Dear parents and caregivers

We welcome everyone back after what has hopefully been a restful and productive break for our students. They certainly have returned refreshed, with perhaps the cold weather of the holidays enabling some worthwhile ‘down-time’. It is a pleasure to welcome many new students into our community, along with their families. We trust you will enjoy the hospitality of friendship and support from fellow students, parents and staff. Offering hospitality and being fully present to the individual is something we all need to attend to, particularly when the busyness of life and its trivial demands can impede authentic attention to the other. Mary chose to open herself to the presence of Jesus. Taking time to attend to our spiritual lives and the Grace in others in our daily interactions does much to build strength in relationships and trust in God’s love.

Today we have welcomed Mrs Jane Swift, Acting Director of Catholic Education, Adelaide Diocese and Mrs Kathy McEvoy, Director of Catholic Education, Port Pirie Diocese. They have enjoyed the hospitality of the three campuses and were also on hand to welcome our Japanese visitors, who will be hosted by secondary students and their families for the next two weeks. We are very grateful for the enthusiasm and openness of our young people who will be taking the young visitors into their homes. It is the attention like Mary’s that our guests will receive as Aussie families share their lives and hospitality, with the required attentiveness one bestows upon an ‘adopted’ son or daughter, who will struggle with language, cultural differences and just being away from home and all things familiar.

In Term 3 we are adjusting our procedures across the College with regards to the wearing of hats. Upon analysing our policy which is sent to the Australian Cancer Council’s every three years, we have been advised to discourage the wearing of hats in Terms 2 and 3 to allow children to gain the benefits of sunlight in the winter months when the harmful UV ratings are at their lowest. Students may choose to still wear a hat, particularly on brighter days or in the latter part of the term as the season changes but they are not required to do so. Although the loosening of the expectations may happen in the winter months from now, the necessary tightening of expectation will resume for Terms 1 and 4. During Term 4 it will be expected that all students have their hats and wear them on Day 1. In the high dangerous UV summer terms, the ‘no hat, no play’ policy will still apply.

We again encourage our students to get involved in the “Symbol Sleuths” competition in this Newsletter. This Newsletter must leave a child’s bag to afford the possibility of being ‘in it to win it’. Please check page 3 for the return coupon.

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### Term 3 Week 1

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**THURSDAY, JULY 29**
- Board Meeting, 7:30pm at SJC

**FRIDAY, JULY 30**
- School’s Tree Day - primary campuses
- STC Year 6/7 Gogoll Mass, 8:45am, St Teresa’s church

### July 22, 2010

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 3**
- OLHCC Photos
- Year 11 Education Evening, 7:30pm at Central’s Football Club

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4**
- STC Photos

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 5**
- SJC Photos
- OLHCC Year 5/6 Molyneux/Perry Liturgy, 12:30pm in the church

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- Saint John’s Day

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**Luke 10: 38-42**

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak.

Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.”

The Lord said to her in reply, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.”

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**Samaritan College Newsletter**

**TERISSA SHEPHERD**

**CHRISS SLOAN**

**CO-PRINCIPALS**
**PARISH NEWS**

**Whyalla Walks on Water**

One day Jesus, seeing the spiritual poverty of his people, cried out, “If anyone is thirsty, let them come to me and drink!”

There are still plenty of people thirsty – thirsty for water and thirsty for justice!

One of the 8 special goals adopted by Australia and the United Nations for the Great Jubilee year of 2000 was to ensure safe reliable water supplies to the people of the poor countries. Other goals included universal primary school education, good quality care for mothers and babies, better rights for women and girls, and so on.

These goals are called the Millenium Development Goals.

The world hoped to achieve them by 2015, but progress has slowed down. We need to remind our government, and other countries, to put more effort and resources into achieving these goals!

On Saturday, August 7, starting near the BayView Hotel at 9:45am, you can “Walk for Water” – bring a bucket to carry, and walk with the MDG committee down Forsyth and up Patterson Street. We’ll give out info on the goals, and finish with a sausage sizzle in the park.

You can also join in by doing a Water Fast – confine yourself to 20 litres of water a day for that weekend – just like the poor families have to do every day of the week - and invite your family to join in with you! We might even become a bit more water-wise!

Jesus, who gives the water of life in Baptism, calls us through our Baptism to treat our poor sisters and brothers the same way we’d want to be treated ourselves.

*Father Jim Monaghan*  
ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH TEAM

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**RELIGIOUS DIMENSION**

**Today is the Feast Day of Mary Magdalene**

**John 20: 15 – 17**

Jesus said to Mary Magdelene, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” She thought it was the gardener and said to him, “sir, if you carried him away, tell me where you laid him, and I will take him.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabboni,’ which means teacher.

