This week Year 11 student, Danica Lammertsma is in Canberra for a week long intensive course in Classical Singing.

She was chosen to be part of a small group of 12 young people from around Australia to participate in the Australian Talented Youth Program (ATYP) which is an artistic mentoring program for young Australians (15 – 23 years).

The program aims to develop artistic skills in all art forms – music, dance, visual arts, creative writing, film production and drama. It is aimed specifically at those who are from remote regions as they often have no ‘networks’ to draw from.

The residential course will conclude with a multi-arts staged production at Parliament House, which Danica will take part in. We hope Danica has an exciting time and comes back with new skills.

---

Dear Parents,

Over the years I’ve had many favourite sayings and some of them are: ‘I Can Make It Happen’, ‘Look Towards The Rising Sun’, ‘Plus Est En Vous’ etc.

This year the theme is ‘To Till Your Garden’… but what does this mean?

In Central Australia (and elsewhere) if you till the soil, loosen it, add water and fertiliser there is a very strong possibility that your plant will flourish and grow. However, if you ignore the soil there is every likelihood your plant will die.

Imagine your mind and your body as your garden. Fill your mind with positive thoughts (these are the flowers and trees), negative thoughts and worrying are the weeds, be sure to till the soil in your mind to remove them, don’t let them take root.

What are your natural weed killers? Mine are getting out into the bush and connecting with nature, being with family, surrounding myself with positive people, writing and creating opportunities.

In every garden there are bugs (aphids, snails, slugs) but they all have a purpose and can teach us to remain vigilant.

We each are part of an adventure from seed to harvest, let’s work together to make this year’s crop one of our best.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Tudor
Headmaster

You can read previous Deputy Headmaster Messages online

---

Last Friday evening a number of staff members and ex-students attended the presentation of the Queen Scout Award to Old-Saint and member of St.Philip’s College, Alicia Kruske.

Stephen Ashley, Group Leader of the Alice Springs Scout Group detailed the work that Alicia had put into achieving the award, including four years of Adventure Activities and of her significant service contribution to the Alice Springs Community.

The Chief Commissioner of Scouts for the NT, Shane McCorkell, from Darwin, congratulated Alicia for being the first young person in 40 years to have been awarded their Queen Scout Badge in Alice Springs.

Alicia spoke well of the support she had received from Alice Springs Scouts, her school and of course her parents.

Mrs Pat Miller, Deputy Administrator of the Northern Territory, and the Queen’s representative, presented Alicia with her award and congratulated her on her outstanding achievement.

---

Danica Lammertsma chosen for Performing Arts Mentorship

This week Year 11 student, Danica Lammertsma is in Canberra for a week long intensive course in Classical Singing.

She was chosen to be part of a small group of 12 young people from around Australia to participate in the Australian Talented Youth Program (ATYP) which is an artistic mentoring program for young Australians (15 – 23 years).

The program aims to develop artistic skills in all art forms – music, dance, visual arts, creative writing, film production and drama. It is aimed specifically at those who are from remote regions as they often have no ‘networks’ to draw from.

The residential course will conclude with a multi-arts staged production at Parliament House, which Danica will take part in. We hope Danica has an exciting time and comes back with new skills.
Girls' Boarding News

The weekend got off to a very active start on Friday with most of the boarders heading off to the gym for a strenuous workout with Deb at 4pm. They came back tired but happy and are looking forward to next week’s session.

After dinner a group went over to the stadium to shoot hoops with Dani and Cindy and then it was time for our Fashion Stakes game. It’s a homemade dressing up game that we’ve played for years and was first introduced by Margot’s older sister Donal many years ago.

Each team is given a series of categories and has to dress at least one person up to represent the subject. This time we had rappers, evil cartoon characters, famous people and male St Philip’s staff! Over the years the presentation of the groups has become more and more sophisticated, with some of them producing short plays and musical backing. This time we gave individual prizes as well team prizes and the standouts for each team were Zoe, Nikita, Emily and Iona. I hope they’re all going to take drama classes if they’re not doing so already!

On Saturday evening we had a water fight with the boys. While the boys were outnumbered two to one they gave a very good account of themselves and honours were pretty even. It really was a lot of fun for everyone.

