Welcome Back

Welcome back to a busy and exciting term at All Saints’ College Junior School. Please take note of the list of Important Dates below as there are a great deal of functions on this month. I look forward to seeing your child make further progress with their studies and continue to develop a love of learning.

Congratulations, Mrs Vincze!

Next Thursday Mrs Vincze, our Teacher’s Aide in Transition, will Graduate from Charles Sturt University with a Bachelor of Teaching. Well done and congratulations, Mrs Vincze!

Junior School Playground

As you would be aware, the swings have been removed from the playground. We are in the process of building a new metal frame for the swings which will have 4 swings attached. I would like to thank the Junior School P & F for the purchase of the swings. They will be greatly appreciated by the children.

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.

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Special Commemoration

ANZAC Service

This week in Chapel we held a special Commemoration ANZAC Service. All children from Kindergarten to Year 6 attended the service. It was a special time where we reflected on the sacrifice these men and women made so that we could lead a free and prosperous life. I would like to thank Sergeant Ross Runge who attended and participated in the service.

“BOOT SCOOTIN’ DISCO”

Getdy up cowboys and cowgirls, it’s time to pull on your riding boots for some boot scootin’ country and western dancing.

The Junior School will be holding a Country and Western Disco night on the 1st May, 2009. Spin those spurs and crack those whips and dress up as your favourite cowboy or cowgirl.

For all the little Transition to Year 2 children, mosey on along from 5:00pm to 6:00pm and for the bigger country kids (Years 3 to 6) you can stroll on in at 6:00pm for an 8:00pm finish. Cowkids will need to be dropped off and picked up from the door of the Performing Art Centre.

The cost is $2.00 per cowkid. Please bring along a plate of food for supper.

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P & F MEETING

The next P & F Meeting will be Tuesday 5th May at 5.45pm in the Senior Library. We will be taking a tour of the School Clinic at 5.55pm then discussions to follow regarding the proposed renovations to the Clinic. I hope to see many parents there. Regards, Anne Clifton

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Welcome back! We hope you have had a wonderful holiday!

This week in Transition
---We are continuing ‘Jolly Phonics’.
*The sound is: ‘h’.
*We are making a ‘Mrs Honey’s Hat’ and some delicious ‘Honey Joys’.
---We are printing blocks in many colours.
---We are thinking about ‘big’ and ‘little’.
*We are looking at the bear family and helping them put the furniture into their houses.
---We are thinking about the ‘Number 5’.
*We are going to make a number 5 cake.
---We are looking at autumn. Can you help us find some colourful autumn leaves to bring to school?
---We are going to learn about ‘accepting differences’ with our new friends ‘Milly and Molly’.

We are going to enjoy Music with Mrs McLeod, P.E. with Mr Sanger, Christian Studies with Mike Schultz as Father Paul is on leave. Japanese with Mr Pike and Library with Mrs Croft.

We had a lot of fun running in the ‘Cross Country’, we all received a ribbon.

We are going to visit the Bathurst City Library.
*We are looking forward to our school disco on Friday!!!

Welcome to new families
Welcome back to term 2 and particular welcome to our new families.
Joanne and James Michael – Emma - Year 6 and Joshua in Year 4 have moved to Bathurst ( in the last week).
Carina and Tony Card – Thomas and Isabelle Year 5 another new family into the area this time to Oberon (again within the last couple of weeks).
Edna Dennis – Bianca Year 7 boarding from Walgett.
Gabrielle and Mark Chalker – Maddison Year 7 boarding from Bigga.
Karen and Andrew Mitchell – Trent Year 8 boarding from Theresa Park.
Lucinda Cummings – Mikaela Year 9 from Bathurst.
Kim and Craig Marks – Georgia Year 10 boarding from Warren.
Along with the All Saints’ Community we welcome you all and wish you every happiness and success here at the College.

Applications for Kindergarten and Transition 2010
Due to the high demand for junior school places and the importance of planning for your child’s future care and education we are calling for applications for Transition and Kindergarten for 2010. Already we have had a huge number for Transition and Kindergarten applications and unlike previous years we are planning on interviewing this Term.
This allows everyone time to plan. So for those interested in these years please forward to me your child’s application (if not done already) we will be closing applications on May 29, 2009.
Interviews will be conducted over the following weeks. Places will be offered as soon as the interviews have been completed. As with previous years if someone applies after the closing date they will be interviewed and will be eligible to join the waiting list. Importantly whether or not your child is continuing from transition into Kindergarten could you please confirm your intentions to me in writing.

