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# St Andrews Christian College Newsletter 2023

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# Principal

## LET GO AND LET GOD

Dear Parents

One of the biggest challenges I have found as a parent is to let go and let God do His thing with my children, His way!

We often think we know what is best for our child and with all good intentions try to manipulate or control the situation, especially if our child is hurt or feels bad. We hate seeing our loved one go through awful things and naturally want to protect them.

It is so hard, but our children will actually grow more from difficult times (if handled well) and become more resilient, courageous, empathetic and compassionate. When we lean into God through difficult situations we become more like Him and grow to be a better person. Here is a great article from a reading in The Word for Today (date unknown):

### Letting Go...

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding."*

Proverbs 3:5 (NIV)

Letting go of someone you love and putting them into the hands of God can be one of the hardest things you'll ever do.

*As children bring their broken toys with tears for us to mend  
I brought my broken dreams to God because He is my Friend.  
But then instead of leaving Him in peace to work alone  
I hung around and tried to help in ways that were my own.  
At last I snatched them back and cried,  
"How can You be so slow?"  
My child, "He said", "I waited but..  
...you never did let go."*

To let go of someone doesn't mean you stop caring; it just means you can't do it for them. It means you stop rescuing them, and allow the consequences to correct them and make them whole. It means you choose neither to fix them, nor judge them; just to pray for them, and believe God to accomplish what you can't. Letting go also means facing your own selfishness and the need to adjust everything to your desires, and instead saying, '*...not my will, but Yours be done.*' Luke 22:42 (NIV)

Thanks everyone for a great term!  
Keep safe and have a wonderful term break.  
God bless,  
*Catriona*



# News

Ji Forbes receiving his award

## JI FORBES 'LOCAL CHAMPION'



Congratulations to St Andrews student, Ji Forbes (5S) who received a 'Local Champions Award' from Federal MP Alan Tudge. Ji received his award for his efforts in the sport of Judo and gaining the title of the National Junior Boys Judo Champion 2018. Ji was amongst eight other recipients who were

recognised for their various sporting excellence and achievements. Well done Ji, a great effort and a well deserved award.



**Alan Tudge MP** ✓

15 August · 🌐

Well done to all the local sporting stars who were awarded Au Champion awards. This award supports those young people ' national or international level. And we have some absolute stars pictured below, for example, at 11 is already a national champ Congratulations to them all. It wouldn't surprise me if some are in a few years' time!

## 'WALK TO SCHOOL' & 'CRAZY SOCK' DAY



## 'Walk to School' & Crazy Sock Day



On Tuesday 15th October St Andrews Christian College invites all students, teachers, parents and friends to join us in the Vic Health initiative "Walk to School Day". Three groups will be meeting at **8.15am** and departing from the following locations;

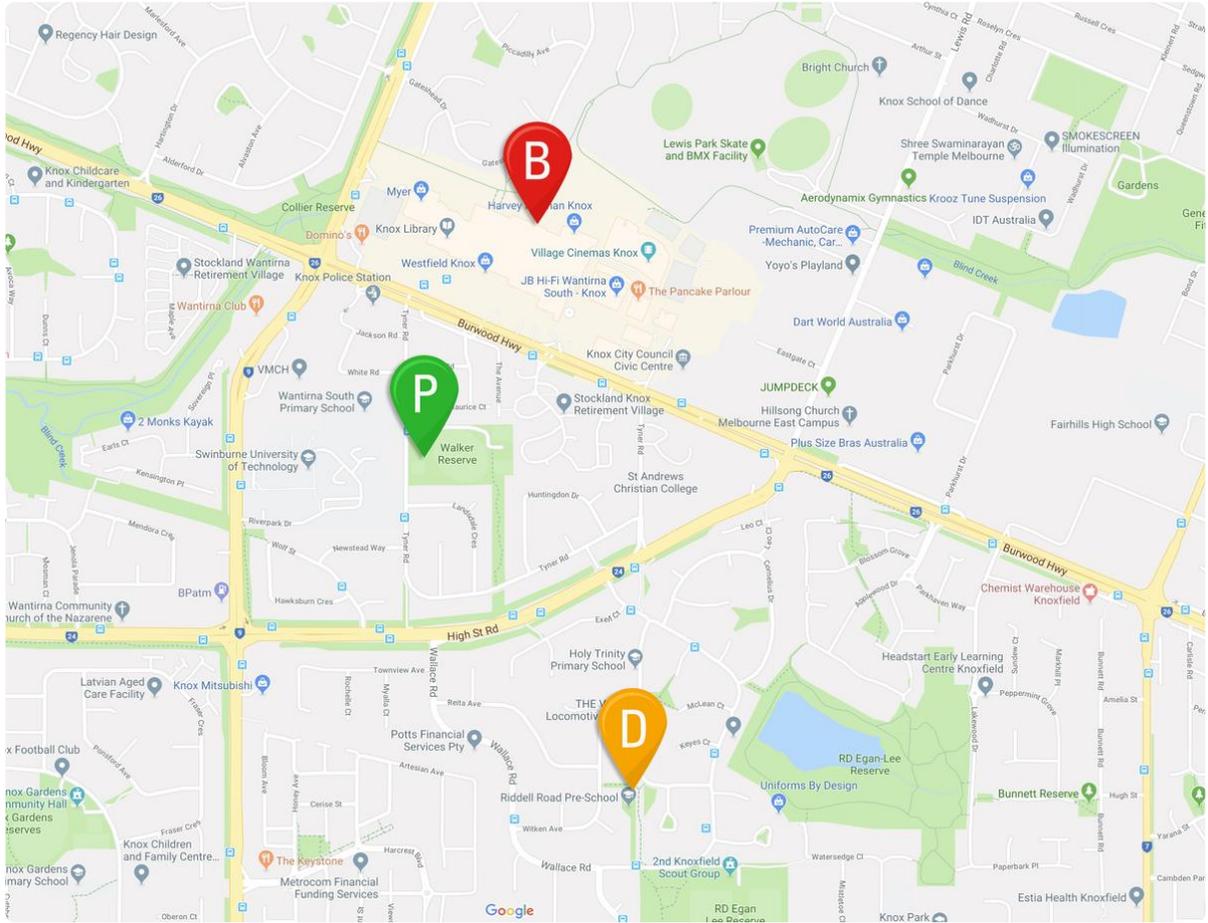
**Barton** - Knox Shopping Centre Post Office