**Reflection**

This is a story about recognition. Mary does not recognise Jesus at first – but when he speaks her name, Mary, her eyes are opened. St Gregory the Great has written; ‘Jesus says to her: ‘Mary’. Jesus is not recognised when he calls her ‘woman’; so he calls her by name, as though he were saying: Recognise me as I recognise you; for I do not know you as I know others; I know you as yourself. And so Mary, once addressed by name, recognises who is speaking. She immediately calls him rabboni, that is to say, teacher, because the one whom she sought outwardly was the one who inwardly taught her to keep searching.’

**Prayer**

**Lord Jesus,**

*Your face is always before us. Do not let uncertainty or grief cloud our eyes; Shine with the brightness of eternal day, that we may see you.*

**Call us by name, that we may know you by your voice; reassure us with tender words of consolation, and transform our sorrow into everlasting joy.**

*We pray in your name.*

*Amen*

*Source: Daily Prayer Book 2010, LTP*

*Bernie Meixner*  
REC - STC

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**COLLEGE NEWS**

**College Photos**

The photo order packs for Master Portraits will be sent home with next week’s newsletter (July 29). **All students must bring their envelope, with the correct money (WE DO NOT PROVIDE CHANGE) on the day.**

Each student should receive their own coloured envelope for the ordering of individual and group photos. Each student requiring photos must return an envelope, even if payment is enclosed in a brother’s or sister’s envelope.

Family photo order envelopes are also available. Those wishing to have a family photo must collect a family envelope from any campus office.

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**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

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**Tuesday, August 3, 2010 – OLHC Campus**

**Wednesday, August 4, 2010 – St Teresa’s Campus**

**Thursday, August 5, 2010 – Saint John’s Campus**

**Prices**

**Individual Photo Packs**

- Premium Pack: $37
- Value Pack: $33
- Basic Pack: $29
- Group Only: $24
- Portrait Pack Only: $22

**Family Packs**

- Deluxe Pack: $35
- Value Pack: $30
- Standard pack: $25
SYMBOL SLEUTHS
HOW MANY SYMBOLS CAN YOU FIND?......

A prize will be awarded to a student from each campus. All answers need to be correct.

This week’s question: Whose Feast Day do we celebrate today?

Answer: .............................................

Name: .............................................

Parent Signature: ..................................

Class: .............................................

Campus: .............................................

Entries will only be accepted until Monday, July 26

Office Use ONLY

Time: .............................................

Initials: .............................................

Please Note: There are more spaces for answers than symbols to be found. Symbols are special characters that don’t belong where they are placed. Punctuation characters are not symbols.

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Samaritan College Restaurant
Located in the Dining Room at Saint John’s Campus
70 Gowrie Ave, Whyalla Playford

$45 per head
4 course set menu
7pm start

Menu for July 29
Bruscetta of Tomato, Chevre, Basil, Avocado Oil
Salt and Pepper King Prawns, Wasabi Mayonnaise, Asian Salad, Cashews
Saltbush Rack of Lamb, Potato Galette, Pepperonata, Minted Jus
Lemon Curd Tart, Passionfruit Jelly, Double Cream

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

Located in the Dining Room at Saint John’s Campus
70 Gowrie Ave, Whyalla Playford

Future Dates for 2010
August 12 November 4
August 26 November 18
September 9 December 2
October 21

Bookings essential as places are limited.

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EDUCATION TAX REFUND 2009/2010

As part of the 2008/2009 Federal Budget, it was announced that from the July 1, 2008, eligible families would be able to claim a 50% Education Tax refund on eligible education expenses. For the 2009/2010 year the figures have been increased to $780 for a primary child and $1558 for a secondary child.

For the 2009/2010 income tax year eligible families can claim up to $390 per annum for each child in primary school and up to $779 per annum for each child in secondary school on eligible education expenses.

The major portion of the eligible expenses relates to the cost of home computers and computer related equipment as well as home internet connections and computer software for educational use.

The eligible education expense that is a part of your school fees includes “school text books and other paper based school learning material, including prescribed textbooks, associated learning materials, study guides and stationery.”

As Samaritan College issues an all inclusive account for school fees an estimate has been made that the amount of $150 per primary student and $220 per secondary student relates to the eligible education expenses component of those school fees.

If you are to make an ETR claim you will need to retain proof of payment of your fees (ie: school receipt) and consult with your tax professional to determine your eligibility.

Further information on the Education Tax Refund can be obtained from the following link http://www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au

Geoff Cooke
BUSINESS MANAGER
Welcome back to our students, families and staff of the primary campuses! I hope that you all had a refreshing holiday.

A special welcome to our new students and families. We wish all of these students, and their families, a long and happy association with Samaritan College.

Pat Page
PRIMARY CAMPUS LEADER

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OLHCC NATIONAL TREE DAY
National Tree Day is on Sunday, August 1, the primary campuses will be celebrating Schools Tree Day on Friday, July 30.

