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What’s magic?

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“Our students are aspirational for each other. From my first day at this school I was impressed by the pro-social culture existing in which students genuinely enjoy the success of others while striving to do their best.”

This will be my final article for the quarterly VIM before I leave All Saints’ College with great respect for its history and great optimism for its future. I thought I would share with you something of my understanding of our school.

All Saints’ has a very long reach. Just about anywhere you go in New South Wales and even across Australia the school is known, for good reasons. The long history and outstanding reputation of All Saints’ means it is truly second to none in its connection to regional areas and a strong connection to metropolitan Sydney throughout its history. Clearly the significance of the school to the town of Bathurst is important but as a boarding school the reach of All Saints’ has been extended across the landscape.

Boarding continues to be a critical dimension in the character of All Saints’. Today there are many school options for students in regional areas, closer to home. This combined with significant changes in the nature and organisation of primary industries means there are fewer people looking to board. Nevertheless, boarding numbers have remained sound buoyed by interest from metropolitan areas in the high quality education provided at All Saints’ in a regional town such as Bathurst. All Saints’ provides a real alternative to large, congested metropolitan schools. I have been told by a number of students when they have arrived on our magnificent grounds for the first time that they feel they can breathe for the first time in their life. This is a significant change in their state of mind as a result of both the physical environment and tone of our school.

Our students are successful beyond our school. This is shown in a number of ways. First, more than half our students are engaging in the recently developed Early Entry Scheme for university at the completion of Year 12. This is an outstanding development with these students entering courses of their preference. Also, our students leave All Saints’ as well adapted individuals who are well prepared to take their place in a community. The strong sense of community at All Saints’ helps our students to feel connected to the place, understand how to initiate a connection to place and how to sustain this connection. Quite simply, this is through participation in the community through social interactions enabled by sport, music, the arts and other interests. Our students are community builders who progress comfortably into the wider world.

Our students are aspirational for each other. From my first day at this school I was impressed by the pro-social culture existing in which students genuinely enjoy the success of others while striving to do their best. In an increasingly commodified and competitive world this is not common. It is imperative we do not take it for granted and we foster it. To appreciate the success of others is surely one way to facilitate your own happiness. Positive interactions around shared celebrations sustain the community. Ours is not a community of envy and self-congratulations. It is wonderful to see students participating and enjoying a broad view of success at school. This helps to build resilience and preparation for life beyond school which will increasingly require an ability to adapt and engage in new experiences. Such a world requires us to take on challenges by participating, building a team and doing our best.

All Saints’ is one of the oldest schools in Australia and it is truly unique. The long and distinguished history of All Saints’ means our school has a huge personality that is envied by many schools. I have been constantly aware of the responsibility as Head to be a steward of the school. With such a long history and a significant place in the life of New South Wales I am very privileged to have been Head of College here. I will watch its progress from a distance, always support it and defend it as necessary. It is a very special place that I am going to miss.

Junior School raise funds for Daffodil Cottage

Earlier this term, the Year 6 students organised and ran the Year 6 Fun Day for all of the students in the Junior School to participate in. The funds raised on this day were donated to Daffodil Cottage, which provides treatment and support to people with cancer.

Mrs Jane Rawlings and Mr Robert Rawlings, who are both a part of the Daffodil Cottage Extension Project committee, visited the Year 6 class on Wednesday, 25th November, to accept a cheque for $680. This donation was greatly appreciated by Mr and Mrs Rawlings and will go towards helping raise the necessary $600,000 needed for the expansion of Daffodil Cottage.

Congratulations to Year 6 for their efforts to help our local community and thank you to the representatives from Daffodil Cottage for taking the time to come and speak with and thank the Year 6 class.

Ms Jodie Shumner
One of the great joys of Christian ministry is seeing people come to faith in Christ. It is a strong reminder that God is still active in this world and still calls people to a life of trust and discipleship. One of the ways that we show our commitment to Christ is through the sacrament of confirmation. Confirmation is where those who were baptised as children make their own decision to be followers of Christ. It is an important step on their journey of faith.

This year we were blessed with nine students from Years 6 to 9 taking this step. They gathered with their families and friends before The Right Reverend Ian Palmer (Bishop of Bathurst) to declare their faith and to receive God’s blessing in the form of anointing with oil. The students were Megan Davis, Jonathan Gardiner, Stella

Gavey, Amy Horne, Dylan James, Natalie Mawhood, Scott Mawhood and Caitlin Willcox.

I was particularly impressed by the way in which these students were supported by their family and friends. It was wonderful to see people willing to travel great distances to support these students. It was also wonderful that so many of their friends gave up a couple of hours of their Sunday afternoon to be here.

I pray that these students continue on their faith journey and become active and positive disciples. May we all be encouraged by their example.

“The Reverend
Tony Card

“Confirmation is where those who were baptised as children make their own decision to be followers of Christ. It is an important step on their journey of faith.”
It was a case of back to the future as the college Community gathered for Carols on Wednesday, 2nd December. Due to our success in increasing enrolments our College has grown to the point where we were finding it difficult to squeeze into the All Saints’ Cathedral with all students, teachers and families, so we held separate gatherings for the Junior and Senior Schools.

Another tweak for Carols was the increased student involvement. Year 6 students ran the Junior School Carols with all of the class having a role to play. Senior students from each of the Day Houses volunteered to run the service and participate in readings and prayers.

We were again blessed with a beautiful re-enactment of the Nativity by Kindergarten in the Junior Carols, while the Junior and Senior Choirs and musicians filled the Cathedral with their wonderful voices and talents.

A special thank you to all of the students and staff who worked so hard to make these services a success. There are fortunately too many of you for me to name! Thank you too to everyone who attended the evening. May you enjoy a happy, holy, and blessed Christmas.

The Reverend Tony Card
Dr Peter Miller farewelled

On Friday, 27th November, the college community got together for a Cocktail Function at Rydges Mount Panorama to farewell Dr Peter and Mrs Naomi Miller who will be moving to Geelong in December where Dr Miller will take up the position of Principal of The Geelong College.