**Parkes** - Walker Reserve, Tyner Road, Wantirna South

**Deakin** - Riddell Road Pre-School, 36 Riddell Road, Knoxfield

Teachers will accompany each group and the walk will take approximately 10-15 mins to arrive at the College grounds.

**\* HOUSE POINTS AWARDED TO EVERY STUDENT WHO PARTICIPATES**



## Walk to School 2019

Walk, ride or scoot and build healthy habits for life.



Official community partner:





# Calendar

## IMPORTANT COMING EVENTS - Term 4 2019

- **Monday 7th October** – Term 4 begins
- **Monday 7th – Friday 11th October** – Year 8 Camp – Kangarooie
- **Wednesday 9th – Thursday 10th October** – Year 3 Camp – Adanac
- **Monday 14th October** - Music Information Night @ 7:00pm in Music Room
- **Tuesday 15th October** – Walk to School Day/Crazy Sock Day
- **Wednesday 16th October** – Friday 18th October – Year 4 Camp – Ace Hi
- **Wednesday 16th October** – CSEN Year 7/8 Rally Day
- **Thursday 17th October** – Year 12s Last Day
- **Monday 21st October** - Farewell Year 12s Assembly
- **Wednesday 23rd October** – Friday 25th October – Year 5 Camp – Sovereign Hill
- **Wednesday 23rd October** – CSEN Year 9/10 Rally Day
- **Thursday 24th October** – St Andrews Christian College Board Meeting
- **Friday 25th October** – Year 3 -12 CSEN Champions Athletics Carnival
- **Wednesday 30th October** – Wednesday 20th November – VCE Exams
- **Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th November** – Mid semester break & Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – *No School for Staff and Students*
- **Saturday 8th November** – Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser – Service Learning Mission Team
- **Monday 18th November** – Thursday 21st November – Year 7 – 11 Exam Week

- **Friday 22nd November** – Report Writing day – No School for Students (OHSC program on offer)
- **Friday 22nd November** - VCE Valedictory Dinner
- **Friday 22nd November** – 2020 Prep Orientation
- **Monday 25th November** – Friday 6th December – 2020 Senior School Headstart Program
- **Thursday 28th November** – 2020 Transition & New Student Orientation day (Yrs 1 – 7)
- **Thursday 28th November** - St Andrews Christian College Board Meeting
- **Friday 29th November** – Junior School Christmas Concert
- **Friday 6th December** - 2020 Prep Orientation
- **Monday 9th December** – Presentation Night
- **Tuesday 10th December** – Last Day of Term 4

## **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

## 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

We are 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au)

Andrew O'Brien  
PFA President



# Senior School

Senior student and teachers 'Surprise Luncheon'

## **YEAR 12 SURPRISE LUNCHEON**



Year 12 can have its stressful moments and the end of Term Three is a particularly challenging time, but there's nothing like tasty food to boost the spirits. Staff from every corner of the school baked all manner of goodies – and surprised the students with a lovely lunch. It was accompanied by memorabilia displays from their schooling years (thanks so much Mrs Swank) and hilarious video memories. We had a special time together as we shared stories from years past, as early as prep in many cases (and there may have been a few tears shed as well).

Thanks so much to staff far and wide for their yummy contributions, as well as those who helped set up and pack up.

From all your teachers throughout the years and staff in every capacity: We love you all heaps and thank you so much for all you have given to the school over the years. We will miss you so so so much!



Mrs Jo deMeester

Wellbeing Co-ordinator

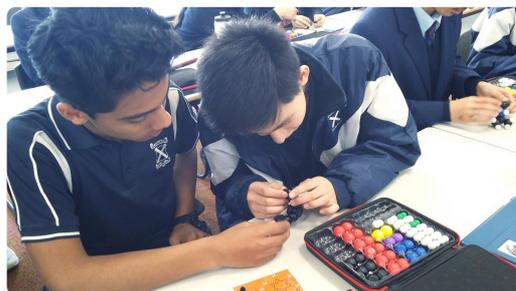
## SENIORS CARV'N UP THE POWDER

This year the Snow Trip was held in Week 7 at Falls Creek for 24 select students from Year 9 – Year 12. It was an amazing week learning to ski and improving our skills. We skied every day from first lift until the very last. The weather was spectacular with perfect snow conditions.

