Dear families,

“Now the strongest bond of true friendship is charity, and the exercise of good charity is the practice of good works.”

Blessed Frederic Ozanam, Principal Co-Founder of the St Vincent de Paul Society

Tomorrow is the feast day of St Vincent de Paul, sometimes referred to as the ‘Great Apostle of Charity.’ He was a priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. De Paul was renowned for his compassion, humility and generosity.

This is a very relevant feast day for staff and students at Samaritan. Even though St Vincent did not establish the organisation that bears his name today, Blessed Frederic Ozanam honoured his memory in 1833. Today our students raise over $15000 per year across all campuses to donate to charitable organisations which includes the local branch of St Vincent de Paul.

Last Friday evening we had the pleasure of attending the Graeme Jose Award ceremony, held in the Whyalla City Council Chambers. We congratulate Lauren Goodwin who was a most deserved prize winner. We also congratulate Tyler Callaghan, Kelsey Coad, Jacob Castle, Emelia Manisalis, Joshua Deluca, Nellie Cowan, Myrrhn Milton-Hutchison, Jenna Daniels, Kellie Adamson and Georgina Wilson who were all recognised and thus nominated by community members as worthy applicants for the award.

Next term we run our Parent Community International Night, held on November 22. It is often the event that parents sign up to help with as their contribution to community life, and as such has been a huge success each year. Please begin to consider contributing in some way, whether it is developing a new stall or helping out on the existing ones. It is a family and community night so please also encourage others to be involved. Watch this newsletter next term for assistance forms.

As we come to the end of the term we trust that students will take the opportunity to rest and rejuvenate. They sometimes show signs of needing the ‘down-time’, particularly the little ones who are called to sustain long days of which they might not be accustomed. We wish all students and staff the opportunity for replenishment, paced work (if required) and a chance to unwind, in readiness for the fast moving Term 4. The investment of time and energy is most precious for our Year 12s as they near the end of their official schooling. Robyn Byles will be on much deserved long service leave during Term 4 and will be replaced at St Teresa’s Campus by Tracey McLean.

We farewell Mrs Sarah Smith, who leaves the secondary campus this term to begin her maternity leave. We congratulate Mrs Christine Duffield who will be replacing Sarah as Learning Support Coordinator for 12 months.

As many of you have read in the media, NAPLAN results have been delayed due to printing. Some results have arrived but the ‘parent friendly’ result sheets are yet to arrive. These are the sheets that indicate where your child sits in relation to national standards. When we receive all the results, they will be distributed to families.

Did not see a secondary report last week? Please come and collect from the front office.

Happy holidays

Terissa Shepherd
Co-Principal

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Co-Principal
My name is Harold Camonias, Fr Arno has asked me to introduce myself as I am a student for the priesthood for the Port Pirie Diocese. Next year, I will be ordained as a deacon and then as a priest who will belong to our diocese. I am originally from the Philippines and am currently studying at The Catholic Institute of Sydney and the Seminary of the Good Shepherd. There are thirty-four other young men from all around Australia also training to be priests with me.

Before I decided to become a priest I had qualified as a Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering in the Philippines and worked on computers for nine years. I felt the Lord was calling me to serve him and his people through the priesthood. I love being a computer engineer but I believe there is something more important I can do with my life through this wonderful vocation. I still have a strong interest in computers and constantly update myself with advances in technology by reading IT Magazines. Participating actively in social media is a small way of spreading the Gospel.

I will be in Whyalla for two weeks for parish experience. I am staying at St Teresa’s presbytery to experience life in the parish. I am looking forward to meeting the parishioners and becoming involved in the many different aspects of normal parish life because my final goal is to work as a priest in one of our parishes. Please feel free to approach me and introduce yourself to me. I would be very happy to share my experiences as a seminarian - it has its challenges but it’s been great and wonderful so far.

I assure you all of my prayers and ask you to please keep me in yours. May the joy, peace, hope and love that comes from God dwell in your hearts now and always. May Mary the Mother of God and the Queen of all vocations intercede for us!

Harold Camonias
FOR THE PARISH TEAM

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This Friday is the feast day of Saint Vincent de Paul. Saint Vincent was a priest in the Catholic church who dedicated himself to serving the poor. He founded the Daughters of Charity and spent his life serving the church by meeting the needs of all who needed help.

Today we are aware of the great legacy left by Saint Vincent in the works of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. The Catholic community in Whyalla has a close relationship with the local Saint Vincent de Paul chapter and we work in partnership to help the local society bring Good News to those who need it.

The most obvious sign of the presence of Saint Vincent de Paul society in Whyalla is the shop on Playford Avenue, the clothing collection bins and the office at Our Lady Help of Christians church. What we don’t see are the efforts to house people in emergency situations, budget counselling, care for migrants and refugees, low cost food outlets and friendship programs. The work of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society in Whyalla is extremely important in bringing dignity and the love of Christ into the lives of members of our community. On this feast day we celebrate with all members of the society and pray they can continue to support our community in this way. We also pray that we can continue to support the society.

A prayer for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Open my eyes that I may see the deepest needs of men, women and children
Move my hands that they may feed the hungry;
Touch my heart that it may bring warmth to the despairing;
Teach me the generosity that welcomes strangers;
Let me share my possessions with people in need;
Give me the care that strengthens the sick;
Help me share in the quest to set prisoners free;
In sharing our anxieties and our love,
Our poverty and our prosperity;
We partake of your divine presence.
Amen.