Up to 125 guests attended the evening which included past and present parents, staff and many ex-staff members. Mr Jonathan Wickham, member of the College Council, gave the farewell speech on behalf of The Right Reverend Ian Palmer, Bishop of Bathurst, with Dr Miller giving a very heartfelt response.

Mrs Felicity Challita
On Wednesday, 11th November, All Saints’ College students and staff gathered outside our lovely chapel for the annual Remembrance Day Service. The service is traditionally run by the newly appointed prefect body, and was done so with great passion and respect.

Many thanks to the Senior School Brass Quartet, all participants in the service, and particularly to Mr Mark Whitfeld for willingly providing an Address to remember. A special thanks to the Prefects, Mr Wayne Feebrey and Mrs Suzanne King for their organisation and overseeing of the service.

*Lily McClelland (Year 11)*
Orientation Day

Orientation Day on Friday, 6th November, saw approximately 70 students from Kindergarten to Year 11 commencing next year experience a ‘fact and fun’ day at the College and to have the opportunity to meet other incoming students from their 2016 Year groups.

Following a welcome from Head of College, Dr Peter Miller, and the All Saints’ prefect body, Mr Stewart Ross, Head of Senior School, presented an introduction to All Saint’s life. Following a series of fun lessons, the incoming Year 7 students joined in a treasure hunt exploring the College grounds. This was followed by the traditional round of 27-a-side dodge ball.

The official part of the day’s events concluded with a Thanksgiving Chapel Service which was celebrated by the College Chaplain, The Reverend Tony Card.

In the late afternoon the 2016 Year 7 families met once again for an informal twilight function in the Kemmis Building.

Mr Michael Hissey (Registrar)
Blessing of the Animals

The boarders were joined by a number of day students and their families as the college community gathered for our annual Blessing of the Animals service on Sunday, 18th October. It was certainly all creatures great and small with horses, dogs, budgerigars and even a pet rock brought forward for blessing. All were well behaved and respectful towards each other.

As usual, the service was also a fundraiser for the Bathurst RSPCA with $100 raised to contribute to their work. The service concluded with a barbecue, which the dogs especially enjoyed!

The Reverend Tony Card

Christmas Boxes for the needy

Our Infants students got the Christmas boxes off on the first part of their journey on Wednesday, 21st October, loading them into The Reverend Tony Card’s ute to go to the local collection centre.

This year we collected 134 boxes which was a little down on the previous two years but, judging by the weight of many of them, they were jammed full of generous gifts.

Thank you for your support of this campaign again this year.

The Reverend Tony Card
Two members of the All Saints’ College equestrian team represented NSW at the Interschool Nationals which were held at Sydney during the September/October school holidays. It is a huge honour to be selected in the team and to place in the top 10 in your event is a great achievement.

Year 6 rider, Megan Redpath, is to be congratulated on placing ninth in both of her dressage events. This is a wonderful result and shows what a bright future Megan has in the sport of equestrian.

Madeline Sinderberry (Year 9) had an excellent campaign in the showjumping arena, finishing as the 110 centimetre and 120 centimetre champion. Madeline and three other NSW showjumpers also won the Champion Secondary Showjumping Team award.

After such a successful few days of competition Madeline received the prestigious Finch Farm Overall Showjumping Champion award.

Congratulations to both Megan and Madeline on their outstanding results at such a major equestrian event.

Mrs Lynne Woodlock

On Friday, 13th November, the All Saints’ Equestrian Team held its annual awards night at Britton House. The evening was MC’d by the newly appointed Equestrian Captain, Elizabeth Crampton, who did a brilliant job.

The night was well attended with over 50 people enjoying the barbecue cooking and live music from Isabella Jacobson and Thomas Card. It was wonderful to get together with parents, staff and of course the students.

We were grateful to the assistance of the grounds staff, cleaners, caterers and IT support team for preparing the area and the facilities to make the night run smoothly. We also appreciated the guest waiters, Dylan Boyd, Thomas Card and Felix McClymont. A number of awards were handed out over the course of the evening, including:

**JUNIOR:** Highest Interschool Point Score: Megan Redpath
Participation/Sportsmanship Award: Megan Redpath
Most Improved Rider: Adelaide Cunningham

**SENIOR:** Highest Interschool Point Score: Madeline Sinderberry
Highest North West Equestrian Expo Point Score: Maddison Harley
Most Improved Rider: Jakiya Whitfeld
Participation/Sportsmanship Award: Amber Stockman
Senior Equestrian of the Year: Madeline Sinderberry

Junior Equestrian of the Year: Megan Redpath

Mr Mark Whitfeld
The college community gathered at All Saints’ Cathedral on Thursday morning, 17th September, for our annual service to farewell Year 12, induct new Prefects, and give thanks for our Benefactors.

As usual it was a packed house with many family and friends in attendance to support the students. The gathering was addressed by The Reverend Nicholas Hurford, who until recently was a teacher and Chaplain at Macquarie Anglican Grammar School in Dubbo. Reverend Hurford spoke about the great design God has implemented in the world, expressed especially in humankind. In an entertaining sermon that drew many similarities between God’s creation and Minecraft, we were challenged to exercise the greatest gift that God has given us - the gift of free choice.

Thirteen Prefects were inducted for the coming year by Dr Peter Miller, Dean Anne Wentzel, Bishop Ian Palmer and The Reverend Tony Card. The Prefects committed to doing their best and being a positive role model for the students.

The “Thoughts of life at ASC” reflections delivered by Darcy Hogan and Richard Vincent (Year 12) were particularly positive. Both of these young men acknowledged the short time that they were students at Saints’, two years for Darcy and one for Richard, and particularly highlighted the impact that the college community has had on their development, both academically and as a person. Their reflections brought more than a few tears from students and staff.

