

139 Molesworth Street, North Adelaide. 5006.

# BULLETIN

# **Diary Dates**

TONIGHT Fete Committee Meeting from 7:00pm Year 9 + 12 Drama to '*Matilda*' Monday 12 June Queen's Birthday Holiday Tuesday 13 June SACPSSA Athletics (yr 4-7) Wednesday 14 June Year 9 Engineering Challenge Year 10 Knockout Netball

**Thursday 15 June** Year 2 visit to the Museum

Year 6 visit to Pelican Point Friday 16 June

Year 10 + 11 SWOT Vac

Monday 19 June Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea Year9English|BellShakespeare

Mon 19 - Thurs 22 June

Year 10 + 11 Exams

Tuesday 20 June

Year 6/7 Knockout Netball Thursday 22 June

Year 7 / 8 @ Meet the Writers

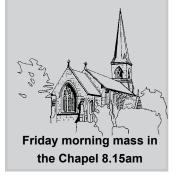
2017 TERM DATES

Term 2: 2 May - 7 July Term 3: 24 July - 29 Sep Term 4: 16 Oct - 8 Dec

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

Opening Hours During Term Mondays 10:30am - 1:30pm [except 12 June + 3 July]

Thursdays 8 June 12:30pm - 4:30pm 15 June 10:30am - 1:30pm 22 June 12:30pm - 4:30pm



## WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE 2017

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## WEEK 6 – TERM 2

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Dear Parents,

The theme of this year's **Vinnies Mass**, *"Together we can do heroic things and restore dignity,"* reminds us of the purpose of all charitable works viz., to restore people to their own innate dignity.

Your daughters from Years 6-12 entered in to the spirit of the Vinnies Mass. The photo on this front page shows our celebrant, Fr James Valledares, and some of the Members of the St. Vincent De Paul group bearing the gifts of bread and wine and some of the warm blankets and food donated by our families. We are still receiving these donations and we encourage you to send them in with your daughters.

Two senior students gave a reflection on the readings; Head Prefect, Leanne Lee and Deputy, Giordana McKenna. An extract from Leanne's reflection appears on this page and next week we will publish a second extract.

The Gospel reading that we have all heard today teaches us a lesson about the importance of giving. Last year, I went along as part of the Vinnies Youth Group to attend home visitations, and deliver the donations that Vinnies received for their Christmas Appeal.

I still remember a special young family we visited. It was a young couple who had two very young sons. They were a normal family from the country, but when the wife had some troubles with her pregnancy, they were forced to leave everything behind and move into the city for medical help. With all the continuing medical bills, and a new life in the city where they knew no one and had no support, they had no one to turn to but Vinnies. Without a doubt, they did appreciate the gifts and donations they received as it allowed them to have a proper Christmas for their sons. However, what they really appreciated and couldn't stop thanking us for was our company, the effort we made to come visit, and mostly that there were so many people in Adelaide who cared enough and did something about it.

#### **Email to Parents re Federal Funding:**

Yesterday afternoon all Adelaide Catholic schools were asked to inform their parents by email about a talk on Federal Funding to be given tonight at St. Joseph's School Tranmere at 6pm. The speaker is the leader of the Opposition, the Hon Bill Shorten. As you were advised, the Government will also be asked to speak to their own position on a second occasion. This is very short notice and it will certainly be difficult for some St. Dominic's parents given our Fete Meeting is also on tonight. If any parents can attend it would be good for our families to be "in the loop."

#### A story about some chickens and some eggs

Yesterday, a resident of Barnard Street came in to the College and gave to our receptionist Loretta Lighezzolo two little white paper bags on a string, containing six fresh eggs and a thank you card in each, and a note which they had found on their front porch and were returning to St. Dominic's.

The note was written to the owners of the house by two girls from St. Dominic's named Ruby and Bridget. The note said that they were walking along Barnard Street when they noticed that some of the chickens had moved from inside their pen and were on the street! The note continued:

"We picked them up and put them back inside their pen. I hope that's OK. (there are five now in the pen. We hope that's all of them!)"