Schools Tree Day is an opportunity for students to take an active role in helping protect the environment, combat climate change and beautify their school grounds. The simple act of planting a tree helps inspire a love of nature and a determination to act on its behalf. It also creates great opportunities for hands-on learning to help achieve Science and SOSE outcomes.

Schools Tree Day is a wonderful opportunity for our students to do something practical for our community. The Whyalla Council will be providing us with native shrubs and trees to plant in our school grounds, all classes will get to contribute in planting these native shrubs and trees on Friday.

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

Thank you
At the end of last term Samaritan College held a Soup Day to raise funds for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Each site sold a variety of soups and collectively the college raised over $500. We would like to thank all the families that donated soup and the Student Councils for helping to run the day successfully.

Bernie Meixner, Rebecca Sinclair and Angela Rogers

OLHCC Liturgy of the Word
This term’s Liturgies will be commencing in Week 3. Year 5/6 Molyneux/Perry will be presenting the first Liturgy for the term. You are most welcome to join us for Liturgy on Thursday, August 5 at 12:30pm in the Church.

Eleni Vailas
CAMPUS COORDINATOR

CONFIRMATION
Term 3 is an especially significant time for our Year 7 students. Not only is it their second to last term at Primary school, but it also involves preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The first step in this preparation is enrolment in the parish program which will occur at a Mass of your choice this coming weekend of July 24/25. Come along and complete an enrolment form and receive relevant information regarding the program.

Preparation for the reception of the Sacrament begins on Tuesday, July 27 from 7:30 pm in the OLHC Church with a Parent Information Evening. This will include a Liturgy of the Word and presentation of the confirmation booklets.

The first Confirmation Workshop will be held on Friday, August 6 from 9am–3pm at Our Lady Help of Christians Church. On that day, students preparing for the Sacrament will be able to wear coloured clothes.

Letters regarding the program for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be sent home this week.

Eleni Vailas
Bernie Meixner
REC – OLHC 
REC - STC

STC Liturgy and Assembly
On Friday July 30, 6/7 Gogoll will be attending Mass at St Teresa’s Church. The children need to meet at St Teresa’s Church by 8:45am. There will be morning tea in the hall afterwards. All parents are most welcome to attend Mass and morning tea afterwards.

There is no assembly next week.

Bernie Meixner
CAMPUS COORDINATOR - STC

STC Newpaper Recycling
Keep bringing in your old newspapers and place them in the special blue recycling bins. There should be plenty of newspapers after the holiday break and Samaritan College wants them all!!
A message from the School Counsellor

Bullying NO WAY Competition update

Hi and welcome to another school term....

During the last few weeks of Term 2 a Bullying NO WAY Competition was held to promote the Bullying NO WAY message. Given that Bullying is prevalent in schools across Australia and affects so many children and families I thought this competition would be an effective way for the whole school community to support the message that Bullying will not be tolerated. The competition was held across the two primary school campuses with two categories, junior primary and upper primary. I asked students to present the Bullying NO WAY message in an imaginative way; this could have been presented on a poster, t-shirt, badge, magnet or in any other creative way. It was great to see students and teachers alike involving themselves in this competition by submitting single and class entries, all designs were well thought out and very colourful. A number of students also chose to submit group entries by developing and presenting DVD’s that supported the Bullying NO WAY message. A big congratulations goes out to all the students who submitted entries, we really enjoyed looking at and reading your messages!!!

As hard as it was we have come to a decision on who will be awarded prizes. The following students will be awarded and presented their prizes first week back at school. Class prizes will also be awarded for their magnificent group effort. These prizes will be distributed hopefully sometime in the next few weeks.

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Leesha Spreadborough
Pamela Hulsman
SCHOOL COUNSELLORS

Welcome back to Term 3. We especially welcome our new students. Traditionally this is the term where a lot of information is distributed for Year 10s and 11s moving into their final years and where Year 12s find out about leaving school and the options available to them. This information is provided at a range of Information Evenings on August 3 for our current Year 11s, August 4 for our current Year 12s and August 10 for the Year 10s. More details about each session will be provided in the coming weeks.

YEAR 12 DATA

A recent survey of over 36000 school leavers by the Australian Council for Educational Research, found that only 12% of students who were offered a place at Uni or TAFE then deferred their place for at least one semester. 96% of these deferrers then found work with the most common job for deferrers being a Sales Assistant. In metropolitan areas the main reason for deferring was listed as wanting a break from study whereas in rural areas it was for them to qualify for the Youth Allowance. Whilst the study has not yet followed the students all the way to Uni, 89% said they were still intending to begin their chosen course.