The students were outstanding company for all the staff and it was such a fun break for them from school and the pressure of study.

We are all looking forward to next year!

# MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY WORKSHOP



*On Tuesday, September 10, Joshua a PhD student from Monash University Parkville came to conduct a workshop for the Year 10 Chemistry class about medicinal chemistry. He ran an engaging class exploring drug formulation, design and delivery. Some of the educational activities included replicating molecular structures of common medicines and a hospital simulation. We also created mock-up drugs out of Lego which we then had to fit into a cell receptor. He explained the differences between studying pharmacy and pharmaceutical science and the jobs which they can lead to and emphasised the constant need for new medicines to be developed. Overall, the workshop was very interactive and gave us great insight into pharmaceutical science and potential career pathways. We would like to thank Mr Fernandes for organising this workshop for us.*

**Aimee Crotty and Niki Wang**

Year 10 Chemistry



## CSEN DEBATING TEAM ADVANCE TO FINALS



Last month the St Andrews debating team consisting of seven students, namely Reese Firme, Sarah Farmer, Caitlyn Smith, Isabelle Smith, Aruvi Gopesh, Melissa Yao, and emergency Kevin Zhang travelled to Belgrave Heights Christian College to participate in CSEN Debating Competition against a number of other Christian schools. We are very pleased to report that both our teams won against the competing schools and advanced to the finals. Additionally, Reese Firmer and Melissa Yao were awarded best speakers in their debates. A great result for the St Andrew's team. Well done, team!

The finals are on the 15th October at Hillcrest Christian College.

## TIME FOR PREPS EVEN UNDER PRESSURE

It is so wonderful to see Senior student Michelle Hole make time to read stories and connect with our junior students even when she's under the enormous pressures of studying and preparing for her final exams.



Well done Michelle the preps absolutely loved your visit!

## LEARNING ABOUT STAGECRAFT AT MTC



*On the 13th of August the Year 9 Stagecraft class went to the Melbourne Theatre Company to look behind the scenes and see how they put on different productions. We were taught how they started to design a show and then went on a tour around the building. First we saw*

*the milliner at work making some amazing hats including an intricate headpiece, then we went to where they made wigs and they explained the process of making a wig. After looking at the wigs we were shown where they made the costumes, where the props were stored and made and the workshop where they made the set. We all learnt so much and have able to apply what we were taught in class.*

## **ST ANDREWS SUSTAINABILITY TEAM AT WORK**

Our very enthusiastic members of the Sustainability team a.k.a Enviro team have been thinking of ways to reduce waste and make a difference in the world that God has gifted us. This is what some of our members have decided to do at school during Term 4:



*“As part of our sustainability work at school, we will be collecting different recyclable objects such as used pens, bottle caps and bread tags. The bread tags collection will be held for Junior school and Middle school. The collection will begin at the start of next term, and each class will be given a small box to collect their bread tags in.*

*We hope to see people bringing in many bread tags to help the organisation “Bread Tags for Wheelchairs” which has been running in South Africa since 2006. It collects bread tags which a plastics company, Zibo, buys for a small amount per kilo. The tags (high impact polystyrene, type 6 plastic) are recycled, being made into seedling trays. The proceeds are used to provide wheelchairs for the needy. Thank You”*

**– Aruvi Gopesh and Hannah Chard**



*“Used batteries are a risk to human health and the environment if disposed of inappropriately. We are going to collect used Batteries which helps to reduce landfill, reduce the use of finite natural resources in the production of new batteries and definitely removes toxic and hazardous substances from landfill. In term 4, each class will be given a container with a lid. When students bring used batteries from home, it is important that they*

*place them in a plastic bag or a container with a lid. We will visit your class every 2 weeks to collect these batteries and pass them on to Mr Fernandes for proper disposal.”*

– Caleb Nah, Ruby Muggeridge and Ashley Cheng



**Maya Nallathamby** and **Louis Sunwill** be collecting used pens, markers and highlighters which will then to dispose to the appropriate collection points.



**Tiffany Kim** and **Jonathan Chenwill** be collecting plastic bottle caps which will be passed on to the Victorian charity 'Envision' that uses 3D printing software to turn plastic bottle lids into mobility aids. Thanks to Mrs Hughes for introducing this idea to our college.

So, we encourage our entire college community to participate in this program by encouraging your students at home in collecting recyclable items and bringing them safely to school. If you have any suggestions / questions / ideas, please contact me via the school office.

God bless you all.

Louis Fernandes

Sustainability Coordinator



# Middle School

St Andrews 'Mastermind' competition winners

## 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.

- Adina Liang (5S) for doing her job so diligently - she went through the job cycle twice!
- Bonnie Carline (5F) remembering to do her job every day
- Agnes Chiu (6L) for trying her best in athletics even though she was injured
- Tricia (7C) for handing in her work well before the due date
- Jed Forbes (8K) for faithfully doing his job of door duty every morning

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

- Ethan Tang (5S) for working hard to boost his Education Perfect points!

