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# Principal

#### **Dear Friends**

It is lovely to be back from overseas and back with the community at St Andrews Christian College.

We have an amazing leadership team who are highly capable and able to confidently lead the College when I am on leave. A special thanks to Mr Tim Farmilo who stood in

as Acting Principal!

It was really special to come back to the wonderful GRANDPARENTS and SPECIAL PERSONS' DAY in the Junior School that we held a couple of weeks ago.

As many of you know, I am a grandparent of a beautiful little girl (now 1) and relishing this special stage in my life. Unfortunately my children live in another state (ACT and from next year NSW), so I am not a grandparent who is always

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present. What we do though is often fly up to Canberra or bring our children to Melbourne at certain times of the year to celebrate special events and spend quality time with each other. I am so thankful for the daily photos on Messenger and how we share with Facetime, where each week we are able to talk and see what our special granddaughter is doing and how she is progressing.



#### With my granddaughter earlier in the year.

One of the special things in being a grandma (I am called Coco – which I hope doesn't turn into cuckoo) is being able to pray for my family in all the celebrations, joys, sad times and difficult things in life.

Our students here at St Andrews Christian College, our own children and grandchildren are our future and we need to nurture and pray for them, allowing them to blossom into the adults God created them to be (not what you or I want them to be).

I asked a couple of grandparents "what is so special in being a grandparent?" and these are some of the responses:

- Cuddles!
- Seeing my grandchild's enquiring mind and how they see the world so differently to me.
- The way they trust you unconditionally.
- The special bond we have together.
- The opportunity to have some influence in their lives.
- Seeing how the relationship you have with your grandchildren is so different to the one you have with your own children.
- Really interesting to see how your own children 'parent'. Although their ways of parenting are different to mine, it suits them and their lifestyle and that is ok.
- Good to be able to hand them back to their parents!
- PRAYING for them.
- Adds excitement in my life to see how excited my grandchildren become with the

simple things in life, like ants marching in a line.

• Being able to support and encourage my family in a different way.

God created families, friendship and community and He created us to bless and encourage each other. Whatever age we are, we all need special people in our lives to encourage and be there for us. And, sometimes to set us straight and say the hard things to us that probably no-one else would say.

If you are struggling at the moment in not having a special person in your life, I encourage you to pray about it and step out of your comfort zone to be that special person for someone else. It is amazing how these actions can turn into a precious friendship, where you are there for each other.

Thanks to all our 'SPECIAL' people (friends and grandparents) who came to the College to share their day with their special person. I especially thank those who travelled long distances to be here, from across the state, interstate or overseas. We had grandparents come all the way from Japan and Hong Kong to be here at St Andrews!

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. 2 Thessalonians2:16-17

Abundant blessings, Catriona Wansbrough

#### Principal



# News

College Captains 2019

## PRESENTATION NIGHT



Dear Parents,

Presentation night is coming up on Monday 10th December at 7:30 at Belgrave Heights Convention Centre, Convention Avenue, Belgrave Heights.

This will be a wonderful night of thanksgiving and celebration for the College.

All students from Year 3 to Year 12 are expected to attend Presentation Night. Presentation night is not compulsory for Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students however they are very welcome to come and sit with their parents.

All students receiving an award are required to be at presentation night. Parents will receive a call to notify them that their child is receiving an award in the week leading up to Presentation Night.

All students need to be in full school summer uniform. Blazers need to be worn by all students from Year 7 to Year 12.

As outlined in our Uniform Policy, all students with hair longer than shoulder length are to have their hair neatly tied back. If ribbons are worn, they should be in College colours – white, blue or burgundy.

Since we want our students to look smart on the night (clean uniform/shoes polished/tidy hair), students are allowed to wear their sports uniform on Monday 10th December to school so their uniform is clean and presentable for this important event.

All students will need to arrive at Belgrave Heights Convention Centre no later than 7:00pm. The staff will meet them at the auditorium doors and seat them in their year level groups.

#### Schedule: -

6:30pm Musicians arrive, set up and tune7:00pm All Students arrive7:15pm Students are to be seated in theauditorium in their class groups7:30pm Official start

At the conclusion of the night you will need you to collect your child from where they are sitting in the auditorium. Junior school students will need to be signed out by their teacher when you pick them up.

