Dear parents and caregivers

As our Year 12s end their formal years of schooling this week, to utilise opportunity to finalise assessments and prepare for exams, one is prompted to reflect upon the significance of time and the extraordinary privilege we have in witnessing the growth and development of our young people. Having worked with the students for many years, our leadership and some teachers have walked with the five year old, so innocent and open to learning, right through to the young adult ready to embark on the next stage of their lives. In parallel, they are still innocent and open to new prospects and ready to be guided in their next stage of development through early adult life, whether it be straight into the world of work or in further study. Our goal is to encourage interdependence, where the individual is able to self manage yet operate positively and efficiently in their interactions and actions.

Although the ‘pointy end of schooling’ can be intense and at times serious; right through their thirteen years the students exercise a need for fun which is fulfilled in many ways. This week the primary students have thoroughly enjoyed the musical talents and actively participated in the workshops of Andrew Chinn, who is a well known creator of many of the liturgical songs we use in our community Masses. Tomorrow we may see the Year 12s kicking up their heels somewhat as they relax after the intensity of recent terms. They will then settle and reflect with a closing liturgy in the College Chapel, before turning their heads to the last chapter of serious work.


Serving others is a vital part of our Christian faith. The gospel reminds us of our duty to serve. Jesus made it clear to his disciples, particularly at his last meal with them that following him involved a readiness to serve and to be served, that such service was another way we would experience his closeness to us. Serving others—whether in the context of our parish community, home or work environment—is not always easy. Jesus recognised that and gave us his presence in the Eucharist to strengthen our attempts to be a serving people. This week the Year 3 students are preparing for their First Reconciliation with family information sessions and the Years 8s immerse themselves in their Retreat Day. We pray that they are moved to live faithfully and to act with justice to their fellow person as they embrace the mission of living in Christ.

In the spirit of shared service, we are continuing to advertise for help for the International Night, which is only 3 weeks away. This event has always been a wonderful community opportunity for families to gather before Christmas, for departing people to say farewell to their school community and for newcomers to feel welcome. Please consider assisting to allow us to continue this wonderful tradition.
PARISH NEWS

New hope after divorce

On Monday and Tuesday October 25 & 26, Fr Kevin Taylor and Mrs Sue Rivett from the Marriage Tribunal will be visiting the parish. This visit is designed to assist any Catholic person who is divorced, or involved with someone who is divorced. Talking with Fr Kevin or Sue will provide you with accurate and up-to-date information, giving you the options you need, as you plan your future. Phone Marie on 8645 8023 to book a confidential meeting. There is a public information meeting, 7:30pm Tuesday at St Teresa’s Parish Hall, which could also be helpful for family or friends.

Catholics making a new start

For anyone who has lost contact with the prayer and worship life of the parish, we are holding a six-week program, Wednesday nights, beginning November 3 at Our Lady’s, 7:30 – 9:00pm. The sessions will help people reflect on the gift of faith and prayer, and bring you up to date on the life of the parish. The conclusion will be the parish’s popular Communal Reconciliation early in December. Phone Fr Arno on 8645 8023 for more information. Maybe come with a friend to the first session?

Fr Jim Monaghan
ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH TEAM

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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RELIGIOUS DIMENSION

May your journey through the universal questions of life bring you to a new moment of awareness. May it be an enlightening one.

May you find embedded in the past, like all the students of life before you, the answers you are seeking now.

May they awaken that in you which is deeper than fact, truer than fiction, full of faith.

May you come to know that in every human event is a particle of the Divine to which we turn for meaning here, to which we tend for fullness of life hereafter.

Welcome to the Wisdom of the World - Sr. Joan Chittister - Benedictine Sisters of Erie

Angela Rogers
REC - SJC

To put the world right in order, we must first put the nation in order; To put the nation in order, we must first put the family in order; To put the family in order, we must first cultivate our personal life; We must first set our hearts right.

Confucius

COLLEGE NEWS

Any clubs or service groups who wish to organise a stall for their own fundraising purposes, with only a small donation to Samaritan College, please contact Terissa Shepherd on 8645 8568.

Come along and experience our International Community

Come along with your families for a great night of International food and entertainment. Prices reasonable and children’s foods are available. Bar facilities provided.