Mr Robert McLean encouraged Year 12 to be happy in their future; to like what they are doing, to be doing it well, and making a positive contribution to society.

This occasion also had special significance in the life of the College as the whole community farewelled Mrs Tessa Jones with a standing ovation. Dr Miller noted that Tessa is the longest serving staff member in the life of the College. Tessa reflected on her 38 years of service and her enjoyment of teaching many of the students gathered and even a number of their parents.

The musical talents of the College were again on display with a brass quintet led by Mr Jonathan Clipsham commencing the service with some rousing hymns.

Mrs Frances McLeod had the choirs in fine voice as the infants sang a blessing to Year 12 and the primary and secondary choirs, accompanied by strings, farewelled Year 12 and Mrs Jones with For Good from the musical Wicked.

Special thanks to all who participated in our worship. Thank you also to the Cathedral for hosting us again.

With every blessing,

The Reverend Tony Card
What a glorious sunny day it was on Sunday, 13th September, for the All Saints’ College Spring Fair. The fine weather certainly attracted a large crowd again this year.

There was a great array of stalls and activities for everyone to enjoy, including a barbecue, fairy floss, face painting, a garden stall, musical items, various rides, baby animals.... and the list goes on.

A big thank you must go to all parents, students and staff who were involved with the various aspects of the Spring Fair, and to the whole community for their generous support.
Are you helicopter, free range or somewhere in between?

A few weeks back I had the opportunity to take a helicopter ride out of Orange airport with one of our parents. The view was spectacular looking down on the green fields, the houses, dams, crops and even Cadia Mine. It gave me the idea for this article. Are you a “helicopter parent”? 

We have all heard of the term; it has actually been around for a number of decades. It refers to a style of parents who are over focused on their children. They take too much responsibility for their children’s experiences and specifically successes or failures. Included in this would be obsessively protective mums and dads, always solving children’s problems, making all the decisions for them - in essence being over-involved in their lives. To a certain extent, this is natural if your child is in Kindergarten but woe-be-tied how does your adolescent feel about this? I am sure some of you know what I mean.

At the polar-opposite end of the parenting spectrum, are the “free-range parents” - those that let their children run wild and hopefully learn from their mistakes. There can be problems with this approach as well.

If you, the parents, think back to your childhood you may agree with me that parents did not hover as much as they do today. You could play in the street or park unattended, make your own snacks, breakfasts or lunches, climb trees or go exploring, travel by public transport to sport, the beach or a friend’s house, ride bikes to school - even primary schools. Why has this changed? Technology, economic and social factors have turned us into a generation of over-zealous parents.

To begin with we have the Internet, social media and the media in general. Parenting information is available 24/7. You can go online and find out every scary thing that can happen to your child. Look at the news any night. Then there is the feeling of anxiety - worries about the job market, the economy and the world in general can push parents towards controlling their child to protect them. Overcompensation - adults that felt unloved, neglected or ignored as children can overcompensate. Finally, peer pressure from other parents - when parents see other involved parents a sense of guilt can occur if they do not follow suit.

Doing too much, fighting all your child’s battles, hovering too closely could be disastrous. Andrew Fuller4 says all parents should consider the following:

1. One day your child may need to cope without you.
2. Children learn competence and confidence by tackling some things on their own.
3. There are some situations in which your child can cope without your help.
4. Help is not always helpful. Sometimes it robs children of the opportunity to work out their own way of doing things.
5. The toughest trees grow in the windiest conditions.

So how can you avoid being a helicopter parent? It may not be easy! We must let children struggle from time to time, allow them to be disappointed and when failure occurs, help them to work through it. By taking a step back from solving all our children’s problems, we help them to build resilience, be self-reliant and self-confident.

It was pleasing to hear the guest speaker from the Parents Council forum, Karen Boyes4, held here on Thursday, 5th November, talk about some of these points.

1. Dr Carolyn Daitch: Anxiety Disorders: The Go-To Guide

Year 9, 10 and 11 students studying Agriculture and Design and Technology spent a day at the Field Days. Students had fun investigating innovations, agricultural technologies and exploring the regions’ local produce and exhibits.

Mrs Natalie Sutton

FROM THE HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL

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“Why has this changed? Technology, economic and social factors have turned us into a generation of over-zealous parents.”
Students between Years 6 and 10 finished the year with Activities Week, taking part in a wide range of arts and physical activities. This year’s craft additions, silversmithing and floral decoration, provided new and popular opportunities for students compared to longer running groups.

The most significant development was the addition of service groups - a construction group, who worked on additions and repairs to College equestrian and agriculture equipment and the Love Your Neighbour group, who engaged in various works of Christian charity and service.
2015 Big Night Out was pumping. With an amazing sound, light and smoke display the ‘vibe’ was set for an big night of ‘amps turned to 11’ and dancing.

Roan Van Heekeren and Thomas Craft MC’d the evening as well as introducing a creative corner with face painting, instagram photo booth and a place to chill. Congratulations boys for a fantastic evening!

Thanks to the All Saints’ College P&F who provided the new Qu-16 digital sound desk for the evening. Declan Duncan-Keen and Timothy Jackman co-ordinated an excellent mix for the artists and audience.

Over 120 students attended the evening and over 40 of them performed. I am sure you can imagine the night from the photos and the fun had by all.

Thanks to Mr Robert Poole for standing in front of the 600w speakers all night taking shots for us!

Thanks also to the many staff that came and helped supervise; Mrs Kathryn Munro, Dr Peter Miller, Mrs Sarah O’Neill, Ms Megan Moppett, Mrs Kristine Christian, Mr Rohan Fahey and Mr Mark Whitfeld.

Students are already excited for the 2016 BNO.

Mr Jonathan Clipsham
(Co-ordinator of Music)
The Year 12 Drama students - Hannah Armstrong, Thomas Craft, Katie Horne, Roan Van Heekeren and Annie Windsor - have been studying Alex Buzo’s Norm and Ahmed and David Williamson’s The Removalists within the topic, Dramatic Traditions in Australian Drama and Theatre.

