

Term 1 Week 11

April 12, 2017

COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

- Holy Week liturgies at the primary campuses at 9:00am
- Term 1 concludes, 12:30pm

MONDAY, MAY 1

- Pupil Free Day
- Uniform Shop open, 8:30am-4:30pm

TUESDAY, MAY 2

- Term 2 commences

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

- P&F Meeting, 7pm, St Teresa's Campus

THURSDAY, MAY 4

- Extended opening hours for Uniform Shop, 1:00-6:30pm

TUESDAY, MAY 9

- Parent Information Evening on Work Experience (Year 10 & 11), Lecture Theatre

THURSDAY, MAY 11

- Extended opening hours for Uniform Shop, 1:00-6:30pm

MAY 11-12

- Year 11 Retreat

MONDAY, MAY 15

- Year 12 Seminar Day

TUESDAY, MAY 16

- Open Night, primary campuses, 4-6pm

Key Points

- ANZAC DAY
- Holy Thursday Finish
- NAPLAN
- BYOD
- Samaritan College Concert Band Program
- Uniform Shop
- Holy Week celebrations
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Easter Raffle
- Change of uniform
- Lost Property
- CUA Fun Run
- Primary Campuses Open Night
- Bookaneer Book Fair
- First Eucharist
- Year 6 Camp
- Returning to school for Term 2
- Year 11 Retreat
- Year 12 Seminar Day



This year, as Term 1 draws to a close, Easter starts our holiday break and our final week of Term 1 has been Holy Week. Reflecting on this term, a few things emerge - ongoing change, transition, development and growth – we often referred to these words when talking about the Year 7 move or the change to House Groups at Saint John's, but it also encompasses the change and growth for our Year 6s as they are now the student leaders of our primary campuses; it also includes our Reception students completing their very first term of school and also covers our new staff, especially those new to Whyalla.

Lent can challenge us in many ways and this takes on various forms depending on who you are or what context you are in. But Lent changes into Easter this weekend. The Season of Easter now starts. For those who can attend the range of services across the weekend the change between these two seasons is literally as clear as night and day. From the more solemn service on Good Friday at 3pm, the complete change to light and colour through Easter Saturday and Easter Sunday is striking.

On Easter Saturday, staff member Sharon Harris and parent, Danielle Juett, are formally welcomed into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. This is a significant milestone in their journey to become a Catholic as an adult. Congratulations.

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Uniform Shop

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 Wednesday 8:00 - 10:00am
 Thursday 1:00 - 4:30pm

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ANZAC DAY

As is normally the case, ANZAC DAY falls within our term break. All students, not just SRC, are invited to march with me and other staff on April 25. Please meet near Tandoori Guru just after 10am. Students will acknowledge this special day back at school during Week 1.

Holy Thursday Finish

Students are dismissed at 12:30pm on Holy Thursday. You may ask why we have early finishes on some days, pupil free days on another or how we come up with when the bell goes to start and end the day because all schools have different procedures. In short, it is centred around the Enterprise Agreement that is in place for staff. This determines how much face to face teaching a teacher can have over the year or term and how long their breaks are during the week and also how many relief lessons a teacher can take. There are even guidelines around yard

duties and staff meetings. To keep to the prescribed amount, we sometimes need to have an early finish at the end of term. Our pupil free days also allow us to complete whole staff training, which under the guidelines, would be hard to do after school especially if the trainer is from Adelaide.

NAPLAN

Early next term the college conducts the nationwide NAPLAN tests. We are doing this online for the first official time. Last year we trialled it online but this year is the real deal. If your child is in Year 3, 5, 7 or 9, then you should have received some information already around what to expect. Students do get to practice online and Year 3 have special changes to their testing.

I wish you all the Blessings of Easter - Hope, Love and Joy! I also invite you to the liturgy of the Stations of the Cross on Saint John's Campus oval on Good Friday.

Parish News

DO YOU HAVE ANY PLANS THESE HOLY DAYS?

In this Holy Week we will again hear in a more deliberate, specific and detailed liturgy of the Church the story of love which has inspired and compelled many to offer their life in love for others. Holy Week is a wonderful retelling of a story of love, not just of someone but of the One who gave life to the world and the universe – God in the person of Jesus Christ. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.” Jn 3:16

Left on our own, we can have the tendency to grow colder and colder towards one another. Holy Week reminds us that love offered for the sake of the other can be life giving not only to the recipient but also to the one who gives. “Love begets love” as the adage says.

