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Dear College Families

With the World Science Festival here in Brisbane this year it seemed like the perfect moment to launch the St John's STEM Institute on 7 March, starting with the annual STEM Forum for around 100 students from 5 local schools, including our sister school The Springfield Anglican College. The theme of this year's Forum was Robotics and Nanotechnology and students were involved in workshops on Ozobots and Robotics conducted by UQ Ambassadors. Our Guest Speaker for the day was Dr Tanveer Hussain, UQ, Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology. This was a very enjoyable day and a fine opportunity for sharing and networking between teachers and students in an area vital to future work for our students. We are very grateful to the University of Queensland, our partners in this venture.



The STEM Institute brings together teachers and students from Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics providing extension opportunities for students from both primary and secondary year levels to immerse themselves in these vital areas. St John's STEM Institute will foster a passion in the next generation of leaders to meet the challenges of the global society by developing their skills in communication, innovation, collaboration and creative problem solving. I am really looking forward to each event initiated by the STEM team.

On 16 March, 34 students and four staff travelled to Scotch College, Adelaide to participate in the Combined Schools Music Festival. The students will participate in two days of intensive workshops in the following areas: Concert Band (Kevin Cameron); Orchestra (Keith Crellin); Choir (Christie Anderson); Stage Band 1 (Robbie Chenoweth); Stage Band 2 (Peter Foley); Boys Barbershop (Matthew Lykos); Girls Barbershop (Bronwyn Palmer).

The Festival culminates in a Finale concert on 19 March. This is a valuable experience for our music students and brings together students from all over Australia to gain insights into what it is like to be a professional musician.

The early days of March have been auspicious for St John's with the Fundraising Appeal Launch to complete Stage 2 of the Auditorium and the Old Collegians' holding their very first Annual General Meeting as an association.

The completion of the Auditorium will enhance the already existing facilities and create a multi dimensional space for learning and performing.

It was wonderful to see so many Old Collegians from graduating years 2000 to 2014 attend the first official meeting of the Old Collegians' Association. Lively and creative discussion was held and we are looking forward to seeing the Association grow in strength.

Kind Regards
Suzanne Bain
Head of College

FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
18.03.2016	Year 12 Business Breakfast	Hillstone, St Lucia Golflinks, 7:00am for 7:15am
21.03.2016 - 23.03.2016	Primary Parent / Teacher interviews	Primary Campus
23.03.2016	Kindergarten Easter Bonnet Spectacular	Kindergarten, 9:00am
	FOTA Meeting	PA Staffroom, Secondary Campus, 6:00pm
24.03.2016	Last day of Term One	Kindy - Year 12
29.03.2016 - 03.04.2016	Duke of Edinburgh Camp	
01.04.2016	Last day of Term One	International College
11.04.2016	Term Two Commences	Kindergarten
	Staff Conference Day	
12.04.2016	Term Two Commences	Prep - Year 12, International College
13.04.2016 - 14.04.2016	Secondary Parent / Teacher Interviews	Secondary Campus, 4:00pm-7:30pm
18.04.2016	Secondary Cross Country	Secondary Campus
20.04.2016 - 22.04.2016	Year 4 Camp	
21.04.2016	ANZAC Day Service	Secondary Auditorium, 12:50pm

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From the Head of Primary

Dear Parents

Cross Country

We had a very successful day on Friday 11 March for our annual Primary Cross Country despite the threatening weather and some children needing to run in the rain. After cancelling our original date for the Cross Country on Wednesday 9 March, we were very fortunate to be able to complete all Cross Country events on the Friday. The students in all year levels showed their determination to complete the course despite the not so pleasant weather. We congratulate them for their fine efforts.

Those who completed their age race in first, second or third positions will be presented with ribbons to acknowledge their achievements. Prep to Year Two ribbons will be presented after the 8:45am Chapel Service on Friday 18 March and the Year Three to Six Medals and Ribbons will be presented at the Sport Assembly on Monday 21 March, commencing at 1.30pm. The Sports Assembly will also acknowledge the students involved in the various Term One JTAS sports. Parents are most welcome to attend both presentation assemblies.



Parent /Teacher Interviews

We invite parents to make an interview time to talk to their child's teacher about the academic progress of their children, prior to the end of this term. Teachers are currently finalising Term One Interim reports and these will be handed to parents at the time of the interview. While the interim report provides some information about the progress of your child, an interview with the teacher will give a far more comprehensive overview. We therefore encourage all parents to find the time to talk with their child's teacher.

International Baccalaureate Attitudes

One of the five essential elements of the IB Primary Years Program is teaching children about attitudes. In a world often filled with negativity and suffering, a positive attitude can make a real difference in life. Although it's impossible to fully control life events, we can control our reactions to what happens. The twelve attitudes taught through the PYP framework can assist children in developing the character and resilience needed to deal with life's challenges. When children develop these positive attitudes early in life, positive thinking becomes a habit and the natural response to most situations.

You will notice a variety of displays throughout the school with a focus on one or more of the PYP attitudes. This is to remind students of the positive attitudes we are striving for. Teachers regularly talk to the children about what attitudes are represented by certain behaviours and actions and they congratulate students who demonstrate positive attitudes. The children are also encouraged to reflect on their own behaviours to determine what attitudes they are displaying. This self-reflection is an important part of PYP practice and helps the children to grow up with not only a strong bank of knowledge, but also a strong understanding of how to be respectful, tolerant, independent, confident and enthusiastic. They also know learn how to show appreciation, how to be co-operative, creative, curious and committed and how to show integrity and empathy for others.