- Evan Widjaja (5F) improving on his maths and working hard to apply feedback to move up a class
- Daniel Boehret (6L) for finishing his persuasive writing in two lessons due to his focus in class
- Jun Xiang (6L) for working hard in Education Perfect and getting 2500 points
- Zoe Martinez (6C) for putting in a lot of effort into her Chinese booklet
- Benjamin Manners (6C) for always doing his work to the best of his ability
- Rosella Weng (7H) is always working hard to achieve her goals in her schoolwork
- Laura Hooi (7C) for being devoted to practising and memorising a Psalm from the Bible

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

- Oliver Lim (5S) for holding the door open for everyone
- Holly Ghatas (5F) for helping others and the teachers in the classroom
- Scott Bass (6L) for helping others with writing ideas
- Ye Ser Chong (6C) always looking for ways to help in and outside the classroom
- Andrew Tan (7H) for helping others with their maths
- Alina Cao (7C) for showing good sportsmanship during PE by cheering on the people from the other team as well as her own team
- Max Demunck (7C) for helping others with their history homework
- Egan Nallathamby (8C) for cleaning up rubbish that wasn't his
- Abby Lim, Grace Jeon, Ally Lam & Samantha Loke (8K) for putting down all the chairs after lunch

Keep up the great work!

Mr Lee

Head of Middle School

## **CSEN PRIMARY MASTERMINDS COMPETITION**

On Wednesday, 28th of August, 10 students From Year 5 & 6 were involved in the CSEN Primary Masterminds Competition. This Challenge was held at Belgrave Christian School and involved Teams from Waverley Christian College, Northside Christian College, Heathdale Christian College, Hillcrest Christian College, Flinders Christian Community College and Belgrave Heights Christian School.



Teams competed in answering questions from a variety of subjects including Maths, Science, English and History. Our team managed to score the highest number of points at the end of the day and came away excited about their success.

## A GREAT EXPERIENCE AT CHESS COMPETITION

On Wednesday 4th September the St Andrews Primary chess team competed in a chess tournament at North Balwyn Primary. It was a great learning experience and our boys placed 4th. Well done boys!



*Front row* - Joshua Deng, Ezra Ferguson, Zachary Lim, Julian Bernau, Nathan Miao, Marcus Chen

*Back row* - Ethan Yang, Joseph Cho, Chris Qiu, Joshua Weldon

and Joshua Liu

## LOCAL MP HOSTS SCHOOL LEADERS LUNCHEON

St Andrews Primary School Captains Kate Courtis and Wesley Forward had the honour of attending the annual school leaders luncheon with local Member of Parliament Mr Nick Wakeling.

15 other local schools were also represented and it was fantastic opportunity for Kate and Wesley to meet and network with other school leaders in the Ferntree Gully electorate.



**Nick Wakeling MP**

6 September at 17:54 · 🌐

Great afternoon hosting primary student leaders from 16 local schools at the annual school leaders luncheon - a fantastic group of local leaders. #ferntreegullyelectorate



# Junior School

Book week 'Dress up Day'

## BOOK WEEK A FANTASTIC SUCCESS



Every year we celebrate Bookweek in the Junior School. This year we had a full week of events culminating in the annual Junior School Spelling Bee on Friday 23rd August.

We hosted a new event this year a "Reading Picnic" the whole Junior Sschool gathered in the MPH with books picnic rugs and cushions and we read together for 1 hour. The student loved it and didn't want to stop reading. It was a huge success and will become an annual event on the Junior School calendar. We also had mystery readers visiting classrooms throughout the week and students sharing books they had written with younger students. The last day of the week was 'Dress up Day', we had a parade and enjoyed playing dress up for the day. After the parade we had our much anticipated Spelling Bee. The students had been competing for weeks to find each year levels best speller in each House. The students competed in house groups. The competition was fierce and came down to a tie breaker



between Mrs Lepilio and Mrs Sires. After running out of difficult words we called it a draw and Parkes and Barton both claimed the prize.

I want to thank my amazing staff who went above and beyond to make this week so much fun for our students.

Particularly want to thank Mrs Cheung and Mrs Hendricks who pulled all the events together.



The Year 2s also enjoyed dressing up as their favourite book characters and loved reading 'The BFG' by Roald Dahl and writing some of their own golden dreams from the story!





## PREPS INVITE DADS FOR BEAKEFAST



On Friday 30th August the Preps invited their Dads to join them a breakfast of crumpets and coffee as we celebrated and honored the special role they play in their lives. Each student created a special gift bag with messages of love and a hand painted caddy to hold odds and ends. The children wrote on hand made cards explaining how much they loved their Dads:

*I love my dad more than KFC....*

*I Love my Dad more than 1 of my toys!*

***We love you Dads for all you do to bless us.***

## YEAR 2s VISIT SCIENCEWORKS & PLANETARIUM



The Year 2s had an awesome day exploring and learning new things at Scienceworks recently. Then they blasted off to the moon with Tycho, the inquisitive dog, while relaxing in the comfortable reclining seats of the Planetarium. They also got to see the amazing Melbourne night sky and learn all about the incredible constellations. How great is our God, and majestic His creation!