Kind Regards,

Catriona Wansbrough Principal

### CAPTAINS 2019

I am very pleased to announce the Senior School Captains for 2019. This year there was an abundance of outstanding candidates and the decisions about who would be recognised as captains was difficult. School captain candidates were required to put together an application, complete with cover letter, undergo and interview and give a speech in front of the Senior School.



Our College Captains for next year are Ben Audet and Chloe Chandaraj. Vice-captains are Joshua Manners and Audrey Ang. Please join me in congratulating them, and also lifting them in prayer as they undertake these very important roles within our school!

John Presant Head of Senior School

### CHANGE TO SUBWAY ORDERS

Subway would like to inform our students that the SPC Fruit Crush-ups are no longer available for ordering. They apologise for any inconvenience.

The fruit crush-ups will be replaced by another healthy snack option, which will be announced at a later date.

## CLASHUAL CLOTHES DAY FUNDRAISER

On Friday 9th November, students across the College displayed their fashion at its most clashing and all for a good cause!



To raise money towards the support our upcoming Mission Trip to Cambodia, students wore clashing colours; stripes with spots, odd socks and weird hats. It wasn't 'Fashion on the Field' at the Melbourne Cup, but at least our money went towards a worthy cause. Three winners were chosen, one from each sub-section

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of the school, Jerry, Sophia and Jack, at our 2018 Clashion Parade.



We raised \$968.65 to improve the resources and teacher training at a village school in Cambodia. This has moved our year-long total to over \$8,000 and closer to our \$10,000 target.

Thank you to everyone who got dressed up and to everyone who donated.

Greg Crotty Cambodia Mission trip Coordinator

# CHESS STATE FINAL



Congratulations to (photo from left) Nathan Miao, Joseph Cho, Chris Vuong, Nicholas Kho and Chris Qiu for participating in the recent Primary School Chess State Final. Although we did not win, the boys represented the school well. Great effort boys!

#### Daniel Ferguson Chess Coordinator

## PRIVATE INSTRUMENTAL TUITION 2019

Enrolments for private instrumental tuition for 2019 are now being taken. The details of this process were presented at the Music Information Night on 22 October and are also summarized on the first page of the attached enrolment form.

STACC\_InstrumentalTuition\_App...

St Andrews offers private Music lessons for the following:

Piano	Violin	Drum Kit	
Trombone			
Guitar	Voice	Flute	
Trumpet			
Saxophone	Cello	Clarinet	Bass
Guitar			

For those re-enrolling, there have been some changes to the conditions of enrolment:

- Instrumental tuition fees are now to be added to the fee account and will be added to the February to November monthly fee calculation - a change from invoicing each term.
- From 2019 one FULL TERM'S NOTICE in writing must be given to cease instrumental tuition - a change from 4 weeks notice.

3. Refunds for unused tuition fees will now be calculated each semester - a change from refunds each term. The allowance for 16 lessons per semester means that there is greater opportunity for tutors to deliver make-up lessons, and/or offer extra lessons in preparation for instrumental exams before adjustments are made.

Many of our instrumental teachers are now running teaching days at full capacity. Should demand exceed availability, enrolments will be considered on a 'first come - first served' basis, and therefore submission of your enrolment form as soon possible is recommended.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Ms Loretta Hoenen in Finance, if you have any further questions.

Many thanks for your ongoing support of our growing Music Department.

Helen Metcalfe Instrumental Music Coordinator

### SCHOOL OF ROCK



We congratulate Caleb Elbourne in his amazing efforts and celebrate with him and his family the fantastic opportunity he has to perform in the current production of School of Rock. This show is currently on at Her Majesty's Theatre and currently is the "best selling event in Melbourne."



