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Greetings Parents and Friends,

Musical

Congratulations to all our students and staff involved in last week's performances of 'Beauty and the Beast'.

The show was fantastic!

I continue to be in awe of the amazing talent of our students who were outstanding, whether they were on stage, worked back stage or played in the Band. The camaraderie of all the students and how they encouraged each other was a blessing to all.



Thanks to all the parents/friends who contributed to the show in many ways and supported their children throughout the production process.

Thank you to all the staff who gave many hours, days and for some, months to put on this huge production.

I especially want to thank the Production Team: Karen Elbourne, Luke Batty, Katie Brown and Leonie Williames for their massive and talented direction of the show.

New Child Safe Standards

In 2013, the Victorian Parliament held an Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and Other Non-Government Organisations, resulting in the Betrayal of Trust Report.

The report found that more could be done to strengthen existing approaches to child safety. In response, the Victorian Government is phasing in child safe standards for organisations that work with children, including schools.

Our response as a College is not just to meet the new required standards and laws, but to surpass the benchmarks set by the State Government and Educational authorities.

St Andrews Christian College is committed to provide a safe environment for all our students.

The College is committed to promoting and protecting the safety and best interests of children, actively working to empower them, and allowing them to feel and be safe at all times.

Child Abuse is any action (or non-action) that hurts a child or puts a child in danger.

Child abuse of any kind is never acceptable. St Andrews Christian College has zero tolerance for child abuse.

With changes in the law, we have been reviewing and strengthening all our Child Protection policies.

It has resulted in a new Child Safety Policy which also includes Mandatory Reporting. To support these documents the College has also actioned a Strategic Review and Plan of how we are strengthening our Child Safety at St Andrews. You can read these new documents on the College website (under Policies - <http://standrews.vic.edu.au/about/policies/>) or ask for a hard copy from Mrs Dekker at the Front Office.

What does all this mean for our College Community?

- Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility.
- Child Safety will be embedded into all of the College culture.
- A new 'Code of Conduct' will be mandatory for volunteers/contractors/visiting specialist/extra-curricular teachers.
- Clear boundaries for all adults in our College community in how they interact with children here.
- The Child Safe standards apply to College Staff (including volunteers and contractors), visitors and students' family members.

We learnt more about the new Child Safe Standards and what parents need to do to help keep their child safe at this week's PFA meeting.

Philippians 4:8-9

"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."

May you have a wonderful term!

Blessings,

Catriona Wansbrough

Principal



Notices

Mr Wade teaching at Tata School

**Mission Cup - Coins
for Change**



We are collecting 'change' to help support our mission programs (Vanuatu/Cambodia/Pakistan) at St Andrews Christian College.

Keep the cup in an obvious place in your home or car, drop your loose coins into it and if the cup is full send it to school to be added to the collection. The cup will come back to you, so that you can start filling it up again.

We hope you enjoy collecting funds this way, and we are looking forward to seeing how these small coins will grow into a mountain of help over the coming years.

Sally Wade

Vanuatu Mission Coordinator

New School App

The school has a new communication app .

The tiqbiz app works on a range of smartphones, tablets, laptops and desktops. It isn't limited to just the iPhone or iPad making it a great tool for everyone.

If you haven't already downloaded the app, we would like to encourage you to please do so in order that you can receive up-to-date information from the school.

Download the app from tiqbiz.com.au or from the App store or Google Playstore.

Absence Form:

The tiqbiz app has an Absence Form on it, so if your child is absent, you just need to go to the app, click on the "Absence" icon, complete the form, sign it and then submit. That's it...so easy!

Poet Cameron Semmens is Coming To St Andrews

Cameron is an award-winning poet having won numerous awards and written 15 books. He is going to be working at the College for 2 weeks, providing students with an engaging way to produce poetry and to improve their writing.



Cameron's poems have been described as a dance of literary circumspection around biblical truth. He is able to creatively develop words and phrases into poetry that enthrals. They are extremely engaging, using wit that really appeals to students of all ages.

Cameron is also coming to provide a sample of his work at the Whole School Assembly, Monday, 8th August. Parents are welcome to attend at 8:45am in Rembrandts.

Parents will also have an opportunity to attend a special

event – Poetry Evening, by Cameron Semmens on the 25th of August. More details of this to follow.

Testimonials:

“Cameron has a remarkable talent. The children were fascinated, rapt, amused, excited and promptly set about writing their own poems.”
“The students find Cameron clever, encouraging and engaging. They have really enjoyed working with him. I highly recommend him as an interactive and real part of our exploration of poetry.”

