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# From the Principal

**Dear Students and Parents** 

It gives me great pleasure to announce that Mrs Kathy Buttery (Junior Primary Teacher) was one of fifteen teachers to receive a State ASG **Excellence in Teaching Award** from more than 2900 nominations made nationally (259 in SA) by School Councils, parent organisations, parents of children taught by a teacher and secondary students. Kathy's award is 'for excellence in holistic teaching and career commitment to student learning and



development.' She is recognized for the support she provides to students extends which beyond the classroom to curriculum development and innovation. She also adds to the school's gifted and talented

program, offering sessions on puppetry, technology, mathematics problem solving, philosophy, narrative and book writing. On behalf of the College community I congratulate Kathy on her award!

If you missed our **Music Concert** last Friday evening, you missed a truly magnificent evening. Our Concert Choir, Percussion Ensemble, Violin Ensemble, Harp Ensemble, Concert Band, Senior Orchestra, as well as individual performers and duets were superb. With Ms Judy Penna, Miss Jill McGregor and their instrumental teachers preparing the girls for upcoming competitions (see Music report later in this newsletter) it was obvious that our students have worked hard to reach their high performance standard this early in the year. I encourage you take the opportunity to hear the girls play and sing whenever possible - and to definitely note the date of our Performing Arts Night next term in your diaries.

Last Wednesday was **Grandparents Day** in the Secondary School and we saw many girls proudly showing their grandparent(s) around the school. The concert by the students in Gillingham Hall received prolonged applause and the afternoon tea provided in the Dining Room completed a lovely afternoon. The impetus for the day stems from a housewife in West Virginia, whose primary motivation was to champion the cause of the elderly and to persuade grandchildren to tap the wisdom and heritage their grandparents could provide. It is certainly a belief we share at Annesley College and

we look forward to continuing this tradition with you for many years to come.

This Saturday the College will advertise for a **Director of Admissions** to join our staff. The Director of Admissions will be responsible for the public relations and recruitment strategy, processes and activities, and supervision of a team of support staff at Annesley College. A job and person specification will be available on our website this weekend. With increasing interest in the College and our new strategic directions which include strongly marketing the school globally, this additional position in our administration office is welcomed by Council and staff.

Our **upgrade of facilities** has started in earnest with the redevelopment of Room 55 into a studio in full swing. Later this term students in Years 7-9 will move classrooms to allow for the refurbishment of the Middle School rooms to commence. An exciting project to look forward to and to be completed well before the end of the year.

With best wishes

Marion Gaertner-Jones

### Council Circular

# Meeting of 18 May 2004

The Annesley College Council met on the 18 May in the Secondary School library. It was the first meeting of Council for Term 2 and a welcome opportunity to reflect on the year to date and discuss Council and management projects for the remaining three terms.

The progress of the Annesley College Strategic Plan was discussed at length. This important document will encapsulate the aspirations of the College for the period 2004 to 2008. It will include the College Vision, a Mission Statement, goals and strategies, action plans and realistic mapping to ensure that the outcomes sought are achievable. At this stage, it is hoped that the Strategic Plan will be launched at the beginning of second semester. The Strategic Planning Committee has been working closely with management in the drafting of the document and

#### Council Circular cont...

Council acknowledges the much-needed work that has been done in the longer-term interests of the College.

In addition, the Council has been working on a self-evaluation process which will enable the Council membership, and the wider school community to reflect on the performance of the College's governing body. We look forward to undergoing the self-evaluation process later in the term. Linked to this is the development of Council policies which outline the role and responsibility of the members of the College Council. Two of these policies were approved at the Council meeting and will be available on the web-site shortly. Others are being finalized and will be published following the next Council meeting.

The Principal, Marion Gaertner-Jones reported that an additional Prep class will commence in Term 3. Strong enrolments in the Junior School are continuing and the extra class reflects this positive trend. Marion also advised Council that the five-yearly school registration process was completed at the end of last term. Preparing the school for this process involved the drafting of a great number of policies that were previously outdated and Council acknowledges the outstanding work of all staff members who contributed.

Ashley Richards, Foundation President discussed fundraising for the upgrade to the Drama Centre. Council members are enthusiastically behind this project which will greatly improve facilities for the College Drama students. Excitingly, the Drama Centre project is occurring in addition to capital work totalling approximately \$500,000.00 which has already been approved. Improvements to facilities can be seen all over the school and will continue throughout the year. Council looks forward to working with the Foundation and the wider school community to achieve the Drama Centre fundraising objective.

If you would like more information about any of the matters that were discussed at the meeting please contact a Council member.

# Head of the Senior School and International Programs

We will be welcoming a group of six students from Agen, France for two weeks to Annesley College. They will be hosted by Years 9 and 10 Annesley French students and attend classes with them. The Annesley girls will travel to France on a reciprocal visit to Agen later in the year.

A group of German students will also be hosted by Annesley College students of German next term. They will arrive in the holiday break and spend time in lessons with their Annesley sisters as well as participate in an outback tour. Annesley hosts will travel to Germany on a reciprocal visit later this year.

With exams approaching Senior School girls should be commencing revision. Friday 18 June is Swot Vac for Year 11 with their exams starting on Monday 21 June. Year 10 exams will be held on Thursday 24 and Friday 25 with no Swot Vac time. Swot Vac for Year 12 is Friday 25 June with exams commencing on Monday 28 June. Girls are to come to school in full school uniform for the period of their exam.

Girls are reminded that Semester 2 commences Monday 28 June. Sue Richards richardss@annesley.sa.edu.au

# From the Assistant Principal/Director of Studies

Semester 2 is fast approaching. On the Monday of the last week of this term - 28 June, we will commence a new timetable. There are subjects in all Secondary levels, except Year 12, which only run for a Semester so consequently there needs to be a change of timetable. All Year 11 subjects are semesterised so there are completely new classes for every subject. Year 10s have some semester subjects but retain the same teacher for their core subjects. The Middle School students keep the same teachers for their full year subjects. If students in Years 10 or 11 wish to change one of their semester choices, they need to have permission from parents and teachers before any changes are made. If parents wish to discuss a subject change, please contact Mrs Coin or me at the school.

