

#### THE

# ARNDELL ADVOCATE

July 3rd 2009
The Newsletter of Arndell Anglican College

Arndell Anglican College PO Box 4063, Pitt Town, NSW 2756 118 Wolseley Road, Oakville 2765 Phone: (02) 4572 3633

Fax: (02) 4572 3849

Email: enquiries@arndell.nsw.edu.au

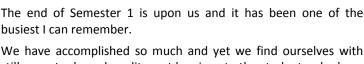
Arndell Anglican College Website: www. arndell.nsw.edu.au

Prefects Chapel 26 June 2009



## From The Acting Headmaster:

Mr. James Webb

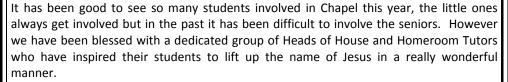


We have accomplished so much and yet we find ourselves with still more to do and credit must be given to the students who have worked tirelessly to fill teams, be part of fun days, collect monies, sing in choirs, play in bands, dance in musicals, dress-up for the Easter parade, play sport, achieve in class to attain awards, look after one another, present chapels and more.



We have seen the departure of Dr. Goddard and this has been an upheaval in the life of the College, it is clear he will be sorely missed. His sense of fun and his passion for the music and the arts gave the College a new dimension. We pray for him and his wife Glenys as they look to other ventures.

Dr. Goddard's farewell has been placed in term 3, giving him the opportunity to take his wife to see their daughter who is living in Wales. Information will be sent out at the start of term. If you wish to make a donation to his farewell present please send that through to Mrs. Whelan in Administration.



Illness has hit home over the past few weeks and both staff and students are in need of a good break to re-charge the batteries for the semester ahead. I hope that the staff, in particular, after what has been a stressful time, can come back refreshed and renewed.

My thanks to all who have given me support this year. I cannot begin to name names with the exception of Barbra Whelan, my PA, who has kept me on track, Mr. Leigh Windsor for his financial knowledge and Mrs. Lynn Gillen, who has done such a wonderful job with both the Head of Senior School position and then combining the Director of Studies job with her own executive, compliance position. They say women can multi-task and Mrs Gillen is the classic example.

My thanks also to the parents, staff and students for the kind words of support, encouragement and constructive criticism. I have enjoyed the banter but more importantly taken on the advice. We have a great community which we need to make stronger and even more involved.

God's word is a great source of inspiration in all that I do and as a community we need to strengthen our resolve in Christ.

Peter Jensen at the end of his book 'At the Heart of the Universe' encapsulates what we as a community need to do – he says 'In all that we do, effort is involved. There is no







magic formulae or elevating experiences which make life easier. Our effort for God will need to be genuinely our own.' He goes on to say 'God does not leave us on our own; however we must again think of God's grace and that in two ways. Firstly He invades our lives through His Spirit and secondly, in His forgiveness. Our efforts for God are essential, they spring from faith, but salvation remains God's gift and, once again, we cannot stray from the cross'.

These are wonderful words that bind us together. I urge you to consider coming along to the Sunday Service at the College, to become a part of the community.

Have a wonderfully, safe and restful (if you are able to) break.

#### **Breaking News!!!!**

Congratulations to Natasha Van Der Eyk Year 8 on winning the Senior Award (Year 7 – 10) for the "Operation Art Exhibition for The Children's Hospital at Westmead". There were 700 entries from students in the Public and Independent Schools. Natasha will be attending an award ceremony on Saturday evening and her Art, which has been framed, will be hung in the Children's ward at Westmead. Well done.

## From the Head of the Junior School:

### Mr. Rick Harrison

Our last Awards Assembly for the term appeared to be short and sweet after the marathon of Parents' Day. Year One's songs were a highlight of the event.

