

# Ripples

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Dear College Families,

New experiences driven by rapidly changing technology in our work and home life emerge every week assisting us to do things more quickly and with great ease. While children in schools today, named by demographers as Gen Z, have grown up with change and the expectation that they will be a part of shaping that change. Unfortunately, this enthusiasm is not matched with the skills to discern what information is useful or relevant. They like to think they can multi task but in fact this is a myth and the risk is that deep learning will be sacrificed for expediency. Deep learning comes with opportunities to work together on real life problems, developing higher order thinking and problem solving abilities.

At St John's we are teaching our students to focus on four key skills upon which a strong foundation for learning and navigating this fascinating new environment, filled with opportunities, can be built. Communication and collaboration, creativity and critical thinking; all essentials in team work and delivering coherent outcomes are skills developed in everyday learning opportunities in classrooms and extra-curricular activities at St John's. These were showcased recently by our Future Thinkers at the Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge, our Global Virtual Classroom students who, with their international teammates were awarded third place in the global ICT competition, and here at a State level in the Confucius Institute Chinese Speaking Competition, where three St John's students in Years Six and Seven were awarded prizes last week.

We are immensely grateful to the UQ Confucius Institute who each year provide two assistant native speaking teachers to work in both our Primary and Secondary Chinese Language classrooms. This intensive language teaching is certainly paying dividends for our keen language learners. Congratulations to:

Ryan Nguyen (6A): 1st prize Second Language Speaker section

William Bowes (6B): 3rd prize Second Language Speaker section

Amanda Liu (7R): 1st Prize Background Speaker section

This week on ABCTV a four-part program called *Revolution School* about the latest research into changing teachers practice commenced. Prof John Hattie's work on quality

teaching is certainly inspirational and St John's teachers have been implementing many of his recommendations in their classrooms over the past three years. We are blessed to have high quality teachers, committed to developing their own practice through regular professional development and collaboration with one another. Annual reviews of their teaching practice provide the means of determining appropriate development opportunities. Prof Hattie's work shows that regular and timely feedback to both teachers and students helps them to meet the new challenges of the technological age and perform at their best. Our students often tell me that "it's cool to do well" at St John's, which is exactly the right school culture to ensure our high expectations can be met.

For the next two weeks our Parent Satisfaction Survey is available for you to provide feedback. St John's is committed to providing high quality teaching, learning and service to our families and welcomes feedback on these areas. This survey is linked to our Strategic Plan to ascertain our progress in particular areas. Please locate the email sent to you on Tuesday this week which contains the link to the survey. Please assist us in this important work.

A very big thank you to all members of our Carnival Committee who staged such a wonderful College Carnival on 21 May. This was an outstanding effort by all involved in the planning and all who donated time and energy on the day. We are very grateful for your efforts. When the accounts are finalised we will let you know what was raised and to which projects this will be directed.

Kind Regards  
**Suzanne Bain**  
Head of College

## FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
2 -10 June 2016	Year 11 / 12 Exam Block	
3-12 June 2016	Brisbane Performing Arts Challenge	Auditorium
8 June 2016	Primary Interhouse Athletics Carnival	Primary Campus
10 June 2016	Baptism and First Holy Communion	1:50pm, Living Faith Chapel, Primary Campus
14-16 June 2016	Primary Parent Teacher Interviews	Primary Campus
17 June 2016	Primary Sports Assembly	12 noon, Living Faith Chapel, Primary Campus
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## From the Head of Primary

Dear Parents

The Primary School was filled with happiness on Tuesday this week when we held our annual Grandparents Day. It was a real joy to see the smiles on the faces of the children and their visiting grandparents and to hear their conversations. Grandparents were amazed by the activities St John's students are engaged in during their learning. From writing code for webpages to learning Chinese, participating in PYP units of inquiry, hands-on Maths activities and reading using QR codes, the grandparents were astounded at how much school has changed.



The morning concluded with a concert presented by our Performing Arts students and Grandparents were treated to a variety of dance, choral and instrumental items. It was not only the Grandparents who thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Children gain so many benefits from opportunities to perform, speak in front of an audience, explain their learning and 'teach' others. These experiences cement their understanding of knowledge and give them confidence to showcase their skills and ideas.

For example, learning how to write code for a webpage takes a new way of thinking -some people liken it to learning another language. When a student is learning code they have a far greater chance of remembering the steps and the code if they teach someone else how to do it. The majority of our visiting grandparents are unlikely to remember the coding they witnessed on Grandparents Day, but for the students who demonstrated and explained coding, their understanding and memory of the steps will have been strengthened significantly.

