YEARY EXAMINATIONS

Examinations started today for Years 9 and 10 and Years 7 and 8 begin next Wednesday. If you are ill, we do require a Doctor’s Certificate to say that you were incapable of sitting the exam. Where possible we will try and re-schedule any missed papers. Good luck to all.

ACTIVITIES WEEK

The program for Activities Week is just about finalised and students will be taking home a list of the activities and relevant information and costs very soon. They have been asked to discuss this information with parents and a signature will be required indicating consent. It is important that students are appropriately dressed for activities which definitely means closed in shoes, long pants in some circumstances and no girls wearing skimpy tops or short shorts.

GRAHAM HYMAN

On Thursday, 20 November 2014, as part of our All Saints’ presents series, Year 10 will be having a full day seminar presented by Graham Hyman. Graham runs Youth Specialties Australia which provides innovative training covering such issues as confidence, resilience and motivation. The days program will focus on Surviving Years 11 and 12 (How to use the seniors years as a platform for the life you want to have) and Surviving Life (Identifying the particular dangers of late adolescence and encouraging wise choices). I have already indicated that Graham would like to give a presentation to Parents the night before.

FAST FACT

I noticed on last night’s TV that there are more injuries in Aussie Rules and Football requiring hospitalisation than League and Union. Interesting! Happily, they tend to be more leg and foot injuries. I believe Netball is still No. 1. However, with Netball, Aussie Rules and Football, there are more participants that would skew these results.

Thought: You cannot plough a field by turning it over in your mind.

Author Unknown

Indoor State Hockey Championship winners

Darcie Campbell and Samantha Porter went to the Hockey NSW Indoor State Championship at Tamworth playing from Friday, 31 October to Sunday, 2 November.

The weather was in the mid to high 30’s, and even higher in the sports stadium. They were two members of a seven girl team representing Bathurst.

Erin Cobcroft was not only their coach, but their nominated umpire as well. They played five pool matches and ended up at the top of the table.

The girls went on to defeat Tamworth 2 in the semi final 4-1, and then won the grand final against North Shore 2 2-0. This made them the Under 13 Girls Division 3 State Champions. The girls were very determined and really gave their all over the weekend, playing in not very pleasant conditions. Darcie was awarded “best and fairest” of the championships by her teammates. Huge achievement and very proud of them. Erin Cobcroft was a fantastic coach and guided the team to the grand final undefeated. In between our games, Erin umpired Division 1 and 2 games, and was awarded with Development Umpire of the Tournament. Also a huge achievement, and very proud of her as well.

Darcie Campbell, Erin Cobcroft and Samantha Porter.
FROM THE CHAPLAIN
Rev. Tony Card

A voice cries out: ‘In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. (Isaiah 40:3, NRSV)

It is both amazing and sad that the call of this ancient voice is still relevant today. Speaking almost 3000 years ago, Isaiah spoke of John the Baptist, who came to prepare the people for the coming of the Messiah. The call was straightforward - the people were to remove any impediment in their lives to God. They were to create a ‘level playing field’ in their lives so that when God’s glory was revealed in the Messiah the people would not be distracted from his arrival and could pay attention to him.

When John the Baptist called the people he asked them to repent of their sins. Their sins were those things that took them away from God; those things that became so consuming in their lives that there was no time left to focus on or worship God. The meaning of repentance is simple - to turn away. When we repent of our sins we turn away from those things that take us away from God and instead focus on Him and His plan for us.

I find it sad that this message is still relevant today, and sadder that it is perhaps even more relevant now than then. All how minister in God’s name and preach the gospel are like John, calling people to turn away from the things that distract them from God and to focus on the abundant blessing that he has for us. It is a call that grows in importance at this time of year when we prepare to celebrate the first coming of Jesus at Christmas and one that continues to grow as we know that the day of his return draws ever closer.

So hear the call. Respond positively to it. Turn away from all of the stuff in your life and focus on the good news of Jesus Christ. And be prepared for his blessing.

With every blessing,
Rev. Tony Card

Thought for the week: ‘Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.’ (Isaiah 40:5, NRSV)

Wool Classing Programme

Five girls from the Cert 2 Wool Classing group attended the shearing shed owned by the Miller family on Tuesday this week to be assessed on some of the practical competencies of the programme.

Also in attendance were Meg Moppett from the Science Lab and John Dwyer from the local TAFE.

