



ARNDELL ANGLICAN COLLEGE

"News Flash"

Monday 10th October 2011



On behalf of the Headmaster: Mr Gareth Leechman

Well I hope we have all returned to college rejuvenated and reenergised after a well earned break. At the end of last term we farewelled our Year 12 Valedictorians with a reflective chapel service which was followed by a lovely Year 12 Valedictory Dinner at the Sebel in Parramatta. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 12 students on the dignified way they finished their formal time here at Arndell Anglican College and we wish them all the best as they prepare for their HSC Examinations.

In the last week of term our High School students attended the Year 7 – 11 camping program. Overall the camping program was a clear success with many of the students coming back having thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the challenges that they needed to overcome. The Year 10 camp was particularly challenging so to all of those students from Year 10 who attended the camp and completed it, well done! I would also like to congratulate the Year 11 students who went as leaders, this was the first time we have conducted the camp this way and several of the teaching staff have already commented positively on the way they behaved and led the junior students. Finally I would like to thank Mr Refalo and the teaching staff for attending the camp, without their continued support our students would not be able to have enjoyed the programs on offer.

The Junior School also had a very successful Arts Whizz week during the last week of term. This was a week in which the Junior School students were able to showcase their creative and performing arts talents. This is a new initiative and one that I have no doubt will continue in the years ahead.

Over the course of the holidays a few staff changes for 2012 were finalised. Due to continued better than expected enrolment growth the college council agreed to move forward our appointment of our first Director of Teaching and Learning P- 12 to 2012, instead of the initially planned 2014 appointment. I am pleased to announce that Mr Jim Milford, Head of Mathematics at Trinity Grammar School has accepted the appointment. Mr Milford has been Head of Mathematics at Trinity Grammar School for the past ten years and has overseen considerable curriculum and teaching development within this large department of 18 staff. Mr Milford has been actively involved in a variety of conferences, has led professional organisations and has numerous years experience in the state education system as a Head Teacher and teacher of Mathematics. Mr Milford's new role will involve him working closely with the other executive staff as we seek to improve the quality of the teaching and learning that occurs within all of our classrooms.

Due to an internal restructure of the Music Department Mr Chris Wilson has accepted the position of Head of Music and Performance at Arndell Anglican College. Mr Wilson has been Acting Head of Creative and Performing Arts at Arndell for the last two years whilst Mrs Michaela Miles has been on maternity leave. Mrs Miles is now expecting her third child in the New Year and has decided not to accept the roles available as a result of the restructure. On behalf of the college I would like to thank Mrs Miles for her service to the college and wish her all the best as she and her husband expect the birth of their third child.

Over the course of this term there will be some more staff appointments for 2012 and as these are made I will be informing the college community as they occur. I wish all of the college community all the best as we enter the last term of the year.

Calendar Dates

Monday 10 Oct	Tuesday 11 Oct	Wednesday 12 Oct	Thursday 13 Oct	Friday 14 Oct	Saturday 15 Oct	Sunday 16 Oct
Week 1						
Staff Development Day	Term 4 Commences Karate: 4pm in the Gym	Yr 10 PASS - Richmond Bowling Club		Walk Thru the Bible Chapel (Infants) Soccer for Arndell Dads 8-9pm Arndell Gym	K. Toms Dancing Club Drama Rooms – JLPA Centre	10.15: Pitt Town Family Church Service at Pitt Town
Monday 17 Oct	Tuesday 18 Oct	Wednesday 19 Oct	Thursday 20 Oct	Friday 21 Oct	Saturday 22 Oct	Sunday 23 Oct
Week 2						
HSC Yr 12 2011 Commences Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Work Place (Hospitality) Yr 9 PASS – Killarney Golf Practice Fairway, Windsor	HSC Yr 12 2011 continues Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Work Place (Hospitality) Karate: 4pm in the Gym	HSC Yr 12 2011 continues Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Work Place (Hospitality) PSSA Athletics Carnival	HSC Yr 12 2011 continues Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Work Place (Hospitality) PSSA Athletics Carnival	HSC Yr 12 2011 continues Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Work Place (Hospitality) Chapel (Primary School) Soccer for Arndell Dads 8-9pm Arndell Gym	K. Toms Dancing Club Drama Rooms – JLPA Centre	10.15: Pitt Town Family Church Service at Pitt Town
Monday 24 Oct	Tuesday 25 Oct	Wednesday 26 Oct	Thursday 27 Oct	Friday 28 Oct	Saturday 29 Oct	Sunday 30 Oct
Week 3						
HSC Yr 12 2011 Commences	HSC Yr 12 2011 Commences Yr 7 2012 Orientation Day Responsible Pet Ed. Program Karate: 4pm in the Gym 7.30pm P & F AGM M'tg	HSC Yr 12 2011 Commences AICES Water Polo Kindergarten Orientation Morning HZSA (Yrs 3 \$ \$) Competition Day – Hills Basketball Stadium Yr 10 PASS – Richmond Bowling Club Yr 7 2012 Parent Information Evening	HSC Yr 12 2011 Commences HZSA (Yrs 3 & 4) Gala Day Yr 7-11 Showcase Evening - JLPA Centre	HSC Yr 12 2011 Commences Textiles Incursion Chapel (Infants) Soccer for Arndell Dads 8-9pm Arndell Gym	K. Toms Dancing Club Drama Rooms – JLPA Centre Accent on Dance - JLPA	10.15: Pitt Town Family Church Service at Pitt Town