Also at the end of term, Reports will be issued for all students from R - 9. The Junior School Reports will have a new look to link up with the PYP curriculum. The Middle School Reports will not change. These Reports will be issued on the last day of term. Because the Senior School students have exams at the end of term, their Reports will not be issued until early next term, so their exam results can be included.

Over the last few weeks the Maths Faculty has been attending a series of workshops on "Literacy in Mathematics'. Anyone who has ever tried to read a Maths text book will realise that they are quite difficult to understand and that they are written using quite complex language structures. It has been interesting to look at these structures and find out ways of making the mathematical texts more meaningful for students.

Rhonda Williams

# From the Head of Middle School

The Middle School girls have hosted several events over the last two weeks. On Friday 21 May approximately 400 Years 7 to 9 students attended our **Middle School Social**. Boys and girls danced to the "loud" music provided by our DJ Stefan, or took advantage of the quieter atmosphere in the courtyard, to enjoy an evening of friendship and fun. Thanks must go to our student Social Committee for assisting with arrangements, to the teachers who supervised, the Prefects who 'got the dancing going' and served drinks and to parents Stanley Toh, Robert Wyatt and Geoff Stevens for helping with supervision of the outside area.



#### From the Head of Middle School

Last Tuesday afternoon the girls hosted a large number of **Grandparents and Grandfriends** who visited for our annual Grandparents' Day. The weather brightened at lunchtime enabling many girls to enjoy a sumptuous picnic lunch provided by their grandparents, while others guided their grandparents to Gillingham Hall for the outstanding concert provided by our Music department. Nicole McLauchlan's (9A) grandpa must earn the award for the 'Grandpa of the Year' after leaving Whyalla on the bus Tuesday morning, coming to Annesley to join Nicole, then catching a taxi back to the bus station followed by a return bus trip to Whyalla!

On Thursday the Year 7s joined with the PAC Year 7 boys to undertake a range of activities in relation to 'World Environment Day'. All enjoyed written language, research, oral language and drama activities focussing on 'Seas and Oceans', this year's theme. On Wednesday 16 June at 6.00 pm we are holding a Middle School Learning Celebration in Café 89 (next to the Home Economics room). Families are encouraged to come for a light tea prepared by 8B then to join us as several groups of students from each year level will present work they have completed this semester and talk about the learning process involved. We are asking families to pay \$5 per person for tea as a contribution towards the overall cost of the meal. The evening should conclude

**Bev Moyle** 

sent home with students this week.

# From the Development Office

at approximately 8.30pm. Information and response forms will be

It is hard to believe that we are nearly half way through the year, and the school diary is still full of activities in the Development Office.

**Tour Day** Another successful Tours Day was held on 27 May. Although only a small number of families attended, we secured the enrolments of most. Our Junior/Middle School Information sessions were held on Wednesday 2 June at 11.00am and 5.30pm with a wonderful attendance at both sessions.

**Radio** Tune in to Mix 102.3 on the Queen's Birthday long weekend for our radio ad. The campaign will run all weekend throughout the day.

**Grandparents Day - Secondary School** Grandparents and Special Friends Day was held on Tuesday 25 May from 12.30pm. With over 250 Grandparents and Special Friends in attendance, a wonderful day was had by all.

**Switch** Old Scholars, Rebecca and Lucy Willson, Winemakers for Bremerton Wines addressed the Years 7-12 on Wednesday 26 May as part of the SWITCH (*Schooling Women in Taking Careers Higher*) program. The girls spoke about their careers thus far and the skills they learnt during their time at Annesley College, that provided the foundation to achieve their dreams.

**Middle School Father/Daughter Breakfast** Past Port Adelaide footballer and past parent, Mr Russell Ebert, will be our guest speaker at the APA Middle School Father/Daughter Breakfast this Friday 4 June. We look forward to hearing about his football history and hopefully a few funny tales!

Another Olympian We are pleased to announce that Annesley College will be off to the Olympics – twice! With Sally Newmarch making the rowing team for Athens, another Old Scholar, Kate Barclay has also made the Olympic Team in Kayaking. We have fitted both girls out in Annesley clothes and will keep you informed of their progress.

Tracy Whaite whaitet@annesley.sa.edu.au

# **Chaplain's News**

It has been a busy time over the last several weeks as we have celebrated some of the biggest "festivals" of the Christian year, remembering the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter and the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost.

**Easter** It was wonderful to share with the younger girls in a special Chaplain's Assembly in the Junior School to remember Palm Sunday, on Friday, 26 March and then again to remember the coming of God's Holy Spirit, on 28 May. My thanks go to the Junior School students and teachers for all their help on these occasions.

"My Immortal" Thanks also to the beautifully presented work of the remembering "Good Friday" team presenting "My Immortal," Helen Laughton 12B singing, Yolanda Lopez 12C with supporting vocals, Emma Jones 11C on piano, Nadia Komazec 10C dancing. Thanks also to all our readers, Emma McInerney 12C, Georgia Bradshaw 8B, Liana MacLaren and Anna Hepworth 7M, Ellen Davies and Hannah Wark 7H.

It would be great to present more creative items in chapel in the future and I invite girls who are singers, instrumentalists or dancers who may be interested in preparing new worship music or items for chapel to please contact me, in person, by note or email.

**Pentecost** In our Chapel celebration of Pentecost – our Years 3 and 4 students presented the lovely song *"Pentecost Prayer"* and lead the Middle and Senior Schools students in the singing.

It was a one of the best singing times I can remember in Chapel and I do hope that the Junior School come and lead us again soon!

For Pentecost we considered the Spirit of God at work in the world in bringing to our attention the concerns of God. Issues such as Reconciliation, Environment, Asylum seekers and Refugees all come to mind along with many others. One of the images of the Spirit is a refreshing windfrom God, come to make needed changes. We may think of God's change agenda as including change towards reconciliation and love within both persons and communities, care toward earth and turning to the awareness of God.

