Dear families,

Sometimes our lives feel so busy that there isn’t time to reflect on the greater picture. Too often the self-help book shelves tell us we need to seek happiness, when in fact it is with us all the time, if only we stood still long enough to allow purpose – thus happiness to come to full realisation. Those who lose themselves in work for the sake of others can find deep meaning and happiness in making a difference. It is that dedication to service and community that we witness in our volunteers – in the many helpers in the canteen, Ron in the library, or Lawrie in the Tech Studies centre. We often smile to ourselves in great appreciation of the dedication of many of our staff with their students. As we come into the office of a morning, an early-bird tutorial-group works together in the warmth of the meeting room. After school, students seek assistance in Science and Maths in the library, or we might spot the students at our OSHC availing themselves of the primary campus computers to do their homework. In a past morning this week, Mr Meixner was busy setting up his Year 8 RE class’ morning hot chocolate stall at the entrance gate. Later this week the SRC are running a hot beverage stall and the junior SRC will again run their lunchtime sports on Friday. Despite the busy-ness, or perhaps because of the busy mundane things, we delight in injecting goodwill to others and in doing so, without even trying for the benefit of self, we gain so much.

Term 2 always marks the time for us, and for business, when planning for the following year is underway. As such, our enrolment campaign and transition program is well underway. Although we have run Principals’ Tours, should you know of anyone who is concerned they have ‘missed the boat’, please refer them to Karen McGinnis, as we will schedule tours into next term. We continue to accept inquiries throughout the year. We are also endeavouring to inform our community about the “one –start” intake of receptions in 2014. If you have young children nearing pre-school or school age, please contact the primary campuses for update information about how this change will affect you.

Next Monday we have the re-scheduled Parents & Friends meeting, to be held in the SJC staffroom at 7:30pm. Two items on the agenda are: review of our first primary disco and secondly, planning for the Whyalla Show. We thank parents for taking the time to provide feedback about the disco, with very constructive advice provided on which we can act for next time. We would love to see parents at the meeting, or signing up to assist at the show stall held in August. Please see elsewhere in the Newsletter for the response slip.

It is with pleasure that we announce the appointment of John Lyons as substantive Deputy, beginning next term. John has faithfully served this community for 23 years and has been a highly committed leader, filling in as an Acting Deputy in 2011, 2012 and 2013. We look forward to working with John into the future.

DAMIEN JUDD
CO-PRINCIPAL

TERISSA SHEPHERD
CO-PRINCIPAL
Parish News

Pope Francis has recently decreed that Saint Joseph will be honoured in a special way, by including his name in all of the Eucharistic Prayers at Mass. The Eucharistic Prayers have a great dignity in the Mass and are carefully guarded. In December 1962 Pope John XXIII added Joseph's name to the one Eucharistic Prayer of the time amidst some controversy; this being a break from tradition. Subsequently, three more Eucharistic Prayers were approved but they did not include Saint Joseph. On May 1, 2013 Saint Joseph's name was added to those last three, to be used in all churches immediately.

The Decree says “Exercising his paternal care over Jesus, Saint Joseph of Nazareth, set over the Lord’s family, marvellously fulfilled the office he received by Grace. Adhering firmly to the mystery of God’s design of salvation in its very beginnings, he stands as an exemplary model of the kindness and humility that the Christian faith raises to a great destiny, and demonstrates the ordinary and simple virtues necessary for men to be good and genuine followers of Christ. Through these virtues, this just man, caring most lovingly for the Mother of God and happily dedicating himself to the upbringing of Jesus Christ, was placed as guardian over God the Father’s most precious treasures. Therefore he has been the subject of asiduous devotion on the part of the People of God throughout the centuries, as the support of that mystical body, which is the Church.

The faithful in the Catholic Church have shown continuous devotion to Saint Joseph and have solemnly and constantly honoured his memory as the most chaste spouse of the Mother of God and as the heavenly Patron of the universal Church.”

