Dear Parents,

Every year when ANZAC Day approaches I wonder, “How will the students react to a day where we honour the men and women who fought for our country and for our freedom?” And every year I’m thrilled that the youth of today are able to grasp the importance of such an occasion.

On Wednesday we held the St Philip’s College ANZAC Day service and congratulations to Henry Burgess for his haunting rendition of the Last Post. The bugle used by Henry is an authentic WWI bugle purchased by Mr Garry Bentley. Then yesterday, over 30 of our students proudly represented the College by participating in the town ANZAC Day parade. Congratulations to them all on a wonderful job.

The bravery of the men and women in our armed forces is cause for celebration and is measured by their actions, by their willingness to fight for what they believe and to fight for their fellow countrymen.

The saying, “Actions speak louder than words” is, in most cases true. Headmaster, Chris Tudor is constantly reminding our students, “Be a Doer, not a Gunner!” “Be someone, who, when they say they will do something, follows through with actions!” “Be someone who can be relied upon, someone who is true to their word.” In this way, we will live up to the reputation set by the brave soldiers who have, and still are representing our country in the fight for freedom.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Leesong
Deputy Headmaster

Quiz Night Thanks

A great team pulled together a fabulous quiz night last Saturday night.

Special thanks must go to Quiz Master, St Philip’s Parent and the ABCs, Stewart Brash, who made the night, along with MCs, College Captains, Kemy Ogendi and Andrew Bird who did a great job.

Thanks to the hands-on Parents and Friends’ President, Cate Coffey, who set the questions, and parents Sue and Brent Pannell along with John and Christine Birch who ran the bar – as well as Sue providing a tray of delicious vanilla slices which were auctioned.

Thanks also to staff members James Tudor, Saisha Khanna and Dave Atkins who provided prizes; Garry Bentley and Sarah Pollitt who acted as adjudicators; Steve Kidd, Grant Anderson, Kane McGovern and Peter Wagner, who provided tech support; Carol Leesong who did Front of House duties; Jill Jansons who took lots of photos and sold answers and the maintenance team who took away the rubbish.

Girl boarder and Meet & Greet Captain, Cyndrella Uzzel and fellow boarder, Umema Curtis took care of ticket sales and Rhonda; Yasmin; Pheynia; Natalie; Jen; Shubhi; Umema; Margo; Cyndrella; Martha; Hanna and Zara, also boarders, helped with setting up and packing out.

Enormous thanks must go to all sponsors, who were acknowledged on the night.

- Ace Tree Lopping
- Alice Springs Camera Shop
- Lion Nathan
- Gillen Club
- Alice Springs Gliding Club
- Araluen Arts Centre
- Mitre 10 Hardware
- Centre Bowen
- Lasseters Casino
- Geoff Miers Garden Solutions
- Alice Springs Desert Park
- Casa Nostra
- Chief Minister, Adam Giles, Member for Braitling
- Minister Robyn Lambley, Member for Araluen
- Minister Matt Conlan, Member for Groatorex
- Minister Warren Snowdon Member for Lingiari

Thank you also to ABC Radio, 8HA, SunFM & Southern Cross Television for their community announcements & Dymocks Booksellers for handling ticket sales.

See you there next year!

Franca Frederiksen
Straight after school on Friday a group of girl boarders helped set up for the P&FA Quiz Night on Saturday. It was good to see them so willing to volunteer and another group also cleared up on Sunday as well. In return, a donation will be made to our fund-raising. As usual we supplied a team of scorers and, of course, a team to compete. We have a very consistent record in the event and once again we performed in line with expectations – and won the wooden spoon again – but seeing as it came in the form of chocolate, nobody minded! And as Martha said ‘we are always there to make everybody else feel better!’ Lots of fun though.

On Friday most of the boys and girls played 3 on 3 basketball in the stadium. The winning team was Cindy, Kaea and Marvin, the Gappy, who narrowly beat Kirsten, Dean and Iggy, another Gappy. The winners received movie vouchers.