**World Vision** It was great to have Skye Riggs, Year 12 Graduate and World Vision leader from Walford in 2003 to be our special guest speaker in Chapel on 3 May. As a World Vision youth leader, Skye travelled to Africa and now has many speaking engagements, sharing with others what she saw there.

**Annesley World Vision Leadership** Two of our own Year 12 students concerned for the welfare of our others in our world are Annesley World Vision leaders, Kari Bowling 12D and Danielle Merrett 12A.

I would like to express my thanks to Kari and Dani for their commitment and dedication to encouraging our students to be sponsors for World Vision. I especially enjoyed their presentation to the Boarders on May 10, which was both funny and engaging! My thanks also go to over 100 girls who took part in the famine this year. Could girls who have collected for World Vision please remember to return books and funds directly to Mrs Drew please if you have not already.

May the Holy Spirit be with everyone associated with the school, in all our endeavours this term.

Rev Jenny Walker

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# **Secondary School News**

# **Sports Results**

# Soccer 20 May

Senior A v Pembroke drew 0-0 Senior B v Pembroke won 3-0

Middle A v St Peter's Girls lost 2-6 Middle B v St Peter's Girls drew 0-0

26 May

Senior A v Wildernesswon 3-0 Middle B v Pembroke won 1-0 Middle B v Pembroke won 2-1

Squash 21 May

Annesley v Seymour won 3-1

Hockey 22 May

Annesley v Pembroke lost 1-2

Hockey 29 May

Annesley v Seymour lost 0-1

**Badminton** 

A v Westminster won 5-1

A v Seymour won 5-1

C v St Peter's Girls lost 3-4

#### Netball v Westminster 22 May

7A lost 8-34 A lost 46-56 8A lost 11-46 B lost 38-50 9A lost 45 - 53 C won 32-29 9B lost 31 - 45 D lost 28-33

10A lost 31-50 10B lost 23-30 10C v Immanuel won 30-18 E v Immanuel won 29-25

#### Netball v Wilderness Saturday 29 May

7A won 27-3

8A

9A won 52-20

9B won 36-18

10A won 63-5

10B won 29-4

C won 44-23

D won 39-25

B won 45-30

A won 43-32

10C v Westminster won 28–10 E v Westminster lost 27-34

#### **Open Knockout Netball 28 May**

Annesley vs Mercedes won 71 - 18

Years 8/9 Knockout Netball 31 May

Annesley vs OLSH won 47 - 26

# Saturday Sport 5 June 2004

#### Hockey:

No match on Saturday instead it will be played on Monday 7 June v Wilderness at the Pines at 4.00 pm

#### Netball:

Senior A, B, C, 10A, 10B, 9A, 9B, 7A v Concordia at Annesley 8A v Concordia at Uniting Church Court 7 10C and Senior E at Uniting Church courts

#### **Badminton:**

All at Lockleys Badminton Centre

# **Debating Results - Round 2**

Year 7 lost to Brighton Primary

Topic: That a little white lie is OK. (affirmative)

Speakers: Melanie Slimming, Rebecca Dickens, Ellen Davies

Year 8 Team 1 lost to Loreto

Topic: That children are undervalued. (affirmative)

Speakers Claire Miller, Marianne Vereker, Kara Charlton

Year 8 Team 2 lost to Seymour

Topic: *That corporal punishment solves nothing.* (affirmative) Speakers: Amelia Skaczkowski, Hayley Reed, Ali Smith

**Year 9** defeated St Ignatius

Topic: *That high fences make good neighbours.* (affirmative) Speakers: Nicole McLaughlan, Penny Nugent, Kirstyn Smith

Year 10 defeated Henley High

Topic: *That money has corrupted sport.* (affirmative)

Speakers: Michelle Miller, Rebecca Blackwell, Rylan Allstrom

**Year 11** lost to St Peters Boys

Topic: That the Australian cricket team should not tour Zimbabwe.

(negative)

Speakers: Natalie Potter, Georgette Parsons, Sofia Dance-Hooi

Year 12 lost to Henley High

Topic: *That South Australia is failing to attract businesses.* (negative) Speakers Micaela McLean (1st and 3rd) Rhiannon Docherty

# Congratulations

Melanie Slimming and Kate Oertel 7H gained selection in the SAPSASA Netball to play in a Country Carnival.

**Annesley College** has renewed its *Active Australia* membership for the next three year period. Annesley College was amongst the first member schools in South Australia.

# Dignify a sister

The Annesley Student Leader Team (Prefects, House Captains and Vice Captains, Boarding House Prefects) has been involved in an unusual "mission" over the past few weeks. An article in "Cleo" magazine highlighted the plight of women in Zimbabwe, in terms of the decisions they have to make with what little money they have – feed the family or buy feminine hygiene products (a packet of ten sanitary pads is the equivalent of seven loaves of bread.) It is a tragic situation when the simplest things like hygiene are out of reach to a nation of women under siege.

'Dignify a sister' is a non political program which works almost underground to make sure that it isn't shut down or hijacked by the government's agenda. These are women working for women in a country still very much dominated by men.

So how are we helping - by packaging up and sending small parcels of feminine hygiene products to individual women in Zimbabwe, who will share it with family and friends.

If you are also interested you can email the volunteers at <a href="mailto:dignifyazister@yahoo.com">dignifyazister@yahoo.com</a>. Take their lead - they will let you know when your donation is most needed and give you an address. Their aim is to send small parcels constantly so they can establish a steady trickle of support.

Jill Olifent, Co-ordinator of Student and Community Life

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## **Penguin Novel Selection Evening**

Recently we were fortunate to be invited by Penguin Books to host a Novel Selection Evening in our Library. This was a Professional Development opportunity for Teacher Librarians and English teachers from both Primary and Secondary Schools across Adelaide. The format of the evening included a thoroughly informative and entertaining book talk by Bronwyn Owen from Penguin, an opportunity to buy books from Pegi Williams Book Shop, who set up a bookselling table, and a chance to mingle with colleagues.