Another way in which students can strengthen their learning is through talking to their parents about the PYP units of inquiry they have been studying. Teachers will be sending home each child's PYP portfolio which gives an overview of the learning that has occurred. Please take the time to talk to your child about the concepts they have investigated and what they have learnt. We encourage our students to reflect on their learning and talking with others is great way to reflect.

We also ask you to make a positive comment in the portfolio where indicated. I am sure you will be very impressed by the learning that has taken place. Children love to see the input of their family members and it means so much to them when they can share with their class the feedback they have received.

### Vacation Care Program

A fabulous program of activities, excursions and fun has been developed for the Winter holiday period and is now available on the College website. If you would like to take advantage of our Vacation Care facility or would like to give your child something different to do one day in the holidays,

please complete the booking forms and return to the ABCC office or Primary Reception as soon as possible.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

We will be conducting Parent/Teacher interviews in the last week of this term and information about the dates and times available will be emailed to parents in the coming days. We encourage all parents to find time to talk to their child's teacher as not all information can be provided through the written report.

### Sports Assembly

Our students have been training hard for the Primary Athletics Carnival to be held on Wednesday 8 June and they are really looking forward to the event. The students who win ribbons for First, Second and Third positions in finals events will be presented with their ribbons at a special Sports Assembly on Friday 17 June, the last day of term. This assembly will also recognise the students who participated in Term Two sports. Parents and friends are invited to attend the assembly which will commence at 12 noon in Living Faith Chapel.

Kind regards

*Sandra Hawken*  
Head of Primary



## Lakeside Reflection



On Wednesday 18th May, a group of Year Ten students set out to see what they could do to improve the world. But, when they arrived at the St Aidan's campus in Corinda, they quickly realised that to change the world they didn't need to be a world leader or a superhero, they simply needed to listen, understand and teach others. While this all sounds very simple, these world changing ideas have been proven to be effective.

The Year Ten students listened to stories of disasters such as Cyclone Winston and how people and organisations can cause more problems by trying to help. They learnt about the struggles of poverty and lack of clean water in third world countries. They looked into the issue of gender inequality and climate change, and noted how these issues aren't just affecting countries overseas but Australia as well. These issues were taught to the students from St John's and many other schools in various different group activities. In the final activity they were divided into the issues that they were most passionate about. They then had to work with other groups and try to convince them that their issue was important to achieving the other team's goals.

This taught the Year Ten students that all of the world's existing issues are relevant to each other and that we must try to solve them all together as a big family. And that is what Won Tok means: 'family'.

The students learnt about the sustainable development goals that the United Nations have put in place for 2030. Eliminating poverty, hunger and poor health and

wellbeing just to name a few. There were 17 goals in all and were highlighted to be what could change the world. By the end of the day they learnt that to improve our planet, you don't have to be powerful or influential, just persistent and need to understand and teach others.

Written by Ellie Gunton and Jayden Hasted.

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## From the Deputy Head of College (Pastoral Care)

### End of Semester Reports

Semester One reports will be sent home to parents in the first week of the term holidays. This can be an anxious time for children. Recently Michael Grose published some guidelines for parents when reading their child's report.

Here are some ideas he suggests to consider when you open your child's report:

1. Focus on strengths. Do you look for strengths or weaknesses first? The challenge is to focus on strengths even if they are not in the traditional 3Rs or core subjects.
2. Take into account your child's effort and attitude to learning. If the report indicates that effort is below standard, then you have something to work on. If your child is putting in the required effort, then you cannot ask any more than that, regardless of the grading.
3. Broaden your focus away from academic performance to form a picture of your child's progress as a member of a social setting. How your child gets along with their peers will influence their happiness and well-being, as well as give an indicator to their future. The skills of independence and co-operation are highly valued by employers so don't dismiss these as unimportant.
4. Take note of student self-assessment. Children are generally very honest and will give a realistic assessment of their progress. They are generally very perceptive so take note of their opinions.
5. Discuss the report with your child talking about strengths first before looking at areas that need improvement. Ask for their opinion about how they performed and discuss their concerns.

After reports are read and discussed, celebrate your child's efforts with a special activity or treat. In this way you will recognise progress and remind them that the holidays are when they can forget about assessment, tests and reports for a while. Self-confidence is a pre-requisite for learning, so be prepared to be as positive and encouraging as possible.