Merrick Brewer
Head of Learning and Teaching

Prayer Day for Schools

Venue: Innovation Centre, St Andrews Christian College

Date: Friday 2 September

Time: 10am - 1pm

All parents are welcome to attend this annual event which St Andrews is hosting this year. It is a gathering of parent prayer groups from various Christian and non-Christian schools from throughout Victoria.

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Suzy Song
Prayer Group Coordinator

National Christian Schools Sports

National Christian Schools Sports – is a high quality multi-sport carnival that honours God and recognises excellence in student sporting endeavour. The NCSS is held every two years and in 2017 will take place in Sydney, with expected competitor numbers to reach eight hundred athletes from five states. The sports on offer in 2017 include Basketball, Netball, Soccer, Tennis and Volleyball. Students that are enrolled in a CSEN member school are eligible to nominate for selection in these sports.

Athlete Nomination form for students:

 National Christi...

Steven Mellody
Head of PE and Sport

Prayer Group

Wednesdays at 8:45am

This year the St Andrews Parent Prayer Group will be meeting every **Wednesday morning at 8:45am** in the meeting room next to the school office.

The St Andrews Prayer Group would like to welcome and invite all parents to come along and join in prayer, with other parents, for the needs of the St Andrews school community.

It is a great opportunity to join in fellowship with other parents.

For specific prayer requests, there is a prayer request box at the front reception desk for you to put your request in if you are unable to join us.

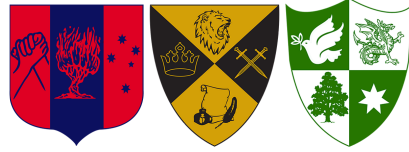
We are greatly blessed at St Andrews to have the opportunity to gather together for prayer. As Christians we are called to pray, and we encourage parents to join us. Be reassured that you don't have to pray out loud if you are not comfortable in doing so.

Suzy Song
Prayer Group Coordinator

Lost Senior Jacket

A student has lost a senior school sports jacket. It has a name label on it "Melanie Chin". It may have been taken home accidentally by someone else. If so, can you please return it to the school office.

House Community Points



Barton 273

Deakin 307

Parkes 209



Calendar

Important Coming Events for Term 3 2016:

August

Week 4A

- Monday 8th - Whole School Assembly
8:55am*
- Tuesday 9th - Parent/Teacher Interviews*
- Tuesday 9th - Student Free Day
- Wednesday 10th - Parent Prayer Meeting
8:45am*
- Wednesday 10th - CSEN Yr7/8 Sports
- Thursday 11th - Yr7-10 Girls Sports Training
7:55am

- Thursday 11th - Yr10/11 HHD Excursion - Mercy Hospital
- Friday 12th - Yr3/4 FFA Soccer

Week 5B

- Monday 15th – Whole School Assembly 8:55am*
- Monday 15th-26th – Poet in Residence - Cameron Semmons
- Monday 15th - Yr5 Victorian Space Science Education Centre
- Tuesday 16th - Yr7-10 Boys Sports Training 7:55am
- Wednesday 17th - Parent Prayer Meeting 8:45am*
- Wednesday 17th - SSV Yr5-6 Basketball Day
- Wednesday 17th - CSEN Yr9/10 Sports Finals
- Wednesday 17th - Yr3 History Presentation
- Thursday 18th - Yr7-10 Girls Sports Training 7:55am
- Thursday 18th - Yr7 Science Excursion Healesville Sanctuary
- Friday 19th - Yr9/10 PE Elective - Golf

Week 6A

- Monday 22nd – Whole School Assembly 8:55am*
- Monday 15th-26th – Poet in Residence - Cameron Semmons
- Monday 22nd - Yr12 Biology - Get Into Genes Workshops

- Tuesday 23rd - Yr7-10 Boys Sports Training 7:55am
- Tuesday 23rd - Duke of Ed Cross Country Skiing - tbc
- Wednesday 24th - Parent Prayer Meeting 8:45am*
- Wednesday 24th - Yr9/10 PE Elective - Golf
- Wednesday 24th - CSEN Yr7/8 Sports
- Wednesday 24th - NZ Expedition Team Preparation Session 3:30-5:30pm
- Thursday 25th - Yr7-10 Girls Sports Training 7:55am
- Thursday 25th - Yr4 State Library and Chinese Museum
- Thursday 25th - PFA Food Day
- Thursday 25th - Poetry Night 7-8:30pm*
- Friday 26th - Yr5-12 House Athletics Day
- Friday 26th - Junior School Book Week Dress Up Day