Next weekend is looking busy too with many going to the Rugby League match on Saturday night and a group of girls going to entertain the residents at Old Timers on Sunday afternoon.

Just a heads up that Excut weekend this term will be Friday 26 February.

Margaret Stevenson
Head of Girls’ Boarding

Boys’ Boarding News

It has been a busy start to 2016 in the Boys’ Boarding House!

This year we announce Mr Nic Wheeler as Supervisor of Senior Boys’ Boarding and Mr Nathan Baily as Supervisor of Junior Boys’ Boarding, both of whom have been valuable staff members of the Boarding House for numerous years. We also welcome Mr Sam Muir as an addition to the duty staff. Sam and his family are now living on campus and he is a teacher in the day school and the acting Head of Griffiths House.

We welcome our new student boarders Ziggy Solcaniu, Cooper Wheeler, Toshi Aimes and Casimir Hargraves. We also welcome our international exchange students Kshitij Sehrawat, Shubham Wheeler, Toshi Aimes and Casimir Hargraves. We also welcome our new student boarders Ziggy Solcaniu, Cooper Wheeler, Toshi Aimes and Casimir Hargraves. We also welcome our international exchange students Kshitij Sehrawat, Shubham Wheeler, Toshi Aimes and Casimir Hargraves.

The first week back was filled with many fun activities. Last Friday night our international exchange students went hot air ballooning and enjoyed spectacular views of Central Australia, followed by visiting the Kangaroo Sanctuary where they had the opportunity to hold and feed baby wallabies. The boys were thrilled about both experiences and captured some special moments to send back home.

Last week the boys boarders were saturated in a playful water fight, enjoyed teamwork games in the Quad (followed by yummy pancakes!) and relaxed after a busy week watching movies and eating pancakes (and pancakes)!

Footy Trip to Melbourne:

Deposits for this year’s footy trip are due by Wednesday 17 February. As the trip has become very popular, a trial may be required to select a team should we have more numbers then we are able to take. This will take place at normal Wednesday morning training at 6.00am starting (week 4).

New Zealand Soccer & Netball Tour (Wk 2, Term 3):

Anyone interested in attending this year’s Soccer and Netball Trip, Expressions of Interest and a $250 deposit are due by the Monday 22 February. If we have too many numbers, trials will be held during week 5 Wednesday 3:15-4:15 and Thursday 3:15-4:15 with the deposits refunded for anyone who is unsuccessful in making the team.

Calling all Cricketers:

St Philip’s is planning on taking a Boys’ Cricket team to the UK in 2017. The tour will take place in June/July next year and will travel to England, Scotland and Dubai. Any year levels are encouraged to express interest.

For any further information, please contact:

Davey Tudor
david.tudor@stphilips.nt.edu.au
To help new parents and to refresh the memories of others, please be aware that you can stop in the ‘Drop Off/Pick Up’ section when collecting students at the end of the day provided the driver remains in the car and the engine is running.

If you have to wait for your student for an extended time, please move down to the far end of the zone so that you do not inconvenience other parents. Parking is permitted on the side of the road south of the ‘Drop Off/Pick Up’ area.

Please pay heed to the yellow lines, indicating no stopping along Schwarz Crescent and the causeway. These are normal road traffic regulations and stopping to drop off or pick up students from these areas becomes a traffic infringement.

Staff are rostered on crossing duty to ensure the safety of all pedestrians. As you can appreciate the front of the school is a very busy place before and after school and everyone’s safety is our priority.

Please note that parents are not allowed to drop off or collect students from the front of The Minnamurra Hall, or at the roundabout inside the school grounds - this is reserved for buses only.

Students must also remember that for safety reasons riding your bike within the school grounds is not allowed. Thank you for your assistance, thus ensuring the safe drop off and pick up of our students.

Chris Leesong
Deputy Headmaster
Fast Facts: Bullying in Schools

The types of bullying

What are the different types of bullying?
The types of bullying behaviours are physical, verbal or social. Bullying can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying can take place in person or online. Bullying – verbal or social – that happens online or via a mobile phone is referred to as online bullying or cyberbullying. Research indicates that the majority of young people who bully online also bully others in person.