This is the invitation of the Church for all in this Holy Week that we may together spend time to ponder the love of God in a more intentional way through its liturgy. The Holy Triduum (Holy Three Days) Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday Night) recalls this great story of love. The liturgy is filled with actions, symbols, words and silence that breaks open this amazing story. Come, join and be blessed.

March 31 was the restart of the parish Youth Group. We started small, we started together but we had great fun, faith and fellowship. And because we had a great time we decided to have another one last Friday, April 8 instead of fortnightly. We stayed longer than we planned playing basketball and tennis. After playing basketball for 10 mins I was catching my breath. “Thanks be to God, another youth arrived, I had an excuse to rest.” The two nights were great so far. We are having a movie night on Friday, April 21, 6pm @ Our Lady's. All are welcome. Please visit the parish Facebook page and vote for the movie to watch.

The parish would like to ask for special prayers for our Catechumens (Sharon and Danielle) who will be received in full communion in the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass. RCIA (Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a wonderful program for mature people to discover, understand and be informed in one's faith. We thank God for the grace bestowed on them to finish the program and to start a new journey in the Catholic faith. Thanks to all who helped prepared them.

Have a happy and holy holidays everyone! It is a particularly blessed time. May the love of Christ beyond all understanding illuminate your hearts. There are many Holy Week celebrations not only in the Catholic Church but also in different Churches. If you're in town or out of town why not consider coming to it?

Fr Harold Camonias

ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH TEAM

Holy Thursday: 7pm, April 13, St Teresa's Church

Good Friday: 11am, April 14, Ecumenical Stations of the Cross, Saint John's Oval

3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, St Teresa's and Our Lady's (both at the same time)

Easter Vigil: (Holy Saturday) 7pm, April 15, Our Lady Help of Christians Church

Easter Sunday: 8:30am, April 16, St Teresa's Church
10:30am, April 16, OLHC Church
5:30pm, April 16 OLHC Church

Change of Mass Time:

Starting April 22 the Saturday 7pm Mass at St Teresa's Church will be at **6pm**. This trial will last for six months.

Religious Dimension

Peace this Easter

Last weekend on the program Sunday Night on Channel 7 there was an investigative report on the scientific search for the existence of God. It also explored whether a sample of blood discovered was the actual blood of Christ. I turned it off after about 2 minutes.

Apart from being a ratings exercise and a piece to satisfy the timeslot in the approach to Easter my conclusions about the scientific existence of God or if the blood was actually Jesus' is, 'who cares'?

The reason for my conclusion is that Easter is about faith. It is about living in the 'Light' of the risen Christ. We have been through a long and renewing period of Lent. We have come to the point in the church year where all Christian denominations celebrate and give praise to God for choosing us to be people of God. God gave us hope and redemption through the suffering, death and resurrection of the Son of God in the person of Jesus Christ. So if the blood in this program is or isn't Christ's blood is really of no concern.

Jesus is himself a new covenant, or binding agreement, between ourselves and God (The New Testament version of the burning bush or the rainbow). This agreement, as far as I see it, is that if we live with Jesus in our hearts seeking peace, love, compassion, understanding, forgiveness and a place for the stranger, then God will be there for us.

To ask if some remains or artefacts are a scientific proof of Jesus' existence is not the question we should be asking. We also will not receive any joy if we ask these questions from a historical, anthropological or literary perspective. Each of these academic fields in their own right are integral components to help us understand

the world and universe in which we live. They help us explore our faith, humanity and place in the world, but alone they do not provide 'the' answer.

The only way we can find real answers about God is to ask these questions in the light of faith; "is this the actual place of Christ's crucifixion?" Scientifically or historically the answer is most likely no. As a matter of faith and belief, the answer is a definitive yes! The truth of Faith is the only truth we can be sure of acquiring to these questions.

We should also not look at the Easter story as a good historical tale. Something that we recall once a year to test its vigour and validity.

Easter is to be lived and understood in the here and now. How can we make the story of Easter come alive today in our hearts, our homes, our communities and in the whole world? These are the answers we should be looking for at Easter.

With the events in the Middle East over the last week or so, I think we need some Easter hope in the world at the moment.

So this Easter I wish all our families a holy and safe Easter. Enjoy this special time together with your family and I pray you are blessed by the presence of the risen Christ in your lives.

There are many Easter celebrations in all churches in Whyalla this weekend. It is here we should be looking for the existence of God.

Happy Easter everyone.

