



Friday 18 March 2016



## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends,

I had the pleasure of spending Tuesday with Independent School educational leaders in Canberra. We were treated to an array of speakers from Professor Chubb, the recently retired Chief Scientist, Professor John Hattie, the Hon. Bill Shorten, and my favourite, the Honorable Amanda Vanstone, retired Australian Senator. The recurring theme was how do Educators lift their eyes above NAPLAN results and Australia's constant obsession with teaching to a test. Also the wider question of what are the key qualities we want for our children to develop during their Primary and Secondary education? Yes, words like innovation were touted by the Federal Government representatives, but it was Amanda Vanstone who said bluntly, as only she can... 'we want our children to think'. Such a simple statement yet so profound. So the concluding question was, 'how do we develop thinking habits that will help our children for their futures?'

This is one of the most important questions we are always asking of ourselves here at St Andrew's. It becomes even more critical given how quickly the world is changing. If a conventional or industrial education has been sufficient to date, it likely will not be in the future.

No one can predict what the next 10 years will hold, let alone the next 50 or 100. How do we prepare our children for such quantum uncertainty? Which skills really matter and why? I was recently sent an article that I thought I would share.

The article of interest is the work of British educator, C. J. Simister. Her 2009 book, *The Bright Stuff: Playful ways to nurture your child's extraordinary mind, is hands-down the best book we have read on this topic. A graduate of Cambridge in Economics, Simister was drawn to the world of primary education. Simister soon observed the flaws that other educational innovators, most notably Sir Ken Robinson, had also spied—the traditional school environment suppresses genuine thinking in favour of conforming, memorising, repeating. The result is that kids may look savvy, but, scratch the surface and too frequently you find stunted creativity, a lack of rigor and minimal independent thought.*

*As Simister writes: Too often even the brightest children are led blindly into the "repeat after me trap". The reality for schools is that they are judged by the achievement of their pupils. Since the most reliable way to secure good grades is to play it safe, then you can understand the decision that too often follows: stick closely to the curriculum, teach exactly what's needed and force-feed children with the information required to waddle through hoops... What a tragedy then that conformity tends gradually to replace creativity, asking the big questions turns into seeking an acceptable answer, and risk-aversion (in our increasingly paranoid culture) replaces a sense of adventure. In the end, too often the box wins, and we forget how we ever thought outside of it. The outcome is school-leavers who lack the skills needed to flourish in a rapidly changing world—by fitting in, they become less likely ever to stand out.*

*Drawing on the wisdom of philosophers, entrepreneurs and scientists, Simister outlines 16 characteristics that will influence not only a child's achievement, but their whole life for the better. Things such as grit and determination, patience, the ability to think laterally, the courage to take risks, etc. These are not the traits of tests and trauma; these are the pillars of confidence and empowerment. As Simister highlights, we are aiming for children who, and we quote:*

- *Are curious—who genuinely enjoy collecting ideas and discovering new things, who show an interest in what's going on in the world, who ask big, open-ended questions, who engage with moral and philosophical issues and are not content with a simple answer.*
- *Are astute—questioning what they hear, gathering different opinions and weighing the pros*

### Don't miss...

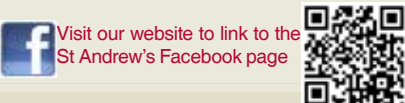
- 21 MAR** Evening with Principal  
6:00pm - 7:00pm
- 22 MAR** Primary & Secondary  
Cross Country Carnivals
- 24 MAR** Grandparents' Day  
LAST DAY OF TERM 1
- 25-28 MAR** COLLEGE CLOSED  
Easter Long Weekend
- 29 Mar - 8 Apr** SCHOOL HOLIDAYS  
\* Return Mon 11 April

### TERM DATES 2016

- Term 2**  
Mon 11 April - Fri 17 June
- Term 3**  
Mon 11 July - Fri 16 September
- Term 4**  
Tue 4 October - Wed 30 November

### TERM DATES 2017

- Term 1**  
Tue 24 January - Fri 31 March
- Term 2**  
Tue 18 April - Fri 16 June
- Term 3**  
Mon 10 July - Fri 15 September
- Term 4**  
Tue 3 October - Wed 29 November



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**SUNSHINE BEACH**  
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Maundy Thursday 7PM  
Good Friday 7.30AM  
Easter Day 7.30AM

**TEWANTIN**  
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Good Friday 9.30AM  
Easter Day 9.30AM, 6.30PM

**PEREGIAN**  
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Good Friday 9.30AM  
Easter Day 9.30AM  
+ our Easter Day dawn service - 5.30AM  
Noosa beach (FAR END - BY THE RIVER MOUTH)

and cons of various options, reasoning logically and sorting the sense from the nonsense before deciding what to believe.

