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#### From The Headmaster:

As you will all know, this week has been Photograph week - or, rather, Monday and Wednesday. In a school of our size, given the needs of Year Group, House, and Activity group photos, it stretches over nearly all of two days. This involves a certain amount of disruption to our regular program, but much less than it would be without good organization. May I extend the thanks of all of us to Miss Todd, Mrs Parnwell and Mrs Whelan of the Admin staff; to Mr Webb, Mr Harrison and Mrs Cornick for all their diligent, painstaking work, both before and on the photo days? The photographers (as always) found our students to be co-operative and reasonably punctual: and the photo themselves are an invaluable record of the year's happenings. Well done to all.

In Years 7, 8 and 9, the families A-K had their Parent/Teacher night on Tuesday this week and L-Z are on Monday next, 30th July. Thank you to those parents who have come so far and we look forward to seeing the second half of the alphabet next week. May I point out that if, for any reason you could not come on Tuesday, then please make arrangements for next Monday. The alphabetical division is useful - it is not sacrosanct!

I would like to hear from parents about the effectiveness of our new system of booking interview times. Some parents have said they have found it helpful; but, like any new system, it may have teething problems that need to be sorted out. As staff we will be reviewing it after next Monday and parental input would be very useful to us.

#### APEC Holiday on September 7th

This has been a confused issue. At first it was all Sydney, and then only parts; Westbus are not sure of their operations on that day; though the College is not in the holiday area, some families live in it, as do many staff, and lots of parents work in the holiday area. Given all these areas of uncertainty, and given that the school community need to be able to plan ahead, it seems to me best to say that

#### Friday September 7

Arndell will observe the Public Holiday We shall inform the bus companies of our decision.

One of our strongest and most enjoyable fundraisers for the year is the Annual Golf Day, to be held this year at the Windsor course on Thursday August 30th. The day always begins with a fine breakfast and concludes with an even finer lunch: in between, the golfers thwack their way around the course. We would love to see you there - as a player or a supporter. Please get in touch with Mrs King, the event organisor, and book in – get a foursome together and have a lot of fun. "Fore!"

Our library staff have recently sent me a copy of a book by Celia Lashlie, "He'll be ok", about raising teenage boys successfully. It is a well written book, easy to read, and often very sharp in its observations. Lashlie comes at the subject as a single mother of a confused adolescent boy who has undertaken a large study of boys in (mostly) boys' schools in New Zealand. Be prepared to be surprised and possibly affronted: but have a read because she says some excellent things about valuing and harnessing the energies of boys rather than condemning them because they don't behave as tractably as girls. I have found it stimulating and sometimes disturbing. You can't read it without occasionally saying to yourself, "Was I as dumb as that?!"

The words of John, at the start of the Book of Revelation, could apply more widely than just to the prophecies in that remarkable book, couldn't they. Let us think on this, applied to all of God's word: Blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it.

## Dates for the Diary:

#### Monday 30 July

Phone:

Fax.

Yr 7-9 Parent/Teacher Student Interviews (L-Z) - Senior School Library Jnr. School Incursion - Opera Australia Yr 10 PASS In-class Assessment Task Yr 1 Exc - Schoolhouse Museum

#### Tuesday 31 July

Yrs 3 and 5 - Basic Skills Testing Yr 9 AFL Incursion

#### Wednesday 1 August

**CSSA State Gymnastics** Snr. School Athletics Carnival - Olympic Pk.

#### Thursday 2 August

Snr. School Athletics Carnival ½ day Yr 10 P.A.S.S. (Indoor Rock Climbing) CSSA Zone Athletics

#### Friday 3 August

CSSA Zone Athletics Carnival - Narrabeen Yr 7 Hepatitis B/Varicella Vaccinations Snr. School Chapel HSC Creative Arts Showcase Evening Yrs 3 and 5 Basic Skills Testing

#### Monday 6 August

Yr 9 G & W AFL Incursion Yrs 10W and 10B HSIE Excursion - Scheyville National Park

#### Tuesday 7 August

Yr 9 ALC (Language) Test

#### Wednesday 8 August

2007 'Sew In' - Senior Library Yr 10 ALC (Language) Test Yr 10 PASS In class Assessment Task

#### Thursday 9 August

Yr 10 PASS In class Assessment Task Yr 11 ALC (Language) Test Yr 2 Exc. – Rouse Hill Yr 9 Dance Exc. - Sydney Opera House

John Goddard

#### From The Head of the Junior School:

It seems that there has been quite a few difficulties with lost uniform items of late. Firstly, there always seems to be significant numbers of uniform items in lost property without a legible name on them. Even if you have labelled your child's uniform, please check all items to see if the labelling needs to be renewed. Secondly, despite labelling, students sometimes just grab the nearest jacket or jumper and put it on. Please also check that the uniform that your child brings home is actually the one that belongs to them.

