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NEWSFLASH

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On behalf of the Headmaster
Mr Gareth Leechman



Welcome back to the last term of the year and I do hope that everyone has had a restful holiday and is recharged for the term ahead. During the last week of Term 3 we said farewell to our Year 12 students at their Valedictory Service and Valedictory Dinner. On behalf of the college I wish to commend the students on the way that they conducted themselves at both events. They left the college with a great deal of dignity, as they should, and we were able to celebrate with them what they have so far achieved. The last hurdle now lies in front of them and we wish them all the best as they now complete their HSC exams over the coming weeks.

Also during the last week of Term 3 the Junior School hosted their musical 'The Story-Tellin Man' and it was a resounding success. The inclusive nature of the production meant that all students in Years 3 through to 6 were involved in the production and I am very proud of the way all students were involved in the production. Whether students were on stage as part of the choir, or as a soloist, or as a narrator, as a member of the back stage crew or in the band all students benefited from being involved. I would like to particularly like to thank Mrs Merrick, Ms Mitchell and all of the Junior School staff as they led the production.

Over the last three days of Term 3 we sent all of our Year 7 – 11 students on camp and overall this proved to be a very positive experience for most of our students. The vast majority of students who approached the camp program appropriately have benefitted greatly and many of our students are already looking forward to next year's camp. I big thank you to Mr Refalo and all of the teaching staff who attended the camp – their leadership of the various camps was greatly appreciated.

Then on Saturday 22nd September the college hosted the Arndell Anglican College Equestrian Carnival. Mrs Laura Thorpe and her team of volunteers conducted an excellent day and many students and their families thoroughly enjoyed the day. So many of them left with a real smile on their face! The day would not have occurred without the support of so many people from within our college community so a big thank you to the Equestrian Carnival Committee, the P&F, administration staff who assisted in the lead up to the event and to all the volunteers who assisted on the day. I have now doubt that many people will be looking forward to next year's carnival.

Finally I would like to make some staff announcements for 2013. It is with a mixed heart that I wish to announce that Ms Southwell has accepted the position of Head of PDHPE at St Luke's Grammar School, Dee Why to commence at the start of next year. Ms Southwell is a highly regarded teacher, leader and pastoral care supervisor and she will be missed by us all. However we are also pleased to see her have the opportunity to advance her career and wish her all the best in this new venture.

Also at the end of this year Mrs Cornick has decided to move from being Head of Sport and go back to a full teaching load in the PDHPE Department. On behalf of the college I would like to thank Mrs Cornick for her leadership in this area of the college. Obviously these two staff movements have created some gaps for us to fill and as such the college has decided to advertise for a K - 12 Head of PDHPE and Sport, as well as a PE teacher for the Junior School, who will also have oversight of the sporting program in the Junior School. We will commence advertising this week so please pray for us as we seek to fill these exciting new roles.

CALENDAR DATES 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8 October	9 October	10 October	11 October	12 October	13 October	14 October
Staff Professional Day	Snr. School Assembly All Students return to commence Term 4	Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym	Snr. School Chapel	Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym Infants School Chapel - JLPA Centre Soccer for Arndell Dads 8-9pm Arndell Gym	Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym	10.15: Pitt Town Family Church Service at Pitt Town
15 October	16 October	17 October	18 October	19 October	20 October	221 October
Yr 11 VET Hospitality Work Placement Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym	Yr 11 VET Hospitality Work Placement Snr. School Assembly Yr 7 & 10 Vaccinations	Yr 11 VET Hospitality Work Placement Yr 7 & 10 Vaccinations Yr 11 Agriculture Practical Excursion In Class Assessment Yr 9W PDHPE Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym	Yr 11 VET Hospitality Work Placement Snr. School Chapel Yr 11 VET Hospitality Work Placement D of E Expedition HZSA Softball C'ship Day In Class Assessment Yr 9B PDHPE	Yr 11 VET Hospitality Work Placement Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym Primary School Chapel JLPA Centre D of E Expedition In Class Assessment Yr 9R PDHPE Soccer for Arndell Dads 8-9pm Arndell Gym	Body Addiction – am/pm in the Gym	10.15: Pitt Town Family Church Service at Pitt Town