Bernie Meixner

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

College News

From the Business Manager

BYOD

Insurance

Do you have insurance on your child's BYOD device? iBroker is one company that specialises in BYOD insurance. As always, it is up to the parents if you want insurance and we don't recommend either way. If, however, your household contents policy does not cover your device and you are thinking about insurance, maybe consider a web search on laptop insurance and obtain a quote. It may be cheaper in the long run.

New device

Does your child's device meet their needs? Is the battery life sufficient to get through the day? The college can support families with payment plans on devices. From as little as \$75 a term, we can provide a choice of several suitable devices. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact the Business Manager or email info@samaritan.catholic.edu.au



Samaritan College Concert Band Program

There will be no rehearsal in Week 11 for the Beginner Concert Band on Thursday, as it is the last day of term. Rehearsals for the Beginner Concert Band will resume in Week 1, Term 2 (May 4).

There will be no rehearsal for the Junior Concert Band on Monday Week 1, Term 2, as this is a student free day. Rehearsal for the Junior Concert Band will resume in Week 2, Term 2 (May 8).

Instrumental lessons at all campuses will be held throughout Week 11, Term 1 as normal, and will resume on Tuesday Week 1, Term 2 (May 2) with the same timetable.

Please don't hesitate to contact me on 8645 8568 if you would like to discuss any questions or concerns you have about the Band Program.

Julia Anttila
MUSIC TEACHER

Uniform Shop

Opening hours for the beginning of Term 2.

Monday, May 1, 8:30am-4:30pm

**Wednesday (during term)
8:00am-10:00am (as normal)**

**Late night Thursday, May 4, 11 & 18 (Week 1-3)
1:00pm-6:30pm**

Donations Wanted

The college is looking for donations of any pillow cases, sheets or quilt covers that you no longer need. They will be used to create recycled shopping bags called Boomerang Bags.

By repurposing the material we hope to be part of a project that creates awareness of the throw-away society in which we live by creating multiple use shopping bags.

Donations can be dropped off at any campus office.

ANZAC Day

Samaritan College seeks permission each year from the local branch of the RSL to participate in the ANZAC Day March. The March is conducted at 10:15am from the RSL building on Essington Lewis Avenue and continues to the Memorial Oval gates on April 25.

All Samaritan College students are invited to participate in this event. There are no permission slips required as this is not so much a school event as a supported opportunity for our community to participate in the March and show our respect for those who defended our country.

Students who participate do so under the care of their parents and are required to be in school uniform. The uniform worn will depend on the weather, winter

uniform if the weather is cold or summer uniform if it is warmer. No sports uniform please respecting the occasion. Please remember a water bottle and school hat.



Canteen Rosters

Term 2, Week 1 and 2				
	ST TERESA'S CAMPUS		SAINT JOHN'S CAMPUS	
	May 1-5	May 8-12	May 1-5	May 8-12
Mon	Pupil Free Day	Robyn Pedler	Pupil Free Day	Leanne Simpfendorfer
Tue	Fiona Wilson	Suzanne Kairl	Donna Clark	Tonia Munday
Wed	Kellie Sarret	Maresa Lyons	Helen Butt	Allison Noble
Thu	Kim Hubner	Judi Kneebone	Helen Bell	Helen Bell
Fri	Mandy Schmidt	Anne-Marie Fisher	Rebecca Coffey	Judi Kneebone

No help required at OLHCC. Thank you for your assistance.

Annette Cameron, Rose Cassar and Carolyn Goldsworthy
CANTEEN MANAGERS

Primary Campus News

OLHCC: Our Lady Help of Christians Campus

STC: St Teresa's Campus

Holy Week Celebrations

In our preparations for Easter and the school holiday break it is important for us all to take the time to reflect on the events of Holy Week and recognise this as a time to focus on how we are spiritually renewed through the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. Please take note of the Parish Holy Week celebrations published in today's newsletter.

Both primary campuses will celebrate Holy Week with a Tenebrae Liturgy at 9:00am tomorrow in the church at OLHCC and under the Shelter Shed at STC. Parents are welcome to attend.

Thank You

At the end of this week Chelsea Leech begins maternity leave. We thank Chelsea for her many years of service as a classroom teacher and a leader of learning in the Early Years. As a school community we wish Chelsea and Phil all the best as they prepare for the birth of their first child.

Wedding News!

Congratulations to Jenna Bell who is getting married in the holidays. We extend our best wishes to Jenna and Patrick and their families at this special time. When Jenna returns next term she will be known as Mrs Warren. I'm sure the children in Year 2/3 Warren will quickly adjust to the new name.