The PYP really is a fabulous curriculum framework which ensures the development of the whole child. We are thrilled to be able to provide it to your children. If you would like more information about this program please visit the International Baccalaureate website <http://www.ibo.org>

Kind regards

Sandra Hawken
Head of Primary

PYP Attitudes

Appreciation: I am thankful for what others do and the world around me.

Commitment: I finish what I start and do not give up. I am responsible.

Confident: I take risks in learning and in life.

Cooperation: I work with others, leading or following as the need arises.

Creativity: I come up with my own ideas and use my imagination in all sorts of situations.

Curiosity: I ask lots of questions and "wonder why."

Empathy: I understand the feelings of others.

Enthusiasm: I am excited about learning and living.

Independence: I think and do things for myself.

Integrity: I am fair and honest.

Respectful: I care about myself, others and our beautiful world.

Tolerance: I try really hard to understand other's differences.

Lakeside Reflection

The Anglican Church is steeped in tradition and as part of that tradition we use many symbols to represent some of our beliefs. For example, Lent and Easter are rich with traditions and symbols.

Our journey to Easter began very early in the term when we celebrated Shrove Tuesday with our Pancake Day. We are very proud of our students for raising nearly \$2,000 for charity from Pancake Day. Traditionally Shrove Tuesday was the day people would eat all the rich food before they entered the time of Lent. For some, Lent is a time of giving up things like cake and sweets allowing them to focus more fully on their walk to Easter.



Lent officially starts on Ash Wednesday, the day after Shrove Tuesday. We hold Ash Wednesday services at both the Primary and Secondary campuses. This year for the first time we included an Ash Wednesday service for our Prep to Year Two students. Each student was invited to be signed with a cross made from ash. The ash is made from the burnt Palm crosses which many churches give out on the Sunday before Easter (Palm Sunday). Ash symbolises that we are entering Lent and that we are to be mindful of the journey to the cross and resurrection.

At Easter our school has a very special tradition where the students re-enact Jesus' journey to the cross. At the Lake

the students from both campuses, (Years Three to 12), gather to participate in the drama of Jesus' final hours. The Cross symbolises those final hours. But we do not stay at the cross for long. Christians are the people of the resurrection, so we move from the death of old ways into new life. The Cross is decorated with white cloth and flowers representing new life. The journey to Easter invites us to let go of old ways and move into new life.

May you have a blessed, safe and restful Easter. Jesus Christ has risen, Alleluia!

Reverend Susan Crothers-Robertson
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Local Anglican Easter Services

St Hugh's Anglican Church, 105 Poinsettia Street Inala

March 24 – Maundy Thursday – 6:30pm
 March 25 – Good Friday – 9:00am
 March 27 – Sunday – Easter Day – 9:00am

St Catherine's Anglican Community, 43 MacFarlane St Middle Park

March 24 – Maundy Thursday - 7:00pm - Sharing in the Passover Meal
 March 25 – Good Friday – 9:00am – A meditational Journey with Jesus to the Cross
 March 27 – Sunday – Easter Day
 7:00am – Easter Celebration
 9:00am – Family Eggsciting Easter Day Celebration (followed by Hot Cross Buns and Easter Egg hunt)

From the Deputy Head of College (Pastoral Care)

Shave for a Cure

Every day, 34 Australians are given the devastating news that they have leukaemia, lymphoma, myeloma or a related blood disorder. These blood cancers can affect anyone, of any age, at any time. They can't be prevented and because treatment usually lasts longer than for other cancers, there's a greater impact on emotional, physical and financial aspects of life. The World's Greatest Shave event is always well supported at the College and this year was no exception. On 4 March, 22 students participated in the World's Greatest Shave. Congratulations to the students who had



their heads shaved and legs waxed. Thank you also to the staff from La Bella Health and Beauty for waxing legs on the day. These ladies volunteered their time and the event wouldn't be possible without them.



This year the team raised \$14,126.85. Thank you to everyone who was involved. The students who participated were Taylor Kett, Joshua Sanders, Tamara Rodwell, Matthew Martin, Adam Johnson, Skylar Tang-Hauk, Reiley Berry, Sam De Nys, Grace Sellars, Maximilian Stadtler, Joshua Mauger, Brendan Stainer, Keegan Jenkins, Benjamin Kozij, Byron Bruce, Harry Ide, Trent Nixon, Jonathan Reid, Tatsu Takagi, Alex Vu, Kyle Magro and Mitchell Drew.

Student Parking

All students who drive to school need to get permission to park in the College's carpark. The forms are available at Student Reception. Below are a list of conditions for student drivers. I would ask that parents of student drivers discuss these conditions with their children.

1. Students will park at the lower end of the College car park.
2. Parking permit must be displayed on the dashboard of the vehicle.
3. The student will not operate a vehicle in such a way that will endanger others, self or property.
4. A 5 km per hour speed limit will be observed at all times.
5. Entry and exit of the car park is via the lower entry/exit.
6. Students will not arrive on school property prior to 7:30am unless a supervised activity has been scheduled.
7. Upon arrival students will park their car in the allocated area and immediately enter the College grounds.
8. At no time during the day will loitering be allowed in or around the car park and/or vehicles.
9. The student will not be allowed in the car or car park during school hours unless permission is granted from a member of administration.
10. Students must possess a valid driver's licence.
11. Students must obey both the St John's Anglican College driving rules and the Queensland state driving laws.
12. No other students are permitted to travel in the vehicle except siblings or home stay students (listed below).
13. Any other student transported in the vehicle must have written permission from the parents of the driver and the passenger, by filling in a "Fellow Student Passenger Policy Form". A photocopy of the letter of approval must be carried in the car at all times. This permission must be approved by the Deputy Head of College.