However, the main drawcard of the evening was perhaps the guest speakers **Garry Lyon and Felice Arena**, co-authors of the

popular *Specky Magee* series. Their laid back approach and lighthearted banter kept the audience entertained and laughing for a good half an hour or so, and 'the boys' were most obliging in autographing not



only their books, but posters and bookmarks as well. Word got out during the afternoon that Garry Lyon was visiting the school, and a handful of boarders (and Ms Ramsey!) dropped in for a photo-opportunity and stayed to listen to their talk.

Thanks to the Library Staff, Mrs Helen Morris and Mrs Robyn Jones, English Faculty, and Mrs Marion Gaertner-Jones for supporting this very successful event.

Jessie Taylor, Teacher Librarian taylorj@annesley.sa.edu.au

#### **Australian Studies**

The composite Year 10/11 classes were privileged to hear Mr Kenny Laughton, Aboriginal elder and writer of some note, talk to them about his life as an Aboriginal person and the treatment that he endured; his time in Vietnam as a tunnel rat; tales of mateship and his latest book tour of North America where he spoke at a large gathering in Quebec. Kenny also showed us Aboriginal art works and examples of his own art work.

For the module on Democracy and Government we went to the Australian Electoral Commission to study democracy and government, to undergo a mock election and to have a peek at Electoral Rolls. Some students even visited Boost Juice on the way back to school!

Lauren Rodda, a Year 10 boarder, invited Member for Waite, Martin Hamilton-Smith, to talk to the class about his role as a politician/parliamentarian. Mr Hamilton-Smith was a Lieutenant Colonel in the elite SAS Australian Army, Commander of Australia's first Counter Terrorist Force, Parachute Instructor, Troop Commander of Squadron Operations and Commander of Australian Contingent Multi-national Force and Observers, Sinai, Egypt. He also built and ran childcare centres in South Australia and the eastern states. Mr Hamilton-Smith talked about a number of issues, giving both sides of the argument, and leaving it to the students to make up their own minds. Of particular interest were his comments about girls/women's roles in our society compared

to their roles he has witnessed in other societies. After the talk, the students asked me to arrange an excursion to Parliament House to see politicians in action. Lauren was absent on the day but received 15/15 for the oral component of the assignment, based on Mr Hamilton-Smith's performance.

For the students' Guided Issue Study the classes visited the Patchell Historical Library to help them research their chosen decade in the last century. Daphne Gum, Glenys Edwards and Helen Cornish were mines of information. There were squeals of delight when students thumbed through old Year Books and saw themselves as Kindergarten or Prep Students or saw the name or photo of a relative in the many resources the Methodist Ladies College Old Scholars provided for them on the days we attended. Helen Cornish also makes delicious biscuits and jams.

One Year 10/11 class visited Parliament and was taken on a tour by Mr Mark Brindal MHA, Member for Unley. Students asked many questions which were answered patiently and thoroughly.

## Year 12 Legal Studies

The Year 12 Legal Studies students have visited the Australian Electoral Commission to study democracy and to undergo a mock ballot in preparation for their first voting experience. We were also fortunate to have our last visit to **Judge Neil Lowrie** in his District Court Chambers as he retired at Easter. The students wisely chose an Annesley tie as the "Guest Speaker's" gift and he proudly wore it during his last weeks as a judge. His wife, Elizabeth, an old scholar, commented that he was wearing the tie a little too often. Judge Neil Lowrie will be remembered very fondly by many Annesley Legal Studies old scholars and their teacher for he is a compassionate, witty, shocking - in some instances, knowledgeable and erudite character who works tirelessly for the Uniting Church.

Mr Mark Brindal helped Denitza Valkova, who undertook the role of Attorney General in the Law Week Youth Parliament, with ideas for her second reading speech on the "South Australia" Card Bill 2004." The Legal Studies teachers present were thrilled at the excellent debate on: the number of indicators on the proposed cards; the legality of the card; whether it was another revenue raising scheme; highly sophisticated fingerprint technology and protecting the integrity of identity. Denitza presented the view that the card addressed the major concerns of this state, such as monitoring illegal immigration and taking pre-emptive strikes at terrorism, whilst also presenting the ability to save lives through assisting medical workers at accident sites. She felt the Bill clearly outweighed any of the personal liberties sacrificed through its introduction, as did Patrice Atsalas who debated for the Bill's introduction. Nicole Thomson took the role of Hansard whilst Alexandra McMahon, Member for Florey and Melissa Whitehead, Member for Giles took part in the Grievance Debate.

Mr Steven Clark, LLB, student teacher, also helped the students who were pleased that Mr Brindal attended the Youth Parliament and joined them for afternoon tea in the Members Sitting Room afterwards. Mrs Gaertner-Jones also attended proceedings.

#### **Mock Trials**

The Year 12 class participated in the Mock Trials held at the Adelaide Magistrates Court on 19 May before **Magistrate Kym Boxall**. Prior to Mr Boxall's entrance, fidgety Alexandra McMahon, Magistrate's Clerk, set off the duress alarm, (the position of which

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will remain our secret). The Sheriff's Officer came running in and de-activated the alarm before phoning the Court's Control Centre to tell them that all was well.

Each student performed two or three roles very professionally. Mr Boxall was delighted with the student's submissions and explained in detail why he was sentencing the accused in a particular way. He commended all students, but said that Denitza Valkova's defence submission was outstanding, as Mr Boxall told her that the accused shouldn't have pleaded guilty to one charge out of three because of her astuteness.



#### Law Week Debate

Alexandra McMahon, Nicole Thomson, my husband and lattended the debate at the Hyatt Hotel entitled "That we need more super politicians and less politicians' super". Six men, including two politicians who were former lawyers, Nick Xenophon and Patrick Conlon, entertained us with their wit and knowledge of the topic.

Cassandra F Rundle, Year 10 and 11 Australian Studies and Legal Studies Teacher

#### World Aerobics Championships

Congratulations to the seven Annesley College students who were members of the Australian team to compete at the very recent World Aerobics Championships in Adelaide.

To be selected to represent Australia in any forum is brilliant, a feat not too many of us would ever experience, and to perform brilliantly at that level, is a testament to the many hours of hard work and training these girls have devoted in the past few months, in addition of course to their exceptional skills.

