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## From The Headmaster: *Dr John Goddard*

A school of opportunities!

Some of these are thoroughly prepared and planned for, and some of them fall, almost by accident, into our laps.

The measure of a school, it may be said, is how much we all make of the opportunities that come our way.

Arndell students of all ages entered the Young Artist in the Making Competition, organized by the Hawkesbury Creative Art Centre. When I visited the centre, to speak at the formal opening, I was struck by the variety and the personal engagement with both the subjects and the processes which was on display. Students took the opportunity to express their thoughts, their feelings and their skills and in so doing allowed us into their world. I think we were all enriched by the outcome; and so I congratulate all the entrants, from Year K upwards, for seizing the opportunity and making the most of it.

Duke of Edinburgh students, led by Mrs Huett and Mr Kirkwood, went on a Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition last weekend. Staff were most enthusiastic about the students – their preparedness, their energy and their hard work and good cheer. The "D of E" gives students opportunities in many areas, not only in outdoor skills, but it is in those skills that growth and teamwork often come to the fore. Well done, students, for your work and on this expedition, and may the Gold Award be just around the corner.

Also last weekend, Mr Young and Space/Physics students visited Canberra/Tidbinbilla. They are able to report that Mt. Stromlo is no longer an absolutely bald patch; but, much more importantly, they did some great learning and worked well as a group together. They got off the bus with a real buzz of enthusiasm for what they had done. In a similar way, I have had great vibes from all those who attended the Year 12 Geography expedition to the reef and hinterland. Led by Miss Windon and Mr Gordon, this group focussed on the needs of a particular subject and they have given great impetus to their study of the HSC Geography Course. It sounds a pretty easy thing to seize an opportunity of this kind: but the students had to prepare, to raise funds and to complete a lot of work. They did all this harmoniously together. When an opportunity turns up, you make the most of it, and they did!

So, too did the Junior School, which has delighted us all this week with their production of Aladdin, Junior. The colour, the fun, the lovely songs and vibrant routines were all splendid to watch, and they showed how youngsters, of whatever ages, will rise to the occasion and do terrific things when given the opportunity. I shall thank only Mrs Miller by name – and the entire staff of the Junior School by implication – for creating a memorable and deeply satisfying experience.

These have been opportunities prepared for – by a lot of hard work from staff, who make the opportunities happen. A very different occasion this week was the visit of the Foreign Minister, Mr Alexander Downer, who spoke to Year 11

## Dates for the Diary:

**Continues to 19 November:**  
HSC Exams

**Monday 29 Oct:**  
Yr 7 Exams

**Tuesday 30 Oct:**  
Yr 7 Exams  
Yr 7 2008 Orientation Day – 8.30 PA Centre

**Wednesday 31 Oct:**  
Yr 8 Exams  
Yr 7 – 2008 Parent Evening – PA Centre 7.pm

**Thursday 1 Nov:**  
Yr 8 Exams  
CSSA State Tennis Gala Day – Gosford

**Friday 2 Nov:**  
Yr 6 – Interrelate  
Jnr. Schools Awards Assembly  
Snr. School Chapel  
Yr 9 Exams

**Monday 5 Nov:**  
P & F Forum – 9am Staff C'room  
Yr 9 Exams  
HZ European Handball (Girls)  
Dural Leisure Centre, Dural  
Jnr. School Test Week

**Tuesday 6 Nov:**  
Yr 9 Exams  
HZ: European Handball (Boys)  
Dural Leisure Centre, Dural  
Jnr. School Test Week

**Wednesday 7 Nov:**  
Headstart Orientation Morning  
PA Centre  
Yr 9 Exams  
HZ Triathlon  
Jnr. School Test Week

**Thursday 8 Nov:**  
Yrs 9-11 Creative Arts Evening  
PA Centre – 7pm  
Jnr. School Test Week

on Wednesday of this week. Mr Downer's visit arose suddenly, through the kind office of Mrs Louise Markus, the Federal Member for Greenway, and it was an opportunity gratefully accepted. He spoke to Year 11 students about the nature of his position as Foreign Minister and of the main challenges on the international scene for him, and therefore for students and all of us, now and in the years ahead. He spoke about the challenges of poverty, terrorism and the environment and, in each case, he told students of the need to see the implications of these challenges in the countries of our region particularly, as well as more broadly. Students had the opportunity to ask questions, and then Mr Downer shared morning tea with the Legal Studies class, who raised further questions about foreign policy and international law. I am very grateful to Mr Downer, Mrs Markus and their staff for allowing this visit to occur and for giving students the chance to broaden their horizons in this stimulating and helpful way.