These writers emerged out of the cultural theatre movement in Australia known as the ‘New Wave’ (late 1960s to early 1970s). This period was positioned on the cusp of reform concerned with defining a new Australian identity, characterised by social justice issues and protests in response to the Vietnam War, women’s rights, censorship and corruption.

The students were tasked with choosing excerpts from the plays and directing their classmates for an audience. In particular, they had to utilise specific theatrical conventions and techniques in order to engage their audience with important themes about Australian identities, values, attitudes and cultural beliefs.

Buzo’s Norm and Ahmed (1968) is an Australian Realist/Pinteresque one-act duologue set in an abandoned worksite at midnight in Sydney. This play explores prevalent Australian attitudes about masculinity, violence and racism through the use of characterisation, language, and performance space and proxemics.

Williamson’s The Removalists (1972) is an Australian realist/black comic/satirical two-act play set within suburban Melbourne. This play explores relevant Australian issues surrounding police corruption/brutality, domestic violence and sexism through the use of archetypical characterisation, stereotypical language, symbolism and offstage violence.

“I am very proud of all of the students. They showed insight and an innovative use of theatre techniques. Working in creative collaboration with one another will put them in great stead for their HSC group performance preparations later in the course.” Mrs Zoë McGirr

The annual staff cake cooking competition was held on Friday, 13th November. This event is a way the staff welcome Year 11 officially into their HSC year.

Many clever, creative and very professional designs were on display this year and the eating was enjoyed by all the students. This year’s winners were: Fanciest Cake - Mrs Lucinda Wells; Worst Cake - Mr Patrick Sinclair; and Biggest Cheat - Mr Wayne Feebrey.

Welcome to Year 12!
**Teagan Miller in rugby sevens heaven**

All Saints’ College student Teagan Miller admits that when she first got a taste of rugby, she didn’t take to it.

In fact, that would be an understatement.

“I hated it with a passion,” she said with a laugh.

“I didn’t want anything to do with it, but after getting a few games under my belt I started to enjoy it and then wanted to just keep playing it.”

The versatile sporting all-rounder was recently named in the NSW under 17s sevens squad, from which two teams will be chosen to compete at the Australian Championships in Wagga Wagga in December.

It is a solid effort considering she’d never played the sport until 18 months ago.

“I started out by playing with the school at a gala day in Dubbo and from there got picked in a Central West team to compete at a carnival in Coffs Harbour,” Teagan explained.

“We didn’t win a match and I wasn’t even really aware that there were selectors at the carnival, but at the end of it they announced a squad and I was a part of it.

“Now they will divide the group into a red team and a white team, but we don’t know who is in which yet.

“I only began last year, but I had played a lot of touch footy before then, so that helped.”

True to the unpredictable nature of sevens rugby, there is nothing conventional about Teagan’s role in her various teams.

She alternates from prop to hooker to fly-half, as well as fullback from time to time - which is helped by her touch background as well as her ability to kick.

Teagan hasn’t played with any of the other members of the state squad aside from one Brewarrina-based player, while schoolmate Hannah Nobes was part of the Central West team which went to Coffs Harbour but missed out on the state group.

The NSW squad will have a training camp for a couple of days leading into the Wagga carnival, which will take place on December 4th and 5th.

_Story and photo courtesy of the Western Advocate_
In Term 3, students from All Saints’ College participated in the Science Championships. This is a voluntary online competition in which students participated in their own time. The content is aligned to the National Curriculum and is suitable for all students from Year 7 to Year 12. It covers all fields of science and allows students to answer questions in areas of interest to them.

Students logged in to answer questions correctly over the 10 days to receive points towards awards, prizes and certificates for different achievement levels. Unfortunately, we did not win the trip to Space Camp this year, but there is always hope for next year!

I would like to thank the following students for their enthusiasm and participation in the Championships: Caitlin Wilcox, Paxton Hewitt, Beatrice Humphries, Charles O’Neill, Rebecca Vann, Stella Sciberras, Sophie Chirgwin and Hannah Nobes. Rose Denovan and Rachel Corbett-Jones achieved Silver awards, placing them in the top 5% of 30,000 participants and Gabrielle Burge and Victoria Westenfelder received Gold awards, placing them in the top 2% of all participants globally. Congratulations!

Mrs Sarah O’Neill
Agriculture students from Years 10 and 11 attended a training workshop at Taralga Showground on Tuesday, 13th October.

The aim of the day was to expose students to the show preparation, judging and health care of Corriedale sheep.

The event included a presentation from Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) about the contemporary use of wool in modern clothing and accessories as well as the activities of AWI in marketing Australian wool overseas.

The event was sponsored by the Corriedale Association who has been extraordinarily supportive in assisting the newly formed “All Saints Corriedale Stud” to get off the ground. It is our intent to be ready for the Show circuit in 2016, including the Sydney Royal.

This kind of diversity in the All Saints’ College Agriculture programme gives students an option to the traditional cattle activities as an avenue for involvement in agriculture.

Mr Mark Whitfeld
On Monday, 12th October, our Year 8 students participated in an exciting Forensic Science workshop titled *A Case of Conspiracy*.

The workshop engaged students in the world of forensic science through an interactive crime scene scenario, based on a murder investigation. Students were required to examine the crime scene, analyse the evidence collected and interpret the forensic test results to build a case by a process of elimination to expose the real murderer and motive. Some of the evidence was inconclusive and contradictory so it was not a straightforward case to solve!

The activities included interpreting autopsy reports, DNA matching, ballistics, tyre impressions, witness and suspect statements, digital evidence and analysing forensic samples such as blood, handwriting, residues and accelerants.

On top of the science aspect, this workshop also dealt with problem solving skills, drug awareness and the impacts of hanging out with the wrong crowd.