**Darryl Noble** was a member of the Mighty Good Talent School team which won silver in the funk section.

Amy Humphries, Sophie Bradshaw, Ellie Coleman, Abby Schmidt, Allira Perks and Pip Gilkes competed together in two sections: taking out fifth place in the funk section and sixth place in the aerobics fitness section.

In addition to competing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the students also displayed their talents in Rundle Mall as a "Promo" prior to the World Championships, and participated in a Championship Parade in the City of Adelaide on Thursday 27 May. Well done!

Jill Olifent, Co-ordinator of Student and Community Life

# Leadership Opportunities

#### **National Leadership Camp**

Any girls (Year 9-12) interested in attending a National Leadership Camp in Sydney in July are asked to contact Mrs Olifent. NLC is a five day intensive leadership development giving students the opportunity to participate in an interactive, challenging and practical program.

#### **Edmund Rice Camps**

Edmund Rice Camps, a charity auspiced by the Christian Brothers, providing over 200 financially and/or socially disadvantaged children with camps and day activities, is looking for Year 12s to be involved in their camps as volunteer leaders.

Benefits?

- An opportunity to develop confidence, grow in empathy and gain a broader social understanding and awareness.
- Sharing the amazing feeling of helping people
- Developing competent leadership skills
- Gaining experience working with children, young people and families.
- · Developing and maintaining relationships

If you are interested in either of these programs, please contact me.

Jill Olifent, Co-ordinator of Student and Community Life Ph: 8422 2253 Email: olifentj@annesley.sa.edu.au

#### News from the Counsellor

Tertiary Studies Expo at Ridley Hall, Wayville Showgrounds on Tuesday 8 June from 11.00 am – 8.30 pm. Year 10 students will attend during school time as part of their Career Education Program. Years 11/12 students are strongly recommended to attend after school. Displays, course information and representatives from all of the South Australian Universities and TAFE institutions, as well as interstate tertiary institutions and private providers of accredited tertiary courses will be there.

**Various holiday Career-related workshops** Please contact me for further information and please note that some are interstate.

- Flight Camp aged 15-20 At Bacchus Marsh School of Aviation. Phone 03 53695162 or <a href="www.flightcamp.com.au">www.flightcamp.com.au</a>
- Design, Drawing and Presentation Skills for Years 10, 11, 12 students from 5 – 8 July. To be held at University of Melbourne – 03 83447437 or email <a href="mailto:lindyaj@unimelb.edu.au">lindyaj@unimelb.edu.au</a>
- International College of Hotel Management Regency Park. It is booked out for July but there are still a few vacancies in September. Phone: 1800 246875
- NIDA short courses in theatre, film or TV for 12 to 18 year olds will be held from 5 - 16 July at Scotch College. Phone: 02 96977626 or open@nida.edu.au
- University of Melbourne Student and Parent Information Session on Thursday 10 June from 6.30 - 7.45 pm at Stamford Plaza, 150 North Terrace in Terrace Rooms 1 & 2. Further information at www.services.unimelb.edu.au/admissions/events

Marcus Oldham College (Developing Professionals in Agriculture and the Horse Industry) are holding a function at Adelaide Rowing Club from 6.00-8.00pm on Friday 18 June for all interested students and their parents. RSVP by Friday 11 June on 03 52433533.

**Scholarships** - Bond University has several scholarships for Year 12 applicants. The closing date is 31 July. Contact me for application forms.

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# **Tertiary Education Week 13-20 August**

The planned opening dates in August are:

Flinders University Friday 13 Sunday 15 University of Adelaide Friday 13 Sunday 15

(Roseworthy) (Nth Tce Campus)

University of South Australia Sunday 15 Friday 20

(City West) (Whyalla Campus)

TAFE Institutes of SA 15-20 3 Aug

(most campuses) (Noarlunga)

All Senior School students are encouraged to attend and ask questions about courses.

#### **Tertiary Education Speakers**

Representatives from some tertiary education institutions will be speaking to interested girls during lunchtimes in the Career Room at 12.45 pm. Parents are also welcome.

Visits for this term are:

University of Melbourne Thursday 10 June Bond University Tuesday 15 June

Sue Coin, Counsellor

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# **Unique Directions News**

Members of the Unique Directions Team take this opportunity to provide an update on the progress of our new program initiative **The Listening Program**®. As we had reported last term we are carefully monitoring the progress of students who are accessing the program as part of the support structures within the school.

One aspect of the monitoring process is to review student progress according to standardized assessment procedures which are routinely used within the school. This stage has recently been completed with the first of our participants and we are very encouraged by the responses so far.

A trial cohort of a small number of students engaged in a process of intervention over the 2003/04 summer holiday period which we hoped would facilitate a successful start to the academic year. We are pleased to report some very positive outcomes to date for these girls.

A general summary of measurable improvements include reading and comprehension, mathematics and written work. Significant progress ie, acceleration in reading accuracy and comprehension have been recorded along with observational changes within the classroom. These changes include general motivation, task completion and written language output. This is particularly encouraging in view of the emphasis which is placed upon written language development in our academic program.

We will be maintaining our provision of this program for students who currently have access for the remainder of the school year. There are also girls who have been more recently assessed and would most likely benefit from inclusion.

If you are interested in what the program offers and would like to make inquiries about it, please contact any of the Unique Directions Staff.

Faye Mackey, Sue Coin and Lily Pouras

#### **Music Notes**

## Congratulations to:

- Concert Choir, Senior Orchestra and soloists for excellent performances at Woodcroft Uniting Church, Bellevue Heights Resthaven and Malvern Uniting Church. The audiences at all venues commented on both the quality of the performances and the excellent presentation by the students
- Year 7 Music classes on an excellent performance for the Swamp Fairy production of *On Broadway*.
- Concert Band, Concert Choir, Senior Orchestra, String Quartet and the Harp Ensemble on their performance at Grandparents Day
- Concert Band, Concert Choir Senior Orchestra, String Quartet, Junior and Senior Percussion Ensembles and the Harp Ensemble on their performance at the Concert in Gillingham Hall on Friday 28 May. Special congratulations to Jessica Kleinburd for her wonderful rendition of the Chopin Waltz, Op69, no.2
- · All students who have performed at assemblies during semester 1, both in groups and as soloists.

