Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you for the interest of parents and parishioners regarding the ‘Footsteps in Christ’ pilgrimage to Israel. I have been asked what the highlight was, but struggle to answer, as all of it was interesting, challenging and provoking. More pertinent has been the acute realisation – of how privileged we are to live in a democracy where I am ignorant of being ‘in minority’ with equity and freedom an assumption and right; and opportunity of success largely being determined by my own will. The trip has served to bring alive the Gospel stories; placing them in context thus deepening their meaning, something that will be shared with the staff and students.

This week marks the end of formal lessons for our Year 12 students. Many of them have been a part of the Samaritan community or Whyalla education community for thirteen, fourteen years. As a conduit to adult life, these past few senior years when students have participated in the SACE, along with employment, sport and recreation activities, have been a time where they have had to ‘take charge’ of themselves a little more, thus being personally responsible for their outcomes. The college has stressed the importance of staying focussed and committed to their own personal success in the next few weeks and in finishing their schooling in a dignified manner where they can be proud of their time at school. They too, are becoming aware that their own personal will and the ability to tap into the opportunities provided is all that is required to reach their goals.

Next week is Children’s Week celebrating with the theme, “A Caring World Shares” As we celebrate the young people in our lives, let us be reminded that children live totally in the present and are open to life’s mysteries, far more than we adults. As we get older we yearn for that simplicity lost… Let us pause in our busy lives and be fully present to what is happening around us; in nature, between people and with God.

Many of our children have dedicated the majority of their year to the Annie production. As we move closer to the celebration of their talents, energy and devotion to the project, the students have increased their attention to crafting their performance. It would be important to get your tickets early if you want to see the results of their work. Tickets are available from the Middleback Theatre.

International Night is looming and once again we ask you to consider your commitment to assisting with the event; if you are unable to attend at night you could assist with the preparation during the day. Please fill out the enclosed flyer and return to campus as soon as possible.

A form accompanies today’s Newsletter requesting information on your intentions for next year to assist in finalising student enrolments, planning of class and staff allocation for 2013. Please return by October 26.

TERISSA SHEPHERD
CO-PRINCIPAL

CHRIS SLOAN
CO-PRINCIPAL
PARISH NEWS

Last weekend in the parish the children in Year 3 who are to make First Reconciliation came to the parish to enroll for the Sacrament with their parents. Last night we had a Parent/Student evening to begin the formal preparation which will continue over the coming weeks. This weekend the children will present their commitment cards at any Mass. When working with the students and talking about our need to say sorry and asking for forgiveness, it always makes me stop and think about my life and those times when I need to say sorry and to be forgiven myself. Perhaps this is a good opportunity for each of us to look at our own lives and, inspired by these young people, ask ourselves in which ways we need to ask forgiveness of God and each other.

In Last week’s newsletter, Fr Arno wrote about the visit of the relic of St Francis Xavier. This week it is in Adelaide - you may have read about it in the Sunday Mail or seen it on the evening News. Just a reminder for anyone who would like to visit one of the churches and pray with the relic; the times are at Our Lady Help of Christians’ Church 2:00pm until 9:00pm on Tuesday October 23, St Teresa’s Church from 7:00am until 12noon and the Emmaus Chapel from 12 noon until 2:00pm. We believe this is a good opportunity to recognise one of our great saints and to learn more about this incredibly faithful missionary of Christ.

We have a number of very sick people in the parish. A novena of prayer is currently being offered at 9:00am each morning for Bailey Carpenter, a 12 year old boy who is seriously ill. In solidarity with Bailey and our other sick parishioners we ask that you to pray for them and their families. When sickness and the challenges of life confront us, it is always comforting to know that we have a saviour who became one of us, suffered as so many of us do and understands us when we pray for strength, healing and consolation.

Sr Cheryle Thomson
ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH TEAM

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RELGIOUS DIMENSION

Recently I was sent a thank you note from Caritas Australia in recognition of our continued support of this charity. Once again our students are commended for their willingness to participate in activities that help us raise much needed funds for the various charities we, as a school, support.