The owners of the chickens were so grateful that they came in with the freshly laid eggs to express their gratitude. Well rescued Ruby and Bridget, from Year 12.



"Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try"

We are grateful for the safe return return of *Ms Deb Osborne* and *Mrs Raelene White* on their return from Long Service Leave. Both have ventured overseas and we have enjoyed seeing their photos and hearing of their many adventures.

#### STUDENT ENGAGEMENT:

#### CURRICULUM UPDATE - LANGUAGES DAY

We thank *Maestra Elena* for all her hard work with Languages Day. On Monday we had fun and enjoyed the activities with our buddy classes. Some classes did *Mona Lisa artwork* or painted a picture like Michelangelo did on the ceiling of the *Sistine Chapel*. At lunch we had *Gelato* which was really delicious and our favourite flavours are lemon and vanilla. We saw some good performances in the Hall and it looked really beautiful. Our Year 3 class made suitcases out of a box covered in brown paper and printed off labels and name tags. It was really fun and they look awesome. A class also built a black *Eiffel Tower* but a little version. By Lysha Huynh and Emerson Muller Year 3

**CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY**: This term the following clubs can be added to the CU Passports: *Cooking, Chess, Thursday Night Netball, Gardening,* and *Running Club.* We are grateful to the parents who are supporting their daughter with out of school activities too. All passports can be stamped on a Friday of an even week. They will be returned that day. Remember to check the website as there are always activities listed.

# In and around the dessiooms

We are learning about all things medieval in the Year Four classroom. Last week, we investigated the parts of a castle and then looked at various medieval castles from around the world. We brainstormed descriptive words and phrases we could use to describe them.

Here are some examples of our writing:

Misty, cold air still guarded the castle, even years after the queen's death – Millie

The numerous narrow windows are dark tunnels into secret chambers – **Victoria, Charlotte and Ines** 

The faded colours of the castle gave it a haunted appearance – Ella

The mist was spreading, trapping the eerie castle – Alyssa and Rosemary

The castle perched atop a hill. The turrets stood tall, overlooking the city below –  $\ensuremath{\text{Lu}}$ 

The gloomy castle was isolated in the dark, midnight sky – **Annabel** 

Our art lessons also focussed on drawing castles from a description, which help us with our visualising skills. We will be painting them with watercolours and using colouring pencils to layer and create texture.

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**'THUNDERCUP' NETBALL:** Last week we had one loss, two draws and three wins. We had four teams playing each other and the atmosphere was very exciting and competitive. Congratulations to our Year 3-6 netballers who have been trying hard on Thursday nights. They are competing fairly, learning new skills and enjoying the games.

#### PARENT ENGAGEMENT:

**CANCER COUNCIL MORNING TEA:** You should have received your invitation today. If you are able to attend for a brief cuppa, perhaps before work, we

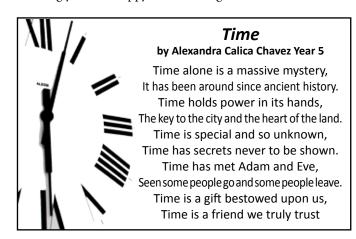
would love to have you join us. Week 8 **Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> June** in the Primary Art/LOTE room anytime from 8:00-10:00am. We have a pamper pack raffle that will be drawn later that week. **Tickets are \$1.00 each**. If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, just pop it into an envelope and give it to your daughter's class teacher.

Upcoming Dates Week 8 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Year 2 Class Mass Their theme is Grandparents.

Week 7 Tuesday Assembly will be hosted by the Year 6 Class. All welcome.



Wishing you all a happy and safe long weekend.



