Dear Parents,

This week many students who have recently been on Round Square international exchange shared with the College community some of their experiences. Expressions such as: ‘experience of a lifetime’; ‘memories that will last forever’ were repeated often; plus a new condition has been diagnosed amongst some of our Year 10 Exchange students - PED (Post Exchange Depression). Apparently symptoms are very common amongst those students who have just returned from their overseas adventures.

No longer can geographic isolation be a barrier to exploring our world, learning about our world or being an active member of the international community. Kurt Hahn (the man who’s inspiring theories Round Square is based upon) was a remarkable man and it is the six pillars of Round Square which are at the core of the ethos of St Philip’s. Kurt Hahn believed in adolescents and their innate decency and moral sense and he also believed that students could only really understand life by experiencing it and challenging themselves.

Kurt Hahn’s motto was ‘Plus est en vous’, ‘There is more in you than you think’ and the many different programs offered at St Philip’s have been developed and refined to extend and challenge our students. With our staff as guides and trainers, our students feel supported when they step out of their comfort zone and attempt new activities, and learn new skills which results in a boost of self-confidence.

Congratulations to all our students who step out of their comfort zone (whatever that might be) and discover ‘Plus est en vous’ – there is more in you than you think.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Tudor AM
Headmaster

Stewart Thornton
Top in SA and NT...

Congratulations to Year 11 student, Stewart Thornton who achieved the top score for SA and NT in the 2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Writing.

Stewart participated in the competition earlier in the year and from this great achievement he may also be eligible to win a University of New South Wales (UNSW) medal.

Good Luck and Congratulations again Stewart!

A message from the Uniform Shop...

Have you lost anything this term?

All lost property consisting of blazers, hats, caps, sports shirts & shorts, windcheaters, sports bags with sports uniforms, towels, watches, pencil cases, jewellery etc will be in the hall foyer on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st next week to be collected, otherwise all will be disposed of.

Please contact Donna Summers on 8950 4560 for further information.

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A note for your diary... P&FA Meeting

The next P&FA Meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th August at 7.30pm in the Fred McKay Education Centre.

Guest Speaker: David Atkins,
Head of Outdoor Education
✔ “Another big year”

All parents are welcome to attend.
Girls’ Boarding News

What we did this weekend...

It’s only Week 4 and so far this term the girls have been to the town pool, the circus, ten pin bowling, Old Timer’s Fete and Simpson’s Gap. That’s quite a lot of outings, and next week we’re off to beach volleyball and the week after Exeat we’re going camping for a night at Simpson’s Gap.

We’ve also been playing our own version of a couple of television shows - last week, ‘Would you lie to me?’ and this week, ‘Thank God you’re here.’ There is clearly a lot of dramatic talent in our boarding ranks and it was shown on Friday night. Everyone let their hair down, got into costume and hammed it up. Some great performances, and most memorable among them were Stella’s preacher, Helena’s tour guide and Mikeely’s expectant mother! There is no better sound than young people happy as well as making a lot of money for Old Timers. Well done to all who volunteered.

On Saturday a bus load of boarders went bowling. Josh was a stand out performer for the boys, and Savannah headed the girls with a couple of impressive final rounds, but more important than that everyone had fun.

On Saturday too Nikita and Rickaine continued to help their netball team add to their string of impressive victories with a 29 - 3 victory. Nikita makes a great centre and Rickaine notched up 15 goals. Well done to them both. Thanks to Paige and Rachel for all the work they have put in to this team.

On Sunday Umema and Cyndy took part in the Children’s Book Council of Australia’s Branch where they reviewed a book in the Older Reader category called The Wrong Boy. They both enjoyed accounts of the book and themselves.

The boys spent Saturday evening down at the Dustbowl playing ten pin bowling. Josh Spry-Pilkington was the overall champion with a top score of 118. Cameron Abbott and Isaac Braeden weren’t too far behind with scores of 102 and 107. It was a great night, enjoyed by all the boys who participated. Many thanks to Steveo from girls boarding for driving the boys.

It was finals weekend in the local U17 AFL competition. Josh Spry-Pilkington, Robert Martin, Drago Kalinic, Wayde Shadforth, Cameron Abbott and Kyle McKell all played in a successful Federals side the beat Rovers in their quarter final match and will now take on the Cowboys this weekend in the semi final. Wayde was a stand out in the match and dominated in the midfield. Josh also had a solid game and will be a key player this weekend if they are to beat the Cowboys.