At an assembly at the secondary campus on Monday we were also able to witness a group of Year 11 students receiving certificates in recognition of their support of the Student2Student programme. This programme is run by the Smith Family and enabled the Year 11 volunteers to listen to other students in the wider Whyalla community read, on a regular basis, via a mobile phone link up. The coordinator of this programme, Jeremy Head, wanted me to pass on his message of congratulations and thanks, not only to the Year 11s who participated in the Student2Student programme, but to the wider Samaritan community. He could not speak more highly of the way our students were prepared to participate in this invaluable initiative and remarked that the way our students conducted themselves at all times was exemplary.

This Sunday is Mission Sunday. Each one of us is called to be like Jesus, to be the face of God for the world in which we live, to be the hands and feet of God in the world we live in. The above examples are ways in which our students have shown they can be the person whose life is lived in the service of others. True love shows itself in service. That is what we learn from the example of Jesus. Greatness in the eyes of God lies in our serving one another.

Mission Sunday is the time every year when we need to recall that we, too, have been sent by God to be the presence and love of God for everyone. We have that responsibility in our families, in the places where we work and play, and in the world as a whole. God wants all people “to come to the knowledge of the truth.” It is our task to make it happen, so what does that mean for us as we go about our lives this today, this week and in the future?

(Sourced from http://www.vincentians.org.au)

Christine Duffield
DIRECTOR OF STUDENTS (SECONDARY)

COLLEGE NEWS

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

A reminder to those wishing to receive credit for second hand uniforms, that only uniforms of good quality will be accepted. The uniform shop reserves the right to REJECT uniforms if they are stained, marked with sweat or have holes. All second hand clothing is to be presented clean and ironed. Unwashed, crumpled uniforms will not be considered.

Kerry Azzopardi
UNIFORM SHOP

TICKETS FOR ANNIE AVAILABLE FROM THE MIDDLEBACK THEATRE

Parents and the public may buy tickets for Saturday evening performance (November 10) of Annie from the Middleback Theatre.

Adults $20.00
Concessions/Children $15.00
Family Ticket (2 Adults 2 children) $60.00
(They are selling fast!)
PARENT COMMUNITY MEETING

There will be a Parent Community meeting on Monday, October 22, 7:30pm at SJC staff room. This will be to plan and prepare for International Night on Friday, November 16. Any parent interested in helping out at International Night, or just finding out what is involved with this event is invited and encouraged to attend. For many families this is the event of the year they wait for and support. So all are welcome to come along to the planning meeting to find out more about what’s involved and how it all happens! We’d love to see you!

Tania Taylor
FOR PARENT COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

PRIMARY CAMPUS NEWS

CHILDREN'S WEEK – OCTOBER 19-28

Children’s Week is an annual event celebrated in Australia during the fourth week in October. The theme for Children’s Week is: “Celebrating Children – Right of the child to play”, which reflects the Children's Week aims.

Children's Week celebrates the right of children to enjoy childhood. It is also a time for children to demonstrate their talents, skills and abilities.

Each year a diverse range of events and activities are organised at national, state and local levels. These focus the attention of the wider community on children, their needs and achievement.

Designated by the nations of the world, Universal Children's Day calls society to a greater response to the plight of many millions of children around the world who are denied the basic necessities of a happy childhood and the education to develop their capacities. It also calls us in Australia to consider those conditions in society which affect the lives and future of our own children.

We celebrate Children’s Week every week by how we engage and teach our students to develop and enhance their talents, skills and abilities through the day to day activities we offer our students. Each week in the newsletter we showcase all the amazing activities that take place across the college. In next week’s newsletter, we will be showing work samples from our Junior Primary classes presenting children’s learning.

CLASS PLACEMENTS 2013

It’s that time of the year again, where we are addressing class placements for 2013. This year we are inviting parents to come along to an Information Evening, where a Behaviour Education Consultant, Cathy Sires will be present to inform you of our process for placing students in classes for 2013. For more information, please refer to flyer that was sent home earlier in the week.