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 so important that your children see and hear that you are actively involved in their education and well-informed about their social and academic progress.

Easter Raffle

Thank you to all families for your support of the Easter Raffle. Without your generous donations and willingness to purchase tickets the raffle could not go ahead. In these challenging times, our communities' generosity in supporting others in need is greatly appreciated.

The Easter Raffle will be drawn at 11:45am on both campuses tomorrow.

Change of Uniform

Just a reminder to families that the winter uniform is to be worn in Term 2 and 3. In saying this, please be aware that there is a two week grace period for students if the weather is unseasonably warm. In accordance with our Sun Protection policy, hats are not required to be worn in Term 2. We recommend hats are kept in bags, therefore available for unseasonably warm weather or particular class/school events. Please note the extended opening hours at the uniform shop to assist families with the purchase of uniforms.

NAPLAN

Our Year 3 and Year 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN online testing in Week 2 and 3 of Term 2. NAPLAN tests students' skills in literacy and numeracy. It is one of the many tools we use to improve outcomes for our students. More information about the tests is available at www.nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/default-document-library/naplan-online-2017-information-for-parents-and-carers.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you have concerns about your child participating in the tests. If you wish for your child to be withdrawn from one or more of the tests please contact the office at either primary campus for a form. All students who are at school on this day without a note will be expected to sit the test. The form must be completed, signed and returned to the office before Week 2 of Term 2.

Lost Property

As the lost property cupboards fill up, I ask families to please check that all children's belongings, including lunch boxes and plastic containers, are labelled with first and last names. This will assist in the location of lost property.

CUA Fun Run

Our primary campuses will once again be participating in the CUA Fun Run



(previously Adidas Fun Run). The event will be held within the campus grounds during Catholic Education Week, on Thursday, May 18 at the OLHC Campus and Friday, May 19 at St Teresa's Campus.

The School Fun-Run is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about being active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The focus of this event is on participation. Family support is most appreciated as we encourage all students to get involved.

Sponsorship Forms have now gone home. We ask all parents to read the Sponsorship Form and sign the front page to grant permission for their child to fundraise and participate in this event. Students who raise just \$10 or more will receive a reward for their effort. In the Sponsorship Form you will also find many other benefits like the chance to win a family holiday to your chosen destination!

Students wanting to track their progress, and use online fundraising, can do so by creating a Student Profile Page at www.schoolfunrun.com.au and clicking the Sign Up button. Parental permission will be needed for this.

Finally, we would like to welcome parents and family members to attend the School Fun-Run to help cheer on the students. More information will be sent home closer to the event.

Primary Campuses Open Night

As part of Catholic Education Week celebrations, both primary campuses will be hosting an "Open Night" on Tuesday, May 16 to celebrate the learning and successes taking place in our college. Both campuses will be open from 4pm-6pm to accommodate parents' work hours. This is a fabulous opportunity for all to see first hand the successes of students across your campus. Students are not required to stay for this event but are encouraged to accompany their families and act as tour guides on the night. A sausage sizzle and drinks will be available on the night.

Lou Whitehouse
HEAD OF PRIMARY

Project Compassion

Year 2/3 Bell

During this Lenten Season students have developed an understanding of those less fortunate than ourselves through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion appeal. Of particular note are the many classes currently organising initiatives to raise money for Project Compassion. We acknowledge and thank families for their ongoing support of these student led initiatives.



As well as raising money for Project Compassion, many classes have demonstrated gratitude and thanks to significant individuals in their lives. These "random acts of kindness" have brightened many a day and spread the message of care and concern for others.

Our Jelly Cup fundraiser was a huge success! The support from parents was AMAZING and we ended up having almost 300 cups of jelly donated to sell! We sold jelly at recess and lunch. We are super proud of what we have achieved for Project Compassion.

Acts of Kindness

Year 2/3 Bell

During Lent we did some good deeds/ acts of kindness to show our care and concern for others.

We gave out:

'kind compliments' to make others feel good about themselves,

'you're invited' cards to invite younger/ older buddies to spend some time with us at school,

'thank you' notes to show appreciation towards all staff at school for their help,

'parent vouchers' to pledge help at home we could do for our parents AND

'you are SUPER' notes to express a positive message to school friends.

Year 1/2 Helmers





Year 6 from Arcobelli/Lewis and Baker/Edwards went to Errappa Blue light camp. We did the High Ropes, they were scary but fun. We also did the rock climbing but no one made it to the top. Then there was the Flying Fox that was fun. Finally there was the Leap of Faith and that was terrifying. The people were friendly and we had so much fun.

