Dear parents and caregivers

Having attended the senior retreats last week, we can sing nothing but praise for our students and staff. Their sincerity and openness in specially crafted programs designed to elicit depth but protect the individual, were a sure sign that despite the challenges and media portrayal of troubled youth of today, their heads and hearts are still in the right place. The scripture reading for Thursday is a passage from John’s Gospel following the episode of Jesus washing his disciples’ feet, the ultimate act of service. “So if I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet” John 13:14. Melrose, in particular, was a special place and time for the Year 12s as they forged closer bonds for the year ahead. In their sharing and respect for one another we witnessed the humility of “washing one another’s feet”. “Very truly I tell you servants are not greater than their master nor messengers greater than the one who sent them” John 13:16.

This is the call to service which is asked of us as followers of Jesus. Such service happens in the everyday behaviour of so many in our community. It was a pleasure and honour to march with our student leaders on Anzac Day. Their respectful attendance and reverence during the liturgy were indeed praiseworthy, with Mayor Pollock taking the time to thank them personally. We also wish to acknowledge our students who participated as part of their memberships as cadets in the various service groups; your commitment and self discipline is a credit to you and your families.

Samaritan College has many examples of acts of service, namely our Board who will be inducted tonight, including the newly elected Chairperson, Mark Carter. Their work is to serve the community and work to make Samaritan College a significant educational opportunity for the students, parents and staff. The voice, experience and wisdom that our parents have to offer is invaluable on our Board and the various sub-committees. We are currently calling for parents to join these committees, including Policy, Grounds & Maintenance, Parish & Community and the newly forming Campus Consolidation Committee. Please complete the return slip on p3 if you wish to be involved. Meetings are usually held once a month, or term.

We also see the act of service in the organisation and preparation for the Primary Sports Day tomorrow. The committee have worked tirelessly to ensure that the day will run smoothly and be enjoyed by all. None of these events would happen without the additional assistance of volunteers; who can be found in many areas of the College such as the canteen, as LAP and Library helpers, classroom helpers and with many special events.

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This is a busy week from the parish perspective. We are preparing for our Parish Workshop on Saturday May 1. We ask all readers of the Samaritan College to pray that the participants will be guided by the Spirit in all their deliberations.

This workshop’s aim is to discern a mission and a direction statement for the Catholic Parish of Whyalla. Our facilitator for this gathering is Mrs Jo Coonan, whom you may remember was the project Officer for the amalgamation of our three schools into Samaritan College. It is our hope that at the end of our workshop we will have the necessary formulation for our statement of who we are as a parish and give us direction to making this a living statement.

We are also preparing for our First Eucharist Program. It is enrolment weekend for all our Year 4 Students who completed their First Reconciliation in November last year. We look forward to these two events and pray God’s blessing on them.

Sister Robyn Brady SGS
ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH TEAM

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Having been away last week on retreat reminds me of the importance of the choices we make, that our decisions determine the path along which we tread. How fortunate we would be if all these decisions were wise! With that in mind I am including a prayer for wise judgement from a book entitled Growing in Christian Morality.

God of wisdom, let us be open to what you can teach us! Let us hear the words from the eighth chapter of Proverbs that can guide our steps and actions each day.

‘Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?’ (v.1)

‘To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. O simple ones, learn prudence; acquire intelligence, you who lack it.’ (v.4)

‘Hear, for I will speak noble things, and from my lips will come what is right; for my mouth will utter truth.’ (v. 6-7)

‘Take my instruction instead of silver, and knowledge rather than choice gold; for wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.’ (v.10-11)

‘The fear of the Lord is hatred of evil.’ (v. 13)

‘Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.’ (v.13)

‘I have good advice and sound wisdom; I have insight, I have strength.’ (v.14)

‘Those who seek me diligently find me.’ (v.17)

I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice. Amen.