- Are creative with their thoughts rather than thinking within conventional boundaries—who enjoy forming and expressing their own explanations and theories, who play with ideas rather than fixing on the first right answer that comes along, and who make connections, building upon what they know and applying it to different situations.
- Are brave—enjoying new challenges and sticking with it when learning seems hard, who stand by a reasoned opinion regardless of other people's reactions and who understand when it's worth taking a risk and trying something new.
- Are rigorous—who persist until they're really satisfied with what they have discovered or decided, and who are willing to refine and improve their own ideas, learning from successes and failures and seeking help when it's needed.
- Are open-minded—willing to learn from other people and to share points of view, who recognise that new ideas and plans are sometimes better formed by pooling talents, and who are able to switch perspective and adapt when new evidence is presented or if the situation changes.
- Are able to laugh at themselves and keep a balanced perspective; understanding that mistakes happen and knowing how to pick themselves up again afterwards.
- Are resourceful and independent—who show initiative and set goals for themselves, accepting responsibility for the direction they choose to take.

The Bright Stuff is brimming with suggested activities for us as parents to help our children grow genuine confidence in their own thinking and speaking. Below are just four of Simister's ideas. Each of them requires engagement—the essential, but, sadly endangered essence of all emotional, spiritual and intellectual growth:

**20 ways...**

This is a lovely game to play whenever there's a spare moment. Who can think of 20 ways to... make a tree happy, remove a bull from a china shop, teach a chimpanzee to play football? The sillier, the better!

**Tune in!**

Next time you're out and about—whether in the garden, on a train or walking to school, ask your child to join you in trying to count and identify all the sounds that you can both hear. Make it a challenge. Can you hear 10 or even 20 sounds? It's interesting for your child to find out how many sounds we blank out most of the time. Which sound is their favourite? Why? Can they focus on listening to that sound only, blocking out all the others, while you count in your head to ten? Can they do the same? Gradually build up the length of time and see if you can both manage to block out other thoughts during this listening exercise. It's harder than it sounds.

**Just suppose...**

It's a great practice for your child to try out their decision-making skills in the context of some imaginary, hypothetical situations. Try to pick decisions that will really grab their attention and that you'd all find interesting to discuss together.

Here are just a few examples: Just suppose...you could invent one new law for the country. What would it be? Just suppose...you could be told the answer to any one question. What would you ask?

**Taking risks with friends**

Encourage your child to invite new friends over every now and then and not just the people they know well and usually play with. It may not always be wildly successful, but it's a really good way of helping them learn to take a risk with social situations. And it may result in some unexpected friendships. Chat together afterwards about how they feel it went. Was the risk worth it?

At St Andrew's we are well and truly on a journey that aims to challenge what is now the status quo in both education and parenting, and reposition our thinking to the ideals that remind ourselves of some of the most obvious and positive aspects of our own up-bringing. There are many fancy words and phrases being used today and yes, Positive Education is one. However, as one presenter at our all staff in-service earlier this year reminded us... they are often things that our Grandma told us!

Please join me for the first of our **Principal's 'Conversations' evenings** to ponder these and other educational matters, this coming Monday 21 March, 6.00pm in The Studio. Please click **HERE** for details.

**Staffing**

As we head toward the end of term, I want to thank **Joel Von Magius** who has worked in our Primary Administration whilst Megan Hewitt has been on Long Service Leave. Next term we welcome both Megan and Nicole Grant back from Long Service Leave and whilst she will be back full time for the first 5 weeks, Margaret Hooper will be re-joining us as they share a teaching load in the Secondary Commerce and Humanities faculty.

It is with much sadness that I share the news that our Business Manager, **Simone Hayden** has announced her retirement at the end of 2016. Simone was a member of the founding committee in 1999 that first established St Andrew's and then moved onto the College Council, before becoming the College Accountant and then Business Manager. Simone will remain a parent of the College as she moves into the area of providing housing and support for those at risk of suicide. Simone, is an exceptional but very unusual Business Manager; she brilliantly balances both a head for business and heart for students. We will begin a nationwide search next term.

I also wish to advise that **Victoria Kane** has resigned from her position as Uniform Manager. Victoria has been instrumental in undertaking some significant changes in the operation of our Uniform Shop; however, her passion for other areas such as nutrition, health and well-being will see her continue further study and career opportunities in this area.

