



The Arndell Advocate

Friday July 30th, 2010

The Newsletter of Arndell Anglican College

From The Headmaster

Mr Gareth Leechman



It is with great pleasure that I would like to announce two important staff appointments.

Head of Junior School Appointment

Mr Keith Peterson has accepted the position as our second Head of Junior School. Keith is currently the Head of Junior School at Clarence Valley Anglican School Grafton where he was appointed as the foundation Head of Junior School. Over the past ten years Keith has seen the Junior School grow to a fully functional single streamed Junior School of 160+ students and a fully enrolled Prep Program. In fact both Prep and Kindergarten classes have waiting lists.

He has successfully led the Junior School through two BOS inspections and their performance in NAPLAN testing placed them as the top Junior School in the Clarence Valley. Keith has been an assistant Head of School at several schools in the UK and he has published books relating to the teaching of literacy. He has spoken at a variety of conferences and he holds a PGC in Education from Cambridge University.

Keith is a committed Christian who fervently believes in Anglican Education. He was ordained as a vocational Deacon in the Diocese of Grafton so he could act as a Chaplain to the Junior School and assist in the parish ministry in South Grafton. It is his desire to teach Christian Living to the Junior School students in the years ahead.

Keith is married to Kerrie (a librarian) and has two children, Nick who is completing his HSC and Rosie who will be joining us in Year 11 next year. We look forward to their arrival and hope that their time at Arndell will be fruitful under God's care.

Head of History and Christian Living

Dr Sam Jackson has accepted the position as our first Head of History and Christian Living. Sam is currently Acting Head of History and Assistant Head of History at SHORE, a leading independent boy's school. He has also marked HSC Extension History. Sam is a committed Christian who has completed his PTC at Moore Theological College and is an active member of Rooty Hill Anglican Church. Sam completed his 1st Class Honours Degree in Ancient History from Sydney University and followed this up by successfully completing a PhD in Ancient Near Eastern History from the same institution. Sam is an active academic writer and is regularly asked to speak at a variety of conferences. He is looking

forward to the new challenges that this role will present as it focuses on two of his greatest loves; Jesus Christ and Ancient History.

I would also like to thank our college counsellor Mrs Nixon for organising a very successful set of lectures from Mrs Sue Maclean on cyber safety. Sue is an ex-Victorian policewoman who specialised in cyber issues. After leaving the police force she became a consultant and speaker on cyber bullying and related issues. She spoke to Years 5 – 12 throughout the day and then spoke to over 100 parents in the evening. Many parents came to the evening because their child asked them to.

Finally I would like to remind parents that the Junior School musical *Hats* is on next Friday 6th August with both a matinee and evening performance on offer. Tickets are selling fast so please get your tickets before you miss out!

From the Acting Head of Junior School:

Mr James Webb



Welcome one and all to a very busy two terms in the life of Arndell. It is with great delight that I find myself holding the fort for the next two terms and may I also say that it is a pleasure and a privilege to be working with such dedicated staff.

The way ahead, as I see it, will be to look at a number of areas in the Junior School enabling us to strengthen and support the great work of the teachers. To do this it is crucial to look at and to develop a very pro-active welfare system which is clearly articulated to both students and parents. Consistency in dealing with non-compliance and consistency when dealing with issues of bullying will set a tone in the junior school where the students can feel firstly safe and secondly secure in the knowledge that their right to learn is supported.

This aspect of welfare comes with a number of requirements. Firstly an understanding of our need to be fair and secondly an acceptance that it might be your child who needs to be disciplined. To create resolution the student will need to understand that there are consequences for their actions and we will need parents to reinforce this at home. I am always seeking resolution at the earliest stage as this enables the teacher and student or student and student to then move on.

This first step, with your support, will settle the students to the awesome work that I have been privileged to be a part of over the past week. It has been great fun working with a year 6 class in French and to witness the 'Hats' musical that the students are preparing for you.