### Home Group and Individual Photos

The Home Group and Individual Photos will be taken on Tuesday 14 June. Envelopes were sent home on Friday 27 May for ordering photos. Sibling photos have been scheduled between 7:30 and 8:30am on 14 June. Photos will be taken in the Auditorium.

*Robern Hinchliffe*  
*Deputy Head of College (Pastoral Care)*

## From the Deputy Head of College (Curriculum)

### Semester One Reports

Assessment for Semester One is close to completion and teachers are in the process of recording results to communicate and report to parents how student learning has progressed. Semester One academic reports will be mailed to parents and students in the first week of the holidays. These reports will provide detailed feedback reflecting the Semester One learning journey. Don't forget you can get the latest information on the academic progress of your child using Learning Analytics available through our Parents Online Portal. Our second round of Parent Student Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday 19 July. Full details including the online booking process will be mailed home with the reports.

### QCS Master Class

The second QCS Master Class was held last week and was again very well attended. Students worked through sessions on understanding how their responses to the Short Response paper will be marked, including strategies to ensure they get the best result they are capable of. Students also learned about how to approach extended literacy units in the Short Response paper and how to plan their response to the Writing Task. The sessions were led by St John's staff who are trained QCS Markers. These Master Classes will help ensure the St John's Year 12 OP eligible cohort of 2016 is fully prepared for the QCS tests in September.

### Information and Resource Centre

It is pleasing to see the number of students utilising the Information and Resource Centre (IRC) on the Secondary Campus. I have seen students either working individually or in small study groups at breaks, before and after school. There are also students undertaking tutoring in a range of subjects and of course students just relaxing with a good book. Our IRC is open each school day from 7:30am until 4:30pm. Tutoring is available with St John's staff each Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30. Wednesday is run by an English/Social Science teacher and Thursday by a Maths/Science teacher.

### How to approach study

It is the time of year when our students face the many examinations and assignments which form an integral part of the assessment requirements of their chosen subjects. All students have an assessment calendar detailing when assessment items are due. As with all things it is important that students have a plan and remain positive. Those students who are on top of their work and see no problem they cannot deal with are more successful than those who let self-doubt take control of their thinking. No two people study the same way, and there is little doubt that what works for one person may not work for another. However, there are some general techniques that the literature suggests produce good results.

- Organise and keep to a study plan that gives equal time to each subject and has a structure
- Rotate your subjects spending no more than 30 – 40mins on any subject at one sitting
- Do not study lying down, or in too relaxed a position - sit upright in front of a table. Relaxing or reclining hinders concentration.

- Select a study area free of distracting stimuli - a secluded corner of a quiet room will help concentration and facilitate memory and recall.
- Take adequate breaks. It's good to get a mix of physical activity (even as little as taking a walk) and relaxing activities that you like to do like listening to music or reading magazines.
- Eat proper meals - try to cut down on having too many snack foods
- Get adequate sleep and rest each night
- Keep positive and be realistic

Focus on looking forward and on what you have to do next - once you have finished an exam or assignment don't dwell on it - focus on the next one.

**Glenn Johnson**  
*Deputy Head of College (Curriculum)*

## Chess Club

Members of the St John's Chess Club represented the College admirably when they competed in the Secondary Inter-school Chess Tournament at Churchie on Tuesday the 17 May. Our players were amongst approximately 200 students from 20 schools in the greater Brisbane area.

St John's entered five teams in all: one in A Grade and four in B Grade. Our A Grade team came 12th out of a total of 20 teams while two of our B Grade teams came 4th and 8th respectively from a total of 32 teams entered. The two teams consisting of our Year Seven and Year Eight students also performed very well considering they were competing mainly against Year 11 and 12 students from other schools. No doubt, when they are seniors they will also be very successful.

Chess is a game which fosters critical, creative and original thinking. It requires focus and concentration, all valuable skills which enhance literacy and numeracy both at school and throughout life.

Congratulations to all the teams and we look forward to the next tournament in Term 3.

**Mrs. Ruth Lloyd**  
*Chess Coordinator*



## Careers

For important dates and information about hospitality scholarships, please refer to the Senior School Careers Bulletin (25 May 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.

### Resource for students

- What are my post-school options?
- How can I find careers that match my interests?
- How do I make decisions about my career?
- How can I get a part-time job?

[www.growcareers.com.au](http://www.growcareers.com.au)

### Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo

All Year 10 students attended the career expo on Friday 27 May. This is always a good opportunity for students to gather information and plan for their future.