* *Parents welcome*

Term Dates

TERM DATES FOR 2016

Term 3: Monday 18th July – Friday 16th Sept (9 weeks)

Term 4: Mon 3rd Oct – Tues 6th Dec (10 weeks)

TERM DATES FOR 2017

Term 1: Wed 1st Feb– Fri 31st March

Term 2: Wed 19th April – Fri 30th June

Term 3: Monday 24th July – Friday 22nd Sept

Term 4: Mon 9th Oct – Fri 8th Dec



Vanuatu Mission Trip

St Andrews Mission Awareness Trip 2016

St Andrews Christian College have just returned from our fourth trip to Tata School. It all started in 2012 when Mrs Wansbrough visited Vanuatu and met with the Educational Director and selected Tata for an initial visit. Since then we have had four visits with students, parents and staff all playing their part. This year Mrs Wade and I took seven students from Years 9 and 11, three alumni and a teacher to be an encouragement to the

staff and students of Tata School.



The theme for the trip was "Showing Compassion & Kindness" and we based our teaching, songs and activities around Ephesians 4:32,

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other just as Christ Jesus has done for us."

The students from St Andrews were Olivia Rowland, Chloe Chandraraj, Audrey Ang, Ann Xia, Jerry Cheng, Isaac Cheng and Joel Julian. The teacher was Mrs Sires, and the alumni were Elise, Jess and Sophie Wade. The St Andrews students were wonderful with the way they interacted with all the students of Tata. They ran around, played games, shared stories, did amazing craft activities and had so much love

for all the primary students. They also shared and built high levels of trust and friendship with the secondary students. We had terrific fun teaching them games, playing soccer and volleyball, singing choruses together and generally developing our friendships.

We all felt God surrounding us with His peace and protection, and we could see His hand at work in so many situations. The trip was an amazing time and in so many ways the team had to rely upon God. We learnt so much from the people in Vanuatu.

Elise Wade: God has taught me how He uses us for His glory. Our baptism was so amazing, but even more special was how He used it to teach the Vanuatu people more about Him and bring the bond with St Andrews and them closer.



Sonia Sires: God has taught me to rely on Him – like when I had to teach a Year 8 class about essay writing. He's also taught me to rest in Him and to be still and know that He's in control. He taught me to relax and enjoy “island time” rather than worry about doing things at a fast pace like in Australia.

Isaac Cheng: Upon reflection, my favourite part of this trip was going to Tata school and helping teach the younger classes. Seeing their happiness was amazing. God taught me money and monetary value can't bring true happiness.

Ann Xia: God has taught me that even though the people in Vanuatu were not as wealthy as us, their heart to serve God is still the same.

Joel Julien: Meeting the students at Tata school was one of my favourite parts. It was great to build relationships with the boys and learn about their culture. My buddy was amazing and educated me on how life was. God has taught me to have faith in Him when things do not go to plan.

Chloe Chandraraj: My favourite parts were teaching the children, building relationships with not only the secondary kids, primary kids and our buddies, but also our team. I especially loved teaching the primary students and doing the Tabloid sports day with the secondary and primary classes. Some lessons I learnt on this trip were to be flexible when put in awkward situations and to rely on God.



Jess Wade: My favourite parts of the trip were teaching Class One and singing with

them, and getting baptised with the amazing Pastor Yosef.

Olivia Rowland: My favourite part of the trip was chatting with the girls on the sleepover and really connecting with them over the little things - one girl wrote me a beautiful letter and it really showed how profound an impact a simple conversation can have on someone. God taught me to rely and trust on Him. Despite all our planning and preparing things some things still didn't go to plan. I learnt that we need to trust that God has His own plan and that His plan is much better than ours.

Sophie Wade: A favourite experience was having extra nights at Tata when the team went back to the resort. And then having the Pastor ask me to share in their high school assembly. God taught me that when I am lacking, God will provide eg. I lacked energy and He gave me times of rest, I lacked time to prepare and feel confident in making the devotions, and He led me

through the preparation and gave me confidence in sharing it.



Jerry Cheng: My favourite part of the trip were the baptisms of Elise and Jess on Tangoa Island. I was also very touched by the beautiful singing of the children at Tata school – what amazing worship! Vanuatu's motto is 'Long God yumi stanap' which means 'In God we stand'. For myself, I highly respect and value a strong relationship with Jesus by faith, hope and love. God has taught me to be confident in my faith.

Audrey Ang: I loved building relationships with not only the team, but everyone we met especially our buddies. God taught me that serving Him in a different environment can make an impact on different people. He also taught me that I have a purpose to share the word of God.

