanks to the development of antibiotics and vaccination. Vaccination, especially, has given 20th- and 21st-century parents a peace of mind their ancestors could only dream of. The story of vaccination is rich with trial, error, sabotage and success. It's the tragedy of lives lost, the drama of competition and discovery, the culpability of botched testing, and the triumph of effective, lifelong immunity. Yet with the eradication in the first world of some of our deadliest diseases - and the fading memory of their awful consequences - complacency has set in. We

forget the power of these diseases at our peril. This is a book for everyone who fronts up to get their jabs and might want to be reminded why. (Back cover)

HISTORY COMPETITIONS

Premier's Spirit of ANZAC Prize

Year levels; Years 9 and 10

Deadline: Tuesday 8th October, 2019, 5pm

More information: <https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-spirit-anzac-prize>

The Simpson Prize

Year levels: Years 9 and 10

Deadline: Friday, 8th November, 2019

More information: <http://www.simpsonprize.org/>

National History Challenge

Year levels: Years Prep-12

Deadline: 30th August, 2019

More information: <http://historychallenge.org.au/>

HTAV Historical fiction competition

Year levels: Years 5-10

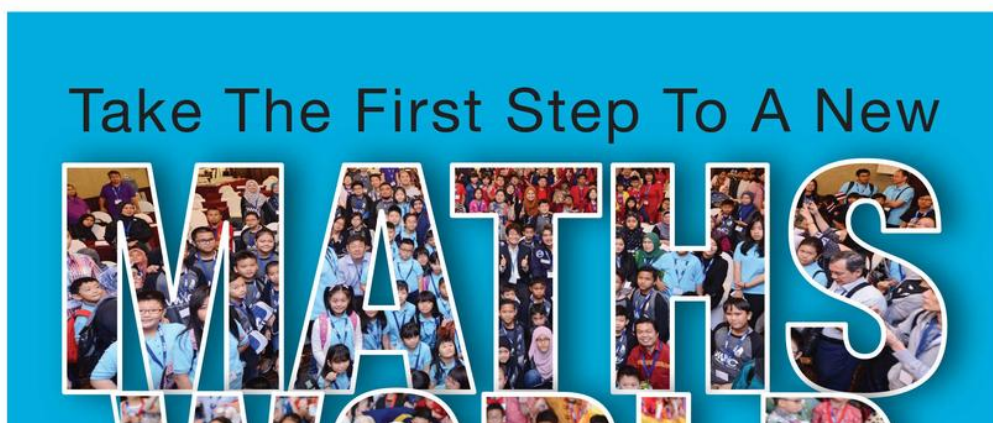
(HTAV member schools only- St. Andrews Christian College is a member)

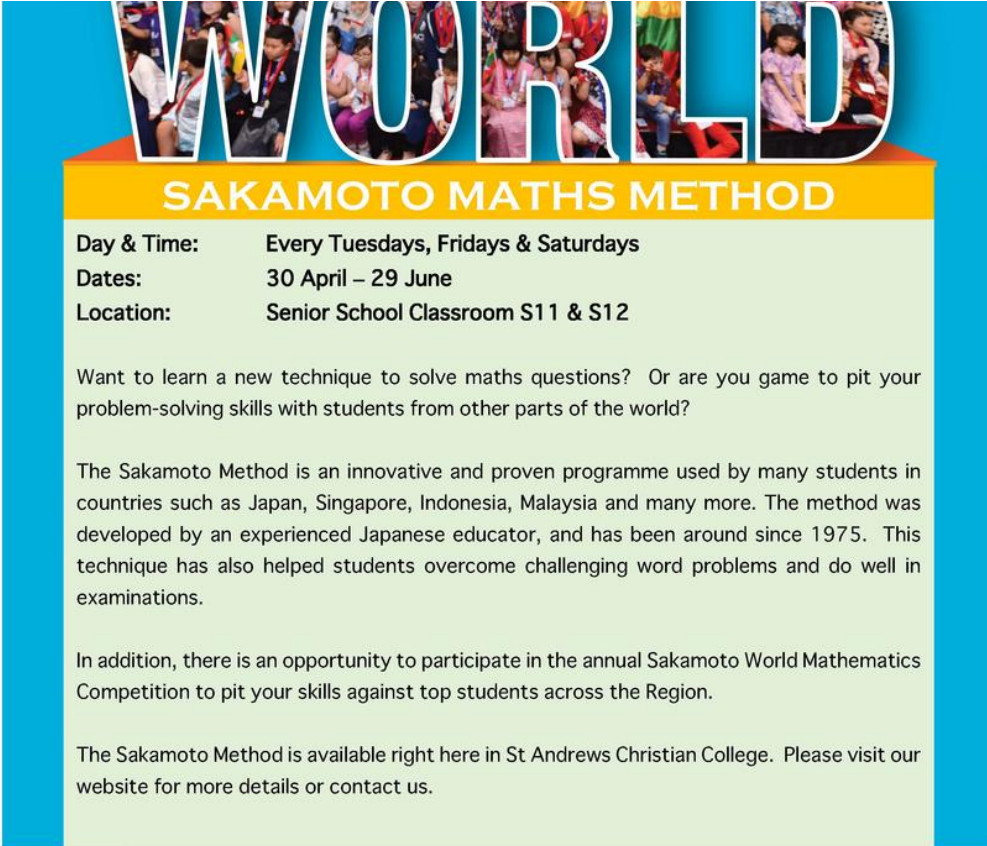
Deadline: Friday 2nd August 2019

More information: <https://www.htav.asn.au/students/htav-historical-fiction-competition>



Community



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Day & Time: Every Tuesdays, Fridays & Saturdays
Dates: 30 April – 29 June
Location: Senior School Classroom S11 & S12

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