# Calendar

# IMPORTANT COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4 2018:

#### LOOKING AHEAD – Term 4

- Running up until Thursday 22nd November
  VCE Exams
- Monday 19th Thursday 22nd November Year 7 – 11 Exams
- Friday 23rd November Report Writing day – No School for Students (OHSC program on offer)
- Friday 23rd November Prep Orientation
  Day
- Friday 23rd November VCE Valedictory Dinner
- Monday 26th Friday 30th November –
  2019 Senior School Headstart Program
- Monday 26th Friday 30th November Year
  7 & 8 Future Focus Program
- Thursday 29th November 2019 Transition
  & New Student Orientation day (Yrs 1 7)

- Friday 30th November Junior School Christmas Concert
- Monday 3rd Friday 7th December 2019
  Senior School Headstart Program
- Monday 3rd Friday 7th December Year
  7 & 8 Future Focus Program
- Monday 10th December Presentation Night
- Tuesday 11th December Last Day of Term 4

#### **TERM DATES**

#### **TERM DATES FOR 2018**

#### Term 4

Monday 8th October - Tuesday 11th December

#### **TERM DATES FOR 2019**

#### Term 1

Friday 1st February – Friday 5th April \*Preps start on Monday 4th February

#### Term 2

Wednesday 24th April – Friday 28th June \*Note: Term 3 holidays are 2.5 weeks and not 3 weeks as in previous years

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#### Term 3

Thursday 18th July - Friday 20th September

#### Term 4

Monday 7th October - Tuesday 10th December



# Parents and Friends

# PFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to those Parents who attended last week's PFA AGM. The following people were elected as PFA Executive Officers for the 2019 year:

President:	Andrew O'Brien
Vice President:	Sally Wade
Secretary:	Lesley Goh
Treasurer:	Eric Chen

We thank the above people for their ongoing commitment to the PFA together with Jean Lee who has stepped down as Treasurer this year. We also thank those Parents who have committed to attending PFA Executive Meetings to assist in the planning and management of events in 2019. I encourage all Parents to become involved in both the PFA Executive Meetings and events.

# KNOX COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SUPPORT

The Knox Community Christmas Support 'Sharing The Joy' project is looking for people willing to assist this year. This project supports families and individuals in the Knox city area who are in financial hardship, by providing a Christmas hamper of festive food and a selection of quality gifts for children up to age 16. Last year they provided over 600 hampers for families and individuals, and gifts for more than 500 children and teens

If you are able to assist, please contact: **Knox Community Christmas Support** 136 Boronia Road, Boronia VIC 3155 Ph: 9761 1325 <u>kccsworker@knoxinfolink.org.au</u>

### SCHOOL BANKING

School banking takes place on each Tuesday of the School Term.

There are some interesting reward for this term and maybe some from previous terms (depending on availability).

Twister Power Handball – Released Term 1 Glow Light – Released Term 2 Sparkle Glitter Pens – Released Term 2 Mighty Boom Handball – Released Term 3 Heat Reactor Pencils – Released Term 3 Slushie Maker Cup – Released Term 4 Zoom Flying Disc – Released Term 4

These reward items take about 1-2 weeks to be delivered back to school after putting through the

orders. Please send through the redemption as soon as possible.

Last Day for redemption will be on Tuesday the 20th November. And orders after this date will be risking of picking up the reward next year.

Last Day for school banking will be on 4th December.

### 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is located just next to the Multi-Purpose Hall and student drop off area.

The Uniform Shop will open from 8:30am -9:30am each Wednesday during the Term.

### ICY POLE FRIDAY

Every Friday lunchtime.

Andrew O'Brien PFA President

# PARENT PARTICIPATION HOURS

To support various school events and activities during the year we strongly encourage families to volunteer their time.

Notices will be sent out for activities you can help with, such as school carnivals, covering library books, ice pole Fridays, 2nd Hand Uniform Shop, PFA events, classroom help and 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 semester 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.

### TERM 4 PFA EVENTS

- School Banking every Tuesday
- Uniform Shop every Wednesday
- Icy Pole Friday every Friday
- Entertainment Books Fundraiser Online purchases only

# 2019 PFA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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



# Senior School

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## VCAA EXAMS



VCAA Exams are well and truly underway in the Senior School. Our students have been busily studying, preparing for, and completing exams https://newsletters.naavi.com/issue/PJKd30M/preview/pdf over the past two weeks. Although it is a stressful time for students (and teachers and parents, too!) it is nice to see a culmination of their academic work occurring. We trust in God's plans for our students and their futures; knowing an ATAR result is not the defining characteristic of their lives!

