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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

And so, farewell!

It has been a bit difficult writing this piece for the newsletter as I realise, after joining the College back in July 2009, my time at St Andrews is coming to an end as I will be retiring at the end of this year.

A redundancy in 2008 and an absence from teaching for 14 years, caused me to reflect on what I had enjoyed most about my working life. After a long discussion with my wife, Jenni, as we walked along the Silverleaves beach at Phillip Island, and after committing my future to God, I determined that a return to teaching was what I wanted.

I was fortunate enough to gain a position at St Andrews Christian College and, as they say, the rest is history!

Darren Waterworth, in an interview with me for the 2021 Presentation Night, asked me four questions:

- *What changes have you seen over your time at the College?*

I remember walking onto the Wantirna South site at the end of 2009 to see an expanse of bare land with no buildings on it. So, the biggest change I have seen has been the development of the property with new buildings and facilities. I have also seen the College almost double in the number of students we have and there

have been many improvements and great developments in the teaching and systems to assist with our learning and teaching.

- *What has brought you the greatest happiness during your time at St Andrews?*

The students are what have brought me the greatest happiness. I love that my office is located where I can see the majority of the school and it is the best part of my day when students come past my office and wave or tap on the window. A school is not a school without the wonderful students!

- *What are you going to miss?*

Obviously the students! However, St Andrews is a very special and caring community. I love the fact that we have the opportunity to invest in the lives of the students at the College. However, the highlight of each day for me is the opportunity to share in a devotion time with the other staff. For me the thing I am going to miss most are these devotion times and being part of the St Andrews community.

- *What are you looking forward to in retirement?*

My wife tells me I am not retiring, but I am just stopping fulltime work! I am looking forward to having more time to spend with Jenni and my seven grandchildren. I am also looking forward to having time to devote to some work around our house, my hobbies and the opportunity to do some travel – maybe only within Australia for a while!

These past twelve years have brought me much happiness and I can't think of a better way to have finished my full-time working career. One other thing which I will miss is the annual College theme, and this year's theme *Trust in the Lord* has been no exception. There have been many times during this year when I have had to dig deep and trust in the Lord.

St Andrews will always hold a special place in my heart and the College will remain in my thoughts and prayers in the days to come. May God bless each of you as we approach the celebration of Jesus' birth and I pray for a safe and restful break for all of you over the festive season.

Trust in the Lord

“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.”

Every blessing,

Tim Farmilo

Acting Principal



SACC NEWS

Second Hand Uniform Shop

The second hand uniform shop will be open on **Friday 28th January 2022** from 10:00am to 1:00pm.

It will also open during the first week of Term 1 2022.

February 2022

Tuesday 1st 9:15 to 11:00am

Wednesday 2nd 9:15 to 11:00am & 2:30 - 3:30pm

Thursday 3rd 9:15 to 11:00am

Friday 4th 9:15 to 11:00am

For more information, contact the front office on 8847 8300

Black Dog Fundraiser - One Step Forward

Eight of our wonderful St Andrews staff members came together and formed a team called, "The Saints Team" who participated in the Black Dog Institute, One Step Forward fundraiser.



Altogether Mrs Darlison, Mrs Tay, Miss Elliott, Mrs Wheelton, Mrs Hughes, Miss Nheu, Mrs Pillifeant and Mrs van Heerden raised \$3278.00.

Between us we covered 694 kms. Well done to those teachers who supported such a worthy and relevant cause!

Congratulations Tom - Fencing Victoria Club Challenge

St Andrews would like to congratulate Tom Lyu of 4C who participated in the Fencing Victoria Club Challenge's State Competition throughout November.



St Andrews are pleased to share that Tom won two Medals for his efforts:

1. U-9 Mixed Foil - Bronze Medal
on date 14th-Nov-2021
2. U-11 Boy's Foil - Silver Medal
on date 21st-Nov-2021.

Well done Tom, what a fantastic achievement!

– NETBALL NEWS –

Spring Mini Competition

Five teams from our club started playing the 'Spring Mini' Competition from the 13th November. The players have been enjoying getting back into training and playing together and improving their fitness. The last game for the season is 11th December.



Winter 2022 Season Registrations are now open!

Click on this link to register - [St Andrews Netball Club](#)

Please fill out the form to express your interest in being a part of the 2022 Winter Netball Competition. Unfortunately filling out the form does not guarantee a position in a team.

