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NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING OPENS



It has been a really busy time for John Trembath, Darren Waterworth, Ian Field, Dipan Shah and all the builders/contractors to prepare our new Middle School Building for occupation. It was fantastic that our new Science rooms and classrooms for Years 7 and 8 were able to be used on the first day of Term 3 – all on schedule! A huge congratulations to all and the many, many people who have been involved and worked so hard to make it all happen.

We especially praise God for the provision of the grants that have enabled us to build such a magnificent building (State Grant), and the small grant from the Federal Government that was awarded from the BGA last term, that will help us to complete the building and fit out the lower level over the Christmas holidays and in Term 1 next year.

STRATEGIC PLAN (2019 – 2021)

The Board approved this Plan earlier in the year, and I am pleased to present to the community the outline of this Plan in a special brochure (wonderfully designed by Peter Friend who is our Marketing Manager). This special brochure will be circulated to all our staff, families and be used in our marketing packs.



The Executive Leadership Team (ELT) have all been working hard over the past year in identifying and analyzing areas needed for growth in the College. Together we have discussed the priorities that are needed for St Andrews Christian College to be a leading

school of Christian Education, where Excellence in Christ is paramount.

The ELT will consequently lead the various areas of this Strategic Plan to further enrich and grow the College in the 4 pillars of our Strategic Directions: Being a Christ-Centred College; delivering outstanding outcomes in learning and teaching; being an authentically connected community; and, continual infrastructure development.

SOLOMON ISLANDS SERVICE LEARNING TRIP

– July School Holidays



It was such a wonderful trip for everyone! I could see how everyone (staff and students) was growing in their faith, in their gifts and talents, leadership abilities and confidence in themselves – understanding who God made them to be!

Please check out some films the

students have made on our website.

<https://standrews.vic.edu.au/news/solomon-islands-shine-videos/>



For growth and transformation, to lean on and trust Jesus more, I would put every staff member and student in Year 9/10 in a developing country for a couple of weeks to realise they have much to contribute and much to learn from the locals. Everyone becomes more grateful and thankful for what they do have and not what they don't have back in Australia!

I too, always learn when I am in a developing country. It is a great leveller of what is important and a way to come back to the basics in life. Obviously this is in the living conditions, but especially apt in the importance of relationships and how most communities in developing countries exhibit this value far better than we do in Australia. We are so independent, competitive and too busy in life. In the Solomon Islands, people live better in community and share their modest belongings and resources far more generously than we do.

As Christians we have much to learn in how to live in a better way, as God designed us to live, in relationship with Him and with each other, sharing our talents and resources for the benefit of others and for God's glory.

For the students, it was a technology free couple of weeks, where they were not allowed to take their phones or devices. Relationships became the priority – as students and staff really got to know each other!



Some reflections from the students on the Solomon Islands Service Learning Trip:

- Stepping out of my comfort zone really pushed me.
- I have learnt to be grateful for everything in every situation.
- I have learnt to trust God with my whole heart, no matter how things look on the outside.
- God has taught me self-confidence and how to spread His love and His light.
- I want to be an influence.
- The trip has made a difference in my life as I want to be positive about everything I have and in every situation.
- This is my first real experience of seeing God actively working in ways we didn't expect. Now I know what that looks like and will continue to look for God's action. I felt like I clearly saw God's deliberate hand at work.
- I have learnt gratitude. I've always been thankful for what I have but this trip has made me thankful for EVERYTHING I have, even the little things like spatulas and non-stick frying pans.
- I have learnt community. All the people in the Solomons are dependent on each other. They sit down and actually talk. Ferjie told me that she knew everyone in her church and that lots of them were her family. That's the sort of community we need back home. We need to take a step back from our busy lives and technologies and actually talk and get to know each other.
- Throughout this trip I have really discovered God is real through the passion of all the people in the Solomons.
- Hopefully the skills of conversation that I have learnt while in the Solomons will help me to talk to other people about my experience on this trip and about who God is to me.
- What I enjoyed most on this trip was getting to know the actual members on the trip. We all became like family.
- The two most important things I've learnt through this trip is how to be more grateful for the things we have as well as not to take things for granted; how to trust in God's

plan more and no matter what, look at the positive side of things.

- The way I look at life has 100% changed. I will be more grateful and more positive on life's outlook.
- I'm going to thank God more for what I have in life.
- I have experienced God through the joyfulness of the kids and the way they thank God for everything, even if they have nothing.

We are commanded to serve, *"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."* 1 Peter 4:10.

So it is important that we aim to develop a service mindset that is incorporated into every aspect of the College.



