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Dear College Families,

Several staff attended the recent biennial Anglican Schools Conference for the Diocese of Brisbane, an opportunity for excellent professional sharing and networking among our staff members. Rev'd Susan and Mrs Hinchliffe showcased our Prayer Spaces initiative to Anglican Schools in Queensland as a way for genuine reflection and pastoral connection with the needs of our community. Senior students also participated in a video reflecting on what success and perfection looks like.

Congratulations to everyone involved in showcasing St John's initiatives.

Hot on the heels of our students' success in the Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge at NASA, others have been involved in the Global Virtual Classroom contest, winning a Bronze Award. This competition is facilitated by the Global Education Outreach for Give Something Back International Foundation where classrooms around the world join together to create a website that promotes technology in education, global citizenship and the merits of teamwork. Schools were placed in teams of three schools from different countries. Team GVC1517 consisted of St John's, Liberty High School, Liberty, Missouri, USA and St Mark's Senior Secondary Public School, India and their entry was a website entitled *Perception of Perfection*. The Bronze Award includes a GSBI Foundation scholarship sponsoring a child in Vietnam which covers a year's educational expenses for this child. Congratulations on a Bronze Medal to GVC1517 and to Mrs Singh for her initiative.

Our STEM Institute programs are really taking off and opportunities for our talented St John's students to be well prepared for their future abound.



Challenging and shocking presentations on some of the dangers for our children who are unsupervised online remind us again to jog our parents' memories about the free resources available to you to help you meet these parental responsibilities. Supervising children's technology use is one of the most challenging roles parents must play. Resources to help you set limits and guidelines are available on the Anglican School's Commission website. This is a free resource for all parents in Anglican Schools. If you have lost your login please call reception. So far only 66 St John's parents have logged in to this resource!

In the coming week we will farewell Mrs Geraldine Campbell who has taken up a new role in Sydney after ten successful years in her role at St John's as Head of the Performing Arts Centre of Excellence. We sincerely thank her for her work on developing our program to a high standard and providing wonderful opportunities for our students. We wish her well in her new role.

Kind Regards

Suzanne Bain
Head of College

FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
7 May 2016	Open Morning	Primary and Secondary Campuses, 9:00am - 12 noon
	Mothers Day High Tea	Secondary Campus Courtyard, 1:45pm for 2:00pm
10-12 May 2016	NAPLAN Testing, Years 3, 5, 7 and 9	
13 May 2016	Old Collegians' Awards Breakfast	Hillstone, St Lucia Golf Links, 7:00am
17 May 2016	Primary Photos - Semester 1 Sports, Monday / Tuesday Kindy Program	
20 May 2016	Head of College Morning Tea - Early Years	Secondary Campus, 10:00am

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From the Head of Primary

Dear Parents,

New Digital Design and Technologies Curriculum

At the end of 2015 the Australian Government released the newly developed Technologies curriculum which incorporates two distinct but related subject areas:

- Design and Technology – allowing students to design, create, problem solve and produce solutions for authentic needs and opportunities, and
- Digital Technologies – in which students learn to use computational thinking and computer technology.

The aim of this new curriculum is for students to work individually and collaboratively to:

- Investigate, design, plan, manage, create and evaluate solutions,
- Become creative, innovative and enterprising when using traditional, contemporary and emerging technologies and understand how technologies have developed over time.
- Make informed and ethical decisions about the role, impact and use of technologies in the economy, environment and society for a sustainable future.

At St John's our teaching programs include a range of opportunities across the year levels for students to engage in digital design and technologies. The PYP Units of Inquiry are particularly valuable as they allow for a significant integration of design and technology with other subject areas. We are regularly reviewing our programs to keep abreast of technological changes and best practices in education and as part of our review we have decided to introduce the St John's STEM Institute. This initiative will offer further opportunities for students to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Already we can see the way in which STEM is growing at St John's with 'Bee bots' and iPad photography in Prep, through to coding in Upper Primary. Young Inventors Club, Science Club and Maker Spaces are added extras for interested students and the STEM Sprouts activities for Prep children during lunchtimes enrich the children's learning.

We are thrilled with the results our senior students achieved at the recent Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge at the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida USA, and we are sure that the initiatives and opportunities provided through the St John's STEM Institute will lay the foundations for more students to achieve at an international level in the future.