Angela Rogers
REC - SJC

REPRESENTING THE COLLEGE OFFICIALLY ON ANZAC DAY WERE:

- Joseph G
- Blake C
- Marella M
- Alisa
- Kiara
- Kosta
- Isaac G
- Thomas H
- Jason O
- Madeline F
- Harry C
- Megan H
- Lachlan F
- Andrew P
- Ben S
- Reece J
- Liam
- Stewart M
- Victoria W
- Ben
- Joseph V
- Neve H
- Zach
- Megan
- Hannah L
- Braden
- Jemma C
- Adishia

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**BURSAR FINANCE**

Samaritan College is seeking applications from suitably experienced people for the above position.

Based at Saint John’s Campus with liaison across three campuses, the successful applicant will have formal training in, and relevant work site experience with;
- Financial and Payroll software packages
- Microsoft Office programs
- Financial processes

The role specification is available on the college website. Grade classification and salary determination will be based on qualifications, and/or experience. All applicants are subject to Catholic Education SA screening procedures.

The successful applicant will commence June 15, 2010.

Applications along with name and contact details of 2 referees can be posted or emailed by COB Monday, May 17, 2010 to:

The Co-Principals
Samaritan College
PO Box 351
Whyalla SA 5600
Telephone (08) 8645 8568
Email info@samaritan.catholic.edu.au
website: www.samaritan.catholic.edu.au

**BECOME A MEMBER OF A BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE**

Name: ..............................................
Contact number: ..............................................
Childrens names: ..............................................
(and Year level) ..............................................

I wish to offer my support and services, in a confidential manner to the following committees:
- Policy
- Parish & Community
- Grounds & Maintenance
- Campus Consolidation

Please return to Karen McGinnis at Saint John’s Campus.
**UNIFORM SHOP**

*Opening Hours*
- Wednesday 8:00-10:00am
- Thursday 1:00-4:30pm

Kerry Azzopardi  Sharron Waldron
Toal Street, Whyalla Stuart
Ph: 8649 3168

**Samaritan College Restaurant**

$50 per head
4 course set menu
BYO drinks
7pm start

For information and bookings please ring
Mechelle at Saint John's Campus on 8645 8568.
www.info@samaritan.catholic.edu.au

*Open on the following Thursdays:*
- May 27
- June 10 & 24

*Bookings are essential as places are limited.*

**SPORTS DAY**

Samaritan College Primary Sports Day is tomorrow on Friday, April 30. All children from the primary campuses are to meet at Jubilee Park by 8:45am tomorrow morning. Children can be collected from the Little Athletics oval at 3:20pm. We are anticipating a fun day with the emphasis being on participation.

Thank you to the volunteers who will be helping on the day. Without your assistance such days would not be successful. Please come and support your children and team if only for a short while at Jubilee Park. We are anticipating a day of fun fitness and team spirit. The most important element of the day is participation and we encourage all students to do their best.

You will receive a Sports Day booklet which will have event times and maps of the arena. We thank all the students who have worked enthusiastically to prepare for tomorrow. In particular we congratulate the House Captains for their efforts in creating one cheerleading routine across two campuses.

**FIRST EUCHARIST ENROLMENT WEEKEND**

The First Eucharist Sacramental Program begins this term. If your child will be celebrating First Eucharist this year enrolments need to be completed at the conclusion of any Mass this weekend. You can enroll for first Eucharist at the conclusion of any Mass, at any mass centre this weekend.

There will be a parent information evening for First Eucharist families on Tuesday, May 11 at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held at St Teresa’s Parish Hall.

**AFTER SCHOOL FOOTY**

After School Footy is a competition between the primary schools within Whyalla. Games will be played on Wednesday evenings at Memorial Oval and Bennet Oval. It is a modified rules competition open to girls and boys in Year 6 and 7. Games start next week.

Primary campus parents should receive a pamphlet about EdAlive’s educational CDs in this week’s newsletter. If you are interested in purchasing any of these please send the money in a sealed envelope, marked “Ed Alive”, to the front office of your school campus by May 14.

