Dear families,

As we finish at school this Holy Thursday for the Easter break, we allow this special time for a collective communal pause, to give thanks for the brokenness of humanity and for the greatest gift of love – sacrifice. Our students have thrilled us with their passion for fundraising for Project Compassion this year. Their fervent activity is an excellent lead up to the prayerfulness and reflection we anticipate during the Easter season, which lasts many days and weeks beyond the established ‘break’ time. With our young people at various stages of their faith journey, we like to celebrate their efforts as prayer in action. We also encourage all families to the various liturgies in the coming days, with this evening’s beginning at 7pm at St Teresa’s Church. We like to see many of our students and their families at Stations of the Cross, held on the Saint John’s oval at 11am tomorrow. Above all, we wish you all a happy, holy and safe Easter.

Reporting period and Parent Teacher Interviews

As the end of term draws near, we will have the opportunity for parents to meet with staff to discuss children’s mid-semester progress. Children are encouraged to be a part of conversations because their motivation and interest is paramount in determining their engagement, application and ultimate personal success. As only a limited amount of time is allocated to each meeting, should you require further discussion, we encourage re-scheduling a more prolonged time any day after school, including into next term. Our aim is to have communication high on the agenda; as it can have significant impact on how we collectively support children to meet their potential. Please be on the alert for booking sheets in schoolbags next week.

Uniform

A reminder that we change over to winter uniform in Term 2. Please note the extended Uniform Shop opening on April 11 to accommodate increased need at this time of the year, as parents fit children in their winter items. The shop is also open on the pupil free day of Week 1 and extended Thursday evening.

Term 1 Week 9    March 28, 2013

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3
• Year 12 Seminar, 8:30am, St Teresa’s Church

THURSDAY, APRIL 4
• Year 5/6 Clifford Liturgy, 12:10pm, OLHC Church
• SJC 8-10 social, South Football club, 6:30-10:00pm, lock-in

FRIDAY, APRIL 5
• 9 Blue Mass and Year 2/3 Murray, 8:45am St Teresa’s Church
• SJC Reports distributed

COMING EVENTS

TUESDAY, APRIL 9
• SJC Parent/Teacher Night, 3:30-6:30pm, (please refer p5)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10
• SJC Parent/Teacher Night, 3:30-6:30pm, (please refer p5)

THURSDAY, APRIL 11
• extended hours at the uniform shop, 1pm-7:30pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 13
• Harvey Norman, Italian Trip BBQ & Cake Stall, 11am-2pm

“I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13: 21-35

“The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour” Luke 4: 16 -21

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Thursday 1:00 - 4:30pm

DAMIENT JUDD
CO-PRINCIPAL
TERISSA SHEPHERD
CO-PRINCIPAL
Parish News

Holy Week is a final opportunity to prepare for Easter. Easter is the Christian equivalent of New Year in that it signals the return of the Risen Christ, a cleansing of sin and death and an invitation to make a new start. We are all invited to make Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter a special time of remembrance and celebration, by attending the liturgies at 7:00pm St Teresa’s Holy Thursday, 11:00am Way of the Cross at Saint John’s oval and then liturgies at both parish churches at 3:00pm Good Friday, Easter Vigil at 7:00pm Our Lady’s on Holy Saturday, 8:30am St Teresa’s and 10:30am Our Lady’s Easter Sunday Masses.

The Stations of the Cross on the oval at Saint John’s Campus is an opportunity for families to come together to spend some time reflecting on Jesus’ journey to Calvary and on the ways in which people continue to walk the path of suffering today. It has always been well attended. Participants have remarked that it brings into today what Jesus did in the past and how he continues to accompany us in our trials and challenges.

Each station begins with a reading from scripture. For example, Station One includes Jesus’ plea, “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet not my will but yours be done.” Then there is a reflection on a modern day scenario and for that station it tells of a young couple who have been retrenched, facing the difficulties of loan repayments and providing for their children. This is followed by a prayer. In the first station we pray, “Jesus, be with us when we are faced with trouble. Help us to trust God to deal with the future and not be overcome by the fear of what might be. Jesus, teach us to pray.” Then we sing “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom,” as we walk around the oval to the next station.

The Way of the Cross is deliberately designed to be nondenominational and members of all Christian churches are welcome to participate as indeed are all people of good will regardless of their religious affiliations. Families are also invited to take on the reading of one of the stations and these will be handed out on a first come basis by Fr Arno just before the ceremonies begin. We will also be carrying a large cross and will be looking for different volunteers to carry it between each station. The walk is all on flat ground and is not too hurried or strenuous. Even if you don’t manage to attend any other Holy Week or Easter ceremonies we encourage each member of the college community to share in this event. Don’t forget a hat and sunscreen.

Happy Easter.

