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From The Headmaster: Dr John Goddard

H-Block- the Ian Mears building – is now officially open! Of course, we know that we have been using it all year, but the official opening, attended by Mrs Louise Markus, MP, Archdeacon Ken Allen, members of College Council and of the Sydney Anglican Schools Corporation and many other guests, together with staff and students of the College, was a very fine event. In speeches, in music, in prayer and in reflection, we were able to celebrate the best of the College in an excellent way. My very warm thanks go to the large numbers of staff and students who contributed to the occasion – Mrs Paul and the Hospitality students, Mrs Miles, Mrs Druitt and the musicians; Mr Wright and the sound technos; Mrs Daly and the prefects and captains. The College was shown off to great advantage!



Thank you also to all those parents who came to our termly P & F Forum meeting on Wednesday night. It is always good to raise and discuss issues which affect the daily life of the school – on this occasion it was the Camping and the Music programs that came in for particular attention. I hope you all know that it does not need such a forum for raising issues: parents are free to bring matters to my attention at any time. For the Forum, however, I do thank Mrs Pellew and the committee for their hard work and organization and for being so encouraging of both the wider parent body and of the school and all its activities.

Indeed we have a lot at Arndell to be thankful for; and so we have our annual

Arndell Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday 18 September
7pm in the Auditorium

Please join us for an evening in which God's word, our music, our prayers and our thoughts are particularly directed at giving thanks. There is no RSVP for this service: just come along and spend time with us in one of the most enjoyable things we can do as a College community: Thanksgiving!

Dates for the Diary:

Friday 7 September
School is closed due to the APEC Summit

Monday 10 Sept – Monday 17 Sept:
Yr 11 Exams

Monday 10 Sept:
KG – Community Child & Family Health Screening
Assessments Due:
Yr 12 English Std. Yr 12 English Adv.
Yr 10 PASS, Yr 12 HSC Music Prac. Exams

Tuesday 11 Sept:
CIS State Athletics – Sydney Athletics Centre
KG – Community Child & Family Health Screening
Yr 9R AFL Incursion

Wednesday 12 Sept:
KG – Community Child & Family Health Screening
Junior School Gala Day

Thursday 13 Sept:
KG – Community Child & Family Health Screening
Yr 10 PASS – Lawn Bowls, Richmond
Yr 9B AFL Incursion

Friday 12 Sept:
Senior School Chapel
Jnr School – Awards Assembly
Snr School Talent Quest 7pm, Performing Arts

Monday 17 Sept. – Wednesday 19 Sept:
Yr 10 Core Exams

Monday 17 Sept:
CIS Athletics – Homebush
Yr 11 Hospitality Exc.
Yr 9G/W AFL Incursion
Assessments Due:
Yr 9 Maths, Yr 9 Drama

Tuesday 18 Sept:
CIS State Athletics
Jnr School Yrs 5/6 World of Maths
Yr 3 LEAP Exc.
Thanksgiving Service 7pm – Performing Arts

Wednesday 19 Sept. – Friday 21 Sept:
Yr 6 Camp – Port Hacking
Jnr School – Year 5 Fish & Chip Lunch

Assessments Due:
Yr 9 Science

Thursday 20 Sept:
Yrs 10/11/12 HPU Injections

My congratulations to the Year 12 Musicians for last week's HSC Showcase. There was variety aplenty – the classical and the ultra-modern, and everything in between and there was great energy in the performances. The final HSC performance, before the markers themselves, is this Thursday and we trust it goes well for all the students.

Year 8 have been at Camp this week, on the Colo River at Camp Somerset. It has been a cool week (much cooler than last week!) but the activities have gone ahead in an excellent spirit. My great thanks to Mrs Laffin and the staff who attended the camp – they do put themselves out to go on a 3 day enterprise; I know they enjoy it, but we must never forget that they leave families to do this, and I thank them most warmly.

Would Jesus think you are a bad person if you had some doubts about him? – No, I'm not asking you this question, I'm letting you know that a Junior Schooler asked me that this week. Mrs Coles asked me to talk to her JOLT group, and I spoke about my Christian journey, and then the students asked questions. They asked magnificent questions! They were eager to think and to share, and they understood a lot. My thanks to Mrs Coles and her JOLT group. I have no doubt that the Christian life of the College is progressing well when young people so clearly want to know more about how Jesus can live in their lives!

From the Deputy's Desk: Mr James Webb

A short week due to the APEC summit, however a welcome break due to the significant amount of illness running (literally) through the College.