Languages Day 2017



Sari Rann meeting some of her Thunderbird heros





#### Year 9 Altitude Day

All Year 9 Middle School Leaders were invited to attend a leadership event hosted by yLead on Wednesday 31 May. yLead is an organisation that works with schools to encourage positive education and leadership development in young people across Australia. Through interactive and energizing group activities and games, as well as expert and inspirational keynote speakers (Sharni Honor, Brent Reilly and Rowie McEvoy) the themes for the day focused on living out your passion, never giving up and working to make every day "wow." Our student leaders walked away with advice on how to make good choices, build up their confidence to make a difference, all whilst forming a strong network of peers from schools across the State.

#### Student Reflections

"I met many leaders from different schools and played fun games with them. There were three guest speakers, but my favourite was definitely Rowie McEvoy who said "CAN! C is for Courage, A is for ACTION and N is for Never Give Up!" This has taught me a valuable lesson and I hope to follow her wisdom."

#### Adrianne Limgenco (9G)

Throughout the day, there were three guest speakers who told the 220 Year nine leaders, throughout 14 different schools their life story. I particularly enjoyed socialising with different leaders. This was because the hosts made the activities fun and engaging. Also, a highlight of the day was dancing to '*Ain't No Mountain High Enough*'. - Anna Nguon (9B)

"The 'YLead Altitude Day' was a very informative experience. I really enjoyed meeting other Year 9 leaders from different schools and learning about various leadership skills. The key note speakers were extremely inspiring. They encouraged us to be the best we can be and to pursue a career that we are passionate about." - Emma Caporaso (9W)

#### Muriel Noujaim, Deputy Principal (Student Wellbeing)

This event empowered me with a stronger sense of selfawareness, self-worth and self-belief and also reminded me that *ain't no mountain high enough, ain't no valley low enough, ain't no river wide enough*, to keep me from getting to accomplish my dreams and what I love to do. - **Olivia Irving (9G)** 

yLead's guest speakers looked at being a leader from another angle. I found their experiences inspirational and I hope to take action on what they have taught me. - Ella Tonkin (9W)

"We were taught many things about how we could better ourselves to be a great leader, despite our young age. We were taught resilience, to never give up and to be positive even when things are looking down. Having Sharni, Brent and Rowie come in and talk to us about their own experiences made being a leader more possible and seem easier to do. The day was always challenging us to try new things, like meeting other Year 9 students or facing what issues that could be stopping us from being a good leader. If I could go again, I would. It was definitely worth it!" - Amelia Hegarty (9B)





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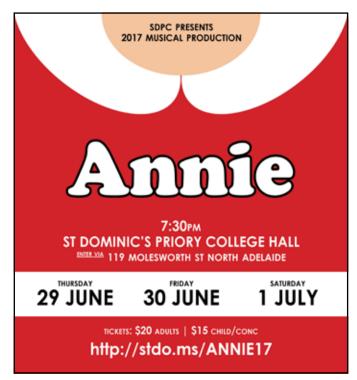


After eight weeks of

preparation, our Year 5/6 team took part in the annual da Vinci Decathlon at St Peter's Girls' School. The girls competed against 24 other schools in ten different disciplines: Engineering, Ideation, Maths, English, Science, Art & Poetry, Drama, Code-Breaking, General Knowledge and Cartography. It was a great experience for the team and they worked together to tackle the challenges and problems they were faced with. Our efforts were rewarded with a first place for the Art and Poetry Task, second place for the English Task and an overall placing of third. The girls were delighted with the results and took home a bronze medal each. We are so proud of their efforts, enthusiasm and growth mindset.

#### Here is their review of the day:

The mist of cold air shivered up our spines as we entered the Art's Centre of St Peter's Girls' School. We were so excited as the first session began. It was challenging but we finished the session with a win for Art and Poetry. Session Two was even more challenging but we persevered and managed to gain a second place for the English task. After lunch, we faced codebreaking and general knowledge. We did our best for the final session of the day. Overall, we were delighted to come third out of twenty-four schools.



#### Meet the Business Leader 2017

The Year 12 students, studying business related subjects, attended



Meet the Business Leader event on Wednesday 24 May 2017. This event was sponsored by the Chartered Accountants Australia to promote careers in Accounting.