**Sunday Concert** 6 June has been cancelled. There will be concerts in Term 3 and Term 4 for students to have the opportunity to perform. There are also opportunities for students to perform at the Junior and Secondary Schools assemblies. Please contact me if you would like your daughter to play at an assembly.

**Performances at school** At the end of Term 1 the students were treated to two special events with workshops and concerts at school given by Professor Dada Nii on West African Drums and music and by TaikOz with their Taiko drums. The students had the opportunity to perform with the professional musicians as well as listen to the groups.

**Instrumental Trial lessons** on Trumpet and Trombone have just finished for Year 6 and Year 5 lessons are beginning in Week 6. Saxophone trial lessons for Year 6 students are also beginning in Week 6. Happy playing to all!

The Senior Orchestra and Concert Band have been entered in the Royal South Street Eisteddfod Competition in Ballarat during September. Thank you to all parents and students who returned forms.

#### Instrumental Program

Instrumental lessons are now settling in to regular timetables. There is a record number of students involved in the program this year and there have been a few unexpected complications in setting up the timetables. Most of the instrumental teachers are now fully booked for this semester, but can place students on waiting lists as necessary. Please contact me if you have any concerns about lesson times.

Judy Penna, Director of Music pennaj@annesley.sa.edu.au

# From the Head of the Junior School

Until recently most educators and psychologists believed there was one underlying general ability characteristic in people which explained differences in both learning and performance. It was assumed that everyone could be classified according to how much intelligence they had or how 'smart' they were. Smart meant you received top marks in the academic testing not that you produced the best art work or set new sporting records or other such 'talents'. Howard Gardner developed a model of intelligence which abandoned the concept of a single characteristic and proposed that there were seven different and separate characteristics. This has now been revised to eight. This theory of Multiple Intelligences challenges the traditional view of intelligence as a single characteristic that can be adequately measured by IQ tests. Instead, this theory defines intelligence as an ability to solve problems or create products that are valued in at least one culture. In Gardner's theory, the word intelligence is used in two senses. Intelligence can denote a species-specific characteristic; homo sapiens is that species which can exercise these eight intelligences. Intelligence can also denote an individual difference. While all humans possess the eight intelligences, each person has their own particular blend or amalgam of the intelligences. This model accounts for what we have always known: that different students have different strengths and learn best in different ways. The eight identified intelligences are:

Verbal-Linguistic Word intelligence Musical Music intelligence

Logical-Mathematical Logic and Maths intelligence Visual-Spatial Space and Vision intelligence

Bodily-kinesthetic Body intelligence Interpersonal People intelligence Self intelligence

Naturalist Environmental intelligence

Traditionally, verbal skills and logic and maths skills are equated with 'intelligence' and other skills are seen simply as 'talents' or characteristics. As individuals we all possess the eight intelligences, but each person differs in the specific profile of intelligences that they exhibit. For most of us, two or three intelligences are usually stronger than others. These differences in intellectual strengths can have significant impact on our lives. The challenge for teachers is to provide worthwhile learning experiences that acknowledge individual differences in students and provide opportunities to develop all of the intelligences. The question is not 'How smart is this student?' but 'How is this student smart?'. By using a range of activities and teaching styles that focus on the development of multiple intelligences we encourage students to be active and engaged learners rather than passive recipients of information. We focus on developing skills in the cognitive and affective domains, encouraging children to think critically and creatively and to take responsibility for their own learning. They are also encouraged to view problems from different individual and cultural perspectives, to generate a range of possible solutions, to make informed decisions and to take action. As staff we are always looking to increase our range of approaches in response to the needs of our students. We find that the use of inquiry as a learning tool encourages children to take responsibility for their learning and to think critically and creatively. The questions that are generated by students in our units of inquiry reflect the varying strengths, skills and prior knowledge and allow for individual needs.

If you would like further information on the multiple intelligences, including a survey on how to identify your child's strengths and information on what parents can do at home please contact Mrs Stevenson in the Junior School office. You will find out more about yourself as a learner as well as your daughter. For many of us this theory clarifies why we learn best in certain situations. Linda Douglas

# **Junior School News**

# Congratulations!

On behalf of the Junior School staff, students and parents we wish to congratulate Mrs Kathy Buttery on her National Excellence In Teaching Award. Mrs Buttery received the award last week and has been inundated by congratulations wishes from present and past members of the Annesley community. The Junior School presented Mrs Buttery with flowers on Friday at a short Assembly. The JP girls convinced us all that it was really quite obvious that we have the best teachers at the best school of all!

#### Welcome

On Wednesday this week we welcomed our **mid-year Prep Class** for their orientation morning with the Prep teacher, Miss Emma Montgomerie. 'Miss Mont' has taught in the Kindergarten for the past two years and is a well loved member of the Junior School community. We wish her and the Prep students, many continuing through from Kindergarten, every success and happiness when the class commences at the start of Term 3.

#### Can you help?

The **new Prep class** are looking for unwanted/preloved items for our new classroom. We are looking for large floor cushions, large mirrors on or off stands, cane baskets, large empty boxes and dress-up cloths such as hats, dresses, handbags, shoes etc.

If you can help, please contact Mrs Stevenson in the Junior School office. Thank you. Emma Montgomerie

# Annesley/ PAC Day

On Thursday 20 May, the Year 6 PAC boys came to Annesley to have a shared activity morning. When they arrived we met in the Dining Room. It was rather funny how all the girls sat on one side of the room and the boys were on the other ... kind of like oil and water. Soon after, the oil and water were mixed together when we did some "get to know you" activities.

We then went to our different activities in our allocated groups. The two Year Six activities were PE and Theatre Sports. In PE we played a game, kind of a mix between handball and netball. The problem was that the ball had to be thrown to a girl then a boy then a girl then a boy etc.

At recess time, everything was normal ... except for the fact that there were forty boys playing soccer on the lawns. After that we all met back at the dining room. We went off to the other activity that we hadn't done. In Theatre Sports there were three short performance activities. As always there were some rather entertaining plays.