Robern Hinchliffe
 Deputy Head of College (Pastoral Care)

From the Deputy Head of College (Curriculum)

As Term One draws to a close and the first Examination Block for students in Years 11 and 12 has concluded it is timely to offer some advice from Andrew Fuller from his presentation titled *"Maximising Learning in the Senior Years"*. He reinforces the need to build resilience and positive learning habits in students. Confident children with well-developed organisational skills, resilience, independence and social skills will thrive in the classroom.

Families that work well seem to praise one another a lot. Compliments are made, positive efforts are commented on. Optimism is in the air. Even in these families, teenagers still shrug and say, "yeah Mum" or "yeah Dad" whenever a compliment is made. Teaching the skills of self-praise is useful. From *"Help Your Child Succeed at School"* by Andrew Fuller, www.andrewfuller.com.au

St John's STEM Institute

The St John's STEM Institute ran a number of successful events over recent times. On 7 March, we held the STEM Futures Event which was run in partnership with the University of Queensland. This event was attended by a number of our Year 11 students who study multiple STEM subjects as well as students from other schools in our area. As part of the College on Display evening on 8 March, the STEM Institute ran a series of activities including robotics, coding, water rockets and telescope classes. All of our Year 10 students attended the World Science Festival on 10 March and finally a group of our Year Seven students attended the Green Heart Schools challenge on 11 March.

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QCS Master Class

The first QCS Master Class is scheduled for Wednesday 23 March in the Auditorium between 4:00pm-6:00pm. Afternoon tea is provided from 3:30pm. The focus of the session is on the Writing Task and aims to improve student confidence in sitting this type of paper. We will also be looking at test strategies that work and time management. The session will be taken by our staff who are trained and experienced QCS markers.

Interim Reports

An interim report on student progress throughout Term One will be mailed home to families during the holidays. This report is a progress report, not a formal report and provides an interim result based on available evidence collected on student progress during Term One. The results from this interim report are not used in the calculations of academic awards. The first formal report will be sent home at the end of Semester One. The first round of Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences will occur on Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 April. Further detail of this opportunity to discuss your child's progress will be sent home with the reports. We will again use the online booking system.

Technov8 Update

Our IT staff are available over the holiday break to repair laptops and this is a good time to get your machine repaired. Remember to always back up your files before handing in your laptop.

Glenn Johnson
Deputy Head of College (Curriculum)

Performing Arts

"Education in the arts is an integral part of the development of each human being". (Jensen, E. (2001))

Dance News

The Senior Dance Excellence Team had their first performance at CODAT. The dancers performed with grace and were able to convey the message of the piece to the audience beautifully. This piece will also be performed at the Easter Service in the coming weeks.

This year the dance teams are fundraising to purchase new costumes, to be worn throughout the year. The dancers are selling \$2 raffle tickets, which will put you in the draw to win our amazing and delicious Easter basket full of festive goodies. The raffle will be drawn on the final day of term, so get in quick before they are all sold out. Good Luck!

Drama News

Drama Troupe – Queensland's Youth Theatre Sports Festival

Due to the incredible increase in enrolment numbers in Drama Troupe, we are pleased to confirm that St John's will have four teams in this year's Queensland Youth Theatre Sports Festival which will be held during Term Two. Letters will be sent home soon to confirm students' placement in teams and the dates of the first rounds of heats. This year St John's will be hosting one of the heats on Monday 9 May in the Auditorium. We hope the school community will come along and support our Drama Troupe members in this exciting and fun filled competition.

Music News

Years Nine-11 Composition Workshop

On Friday 4 March, Topology member John Babbage presented a composition workshop to the Years Nine-11 Music students. He focussed the session around composing for theatre, creating moods with music and working with storyboards and mood boards in composition. He brought with him some examples of his own work for theatre, dance and puppet theatre and discussed with the students his experiences working with the directors and how he created the works. Thanks to Mrs Campbell for organising this fascinating workshop.



College on Display at Twilight

Thankyou to members of Bella Cantabile, Barbershop Boys, Academy Strings, Senior School Dance Excellence Team, Brass Ensemble, St John's Anglican College Wind Symphony and Stage Band who performed at CODAT. Another great performance.

Combined Strings Workshop

Over 70 students from St John's Anglican College and The Springfield Anglican College participated in a workshop on Sunday 5 March. Thanks to the guest tutor Anna Colville from Camerata of St John's. The concert at the end of the day showcased the exceptional talents of our young string players. Well done everyone and we look forward to future collaborations.

Instrumental Music/Concerto Competition

Application Forms for the Instrumental Music and Concerto Competitions to be held on Wednesday 18 May are now available from the Instrumental Teachers and the PA Staffroom. Applications close on Friday 15 April and no late entries will be accepted.

Combined Schools Music Festival

34 students and four staff are presently in Adelaide at Scotch College to participate in this Festival which St John's hosted in 2014. The students will have two intensive days of workshops in a Band, Choir, Orchestra, Stage Band, Barbershop Boys and a Girls group before the finale concert to be held on Saturday night in the Scotch College Chapel. We look forward to hearing of their experience at the first Assembly in Term Two.

Primary Performing Arts News

Capriccio Choir

Capriccio Choir are currently preparing for their performance at the Easter Concert on Thursday, 24 March. Please ensure your child is wearing their formal uniform on the day. Thank you for your ongoing support. We are looking forward to performing for you!