It is an affirmation of the importance of saints in the fulfilment of God’s plan for salvation and, in particular, honours the extraordinary vocation of Saint Joseph as the husband of Mary and Foster Father of Jesus. It also puts before our “eyes the full communion of the saints who, once pilgrims in this world, now lead us to Christ and unite us with him.” The particular inspiration of Saint Joseph for our own Sisters of Saint Joseph is well known and it is good that we will now remember Joseph in such a sacred place during each of our regular Masses.

Fr Arno Vermeeren
FOR THE PARISH TEAM

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Religious Dimension

In this Sunday’s Gospel Jesus and his followers start a on a journey to Jerusalem. It is while on this journey that Jesus preaches about the Good News and the disciples learn how to be followers of Christ.

Jesus tells us that being a follower of His can be hard work at times and that difficult choices may need to be made if we are to be truly disciples of his. Jesus wants us to spread the Good News of God’s love for all and he shows us how to do this by his love and concern for others.

We are also on a journey, walking alongside Jesus. How can we in the busyness of our daily lives show that we are indeed followers of Christ?

In the school yard are we a friend to those who have no friends? Do we stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves? Do we make positive choices with our friends?

At home do we help out with our brothers and sisters? Do we listen to our parents? Do we call on our neighbours to see if they are ok? Do we sit down to have a meal together?

Will you “follow Jesus wherever he goes?”

Rebecca Sinclair
DIRECTOR OF STUDENTS (PRIMARY)

Canteen Rosters

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2 of 8
June 27, 2013
FAMILY SEPARATION – PUTTING THE CHILDREN FIRST!

Many children experience family separation. In Australia around 11,000 teenagers experience family separation each year (Commonwealth of Australia, 2007). As school counsellors we will often notice the effects of family separation on children (sometimes it can be the reason for seeking counselling, other times it may surface in discussing other issues experienced). Not all experiences of family separation are negative, however this is a significant change in a child or young person’s life and can be a very confusing time. It is important that parents keep a child focus and have an understanding of the needs of their children. Below we have prepared some helpful tips for parents to support your children in dealing with family separation.

• Ensure that the children understand that they are not at fault for the separation
• Reassure the children of your and the other parent’s unconditional love for them
• Try not to place any pressure on the children about making choices
• Avoid involving the children in conflict (have these conversations when the children are not present)
• Try not to talk negatively (name call, degrade, blame) about the other parent in front of the children
• Be aware that children often will say things they think their parents want to hear
• Encourage the children to maintain a relationship with each parent
• Assist children in expressing their emotions (conversations, drawing, play, diary recording)
• Be open and honest with your children but make sure you are sharing information that is age appropriate
• Make sure your children understand arrangements
• Be organised and prepare the children for contact arrangements (let them know in advance about changes made)
• Keep your promises

It is important to be patient with your children. Children will often show testing behaviour in these times. For more information log on to www.relationshipsaustralia.com.au. There is a great resource, ‘What About the Children Parenting Information’, that can be downloaded from this site. This shares age specific information about the effects of family separation and how to assist children.

From the School Counsellors! 😊

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are extended to ex-scholar, Daniel Meixner who has been awarded the Codan/Playford Trust Scholarship at St Ann’s Residential College for 2014. A number of our students have received this prize over the years; thus we encourage future students to consider their commitment to tertiary study and residential life and reap the dividends of good conduct and attitude.

NEWSLETTER REMINDERS

To help ensure that parents receive the newsletter we have now put in place a reminder system for parents who have provided their email address. Once the newsletter is ready on Thursday, a reminder is sent which contains a link to our website.

If you did not receive a reminder last week and you would like to be included in this initiative, please email lorraine. ackling@samaritan.catholic.edu.au and request the weekly reminder for the newsletter.

Lorraine Ackling
PUBLICATIONS OFFICER

USED POSTAGE STAMPS FOR PERU

Recently I received a letter from a Mr John Altman via the Catholic Education Office in Port Pirie. The letter is from the Mary MacKillop International Missions Fund. This organisation is asking for donations of used postage stamps which are sold to raise funds for communities in need overseas.

If you would like to get involved, there is a collection box in each office campus where you can donate used stamps. There is no need to soak the stamps. Just carefully cut or tear the stamp with some of the envelope still attached and place your stamps in the box.

