**MOCK TRIAL**

Last Friday the Mock Trial team competed against Lithgow High School in round 2 of the competition. The team consisted of Brianna Woodhead and Rebecca Cole as barristers, Hannah Nobes as solicitor, Clarissa Bowman-Clift and Ellena Shearing as witnesses and Roan Van Heekeren as the court officer. We were acting as the defence, representing Dwellingup Local Council who had been accused of negligence which led to a pedestrian sustaining injuries. The plaintiff claimed that they fell in an unmarked hole in a pavement which was under reconstruction, sustaining a fractured femur and dislocated patella. We argued that there was a large orange sign clearly marking where the hole was, adequate street lighting and a number of solar lights surrounding the hole. Although we were found to be negligent we won the important skills side of the trial by a significant margin.

**YEAR 8 CAMP**

We wish Year 8 well for next week when they are off to the Hawkesbury for “All Saints’ in the field”. It is very important that students experience many different activities that will help them in their overall development – our camp program is just one example. Students can learn many things in such an arena but more importantly, they learn much about themselves. I would like to thank the teachers that volunteer to take our students on camp and look after them 24/7. It is not a rest for them!

**NAPLAN**

A reminder once again that next week the NAPLAN tests – (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy) will take place for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Results for parents will be available around mid-September. I note that there has been a push from Catholic Education that the scope of testing needs to increase to cover more areas.

**TROUBADOUR THEATRE**

Yesterday, Troubadour Theatre visited the school with its two historical presentations, *Fightin’ the Kaiser* for Year 9 and *Vietnam Dusted Off* for Year 10. *Fightin’ the Kaiser* is a one – man vaudevillean melodrama incorporating the songs, poems, letters, anecdotes, reportage and reminiscences of the ANZACS. *Vietnam Dusted Off* is the story of Brett Hunt, who grew up in a house often filled with Vietnam Vets, his father, who had been brought to national attention through the lyric “and Frankie kicked the mine the day that mankind kicked the moon”, shared the feelings of isolation and alienation felt by many Vets and always kept his door open for a Vet needing a place to sleep.

**FAST FACT**

The only 15 letter word that can be spelled without repeating its letters is *uncopyrightable*.

**Thought:** A good general not only sees the way to victory; he also knows when victory is impossible.

*Polybius*
FROM THE
CHAPLAIN
Reverend Tony Card

To our Mothers...
A truly good wife is the most precious treasure a man can find!
Her husband depends on her, and she never lets him down.
She is good to him every day of her life, and with her own hands she gladly makes clothes.
She is like a sailing ship that brings food from across the sea.
She gets up before daylight to prepare food for her family and for her servants.
She knows how to buy land and how to plant a vineyard, and she always works hard.
She knows when to buy or sell, and she stays busy until late at night.
She spins her own cloth, and she helps the poor and the needy.
Her family has warm clothing, and so she doesn’t worry when it snows.

She does her own sewing, and everything she wears is beautiful.
Her husband is a well-known and respected leader in the city.
She makes clothes to sell to the shop owners.
She is strong and graceful, as well as cheerful about the future.
Her words are sensible, and her advice is thoughtful.
She takes good care of her family and is never lazy.
Her children praise her, and with great pride her husband says,
“Here are many good women, but you are the best!”
Charm can be deceiving, and beauty fades away, but a woman who honours the Lord deserves to be praised.
Show her respect—praise her in public for what she has done. (Proverbs 31:10-31, CEV)

This Sunday is Mother’s Day when we take time out to honour our Mum’s and thank them for all that they have done. Solomon’s words in Proverbs 31 tell us that the important role that mothers and wives play in our lives has been honoured for generations. No matter where we look in our life we can see the imprint of our Mother’s love for us. Mum is always the first to offer a hug and a shoulder to cry on when we are hurt. Mum is often the one shivering in the cold while we’re at sports training. She is the one who is there to make sure that we have clean socks and undies before we leave the house…and a hankie of course! The values that our Mum taught us as small children stay with us and impact on us throughout our life. I remember an old boss of mine who defined a wife’s role as washing, ironing, food, entertainment. His view was far too short sighted and misogynist. Even in the male dominated culture of ancient Israel Solomon recognised that our wives and mothers play a much more important role than domestic servants and are the ones that hold the whole household together.

So let us praise our mothers this Sunday. Let us come together and give thanks to God for their love and care for us. We will be holding a special Mother’s Day Chapel starting at 10:30 on Sunday morning in the College Chapel. Why not bring Mum along and then take her to watch the show jumping?

With every blessing,
Rev. Tony Card.

Thought for the week: ‘Love is kind and patient, never jealous, boastful, proud, or rude. Love isn’t selfish or quick tempered. It doesn’t keep a record of wrongs that others do. Love rejoices in the truth, but not in evil. Love is always supportive, loyal, hopeful, and trusting.’ (1 Corinthians 13:4-7, CEV)

Strong Helpers Wanted

 Helpers are needed on Saturday, 16th May, at 9.00am to assist with putting up Art Show boards in the Bickerdike Centre for the Festival of Art.

Please confirm with Rosie Bayliss on 0419 170854.

The Head of College, Dr Peter Miller requests the pleasure of your company for

Year 7 Parent Information Night

This presentation will be a vital event for families of all girls and boys who will be entering Year 7 in 2016 (including current All Saints’ families). The focus of the presentation will be on All Saints’ successful “Stepping into Year 7 Programme”.