Best wishes,

**Reverend Chris Ivey**  
**PRINCIPAL**

Students are invited to the

**End of Term BBQ Lunch**

Thursday 24 March @ 1.00pm

Primary - B Block  
Secondary - outside SnAAC Shack

The SnAAC Shack is closed on the last day of term, so leave your lunch at home, bring some cash and enjoy a BBQ lunch prepared by the Friends of Netball and Friends of Music:

Burgers	\$4.00
Sausage in bread	\$2.00
Popper fruit drinks	\$1.00

## From the Secondary School Departments

### From the Dean of Students

1. The World's Greatest Shave event is returning to St Andrew's on Monday 11 April at 10.00am in The RGC. So far, 6 students have bravely volunteered to lose their locks and in doing so, raise funds for The Leukaemia Foundation. All funds raised go towards programs and research into cancer of the blood. We appreciate our secondary students, families and community members who are supporting with donations along with our Middle Years Leaders who are busily preparing to organise this event.  
Parents and staff are donating their skills in helping the students to lose hair. It is rumoured that one of our Home Group teachers is also sacrificing facial hair at the Shave For A Cure assembly. If you would like to donate, please visit the **Shave For A Cure website** and find students by name. There will be a guide for how to donate.  
Joe Keelan, Ben Condon, Faith Roche, Maddy Ryan, Avana Reynolds and Finn Brown have so far pledged their locks for shaving. Please feel free to pledge any donations at our Secondary Office if this is easier for you and of course, you are most welcome to pop in to assembly on the 11th as we proudly acknowledge the positive efforts of our students.
2. On Monday 7 March Issy Tomkins, Maddison Woodward and Indiah Morris attended the Zonta Noosa International Women's Day breakfast at the RACV resort in Noosa. It was an early start and an enjoyable time to meet students from other local schools, along with women in our community who are interested in supporting women who are less fortunate than themselves. The guest speaker was Dr Shannon Spriggs Murdoch who among other roles is the Director of the 'Mentors in Violence Prevention' Program at Griffith University. Shannon kept a captivated audience by sharing her stories and details of the work that she engages in around the world. On Tuesday the young women of St Andrew's attended an assembly to recognise and reflect on the role of women across the globe and celebrate the strengths of women who are in our College community and the value women bring to each other's lives and to their communities.
3. The end of Term 1 signifies a term of learning and acquiring new knowledge and skills in academics. In advancing Positive Psychology at St Andrew's it is also timely to remind of the importance of student's health, wellbeing and ability to flourish as underpinning to academic potential. Positivity as a value has long been regarded as a critical hallmark of the community of St Andrew's; reflected in helping people to make their lives and futures brighter through leading a more fulfilling life. Educating students to realise that they are their own leader and as such shape their positive contributions to the world is part of the implementation of My Wellbeing as a curriculum and use of up-to-date science of Positive Psychology as lesson content. Across the College there are other honest, critical appraisals being applied to current practices so as to inspire even higher levels of what we should expect and accept for our children through the centrality of education based upon a Positive Psychology model.

**Mrs Lisa Martoo**  
**DEAN OF STUDENTS, DEPUTY SECONDARY**

### From the Head of Teaching and Learning

#### Debating in 2016

Welcome back to the new year in Debating. It promises to be a great year, full of healthy argument and impassioned opinions! To kick us off this year, we will be electing **Captains for Debating** and a team of leaders from our Year 10, 11 and 12 students. Students can open the following link to apply to be a Captain and to see what is involved: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P6S8ZJ3>

Please note the due date for applications is **Monday 18 April**.

In addition, the **Debating Expo** will again be held at the University of the Sunshine Coast on Wednesday 18 May. We will need a team of experienced debaters to accompany new students. It is a great opportunity to fine tune the debating skills of our experienced debaters and to train for leadership. Please click **HERE** for more details. If students are interested in attending, please email me on [aguy@saac.qld.edu.au](mailto:aguy@saac.qld.edu.au).

Stay tuned for other announcements about our Debating competitions through email or the newsletter. And we will celebrate participation and success through Facebook!

**Mrs Adele Guy**  
**HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING & DEBATING CO-ORDINATOR**

### College Ministry and Global Learning

#### Farewell to our Exchange Students from Kindai High

As the term draws to a close, we would like farewell our two visiting Kindai High School students, Ami and Namiki, who have been with us on exchange from Japan. The girls have appreciated the opportunity to improve their English and we have enjoyed learning more about them and their culture. We know that they have formed many lifelong friendships during their time here at St Andrew's. This September, it will be Kindai High School's turn to host two of our students, Sarah Wrigley and Bethany Mahony (link to photo **HERE**), who will be traveling to Japan for a month long exchange.

#### Football Boot Donations

The people of Fiji have had some challenges recently with the trail of destruction that Cyclone Winston has left. If you would like to put a smile on the face of a young sports person then please consider donating your secondhand football/rugby boots to them. There will be a box in the Uniform Shop for you to donate your spare boots that are clean and in good condition. We will be distributing the boots through one of our clothing suppliers who has strong links with Fiji.