### The Agricultural Skills and Technology Experience (TASTE)

- A four-day program for high school students aged 15 and over who are considering a career in agriculture, horticulture, conservation and/or land management
- The program will be run in the June/July and September school holidays at the Longreach Pastoral College and the Emerald Agricultural College

The June/July 2016 program dates are:

Sunday 26 June to Thursday 30 June - Longreach Pastoral College

[http://lpc.edu.au/Learn\\_with\\_us/Pages/TASTE.aspx](http://lpc.edu.au/Learn_with_us/Pages/TASTE.aspx)

Sunday 3 July to Thursday 7 July - Emerald Agricultural College

[http://eac.edu.au/Learn\\_with\\_us/Pages/TASTE.aspx](http://eac.edu.au/Learn_with_us/Pages/TASTE.aspx)

Scholarships are available to help cover the cost of the program at both colleges.

[www.qatc.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.qatc.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx)

## Griffith University

*Tertiary preparation workshop for music students*

Designed to prepare students for the theoretical and practical aspects of the music audition process

Monday 27 June to Friday 1 July

<https://www.griffith.edu.au/music/open-conservatorium/tertiary-preparation-workshop/tertiary-preparation-workshop-information>

## Queensland University of Technology (QUT)

*Courses that have additional entry requirements*

Bachelor of Design (Honours) (Fashion)

Bachelor of Fine Arts (Acting)

Bachelor of Fine Arts (Dance Performance)

Bachelor of Fine Arts (Dance)

Bachelor of Fine Arts (Visual Arts)

Bachelor of Music

Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Fine Arts (Visual Arts)

Additional entry requirements may be a portfolio, audition, an interview, supporting documentation or a combination of these.

In addition to applying to Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) by Friday 30 September (early bird date) for entry to these courses, you are also required to apply online to QUT by Friday 9 September. Late applications are not accepted.

[www.qut.edu.au](http://www.qut.edu.au)

## University of Southern Queensland (USQ)

*Study Options Evening*

Thursday 16 June

Springfield campus

[www.usq.edu.au/news-events/events/2016/06/usq-study-options-spf](http://www.usq.edu.au/news-events/events/2016/06/usq-study-options-spf)

*Annabelle Lam  
Careers Advisor*

## 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 Mr Brownlow	Mrs Hinchliffe 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

## Dance News

### Eisteddfods

The Senior and Intermediate Dance Excellence Teams competed in the Brisbane Eisteddfod respectively in the Lyrical and Musical Theatre Section. Both Teams performed really well in this highly competitive competition. The Intermediate Team were rewarded with a Highly Commended for their fantastic energetic performance of *Revolted Children*, choreographed by Miss Nikeisha Plumridge.

### BPAC

On Thursday 9 and Friday 10 June both Dance Teams will compete again in the Brisbane Performing Arts Challenge, which is being held in the College Auditorium from 3-12 June. Students will perform in the Lyrical and Jazz or Contemporary and Glee sections.

## Drama News

### Theatresports Competition

St John's had another fantastic heat of the Theatre Sports Festival in the Auditorium on 19 May with two teams from Ipswich Girls Grammar School, one from TSAC and two of our junior teams competing. It is with excitement and fantastic pride that I let you all know that both St John's teams came out on top, placing 1st and 2nd, beating the competition. We now have 3 teams in the Quarter Finals which will be in the next couple of weeks.



It was a fantastic show of support by our senior Drama students who gathered the winning teams together for a final performance of the SJAC war cry to end

the night. As a strong spirited school we showed the competition that we are a force to be reckoned with.

## Music News

### Singing with the Stars

On Friday 27 May we held a very successful "Singing with the Stars" here in the College auditorium with students from Year Four through to Year 12 performing in the concert. The standard and professionalism from all the performers, both soloist and choristers, was truly something to be proud of and it certainly impressed our adjudicator for the evening, Mr Tim Sherlock. Among Tim's wealth of experience in the Performing Arts and Music Education sector, he has also been the director of the official choir convened by the Australian Government for the Dawn and Lone Pine services in Gallipoli, Turkey since 2012.

The results of the competition were as follows:

### Senior School section:

1st: Jazmine De Castro

2nd: Charlotte Lewis

3rd: Ellie Gunton

Highly Commended: Sarah Engelsmann-Heiser and Olivia Hutley

### Middle School section:

1st: Lily Freestone

2nd: Cassandra Dam

3rd: Ellie Clayton

HC: Libby Stainer and Tamara Johnston

### Overall Vocalist of the Night:

Jazmine De Castro

Congratulations to all participants!

### Instrument Solo / Concerto Competition

It was very delightful to listen and be entertained by our students last night in the Instrumental Soloist and the Concerto Competition held on 18 May.

