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2018 SENIOR PLAY

**Tickets still available,
see page 9**

Child Safety After Hours

Our students' welfare is our primary concern, and to keep our students safe, we are asking parents that if you are collecting your child after 3.20pm then please drive into the College grounds and collect them at the roundabout.

Staff are on crossing duty until 3.20pm, and any students still waiting after that time will return inside the College grounds and will wait at the roundabout.

If you have any questions, please contact Deputy Principal, Leslie Tilbrook 8950 4511.

A message from Principal, Roger Herbert.



Dear Parents,

This week our school community was lucky enough to be treated to a House Assembly by our very own Flynn House. We were entertained by music, presentations, speeches and more. When I took to the lectern to speak, I chose to speak about something I know that John Flynn himself would have agreed with – from little things big things grow.

The topic was in my head after I saw an announcement on the ABC news, from the CEO of Woolworths. He announced that Woolworths would no longer sell plastic straws by the end of 2018, which I thought was such a small gesture for a company with such a large influence. In the coming days the same CEO announced a far greater environmental initiative, where the company will reduce its use of plastic packaging of fruit and vegetables.

This led me to think about how other retail outlets would soon be forced to follow suit and that this small plastic straw initiative has led to larger environmental efforts by many.

It's these small efforts that are often overlooked and I challenged the students to look at the little efforts they make in their own lives, and how they may have a large impact. Here at St Philip's we try to lead by example, we have initiatives in our café to reduce plastic waste and more significantly we have recently installed solar panels on the roof of the Bruce Reid Sports Centre. They will make up 25% of our power, a momentous step in the right direction.

Perhaps we can all think about what we can do to make a difference, however small, because you never know how big an impact it could have.

Regards,

Roger Herbert

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday June 11	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Year 9 Endeavour Camp - Groups 1 & 2 Depart Musical rehearsals - "The Wiz"
Tuesday June 12	Year 9 Endeavour Camp - Groups 3 & 4 Depart Year 11 Leadership Meeting - 7am Fred McKay Ed Centre
Wednesday June 13	Year 9 Endeavour Camp - Groups 5 & 6 Depart Emails sent for overdue library resources
Thursday June 14	Year 9 Endeavour Camp - Groups 7 & 8 Depart
Friday June 15	Year 10 Science Exam
Sunday June 17	Music rehearsals - "The Wiz"

Catching up with the students

St Philip's impress in AFL clash

St Philip's College took on OLSH in an enthusiastic clash here at our campus last Thursday. Our girls put in a great performance winning **45 - 34**.

Special mention goes to, Rekeisha, Zoe, Arman, Ailis & Ali for being credited by the PE department with great performances.

Thanks to the OLSH girls for coming along and taking part, we look forward to the next encounter!



Year 7 Finding the Path Camp



Boarding News



On Friday evening the boarders took part in some indoor soccer. Great to see such sportsmanship from everyone. Tommy-Lee took out the Man of the Match award. He was setting up shots, supporting his fellow team members and playing with an excellent positive attitude to the game. Well done!

On Saturday evening the boys joined the girls for a couple of hours of Beach Volleyball at the local facility. Everyone was broken into even teams with a mix of seniors, juniors, boys and girls. It was great to see every single boarder embrace their new groups and get involved and have some fun with students they may not have spent too much time with. It was lots of fun and all teams gave each of their games a proper shot. It was impressive to see so many kids just play, non-stop for a number of hours. Kostya, Megan, Tommy-Lee, Zoe, Ema and Nikita took out the top prize, remaining undefeated for the entire night. Well done!



Trust is a big part of how our boarding house is run. When students sign out for any reason – AFL, rugby, with family, in to town or to the cinema. We are trusting that the information that has been given to us from the boarder/s is correct and honest. On occasion, that trust has been broken and boarders have not done what they said they would. This makes it very hard to trust the boarder to do what is required. In turn, if a boarder signs out and the situation or activity changes, such as being asked to play another game of AFL, it is very important that the boarder or family make contact with the boarding house as soon as possible to discuss the change of circumstance. At its core, this is a matter of safety, ensuring that all who live here (students and staff) are safe and looking after one another.