What is covert bullying?
Covert bullying includes social exclusion and intimidation. The term 'covert' highlights the fact that not all bullying is physical or obvious in nature. Covert bullying can have the same harmful impacts as more obvious bullying, as it can be more isolating, can go on for longer before other people become aware of it, and can be more easily denied by the other person.

Covert bullying is a subtle type of non-physical bullying which usually isn’t easily seen by others and is conducted out of sight of, and often unacknowledged by adults. Covert bullying behaviours mostly inflict harm by damaging another’s social reputation, peer relationships and self-esteem. Covert bullying can be carried out in a range of ways (e.g. spreading rumours, conducting a malicious social exclusion campaign and/or through the use of internet or mobile phone technologies).

What is online bullying?
Online bullying (or cyberbullying) is bullying that is carried out through information and communication technology, including the internet (e.g. on social media sites) and mobile devices. Technology can expand the opportunities for people to bully others.

Communication technologies allow for different ways to bully others, but do not change the fact that the bullying behaviour (and not the technology itself) is the main issue. Technology does create new challenges for dealing with bullying.

How does online safety relate to online bullying?
Online safety (or cyber safety) refers to a broad range of safe, respectful and responsible behaviours as well as ways to guard security and privacy online. Online safety is one way to reduce the risk of bullying, identity theft or predatory behaviour by others online.

Students need to be taught safe and appropriate online behaviour, which includes recognising when someone’s online behaviour is bullying, how to avoid engaging in or supporting online bullying, and being aware of the sort of support that bystanders can provide online.

How is online bullying different from trolling?
Trolling is intensive verbal abuse of an individual online done anonymously and by strangers. The difference between trolling and online bullying is that online bullying occurs within the context of an existing social relationship.
Community Notices

Are you ready to be the next INSPIRATIONAL INSTRUCTOR on the ZUMBA DANCE FLOOR?

- **BASICS 1** with Jarrod Tucker Saturday 5th March 2016 At the YMCA of Central Australia
- **BASICS 2** with Jarrod Tucker Enquire at the Y for further details Sunday 6th March 2016 At the YMCA of Central Australia

Registrations at www.zumba.com

For more information contact the YMCA healthandwellness.ca@ymca.org.au

Or come down to a Zumba Class and have a chat with AMY!

Fun Run/Walk Series

- **Race 1**: Saturday 20th February
- **Race 2**: Saturday 27th February
- **Time**: 7am Start
- **Distance**: 2km or 4km Event
- **Location**: INTERSPORTS Alice Springs, Parsons St
- **Registrations**: INTERSPORTS or from 6:15am on Race Day
- **Cost**: Members $3, Non-Members $5
  - U18 $1

Spot Prizes to be WON at the end of the Series!
Only Series participants are eligible for the Major Spot Prizes!

For more information please call Greg Reval on 89526344 or drop into INTERSPORTS

National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame Alice Springs & Present

STORIES FROM THE HEART

ALEX KELLY

Filmmaker, artist and communications strategist. We hope you can come and share Alex’s story!

**Sunday 14th February**

1pm - 2pm

Old Gaol - Stuart Terrace

These live interviews are promoting collective learning, compassion and peace by showcasing leadership and the rich heritage and perspectives of our region

$5 Adults, $3 Pensioners & Members, $0 Children listen or play for free

Visual Arts

- **Term 1**
  - Day and evening classes in
  - Painting and Drawing
  - Printmaking
  - Sculpture
  - Ceramics

Begin 15th February for 9 weeks

Units are from the accredited training package

Certificate 4 in Visual Arts $1,700.00

For further information and a course timetable please contact

sunhockey@nch.edu.au Ph: 89503277

This newsletter is produced weekly by the PR & Marketing Department, St Philip’s College.
Please submit contributions to: Jill Jansons (08) 8950 4561 or email: info@stphilips.nt.edu.au
Deadline for Friday’s issue is 5pm on the preceding Tuesday.

Reception (08) 8950 4511 | Student Access (08) 8950 4573 | Library (08) 8950 4576 | Registrar (08) 8950 4501 | Medical Centre (08) 8950 4667
Boys’ Accommodation (08) 8950 4520 | Girls’ Accommodation (08) 8950 4537 | Rivergum Cafe (08) 8950 6232 | Accounts (08) 8950 4525