Dear Parents,

We’re in the final week of Term 1 and what a phenomenal start to the year we’ve had. Our student body has made a positive contribution to the activities occurring around the campus and have achieved noteworthy success in the academic, sporting and cultural realms.

We’ve staged successful Welcome Breakfasts, Swimming Carnival, Performing Arts Festival and Bush Dance. Musical rehearsals are under way and in Term 2 our calendar is loaded with Camps, the SPC P&FA Quiz Night, Conferences, House Services and sporting trips just to name a few things.

Whilst all these activities are occurring, our teachers continue to provide guidance and support to all our students. Their sight never wanders far from their goal of providing a quality education. On this note, I wonder how many of us have reached the goals we set for ourselves at the beginning of the year? I often say to the students that goals will be more easily reached with a bit of elbow grease and enthusiasm.

Please note that at the beginning of Term 2 I will be taking six weeks study leave, and during my absence Mr Chris Leesong will be Acting Headmaster. We’re fortunate at St Philip’s to have such a strong team of people who ensure things always run smoothly.

I look forward to seeing everyone on my return at the end of May and I wish everyone a safe and happy Easter.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Tudor AM
Headmaster

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Junior Cricketer of the Year
MARK ROBERTSON

Congratulations to Year 11 student, Mark Robertson on winning Junior Cricketer of the Year last week in the town competition.

Throughout the season including all his junior matches Mark made 288 runs averaging 26.18 runs per game, and he bowled 23 wickets at an average of 1 wicket every 8 runs. Great effort Mark!

Harmony Week
THANK YOU!

Thank you very much to everyone, staff and students for a successful week!

An extra special thank you to BBQ chef Paul, spaghetti maker Franca, Shannon and Paula for face painting, the kids loved it! Justin and Kate for your support and organisation at the spaghetti bolognaise competition, Sheree for spaghetti cooking, Tracy and Tracey for fun times at the novelty events. Sarah Pollitt for the amazing assembly, Tommy Crowe for playing the didgeridoo at Assembly, and Mrs Sandy Taylor for her welcome and presence.

So many students helped make Harmony Week very special too! And for that I thank you and well done!

Thank you to Desert Waves Surf Shop and Mixed Lollies who kindly donated vouchers. The winners where:

Spaghetti winners: Kieren Tohi and Savanah Tiller.
Harmony Day Award: Colin Puruntatameri
Most beautiful traditional dress: Aish Seshakumaran
Dancing Queens: Lyarni Hampton, Hetti Walsh-Ward and Tandy Ndhovu

It was a great week long celebration for Harmony Day, and I hope everyone had fun.

Thank you,
Miss Rene Taylor
How quickly the term has gone. This last weekend has seen everyone starting to pack and thinking about the holidays ahead. I don’t think day students can ever appreciate the excitement that the end of term brings for boarders who are about to be reunited with their families.

That doesn’t mean the activities have stopped. On Friday night most of the girls chose to go to the Bush Dance held at school and soon got involved in the dancing. It was a good night.

On Saturday night the girls preceded a movie night by having an Easter egg hunt in the quad. Later they enjoyed Marie’s home cooking as they watched movies.

Also at the weekend a number of our cooking groups had a practice run at their menus for our Boarding Dinner on Saturday 27 April and I’m sure Mr Leesong will be pleased to know the cheesecake is in safe hands! Please email me as soon as possible on margaret.stevenson@stphilips.nt.edu.au if you would like to attend. Donations for the dinner are going to purchase sewing machines for the Sunrise Children’s Villages in Cambodia.

But the focus this weekend as was last week, has been on completing our ‘Walk in her Shoes’ Challenge. At the time of writing our team had raised $2650 and we are hopeful of raising $3000, far more than we had originally hoped for. Very well done to all the participants and many thanks to all our sponsors. We’ll let you know the final amount next term.

Marg Stevenson
Head of Girls’ Boarding

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop will be open on the 12 April (last Friday of the school holidays) from 1pm to 3.30pm.

Parents, please note that students will start Term 2 in their summer uniforms. A note will go out in the newsletter advising students when they can change over to winter uniform.

Please contact Mrs Lyn Tieck on 8950 4560 for further information.
Dear Parents,

Please note we only have 5 places left for mainstream enrolments for Year 7 in 2014.

A waiting list has been established for the Year 7 2014 Bridging Program.

For further information please contact Mrs Carol Leesong on 8950 4501.
It’s coming...