Bellissimo Strings

It's been a busy couple of weeks for Bellissimo Strings. On 4 March, the ensemble had a great time performing their piece, Big Ben Boogie, with lots of energy for the Strings Twilight Concert. On Sunday 6 March, our Bellissimo Strings members were fortunate to attend a combined strings workshop with students and staff from The Springfield Anglican College. The highlight of the day was a massed combined string orchestra performance of a piece by Stephen Chin called 'Rainbow'. The performance included 75 performers and was conducted by Anna Colville, who is a professional string player with the Camerata of St John's. On 8 March, students had an enjoyable opportunity to participate in a display rehearsal for parents and friends as part of CODAT. Thank you to all friends and parents for their support during this busy time.

Geraldine Campbell
Head of Performing Arts

Coming PACE events

16-20 March 2016	Combined Schools Musical Festival (Adelaide)
23 March 2016	FOTA Meeting
24 March 2016	Easter Service
9-10 April 2016	Dance Camp
21 April 2016	St John's ANZAC Day Service
22 April 2016	Anglican Schools Musical Festival
25 April 2016	Forest Lake Community ANZAC Day Service



ST JOHN'S PACE EVENTS 2016

March	Combined Schools Music Festival - Adelaide Easter Service
April	Dance Camp Anglican Schools Music Festival
May	Mother's Day High Tea Concerto Competition College Carnival
June	Brisbane Performing Arts Challenge
July	Drama Camp
August	Gold Coast Eisteddfod Showcase Concerts
September	Theatricks
October	College Creations St John's Cathedral – Evening of Music
November	Evening of Jazz Night of Celebration

FOTA (Friends of the Arts)

The Performing Arts program at St John's is renowned for the quality education and experiences it provides our children. The PACE program is characterised by dedicated and talented teachers working in excellent facilities. The other key for our children's success is the support provided by College parents.

The Friends of the Arts (FOTA) supports the development of the Performing Arts program at St John's and we are seeking more parents to join us. The effort is minimal and the rewards are great. We would love to see you at the next FOTA meeting (23 March, 6:00pm in the PA staff room).

If you have any questions about FOTA, please drop me an email (leonjscott@gmail.com) or give me a call (0407 675 060).

Leon Scott (Chair, Friends of the Arts)

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Sport

Term Two Sport

It is great to see students getting involved in Term Two sports. Preseason training has already begun and numbers are growing each week. Getting involved in sport not only helps develop your health but provides an opportunity for students to develop their relationships across their year level by participating in team sports on Saturdays. Students who are not involved in a team are encouraged to support the St John's teams on the weekend. Students should be dressed in full St John's Formal Uniform when supporting teams on the weekend. In addition, we should also be mindful of the TAS Code of conduct for players and spectators.

TAS Code of Conduct – Players

- Under no circumstances is there to be deliberate bending of the Laws of the game.
- Players must not question the referee's/umpire's decision. Only the team captain or coach may seek clarification of decisions.
- Players must control their tempers at all times and must not "mouth off" or use body language that demonstrates disagreement or disrespect to a referee or other official.
- Players must not ridicule, goad, interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of any player, nor feign injury to gain an unfair advantage.
- A player should exhibit good sportsmanship and enthusiasm for the game at all times, in particular by:
 - working hard for himself/herself and his/her team mates;
 - applauding good play by both teams;
 - shaking hands before and after the game; and
 - thanking the referee/umpire at the end of the match.

TAS Code of Conduct – Spectators

- Good play by either side should be acknowledged by spectators in the appropriate manner. This can encourage players and help them to lift their game as the match or contest progresses.
- Unwise or fanatical barracking can make a player perform foolish actions in their play, or incite them to foul play, which is not to be condoned.
- The Principal, or their representative, has the legal right to remove any person or persons who do not conform to the acceptable standards of behaviour as laid down by his school.
- Consumption of alcohol by spectators is not permitted.
- Referees or umpires are not to be approached by spectators at any time before, during or after a match.
- While cheering and supporting one's own team is recognised as part of the conduct of the game, and provided this barracking is within the requirements of the By Laws (with respect to Athletics and Swimming), it is to be encouraged; "anti barracking" is to be discouraged.
- While the Host School should make every endeavour to provide for the disposal of rubbish, all spectators should make every effort not to litter any parts of the playing fields and/or grounds.

Pre-season Training

Pre-season training has begun for all Term Two sports. As the sports training schedule is very full, training preference should go to Term One sports. In the event that a clash may occur please ensure that you have placed your name on the signup sheet. The signup sheet can be found on Moodle.

DATE CLAIMER!

Holiday clinics have been organised to provide students with an opportunity to participate in intensive training in preparation for each Term Two sport. The dates are as follows:

- Girls Hockey – Friday 8th April;
- Girls Netball – Friday 8th April;
- Boys Tennis – Saturday 9th April;
- Boys Rugby – Saturday 9th April.

Clinics will begin at 8:45am and conclude at 3:00pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. The cost of the clinic is \$15. Payment is to be paid to Miss Passmore at the registration table. Attendance at the Clinics will ensure students are well-prepared for the first round against Ormiston on Saturday 16th April.

Captain's Reports

Basketball Captain – Jessica Harris

The basketball girls of 2016 played their last home game of the season on 12 March. Sadly, for the Year 12 students, it was our last ever home game. With emotions running high every single team fought hard against a tough opposition, Canon Hill Anglican College. I cannot express how proud I am of this season, it is everything I wanted and more. A lot of times a score doesn't reflect how hard a team has played, which is what I have witnessed this season. I honestly believe we have created a family where there is no existence of grades or teams. I am so thankful that we have been blessed with the opportunity of playing basketball. Additionally, this wouldn't be possible without Lawson and our coaches. I would like to thank every single one of them for their time this season.

