It was a real delight to see so many families visit the All Saints College marquee at the Bathurst Show on the weekend. The Saturday evening was excellent with strings and band playing with refreshments served. There were many requests for information and there will be some busy weeks ahead for our Registrar, Mrs Helen Schwab, who will be following up on those requests. There was much information given out regarding Scholarships and I want to make sure that our existing Year 4 families are aware that scholarship application for Year 5 is earlier than before and contact should be made with Helen Schwab (63327313) as soon as possible for application details.

There was much of great interest at the Show and I was pleased to collect my free box of energy saving light globes and water saving shower rose from one stand. The incandescent light globe seems to be an item that will pass into history very quickly particularly if we can save energy and cut down on Greenhouse Gases. The school will be able to support this action very soon with both educational material and energy saving globes if all goes to plan. Details should be available soon through VIM. Yesterday, Year 6 travelled to Mt Piper Power Station to better understand the whole issue of energy.

Best Wishes to our swim squad who have been training at the Stannies pool for the last two Mondays. They travel to the Olympic Pool at Homebush for the HICES Swimming Carnival next Wednesday. Our Year 5 class are getting prepared to welcome grandparents and special friends to the school next Friday. This is always a highlight of the term and much enjoyed by both generations. Years 3 and 4 are looking forward to their Bushcraft Camp also next week on Thursday and Friday. Years 5 and 6 set off for their Bushcraft Experience the following week. It is perhaps very good timing that we are hosting a visit from “The Bush Tucker Fella” next week.

As you can see the term is very busy and now we are preparing for the end of term with very important Parent Teacher Interviews. The staff really look forward to the opportunity to discuss with you the early progress of your child(ren) for 2007. The information sheet is attached to this VIM and an early return is very much appreciated.

End of Term interviews
End of Term 1 interviews will be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 26, 27 and 28 March. There is a form attached indicating dates and times. Please fill out the form as soon as possible if you wish to talk to your child’s class teacher and return to Leonie in the office. We will attempt to allocate day and time as closely as possible to those chosen by you.

Hockey teams for 2007
U11s: O Hazlett, E Menzies, R Thong, S Goodman, J Morgan, J Morrison, A Fish, E Crozier, K Germeeh, M Lo, J Jones, K Ardley, S Farraway, M Colley (goalie).

Please note that some of the girls in the U11s team are still eligible to play in U9s. If we have more girls wanting to play we may be able to enter a team in each. If you’d rather your U9 child not play in U11s let me know. U9 children could probably play in both competitions if it fitted in with your Saturday mornings!!

There will be a gala day on Saturday 31st March. If all girls are there then it will help sort out teams and be a fun way to get back into hockey. The competition proper will commence after the Easter Holidays.

Mrs R Clements

Bookclub
Bookclub has been given out. It is due back on Monday 12 March.

Bulbs
Last days for bulbs!!!! Please have your orders into the Junior School office no later than Friday 9th March 2007.

If anyone has any questions re the bulbs ring me on 6332 7378. Thanks for your support.

Dead Bones Society
Be inspired by the bones and stones of the Sommerville Collection. Creative writing workshops for boys in Year 4-7 (9-13 years old) with author Paul Stafford at the Australian Fossil and Mineral Museum. Workshops are held three times per term on Thursday evenings 5-7pm. Next session 22 March 2007. Bookings essential 63315511.

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Golden Assembly Award
Congratulations to the following children who have received a Gold Assembly Award:
Victoria Austin
Jock Grant
Eliza Crozier
Carnaby Gilany
Well done to these students.

“HOW CAN WE REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS?”
Equestrian Club

The Senior School Equestrian Club has been quite active and very successful this year and there are some of us who would love to offer that opportunity to like-minded students in the Junior School. The College has some wonderful facilities to encourage equestrian activities and some of our junior riders have suggested a whole range of worthwhile and enjoyable activities. At present questions are being asked and support is being gauged and there should be a firm proposal in VIM in the next week or so.

J R Bidwell

Class parents for 2007

Welcome back to yet another busy term. I hope you have landed with your both feet firmly planted on the ground. I am writing to you all to advise you of this year’s class parents.