Please help make the evening a success by completing the form with last week’s newsletter. Also available from our website - under the community tab.
Parenting Ideas by Michael Grose: Kids in the kitchen

“The kitchen is a great place to start developing the skills of independent living in your kids. Cooking by nature is practical, a lot of fun and you get to eat the results of your efforts immediately.”

Things have certainly hotted up in many Australian kitchens as family members go head-to-head inspired by some recent TV reality cooking show type competitions. Father-son cook-offs, mother-daughter bakeoffs and all-in family challenges are the go as families rediscover what was once the hub of every home – the kitchen.

The positive spin-off from all this activity, apart from promoting better family relationships, is that kids are learning how to cook. For someone like me, who believes the fundamental goal of all parents is to make themselves redundant, teaching kids to cook is a no-brainer.

The kitchen is a great place to start developing the skills of independent living in your kids. Cooking by nature is practical, a lot of fun and you get to eat the results of your efforts immediately.

It has the added bonus of being boy-friendly. Many boys love to cook because it’s hands-on, messy and encourages creativity and experimentation. These characteristics suit the learning styles of many boys, particularly those who abhor being stuck behind a school desk. It’s little wonder that many of our top chefs are men.

If your kids haven’t been bitten by the cooking bug yet, here are some ideas guaranteed to get them into the kitchen, and developing a bunch of great skills as well:

✓ Start young: Kids should be able to cook an edible, interesting two course meal for the whole family by the time they finish primary school. They are perfectly capable of doing this, but from my experience, few kids can. The key is to start when children are young.

✓ Start small: If your kids are strangers to cooking and preparing meals, start by showing them how to make their school lunches, prepare snacks and prepare parts of the family meals. Little by little, increase the number of food preparation activities until they are familiar with the kitchen, feel comfortable with many of the utensils and can read some basic recipes.

✓ You help me: Cooking is one of the few activities that parents and kids can do together, so try to get a child involved in some way, each time you cook a meal. Whether it’s peeling vegetables, pouring water into a pot or stirring chocolate sauce in a bowl there are plenty of ways to involve kids with you in the kitchen.

✓ Give them a purpose: I’ve always found kids will usually do just about anything if they see a purpose for what they do. So if your child is a reluctant mini-chef, get him or her cooking for you, their friends or part of a family celebration. They will feel good about all the complements they receive.

✓ Let them choose: Kids are more likely to stick to any decision that they have had a say in making. This is why I’ve always asked my children’s opinion about a range of matters. It’s about establishing the complements they receive.

If all this sounds a little high maintenance for your liking, consider the time spent developing the cooking habit in your kids as an investment in your future redundancy. You don’t want to be cooking for them forever.

Cooking is also a great way to get kids talking, because while their hands are busy, their tongues loosen up. So if you have a conversational clam in the family who keeps things close to their chest try some shoulder-to-shoulder parenting that cooking together provides.
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
BYO Beverage

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

Future Dates for 2010
November 4
November 18
December 2

Bookings essential as places are limited.

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
Thank you to members of the college community who kindly donated to the Operation Christmas Child. These boxes were collected and will be transported to various parts of the globe where children are in poverty or recovering from disaster. You have seized the ‘opportunity to share God’s unconditional love with a child in desperate need.’

Angela Rogers
REC - SJC

Parent Community
Melbourne Cup Lunch
All parents and friends of Samaritan College are invited to attend the Melbourne Cup Lunch on Tuesday, November 2 at the Westlands Hotel. If you would like to attend a form will be available at the Office at OLHCC to fill in your name and the number attending.
The cost will be $32.00 per person for a Smorgasbord lunch. The fun begins at 12 o’clock. Dress up in your best outfit and be in the running for a prize.
The final numbers are needed on Friday, October 29.
Sheree Cleary

Primary News
Week 2 already!
Reminder: Please ensure that your child brings her/his College hat to school. Students without hats are required to sit in the shade. All students should be in summer uniform next week.

Class Placements 2011
You are invited to make an appointment with me regarding your child’s placement for 2011, if you have any concerns regarding family matters, friendship groups or anything that you believe to be relevant.
This is not an opportunity to request placement with a particular teacher.
If there has been an ongoing problem of some sort and you have met with me previously, I would appreciate that you would meet with me again.