Congratulations to all of our students who are involved in Hills Zone sport an enormous vote of thanks to the coaches who brave the highs and lows and who commit so much time to the enjoyment of the sport. My thanks to Mrs. Cornick for the huge investment of time in the organisation of the zone activities. Success builds upon success and this can only come from the dedication of all concerned.

Year 11 Trials and Year 10 Core Exams

Next week will see another round of exams at the College. The Year 11 students are now completing their Preliminary HSC course and will embark upon the HSC proper in Term 4. The Year 11 timetable has been issued, so hopefully our students will take the opportunity, given by the long weekend, to put in some extra study time. Short term pain for long term gain !!!! The **Year 10 Core Exams** will follow the Year 11's. We are then building towards the School Certificate in November. I ask parents to support the children at these times. Present a united front to success.

Summer Uniform:

The changeover has been a lot less painful this year. My thanks to the Uniform Shop and in particular to Elizabeth Moore for the huge amount of work done in presenting a wonderful uniform. It would be great if some of our students could leave home equally well presented.

Parent's Alert

I mentioned last time that we would trial the early warning system. That is giving parents an early indication that there was a concern afoot either through behaviour or not keeping up with work. My thanks to the parents I have contacted on their very positive response. The earlier we can get parents involved, more often than not the better the outcome for the student.

Have a wonderful long weekend.

From the Head of the Junior School: Mr Rick Harrison

A relatively quiet week in the Junior School this week, at least when compared to some of the events of last week!

I would like to thank all of the Junior School students, parents and staff, especially Mrs Mouton, for helping to make my 50th birthday a very memorable one. The helicopter flight was a wonderful experience and a complete surprise to me, as was the "50" formed by the children on the basketball court. The birthday song performed by the Kindergarten children was also something to remember. It is amazing that all of the children, even down to our littlest ones in Kindergarten, managed to keep the secret and what's more I didn't see any of the "secret" notes lying around.



Arndell Anglican College Junior School sent two students to the National Lego-Robotics competition held at the Gold Coast last weekend. Hannah Robinson and Daniel Sinclair were invited to attend the National Competition after securing second place in the NSW competition. The competition involved designing and programming a robot for specific tasks and they were guided in this task by Mr Taylor. While they didn't win the national competition, they gave a fine account of themselves.

On Monday of this week, Year 5 was visited by the Hon. John Aquilina MP, member for Riverstone, as a part of their studies in government. Following his time with Year 5, Mr Aquilina spent some additional time with the members of the Year 5 LEAP programme.

On Friday of next week we will be having our second Awards Assembly for the term. The normal awards will be presented and Year 2 will be presenting an item.

Don't forget that the College will be closed this Friday for the APEC meeting.

Some dates to remember:

- APEC Summit Holiday: Friday, 7th September.
- Kindergarten Health Screening: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10th, 12th, 13th September.
- Awards Assembly: Friday, 14th September.
- Year 6 Camp: Wednesday, 19th September to Friday, 21st September.
- Mini Market Day: Thursday, 27th September.

Textbook Orders for Year 11 Entering Year 12 Term 4 2007:

Textbook order forms have been handed out to all year 11 students going on to Year 12 studies this week.

They are due back to the senior library on or before the 14th of September 2008.

Orders may also be placed on line @ www.campion.com.au.

Textbooks will be distributed to students on the 26th of September at college senior library.

Those on work experience will need to make arrangements for them to be picked up.

It is a college expectation that all students will have all their textbooks with them from day one term four.

Mr. Charles - Text book Coordinator

Senior School Sports Desk:

AICES Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the following students who competed as part of the Hills Zone athletics team at the AICES Athletics carnival Tuesday 4th September. All students participated with determination even though the windy conditions made the throwing events hard work and the final straight of the running events like pushing against a brick wall! But that didn't seem to bother our athletes, many of whom have achieved top three placing in their events. Full results will be available on the AICES website at www.aices.com.au from Thursday 6th September and the efforts of our Arndell students will be highlighted in next week's Advocate. My thanks to Mr Gordon and Miss Fennelly who acted as officials all day, and to the students that assisted officials through out the day.