There was a variety of instruments; students had chosen a broad repertoire and a wide range of music styles.

The level of performance was high and for our adjudicators Jan Keay and Graham Evans not an easy task to decide on placement.

Please congratulate the following students on their achievement:

Instrumental Soloist Section		
1st	Amanda Chen	Marimba
2nd	Amanda Liu	Piano
3rd	Anneka Golding	Violin
Highly Commended	Kiran Giritharan	Baritone Saxophone
	Cindy Xu	Piano
	Jack Odorici	Trumpet
Concerto Section		
1st	Suhong Kim	Cello
2nd	Shuyao Lu	Violin
3rd	Jonathan Riley	Baritone
Highly Commended	Ashley Elson-Green	Flute



### College Carnival

On Saturday 21 May, all Primary and Secondary Vocal Ensembles, Dance Teams and College Bands had a fantastic performance experience at the College Carnival. All students had worked hard with their choreographers and conductors to produce an afternoon of high quality performances. Congratulations to all these students and their teachers and we look forward to the next Carnival in 2018.

## Primary Performing Arts News

Grandparents Day was a fabulous opportunity for all the Primary ensembles to perform.

Three choirs, four dance clubs, the Primary Band and String Ensembles were well prepared to take their Grandparents on a journey of wonderful entertainment. The students were excited and many happy faces of joy reached the hearts in the audience. It is those cute moments which makes it such a memorable family event.

Due to all extra rehearsals students had in preparation of the Grandparents Day, all Primary Dance Club and Choir rehearsals are cancelled for the rest of this term. Ensembles will make a fresh start in Term 3 Week 2.

**Glenn Johnson**  
**Acting Head of Performing Arts**

### Coming PACE events

15 and 17 July 2016	Drama Camp, Auditorium
19 July 2016	Academy Assembly [check time]
26 July 2016	Foundation Day Assembly [check time]
1 August 2016	PACE Showcase Concert, Auditorium
6 August 2016	Open Morning, 9:00am, Secondary Campus
25 August 2016	PACE Showcase Concert, Auditorium

### ST JOHN'S PACE EVENTS 2016

<b>June</b>	Brisbane Performing Arts Challenge
<b>July</b>	Drama Camp
<b>August</b>	Gold Coast Eisteddfod Showcase Concerts
<b>September</b>	Theatricks
<b>October</b>	College Creations St John's Cathedral – Evening of Music
<b>November</b>	Evening of Jazz Night of Celebration



## Sport

### TAS Cross Country

On Thursday 26 May, St John's travelled to St Pauls for the annual TAS Cross Country Carnival. It was a hot and dusty track and all student who participated should be proud of their efforts on the day. There were great individual and team results. On an individual level for the fifth year running, Keegan Jenkins won his race with blistering pace. Richa Patel and Kambyl Moore battled finishing second in 15 Years' Girls and 12 Years' Boys races respectively. In the Percentage Cup, overall the girls placed third and the boys placed fourth. The best performing age group was the 13 years with the boys finishing fifth overall and the girls taking out the championship. The 13 Years Girls demonstrated that to be successful, you need to work as a team to be determined to finish in the top 20, amazing effort. The members of this very successful team:

Ainsley Sherrington	Lauren Richardson
Stephanie Grob	Jemma Lynch
Alana Lynch	Ashley Williamson
Siena Holland	Alyssa Pascoe
Tamara Johnston	Maddy Rogers

### TAS Preseason Training Clinics

The Term Three Preseason training clinics will be held during the school holidays. The timing for the training clinic has been revised to 7.45am – 12.00pm. There has been a change to the Touch Football date. The other Clinic dates will remain as per the calendar. Details regarding the clinics are as follows:

- *Saturday 18 June:* Girls Touch Football
- *Friday 8 July:* Boys Soccer
- *Friday 8 July:* Boys Basketball
- *Saturday 9 July:* Girls Volleyball

Clinics will begin at 7:45am and conclude at 12.00pm. Morning tea will be provided. The cost of the clinic is \$15. Payment is to be paid to online via Parent Lounge portal. Attendance at the Clinics will ensure students are well-prepared for the season.

### Captains Reports

#### Hockey – Brooke Lohmann

Week Five proved very difficult competition against WestMac, with all teams playing their best games of the season. Unfortunately, the score board didn't do justice to the amount of enthusiasm the girls began each game with. An inspirational amount of effort was thrown into this week's games, with the girls showing amazing sportsmanship against such tough competition. The immense amount of team spirit provided the motivation to needed to fight until the final whistle. The potential these games showed for future weeks is aspirational and the girls should be very proud of their efforts to date.

