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## From The Headmaster:

We are now very firmly into the final assessment phase of the year for our Year 12 (HSC) students. The Trial written examinations start on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August; major projects are being submitted in some practical subjects and in Society and Culture; and examiners will be in the school soon to assess our students in practical areas of, for example, Music and Drama. It is a busy and a complex time and we wish our Year 12 students very well as they present the fruits of much labour. To them and to their parents, we say "stay calm, stay focussed, keep up steady work – and steady rest!"

Students in Years 8 and 10 are currently making elective choices for the subjects in Year 9 and 11 next year:

### Year 10:

Submit your subject selection forms by next Monday 6 August at the latest. We shall be making subject determinations straight after Monday and we need all your forms.

### Year 8:

Submit your choices **on line** as explained in the booklet handed out at school and then hand in the signed form. The final date is Monday 13 August, but we ask for as many as possible to submit the **on line** form by Friday 10 August.

Parents who need further information or an extra copy of the booklet should phone us at school and we will be only too happy to help.

The very vexing topic of **parking** remains a problem for us. In particular, congestion in the Junior School is considerable, and parents who cannot park there park in Wolseley Road which can raise its own problems, in terms of blocking neighbours' access and movement in a busy road for young families.

Much of the parking in the Junior School area is needed for staff, who need to be handy to their rooms and who fill up much of the regular area (though not, of course, the hardcourt area.) Therefore, I very strongly suggest to parents that they use the new carpark, below the Junior Oval, reached by the ring road. Try this: enter at Clare Avenue entry, below the Performing Arts Centre, and drive round the ring road to the end. This carpark is barely used: you could park, and walk children up in front of the Gym to Stages 3, 2 and 1. This would be the better route – not across the Oval itself. The extra distance will actually be nothing for Stage 3, and not very much for Stage 1, and the safety will be greatly increased.

Students in Years 7-12 have had their Athletics Carnival this week, at Blacktown on Wednesday and at school (High Jump) on Thursday. May I thank Miss Southwell for her masterly organization and the huge fleet of staff and parents who helped out and made the day a successful and enjoyable one. Well done to all the competitors – whether you are a 10 second or a 20 second person for the 100 metres, your participation makes the day. Further results will appear soon, and the top performers will represent Arndell at Hills Zone on August 20.

Some of you will, perhaps, have come across books or other material by the American Neale Walsch. The publication "Conversations with God" has attracted particular attention, and the volume in that series aimed at teenagers seems to be popular. So I went on to Walsch's website and my message to all of you is: "**Beware! Proceed with great caution!!**"

Walsch's messages from God are nothing of the kind. They are in no way biblical: their message is pure Walsch and his tone suggests that he sees himself as the God mouthpiece. His message, as I understand it, tells people that all they need to know is already inside them, waiting to be unlocked, so that looking outside oneself, to God, is quite unnecessary. It is smooth, plausible and self-congratulatory: it is certainly not Christian and it has no place for Jesus. **Proceed with Great Caution!**

## Dates for the Diary:

### Monday 6 August

Yr 9 G & W AFL Incursion  
Yrs 10W and 10B HSIE Excursion – Scheyville National Park.  
Assessments Due: Yr 12 Major Works, Yr 10 Science

### Tuesday 7 August

Yr 9 ALC (Language) Test

### Wednesday 8 August

2007 'Sew In' - Senior Library  
Yr 10 ALC (Language) Test  
Yr 1 – Fish & Chip Lunch Day  
Assessments Due: Yr 10 PASS

### Thursday 9 August

Yr 11 ALC (Language) Test  
Yr 2 Exc. – Rouse Hill  
Yr 9 Dance Exc. – Sydney Opera House  
Assessments Due: Yr 10 PASS

### Friday 10 August

Senior School Assembly  
Yr 3 Excursion – The Rocks Walking Tour  
Yr 12 Trial Exams Commence  
Assessments Due: Yr 8 English, Yr 9 Music, Yr 10 PASS