Priority will go to those who already play for the club and then followed by a 'first in' best dressed policy. You will be contacted and offered a place via email by mid-January 2022.

Calling Netball Parents

If you would like to join the St Andrews Netball Board, please contact Lauren at netball@standrews.vic.edu.au to express your interest.

Blessings,

Lauren Gaschk

St Andrews Netball Club President

PFA News

It is with heavy hearts that we extend our condolences to the Beovich family on the passing of our friend, and brother in Christ, Shaun Beovich. Shaun was a committee member and President of the PFA for many years and served the school community through many activities.

Although much of 2021 was spent in lockdown and remote learning, the PFA are thankful for the support of parents who volunteered at the Open Day, and House Cross Country events, Andrew Musgrove together with his team of volunteers who help out at Icy Pole Fridays, and Kara Beovich who ran the Second Hand Uniform Shop.

Finally, I would like to thank Andrew O'Brien for faithfully serving as President of the PFA for the past 4 years.

As we move into 2022, we are trusting that God is in control as we reflect upon God's Sovereignty through the verses in *Colossians 1:16-17* –

For in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

In Christ's love,

Thomas Chong

PFA President

2022 PFA Executive Committee

President: Thomas Chong

Vice President: Sally Wade

Secretary: Tim Burger

Treasurer: Eric Chen

Email: pfa@standrews.vic.edu.au



LEARNING AND TEACHING

Learning Support at St Andrews

Students, Teachers, Learning Assistants... people in person back onsite! Oh the JOY of being back together and being able to learn and work face to face again!

We are so grateful for God's sustaining strength this year through the rollercoaster ride of lockdowns, and for the extra people that stepped in to help with onsite learning. It has been wonderful to return to some sense of normality and enjoy being together.

Term 4 is always a really busy term of testing, finishing off and planning for the year ahead. We become excited by the growth we see in students, whilst continuing to set goals for further improvement. We look forward to a wonderful New Year, knowing that God already has it sorted. Our prayer is that as you rest and are refreshed over the school holidays, that you are able to enjoy family and friends and be renewed in your walk with the Lord.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child, you are always welcome to contact one of the Learning Support teachers:

- Shirley Gillie – *Head of Learning Support* sgillie@standrews.vic.edu.au
- Wendy Punay – *Learning Support Teacher – Primary*
wpunay@standrews.vic.edu.au
- Kerryn Terrington – *Learning Support Teacher – Secondary*
kterrington@standrews.vic.edu.au

Blessings

The Learning Support Teachers

Learning and Teaching - 2021

As we approach the end of the 2021 school year, it is a good time to reflect on the wonderful efforts of our students, teachers and parents in what has been, once again, a challenging set of circumstances.

We commenced the year with our College theme “Trust in the Lord” clearly in front of us and with the hope that 2021 would see us return to some sense of normality after the disruption of 2020. I don’t think any of us could have foreseen the magnitude of the challenges we would face this year. However, we have all learnt to trust more in God and come to see:

*“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.” **Jeremiah 17: 7-8***

I have been so impressed with the dedication of the staff at the College to guide our students through online learning; the resilience and perseverance of our students to meet the many challenges in front of them; and the unwavering commitment of parents as they supported their children’s learning while juggling work and family responsibilities.

I am thankful to be part of the St Andrews Christian College community and to see the gifts and talents of our staff and students being developed each day. I pray that each family is able to enjoy time together over the Christmas holidays and I look forward to an exciting year of learning in 2022.

Michael Swanborough

Head of Learning and Teaching

NAPLAN Online 2022

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students is held in May each year. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

In 2018, the NAPLAN tests began transitioning from a paper-based test to an online assessment (i.e., students complete the tests utilising a computer or tablet). It is anticipated that from 2022, all schools in Australia will deliver the tests online. NAPLAN Online delivers numerous benefits including: a ‘tailored test’ design that adapts to correct and incorrect student responses providing a more precise understanding of student achievement;

- innovative use of technology, including a more engaging test design and a wider range of item types;
- the extension of the ‘test window’ to two weeks, allowing schools greater opportunity to schedule the tests at times that suit them best and increasing student participation.