It is about developing a missional mindset so that our students understand what it is to be a disciple of Jesus, wherever they go and whatever they do, be that at home, university, the workplace or overseas. It's about developing a heart for servant-hood and knowing we are all called to serve in the way God made each of us. In our love for God and other people, we serve to be a light for Jesus. We are not saved by serving or because of our works, we are saved for serving!

God is far more interested in the attitude of our heart in why we serve, not what we do or how well we do it.

May St Andrews Christian College grow in understanding God's grace and how in our love for Him and others, we just want to serve!



News

WHAT A BLESSING





Our evening with Dr D. – ‘How to be a light in darkness’ was a truly wonderful evening of worship, sharing, teaching and challenges. Students shared on our theme for the year, ‘Jesus, the light of the world’; students performed beautiful music and led us in worship; students created amazing posters and clay houses which adorned the MPH; lamps, rugs and candles created an atmosphere of peace, warmth and comfort; we enjoyed scones and jam; together wrote encouragement notes and prayers to Dr D. and his family.



It was a glorious night of fellowship where Dr D. and his family were able to witness and share with us all, that despite their difficult life and persecutions as Christians, they are able to live in peace and confidence and be a light for Jesus. It is their relationship with Jesus that makes the difference, the assurance of their faith. When connected to Jesus and living in relationship with Him, it is His light that shines.

Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Thanks to the many people who came to share the evening with us (well over 400) and to the many staff (led by our Middle School) and students who put this evening together. You are all amazing!

Shalom,
Catriona

ALL NIGHT PING-PONG MARATHON



Thanks to the staff who supported and participated in the Ping-Pong-a-Thon this year. It was great to see our student leaders organise and publicise fundraising events. Thanks to Andrew and Emily for getting their students to participate during the day. A special thanks to Irena, Natalie, Jo, and Marina (who pulled the 'all-nighter') to support our students overnight! At the moment we have raised over \$5,000 to assist in the end of human trafficking and slavery in SE Asia, with more funds to be tallied! Well done to our students, Audrey Ang, Chloe Chandaraj and Caylee Hendricks for organising!



From Audrey Ang

Last week, August 2-3rd, for the 4th year, we participated in our annual Ping Pong-A-Thon. Having raised over \$500 for people that are currently in human trafficking and exploitation, this event was a huge success and was extremely enjoyable! We are so proud of all our efforts as a school, this event has brought our community stronger and we are so appreciative for everyone's support. Alongside playing PingPong for 24hours, we had an 80s/Bright Colours Dress Up Day. It was amazing to see so many people dress up. Though the night session was tiring, everyone had fun and some people even managed to get some sleep in! Thank you to all teachers, especially Mrs Heading who stayed awake all night to keep all us Year11-12s safe and continually playing. Mrs DeMeester came at 7am to cook us all breakfast, so special mention to her as well! Many other teachers were also such an integral part in planning and organising, thank you to Mrs Law, Mr Farmer, Mr Presant, Mrs Hughes and Mrs Farmer, could not have done it without you guys! It is not too late to donate! Thank you to you all! Link to donate: pingpongathon.com/standrewschristiancollege2019 Any donations are welcome!



YEARS 5 & 6 DO THIER BIT FOR THE PIN-PONG CHALLENGE

We had over 100 Year 5 and 6 students playing some form of Ping Pong in support of the 'Pin-Pong Challenge'. The Year 5 and 6 cohort were split between the MPH gym, using the floor and goal nets as their pin-pong nets and some students in the classrooms using their school desks as ping-pong tables; ingenuity at it's best.

SUCCESSFUL SENIOR SCHOOL EXPO



The Senior School held their annual Senior School Expo night on Thursday 8th August and by all accounts it was an informative and well attended night. The primary purpose of the night was to introduce parents and students to the range of VCE and Senior School subjects offered by St Andrews and ways to navigate all the various options available. Additional presentations were given by VCE Coordinator Natalie Farmer on 'What is VCE', 'How Does Scaling/ATAR Work' by Physics & Maths teacher Greg Crotty and as well as other topics. According to many parents *"It was a night well worth attending because it gave us a real insight into Senior School Education."*



WISE ADVICE FOR VCE STUDENTS

FROM ALUMNI CALEB WU



Past student Caleb has some wise advice for our VCE students leading up to exams.

Hi all, I've been invited to share some advice for current students, particularly for those completing their VCE. My name is Caleb, and I graduated last year (2018), so the memories of Year 12 are still quite fresh. VCE is a long

journey, but there is a long break ahead. And Uni, if you plan to go, is very fresh and exciting,

so look forward to that! I hope my advice is helpful to you. But I know that what worked for me may not work for some people, so feel free not to follow any of it.