Year 7 Information Evening
Watch this space for more information relating to the Year 7 information evening coming up - June 2nd. All Year 6 parents and students are welcome and encouraged to be there as there will be invaluable information to share.

Contact Registrar
As always please do not hesitate to contact me for any information either on 6332 7313 or email j.thompson@saints.nsw.edu.au

A number of Junior School students had the honour of representing All Saints’ College in the Bathurst ANZAC Day March on Saturday 25 April. They then participated in the Citizen’s Commemoration Service at the Carillion which was very well supported by the local community.

ALL INTERESTED HOCKEY PLAYERS
Coaching for umpires
A Junior umpires’ coaching course will begin this Saturday 2nd May at 7.45 am at the Cooke Hockey complex.
Sessions will be approx half an hour in length and will give you the support and confidence to give umpiring a go.
11 YEARS PUMAS

The 11 Years soccer team have made a great start to the season, playing three matches during April. The boys began the season with an extremely close 1 all draw against Oberon, in which all of our team played with great determination and effort. The second match was played during the holidays against Eglington and our boys’ hard work was rewarded with a 4 - 1 victory. Blake Sanders scored all 4 goals and inspired the rest of the team to an exciting win. Last week the team played a great match against last year’s premiers, Churches United. Despite being down 1-0 early in the match the team rallied and finished the match with a 3-2 victory. The whole team played brilliantly and enthralled the crowd with their courageous performance. Well done to the team on their efforts during the holidays. I look forward to your enthusiasm continuing. Mr P. Cant

10 YEARS JAGUARS

Welcome back everyone. What a great way to start the soccer season. The Under 10’s were bursting with enthusiasm this week and started in great style. The game went in our favour with a full time score of 3-2 against Bathurst Pandas. Our early team work showed with all players playing and kicking on the larger field with great skill. Well done everyone. Special thanks for helping out this week go to Ben Cant, Tim & Matthew Jackman & Lachlan Buckley. A special welcome goes to Lachlan Cox as a new full time member of the team and his Dad Gary who will be a coach along with Mr Geyer. It is going to be a great soccer season ahead. Mr J. Redpath

8 YEARS LIONS

The Lion’s played their first game of the 2009 season last Saturday in what proved to be a tough match. We held the score at nil-all until just before half-time when one of the Oberon Wolves made a strong run down mid-field to score a strong goal right on the whistle. The second half saw the Wolves overcome our defences and two more goals were scored as we struggled to launch some attacks into their half. Rose Denovan made some strong attacking moves, with support goals were scored all 4 goals and inspired the rest of the team to an exciting win. Last week the team played a great match against last year’s premiers, Churches United. Despite being down 1-0 early in the match the team rallied and finished the match with a 3-2 victory. The whole team played brilliantly and enthralled the crowd with their courageous performance. Well done to the team on their efforts during the holidays. I look forward to your enthusiasm continuing. Mr P. Cant

8 YEARS PANTHERS

The Panthers had a good game against Oberon on Saturday, 4 April, 2009. All players played bravely and aggressively and had fun. Lachlan and Kian got the ball in the goal net, however Under Eight level rules did not allow one of these kicks to be counted as a goal. This resulted in a win to Oberon.Under Eight soccer rules require players to pass the ball a number of times before a kick into the goal net is recognised as a goal. This season we will work on teamwork, especially passing between players to ensure that we get many recognised goals. David Pike

7 YEARS TIGERS

The 7 Years Tigers team of Ben Cant, Sean Gardner, Zachary Hanes Sam Hope, Hugh Miller and Lachlan Roach began the season with a display of high skill and teamwork. Guided by coach Phil Cant, the Tigers stepped up to compete with no signs of rustiness from the long off-season. No Player of the Match award was given this week due strong all round performances from all of the team members. With a number of impressive goals scored, the Tigers showed good signs for the season to come. Well played the Tigers! Mr R. Roach

7 YEARS Cheetahs

It was the All Saints’ Cheetahs first game of the season on Saturday against Oberon. This year’s team consists of Alex Buckley, Angus McLean, Dun Yeo Foo, James Denovan and Harley Goodman. It was a fantastic Autumn day at Proctor Park. The Cheetahs were facing some tough opposition, more experienced and definitely bigger. They ran hard and tackled and chased and tackled some more. On a couple of occasions we went close to finding the net but it wasn’t meant to be. Well done to everyone for getting in and having a go. Good luck in your game next week. Mr J. Buckley