They participated in penning duties, board work, fleece throwing, skirting and pressing duties. They also conducted a mock OH&S assessment of the facilities. All 13 students on the programme are half way through the content and will be completed by the end of term. The next shed visit will be at the Boyd’s place in Oberon after the examination period. We are very grateful to the Millers for generously hosting the first group of students and the staff who made it possible. Plans are underway to facilitate the Cert 3 qualification in 2015.
6 November 2014

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Dear Parents

The All Saints’ College P&F Annual General Meeting is being held on 11 November 2014 in the All Saints’ College Library starting at 6.00pm. All positions will be declared vacant and voting will take place for several positions. These being: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Art Show Coordinator, Spring Fair Coordinator and Foundation Coordinator.

Two years ago our Association underwent changes with regards to the College Ordinance. These changes encouraged our members to assist all sections of the College with fundraising and event participation. In particular, when the swimming and athletic carnivals are on this has given more parents the opportunity to watch their children race, ‘helping out’ with school activities is what we do best.

I would like to suggest that we set up a Fundraising Committee to help all sections of the College with events. Possibly three parents from the Senior School and four parents from the Junior School could get together and work as a team. Keep in mind the Senior School parents already run the Friends of Rugby so they have extra work on the weekends in winter.

This committee would alleviate the need to have a Junior School Committee.

Funds raised within your area will remain in your area. Please consider coming to the AGM and supporting your P&F Association.
**“Saints’ Who Served in the Great War”**

**WWI Dossier Project.**

**To be remembered at All Saints’ College, on the Centenary of Anzac Day, 2015.**

Around Australia, there are many activities underway to mark the Centenary of ANZAC. Examples are with two Councils nearest this writer’s home - Woollahra and Waverley - as well as across Sydney Harbour in Mosman. All of these have groups working at collecting the history of their citizens who served during the conflict.

All three of the above can count among their lists, All Saints’ College Diggers. This collection of dossiers for All Saints’ had its beginning in 2009 and will culminate with publication for ANZAC Day 2015.

_The History of All Saints’ College, Bathurst_ (1963) lists 34 ex All Saints’ College members who “lost their lives on service.” Added to their names were the units enrolled in. However, on inspection, no date of death, or their units, was presented for two men; _John Martin and A.W. (or, F.W.?) Smith_. To this list, two more killed were since identified - _Mervyn Day and Earlston Korff_. Other names have also been added to those who returned. Many other corrections have been made to the original lists, be they in the School History or on the Honour Boards.

With Internet resources (e.g. _Trove_), it could be surmised that it might be easy to research and fill in missing details. As a result, published in VIM (2009) was my resulting article on _John Martin_. Sadly, these years later, with hundreds of “Smiths” to troll through, this Smith has not been further identified. This is also the case with _Bosworth, W.W. Cornish, A. Chauncey (Chauncy?), Captain.Malcolm Kirwan, Captain F. Stokes_, and _H.L.Maynard_. Further, with the paucity of overseas records, not much is available on the 20 or so who served with British, Canadian, Chinese, French and West African units.

Continuing this interest, I proceeded to “cut and paste” into “scrapbook” dossiers any additional snippets I encountered on all of our servicemen. In this, I received encouragement from staff and friends of All Saints’ College to keep extending this collection. A close collaboration was developed with _Mr Wayne Feebrey_ (All Saints’ College teacher) who envisaged that some of the scrapbook material had potential as a teaching resource on WWI for current and future All Saints’ students. Thus to some degree the collection has an orientation to this academic purpose.

As I started researching the 34, the significant connection with Anzac was noted - eight of our fallen were lost at Gallipoli, and of the Anzac survivors, seven were later lost elsewhere.

A much heavier task was begun, in answering “who else fought at Anzac?” The list numbered about 50, so, if one was to prepare dossiers, some 85 were needed! But, as they say, “that’s not all.” There were some additional 135 who also gave service. Why not, open dossiers on all our men? This evolved into setting a target to release all available scrapbooks for next ANZAC Day. The dossiers provide much more than a stark list of names. Underpinning each file, are selections from Personal Service Records from National Archives and newspaper cuttings. Casualty and Red Cross Reports are often, sad, frank and confronting. Added are photos as found, data from their time at All Saints’ College, university, occupations, family (“hatch, match and despatch” records), as well as copies of original documents (e.g. diaries).