### Saturday 11 August

HSC Languages Speaking Exams Begin

### Monday 13 August

Yr 12 Trial Exams  
Assessments Due: Yr 7 PE, Yr 12 Textiles, Yr 12 Visual Art,  
Yr 10 PASS

### Tuesday 14 August

Yr 12 Trial Exams  
Yr 9 AFL Incursion

### Wednesday 15 August

Yr 12 Trial Exams  
Yr 2 Fish & Chip Lunch  
Assessments Due: Yr 9 Food

### Thursday 16 August

Yr 12 Trial Exams  
Yr 10 PASS Indoor Rock Climbing  
Yr 5 - Jump Rope for Heart skipping Workshop  
Yr 9B AFL Incursion

### Friday 17 August

Yr 12 Trial Exams  
CSSA State Athletics – Sydney Athletics Centre  
Jnr. School – Jump Rope for Heart Launch  
Jnr. School – Grandparents Day

## The surreal and the reality – but how can we know?

Not only does the Lord's prayer speak of the reality of heaven but it also teaches about the depth of God's character. The very opening line the Lord's Prayer says: "Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name." The prayer will go on to say much about the character of God, if one looks carefully, however in the first line it says God is "Father." Just by saying the word father many images can come to a person's mind depending on the relationship one has had with their father, or is enjoying at present with their earthly father.

There is no doubt in my mind that some people may instantly switch off and turn right away from God because of the idea that he is like a father. Particularly if the father figure you have known in your life was/is a pretty poor specimen. But for those whose father was/is the perfect example, who has demonstrated their love, concern, discipline, appropriate correction and have lavished everything good upon you, that father, will conjure in our minds many happy bright moments, and perhaps make it easier to trust God the Father.

To open the prayer with the concept that God is, Father in Heaven, is inviting. The Father in Heaven is one who will grant his children everything that is good for the one addressing Him. In Matthew 7:9 we read: *"Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup>Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake?* Our earthly father, even though we are not perfect, does not deliberately give to His children something that is deadly, or unhelpful or the opposite to what the child wanted, just for the sake of doing the opposite. And Matthew 7:11 continues: *"...how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"*

In the long run the Father is saying anyone who seeks to know truth concerning God, His will, His Heaven, or shall I just simplify this and say – **reality** – should come to the Father because He will not let them down. God the Father will not send truth seekers on a wild journey to nowhere. He will lead you to what you seek, the truth, He will guide you to Himself.

Graeme Sedorenko – School Chaplain



A **Lost Property** 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..

Mr. O. Laffin – Co-ordinator of Lost Property.

### 'ALADDIN JUNIOR'

*is coming to Arndell Anglican College!*

*Starring - your child!*

**When:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October for the Red classes  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October for the Blue classes

Be transported to a whole new world as we travel the magic carpet to Agrabah, the city of enchantment!  
Rehearsals with the main cast are well under way with all students K-6 involved in singing and dancing.

#### Main Cast of Characters

Aladdin – Mitchell Dean	Jasmine – Chantelle Mares
Sultan – Ben Herder	Jafar – Jake Elven
Razoul – Keiran Bird	Iago – Rune Hislop-Speers
Guards – Calum Mansfield, Zac Elven	Prince Baba of Ganoush – Dylan Firth
Narrators – Holly Vincent, Lucy Potter, Victoria Refalo, Emilie Hogan, Lauren Cupit	
Prince Dahdu Rahn-Rahn – Jake Finnane	
Prince (formerly known as the artist) – Dean Seymour	

**Don't miss this magical event!**



#### **HERE HE IS!**

The genie from "Aladdin Junior" went missing from the cast of characters in last week's newsletter – you never know what a genie will do next! We tracked him down and found him using his magic in 6 Red – and his name is – Jordan Leal!



## Brainteaser

## Number 22

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.

