**COMING EVENTS**

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| **FRIDAY, JUNE 1** | • Primary Patrons Day, 9:30am STC, p4  
• STC Fun Run |
| **THURSDAY, JUNE 7** | • Year 1/2 Helmers and Year 2 Smith Mass, 9:00am, OLHC Church |
| **FRIDAY, JUNE 8** | • OLHCC House Leaders Assembly, 12:30pm, Church |

**FRIDAY, JUNE 8**
• STC House Leaders Assembly, 2:45pm, Shelter Shed
• Aquinas College - residential accommodation presentation, 7:30pm, Lecture Theatres

**FRIDAY, JUNE 15**
• R/Year 1 Gurnett Junior Assembly, 12:30pm, Church
• R/Year 1 Davies/Judd Junior Assembly, 2:45pm, Library

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28**
• Primary Disco at Samaritan Hall, SJC

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**Key Points**

- Enrolling
- SJC Tours and Information Evenings
- Primary Building Update
- Samaritan College Band Programme
- Thank You
- A Week of Celebration - Catholic Education Week
- Open Night a success
- Patrons Day Mass
- Mass and Assembly Times
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- Examinations
- Charging Laptops
- Warming food at school
- Change of semester

Director’s message to students, families, staff and parishioners of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Port Pirie

**Catholic Education Week: 25 May – 1 June 2018**

*We work together with great hope supporting all children to be thriving, capable learners, leaders for the world God desires*

I extend my gratitude and best wishes to all who share in partnership with Catholic schools throughout the Diocese of Port Pirie as we unite in celebration of Catholic Education Week. I welcome everyone to join with your local school for the liturgies and other activities being held during this week.

This week provides a time for joyfully reflecting upon, honouring and sharing what we know deeply – that Catholic Education in each of our schools and across our state makes a significant difference to the lives of all those who are connected in any way with our Catholic schools. Education and formation in faith and learning has an extraordinary influence over who we are as individuals, in our families’ lives and in our towns and regions. This year Catholic Education week coincides with National Reconciliation Week, providing an opportunity for us to celebrate the contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in our schools and town communities, and our ongoing commitment to justice and peace through reconciliation action, understanding and prayer.

In Mark’s Gospel this week we heard that Jesus “took a child, and put him in the midst of them” (9:36). He used the child as an example for us all: full of wonder, awe, peace, gentleness and acceptance. In this spirit, and with children at the centre of all we do, I wish everyone a happy Catholic Education Week!

**Nichii Mardon**

**DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION - PORT PIRIE DIOCESE**
Enrolling

Lots of Tour times and Info Nights in the coming weeks for any new enrolment to the college or for our Year 6 students moving to the secondary campus in 2019. Please refer to the website for further information. Tours can also be arranged at any time and not just at the group times we are offering in the coming weeks. Please pass on this information to any families you are aware may be considering Samaritan for their child's education either in Semester 2 or in 2019.

Primary Building Update

The tender process closed last week. As is now the case with all projects of this size, an incredible amount of due diligence is undertaken to ensure the tenders are at the level that the project has been independently costed at. If we feel the tenders are not at this price, let alone within our budget, then the process may be extended. It is important we spend our grant wisely, not quickly.

Damien Judd
PRINCIPAL

Former Students Success

Congratulations to former students Romy Foote, Brianna Monaghan and Lucy Havelberg (Year 12 2017) who all have received a scholarship or bursary for their accommodation at St Ann's College (University Residential College) in Adelaide. Well done.

Religious Dimension

Our campuses are in the midst of Catholic Education Week and at either end of the week, we are celebrating our Patrons.

In the Catholic faith, we refer to a community of believers. This community is composed of people we know and see regularly. In our schools, it is the families who make up our school community, the students, teachers and everyone else who helps create a vibrant school. In our parishes this community of believers consist of mass goers and all the people who contribute to the parish ministries.

Part of this community of believers consist of people who are no longer with us that help us to understand who we are as a community. The recent passing of Br Patrick Guidera, past principal of Saint John’s College, calls to mind his gentle and wise approach to many issues. Br Pat was a much loved and respected member of the college community and he will continue to live in our hearts for a long time.

Our faith community therefore consists of the living and those of us who are in heaven. In the case of our Patrons; Our Lady Help of Christians, Saint John the Evangelist, Saint Therese of Liseux and Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The influence of our Patrons is very important and we can pray to, and with our Patrons, so we remain connected with Jesus. Through the intercession of our Patrons, and indeed all Saints, we can pray for various needs and use their example to bring us closer to God.