Tennis Captain – Chloe deNys

The tennis girls are continuing their domination on the tennis courts, with very successful rounds against Redeemer and Canon Hill Anglican College (CHAC). The Open A, Open B, Year 10 and Year Eight teams all defeated both Redeemer and CHAC opponents, cementing their position in the top ranks of the leader board. The Year Seven students unfortunately went down against both CHAC and Redeemer, however the team is now better than ever, with a few fresh faces and rising stars. The Year Nine team were valiant in their defeat against Redeemer, however weren't able to demonstrate their talent against CHAC due to having no game on the weekend. I am extremely proud of the efforts the girls have put in this season, and am looking forward to the results of our last game this weekend against St Paul's.

Volleyball Captain – Mitchell Drew

St John's Volleyball had a very successful past two weeks against strong Redeemer and CHAC sides but came out with 9 out of 12 wins. The Year Seven and Year Eight students continue to dominate in their games showing amazing skill. The Open team went up against some strong opponents and were able to come away with 2 out of 4 wins showing that training pays off and refusing to give up until the last point. All teams have improved remarkably since the first game with many teams sitting in good positions for premierships. All teams should be acknowledged in not only their skill but their determination towards the game and showcasing some classic St John's spirit. Next week the Dragons travel to St Paul's for the last game of the term. So lets finish on a high!

Cricket Captain – Samuel deNys

On 5 March, the SJAC Dragons came up against Redeemer, and came away with a dominant performance. Open A, Open B and Intermediate First teams all came away with great wins, whilst the Open C team came away with a draw. Sammy D's mentions of the week are Nick Blundell hitting a long ball and Dominic with his best game yet. Good stuff lads, see you at training next week.

Swimming Captains – Abbey MacDonald & Keegan Jenkins

The final preparations are under way for the TAS swim team. All swimmers have been training hard and consistently throughout this term and are looking like a strong force for the TAS swimming carnival on 23 March. We would like to remind everyone that every place counts and anything is achievable with all the hard work put in. All student swimmers are encouraged to bring their school spirit with them on the day to fire up the team. We are looking forward to seeing strong results and lots of new PBs.

Equestrian

Kooralbyn Equestrian Group held their One Day Event on 27 and 28 February 2016. Sophie Nicholls entered her horse Rooney in the Pre-Intro Open Class and Laura-Grace Nicholls entered her horse Avispa in the Intro Open Class.



On Saturday Sophie did a super dressage test and went clear in her showjumping round which left her sitting in 7th place overall and 2nd Junior. She then managed to go clear in her cross country phase leaving her 4th overall and 1st Junior. An outstanding result!

Laura-Grace did one of her best dressage tests yet and was sitting 11th equal overall out of a class of 41 riders and 3rd Junior. She rode cross country and was clear and on time. This left her as 2nd junior and 9th overall.



Another successful weekend for the girls. Well done girls!

Rising Stars

On Tuesday 8 March, Princess Avia attended the Met West U/15 Volleyball Trials. She impressed the selection committee by demonstrating a good understanding of playing middle position. Well done Princess.

On Thursday 10 March, a number of boys attended the Met West Rugby Trials. Matthew Martin, Tausaga Foai and Ryan Huntley performed exceptionally well impressing the panel with their Rugby skills resulting in their selection into the team. Brilliant effort.

Metropolitan West Trials

Metropolitan West Trials are currently under way. Students wishing to trial must have previous experience in their chosen sport and must be accepted by the Metropolitan West convenor. Please ensure you see Miss Passmore before the nominated date.

Primary Sport

Term 1 JTAS sport is rapidly coming to an end with just two Hockey and Cricket fixtures to go. Thank you once again to everyone involved in coaching or managing teams this term and to all staff involved in sporting activities. We had a high level of student participation during the term.

After being washed out on 9 March, the Primary Cross Country was postponed to Friday 11 March. We almost got through the Cross Country before the rain came down, however, we still managed to complete the day. Some were a little wetter than others, but it was a great effort by everyone who participated. There can only be one winner for each individual race, but each competitor who finished can be very proud of their achievement.

To end the season there will be a Sport Assembly on Monday 21 March, where players involved this term will be recognised as well as the ribbons, medals and Inter House results presented to the Year Three to Year Six students, and the Prep to Year Two runners will receive their ribbons after Chapel on Friday 18 March. All training will end at the end of Week Eight (Friday 18 March), but Running Club will continue in Week Nine.

We have had a number of our students attending District trials recently. Congratulations to Lachlan Cooper on his selection into the U12 Basketball team, and Ethan Robinson, Ethan Ryan and Harrison Pascoe on their selection into the U12 Soccer team. They will all soon be competing in the Regional competitions from which Met West teams are selected. We wish them well.

Congratulations also go to Sophie Nicholls on doing really well in a recent Equestrian Eventing competition, ending up the top junior rider in her Division. Well done.

If your child still wants to play Netball or Rugby in Term Two please let Mr Murray know so he can add them to the list. We are trying very hard to enter at least one team in each Year level.

Thank you to all staff and parents involved in sport this term, your involvement is very much appreciated and allows so many students to participate. Thank you to parents for transporting players to matches as well as your great support each week. Thank you too, to the ground staff for looking after the facilities at the Primary campus so well.