Students heard real life stories from a range of Chartered Accountants with different career experiences and different pathways into this career field. All students were allocated to a table, which was hosted by two Chartered Accountants or Chartered Accountants-to-be. This gave the students the opportunity to speak to qualified and experienced accountants so

as to gain advice and information CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTEREgarding this career pathway.

Ms. Jo Riccio

# **Supervision**

As a school, we have a 'duty of care' towards all our students. While the law recognises that sometimes accidents occur and can not be always prevented, the College takes the safety of students very seriously. We have a responsibility of ensuring the type of supervision which a parent would provide. Supervision is dependent on the age of a student and the type of activity which she is taking part in. I would like to give some reminders about several points which arise from the College's 'duty of care' -

1. Each school day, students will be supervised within the College grounds from 8:30am (Reception - Year 6) and 8:20am (Years 7 - 12).

> Students are also supervised during recess and lunch times.

- 2. During the school day, no student is permitted to leave the College grounds without permission from a parent
- 3. For safety reasons, students are not permitted to use the playground equipment unless supervised by a teacher
- 4. When dismissed in the afternoon, students are expected to leave the College grounds and proceed directly home.

Students attending activities organised by the College outside of regular school hours (sports, drama practice, debating, etc...) will be supervised.

#### We ask that parents collect their daughter/s promptly at the end of the school day and at the end of Co-Curricular activities.

5. When a student is absent, parents are asked to contact the College and advise of the absence. Parents will be contacted if the College has not been advised.

These measures allow both parents and staff to have a shared understanding and ensure a responsible degree of safety for the young people in our care.

Muriel Noujaim, Deputy Principal (Student Wellbeing)

# **SPORTS NEWS**

#### Round 4 Results - Saturday 3 June

#### Badminton

Jnr A/B (1) *vs* Unley 1 Jnr A/B (2) *had a* BYE Jnr C Blue (3) *vs* St Aloysius 1 Jnr C Red (4) *vs* St Ignatius 2

#### Netball

Hockey

Year 7/8 B1 vs St Michael's 2 Year 7/8 C1 vs St St Ignatius 4 Year 9 B1 vs Mercedes 2 Year 9 C1 vs St Ignatius 3

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Middle B vs Immanuel B Open A vs Sacred Heart A

### Soccer

Junior C *vs* St Dominic's 1 Senior B *vs* Marryatville 1

Jnr C Red (5) had a BYE

Senior C (3) vs Loreto 3

Senior B1 vs Kildare 1

Senior B2 vs St Ignatius 3

Senior C1 vs St St Ignatius 4

Senior A (1) vs Nazareth 1

Senior B (2) vs St Ignatius 1

No Saturday Sport this weekend due to the Long Weekend [NOTE: regrading will occur over this period, so students are advised to check the sport board in case their draw has changed]

#### **Saturday Sport Reminders**

Now that we are well into the swing of Saturday Sport please help our coaches by ensuring:

- Players arrive for a game NO LATER than 20 minutes prior to a match to allow for an adequate warm up.
- Game duties are shared over the season between parents (timing / scoring) so that everyone can enjoy watching their daughter participate.



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Last Thursday Isabella Bondza, Ella Copeland, Ines Marcon, Angelina Melki and Jasmine Sewart qualified for



the State Cross Country Championships at Oakbank. They all ran well, tried their hardest, and thoroughly enjoyed the competition.

We congratulate **Angelina Melki** (U/13) who won *Gold for the third year in a row*. What a fantastic effort!

Ms Cate O'Leary

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### Year 8/9 Knockout Netball

On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> of May, four Year 9 students and six Year 8 students headed off to Netball SA for the Year 8/9 Knockout Netball Competition. Our first game was against St Mary's College, although we played well as a team, we couldn't make it across the line, losing 54-16. After a short break we then played Mary Mackillop, winning 33-19. Our final game, against Kildare, was the closest of all our games, winning by 1 point (28-29) in the last minute! Although we did get knocked out, we had a great day playing against some great competition.



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