John Presant Head of Senior School

# ST ANDREWS ALUMNI

The St Andrews Alumni Association would like to encourage our current St Andrews class of Year 12 students during their exam time.

Congratulations to those who've already finished their final exam and God's strength and encouragement to those of you still to finish.

As you finish up your studies and look ahead to your life beyond school at St Andrews we'd like to welcome you into our Alumni Association where we aim to keep in touch and continue to care for and encourage you in your journey beyond the school gates.

You may recall recently receiving a letter and form to introduce you as the newest Alumni. If you haven't already, could you please return this completed form to alumni@standrews.vic.edu.au so that we can continue to stay in touch and keep you informed in futures years for both the College happenings and reunions.

#### **CAREERS NEWS**

Please find attached the latest careers newsletter.

The issue starts with information for our Year 12 students: How to access VCE results and ATARs 2018. The results will be released at 7am on Friday 14 December. The second item is for our Year 10 and 11 students who like science – an opportunity to register for Monash University MySci program, held 9-11 January 2019 at Clayton Campus.



This three-day science program is specifically designed for students who enjoy science and are in Yr. 11 and 12 in 2019. Register <u>https://shop.monash.edu/mysci.html</u>

RSPCA Animal Career Discovery Day is on Thursday 13th of December. For more information and to book, visit : <u>https://weteachme.com/rspcavictoria/1016624-</u> <u>animal-career-discovery-day</u>

Careers Newsletter No 16 2 Nov...

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

Irena Yevlahova Careers Coordinator



# Middle School

Year 8 Science GTAC Excursion

Dear community,

As we approach the end of the year, I would like to inform you about some staffing movements in the Middle School for 2019. Mrs Jenny Provis (Year 5) will be leaving us at the end of this year to move to the Northern Territory. I would like to acknowledge her contributions and express my thanks for her love and care of her students.

With Mrs Provis leaving St Andrews, our Year 5/6 Coordinator, Mr Sheahan, will be moving into Year 5 as a homeroom teacher next year. I am also pleased to announce the appointment of Chelsea Christelow, who will be a Year 6 homeroom teacher for 2019. Here is some information about Ms Christelow:



My name is Chelsea Christelow and I am an enthusiastic teacher who has just completed a Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) at La Trobe University. For as long as I can remember, I have been involved in youth/children's ministries and music at my church and this is something I am extremely passionate about. Currently, I run a mentoring program for school-aged girls and am actively involved in ministries for children of all ages. In my spare time, I love being outdoors, spending time with family and friends, playing music and singing. I'm so excited to be teaching at St Andrews next year and to use my two passions, faith and teaching, to influence the lives of young people for His glory!

#### YEAR 7/8 EXAMS

Our Year 7 and 8 students started their exam period with their English paper.

This will be the second exam for our Year 7 students, while the Year 8 students are seasoned exam writers by now. Nevertheless, it would be

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helpful to all students if they could have a quiet place to study at home, free from distractions like unnecessary technology, televisions or disruptive siblings. They should have breaks often, at least every half hour, and be encouraged to study efficiently in short bouts, rather than sitting for hours while not achieving much.

While some students may find exams challenging, we should encourage our students to view their exams as an opportunity to show how well and how much they have learnt in one semester. Success breeds success, therefore a positive experience in these early years of exam writing will set our students up for success in VCE. Your help, compassion, consideration and encouragement can also make a world of difference to your child's exam experience.

Our students worked hard this semester; may the exam period be a positive experience for all.

Christa Cloete Year 7/8 Coordinator

# YEAR 8 SCIENCE GTAC EXCURSION

Electrophoresis to separate DNA fragments, centrifuging and gel filtration to identify milk proteins are processes that Scientists use regularly and our Year 8 Scientists were introduced to them at GTAC in Parkville. The students discovered the processes involved in immunisations, tried to work out which cows to breed from the composition of the proteins in their milk and also learnt about gene technology, genetic testing and its implications. They worked in small groups with real research Scientists and – most importantly – had lunch at The University of Melbourne.



#### (There are more Photos on I drive)

Student comments:

"I really enjoyed the excursion to GTAC. We were able to use advanced scientific equipment we don't normally use."

"The technology was cool and the iced tea was a good price."