Please stop me and say hello – I greet lots of parents each day and it does take some time to get to know you all.

I urge you to work closely with your child's teacher and stage coordinator, ask questions and take pride in the achievements made.

As in the senior school we are very firm on the uniform, it can be a real battle. However that battle can easily be won by your support. Ensure that you know the requirements and insist that your child leaves home each day appropriately dressed.

I urge you to support the Junior Musical 'Hats' - it is great fun and I have found myself singing along to many of the songs and of course the feet tap – Friday 6th get those tickets and delight in the work of your children.



Arndell Sports Desk:

from Mrs R Cornick



HZSA Primary Athletics Carnival: Tuesday 10th August at Pennant Hills Park. Team list to be posted this week. Letters are being distributed this week.

HZSA Secondary Athletics Carnival: Wednesday 25th August at Sydney Athletics Centre. Team has been posted on the Dashboard and the Sports notice board outside the Gym.

AICES Open Netball Isabella Garland (Yr 11) was selected in the AICES Opens Netball Team Congratulations Isabella.

NSW Rugby League: Congratulations to Jacob Roberts (yr10) selected in the U15 NSW team.

Basketball: Stefan Kaczmarczyk is TRAINING Senior BOYS Basketball Team TERM 3 on Thursday lunchtimes starting week 1. Newcomers welcome.

Dates for Term 3:

- **Primary HZSA Yr 5 & 6 Sport** starts Wednesday 28th July. Letters have been sent home. Please check your child's bag/diary.
- **Primary HZSA Athletics:** 10th August – Pennant Hills Park
- **Primary HICES Athletics:** 24th August- Homebush
- **Secondary HZSA Athletics** 25th August – Homebush
- **SASC Primary & Secondary Netball Competition** – 3rd September Kellyville
- **AICES Secondary Athletics** – 6th August – Homebush
- **CIS Secondary Athletics Carnival** – 14th September – Homebush
- **CIS 15s Cricket Trials** – 16th September – Nominations due 9th September
- **CIS Primary Athletics Carnival** – 21st September – Homebush
- **AICES 15s Tennis Nominations due** – 24th September – competition 15th October.
- **NSW All Schools Athletics** – 7th – 10th October – Homebush – Individual entry 12yrs +.

A respectful 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 indicated on 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 or withdraw 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.

Points from the P & F:

Mrs Neile Thompson



Hold onto your hats folks ... we're in for a busy term!!

There's only 3 weeks until the Inaugural **Foundation Dinner being held at the Hawkesbury Race Club, Clarendon on Saturday, August 21st** (we picked the date long before Ms Gillard did!). We have sent out over 1,300 invitations to our past and present families back to about 2001. Unfortunately computer records didn't go back any further and some of the addresses are out of date so if you know anyone connected with the school, past or present, who hasn't received their invitation let me know or ask them to contact us on foundationdinner@arndell.nsw.edu.au or call the Foundation Dinner Hotline on 0447 070 113.

We are planning a very special evening for everyone who can attend beginning with champagne & canapés on the lawn and the beautiful music of Chris Komorowski and Catherine Estall from the Hawkesbury Jazz Club. We will be enjoying a delicious three course dinner and entertained by our guest speaker, the illustrious Mr James Webb plus a power point presentation taking us back through the first 21 years of the College. The night will finish with a DJ and dancing! There are also a few extra little touches to make the evening extra special.

There has been some queries as to whether you'll be turned away if you're not wearing a tuxedo or ball gown ... whilst it is a 'black tie' event and a great opportunity to 'frock up' to the max, a suit and tie for the gentlemen is acceptable and ladies may wear short gowns ... tiaras are also optional!

We're really looking forward to a wonderful evening and the opportunity to catch up and share memories and stories with many past and present members of the Arndell College Community.

This term also holds the **Golf Day on Thursday, September 16th** and our **Equestrian Carnival on Saturday, 25th**. Watch out for more details and information on both these events in the coming weeks.