Despite the fact that the weather is quite cold, it seems that we have some cases of head lice in the Junior School. Please check your child's hair and treat them with the relevant product if a problem exists.

With the winter weather, come the usual coughs and colds and sometimes something a little nastier. Teachers are the victims of these maladies just as the children in their care are and so it is sometimes necessary for them to be replaced by casual teachers. As often happens at this time of year, the pool of casual teachers shrinks and it is sometimes difficult to get someone to cover all of the classes. If you know of any teachers who are available for casual work, please ask them to drop in a brief CV with contact details and the days that that are available so that I can include them on my rapidly diminishing list.

As mentioned last week, the date for the second part of the Basic Skills testing is definitely Friday, 3rd August.

#### Some dates to remember:

CSSA Zone Athletics: Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August Basic Skills Testing: Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July and Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August (Years 3 and 5) Grandparents' and Grand friends' Day: Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> August

Rick Harrison

#### Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is nearly over for this year. All entries need to be handed in at the Junior Library by Friday 3rd of August so that they can be entered electronically. All children in Kindergarten will be entered as they have had the books read to them, as will many children in Grade 1 and 2.

Just a reminder that if you do not wish your child to have their name included in the Honours list, or to receive a certificate, they cannot enter the competition. (This is a change from previous years.)

If this is the case please let Mrs. Thomas know by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

Julie-Ann Thomas - Junior School Librarian

## 'ALADDIN JUNIOR'

is coming to Arndell Anglican College! Starring - your child!

When: Wednesday 24th October for the Red classes Friday 26th 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

Narrators - Holly Vincent, Lucy Potter, Victoria Refalo, Emilie Hogan, Lauren Cupit

Jafar – Jake Elven Razoul – Keiran Bird Iago – Rune Hislop-Speers Guards – Calum Mansfield Zac Elven

Prince Baba of Ganoush – Dylan Firth Prince Dahdu Rahn-Rahn – Jake Finnane Prince (formerly known as the artist) – Dean Seymour plus an amazing chorus!

Don't miss this magical event!

#### News from the Art Department:



Arndell Anglican College has been registered to take part in the 'Doodle 4 Google – My Australia' competition which offers students the chance to have their artwork viewed by up to 9 million people on the Internet!

Google periodically publish a quirkily decorated Google home page logo to celebrate certain events and these Google doodles have mostly been designed by Googles original doodler, Dennis Hwang, that is until now!

Google is looking for a doodle that best represents Australia and what it means to be Australian. The competition is open to students from Years 1 to 10, and the top 32 doodles will be displayed online for the Australian public to vote for their favourite doodle. Finalists will receive \$10,000 worth of technology equipment for the school as well as a 15-inch: 2.4 GHz Macbook Pro for themselves.

For further information please see Mrs. Huett at the Arts Staffroom (next to A26) during recess or lunch if you would like to become involved.

Remember you have to be in it to win it!

Rebecca Huett - Visual Arts Teacher



**National Youth Week 2007** was held from the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> April this year and now the NSW Youth Week organisers are getting geared up to make plans for Youth Week in 2008 which will be held from 5<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> April. This competition is an opportunity for young people to:

• Express their ideas and views, raise issues of concern to them, and act on issues which affect their lives and create and enjoy entertainment.

#### Youth Week also:

- Provides an opportunity for the wider community to listen to young people, and to acknowledge and celebrate the positive contributions made by their efforts and achievements.
- Promotes a community focus on issues of concern to young people.

If you are interested in designing a website that promotes Youth Week in 2008 and winning \$500 please come and get an information pack from Mrs. Huett at the Arts Staffroom (next to A26) during recess or lunch. Entries for this competition are open to students aged from 12 to 25 and closes on Friday 28th September so come and collect the information soon!

Rebecca Huett - Visual Arts Teacher

Year 9 Visual Arts Presents...

### The Arndebald Prize 07'

Please make your way to the Senior Library over the next six weeks and view the current exhibition *The Arndebald Prize 07'*, a collection of two-dimensional portraits in a variety of media by the Year 9 Visual Arts students.

After viewing the exhibition make your vote for which work you think should be the winner of the People's Choice Award. Ask the library staff for a voting slip and place your vote in the voting box provided. The winner of the People's Choice Award will be announced during Friday's assembly in Week 8 this Term, and each vote will be entered into a raffle also announced on this day, so please come along to the Senior Library to support our visual artists and be in the raffle for a chance to win simply by placing your vote!

