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

A reminder for Year 8 parents that bags for the Year 8 Camp should come into school TOMORROW for a bag check.

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Reverend Tony Card

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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 Cattleman’s Country Motor Inn, 8 Whylandra Street, Dubbo. Please rsvp for this event to Mrs Lisa Ellery lisa.ellery@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

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.

Michael Hissey

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’, I encourage you to read over the schedule carefully and enter ASAP as the event does become oversubscribed quickly.

When entering on the ‘Nominate’ website, please put my details as the Team Manager and my email as the school contact email mark.whitfeld@ 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

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 30th

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