Firstly, most of this only works if you actually want to do well, if you want to do the best you can. If you aren't motivated to do well, and can't maintain that motivation throughout the year, it can be very hard. I learnt early on in Year 12 that it was going to be a long and hard grind. This knowledge helped me pace myself, because I knew I had to last the whole year. But it also reminded me that it had a definite endpoint, and that I only had to hold out until November, and then it would be finished. A lot of VCE was about finding out how far I could push myself and making sure I could get as close to that as possible without collapsing.

Study

Study hard, but make sure your study is effective. Do what works for you, but make sure it works. For me, 90% of my study was doing past/practice exams or Checkpoints. Application of learning is usually better than writing notes, and practice exams make you think, help you familiarise yourself with the content, and makes you focus. And not to mention that sometimes VCAA is lazy and repeats old questions. I didn't start by timing myself, but I found that having time pressure and simulating exam conditions helped me reduce distractions. And I guess not having social media also helped. Finally, there is a point when sleep becomes more important than study. If your study is not being effective because you are too tired—sleep! There's no point staying up late studying if you can't perform your best during the SAC or exam.

Breaks

I think this is where it gets most subjective, because some people take too many breaks, and some take too few. What worked for me was taking good quality breaks. I studied hard during the week, and late on Saturday nights, sometimes a couple hours into Sunday morning. But I made an effort not to study or even think about school on nearly every Sunday. Spend time to pray and remember that VCE is just a small stage of your life. My advice is don't take too many days off, but make sure you make full use of them. Don't plan to do too much on your days off, just relax and forget about school for a moment.

Conclusion

I know everyone says this, and maybe I'm not the right person to be saying this, but your ATAR does not define you. Enjoy your last years at school. Appreciate your teachers. Even if they are going through the most tedious material, sometimes their offhand advice can be golden. Enjoy the intimacy of knowing the people around you and seeing them every day in the same building. And cherish your time with people, because it goes by so fast.

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Calendar

IMPORTANT COMING EVENTS - Term 3 2019:

- **Monday 26th - Friday 30th August** – Senior Student Ski Camp
- **Monday 9th September** – Ensembles Concert
- **Tuesday 10th September** – CSEN Secondary Athletics Concert
- **Wednesday 11th September** - Year 3-6 CSEN Primary Athletics Carnival
- **Thursday 12th September** – Year 7 & 10 Immunisation
- **Wednesday 18th September** – Lego Exhibition Fundraiser
- **Thursday 19th September** – St Andrews Christian College Board Meeting
- **Friday 20th September** – LAST DAY OF TERM

TERM DATES FOR 2019

Term 1

Friday 1st February – Friday 5th April

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**PFA General Planning Meeting Tuesday 20th August 2019**

The Walkathon will be held on Friday 20th September and is being held this year in lieu of the Fun Run which has traditionally been held each year. The Walkathon is the primary Fundraising activity of the PFA and if you are interested in helping to plan the Walkathon, we encourage you to offer your assistance for the event.

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

50% off sale on winter uniforms at the 2nd Hand Uniform Shop – Pop in and grab bargain while the sale lasts.

We are also looking for someone that is willing to volunteer their time to assist in the running of the Uniform Shop. If you have free time on a Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning each week and you are willing to learn how the Uniform Shop operates then please send your contact details to pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au

The Uniform Shop is located just next to the Multi-Purpose Hall and student drop off area. The Uniform Shop is open from 2:30pm – 3:30pm each Tuesday and 8:30am - 9:30am each Wednesday during the Term

Icy Pole Friday

Icy Pole Friday takes place every Friday lunchtime.

We are currently looking for volunteers to assist with Icy Pole Friday; please email Andrew Musgrove at pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au if you are able to assist.

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, such as 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

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

Andrew O'Brien
PFA President



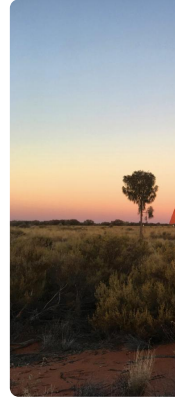
Senior School

YEAR 9 CENTRAL AUSTRALIA TRIP



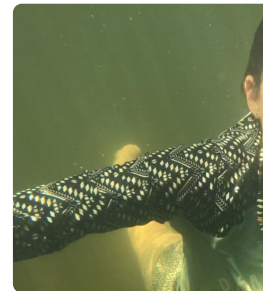
On July 18th our Year 9s headed off to Central Australia for the trip of a life time. Lead by teachers Head of Senior School Mr Presant, Senior School Art Teacher Mr Gibbs, Senior School Teacher Ms Holland and Junior School Art Teacher Mrs Darlison. According to Mr Presant *"It was a fabulous trip and an amazing experience for everyone. I think quite a few students were very surprised about the vastness of our country, it's history, it's geological features and some self discovery things they learnt about themselves and how live and cooperate with a group of people over an extended period. Over all it was a very worthwhile trip and we plan to do another next year."*