This initiative is a demonstration of how things we discard so readily can be used as a resource for people in disadvantaged communities.

Last year the foundation raised over $9000 by selling used stamps.

To find out how the funds are put to use visit www.marymackillopinternational.org.au/

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION
WHYALLA SHOW STALL

The seed was planted with you with in last week’s newsletter with regard to the Samaritan College ‘Hot Food and Drinks’ Stall at The Whyalla Show. This is a wonderful way to serve our wider community as well as gather together in community for a common cause. Not to mention it is a great way to socialise and is a lot of fun. The Samaritan Parents and Friends Committee plan the stall each year, as part of their community building and fund raising goals. Many people from within the wider community and our Samaritan community support the stall by buying food and drinks as it is always great value for money and of course very tasty. Please consider contributing a few hours to work on the stall over the Whyalla show weekend, the weekend of August 17 & 18. You can confirm your support by returning the response slip attached with the newsletter.

ASSEMBLY

Next week’s assemblies will be run by Miss Murray’s Year 2/3 class on Friday, July 5. If you would like to attend you can catch Miss Murray’s class at 10:20am under the shelter shed at STC. Miss Feidler’s Year 4/5 class assembly will be Friday, July 5 at 10:20am in the Church at OHLCC.

PYJAMA DAY TO SUPPORT ST VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Thank you to all families at both campuses for their support of the SRC ‘Pyjama Day’. There was certainly a real buzz around the place and it was great to see our senior primary students leading the way and getting involved too. In total we raised $550.00 which will be donated to the Vinnies Winter Appeal. This winter, the St Vincent de Paul Society will see an increase in calls for help from families that have fallen on tough times. We are extremely happy that our efforts will support the Winter Appeal.

NAIDOC WEEK

Next Monday is the start of NAIDOC Week celebrations across Australia. NAIDOC Week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. As you would have seen a few weeks ago with the various activities and reflections for Reconciliation Week we, at Samaritan College, endeavor to make strong connections with our Indigenous identity. Next Thursday, July 4 at 9:00am, various representatives from all three campuses will gather in the Church at OHLCC for a NAIDOC Week Liturgy celebrating and supporting our local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

END OF TERM / REPORTS

Next Thursday, July 4, students’ reports will be coming home. These provide a great opportunity to celebrate your child’s learning and have meaningful conversations about their successes and the challenges faced at school. Next Friday is the last day of term and as such students will be dismissed at 12:30pm from their classrooms.

Georgia Tyson
ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

PRIMARY CAMPUSS NEWS

BOOK SALE THANKS

A big thank you to all who supported the STC Library Book Sale. It definitely created interest amongst the students and they took great care making their selections. The sale has raised just under $250, which will be used to pay for postage for our old unused readers to be sent to a school in Zambia.

END OF TERM BOOK RETURNS

It is that time of the term again when I am asking for ALL student books to be returned to the library before Monday, Week 10 please. This includes library books as well as take home readers. All are to be returned to the class as soon as possible please. Be sure to have a very thorough look around the home, as books seem to have a habit of hiding under beds, in the bottom of school bags, even in siblings school bags. Students will be given reminders next week about books they have on loan. Books that remain outstanding at the end of term will be invoiced to the family account.

A reminder also, for all students to please have their own Library Bag, and to look after readers by keeping them in a reader folder. We are having a lot of water damaged books returned to the library.

Tania Taylor
STC LIBRARY MANAGER

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

What are the healthiest spreads and toppings for wholegrain toast?

Tasty toast toppings which are nutritious and delicious include:

> Creamy avocado spread over toast
> Sliced tomato and reduced-fat cheese
> Mashed banana makes a tasty treat
> Salt-reduced baked beans
> Boiled egg, peeled and sliced

Grainy muffins and fruit toast can also be popped into the toaster and topped too!

Other packaged spreads and toppings which are higher in salt, sugar and/or fat such as 100% fruit spreads/jams, peanut butter, vegemite and honey are ok in small amounts. Try to stick to a thin scrape of these spreads!