Our Lady Help of Christians, as her title suggests, brings our intentions to God when we pray to Mary. She is a source of inspiration to many, and an example of true discipleship and what it means to carry out the will of God.

Saint John, the beloved of Jesus, is an example of standing up for what one believes, and remaining faithful even when it is difficult to do so.

Saint Therese (Teresa) is an example of making every little action in life a prayer to God. She was affectionately called ‘The Little Flower’ and offers us with an example in life of her ‘Little Way’. Her philosophy was that every simple task she needed to complete is a prayer to God.

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop was an advocate of social justice, helping families educate their children and working for the rights and care of single mothers. Each of our patrons helps us understand who we are as a community and are still part of our identity. The Apostles Creed, which is a statement of our faith, includes the following section:

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

The communion of Saints referred to in this prayer tells us that the saints are always with us, they connect us to each other and to God.

So this Patrons Day, let us not only remember the Saints, but be with them as we celebrate our identity as a Catholic school.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION
Parish News

Thank you to the teachers who worked with the children involved with the Liturgy at the 6pm Mass: they always help to make it a joyful celebration. Next weekend at our Parish Masses the children will make their First Communion. This is always a special occasion for the children and their families and for our Parish. Let us keep these children in our prayers this week.

On Saturday a number of our parishioners along with many people from our diocese travelled to Port Pirie to attend the Ordination of Fr. Hau Le in St. Mark’s Cathedral. His family came to Australia as refugees from Vietnam many years ago. Hau was educated in Adelaide and studied pharmacy and worked in this profession before beginning studies for the Priesthood. We are very grateful to have another priest for our diocese. I found it a very happy occasion to celebrate in our church after the sad news we have been reading and hearing this last week. We continue to pray for the people who were victims of abuse in our church.

In the last week we celebrated Volunteers Week. I was mindful of the many people who give so generously of their time to help our school and parish and other areas of the Whyalla community: so many unrecognised people – THANK YOU – a lot of things would not be possible without your help.

Sr Cheryle Thomson
ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH TEAM

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College News

Samaritan College Band Programme

The first Band Rehearsal will be in Week 6 on **Tuesday, June 5**. Students will receive a note prior to the First Rehearsal regarding where, when and transport details. We ask all caregivers to please read this note carefully.

All Band students must now have a Display Folder. We ask them to remain organised, and to bring their Books AND Instrument to every Instrumental Lesson and Rehearsal.

Students who wish to purchase any items from the Band Parts & Accessories List will be able to do so at the First Rehearsal.

We look forward to hearing our musicians playing together.

Alison Hams
BAND COORDINATOR

SJC Tours and Information Evenings

Please refer to our website for dates and times of **SJC Tours and Information Evenings** for those enrolling at SJC for 2019.

First Tour - June 4.

Parents & Friends News

Save the date!

Save the date - Primary Disco will be held on **Thursday, June 28** at Samaritan Hall, SJC.

In coming weeks we will be looking for parent volunteers to assist us - please consider if you might be able to donate an hour of your time to help make this yet again, a wonderful event.

We will need help to set up in the afternoon as well as selling goods on the night.
Last week we acknowledged the many volunteers who give of their time so generously in our school community. Through the teachings of Jesus, we understand the importance of service and we pray that God will continue to bless our volunteers with their many gifts and talents, and that our school community will look to them with gratitude for the selfless work they do to enrich the lives of staff and students.

With National Reconciliation Week celebrations continuing throughout the week we thank God for our cultural diversity. This year’s theme “Don’t Keep History a Mystery” is a chance for us to understand events of the past and take some fresh actions to promote inclusiveness, harmony and reconciliation. As members of a Catholic community we draw on the teachings of Jesus to guide us in our daily interactions and actions.

‘Black Screen’

Our Indigenous students and the Year 3/4 and Year 4/5 classes from our campuses were fortunate to attend ‘Black Screen’, on Tuesday. The short films promote cultural awareness and Indigenous screen culture, provides entertainment to communities and brings them together in discussion. The students enjoyed the performance and loved seeing our art work on display.