Isn't that what opportunity should do? – broaden us, extend our range of thinking and of understanding! Well done to the staff and students of Arndell who have so splendidly created and seized upon important opportunities in the last week or so.

### *Second Hand Books for Sale:*

The response has been enormous – so that we now have to say that for this year's sale we have enough!

Hold on to your books and store them away – and there will be a further opportunity next year.

Thank you for the huge response of books for this year's family Fun Day.

### *From the Head of the Junior School: Rick Harrison*

I write this having just witnessed the first performance of "Aladdin" and what a performance it was! From the very first song until the finale it was a wonderful experience. Congratulations to all the students involved, whether they are on stage or backstage, all of them contributed to a very successful event. Special thanks to all of the parents who helped with costumes and props and to the staff for all their in and out of hours efforts and most especially to Mrs Miller whose vision and talent made it all happen.

If you haven't been down to the Infants courtyard since the last holidays, then I recommend you take the time to have a look at the wonderful games and artwork that has now added considerably to the appeal of the area. The children are taking advantage of these new additions and are gaining a great deal of pleasure from them. Many thanks to Mr and Mrs Mansfield and Mrs Giarratano for their efforts in making it all happen.

On Friday of next week we will be having our final Awards Assembly for the year. The Headmaster's and Citizenship awards will be presented and special work displayed. Year Six will be presenting an item.

With test week approaching, it would be appropriate to remind, in particular the older students, that some revision of the semester's work would be of value.

#### **Some dates to remember:**

Year 7 2008 Orientation Day: Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October;

Awards Assembly: Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November;

Junior School Test Week commences: Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November;

Kindergarten 2008 Orientation Day: Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November;

Head Start Group A commences: Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> November;

Head Start Group B commences: Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> November.

### ***CAREERS INFORMATION:***

If you are in Year 11, 2007 and if you are interested in doing Engineering at this stage when you leave school  
Please come and see Mrs Goddard,  
Careers Adviser by **Wednesday 31 October**

### ***SECOND HAND TEXTBOOK SALE:***

The second-hand textbook sale will occur on:  
Saturday 24 November and Saturday 1 December  
from 10am to 12pm on the Verandah outside the Junior School Library.  
For further information please contact Mrs Stevens in the Senior School Library.

## *Senior School Sports Desk:*

### **Inter School Sport Results:**

#### **Week 11 Term 3**

Junior Boys Touch v Marian 3-15  
Inter Girls Touch v Tangara 3 -2  
Senior Girls Touch v Rouse Hill -1-6  
Boys Hockey v Marian -tbc

#### **Week 1 Term 4**

Junior Boys Touch v THGS 2-22  
Inter Boys Touch v RHAS 11-11  
Inter Girls Touch v Arden 4- 8  
Senior Girls Touch v Masada 1-8  
Boys Hockey won by forfeit

### **HILLS ZONE Triathlon – Wednesday November 7<sup>th</sup> Penrith Regatta Centre.**

Information letters will be issued to registered competitors this week.

### **HILLS ZONE European Handball Championships**

**Girls: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November, Boys Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please note the change of days and the cost \$11 per student.** Training Wednesday afternoons from 3.15 – 4.30pm

### **Important Representative Sports Dates:**

**AICES 15s Tennis Championships** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October – **BOYS ONLY.**

### **CIS 15s Tennis Championships**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November St. Ignatius College, Riverview.

### **AICES WaterPolo**

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November- Homebush. Letters have been distributed to all players

### **CIS WaterPolo**

Girls 26<sup>th</sup> November, Boys 27<sup>th</sup> November

### **AICES GOLF Championships.**

Friday November 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Additional Sport & Music Photos.**

**Friday November 9<sup>th</sup>. Lists of students will be posted on the Sports notice board and in the PA hall. Photos will be taken in order from 9am. Students will come out of class sections at a time and will be sent for.**

All Sport photos are to be taken in full winter PE uniform  
Athletics team & all representatives at Hills Zone, AICES, CIS & All Schools  
All Trimester 3 Sports  
European Handball teams  
Triathlon teams & Individuals  
Instrumental Ensemble  
Handbells  
7-9 Chapel Band / 10-12 Chapel Band /Stage Band / Junior Band

## *Congratulations:*

To Jake Hilder 4R and Alex Earle 4R who have been selected for the Hawkesbury District Cricket Rep Side Under 10's - WG Foster Shield. A great achievement!

and

to Jayden Rejtano - Year 7 who received the award for The Most Outstanding Junior Player with the Pitt Town Soccer Club in 2007.



