At Tuesday’s meeting of JS P&F, I spoke about the concerns of the Australian Primary Principals Association. This group represents all junior/primary schools across Australia and is increasing awareness of the difficulties and the inequalities that exist in primary education. The association has released a parents newsletter and I will try to attach it to the next Vim possible. Please consider their request for support as All Saints College is certainly one of those schools which is being underfunded as well as being subjected to increasing pressures to solve much of society’s disfunction.

A proposal was also submitted to the meeting to proceed with a functional space to replace the Opera House. This will be discussed at the next meeting and I would be very pleased to see as many parents as possible at our final meeting of the year on Tuesday 20 Nov.

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Last Friday, assembly showing was used to view and enjoy the JSHAA Travelling Art Show. The Year 6 students, Doug and Miriam, presented nearly $400 to the CWA Drought Relief Fund from last term’s Fun Day and Ms Williams presented the first Platinum Award to a Y5 student, Eliza Crozier. It was a most significant assembly and appreciated by all.

Best Wishes to our Y3 and Y4 classes who are presently touring historic sites in Sydney supporting their classroom studies.

Next Thursday Year 6 are holding a cake stall to raise funds for their gift to the school and the following day, Friday 2 November the children are invited to visit next year’s classroom and learn of the excitements and challenges that await for them in 2008!

**Transition News**

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you had a refreshing holiday and are ready for a very busy term! We are busy preparing our Christmas Concerts and decorating our rooms. You will have already noticed that we have sent their words home for them to learn. Some of the children have already learnt their words which is fantastic.

*PLEASE help your child practice them every day so they will be ready for the big day!* Our phoneme this week in TR is ‘er’. We have had fun with a mixer and butter making ginger bread men. In TB & TP our phoneme ‘ou’. We have made a mouse house.

TR & TB had another visit to the town library which was lots of fun. A reminder to make sure all your children have their hats at school, and that sunscreen is applied before they come to school.

Please be sure to visit Reception and view the beautiful Christmas decorations made by Baan Handicrafts in Thailand from our missionary friends Lee & Lyn Morris.

Regard Jock, Deb & Liz

**Clothing check please**

Can parents please check their children’s clothing as a blue ASC track pants and red polar fleece with the name Bailey Jardine has gone missing. This might have accidentally been picked up by mistake. Please contact Mrs Keogh in the office.

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**From the Assistant Head of College**

(Junior School)

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**SCHOOL AEROBICS**

Aerobics will continue during Term 4. Come to Mrs. Rolfe’s room after Monday sport, 4.30 – 5.00pm.

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**Child Care Benefit**

All Saints’ College is a registered child care centre. The child care benefit can be claimed for Transition tuition fees and After School Care fees.

A form will be sent home this week to claim these fees. Please complete this form and return to Mrs Keogh in the Junior School office before November 2 if you would like to make a claim. Receipts will then be issued.

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**Attention All Dads**

**Movember @Saints**

- Grow a mo during November and raise awareness among guys for the need to talk about their health.
- Lots of fun & prizes for the best moustache.
- Register with Mr Cant on p.cant@ saints.nsw.edu.au

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**Dates to consider**

- **Th/Fr 25/26 Oct** Y3/4 Excursion to Sydney
- **Thur 1 Nov** Cakestall for Y6 Gift to school
- **All Saints’ Day**
- **Fri 2 Nov** Orientation Day K-Y7 2008
- **Sun 4 Nov** Y3/4 @ Cathedral
- **Thur 8 Nov** Y3-6 Music Night
- **Tues 13 Nov** Y5 Excursion to Goldfields
- **Fri 16 Nov** Y6 Valedictory Service and Dinner
- **Mon 26 Nov** Activities Week – details later
- **Sun 2 Dec** Carol Service – All Saints Cathedral
- **Mon 3 Dec** Speech Day K-Y6

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**Farmers Markets**

A reminder that the Farmers Markets is on this coming weekend. It is at Lions Berry Park this weekend (not the Bathurst Showground). Please visit the All Saints’ stand.

**BRONZE AWARD WINNERS**

Congratulations to Eliza Crozier for receiving her Platinum Award. Well done Eliza for a fantastic effort.

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**All Saints’ College Bathurst**

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**CRICKET**

The cricket season is underway and all of our teams enjoyed a match last Saturday. Most of our games will be played at the school and a full draw will be sent home shortly. This week the matches are:

- 7 Years Kanga Express Joeys v’s St Pats Blue at All Saints Edgells (near the tennis courts)
- 7 Years Kanga Express Pups v’s St Pats White at Brooke Moore Oval (near Bathurst Basketball Stadium)
- 9 Years Kanga Max v’s St Pats Red at Tracey Oval (Junior School)
- 10 Years Twenty20 Hardball v’s St Pats Brown at Stiles 2

All of our players are now registered with the Bathurst District Junior Cricket Association and a charge will appear on your next account which covers the cost of registration, insurance, ball fees and equipment. I look forward to seeing you during the season ahead.

*Mr P. Cant*

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**SWIMMING / LIFESAVING LESSONS 2007**

Once again this year we will be running an 8 day intensive swimming program for all students within the Junior School. The dates for the program are as follows:

- Wednesday 5th of December, Thursday 6th, Friday 7th, Sunday 9th, Monday 10th, Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th and Thursday the 13th of December.