Also a big thank you to Mr Gibbs for doing a fantastic job in producing a travel blog to keep parents, friends and school colleagues updated with the day-to-day events. If you haven't seen it or would to take another trip down memory lane go to;
<https://centralaustralia.school.blog/>



Over the 10 day trip the students visited many fascinating locations. Here are just a few: **Coober Pedy, Wangi Falls in Litchfield National Park, Ubirr Rock (the movie location for *Crocodile Dundee 2*), The Yellow River Cruise (Aboriginal guided tour), Edith Falls, Katherine George, Mataranka thermal springs, Devils Marbles at Daly Waters, Alice Springs Reptile Park, Simpsons Gap, The Royal Flying Doctors, Kings Canyon, Uluru, World heritage site Kata Tjuta,** and a whole lot more.





PHYSICS ON ICE



On Tuesday 30th July, the Year 11 Physics class went curling at O'Brien's Icehouse at Docklands. We wanted to perform some experiments on an almost frictionless surface. Records were made of how fast the 20 kg kettles travelled across the ice and what happened when they collided with each other. We also created a Newton's Cradle with the kettles and pulled and pushed each other on toboggans. The purpose of the excursion was to calculate momentum and deceleration of the kettles. The class will now analyse videos we took of the collisions and perform some calculations relating to the wider physics topic of 'Motion'.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE



Work Experience is one-week placement of Year 10 students with an employer, to provide insights into the industry and the workplace. Traditionally it is a very exciting time in Year 10 study, during which students meet new people, explore possible careers options and develop interpersonal and communication skills. Our students worked alongside others in a variety of exciting environments:

Caleb Manners - *Platform Legal, Camberwell*

Niki Wang & Noel Abraham - *Priceline Pharmacy*

Joshua Effendi - *Waverley Private Hospital*

Samantha Ooi - *The School of Physics, The University of Melbourne*

Evan Hughes - *Planet Shakers Church, Southbank*

Mathew Stephen - *Trajan Scientific*

Kayleb Patel - *The Salvation Army*

Timothy Lau - *Glen Waverley Badminton Centre*
Aimee Crotty - *Royal Melbourne Hospital*
Harry Rowland - *Syndal Baptist Church*
Aidan Ohri-Herron - *John Holland, Abbotsford*
Callum Andrew - *Middle Ground Café, Blackburn North*
Bryan Chin & Noah Forbes - *Zinfra Electricity Distribution Company*
Guransh Makhija & Tom Audet - *National Pharmacies*
Christian Fernandes - *Yummy's Café Waverley Gardens*
Michael Tsakissiris – *JMC Facades*
Mitchell Whitten - *Melbourne Knox Central Hotel*
Timothy Chou - *City Life Church*
Jaydon Lee - *Wen & Wen Pty Ltd*
Kristen Baker - *Knox Library*
Anthony Wakim - *Quick Shoe Repairs*
Henry Bi - *Little Sheep Hot Pot Restaurant*
You Sheng Hsieh - *U Pharmacy Scoresby*
Joseph Kuhlmann & Diana Mekhiel - *Decathlon*
Mandy Feng - *Chemist Warehouse Box Hill South*
Jenna Weng - *Beacon Street Children's Centre*
Natasha Rowley - *Rea Group, Richmond*
Jacky Shen - *Froth & Grind Café*
Brendan Lam - *Man Chi Wong Physiotherapy*
Jason Lam - *Vermont Pharmacy*
Adam Hu - *Café Otto, Knox*
Belinda Svay & Robert Ruan - *Twisted Sista Café, Knox*
Tommy Kwon - *Dream Smash Repairs*
Jeffrey Liu - *Coles Knox*
Patrick Accadia – *Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Melbourne*
Josef Lepileo - *Five Senses Coffee, Perth*



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

 St Andrews Careers Newsletter 2 August 2019.pdf

St Andrews Careers newsletters provide up-to-date career and pathways news and information about scholarships, courses, programs, university lectures and open days.

St Andrews Christian College Careers Newsletter, 2 August 2019:

Key Dates for Tertiary Applications for 2020 Entry for Year 12 students.

La Trobe University Aspire Program recognises and rewards students who are involvement in their local community, leaders and volunteers.

ACU Community Achiever Program offers future students who are active in their community an early entry to their undergraduate university course.

Monash University special entry schemes: The Monash Guarantee and The Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) – both help students enter their preferred university course.

The University Of Melbourne: Principal's Scholarship & Melbourne University Entry Schemes: Guaranteed Entry Scheme and Access Melbourne - assist eligible students to enter a university course even if their ATAR is below the lowest selection ranked ATAR and to also be considered for a scholarship.