## Arndell Anglican College Directory:

<b>Headmaster:</b>	Dr. John Goddard
<b>D/Headmaster/</b>	
<b>Head of Snr School:</b>	Mr James Webb
<b>Head of Junior School:</b>	Mr Rick Harrison
<b>Director of Studies:</b>	Mrs Raewyn Dean
<b>Chaplain:</b>	Rev. Graeme Sedorenko
<b>Counsellor:</b>	Mr Matthew Lumb
<b>After School Care:</b>	0407 474 161 (3.30-5.30pm)
<b>Equestrian:</b>	http://www.arndell.nsw.edu.au
<b>P &amp; F President:</b>	Donna Pellew 0417 774 545
<b>Vice President:</b>	Tina Andersen (Waltho) 0414 634 453
<b>Uniform Shop:</b>	Mrs Liz Moore 4572 3254 Tuesday/Thursday 8.30-10.30am/2.30-4.pm
<b>Canteens:</b>	Monday-Friday (Recess/Lunch)
<b>Arndell Community Church:</b>	Pastor Greg Peisley 4572 3633/0402 278 483 Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday
<b>Remote Document Access:</b>	http://rds.arndell.nsw.edu.au

## DATES FOR 2007:

<b>Term 4 Finishes:</b>	<b>Tuesday 11 Dec.</b>
<b>College Carols:</b>	Friday 7 December
<b>Infants Presentation Afternoon:</b>	Monday 10 December
<b>Primary School Presentation:</b>	Tuesday 11 December
<b>Senior School Presentation:</b>	Wednesday 12 December
<b>Term 1 – 2008</b>	<b>Commences Tuesday 29 January</b>

## Dates For College Camps . . .

The dates for the camps are as follows:

<b>Year 10 Waterslea, Nowra</b>	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov - Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov
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Arndell Community Church

**Arndell Community Church**  
is a contemporary church for  
**YOU and YOUR FAMILY.**

We meet every Sunday of the year at  
**10am Arndell Anglican College.**  
**6pm Pitt Town Anglican Church Hall**  
110 Bathurst Street, Pitt Town  
**Contact: Greg Peisley**

## Lost Property:

A system operates in the College which, when operating smoothly ensures the prompt return of lost items to students. The task of returning lost items is made virtually impossible when items do not have student names clearly marked upon them. It is the responsibility of students and parents to ensure that every item students bring to school is clearly marked; in the High School with the students name and home room number, and in the Junior School with the student's name. Due to the exponentially increasing number of items appearing in Lost Property any item which is not clearly labelled will be deemed to belong to no one and will be returned to the Uniform Shop automatically for re-sale. Regards.

Mr. O. Laffin

## ENGLISH COURSES IN 2008

In a previous newsletter it was indicated that there would be significant changes to the courses being offered in English from Years 7-11. The list of texts to be studied next year can be found in Faculty information on the Arndell Anglican College website and varies considerably from the lists of 2007. Very few of the 2007 texts will remain for study next year.

**Parents are encouraged to order all texts through the Bellbird Champion order forms which will go home shortly.** A number of the texts to be studied are not readily available in general bookstores. It is important that students are prepared from day one to begin studying texts in 2008.

Should you have any enquiries regarding texts, please contact Miss Doman, Head of the English Department.

## Camps:

We have received a number of brochures outlining Summer Holiday Camps from the Anglican Youthworks. These have been placed in the Student Services if you wish to know more.

## Peripatetic Showcase:

**Friday 9 November – Performing Arts Centre**

K-2 – 5pm – 6pm  
Yrs 3-6 – 6.30 – 8.30pm



## Help our Farmers

**“Help our Farmers Appeal”.**

Donations can be left at the Parent Reception office. They will be every Friday and deliver them to Kurrajong and organise the hampers to be packed and sent to Wellington just before Christmas.

I am very grateful for anything you have to offer.

**My contact number is: 0414 844 664 – Wanda Tekielia**

## Senior Geography Fieldwork Expedition:

From Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October to Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, Yr 11 Geography traveled to Cairns as part of their Senior Geography fieldwork component. The two topics that were the primary focus of our expedition were Ecosystems at Risk and People and Economic Activity. Students had a tour of the Sheraton Mirage and Resort along with a complementary dessert; snorkeled with turtles and sharks in the Great Barrier Reef; walked through the Daintree Rainforest, viewed Mossman Gorge; spotted crocodiles along the Daintree River and Wetlands; ate coconut at Cape Tribulation; and returned home absolutely exhausted. As a requirement in Geography, fieldwork is a means of understanding geographical environments in a different approach. The 13 students have definitely come home with an appreciation for our unique environment and the resources it has to offer.

