



The Arndell Advocate

Friday May 14th, 2010

The Newsletter of Arndell Anglican College

From The Headmaster

Mr Gareth Leechman



Colleges are busy places full of energy and life and what creates this energy and life is the people who make up the college community. As people come and go they bring to our college their aspirations, dreams and hopes. They seek to move the college forward making it a place where people want to be and where our children have the opportunity to grow. Therefore it is sad when people decide to leave our college community to explore new opportunities and so it is with mixed emotions that I wish to inform the college community that after almost fifteen years of service to the Junior School Mr Rick Harrison has also indicated to me his desire to resign as Head of the Junior School at the end of his long service leave in Term 3. I have accepted his resignation and his last actual day at Arndell will be the last day of Term 2, Friday 25th June.

Rick has had a significant impact on Arndell Anglican College, specifically in relation to his work within the Junior School. He has been a dedicated teacher and leader within our college community and his parting gift to the college will be implementation of our new literacy program THRASS. There will be several opportunities for us to thank Mr Harrison before the end of term.

In the absence of a Head of Junior School in Terms 3 and 4 Mr Webb and I with the assistance of the three stage coordinators will have oversight of the Junior School. A Head of Junior School Appointment Committee has been created and we will be advertising for a new Head of Junior School in late May with a hopeful end point being an August announcement as to our new Head of Junior School. Please pray for this group of people as they look to find a new leader who will grow our Junior School in the years ahead. I will keep you all posted via the newsletter as to how we are progressing in finding a suitable replacement.

So the journey continues for Arndell Anglican College. We may be saying goodbye to someone who has offered so much to the college but we will also be saying hello to someone new who will bring their aspirations, dreams and hopes to our college as the college moves into the future.

Finally I would like to remind the college community of two P&F events which are coming upon us. On Saturday the 22nd May the P&F Trivia Night is occurring so get together with a group of friends and create your own table for what should be an interesting evening of facts and figures. Then on the following Saturday the 29th May it is the Family Fun Day. This was a roaring success last year and I encourage you all to come along and see the college community in action, it will coincide with an open day where what we have to offer will be on show for all to see.

Let's build this community together and I look forward to meeting many of you in the weeks ahead.



Arndell Sports Desk: *from Mrs R Cornick*

AICES Girls Football (soccer): Congratulations to Laura Hartley (yr 11) who played for the HZSA team in this Championships. HZSA won the championships with a penalty shoot out in the final. Laura as goal keeper saved 3 out of 3.

HZSA Open Rugby Union: Congratulations to both Adam Roberts, and Ben Tuynman (yr11) who have been selected in the HZSA team to compete in the AICES championships and to Sebastian Goldrick and John Grayson who have been selected in the 16's team.

HZSA Primary School Cross Country: What a terrific day! Fagan Park was not only a challenging course but a superb back drop. The results can be accessed on the HZSA website www.hillszone.com.au The same team will be competing at the HICES selection Cross Country carnival on May 20th At All Saints College Bathurst. Letters were distributed this week and parents are reminded to return the permission/transport slips by the due date so that competitor entries and bus numbers can be confirmed. Thank you to Mrs Hogan, Mrs Selff, Mrs Glinn and Mr Walker for assisting on the day as course official race recorders and team managers. Arndell finished in 3rd place overall. A tremendous result.

Yr 4 AFL Gala Day: All of Yr 4 had the opportunity to try out their skills in AFL having the benefit of 5 AFL players from NSW AFL to teach and guide them in learning skills and then playing games against Rouse Hill Anglican, The Hills Grammar, Redfield College and William Clarke. This was a participation gala day so winning was not the emphasis but our teams took great delight in coming off the field as winners! Thank you to Mrs Coles and Mrs White who accompanied the children and seemed to enjoy their own PD during the day. Pictures will be posted at Student Services.