CASPer - a new requirement for students who are applying to study primary or secondary teaching at a university.

News from **Deakin University, RMIT University** and **Swinburne University**

Technical Trades in the Defence Force - Navy, Army and Air Force.

Open Days 2019 - meet current students and academics, experience campus life first-hand and get expert course advice.

Careers Coordinator, Irena Yevlahova



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.

- Ethan Tang, Ethan Yang, Joseph Zhu, and Owen Chen (5S) all demonstrated Faithfully Honouring Commitments in an incredible way, doing their classroom jobs with

extreme diligence – the classroom has never been safer or cleaner!

- Laurens Pees (5F) for doing his job extremely well in the classroom
- Nicole Ni (6C) for focusing extremely hard on her schoolwork
- Jensen Waldron (8K) for cleaning the locker bay with extra care

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

- Ji Forbes (5S) was Devoted to Growth and kept persevering in Maths, working hard and achieving some great results!
- Sidra Dharmadasa (6C) for asking for feedback on her work and initiating to improve
- Tom Bolwell (6C) for contributing and putting in great effort when he is working in a group
- Aruvi Gopesh (7C) for being diligent with reminding us about posting nominations on the homeroom page!
- Rosella Weng (7H) is always trying her hardest in school working hard to achieve her goals.
- Jai Malhotra (8C) for his commitment to improving his results in Maths

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

- Beatrice Connolly (5S) showed a great Servant Heart by regularly and helpfully working with others in Maths.
- Louis Sun (5S) showed a Servant Heart by considering others before himself
- Holly Ghatas (5F) for helping Mr. Ferguson with the name tags
- Maya Nallathamby (6L) for getting other students books without them asking
- Chrystom Thalappillil (6L) for helping others with their Maths project in the Library during lunchtime
- Sarah Lo (6C) for sending Hannah Y the homework sheet when she forgot to bring it home
- Ashley Cheng (7H) for helping others with their Maths when they needed it
- Abby Lim, Irena Tan, Grace Jeon, Ally Lam (8K) for putting up all the chairs at the end of class
- Jade Appleby and Josh O'Donnell (8C) for including and encouraging others in the class.
- Lauren Carline (8C) for volunteering to do a job in the classroom

Keep up the great work!

Mr Lee

Head of Middle School

CALEB KEEPS ON ROCKING



Hi everyone - Greetings from Brisbane!

A quick email to update you on our travels with "School of Rock". Caleb has just finished a six week season here, and tomorrow we fly to Sydney for a bit of publicity, then finally home again. But only for two weeks, then we'll be off again - this time on the final trip of this tour, to Auckland for five weeks.

Caleb has played around 5-6 shows each week, to very good audiences. It's been a lovely season - a lot easier than China for us to get around and find what we need, and lots of beautiful sunshine! We also included a quick visit back to Melbourne, where Caleb played for the Helpmann awards at the Arts Centre, and the lead actor on School of Rock won the best actor award.

Thinking of you all. Keep us in your prayers! You may see us around briefly in the next two weeks.

Karen 😊

MIDDLE SCHOOL ARTISTS ARE CONSTRUCTING



I am once again so impressed by my amazing Middle School Artists.

Year 6, having completed a stunning collaborative piece, are now working on their Prep Buddy Project. All Year 6s spent time interviewing their Buddy, supporting them as they considered how they have grown to be more like Jesus this year - completing a drawing of a 'Fruit of the Holy Spirit' character. Each Year 6 student will then bring their Buddy's concept to life as a handsewn toy.

Year 7 have completed their ceramic 'Community of Light' houses! These were an integral part of the creative design for our Jesus, Light of the World Event held last week. This term, they are integrating their learning in Humanities by creating a Modroc plaster model of a Roman artifact - greater than life size - aged as though it was found in a recent archeological dig. The aim is for teams of students to collaborate in their research, construction and completion of this project.



Year 8 are working in clay to produce a replica of a shoe! Each student has brought in a shoe that represents their passion - a swim training flipper, a sports shoe, a tiny baby sister's shoe, a comfortable shoe - and are considering how they walk (with confidence, integrity, compassion).



This year we have focused on how Jesus is the Light of the World but the rest of our verse this year says, 'those who WALK in him will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life'. As Year 8 prepares for transition to Senior School, decides on electives and considers how they are living as Faithfully Devoted Servants of Christ, they are asking very deep and considered questions. Our role is to point them to Christ. I am so proud of the wonderful people they are and are becoming.



Keep Creating!