What do the following words have in common? PIG, PONY, BOB, DOVE, SWALLOW, COTTON

Answer to brainteaser 21: The widow received, \$ 3000 000.

## From the Performing Arts Department:

Best wishes to the many performing groups from Arndell Anglican College who will be competing in the following sections at the Hawkesbury Eisteddfod:



- Arndell Anglican College Band in the School/ Community Instrumental Ensemble Secondary School section on Tuesday 21 August 2007 at 10:30am
- Arndell Anglican College Junior Dance in the Secondary School Dance – year 7-9 section on Monday 3 September at 9:45am
- Arndell Anglican College Senior Dance in the Secondary School Dance – year 10-12 section on Monday 3 September at 11:00am
- Arndell Anglican College Choir in the School/ Community Choral section on Sunday 16 September at 3:30pm
- Arndell Anglican College Percussion Ensemble in the Percussion Ensemble Primary School section on Friday 21 September at 10:00am
- Arndell Junior Band in the Instrumental Ensemble Primary Schools section on Friday 21 September at 10:00am
- Arndell Anglican College Year 5 Guitar Ensemble in the Instrumental Ensemble Primary School section on Friday 21 September at 10:30am
- Arndell Anglican College Handbell Ensemble in the Instrumental Ensemble Open Age section on Friday 21 September at 6:00pm
- Arndell Anglican College Stage Band in the Instrumental Ensemble Open Age section on Friday 21 September at 6:30pm

All performances will take place at Windsor Function Centre, Dight Street, Windsor. We would love audience support from the Arndell community.

For more information contact -Mrs. Miles at the College.



## 2007 “Sew - In”

**When:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August  
**Time:** 9am – 2 Morning Tea and Lunch will be served  
**Where:** Senior Library Arndell Anglican College  
**What:** We will be sewing squares together to make wraps for ‘Wrap with Love’  
**Finished?** Finished squares can be delivered to Student Services at the College.

### RSVP:

For catering purposes please phone the College on 45723633 by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

We have hundreds of squares to sew into wraps. If you could spare an hour or more, please come along and help sew!

ALL FINISHED SQUARES (with the ends sewn in) can be delivered to the College NOW!

If you are unable to attend on the day but would be able to sew a wrap together at home, please contact the College and we will arrange to send squares home with your child.

Looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday.  
For more information contact -Mrs. Miles at the College.

## News from IT Services

By now you should have all received your letters for our new Parent Portal. If you have not, could you please get in touch with the College. We are receiving some feedback about the portal, and would appreciate any, which you would like to pass on. Please use the contact form on our website if you would like to do this. Some parents who have children in both the Senior and Junior Schools may have noticed that, there is a lot more information showing for the students in the Senior School at present. This is because we have only just started to use the system in the Junior School, and we hope that over the coming weeks you should start to see more appear. There are also some sections that we aren't using yet within the portal, which may say “access denied”. This will change over time as we open up more and more of the portal's features. We will be holding a parent information night, about where the College is headed with technology, and in particular the “Parent” and “Student” portals on Wednesday 22 August, 7pm in the Performing Arts Building, where parents will be able to ask questions and make suggestions. Kind Regards,

Rohan Smith - Coordinator IT Services

## Arndell Anglican College Directory

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

### DATES FOR 2007

Term 3:	Monday 16 July – Friday 28 Sept.
Term 4:	Tuesday 16 Oct. – Tuesday 11 Dec.
College Carols:	Friday 7 December
Infants Presentation	
Afternoon:	Monday 10 December
Primary School	
Presentation:	Tuesday 11 December
Senior School	
Presentation:	Wednesday 12 December
Term 1 – 2008	Commences Tuesday 29 January

### DATES FOR COLLEGE CAMPS . . .

The dates for the camps are as follows:

Year 8 Somerset Camp,	
Colo	Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Thur 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Year 10 Waterslea,	
Nowra	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov - Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov



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



## Year 12 Showcase Evening 2007

You are cordially invited to attend a display of Year 12 HSC Major Works by the students of Arndell Anglican College.