Fr Arno Vermeeren
FOR THE PARISH TEAM

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This week is Holy Week, a very important time for us. It is a time to remember that Jesus loved us and died for us, all of us. Holy Thursday reminds us that we are servants, as this was when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and it is the day of the Lord’s Supper. It is hard work to be a servant, most of the time we prefer to be served. Sometimes we feel it is difficult or beneath us to serve others. Selfless service is God’s way. Good Friday is a reminder to put ourselves in God’s hands. Jesus shows us that we have to accept and submit rather than fight. Jesus accepts his foretold fate of death, despite the unjust nature of his conviction. We need to have faith and believe in God. On Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday, the churches lay empty and silent. It is a pregnant pause. Easter Sunday recognises the resurrection of Jesus. It is a challenge to faith. You must believe to transition from sin to forgiveness, from slavery to freedom and from the darkness to the light.

Carly Higgins
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR (SECONDARY)

Canteen Rosters
Monday, April 2 – Friday, April 6

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YEAR 7s TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE
This week both Damien and myself have attended the aquatics camps at Port Vincent with our Year 7s from both campuses. It really was great to see the students step out of their comfort zones. Whether it was something as small as trying a non-preferred food or something as significant as staying away from home for the first time, standing on a wind surf after falling many times or sailing a boat in the deep of the ocean, each child achieved a first for something. It really is a fabulous opportunity for our staff to see the students flourish outside of the classroom setting. Congratulations to the Year 7 students from both campuses and Peter Usher, Nikki Lancaster, Maddy Keen and Lisa Judd for their efforts in preparing the students so well.

PARENT INTERVIEWS
The primary campuses will be conducting Parent Teacher Interviews next week; your time preferences should have been confirmed by your child’s teacher. The parent/teacher relationship is so important and further to this it is imperative for children to see and hear that parents and teachers are on the same page with regards to academic progress, social interactions and behaviour.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRESENTED
Yesterday classes at both sites presented the ‘Stations of the Cross’ through drama, art and song. It was good to see the children being walked through the stations and making connections with them in the classroom in many forms. Thank you to those parents who attended at both campuses and in particular who braved the conditions at our Saint Teresa’s Campus.

I take this opportunity to wish all students and families a safe Easter break full of blessings and peace.

Grace and blessings,
Georga Tyson
ACtING DEPUTy PRINCIPAL

MASS AND LITURGY
On Thursday, April 4, Year 5/6 Clifford will lead a Liturgy of the Word at Our Lady Help of Christian Church. The liturgy will begin at 12:10pm. Parents are most welcome to attend.

On Friday, April 5, Year 2/3 Murray will attend Mass at St Teresa’s Church. The students need to be at St Teresa’s Church by 8:45am. The students will return to school by bus.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

STUDENT BORROWING AT OLHC CAMPUS
Due to Easter Public Holidays, we will require student loan books to be returned by the end of this week please. See your child’s teacher if you are unsure as to which books they have out, or, alternatively come and see us in the library. Student borrowing will resume Week 1 of next term. Thank you for your understanding.

Helen Shepherd, Ruth Gardiner and Diana Jeffery
OLHC LIBRARY

ATTENTION JUNIOR HOCKEY PLAYERS
FOR OLHC AND STC:
If you are still to register your interest in playing, please ask at your campus office for a registration form to complete and return.

Training will commence at the school grounds at 3:30pm.

STC will train on the top oval on Tuesday, April 2 and Tuesday, April 9.

Unfortunately for OLHC they will train only on Monday April 8, due to Easter Monday next week, on the small oval.

Hope to see all our past and lots of new players as well!

Tania Taylor
WHA JUNIOR COMMITTEE

MY TOP QUALITIES EASTER BASKET
Easter break is often a good time to enjoy with family. Why not spend some time with your child this weekend by helping them enter their top qualities in each egg in the basket. Also help them think about the qualities they really want – put these in the eggs outside of the basket. Can you both think of ways to work on those qualities? Ask your child to colour it in and place it somewhere where they can be reminded of their awesome qualities!

Here are some examples of qualities they might have or want:

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From the School Counsellors! ☺
A HEALTHY BREKKY IS EASY AS PEEL, POUR, POP. IT’S QUICK, SIMPLE & EVERYONE WILL LOVE IT!

Why is breakfast important?
A healthy brekky provides a great start to the day and helps kid’s learning and concentration. It also provides plenty of vitamins and minerals our kids need for a healthy body such as:

> Calcium to build and maintain strong bones
> Vitamin C to boost the immune system
> Vitamin B12 for healthy blood cells
> Fibre for healthy bowels
> Folate for healthy growth and development

So enjoy a healthy brekky each day to ensure you and your kids get all the nutrients they need!

For more healthy brekky ideas visit: opal.sa.gov.au

A HEALTHY BREKKY IS EASY AS PEEL, POUR, POP. IT’S QUICK, SIMPLE & EVERYONE WILL LOVE IT!

Kids aged 5-12 years need 1½-3 serves of low fat dairy every day for growth and good health. Dairy is a great source of energy and calcium for growing kids.

Try this simple smoothie recipe for a delicious calcium hit!