Thank you to Education Interactive for running the workshop, and also to Mr David Pike, Mr Scott Gardner, The Reverend Tony Card, Mrs Elizabeth Casey and Mr Marcus Croft who assisted with supervision and organisation.

Ms Megan Moppett
The Year 12 Valedictory Dinner was held on Thursday, 17th September, at Bathurst Panthers in the Skyline Room. It was a night enjoyed by all who attended.

Mr Mark Whitfeld was the Master of Ceremonies; the Farewell Speech to Year 12 was given by Mrs Tessa Jones and the toast to Year 12 was given by Mr Stewart Ross. Throughout the night speeches were made by Mrs Anne Llewellyn (Old Bathurstians’ Union), Tom Galvin and Sophie Stockman (Senior School Captains), Samantha Leathem and Emily Sinderberry (Marsden House Captain and Vice-Captain), Tom Nobes and William Hodges (Watson House Captains).

All Year 12 students were presented with a Certificate to welcome them into the Old Bathurstians’ Union. Veterans’ Certificates were handed to four students who had attended All Saints’ College from Kindergarten (2002) to Year 12 (2015) – Sarah Farraway, Melanie Lo, Julia Morgan and Sophie Stockman.

A superb three-course meal was served and there was live music for students, staff, parents and friends to listen and dance to.

A big thank you must go to Mrs Elizabeth Moller for all the time and effort she put into making this a superb night. Thanks also to Mr Robert Poole for taking photographs throughout the evening.
The Relationship between Learning and Nutrition

Recently, I had the privilege of hearing Dr Alison Knight speak at a professional development day I attended in Sydney on the relationship between children’s learning and their diet. Dr Knight specialises at working with children to make positive changes in behaviour in order to improve their learning outcomes at school. She uses behaviour management strategies combined with nutritional and medical approaches. Below are a few important messages that came from Dr Knight’s most interesting presentation.

There is overwhelming evidence that we are witnessing an increase in problems with children’s behaviour, development and health. Recent studies have found that approximately 14% of Australian children have a mental health or behavioural problem, 6.8% of Australian children have Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), one in 100 Australian children are now diagnosed with autism and childhood diabetes, obesity and depression in Australian children have more than doubled in the last two decades. These figures are alarming and there is obviously something in the Australian lifestyle that is causing the changes in these rates.

Dr Knight claims that many of these behavioural issues that we are seeing in children can be managed through a change in diet and nutrition. The risk of a child developing ADHD is more than double when eating a Western diet (high in meat, dairy, saturated fat, takeaway meals, sugar and processed food) as opposed to a Mediterranean diet (high in vegetables, fruit, legumes, whole grains and fish). We are what we eat and there is now scientific evidence to prove that certain foods lead to an increase in behavioural and health problems. One of Dr Knight’s biggest concerns revolves around the high levels of sugar that Australian children consume as part of their diet. The average adult male should consume nine teaspoons of sugar per day and a female six teaspoons of sugar per day (1 teaspoon = 4 grams). Many people, including children, far exceed this when you consider that a glass of orange juice contains 24 grams of sugar, a can of Coke contains 40 grams of sugar and a fruit smoothie from Boost Juice contains 93 grams of sugar.

Dr Knight explained the significant effect many food colourings and preservatives can have on a child’s behaviour and that these are the first things that she removes from a child’s diet when trying to change behaviour patterns symptomatic with ADHD. The most important food numbers to avoid include artificial colours in the 100 range (E102, E104, E110, E122, E124, E129), bread preservative (282), benzoate preservative (211), flavour enhancers (620-635), MSG is 621 and Nitrite and Nitrite Preservatives (149-251)). These are commonly found in soft drinks, cakes, sweets, ice cream and biscuits. Reducing these foods from any child’s diet will lead to benefits in the classroom.

None of this information is a surprise to us as parents but it is certainly something we need to constantly monitor and think about. I would recommend visiting Dr Knight’s website (www.behaveability.com.au) as she provides a great deal of advice for all parents.

Pre-Kindergarten Christmas Concerts

The Pre-Kindergarten Christmas Concerts are definitely the highlight of the year! Each of the concerts (PK5, PK3 and PK2) clearly displayed how wonderfully the children had developed and matured throughout the year. The teachers were so proud of them all. Well done Pre-Kindergarten children!
The Infants classes celebrated the end of an outstanding year with the Infants Thanksgiving Service on Friday, 20th November 2015.

The service was presented outside the chapel and the setting and weather were picturesque. We were thrilled to welcome parents and grandparents as well as special guests from Macquarie Care Centre. We also welcomed the primary school children and staff and it was lovely to have so many people share the special occasion.

The theme for the service was Respect: do to others as you would have them do to you. The songs and readings led by Year 2 and the prayers spoken and written by Year 1 reflected the themes of respect, friendship and classroom learning. Kindergarten and Year 1 performed a beautiful poem titled, Why God Made Friends. All students from Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 performed their roles with dignity, reverence and confidence.

I sincerely thank all Infants staff, Miss Stevie Wykes, Mrs Margaret Walsh, Mrs Jodie Allen and Mrs Sally Allcorn, and the Music staff, Mrs Frances McLeod, Ms Rosemary Fogarty and Ms Michelle Griffin, for their dedicated preparation of the students and contribution to the service. Thank you also to Mrs Leonie Keogh who organised all the presents, the Thanksgiving Service booklets and ran the creche so families had a chance to enjoy this delightful occasion.

I would also like to thank Mr Christopher Jackman, Mr Graham Sharpe and the maintenance/grounds staff for their invaluable assistance in staging the service outside. Thank you to the Thorne family and Mrs Gabrielle Darlington for the lovely floral arrangements. A very special thank you to the technical crew of Year 9 Senior School students who confidently managed all our sound needs and ensured each student was heard clearly. A final thank you to Mr Robert Poole who captured our Service for the final time with his camera. We will miss you next year!

It was a moving and beautiful way to conclude the year.