The boys’ boarders exeat this weekend. The boarding house will close at 5pm on Friday, August 23rd and open again at 4pm on Sunday August 25th.

Boys’ Boarding News

BOWLING, FOOTY AND SOCCER...

Above: Kaea and Wayde ready for footy

Above: Don’t mess with Isaac!
St Philip's College
Proudly Presents

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber
Based on “Old Possum’s Book of Practical Cats” by T.S. Eliot

21st, 22nd & 23rd September - 7:30pm
The Minnamurra Hall, St Philip’s College
Adults $10 Students/Concession $5
Tickets at Dymocks, Travelbaggers, College Reception and at the Door

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Information about safe TALK

About safe TALK - half day workshop which encourages students, communities, local government, businesses and more to get involved and support the move against suicide. The workshop is designed to help practitioners, staff and other professionals to deliver a balanced, user-friendly service. The session will also look at the challenges associated with suicide prevention and how to talk to others about suicide. The workshop is available online and at a discount to members and those who have attended the workshop in the past.

How to book workshop presenter?

To book a presenter, please contact info@safe-talk.com.au or call 0412 577 577. The current cost is $300 for up to 10 people. The cost is $50 per person thereafter. The cost includes a one-page handout for each attendee.

Saturday August 3rd: Head down into the Todd Hall at 10. Join and listen to the Town Criers perform their unique

Thursday August 2nd: Meet and greet some of Australia’s

Friday August 2nd: You can listen to the Town Crier Theme

Town Criers in their full regalia at the ASTC National Markets,
At Springs, Mayor Damien Ryan will be officially welcoming the
Town Criers to Alice Springs

The Ancient and Honorable
Guild of Australian Town Criers 2013 National Championships

Alice Springs Town Council is hosting the Ancient & Honourable
Guild of Australian Town Criers 2nd National Championships.
Check out where you can see and hear Australia’s Town Criers:

Carly Anderson
All Book - Before the Blues

- Friday August 2nd: You can listen to the Town Crier Theme
- Sunday August 4th: Meet the Criers at the ASTC National Markets, Alice Springs
- Wednesday August 7th: Meet and listen to the Town Criers perform their unique
TRIVIA NIGHT

WHEN: Saturday, September 21st, 2013
TIME: Arrive 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start
WHERE: Alice Springs U3L, Schwarz Cross
PRICE: $550 per table of 8
TICKETS: Eymocks, St. Philip’s Reception or at the door

RTU Appeal
Dance auxilie from the bar
Contact Starr Dennis on 0438 1229 or rotary@stphilipscollege.edu.au
Supported by the Rotary Club of Alice Springs and the St. Philip’s Interact Club

2013 Night Markets
TODD MALL 5-9PM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND
Welcome Ceremony for the Ancient & Honourable Guild of Town Criers
with music from
*Damien Armstrong *Premium Blend

For more information call (08) 8953 9500 or go to www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au

Desert Song
6-22 SEP 2013

ALICE SPRINGS

SACRED SONG @ FLYNN CHURCH
SUN 8 SEPT 1:30PM
A CAPPELLA IN THE GORGE @ ORMISTON
SUN 22 SEPT 3:30PM

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There was once a man who was shipwrecked and stranded on an island. Every day he prayed asking God to send someone to rescue him, but to his disappointment, no one ever came.

Months passed and this man learned how to survive on the island. During this time, he accumulated things from the island and stored them in a hut that he constructed. One day after hunting for food and returning back to his hut, much to his dismay he saw that his hut was on fire along with everything else he owned!

All of his possessions were going up in smoke! The only thing he had left were the clothes on his back. Initially he was in shock, and then he was consumed with anger and rage!

In his fury he threw a fist into the air and began cursing God and yelling, “God, how could you let this happen to me? I’ve been praying everyday for months about being rescued and no one has come, and now everything that I have is on fire! How could you do this to me! Why did you let this happen?”

Later the man was on his hands and knees weeping heavily when he happened to look up and catch sight of a ship coming in his direction. The man was rescued and as they were heading back to civilization the man asked the captain, “How were you able to find me?”

The captain responded, “We were voyaging across the ocean when we noticed on the horizon a column of smoke going up. We decided to go check it out and when we did, that’s when we found you!”

In life we are going to be confronted with challenges, problems, and disasters. But keep in mind that what the devil has meant for bad, God can transform into your good! What is a catastrophe can sometimes be a blessing in disguise. “The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.” Psalms 34:17-19