Year 5 & 6 Camp
The students of Year 5 and 6 spent two nights under canvas at Bruinbin riverside reserve on the Macquarie River for their annual camp. They learnt how to tie knots, how to cook damper, how to navigate with a compass, some basic first aid, how to light fires and most importantly how to live in a small space with another person. The students reveled in the bush setting, thoroughly enjoying the refreshing dips in the river to cool down. The highlight for many was Father Paul’s honeycomb cooked on a gas stove.

I would like to thank the following parents, Anthony Stockman, Jodie Griffin, Tracey Carpenter and Paula Elbourne, who helped manage the camp. Their assistance was fantastic.

Good Luck to the ASC Panthers basketball team
On Friday 3 April at 4.30pm the Panthers will be playing in the Grand Final at the Bathurst Basketball Stadium. We wish them the best of luck and I encourage you to go along to support the boys.

All students who participated in basketball or softball this season need to return the shirts.

Congratulations Thomas Geyer!
Thomas represented HICES at the Combined Independent Schools (CIS) swimming carnival last Friday at Homebush in the following events, 10 Years Butterfly 50m, 10 Years Breaststroke 50m and 10 Years Freestyle 50m. He narrowly missed out on making the finals for Breaststroke and Freestyle where he finished in 12th place in both.

Thomas also represented Central Tablelands Swimming at a carnival at Canberra International Sport and Aquatic Centre on Sunday and set a new breaststroke PB of 48.88 and finished 3rd overall. Well done Thomas!

Soccer starts this week.
All soccer teams will be playing their first competition match this Saturday 4 April at Proctor Park. All players should have received a draw with details of the location and time of their game.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Parents should have already received a letter about Parent/Teacher interviews which will take place on Monday 6, Tuesday 7 and Wednesday 8 April. I encourage all parents to take up this opportunity of meeting with their child’s teacher.

Sport for the remainder of the term
Week 11
Monday 6 April – no sport due to parent/teacher interviews
Wednesday 8 April - no sport due to parent/teacher interviews

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 Performing Arts Centre. Assemblies begin at 9.00am.

From the Head of Junior School
Mr Chris Jackman

From the Chaplain
Father Paul Woodhart

MEDICAL ALERT
There has been a reported case of chicken pox at All Saints’ College. Chickenpox is a viral illness. Chickenpox usually starts with one spot, but more spots quickly appear, with fever, headache, runny nose, a cough and feeling very tired.

The rash starts on the chest and back, and spreads to the face, scalp, arms and legs. It is usually very itchy. Chickenpox is highly catching, common childhood disease. Your child is infectious until all the blisters form scabs. Generally, this takes 7 days. Children must stay away from school while they are infectious.

Your child may go back to school seven days after the first spots appear as long as the spots are all scabbed over. Please contact your local GP if you feel your child may have Chickenpox. You also need to contact the school if your child has a confirmed case of chickenpox. Mr Keogh has in her office a detailed fact sheet on Chickenpox if you need any more information.

Dear Parents
There have been a number of reported cases of gastroenteritis within our local community recently. We are also aware of a small number of cases within the college community.

The college is bound to adhere to the policies of the NSW Health Department, as such all students who are experiencing the symptoms of gastroenteritis (i.e. vomiting and diarrhoea) must stay home from school for 48 hours after symptoms resolve. Boarders must be collected as soon as possible.

We would like to gather data in order to monitor the extent of the gastroenteritis within the college community. In order to assist with this, please contact the clinic if your child has suffered from gastroenteritis within the last ten days.

If you have any questions regarding the above or would like to speak with a member of the health centre staff please don’t hesitate to phone on 63327300.

Yours Sincerely
The Sisters at The Health Centre

Important Dates for the Calendar
6-8/4/09 Term 2 Classes commence
9/4/09 Infants Easter Hat Parade
10/4/09 First day of school holidays
28/4/09 Term 2 Classes commence

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This week in Transition... (wk 10)

--- We are continuing ‘Jolly Phonics’.
* The sounds are: ‘c’, ‘k’ and ‘ck’.
* We are making a ‘crocodile’ and a ‘crusty crab’.
* We are thinking about the colour black.
* We are going to paint pictures using black paint.
* We are going to make and eat ‘crunchy chocolate crackles’.
--- We are thinking about pentagons.
* We are making pictures using pentagons.
* They remind us of a house.
--- We are thinking about the ‘Number 4’.
* We are going to discover how many things come in fours.

We are going to enjoy
Music with Mrs McLeod
P.E. with Mr Sanger
Christian Studies with Father Paul
Japanese with Mr Pike
Library with Mrs Croft

HICES Netball Gala Day

On Tuesday 31st March Year 5 and Year 6 netball players travelled to St Paul’s Cranebrook for a HICES Netball Gala Day. During the morning session they played games in Division 2 against Kinross Wollaroi, St Paul’s, Central Coast Grammar and Masada.

The girls played well and it was a great experience for them. Whilst these games were being played the selectors were making a short list of possibles and probables from Divisions 1 & 2 to form the HICES team to play at CIS. Congratulations to Sophie Stockman who was selected as a possible and probable.

After lunch Sophie had a rigorous game during which the final team was selected. Although not selected in the team Sophie played extremely well and it was a great achievement to reach this level. Thank you so much to all the parents who helped with transport and gave their support on the day and thank you to Kay Nelson for her support and her invaluable contribution as one of the selectors. Congratulations to every one of the girls who played wonderfully and represented the school in an outstanding manner.

Gabrielle Darlington

We learnt how to do concertina fold and made some cranky crocodiles.

We made ‘Koala Masks’ and read ‘Koala Lou’ by Mem Fox.

Bathurst Tennis Centre Holiday Clinics

Join the holiday fun at the Bathurst Tennis Centre’s holiday clinics! Caters for beginner, intermediate and advanced students aged 5 to 15 years.

Clinic 1: Wednesday 15th April to Friday 17th April
Time: 9am to 12noon each day.
For enrolment or further information please contact the Tennis Centre on 6331 3786 or phone Andrew on 0419 499 467.

Literature Festival

6th, 7th and 8th April

Four exciting authors, Archimede Fusillo, John Heffernan, Deb Westbury and Duncan Ball will be giving talks and workshops over the three days.

Archimede Fusillo, author of Sparring With Shadows, a book which was published in 1997 to great critical acclaim. The book was listed as a Children’s Book Council Notable Book.

John Heffernan, has been writing since 1997, and in that time has produced about 14 books on a range of subjects and genres. His first series is the popular, award-winning Spud sequence. John also loves writing in the science fiction/fantasy genre.

Deb Westbury has been a familiar and respected voice in Australian poetry since her work was first published in 1975. Her poetry has since been widely anthologised, including the Oxford Anthology of Women’s Verse (edited by Susan Lever, 1995).

Duncan Ball, a multi award-winning author and scriptwriter who is best known as the creator of one of Australia’s most popular children’s literary heroes, Selby the Talking Dog. Selby has had eight books written about him, beginning with Selby’s Secret.

Some sessions open to the wider community. Visit the All Saints’ website for more information.

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On Wednesday 8th April, All Saints’ College will be participating in the Great Australian Bite, a fundraiser to raise awareness about diabetes.

The children will be supplied with a healthy, nutritional fruit platter for morning tea on Wednesday to participate in this fundraiser.

With one person being diagnosed every 7 minutes, diabetes has reached epidemic proportions, currently effecting 7.5% of the Australian population – so share a bite and help the diabetes fight!

All money collected at Chapel on 8th April will be sent to Diabetes Australia to help support research into diabetes.