The subjects featured are:

**Drama, Information Technology, Visual Art,  
Textiles**

The evening will be held on

**Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2007**

Commencing with a display of works from 6pm and then Drama performances and Information Technology presentations at 7 pm.

**Cost of entry is \$5 per person.**

**Tickets available from the Main Admin Office**

Please come to see the talents of our Year 12 students as displayed in their Major Works for the HSC

## Attention: Equestrian Team



We have a few events coming up. Tara Interscholar Dressage is on 22nd September at Hills District Pony Club grounds, entries close 1st Sept. Please download entries from the Tara website or contact me for an entry form

at [cami.leva@arndell.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cami.leva@arndell.nsw.edu.au).

Our own Arndell Carnival is coming up on Saturday 1st September; get your entries in ASAP. We will be asking all Arndell riders to provide 1 helper to volunteer for the day. Please download forms from the Arndell website, any other queries contact Carolyn Dobson on 45 723531.

Mrs. Leva.

## Junior School Book Week Competition

Additional information relating to the Book Week Competition being held by Windsor Library has just been received by the school. The original details were sent out with the students earlier this week.

Guidelines:

- The drawings must be original artwork
- Computer generated lettering can be used for Title and/or Author
- Electronic images must be less than 10% of the total artwork
- Be aware of copyright restrictions regarding the use and copying of original illustrations.

### Premier's Reading Challenge

Just a reminder that the students reading records are now due. Please hand them to the staff in the Junior library.

Julie-Ann Thomas - Junior School Teacher Librarian

***THE ARNDELL SCHOOL FETE  
(FUN DAY & CRAFT MARKET)***

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2007.

3pm – 8pm.

We are looking for stall holders for our **craft market**. Start planning and preparing now for your stall, booking forms will be out next term.

We would also like to get a craft club going to make craft item to sell on the day.

If this sounds like you give Prue a call (0417419161)

Don't forget to keep those **2<sup>nd</sup> hand books** coming in, to the Front Admin Office.

**Live entertainment** will also be a big feature on the day; we will be looking for any students, staff, or community groups

that would like to perform on the day, look out for the booking form next term.

**The next committee meeting is on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 9.15am in the staff room.**

All help and ideas greatly appreciated.

***Father and Daughter  
Weekend***

August 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> 2007

**BOOK NOW!!!!**

- Father & Daughter Challenge
- Bush walking
- Swimming
- Great fellowship
- Movie on the big screen
- Nice and close to home
- Cooking contest

**SEAFOOD NIGHT -optional**



**Things to bring**

- Food is not supplied so you will need to bring food for you and your daughter/s.
- Your own towels
- Bring some board games
- Swimmers
- DVD's

**COST:** Only \$60pp for the weekend.

If you would like to participate in the big Seafood dinner on Saturday night please tick the box below. **Cost: \$15 per adult, \$5 per student.**

Please return to the Administration office with a \$60 deposit clearly marked attention Mr Lumb

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age of people coming: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes/No I would like to have seafood

People eating seafood: \_\_\_\_\_



# GOLF DAY REMINDER

*Book now for the Golf Day on 30th August - Booking Form attached*

Many thanks to Emjay Process Systems Pty. Limited &  
Larry Walker Home Loans for their generous Sponsorship

## ARNDELL GOLF DAY 2007

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August

**BOOKING FORM**

### WINDSOR COUNTRY GOLF CLUB

7-30am Breakfast

8-30am Shotgun start 4 person Ambrose

1-30PM Lunch

Followed by Presentation

Cost: \$60 per Player

#### PLAYER/TEAM DETAILS

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

Players: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(cheques payable to Arndell P & F Association)

#### SPONSORS DETAILS

\* Silver \$150      \*Gold \$250 (delete one option)

Includes Signage at Club (as provided), advertising at all College events in 2007 & One Complimentary Player for Gold Sponsorship at Golf Day