Mrs Johanne Nicholls
(Year 2 Teacher)
It was absolutely terrific to see so many of our students participate in the annual Junior School triathlon on Tuesday, 17th November.

The students started with an 80 metre swim, a 1.5 kilometre bike ride (including an incline), and a 400 metre run. Students participated individually or as part of a team and raced against their classmates.

The 2015 Cox Plate was awarded to the Individual Year 6 Girl winner, Katherine Dowd, and to the Individual Year 6 Boy winner, Mitchell Nelson.

Many thanks to Mr Gregory Bell from Belly’s Bikes, who gave up his time throughout the day to check that all bikes were in good working order.

Thanks also to Mr Joshua Stapley, a local international triathlete, who was able to offer his time to demonstrate the swim leg and to talk to the students about what it takes to be a triathlon champion.

Congratulations to everyone who participated.

Mrs Kay Nelson
On Thursday, 12th November, Year 3 performed their final concert to an eager audience of Year 2 students. Their efforts were very well received and demonstrated how far it is possible to develop instrumental skills in a year.

Year 3 students at All Saints’ College learn three instruments in rotation as preparation for the Years 4 to 6 Instrument and Ensemble programme. Each student will trial a flute, either the cornet or tenor horn and either the cello or violin. These lessons are taken by specialist teachers, Mrs Rhonda Coleman (flute), Ms Elizabeth Sargeant (brass) and Mr Nicholas Newell (strings). At the end of each rotation, they perform a short concert.

Year 3 will select an instrument to learn for the next three years from a full selection of brass, woodwind, strings and guitars. They will then be able to participate in the Junior Concert Band, Junior String Ensemble or Junior Guitar Ensemble. Exciting times!

Mrs Frances McLeod (Junior School Co-ordinator of Music)
On Tuesday, 27th October, all Junior School students (from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 6) were introduced to the wonderful world of opera by Musica Viva’s touring group, Sounds Baroque.

Sounds Baroque consisted of four very talented musicians - Jenny Eriksson (viola da gamba), Narelle Evans (soprano), Raymond Harvey (harpsichord) and David Hidden (baritone). Together, they performed a mini-opera, Hercules, which combined a variety of musical styles to bring the Greek legend to life. It was certainly the perfect introduction to opera for our young students!

With such a young audience in mind, Sounds Baroque presented this classic morality tale, accompanied by Baroque-era instruments and singing, rich costuming and also a rap!

A group of students took advantage of the ‘audience involvement’ segment to try out their dancing prowess. Jonah Siede, Year 6, was invited up to try his hand on the harpsichord - which he played beautifully and received rapturous applause from his peers.

The clever combination of theatre, song and comedy entertained and captivated the Junior School students for close on an hour! It was wonderful to see the expressions on the faces of the very young Pre-Kindergarten children right up to the older Year 6s.
The Junior School had a fantastic afternoon at the Year 6 Fun Day, held on Friday, 9th October. The afternoon was organised and run by the Year 6 class to raise money for Daffodil Cottage. There were lots of very enjoyable and creative activities that all of the students from Pre-Kinder to Year 5 participated in.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the very successful fundraiser. Congratulations to Year 6 for organising a fun filled afternoon.

Ms Jodie Shurmer

Success at NSWPSSA Athletics Carnival

Henry Palmer and Todd Nelson represented All Saints’ College, HICES and NSWCIS at the NSWPSSA Athletics Carnival.

Henry, our incredibly talented sprinter, has had a string of successes since the Inter-House Carnival where he broke three records. After a succession of carnivals he qualified for the 200 metres at NSWPSSA. Mid-morning, Henry was in great company standing alongside the fastest 12-year-olds in the state. Henry ran this race with finesse and speed managing a personal best time which guaranteed him a spot in the semi-final. After a short time to recover, the 18 fastest 200 metres athletes faced the line again across two semi-finals. With plenty of determination, Henry dug deeper and completed the race in a blistering 26.57 seconds, another personal best! Overall, Henry placed 11th in the state which is an outstanding achievement. Congratulations, Henry!

Todd, our legendary para-athlete (formally titled AWD), had a busy programme on Day 2 of the NSWPSSA event. He was involved in four events on the day competing against up to 20 athletes in his age group. Riding on the back of his cross country success this year Todd ran a fantastic 800 metres, his success in this event placed him on the podium in third place. From there he jumped out of his skin to take another bronze in the long jump. Todd will continue his athletics journey at the School Sports National Championships held in Canberra in early December. Congratulations Todd on a terrific meet.

Mrs Kay Nelson
Years 5 and 6 Camp

The Years 5 and 6 students were blessed with perfect sunny weather for their annual camp to Newnes, a spectacular campsite set in the picturesque Wolgan Valley.

The theme of the camp was *Survival in the Australian Bush* and the students had to be prepared to carry out a lot of camp activities that would normally be done for them by adults. The students had to cook most of their meals in camp ovens or in Trangia stoves. The variety of damper creations, both savoury and sweet, was a highlight of the camp and the children quickly perfected their cooking skills.

One of their first tasks was to construct a shelter out of poles, tarps and ropes that they had brought with them. The structures were very sturdy and stayed upright for the entire three days which demonstrated a great deal of thought and planning.

Some of the other challenges included preparing acts for the campfire concert, designing and building an animal trap, building a device that could collect water from the bush, participating in a monster quiz and the mandatory game of *Stealth*. This year the camp groups that performed best in the challenge activities got rewarded with chocolate and the immunity idol, ‘The Gonzo Stick’.

When children of this age are given opportunities of responsibility they always rise to the challenge and it was remarkable, though not surprising, how capable the children were in this setting. The harmonious and collaborative teamwork on display made it a pleasure to be on a camp with the students.

I would like to thank Mr David Gardiner, Mr Andrew Dowd and Mrs Mandie Burgess for their assistance with the camp. Their willingness to get involved and be part of the staff team for the three days made the camp run very smoothly.