Jenny Kondylas
ANZAC DAY ASSEMBLY

Last Friday 6/7 Baverstock lead our campus in an ANZAC Day Assembly. The assembly included prayers, songs and reflections about ANZAC DAY. The children in the class made poppies and these were used in the assembly. The children listened to the Last Post, sang ‘We are Australian’ and the National Anthem. Alana B and Tapiwa M sang ‘God Bless Australia’. Together as a community of Samaritan College we gave thanks for the many men and women who sacrificed so much for the country we love and protect.

Lest we forget.

ST TERESA'S CAMPUS NEWS

LITURGIES AND ASSEMBLIES

Next week 4/5 Usher will celebrate Mass at St Teresa’s Church on Wednesday, May 5 at 9:00am.

R/1 Sanders will host the Junior Assembly on Friday, May 7 at 9:30am in the library.

WELCOME

Welcome to Jesse J in 2/3 Reed/Judd. We wish Jesse and his family a long and happy association with the college.

NATIONAL WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Active Kids Are Healthy Kids

National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is on Friday 7th May. We ask that children and parents/caregivers walk to school on Friday. This will result in physical activity for all concerned, personal training in how to cross roads and less traffic congestion and air pollution around the school. Students will receive a sticker for their contribution.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

This term’s Liturgies will be commencing as of next week. Year 5/6 Molyneux/Perry will be presenting next week's first Liturgy. You are most welcome to join us for this celebration on Thursday, May 6 at 12:30pm in the Church.

God Bless

Eleni Vailas

CAMPUS COORDINATOR

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

ISSUE 3

Please bring orders to the OLHC library before school & after school.

Make sure you have teacher’s name on top.

Last day for orders is MONDAY, MAY 3

Diana Jeffery
SAINT JOHN’S CAMPUS NEWS

FORMAL
This Friday is the ‘big night’ for our Year 11/12 students. For many it is the highlight of the year and it is certainly a night to be enjoyed. Whilst we love seeing our students all dressed up and having a great time we remind them and their families of the need to monitor the before and after aspects of the Formal. A wonderful night can be spoiled by some irresponsible behaviour of some students and their choice of action following the Formal. Unfortunately this may or may not include alcohol. Parents have been informed of their legal obligations regarding the hosting of pre and post Formal parties via a letter sent by the College this week.

NITS
There has been a reported case of nits in Year 8, please check your child’s hair as they can spread very rapidly. Students are not to return to school until their hair has been treated with the appropriate products. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.
Damien Judd
SECONDARY CAMPUS LEADER

Want to impress your friends??
Need some light hearted fun on a weeknight?

Book now for your limited place in
“Gourmet Gastronomique”
A 6 week French experience presented by our resident Chef. Ben Sharp where you will learn and taste many culinary delights. Held in the Samaritan College commercial kitchen.

Monday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm
$30.00 a session
Begins May 5
BYO Beverages

Bookings are essential and must be finalised by Monday, May 3
for planning and shopping purposes.
Please ring Mechelle Lew on 8645 8568.

This course is a 6 week entity; payment of $180 must be made prior to Day 1. Credit card payment can be made over the phone or at Reception.

Pizza & Pasta Night
Friday, May 14, 6:00pm

All you can eat pizza, pasta, appetisers, salads & desserts

$25 adult tickets
$15 student tickets

Come along for a night of food, entertainment, sideshows & games. Try your luck with the Silent Auctions!

All money raised will go toward the 2011 Italian Trip

Bookings Essential

Tickets will be sold at St. John’s Campus office. Payment to be made at time of booking.

*Citizen covers food buffet only

CANTEEN ROSTERS
Monday, May 3 – Friday, May 7

ST TERESA’S CAMPUS
Mon Fiona Moffat  Jean McCarroll
Tue Lucy Meixner  Emily Inglis
Wed Melissa Ndoro  Makaela Nolan
Thu Maddy Whitehouse  Nellie Cowan
Fri Amelia and Charlie Cooper

Annette Cameron  CANTEEN MANAGER

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CAMPUS
HELP NEEDED
HELP NEEDED

Dana Campion
Chris Ernesti
Sunny Chung

Rose Cassar  CANTEEN MANAGER

SAINT JOHN’S CAMPUS
Marree Ackland  HELP NEEDED
Donna Ward  Mandy Smith
Michelle Harman  Deb Drobnjak
Anita Graham  Rosslyn Cruse
Mark Plunkett  Marg Coad

CANTEEN MANAGER
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Welcome to Mission Australia’s ninth annual survey for Australians aged 11 to 24. Your answers will help improve services for young people.

