Dear Parents,

This week we had an uplifting celebration of our students’ sporting achievements at the Sports Assembly on Wednesday. It was wonderful for many of you to be able to witness the great outcomes of a year’s effort.

We also welcomed guest speaker and 1st class cricketer, Tom Scollay, together with the recipient of the inaugural St Philip’s College Elite Athlete Award, Emma Kraft. Both Tom and Emma, through their sporting careers and achievements, symbolise the benefits of healthy living and setting goals.

Whether the benefits be physical or psychological they last a lifetime. Participating in any team environment builds friendships, teamwork and a sense of fair play; all elements that are useful when working within and for a community.

It doesn’t matter if your sport focuses on the physicality, the mental challenges or a mix of everything e.g. ‘extreme ironing’ (yes it is a sport) it should always be combined with a sense of fun and enjoyment.

As American college basketball coach, Jim Valvano once said, “Never give up! Failure and rejection are only the first step to succeeding.”

Yours sincerely,

Chris Leesong
Deputy Headmaster

Important Reminder to All Parents

Drop Off and Pick Up of Students from 8-8.30am and 3.00-3.30pm

Parents please note that the Drop Off and Pick Up Zone at the front of the College is the only authorised area to drop off or collect students between the hours of 8-8.30am and 3.00-3.30pm.

The dropping off or collecting of students from out the front of the Minnamurra Hall is not permitted unless prior permission has been given by the Deputy Headmaster’s Office.

The dropping off or collecting of students from the round-about inside the school grounds is also not permitted as this is reserved for buses only.

Everyone’s safety is our priority and we urge ALL parents to cooperate in this matter.

Chris Leesong
Deputy Headmaster

Enrol now for 2015

Enrolments now being accepted for Year 7, 2015

Attention Year 12 Parents

This year’s Year 12 Farewell Dinner will be held at the Alice Springs Convention Centre on Wednesday 20 November.

Viewing is at 6pm for a 7pm start.

Tickets are $65 pp.

If you have not yet purchased your ticket from College Reception, please do so before Friday 15 November.
**Girls' Boarding News**

**Progressive Dinner and Archery...**

Weekends are usually busy in the boarding house but this one was even busier than normal. In fact we had to start activities a bit earlier than normal by moving Friday mass to Thursday! It's great to have Allen back and even more importantly have girls wanting to work out and this term some of them have committed to two afternoons a week. Good on them!

On Friday night we all went to see the Year 11 play. It was definitely one of the more entertaining ones we've been to with lots of laughter on the menu and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy it.

On Saturday we held a Progressive Dinner. I can't remember ever seeing the girls so excited about having one; they love having an excuse to get dressed up and without exception they looked lovely. The bus was almost full with 22 girls and staff member Shannon Kiler who joined us for the night.

Our first stop at 6pm was at Chris and Carol Leesong's for hors d'oeuvres. Chris looked very impressive in his black suit and bow tie. If he ever decides he's had enough of being a Deputy Headmaster, we're all convinced he has a future in hospitality!

Next it was off to the home of our College nurse, Jo Isgro, for some delicious soup. Afterwards we met Jo and our College nurse, Jo Isgro, for some delicious soup. Afterwards we met Jo and Shannon Kiler (one of our Board of Girls' Boarding) and she introduced us to her husband Bob who did a great job on the BBQ and was incredibly patient, when his peaceful Saturday evening was engulfed by a bus load of teenagers! At 9pm we arrived at our final destination, once again out bush but this time down the Ross Highway. This was the home of Deb Page, our boarding assistant, where a delicious array of desserts awaited us. While some girls took advantage of the pool, the majority held an impromptu disco in the house and had a wonderful time.

We arrived home very full and very tired at 11pm, but in very high spirits from a wonderful night.

Many thanks to our wonderful hosts who all made us so welcome and went to so much trouble to give the girls an amazing night. It was very much appreciated.

Despite a late night, a group of girls were up and off early Sunday morning to go to archery. We all learnt a lot and succeeded to varying degrees. While I brought up the rear, Natalie proved herself a deadly shot consistently hitting the target at even increasing distances.

Many thanks to the Dead Centre Bowmen's Club for making us so welcome and to our coach for the morning, Ian, for his clear explanations and infinite patience. It's to our coach for the morning, Ian, for his clear explanations and infinite patience. It's certainly an activity that many of the girls would like to repeat.

Next week is Exeat weekend and a welcome break for us all.

**Boys' Boarding News**

**A RELAXING WEEKEND...**

It was a very quiet and relaxing weekend in boys’ boarding last weekend. Friday evening a few of the boys watched the Year 11 play held in the Minnamurra Hall. From all reports, the boys thought it was a good show and very entertaining. The rest of the evening was spent socialising in the boarding house.

On Saturday, the boys cooked a barbecue dinner, many thanks to Sol Albury and Wayne Shadforth who were the master chefs for the night. After the barbecue, all the boys watched a movie over in the auditorium on the big screen.

Also on Saturday, Nathan McAuliffe took Mitchell McCormack, Hayden McGreggor, Isaac Motna and Colin Puruntatameri to the skate park to watch some professional skaters put on a show. Mitchell got on a board and tried a few tricks himself.

Another reminder it is Exeat weekend this weekend. The boys’ boarding house will be closed at 5pm this Friday and will open again at 4pm this Sunday.

**ORIENTEERING UPDATE**

**Wednesday 30 October - Centralian Secondary College**

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**Orienteering Update**

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The long course over more than 3 kilometres ranged from 20 minutes - 33 minutes for those that proved to be gifted.