Secondary Cross Country: Congratulations to the following students who competed at the HZSA Cross Country Carnival on Thursday May 6th on a challenging course in the beautiful surroundings of Fagan Park, Galston. My thanks to Mr Gordon & Mrs Elven, who assisted as team manager and course official throughout the day. **12yrs:** Gabrielle Naethyus, Madeline Eglin, Caitlyn Gorman, Jamie Robinson, Georgia Parry, Harry Ridgewell, Alex Earle, Mitchell Kenny. **13 Yrs:** Kyla McInnes, Lana Rigby, Emily Byrne, Amy Bonner, Megan Fitzgerald, Jake Dauncey, Zac Elven, Jake Hilder. **14 Yrs:** Katie McDonald, Gabrielle Saunders, Chantelle Mares, Dana Panos, Taylor Attack, Jessica Roberts. Thomas Zahn, John Linden Carpinato, Jordan Piper, Tim McAlpine, Ben Thornton, Jack Hartley. **15 Yrs:** Tia Sutton, Isabella Smith, Amiee Casahuilca, Brooke Saunders, Ayla Fradd. Seaton Kenna, Josh Mitchell, Chris Tolson. **16 Yrs:** Annabelle Andrews, Kim Currell, Cassandra Bonner, Jessica Bolder. Alex Celio, Dieter Hoffman, Joel Smith, Bradley Kenny, Sebastian Goldrick, Ethan Holland. **17 Yrs:** Olivia Leal, Courtney Jones, Eliza Newton, Emma Sammut. CJ Thomas, Ben Tuynman, Matt Watson, Adam Roberts, Joshua Toms, Joel Sedorenko **18 Yrs:** Holly Andrews, Ally Cornick, Amy Manefield, Jessica Dean, Tiah Glendenning. The results and times can be accessed on the HZSA website www.hillszone.com.au

BASKETBALL: Mr Stefan Kaczmarczyk (Yr 8 parent) is very keen to promote Basketball at Arndell. Having the expertise in and a passion for the sport he has offered to coach boys & girls in the Junior and senior school. These skill and fitness sessions will happen after school on Wednesdays from 3.15 to 4.30pm starting Week 2 Term 2 on the senior basketball court. If your child is interested in being part of this squad and has not already signed up please complete the form sent out as a News Flash this week.

Senior School Basketball: Stefan is also going to train the Senior Basketball team in readiness for 2011. So if your son/daughter plays basketball and would like to be part of this team please let Mrs Cornick know so training days can be organised.

HZSA Trimester 2 Sport The following teams have been entered. The competition starts week 5. Draws will be available as soon as they are received.

Rugby Union: Intermediates Tuesday (15s&16s); Thank you to Mr Leechman and Ben Tuynman (yr 11) for coaching.

Netball: Inters (8&9); seniors (10, 11 &12) 2 teams. Thank you to Mrs McPhee and Mr Webb for managing the teams and to Mel Robinson for coaching the Intermediates. There are still places for players in the Inters team so if you would like to play please see Mrs Cornick

HZSA Knock Out Tennis –Owen Rogers, Aden Meca, Theodore Papatheodorou, Ben Kohnertz, Danica Barbagallo, Erin Vucko, Olivia Eglin and Bethany Robinson will all be competing in this tennis KO competition on Friday 14th May.

A personal request to all students and parents: Letters sent home regarding any sporting event, requests to assist at gala or carnival days and nominations to trial for Representative sport **must** be returned by the due date written in the letter. Failure to comply creates unnecessary extra work for organisers, besides which the Sports Associations HICES, HZSA, AICES & CIS will **not** accept late nominations. In the case of CIS if you nominate and do not trial students will still incur the fee.

Sporting Commitments: Students who have signed a commitment form as a member of a College team do have a responsibility to their team to attend every game. Whilst there maybe circumstances when students cannot uphold this commitment, every effort must be made on their behalf to notify the Head of Sport & their coach at least 24 hours prior to their game so that alternative arrangements can be put in place.

The Sports webpage is being updated and all sport dates for 2010 are on the Sport webpage in Extra Curricular Activities. Parents are recommended to keep up to date with what is going on through these avenues. HZSA now has its own website: www.hillszone.com.au parents are encouraged to access this webpage for all HZSA information, results and draws. There is NO website for HICES.

New Junior Library Centre

On the first day back this term, all of the Junior School gathered on the lawn outside our new Library to watch as our school captains, Elysia Sproule and Joshua O'Brien, cut the ribbon and opened the doors for the first time. Helping them were our two youngest students in the school, Eleanor Moane and Tony Xian. It was very exciting to finally be able to open the library doors for the first time and since then, everyone has enjoyed using our wonderful new library.