## YEAR 3s CARDBOARD ARCADE FUND RAISER



In the last week of this term the Year 3s hosted a Cardboard Arcade for the Junior School students. In STEM this term they were inspired by a story we watched on a boy in LA called Cain who developed his own arcade created from cardboard and recyclables.

They have worked so hard for a month, even at lunchtime and in their spare time to create the most creative and amazing arcade games. The arcade was open to students and they were invited to participate and play the games.

All proceeds from the arcade were donated to future missions trips at St Andrews.

## YEAR 4s VISIT STATE LIBRARY



In week 6 this term, the year 4s had an excursion to the State Library and CERES. In the State Library, we learned and saw lots of things. Some of these things include a gigantic book with pictures of birds (in real life size) in America, a scroll from ancient Egypt and a mini book collection. We had lots of fun during the tour. After the tour, we learnt about the five important rules to drawing a map using the acronym B.O.L.T.S., which stands for Border,

Orientation, Legend, Title and Scale. In the afternoon, we went to CERES and learned how to play the African drums and some very fun but hard Indonesian games. Overall, the excursion was great.



## DISCOVERING GOD'S AMAZING CREATURES



On Thursday the 5th of September the Year 1 classes enjoyed a fantastic day at Melbourne Zoo. God blessed us abundantly with gorgeous weather as we strolled through the through the tall grasses, the rainforest environments, the arid desert areas and the underwater experiences. We saw a wonderful range of God's amazing creatures in their diverse habitats.

There was a sleepy snow leopard sunning himself high up on a rock, lions lazing in the sun, lemurs walking about us, a koala climbing down a tree, giraffes calmly watching us from a

distance and butterflies fluttering all around us in the warm, humid butterfly house. We saw crocodiles, puffer fish, seahorses, a sting ray, penguins waddling along, and seals flopping awkwardly on land but swimming so gracefully through the water, as well as a large variety of other amazing aquatic creatures.



The gorillas were hiding in a corner but the baboons with babies on their backs came to greet us at the glass. The orangutans were swinging around their cage while the tiger rested peacefully in the shade. The children enjoyed watching the graceful movements of a corn snake close up and some were even brave enough to touch it under the supervision of an educator.

They explored a range of habitats and in the learning centre and used their skills of investigation to try and identify the creatures that might have been there. We were so grateful to God for this wonderful experience, for the parents who accompanied and supported us and for a restful ride home on the bus.

## PREP 'CHICKEN FARMERS'



The Prep classes have enjoyed being “farmers” for 2 weeks as we’ve cared for 11 chickens in each of our classrooms. On Monday morning, Prep P and Prep S each received a delivery of 11 fertilised eggs and set up the incubators with great excitement. Many eggs hatched overnight but we were able to watch a few chickens hatch at school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

As the excitement continued, we’ve been able to hold chickens, learn about living things and their needs and consolidate our learning about animal habitats.

We named our chickens and continued to watch them grow and change. The chickens returned to the farm after 2 weeks, but a couple of our families asked to take home some



hens to keep as family pets. We have loved this hands-on learning about God's amazing creation!

Prep Teachers - Sonia Sires and Shellene Pillifeant



## Arts

St Andrews Senior Vocal Ensembles dazzles in the 'Ensembles Extravaganza'





time this year we featured some duets. Mr Jones was very impressed by our students, both in terms of their performing abilities

and their resilience in overcoming their nerves! It was wonderful to see the range of talent that we have at St Andrews and we look forward to seeing these young musicians develop further over the coming years. I would like to thank the teachers who brought their classes to be an audience and support our performers, and our Year 5 and 6 student helpers who did a wonderful job welcoming parents and assisting with keeping the day running smoothly.

### MaxiVox Visit to Donvale Presbyterian Church Seniors Lunch



On Thursday 22 August our Year 4 -6 Choir, MaxiVox, attended Donvale Presbyterian Church's Seniors Lunch. They had prepared a performance programme of 8 songs, a solo item, and Biblical reflection given by Andrew Beovich in Year 6. In spite of being very nervous they acquitted themselves amazingly well and the seniors of Donvale were delighted with their varied programme of contemporary and worship songs. We particularly enjoyed having dessert and a chat with them after the performance. Mr Alan Wright, the organiser, sent us a lovely email the following day:

*"On behalf of the Seniors at Donvale, I want to pass on our sincere thanks to the students for the wonderful presentation yesterday. There were so many good comments about the performance by the children. Pass on our congratulations to them when you next see them together."*

It is wonderful to see our students put themselves outside their comfort zone to serve with their God-given gifts and talents, and take pride in representing their school in the wider community.

### Ensembles Extravaganza



On Monday 9th September we held our second and final Ensembles Extravaganza for the year. All the College ensembles performed a selection of repertoire ranging from Mozart's Overture to the Magic Flute to Duke Ellington's Come Sunday. Our youngest ensemble, MiniVox, with students in Years 2 - 4 performed their items from the Monash Youth Music Festival, and our Senior Vocal Ensembles dazzled us with a diverse range of styles including 80s pop and Ed Sheeran. Jazz Band and Concert Band made excellent use of our newly acquired baritone saxophone, purchased after the successful fundraiser from the previous concert. We are so excited by the growth of our extra-curricular music programme. Each concert demonstrated the amazing progress the students have made and it is wonderful to have such a supportive audience of parents and staff. We would like to thank again our tutors and teaching staff who supported the event in a range of capacities - we could not put these evenings on without this support and it is very much appreciated. We look forward to seeing all staff, students and parents at the Ensembles Concerts in 2020!