This follows on from the local Junior Champs of MTB Orienteering, Jasper Edwards and Jeremy Gillen who scored 460 points during a 4 hour event in the holidays in their team of two.

This is all in preparation for the 2014 National Mountain Bike Orienteering Championships in mid June 2014 so lock in the dates.

David Atkins

Wanna know how to write and create music on the computer?

St Philip’s College is proud to be able to offer a new “instruments” as part of its Music Tuition Program - the computer!

Lessons in how to compose and produce music with Ableton Live software will be available for students in 2014.

Ableton Live enables you to learn about audio and MIDI sequencing and also introduces aspects of sound design. Students who are interested in enrolling are encouraged to come down to an information session in MD1 at Recs on Monday, November 11th (Week 5).

Please see Mrs Kidd for more information.

“The will only be 18 places available in 2014.”
SUNDAY NOV 10
MTB & FOOT ORIENTEERING - PUBLIC EVENT

What: 2 hour orienteering type event – can do on MTB or on foot.

Who: Solo / pairs / groups.

Where: Start (and finish) at Scout Hall, off Larapinta Drive.

When: Starts anytime between 8.30-9am. (8am if forecast is 35 or above)

Cost: $10 per adult; $5 under 18 years.

No prior experience necessary: be adventurous and give it a go.

Map boards useful: try making a basic model. Compass optional. Map reading is important but you’ll mostly be riding / running.

Entry: Preferable to email me (kayhaarsma@hotmail.com) to ensure enough maps are printed.

More information: Kay 0403 565 534

If you have enjoyed the school events or feel you missed out, please enter or talk to Mr Atkins.

$1000 PLP Scholarship Applications Now Open

All students who received an A Grade in PLP in Semester 1 or Semester 2 this year are eligible to apply. The application has been emailed to all students and is available on the college website.

If you have any further enquires please contact Leslie Tilbrook on 8950 4553 or leslie.tilbrook@stphilips.nt.edu.au

Mittagundi Expressions of Interest

If you are particularly keen for your son or daughter to participate, please register by email by 8 November 2013.

Registering by email allows us to have regular and efficient communication with families in planning and organising the program between now and the trip. All news and information is distributed by email. You may register multiple email addresses, but always specify who the message is from. To avoid errors please do not submit email addresses on paper – I will reply to all emails as confirmations. Registration is regarded as a genuine and considered expression of interest. Places are confirmed by payment of deposit and paperwork by specified due dates. There will be an option for students to book their own airfares, utilise Frequent Flyer points or travel to Melbourne (unsupervised) prior to the trip beginning.

Please email expressions of interest to: david.atkins@portal.stphilips.nt.edu.au

Full info available on college website
Chaplain’s Message

If I had my life to live over


Interviews with the elderly and the terminally ill do not report that people have regret for the things they have done but rather people talk about the things they regret not having done.

I’d dare to make more mistakes next time.
I’d relax. I would limber up.
I would be sillier than I have been this trip.
I would take fewer things seriously.
I would take more chances.
I would take more trips.
I would climb more mountains and swim more rivers.
I would eat more ice cream and less beans.
I would perhaps have more actual troubles but I’d have fewer imaginary ones.
You see, I’m one of those people who live sensibly and sanely hour after hour, day after day.
Oh, I’ve had my moments and if I had it to do over again, I’d have more of them. In fact, I’d try to have nothing else. Just moments.
One after another, instead of living so many years ahead of each day.

I’ve been one of those people who never go anywhere without a thermometer, a hot water bottle, a raincoat and a parachute. If I had to do it again, I would travel lighter next time.
If I had to live my life over, I would start barefoot earlier in the spring and stay that way later in the fall.
I would go to more dances.
I would ride more merry-go-rounds.
I would pick more daisies.

Nadine Stair (age 85)
Chicken Soup for the Soul

What’s Happening in Week 5

**Monday 11 November**
~ Year 7 (2014) Orientation Week
~ Year 11 Exams
~ AISNT Teaching Excellence Awards

**Tuesday 12 November**
~ Year 11 Exams
~ Flynn House Chapel Service

**Wednesday 13 November**
~ Year 11 Exams

**Thursday 14 November**
~ Year 11 Exams
~ VET Information Session - 1.30pm to 2.30pm, CDU

**Friday 15 November**
~ Year 11 Exams
~ Interschool Swimming Carnival
~ Year 12 Art Show - 6pm, Art Room Foyer
~ All Year 12 library resources returned to the library
~ All Year 11 Math and English textbooks returned to the library

Are you leaving us at the end of the year?

Class lists for 2014 are filling up quickly!

Waiting lists for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 have already been established, and other year levels are in high demand.

If your son/daughter will not be returning in 2014, please notify the College by email or in writing ASAP.

If you would still like to enrol a student for 2014, please contact Mrs Carol Leesong on 8950 4501 or registrar@stphilips.nt.edu.au

Giants Netball Club wants you!

We’re looking for individuals or teams who would like to join our friendly club.

Experienced or not, young, old, player, coach or umpire, all are welcome!

Maybe you’re thinking of starting a new sport or are new to town; we’d love to hear from you.

Age divisions and game times are:
Under 9’s 9:00am
Under 11’s 10:00am
Under 13’s 11:00am
Under 15’s 12:00pm
Under 17’s and open divisions all play at either 1:30, 3:00 or 4:30
Games are played on Saturdays
Season starts 15th March 2014

For more information contact Crystal: neataglassgiants@gmail.com or check out our Facebook page: Neata Glass Giants Netball Club