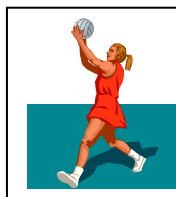
Arndell students who competed:

Josh Andrews
Nat Barbagallo
Alex Celio
Grant Donaldson
Alex Mifsud
Matt Otten
Jacob Roberts

Joshua Baglin
Daniel Brown
Hayden Collins
Matt Grant
James Mitchelhill-Miller
David Payne
Daniel Swainston

Scott Baldwin
Jake Carpenter
Ian Dewhurst
Ashley Johnson
Jeremy Otten
Alex Rieusset
Michael Walker

Junior School Sports Desk:



2007 has been a very successful year for our junior and senior netball teams. The skill development has been extraordinary and the girls have worked really hard together as a team. We have experienced our greatest success this year. Both the junior and senior girls represented the school at the State Championship Carnival and both teams made the quarter finals. This is an outstanding achievement at state level. The juniors also won the SASC Gala Day and proudly came back to school with the winning shield. All the girls have been an absolute pleasure to teach.

Jo Chan and Kim Hogan.

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 10 Waterslea, Nowra	Mon 19 th Nov - Wed 21 st 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

Senior School Carnival Photos

The PE department would like to put photos taken from the Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country carnivals on the College web site and the year book.

If you do not wish for your child to appear in any photos, please contact Meg Southwell in the PE department. by Friday 14 Sept.

If we do not hear from parents, we will go ahead and publish photos.

Thank you

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. Regards.
Mr. O. Laffin

MindQuest 2007

On Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 October 2007 the twenty second MindQuest program will be held for gifted and talented primary students from Years 1-6. These include gifted and talented students, gifted underachievers and students with well above average ability with a special interest.

Students will have an opportunity to participate in over 38 exciting, fast paced courses in the two day program. They include courses in chemistry, earth sciences, drama, forensic science, art and much, much more.

The cost of the weekend is \$145 (including GST) to be held at Baulkham Hills High School, Windsor Road Baulkham Hills

For further information please
Contact Shelagh Poray 4573 1139
Closing date: Friday 28 September 2007.

For your information:

Hawkesbury Eisteddfod Dates:



- 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.

GOLF DAY NEWS

Congratulations to this years winning team – The Mighty Four – Mitch Waltho, Christian Thomas, Grant Ferry & Mike Seymour.

A great day was had by all, with wonderful weather, excellent food and great fellowship amongst all of our players. A special note of thanks must also go to our Sponsors who supported our Annual Fundraiser –

**MAJOR SPONSOR: EMJAY PROCESS SYSTEMS P/LTD.,
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Hoosier Tire Australia
Hawkesbury Financial Services
Windsor Country Golf Club**

Golf Day Committee: Frank & Maxine Khourj, Mandy Waller, Brenda King



Brainteaser

Number 27

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.

Replace the asterisks by the correct mathematical signs to make the expression equal to 99.

$$16 * 12 * 2 * 3 = 99$$

Answer to brainteaser 26: The man is 80 years old.

ITALY AND GREECE TOUR



January 2009



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. 3rd 2009 for 20 days

COST: \$5,700 (costed as at 24th August 2007)

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 October 26th 2007 to secure your seat. 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.

Parents are welcome to enquire about a position on the tour.

For further information, please contact

Miss Doman – English Department

WANTED FOR THE SCHOOL FETE
Saturday 17th November, 2007. 3pm - 8pm

Craft Stall Holders. These spaces are only being offered to the school community, so if you are a bit crafty or you have products that sell well at markets, then this is the opportunity for you. Book your space now, sites are \$30.00. You provide your own table and shelter. Please return form to the Student Services or the Main Administration office.

Craft market stall – cheque payable to Arndell P & F

Name..... Phone.....

Type of craft stall.....

Child's name..... Class/homeroom.....

More people to grow or donate plants. We would also like to have a fresh produce stall in conjunction with our plant stall; we need produce or any one who could go to the markets for us. Please call Cheryl Mount 45754141

Second hand books for our book stall. These can be dropped off at the Main Administration office.

The next meeting for fete committee is on Monday 27th August in the staff room at 9.15am – All welcome.
 For any enquiries call Prue Stever 0417419161

Talent Quest

A Fund raiser for Northern Territory

Entries are now open for anyone who would like to enter the Arndell Anglican College Senior Talent Quest for 2007 starting at 7pm. To be held in the Performing Arts Building on the **FRIDAY 14th of SEPTEMBER 2007.**



Open To All!

- Singing
- Dancing
- Comic
- Musician
- Magician

Tickets will be sold on the night for \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

To enter you must fill out attached form and return it to the Student Services by the 5th September 2007. Acts will be performed in the order they are received.

ATTENTION: Mr Lumb

Name: _____ Class: _____ Age: _____

Type of act _____ Time length to be no longer than 3-4 min