COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 15
- Guidera Cup coloured clothes day for primary students
- Final day of Term 1, 12:30pm
MONDAY, APRIL 25
- ANZAC Day March, 9:50am, p3

MONDAY, MAY 2
- School resumes
TUESDAY, MAY 10
- Work Experience Information Evening for Year 10 and 11 parents, 6:00pm, Lecture Theatre

MAY 10-12 (WEEK 2)
- NAPLAN
FRIDAY, JULY 8
- Pupil Free Day (Term 2)

"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." John 20:25

Key Points
- End of Term
- Prayers for Whyalla
- ANZAC Day March
- Uniform Shop
- What do I wear next term?
- Lost and Found
- Parent Teacher Interviews
- Year 7 2017
- Assembly Change of Time
- First Eucharist – Sacramental Program
- Guidera Cup Coloured Clothes Day
- Replacement staff
- Special Provisions in SACE
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- Year 11 and 12 Subject Choices
- Year 12 Revision Courses
- Work Experience Information Evening

During the holiday break we commemorate ANZAC Day. Anzac Day goes beyond the anniversary of the landing on Gallipoli in 1915. It is the day on which we remember all Australians who served and died in war and on operational service. The spirit of Anzac, with its qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity. (www.awm.gov.au)

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.
Lest we forget.

All students are invited and strongly encouraged to march on April 25 from the RSL Clubrooms to Memorial Oval. Our senior leaders place a wreath at the cenotaph. Students of all ages are invited as it is an easy walk with plenty of staff in attendance to help. Full uniform is to be worn.

End of Term
It has been a long term but not the first time Term 1 has been eleven weeks long. For those with friends or family in other states, you would probably be aware, that in many cases, their children are already back at school for Term 2! The end of term also brings us to a few staff changes for Term 2 and beyond. Early next term Kristy O’Keefe will begin maternity leave and will be replaced by Kim Owens and Kristin Davies. Ruth Donnellan is on some well-deserved long service leave with Stacey Raymond taking over her reading support role and Kylie Fechner will assume the role of Digital Technologies teacher in place of Kim Owens.

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Religious Dimension

Prayers for Whyalla

Everyone is mindful of the problems facing our city at present. Our students and community are praying for families who are struggling with the reality of job losses and those who live in the shadow of job losses. We pray they can find meaningful work to provide for themselves and their families.

We also pray for the people who are working hard to bring solutions to the troubles that we are facing as a community. We pray they work faithfully in the interests of our community to bring about meaningful and long term solutions.

We are hopeful that our town will stay strong and remain a place of belonging for its residents.

May God bless the people of Whyalla.

Parish News

On the weekend the Diocesan Youth Assembly was held at the Saint John's Campus of Samaritan College. Fr Harold and Mr Meixner were involved with the weekend activities and said that it was a very successful assembly, the young people were very engaged in what was offered.

We continue to be mindful of the regarding the financial state of Arrium, our main employer here in Whyalla. I am sure you would have been in many discussions around the work situation here in Whyalla with family and friends. Maybe we need to take some action and let our politicians know what we are thinking and feeling. If people are in need we be ready to help and support each other. Let us pray for the important decisions that will be made in the coming weeks that may bring renewed hope.

Last Wednesday morning we had a very successful information session together with a number of supporters for the parish (around 45 in all). Most of those present were Link workers. Lots of questions were asked and a lot of helpful information was given thanks to the presenters.

Good Samaritan Inn continues to gather momentum on a Monday evening when beautiful meals are served to the guests who come along. So far we have served 650 meals since we started on September 7 last year. If you are interested in finding out more and becoming involved please contact the parish.

Last week letters were prepared to be sent out to families in the coming week who have children in the First Eucharist Program next term. It is always a privilege to work with the children and parents as they prepare for this sacrament.

As you begin school holidays this Friday we wish you a very safe and happy holiday.

Sr Cheryle Thomson
FOR THE PARISH TEAM

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Catholic Education Week

In week 3 of next term all South Australian Catholic schools will celebrate Catholic Education Week. For our three campuses it will be a very busy time. Both primary campuses will hold their annual Open Nights, Saint John's will have their Patrons Day (the old Saint John's Day) during this week, OLHCC will celebrate 50 years with a special birthday cake from a Sister of the Good Samaritans, the brand new Good Samaritan classrooms at SJC will be formally opened and in the following week the Enrolment Tours for our Year 6-11 students wishing to attend Saint John's in 2017 will take place. Add to that some Information Nights for parents as well and for good measure, the primary campuses will have their Patrons Day the Friday following Catholic Education Week. It is a time when we openly celebrate and acknowledge all that is great about our schools and invite all our community to come and share in the week with us.