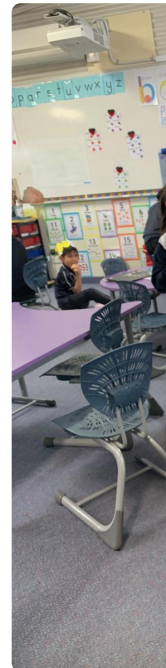
Marina Heading

Head of Creative Arts.



Junior School

PREPS CELEBRATE 100th DAY



Last week Preps celebrates their 100th day at school. We walked up our balcony to 100 colourful balloons. Throughout the day we participated in many activities around the number

100. This included writing about our favourite things we do at school, counting out 100 fruit loops then making them into a necklace, making 100's celebration hats and making 100's and 1000's bread with our year 6 buddies. "This is this best day in Prep ever" quoted Phoebe.



ERIC'S GOLD MEDAL PERFORMANCE



Congratulations to Eric Li in Year 3A, who won a gold medal in his piano exam last week, in the 8-16 year old category.

A wonderful effort Eric, and congratulations to you from everyone at St Andrews Christian College.

We're proud of you!

SENIORS SPEND PRECIOUS TIME WITH PREPS



It was wonderful to see the Senior School students spend time reading and laughing with our Preppies.

It's a great way for our youngest students to feel valued and recognised by the 'big kids' and it's a beautiful way for our Senior students to learn the value of patience, tenderness and encouragement.

Well done Senior students!



BOTTLE CAPS FOR PROSTHETIC HANDS



In the Junior School we are collecting bottle caps. Some children don't have hands, but we can help them! We need 500 bottle caps to make one prosthetic hand. At St Andrews Christian College we are aiming for 1000 bottle caps.

We have already collected 380 bottle caps from the Junior School in one week. Friday is bottle cap day. Collect as many bottle caps as you can. We will collect the caps on bottle cap day every week and try to hit our goal of 1000. This is a way we can show a "Servant Heart" to children in need.

Sera Oktanio

Parkes House Captain

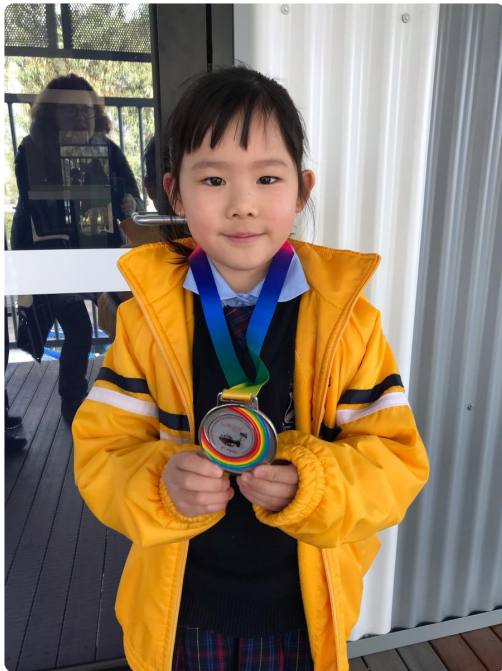
'THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE' VIDEO

Many thanks to all those who submitted a video for This Little Light of Mine. We had some wonderful renditions and it was great to have so many family members included. The video was played at the end of the Jesus The Light of the World Festival last week.

Parents who were not able to attend will be able to view the video via a link which will be sent out via Flexibuzz.



2ND PLACE PLAYING THE CHINESE GUZHENG



Congratulations to Hannah Liu in 2R who took part in an International Chinese Instrument competition on 10 August playing the Guzheng, which is a traditional Chinese zither. She did exceptionally well and achieved second place! Well done Hannah an amazing effort!

BIRTHDAYS GALORE!



August seemed to be bursting with birthdays particularly in class Prep S. It was Nourah's birthday on the 13th August, Raymond's on Thursday 15th and Edwin's on Friday 16th. HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL! And thank you Mrs Wansbrough for your visit and special birthday wishes to our students.



Arts

MONASH YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL EISTEDDFOD

On Monday 19 August our youngest vocal ensemble, MiniVox, took part in the Monash Youth Music Festival Eisteddfod. It was very exciting to get on the bus to travel to the Festival and sing in the amazing Robert Blackwood Hall at Monash University. We were the 3rd choir to sing, and it was quite intimidating as we were by far the youngest choir there. However, we rose to the occasion and all sang our very best. We were thrilled with the adjudicators comments and scored 81/100 - we're going to do even better next year!

THEATRE STUDIES WORKSHOP



On Saturday 20th July, the Year 12 Theatre Studies class attended a full-day workshop for their upcoming Monologue Examinations. They were able to hear from the Chief Assessor, collaborate with students for other schools, watch a high achieving monologue from 2018, and participate in a variety of activities designed to hone their analytical and creative skills.