Sally Wade: There were so many firsts on this trip like an earthquake, a new lunch location on our sightseeing day and a new Primary Principal at Tata. But the most amazing event for me was seeing our daughters being baptised and seeing how this act has strengthened our relationship with the community at Tata. The Pastor and Principal were most excited about this history making event, being the first adult baptisms on the Island. God's glory was evident throughout the day.

Andrew Wade
Vanuatu Mission Trip
Coordinator



Junior School

Mrs Sires at Tata School, Vanuatu

Sustainability Award

The Junior school students have been busy filming a video to show the work we have done to improve the grounds around the school and to encourage biodiversity. We have been asked to apply for an award to recognise the amount of work we have done to develop the gardens and bird habitats. Here is our video pitch.

Yvonne Hughes

Head of Junior School



Middle School

Victorious Chess Team

Roller Skating Champion – Rebecka Schenker (8K)

We are proud to celebrate the amazing achievements of Becky and share in her joy of being a good steward of the gifts and talents that she has been blessed with. *Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all*

the lights in the heavens.

James 1:17

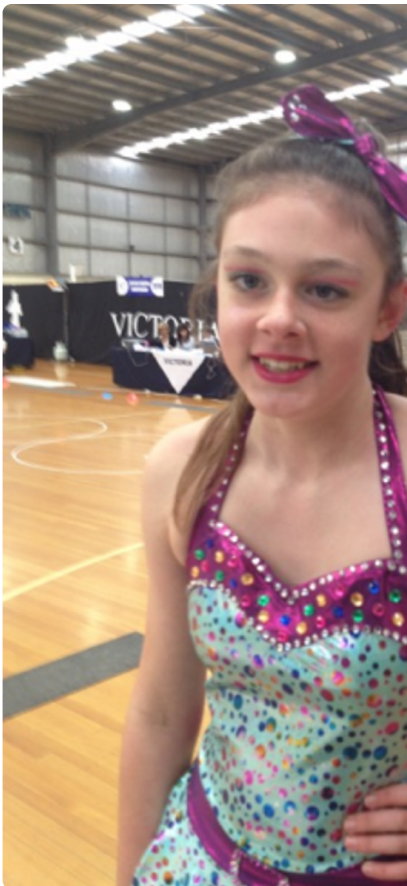
Becky's roller skating days started when she was just 5 years old and attended the "Star Classes"



Becky's first National Competition was in Adelaide in 2010 at age 7!

During the school holidays in July 2016, Becky **REPRESENTED VICTORIA IN THE NATIONALS** held in Melbourne and qualified to compete in 4 different events.

In one of them, she competed in Free Dance, where she was placed **1st AT STATE LEVEL** and placed 10th out of 18 skaters in the country.



In the Free Skating which involves jumps and spins and artistic interpretation, she was placed **2nd AT STATE LEVEL**.

She also won a **BRONZE MEDAL** in a very strong event of 16 skaters around the country.

WHAT IS NEXT FOR OUR CHAMPION?

Becky will be leaving on 2nd September to participate in the **OCEANIA ARTISTIC CHAMPIONSHIPS** in New Zealand. Let us keep Becky in our prayers.

WELL DONE & CONGRATULATIONS, BECKY!!!

Rajes Krishnan
Year 8 Teacher

Duolingo Championship

We have no less than three students who have recently gained their French Golden Owls on Duolingo! They are Freesia Goh, Rachel Woon and Hesel She.



To achieve a Golden Owl, students need to have all the French skill levels, from top to bottom, on gold simultaneously. The way to do this, is to play on a daily basis, keeping skill levels on gold behind you as best you can. For more information, talk to one of our Golden Owl champions, who are pictured showing off their respective Golden Owls.

Madame Cloete
French teacher, Year 6 - 8

Chess Success!

On Friday July 22 our Junior Chess Girls' team competed in an inter-school competition. The students attending were Shalese Teo, Kelly Ta, Roselyn Kho, Irena Tan and Laura Hooi. It was a very tight competition with the final result not being known till the end of the last round. The girls did a wonderful job coming first at the end of the seven rounds.



Particular congratulations to Shalese who went through undefeated and was the top performing girl on the day. Others also had a personal

best for the number of wins. The girls have now qualified for the State Finals! Well done girls!