"Going to GTAC was an amazing experience to deepen our knowledge of Science. My favourite bit was talking to the Scientists about Science and university."

"I learnt how not to spread germs."

Greg Crotty Head of Science

#### **FUTUREFOCUS 2018**

Be changed so you can bring change.



There has been a buzz of excitement in Year 7 and 8 this week, as students were introduced to the inaugural FutureFocus program. This program will run during the last twelve days of the school year, and it was born out of a desire to present our senior students in Middle School with a program that will enrich and equip them in the areas of resilience, STEM, career choices, subject choices and physical prowess, to name a few, while at the same time encouraging them to faithfully honour commitments, be devoted to growth, and have a servant heart.

# **TOP SECRET**

Every morning will be started off as normal with homeroom, after which students will, on most days, have a double period of Maths. This will be

followed by two 100 minute sessions made up of incursions, excursions, speakers, or a session presented by one of our own staff. Sedentary sessions will be alternated with more active, hands-on sessions whenever possible. Some sessions will be presented as electives, while others will be presented to the group as a whole. Students were allowed to choose their electives this week, but now the focus needs to be on the exam which started today and will end on Thursday 22 November.

Christa Cloete Year 7/8 Coordinator

#### **7CL OPEN THEIR HEARTS**

Miss Kristy Ringeri with some students of the 7CL homeroom and their donations for the Salvation Army.





# Junior School

# EXCURSION TO ROCKPOOLS AT RICKETT'S POINT

On Friday the 26th of October the two Prep classes enjoyed a wonderful day at the beach in Rickett's Point.



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The weather was perfect! Not too hot and not too cold. We enjoyed exploring the beach and looking at the seaweed, shells, sea jellies, crabs and other interesting things we found. We also wandered in and around and through the amazing rockpools which had so many different coloured seaweeds, shells and other creatures. After a short paddle in the water, where we saw some live crabs and fish, right near our feet, we had a fantastic time building sandcastles, tunnels and canals. It was so amazing to look out at the enormous ocean and be reminded of God's never ending, love for us that is as wide as the ocean.

#### STARS OF THE SEA



On Thursday the 9th of November we had some sea creatures come to visit our Preps. The Preps enjoyed touching a biscuit sea star called Tim Tam and a many armed sea star that had lost some arms and was growing new ones. They held some sea urchin casts and the shell of a spider crab. Some children held a small tank with a live sea horse and had lots of fun doing a special sea horse dance. Safely contained, in a small tank, the Preps saw a porcupine puffer fish called bloat and a Port Jackson shark called PJ. They also enjoyed watching the hermit crabs come out of their shells and scuttle across the floor. We felt very blessed to be able to see and touch so many of God's amazing creatures from the sea.

### GRANDPARENTS DAY



Last Tuesday the 30th November we hosted a Grandparents and Special Guests afternoon. The day was beautiful and began with a picnic lunch in the yard and a bit of soccer. After lunch the students welcomed their guests into their classrooms and were entertained by music and special activities together. The aim of the day was to honour these precious people in our families and to let them experience our school day. The guests were overwhelmed by their welcome from the Middle School leaders on the gates to the precious time spent together in classes - the feedback about their experiences was wonderful. This is another example of the amazing community we have at St Andrews, thank you to all our guests and to our precious students who went over and above to bless and honour all the Grandparents and Special Guests.



#### FAREWELL TO NICOLE NG

This week we said goodbye to out precious Year 2 Teacher who is going on Maternity leave. Nicole has been an incredible teacher and an amazing blessing to the school. We did get her to have a bit of fun with the staff and spit the dummy for the last time at school.



She will missed, however we look forward to when she visits with her little girl in the next month! May God bless you Nicole and David in this very special season of your lives.

#### YEAR 1 ART EXCURSION

Year 1s recently visited the Heide Museum of Modern Art with our wonderful Junior School Art Teacher, Mrs Sally Darlison!



Students discovered the unique history of Heide with a guided tour of the 15 acre site, seeing, smelling and tasting as they went along. Year 1s also learnt about the legacy of John and Sunday Reed and their contribution to the modernist art movement in Melbourne.



A treasure hunt was included and students also had the opportunity to make recycled corrugated cardboard cows, inspired by art around the grounds of Heide. A highlight for students was standing beside a tree that was 400 years old!