The other big news is the fabulous new **Uniform Shop** where the old Jnr Library used to be – clean, fresh, light, roomy and right beside the car park (no more dodging pot holes and mud puddles when it rains!) This move has been long anticipated and is like a dream come true for Liz Moore and her wonderful team of ladies who volunteer so much time and effort to run the shop, manage the second hand uniform stock, and help all of us when it's our turn to outfit our kids ... who do insist on growing all the time!

One good thing about waiting so long for this move is that it has given the Uniform Shop time to save up enough to pay for the new fit out of the shop. The Uniform Shop is part of the P&F Association and its revenue is part of the P&F's fundraising efforts that have supported so many projects within the College over the years. Over the last few years we have been able to continue that support of the College and save for this much anticipated – and needed – move. The Uniform Shop is also the first port of call for all new families to the College so we are very pleased, and proud, of the first impressions that the shop can now give. Don't wait for your kids to outgrow their uniforms, drop in on a Tuesday or Thursday and say hello to Liz and her lovely ladies.

HAVE YOU GOT ANY PHOTOS or STORIES?

If you have any photos from any College events, camps, sports days, musicals, dramas etc please send them to foundationdinner@arndell.nsw.edu.au or take/send them to reception and we'll scan them and send them back to you. We'd also love stories and anecdotes from the past ... drop us an email or a letter with your memories so you'll be part of the evening even if you can't be there.

Arndell Equestrian Committee:

Laura Thorpe & Anna MacDonald

Well done to the following riders who have been confirmed to represent NSW at the Interschool National Championships:

- Georgia Thorpe - Showman
- Jaimee Robertson - Combined Training and Showjumping
- Anneka Saunders - Eventing
- Cassi Brett - Dressage

Arndell qualified as the most successful school given the number of students we had participating. This is a national competition and will be held at S.I.E.C on the 22nd and 23rd September. Riders will shortly receive an information pack from Equestrian Australia regarding NSW team uniform and other necessary requirements. Once again, all the best to these riders, we know you will do your best!

Our own Equestrian Carnival will be coming up on Saturday the 25th September at the Hawkesbury Showground. This is a massive fundraiser for the school and a chance for our equestrian team to showcase themselves to the wider community. This event is attended by schools from all over NSW and is still one of the largest events of its kind in NSW. We would like to encourage everyone to come along and support this event. It is a great day and no horse experience is necessary to become involved in some way.



A meeting will be held on Monday the 16th August at 7.30 pm in the coffee shop of the Richmond Club for anyone interested in our school equestrian team and our carnival. We welcome any new ideas or expertise that anyone may have that would benefit our members and school. The more the merrier!

Equestrian team photos will take place Monday the 9th August. The Equestrian team uniform, which consists of beige jodhpurs, white collared shirt, senior boys tie, red school v-neck jumper and **CLEAN** brown boots must be available to change into on the day for the photo. If uncertain about the correct uniform, consult the uniform shop.

Upcoming Events:

- Central Coast Grammar School Dressage Day 22nd August 2010 (entries closed)
- Camden High School Equestrian Carnival 4th September 2010, includes showjumping
- Tara Anglican School for Girls Dressage Day 12th September 2010
- Oxley College Equestrian Day 19th September 2010
- Arndell Equestrian Carnival 25th September 2010

Thursday 29th July 2010 – Opening of the Rex Stubbs Library

On Thursday morning our Junior School Library (the Rex Stubbs Library) was opened by Senator, The Hon. Ursula Stephens followed by morning tea.



Arndell Anglican College

Directory:

Headmaster:	Mr Gareth Leechman
Deputy Headmaster:	Mr James Webb
Director of Studies:	Mrs Lynn Gillen
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

Peripatetic Department

There are limited places available for

Piano private lessons

Piano group lessons (for children years K-2)

Kinderbeat Music (a preschool music program for Prep kids)

Please contact Mandy Refalo on 0418 113 779

Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone or Bassoon Lessons

Please contact Susannah Pinter on:
0419 015 252

Speech and Drama

Please contact Carolyn McKenzie on
0428 228 646

Term Dates for 2010

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.