*Mr Christopher Jackman (Camp Co-ordinator)*
Year 6 meet race team at Mt Panorama pits

On Thursday, 10th September, Years 5 and 6 travelled to the Bathurst Regional Library and Art Gallery. We learnt about how the library system works and about how books are taken to the elderly and people who cannot get to the library. We also got to see a book published in 1701.

At the Art Gallery, we saw the Alice Springs Beanie Art Exhibition and the Greatest Wonder of the World photography exhibition.

We were privileged to see photos taken from the gold rush and a life size model of the Holtermann nugget. We also got to try out some French knitting to make our own beanies! Overall it was a great excursion. A special thank you goes to Ms Jodie Shurmer and Mrs Lynne Woodlock for taking us on the excursion. A big thank you also to Mrs Kay Murray for organising this great experience for us!

On Thursday, 8th October, Year 6 went to Mt Panorama to tour the pits of the Hayman Reece race team. We met and spoke to racing car drivers, Jesse Dixon and Grant Denyer, and we watched some practice laps.

The Hayman Reece racing team showed us all the different parts of a V8 Super-car and told us about the science behind motor racing. We lifted some car tyres to see who had what it takes to be a part of a pit crew! Thank you to Jesse Dixon for allowing us this awesome opportunity, to Ms Shurmer for organising the excursion and to Mr Christopher Jackman for coming along as well.

Amy Horne, Charlotte Russell and Angus Fogo
Masters of the vegetable gardens!

The All Saints’ College Junior School would like to thank Masters (Bathurst) for their generous donation of liquid fertiliser, watering cans, a water timer, straw mulch and many plants.

On Wednesday, 7th October, Year 5 students commenced planting out the four vegetable gardens, which took several days.

I am sure the students will thoroughly enjoy seeing the plants grow and harvesting the crop.

Mrs Kay Murray

Eisteddfod success

The intermediate concert band, under the leadership of Ms Elizabeth Sargeant, won a particularly special trophy for a performance of an Australian work. They received the highest score of all concert bands, including the adult bands at the eisteddfod and were presented their award by Councillor Gary Rush, Mayor of Bathurst.

Unlike many choirs competing, our choirs are non selective, and involve every child in the Junior School, so the following results were earned by every child.

The Years 5/6 choir came first in the upper primary choir section. The Years 3/4 choir came first in their section, the Years 1/2 choir came third, with a special commendation for their movements and engaged performances, and the Kindergarten choir came second in their section. The adjudicators comments included: “A very musical, entertaining, brilliant and energetic group. Loved it!”; “Super prepared, very professional”; “Excellent rhythmic work! WOW!”; and “Great attention to the texts, and some fun moments!”

The Year 2 percussion ensemble came first, the advanced clarinet ensemble second, the cello ensemble third, the combined string ensemble third, and the newly formed Junior School Stage Band was awarded a Highly Commended. The variety of these groups highlight the diversity of the experiences available to our students and the combined passion, skills, knowledge and experience of our music staff.

Several students also received individual placings including:
- Jack Van Yzendoorn (Year 6) third in both 12 Years and Under brass solo and brass popular solo.
- Adelaide Cunningham (Year 5) first in a guitar duet with her sister Claudia, and third in her solo guitar section.
- Isabel Randall (Year 4) came first in the 10 Years and Under brass classical solo, second in the 10 Years and Under popular brass solo and received a first in the 12 Years and Under brass trio and quartets with her cousins.
- Jemima McLeod (Year 3) was awarded a Highly Commended for 10 Years and Under classical piano.
- Charles Croaker (Kindergarten) received a first in the 8 Years and Under popular piano solo.
- William Randall (Year 1) received a second in the same section.
- Leonidis Klonis (Year 1) third in that section and a Highly Commended in 8 Years and Under piano solo.

My thanks go to my colleagues: Ms Elizabeth Sargeant, Mr Nicholas Newell, Mrs Rhonda Coleman, Ms Michelle Griffin and Ms Rosemary Fogarty, and all our peripatetic music teachers, for their work in preparing and leading our students in the eisteddfod, and for their consistent focus on providing comprehensive music education within our school.

Mrs Frances McLeod
On Thursday, 29th October, Mrs Sarah O’Neill ran a study skills session after dinner with Years 7, 8 and 9 girls from Marsden House. This was extremely beneficial, especially with yearly examinations being held soon after.

The girls learnt how to plan their studies and were given various worksheets to help them plan their study time effectively. I am sure they all took something worthwhile out of the session as many girls commented positively on how useful they found it. A very big “Thank You” to Mrs O’Neill for doing this with the junior girls.

Mrs Gillian McAllister
On Sunday, 25th October, a group of 13 girls and three staff from Marsden House and one boy and one staff member from Watson House entered the Bathurst 200 DYE HARD fun run, hosted by Bathurst Regional Council and held at Lion’s Berry Park.

After arriving in pristine white T-shirts, they all finished the five kilometre course covered from head to toe in brightly coloured dyes which were thrown at them from the various stations around the course.

It was a fun day and all for a good cause as the event proudly supported the McGrath Foundation.

Participants:
Staff: Naomi Atkinson, Rachael Walsh, Skye Allan, Joel Lo Ribeiro.

After lunch the girls got together in the junior common room and enjoyed an afternoon treat of ice-cream, marshmallows, maltesers and coloured sprinkles.

Mrs Gillian McAllister
Boarders’ Farewell to our Year 12s

We had a very pleasant evening on Monday, 14th September, to formally farewell our Year 12 boarders.

Thank you to Dr Peter Miller, Mr Stewart Ross and The Reverend Tony Card for attending our special dinner. Mr Matthew Hitchens and his team produced a great meal of pizza and pasta, followed by pavlova for dessert. Most boarding staff were also present for the evening.