SPORT	PEOPLE
JTAS Pre-season Rugby training	Mr John Miller Mr Murray
Mini Hockey	Mr Murray Mrs O'Connor
JTAS Swimming Training	Mrs Ryan Mr Murray Coach Ian (Sam Riley's)
Junior Running Club	Mr Murray Mrs Hall Mrs Huffels Mrs E McPherson Mr Matt Murphy
Kanga Cricket	Mr Murray Mrs Shaw Mrs Boudjema Secondary campus coach Stuey
JTAS Hockey	Mr Allen Mrs L Wilson
Netta Netball	Mrs Stone Mrs E Wilson Secondary students
JTAS Cricket	Mr Bellas Joshua Sanders Secondary students
JTAS Pre-season Netball training	Mrs Sanders Mrs Bailey Mr Wilson Mrs Coogan Mrs Schembri Mrs Katrina Edmonds, Coaches Sharon and Skye Smith Secondary students
Friday afternoon Cricket	Mr Murray Secondary students
Senior Running Club	Mr Murray Mrs E Wilson Mrs Abeyewardene Mrs Hurley Mr Craig Blake

Facebook

For all the latest sporting news, photos and updates don't forget to 'like' the St John's Anglican College Sport Facebook page.

Photographs

Thank you to everyone who has been taking photos at St John's sporting activities. Keep on sending your snaps in to apassmore@sjac.qld.edu.au. All photos welcome. It would be great to receive some photos from the Primary Sport too.

Melanie Gramenz
Head of Sport

SoS - Supporters of Sport

This term we have seen some small changes to the SoS Committee with a couple of positions being filled by different parents. It has also been a busy term for the Canteen with four home games in a row and it was great to see some new faces (parents and students) volunteering their time to help out. Students are able to accrue time for their service hours and we appreciate any parent that is able to give up even half an hour of their time to man the BBQ, put food orders together or serve cold drinks and make that well deserved coffee.

Next term will only see one home game so if you are able to help out please visit our new online tool at tinyurl.com/sjacsos where you can add your name to the time slot that suits you or alternatively you can contact our Kiosk Convenor, Celene at descy@bigpond.com

Our Supporters of Sport meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm in the Secondary School Sports Classroom (GLA2). The next and first meeting for Term Two will be held on 26 April. We would like to see you there or if you have any questions regarding SoS you can email the Chairperson Peta-Maree Teale pteale65@bigpond.net.au

SoS Committee 2016

Careers

For important dates and information about competitions and robotics school holiday workshops, please refer to the Senior School Careers Bulletin (9 March issue). The Bulletin is sent via email to all Year 10, 11 and 12 students. It is also available on Moodle under Student Resources, Senior School

Year 10 Career Resources

Year 11 Career Resources

Year 12 Career Resources.

Music Auditions

Griffith University (Queensland Conservatorium)

June Audition applications open

15 August Audition applications due

26-30 September Auditions

<https://www.griffith.edu.au/music/queensland-conservatorium/programs-courses/music-audition>

The University of Queensland (UQ)

Auditions for entry to the Bachelor of Music (Honours) are held in September and October each year. The application closing date for auditions is Monday 15 August.

<https://music.uq.edu.au/auditions>

JMC Academy

- animation
- audio engineering and sound production
- contemporary music and performance
- digital design
- entertainment business management
- film and television production
- game development
- songwriting

Information Session

Tuesday 24 March, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/information-sessions/jmc-academy-information-sessions

Queensland University of Technology (QUT)

Information for parents

<https://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/are-you-the-parent-of-a-school-student>

“Reinvent Your Career” Expo

- Career expo specifically for adults
- Meet potential employers, staff from training providers
- Information about upgrading, re-skilling and re-entering the workforce

Saturday 19 March and Sunday 20 March
Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

www.reinventyourcareer.com.au/brisbane-expo/about-the-expo/

Annabelle Lam
Careers Advisor

Old Collegians

THE OLD COLLEGIANS' ASSOCIATION – IT'S OFFICIAL!

Wednesday 9 March marked a significant milestone in the history of the Old Collegians' fraternity with the first official meeting of the Old Collegians' Association at St John's Secondary campus.

Graduates from as far back as the year 2000 to the more recent graduates of 2014 came along to support the Association and this exciting event.

The energy, enthusiasm and commitment from the attendees was evident on the night stimulating lively discussion and creative outcomes for the future of the Association.

The Executive was formed with Zach Raftery being nominated and accepting the position of President of the Association. Zach said *“The Old Collegians' Association is an important link between the past, present and future of the College. Our primary goal is to remain connected with current Old Collegians' and investigate new ways to connect with Old Collegians”*.

While some committee positions are yet to be filled, the Association is looking forward to a fantastic year ahead with the management of the Old Collegians' bar at the 2016 College Carnival and other new initiatives.

For further information on the Old Collegians' Association and how to get involved contact Elaine MacRae, Old Collegians' Association Secretary at oldcollegians@sjac.qld.edu.au



Elaine MacRae
Development Coordinator
emacrae@sjac.qld.edu.au
www.stjohnsanglicancollege.com.au/community/old-collegians/



Mathematics

The Maths Competitions Team has a growing group of Year Seven to Year 10 students who work every week on skills relevant to upcoming mathematics and problem solving competitions. The first major event for these students is the CAT (Computational and Algorithmic Thinking) competition, held the last week of Term One. We are also looking forward to a number of competitions scheduled for Term Two, including the Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians Challenge and Enrichment Stages, as well as the Mathematics Team Challenge. We are still looking for more students who are interested in mathematics to join the team for the remainder of the year. If you are interested please come to the Lower MAST staff room and have a chat to Mr Osburn.

Miles Ford
Head of Mathematics

Science

Over the past week St John's students have participated in several amazing Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) events. As part of the STEM Institute we are encouraging participation in STEM subjects and providing opportunities to experience STEM careers first hand.

Encouraging the Scientists of the Future

Science at St John's Anglican College is thriving, with many students choosing to study science in Year 11 and 12 and beyond. We have a highly successful extension program, in conjunction with Griffith University, to offer a university Biology, Chemistry and Physics course at St John's. The following Year 11 students were successful in gaining entry into the Year 12 course and we congratulate them: Keegan Jenkins, Mitchell Drew, Parva Shah, Hannah Binggeli, Dominic Bowden, Bhavik Barot, Tim Chen, Truc Le, Charlize Fleay, Maria Bui, Khoa Doan, Alannah Aldridge, Maddison Hamilton, Tatsu Takagi, Trent Nixon.