The lessons will be 30 minutes in duration and held at the All Saints’ Junior School Pool. All participants will be presented with a lifesaving award to add to their portfolio. The total cost of the program will be $90 per student.

Instructors are qualified through Austswim / Australian Royal Lifesaving Society. This is a great opportunity if your child requires further attention with their swimming and water safety in a familiar environment. If you would like to enrol your child / children please complete the following form and return to Mrs. Keogh by Friday the 16th of November along with your payment (cash or cheques made out to Kay Nelson).

Notification of class times will be sent out by Monday the 26th of November.

The following classes will be held:

- **Water Confidence** - Your child has had little water experience. (please note: a parent/guardian must accompany this child in the water for the duration of the lesson).
- **Learn To Swim - Beginner** - Your child has the confidence to go under the water and propel self forward.
- **Learn To Swim** – Intermediate - Your child can swim forwards 10 metres but needs to develop the correct stroke.
- **Stroke Correction** - Your child can swim a length of the pool in a variety of strokes.
- **Lifesaving** - your child is a strong swimmer and would like to develop some lifesaving techniques.

For further enquiries please contact Kay Nelson : Sports Office: 63327333 Home: 63315886

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**KANGA EXPRESS**

Last week the ASC Joeys played the ASC Pups in a much anticipated game of cricket. It was the first match of cricket for many of the players and the spectators were treated to a great spectacle.

The players showed a range of developing skills and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and enthusiasm throughout.

At the end of the exciting match cricket was declared the winner and the children went home happy after playing their first match of the season.

Thanks to the coaches Mr Gavin, Mr Blackshaw and Mr Pickard for their assistance during the morning.

*Mr P. Cant*

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**Hardball Twenty20 Cricket**

Last Saturday the cricket season began for our 10 Years team with a match against St Pats Red. The game was played in an excellent spirit and the boys enjoyed their first game using a hard ball and a range of protective equipment. Captain Hugh Elbourne won the toss and elected to field first and our team bowled a consistent line and length to the St Pats players.

St Pats batted well and scored 73 runs whilst only being dismissed twice in their innings. Our fielding was very pleasing and the boys handled the hardball with increasing confidence as the match progressed. The All Saints batsmen took to the crease and scored freely during their 20 overs. Our team amassed 121 runs, but were dismissed four times which gave St Pats a slightly higher average. The boys are to be congratulated on an excellent hardball debut and I look forward to seeing their enthusiasm continue.

*Mr P. Cant*

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**Under 9 Kanga Max**

Last Saturday a very excited team traveled to Oberon for their first game of the season. Oberon turned on a most pleasant day for cricket. Captain Hayden Blattman won the toss and sent Oberon into bat which they did, scoring very well. Jack Morrison was the best bowler with 3 for 8 runs off 2 overs – well done!

Henry Morgan retrieved his batting skills from last season and scored 14 runs without the loss of his wicket. Jack and Chris also preserved their wicket. Will and Hannah Armstrong were welcomed to the team and contributed enthusiastically along with Allie Runge.

Well done to all team members and best wishes for a great season.

This Saturday we play here at school on the Junior School oval. Please be here at 8.45am.

*JR Bidwell*
Lee & Lyn Morris were a part of the All Saints’ Community when they sent their children Caleb, Joshua and Benjamin to come to Australia to do their schooling here at All Saints’ some years ago. The children are all grown up and settled in Australia, while their parents continue to serve as missionaries in Thailand.

Lee & Lyn have set up a business called “BAAN HANDICRAFTS”. They have set this up to generate income for the marginalised who are living on the edge of society because of poverty and/or being affected by HIV/AIDS. By giving these people employment empowers them to feel useful and good about themselves, as well as giving them the opportunity to provide for their own families.

Lee and Lyn write: “In the business enterprise of Bann Handicrafts, we trust that this is a place through which Christian values are being brought to our local communities. We want to be seen as a business with a difference, with the aim of being there primarily for the ones at the ground level, not merely a money making venture.”

In reception you will find a display of some very beautiful hand crafted and hand painted Christmas decorations. These decorations are available from Bann Handicrafts. Please support this wonderful business venture, supporting the people of Thailand along with Lee and Lyn, by purchasing these wonderful decorations.

All orders need to be in by Wednesday 31st October, so that we can get them back to you by Christmas.

Any further questions, please see Liz Rolfe in Transition.

PLEASE NOTE: All these items are on display in reception. Please make sure you go and have a look at these beautifully hand made decorations.

Order forms are available from reception. Orders to be in by Wednesday, October 31.

SUPPORTING LEE & LYN MORRIS AND THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITY IN THAILAND

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A COMMUNITY ARTS CELEBRATION

THE RIVER DREAMING FESTIVAL

BILADY GARAYGU FROM RIVER TO LAND

NOVEMBER 10, 2007

BICENTENNIAL PARK, BATHURST
2 PM START, 8PM SHOW

performed by house bands, wandering artists and community choirs, theatre, workshops, stall walkers; hip hop" spectacular "indigenous" community/jaimeg performance bands, windsurfing, surfing, family fun day out

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Please sign and return

Junior School VIM is distributed on Thursday afternoons to all Junior School students. Items for inclusion should be submitted to Mr Joch Bidwell or Leonie Keogh by Wednesday morning. A copy of Junior School VIM is available on the College Website: www.saints.nsw.edu.au