A conclusion is, what a diversified, interesting, frightening, and sometimes outstanding record our men achieved and experienced. As such it is not presented as well-written prose. It is in crude form. The reader often sees in the originals, the unadorned and sometime shocking facts - such as the original report of the wounded.

* Scott shooting himself to avoid being taken prisoner by the Germans; or
* Sweetland, lasting a few days from the Landing; evacuated (“nervous breakdown”) and being sent home under a cloud “.....never be able to exercise the necessary control of men in the field.”; or
* another being court–marshalled for shortcomings at Fort Scratchly (Newcastle) at the beginning of the War, later to commit suicide; or
* another to shoot himself in Burwood Park, soon after the war due “to War service.”; or
* Sands’ Secret Service mission for the Prime Minister to the Far East in 1917 to investigate Japanese future intentions in the region - and many, many more.

**Request:**

A couple of years ago, VIM published an article on Clive Thompson. At the time there were descendants of his at All Saints’ College. Are there any readers with details of any of our men they would like to share? Contact: _Tony Cable - tonystandco@hotmail.com_.

>* Mr Tony Cable (Saturday. 1st November, anniversary of the day the first ships left Albany.)*

A sample dossier on Clive Wentworth Thompson, ASC 1902 can be found by clicking on the following link http://www.saints.nsw.edu.au/assets/pdf/2014/Anzacs_Thompson_Clive_Wentworth_justified.pdf.
The Foundation Chairman, Mike Quaife requests the pleasure of your company at the

Foundation Cocktail Party

When: 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Wednesday, 3 December 2014

Where: The Kemmis Building,
All Saints’ College

Dress: Smart casual – no ties

RSVP essential by Friday, 28 November 2014 to Reception.
Ph: 6331 3911 or admin@saints.nsw.edu.au
UNIFORM SHOP

WILL BE CLOSED FROM

MONDAY

10TH NOVEMBER 2014

TO

FRIDAY

14TH NOVEMBER 2014

Apologies for any inconveniences caused
Equestrian Presentation & Awards Dinner

When: Friday 14\textsuperscript{th} of November
5:30pm for twilight drinks and 6:30pm dinner

Where: The enchanting garden behind
Britten House

$20 per head includes soft drink. BYO for adults please.

RSVP to Scott Anderson 6331 3911
or email Mark Whitfeld
on
mark.whitfeld@saints.nsw.edu.au

Accounts will be billed on receipt of RSVP
COMBINED TRAINING CLINIC

WHEN: Sunday, 16th November

WHERE: Dressage lessons will be held in Sand Arena.
       Showjumping Lessons will be held on Edgell Oval.

TIMES: First lessons of the day will commence at 9:00am. Timetable will be issued by the middle of next week.

LESSONS: Dressage Lessons are individual and will be for 45 minutes. Showjumping Lessons will be groups of 4 riders for 1 ½ hours.

COACHES: Dressage: EA NCAS Level 2 Dressage Specialist & Level 2 General Coach Megan Joerg

       Showjumping: EA NCAS Level 2 General Coach, Sam Fasher. Sam is a 3* Event rider and also Competes at World Cup Showjumping Level.

Please email Nicole Stockman at nstockman@ajselectrical.com.au as soon as possible if you would like to attend. Cost will be confirmed based on numbers.
All Saints’ College Junior School proudly presents

Haphazardly Ever After

By Jeff Fluharty

All Saints’ College Bickerdike Centre

7pm Thursday 27th & Friday 28th November

$10 for Adults

$5 for Children (18 & under)

Children under 5 & ASC students in Y3-6 Free

Doors open 6:40pm for 7pm show

Tickets available from Mrs Keogh in the Junior School Office

There is NO reserved seating available

A canteen will be available prior to the show & during intermission providing hot dogs, ice blocks, lolly bags & cans of drink!
Exam Hints

1. Don’t leave anything until the last minute
2. Work out how and when you learn best
3. Write / draw your study notes using your own words
4. Make flashcards for definitions and formula
5. Be prepared - read over study notes, test yourself and do practice questions in the lead up to exams
6. See your teacher and ask questions
7. Get enough sleep
8. Eat well
9. Make sure you have all the necessary equipment for each exam and that it works
10. Allocate enough time to complete each section of the exam plus allow 5 - 10 minutes to check through at the end

See Mrs O’Neill in the ILC for more information.