Rebecca Huett - Visual Arts Teacher

#### Art News...

On the 23rd June this year four Arndell Anglican College students each entered an artwork in the JJ Plumber Student Art Award for Drawing. Of these four, three students works were selected for hanging, they were:

Bethany Houston Year 7 Laura Hartley Year 8 Hannah Roberts Year 10

Congratulations is extended to each of these students and in particular a big congratulations is given to Hannah Roberts whose chalk pastel entry, a portrait of her brother titled 'Max', was the Junior Individual Winner. Hannah was awarded \$200 and the College has been given the Perpetual Trophy which will soon be displayed in the Administration foyer along with the winning artwork.

Well Done Hannah!

Rebecca Huett - Visual Arts Teacher



#### Brainteaser

#### Number 20

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.

A man died, leaving \$10,000,000 for his widow, 5 sons and 4 daughters. Each daughter received an equal amount, each son received twice as much as a daughter, and the widow received three times as much as a son. How much did the widow receive?

Answer to brainteaser 20: The three letter word is "Pas".

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.

#### Careers:

There are opportunities for interviews for all year 10 students during this week and next week. These are to help students clarify Year 11 subject choice selection and also discuss their Career Exploration Report that was given to them at the end of last term. Parents are welcome to attend too. However parents are always welcome to make another appointment time instead. This will signal the completion of this Career Exploration Program that has been running at Arndell for Year 10 students. They will be conducted by Mrs Goddard, Mr Webb and Mrs Dean.

G Goddard - Careers Co-ordinator

## 2007 "Sew - In"

When: Wednesday 8th 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 squares can be delivered to Student Services at the College. Finished?

RSVP: For catering purposes please phone the College on 45723633 by Friday 3rd August.

Follow the pattern Knitting:

Instructions for square wraps: need to measure 10 inches x 10 inches (25cm x 25cm)

#### **Knitted Squares**

To knit a 10 inch x 10 inch square use size 8 (4mm) needles, 8 ply yarn, cast on 50-55 stitches and knit each row plain (i.e. garter stitch) Note: Test your tension to measure 10 inches (25cm)

Do not knit: one row plain, one row purl (i.e.: stocking stitch) as your square will curl up

No knots: Start each ball of yarn at the beginning of a row and sew in ends. Do not cut ends off short, as your square will unravel. When starting or finishing a square, sew in all ends

#### **Diagonal Squares**

Cast on 3 stitches.

Row 1: K1, increase 1 in next stitch, knit to end of row.

Repeat Row 1 until side edge measures 10 inches (25cm)

Next Row: K1, K2 together, knit to end of row. Repeat this row until 3 stitches remain, cast off

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

#### Arndell Anglican College Directory

Dr. John Goddard Headmaster:

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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)

ttp//www.arndell.nsw.edu.au Equestrian:

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 Monday-Friday (Recess/Lunch)

Arndell Community

Canteens:

Pastor Greg Peisley Church: 4572 3633/0402 278 483 Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday

Remote Document

http://rds.arndell.nsw.edu.au Access:

#### DATES FOR 2007

Term 3: Monday 16 July - Friday 28 Sept.

Yrs 7 – 9 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

(Surname L-Z) Monday 30 July

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 4th Sept - Thur 6th Sept

Year 10 Waterslea,

Mon 19th Nov - Wed 21st Nov Nowra





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

#### Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews:

#### Bookings can be made now.

The dates are:

Years 7-9 (Surnames L-Z): Monday 30 July

#### **Booking Arrangements:**

- Parents may email or ring the school to make bookings with staff. Please have all your child's teachers' names ready to make these bookings.
- Teachers are given print-outs of their bookings, so they know their timetable for the evening.
- All the above occasions take place in the new Senior Library building.

Note: Bookings will close at 12mid-day the day prior to your child's designated interview date.

#### 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

Congratulations to Phoebe Papatheodorou Year 7 who entered and won third prize in the Write4Fun 2007 Art Competition. Her work will be published in the Aussie Art publication in November this year. There were over 5000 entries.

> Book Club Orders are due in by 27 July

#### Senior School Sports Desk:

#### Sport Results:

Girls Hockey v Arden 2-2

Junior Boys Rugby Union v Hills Grammar W 19-7.

#### **Trimester 3 Inter School Sports:**

Touch Football: Boys: Junior, Inter & Senior on Wednesdays, Girls: Junior, Inter & Senior on Tuesday

Hockey: Open Boys 6 a side on Thursday Outdoor Cricket: Junior & Senior Boys on Tuesday

Softball: Girls: Junior & Senior Tennis: Mixed: Junior (7&8)

These sports will commence week beginning 3rd September. Sign on sheets will be posted in week 2.

#### Hills Zone Championship days:

Volleyball U16s and Opens mixed teams

European Handball Opens Girls and Boys teams

Please see Mrs Cornick to sign up for these teams

#### Hills Zone Triathlon Term 4.

Students compete in teams of 3: swim bike & run. Students can also compete as individuals competing in all 3 events. For more information please see Mrs Cornick

#### **Upcoming Representative Trials:**

AICES 15s Cricket Boys nominations by October 16th, trials October 29th at SCG. Girls 21st September, trials 18th & 28th October

AICES Waterpolo boys & girls nominations by 17th October, trials 1st November

AICES 15s Tennis Singles 19th October, nomination date TBC.