**2010 National Survey of Young Australians**

**Closing date for surveys is Friday 2 July 2010**


Please send completed surveys to: Research and Social Policy Unit, Mission Australia, GPO BOX 3515, Sydney NSW 2001

### PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

#### How old are you?

- [ ] years

#### What is your gender? (please tick)

- [ ] Male
- [ ] Female

#### Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? (please tick)

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

#### Do you speak any languages other than English at home? (if yes please state below)

- [ ]

#### Which State or Territory do you live in? (please tick)

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#### Do you live in one of the following cities: Adelaide, Brisbane, Canberra, Darwin, Hobart, Melbourne, Perth or Sydney? (please tick)

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

#### Do you have a disability? (please tick)

- [ ] Yes (please state)
- [ ] No

#### Are you studying? (tick one box only)

- [ ] Studying full time
- [ ] Studying part time
- [ ] Not studying

#### What is your main source of income? (tick one box only)

- [ ] Employment
- [ ] Government allowance
- [ ] Parents / family
- [ ] Other (please state)

#### Do you have paid work? (tick one box only)

- [ ] Working full time
- [ ] Working part time
- [ ] Casual or temporary work
- [ ] Unemployed / looking for work
- [ ] Too young to work or choose not to

#### Where do you currently live? (tick one box only)

- [ ] Alone
- [ ] Boarding school
- [ ] Foster care
- [ ] Homeless / insecure housing
- [ ] Juvenile justice centre / prison
- [ ] Share house
- [ ] With family
- [ ] Other (please state)

#### What is your postcode?

- [ ]

YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS SURVEY IS VOLUNTARY. YOUR INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.
WHAT’S IMPORTANT

What is important to you?
Please rank from 1 to 10 using each number only once: 1 being what’s most important to you and 10 being what’s least important.

- Being independent
- Family relationships
- Feeling needed and valued
- Financial security
- Friendships (other than family)
- Getting a job
- Making a difference in the community
- Physical and mental health
- School or study satisfaction
- Spirituality / faith
- Other (please state) ________________

YOUR CONCERNS

What issues are of concern to you personally?
Please rank from 1 to 15 using each number only once: 1 being the most concerning issue and 15 being the least concerning issue.

- Alcohol
- Body image
- Bullying / emotional abuse
- Coping with stress
- Depression
- Discrimination
- Drugs
- Family conflict
- Personal safety
- Physical / sexual abuse
- School or study problems
- Self harm
- Sexuality (relationships, health, identity)
- Suicide
- The environment
- Other (please state) ________________

Taking your number one issue of concern, what do you think needs to be done about it?

ADVICE AND SUPPORT

Where do you go for advice and support when you have a problem?
Please rank from 1 to 10 using each number only once: 1 being where you are most comfortable going and 10 being where you are least comfortable going.

- Community agencies (eg. youth worker etc)
- Friends
- Internet
- Magazines
- Parent/s
- Relative / family friend
- School counsellor
- Someone else in your community (eg. doctor, church minister)
- Teacher
- Telephone helpline
- Other (please state) ________________

ACTIVITIES

What activities/groups are you involved in?
Please tick yes or no for each question.

- Arts/cultural activities
- Environmental groups or activities
- Religious groups or activities
- Political groups or organisations
- Sports (as a participant)
- Sports (as a spectator)
- Student leadership activities
- Volunteer work
- Youth groups and clubs
- Other (please specify) ________________

AUSTRALIA

What do you think are the three most important issues in Australia today?
1. ________________________________
2. ________________________________
3. ________________________________

THE FUTURE

How would you describe your feelings when you think about the future?
Please tick the box that best represents how you feel.

- Very positive
- Positive
- Neither positive nor negative
- Negative
- Very negative