As part of the preparation to transition to NAPLAN online for 2022, a number of students from Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 participated in a School Readiness Test (SRT). The SRT is intended to enable us to confirm our technical capacity and to assist in determining the most effective way to deliver NAPLAN Online in our College next year.

I am pleased to be able to report that we have received confirmation from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority that we have successfully administered the SRT 2021 and will progress to delivering NAPLAN Online in 2022.

During Term 1 next year, students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 will have the opportunity to participate in a NAPLAN Online practice test so that they can become familiar with the NAPLAN Online format. It will also enable the College to execute a simulated test experience for students and test administrators that is as close as possible to the real NAPLAN Online event. Further details will be provided next year.

For further domain specific student familiarisation, ACARA has provided a public demonstration website. The suite consists of mini-tests covering all domains for each NAPLAN year level. The demonstration site can be found at: <https://nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

ICAS

Over the last few weeks a large number of St Andrews students have participated in the ICAS Academic Competitions. ICAS Assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence.

Students are assessed on their ability to apply classroom learning to new contexts, using higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills. Students have participated in tests for the following areas: Digital Technologies, English, Science and Spelling Bee.

This year, students across the College completed 350 tests with a total of 34 High Distinctions (top 1% of all participants), 83 Distinctions (next 10% of participants), 117 Credits (next 25% of participants) and 33 Merits (next 10% of participants). In each test and year level, except one, St Andrews students were above the Australian average raw score – an outstanding result.

The tables below summarise the excellent achievement of our students:

Digital Technologies

Year Level	School Average	Australian Average	Maximum Possible	High Distinction	Distinction	Credit	Total Students
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	Raw Score	Raw Score	Score				
Year 3	20	16.2	30	2	4	2	12
Year 4	19.2	15.2	30	1	4	5	11
Year 5	20.3	16.7	35	2	2	4	12
Year 6	22.3	18.9	35	0	3	2	6
Year 7	26.5	25.7	40	0	1	5	10
Year 8	29	24	40	1	0	1	3
Year 9	30.5	24.9	45	0	0	2	2

English

Year Level	School Average Raw Score	Australian Average Raw Score	Maximum Possible Score	High Distinction	Distinction	Credit	Total Students
Year 2	20.9	17.6	35	1	2	8	16
Year 3	29.1	23.3	45	1	5	5	16
Year 4	27.5	21.4	45	3	4	7	20
Year 5	32.7	28.5	50	1	4	7	19
Year 6	29.6	28	50	0	2	3	11
Year 7	35.5	32.5	55	0	1	7	14

Year 8	31.7	28.6	55	2	0	2	9
Year 9	31.2	29.1	60	0	0	3	5

Science

Year Level	School Average Raw Score	Australian Average Raw Score	Maximum Possible Score	High Distinction	Distinction	Credit	Total Students
Year 2	18	16.1	30	2	2	3	15
Year 3	20.3	16.5	30	1	7	3	15
Year 4	21.3	16.2	30	2	4	7	14
Year 5	23.8	23.5	40	0	2	4	16
Year 6	22.8	22.6	40	0	0	5	11
Year 7	22.3	22.4	40	0	3	2	14
Year 8	24	20.3	40	1	1	1	6
Year 9	22.8	19.9	40	0	2	2	5

Spelling Bee

Year Level	School Average Raw Score	Australian Average Raw Score	Maximum Possible Score	High Distinction	Distinction	Credit	Total Students

Year 2	24.9	20.1	35	2	4	2	15
Year 3	31.7	21.5	40	5	5	5	16
Year 4	32.4	23.5	45	1	8	5	16
Year 5	34.1	25.6	45	5	1	10	18
Year 6	38.5	31.1	50	0	4	2	8
Year 7	42.5	31.3	50	1	8	3	14

Congratulations to the following students who received either a High Distinction or Distinction:

Digital Technologies

High Distinction:

Year 3	Shiphrah Wang, Joyce Zhao
Year 4	Akesh Weerakoon
Year 5	Joshua Chen, Declan Lee
Year 8	Matthew Wu

Distinction:

Year 3	Elizabeth Chong, Isabella Yin, Eelyn Zhang, Xiyu Zhang
Year 4	Neil Chong, Jason Kiswoto, Evangeline Li, Jayden Yang
Year 5	Eric Li, Zijin Wang
Year 6	Lucas Chen, Naomi Law, Zhe Xi
Year 7	Timothy Goh