Monday Week 1 Term 2

A reminder that the first Monday next term is a normal school day. The pupil free day for Term 2 will be the last day of term. Please see the article about our Uniform Shop for its opening hours for winter fit-outs.

Have a safe holiday break.
ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Day falls in the school holidays this year. Monday, April 25 is at the beginning of the second week of the term break. Students are invited to represent the college in the ANZAC Day march which begins at 10:15am from Essington Lewis Avenue.

Anzac Day is our solemn memorial to honour men and women who have paid the supreme sacrifice of their lives in battle to grace us with the gift of freedom and to protect the democratic values we enjoy as a nation.

Increasingly Anzac pilgrims are travelling to many destinations that are linked with the ANZAC spirit. Wherever Australians are on April 25, even be it in today’s war zones, the prayerful memory of the fallen is observed, grateful for the sacrifice of their lives for peace in the world.

Australians have been so concerned that none of these heroes be forgotten, that in every city and country town we have erected a cenotaph as a focal point so “We will remember them: lest we forget!”

For the Catholic community it is meaningful that ANZAC Day falls in the season of Easter. Both memorials are about hope for the future and honouring the fallen who gave their lives for us.

We are encouraged to remember the fallen in the words “Lest we Forget”. In the Eucharist, we are reminded to ‘Do this in memory of me’.

As Easter people, Christians are called to live in hope and help make the world a better place by living the message of Christ. We are called to be disciples in our own small way and bring love and peace into the world.

ANZAC Day also calls us to remember those who have made a sacrifice in the name of freedom and security. By this sacrifice we are called to stand up for those who have their freedom threatened and be people of peace. ‘Lest we forget’ is about remembering the fallen; It is also about remembering the pain and suffering that comes with war and learning from the painful lessons of the past.

During Easter and on ANZAC Day, we pray that we can be bearers of peace in our world and we live in hope for the future.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

College News

ANZAC Day March

Once again students from all campuses are invited to represent the college in the ANZAC Day March held this year in the school holidays. ANZAC Day falls on the Monday of the second week in the upcoming school holidays.

All students are welcome to join us in this memorial event. Students that participate are asked to wear their school uniform. We will let the forecast temperature decide if it is to be the summer or winter uniform and ask parents to use your own judgement here. Please remember to bring your hat if you intend to join us.

After the march there will be a liturgy and donations are collected for the RSL. Having a few coins will help if you wish to donate something.

You do not need to notify anyone if you wish to be part of the Samaritan contingent. Simply meet outside the Tandoori Guru on Essington Lewis Avenue at 9:50am for a 10:15am start.

Parents will be responsible for their children, especially if they are younger, and please attend to their collection immediately after the March and liturgy which concludes at the Memorial Oval gates of rememberance.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION
Mid-Year Reception Intake 2016

As a result of a planned review, the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools (SACCS) has adopted the review recommendations of two Reception intakes per year. At Samaritan College, this change to Reception enrolments will take place from 2016.

- The criteria for starting Reception on the first day of school in Term 3 is that the child will have attained the age of 5 on or before October 31 in that year.
- Children starting in Reception in Term 3 will have 6 terms in Reception.
- Children whose birthday falls between November 1 and December 31 are not eligible to commence school before the following year.

Therefore, if you would like your child to begin Reception in July 2016, please begin the enrolment inquiry process now as enrolments will close soon and available spaces are limited. An enrolment pack can be collected from any campus office or downloaded from our website: www.samaritan.catholic.edu.au

For more information please phone:
St Teresa’s Campus on 8645 8381 or
Our Lady Help of Christians on 8649 2077

What do I wear next term?
The winter uniform is to be worn in Terms 2 and 3, however, students can keep wearing their summer uniform for Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 2 if the weather is unseasonably warm. Please note that the mixing of summer and winter uniform is not permitted although our primary students are allowed to wear their short sleeve shirt all year round.