After we finished our final activity, we met in the dining room for lunch. This time we sat at tables where there were both girls and boys. After we finished our much-anticipated lunch, the boys went back to PAC and we carried on with our normal Thursday routine.

A big thankyou to the teachers for organising the fun morning. Sarah Ramsey-Caudle and Sarah Laing, Year 6

#### Junior School News cont...

On the 20 May the Years 5 and 6 girls arrived at school with our PE uniforms on, we were very excited. The Year 6 boys from PAC were visiting for the morning to do some activities with us. We were very nervous because the Year 5 girls had not met them before. We all piled into the dining room where we were given instructions for the getting to know you activity.

Then we went to the first group activity. These were: Art, Dance, PE and Drama. I was in the yellow group, and we did Art first. We all sat down and made a mask using paper and cardboard. We went to recess after the first activity. At recess the boys played soccer and the girls played netball which was good. Then after recess we went to our second activity which was Dance. It was a bit funny because the boys liked dancing more than us! We had 15 minutes to make up a dance but the teacher did a dance with us first. After that we had lunch in the dining room with boys and girls sitting at the same table.

It was a great day and we all enjoyed it. We look forward to the next visit when we go to PAC.

Alex Turley, Year 5

#### **Camp Quality Puppet Show**

On 18 May, the McDonalds Puppets came to our school to perform a play about cancer. The whole Junior School gathered in the Dining Room. When everyone was there the leaders talked about what they were going to perform.

The play was about two children with cancer in the hospital waiting room. They talked about how they were worried about going back to school and what their friends would think about them and whether they would tease them a lot. Soon Camp Quality was over and everyone had to go home. It also told of their experiences at Camp Quality, a camp for children who have cancer.

The puppets were made of fibreglass, wood and soft materials. The puppet operators said that the puppets were very expensive. The puppets looked interesting and unusual. The leaders showed us how they worked. There was a wooden handle that moved its mouth and body. They put their hands in the puppets to make its arms move. You would think that it would be hard to operate and move at the same time, as they would talk.

We all enjoyed the visit and finding out about Camp Quality and how it cares for children with cancer. We hope that they can come again!

Georgina Heddle 5W

#### **World Care Group Activities**

On Friday 4 June, Years 3 and 4 classes with World Care launched the worm farm project. This is an outcome of our unit of study on recycling.

We have also collected all 5 cent deposit items for recycling. We will use the money to further our sponsorship at the Adelaide Zoo for the golden lion tamerin.

Each house counted their collection and house points will be given. If you haven't sent in any recyclable items at this stage, please keep them coming. All donations gratefully received.

Mrs Kate McDougall

#### Goody Day

Thank you to all members of the Junior School community who supported Goody Day this week. We raised \$90 from our goodies. Particular thanks to the Years 3 and 4 students and their families for providing the goodies and to Sue Klenk and Claire Smith for organising the event.

# **Assembly Presentations**

Our congratulations go to the following girls:

Rebecca Slimming finalist in State Swimming Competition

Ebony Pritchard Swimming Certificate

#### **External Communication**

**Effective Living Centre** Positive Parenting Courses for Term 3, 2004 all run by qualified parent educators from 7.30 to 9.30 pm at 26 King William Road, Wayville. Bookings and prepayment are essential. Telephone: 82710329.

Puberty: Coming Ready or Not Thurs 29 July \$12/\$15

Positive Parenting (0-5 years) Wed 4 Aug to 8 September. 6 weeks \$70/\$55

Parenting in Multiple Birth Families – Sibling Rivalry Thurs 5 Aug \$10/

Parenting in Multiple Birth Families – Schooling Issues Thurs 12 Aug \$10/\$5

Talk so your kids will listen – Listen so your kids will talk Wed 11 Aug \$12/\$10

Over Parenting – Under Parenting – Getting the balance right Thurs 19 Aug \$12/\$10

Oh.h..h.. to sleep (0-5s) Wed 15 Sept \$12.\$10

Medical Research Week, 5 - 12 June A free public lecture "Diet, Genes and TV" presented by Dr Manny Noakes, Dr Michael Fenech, Ms Kate Mehta will be held from 6 - 8 pm on Thursday 10 June at the Florey Lecture Theatre, University of Adelaide Medical School, Frome Road. Phone 8303 4092 for more information. There will be a display on Wednesday 9 June from 9.00 - 5.00 in Rundle Mall.

**Young People and Depression Forum** There will be a free forum presented by Dr Jane Burns from the organisation 'Blue Beyond' on Wednesday 9 June from 10.00-1.00 at the Pilgrim Centre, 12 Flinders Street, Adelaide. RSVP to YACSA on 82263080 by 2 June.

#### MoodGYM

This program is an internet based therapy program designed to reduce and help depression in young people. Developed and researched at the Centre of Mental Health Research, Australian National University, it is free of charge and can be used anonymously.

MoodGYM has been successful in helping young people to identify and overcome difficult emotions and develop good coping skills for the future. Along with "Bluepages", a purely informational website about depression (<a href="www.bluepages.anu.edu.au">www.bluepages.anu.edu.au</a>), both have helped reduce depression. MoodGYM is at <a href="www.MoodGYM.anu.edu.au">www.MoodGYM.anu.edu.au</a>

# **Annesley News by Email**

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Matthew Fazakerley

# MLC/AC Old Scholars Association Centenary 1905 - 2005

1925:

The Annual Dinner was held in the Assembly Hall for the first time.

The first "Old Scholars' Week", as we know it, was held in October during Show Week, with the Service, a Social Evening, the Children's Party, Morning Assembly, Sports Matches and the Annual Dinner.

Old Scholars assisted the College with a Fete held in the Adelaide Town Hall to raise money for the building of the new Assembly Hall.

A Junior Red Cross Circle was formed by the Association and the members gave valuable help in many areas of need until the Circle was disbanded in 1942.

1929:

The Old Scholars' Association co-operated with the girls and the friends of the College to establish the Patchell Library thus to commemorate Miss Patchell's long years of dedicated service as Headmistress (1911-1928). A 'speaking' portrait of her, subscribed for by the Association, graced one wall. The Patchell Library was opened on 19 November 1929.