Ethan Obona

Year 6 Camp

On March 20 the Year 6s from St Teresa's Campus went to Errappa Blue Light Camp for 2 nights and 3 days. The best parts of the camp were the zipline, the high ropes and the 'Leap of Faith.' We were lucky to go on this camp and we would like to thank Dave Taylor and Paul Trussell. We would also like to thank the staff and teachers who organised this camp.

Ashlee Rowlands and Trent Inglis



My favourite parts on camp were the Flying Fox, the High Rope Activities and the Leap of Faith. The Flying Fox was awesome because it was really fast and the High Rope Activities were scary but fun. Most of all the Leap of Faith was the best because I grabbed the bar and I felt so proud of myself.

Ryan Samu



My time at camp was AMAZING!! My favourite activity was the big treasure hunt because we got to explore the whole town and it taught us teamwork and responsibility.

Ethan Cleary



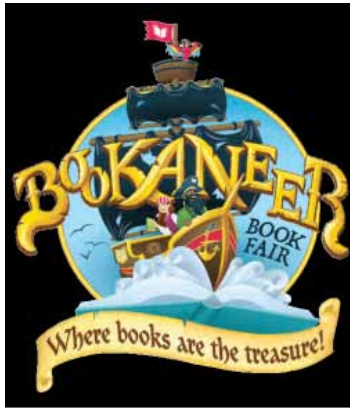
Bookaneer Book Fair

STC Library will be hosting a "Bookaneer Book Fair – where books are the treasure" in Week 3, Term 2.

There will be lots of fun, activities, and books for sale at the Pirate Ship Library!

Come along during the week to browse the Book Fair, and students will have fun with the activities and photo booth.

Tania Taylor
LIBRARY MANAGER (STC)



First Eucharist

Preparations for the Sacrament of First Eucharist begins next term. The parish team will distribute letters to families who have a child that celebrated First Reconciliation last year. If there are families who are new to Whyalla this year and would like to participate, you can contact the parish on 8645 8023 with a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be celebrated on the weekend of June 17-18. There are a number of preparation steps before this date. This will be referred to in the letter from the parish.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

Buddy Class Learning

This term both Year 1/2 Helmers and Year 5/6 Molyneux have been learning about why Australia is our Special Place. On Friday we all went to the Ada Ryan Gardens and looked at all the special places we like to hang out in and explore. We also did a scavenger hunt to find things beginning with each letter of the alphabet. It was great to spend time with our buddies on a warm autumn day.

Patrick Marron and Bella



Trauma Sensitive Schools Project (TSSP)

As part of our Trauma Sensitive Schools Project classes have continued to focus on calming strategies, brain breaks and mindfulness in preparation for learning. Next term many classes will focus on learning about the brain to further assist understanding of our emotional responses. Look out for some handy parent tips in the coming newsletters.

We used cotton balls to have a brain break. We tried a few different activities such as blowing around a racetrack, blowing as far as possible, blowing to the end of our fingers and blowing up into the air. Brain breaks, provide time for a break in preparation for further learning.

Year 5/6 Arcobelli/Lewis



Secondary Campus News

Secondary attendance hotline: 0473 989 587 - TEXT messages only, *otherwise please phone 8645 8568.*

Please follow up phone calls with a diary note to the caregroup teacher.

SJC: Saint John's Campus

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thank you to parents who took the opportunity to attend parent/teacher interviews during the last two days. 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 at the college either through 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 commemorate the day on the first day of Term 2.

Returning to school for Term 2

Students should return to school on Tuesday May 2. This also signifies the start of the transition period from summer to winter uniform. During the first two weeks, only, students may choose to continue wearing the full summer uniform or wear the full winter uniform. It is expected that students will not mix and match items but will adhere to the requirements outlined in the diary. During Term 2 hats do not need to be worn, however, teachers may request for them to be worn when participating in class activities conducted outside, as per the college's Sun Protection Policy, which is available from the website.

NAPLAN

The Year 7 and 9 students will be participating in the annual NAPLAN testing during the weeks of May 9 to 19. This year, for the first, time students will undertake all their NAPLAN assessments online. More information can be obtained from the National Assessment Program website at www.nap.edu.au.

Sporting Prowess

Congratulations to Jorja Eldridge, who is off to New Zealand to participate in a Basketball competition.