Important Bus Information

Parents of students who come from the Dural/Kenthurst area.

We ask that you contact Mrs Jenny Lindenburg 0409 972 672 by Friday 6 August 2010, with regards to applying for a bus to travel from Dural/Kenthurst to Arndell Anglican College.

Please contact her before August 6 so that we can submit information to the Bus companies.

Musical Munchkins

Playgroup

Tuesday 9.30-11.30am

\$2.00 per child \$5.00 per family

Arndell Anglican College (Old Prep Room)

Contact: Naomi Ireland

4580 9602/0419 213 254

Arndell Anglican College Junior School Presents



A musical review featuring all students in the Junior School!

Friday 6th August 2010 (Week 3 of term 3)

Matinee performance 11am

Evening performance 7pm

(proceeds to be used to purchase wireless mics
for future performances)

Come and join us celebrate our children's talents!

Grief is the natural response when we experience loss in our lives.

Growth can come in various ways through life's experiences—it may be a new awareness of who we are—or insights into our strengths, values and beliefs. There are choices when a loved one dies—to live in grief, remorse, guilt, all covered by a façade—or to face the feelings, work them through and emerge with an acceptance of the loss—and a commitment to living.

Richmond Community Services Inc are pleased to offer:

A free afternoon workshop facilitated by Margaret Elder for those who are grieving

On SATURDAY 14th AUGUST 2010, 2—4pm

At: Richmond Neighbourhood Centre, 20 West Market St, Richmond.

To book in please call 4588 3555

or you can email: admin@rcsi.ngo.org.au

We are able to offer this work with a kind donation by

....making a difference

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS:

Mrs Elizabeth Moore

- **THE UNIFORM SHOP HAS RELOCATED** to the old junior school library!! During the July school holidays, the new uniform shop was fitted out with all new shelving and hanging bays and 4 change rooms and is now a more spacious, clean, and functional facility in keeping with the rest of the school buildings. Wayne Thorpe (Prestige Interiors)) did an awesome job within a fairly tight time frame so as we could be up and running at the start of Term 3 so thank you to Wayne and our fabulous grounds staff who did a lot of work in preparation for the shop fit out and adding all the finishing touches as well!
- **A HUGE THANK YOU** to all the volunteers who helped in moving all the stock from the old shop to the new on the first day back to school. As well as our regular volunteers we had many mums and dads who responded to Mr Webbs request for help at the junior school morning assembly. By 11:30am all the stock had been moved across AND restacked into the shelving in the new shop!! Thanks to those who used their vehicles to transport the boxes, those who couldn't stay but brought morning tea (thanks Jenny), the Yr 7 students who flattened and removed all the empty cardboard boxes, Gillian who took all the toys home and cleaned them over the holidays, Wendy, Fiona and all our regular vollies who have spent countless hours setting up and "tweaking" so that our stock is easy to find and identifiable on the shelves.
- **SECOND HAND CLOTHING** may be presented at the uniform shop once again. Thank you for holding on to your 2nd hand clothing for the last few months whilst we were preparing to move. Please ensure all second hand clothing is presented in accordance with the conditions attached.
- **SUGGESTIONS!** If you have feedback about anything that could improved the service that the uniform shop provides please feel free to pop a note in the suggestion box located at the front counter in the uniform shop. Any suggestions are periodically **presented to the uniform committee which is made up of parents and staff members.**

CONDITIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF 2ND HAND CLOTHING

FOR SALE IN THE ARNDELL ANGLICAN COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP

Many in our school community benefit from the provision of a second hand clothing pool judging by the huge volume of pre-loved clothing sold each year. This very worthwhile, but time consuming service is made possible because of the dedicated team of volunteers who sort, log, price, tag, record and organize payment to sellers in a timely manner. Without our wonderful volunteers this service would not be possible. Please help to streamline this process by sorting the saleable and unsaleable clothing (according the requirements below) before bringing them to the uniform shop to save on time, phone calls and unnecessary return trips to the uniform shop to collect unsaleable items.