# **Dr Carr-Gregg Workshop**

# Teenagers, Brain Development and Sleep

I recently attended a workshop on Adolescence by Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, a leading adolescent psychologist and author of the recommended book *Adolescence*. He reported on fascinating research on the development of the adolescent brain and its relationship to behaviour (see Time Magazine "Secrets of the Teen Brain" May 10 2004).

It seems that the brain does not mature until after the age of 20. Maturation occurs from the rear to the front and the last part to mature is the prefrontal cortex – home of the executive functions such as planning, setting priorities, organising thoughts, suppressing impulses and risk assessment. There are now scientific reasons why teenagers still need good modelling and clear boundaries.

As a function of this maturation process it apparently takes longer for melatonin levels (needed to induce sleepiness) to rise in teenagers than children or adults. This explains the phenomenon of adolescent late nights and not wanting to get up early in the mornings. Added to this, surveys reveal that 25% of teenagers have had less than 6.5 hours sleep the previous night, yet research shows that they require 9.25 hours of sleep and having six consecutive nights with less than six hours sleep reduces one's immunity by 50%.

Many of our girls are very busy with their studies and extra curricular activities, which is great for not only the development of more neural connections and brainpower but also connectedness to school. However, it is important that a healthy balance of activities is achieved, including time for relaxation, and that sleep (as well as healthy eating) is not the thing to be cut from girls' lives. Sue Coin, Counsellor

# **Diary Dates**

	Saturday Morning Sport
5.30pm	Council Finance & Exec meetings
•	Exeat
	Exeat
	Holiday Monday - Queen's Birthday
7.00pm	Council Meeting
•	Old Scholars Mid Year Luncheon
6-8 pm	Middle School Information evening
•	Year 11 Swot Vac
	Saturday Morning Sport
11.00an	7 Tours
7.00pm	APA Quiz Night
	7.00pm 6-8 pm 11.00an

#### Wanted!

# Parent volunteers to assist in the Annesley College Tuckshop.

If you are able to donate time to assist in our Tuckshop we would like to hear from you. Assistants would commence in Term 3 following a basic course in food handling and OHSW.

If you are interested, please contact Jo Georgiou, 8422 2288 by Friday 18 June.

#### **APA News**

#### Congratulations Kathy Buttery

Junior Primary teacher and Annesley treasure, Mrs Kathy Buttery, has recently received a "National Excellence in Teaching" Award.

This well deserved and overdue recognition will come as no surprise to the hundreds of students and their parents who have been lucky enough to have had an association with Kathy during her twenty years at Annesley. Kathy's stimulating and diverse programs, sympathy to the needs of each individual student, infectious enthusiasm and sense of humour, all add to a wonderful learning environment. Kathy's enthusiasm continues after class where you will find her shouting encouragement to "her girls" from the sidelines of the sports field.

Well Done Kathy!

#### 2004/2005 Entertainment Book - Only \$60

For further information about the Entertainment Book, please refer to the flier inserted in this newsletter. A copy of the new entertainment book is on display in the Junior School Office.

To order, please complete the order form on the flier and return it with your payment to either the Junior or Secondary School office. Books will be delivered through your daughter's Form/class teacher.

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#### **APA News**

# **Annesley Parents Association General Meeting**

Don't miss our second and last meeting for Term 2. All parents, Kindy to Year 12, welcomed and encouraged to attend. If you want to learn more about what is happening at the school and meet other parents, there is no better way.

Note change of date

Date: Wednesday June 23

Venue: Music Room (downstairs adjacent to Annesley Café)

Time: 7.30 pm

#### **Guest Speakers**

TBA

#### Reports

Mrs Marion Gaertner-Jones, Principal Mrs Bev Moyle, Head of Middle School Miss Linda Douglas, Head of Junior School

Comprehensive reports keeping us up to date with developments within the College.

#### Supper

Join us for supper after the meeting.

## **Annesley Monster Garage Sale**

The Annesley Monster Garage Sale is on again this year on Saturday October 23. Your trash is our treasure.

Items from the following categories would be gratefully accepted.

- · Small Plastic Pots/Cuttings
- Furniture
- · Clothes
- Kitchenware
- Bric-a-brac
- Toys
- **Books**
- Computers and related bytes
- Tools
- · Sporting goods
- Outdoor goods
- Just about anything

NB: No whitegoods or electrical goods please.

If you are having an early clean-out please let me know so that we can arrange to have the goods stored.

# Annesley Quiz Night Saturday 19 June

Tickets Selling Fast! See the advertisement in this issue.

If you have any questions about the APA or any of the above items please feel free to give me a call on AH 8331 7553.

Regards

Anthony Brazzale, President

# **Annesley Dining Room** Date: 19 June 2004 Time: 7.00 - 10.30 pm

Only \$15.00 per head

.....Tables of Ten

Organise a class table....bring your friends

- Professional Quiz Masters
- · A fun night with lots of fantastic prizes!
- · BYO basket of food and wine
- Tea and Coffee provided

For further information contact

Tony Brazzale - AH 8331 7553 or 0416025595

We are asking members of the Annesley Community for help with prizes for the night

A donation from the following list or anything else that you would consider appropriate would be much appreciated and can be left at the Secondary or Junior School Office.

Gourmet Food Items, Wine, Magazine, Book, CD

# Adelaide Art Society/ **Annesley College Students** Joint Exhibition

Annesley College students will portray their work amongst the work of resident artists in an art exhibition over the Queen's birthday long weekend.

**Grain Store Studios** 112 Margaret Street North Adelaide

12-14 June 2004 Date: Gallery Hours:

11.00 am - 5.00pm

# APA QUIZ NIGHT BOOKING SLIP - to be returned to either the Junior or Secondary School Office by Wednesday 16 June with payment

Name:	Daughter's Name:	Form/Year:	
Please supply Tickets @ \$15 each Enclosed cheque / cash			
Please make cheques payable to Annesley Parents Ass	ociation		





# **Grandparents Day** in the Secondary School