Year Four Camp

It was a time of fabulous fun and adventure at the recent Year Four camp at Lake Moogerah. Students spent two nights away from home and learnt many things such as

archery, bush survival skills and how to beat the challenge of the commando circuit, over obstacles and through mud. Every student rose to the challenge and learnt that doing something tough and



succeeding results in a great sense of satisfaction. Well done to all our students and thank you to the staff members who gave of their time to attend the camp: Mrs Abeyewardene, Mr Bellas, Mr Brownlow, Mrs Shaw, Ms McPherson.

Nanshan International School

We were very excited to welcome into our community a group of visiting students from Shenzhen in China. They have been integrated into our upper primary classes for the duration of Term Two. I met with their school principal Mr Qiu and teachers this week and he thanked me for the opportunity we provide his students each year. Mr Qiu said the students and teachers really enjoy being part of the St John's community and the younger students look forward to the experience well before it is their turn to travel to Australia. The connection between our two schools enhances the learning of our children and helps us to be more internationally minded.

Grandparents Day – Save the Date

On Tuesday 31 May we will be inviting Grandparents to visit the primary campus for a morning of fun and entertainment. Invitations will be sent home in the near future and we ask parents to let grandparents know about this special occasion and to save the date in their calendar. It is always a wonderful day at St John's when our Grandparents are with us.



Kind regards
Sandra Hawken
Head of Primary

Lakeside Reflection

Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Baptism and First Holy Communion

Once again Baptism and Admission to Holy Communion is being offered to Year 3 students and any other students in Years 4 to 6 who may be interested in a special service during the Year 3-6 Chapel at 1:45 pm on Friday, June 10. During this special service the students will be Baptised and Admitted to Holy Communion.

Baptism and Holy Communion are important sacraments in the Anglican Church. When children are Baptised (sometimes called 'Christened') the symbols and the words used point to their entry into a new way of life, life in Christ or life in Christian community. In the Anglican tradition, one way we are strengthened and renewed in this way of life is through sharing in the holy meal of Communion or Eucharist. Before Jesus died on the cross, he told his disciples to share in this meal in memory of him.

Confirmation...the next big step

This year we will be inviting staff and students from the Secondary Campus to think about making the significant step of seeking Confirmation in the Christian faith.

This is an ancient sacrament that today remains a powerful rite of passage into owning faith in an adult way. It's a time when we can stop and think about the deepest issues of our faith and what mature Christians believe on the fundamentals of our life together. Confirmation candidates will be prepared for this step in a series of gatherings, and then be part of a special service which marks the initiation into an adult world of faith. Because of its significance, the Confirmation service is led by our regional bishop, Bishop Alison Taylor.

This is also an opportunity for Baptism. Staff and students who are not Baptised may like to take this opportunity to be Baptised as a step forward in their faith. More detail will be given a little later in the year.

The Confirmation and Baptism service will be at the Senior School Thursday 15th September at 12:50pm.

Please contact Rev'd Susan if you have any questions-
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From the Deputy Head of College (Pastoral Care)

Tours and Excursions in Parent Lounge

We will be setting up all tours and excursions online in Parent Lounge from this term. You will receive an email alerting you to any tours or excursions which need to be approved and paid for. The following link has simple instructions for you to follow to accept and pay for tours and excursions as well as review medical information. <http://sproutvideo.com/videos/7c9bdab4181be3c2f4> It is important that we have accurate email addresses so you will receive the notifications. If you have any queries about the new process please contact Nicole Reed in the Finance Department.

Managing Children's Emotions

Parenting expert, Michael Grose, recently wrote about managing children's emotions. He writes that emotionally intelligent children know a range of healthy ways to manage their feelings. Children often model their parents reactions in stressful situations. When difficult emotions emerge many people default to ineffective ways of dealing with their feelings such as avoidance, denial and worrying. Sometimes, despite what we are taught, it is better to find ways to deal with negative feelings rather than avoiding them. Avoiding them can allow them to overwhelm us or cause us to act out. Below are seven habits for forming healthy emotions.