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

My favourite part was the Bee Bots. You had to turn on the bee and direct it to the flowers. It was fun but a bit hard.

Jazmyn S

We looked at insect parts under the microscopes. I saw a flea, tick and an ant. They were awesome.

Lochlen

We learnt about the sound insects make. We had to shake the mini drum and rub the swirly sticks to make the noise of the different insects. I enjoyed Lab on Legs.

Cian

At Lab on legs I enjoyed the solar powered house activity. You had to spin the house to 1pm and 5pm and 9am and work out what time created the most power. My partner and I found out that 1pm created the most solar power.

Richelle K

At lab on Legs we enjoyed the tuning fork activity because it made cool sounds when we put the fork in the pipe. We learnt how to measure sound with water and a tuning fork.

Jeese J and Daniel Marinkovich
The second semester has started and a number of students have been reconsidering their elective/subject choices for this semester. I appreciate that whilst students are keen to change immediately it is important to now consult with the teachers involved and confirm with them that space exists within their classes. This is done through the change of subject form and asking teachers to sign that they are permitting the change. Once the changes have been signed off students should bring the form to the office and make an appointment to discuss the change, in some instances there may be others on a waiting list that would get first preference for any available spaces. Parents are also encouraged to be part of the discussion regarding any subject changes and need only make an appointment through the office.

**NEW DEGREES AT FLINDERS UNIVERSITY**

It is this time of year that schools start to hear about new courses offered through the tertiary institutions. This week I received information of six courses that are new to 2014 being offered through Flinders University. These are in the fields of Engineering (Civil); Environment; Information Technology (Network Systems); Justice and Society (Criminology); Media Arts; and Sport, Health and Physical Activity. There have also been significant changes in the International Studies. A pamphlet is available in the Year 12 study area that provides further information on these courses, which are currently not available through the Flinders University website, I have a couple of extra pamphlets if students would like a copy of the information.

**EDUCATION EVENINGS**

Term 3 sees the start of our education evenings. These are important nights where students and parents are informed of the process regarding subject nomination. We also remind students of the requirements of their SACE and give information about any changes that are impacting the individual year level. Please save the dates that are relevant to you and your children:

- current Year 10 – Tuesday, July 30
- current Year 11 – Tuesday, August 6
- current Year 9 – Tuesday, August 27
- current Year 8 – Tuesday, September 3

All of these evenings commence at 7:30pm and are held at Central Whyalla Football Club, on McDouall Stuart Avenue.

**YEAR 12 STUDENTS**

With the start of the new semester the Year 12 students have found they have an extra double study each Wednesday before recess. Students who wish to remain at home to undertake their study lesson are welcome to, however, if they are at school, or arrive before the commencement of recess they need to report to their designated classroom for supervised study. The College calendar will indicate days where our Year 12 students are required to attend school, as per normal, for special events.

**SECONDARY CAMPUS NEWS**

Secondary attendance hotline: 0488 626 818

**Primary years:** most search engines cover topics needed by primary students but some specialize more in one area.

- **Cybersleuth kids**
  http://cybersleuth-kids.com/

- **Ask Jeeves**
  http://www.squirrelnet.com/search/ajk/ask_kids.asp
  Jeeves kids

- **Dmoz kids**
  http://www.dmoz.org/Kids_and_Teens/Arts/

- **Kids Click**
  http://www.kidsclick.org/

- **OneKey**
  http://www.onekey.com/

Next term we will look at suitable web sites for curriculum subjects.

Jenny Kondylas

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**COMPUTER CORNER - RESEARCH**

Often when children are given a topic to research, their first idea is to type the name on Google. They then have to sift through brand names, clubs, etc, that have nothing to do with the topic. An alternative approach is to teach them to type in either

"information for kids" or "facts for children".

Often the information provided may be too difficult for the child to read. Below are child friendly search engines in which the language is more suitable to children’s level.