Date: Thursday, 21st May 2015
Time: 7:00pm to 8:50pm
Venue: Kemmis Building
All Saints’ College

RSVP by Monday, 18th May 2015 to Lisa Ellery on 6332 7309 or lisa.ellery@alls.nsw.edu.au

Invitation
**FROM THE REGISTRAR**

Mr Michael Hissey

**MILLTHORPE MEET AND GREET**
All Saints’ College continues the long-standing tradition of hosting meetings with families in their local communities. The annual series of informal evenings hosted by the Head of College, Dr Peter Miller is now in full swing. A fabulous evening was held at Millthorpe on this Tuesday, 5 May. This event was attended by a large number of current families and students as well as a large group of new and prospective families. My sincere thanks to our wonderful students from the district who attended. Special thanks are due to Mrs Lisa Ellery for organising this event, and to Kate Munro and Paula McCumstie and their families for their invaluable support of All Saints’ College in the Blayney/Millthorpe community.

**DUBBO BOARDING SCHOOLS’ EXPO 2015**
Next weekend will see All Saints’ College represented at the Dubbo Boarding Schools’ Expo for 2015. This event is another very important means for regional families to assess the suitability of schools for their children. The Expo will be held in the Dubbo Regional Convention Centre and will open at 12.30pm on Friday 15 and run until 3.00pm on Saturday 16 May. Please encourage regional friends and family who may be investigating schools for their children to pop in and have a chat at the All Saints’ display area.

**DUBBO MEET AND GREET**
In the wake of the Dubbo Boarding Expo Dr Miller will host a follow up informal gathering on Tuesday 26 May at 7.00pm to be held in the Longyard Room of the Cattlemans Country Motor Inn, 8 Whylandra Street, Dubbo. Please rsvp for this event to Mrs Lisa Ellery lisa.ellery@all-saints.nsw.edu.au.

**YEAR 7 2016 INFORMATION EVENING**
Looking ahead, Thursday evening 21 May at 7.00pm will see the Year 7 2016 Information Presentation in the Kemmis Building. This brief presentation forms part of the high school entry orientation programme and is designed to assist:
- All currently enrolled All Saints’ Year 6 2015 students and their families
- Families and students who are currently enrolled to attend All Saints’ Year 7 in 2016
- Families interested in finding out more about All Saints’ Year 7 2016

The event will feature a vital presentation on the Stepping into Year 7 programme and a number of fun activities for the students. Please reserve this date.

**ENROLMENTS AND PRE-K 2016**
Enrolments at the College are steadily increasing, and being placed on a waiting list for entry can be unsettling for families. To avoid disappointment, a reminder to families who are considering enrolment of their children at All Saints’ in the near future to please ensure that an application for enrolment has been submitted to the office of the Registrar. Please encourage any families known to you who are considering enrolling their child in the All Saints’ Pre-Kindergarten classes for 2016 to get in touch. Interviews for the 2, 3 and 5 day groups have now commenced.

Michael Hissey

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**NSW State Interschool Championships - Entries filling fast**

The Equestrian NSW State Interschool Championships are being held from Thursday, 18th June to Sunday, 21st June. Thursday, 18th is the last day of Term 2.

The event begins with the Eventing and Combined Training Competitions on Thursday, with all other events being held from Friday through until Sunday.

The schedule is now available for your perusal on ‘Nominate Equestrian’ under ‘Interschool’, then ‘Events’.

ENTRIES FOR THE EVENT OPENED MONDAY.

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage as many of you as possible to represent All Saints’ at this event.

For the past two years we have narrowly missed out on the title of Champion School, coming runners up to Frensham on both occasions. If you would like to be a part of the team to defend our title of ‘Reserve Champion School, coming runners up to Frensham on both occasions.

When entering on the ‘Nominate’ website, please put my details as the school contact email mark.whitfeld@all-saints.nsw.edu.au. The school phone number is 02 6331 3911. If you have any queries or problems when processing your entry online, please phone Nicole Stockman (0417 324 870) or Mark Whitfeld (0458 121 248).

Mr Whitfeld

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**UN youth australia**

We have 13 teams registered for Evatt NSW, which places young Australians in the shoes of UN Security Council representatives, making them debate on issues of international security, human rights and current affairs. We are holding the regional round at ASC on June 20th.

There is still time to register- please see Mrs O’Neill or collect a form from outside the ILC.

Congratulations to Sophie Chirgwin and Hannah Nobes who have qualified to progress to Round 2 of the Australian Brain Bee Challenge 2015 – the NSW State Finals. The event will be held at the School of Medicine, University of Western Sydney on Thursday 16 July. The girls will also have the opportunity to participate in an interactive, neurophysiology workshop at the event.
SHOWJUMPING DAY 2015

It’s on again......

The Equestrian Team would love to see you all at Edgell Oval, this Saturday the 10th May for our annual Showjumping Day Competition.

We have some strong competition this year from school teams throughout the Central West and would love your support (and cheering) on the day.

Jumping will commence at 9am.

Why not make it a family day and bring Mum for Mother’s Day.........

We will be serving breakfast from early ‘am’ at our Gourmet Café and will follow on with lunch and All-Day-Coffee.

This is our major fundraiser for the year so we hope to see you there!!