1. *Breathe deeply:* It is very beneficial to take deep purposeful breaths rather than slow shallow breaths.
2. *Find a favourite exercise:* There are many instant relaxation exercises you can use to change your emotional state.
3. *Use a positive reappraisal:* Emotions are caused not by an event but by the way we look at an event.
4. *Use positive, realistic self-talk:* Next time you are having a conversation with yourself talking yourself out of doing something, replace the negative with something realistic and positive.
5. *Exercise:* Exercise releases endorphins, nature's feel-good chemical, which will move your mood to a better state.
6. *Distract yourself:* A healthy distraction such as phoning a friend is an effective way of managing difficult emotions.
7. *Have constructive habits and hobbies:* One of the tenets of good emotional health is that a person needs hobbies and interests that lift them up and make life enjoyable.

Michael Grose reinforces the fact that parents need to practise good emotional management techniques so they are better placed to pass it onto their children.

Jerseys

In the near future the Year 11 students will be voting for the 2017 jersey. Once the design has been chosen the students will be able to order their jersey from the uniform shop. Students may choose a name to put on their jerseys. These names need to be appropriate and approved by the College.

100 Days To Go

The Year 12 students will be celebrating 100 Days To Go on Tuesday 24 May at 10:30am in the courtyard. The event signifies 100 School Days until the Year 12 students finish school. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

Robern Hinchliffe
Deputy Head of College (Pastoral Care)

From the Deputy Head of College (Curriculum)

Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge

Congratulations to the 20 students from St John's who attended the 10th annual Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge Summit at the NASA Kennedy Space Center in Florida U.S.A.



The Challenge was established by the Conrad Foundation with the students greeted by chair Nancy Conrad, wife to the late Pete Conrad, captain of several NASA missions and third man on the moon. St John's had six teams among the 100 finalists at the three-day competition selected from more than 500 entries from more than 10 countries. In addition to taking part in student-driven sessions, the teams toured the Kennedy Space Station, the Atlantis Shuttle Exhibition and the Saturn V Rocket. Students also spoke with astronauts Captain Kathryn Hire, Jon McBride and Bob Cabana, Director of NASA. St John's students Kelsey Matuschka, Olivia Hutley, Shihaab Azam and Hamza Khan are the first Australians to win one of the four divisions of the annual Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge. Their winning idea was to develop a mobile application to regulate the colours of mobile devices to alleviate anxiety, stress and poor sleeping patterns. Their "Lumos App" idea is based on studies that show prolonged exposure to lighting patterns on various devices can lead to mental and physical health issues. They didn't just win a trophy, but will also be offered help in establishing patents for their app as well as marketing and private entrepreneurial support to take their app to market. Their coach, teacher Nathan King, was also the first teacher from outside the US to win the prestigious Teacher of the Year award.

Tammy Bui	Samuel James
Thomas Cameron	Thy Ai Mai
Zoe Christofis	Kelsey Matuschka
Nikkky Ly	Grace Nagy
Gayathri Menon	Yehan Navaratne
Richa Patel	Amy Nicol
Chace Eldridge	Hoang Tan Pham
Ahmed Ghumman	Chloe Rosazza
Olivia Hutley	Lawson Woolford

Student Accounts of the Conrad Experience

We loved every moment of this experience and it felt great to know that our hard work and long hours paid off. This opportunity allowed us to meet so many interesting and intelligent people and have a better awareness of the issues in our world. Life skills such as problem solving, resilience, social skills, communication and networking were all a part of the experience. This shows us what real world situations may look like when we step 'out into the open' enriching how we handle the situations.



'We would recommend that if anyone were to be given this opportunity to not only travel to the summit, but to be a part of any stage of the Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge, then they should. The experience and life skills gained from competing in this competition are like no other. The product is completely your own: how you design the product, the technicalities of the idea and how you aim to make your product the best solution to that issue. Previous competitions stop at the prizes, Conrad ensures that fellow competitors have made fully functioning products, that will be made available. Being part of this competition allows for the youth to assist in the world of tomorrow'. Gayathri Menon and Zoe Christofis

Science, Technology, Engineering and Math are now the key building blocks of innovation. The Conrad Innovation Summit proved having a balance of all of these was possible and that nothing is impossible. After demonstrating that long distance space travel, living on an asteroid or even Mars is becoming a reality the whole experience became more important and many of our boundaries had changed. During the conference, we were able to listen to expert opinions on medicine, naval technology as well as stories from experienced astronauts. But not only professionals being able to collaborate with some of the brightest and hardworking people created a sense of admiration and pride.



