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*Look towards the rising sun*



YEAR 12'S LAST DAY



# A message from our Principal, Roger Herbert

# Student News

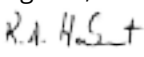
Dear Parents,

This week, in consideration of the Invictus Games in Sydney, I read the Invictus poem by William Ernest Henley to our students:

*Out of the night that covers me,  
 Black as the pit from pole to pole,  
 I thank whatever gods may be  
 For my unconquerable soul.  
 In the fell clutch of circumstance  
 I have not winced nor cried aloud.  
 Under the bludgeoning of chance  
 My head is bloody, but unbowed.  
 Beyond this place of wrath and tears  
 Looms but the Horror of the shade,  
 And yet the menace of the years  
 Finds and shall find me unafraid.  
 It matters not how strait the gate,  
 How charged with punishments the scroll,  
 I am the master of my fate,  
 I am the captain of my soul.*

I thought this was an appropriate message to convey as the Invictus Games sets a benchmark for looking after those with emotional and physical damage.

This is something I find very important, and something that we here at St Philip's endeavour to do every day. It can't hurt to remind our College community of this and I believe that this poem articulates this as well as possible.

Regards,  
  
 Roger Herbert  
 Principal



## IMPORTANT DATES WEEK 3

Monday 29 October.....	Year 12 Intensive Study Day Year 11 Exams
Tuesday 30 October.....	Year 12 SACE Exam Oral Language - Japanese Year 12 Intensive Study Day Year 11 Exams
Wednesday 31 October.....	International Understanding & LOTE Assembly Year 12 Intensive Study Day Year 11 Exams Year 10 Positive Health Day
Thursday 1 November.....	Year 11 Exams Year 11 Meeting 8.20am Fred McKay Theatre
Friday 2 November.....	Summer Carnival Homework Centre Closed

## ICAS Gold Medal Awards



Above: Philip Sullivan



Above: Lenhard De Decker

Year 12 student, Philip Sullivan and Year 11 student, Lenhard De Decker were recognised at Assembly this week for their incredible efforts in the ICAS English Test for 2018.

They each scored a High Distinction, and have now received a Gold medal for being in the top percentile of students across Australia attaining such merit.

What an incredible effort this is, and we thank them both for representing St Philip's College so well!

## Operation Christmas Child



Above: Amy Randell (Round Square Captain) & Sophie Cooper (Student Access) showing off the brilliant donations we have recieved.

In the final weeks of Term 3, students and teachers at the College were able to fully experience what it is meant by "For it is in giving that we receive" – Francis of Assisi.

Operation Christmas Child is an organisation that aims to reach disadvantaged children living in poverty by sending them a shoebox filled with gifts along with the Good News message of Jesus Christ.

For the past few weeks staff and students have been working together in Tutor Group to create a shoebox to send to a child living in poverty this Christmas. It is with great pleasure that we announce this year the College has produced a total of 111 shoeboxes. We would like to thank both parents and students for taking the time to purchase items for the shoeboxes.

Through making a shoebox students were able to gain a greater perspective on how the simplest gifts can bring so much joy to disadvantaged children around the world.

## Jordann's a Demon!



Old Saint and Class of 2012 alumni, Jordann Hickey has become the first Centralian to make it to the AFLW, as number 31 in the draft!

Jordann has enjoyed a great year for NT Thunder in the VFLW, being named the Rookie of the Year and receiving the Community and Media Award. So it is no surprise she has been drafted to such a prestigious club.

The Melbourne Demons have a long connection with Alice Springs and the NT through the Pinktails so we could not be happier here at St Philip's College for her draft.

We are very proud of Jordann for making it this far and we look forward to monitoring her journey in a league that continues to grow and go from strength to strength.

Left: Photo used with kind permission of the Melbourne Demons



# Girls' Boarding House News



At the start of this term we welcomed two exchange students from Melbourne, Eleanor and Lulu. They are here for two weeks, and later in the term their two exchange partners, Caitlin and Aggie will be flying to Melbourne to spend two weeks with them. So far they've been to Uluru, visited the Reptile Centre and have been to several other places around town so they seem to be having a good time.



This weekend there was lots of swimming, a birthday party at the Telegraph Station for Ruby which most of the boarders went to, and on Saturday night we held a progressive dinner.

We started our dinner at Karen Jackson's house. Karen was a nurse here and currently teaches violin. After a game and some yummy mini pancakes we moved on to visit Suellen Schubert, who works in the library. Here we had delicious tomato soup and garlic bread followed by another game. Then it was on to Leslie Tilbrook's house where we swam, played fuzzleball and table tennis and had a BBQ. Finally it was time for desserts with Vanessa Goodes, one of the school's teacher aides, and what a wonderful selection of desserts there were. The girls were thoroughly spoilt all night and came home very happy, content and full! Many thanks to those who let us invade their homes on Saturday night. We greatly appreciated it.

Although it's only a short term we've got lots more trips planned. The highlight of Term Four will be our boarders' Christmas function on Saturday November 24th, and all boarders will be expected to attend.