## COLLEGE MUSIC INFORMATION NIGHT



We will be having a Music Information Night on Monday 14 October at 7pm detailing all aspects of the music programme at the College, including the Concert Band Scholarship Programme for students in Years 3 - 6 (2020). This session will be highly beneficial to any families new to our community considering enrolling their child in an instrumental ensemble, vocal group or instrumental tuition, or current families wishing to enrol for the first time. We will explain the enrolment processes, financial arrangements and detail what you can expect from our instrumental teachers.

We look forward to meeting you on this evening should you wish to attend, and gratefully acknowledge the support given to our music programme by our parent community.

## **MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS (MVPs)**



At our recent Ensembles Concert we took the opportunity to acknowledge some of the Most Valuable Players (MVPs) in our primary school music ensembles. These students have been recognised as demonstrating our school values through the way they participate in our extra-curricular music activities as follows:

**Faithfully honouring commitments** - turning up on time to rehearsals, coming every week,

**Devoted to growth** - making the most of rehearsal time by getting their instrument, stand, chair and music organised, practising their part at home, being focussed on the rehearsal and not wasting time being chatty with their friends, being involved in more than one ensemble

**Servant heart** - helping to set up and pack away at rehearsals, looking after younger students, being prepared to do something different for the good of the team.

The following students were selected:

Abygail Xiao Year 3

Anani Ho Year 3

Angela He Year 3

Gabriel Liu Year 3

Sheanne Hii Year 3

Elysha Letten Year 3

Sera Oktanio Year 4

Annabelle Tay Year 4

Deanna Hu Year 4

Chloe Gung Year 5

Annika Li Year 5

Leah Chong Year 5

Roshan Firme Year 5

Evan Widjaja Year 5

Joshua Liu Year 5

Thomas Tobing Year 6

Daniel Elias Year 6

We love the fact that so many of our students are demonstrating our College values through their God-given musical gifts and talents, and are appreciative of the support that our parents give to the musical life of the school.

## SEWING GIFTS FOR PREP BUDDIES



The artworks produced by our very talented Middle School Artists is simply amazing! Year 6s have almost finished sewing their Prep Buddy gifts that are to encourage them to keep growing more like Jesus. Year 7s have also finished off their ModRoc plaster Roman Artifacts. An exhibition will be set up bringing together learning from Humanities, English and Visual Art! Year 8 have clay shoes in the Kiln and are waiting to paint them before putting together an exhibition of work that is all about walking with integrity, in the footsteps of a mentor. Each student chose a mentor who has modelled integrity, work ethic, kindness and faith.

Our Bible verse for the year reminds us that *'if we walk in Him we will never walk in darkness'*, and many students have chosen Jesus as their mentor – a great choice. All Year 7 and 8 students have embarked on their Major work for the year – a Passion Project! Please ask them about it at home. As they seek to become Faithfully Devoted Servants of Christ, our students are discovering what it means to give things a go when they are challenging, overcome frustrations and to encourage and be encouraged by others. I am always proud of them!

Keep Creating!  
Marina Heading



# Sports

Parkes wins overall points in Senior Athletics House Sports

## SENIOR ATHLETICS





It was a fun filled, exciting day for senior students at their recent House Sports competition held at the Knox Athletics Track in Knoxfield. After weeks of torrential rain, God bless us with an amazing warm and sunny day that lifted the spirits of everyone. Competition was fierce between Barton, Parkes and Deakin with a number of standout competitors that made for a nail biting finish, however Parkes was the eventual winner, taking the overall honours. Well done everyone involved. It was a great day.





It was a tremendous privilege to have three famous international soccer stars visit St Andrews, Antonio Da Silva, Champions League player with German side Borussia Dortmund and high level coaches and players Lamartine Da Silva and Joaquim Netto.

Both Lamartine and Joaquim are working with HASA, Hope Australia Soccer Academy in Casey to help develop soccer skills and life skills through mentoring. The program is aimed at providing young people aged 7 to 18 with the disciplines and pathways that will help them be successful in life. Ultimately HASA's goal is to see individuals, families and communities better connected and thrive both socially and economically.



All three men told the students about their Christian faith and their personal experiences and journey in the world of professional soccer. Afterwards they were extremely generous with their time to meet and greet students and staff.

Thanks you Mr Farmer for your great work and effort to bring these outstanding sportsmen to St Andrews.



## ST ANDREWS NETBALL



The Spring Season for netball has well and truly arrived. After 3 weeks of grading games we have seen majority of our teams move up sections with their skills progressing and team work

continuing to develop. We are so proud of our coaches and the hard work they do to support our netballers each week. Bring on the second half of the season!

It is fantastic that we get to congratulate the U/15 Vipers Section 4 who came runners up in the Winter season, playing the Grand final with only 6 players. We also had our U/11 Jets (Section 3) and U/11 Phoenix (Development Section 2) finish 1st on the ladder.

