Welcome Back
What a fantastic atmosphere there was in the Junior School last Friday morning on the first day of classes for 2011. The students have come back rested and ready for action. Their enthusiasm is infectious and we have had a most positive start to the year.

Parents and Friends Association
The Junior School Parents and Friends (P & F) Association is actively involved in the school community are always welcome input into and assistance with their ventures. The P & F committee for 2011 was elected at the AGM in Term 4 last year; Mel Geyer (President), Donna Hope (Vice President), Raelene Cunningham (Secretary) and Stacey Whittaker (Treasurer).

A special thank you to all parents who supplied the delicious morning tea on our first day back at school.

New Staff in the Junior School
We welcome Mrs Jane Parkinson to the Junior School staff. Mrs Parkinson is the new Teacher’s Aide for the 2 Day Transition class and brings with her a wealth of experience and enthusiasm.

New Students
Welcome to the following new students in the Junior School. Sam Moloney (Year 1), Shana Cole (Year 2), Angus Rendell (Year 2), Samuel Rendell (Year 3), Jock Sutton (Year 4), Charlie Kamper (Year 5), Robbie Kamper (Year 5), Thomas Loudoun-Shand (Year 5) and Ashley James (Year 6). We also welcome all of our Transition students who have started this week.

ICAS Exams
This year we will be offering students in year 3 to 6 the opportunity to participate in the ICAS Competition Exams. These exams will not be compulsory for all students. A note has been sent out this week regarding enrolling your child for these exams. Please return this as soon as possible.

Playground Use After School
For the safety of the children, no children should be playing on the playground equipment between 3.15 and 3.30pm.

Swimming Carnival Helpers
If you could help out with timekeeping at the Junior School Swimming Carnival please let Leonie Keogh know by Tuesday 8th February.

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.

We hope everyone had a wonderful break! Term 1 is always so very busy. We are looking forward to the Picnic and hope everyone can attend. There will be sausage sandwiches and iceblocks for sale to complement the picnics so please remember this when packing those baskets.

The swimming carnival is next Friday the 11th of February and the P & F will be running our annual cake and coffee stall. We are requesting lots of beautiful cakes and slice for our stall and ask if we could have parents to run the stall as well please.

Please find below the contact parents for 2011. As a contact parent we ask that one person from that year attend the P&F meetings and we also ask for your assistance with organising your year when it comes time for the Art Show, Spring Fair and any other fundraising activities. It is an organisational role.....!!

We apologise if we have forgotten anyone..... or if it is a surprise that your name is on the list!! Please could all contact parents (or if you would like to be a contact parent) email Rae (rc202@bigpond.net.au) or Mel (melgeyer@tpg.com.au) with your contact details.

Tran - Julie Brabham Dimity & Ross Thompson, Narelle Stocks and Brenda Gillany.
Kindy - Michelle Gough and Cindy Thompson
Yr 1 - Leigh Edwards, Libby Dallimore and Lisa Saint
Yr 2 - Bron Gardner, Suzie Dowd and Shannon Rendall
Yr 3 - Peter Campbell, Dion Reynolds, Naomi Miller and Linda Cant
Yr 4 - Linda Siegert, Leanne & Jason Jarvis, Bron Gardner
Yr 5 - Georgina Sanger, Marg Van Heekeren.

Junior School P & F Information

From the head of Junior School
Mr Chris Jackman

Important Dates for the Calendar
4/2/11 Junior School Individual and Class Photos
9/2/11 Commencement Service – College Chapel lawn (9.00am)
11/2/11 Swimming Carnival (9.30am – 1.00pm) - Wear PE gear, Head of College Function for New Parents
12/2/11 P & F Cocktail Party at Abercrombie House
17/2/11 Junior School P & F Meeting
22/2/11 Picnic on Junior School Oval
24/2/11 WAS Swimming Carnival – Kinross Woloroi School
25/2/11 Year 5 Grandparents and Special Friends Day
8/3/11 HICES Swimming Carnival – Homebush
16-18/3/11 Year 3 and 4 Camp – Lake Canobolas
22/3/11 CIS Swimming Carnival – Homebush
29/3/11 JS Inter-House Cross Country Carnival

From the Chaplain
Father Paul Woodhart
In January our Cathedral hosted the Royal School of Church Music National Festival. 170 participants were here for a week and they had a dinner in our College grounds. I heard nothing but commendations from them about the grounds and College. It reminded me once again that we do enjoy delightful surroundings.

This year we will have the Commencement Service in our grounds – with the Chapel as a backdrop. Our guest speaker is the Dean, The Very Rev’d Anne Wentzel.

I am asking different segments of the College to prepare signature pieces to put as centre pieces. It begins at 9 am next Wednesday.
FROM THE REGISTRAR
Mrs Roslyn Cox

I send a very warm welcome to all the students and families for 2011, especially the wonderful new families I have met over the past year. It has been a delight to get to know you and your children, as we have worked on your enrolments. The great joy of my job is being part of that journey - and I am more than excited to see everyone in their All Saints’ uniforms!

We realise that all our new students will be finding their feet and settling in over the next few weeks. I know the All Saints’ community will be extending a warm welcome to everyone. You now have a whole school full of people to help with any queries, but please be encouraged to call if there is anything our office can do to help you settle in.

Tours are continuing and it is wonderful to have all the students and teachers back from leave and our school is once again an exciting and vibrant place! (It gets so quiet here in the holidays!)

We are now getting busy with planning the many shows, information evenings and expos for 2011. When the program for the year is finalised, we’ll publicise the different events in our newsletters and on the website, so that you have those details. Prospective families really appreciate speaking with current All Saints’ families - so if you are available or can lend some support to these events, you are very welcome to attend. If you have friends or family who may be thinking about All Saints, please encourage them to come along or give us a call.

“Scholarship season” will be beginning soon, and all the details for the scholarship opportunities available for 2012 are listed on the website. We have an extensive list of families who have already asked us to send scholarship packs, so please give us a buzz if you would like to be on that list.

All Saints offers opportunities for students to sit exams for Academic, Music or ICPA scholarships for Years 5, 7, 9, 10 and 11 in 2012. The packs will be sent out in March, registrations are needed by the first week in April (to avoid ACER’s late fee) and the exams will be held on Saturday 14 May.

Play dough is always a favourite activity in Transition!

Craft time is always exciting in Transition, on Monday we started making some classroom decorations using paper plates and petals to create flowers. We are going to put a photo in the middle and display them on our door to welcome everyone.

We have already started celebrating birthdays in T5. This week we sang ‘Happy Birthday’ to Phoenix and Chelsea. They both brought in some delicious cakes to share, thank you Phoenix and Chelsea!

It didn’t take long to learn the daily routine! Lunch time is a great opportunity to socialise and talk to friends.

We are settling in really well, making lots of friends and having a wonderful time!
Dr Peter Miller, Head of College, together with the P&F

invites

New Parents to meet
Staff, Year Parents and
P&F representatives for

Drinks in the garden

Where: Head of College’s residence
(next to the Chapel)

When: 7 to 9pm, Friday, 11th February 2011
(following the Swimming Carnivals)

Please RSVP to Belinda Thompson
at Reception on
6331 3911, fax 6332 2236, or
email b.thompson@saints.nsw.edu.au
by Tuesday, 8th February 2011

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