Lost and Found
Lost and found cupboards at all campuses will be emptied at the end of this week. Lunch containers and drink bottles will be discarded and uniform items will be returned to students if they are clearly labelled; otherwise these are laundered and become second hand clothing available from our uniform shop.

Hats in Term 2 and 3
Please note that hats should be readily accessible in the winter months as there are still outdoor excursions or activities (such as Patrons Day in Week 3 and 4) that will mean that students need their hats. If hats are washed during these school holidays, please return them to school bags in readiness for Term 2.

Phone or email orders welcome
Phone orders (8649 3168) or via email to kerry.azzopardi@samaritan.catholic.edu.au are available for uniform items that don’t require fitting (e.g. socks). Items can also be sent to the campus where your child attends if pickup from the uniform shop is an issue.

Maresa Lyons
MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Uniform Shop
Extended trading hours for winter outfitting:
Thursday, April 14 (today):
1pm - 7pm
Monday, May 2 (first day of Term 2):
8:30am - 6pm
Thursday, May 5:
1pm - 7pm
Thursday, May 12:
1pm - 7 pm
Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all parents who have made their child’s parent/teacher interview a priority this week. The parent/teacher partnership is crucial in allowing students to get the most out of school. The opportunity to engage in conversation and share anecdotes and observations from both home and school is priceless. If you have not yet made an appointment to see your child’s teacher can you please contact them and make a mutually convenient time to do so. It is very important that your children see and hear that you are actively involved in their education and well-informed about their social and academic progress.

Year 7 2017

This week our Year 6 families received information regarding the relocation of Year 7 to Saint John’s Campus in 2017. With this information was a tear off slip requesting an indication of the number of Year 7 students who will be attending Saint John’s Campus in 2017. This information is for planning purposes only, the college understands that circumstances may change in the future. We ask that this slip is returned as soon as possible. Please contact your child’s teacher if you have not received this information.

As we come to the end of this busy term, I wish all families a safe and enjoyable holiday break. Please remember that Term 2 begins on Monday, May 2.

Assembly Change of Time

As of Term 2 the St Teresa’s Campus Friday afternoon assembly will begin at 2:45pm. This change in time will maximise classroom learning opportunities in the afternoon, whilst providing adequate time for assemblies.

Lou Whitehouse
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (PRIMARY)

First Eucharist – Sacramental Program

Letters have been sent to families of children in Year 4 who may be interested in participating in preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist. If you have not received a letter and you think you should have received one, please contact the parish and speak to Sr Cheryle.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

Science Week in 2/3 Ness

We have been investigating water. We made landscapes to find out where water goes. We used shovels and spades to make rivers, hills and dams in the sandpit. Some people even had pipes.

Next we poured the water on the landscape to find out where the water went. We found out that water can go in different places but mostly in dams.

We also asked our families about whether they needed water for their jobs. Most jobs do need water so we need to make sure we don’t waste it.

Olivia Marron, Asher Cayetano, Thomas Hoskin
Guidera Cup Coloured Clothes Day

The results are in! Well done to all the students this term who have earned house points for their team. The winner this term and the team celebrating with a coloured clothes day on Friday is…Mackillop! Well done MacKillop!

Rebecca Sinclair
RE/CURRICULUM COORDINATOR

Circus Elements

“Scott was awesome. He showed us these great tricks. I’m really good at juggling now” Kayne

“The hardest one was balancing the plate on the stick. It kept moving and I had to move to keep it on there!” Lucy

“I enjoyed the flower sticks because I was amazingly good at it” Ashlee Rowlands

“I wish we could do this all the time. We should do this every year” Connor

“It was a good experience. I would love to do it again” Kyla Smith

“I enjoyed the juggling balls because you get to learn skills and lots of tricks. I also enjoyed the plate spinning because you could take the plate off people” Miley Wilson

“Please pass on my thanks to Mr Usher. It was an awesome session and the kids thoroughly enjoyed it” Mrs Arcobelli
Parent Teacher Interviews
Thank you to parents who attended the two parent teacher interview opportunities on Tuesday and Wednesday. It is our hope that the new booking system has helped to facilitate this process, parents are encouraged to provide any suggestions for further improvement. There may be some parents who are still wanting to see teachers regarding the progress of their child, these can be scheduled by contacting the teacher directly and the College through either the student’s diary or a phone call.