English

High Distinction:

Year 2	Samuel Chong
Year 3	Xiyu Zhang
Year 4	Chris Mei, Junru Teng, Jayden Yang
Year 5	Abygail Xiao
Year 8	Joash Law, Matthew Wu

Distinction:

Year 2	Asher Hwang, Zachariah Wong
Year 3	Zoe Almodiel, Elizabeth Chong, Shiphrah Wang, Isabella Yin, Eelyn Zhang
Year 4	Annabelle Choi, Zara Lim, Jacqueline O'Brien, Akesh Weerakoon
Year 5	Joshua Chen, Angela He, Eric Li, Zijin Wang
Year 6	Isaac Hsien, Naomi Law
Year 7	Timothy Goh

*Science***High Distinction:**

Year 2	Samuel Chong, Asher Hwang
Year 3	Isabella Yin
Year 4	Junru Teng, Jayden Yang
Year 8	Matthew Wu

Distinction:

Year 2	Ella Shang, Pearl Wang
Year 3	Zoe Almodiel, Elizabeth Chong, Jordan Nah, Shiphrah Wang, Elliott Wong, Eelyn Zhang, Xiyu Zhang
Year 4	Annabelle Choi, Zara Lim, Chris Mei, Jacqueline O'Brien
Year 5	Joshua Chen, Sheanne Hii

Year 7	Terrence Cheng, Timothy Goh, Kay Lee Wong
Year 8	Joash Law
Year 9	Max Demunck, Adel Kalnoki

Spelling Bee

High Distinction:

Year 2	Samuel Chong, Pearl Wang
Year 3	Zoe Almodiel, Elizabeth Chong, Lucas Li, Samuel Tang, Xiyu Zhang
Year 4	Zara Lim
Year 5	Joshua Chen, Angela He, Declan Lee, Jincheng Li, Zijin Wang
Year 7	Evan Widjaja

Distinction:

Year 2	Asher Hwang, Walter Lay, Kevin Wang, Zachariah Wong
Year 3	Gabriel Fong, Gabriel Lau, Elliott Wong, Isabella Yin, Eelyn Zhang
Year 4	Michelle Chen, Annabelle Choi, Evangeline Li, Jiamiao Liu, Chris Mei, Jacqueline O'Brien, Akesh Weerakoon, Jayden Yang
Year 5	Lorena Chan
Year 6	Naomi Law, Zachary Lim, Ethan Loke, Zhe Xi
Year 7	Terrence Cheng, Timothy Goh, Elise Leivo, Adina Liang, Joshua Tan, Ethan Wang, Kay Lee Wong, Kyle Yap

Michael Swanborough

Head of Learning and Teaching



PRIMARY SCHOOL

A Message from Head of Primary Mrs Hughes

We are so proud of our incredible students for their perseverance and positive attitude this year! Despite the challenges thrown at us through lockdowns and COVID-19, we have had a wonderful year and made so many amazing memories!

Whether it was Pirate Day, Primary Family Kahoot Night, Camps, Wellbeing Days, Market Day, Excursions and so much more – this year has been filled with many highlights!

Last Friday night we were so blessed to celebrate our Year 6 students at their graduation. We ate KFC, took hundreds of photos and danced the night away! It was a perfect way to see 'goodbye' to this season of their College journey.





all that He has done.

Yvonne Hughes

Head of Primary

Year 12 & Prep Scavenger Hunt

Preps and Year 12 came together to celebrate the end of 2021 and their great achievements.

Even though the year was interrupted with several lockdowns, the bond formed between the Preps and their Year 12 Buddies was evident as they race around the school trying to solve all the mystery questions in the St Andrews Scavenger Hunt. The Preps kept these young adults running here and there trying to be the 1st team finished.



This fun was followed by a shared morning tea where great conversations were had and the words “I Love you”, “I will miss you”, “I have had so much fun” were overheard. We

have loved our partnership with the Year 12 class of 2021 and wish them every success.

Shellene Pillifeant

Prep Teacher

Beautiful Beach Day

God blessed us with a beautiful day at the beach on Thursday 18th November!



The Prep children had a lovely time exploring God's creation at Rickett's Point, a marine sanctuary. We looked at sea artefacts and sorted things we found on the beach, into groups to show what God made and what people made.