Arndell Anglican College Directory:

Headmaster:	Mr Gareth Leechman
Deputy Headmaster:	Mr James Webb
Director of Studies:	Mrs Lynn Gillen
Head of Junior School:	Mr Rick Harrison
After School Care:	0407 474 161 (3.30- 5.30pm).
Equestrian:	Mrs Laura Thorpe 0416 212 260 prestigeinteriors@exemail.com.au Mrs Anna MacDonald p.amac@bigpond.com
P & F President:	Mrs Neile Thompson 0414 845 488 pandf@arndell.nsw.edu.au
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

Term Dates for 2010

Term 2

Monday 19 April to Friday 25 June

Term 3

Monday 19 July to Friday 24 September

Term 4

Tuesday 12 October to Wednesday 8 December

Monday 6 December – Infants Presentation
Afternoon

Tuesday 7 December – Primary School Presentation
Even.

Wednesday 8 December – Senior School
Presentation Even.

The

Mrs Cornick Head of Sport

For Your Diary:

Monday 17th to Friday 21st May:

Year 11 Exams

Tuesday 18th to Friday 21st May:

Year 10 Exams

Tuesday 18th May:

7.30pm – P & F Meeting

Wednesday 19th to Friday 21st May:

Year 9 Exams

Saturday 29 May:

College Funday/Open Day

Thursday 3 June:

Yr 7 HPV/HEBP/Chicken Pox Injections

Missing

Sports PE bag with Arndell Soccer
Jersey, sneakers, shorts, socks and
shin pads, belonging to
Jessica Aldacour Year 7

If found please contact

Mrs Aldacour on 0412 691 210

Points from the P&F:

Mrs Neile Thompson



We've got a busy few weeks coming up ... not that it's ever not busy really!

P&F GENERAL MEETING

NEXT TUESDAY – MAY 18TH 7.30pm in the NEW JUNIOR SCHOOL LIBRARY

Don't miss this term's general meeting including an update on P&F activities and plans, a tour of the new library, a report from Mr Leechman on the year so far and plans for the future and as always, your chance to ask questions, make suggestions and discuss any issues or ideas you may have.

If there is anything in particular that you would like to raise beforehand or something you would like added to the agenda please let me know on pandf@ardell.nsw.edu.au or give me a call on 0414 845 488.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, May 22nd in the Gym – 7pm Start.

Send your bookings in for this great night of fun. \$15 per person – book a table of 10-12 or a smaller group if you prefer, or just you! We'll find someone for you to play with!

For bookings contact Donna Pellew on pandf@ardell.nsw.edu.au or phone her on 0417 774 545.

Donations of goods or services for prizes/raffles that we can use for the Trivia Night, the Golf Day, the Foundation Dinner, the Fun Day, the Equestrian Carnival and the Christmas Gift Hamper are **GREATLY APPRECIATED!** Just contact pandf@ardell.nsw.edu.au or drop them in to the College Reception.

FUN DAY & OPEN DAY

Saturday, May 29th all over the College – 12 – 5pm

This is a BIG day full of activities and fun and information and food and games and rides and just lots and lots of stuff!! Don't miss it!

Also greatly appreciated are **donations** of books for the **Book Stall** and good quality 'trash', which might be treasure to someone else, for the **White Elephant Stall**.

With exams upon us all again – the students aren't the only ones to suffer! - don't forget Mrs Donna Allen, Snr School Learning Support, is still in need of **READERS/SCRIBES** to assist some of our students with their exams. It's so much better if we have a group of parents able to help rather than taking other students out of classes to do it. If you'd like to find out more just call the school (4572 3633) and ask to speak to Mrs Allen or email me pandf@ardell.nsw.edu.au and I'll pass on your contact info.

Our **FUNDRAISING GOAL** at the moment is to assist the College with the **Smartboard in Every Classroom** project begun last year. They're almost there with, last I heard, just 3 more needed for the Infants classrooms. These are truly fantastic teaching and learning aides allowing interaction and activity between the students, the teacher and the board ... students don't just sit and look at the board anymore, they can watch it, touch it, talk to it and I think it even talks back!? It is the P&F's great pleasure to give their support to finishing this project. If you'd like more information about the Smartboard just ask your child's teacher for a demo!