Thank You

Last Wednesday the SRC, with the assistance of Mrs Taylor and Mrs Murray, coordinated a coloured clothes day and campus morning tea. We thank them for their efforts and we thank all our families for their donations to the Byles Family and the Cancer Council. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

A Week of Celebration - Catholic Education Week

Samaritan College, along with all Catholic schools in the state, have this week celebrated Catholic Education. Whilst every day is a time to celebrate who we are as a Catholic community, this week provides a time to pause and ‘give thanks’ for the efforts of so many who enrich Catholic Schools.

Open Night a success

On Tuesday night both primary campuses held an Open Night. Many parents, families and friends visited classrooms and wandered through the campuses looking at and celebrating the learning displays.

Thank you to those who came along. Please also remember that you are always welcome to share in your child’s learning at either campus.

Patrons Day Mass

As part of our Catholic Education Week celebrations the primary campuses will celebrate our Patrons tomorrow (Friday, June 1) at approximately 9:00am at St Teresa’s campus. OLHCC children will need to be dropped at STC by 8:45am. OLHCC families please note the canteen will not be open at recess or lunch on this day. OLHCC students will be bussed back to campus at the end of Mass.

Week 6 Mass

Year 1/2 Helmers and Year 2 Smith will celebrate Mass at 9:00am at OLHC Church on Thursday, June 7.

Families are most welcome to come and celebrate with the classes.
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The students of 5/6M

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R/1 Davies Judd, R/1 Harris Judd and 1/2 Helmers celebrating mud play.

Rutendo Mativenga “Miss Helmers can we do this every week?”

Mason Rigg “this was the best day ever”

Sophie said her mud cake was just divine!!!

Thank you to our amazing volunteers

I would like to thank all of our wonderful volunteers at Samaritan College’s primary campuses especially those of you that volunteer for the LAP Program. Without your ongoing help and dedication to the program LAP would not be the success that it is today. The time and support that you give and the friendships that you build with the children that you work with is astonishing and the difference that you make in the life of that child is something that they will appreciate and cherish in years to come.

Thank you once again. We appreciate you, not just in Volunteers Week, but every day that you so freely give us your time.

God Bless you all.

Heather Guest
LAP COORDINATOR - PRIMARY CAMPIUSES
Patrons Day

Last Friday the secondary campus celebrated it’s Patrons. The day involved a Mass, Walk and activities in the afternoon. The date was chosen to also celebrate the start of Catholic Education Week within South Australia.

Once again the generosity shown by our families was incredible and students had plenty of items to deliver to organisations such as The Salvation Army and Saint Vincent de Paul’s during their walk, organisations that provide support to families within Whyalla. Thank you all for your support of others.

Aquinas College

A representative from Aquinas College will be in Whyalla to talk with Year 12 students and parents about their residential accommodation available for university students in 2019. The presentation will be held in the lecture theatre on Wednesday, June 13 at 7:30pm.

Examinations

As the semester starts to draw to a close, students in Year 10 and 11 should be giving consideration to their subjects that have examinations. For Year 10 these include English, Mathematics, Science, Physical Education, Humanities and Italian, whilst the Year 11 subjects with examinations include all Sciences, Italian, all the Mathematics options, Legal Studies and Physical Education.

Students are encouraged to start their revision now, devoting a small amount of time each evening to consolidate their understanding of the semester's work.

Warming food at school

As the weather turns cooler, more students are wanting hot food at lunch and recess. This generally sees an increase in food being brought from home that requires warming. Unfortunately the canteen staff cannot warm the food for them, and as a matter of safety, students should not go behind the counter in the canteen. Students who wish to have food warmed will need to bring it in an oven proof container and ensure that they take it to the canteen by 9am. It will then be placed in the pie warmer and available for collection at lunch, please ensure that a name is on the container. As Baked Potatoes are available on Thursdays there may not be space available for heating food from home on this day. It is expected that students will provide their own cutlery for food brought from home.

Charging Laptops

A reminder to families that the current requirement around laptops is that students bring their devices to school fully charged and that they do not use them at school for non-educational purposes. Following these basic principles should ensure that the battery life is sufficient for a day at school.

Charging devices at school is not permitted for reasons around Health and Safety. We appreciate parent and student support in keeping our school safe. If parents would like to discuss this with me then please contact me at the school.

Change of semester

The first semester finishes in three weeks. This is before the end of term! A change of semester only impacts students in Year 11, the Mathematics classes at Year 10 and the elective classes for students in Year 7 to 10. Ideally most students will be close to completing the work requirements within their elective classes, however, may need to negotiate extra time, recess, lunch or after school to complete their projects.