We had a walk on the rock pools to find crabs, limpets and sea urchins. After enjoying our lunch, a highlight of our day was paddling in the cool water and building creative sandcastles on the sand. We are so thankful we could enjoy this day together!

Sonia Sires

Prep S Teacher

Healesville Sanctuary Excursion

After a few postponements, we finally made it to the Zoo!

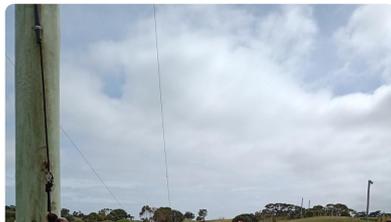
We saw kangaroos, echidnas, koalas and emus. Our favourite part of the day was watching the bird show and having the wedge-tailed eagle swoop over our heads!





Year 4 Visit The Ranch

The Year 4's went to The Ranch on Friday 26th November. It was such a fun day, participating in 3 different activities during the day.





Paige Cheung & Gail van Heerden

Year 4 Teachers

Year 4's Interesting Discoveries

Year 4 have been learning about the circularly system, discovering interesting facts we researched about the heart.

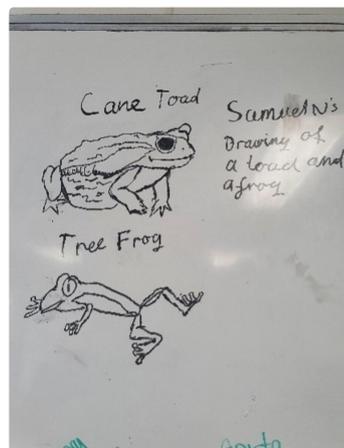
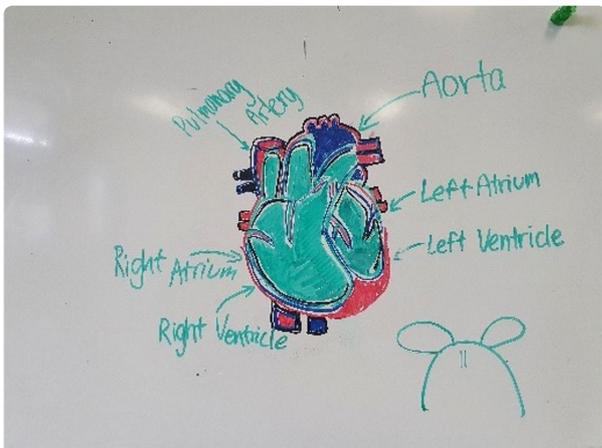
Everyday the human heart creates enough energy to drive a truck 20 miles. In a lifetime that is equivalent to driving to the moon and back – Annabelle

The heart can still pump even when it is disabled from the body – Akesh

A woman's heart beats faster than a man's heart – Livia

Give a tennis ball a hard squeeze, that is around the same amount of force your heart uses to pump blood to your body – Zara

More heart attacks occur on a Monday than any other day of the week!



Year 4 have been studying facts on the tree frog and the cane toad.

Did you know...?

The tree frog is a carnivorous amphibian – Michelle/Groups sharing their researched information.

The tree frog has a green, smooth, wet and shiny skin – Levin

The tree frog has a long tongue and has teeth – Esther

Tree frogs have a very efficient breeding program – Sam L

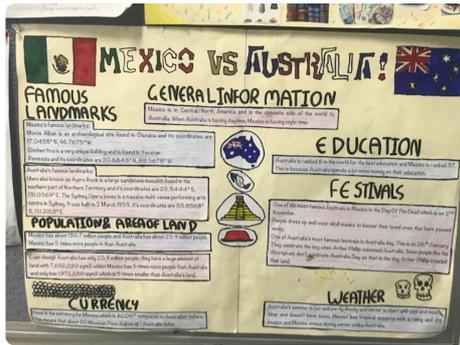
The cane toad is poisonous – Edrick

The cane toad has no teeth and cannot swim – Ebony

The cane toad can create havoc in bushes using his poison. They eat snakes and goannas - Steve

Year 5

5L have been busy learning about North American countries and comparing them with Australia. They have also been making their own North American menus and presenting them to the class.



In Biblical Studies, the students have been researching bible characters including David, Jonah and Esther. They made videos and animation clips to present their characters which were very entertaining, creative and clever. Well done 5L.

