CIS Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the following students who will be representing HICES at the NSW Combined Independent Schools (CIS) Swimming Carnival at Homebush on Tuesday 22nd March.

• Breahna Burgess
• Lauren Cant
• Kate Edwards
• Georgie Geyer
• Milla Nelson
• Charlotte O’Hehir-Corones
• Ruby Thorne
• Todd Nelson

Junior School Assemblies

All parents are welcome to attend Junior School assemblies. In the warmer months they are conducted on the Outdoor Assembly area and during the colder months we move into the Kemmis Building. Assemblies begin at 9.00am.

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Important Dates for the Calendar

22/3/16 Combined Independent Schools (CIS) Swimming Carnival
24/3/16 Pre K & Infants Easter Hat Parade (2.00pm)
4-6/4/16 JS Parent/Teacher Interviews
8/4/16 Last day of classes Term 1

Head of College Residence. Please park in the Senior School or Junior School car parks and walk to the After School Care Room or your child’s classroom.

Relay for Life

Thank you to everyone who supported the school’s Relay for Life team. The team raised over $11000 which will go towards finding a cure for cancer.

Pick Up from After School Care and School

Please note that cars are not allowed to drive in to the JS playground area when picking up children from after school care and school. This includes the driveway at the front of the Head of College Residence. Please park in the Senior School or Junior School car parks and walk to the After School Care Room or your child’s classroom.

P&F Committee Meeting

Monday, 21 March at 6pm (please note time change)

As a new committee we are looking forward to working with the whole school this year and we are needing parents at meetings. It is important to be able to have a say where money is spent in the school how we manage fund raising opportunities.

We encourage at least one parent from each year group to try and come to P&F meetings.

Turning up does not automatically sign you up for a job ... just don’t sit next to Mel Geyer.

Please join us for a relaxed discussion of a new fundraising format for this year.

Latest Website News

Relay For Life a Big Success
http://bit.ly/1S4STRl

Crazy Sock and Shoe Day
http://bit.ly/1VdzS1Q

Barton House Lead Chapel
http://bit.ly/1RPmrAF

World’s Greatest Shave
http://bit.ly/1S4VBWN

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This week we are exploring the letter 't', semicircles, the colour brown and having a wonderful time talking about grandparents. We had a terrific time painting teddies with balloons (makes a great fur effect), playing with trains, tap tap hammering and going on a bear hunt. Our Teddy bears picnic on Wednesday was a great day to bring our own bears. We played teddy tennis, crawled through tunnels with our bears, made teddy bear bread, played bear games, sang bear songs and picnicked with our bears for lunch. We have been busy drawing special pictures for our grandparents and dictating a letter for them. We watched a youtube clip on how the mail is delivered and have been making special letters for our friends too. We look forward to posting our letters to our Grandparents on Friday and hope we may receive one back sometime soon too.

Happy Birthday Harrison!
Self-denial - an outdated concept or a valuable characteristic?

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.” (Matthew 16:24, NRSV)

Self-denial has been a key understanding of Christianity for its entire existence. When we deny ourselves we are following the command of Jesus and also following his example. Jesus’ death on the cross was the ultimate act of self-denial when he willingly took the punishment for our sins and cleared the way for the restoration of our relationship with God. Whilst the Christian life is meant to be one of self-denial, this has particular emphasis in Lent as we prepare for Easter, but what do we mean by self-denial?

There are the simple acts of self-denial that are connected to fasting. Fasting is a form of self-denial. As we enter into a deeper relationship with Christ our attitudes to life begin to change and we put the needs of others before our own. Parents are used to doing this as we regularly make sacrifices for the good of our children. There are other ways that we can practise self-denial that benefit others and, in the process, benefit us as well. Perhaps we can choose to forego the typical tourist holiday to work in disaster relief or in countries that need our help. The Munro family has demonstrated this with their work in Cambodia over Christmas. Rebecca Vann has committed her mid-year holidays to teach English in East Timor. Some parents and staff have put their hand up to go to Vanuatu to assist in rebuilding schools destroyed in last year’s cyclone. I am sure that there are others doing similar things. All of these are excellent demonstrations of self-denial.