Bernie Meixner
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION
PRIMARY CAMPUS NEWS

A SUCCESSFUL TERM
Wow! What a fast paced and eventful term it has been. As always it was a term filled with rich meaningful learning opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom learning environment. Events and opportunities such as the Primary Campus Open Display Night, school photos, the Whyalla Show Stall, Samaritan Spectacular, Book Week, Music is Fun Band, Primary Sports Day, celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation, Whyalla Choir, Footy Colours Day and, of course, the Catholic Schools Music Festival which involves Adelaide Choir.

Thank you to the entire community for supporting such a successful term. Opportunities like this would not be afforded to our students and families without a team effort and contributions from students, parents and teachers alike.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY
Yesterday at both campuses we celebrated Footy Colours Day. The day was coordinated by our Student Representative council and was aimed at raising money towards our college charities. There is no doubting the children thoroughly enjoyed the day and it allowed us to raise money as well as harness the excitement of the AFL grand final this Saturday.

WHYALLA CHOIR
Congratulations to all of the Samaritan College students involved in the Whyalla Combined Schools Choir. The feedback was extremely positive and the performance was enjoyed by those who attended. Thank you to Melinda Gray and Kerri Smith for their efforts in preparing the students for the performance and contributions. Melinda Gray also co-conducted some of the performances. Not only do opportunities like this foster the work done in the Arts Curriculum but also reaffirms the need for our students to show responsibility and honor commitments they have made.

Soloists
- Maria Alboino
- Erryn Hoskin
- Halle Shaw
- Sophie Tonkin

Assisting artists from Samaritan College
- Brianna Bolitho
- Cooper Dart
- Kymberley Jenkins
- Matt Ryan
- Halle Shaw
- Natasha Taylor
- Victoria Wood

ADELAIDE CHOIR
Our very best wishes to our students involved in the Adelaide Choir who will perform tonight at the Catholic Schools Music Festival with their peers from the Catholic Sector in Adelaide. Thank you to our Specialist Arts teachers, Winnie Fitzgerald and Melinda Gray for their ongoing commitment to the Adelaide Choir and ensuring that Samaritan students have equivalent access to this opportunity as their peers in Adelaide. Damien and myself look forward to tonight’s performance.

SUN SAFETY
As the weather starts to warm up you will notice our staff out and about role modelling our Sun Safety Policy. The Cancer Council of South Australia recommends that people wear sun protection whenever the maximum UV radiation level is above 3. This is usually from the start of September through to the end of April. Our ‘No Hat, No Play’ policy comes into action as of the start of Term 4. Please ensure your child has their hat ready for the commencement of Term 4.

I wish all students and families a safe and refreshing holiday and look forward to an action packed Term 4.

Grace and blessings,
Georga Tyson
ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Uniform Shop will be open on the pupil free day, Monday, October 14, 8:30am-4:30pm
As third term draws to a close, and we prepare for the last 9 school weeks of 2013, I reflect on what has been a busy time at the secondary campus. Students have had opportunities to involve themselves in school life through the cultural exchange with students from Minakuchi High School; Patrons’ Day; Samaritan Spectacular and Sports Day as well as the many individual events for each year level.

This school break is the time of the year when the students in their final year of schooling should be honing their understanding of material that could be examined in November or finalising the externally assessed tasks for their non examinable subjects. With only two weeks of formal lessons left for the Year 12 cohort now is the chance to take stock of what has been learnt and to seek clarification on aspects that may not be entirely clear. Students are encouraged to seek out support from their teachers, even after their “last day” to ensure that they are maximising their final results.

This Friday is Mrs Sarah Smith’s last day at school, as she starts her maternity leave from the beginning of Term 4. For the past two years Sarah has been instrumental in developing programmes that support our students with learning difficulties. It isn’t surprising that Sarah has developed a strong connection with many of the students who utilise the Learning Centre and their families. As a SOSE, Art and Drama teacher, Sarah has used her many talents to bring out the creativity in her students; a particular highlight was the Year 9 drama performance in the Spectacular. We wish Sarah well and are excited for her as she and her husband, Daniel, start this new journey together.

Finally, students need to be in full summer uniform upon their return to school on Tuesday, October 15. It will be expected that a wide brim Samaritan hat is worn when outside during lunch and recess. As with all aspects of the college uniform the hat needs to be clean and presentable, students with graffiti on their hat may be required to purchase a new one from the uniform shop.

John Lyons
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

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### CAREER INFO

**SATAC UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS – YEAR 12 COHORT 2013**

The first significant deadline of the 2014 university admissions cycle is on **Friday, September 27**. This is the early closing date for most undergraduate university courses, with new SATAC applications subject to a late fee of $102.00 in addition to the processing fee after that date. Friday, September 27 is also the final closing date for Medicine/Surgery, Dental Surgery and Oral Health at the University of Adelaide. Late applications will not be accepted for these courses.

This admissions cycle has seen a significant increase in the number of Year 12 applicants who do not tell us that they are currently studying when they are presented with the School studies page in the online application. If a current Year 12 student does not provide the details of their studies, including their SACE/NTCET or IB registration/candidate number, SATAC is not be able to identify that they are a current Year 12 student. As a result:

- **they will be charged the higher $57.00 processing fee rather than the correct $25.00 fee**
- **they will not appear on the list of the school’s applicants on SATAC’s ‘Applicants by Schools’ webpage**
- **SATAC may not be able to obtain their Year 12 results on their behalf at the end of the year**

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### CANTEEN ROSTERS

**Monday, October 14 – Friday, October 18**

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