After the workshop, the class attended a performance of Bell Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*, which they will later analyse as part of their studies in Unit 4.

For more information about Theatre Studies at the

VCE level, contact Miss Kathryn Brown kbrown@standrews.vic.edu.au

HOLLY'S GOD GIVEN TALENT



At St Andrews we are very often amazed and thrilled to see the vast array of talents and gifts God has given our students. Year 11 student Holly Bligh is one such example. Holly has an extraordinary ability to visualise, create and paint the most beautiful and intricate geometric artworks all in freehand without the aid of any device. God bless you Holly for giving us pleasure with your exquisite paintings.

1Ls 'OUT OF THIS WORLD' CREATIVITY



Just walking into 1L is very exciting. The sparkling fairy lights wrapped into the rings of Saturn, shining as stars in constellations and a dramatic 'space' installation hanging from the ceiling transported me out of this world. The students remind us to wonder. I told one student that he was a super star for doing such great work. He responded, 'I'm not a star, I can't make my own light, Jesus is the STAR'. Well Done, Mrs Lepileo, well done.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS



A huge thank you to all who donated money towards the 'Baritone Saxophone Fundraiser' at the end of last term. Along with a generous donation from the PFA we were able to purchase a 2nd hand baritone saxophone that is already being used across multiple ensembles at the school.

The ongoing support of the music department by the school

community has been amazing and this instrument will be a great blessing to the music program for years to come.

I hope you are all looking forward to hearing it getting played during our next ensembles concert on the 9th of September. Luke Batty

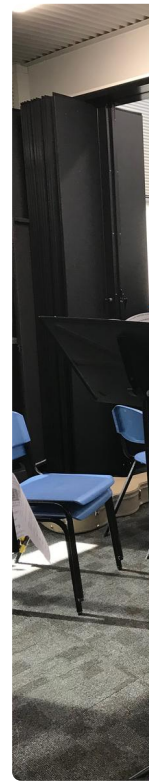
IT'S ALL HAPPENING IN PRIMARY MUSIC

"We have been celebrating the 50th anniversary of man walking on the moon by looking at how composers use the music in space films to help us feel the right sort of mood - we were excited by rocket launches, mystified by the surface of the moon and anxious to see whether Apollo 13 would land safely. We made up our own soundscapes of a journey into space, and one student brought in his very cool Lego - so cool that Mrs Metcalfe was inspired to buy her



own set. We have also listened to how a composer chose a strange time signature for his music about Mars and we learned how to conduct in 5/4 time!

In other news, some Year 6 students explored Mrs Metcalfe's funky plastic instruments and Junior Orchestra had a new recruit on the double bass!



Ensembles Extravaganza - Save the Date!

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"The next Ensembles Extravaganza will take place on Monday 9th September. Performers will receive their notifications soon. Tickets are available now and can be purchased online at <https://www.trybooking.com/BENYG>."

YEAR 9 ARTISTS HAVE AN EYE FOR DETAIL



Year 9 students were given the challenge of drawing the human eye in all its beauty and detail.

What at first seemed a relatively simple exercise suddenly became more complex and fascinating as the students discovered the intricate elements and symmetry of the human eye.

Perhaps one of their greatest discoveries was how easily we can take for granted God's gift of sight and overlook the amazing complexity, beauty and function of our eyes.



Sports

A CROSS COUNTRY RACE TO THE FINISH



On Thursday August 1 over 160 students from St Andrews Christian College from Years 3 up to Year 12 participated in the CSEN Cross Country event. The day was challenging but exciting day for everyone involved. Overall the students performed very well and by the end of the day there were plenty of tired and sore bodies and many who were pleasantly surprised at just how well they ran their races.

Well done everyone!



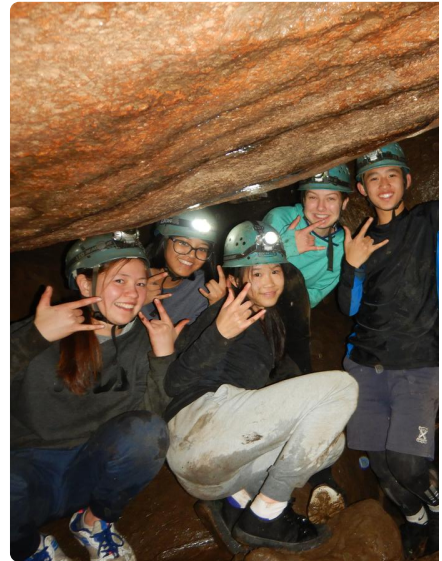
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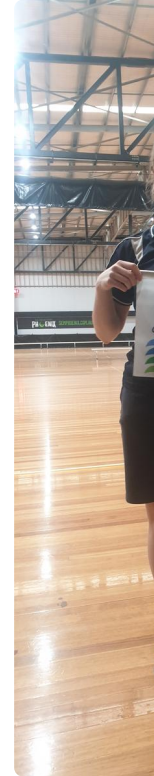
A number brave Year 9 students undertook rapid river kayaking at Wonga Park and caving activities at Brittainia Creek Geological Reserve as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award. The award seeks to help young people develop endeavour, resilience and contribution in the areas of Community, Physical Fitness, Skills and Expedition. Our Year 9s had a thrilling time taking on the challenges of kayaking over rapids and navigating through wet and muddy caves. Well done Year 9s you made it.