Tim Farmilo

Deputy Principal



Senior School

Yr 10 Camp

Looking Forward - Trusting God

Term 3 in Senior School is the term in which we really start looking forward to the future. Year 12s are into their last semester of secondary schooling and have to make plans for their tertiary studies at university or elsewhere. We have just conducted the VTAC briefing and now all they need

to do is make some decisions. It sounds simple but can be very stressful.



The Year 10s also will have their decisions to make as they participate in Career Guidance sessions and the Subject Selection Evening, visit Universities and try to plan a VCE course that will allow them to pursue their specific dreams whilst also keeping a variety of options open.



We have been encouraging our students to keep asking God what he would have them do and how they can serve him with their skills and abilities. God sometimes gives clear

direction but at other times he only lights the way a step at a time. In either case it is wonderful to be able to trust that he knows the future and can be trusted to look after us in whatever that future holds.

Jeremiah 17:7-8 says:

***“But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
whose confidence is in him.
They will be like a tree
planted by the water
that sends out its roots by
the stream.***

***It does not fear when heat
comes;
its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of
drought
and never fails to bear
fruit.”***

**Greg Crotty
Head of Senior School**

Yr 12 Chemistry Titration Competition

Towards the end of Term Two our Year 12 Chemistry students took on the challenge of competing in the 2016 RACI Titration competition. This required them to complete six sets of acid-base titrations and

all associated calculations, a technique covered during their classes, in the very tight time frame of only 90 minutes. The competition this year was very tight with an error of less than 1.0% separating the top teams.

Of the 284 Victorian teams that entered Nicole Jones, Simran Sewani and Melanie Chin are to be congratulated on successfully ranking in the top 16% of the state. Well done also to Nathaniel Lim and Mark Stephen who did not score as high but still were able to achieve a respectable ranking of top 37% of the state. What a fantastic result for these students and great encouragement for them in their studies.

**Dr Philip Strack
VCE Chemistry Teacher**

Yr 10 Camp

Reflections on Year 10 Camp at Valley Homestead

At the end of Term 2, the year 10s spent a week at Valley Homestead located at Ovens, Victoria. Here they engaged in fun and exciting team building activities such as bush survival and bush cooking, abseiling,

vertical challenge and dual flying fox and much more. The students challenged themselves to overcome different barriers and all succeeded in various ways. Leaders rose up to the challenge and tasks were completed through mutual support among peers. Though the weather was cold and wet, we thank God for His great favour. Nearly every time the students were out for an activity, the skies cleared and He held the rain till the activities were completed. By the end of the camp, though exhausted, the students had forged strong friendships that will last a lifetime. **Karen Kirk, 10K Home Room teacher.**



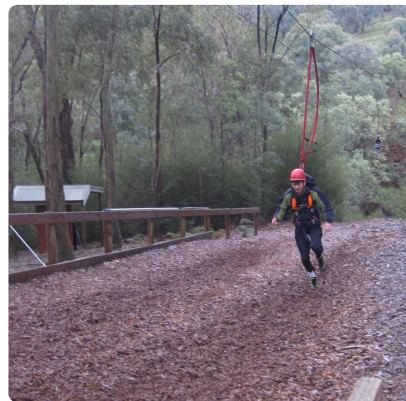
The Year 10 camp was very enjoyable despite the cold and wet weather. I enjoyed the bike ride even though it poured rain on the way back. In a way, it actually made it more fun. On

this camp I was able to grow closer with my friends through the many challenging activities such as climbing and making fires. **Hewett**

Camp was a fun and relaxing experience. The bike ride and camp fire were great. **Joshua**

I really enjoyed the bike ride to Myrtleford, we rode 20 km through a stunning track. Also, the bush survival was really fun; in isolated locations we had to start our own fire and cook our lunch. Overall, it was a great experience and I'm glad to have so many memories.

Katrina



Year 10 camp was a fantastic experience where we learned about each other. It was wonderful to step away from our busy school life, relax with friends and enjoy many thrilling outdoor adventures, including vertical challenges, survival activities and a bike ride. **Caleb**

Camp this year was full of fun and adventures. The highlight for me was the vertical slide. I loved the thrill and enjoying this experience with wonderful people. It was awesome. **Sarah Alexander**



The Year 10 camp was during the last week of Term Two and it was a nice way to finish the busy term. Some activities were difficult, but it was a great opportunity to strengthen our friendships and build our leadership skills. My highlight was participating in the bush survival challenge – when we had to cook our own food in the wilderness. By the end we all felt like Bear Grylls. **Raaya**



Valley Homestead is located right at the centre of one of the most beautiful parts of country, an absolute jewel - the north east corner of Victoria, just outside of Myrtleford. Our Year 10 cohort spent the last week of Term Two at this campsite and it was a positive experience for many reasons.