General requirements

- All uniform items must be the CURRENT style (including correct logo and fabric)
- All uniform items must be in good condition i.e. no stains, no holes, all buttons attached, hems and seams intact,
- All items must be washed and ironed (and free from animal fur, hair and lint)
- All dresses, shirts and blazers must be brought to the uniform shop on hangers
- The following items cannot be presented for resale:-
 - Swimmers – Stockings – Socks - Items not originally purchased from the Arndell Uniform Shop

Specific requirements

- BLAZERS must be dry-cleaned (with label attached)
- WHITE SHIRTS AND BLOUSES must not be discoloured (particularly cuffs, collars and underarms).
- SCHOOL BAGS & SPORT BAGS must be clean inside and out.
- HATS must be washed
- GIRLS DRESS HATS must be cleaned (as applicable)

Please bring 2nd hand clothing directly to the uniform shop during opening hours. Items that are deemed unsaleable, for any of the above reasons, will either be returned to the seller, or donated to the sickbay or the Missions. (Please note during busy times unsaleable items will automatically be donated to missions and noted on your paperwork) Items to be returned must be collected from the Uniform Shop by the date notified (usually 2 weeks). If these items are not collected they will be donated to the Missions.

All items sold in the Uniform Shop attract a 30% donation to the P & F Association. Each item is individually assessed and priced according to condition. You will receive the selling price, less 30%. This payment can be taken as either a cheque, or a credit to be used for future uniform shop purchases. At the time of presenting your items for sale, please advise the Uniform Shop how you would like to receive your payment. Please advise the uniform shop if your phone or address details change.

You will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the above conditions when bringing 2nd Hand Clothes to the Uniform Shop.

Pitt Town Anglican Community Church

proudly presents:

A fun afternoon of **African Drumming**

followed by **SAUSAGE SIZZLE.**

Date: Sunday 8th August, 2010

Time: 3.45pm

Doors will close at 3.55pm

Venue: Pitt Town Anglican Church Hall

(Bathurst St, Pitt Town)

45 minutes of interactive drumming (everyone will have their own drum to play) with a professional team consisting of a **Facilitator, Master Drummer** and **Doun Doun Player**. Followed by a **sausage sizzle** and **tea** and **coffee** provided by **Pitt Town Anglican Community Church**.

Tickets cost **\$17.50 each**.

To purchase a ticket, please fill in the form below and return to Mandy Refalo with payment.

(Payments can be given directly to Mandy Refalo or left at Student Services in an envelope clearly marked Mandy Refalo, Drum afternoon.)

Mandy Refalo

0418 113 779

4575 1802

Payment must be received by **4 August**, 2010.

There will be no tickets at the door.

Name: _____

Phone No: _____

No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$17.50 TOTAL: _____

ARNDELL ANGLICAN COLLEGE PRESENTS...

A NIGHT ON
BROADWAY!



TWO SHOWS ONLY:
Friday 27th August
Saturday 28th August
7.30pm
The John Lambert Centre
for the Performing Arts

An Original Production inspired
by musicals such as 'Cabaret',
'Chicago', 'Hairspray',
'Grease', 'Rock of Ages'
and many more...

TICKETS ON SALE TERM 3 FROM
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION - 45 72 3633



MUSICAL MUNCHIES

*Join us for a
morning of fun for
mums and kids*

Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am
\$2 per Child/\$5 per Family

With free coffee at Cafe
Connect from 8.30am

Arndell Anglican College
Old Prep Building
118 Wolseley Rd, Oakville

Contact: Naomi Ireland
4580 9602/0419 213 254
naomireland@gmail.com

Pitt Town Anglican
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