St Philip’s College Quiz Night

Saturday, 20 April
(1st Saturday after the Easter break - Week 1, Term 2)
Great fun...loads of laughs and trivia

Bar opens at 7pm - but please bring your own nibbles

Please note: Due to liquor licensing rules, BYO alcohol is not permitted

Heads down at 7.30pm - Tables of 8

Tickets available from Dymocks or College Reception - $10 per person
(Be sure to have cash for your tickets)
Message from the NT Police - Rock Throwing

Police have once again been experiencing a high volume of rock throwing offences.

This is a highly dangerous activity and has the potential to cause serious harm to members of the public or a serious motor vehicle accident.

Police are requesting information and assistance from the public. Any member of the public that may have information about rock throwing are encourage to contact your local police on 131444 or call crime stoppers on 1800 333 000 you may be eligible for a reward if information leads to a successful conviction and you can report any suspicious behaviour anonymously.

RSL Carpark

Dear Parents,

As you may be aware the Alice Springs RSL Club has been closed for just over 12 months.

Due to its convenient location, students and parents have been using the car park at the front of the RSL Club as a meeting place after school.

The RSL is scheduled to reopen for regular daily trade on 23rd April 2013. From this date it will no longer be appropriate for students to wait unattended in the car park directly in front of the RSL as they are a fully licenced venue.

Thank you.
RSL Management

Sports Quiz

Question: Which AFL club wears the colour orange in their Guernseys?

Please write your answers on a piece of paper with your name and year level and place it in the box in the library by next Tuesday.

Jesse Brooks & Stefan Yamada
(Sport Captains)
Chaplain’s Message

I WISH YOU ENOUGH

The daughter’s departure had been announced.

Standing near the security gate, they hugged and the mother said: “I love you and I wish you enough.”

The daughter replied, “Mom, our life together has been more than enough. Your love is all I ever needed. I wish you enough, too, Mom.”

They kissed and the daughter left.

The mother walked over to the window where I sat. Standing there, I could see she wanted and needed to cry.

I tried not to intrude on her privacy but she welcomed me in by asking, “Did you ever say good-bye to someone knowing it would be forever?”

“Yes, I have,” I replied. “Forgive me for asking but why is this a forever good-bye?”

“I am old and she lives so far away. I have challenges ahead and the reality is the next trip back will be for my funeral,” she said.

When you were saying good-bye, I heard you say, “I wish you enough.” May I ask what that means?”

She began to smile. “That’s a wish that has been handed down from other generations. My parents used to say it to everyone.”

She paused a moment and looked up as if trying to remember it in detail and she smiled even more.

“When we said ‘I wish you enough’ we were wanting the other person to have a life filled with just enough good things to sustain them”.

Then turning toward me, she shared the following, reciting it from memory.

I wish you enough sun to keep your attitude bright.
I wish you enough rain to appreciate the sun more.
I wish you enough happiness to keep your spirit alive.
I wish you enough joy so that the smallest joys in life appear much bigger.
I wish you enough gain to satisfy your wanting.
I wish you enough loss to appreciate all that you possess.
I wish you enough hellos to get you through the final goodbye.

My friends, I wish you enough!

Bob Perks

What’s Happening in
Term 2 - Week 1

MONDAY 15 APRIL
~ Term 2 Commences
~ Year 7 Camp
~ Library and Homework Centre Hours:
  - Monday to Thursday: 8am - 6.30pm
  - Friday: 8am - 5.30pm

TUESDAY 16 APRIL
~ Year 7 Camp

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL
~ Year 7 Camp

THURSDAY 18 APRIL
~ Year 7 Camp

FRIDAY 19 APRIL
~ Year 7 Camp

SATURDAY 20 APRIL
~ Parents and Friends Quiz Night

Work Experience at CAAMA Music

Are you interested in a career in music marketing and PR, but don’t have any work experience?

CAAMA Music is looking for an intern to help out with promotional and sales tasks within our busy record label. Work would involve using the internet to collate a database of music industry contacts across the spectrum of media – newspapers, magazines, street press, online publications, radio and TV. Another key task would be concerned identifying and contacting prospective retailers across Australia in order to establish new relationships and increase sales of CAAMA Music albums. This unpaid position will provide invaluable experience to any student looking to improve their CV, gain entry into the competitive music biz and work within PR or marketing.

Work would start ASAP and hours involved could be part-time for one month or full-time for one week.

Send CVs to cmpromotions@caama.com.au before the end of March 2013.