The adventurous Year 9s



3RD PLACE FOR ST ANDREWS NETBALL TEAM



Our netball girls had a great day coming 3rd in first division and winning the flag in second division!

Congratulations on the great effort!

OUR FOOTY GIRLS BOOT THEIR WAY TO VICTORY



In our second round of intermediate girls footy the St Andrews team defeated Heatherton 50 - 1.

The girls fully embraced the wet weather and had an absolute blast! Special mentions go to Leilani Beovich and Charlotte Waldron for their great goal kicking abilities!

YEAR 7/8 BOYS SOCCER SUCCESS



Year 7/8 Boys A soccer had a very successful day defeating Hillcrest 1-0. The boys were chuffed and excited to get more wins under their belts. Well done boys!



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.

Welcome

This term, we welcome Laura Bligh, who will be doing a work experience placement in the Senior Library every Friday. She will also be talking to Middle School and some Senior School classes about effective research.

Mrs Little Recommends



The Stupendously Spectacular Spelling Bee by Deborah Abela

This is a fantastic book which is in our Junior Library. It is about a girl named India Wimple who is very good at spelling. She lacks confidence but she has an extremely supportive family behind her. Her family strongly encourages her to sign up for the Spelling Bee, so she does. She is terribly shy but she is also the nicest girl you could ever meet. It's a heart-warming book. The book also helps anyone who reads it to become a better speller by having a word at the start of each chapter with its definition and putting it into a sentence. You won't be disappointed if you read this book!

There are also two sequels: The most Marvellous Spelling Bee Mystery and The Most Marvellous International Spelling Bee. We have these in our library too and I have heard they are also excellent books. All of these books can be found in the Junior Fiction section of the Junior Library.

ATTENTION

Year 8/ 9 students are invited to apply for a student exchange scholarship overseas. This is being offered by the Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Interested students can see Library staff or go to www.scce.com.au for more information.

Closing Date: 9am Monday, 2nd September, 2019



Community

EMPLOYMENT-CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS AUSTRALIA



**EVENTS & COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER
VIC/TAS STATE OFFICE, BELGRAVE HEIGHTS**

2-3 DAYS PER WEEK, term time only.

Starting date: 7 October 2019

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The Victoria/Tasmania State office supports and serves 30 member school campuses.

The Events & Communications Manager provides administrative support, including events management, for the State Executive Officer.

Selection Criteria:

- It is an inherent requirement of the role that the Office Manager is a practicing Christian, in regular church attendance, able to articulate and support the distinctive Christian nature of CSA member schools.
- Experience in an administrative or P.A. role in a Christian school setting is desirable.
- Excellent Communication skills
- Proficient computer skills – Microsoft Office 365 software.
- Flexible attitude
- Experience in small office context.
- Experience in event management.

For a Position description and application form, please contact Ken Greenwood, Vic/Tas Executive Officer on kgreenwood@csa.edu.au

Applications should be returned by email, closing 4 pm, Tuesday 27 August 2019.

Interviews will be held 4 September 2019.

SALVOS CONCERT FOR CANCER COUNCIL

Ringwood Salvation Army Band are putting on an awesome concert to raise money for the Cancer Council on Saturday 31 August - see attached flyer. Myself (parping away on 2nd Horn) and our brass teacher Steve Creek (doing a very stunning job on Soprano Cornet) are both playing, and the very gorgeous Noel Jones who adjudicates our Primary Music Festival for FREE every year will also be playing - it will be super entertaining.

Tickets are available on Trybooking but they are a total bargain. Kids under 15 free. Please come and bring your family and friends. Thanks,

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 FOR MORE INFO, PRICES & TO REGISTER: SUVIC.ORG.AU/HOLIDAY-CAMPS

SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS

What are you doing this Summer?

SU Victoria is running camps for children in Years 4 - 12 during the summer school holidays.

Awesome outdoor adventures: sailing, water tubing, canoeing/kayaking, swimming, archery and climbing/abseiling. Make

new friends and enjoy small group Bible activities.

Camp Coolamatong is part of Scripture Union Victoria and has been running holiday camps for 40 years.

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