Kindergarten
Ray and Cindy Pickard
Margaret Van Heekeren

Yr 2
Jane Corbett Jones
Linda Cant

Yr 3
Jane Hazlett
Lousie Hall

Yr 4
Janine Cartwright
Allison Goodman

Yr 5
Lisa Coates

Yr 6
Wendy Emmerson
Jane Thompson

Under 7’s Kanga Cricket

Following our team photo at the flag pole with Mr Poole we made our way up to our treasured turf wicket to enjoy our last home game of the season against St Pats. A very BIG THANKYOU is extended to Mr Doug Rowe who prepares a wicket that first grade would be pleased to play on. He has been very generous with his time and talent to provide the best Kanga pitch in Bathurst by far! Kane Dennis as captain for the day invited St Pats to bowl first. Tim Pickard was an example to the rest of the team as he remained not out at the end of his innings – well done! St Pats were also very accomplished with the bat and we spent a good deal of our time searching for the ball in the long grass over the fence in the horse paddock! Henry Morgan took the opportunity to demonstrate his bowling prowess and he took 3 wickets on the day. Christopher Lo was most impressive in the field and his energy and attentiveness won him the Players Award on the day – Congratulations.

Please Note: This Saturday 10 March – Bye – No game
Saturday 17 March at George Park vs Rugby Union McGrath
Saturday 24 March at Tracey Oval Social Game vs Parents with Under 9’s 10:00am start – bring a picnic lunch – BBQ supplied.

JRBidwell

Basketball Draw

Games                      Venue     Time
ASC Lollipops v Pepsi Purple  Crt1   4.30pm
ASC Panthers v Panthers       Crt2   5.30pm
ASC Clovers v Calara Tigers    Crt4   5.20pm
ASC Cobras v Hippies          Crt4   6.10pm

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Please sign and return

J R Bidwell

District hockey selections

Girls interested in trying out for district hockey teams please note: District selections Cooke Hockey Complex Sunday March 11th, Under 11’s 4.00pm, Under 13’s 5.00pm, Under 15’s 6.00pm, $5 registration fee. ALL GIRLS. There will be a gala day ‘Bunny and the Bull’, Saturday 31 March 10.00am-12.00pm for all girls aged 7 to 13. The competition will get underway after the Easter School Holidays. The next Association Meeting is on Monday, 5 March, 5.30pm in the club room. Interested parents most welcome.

JRBidwell

2008 Scholarships

2008 Scholarships for entry into Year 5, 7, 9, 10, 11. See Registrar Helen Schwab for more information. Scholarships close on April 13, 2007.
You are invited to visit with your child’s class teacher to discuss your child’s progress. The Junior School will continue to enhance an awareness of student progress and performance. A student portfolio for classes Transition to Year 6 will be available at this time. The portfolio will contain a few samples of your child’s class work across the KLA’s (Key Learning Areas). The portfolio is not intended to display your child’s best work but rather samples of work which over the year may indicate growth of understanding of concepts.

Interviews will be held on Monday 26 March, Tuesday 27 March and Wednesday 28 March. There will be NO AFTER SCHOOL SPORT on Monday 26 March and Wednesday 28 March.

Please return the form below as soon as possible if you wish to talk to your child’s class teacher.

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**TERM 1 – 2007 – INTERVIEW TIMES**

**FAMILY NAME:** .................................................................

**CHILD’S NAME:** ..................................................  **CLASS:** .................

**CHILD’S NAME:** ..................................................  **CLASS:** .................

**CHILD’S NAME** ..................................................  **CLASS:** .................

**PREFERRED DAY:**  (Please tick)

[ ] Monday 26 March  
[ ] Tuesday 27 March  
[ ] Wednesday 28 March  
[ ] Any day

**PREFERRED TIMES:**  Please number 1 to 4

[ ] 3.30 pm  [ ] 3.45 pm  [ ] 4.00 pm  [ ] 4.15 pm

[ ] 4.30 pm  [ ] 4.45 pm  [ ] 5.00 pm  [ ] 5.15 pm

[ ] 5.30 pm  [ ] Anytime

[ ] I wish to see Mrs Margaret Croft either before or after allocated time.

(Mrs Croft only available on Monday and Tuesday)

We will attempt to allocate day and time as closely as possible to those chosen by you.