Ben Sheahan

Year 5 Teacher

Year 6 Graduates!

Year 6s enjoyed celebrating their final year of primary school by dancing, feasting and having lots of fun at the 2021 Year 6 Graduation Evening on Friday night!







busy completing amazing art work.



Students from Years 4, 5 and 3 have made felt that will be turned into a piece of art by Elizabeth Armstrong the artist who started the project with us in Term 3. The art work will represent the bible verse of the year and will be completed in time for the beginning of 2022.

This term I say goodbye to St Andrews as I leave after 15 years teaching Art here. I have loved my time at St Andrews, it has been a joy to teach here.



Sally Darlison

Art Teacher

Chinese Language

Well done on another great year of learning Chinese!

Students have participated in activities related to the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival! They have had much fun in taking part in activities such as lantern making, and joining a drawing and colouring competition. They have produced such beautiful work and

showed their creativity.

The winners for the competition this year are:

Year 6: Inseo Yang, Isabella Tan and Alexa Wong.

Year 3: Ciara Gung

Year 1: Abigail Ha and Chloe Mei.



Congratulations to all and I hope you've had a great year learning Chinese so far! Jia You!

Rebecca Lim

Chinese Teacher

Digital Technology

The primary digital technologies lab has been buzzing with excitement as students have enjoyed being able to create and collaborate with their classmates in person.

Whilst technology helped keep us connected during online learning there's nothing quite like being together in a physical space where you can feel and witness the creative energy of others, share ideas freely, experiment and learn all at the same time.



Learning and creating should be a joyful experience – that's how God designed us! We can be thankful that our access to modern technology gives us even more ways to express our God given creativity.

Junior Choir Performances!

After a long period of time practising singing online, our junior choirs (MicroVox and MiniVox) finally had the opportunity to sing together on returning to school!

We were able to film these as a celebration of the students work this year, their commitment to attending online rehearsals, and in praise to the incredible faithfulness of our loving God!

The Year 4s also had the opportunity to perform their very hard work, and were able to record their singing for Mrs Ranger to collate. Please also enjoy their FINAL performance of 'It's Raining Taco's' along with some photos of their photo booth fun!



We are so proud of all our groups that persisted with their rehearsals online and joined together to perform for you all in this ‘virtual’ way!

STEM Cardboard Arcade

This week we ran our Year 3 STEM Cardboard arcade. The Year 3s have worked so hard both at home during lockdown and at school over the last few weeks to complete this project.

Using all recycled materials the Year 3s have built incredible arcade games. The students have raised \$1,705 for Cambodia all from recycled materials and STEM creativity!

I am so proud of these incredible students!





Celebrating Our Amazing Year 12s

Year 12 Celebration Day

With the fears of COVID circulating in high numbers in our community and potentially disrupting the VCE examinations, the class of 2021 was forced to finish earlier than originally planned. This meant that the usual things like a final time with Prep buddies or a final assembly and a celebration fun day were not able to happen before the students left school to begin studying for examinations.

When restrictions began to ease, we took the opportunity to plan a post exams celebration day. This day was intended to be simply fun and games.









prepared by Mrs Morris at the school café.

Overall, a great day of celebrating our graduating class of 2021 was had by all who were able to come along.

Natalie Farmer

VCE Coordinator

Valedictory Dinner

What a privilege it was to be able to actually have an in person Valedictory Dinner to celebrate the end of the school journey for our Class of 2021.

The Valedictory event this year was held at Sky High, Mt Dandenong. It's nice to see how St Andrews Year 12 cohorts have now outgrown the venue we had used in previous years.

The students of the class of 2021 have had a very tough two years of their VCE. They missed their Formal event two years running and had the majority of their learning online. Yet they pressed on to the finish line and had a positive end.







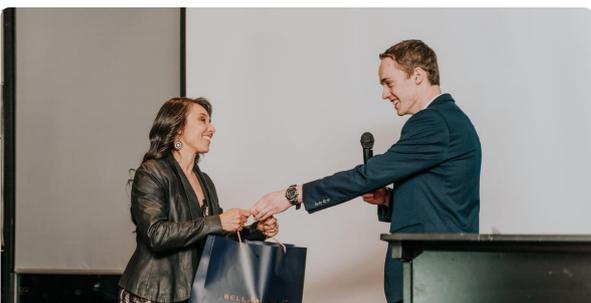
Pictured (from left) – Graduates of Gravitate 2021 – Jenna Weng, Sarah Farmer, Harry Rowland, Maddy Ellis (Teacher) and Nathan Kong. Other graduates who were absent: Mathew Stephen, Tarkyn Pillifeant.