Students and teachers enjoyed the range of activities, tested and challenged themselves and learned a great deal in the process. Most importantly, we faced our fears and tried out new things, despite the fact that it rained all week and the temperature never rose above 10 degrees.

The majority of activities use the natural slope of the property, with the view of Mount Buffalo. Students completed all the planned activities: Cycling, Abseiling, Climbing, Vertical Challenges, Power Poles, the Free-fall slide,

Aerial Obstacle Course, Bush Survival and an absolute favourite, 220 metre Dual Flying Fox. Students and teachers also played games, shared stories and sang songs to guitar around the campfire. This was an excellent camp for building a strong sense of team work amongst the year level, along with enhancing character. **Irena Yevlahova, 10Y Home Room teacher.**

Year 9 Incursion

A wonderful opportunity is coming up for the Year 9 students next week on the morning of Thursday 11th August. Brett Ryan from "Focus on the Family" will speak to the boys about what it means to be a real man as a Christian in this day and age. The group "Angel Light" will work with the girls on relevant issues such as how God sees them and how the media distorts beauty. Our Chaplain Anna Baumgarth has worked with both these organisations in the past, with great success and has seen a great impact on young people. We look forward to a fantastic time together!

Jo deMeester

Year 9/10 Coordinator

Careers News



In this issue, University/TAFE Open Days continue throughout August:

- Sat 6 Aug – Monash (Peninsula campus)
- Sun 7 Aug – Monash University (Caulfield & Clayton) and La Trobe University (Bundoora)
- Sun 14 Aug – ACU and RMIT University
- Sun 21 Aug Melbourne University and Sun 28 Aug Deakin University.

They are an opportunity for our Year 10-12 students to 'try before you buy' the university or TAFE course, so make sure you attend Open Days this year.

Year 12 Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) applications for 2017 courses open on Monday 1st of August (see www.vtac.edu.au). Students have until 29 September for a 'timely' application. After that, the normal application fee of \$32.00 rises to \$100.00.

Items in the attached Careers

News include:

- Dates to Diarise in Term 3
- Key Dates for Tertiary Applications for 2017 Entry
- VTACmag 2017 (information about VTAC process)
- VET in the VCE
- Careers Expo 2016 and how to get a FREE ticket to the expo
- News from Monash University
- Business Open House
- New Pathways to Law
- The Monash Guarantee
- Why Study Science at Monash?
- Design Courses at Monash University
- News from La Trobe University
- Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE)
- Aspire Generation
- Early Achievers' Program at ACU
- The Global Science and Technology Program at Deakin University
- New Deakin College Pathway Courses to Deakin University
- Diploma of Media and Communications
- Diploma of Science
- Have you heard of a HIT Lab?
- Bachelor of Pre-Medicine, Science and Health at the University of Wollongong
- Biomedicine/Biomedical Science Degrees in Victoria
- Upcoming Open Days 2016

If you have a question about a topic featured in the Careers Newsletter, please contact Careers Coordinator Mrs Irena Yevlahova
iyevlahova@standrews.vic.edu.au

Irena Yevlahova
Careers Coordinator



Parents and Friends

Child Safety Presentation at PFA Meeting

PFA Meeting

Thank you to the many parents who braved the cold air (outside and inside) to come to the PFA meeting on Thursday night.

The turn out was very encouraging and we had an informative session on Child Safety led by parent Fiona Bligh who is the Safe Church Facilitator for the Safe Church Unit of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

www.safechurchpcv.org.au

We also had a look at the new school app from www.tiqbiz.com.au and parents decided to allocate \$25,000 towards new toilets for the Junior School. The PFA has recently bought a defibrillator for the school which will be housed in the school office.

The new venue of the meeting room in the Innovation Centre was convenient and we finished the night with some fellowship, hot drinks and snacks.

Shaun Beovich
PFA President

Fathers' Day Stall

Friday 2 September

A notice will be going out shortly requesting parent volunteers to help on the day.

Food Day

Our next Food Day is on Thursday 25th August. More details will be coming home soon.

Entertainment Books

Full of great value savings coupons and now available to purchase. Either purchase online at www.entbook.com.au/1868g79 or at the school office from Ms Hoenen. Hurry only 11 books left in the office. Great value at \$65 with \$13 from each sale going towards the PFA.

Sonia Sires

**Entertainment
Coordinator**

Book

School Banking

School Banking is available every Tuesday. We need more parents to help with the banking. If you would like to join our roster then please email me via pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au

Term 3 competition

Prize Lights!