#### Netball – Angel Sun-Bin

Round Four against WMAC definitely sought St John's competitiveness and strength during all quarters of the match. The Year Ten team attained their first victory, displaying their resilience on and off the court. I can say proudly, every team played to the best of their abilities to maintain as fierce competitors during the day, demonstrating courage, leadership and St John's sportsmanship.

### **Rugby – Brendan Stainer**

In Round Five St John's came up against WMAC. St John's ran out to battle, with our heads held high, and showed heart in the tackles made and the effort left on the field. The teams came out with a variety of different results across the board and put everything we had into each game.

### **Tennis – Ben Kozij**

Round Five of the TAS season against WMAC has been the most successful round yet this season. The Year Seven team tried their hardest and were valiant in defeat. The Open As recorded their best result of the season by drawing with WMAC on both games and sets. The Year Nine students also came away with a draw on both games and sets. The Open Bs continued on winning with a convincing result winning all six sets on the day. The Year Ten team recorded another win for the season, with the Year Eight team remaining undefeated and at the top of the table with another convincing win.

### **Rising Stars**

Congratulations to Tahni Smith who has been selected in Brisbane Independent U/15 Touch Football Team.

### **Body Composition Scans**

On Thursday 2 June GDC Fitness will be in the gym conducting full body scans. The body composition scans will provide a detailed report the following:

- Skeletal Muscle Mass
- Bone Mineral Content
- Basal Metabolic Rate
- Total Body Water
- Visceral Fat
- Body Fat

If you are interested in having your body composition analysed the details are as follows:

*Where:* College Gym

*Date:* Thursday 2 June

*Time:* 5.30pm – 7.00pm

*Cost:* \$40

For more information contact Gavin de la Cruz: [gavin@gdcfitness.com.au](mailto:gavin@gdcfitness.com.au)

## **Primary Sport**

We are over half way through the Term with lots of sporting activities coming up before the end of Term.

The Year Six netball team is doing really well on a Saturday morning, with four wins from four matches so far. Congratulations team and coaches, only three more games to go!

Well done to the Years Four and Five teams on the tremendous determination and development that is being demonstrated every week.

The Year Six Rugby team had a very narrow loss going down 31 – 34 against Ormiston College, while the Year Four / Five team will be looking to bounce back from a heavy defeat by a very good Ormiston team last weekend.

Congratulations to the following APC Rugby boys who attended the Inala District Rugby Union trials and were selected into the District U12 team:

Oscar Miller, Sam Alt, Cody Rosazza, Nicholas Groom and Lachlan Rosazza.

Letters have been sent out with all the information about the Year Three to Six Athletics Day on Wednesday 8 June. We look forward to an exciting and fun day of competition.

The Discus finals for all the different age groups have been taking place during lunchtime this past week and there has been some very keen competition. Thanks to Mr Allen and Mr Murray for running those events.

We are drawing to the end of the Cross Country season and the Cross Country runners are very keen to test themselves against all the other JTAS schools on Friday 10 June at St Paul's School. They have all been training very hard in preparation and we wish them well on the day.

Good luck to Kambyl Moore, Makayla Magro, Lachlan Cooper, Faith Thompson, Bhoomi Borse, Kobe Blake, Cooper Blake, James Hopewell as they represent the College and Inala District at the Met West Cross Country trials on Thursday 2 June.

### **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.

### **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](mailto: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 Committee**

Term Two has been a busy time for the SoS Committee with four home games and of course hosting the BBQ at the College Carnival. Once again a big Thank You to everyone who helped run the BBQ on the day. Without your help it couldn't have been the great success that it was.

Term Three looks set to be another busy time for the school with four home games so please if you are able to help visit [tinyurl.com/sjacso](http://tinyurl.com/sjacso) to choose a time slot that suits you and contact Celene at [descy@bigpond.com](mailto:descy@bigpond.com) so your name can be added to the roster.



Our Supporters Of Sport meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 6pm in the Secondary School Sports Classroom (GLA2). Our next meeting will be on the 7 June so it would be great to see you there.

If you have any questions regarding SoS you can email our Chairperson Peta-Maree Teale at [pteale65@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pteale65@bigpond.net.au)

## Uniform Shop

### Donations

If anyone has any old uniforms or clothing that they no longer need can you please drop it in to the uniform shop as soon as possible. We have been contacted to donate any unwanted items overseas within the next couple of weeks.