After dinner we adjourned to the Kemmis Building where the Year 11 Marsden girls spoke first. Lauren Selmes had a funny anecdote on something memorable each of the Year 12 girls had said or done, followed by Isabella Jacobson and Jemma Emery who thanked all the girls for their friendship and leadership this year, especially Samantha Leathem and Emily Sinderberry who have ably led the House in their roles as Captain and Vice-Captain. They all finished off with wishing the girls well for their upcoming HSC exams and for the future. Samantha and Emily then presented the House with a milkshake maker for each common room.

The Watson House Captain and Vice-Captain for 2016 (Claude Beitz and Joshua Willcox) then spoke on behalf of all Watson boys and thanked their Year 12s for everything they have done for their House this year.

We rounded off the evening with an amusing video clip the Year 12s had done on “Life as a Boarder” and of some Watson boys reminiscing on which Year 12 boys they liked best and why!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the evening’s festivities and for making the evening memorable for the Year 12 boarders of Marsden and Watson Houses.

We now wish them good luck for the future: Samantha Leathem, Emily Sinderberry, Greta Wass, Gabrielle Elias, Lyndsay Menzies, Karla Terry, Amelia Bradley, Abigail Skinner, Maddison Crowe, Indra Blochowiak, Valentina Couloumbis, Jessica Hamilton, William Hodges, Tom Nobes, Richard Vincent, Gordon Huang and Rui (Ray) Yang.

Mrs Gillian McAllister (Head of Marsden House/Girls’ Boarding) and Mr Bradley Allen (Head of Watson House/Boys’ Boarding)
On Saturday, 22nd August, the entire Marsden House, with invited guests Dr Peter Miller and Mr Stewart Ross, along with Marsden staff and many parents, enjoyed a wonderful night out at The Carrington in Bathurst. We enjoyed a wonderful two course meal after arriving at the venue at 6.30pm for pre-dinner drinks and canapes.

The dinner was primarily a farewell to our Year 12 girls. Our current Years 10 and 11 girls each farewelled one of the Year 12s with a short speech which included some funny anecdotes and stories! The Year 12s were each presented with a red rose and a photo album of ‘memories’ of their time at Marsden House and All Saints’ College.

Samantha Leathem and Emily Sinderberry, our House Captain and Vice-Captain, then replied with an excellent and very inspiring speech. Thank you to Bronte Gosper who played the guitar and sang two excellent songs for us.

To add to the occasion, awards were presented for a variety of things the girls have contributed to the House this year. These were chosen with input from all the residential staff. Congratulations to the following:

- **Cleanest Room**: Hannah Nobes, Clare Carter, Chlorissa-Jayne Bowman-Clift
- **Most Improved Student**: Chlorissa-Jayne Bowman-Clift, Jazmin Johnston
- **Most Polite and Well Behaved Student**: Hannah Jane McCarthy
- **“Personality in the House”**: Tasha Hurley
- **The Quiet Achiever**: Amelia Bradley, Karla Terry, Greta Wass
- **The Sports Star**: Lauren Selmes
- **Most Helpful Student**: Isabella Jacobson
- **Leadership in the House**: Samantha Leathem, Emily Sinderberry
- **Service to the House**: Hannah Nobes, Paxton Hewitt
- **Spirit of Marsden**: Emily Sinderberry

The Certificate of Appreciation Award for Service to the House means the girls who are awarded this have their names inscribed on an Honour Board which stays in the Duty Office. This is awarded for helpfulness in the House at all times - seeing jobs that need to be done, doing them without being asked and never saying “It’s not my turn!”

The Spirit of Marsden Award also has the student’s name inscribed on an Honour Board - this goes to the student who embodies the spirit of being a boarder and no one deserved it more this year than Emily Sinderberry who has been here for seven years - “for being the ultimate role-model, displaying thoughtful and mature behaviour, always pleasant and polite to staff and students; making positive choices; keeping her room clean and tidy and for self-motivation and dedication towards her studies.”

Thank you to the parents who came to the dinner. Most travelled long distances to join us in our celebration of the girls’ achievements and to farewell the Year 12 girls who are now almost at the end of their formal school education. We wish them all the very best for whatever the future holds for them - whether it be a Gap year or off to university or employment.

“Goodbye and Good Luck” to: Samantha Leathem, Emily Sinderberry, Greta Wass, Lyndsay Menzies, Gabrielle Elias, Amelia Bradley, Karla Terry, Abigail Skinner, Maddison Crowe, Valentina Couloumbis, Indra Blochowiak, Jessica Hamilton and also to Isabella Marshall who left boarding in Term 2 and our two Bronte’s who have been casual boarders from time to time and who attended the dinner with family - Bronte Gavey and Bronte Gosper.

It was a wonderful night and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Mrs Gillian McAllister
(Head of Marsden House/Girls’ Boarding)
A former All Saints’ 1st XV rugby player, Charles Clifton, was back at his old school on Friday, 16th October. Charlie was a student at All Saints’ in 1997-2001 and from 2003-2009. During his time at All Saints’, Charlie was Captain of Bean House, 1sts Water Polo, Athletics and Vice-Captain of 1sts rugby. Charlie’s career choice in his valete in the 2009 Bathurstian was ‘Professional Rugby Player’. Now a talented back for the CSU Country Eagles, Charlie was in Bathurst getting ready to take on the North Harbour Rays in a National Rugby Championship match at Ashwood Park on Saturday, 17th October.

At the Prefects’ assembly, Charlie spoke to Senior School students about the importance of All Saints’ to his rugby development and presented Dr Peter Miller, Head of College, with an Eagles rugby jersey.

Dr Miller was also given free passes to the rugby match to distribute to interested staff and students. After the assembly, Charlie, surrounded by the College’s up-and-coming rugby hopefuls, was interviewed by both Prime and WIN television news reporters.

The Eagles defeated the North Harbour Rays 50-24 - a score that I am sure would have made Charlie, his hometown and Eagles supporters proud!

Mr Robert Poole
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