Exeat weekend this term will be on Friday 9th November, the end of Week 4.

Marg Stevenson  
Head of Girls' Boarding



# Boys' Boarding House News



It has been a great start to the term and the first two weeks have flown by. Last weekend the boys took part in some basketball and swimming. There has been great competition at basketball, with some of the boys showing great ability and all the boys displayed excellent sportsmanship.

On Saturday night, we had a BBQ and pool party. The boys were all very helpful, helping cook, clean and make sure the meal and swimming went well. In fact, I would like to take the opportunity to commend all of the boys on the first two weeks. Their behaviour, maturity and respect has been outstanding.

On Tuesday evening, Charlie Oldfield was promoted from Private to Lance Corporal at Army Cadets. Charlie has been a long serving member and regular attendee at the cadets. It is great to see his hard work and effort being rewarded. Well done Charlie!

As you may know, standing up in front of others and speaking can be a very daunting experience. On Wednesday morning both Angas and Travis displayed excellent maturity, leadership and courage. The boys bravely stood up in front of the whole college and read the Acknowledgement to Country. Although nervous, they did an excellent job and set a fine example to not only the other boarders but the whole college. Well done!

Our boarding shirts have finally arrived! As of 2019 all boy boarders will be expected to own one, as we will be using them for excursions and varying outings. They are available from the Uniform Shop. Please purchase one at your earliest convenience.

Leave forms are a critical part of running the boarding house. All boarders and parents should have details for REACH to complete leave forms and other forms. If your boarder is signing out with you or another host, they need to fill out a leave form. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

This term Exeat will fall at the end of Week 4, 9th November to 11th November. Boarding will be closed from 5pm on the 9th November to 3pm on the 11th November. Please make suitable arrangements for your boarder.

If you need to contact the boarding house directly the staff duty phone number is 0400 972 342. This is the direct line to the boarding house and the boarders. If need be please contact me on my personal number 0447 219 046 otherwise you can email [sam.muir@stphilips.nt.edu.au](mailto:sam.muir@stphilips.nt.edu.au).

Take care and enjoy.

Sam Muir  
Head of Boys' Boarding



Above: Boys playing Water Polo  
Below: Design for the new Boys' Boarding Shirts



# Music Tuition Lessons - Term 4



Music Tuition lessons started last week. Please make sure you are familiar with your timetables and that you attend your lessons.

Learning an instrument is vital to healthy brain development, which leads on to better focus in all sorts of other things in your life and learning.

Have a great Term making music!





### St Philip's stars at the 2018 Masters Games



Congratulations to all our staff members and parents that competed in the 2018 Masters Games.

There were some brilliant results across our College community and it never ceases to amaze how hard working, talented and modest some of our superstars are!

We look forward to tracking your progress next year at the Adelaide Games!

TOTEM THEATRE PRESENTS

A new production of BOUBLIL and SCHÖNBERG'S

**Les Misérables**

EVERY FRI/SAT IN NOVEMBER | 7.30PM START  
 MATINEE PERFORMANCE SUN 18TH NOV | 4.00PM START

TICKETS FROM TRYBOOKING.COM/XOAW  
TICKETS ON SALE OCTOBER 12  
 ADULTS \$25 | MEMBER \$20 | CONCESSION \$15  
 FURTHER ENQUIRES CALL 0419 837 295

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## OLD SAINTS REUNION WEEKEND

**Friday 26 October 4pm - 6pm**  
 Fred McKay Education Centre  
 Meet and Greet "School Tours"

**Saturday 27 October 6.30pm onward**  
 FeedMeNow Restaurant  
 "Old Saints Reunion"

**Sunday 28 October 9am**  
 Swag Chapel  
 Polly's Swag Chapel Service  
 with bush breakfast

Contact Paul Bailey on 0404504540  
 or paul.bailey@stphilips.nt.edu.au  
 for more information

## ENROL NOW FOR 2019

### LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE IN SOME YEAR LEVELS

CALL REGISTRAR, KIM BATEMAN  
 (08) 8950 4501  
 E: REGISTRAR@STPHILIPS.NT.EDU.AU

A UNITING CHURCH COEDUCATIONAL DAY/BOARDING SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 7 TO 12

## Therapeutic Dance & Movement Sessions at St. Philips

Are you struggling with anything inside or outside of school? Such as low self-esteem, confidence issues, communication difficulties, concentration, managing your thoughts and emotions, body issues or just feeling low and unsure why? Have you been seeing your school counsellor?

Do you enjoy movement, dance and music?

Therapeutic Dance & Movement sessions might be able to help support you using a practical, non-verbal and verbal approach. Movement styles and body language are all related to how we are feeling. With Lauren you will explore new movement patterns and discuss them together with emotional experiences. Try something new, feel good and have fun!

Dance & Movement sessions can involve role-play, sand play, art-work, dance, movement and drama to enable you to express your feelings creatively and in a safe environment. The aim is to help you feel more confident about school and yourself!