**Congratulations** to the following students who received Headmaster's Awards:

Prep: Harry Hutchinson, Caitlin Fraser; KR: Daniel Rodgers, Sophia Pinter;

K/1B: Charlotte Durant, Maddison Miller; 1R: Angela McGlashan, Daniella Occhiuto;

2B: Kane Welsh, Calista Vacopoulos;

2R: Kurtis McGarrity, Malcolm MacPherson;

3B: Jarrod Harber, Kurtis Read;

3R: Aaron Macdonald, Joshua Rodgers, Bryson Rejtano;

4B: Jayde Barrett, Jack Evans;

4R: Lleyton Bird, Loren Carter; 5B: Jade Webster, Tom Smithers;

5R: Naomi Borg, Zac Giarratano;

6B: Lachlan Shoobridge, Alexandria Smith;

6R: Kellie Stack, Kaitlyn Meca.

**Congratulations** also to these students who received Citizenship Awards:

Prep: Alannah Vella, Matthew O'Rourke;

KR: Paige Ellison, Jack Rawlings;

K/1B: Greer Johnson, Hayden Atkins;

1R: Angus Fahey, Kaylan Phipps;

2B: Alison Ommundson, Lucas Bigeni;

2R: Brianna Ayres, Amber Fradd;

3B: Toby Webb, Axell Vacopoulos;

3R: Tully Lynch, Caitlyn Ridge;

4B: William Lesslie, Sam Beazley;

4R: Jake Saunders, Andrew Sinclair, Duncan Campbell;

5B: Rachel Viehauer, Declan Horne; 5R: Molly Bailey, Lachlan Werner;

6B: Dakota Cooke-Martin, Maegan Hamill;

6R: Alexandra Garcia, Brin Cross

As I write, we are looking forward to our Primary Athletics Carnival to be held, once again, at Blacktown Olympic Park. Last year many records fell and we expect some fine performances from our athletes again this year.

The repairs to the Infants play equipment should be completed over the holiday period – parents may have noticed that the rusty links have already been replaced by stainless steel shackles.

Parents of 6B students will already be aware that Mrs Sanderson will be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Sanderson's family will be moving to Queensland as her husband takes up a position on the Gold Coast. We will be advertising for a permanent replacement as soon as possible. In the mean time, Ms Romijn, a casual teacher well known to the College, will be responsible for the class during the first few weeks of term 3. We wish both Mrs Sanderson as she heads off to Queensland, and also Mrs Turville, as she starts her maternity leave, all God's blessings as they both embark on new, but quite different! ventures.

All Junior School students will be taking home their half-yearly reports on the last day of term. We are using a new system to produce these reports and are hoping that there will not be any complications. Please let us know if there are any anomalies in your child's report. This being the final newsletter for the term, I would like to thank all of you who have contributed to the life of the Junior School during Semester One.

#### **Events coming up include:**

- Infants Fun Sports Day: 3rd July
- Last day of Term 2: 3rd July
- First Day Term 3: 27th July
- Incursion, Camp Quality Puppets: 30th July
- CSSA Cross-country Carnival: 31st July
- College Photographs: 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> August



## CHORAL FESTIVAL 2009:

## Mrs Michaela Miles Head of Performing Arts

The third annual SASC Choral Festival was held in the John Lambert Performing Arts Centre on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June. The focus of the event was altered this year to promote Choral singing in a more Festival-like format rather than the competition of previous festivals.

The 400 students involved in the festival were from Arndell Anglican College Junior and Senior Choirs, Penrith Anglican College Junior Choir, Richard Johnson Junior Choir, Rouse Hill Junior and Senior Choirs, Thomas Hassall Junior and Senior Choirs and Wollondilly Junior and Senior Choirs.

The students combined for Junior and Senior workshops with guest conductor Mr. George Ellis and rehearsed combined items for the afternoon concert. Mr Ellis worked with the students to vary the tone, develop their breath control, and learn to project their voices with attention to balance and dynamics. The students were certainly encouraged by the experience of working with large numbers to make a great sound. The Junior Combined Choir certainly looked amazing too with 260 students filling the stage!

The concert opened with the Junior Combined Choir singing *For the Beauty of the Earth* by John Rutter. Each choir then performed a selection of pieces. The concert was a wonderful journey through different times and eras with songs from the Jazz era, World War 1, Broadway Musical Theatre, West End Musical Theatre, and Popular Music. A special focus for each Senior Choir was also to include a traditional hymn tune.