I would also like to take the opportunity to encourage parents, carers and hosts to make yourselves known to the staff at the boarding house. When you collect your boarder/s it is a great opportunity for staff and parents to mix, catch up and converse about the boarder. Staff should never be too hard to find, it would be great to chat when you are at the boarding house.

The boarders' Duty Phone number is 0400 972 342. This is the direct number to the supervisor on duty in the boarding house and quickest access to the boarders. If you need to contact the boarding house, please try this number first.

*Sam Muir
Head of Boys' Boarding*



Beach Volleyball snaps (above)

Boarding News

The last of our Group 6 and 7 campers returned on Friday and in the evening we had a camp fire. The weather was perfect. We enjoyed chocolate bananas, smores, marshmallows, baked bean jaffles and lovely hot Milo, played a game or two and had a kick around with AFL and soccer balls. Many thanks to Graham who found us some thick logs to keep us warm. It was a very pleasant and relaxed evening.

On Saturday we went to beach volleyball, something the girls always enjoy. All the teams contained boys and girls, juniors and seniors, but it was Nikita's team who came out on top and remained undefeated in six games, winning themselves café vouchers in the process.

On Sunday morning six of the girls were up bright and early to climb Mt Gillen. Ema and Aggie had done it the year before, but it was a new challenge for Siobhan, Shereece, Zara and Savannah T. It's lovely to see the girls stepping out of their comfort zone and everyone did well and came home with a real sense of achievement. Many thanks to Deb, Lea, Leonie, Will and Vicki for coming with us and a special thank you to Vicki who provided us with a lovely breakfast of pancakes, porridge, toast and hot chocolate on our return.

The girls continued to earn money for the Fred Hollows Foundation, played netball and soccer and on Wednesday and Thursday night the dorms once again rang to the sound of crying babies as the girls practised their parenting skills. It was another interesting and action packed week.

*Marg Stevenson
Head of Girls' Boarding*



Top of Mt Gillen (above)



*Ema enjoying the view on the way up Mt Gillen (above)
Zara and Siobhan stopping to relax on the climb (below)*



*Siobhan scoring at beach volleyball (above)
Warm around the camp fire (below)*



Carrying Bags to Classes

Over the past few years our College has grown in population and our buildings and their locations have expanded to further areas in the school. Our locker bays were once situated in the centre of the College, however with this expansion, comes need for some changes as they are no longer centrally located.

The College has locker bays for each House as well as the Year 11 locker bay and lockers for the Year 12s in the Year 12 Area. These are mostly around the original buildings of the school (ie Maths rooms and Library etc) however, for many students, there is quite a distance to walk in between classes, at the end of recess and lunch, and at the end of the day. This means that a number of students are carrying quite a few books back and forth over quite large distances.

The College will be trialling students being allowed to carry their bags to classes throughout the day for the remainder of the term. Currently students are permitted to carry their bags to Period 5 to help ease congestion at the end of the day and to make sure students catching the buses will be ready on time, but we are looking to extend this to the rest of the day.

Some advantages to students could include:

- Safe way to keep books and belongings together in one area (i.e back pack)
- Less need to go back and forth to lockers throughout the day if most classes are situated away from the locker area
- Ease congestion in the locker areas at busy times (i.e start of the day, recess, lunchtime, etc)
- Allow students the flexibility to decide whether carrying a bag or not will be helpful for them

Students will all still be allocated a locker for their duration at the College, and it will allow them to make a decision on a day to day, class by class basis whether it would be better for them to carry a bag or carry their books. Lockers should still be used to store items safely (i.e valuables, other books, etc) however students will develop their own decision making skills on what is best for them in each situation.