MOBILE PHONES

A timely reminder, that mobile phones should NOT be used whilst at school. This includes scenarios where a student is feeling unwell and would like to go home, they need to be sent to the office where a phone call will be made to inform parents that the student is unwell.

Mobile phones are to be handed into the office at the beginning of the day and collected at the end of the day, instead of being kept in school bags.

LOST PROPERTY

A reminder regarding lost property, the containers on each campus are over-flowing with school uniforms and personal items belonging to students. Please check these containers regularly for any items that may have gone missing over the last semester. Any items that haven’t been collected will be donated to St Vincent de Paul.

If you haven’t labelled your child’s school jumpers, hats and personal items, please do so, as this will assist the office staff when items have been lost they can be returned to the rightful owner.

RECEPTION ENROLMENTS

If you are intending for your child to begin Reception next year, we need to hear from you now in order to plan for 2013.

YEAR 7 TRANSITION

Year 7s continuing at Samaritan in Year 8 will need to be picked up from the primary campuses and dropped off at Saint John's Campus for an orientation afternoon next Friday, October 26. The students need to meet at the Rotunda for the tour to commence at 1:45pm. Students may be collected at 3:15pm from Saint John's Campus.

Yours in Faith, Wisdom & Compassion,
Eleni Vailas
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

MASS / LITURGY

Year 4/5 Baverstock Liturgy will be at 9:30am on Thursday, October 25, at St Teresa’s Campus Library. Parent most welcome to attend. Morning tea to follow.
Year 5/6 Boots Liturgy Thursday will be at 12:30pm on October 25 OLHC Church. Parent most welcome to attend.

ASSEMBLY

Year 6/7 Lancaster Assembly will be on Friday, October 26 at 12:30pm in the Vessey Unit
Year 4/5 Free Assembly will be at 2:30pm at St Teresa’s Campus on October 26.

Bernie Meixner
APRIM
**RECONCILIATION WORKSHOP**

The children preparing for First Reconciliation will attend a workshop on Friday, October 19. The children need to be dropped at St Teresa’s Church at 8:45am. They are able to wear casual clothes and need to bring their hats, recess, lunch and a drink bottle.

The children are also asked to bring their home booklets so they can ask questions about any of the activities of which they are unsure.

The children will be transported back to their campus at the end of the workshop at 1:00pm. They can be collected from their campus at the normal dismissal time.

**COMMITMENT CARD PRESENTATIONS.**

At Mass this weekend, children are required to bring their completed commitment cards to any Mass. If the cards are not brought this weekend there is less time for the parish members to sign their name in prayer for your child. This process is an important part of the preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

*Bernie Meixner*

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

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**PARENT COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING**

Hopefully families would have received, during the last week of term, the Parent Direct and Chalk Educational toys catalogues. There was also a note explaining the process for ordering from the catalogues. If by chance your family did not receive the catalogues, both primary campus offices have spares. The idea is you can do some Christmas shopping for family and friends and order from the catalogue. Samaritan College receives 20% of all sales, so the more you shop, the more benefit to the College. The items in the catalogues are of a high quality and are good value for money. It’s also an easy way to shop from home and have your shopping delivered direct to you!

Please consider the catalogues as a way to do some early Christmas shopping, and as a way to help support the fundraising efforts of the Parent Community of Samaritan College. Your order can be dropped in to either primary campus office by Friday, November 2 (end of Week 4). These will then be collated and sent away for packing and delivery back to us before the end of term.

*Tania Taylor*

FOR PARENT COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

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**Language Perfect @ Samaritan College - Hall of Fame 2012**

*Gold Certificate: 3,000 points (and gift voucher) Cailin C.*

*Silver Certificate: 2,000 points Cailin C.*

*Bronze Certificate: 1,000 points Cailin C.*

*Credit Certificate: 500 points Gem N. Joefer B. Jenna P. Richelle K.Cailin C. Madison H. Eugene V.N.*

**Year Level Leaders**

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**Congratulations to all Language Perfect Participants**