Open Boys Football

In the recent competition held in Port Augusta, the Samaritan team placed second. Fielding a team with a number of students from Year 10, was always going to make the day a bit tougher. The team came together and held their own in a close fought match against Eyre High, falling just short of a win with a final score of 35 - 39. The game against Port Augusta Secondary was played on our terms with a comfortable victory being secured.

Congratulations to the students for their efforts in these games and thank you for representing the college in a positive manner.

John Lyons
HEAD OF SECONDARY
Open Soccer Teams

On Tuesday, May 29 our Open Soccer teams played against Port Augusta Secondary School. Samaritan College convened the carnival onsite.

Boys played in great spirits and at a fast pace. It was tough competition and they drew with 2-2.

The team consisted of: Daniel Marinkovich, Vinnie Alboino (goal scorer), James Leevers, Thomas Coffey, Hayden Gill (goal scorer), Clinton Schmitz, Owen Munday and Daniel Weidenbach.

Girls were out skilled on the day. They persisted and improved in the second half. Some solid assists by all members of the team and goal scorers were Amelia Marks and Alishia Thomas.

Team: Erryn Hoskin (Assistant), Mikayla Lorenz (Coach), Mikayla Herbert, Amelia Marks, Jade Inglis, Shantae Barnes-Cowan, Rebekah Butson, Alishia Thomas, Sophie Peden, Madi Hoffmann.

A special thank you to Amy Van Roosmalen for volunteering to coach the side. Her expertise was greatly appreciated.

Jillian Turnbull
SPORT COORDINATOR

Collaborative Ventures

This year has seen a growth in the number of collaborative ventures between Samaritan College and Edward John Eyre High School, all of which are designed to improve learning outcomes for our students. Our latest project is Year 12 Peer Moderation, in which Year 12 teachers from both schools meet once a term to moderate Year 12 work samples to ensure consistent marking across the two schools. Last Monday (May 28) teachers met for the second time to confirm marking standards are on par. Staff feedback indicates these meetings have been productive and a valuable source of learning, which can only benefit our students.

Tanya Gibson
DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING
Eyre Peninsula Schools Interschool Gymkhana

On Monday, May 21, Claire Gordon, Taya McNicol and Charlotte Travers represented Samaritan College in the Eyre Peninsula Schools Interschool Gymkhana which was held in Port Lincoln. The students competed in Hacking, Showjumping and Gymkhana events which was held at the Port Lincoln Race Course, against teams from Eyre Peninsula Schools. There were 61 competitors from 11 schools across the Eyre Peninsula district.

The College appreciated the support of all of the parents and grandparents who transported the horses and students. Particular thanks to Julieanne McNicol who organised the team, various logistical aspects and Samaritan College saddle blankets.

The college would like to acknowledge the support of Kelly Hyslop from Beyond Bank who provided sponsorship. This provided our students with matching Saddle blankets for the event.

Charlotte placed 1st in Hacking in Primary Galloway Hack over 14hh and 15hh, 2nd in Year 7 Riding Class, 3rd in Keyhole, 2nd in handicap, 1st in pair of pony. Congratulations to Charlotte for winning the overall runner up for most points from all primary schools.

Claire placed first in Year 11 Hack. 2nd Texas barrels, 3rd in most versatile hack, 3rd in mixed school group, 2nd in 15hh and over hack and 3rd in pair of pony.

Taya placed 2nd in Secondary Galloway Hack, 2nd in the Year Rider Class. 1st in pair of Galloway and 1st in Pleasure Hack.

Jillian Turnbull
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Canteen Rosters

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No help required at OLHCC. Thank you for your assistance.
Annette Cameron, Rose Cassar and Carolyn Goldsworthy
CANTEEN MANAGERS
"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."

Volunteers Needed

The Smith Family is looking for volunteers to support local children’s learning.

The Smith Family conducts tutoring sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons during the school term.

If you are interested, please contact Jeremy Head on 0427291419 or email jeremy.head@thesmithfamily.com.au

What a volunteer needs:
- DCSI Police Clearance (can be arranged if required)
- An interest in working with and supporting children in their learning
- A desire to give back to the local community
- A willingness to donate an hour per week to children in a learning environment.

thesmithfamily.com.au