6 YEARS LEOPARDS

The Leopards made a great start to the season when they came out firing and put pressure on the ball from the kickoff. This soon led to an own goal scored by Oberon. There was strong commitment in both attack and defence. Goal scoring machine, Andrew Jackman, scored 5 goals whilst Ethan Errington was solid in defence saving a certain goal at the other end. Tyler Sharwood narrowly missed scoring but was challenging to the end and Geordie Errington fought valiantly for the ball in midfield. Angus Parsons high fived the team and spectators when he scored his first of 2 goals and Max Bylsma’s determination earned him his goal bringing the final score to 10-0. It was an exciting start to the year with good sportsmanship shown all round. Mrs S. Parsons

6 YEARS CUBS

It was a beautiful morning to start the soccer season with a great little group of enthusiastic Transition and Kindy children. A special welcome to those parents who are watching their kids play soccer for the first time and thanks to Mrs Anderson for bravely taking on the coaching role this year. Everyone played well together, enjoying the new experience of teamwork and sharing the ball, all of which culminated in a great win to our team 4-1. Goals were scored by Jack Baxter and Megan Redpath. Well done everyone. Mr I. Redpath

6 YEARS COUGARS

What are little Cougars made of? A dash of speed, a sprinkle of agility, a pinch of skill and a whole lot of enthusiasm – that’s what little Cougars are made of. Proud to be in their new strip, shiny boots and bulky shin pads the Cougars enjoyed getting together with their new team mates to play the first match of the season. Joey O’Neill was able to put his backyard soccer skills into action, being the first goal scorer for 2009. He followed up with another 2 goals later in the match. Jack Tribollet’s debut was played in terrific style. He was an energetic team player who was particularly keen to defend. Lachlan our youngest Cougar looked the part and contributed with numerous great kick-ins to his waiting team mates. Tyler was everywhere in attack and defence. He put some points on the board and saved a number of goals. The ever shrinking opposition (not in stature but numbers) was very grateful that Tyler played for them for remaining 10 minutes of the game. Mitch was a keen competitor who with patience and determination also added to the scoreboard. Congratulations Cougars on a great game and we look forward to this Saturday’s match against the All Saints’ Cubs. Mrs K. Nelson

SOCCER DRAW 2nd MAY 2009

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Transition & Kindergarten Parent Supper

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When: Monday, May 11 2009
Time: 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm
Food & beverages will be provided
RSVP to Reception by Wednesday, 6th May 2009 on 6331 3911 or email b.thompson@saints.nsw.edu.au

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For a Great night out or matinee performance come and see your fellow students, teachers or friends in Les Miserables.

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Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th Matinee 1pm
Team 2 Thursday 7th at 7.30pm, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th Matinee 1pm, Wednesday 13th, Friday 15th, Saturday 16th at 7.30
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Year 5 & 6 Parent Supper

Where: All Saints’ College Dining Hall
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Time: 8.00pm to 10.00pm
Food & beverages will be provided
RSVP to Reception by Monday, 4th May 2009 on 6331 3911 or email b.thompson@saints.nsw.edu.au

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National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy 2009

Letter to Parents

In May 2009 the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be introduced for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. This program, which has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers, will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools.

In New South Wales the NAPLAN tests have replaced the Basic Skills Tests (BST), English Language and Literacy Assessment (ELLA) and Secondary Numeracy Assessment Program (SNAP).

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the agreed national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of this National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The tests will be conducted across Australia on the same days for all students according to the following timetable:

**Tuesday 12 May** – Language Convention test (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and a separate Writing test.

**Wednesday 13 May** - Reading test

**Thursday 14 May** - Numeracy test (Number, Algebra, function and pattern; Measurement, Chance and data; and Space)

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not used. For the calculator test the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

**Friday 15 May** - A ‘catch-up’ day is scheduled for students who missed a section of the test or were absent on a particular day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or if they have significant intellectual and/or functional disability.

Students with confirmed disabilities or difficulties in learning are expected to participate in the tests. Special provisions which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom will be provided for students by the school. Large print, Braille and black and white versions of the test are available for students with vision impairment.

Access to special provisions and exemption from the tests must be discussed with your school’s learning support team and the school Principal, and a parent/carer consent form must be signed. Parents also have the right to withdraw their child from the tests. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests you must sign a parent/carer consent form. Consent forms are available at your school.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like further information about your child’s participation in the National Assessment Program.

Additional information can be found at: http://www.naplan.edu.au/parents/parents.html