For more information talk to your school counsellors.

With Lauren Jones

Dancer & Dance Movement Psychotherapist



## The Right Amount of Crazy

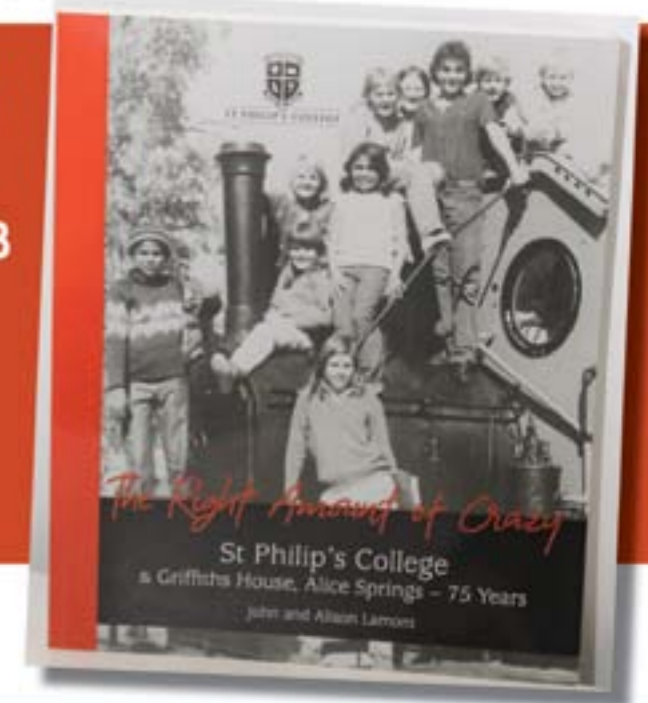
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St Philip's College Year 11 Drama presents...

# LIGHTS, CAMERA, SCANDAL

A group devised improvised performance

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
7pm  
The Minnamurra Hall  
Gold Coin Donation



## Chaplain's Message

A young man who had been raised as an atheist was training to be an Olympic diver. The only religious influence in his life came from his outspoken Christian friend. The young diver never really paid much attention to his friend's sermons, but he heard them often.

One night the diver went to the indoor pool at the college he attended. The lights were all off, but as the pool had big skylights and the moon was bright, there was plenty of light to practice by. The young man climbed up to the highest diving board and as he turned his back to the pool on the edge of the board and extended his arms out, he saw his shadow on the wall. The shadow of his body in the shape of a cross. Instead of diving, he knelt down and asked God to come into his life. As the young man stood, a maintenance man walked in and turned the lights on. The pool had been drained for repairs.

(Taken from unknown source)  
Sarah Pollitt  
College Chaplain

### ALICE SPRINGS CLIMATHON

26 - 27 October

Joining over 100 cities worldwide, Alice Springs will host the first Climathon to take place in regional and remote Australia.

Climathon is a 24-hour hackathon where teams compete to develop solutions that tackle real world climate change problems.

The winning team receives \$500 cash and a chance to accelerate their idea with the ClimateLaunchPad.

The challenge question: "How can we utilise the unique characteristics of Alice Springs to incorporate more renewable energy while reducing our overall energy consumption?"

Fri 26 October 4.00 pm - 7.30 pm  
Sat 27 October 9.00 am - 2.30pm

Business and Innovation Centre  
Desert Knowledge Precinct  
475 South Stuart Highway  
Alice Springs NT

info@climate-kic.org.au  
Register as a team or individual:  
www.bit.do/aliceclimathon

intyalheme thanks Alice Springs Town Council and the Arid Lands Environment Council for their support of this event.



# Celebrate

## Grandparents' Day

Join us on  
Sunday 28th October 2018  
10 - 11.30am  
Town Council Andy McNeill Room

Morning tea, sharing stories, creative activities

# The St Philip's College Dancers

present...

## "Awakenings"

7pm Friday 26 October  
The Minnamurra Hall  
Gold coin donation at the door

### TAKE A STAND AGAINST DOMESTIC FAMILY VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT

## FRIDAY OCTOBER 26

# RECLAIM THE NIGHT

6 PM FREE EVENT w/ Guest Speakers, music, food & short films  
COUNCIL LAWNS (Cnr of Todd St & Gregory Tce)

8 PM Live Performances & DJs  
EPILOGUE LOUNGE - \$5 entry

EVERYONE WELCOME

STOP THE VIOLENCE END THE SILENCE

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: p) 0439 271 503 or see Facebook- Reclaim the Night, Alice Springs

# Family FREE!

## Fun Day

CHILDREN'S WEEK Sunday October 28th  
9am - 1pm  
Alice Springs Town Council Lawns

Theme: "The right to be heard"

Lots of free fun activities for the whole family, including:

- Bubble Machine and Bubbles
- Karaoke
- Water Activity
- Painting
- Open Mic and Entertainment
- Art and Craft
- Word Tree—hearing children's voice

Free Barbecue and Fruit