### School Badges

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

### Blazer Embroidery

Blazer embroidery will be happening again at the end of this term. Costs are printed below for your reference. All blazers will be dry-cleaned as part of this service and will be back in time for the start of term three.

Removal of Each Pocket/s and stitch back on blazer	\$23.00
Premiership Pocket	\$27.00
Participation Gold/Silver/Bronze	\$17.00
Addition of Year Only for Participation Pocket	\$14.00
Restitch Bottom Pocket	\$15.00
Dry Clean Only	\$14.00

### Hat Cleaning

You can send your hat away for a number of services over the break as well. Hats can be cleaned, rebranded, repaired (subject to condition of hat), reblocked (boys hat only) and binding replaced. Please enquire to the uniform shop for costs.

### June / July Holiday Trading Hours

Week 1-2	Monday 20 June - Friday 1 July	Closed
Week 3	Monday 4 July	9:00am -11:00am and 1:00pm - 3:00pm
	Tuesday 5 July	9:00am -11:00am and 1:00pm - 3:00pm
	Wednesday 6 July	Closed
	Thursday 7 July	9:00am -11:00am and 1:00pm - 3:00pm
	Friday 8 July	9:00am -11:00am and 1:00pm - 3:00pm

**Mandy Willemse**  
**Uniform Shop Manager**  
**Ph: 07 33720181**  
**Email: [uniform@sjac.qld.edu.au](mailto:uniform@sjac.qld.edu.au)**

## St John's Second Hand Uniforms Online



If you would like to advertise St John's second hand 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. Please note that this group is only to be used for the sale of St John's uniforms.

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

For further information about joining this group please contact Rebecca Cole - [rcole@sjac.qld.edu.au](mailto:rcole@sjac.qld.edu.au)

### St John's Anglican College (Facebook)

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**

## College Library

On Wednesday 25 May, the Primary campus participated in the annual National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS), for the third year. NSS is an initiative by the Australia Library and Information Association to promote reading throughout Australia with a focus on primary schools and childcare centres. This year the teachers and students at the Primary campus took time out with many classes moving to the oval to participate with teachers reading a selection of books to the students. The children in Kindergarten and Prep moved to the library to use a digital copy of the selected book "I got this hat" by Jol and Kate Templeton, while other classes used the print copies or chose a suitable book for their class. All staff and students enjoyed the event and especially moving it to the oval this year.

As well, the Primary School students are once again participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge which encourages all children to read a set amount of books for pleasure and learning. The challenge runs from 16 May to 26 August which allows all children to reach their target number of books. The challenge is an annual event which is not a competition but aims to improve literacy and the enjoyment of books.

Finally, the monsters arrived at the Primary School Library for the annual Scholastic Book Fair. This annual event was held to coincide with Grandparents Day on 31 May in which students, parents and grandparents can buy books, posters and stationery items. The book fair is always a popular event on the school calendar with many children waiting eagerly for the arrival of the book fair. The profits from the sales at the book fair go back into purchasing books for the library.

It certainly has been a busy time at the Primary Campus Library with more events to come over the next few weeks with Readers Cup at both the Secondary and Primary Campuses and author visits.

In the meantime happy reading.

**Bernadette Maullin**

## Old Collegians

### Old Collegians' in the Community

St John's Old Collegians' showed their support for the College by participating in the 2016 College Carnival. Throughout the day many of our Old Collegians' from 2004 through to the more recent graduates from 2015 came to help manage the bar at the Carnival. Named the 'Old Collegians' Bar', it was fantastic to see Old Collegians give up their time to support the College community at this major fundraising event.



2011 graduate, Alyona Dziuoba, has been doing her part in the international community by recently being appointed as the Fundraising Coordinator on the subcommittee for the Towards International Medical Equity Medical Aid Project (TIME MAP)

2016.

Alyona who was an Academic Prefect and 2011 DUX of the College, is now in her second year of a Doctor of Medicine at the University of Queensland and her fifth year of study at the University.

The TIME Medical Aid Project is part of the global health arm of the University of Queensland Medical Society. The Medical Aid Project is a student led initiative and involves medical students across all four years of the medical program who volunteer their time and unique skills.

This project itself involves fundraising to send medical supplies to developing countries with first year medical students who undertake their elective overseas. In 2015 Alyona undertook a medical elective in Sri Lanka and donated medical supplies to the local hospital as part of this project.

Alyona has two years remaining of her many years of study and she said "I am thoroughly enjoying my journey to becoming a medical practitioner".