Not forgetting the flamboyant, bubbly Nancy Conrad who gave us a warm welcome making us feel a part of a global society at the NASA Kennedy Space Centre. The centre was huge and had a range of activities from shuttle simulations, to holograms and shops we were free to explore and participate. So every day as we would return to our hotels, grab some dinner or head down to the beach, then lie on our comfy beds where we would immediately be off to sleep. Only to wake up early and be prepared for the next round of exciting events. The atmosphere was great but even more the interventions we had allowing us to raise our voice and the people we met who we will dearly miss. This is probably the most important lesson we learnt and that was, 'networking'. Knowing people who you may meet in the future who could be your boss, colleague, partner to create the next big thing.

Overall, the trip was outstanding, organised and fun. Personally, a highlight was going to Disney World the happiest place on earth. So the only way to describe this entire journey is feeling 'over the moon'. Richa Patel



Glenn Johnson
Deputy Head of College
(Curriculum)

Careers

For important dates and information about competitions and pathways to medicine at Griffith University, please refer to the *Senior School Careers Bulletin* (27 April 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.

Career quizzes aren't designed to tell someone the career to choose and work in for the rest of their life, but used in conjunction with other tools they can contribute to helping with research.

<http://www.alife.net.au/a/need-direction.php>

[http://www.skillsroad.com.au/my-account/my-careers-quiz-\(1\)](http://www.skillsroad.com.au/my-account/my-careers-quiz-(1))

Ipswich Smart Tank Competition

A start-up competition for high school students who have a health-oriented business idea

Competition closes on Wednesday 11 May.

<http://www.ihfoundation.org.au/smart-tank.html>

"All Things Healthy" Expo

Saturday 11 June

10:00am to 2:00pm

University of Southern Queensland (USQ)

Ipswich campus

11 Salisbury Road

IPSWICH QLD 4305

Contact: Chelsea Rees

Ph: 1300 736 428

allthingshealth@ihfoundation.org.au

Queensland University of Technology (QUT)

Bridging Courses

Chemistry, Maths B and Physics

Preparation for university, meet subject pre-requisites for tertiary entrance.

Applications for Semester Two close on Wednesday 15 June.

<https://www.qut.edu.au/study/short-courses-and-professional-development/science-and-mathematics>

START QUT

Opportunity for high-achieving Year 12 students to extend their studies in their final year of high school by studying a university subject.

Applications close on Friday 13 May for Semester Two.

<https://www.qut.edu.au/study/high-school-programs/start-qut>

QUT Classic Fun Run

Sunday 15 May

www.qutclassic.com

*Annabelle Lam
Careers Advisor*

Old Collegians

2016 Old Collegians' Awards Breakfast Friday, 13 May 2016, Hillstone, St Lucia Golf Links

We are delighted to confirm that Rebecca Sparrow, author, columnist, magazine editor and TV scriptwriter has been confirmed as the guest speaker for the 2016 Old Collegians' Awards Breakfast.



Perhaps best known for her first novel *The Girl Most Likely* (currently in development as a feature film) and as a newspaper columnist, Rebecca will address the importance in life of finding your tribe, the art of resilience and why we all need to redefine what success means for ourselves.

We look forward to welcoming Rebecca and celebrating the achievements of our 2016 Old Collegian Award winners.

Tickets are still available for the breakfast and can be booked on line via the St John's website at:

www.stjohnsanglicancollege.com.au/college-event/2016-old-collegians-awards-breakfast/

College Carnival

It is only a few weeks away now until the 2016 College Carnival and this year the Old Collegians' Association will run the Carnival Bar on the day. We are looking for Old Collegian



volunteers to assist on the day between 12pm through to 7pm. Old Collegian Taylor Duggin (2013) is coordinating the roster for the bar. If you know of an Old Collegian who may be interested and available to support the Association on Saturday 21 May please email Taylor direct at tbdblue2@hotmail.com. It should be a lot of fun!