Alex G.  Kaitlyn K.  Ben S.  Maria  Cameron D.  Mirella  Crystine
Daniel P.  Peter  Gem  Sean W.  Henco  Torsten  Joseph D.  Olivia
Juliana  Amy L.  Lucas  Cadell  Meg  Connor M.  Zali
Patrick  Eugene  Richelle  Hannah  Thandeka  Jordan B.H.  Muskaan
Alice  Kiarra  Blake V.  Mark  Cassidy  Tullie  Courtney
Daniella  Rafael  Georgia C.  Shannon O.  Jenna  Muskaan
Kaine  Asha  Madison  Cailin  Melinda  Courtney
Paul  Felicity  Sam  Harry  Tiffany  Jorja
Amelia  Kirra  Brooke  Matthew S.  Christopher  Nathanel
Emily  Rebecca B.  Halle  Stephanie  Jofer  Victoria

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SECONDARY CAMPUS NEWS

YEAR 12S

After thirteen years of schooling, for our Year 12 students, it all “finishes” tomorrow. For every student it is a significant time and each person will deal with this change differently. Students who have exams or who need to come into the College to consult with teachers are asked to wear their summer uniform. They are still role models to the younger members of the community. As such the example set should be respectful of the College, the staff and students and themselves. Written examinations commence from October 29 with Graduation on November 29. We wish all of you the very best of luck!

YEAR 10S

After regrettable delays earlier in the year due to weather, the 3 weeks of Murray Venture camps are about to commence. Students and staff have been looking forward to this camp and are now set to go. My thanks go to Miss Kate Nolan who has arranged different activities for the students to participate in over the next three weeks. When not on camp the students are expected to attend school for valuable and well planned programmes.

SCHOOL DAY

Quite a number of students are arriving late in the morning. This is a habit that employers wouldn’t and shouldn’t tolerate! Unfortunately these habits and attitudes are developed now. I’d like to remind parents and students that the secondary school day starts at 8:35am, where students and staff should be moving into class. There is a second bell at 8:40am to indicate that students should be seated to start their day. We look forward to improvements in the arrival time of all our students.

John Lyons
ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (SECONDARY)

YEAR 10

Welcome back to Term 4, which is to be a very busy term for Year 10s. Your child should have received an information pack along with consent forms for Murray Venture late last week or early this week. A summary of the activities for this term is as follows:

- Week 3 to 5 students are broken up into three groups—one week your child’s group will be at Murray Venture, one week they will be doing normal lessons and one week they will be doing an alternative program with some valuable life skills programs and guest speakers. Other than the week at Murray Venture your child is required to be at school for normal school hours, with any absentees followed up in the normal manner.

- In Week 6 (November 12-16) students will go back to ‘normal’ school to allow adequate time for exam preparation.

- On Thursday and Friday of Week 7 (November 22 & 23) the Year 10s will be doing their exams in the same format as Semester 1.

- Week 9 (December 3-7) is their last week, finishing at 1pm on the Friday. During this week they will be involved in some transition lessons to help them better understand their subjects for SACE Stage 1. Should you have any questions or concerns please don’t hesitate to contact me at the school on 8645 8568.

Thanks,
Kate Nolan
YEAR 10 COORDINATOR

FROM THE ACTING SACE COORDINATOR

Year 12 formal lessons will come to an end this week (WOW! Time flies when you’re having fun 😊). Whether these students are preparing for their external examinations or polishing up those final assessment pieces in preparation for moderation for non-examinable subjects, this is a very busy and stressful time for this cohort. At an assembly on Tuesday, students were given a handout containing information about examination rules, study tips and managing their stress.

Two websites, specifically designed for students and families about mental health issues, stress management and life in general, may provide valuable information and strategies for the upcoming assessment period.

www.headroom.net.au
www.reachout.com.au

Stage 2 Round 3 Investigations (Moderation)

Please take note of the following subjects and due dates:

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Students should ensure that their work is presented correctly and timely to their subject teacher to allow staff to mark their work without rushing and package it according to the SACE Board guidelines. Handing in assessment pieces after the due date or incomplete will impact negatively on the students’ performance and place themselves and teachers under unnecessary strain.
YEAR 12 STUDENTS VISITING THE SCHOOL
(WEEK 3 ONWARDS)

Students have been reminded that they should be in full summer uniform (not PE uniform) and properly groomed (girls hair tidy, no nail polish, boys clean shaven) when visiting the school for any reason from Week 3 onwards. Students will NOT be seen by staff if this is not the case. The normal sign in/out procedures will apply for these students.