Alyona is looking for support from her local community to help in the fundraising for this wonderful project and worthwhile cause. For more information on the TIME 2016 project or how you can help please visit <http://www.timeuq.org/medical-aid-project> or email [alyona.dziuoba@gmail.com](mailto:alyona.dziuoba@gmail.com)

**Elaine MacRae**  
Events and Development Officer

## Stage 2 Auditorium Appeal (PACE)

We would like to thank the donors who have thus far contributed to the fundraising appeal to complete stage two of the Performing Arts Centre of Excellence.

The appeal is gaining momentum and there a number of ways you can be involved in this exciting project to help raise the final \$500,000. These include:

- Making a tax deductible donation
- Pledging a gift over three years for budgeting purposes
- Supporting functions and events including the St John's Foundation Business Breakfast series and the inaugural Gala Dinner on Saturday 10 September 2016
- Join the Wall of Names project

St John's Foundation Chairman, Jeremy Harris, said "We look forward to steadily building the Foundation family who will be easily recognisable when they proudly wear our new Foundation Badge that carries the message "Our Future Includes You"".

To find out more about the Performing Arts Centre of Excellence – Stage 2 and how you can support this exciting project, please contact Peta Nagle for a confidential discussion on 0410 956 412 or email [pnagle@sjac.qld.edu.au](mailto:pnagle@sjac.qld.edu.au)



### Save the Date

*St. John's Foundation Gala Dinner*  
*Inaugural Year*

**Saturday 10 September 2016**

St John's Anglican College  
Secondary, Forest Lake

**A beautiful evening under the stars**  
**including entertainment by Tenori**

Dress Code: Black Tie

Further details on ticket prices will be released shortly



## Debating

From its humble beginnings, debate has played a pivotal role in public forums to discuss the pressing issues of the day. Just as Socrates spurred his listeners to examine their assumptions over 2500 years ago through debate, in 2016, students around the world are still encouraged to question, to listen and to explore a diverse range of subjects openly and in the spirit of tolerance and cooperation through debate.

St John's Anglican College has always had a strong presence in the Queensland Debating Union, fielding teams across all year levels. With our 2016 Debating season well under way, the majority of our Year Eight to 12 teams have just completed their fourth round debates with most teams experiencing at least one win.

All teams have worked extremely hard this season to improve and hone their skills against some very difficult competition. I would like to thank all students and parents involved in Debating at St John's for their continued support. Furthermore, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to our coaches who have worked hard to prepare students for every debate. The coaches for 2016 in the Brisbane Secondary Schools Competition have included Mr Ikonomakis (Years Eight and Ten), Mr King (Years Nine and 12), Mrs Baldwin (Year Ten) and Mr Giles (Year 11).

We have entered two Year Seven teams into the Junior Round Robin Tournament this year. For their very first debate, these teams will take the negative side for the topic "that we should adopt a proactive shark-culling policy". Our Year Seven teams this year will be coached by Ms Rush. The teachers and staff at St John's would like to wish our Year Seven teams the very best of luck!

**Braydon Giles**  
Debating Coordinator



**Year 11 Debating Team:** (L-R) Yerik Noorie, Sophie Anderson, Egan Sun-Bin, Trevor Waturuocha

## Titration Challenge

On Saturday 14 May, 12 senior St John's students set out on a glorious adventure. Their mission, should they choose to accept it: *find the concentration of an unknown acid to four decimal places*. After following an extremely helpful map, at 8:30am they registered at the UQ School of Chemistry and Molecular Biosciences, building number 68. Scanning their faces, you could see they were ready, but nervous- palms were sweaty, arms were heavy. At 9:00am they disappeared inside, never to be seen again... for an hour and a half, at least.

Once the whistle blew, they were off the mark like bolts of lightning; washing down glassware, sorting chemicals, and, to be honest, bickering over who was doing the titrations

the best. The strong sense of mateship was overshadowed only by the dark shadow of urgency hanging over the competitors' heads. The steady dripping of sodium hydroxide echoed around the enclosed rooms, enough to drive most competitors mad.



After the testing was over, the students were summoned upstairs for morning tea and results. Sadly, no teams achieved a

placing; however, students did astonishingly well, with most getting very, very, very close to their desired four decimal place accuracy. Overall, it was an amazing and extremely challenging experience. Half of our competitors were new to the challenge but participated very strongly nonetheless. I would strongly recommend this very rewarding experience to any chemistry enthusiasts out there.

**Sharon McHugo**

## 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](mailto:charris@sjac.qld.edu.au)



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