*Elaine MacRae
Events and Development Officer*
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www.stjohnsanglicancollege.com.au/community/old-collegians/

Student Protection

You have the right to feel safe at all times including when you are a student at this school and until you graduate from the College. Protection for children and young people is of paramount importance in Anglican Church schools. St John's Anglican College has policies and procedures which assist us to provide a safe environment for all students and members of our school community. The College has nominated the following staff members as Student Protection Officers:

Primary	Secondary
Mrs Hawken	Mrs Hinchliffe
Mr Brownlow	Mr Pascoe

We encourage you to talk to a trusted adult, one of our Student Protection Officers or to Mrs Bain about any concerns that you may have for your safety or the safety of another student.

Performing Arts

Study of The Arts changes the learning environment to one of discovery. This often re-ignites the love of learning in students tired of just being fed facts. (Fiske, 1999)

Dance News

Our Dance Team members are busily preparing for the College Carnival and the South-east Queensland Eisteddfod scene. Rehearsals for the Intermediate Team have been extended to 6:45am – 8am and the Senior Team with a 3pm start to accommodate the lost Public Holiday rehearsals. Good luck!

Drama News

Theatresports

St John's will be hosting the Theatresports Competitions on 9 and 19 May in our Auditorium commencing at 7pm. Come along and support our teams who have been working hard to prepare. Refreshments will be provided by The Friends of the Arts from 6:00pm. Tickets are available at the Door Adults \$9 and Concession \$7.

Music News

Anglican Schools Music Festival

On Friday 22nd April, ten St John's students had a fantastic musical experience at the Anglican Schools Music Festival held at QPAC. They worked with Mr Barrie Gott, Mr Antoni Bonetti, Miss Sally McHugh and Mr Neil Flottmann to produce an evening of high quality performances. Congratulations and we look forward to our involvement in 2018.



DeepBlue Workshop

Well done to the thirty-five string students from across the College who participated in the DeepBlue workshops and concert held on Wednesday 20 April. The concert was amazing!

Anzac Day

Thankyou to members of Chorale, Barbershop Boys and Wind Symphony for your efforts in leading the College and Forest Lake Community Anzac Day Services. Special thanks to Year 11 student Egan Sun-Bin for your solo trumpet performances here and at Grand Avenue State School.



Academy Strings Events

Members of Academy Strings will be performing at the Mother's Day High Tea on Saturday 7 May as well as the Old Collegians' Breakfast on Friday 13 May. Best wishes to all and thanks to Ms Turner for her preparation for these events.

Forest Lake National Seniors

Thanks to Gabriel Wilson, Dylan Bui and Viraj Sashankan who will play at the Forest Lake National Seniors Meeting on Wednesday 11 May.

Instrumental Music/Concerto Competition

Diary Date Claimer for Wednesday 18 May to hear the best instrumentalists of the College. The evening will commence at 5:45pm in the Drama Room. Good luck everyone!

Primary Performing Arts News

Our Ensembles are preparing for performances at the College Carnival and Grandparents' Day, so keep up the good work and be prompt to all rehearsals.

Remember to check the Weekly Happenings on the PACE Facebook Page to stay in touch with all the exciting opportunities for our students here at St John's.

*Geraldine Campbell
Head of Performing Arts*

Coming PACE events

7 May 2016	Open Day
7 May 2016	Mothers' Day High Tea
9 May 2016	Theatresports Competition
13 May 2016	Old Collegians' Breakfast
15 May 2016	St Catherine's Middle Park
18 May 2016	Instrumental Soloist / Concert Competition
19 May 2016	Theatresports
20 May 2016	Brisbane Eisteddfod Senior Dance Troupe
21 May 2016	College Carnival
25 May 2016	FOTA Meeting
26 May 2016	Brisbane Eisteddfod Intermediate Dance Troupe

ST JOHN'S PACE EVENTS 2016

May	Mother's Day High Tea Theatresports Concerto Competition College Carnival Brisbane Eisteddfod
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

Sport

Brisbane Independent District (BID) Cross Country Results

The Brisbane Independent District (BID) Cross Country race was held on Thursday 28 April. St John's entered a number of students into the competition. Well done to all students who participated in this race. Congratulations to the following students who were successful in their selection into the BID Cross Country Team:

Age Group	Boys	Girls
Under 13	Finn O'Grady	Ainsley Sherrington Lauren Richardson
Under 15	Mark Dunkley	Richa Patel
Under 16	Chace Eldridge	Uma Nayar
Under 17	Keegan Jenkins Harry Clayton	Isabelle McKewen

Captains Reports

Hockey – Brooke Lohmann

Week One fixtures against Ormiston College brought promising results across the board for the hockey teams. The girls presented a united front and a determined attitude. The skills learnt during the clinic and the past week of training were clearly implemented with the focus on hitting, trapping, and passing. Some impressive team work was seen from the younger teams, with the two Open Squads proving they weren't going down without a fight. The final results from all teams were encouraging and formed the basis for a great start to the season.

In Week Two, St Johns were in tight competition with St Pauls, with the teams taking away some great results. A tremendous improvement could be seen from all teams this weekend, with the Year Seven team taking away their first win of the season. The passion and persistence was evident from the moment the ladies hit the field, and the results clearly reflected their hard work. A positive attitude and friendly competition made for excellent gameplay.

Netball – Angel Sun-Bin

Round 1 against Ormiston put the Netball girls' pre-season training to a test. The Middle School teams demonstrated a clear improvement from last year, as they continued to develop their skills and confidence on court. The Year Seven girls played exceptionally hard, coming away with a well-deserved win from the 7As. All Senior School teams displayed great leadership, persistently encouraging their team mates throughout their games.

Round 2 was the first away game against St Pauls. The Middle School teams presented excellent team work and great dedication in the soaring sun. Whereas, the Senior girls put up a tough fight for the opposition, refining skills, set plays and communication from the week before. Congratulations again to the 7A netball team, with their great commitment, defeating St Paul's.

Rugby – Brendan Stainer

St John's Rugby hit the ground running in Round 1 against Ormiston. Promise was shown throughout all the junior teams, with all the games having close scores. Both the First and Second XVs came out with victories, setting a good foundation for the season ahead.

Round 2 was a much tougher fixture, coming up against the much larger school of St Pauls. This was the Anzac week, the heart shown in every game was unrivalled. All the boys gave 100% effort right to the last whistle, and as a result came off the fields with heads held high.

Tennis – Ben Kozij

The St John's Boys Tennis Teams started the season off with wins in the Year Eight and Open B age groups. The Super 8s are currently undefeated with wins over both Ormiston College and St Pauls School. The Year Seven, Nine, Ten and Open As teams were all valiant in their defeats and have shown promise for the rounds to come this season. A special mention to Hamza and Kurt who were down 0-4 in their doubles match and managed to come back to win the set 6-4.

Rising Stars

Congratulations to Max Skerrett who has been selected in the Met West U/15 Baseball Team.

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

In very good running conditions on Friday 29 April, our Cross Country runners once again did us proud with excellent results in the Inala District Cross Country. We were able to defend the overall trophy as well as the aggregate trophy that we won last year, and eight St John's runners qualified to compete at Met West by finishing in the top six of their events.

Congratulations to:

U10 Boys	Kobe Blake Cooper Blake James Hopewell
U10 Girls	Faith Thompson Bhoomi Borse
U11 Boys	Lachlan Cooper
U12 Girls	Makayla Magro
U12 Boys	Kambyl Moore

We had 4 outright winners:

Kobe Blake (U10 Boys)	Faith Thompson (U10 Girls)
Lachlan Cooper (U11 Boys)	Kambyl Moore (U12 Boys)

We also had 5 runners finish in the top 20 in U11 Girls and U12 Girls events.

All in all a very good day. Thank you to Mrs Shaw, Mrs McPherson and Mr Allen for helping with the team at the event and to Mrs Shaw, Mrs McPherson for helping prepare the runners at Cross Country training every Tuesday afternoon, and to Mr Craig Blake for helping every Thursday running club, together with Mrs E Wilson, Mrs Hurley and Mrs Abeyewardene.



Saturday 30 April saw some of the boys back up in the All Schools Individual Cross Country event. Well done to Cooper Blake (12th), Kobe Blake (15th carrying an injury) and James Hopewell (54th) who came second in the team event. Excellent results for the team as we continue to train in preparation for the JTAS Cross Country event at the end of Term 2.