The concert concluded with the Combined Senior Choir singing *Gloria from Pop Mass* by George Ellis and *The Lord Bless You* and *Keep You* by John Rutter.

The Choral Festival was a wonderful experience for all the students and staff. Mr. Ellis enjoyed the experience and has already expressed his wish to come back and work with the students again at the Choral Festival next year.





## Anglican College Directory:

Acting Headmaster:Mr James WebbActing Head of Snr School:Mrs Lynn GillenHead of Junior School:Mr Rick HarrisonChaplainRev. Graeme SedorenkoCounsellor:Ms Sarah Tabone

 After School Care:
 0407 474 161 (3.30- 5.30pm)

 Equestrian:
 Mrs Teena Welsh 0425 254 412

 teenbean1@westnet.com.au.

Mrs Laura Thorpe 0416 212 260 prestigeinteriors@exemail.com.au

P & F President: Mrs Neile Thompson 0414 845 488

pandf@arndell.nsw.edu.au Mrs Liz Moore 4572 3254

Uniform Shop: 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

### IMPORTANT TERM DATES-2009

#### Term 3 - 2009

Monday 27 July - Friday 2 October

#### Term 4 - 2009

Tuesday 20 October to Wednesday 9 December.

Tuesday 8 December – Infants Presentation Afternoon

Wednesday 9 December – Primary School Presentation Even.

Thursday 10 December – Senior School Presentation Even.

### School Camps- 2009

Year 10 Camp – Waterslea (Nowra) Monday 23 Nov to Wed 25 Nov









A contemporary church for YOU and YOUR FAMILY. We meet every Sunday of the year at 10.15am Arndell Anglican College. 6pm Pitt Town Anglican Church Hall 110 Bathurst Street, Pitt Town Contact: Greg Peisley

Café Connect: Tuesday/Friday Mornings 8.15am-9.30am Students: Friday Lunch "The Way" meet in D1 Adults: Fridays "People Looking at God's Word" 9.25am at the College

All Welcome

## **Important Dates**

Monday 27 July:

Term 3 Commences for all staff and students

**Tuesday 4 August:** 

Parent/Teacher Interviews Years 10/11 (Ring the College to make appointments)

**Tuesday 11 August** 

Parent/Teacher Interviews for Yrs 7,8 and 9 (A to L)

**Tuesday 18 August** 

Parent/Teacher Interviews for Yrs 7,8 and 9 (M to Z)

## 2 DAY PER WEEK PREP CLASS (preparing your child for school) commencing Term 3 2009

Due to the enormous success of the 3 day Prep class we are now looking at a two day program which will commence Term 3, 2009.

Parents, who are interested in enrolling their children, should contact the College Registrar for an application form and prospectus.

The two day programme is dependent upon sufficient applications being received before the commencement of Term 3.

### **ENROLMENTS FOR ALL YEARS IN 2010**

If you have siblings of current students at the College and have not enrolled them and wish to do so, contact the College Registrar at the earliest.

#### **Brainteaser**

#### Number 38

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.

Ben is riding his bicycle along a circular track. It takes him 2 minutes and 13 seconds to complete one lap. How long it takes Ben to complete 60 laps.

Answer to brainteaser 37

Use roman numerals. XXIX take out (i.e. take away) the I leaves XXX.



## Arndell Sports Desk: Mrs Rosemary Cornick

Commitment to Sport:\_Whilst there are a large number of students who commit to their school team, training and games every week, there are almost an equal number of students who do not share this same level of commitment to their team. All students who play in a school team and their parents have signed commitment forms committing to the team and the competition. You are letting the side down if you do not attend training, do not turn up to the games and do not let the coach know with 24 hours notice so replacement players can be organised. These same students play for outside clubs on weekends and are fully committed to these teams to the detriment of their school team, which is very disheartening for the students, teachers, parent coaches and parent supporters who give up their time to play, coach and support the school teams who are being defeated week in week out because they cannot field a full team. Please support your school team!



