Dear Parents,

Welcome! What a wonderful start to the year, firstly our new students in Year 7 had their own day with their buddies in Year 12 on Wednesday, and then all our students returned on Thursday.

I would like to welcome our two new teachers Ms Monica Dakin from Queensland and Ms Jessica Fuller from Victoria. Welcome also to Miss Melanie Gunner, Mr Sean Kidd, Ms Sarah Kneebone and Miss Jaclyn Lindner who join our staff this year.

Other exciting news this week was the announcement by our College board of the appointment of Mr Roger Herbert (current Head of Timbertop, Geelong Grammar) as the new College Principal. Roger and his family are very excited about moving here and I am delighted with his appointment. We will be working closely together to ensure a smooth transition when Roger starts at the beginning of Term 3.

Sadly, this week we lost one of our Old Saints with the untimely death of Jamie Napier. The College is united with our thoughts, prayers and collective strength going to Brock, Dusty, their parents and the entire Napier family and friends.

At the beginning of every year I mention to our students that it's a great time to reflect on what they're grateful for, and I encourage them to write down what you want to achieve this year. May 2016 bring you and your family the bounty for all your hard work.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Tudor
Headmaster

You can read previous Headmaster Messages online.
An Interview With God from Inspire 21.com

I dreamed I had an INTERVIEW WITH GOD.

“So, you would like to interview me?” GOD asked.

“If you have time,” I said.

GOD smiled. “My time is eternity... what questions do you have in mind for me?”

“What surprises you the most about humankind?”

GOD answered...

“That they get bored with childhood that they rush to grow up, and then long to be children again.”

“That they lose their health to make money... and then lose their money to restore their health.”

“That by thinking anxiously about the future, they forget the present, such that they live in neither the present nor the future.”

“That they live as if they would never die, and die as though they had never lived.”

GOD's hand took mine... and we were silent for a while.

And then I asked, “As a parent, what are some of life's lessons you want your children to learn?”

GOD replied, “To learn they cannot make anyone love them. All they can do is let themselves be loved.”

“To learn that it is not good to compare themselves to others.”

“To learn to forgive by practising forgiveness.”

“To learn that it only takes a few seconds to open profound wounds in those they love, and it can take many years to heal them.”

“To learn that a rich person is not one who has the most, but is one who needs the least.”

“To learn that there are people who love them dearly, but simply do not yet know how to express or show their feelings.”

“To learn that two people can look at the same thing, and see it differently.”

“To learn that it is not enough that they forgive one another, but they must also forgive themselves.”

“Thank you for your time,” I said humbly.

“Is there anything else you would like your children to know?” GOD smiled, and said... “Just know that I am here. Always.”

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Vacancy - College Nurse

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Chaplain’s Message

Vacancy - College Nurse - Part Time Registered Nurse

Congratulations to Old Saint, Caleb Maru (Class of 2014) who was named Young Centralian of the Year at the Australia Day celebrations this week. Caleb has been involved in a large number of youth events and has played a pivotal role in the Youth Action Group. Caleb was also involved in creating the Aware Project (a social media platform where young people are encouraged to share their stories about issues affecting them).

A very well deserved award.

Young Centralian of the Year

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Jess Fuller

We welcome Jess to the College as a Physical Education and Health teacher. Jess has been teaching for two years and has previously taught at Beaufort Secondary College after studying at the University of Ballarat.

She enjoys running, netball, basketball, reading, bike riding and music and has travelled to America. Jess chose Alice Springs as she wanted a new challenge and lifestyle.

This year Jess hopes to get as much out of his role as he can.

Sarah Kneebone

Sarah joins the College as part of our PR and Marketing team in 2016. It is Sarah's goals to exceed in her position and continue studying individual Public Relations and Marketing courses via correspondence this year.

Did you know that Sarah is a Beautician and Make up Artist by trade? She has a huge passion for both and does them in her own time.

Sarah is well travelled and enjoys experiencing new places and cultures worldwide. She looks forward to a successful and busy year at the College.

Sean Kidd

Welcome back to Sean who joins us as the Performing Arts Assistant.

Considering a career in Creative Arts, Sean's interests include sport and music and he has also travelled to India and the USA.

This year Sean hopes to get as much out of his role as he can.

Jacilyn Linder

Our college welcomes Jacilyn who will be working in the Headmaster's office this year.

Jaclyn is currently undertaking a bachelor's degree at James Cook University via correspondence. Her interests are baking, sport and recreational activities. Jaclyn has travelled to many parts of Europe; Paris, Italy, Germany, London and Austria.

Jaclyn hopes to have a good and exciting 2016.

Joke of the Week

Q: Who was the roundest knight at King Arthur's table?
A: Sir Cumference
Community Notices

SMITH STREET VELO MTB
12 HOUR NIGHT ENDURO
27TH FEBRUARY 2018
7PM TO 7AM—TELEGRAPH STATION, ALICE SPRINGS

FOOD
HOT COFFEE
COLD DRINKS

TROPHIES &
PRIZES
UP FOR GRABS!

FIRST TERM STARTS 1 FEB!
7-11 YR OLDS, MONDAYS, 4:00-5:30PM
7-11 YR OLDS, TUESDAYS, 4:00-5:30PM (FULL)
12-16 YR OLDS, THURSDAYS, 4:00-6:00PM
more info: totemycub@gmail.com
to BOOK NOW: www.trybooking.com/JVTU

Central Australian

Mathers Back to School WILLIAMS

Support for growing feet AND your school!
With the same level of importance you place on fitting the school shoes on over 500,000 children every year, we believe in the importance of supplying the school footwear they need as small as it is.

How can your school get involved? It’s easy!
Simply let us know you’re interested, and we’ll provide you with a unique code to share with your school.

50% of the value of any school shoe sold at Williams and Mathers will be donated to your school.

Dates
Program starts 1 December 2017 to 28 February 2018.
Purchase of a child’s first pair of shoes will be donated to their school.

Things to note
Only approved participating schools are eligible.

Bringin Up Great Kids

Would you like to
Understand what makes your kids tick?
Understand why you do what we do as parents?

Monday Mornings Times!!
3 week course!

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