Perhaps our self-denial takes the form of denying ourselves a new ‘thing’ so that we can donate money to charity. I was very impressed to hear that the combined efforts of the College community last weekend resulted in around $15,000 being contributed to Relay for Life. This too is an excellent demonstration of self-denial. We cannot always find the time to be personally involved, but we must recognise that organisations that are out doing good work cannot do it without financial support.

Whatever forms our denial of self takes, when we do it with the right intentions we find ourselves being built up by our experience and also find ourselves being more and more like Christ. I encourage you to keep walking the path of faith, to deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow the one who brings life.

With every blessing,

Rev. Tony Card.

Thought for the week: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impurity and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly… (Titus 2:11-12, NRSV)

Last call for passengers and crew for Vanuatu

Samaritan’s Purse have confirmed that they have scheduled a rebuilding trip to Vanuatu for 4-15 July 2016. This is smack bang in our holiday time and an excellent time of the year to get out of the Bathurst chill and into a tropical climate.

Last week of cricket!

This is our last week of cricket (for Kangas and Under 10s). Well done to all the players on a wonderful season of developing your cricket skills and sportsmanship. Please use this weekend to thank the coaches (Mrs Sally Parsons, Mr Dion Killiby, Mrs Kate Munro, Mrs Maggie Walsh, Mr Tom Stonestreet, Mr Geoff Siegert, Mr Michael Siede and Maxim Sotter) who have volunteered many hours for the benefit and development of the All Saints’ players.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who come and watch the games and help-out each week. Your support of the boys and the school is greatly appreciated. Enjoy the off-season and I hope to see all the players back at cricket again in Term 4!

Mrs Jo Nicholls, Junior School Cricket Co-ordinator

Saturday 19th March All Saints’ Team Fixtures

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Please be at the ground at 8.30am for an 8.45 start (unless your coach asks you to be earlier).

If there is wet weather, please check the Bathurst District Junior Cricket Association Facebook Page on Saturday morning to check if games are still on.

KANGA 9s CRICKET

The boys came up against a very capable St Pats outfit at the weekend, and although being outscored, they did really well to amass 91 runs for the loss of just 6 wickets. Our best opening partnership of the season saw Lachie M and Banjo put on a combined 37 runs. Then Lachie P, Oscar and Aston all chipped in with valuable contributions to boost the scoring. Baxter, Blake, Lachie N and Vidu all bowled well with a couple dodgy bounces and a few hard chances going to ground, being the only reason they didn’t walk away with bagful of wickets. Joint players of the match were Aston and Oscar. Last game is at home next week, followed by a brief presentation and then a team BBQ at the adventure playground to celebrate a great season.

Mr Dion Killiby
ALL SAINTS’ COLLEGE
Bathurst

join us for

Trivia Night

Friday 18 March 2016

7.00pm

✓ Be entertained by the college’s musicians
✓ Great prizes & raffles
✓ BYO drinks & nibbles
✓ Optional themed tables
  (famous musicians, eras eg 70s or 80s)
✓ Play for team glory
✓ Pitch your knowledge against your peers
✓ Take your team to the top in a brain melting battle of wits

Tables of 8 people
  ✓ make your own group
  ✓ fly solo

$15 per person

Tickets available @ Reception & Junior School Office until 14 March 2016
Contact 0428 262 285

Raising funds in 2016 for a grand piano for the benefit of the junior and senior school music programs
Our next feature author who will be at the All Saint’s Literature Festival this year is...

**JAMES ROY**

James was born in Trundle in western New South Wales in 1968 and spent much of his childhood in Papua New Guinea and Fiji, adventuring by day and reading books at night. Then one day, tired of reading books by dead people, he decided to start writing his own. Since his first novel was released in 1996, James has written a number of critically acclaimed works of fiction and non-fiction for both children and young adults.

James lives with his family in the Blue Mountains. He enjoys trying to make music and art, doesn’t like olives very much, and hasn’t entirely abandoned his dream of sailing around the world. (Random House, 2016).

Check out James Roy’s website to learn more about this fantastic author!