#### A Huge Thank You to all

Students, Staff, Parents, Past Students and Yr10 PASS students for their participation in and assistance at the Primary School Athletics Carnival.

**AICES Netball Championships:** HZSA finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place to Hunter region.

**HZSA U16 Rugby Union**: defeated ISA 19-5. Congratulations to the team and to Ben Tuynman who played as a member of this team. This is the first time HZSA has won an U16 Championship.

**NETSETGO Primary Netball Program:** Commences in Term 3 Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July and runs through to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August with no session on August 6<sup>th</sup> due to the SASC Netball Championships. Yrs 1-3: 3.15 – 3.45pm, Yrs 4-6: 3.45- 4.45pm.

**CSSA Zone Metro Cup Primary Netball:** Congratulations to all the girls who played tremendous netball. The Yr3/4 team went through to the CSSA Championships undefeated. The 5/6 team finished in equal  $2^{nd}$  place and we are still waiting on confirmation of the final results for the 5/6 team.

**Soccer CSSA Metro Cup: Primary Girls Soccer:** The postponed Gala day will now be played on Monday August 24<sup>th</sup>. **Primary Boys Soccer:** The postponed Zone Championship day will now be played on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

Year 5/6 HZSA Sports Afternoons: Commence Wednesday July 29th. Team lists will be posted 1<sup>st</sup> day back Term 3. Yr 9 PASS students will be assisting with refereeing and umpiring. Information letters will be posted out in the holidays.

**Primary School High Jump Finals:** This event will be completed on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July from 11.00am.

CIS Primary Softball Nominations due 27<sup>th</sup> July. If there are students who play softball to a Representative standard please see Mrs Cornick

**SASC Netball Championships:** August 6<sup>th</sup> for teams from yr 3./4, yr 5/6, yr 7/8, Yr 9/10, Yr 11/12. Our current teams will be entered into this competition.

Soccer CSSA Metro Cup: Boys Soccer: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August, Girls Soccer Monday August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**CSSA State Netball & Soccer Championships:** Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August

Primary CSSA Zone Athletics Carnival: 13<sup>th</sup> August, Primary CSSA State Athletics Carnival: 19<sup>th</sup> August

HZSA Primary Athletics Carnival: 17<sup>th</sup> August, HZSA Secondary Athletics Carnival: August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Parents are respectfully reminded of the need to return any acknowledgement form or permission slip by the due date so that organisation for the event can proceed efficiently.

Information regarding both Primary & Secondary Representative Sport for Term 2 has been posted on the Primary & Secondary Sports Notice Boards.

The Arndell Sports Webpage has been updated.

All Sport information, dates, draws, venues, carnivals, trials can now be accessed on the website.

The P & F purchased these two young models and they have been on display in the Administration office at the College. During the Funday, a naming competition was put in place and Mrs Mary Zahn was the successful one in naming "The Twins". I would like to thank all the people who entered; some of the names were 'different'.

Brittany Ellison and Cindy Fu from Year 11 introducing themselves to Thomas and Charlotte Arndell.



# MOTIV8SPORTS 3-DAY OLYMPIC MULTI-SPORTS CAMP AT ARNDELL ANGLICAN COLLEGE WEDNESDAY 8th to FRIDAY 10th JULY 2009 between 8.30am & 3.30pm daily

Children who attend one of these great camps will experience Olympic fever at its best...

10 team sports, 10 individual sports, 6 country showdowns & 2 super challenges.

You could be competing for one of the many participating countries including:

Australia, Brazil, Italy, NZ, USA or Jamaica to name a few.

BASKETBALL, AFL, ULTIMATE LEAGUE, FLAGBALL, GERONIMO, OZ-TAG, 4-BALL, SUPER SOCCER, STREET HOCKEY, THE MARATHON, 50m SPRINT, COMMAND-0 RUN & the list keeps going.

VISIT m8s.com.au to book your spot as positions are limited.

We only perform our Olympics once a year.... Don't miss our most popular camp of the year

Call 88147729 for more information

David Hemmings Motiv8sports Pty Limited

Term 3 Re-commences - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 20th