Patricia Page
PRIMARY CAMPUS LEADER
RECONCILIATION WORKSHOP

Children involved in the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be involved in the first of two Workshops on Friday, October 29. This workshop will be held at St Teresa’s Church. The children involved are to be dropped at St Teresa’s Church by 8:45am where they will be met by their teacher. The workshop will go until 1:00pm at which point the children will be bused back to their Campus. The children may wear casual clothes on the workshop days but need to wear their school hat. The children also need to bring their recess and lunch for the day. As they are going straight to the church they will not be able to have a lunch order. Can the children also bring their Home Booklet as we may get to work on these or answer questions the children may have about the booklet.

The second workshop will be at OLHC Church on Friday, November 5. More information regarding the second workshop will be in next week’s newsletter.

The children received their commitment cards for the Sacrament of Reconciliation last Wednesday. These need to be brought to any Mass on the weekend of October 30/31. It is very important that the commitment cards are brought to Mass on the weekend stated as it will give parishioners time to pray for the First Reconciliation children and their families.

Bernie Meixner
REC - STC

ANDREW CHINN VISIT

On Monday, October 18 and Tuesday, October 19, Australian Religious songwriter and singer, Andrew Chinn, visited the primary Campuses. We were blessed to have such a talented musician working with the students this week. Andrew has a wonderful gift of music and song that he obviously loves sharing with children. His warmth, fun, love of God and love of music certainly rubbed off on the children and staff and Samaritan College. Andrew entertained us with songs, actions and amusing anecdotes and kept the children engaged for every second he was with them.

I liked the Andrew Chinn workshop because we did lots of singing. I also liked it when Andrew sang the ‘Claire ‘ song. It was funny.

The concert was great.

Neve Hulsman
– Benson

We went to the Church and Georgia, Steely & I got to go on the stage because Andrew Chinn was there. We sang songs and got to wear spunky vests; He was funny.

Jorja 1/2 Rothe

Miss Seals chose Courtney, Kym, Jenna, Jack, Leyton, Steph, Patrick and I to go up and do the rainbow song. Jenna and I were the colour orange. Andrew Chinn is really funny and I thought he was a hippy because his guitar strap was a rainbow. My favourite song was Hold My Hand.

Bianca 4/5 Seals

I liked Andrew Chinn because he sang good songs. Thank you for coming to our school.

Harrison Rigley

My favourite part was doing the Elvis move.

Torsten 1/2 Rothe

He was a good singer.

Daniel 1/2 Rothe

What I enjoyed about the performance was the beautiful rainbow song and the colourful flags. We did actions to Noah’s Ark and sang along with Andrew Chinn.

John Carlo 4/5 Seals

I liked Andrew Chinn because he let us sing and dance. He also sang very good songs. Thank you Andrew.

Asha Reed

Our class went to see Andrew Chinn’s show, there was lots of singing and dancing. My favourite song was the rainbow song.

Erin 4/5 Seals
STC LITURGIES AND ASSEMBLIES

On Friday, October 29 Year 6/7 Gogoll will celebrate Mass at the Church. Children need to be dropped at St Teresa’s Church by 8:45 am where they will be met by Ms Gogoll. Families are most welcome to join us for Mass and morning tea afterwards. The children will return to school by bus at 10:15am.

R/1 Sanders will present the Junior Assembly at 9:30am on Friday, October 29 in the library.

Bernie Meixner
CAMPUSS COORDINATOR - STC

OLHCC LITURGY OF THE WORD

You are most welcome to join us for Liturgy of the Word next Thursday, October 28 at 12:30pm in the Church. It will be presented by Year 4/5 Fiedler. We hope to see you there.

OLHCC FOYER DISPLAY

This fortnight R/Year 1 Francis have presented a lovely display about our first Australian Saint, Saint Mary MacKillop of the Cross. The children have reported facts that they have learnt about Saint Mary and ways that they could be like her. Come along and have a look at this wonderful presentation.

Bec Fay

SECONDARY NEWS

Year 12s – final day of formal lessons is Friday. A massive moment in time for these students that after 13 years of schooling that it all ‘finishes’ tomorrow. Exams follow from November 1 with Graduation on November 25. We all wish them well.

Year 9s – attended their Education Evening on Tuesday and found out about what electives are on offer in 2011, their Personal Learning Plans and they also presented their discoveries about Drug and Alcohol. Elective forms must be returned next week.

Year 8s – need to attend their Education Evening at Central Football Club at 7:30pm on Tuesday, October 26.