CAMPS AND SPORT

Many camps and sporting carnivals take place this term with many listed on our College Calendar on our website. Year 8s have a wonderful opportunity to spend a night at the Adelaide Zoo and the first group, 8 Red, attends next week with the others going during the term. Basketball, netball, rugby and football are some of the sports our students will play this term.
Samaritan College

ITALIAN Trip Fundraiser

Quiz Night!

Friday, July 30

7pm

Saint John’s Campus, Xavier Wing

$5 p/person

Tables of 4 - 8 please

10 rounds. Prizes to be won!

BYO drinks and pay at door on the night

Bookings essential: 8645 8568

SAINT JOHN’S DAY

This special day is on Friday August 6. It celebrates the naming saint of our campus and the students have a day that includes a whole campus Mass, a walkathon, stalls and games and then skits. Students help prepare and run the stalls on the day. This day raises vital funds for Catholic Missions, Edmund Rice Camps, the Whyalla Branch of St Vincent de Paul and the Cancer Council, which is the SRC nominated 2010 charity. More information will follow.

GRADES

Hopefully all parents have received their child’s Semester Report. For some parents there may be some grades that are new to them. For a complete list of what each grade or letter means, please visit the Learning section on our website or ring the College to have an Explanation sheet sent home with your child.

JAPANESE

For the next 2 weeks, we have eleven students visiting us from Japan with accompanying staff. Under the coordination of Mr Boden, the students will experience a range of ‘Australian’ activities, excursions, study English and enjoy life in Whyalla with their host families. They will also attend our “Aussie” social on August 29.

INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIPS

DEEWR are offering, through the Smith Family, a range of scholarships for indigenous students to complete Year 12 at a nominated Adelaide boarding school.

Applications have closed for 2011 but families interested in applying for 2012 should contact the IYLP Coordinator, Leanne Smith, 8204 1042 or leanne.smith@thesmithfamily.com.au. More information, including eligibility criteria and the list of SA schools can be found here http://www.deewr.gov.au/Indigenous/Schooling/Programs/IYLP/Pages/IYLP.aspx

Damien Judd
SECONDARY CAMPUS LEADER

YEAR 8/9 GIRLS SOCCER CARNIVAL

On Thursday July 1, we went to the Croatia soccer grounds for the Year 8/9 girls soccer carnival. In the first game we played against Whyalla High and lost 1-0. The next game we played was against Stuart High and we won 2-0. Our effort in scoring three goals meant we won the carnival on percentage. The soccer carnival was a lot of fun, it was good that we got a few goals and that we won the day overall. The girls played really well and we all had a good time. Thanks to Lee and Brad for being our coaches.

Emily & Lauren
**COMMUNITY COACHING**
As part of the Year 10 Sport and Recreation elective subject my class will be trialling a new sports coaching course. The Active Schools Community organisation has a program for students to receive accreditation for undertaking an online course. Students will be looking at coaching tactics, safety, organisation, practical situations and much more. Modules 1 to 3 will be completed in class and then the students have the option to receive a free tutorial for modules 4 & 5 to become a fully accredited Active Community Sports Coach. There are currently programs running at the local primary schools where these students, once they have completed the entire course, can be paid to coach junior children, not to mention it will also look good on their resume, as the students develop valuable skills in leadership.

Kate Nolan
PE AND SPORTS COORDINATOR

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### Canteen Rosters
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Annette Cameron  
CANTEEN MANAGER  

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CANTEEN MANAGER  

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### Community News

#### NEW ENROLMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN

McRitchie Crescent Kindergarten  
is now taking new enrolments.  
Feel free to come in and look around our beautiful Centre and chat to our friendly staff.  
55 McRitchie Crescent  
Whyalla Stuart 5608  
Ph: 8649 3535

Neta Kranz Kindergarten  
have vacancies for 4 yr old children.  
We offer an engaging educational programme where each child is valued.  
Our shared fruit time supports and promotes a healthy life style.  
Please feel welcome to visit us at  
55 Wood Tce  
Whyalla  
or call 8645 7224  
Email kindy.director@netakranzcc.sa.edu.au
Let's Read is designed to encourage parents to have fun reading with their young children, to help develop a love of books and the ability to name letters and play with the sounds of words. These are the building blocks that will help children learn to read and write when they get to school.

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An initiative of:

Family-School & Community Partnerships Bureau has produced a concise and informative newsletter (June 2010) on the topic of Cyber Safety. This newsletter can be found at www.familyschool.org.au It covers topics such as:

- Cyber-Safety: Keeping Children Safe in a Connected World
  A Parent’s guide to internet safety
- Cyber Bullying
- Cyber Safety Solutions
- National Pilot to Increase Cyber-Safety in Schools
- Cybersmart.

The newsletter also has many links to other sites with further information on the topics mentioned above. We highly recommend this wonderful resource to all parents.