These courses provide exposure to University level science and, provided you pass the course, enable students guaranteed entry into certain courses at University, credits towards their degree and an additional rank point towards their OP ranking.

The deadline for applying for these opportunities in Year 11 is 24 March, so if you are interested please contact Sharon McHugo (smchugo@sjac.qld.edu.au) to get an application form.

Chloe de Nys has been selected to participate in the STEM research internship programme offered by QUT. Chloe is one of only 20 students chosen to be involved in real research at QUT and will spend a week as part of the materials research group. It is a great honour to be involved in this programme.

Science and Engineering Challenge

This is in conjunction with the many other STEM opportunities at St John's, including the Science and Engineering Challenge on 4 March. The St John's team of Year Nine and 10 students competed in trials of their engineering and science knowledge with schools from around Brisbane. They built hovercrafts, catapults and moon buggies amongst other challenges. They performed exceptionally well and came second on the day, with the Mission to Mars team breaking the record for the quickest time ever.

Science Futures: STEM beyond the classroom

This term the Science Department, as part of the STEM Institute, is delighted to have organised a STEM day in partnership with UQ on 7 March. Some of our top Science students in Year 11, along with invited schools from around south Brisbane were involved in two different robotics workshops run by current UQ Engineering and Science students with REAL experience of university life. Dr Tanveer Hussain gave an engaging talk about nanotechnology and renewable energy. It was a great success.

CODAT STEM Event: Rockets and Robots

As part of CODAT Ms Vicky Spicer ran the first STEM evening event "Rockets and Robots". As part of this fun evening students and their families were involved in various STEM activities including coding Robots, designing and building matchbox rockets, a water rocket challenge, creating drawing robots, building Lego mindstorms robots and a Telescope Masterclass. It was a great success and will be the first of several future evening events run as part of the STEM Institute. Further information to follow!

Year 10 World Science Festival Trip

This year, for the first time, the World Science Festival visited Brisbane. All Year 10 students at St John's were given the opportunity to attend a "Cool Jobs" presentation, which included fascinating stories about delving into a virtual world of dinosaurs, investigating criminal activities as part of the real life CSI, landing on asteroids in space and handling dangerous reptiles. Afterwards they visited the Queensland Museum to visit the Science Centre and see the many World Science Festival exhibitions. It was wonderful to be submersed in the wonders of Science for a day.

Year 7 Green Heart Schools Competition

On 11 March, St John's provided the opportunity for ten Year Seven students to travel to King George Square to participate in the Green Heart Schools Future BNE Challenge as part of the World Science Festival. The students were welcomed by Mayor Quirk and listened to a talk by Dr Karl Kruszelnicki before being challenged to plan and design innovative solutions to address future water needs for the city.

Mark Richards
Head of Science

St John's Foundation News

Our future includes you

On Tuesday 1 March invited guests joined the St John's community in the College Auditorium to celebrate the launch of the Fundraising Campaign for Stage 2 of The Performing Arts Centre of Excellence. The event provided the St John's Foundation with an opportunity to share the building plans for Stage 2 of The Performing Arts Centre of Excellence with supporters of the College.

Primary and Secondary students involved in the performing arts groups Academy Strings and Alpine Singers provided the beautiful musical entertainment for the evening.

The exciting second stage of development will complete the facility at the northern end with additional open plan learning areas (doubling up as foyer spaces), additional amenities, recording and performance spaces and Music Department teaching spaces; all over three levels.



Head of College, Suzanne Bain said *"that this wonderful new facility, when completed, will provide excellent opportunities for St John's students to develop the ability to think critically, be creative, communicate well and collaborate with others"*.

St John's Foundation has an ambitious target of \$500,000 to raise to ensure that on completion the Auditorium building will reflect the current Stage 2 plans.

The Foundation is therefore seeking support from as many as possible (current families and the wider College community) to make the completion a reality.

For further information on the stage two development or how you can assist in this fundraising appeal, please contact the College Foundation Fundraising Officer, Peta Nagle on 07 3372 0127 or email PNagle@sjac.qld.edu.au.



Uniform Shop

UNIFORM SHOP EASTER TRADING HOURS

Please note the Uniform Shop will be closed over most of the Easter Break this year. We will be open the following days/times:

Thursday 7th April	9:00 – 11:00am and 1:00 – 3:00pm
Friday 8th April	9:00 – 11:00am and 1:00 – 3:00pm
Monday 11th April	9:00 – 11:00am and 1:00 – 3:00pm
Tuesday 12th April	Normal Trading Hours

We will not be open the first Wednesday of Term Two this year.

Our normal trading hours are printed below.

Monday	8:00am -10:00am and 1:30pm - 4:00pm
Tuesday	8:00am -10:00am and 1:30pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday*	Closed
Thursday	8:00am -10:00am and 1:30pm - 4:00pm
Friday	8:00am -10:00am and 1:30pm - 4:00pm

WINTER KNITWEAR

Even though it seems like the last thing you need to be thinking about at the moment, our winter knitwear has arrived. Although we try to order enough of every size it is hard to predict what will be needed each year and we do sometimes run out of certain sizes. Please try not to leave it till the last minute to call in and choose a size for your child. We are happy to hold stock for you until wanted if that makes it easier.