**Early years:** These three search engines have easy to read words for younger children.

- **KidCyber**

- **Enchanted Learning (some information only available to members)**
  http://www.enchantedlearning.com/Home.html

- **Zoom School (also by Enchanted Learning)**
  http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS**

**AT NETBALL SA STADIUM**

**July 15 & 16**

Come and Try

5-7 Years $42.00

Come and Try

8-10 Years $52.00

Netball skills for 11-16 Years

For more information and bookings go to www.netballsa.asn.au or telephone 08 8238 0500.

Registrations close COB July 10.

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**SCHOOL CHARITIES**

*Every year our school supports the needy!*

As part of our Patron’s Day (Saint John’s day) celebrations a huge donation of non-perishable foods are usually handed over to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society to feed local families that are struggling. The smallest gesture can mean so much!

We have seen the generosity of students and families so often and in keeping with our school tradition we are calling for support again.

The following message comes from the Senior SRC:

**Can you donate?**

Are you able to bring in some non-perishable foods (cans, spaghetti, noodles...) and/or blankets to donate to St Vincent de Paul? In doing so you won’t just get the satisfaction of doing something self-less and helping others but also you’ll get House points that go towards the Glory of Guidera Cup awarded at the end of the year.

**Can you donate?**

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**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in the initial South Australian Country Junior Hockey Squads:

**U/13 Boys**
Cadell Herbert

**Under 15 Boys**
Nic Marino
Shannon Pudney
Isaac Smith
Scott C
Brad Shiell

**Under 13 Girls**
Emily Shiell
Mirella Marino

**Under 15 Girls**
Jordyn Meacham
Linzi Appleyard
Shannon Herbert

Well done to all the Samaritan students who were chosen and we wish you all the best during your selection period!

Please email me at matthew.quist@samaritan.catholic.edu.au if your child has achieved something significant in their chosen sport!

Matt Quist
PE/SPORT COORDINATOR

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**FORMAL PHOTOS - REMINDER**

The formal photos can be ordered online from Clive Palmer Photography.

- www.clivepalmer.com.au
- 1. Select – click here to view and buy photos
- 2. Select – click here (in first paragraph) to log in
- 3. To view photos enter:
  - User name: samaritanformal
  - Password: 2013
- 4. Under photo categories on the left click Samaritan Formal
- 5. Click on the times to view and order
  - Ph 08 8664 1363
  - 64 Ayr St
  - Jamestown SA 5491
  - Email wlpalmer@clivepalmer.com.au

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**WHYALLA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

July school holiday program includes

- Skywatch Astronomy Sessions - Free
- Suitable for children and adults

Various Craft activities suitable for ages 5-10 years.

*Please see staff to book or call 8645 7891 for further information or bookings.*

Please note that immediate caregivers need to make bookings for children.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

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June 27, 2013
The Whyalla Show Food Stall is a Samaritan College Parent Community Event. The show stall is a wonderful way to contribute to the wider Whyalla community. In order to provide efficient service we will need approximately 40 people to work the various shifts.

Working in the stall is great fun, although hard work at times. There are jobs for all talents - cooking, making up steak sandwiches or selling from the front of the counter. Please Note! If you are not able to work a whole shift you may wish to share your shift with your spouse or a friend. Or, why not gather a group of friends together and share a shift?? We look forward to joining you on this great community initiative.

Please consider your participation and fill out and return the slip by Friday, August 9.

Thank you for your prompt attention,
Parents and Friends Committee

SHOWSTALL ROSTER RESPONSE

FAMILY NAME __________________________ (please print)

☆ Please write the christian name of the parent/staff member or senior student available to work next to the time.

☆ Name ________________________________

SATURDAY AUGUST 17

7:00am-10:00am (Breakfast Shift) ________________________________

10:00am – 12:00pm ________________________________

12:00pm – 2:00pm ________________________________

2:00pm – 4:00pm ________________________________

4:00pm – 6:00pm ________________________________

6:00pm – 8:00pm ________________________________

8:00pm – 10:00pm CLEANING UP ________________________________

SUNDAY AUGUST 18

7:00am-10:00am (Breakfast Shift) ________________________________

10:00am – 12:00pm ________________________________

12:00pm – 2:00pm ________________________________

2:00pm – 4:00pm ________________________________

3:00pm – 4:00pm ________________________________

(General pack up and return small equipment)