Congratulations to all the coaches and players.

**Spring 2019 current ladder positions:**

U/11 Jets (Section 3) - **1st**

U/11 Phoenix (Section 4) - **3rd**

U/11 Giants (Development Section 1) - **2nd**

U/13 Thunderbirds (Section 4) - **1st**

U/13 Mockingbirds (Section) - **1st**

U/15 Swifts (Section 1) - **5th**

U/15 Vipers (Section 4) - **2nd**



We would love to also take this time to also introduce to you the members of our netball board:

President: Lauren Gaschk, Board members: Cheryl Pajor, Charlotte Smith, Sharon Morris, Jennifer Waldron & Julie Schipiliaus



We have also been so privileged to have **Advantech** come on board as sponsors for our netball club. We are so thankful for their contributions and look forward to partnering with them.



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d also like to thank the following businesses for their generous donations to our club and supporting our netball program: **Luxxe & The Fitzgerald Group.**

If you would be interested in supporting our netball club through either a donation or becoming a sponsor please contact Lauren Gaschk at [netball@standrews.vic.edu.au](mailto:netball@standrews.vic.edu.au)

## ST ANDREWS SOCCER AIM FOR THE TOP

### Boys Soccer



St Andrews boys soccer team defeated WAVERLEY 3-0 in boys soccer Division 1 A. This division is the top section in CSEN. Well done boys - onwards and upwards.

## CSEN PRIMARY ATHLETICS



In CSEN Athletics in both primary and secondary St Andrews has been promoted to the A Division of CSEN schools which are the bigger schools by students number such as Waverley CC, Flinders CC and Hillcrest CC. Some of these school double our student numbers but we are able to compete with them on the sports field.

In secondary Athletics Division A we finished fourth out of five larger schools for students aged 12-18. In primary Division A we finished third out of four larger schools for primary

students aged 8-12. This means we stay in the A division for 2020 and can battle it out with the bigger schools and mean our students are excelling at higher levels of athletic performance.



The photo shows our primary winners who will hopefully proceed to the CSEN Champions carnival in October. In the photo are Daniel Lee and Jaden Cheung who won the Long Jump, Erica Dunham who won Triple Jump. Also featured are the "Awesome foursome" Daniel Lee, Ezra Ferguson, Ji Forbes and Josh Deng who won the Under 11s Boys 4 x 100m Relay event.

## ST ANDREWS CRICKET



The cricket season has begun. Grade 5 and 6 girls teams played in the Wantirna District cricket comp on Friday. Boys won two out of four games, and girls won win out of three !! Considering cricket is a new sport for most students it was a commendable effort.



# Library

## LIBRARY NEWS

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

Email: [library@standrews.vic.edu.au](mailto: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.

### Request

If you still have parent hours to complete and would like to help shelve books in either the Senior or Junior Library, we would love your help. Shelters are needed for Term 4 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs Heath on [library@standrews.vic.edu.au](mailto:library@standrews.vic.edu.au)

## Mid-Autumn Day Celebration



On Friday, September 13th, the Senior Library hosted its second Mid-Autumn Day celebration. This event was organised by our Chinese teacher, Mrs Nelly Wang. Students were treated to a number of performances by both students and guest artists.

Ben, Year 12, played a beautiful guitar solo and we had dancers from Year 7 and a poetry recitation from Year 9. Mrs Wang and her guests performed a Tibetan dance. In addition, we had a guest artist demonstrating Chinese drawing and an explanation of the art of paper cutting by some Year 12 students. The audience was also invited to try some traditional moon-cake.

Special thanks goes to Reuben (Yr. 7) and Mrs Lim, our Junior School Chinese teacher, for taking photographs and videos of the event.

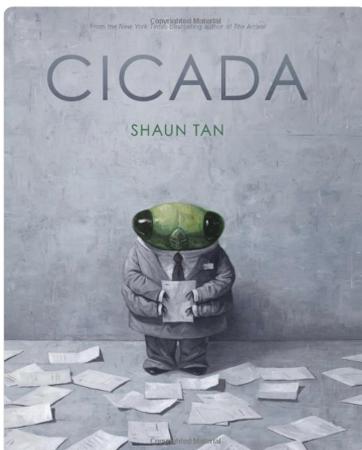
### The Winners for the 2019 Book of the Year are:

The CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia) announced the Book of the Year winners earlier this term. The full list can be viewed at

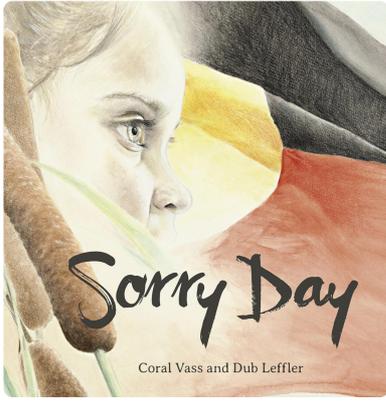
<https://cbca.org.au/winners-2019>

In our collection we have the following award winners

### The Picture Story Book of the Year



**Cicada** by Shaun Tan (Year 5 up, family)



**The Eve Pownall award**

**Sorry Day** by Coral Vass (Year 5 up, family)

We also have a number of the Honour Books

*Lenny's book of everything* by Karen Foxlee (Year 5 up, family)

*The Peacock Detectives* by Carly Nugent (Year 7 up, family)

*The All new, must have Orange 430* by Michael Speechley (Year 7 up, Humour)

*The Happiness box: A wartime book of hope* by Mark Greenwood (Picture Story)



# Community

## **KNOX LITTLE ATHLETICS**

New season starting soon!