Melanie Lepileo Year 1 Teacher

## YEAR 4 ACE HI CAMP

Ready, steady, GO! We all rushed off at top speed to get lots of points for the Amazing Race. Emma, Leah and I got our first card, "How many tonnes is the Ace Hi express?" Our hearts were pumping at full force as we sprinted to look for the answer. It was 17th October and everyone was squealing at the top of their voices, "We are here at Year 4 camp!" I couldn't believe how much I'd enjoyed doing all the fun activities over the next three days – the bumpy horse-riding, the tall giant swing, the humongous rock-climbing, the heartpumping Amazing Race, the super-long flying fox, and even the fabulous free time.



#### The bumpy horse riding

On Wednesday, we learned how to get on a horse, get a horse going, turn a horse and stop one. It was lots of fun. On Thursday we went on a trail ride for 1 ½ hours. We were quite scared that it was going to be bad weather for it was raining, but luckily it stopped soon. My horse's name was Bandit, but sometimes I called him "Cookies and Cream" because he was brown at the front and white at the back. Bandit was very comfortable to sit on. I think he understood English too, because when I told him to go quicker and made a clicking sound, he listened and went quicker. The ride was a bit bumpy but I soon got used to it. When we finished, I was really sad to leave Bandit and hoped to see him again soon.



#### The tall giant swing

The giant swing was at an amazing height of 18 metres. To make it swing, someone was strapped in and pulled up by everyone else. I went to the

top but didn't scream. I had to pull a button at the top but I didn't pull hard enough the first time, so I got a shock the second time. Soon though that shock turned into sheer amazement as I saw the glistening sea and lush green hills. Afterwards, I really wanted another go even though it felt like my heart was in my throat.



#### Fabulous free time

We had lots of things to do at free time, but my favourite things were just walking around and going swimming. On the first day we went swimming. The water was quite clear and most kids were there. I also enjoyed walking around

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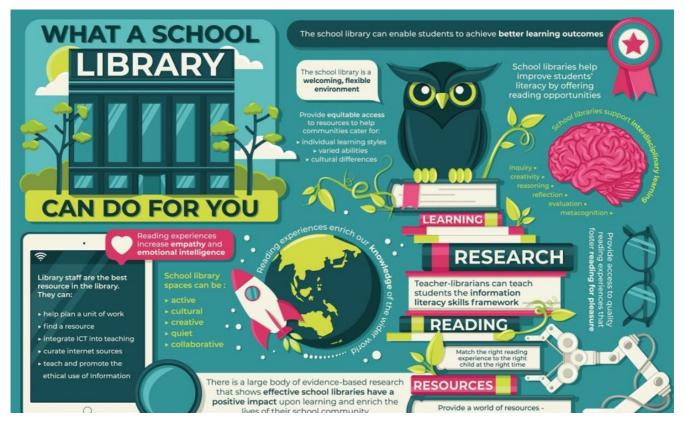
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the campsite and just took in all the scenery. There was lots of nature.

I really enjoyed Ace Hi Camp and want to go back really soon! I liked the horse riding, giant swing and free time the best. Hope you see you soon, Ace Hi!

#### Zoe Oei

#### Year 4 Student



# Library

# LIBRARY NEWS

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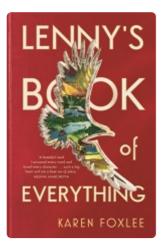
Junior Library Lunchtime Monday

Middle/ Senior Library: During School: Monday to Friday: Recess and Lunch After School: Most days until 4pm.

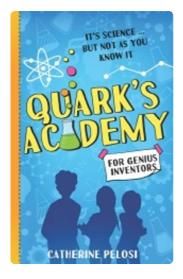
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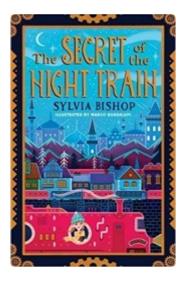
# WHAT'S NEW IN THE 'YEAR 5 PLUS' AREA OF THE LIBRARY?