Mandy Willemse
Uniform Shop Manager
Ph: 07 3372 0181
Email: uniform@sjac.qld.edu.au

Sibling Enrolments

Sibling Enrolments for 2017 Kindergarten to Year 12

Enrolment interviews for 2017 have now begun. If you have a sibling of a current student due for entry in 2017 you have priority entry however it is important that you submit your enrolment application by the end of Term One to guarantee a place.

You can access the Enrolment Application and Admissions Guide via this link - <http://stjohnsanglicancollege.com.au/enrolments/enrolment-process/>

Remember that we need your application early so that we can make sure we have a place for every little brother or sister.

Janette Collins
Registrar
jcollins@sjac.qld.edu.au

Launch of a New Facebook Group for St John's Second Hand Uniforms



With the discontinuation of the e-Community site early this year, a new Facebook Group has been established for the buying and selling of St John's Anglican College second hand uniforms.

This closed group will allow families of St John's to post uniform items for sale or to trade in an easy and safe environment. Please note that this group is only to be used for the sale of St John's uniforms.

If you have uniforms items posted on the e-Community website, you will need to re-list them on the new Facebook page. If you would like to advertise uniforms, please visit the new Facebook group, **St John's Second Hand Uniforms Online**. Please click 'Join Group' and your request will be accepted within one business day.

Prior to posting your items, please read the 'Description' which provides you with a detailed summary of the group policies.

Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/920253598082194/>

For further information about joining this group please contact Rebecca Cole - rcole@sjac.qld.edu.au

Don't forget to also 'Like' St John's Anglican College Facebook Page. We update the Page daily with exciting photos and news about events and activities for both primary and secondary.

Please visit: <https://www.facebook.com/stjohnsanglicancollege/>

Rebecca Cole
Marketing and Social Media Assistant

Save the Date: Foundation Events

St John's Foundation Business Breakfast Series 2016

Wednesday, 27 April 2016

Guest Speaker: Ross Elliott, former Executive Director & CEO of the Property Council of Australia, inaugural CEO of Brisbane Marketing, senior business advisor and industry consultant
Time: 7am for 7:15am.

Cost: \$27

Where: Stronghold Investment, Level 1, 2 Westlink Court, 10 Station Avenue, Darra



How to book: <http://stjohnsfoundationbreakfast2016.eventbrite.com.au>

International Student Homestay Program

Families are required for International Homestay

Short and Long Term stays available

Homestay families enjoy a rich cultural experience when they welcome international students into their home, often with great friendships developing.

If you would like to welcome an international student into your home and you would like to know more about the St John's Homestay program and the attractive reimbursement rates, please contact our Homestay Manager, detailed below.



Homestay Manager,
Coralie Harris.
Phone: 3372 0175 or 3372 0110
Email: charris@sjac.qld.edu.au

College Carnival - Carnival Sponsors

St John's would like to acknowledge the very generous support of the 2016 College Carnival sponsors:

Sponsor	Level of Sponsorship
Forest Lake One Community	Platinum
Dawson Moving & Storage	Gold
Clifford Signs	Gold
Bonfire Yoga Browns Plains	Bronze
Commonwealth Bank Forest Lake Branch	Bronze
PODS	Bronze

College Carnival - Call for Sponsors and Raffle Prizes

Dear College Families,

Our preparations for this year's College Carnival extravaganza are well underway.

We are calling for all levels of Sponsorship (Gold, Silver, Bronze, Goods in Kind and/or Raffle Prizes) in order to be able to put on an even more spectacular event than in 2014.

In particular, we need sponsors for rides as these are our biggest cost and the biggest drawcard.

We also need raffle prizes over the next four weeks, so that the Major Raffle and Cent Auction are ready to launch straight after the Easter holidays. Please be generous and consider donating or funding:

- Wine
- Chocolates
- Bath Towel Set
- Perfumes, body lotions and cosmetics
- New Toys and Games
- New Electrical Goods
- New home care items
- Girls and Boys Sporting Goods (we would like to make up 1 x Girls Sports Bag and 1 x Boys Sports Bag)

Please label Raffle Items clearly with: Raffle Prize for College Carnival from (e.g. Sarah Smith's Family in Year 2) and leave at either the Primary or Secondary Reception for collection by Felicity Lewis or Glenda Lovatt (Sponsorship Co-ordinators).

If you are interested in finding out more about the sponsorship packages available to promote your business to St John's, local and wider community, then please contact Greg Braithwaite, Carnival Director or Felicity Lewis, Sponsorship Co-ordinator via:

Email: gregb1312@gmail.com or Mob: 0438 182 639.

P.S. Please remember the Carnival needs good quality second hand books and toys, so please stay tuned for details of where and when you can start dropping these items off for this exciting event!



Felicity Lewis
Sponsorship Co-ordinator

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St John's Anglican College Mother's Day High Tea

On

Saturday 7 May 2016

at

The Courtyard, St John's Anglican College,
Secondary Campus

1.45pm for a 2.00pm start

\$45 per person (maximum 6 guests per table)

Theme: Breakfast at Tiffany's
(Don't forget to wear your pearls!)

There will be raffles and a prize for the best dressed guest

Tickets available from Tuesday, 22 March 2016
at trybooking.com.au/GZYT



Brisbane South April Holiday Program

Thursday and Friday 7th and 8th April
9am—5pm

St John's Primary – Alpine Place,
Forest Lake

\$55 per player per day or \$65 if paying on the day.
Use coupon code "sjapr16" to save \$10 online!

Excellent opportunity for students to:

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- Take on challenging puzzles
- Play tournament games
- Enjoy some free time outside under the supervision of our coaches

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Students should bring their lunch and snacks and
a water bottle and a hat!

To register & pay go to
www.gardinerchess.com.au/events-adults-juniors

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