Uniform – during next week students now need to be wearing their full summer uniform. There are no combinations of winter/summer uniforms to be worn ie: short sleeve with long pants. The majority of students have returned to school in Term 4 with their hats, however, some haven’t. Students without hats cannot participate in PE, go on excursions and must sit in a special area at recess/ lunch. New hats can be purchased from our canteen.

Year 10 Retreat – this important event is Thursday, October 28.

Damien Judd
SECONDARY CAMPUS LEADER

YEAR 10 RETREAT

Due to the hectic nature of events taking place for Year 10 students in Term 4, the planned Retreat has been shifted to Thursday of Week 3 (October 28).

This year the Retreat returns to our favoured venue at Point Lowly. Students will be bused to the Point Lowly Cottages after caregroup and will be returned to Saint John’s Campus at approximately 3pm. Please note the earlier finish time for this day.

More information will be sent home with students about this experience soon.

Trent Keiper
YEAR 10 COORDINATOR

YEAR 11 OUTDOOR EDUCATION JOURNEY

On Tuesday of Week 1, nine Year 11 students and two teachers set off for the beautiful coastline of the Innes National Park situated at the bottom point of the Yorke Peninsular, with a 12 seater van with a trailer behind full of bikes. The students started bike riding at the northern point of the National Park and headed south, finishing at Marion Bay. All up the students travelled 42kms stopping at every opportunity to head in to the inlets to see the coastline at its best. The students stayed in tents cooking their own meals on trangias. Luckily no major issues such as punctures or falls but I think one boy may have learnt a BMX bike is not the ideal bike for this trip. A huge thank you to Mr Keiper for offering his services and advice throughout the trip and to all the students who were so well behaved and now realise that SA is a beautiful place.

Kate Nolan
OUTDOOR LIVING COORDINATOR

CANTEEN ROSTERS

Monday, October 25 - Friday, October 29

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Annette Cameron
CANTEEN MANAGER

Rose Cassar
CANTEEN MANAGER

Marg Coad
CANTEEN MANAGER
Craft Fair & Shopping Spree

Come to Adelaide’s favourite craft event. In just one day – you can shop with craft specialists from all over the country under one roof.

Shop... at the fair it’s pure craft heaven with specialist products you won’t see anywhere else. See what’s new and find great supplies for your next project whether it’s embroidery, beading, card making, scrapbooking, patchwork, knitting, sewing, doll making and much more.

Bus leaves Westland Shopping Centre at 6am
Arriving at the Adelaide Show Grounds at approximately 11.30am

***Choose to stop at the Craft Fair or go straight to Rundle Mall
At 1.30pm there will be another opportunity to go to Rundle Mall
Last pick up at 4.30pm to arrive back in Whyalla at about 10pm

For Bookings Contact:
Jo Grinter
Advancing Whyalla
88 Hinks Ave, Whyalla Norrie
Phone: 8645 5999
Mobile: 0428 494 374
support@advancingwhyalla.org.au

Tickets:
$60 per person
Includes Travel and Craft Fair Entry.
Limited seating book Now!

Settling our Future
FREE Community Walk
Sunday 31st October
10 am Start at the Wet Lands, Lincoln Highway

Come and take part in the Heart Foundation FREE Community Walking event and do your heart a favour!

There is a 2 km course (approx 30 minutes) around the Wet Lands led by Heart Foundation volunteer Walk Organisers. Two laps are optional! Find out more about heart health at the Be Active marquee. Sign up as a volunteer community Walk Organiser and keep yourself and others active!

EVERYONE WELCOME

Notes:
- Registration at 9.45 am – meet at Marquee. Walk starts 10 am.
- Walk at your own pace.
- Track is wide and mostly smooth surfaces.
- Car parking is available at Wet Lands and on Keith Street.
- Toilets are available at the meeting place.
- Bring a water bottle with you (extra water will be available).
- Be Sun smart.
- Wear sturdy footwear.
- Sorry, no dogs allowed.

For more information contact
Olivia on 8648 8327 or
Alberto 8640 3444

Event will be cancelled if temperature is 38° (as forecast Saturday night Channel 7 news)
PRIDE WEEK IN THE PARK

Saturday 23rd Oct 11 am – 4 pm

Jessop-White Park on Whitehead St

Bring your own picnic rug.
This is a family friendly no alcohol event.

ADVANCING WHYALLA – Leading the Way