Dear Parents,

Courage comes in many forms and this week we celebrated democracy with seven of our Year 11 students putting their hands up to accept the challenging and demanding role of College leader.

Each candidate submitted a written application, they were then interviewed by a panel of staff and current student leaders and then each candidate made a speech to the entire College community.

Congratulations to Jasmine Bates, Ainsleigh Bilato, Alicia Kruske, Monty Nixon, Skyla Stewart, Stewart Thornton and Mitchell Tieck for having the courage and willingness to take up this challenge.

Democracy is not something we should take for granted, it is something to respect, it is something to treasure and it is something throughout history that men and women have fought and died for.

It is my pleasure to announce that the new College Captains for 2013/2014 are Ainsleigh Bilato and Monty Nixon and our College Vice-Captains are Alicia Kruske and Stewart Thornton.

I look forward to working with each of them and I wish all our other senior students the best of luck with their applications for other College leadership positions.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Tudor AM
Headmaster

College Captains 2013/2014

Congratulations to Ainsleigh Bilato and Monty Nixon who have been elected College Captains for 2013/2014. They will be assisted by Vice-Captains Alicia Kruske and Stewart Thornton.

We wish these students the best of luck in the next 12 months of their leadership positions.

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LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE - GET THEM EARLY!
Parent Survey Information

Dear Parents,

As part of our ongoing commitment to continuously improve the school, we believe it is critical to seek each parent and guardian’s opinion on a range of issues relating to St Philip’s College.

Your feedback is very important to us as we continue to improve the school and strengthen our reputation as an ‘educator of choice’.

As such, we have engaged the professional services of MYP Corporation (MYP Corp) to undertake a strictly private and confidential School Results Survey on our behalf.

The survey should take approximately 10 - 15 minutes and will need to be completed online between Sunday 1 September and Sunday 15 September.

There are no right or wrong answers and we ask that you respond honestly to each statement.

Please note that this survey will be confidential. No member of the leadership team at St Philip’s will have access to your individual responses. We will be provided with a summary of collated results only.

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Thank you for your assistance in helping to shape the future direction of St Philip’s College.

Kind regards

Chris Tudor AM
Headmaster

Dear parents, guardians and students,

We would like to invite you to participate in our survey to gather feedback on the school and its operations. The survey is designed to provide us with valuable insights to help us continuously improve the educational experience for all students. Please take a few minutes to complete it and share your thoughts.

Your responses will be kept confidential and will help us: 

1. Understand your needs and preferences more accurately.
2. Identify areas for improvement in the school’s programs and services.
3. Ensure that our future efforts are aligned with your priorities.

We encourage you to participate as your feedback is crucial in shaping the future of our school. Your input will contribute to making St Philip’s College an even better place for our students.

Thank you for your participation.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Name]

[Role]

St Philip’s College

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**Henley on Todd**

On Saturday 17th August the Interacters were put to work at Rotary’s Annual Henley On Todd. We set to work bright and early at 9am meeting at the Memo Club. The beginning was just us getting sorted with what we had to do with all the other volunteers like Apex and other Rotarians. Colin and Brooke went off to the start of the parade, Zoe and Jess went to the Henley on Todd venue and Corby, Hanna and Alex joined Captain, Steve on the huge Mbangua Navy boat, while Cyndy, Umema and Mr Godino drove in front, in a police car.

The parade was amazing and a little funny. The Navy boat that the Interacters were on with fellow Rotarians drove up the road from the Memo Club to the Todd Mall, but when we got to the Mall there was a little bit of strife; the Henley on Todd banner was a little low and got caught on the top of the boat. A big metal pipe went flying off the back of the boat and the banner came flying down, which made everyone but the Navy boat and the postie bikes have to go round.

After the parade it was all hands on deck, interacters doing swimmingly on all gates to the venue, collecting postcodes, helping people with their wrist bands and handing out programs. Some of the Interacters also participated in some of the events (way to go Cyndy!) The day was amazing from all counts with everything going really well and everyone had a blast. At the end of the day when most of the Interacters had left, Corby, Hanna and Mr Godino still remained in the marshalling arena. Seeing all the events up close and personal was amazing. The last part of the day would defiantly be the best, the Boat off! Corby and Mr Godino were dawn in the arena trying to stay out of the war between the Navy, Pirates and the Vikings. Stuff was flying everywhere and for Corby most of it hitting him. But we all agree that the Henley On Todd was amazing!! So worth getting up for in the early hours of the morning.

Hanna Ure-Pearce

Interact Club President

St Philip’s staff were also involved in the day with Nicole Soorkia and Katherine Lelliott helping out with hospitality in the VIP tent, Paul Wilson assisting with various tasks in the arena, and Shannon Killer and Nick Dominguez with Gappies Jeremy, Lukas and Derrick assisting with photos and uploading them to social media sites. Overall a very successful day and a big congratulations to all of the St Philip’s staff and students involved. Without volunteers this great event could not happen.

Interact is a community service Ex activity here at the College. Meetings happen on Monday lunchtime and after school once a month. Interact is Rotary International’s service club for young people aged 12 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting. The purpose of Interact is to provide an opportunity for young men and women to enhance the knowledge and skills that will assist them in personal development, to address the physical and social needs of their community, and to promote better relations between all people worldwide through a framework of friendship and service.

For more information about Interact please contact Grant Godino – interact@portal.stphilips.nt.edu.au

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Chris Tudor AM
Headmaster
St Philip’s College
Proudly Presents

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

11th, 12th & 13th 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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Desert Divas 2013

DESSERT DIVAS Workshops
18 – 21 September

The Desert Divas program is a great opportunity for all Indigenous females who have an interest in singing and songwriting. Save the date – there will be workshops running from the 18th to the 21st of September in preparation for the Desert Divas Showcase to be held on the 21st of September.

Currently there are no workshops happening monthly please contact Jesica Lortiff (see below).

The Desert Diva is a program run by MusiKHT.

Diva Workshops 18 – 20 September
Showcase on the 21st September

Location: Alice Springs
Contact:
Email: divas@musiht.com.au
Phone: (08) 8957 0322
Speedo to Jesica Lortiff
The Department of Health (DoH) provides a FREE dental service to all children attending primary and secondary school. If your child/children attend school from Year 7 to 12 and require a check-up or treatment, please make a booking at Flynn Drive Dental Centre on 89516713.

A parent or guardian MUST attend with their child/children.

**RIDDLE** : THE DWARVES AND SNOW WHITE SIT DOWN FOR A BITE. HOW FAST CAN YOU GUESS WHAT SHE SERVES HER GUESTS NEXT?

*(SEE ANDREW BIRD IF YOU KNOW THE ANSWER)*