AICES Softball Girls 13th November, nomination date TBC

CIS Baseball nominations due 31st October

For further information please see/ring Mrs Cornick

#### CIS Athletics Extra Events:

The following events will be held at the CIS Athletics carnival and not at either Hills Zone or AICES. Students who want to nominate need to provide official verified times and distances to Mrs Cornick by September 3<sup>12</sup>.

#### Extra Events include:

Hurdles: 12yr B&G &13G 80m; 13B, 14G & 15G 90m Hurdles; 14B, 15B, 16 & 17G 100m Hurdles; 16, 17 & 18B 110m Hurdles.

3000m Race Walk: Girls 13 - 19yrs, 3000m Race Walk Boys 13 - 19 yrs

Pole Vault: Boys & girls 14 – 19yrs

#### From: Sydney West Area Health Service:

- Weight status of school-aged children in Sydney West Area Health Service.
- Arndell Anglican College has been asked to be involved in a survey with the Sydney West Area Health Service concerning the problem of children being
  overweight which has had lots of coverage in the media. To find out whether this is a problem for our local community, the Sydney West Area Health
  Service is measuring the height, weight and waist circumference of students in local schools. Students in Year 4 and 7 are invited to participate in this
  health check. In high schools the project is being undertaken simultaneously with the school based immunisation clinics. However, students can be
  measured even if they are not being immunised.
- Details have been sent home with students last week. Please support this important project by agreeing to let your child participate in it.
- All consent forms must be signed and returned to the school by Monday 30 July 2007, irrespective of whether or not your child is participating in the
  project. This is different from the immunisation program.
- If you have any further questions or comments regarding this program please call Joanne Stubbs or Helen Achat on 9840 3603

Parents Information Consent forms for Year 7 Hepatitis B Vaccination Program (second injection) have been sent home with students last week.

- These injections are for Year students who have had their first Vaccination earlier in the year.
- Parents could you please sign these forms and return them to the school by Monday 30 July 2007.
- Note: Vaccinations and the Weight survey will be conducted on the 3 August. 2007.

#### 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 30th July, 9.15am in the staff room.

All help and ideas greatly appreciated.

## Senior School Athletics Carnival

- The Senior School Athletics Carnival is on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August at Blacktown Olympic Park (Rooty Hill). If students did not return the permission slip, a seat has been booked for them on the buses provided by the College and they will depart at 8:45am.
- Due to formatting difficulties, the program in last week's newsletter contained an error. The correct program is outlined below:

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Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August – Blacktown Olympic Park
Shot Put
Discus
Long Jump
Javelin – by invitation only
All track events
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The order for track events will be:

1500m (held prior to the opening of the carnival at approx 8:45am or once initial bus arrives)
200m
800m
100m
400m

- The 8:15am bus will transport students for the 1500m
- I would like to remind parents, that if you wish to pick your child up from the carnival, or have another parent pick them up, this must be in writing and given to your child's Homeroom teacher at the beginning of the day. This ensures the College is following their duty of care for all students. I thank you for your support in this area.
- Please note that the carnival finishes at 2:15pm. Students are to remain until this time to support other students in their House and assist with clean up.
- Any parents who indicated they could assist on Wednesday should receive a letter home via their child on Monday next week. Thank you in advance for your assistance.
- Blacktown Olympic Park has a tartan track which is an all-weather track. It is therefore unlikely that the carnival will be cancelled in wet weather. There is an undercover grandstand to provide shelter. However, if the weather is particularly nasty and you are not sure if the carnival will go ahead, the College phones will be answered from 8am. If you cannot get through, send your child in full PE uniform as well as bringing the correct books for the day.

Meg Southwell - Carnival Organiser

# Father and Daughter Weekend

August 24th - 26th 2007

#### **BOOK NOW!!!!!**

## Kurrajong Trails and Cottages



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

C-6300 0065-3 C-63000662

**SEAFOOD NIGHT -optional** 

#### Things to bring

- Food in 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
- Girl's Make

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:		
Email Address:	Yes/No I would like to have seafood	
People eating seafood:		

## ARNDELL GOLF DAY 2007

Thursday 30th August

## BOOKING FORM

A Fantastic day to be had in support of our School...

a chance to have fun, relax & provide improved resources for our children's education

## 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	R/TEAM DET	AILS
Team Name:			
Players: 1.	<del> </del>	2.	
3		4.	
Business Name (if a	pplicable): _		
Contact Member: _	<del> </del>		
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