Students will not be allowed to bring their bags into classrooms (teacherS will work with students to negotiate a safe place for bags to be stored) and students will be responsible for their items that are not locked in their locker and kept safe. We are encouraging feedback from students and staff re this trial, and feedback or concerns are also very welcome from our College community as well. We look forward to seeing how the trial works and then will revisit this at the end of the term to see how the results can be used for the rest of the year.

The QLD government has some helpful information about the safe carrying of books and backpacks that some people might find helpful and interesting.

http://education.qld.gov.au/health/pdfs/healthsafety/factsheet_hevbags.pdf

Lost Property

The College's Lost Property stock is getting out of control. We would like to remind students to check the lost property area for any items they may have misplaced. There are some items in there you really wouldn't want to give up. Lost property can now be found at Student Access or outside during the day (see right)



Positive Education changes lives

St Philip's own Paul Bailey, (Enterprise, Development & Foundation) took part in the Positive Education Course last year here at the College.

The common misconception for this course is that it is only beneficial for teachers and that couldn't be further from the truth.

Paul took part purely for his own benefit as a parent, and to benefit the community as a whole. He explained, "The wellbeing of our children has ripple effects on the way they treat people, the occupations they go into, and the way they give back." Paul firmly believes that it is this deeper understanding of a positive educational practice that can help be the building blocks to a better community.

Paul found that the course has improved specifically, his own family's communication style, and has helped nurture and sustain positive relationships. "What's really important is that I'm aware of the way my children, Kasey and Jake are being educated, so I can maintain that consistency in the home." Paul explained, "What's the point in my kids hearing one thing at school and then coming home to a completely different message, which was an old outdated method/practice of communication?"


Paul believes that his new method of parenting has included putting the onus on his children to make their decisions through assistance, and encouragement to problem solve, believing this to be the way for them to mature properly.

Paul also shared, "I wished I had the chance to do the course when my children were younger." (He could have spent many more years reacting and communicating more positively.) Paul genuinely believes that his family functions far better since applying what he has learnt from Discovering Positive Education. "Thanks to Positive Education I now have a stronger relationship with my teenage children, with much less conflict and tension, thus providing a wonderful outlook on our lives as a family."


We at St Philip's strongly encourage our parents to look into what this course can do for you, as you have a great opportunity to cultivate the growth mindset that we look to foster within our staff here at the College.

For more information please see our advertisement below or follow this link: www.instituteofpositiveeducation.com





DISCOVERING POSITIVE EDUCATION



This multi-day course focuses on personal transformation through teaching practical skills that can have a significant and lasting impact on wellbeing.


Participants will gain a thorough insight into the science of Positive Psychology and explore ten foundational concepts drawn from Geelong Grammar School's whole-school Positive Education programme.

These topics include; character strengths, mindset, positivity, flow, active constructive responding, gratitude, resilience, meaning and purpose, and habit.

DATE AND LOCATION

July 18 – 20: St Philip's College
Alice Springs, NT

To find out more visit:
www.instituteofpositiveeducation.com



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EDUCATION**



Chaplain's Message: Blessing

Father light my way this week
Guide me as I go
Help me be your hands and feet
Reap good from what I sow
May your hand rest on my heart
And make me feel secure
May you gently watch o'er me
As I move now to retire

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Sabrina's Ride 4 Life

After the loss of their daughter, parents Michael and Lidia Di Lembo, plus family and friends of Sabrina Josephine Di Lembo decided to organise a series of events as part of "Sabrina's Ride4Life" to raise much needed funds for the **Black Dog Institute**. One of these events is a mammoth bike ride that commenced in Adelaide on Monday 21 May and will end in Darwin on Sunday 24 June 2018. The team will be arriving in Alice Springs this Friday. Help support this mammoth ride with **headspace Alice Springs!**

When: Fri 8 June 3.30pm – 5pm
Where: Alice Springs Town Council Lawns

Contact: headspace Community Engagement Officer
headspace.reception@space.org.au
P: (08) 8958 4544

All funds raised will go to the Black Dog Institute

Don't miss it! Arriving in Alice Springs this Friday! GAMES, FOOD & DRINKS

GOLD COIN DONATION

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ARE YOU AN ASPIRING WRITER OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE?