In keeping with this year's Outback Savers theme, the Dollarmites have discovered Prize Lights in the Outback sky and want to share these spectacular prizes with School Bankers.

Simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 for a chance to win one of the Star Saver prizes, this includes camping kits, instant cameras and magazine packs.

This year we have a second prize pool available. Students who complete the fun Stargazing online activity, along with making their three deposits during Term 3, will also go in the separate draw to win one of 50 Supernova prizes – PlayStation 4 packs.

We're also giving schools a chance to win one of 75 bags full of sports equipment, valued at \$200, when at least one student makes three School Banking deposits during Term 3.

For more information, please visit commbank.com.au/prizelights

School Banking tokens and rewards

Recently some parents have expressed concerns about Dollarmite tokens and how rewards are distributed to student bankers.

Each deposit made through the school entitles the banker to

one silver token. Students must bank 10 times through the school in order to redeem a reward. Students can do that by submitting the reward coupon together with their 10 Dollarmite silver tokens (or 1 Dollarmite Gold token) on banking day. Reward items ordered normally arrive at school within 1-2 weeks and will be distributed back to the student from their classroom.

School banking takes place at St Andrews each Tuesday morning. The money is collected and processed by a small team of volunteer mums who give their time generously. While every effort is made to ensure that tokens are placed in each student banker's wallet, on rare occasions some tokens may be missed. This could be overcome with more volunteers, so parents please email us if you can help.

We want to assure parents that regardless of how many tokens are in your child's wallet, the Commonwealth Bank keeps an accurate tally of the number of deposits each student makes, and therefore the number of tokens they are entitled to.

Parents can email us and we will check the Commonwealth Bank records for your child's token tally.

New School Banking rewards now available!

The Flying snake (Term 1 item) and Mud splat hand ball(Term 2 item) are both out of stock.

But these exciting new Term 3 rewards with an Outback Savers theme are now available. Redeem your reward while stocks last!



*Backtrack Eraser Pen and
Jump and Skip Rope*

Karen Cheung

School Banking Coordinator

2nd Hand Uniform Shop

The 2nd Hand Uniform Shop is open Wednesdays from 8:30am-9:30am in Rembrandts. If you can help on a Wednesday and want to gain Parent Participation Hours please see Liz.

Liz Romney

***2nd Hand Uniform Shop
Coordinator***

Parent Participation Hours

 Parent Particip...

This PDF contains a list of various activities you can do to gain parent hours.

More!

Don't forget Icy Pole Fridays and our Parent Library in the school office.



Next PFA Meeting

The next PFA meeting will be a combined PFA General Meeting and AGM in Term 4. The date will be confirmed shortly.

Lesley Goh

PFA Secretary

PFA Committee 2016

President: Shaun Beovich

Vice-President: Sally Wade

Secretary: Lesley Goh

Treasurer: Ann Hawthorne

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Sport

Cross country primary champions

Primary School Champions

On Tuesday 19th July our carefully selected St Andrews teams participated in the CSEN Interschool Cross Country Carnival at Bundoora Park. The course was set over winding and hilly terrain covering a distance of 2km (Year 3-4), 3km (Year 5-7 and 8-12 girls) and 4km (Year 8-12 boys). Our students went in with reasonably high expectations after performing so admirably at the CSEN Swimming event earlier in the year, hopeful of a

strong placing but nervous nonetheless.



We had a number of individuals and teams place in the top 3 for their age group, including:

Chavella U11 - 3rd
Daniel M U12 - 1st
Hailey U13 - 1st
Carla U13 - 2nd
Brayden U21 - 3rd

U9 Girls - 3rd
U10 Girls - 2nd
U11 Girls - 1st
U13 Girls - 2nd
U21 Girls - 2nd

U11 Boys - 1st
U16 Boys - 3rd
U21 Boys - 2nd

St Andrews were named as Primary School Champions in B Division and claimed the shield for the very first time!

This is an outstanding achievement considering we already won the Swimming

shield in 2016, with only the Athletics to come. We also placed 3rd in Secondary School, another huge improvement on past attempts.

A special thankyou needs to go to all teachers who were involved in training students during lunchtimes in Term 2, and an even bigger thankyou to the students who gave up

lunchtimes to see how far we could take this - the shield is an awesome reward for their effort!



Library

Middle and Senior Library taking shape

Library News

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

OPENING HOURS

Junior Library

Lunchtime Monday

Middle/ Senior Library:

Monday to Friday: Recess and
Lunch

After school:

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

Email:

library@standrews.vic.edu.au

Thank you

Library staff would like to extend a very big "thank you" to all of the volunteers who

helped cover or shelve books for us during Term 2.