> Ingredients:

Serves 2
1/3 cup of low fat milk
1/4 cup of low fat yoghurt
1 banana or 1/2 cup of berries (fresh or frozen) or use a bit of both!
1 tsp of honey

Method:
Put milk, yoghurt and fruit into a blender. Blend until smooth and frothy and enjoy!

For more healthy brekky ideas visit: opal.sa.gov.au
SECONDARY CAMPUS NEWS

SACE DEADLINE
Stage 1 and 2 students who are struggling with their current subjects and are looking to swap classes will need to make a decision by next Wednesday, April 3. Swapping into a new subject might seem like the best option to reduce pressure being felt, but it is important to understand that you will be expected to catch-up on the missed work and assessment tasks, that is nine weeks of work! Students are asked to talk over potential changes with their class teachers to determine the best course of action.

TERM REPORTS
Teachers have been busy completing the first progress report of the year. Parent teacher nights are scheduled for 3:30 - 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 10. Interview booking sheets will be sent home with the newsletter next week. Please feel free to make alternate arrangements with teachers if you are not able to attend these opportunities.

STUDENTS LEAVING THE CAMPUS DURING THE DAY
When a student needs to leave the college, for whatever reason, it is important for parents to provide a signed note in the college diary. In the interests of student safety we ask that parents collect their child from the front office in person if notes have not been written.

COLLEGE FORMAL
This year it has been decided that students in Year 11 and 12 will not be required at school on the day of their Formal, Friday, May 10. In the past students have found it difficult to focus on their lessons and there has always been added pressure getting organised for the night in terms of local bookings.

John Lyons
ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

9 BLUE MASS
Friday, April 5, 9 Blue will attend Mass at Saint Teresa’s Church. The students need to be at St Teresa’s Church by 8:45 am and will walk back to school at the completion of the Mass and morning Tea. Parents are most welcome to attend Mass and morning tea.

YEAR 12 PARISH SEMINAR
On Wednesday, April 3, the Year 12 Religious Education classes will be attending a seminar at the Parish. The seminars explore the Vocation of a Young Christian Adult. The first seminar will begin with Mass at St Teresa’s Church followed by the information session.

Students need to be at the church by 8:30pm to begin with Mass. Students who normally drive to school can drive to St Teresa’s Church. In the interests of safety and policy, on this occasion they are not to transport students back to school at the completion of the session.

The students will walk back to school in time for recess and Lesson 3.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

OUTDOOR LIVING CAMP
Last Monday and Tuesday the Year 9 Outdoor Living class were challenged both mentally and physically while on camp in the Coffin Bay National Park. The students were confronted with some difficult weather conditions while kayaking from the town of Coffin Bay to Yangi Bay. The students also undertook a strenuous hike through densely vegetated sand dunes, where we saw goannas, kangaroos and emus. The students and I would like to extend a massive thank you to Paul Guthleben who came along and made the trip possible.

Tom Gilligan
OUTDOOR LIVING TEACHER

YEAR 11 RESEARCH PROJECT HELP
As an initiative to encourage the successful completion of the Research Project sessions will be run every Thursday afternoon, from now until (at least) the end of term. These sessions will be from 3:45-5pm and we will meet in the library.

Within these sessions students will get the opportunity to access computers, books, scanners and expert advice from their teachers.

All students who are struggling are encouraged to come. We also strongly recommend that TAFE/VET students come, as an endeavour to catch up on lessons missed. If any further clarification is required please contact your student’s Research Project teacher.

Kimberley Ryan
RESEARCH PROJECT TEACHER

SCIENCE FUN FACT
On average, each year, hippopotamus’ are liable for approximately 3,000 human deaths, whereas all species of sharks worldwide, only account for six.

Tony Hall
SCIENCE COORDINATOR
Minakuchi Exchange
Minakuchi High School in Japan are visiting Samaritan College again this year.
Approximately 24 students and 2 teachers will be arriving from Japan on Thursday, July 25 for a 13 day visit.

STUDENTS ARE IN NEED OF HOST FAMILIES

If you are interested and able to host a student, please contact Mr Boden at the College, or have your child collect an expression of interest letter.
A payment to cover hosting expenses will be provided.

Josh Boden

SAINT JOHN’S CAMPUS SOCIAL
Tickets are currently on sale from Senior SRC Representatives for a ‘Bogan’ themed school social to be held April 4.

South’s Football Club
$4 a ticket (3 for $10 at school)
6:30-10pm (lock in)
Soft drinks on sale at the club
Come dressed as your favourite Bogan.
No thongs or heavy footwear.
Mullet optional.
All money raised supports our school charities!

From the SRC

COMMUNITY NEWS

“The services and events contained in this section are in no way connected with the school and are included in this newsletter for your information only. Parents and caregivers need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children.”

COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS
The primary focus of the newsletter is College News. Community News items are included at the discretion of the College where space permits, for one week only. Competing sporting clubs or external community fundraising that do not directly involve the college will not be advertised through the newsletter. If we are unable to advertise events through the newsletter they will, where appropriate be included in the morning notices for the secondary students.

Lorraine Ackling
PUBLICATIONS OFFICER