Deputy Principal, Mr Farmilo, receiving a gift voucher and certificate from Mr Wakeling, on behalf of our top reader, Summer.









Well done and Keep on Dancing!

Rajes Krishnan & Matthew Adamek

Year 8 Homeroom Teachers



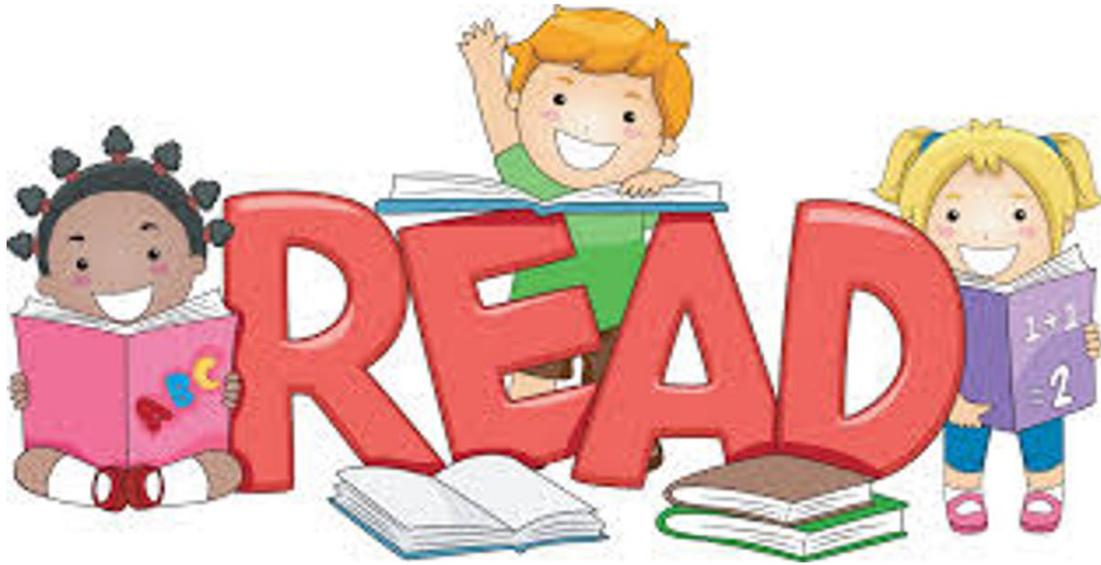
LIBRARY NEWS

Thank You!

The Library staff would like to say a very big *thank you* to all of our volunteer helpers. Thank you for giving your time to shelve and cover books for us. We appreciate your willingness to help, in spite of the lockdown restrictions throughout the year. We wish you a restful and blessed Christmas.



Keep on Reading



Students will not be able to borrow books from the school library over the Christmas holidays. Please could all library books be returned before the end of the term. We look forward to introducing students to some wonderful new titles early next year.

However, the local libraries will be open. Most offer ebooks or audiobooks, which can be borrowed from their websites. All are free to join and you do not need to live in the council area. Some closer libraries are:

Eastern Regional Libraries

Locations include: Knox, Croydon, Belgrave, Boronia and Ferntree Gully.

Eastern Regional Libraries offer Libby- ebooks, audiobooks and emagazines, Borrowbox- ebooks and audiobooks, Libby for kids- ebooks and audiobooks and Storybox online and iVox which has interactive stories.



Whitehorse Manningham Libraries



Locations include: Vermont South, Box Hill, Doncaster, Blackburn and Nunawading.

Whitehorse Manningham Libraries offer Borrowbox- ebooks and audiobooks, Overdrive- ebooks and audiobooks, Storybox- Online storytimes.

Monash Libraries

Locations include: Mount Waverley, Glen Waverley, Mulgrave.

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Yarra Plenty Libraries

Locations include: Eltham



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Lynne Marks, Anita Little, Wai Peng Heath

Library Staff