Knox Little Athletics Club invites all kids from 5+ to the new 2019-2020 season.

Come to our free "Come & Try Day" is on Saturday 21st September from 10.30am to 12.00pm.

Our season starts on Saturday the 5th October at 8.30am. You can register online by going to <http://lavic.com.au/Get-Involved>

For More information on Little Athletics contact Rob Monteath 0401 699 413

Rob Monteath  
 Secretary Knox Little Athletics Centre  
 Ph: 0401 699 413  
[www.klac23.org.au](http://www.klac23.org.au)

## How to get started in Little Athletics

**Who can do Little Athletics**

Knox Little Athletics Centre caters for children from 5 to 15 years of age, including multi-class athletes. No matter what your skills or ability Little Athletics is all about family, fun and fitness and making sure you can be your best.

**How will I learn?**

Your Knox membership includes free coaching to help you improve and learn about athletics so you can get the most out of your involvement with Little Athletics. Learning is fun and in no time you will see your personal best (PB) performances improve.

**What are the benefits?**

Fun, opportunity to make new friends, fresh air, variety of events. Athletics is also a great base for any sport! Especially great for getting/staying fit in your other sport's off-season.

**What does my mum, dad or family have to do?**

To run our events we do require parent helpers. This ranges from organising, raking, recording, directing and measuring. Duty obligations are organised with your nominated club.

**What events can I do?**

Depending on your age group Little Athletics offers: Sprints, Middle and Long Distances, Hurdles, Relays, Race Walk, Shot Put, Discus, Javelin, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, and Cross Country (during the winter season).



**How friendly is it?**

You will find no shortage of friends or friendships at Knox Little Athletics! Knox Little Athletics has provided a safe inclusive and friendly environment for 50 years. If you are uncertain or a little shy, bring your best friend and do Little Athletics together.

**How do I join?**

Simply visit our website to register online or contact us for details.

Come to our try out day on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September @ 10:30 AM or arrange a 2 week free trial once the season gets underway on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019.



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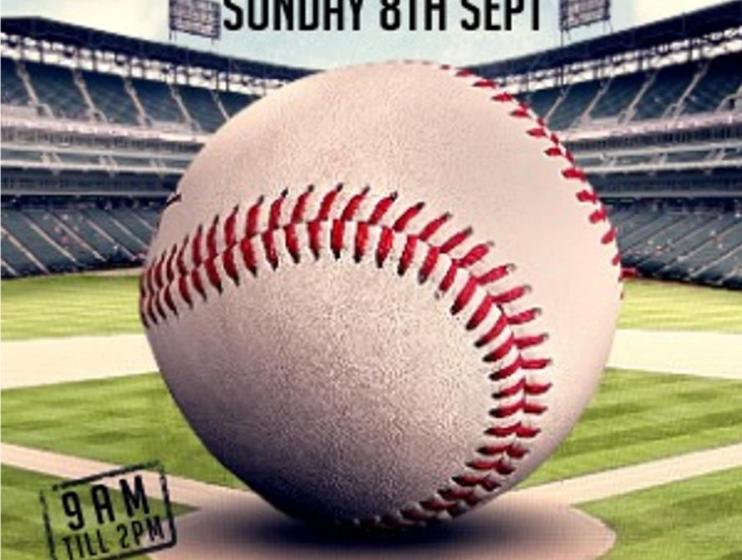
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## UPWEY FTG BASEBALL

UPWEY FTG BASEBALL CLUB

# BASEBALL

INFORMATION DAY  
 SUNDAY 8TH SEPT



**9 AM  
TILL 2 PM**

**T-BALL - U/12 - U/14 - U/16 - U/18 JUNIORS**

REGISTRATION | TEAM INFO | MEET THE COMMITTEE | FIXTURE INFO  
 KINGS PARK, WILLOW RD, UPPER FEANTREE GULLY  
 EMAIL - [PRESIDENT@UFTGBBC.COM.AU](mailto:PRESIDENT@UFTGBBC.COM.AU)

# KNOXFIELD LITTLE ATHLETIC CLUB



## Knoxfield Little Athletic Club



Hi Kids,

The new season of Little Athletics is starting very soon.

So if you want to have some fun with some of your school friends jumping, walking, running, throwing and even want to join a relay team you can.

You are invited to come down to our Try Out Day for Knoxfield LAC on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> of September between 10:30 -12:00 @ Knox Park Athletics Track, Bunjil Way, Knoxfield. Online Registration information will be available on the day. The season starts the following week on the 5th of October at 8:30am.



### COME AND HAVE SOME FUN !

For more information about joining you can visit [www.klac23.org.au](http://www.klac23.org.au) or call Karen LeGrove (President) on 0410583369 or email me at [karynlegrove@gmail.com](mailto:karynlegrove@gmail.com)