I'd like to thank Mr. Gordon for giving up his time to come on this fieldwork expedition; Mrs. Crouch for her assistance; other parents who helped out and my Senior Geography class for their help, behavior and continual support. All tour guides and places attended by the students were impressed with their knowledge and maturity. These students were a credit to the college which made the expedition an enjoyable experience. Miss. Windon.






## Congratulations Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Awardees!

We've had floods, heat, rain, wind and helicopters! What more could you want I hear you say. Well.....

Last week, starting on Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> of October and continuing through to Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> of October, our Silver Awardees completed the expedition section of their Award. We began at Green Gully and followed Carlon Creek down to Breakfast Creek in the Megalong Valley, then along the Coxs River to the Six Foot Track, across an extremely long suspension bridge and up to Megalong Valley Road in Blackheath.

A few events that occurred during the course of the trip include...

-  A number of hikers shoe soles turned rather crispy by the camp fire!
-  We met a few interesting creatures along the way including a red bellied black snake and a friendly bull!
-  Ian McKelvey who stood in the very middle of the suspension bridge and swung from side to side for the ultimate rush.

In all, we only walked 40 kilometers...not too far we say!

We had a wonderful time from beginning to end, and now we are all looking forward to completing our Gold Award in 2008.

Stay tuned for details.

Well done to the following Silver Awardees:

Matthew Andronicos, Russell Avery, Jonathon Buerger, Ashleigh Burden, Bijan Darabi, Aleisha Ferguson, Jessica Johnson, Emma Jungherr, Leanne Keevers Catherine King, Amy Mares, Ian McKelvey, Sarah Rodgers

Mrs. Huett (Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator)  
Mr. Kirkwood (Assistant to the Boss, the students as well as Chief Washer-up-erer)



## Brainteaser

## Number 31

Every issue of the College newsletter will include a brainteaser organised by Mr. Billeh. The answer will be published in the following issue. Have fun and God bless you all.

I have five letters and five addressed envelopes. If I place the letters in the envelopes at random, what are the chances that only four letters are in their correct envelopes?

Answer to brainteaser 30: The number is the same, 720, in each case.



# Pitt Town Spring Fair



Clowns

Balloons

Face

painting

Food stalls, white elephant.

plants, craft, cakes, jams, pickles  
and more

St James Church Hall

Bathurst Street, Pitt Town



## Italy/Greece Tour Booking



**NOW**

This tour is open to any student in year 9 or above in 2008

Sites to be visited include:

**ROME:** Vatican City (Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica), Colosseum, The Forum, Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps, Catacombs and a day trip to Pompeii

**FLORENCE:** Michelangelo's statue of David, Ponte Vecchio bridge, day trip to Leaning Tower of Pisa

**VENICE:** St. Mark's Square, Bridge of Sighs, Rialto Bridge, ferry ride on the Grand Canal, visit to islands in the lagoon to see glass blowing and mask making.

**ATHENS:** The Acropolis and Parthenon, day trip to Hydra

**GREECE TOUR:** bus trip visiting Mycenae, Olympia (site of ancient Olympics), Delphi, Meteora and Thermopylae over 5 nights.

**DEPARTING JAN.** 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009 for 20 days

**COST:** \$5,700 : Price includes airfares, trains between Rome-Florence and Florence-Venice, twin share hotel accommodation, breakfasts, day trip to Pompeii, fully escorted bus tour in Greece (including admissions to attractions).

**Non-refundable deposit of \$500\* is required by November 9<sup>th</sup> to secure your seat.**

**Cheques made payable to Arndell Anglican College. LIMITED NUMBER OF PLACES. Seats will only be secured with a deposit.**

\*Deposits will be returned if the tour fails to proceed through lack of numbers.

# ARNDELL COLLEGE FETE & CRAFT MARKET

Arndell College Fete & Craft Market  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2007  
3pm – 8pm

Big Rides – Sizzler, Giant Slide, Haunted House,  
Playland (ferris wheel, merry go round & worm),  
Jumping Castle & Mickey Maze.