STAGE 2 ITALIAN ORAL EXAMINATION

This phone examination will take place on Friday 19 October in the meeting room at 9:00am. Students should be on campus by 8:30am and be in the vicinity of the room from 8:45am. We wish Miss Liss Howard and her students all the best!

The SACE Board written examinations timetable for 2012 is available on our website www.samaritan.catholic.edu.au in the FAQs, Forms and files tab in the student section.

Maresa Lyons
ACTING SACE COORDINATOR

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Marg Coad
CANTENE MANAGER

HOT DOGS

The SRC will be selling hot dogs at lunchtime, Wednesday, Week 5 (November 7). $3.00 for hot dog, 50c for each additional topping (onion, mustard, tomato sauce, ham or cheese). SRC will be taking orders and payment during Week 3 and 4. All proceeds go to helping our five charities.

Thanks,
SRC

COMMUNITY NEWS

Old Scholars of Marist Brothers Mt Carmel Boys & Sister’s of St Joseph Mt Carmel Girls School, Rosewater

Join former classmates & friends for one last opportunity to tour the original 1926 building & view current development plans for the College on

Sunday, 28 October 2012
12.00 noon - 4.00pm
33 Newcastle Street, Rosewater SA 5013
$5 Sausage sizzle lunch
Partners, families & friends welcome

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

RSVP asap to:
Pat Hoy (Molloy) - Ph: 8447 6463 or Email: patriciakathleen@bigpond.com
OR
Terry Cashin - Ph: 8280 7293 or Email: tjcashin1@bigpond.com
STUDENT INFORMATION 2013

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RE-ENROLMENT INFORMATION 2013

(a) My child/children **WILL BE** returning (including transition to SJC) to Samaritan College.

(b) My child/children **WILL NOT BE** returning to Samaritan College.

(c) My child’s/children’s return to Samaritan College is **DOUBTFUL**.

Note: Please summarise reason for doubt or non-return and attach note.

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Please complete details of siblings, who will be enrolling in Samaritan College in the future.

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Please complete one form per family and return by Friday October 26 to any campus office

PARENT SIGNATURE: ___________________________ DATE: _______________________
MOBILE PH: ________________________________
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 from 6:00pm

A wonderful and busy community event, the International Night has been running successfully for 15 years because of the extended parent community contribution and support.

This is an early call for people to convene, cook, serve or help in any other ways for a period of time on the night, or in preparation during the day.

Many parents offer their services for this event, as their ‘one-off’ contribution in a busy family schedule. There is something there for everyone! We also encourage community groups to have a stall as their own fundraiser, with 10% going to the Samaritan College Community.

Please fill in the coupon below to indicate your early offer of help. This terrific night only happens because of your help!! Why not ask a friend to help out and make it a fun night.

We will contact you midway through Term 4 as we develop the roster.

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT – RETURN SLIP
We will need help with the following:

I CAN HELP WITH SERVING: ☐ I CAN PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT: ☐
I CAN ORGANISE A STALL ☐ Please specify: …………………………………
I CAN HELP ON A STALL ☐ I CAN DONATE A DISH: ☐
I CAN HELP ON THE BAR ☐ eg: dessert item…………………………..
Cultural savoury dish: ………………………

I CAN HELP PREPARE DURING THE DAY: ☐ Comment: …………………………………

My community club ………………………………………………….. would like to convene a stall independently.
Please contact me on Phone: …………………………………………… to discuss details.

YOUR NAME: ………………………………… CHILD(ren’s) NAME(s): …………………………………
CLASS: ………………………………… CAMPUS(es): …………………………………
HOME: ………………………………… WORK: ………………………………… MOBILE: …………………………………