ANZAC Day
Anzac Day falls in the April school holidays again this year. Samaritan College will be represented by selected students and staff members who will march in the annual parade. The Saint John’s Campus will celebrate the day on the first Wednesday of Term 2.

Replacement staff
At the parent interviews questions were asked as to who might be replacing Mrs Murphy when she goes on maternity leave. We have been trying to ensure that the change of staff is a smooth as possible. Teachers have been consulted about changes to their classes and responsibilities and have been encouraged to meet with Mrs Murphy. The role of Year Level Coordinator will be picked up by Mr Quist; Year 12 Psychology is being picked up by Miss McIntee and Mrs Duffield will take over the Year 11 Psychology class. It is anticipated that these changes will take place at the change of semester, Week 9 of Term 2. During Weeks 9 and 10 Mrs Murphy will still be on site to work with staff as part of the transition.

As mentioned in previous newsletters Mr Keiper is returning and will pick up some junior classes as required to ensure that Mrs Duffield, Miss McIntee and Mr Quist are able to meet the expectations of their new responsibilities.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

Term 2 commences as normal on Monday, May 2.

John Lyons
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (SECONDARY)

Special Provisions in SACE
Many Year 12 students have externally assessed examinations this year. Some students may be eligible for special provisions to assist them in successfully completing their examinations. Any student with a long term illness or impairment (for example: a medical condition, dyslexia, anxiety disorder, learning difficulty etc.) may apply for special provisions based on their individual circumstances. The special provisions available to students may include supervised rest breaks, extra time or use of a word processor.

Applications for Special Provisions must be submitted to the SACE Board as soon as possible. Please contact me at the college on 8645 8568 or alternatively via email at tony.hall@samaritan.catholic.edu.au should you wish to discuss this matter further.

NAPLAN Testing
All Year 9 students should have received a letter several weeks ago, outlining the upcoming NAPLAN testing in Week 2 of Term 2 (May 10 to 12). A copy of the letter is also available via the website should you need to refer to it. If you have any further queries about the testing, please do not hesitate to contact me at the college on (08) 8645 8568 or alternatively via email at tony.hall@samaritan.catholic.edu.au.

Year 11 and 12 Subject Choices
All Year 11 and 12 subject choices have been finalised, and I encourage students to continue working industriously towards the goals they have set themselves for this year. Should they be having issues with the mounting pressure as the year progresses, they need to be proactive in seeking assistance. The first point of call should be the subject teacher, followed by Mrs Carly Murphy (Year 12 Coordinator), Mr Matt Quist (Year 11 Coordinator) or Mr Tony Hall (SACE Coordinator/ Director of Teaching and Learning).

Year 12 Revision Courses
Several private companies offer additional tutoring services throughout the school holiday periods for most subjects with examinations (and others). These sessions, while they can be expensive, can prove useful for students to develop a deeper level of understanding of the content being delivered. Information booklets and pamphlets have been offered to all Year 12 students, and further information can be found at www.adelaidetuition.com.au or www.aeg.sa.edu.au. It is advised that students discuss these courses with their subject teachers.

Tony Hall
DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING
Work Experience Information Evening - Tuesday, May 10

Year 10 and 11 parents are warmly invited to attend a Work Experience Information Evening in the Lecture Theatres starting at 6:00pm. Topics covered include:

- Work Experience dates for 2016
- Changes to the Work Experience Guidelines for 2016
- Risk management processes
- Workplace Agreement forms

Please come to find out how your son or daughter can get the most out of their week of Work Experience.

Tanya Gibson
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES

Visit from Queensland University of Technology

This week the Year 8 and 9 students participated in an outreach program organised by the Queensland University of Technology. The aim of the program is to bring interactive activities to middle school students in the area of Mathematics. The students really enjoyed the opportunity to see alternate ways to do Mathematics and at the same time learnt some tricks that they can use later.

Cristina Torres
MATHEMATICS COORDINATOR

Canteen Rosters

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Community News

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Aquinas College, Catholic University Residential College, Adelaide

Students considering tertiary studies for 2017 who would like to reside at Aquinas College are encouraged to lodge an application online via our website www.aquinas.edu.au. Unfortunately, each year, a number of applications submitted later in the year are unsuccessful as positions are limited.