On Saturday morning a group of industrious boarders helped Marie plant a new flower bed at the end of the car park. Many thanks to Rhonda, Jen, Kirsten, Natalie and Marie, of course. It’s great to see them helping to create a more beautiful environment.

And between all this, the girls were busy practising cooking roast veggies and cheesecake, practising their songs and buying the table decorations for our boarders’ dinner next Saturday. Rhiannon, our boarding prefect, was busy too, organising the seating plan and thinking about what she was going to say. The event has always been well supported and I’m sure the girls will do a great job on the night.

Also this weekend we welcomed a new member of staff to our boarding community. Crystal Pollitt, who has been with us for many years is taking a break and Suzanne McKay has joined us. Many thanks to Crystal for her years of service. We will miss her.

Suzanne was a member of the Outdoor Education staff in 2010 and 2011 and has now started working at St Philip’s full time, teaching Geography and Outdoor Education. She is no newcomer to boarding, having worked at Timbertop last year. We hope she will have an enjoyable and fulfilling experience and welcome her experience and ideas.

Marg Stevenson
Head of Girls’ Boarding

We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 8 April and Sunday 9 June 2013. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school.

For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. Pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it’s completed, just bring it back to school or drop it into the Collection Box at your local Woolies. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we’d like to get lots of new gear!

Products in the range include resources for Mathematics, English, Science, Art & Crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at school.
You thought it was too cold for triathlon!
The end of one triathlon season means another is just beginning. With Triathlon NT offering some outstanding opportunities in the July and September holidays why not keep up your training. There are great opportunities both at school and through the Triathlon Club to keep yourself fit through the winter.
Why not join any of the following:

- **Monday Swim Training** – 6:00am at the town pool. This session offers triathlon specific tips and stroke correction needed to get you off to a quick start. The sessions last for about 45min allowing students time to shower and get breakfast on the way to school. See Mr Knott for more details.

- **Tuesday Running Club** – 3:30pm at the College round-a-bout. Ms McKay is running these sessions and the group will gradually build up from 1.5km through to 10km by the end of the program. The Alice Springs Triathlon Club also runs a session a 6:00pm on Tuesdays with Peter Eason. Check out their website for more details.

- **Wednesday Ride/Spin** – 6:00am at the College Gym. Make use of the new spin bikes to improve your fitness in air-conditioned comfort. It sure beats riding in the cold, dark winter mornings. These sessions will become group rides as the season progresses.

- **Thursday Running Club** – 3:30pm at the College round-a-bout. Round two of Ms McKay’s Running Club. Set a time Tuesday, beat it on Thursday.

- **Friday Tri Skills Session** – 6:30am at the College Gym. Ride to run sessions followed by brekky. Sorry no pancakes or bacon and eggs until Term 4.

- **Weekends** – Keep your eyes on the Alice Springs Triathlon Club website for opportunities for Juniors over the winter months.

- **Holidays** – Tim Ellison, who has worked with elite junior triathletes and mountain bikers, is running holiday camps in the June/July and September holidays. These camps are subsidised by Triathlon NT and are outstanding value for Central Australian triathletes. Please see Mr Knott about spaces at these camps as they will fill up quickly.

Why not look good doing these events by getting your hands on a St Philip’s College triathlon suit. Mr Knott has a few sizes left in both male and female specific designs. At $140 they are great value.

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**2014 International Exchange Information Night**

**Attention All Year 9 Students and Parents of Year 9 Students!**

The Information Night for Year 10 (2014) Round Square International Exchange will take place in Week 3 on Tuesday 30th April 2013 at 6:30pm in the Fred McKay Education Centre.

If anyone is remotely interested in taking part in this amazing opportunity, please come along to this Information Night.

Students will share their exchange experience while the application process will be explained in detail.

Find out if a Round Square Exchange is something you would like to be a part of.

Please note that attendance at the information night is a very necessary part of the process.

For more information, please contact Tanner Barton on 8950 4588 or tanner.barton@stphilips.nt.edu.au

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**Joke of the Week**

Q. What does a house wear to a party?

A. Address (A dress)
Attention Year 7 Parents

You son/daughter has the opportunity to participate in an interactive Rural High School Visit (RHSV) for students interested in a career in the field of health.