There is another very interesting and I think, very exciting project that Mr Leechman has asked the P&F to be involved with ... it has to do with the College's anniversary, it's past and way into its future ... I'll tell you more at the General Meeting next Tuesday! See you there!

Professional Tutoring
Mathematics (All Levels)
Science (All Levels)
Physics, Chemistry, Biology (Yrs. 11 & 12)
Many years Experience
Contact: Douglas Cooper, MA, MSC.Sc. Dip.Ed.
0418 617 337/9634 6018



What young adults need | What you can do | Why it works!

FREE SEMINAR

Nationally recognized and acclaimed Sociologist Mark McCrindle will draw back the curtain on the pressures and preferences of young adults.

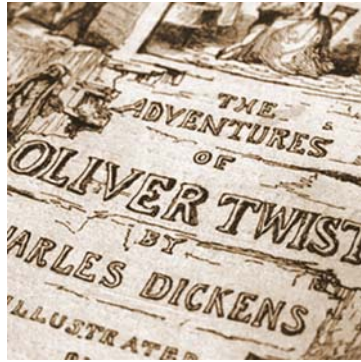
Psychologist Jen Zahara will explain the neuro-physiology and brain research that underpins our understanding of how and why young adults think the way they do.

High School Teacher, Chaplain, Pastor and Counsellor Ray Evans will provide useful advice and practical strategies on how to stay connected with young adults and to preserve open and effective communication.

**Thursday 27 May
7.30pm
Pacific Hills9 Quarry Road
Dural 2158
Christian School**

Are there young adults in your life that you care about?
Do you sometimes feel that they are living in a different world & speaking a different language to you?
Is your desire that they be strong and purposeful?

TICKETS NOW ON SALE!!



THE IMMORTAL TALE OF
OLIVER TWIST

ARNDELL PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

7:30pm

FRI. JUNE 18TH AND SAT. 19TH

TICKETS \$15 ADULT

\$10 STUDENT/CHILD/PENSIONER

INCLUDES SUPPER

BE QUICK FOR THE BEST SEATS
ARNDELL TALENT SPECTACULAR

FINAL – FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD



SPONSORS REQUIRED

The third annual talent spectacular will be auditioning students in August for the September final, one of the highlights of the Arndell calendar. Last year's event was a sell-out.

In order to offer the students great prizes, we are seeking businesses or families willing to sponsor the evening. If you can help, please contact Miss Doman at the College or return the form below. All sponsors will be acknowledged regularly in the newsletter and in the program on the evening.

To: Miss Doman

Yes, we are willing to sponsor the 2010 Talent Spectacular.

Name of business/family: _____

Sponsorship amount: \$ _____

Student(s) at the College: _____

- If you have a business logo which can be used, please email it to Miss Doman at the College a jackie.doman@arndell.nsw.edu.au

Family Fun Day /Open Day

Saturday May 29th 12 – 5pm

Another exciting day planned for the whole family jam packed with something for everyone.

Dodgem cars, The Hurricane, Jumping Castles, Giant Slide and spinning tea cups

BBQ, PANCAKES, HOMEMADE CAKES, KRISPY KREMES, HOT CHOCOLATE COFFEE AND TOASTIES.

School Stalls this year are kids craft, white elephant, second hand books, plants, pancakes, drinks tent, home made cakes, Games tent the big BBQ and mums craft stall aka as the "Sew wot mum" stall.

From the community we have a variety of craft, jewellery, glass ware and stationary stalls.

Loads of free entertainment and displays including our own junior and senior bands, dancing and karate demonstrations face painting and roving clowns. And new to Arndell our own "Show and Shine" vintage car and bike display

A lot of things happening for our school

How can you help? Donate some plants, can you help with donations for our second hand book stall or white elephant stall. "Sew Wot Mum" need supplies including Lavender, 12 ply Mohair wool and people to sew or knit. Can you make home made jam? If you have already made craft items please let us know. The Family Fun Day Committee are always open to suggestions, and even more open to help please contact us if you are interested in helping in any way

funday@arndell.nsw.edu.au Sharon 044 849 3559, Rachael 041269121