[Enter the 2018 Aspiring Writers Mentorship Program now!](#)

The CBCA NSW Branch has been running this program since 1996. It aims at fostering the talent of aspiring writers of children's literature across Australia and is open to all Australian citizens residing in Australia.

The 2018 winner will receive the Charlotte Waring Barton Award, named in honour of Charlotte Waring Barton (1797–1867), the author of Australia's earliest known children's book.

Sponsored by HarperCollins Children's Books, this extensive mentorship program involves two - three-hour guidance sessions with a published HarperCollins author, as well as an additional three hours with HarperCollins staff, including a publisher, an editor and a marketing communications manager.

Entries for the Aspiring Writers Mentorship Program close on 30 June 2018.

[Learn more about this exciting opportunity and how to submit a manuscript.](#)

For further information and interviews, please contact:

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
JUNE 7TH - 8TH

ST PHILIP'S COLLEGE
THE MINNAMURRA HALL
7PM START

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT COLLEGE
RECEPTION, LONE DINGO & AT THE
DOOR

ADULTS: \$10.00
CHILDREN/CONCESSION: \$5.00



I WANT YOU

St Philip's College First American Reunion

5th and 6th of October 2018 - We need your Help!

Do you know any Old Saints in the USA wanting to attend?
Please contact paul.bailey@stphilips.nt.edu.au or call 08 8950 4577.

Like the St Philip's College - Old Saints (official page) on Facebook for updates.

ST. PHILIP'S COLLEGE
26 - 28 OCTOBER

OLD SAINTS REUNION WEEKEND

50th Year - 1968 Boarders
40th Year - 1978 boarders
30th year - 1988 boarders
20th year - 1998 Students
10th year - 2008 Students

Old Saints weekend is open to all, and a range of activities are being planned!

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AND BE ON THE MAILING LIST, PLEASE REPLY TO PAUL.BAILEY@STPHILIPS.NT.EDU.AU OR CALL 08 8950 4577


CHIEF MINISTER'S
PEACE IN THE PACIFIC
STUDY TOUR

Northern Territory students in years 10 and 11 are invited to submit an entry for a place in the inaugural 2018 Chief Minister's Peace in the Pacific Study Tour.


Three students will be selected to travel to WWII historical military sites and to attend the 2018 Pearl Harbour Remembrance Day Commemorations in Hawaii.

Entries may be submitted as an essay, poem, song, video, website, artwork or PowerPoint that explores WWII events in the Pacific.

Entries close 27 July 2018.



For more information visit nt.gov.au/peaceinthepacific or call 8999 7520.



MUSIC TUITION SEMESTER 2

VACANCIES FOR GUITAR

If you would like to sign up for guitar lessons as part of the Music Tuition programme, please see Mrs Kidd or call her on 8950 4529.



WE NEED YOUR CAKES FOR THE SENIOR PLAY

For all bakers out there, young and old, the P&FA Cake Stall **NEEDS** you!

Please bring donations to Reception before 4pm on one of the performance dates
Thu June 7 or Fri June 8.

Alternatively please email Lizzie Edwards on jason.lizzy@bigpond.com and let her know if you can help in some way





CHIEF MINISTER'S
ANZAC SPIRIT
STUDY TOUR

Northern Territory students in years 9 and 10 are invited to submit an entry for a place in the 2019 Chief Minister's Anzac Spirit Study Tour.


Three students will be selected to travel to WWI battlefields in France and attend the 2019 Anzac Day commemoration service at Villers-Bretonneux.

Entries may be submitted as an essay, poem, song, video, website, artwork or PowerPoint that explores WWI events in France.

Entries close 27 July 2018.



For more information visit anzacspirit.nt.gov.au or call 8999 7520.





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8 June to 17 August 2018

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