The visit will occur on the 23rd May and there are only 40 spots available. Students will have the opportunity to interact with medical, nursing and allied health students in a fun and interesting one hour session.

If you would like your child to attend this workshop please send me an email, leslie.tilbrook@stphilips.nt.edu.au and I will reserve a spot for him or her. As places are limited it will be first in best dressed.

For more information please see information sheet below

Leslie Tilbrook
Career Adviser

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Courses

Bronze Medallion
18th-19th May 2013
$170 pp

Bronze Medallion Re-accreditation
18th May 2013
$80 pp

Pool Lifeguard
(pre-requisite Bronze Medallion and First Aid)
14th-16th June 2013
$250 pp

First Aid
22nd-23rd June 2013
$160 pp

First Aid in a box
27th June 2013
$175 pp

For bookings & further information
Contact: Royal Life Saving PH: (08) 8981 5036
Email: trainingmanagercnt@rlssa.org.au

Northern Territory Rural High School Visits

What is a Rural High School Visit (RHSV)?

Aims and Objectives

To foster student education and career goals, encouraging them to consider becoming health professionals.

To present real-life scenarios for the students to experience and reflect on personal values, interests, and goals and pathways.

To provide a learning opportunity with a primary health care setting, allowing students to ask and learn about careers in the field.

To provide an opportunity for students to learn and ask questions about the health care system in the Northern Territory and in the development of a sustainable workforce through the Northern Territory Rural High School Visits Program.

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Old Saint - Nicole Cotterill

Congratulations to Nicole Cotterill (Class of 2003), who has received the highest mark achieved by any student undertaking SOAD9219 Social Work in the Justice System.

Nicole is studying her Master of Social Work at Flinders University.

This is a great achievement and we wish Nicole all the best with her future studies.

-ANZAC SERVICE 2013-
Once upon a time all feelings and emotions went to a coastal island for a vacation. According to their nature, each was having a good time. Suddenly, a warning of an impending storm was announced and everyone was advised to evacuate the island.

The announcement caused sudden panic. All rushed to their boats. Even damaged boats were quickly repaired and commissioned for duty.

Yet, Love did not wish to flee quickly. There was so much to do. But as the clouds darkened, Love realised it was time to leave. Alas, there were no boats to spare. Love looked around with hope.

Just then Prosperity passed by in a luxurious boat. Love shouted, “Prosperity, could you please take me in your boat?”

“No,” replied Prosperity, “my boat is full of precious possessions, gold and silver. There is no place for you.”

A little later Vanity came by in a beautiful boat. Again Love shouted, “Could you help me, Vanity? I am stranded and need a lift. Please take me with you.”

Vanity responded haughtily, “No, I cannot take you with me. My boat will get soiled with your muddy feet.”

Sorrow passed by after some time. Again Love asked for help. But it was too late. “No, I cannot take you with me. I am so sad. I want to be by myself.”

When Happiness passed by a few minutes later, Love again called for help. But Happiness was so happy that it did not look around, hardly concerned about anyone.

Love was growing restless and dejected. Just then somebody called out, “Come Love, I will take you with me.” Love did not know who was being so magnanimous, but jumped on to the boat, greatly relieved that she would reach a safe place.

On getting off the boat, Love met Knowledge. Puzzled, Love inquired, “Knowledge, do you know who so generously gave me a lift just when no one else wished to help?”

Knowledge smiled, “Oh, that was Time.”

“And why would Time stop to pick me and take me to safety?” Love wondered.

Knowledge smiled with deep wisdom and replied, “Because only Time knows your true greatness and what you are capable of. Only Love can bring peace and great happiness in this world.”

“The important message is that when we are prosperous, we overlook love. When we feel important, we forget love. Even in happiness and sorrow we forget love. Only with time do we realize the importance of love. Why wait that long? Why not make love a part of your life today?”

Author Unknown