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

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

Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop Trading Hours

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

Winter knitwear has arrived and I am sure that the cooler weather will be here as well before we know it. Even though 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.

Please remember that the sports jacket is only to be worn with the sports uniform. A separate red knitted jumper is sold for the formal uniform. We also sell a knitted vest for that extra warmth if your little one feels the cold.

Navy tights are available for our junior school girls to wear with their formal dress and come in two thicknesses. A navy scarf is available and is only allowed to be worn by our junior school students. Red scarves are not part of the College Uniform.

Long grey trousers can be worn by our Prep – Year 6 boys. We have a very limited supply left of the old style loop trouser at a reduced price. The other variety available has an elastic waist with a double thickness knee.

School / House Badges at APC

Reception on the junior campus carry a supply of both the College and House Badges. These sell for \$6.00 each and can only be paid for with cash. Remember, if your child's badge breaks or is faulty it can be returned to either the Alpine Place Reception or the Uniform Shop for a free replacement.

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

St John's Foundation News

Our future includes you

Stronghold Investment and Graystone BTP were the hosts for the second St John's Foundation Business Breakfast of the year on Wednesday 27 April.

Held in the beautiful facilities of BTP Westlink Green, guest speaker, Ross Elliott enlightened the business attendees on the changing patterns of employment in South East Queensland.

Stronghold's Executive Director, Steve de Nys also spoke about the urban renewal precinct of Darra including the restoration of The Lime Station together with the leasing opportunities that BTP Westlink Green offered to businesses.

Westside BMW supported the event by donating a BMW for the weekend for one lucky winner of the business card draw.



The next breakfast in the 2016 series will be held on Wednesday 31 August at Westside BMW, Darra. The guest speaker will be announced in the coming months.

For further details on the Foundation, future events and how you can support please contact Elaine MacRae, Development Coordinator on telephone 07 3372 0113 or email emacrae@sjac.qld.edu.au.

College Carnival - Raffle Tickets for Sale!

College Major Raffle

Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5 (best value ever!). Available at Secondary Campus Reception - just ask Michelle!



Prizes:

1st: Two nights stay at Peppers Soul @ Surfers Paradise in a 2 Bedroom Oceanview Apartment with \$150 restaurant voucher & 2 x buffet breakfasts

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Plus: Junior School Tuition Scholarship from Northshore Coaching College

3rd: Two nights stay at Mantra Coolangatta Beach Resort in a 2 Bedroom Oceanview Apartment

Plus: \$250 Caltex Fuel Voucher

4th: Family Pass to Australian Outback Spectacular

College Carnival - Call for Cash Sponsors and Minor Raffle Prizes

Dear College Families,

As we are 2 weeks away from the College Carnival on 21st May 2016, we are calling for Cash Sponsors for Rides as these are our biggest expense.

We also require Minor Raffle Prizes in order to be able to run a "Cent Auction".

If you are able to help us we need:

4 x bottles White Wine	4 x bottles Red Wine
4 x boxes of Chocolates	4 x boxes of Savoury cracker biscuits
4 x small cheeseboards with cheese knives	4 x Picnic Table Cloths (small, round or square)
2 x Towel Sets (Bath Towel, Hand Towel, Face Washer)	2 x Toiletries Packs (Body Wash, Large Mesh Puff Sponge, Body Lotion)

Please leave donations in clearly marked bags at the Primary or Secondary Reception for collection.

Please label bags with the following information:

Carnival Raffle Prize from (your Family Name & Child's Year Level & Contact Number)

P.S. Please remember the Carnival needs good quality second hand books & toys, so please start delivering these items to either Primary or Secondary Reception.

Business and Legal Studies Department

Term two is shaping as a challenging term for business students. The Year Nine students are taking part in the National Australia Bank's \$20 Boss competition. This competition was developed to spark creativity, innovative thinking and entrepreneurship, the program gives every student a chance to build a small business from the ground up, tapping into their incredible potential. Students are provided with \$20 each, then through hands-on experience these mini entrepreneurs will plan, budget, market and run their business idea building innovation, enterprise and financial literacy skills in the process.