Lenny's Book of Everything by Queensland author Karen Foxlee is a well written, beautiful and touching story with major themes of family, sacrifice, death, love and knowledge. It's a wonderful read but do be warned – you might need to keep a box of tissues close by. Located in the FAMILY section.



**Quark's Academy** is a page-turning adventure complete with humorous dialogue, mad plotting and peculiar characters. Junior science geniuses Augustine, Celeste and Oscar need to put their squabbles aside and their heads together if they want to get out of the Quark's science academy alive ... Located in the **ADVENTURE** section.



The Secret of the Night Train. All aboard the night train, where no one is as they seem! As Max takes off on a thrilling journey across Europe by train, can she unravel the mystery of a priceless missing diamond and find a way to bring the jewel thief to justice? The Secret of the Night Train is full of interesting characters, adventure and mystery. Located in the **MYSTERY** section.

# JUNIOR LIBRARY – WHAT'S THE MOST POPULAR SERIES?

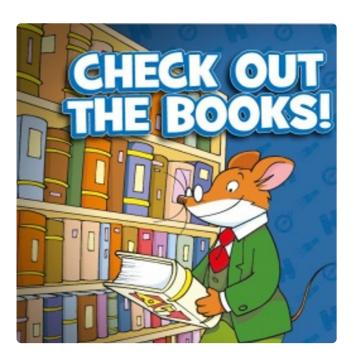


We are so pleased that many of our Junior School students are voracious readers. All students are encouraged to read and borrow regularly. Reading for pleasure is important as well as reading for information. Many of our Junior School students really enjoy finding a series they like and trying to read every book that the library has, from that series. The Junior Library has over 55 series that contain at least 10 titles in each.

By far, the most popular and often borrowed series is *Geronimo Stilton* and his sister *Thea Stilton*. Our Year 1 to 4 students constantly borrow them, along with some Prep and Year 5's as well. In fact, we have just ordered 25 replacement copies along with 15 new titles ready for next year. If you've never read one, why not borrow a title and have a read – you'll see why our students find them such a fun read!

Over 220 titles have been published but we only have around 90 in the Junior Library and another 15 in the Year 4 Accelerated Reader Program.





Thank you Library Staff



# Art

# MIDDLE YEARS ART ON THE MOVE!

Year 8 thoroughly enjoyed walking to Blind Creek Trail, just 15 minutes from the College. Students were documenting their understanding of one point, two point and linear perspective along the way with sketches and photographs. More photographs were taken of interesting organic and geometric lines/shadows and of human impact on a natural area. We were astonished at the quantity and diversity of litter in and around such a small section of our local area. Loaded with source material, Year 8's final project for the year is to create a 'merged perspective' artwork, bringing together layers of meaning about an ecological/sustainability issue they regard as important. Judy Watson's Heron Island Project, is our reference. The students are reinforcing their understanding of accountability and responsibility for God's beautiful Creation.





Marina Heading Year 6-8 Art Teacher

# YEAR 7 ART



Year 7 starting their 'Personal Symbols Group Project - looking at Christian Indigenous Art.

Marina Heading Year 6-8 Art Teacher



# Sport

# TOUR OF HOPE

Brazilian soccer stars came to visit and spoke to Years 4 – 8 on Friday October 26 at a special assembly in the College. All the Soccer players are committed Christians and played for Brazil in different World Cup finals.



## JUNIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

All was dimmed by the clouds as we went out of the buses. It was 2nd November when we went to the Knox Athletics Track for the Junior School Athletics Carnival. When everyone was on the bleachers, Mr Farmer prayed for the weather. Thank God that after that it was really sunny. From the bleachers you could see the vortex area, the long jump sandpit, the high jump bar and mat and the relay and racing track.



Our favourite event was high jump, which was quite tough. Most of the students in 4C were eliminated and soon there were only 6 people left – 4 boys and 2 girls. The girls, Zoe and Annika, competed first. Zoe didn't make it. Breaths were held and hearts were pumping. Yet Annika didn't make it either. They tried again but this time a bit lower. Zoe couldn't make it but then Annika did!

Eventually all the scores were added up and once again suspense was in the air. Six representatives from the houses walked to the front as winners were announced. Third place was Parkes and there was some cheering as well as lots of heads in hands. Second place was Deakin, so that made Barton first! Barton went wild!