Help Needed

The Library would like to hear from anyone who is able to help with shelving on a Monday /Thursday (morning or afternoon) this term. Please contact Mrs. Heath (library@standrews.vic.edu.au). Young children are welcome. Working with Children Check is essential.

Accelerated Readers

More books have been added to the Accelerated Reader collection. There are some new titles as well as additions to popular series. Students from Years 4-6 are encouraged to check the shelves and new books displays to see what is available.

Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge

The midyear additions to the VPRC list is now available. Students in Years 7 and 8 have

some new titles to read. These include:



Teresa by Deborah Abela (Series: A new Australian), Rockhopping by Trace Balla, A Single Stone by Meg McKinlay, No Rules by R. A. Spratt (Series: Friday Barnes) and The Incredible powers of Montague Towers by Alan Sunderland. Don't forget to look for the green stripe on the spine label!

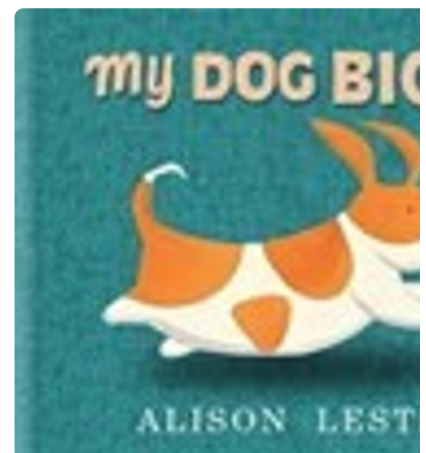
Visit

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/events/prc/2016newbooksjunebooklistpdf.pdf>

to see what else is available. If you have a suggestion for a title you feel should be included in future Premier's Reading Challenge lists, please let library staff know and we can pass on your request.

Children's Book Week Awards.

The announcement of this year's Book Awards by the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) is getting closer. The Year 6 students are in the process of looking at and discussing the shortlisted picture story books. They will then select their own favourite and see whether the CBCA have chosen the same titles.





Community Notices

Newsletter 7

This section of our newsletter is to give our families information about programs being run by organizations outside of the school which may interest our school families.

These organisations are not endorsed by St Andrews Christian College.

Mission Awareness Night

The Setiawan family from St Andrews are involved in a mission trip to West Papua.

Their church is holding a Mission Awareness Night on Saturday the 27th August 2017 starting 5pm until finish - focusing on Papua and its needs. A proper Indonesian traditional dinner and traditional entertainment will be provided, and there is a cost of \$20 per person, which is to

cover food and equipments hire cost.

 MissionAwareness

Wantirna Jetbacks Basketball

 A flyer for the Wantirna Jetbacks Basketball Club Junior Jets Development Program. The flyer includes the club logo, program details, dates, cost, and contact information.

WANTIRNA JETBACKS BASKETBALL CLUB JUNIOR JETS

The Wantirna Jetbacks Basketball Club is proud to announce our Aussie Hoops program **JUNIOR JETS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**. Junior Jets is specifically designed for primary school aged children (both boys and girls) from Prep through to Grade 6. It has been developed to help children of all abilities to learn the fundamental skills of basketball in a fun and supportive atmosphere and prepares them for junior domestic competition.

Children that complete the program also receive FREE registration and a FREE loan uniform for the upcoming Summer 2017 season - commencing 5th Nov 2016 with the Wantirna Jetbacks Basketball Club.

Dates - Tuesdays 4:00pm - 4:45pm

- Week 1 - 2nd Aug 2016
- Week 2 - 9th Aug 2016
- Week 3 - 16th Aug 2016
- Week 4 - 23rd Aug 2016
- Week 5 - 30th Aug 2016
- Week 6 - 6th Sep 2016

Cost - \$30 per player

Where - Court 2
State Basketball Centre
(29 George Street, Wantirna South)

For more information, email aussiehoops@wantirnajetbacks.com
Register online at www.wantirnajetbacks.com

JUNIOR JETS
PREP - YEAR 6
DEVELOPMENT

JUNIOR JETS
privately sponsored by
F.T. GULLY
MYSIDIAN

To enrol, complete and return the form below and return to aussiehoops@wantirnajetbacks.com
NOTE - CASH PAYMENTS ONLY TO BE MADE AT THE FIRST SESSION DIRECTLY TO JETBACKS REPRESENTATIVE.