Some selected Year Eleven students have entered into the QUT Blueshift competition. This competition is a business case competition for high schools, hosted by QUT Business School. With tips and support from successful QUT Business School students and experienced business professionals, students apply the theory they have learnt in class to a problem faced by real businesses. They compete against other teams from across Australia, develop professional presentation and creative problem-solving skills, and find out what it's really like to work in the exciting world of business. I will keep you posted on the results of both of these competitions.

It was also pleasing to be able to donate last year's, Year Nine Mini-market Day proceeds to the Fiji Cyclone Appeal being operating through the Anglican Church. The department donated over \$800 to this worthy cause to assist those who have lost a great deal.

Finally, it was really exciting to be able to take over 30 business students to the 'Fast Forward Your Business Conference' held at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre late last term. The students were able to link with a number of entrepreneurs and learn many aspects of developing their own business. Thank you for the support of by all contributors and to Jeremy and Deborah Harris for their assistance with this project.



Women in Science

On April 15 three Year 12 and three Year 11 students participated in the program *Aspiring Women in Science*. The night commenced with an address by distinguished Professor Judith Clements, a biochemist specialising in prostate and ovarian cancer at the Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation. Professor Clements talked about her unorthodox pathway into a tertiary education after leaving school on completion of Year 11 to pursue her love for travel. Now, her many qualifications have led to a research of the prostate-specific antigen-related enzymes and their utility as biomarkers for prostate and ovarian cancer. Her story of hard-work and dedication to support ambitious women in Science certainly inspired us all.

Early Saturday morning, students enjoyed a keynote address from a practicing doctor, Professor Leonie Callaway. Mrs Callaway described her journey through the university and the difficulties of being a woman in a male-dominated industry. Though the income is substantial, the effects of PTSD and long work hours on her social, emotional, physical and personal life was the main focus of her speech. Students and teachers were then released to enjoy a fulfilling selection of food for morning tea. Afterwards, students split off into individual sessions in which small classes of 30 spoke to industry professionals. Career women from many industries including engineering, genetics and health, hosted small information sessions about what these careers entail and the possible future opportunities for each of them. After two sessions, students and teachers gathered for lunch.

The second half of the day delivered more valuable and informative sessions for us. We looked into Dr Rehan Villani and her research on molecular biology and genetics and especially her interest in stem cells. Her passion has led her to a study in skin cancer and her research into harnessing the potential to regenerate new skin. Dr Villani has travelled everywhere and later in her life she returned to Brisbane and led a team herself, with the hope of finding new and novel treatment strategies called Basal Cell Carcinoma targeting skin cancer. She explained that when her research was done at international levels, she got to travel around the world and have people everywhere help her solve the same problems. Being able to travel was the rewarding part of working in the medical research field. Her take-home message for us in the session was, you can't undervalue the importance of doing what you want or like.

After some afternoon tea, we all gathered in the auditorium for another talk about life at the university. Sarah Ayles, a UQ Senior School Ambassador, delivered informational speech about what's on offer from UQ. She pointed out the many different programs offered by the university and explained that there is a lot of support given to first year students such as a classroom dedicated to freshmen which allows them to get tutors when they encounter trouble in their courses. She urged us to take the initiative and ask for help when we need it so that our highest potential could be reached.



As the conference came to an end, we all agreed that by hearing from inspiring female scientists who are a part of the scientific community, we've learnt valuable lessons together with new information that has allowed us to become open to yet more opportunities available in science.



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2016 College Carnival

RIDE ARMBANDS ORDER FORM

Name: _____ Class: _____

Qty	Cost per Band	Total Due
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Please provide email address if you wish to be advised when the armbands are available for collection from APC reception. Email: _____

Armbands will need to be collected by a parent/guardian (no armbands will be released to students). Armbands which have not been collected prior to the Carnival can be collected on the day from the P&F stall. Armbands can be purchased on the day at the cost of \$45.00.



RIDES: *Music Trip, Round Up, Dodgem Cars, Super Swing, Giant Slide, Cup & Saucer, Junior Roller Coaster, Lost Ark Inflatables Fun Factory, Junior Castle, Kids Crazy Convoy, Farm Yard*

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Who: Pre-Kindy children with an adult

When: Monday 30 May

Time: 8:45am till 9:15am

Where: St John's Anglican College Library-
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