At the start of this year, Jorja was one of 180 South Australians who attended the Australian Junior Country Basketball Cup. She was a crucial inclusion in the SA Sharks team, finishing the championship with 130 points, the highest number of points for her team and equal highest for the competition. Her performance saw her get selected to be part of a Country Cup Squad to compete in the Mel Young Easter Classic tournament in Tauranga NZ. A fantastic achievement, however, Jorja is also in training for other championships.

Jorja has had her heart set on competing in the U16 Australian Junior Championships being held in Perth in July. This competition will see her playing against the best in Australia from both Metropolitan and Country regions. To achieve this goal Jorja has been playing club basketball in Adelaide, leaving Whyalla at lunchtime each Friday to attend training sessions and play in games. Her commitment has paid off as she was recently selected as part of the SA Country Women's team.

Jorja hasn't forgotten her roots and continues to contribute to the local Whyalla competition. Playing basketball for the Whyalla Steelers, this week she was awarded, for the second year running, the most outstanding female player for the club.

A fine athlete during our school sports, winning the Age Champion for U15 Girls representing Rice House, Jorja was also a crucial member of our winning U15 team in Port Augusta. She has played netball for many years, deciding that this year she will need to limit the amount of netball that she will play.

Congratulations Jorja on your many sporting achievements to date. We wish you all the best as you go to New Zealand, and then Perth and hope to hear of your continued success.

John Lyons
HEAD OF SECONDARY

Adelaide Year 12 Tuition Courses

The University of Adelaide offers school holiday courses for Year 12 students to help them prepare for exams, revise content, and gain confidence in a subject. You can find the program for the April school holidays at: <https://www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/>

UMAT 2017

Registrations close 2 June 2017. The test takes place nationally on 26 July 2017. UMAT is a test that is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health science degree programs at undergraduate level at the universities listed on this website. <https://umat.acer.edu.au/>

Tanya Gibson
DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

Year 11 Retreat

The Year 11 Retreat will be held on Thursday, May 11 and Friday, May 12. Notes have gone home this week. Please return these as soon as possible to the front office or caregroup teachers.

I need to be alerted to any dietary requirements in writing or students can let me know in person so these arrangements can be made.

Please remember the Year 11 students have prepared elements of the retreat as part of the Year 11 Religion Studies course. Their attendance is required and expected.

A simple equipment list for an overnight stay will be issued next term.

Year 12 Seminar Day

The next Year 12 Seminar Day will be held on Monday, May 15. This will be an all-day event and plans are being made to hold it at the Whyalla Yacht club. We have a guest speaker, Mrs Sue Pemberthy from Caritas Australia who will help us explore social justice issues in Australia and around the world. The day will begin at 9am and conclude at 3:00pm.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

Community News

"The services and events contained in this section are in no way connected with the school and are included in this newsletter for your information only. Parents and caregivers need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children."

Christine Duffield is offering a course for senior students, parents and friends of Samaritan College...

This course was designed by the William Glasser International Institute as a tribute to Dr. William Glasser for his generous and life-long contribution to the mental health and wellness of all people around the world. Dr. Glasser's life was dedicated to teaching people internal control psychology-or what came to be known as Choice Theory.

So...

would you like to find out what 'drives' your behaviour?
(and why others behave as they do?)

would you like to find out what it takes to...

T A K E

CHARGE

OF YOUR

L I F E?

Would you like to find out why it is so important to you ...

to get what you need?

Then register for a 6 hour workshop

- on either Friday 5th May or Saturday 13th May 2017
- at the Saint John's Campus of Samaritan College (in MT03-next to the Home Economics rooms)
- from 9:00am-4:00pm.

This course is based on Choice Theory, a theory that was developed by Dr William Glasser as he worked as a psychiatrist in America. These 6 topics are the content of the workshop:

1. Shift your mental model-find out what we do actually have control over (and what could we let go of)
2. Needs, Wants and the pictures in our Quality World-develop an understanding of why you (and others) behave in a certain way.
3. Relationship Habits-what could you do to help yourself get on better with the people in your life?
4. Perception and our Perceptual System-how perceptions are formed.
5. Behavioural System and Total Behaviour-find out about the four components of behaviour-thinking, acting, feeling and physiology and how they interact.
6. How to plan so you can *Take Charge of Your Life*.

To register or find out more about this course please contact:

Christine Duffield

Basic Intensive Trainer- William Glasser Institute Australia

☎ 86458568

Christine.Duffield@samaritan.catholic.edu.au

NB there will be a small charge for this course (of \$25) to cover the cost of lunch, morning tea, registration and course handouts.