**Clowns, Hoopla, Face Painting, Sand Lotto, Raffle  
Chocolate Wheel, Cake stall, Book Stall, Plant Stall, Kids Art & Craft,  
Snow Cones, Ice-Cream,  
Mini Golf, Show Bags, Lucky Dips, Craft Stalls,  
BBQ, Real Coffee.  
FREE ENTERTAINMENT**

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Pre Purchase your ride armbands & save. **Buy now for \$22.00 per child for unlimited rides. \$20.00 per child for families with 3 or more children (immediate family only). \$25.00 on the day!**

**Individual ride tickets also available on the day.**  
On the spot purchases available outside Student Services  
**Monday October 29<sup>th</sup> to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 8.30am - 9.00am**  
**Or send form back to school. Attention Fete Committee**

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Name.....Class/homeroom.....

Number of armbands.....@ \$22.00ea

3 or more child family.....@ @20.00ea

Total.....

Phone.....

**Cheques payable to Arndell P & F Assoc.**

*SCHOOL FUN DAY - SATURDAY 17 NOVEMBER:*



*“5 Minutes of Fame”*

If you enjoy entertaining people this is for you,  
sing, dance, recite a poem or play your instrument.  
Choose a time and entertain us.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class/Home Room: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed booking form to the Student Services.

Thank you for your support.

***TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL PARENTS***

**JUST OVER 3 WEEKS TO GO**

Our Fete & Craft Market is *Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2007.*

**We need your help!**

We appreciate the difficulty in both attending and volunteering on such a day and thus have endeavored to make it as easy as possible for you.

Please email me with your name and phone number and how you would like to help. Or return this form to the school. If you do not have internet options specify and I will contact you re: your confirmed time slot.

The more helpers we have the less work for everyone. We need you if only for one hour.

Kids love to see there parents get involved!

(Don't forget it doesn't have to be a parent. Family members, friends or teachers are welcome to volunteer.)

**Please contact me ASAP as tasks will be allocated on a first in basis.**

**Keep an eye on the sheet as I will update it regularly.**

Looking forward to meeting and working with you,

Kerrie Butler 02 45779483

[Kerriebutler@people.net.au](mailto:Kerriebutler@people.net.au) subject SCHOOL FETE

(Phone numbers will only be help by me and not given out on the sheet.)

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THOSE WHO HAVE REPLIED ALREADY, YOU ARE ALL FANTASTIC!**

**IT IS EXCITING TO SEE PEOPLE SO WILLING TO HELP.**

**SO CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR FROM YOU. THANK YOU!**



# ROSTER

TASK	Description	TIMES	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER
BBQ	Cooking the BBQ food.	3-4	Peter Regal,	Di Elven	
		4-5			
		5-6	Colin Thompson		
		6-7			
		7-8	David Butler		
DRINKS	Take money for BBQ and sell drinks.	3-4			Sharon Cupit
		4-5	Sue Hogan		Sharon Cupit
		5-6	Connie Stephens		
		6-7	Connie Stephens		
		7-8			
TICKET SALES/ SHOW BAGS	Sales and pick up of prepaid ride tickets.	3-4	Connie Stephens		
		4-5	Connie Stephens	Kim Hogan	
		5-6	Kim Hogan		
		6-7			
		7-8			
CRAFT STALL	Selling children's craft.	3-4	Julie Read		
		4-5	Vanessa Towers		
		5-6	Jillian Carpenter		
		6-7	Jillian Carpenter		
		7-8			
CAKE STALL	Selling donated cakes and slices.	3-4	Megan Fradd		
		4-5		Jayne Hunter	
		5-6		Lesley McGuire	
		6-7			
		7-8			
PLANT STALL	Selling plants.	3-4	GillianVan Der Eyk		
		4-5	Jenny Hilder		
		5-6	Astrid Bradshaw		
		6-7			
		7-8			
GAMES TENT	Collection of money and supervising games. E.g. lucky numbers.	3-4	Jillian Carpenter 3-4.30		
		4-5			
		5-6	Irene Regal		
		6-7			
		7-8			
CHOCOLATE WHEEL	Selling tickets for chocolate wheel	3-4	Neile Robinson		
		4-5	Neile Robinson		
		5-6			
		6-7			
		7-8			
SET UP PACK UP	Help with set up and pack up of fete	2-3	Jillian Carpenter Megan Fradd Dianne Elven	Shane Fradd	Sharon Cupit
		7-8.30			Sharon Cupit
RAFFLE TICKET SALES	Selling raffle tickets	3-4	Jenny Hilder		
		4-5			
		5-6			
		6-7			
		7-8			