#### Easter Church Services at St Andrew's

Easter is a great time to connect or reconnect with a local Church. There is a vibrant congregation of the Noosa Anglican Church, made up of many College families, who meet weekly in the College Studio. Please join us, or another congregation, this Easter and experience the joy and support that comes from being part of a church community. Please refer to available Easter services on front page of the newsletter.

**Mr Tim Barrett**  
**HEAD OF COLLEGE MINISTRY AND GLOBAL LEARNING**

### LOTE Note

A big thank you to the parents who attended Chinese information sessions.

In 2015 a dedicated core of students got together with me (Mrs Megan Cleyne aka chenlaoshi) to recreate the favourite children's storybook

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"where's the green sheep" by Mem Fox as a mini movie. We entered our foreign language movie into the **Can Movie Contest** for languages and have been short listed! I am thrilled to report that these 23 students, myself and Mr Paterson have been invited to attend the red carpet gala event to view our mini movie on the big cinema screen as part of the short listing process! Stay tuned for a full report in the next Wavelength on the outcome... fingers and toes crossed!

For **senior Chinese students** there is a great App I use on a regular basis and highly recommend, it is called "pleco". It is a Chinese/English dictionary with pronunciation guides/translations/sentence examples and more. Check it out!

**Mrs Megan Cleyne**  
HEAD OF LANGUAGES

## From Extension and Enrichment

The education of all children at St Andrew's Anglican College is our responsibility and priority. All children have particular educational needs that require knowledge, understanding and specific strategies to cater for them. Peter Hand and Jillian Green facilitate the development of programs to cater for the needs of high achieving students who require Extension and Enrichment options within and above the normal curriculum. Peter and Jillian both have a Master of Education specialising in Gifted and Talented Education and have both worked in this area for many years. The Extension and Enrichment area of the College is both diverse and dynamic. We offer a range of programs that provide many opportunities for students.

We are privileged to work with many outstanding students who have had great personal and team success. In 2015 we had four students invited to the Australian Scenario Writing Finals. Mia Meder Bird won the International Scenario Writing Competition in 2015 and has been invited to the International Finals in Michigan again this year. Our Tournament of Minds and da Vinci Decathlon teams have had great success over many years including teams performing at the national finals. Teams from Year 6 to Year 12 participate in the Sunshine Coast Mathematics Tournament with our Year 6 Mathematicians winning the last two years. We have commenced sending invitations to identified students for our range of programs in 2016. We look forward to another enjoyable and exciting year of E&E!

**Mrs Jill Green & Mr Peter Hand**  
EXTENSION AND ENRICHMENT COORDINATORS

## From the Arts - Commedia Dell Arte Theatre Evening

Attention Theatre Lovers! Year 11 Drama are excited to invite you to attend a comedic evening of Italian theatre at the Commedia dell Arte Performance Evening taking place on Tuesday evening 22 March. The theatrical evening, which will showcase the skills of Year 11 Drama, shall be presented in The Studio starting promptly at 6pm. The performance scenes are rated PG. We look forward to welcoming you to this performance evening in celebration of the term's unit of study. Doors open at 5:45pm – this is a free entry event. (Please note no food or drinks are permitted in The Studio. Please turn off your mobile phone upon entering the performance venue). Click **HERE** for flyer.

**Ms Tara Mackie**  
HEAD OF THE ARTS

## From the Food Technology and Hospitality Department

As we near the end of Term 1 here is a snapshot of what's been happening in the Food Technology and Hospitality Department.

All classes have made a great start and it has been our pleasure to welcome Year 7 to the department for the first time. All Food Technology classes are being introduced to the Australian Technologies Curriculum where they will be involved in creating solutions for a preferred future. This involves developing skills to manage projects through planning, organising and monitoring timelines, activities and the use of resources.

Year 7: Developing skills

Year 8: Best Burgers Ever!!!

In Hospitality the senior students are busy completing their work for the term. Year 10 are developing terrific skills in the Kitchen Production unit while Year 11 and Year 12 Hospitality Studies classes have successfully completed functions for different clients. Year 12 hosted a Modern Australian Cuisine lunch for a delighted group of Year 10 students also staff were treated to a takeaway lunch courtesy of the Year 11 team.

**Mrs Kate Lewis**  
TEACHER IN CHARGE - FOOD TECHNOLOGY & HOSPITALITY

## Careers Corner - Year 11 Parents and Students

There are many pathways into university and at St Andrew's we provide opportunities for every student to achieve their potential. As Term 1 is coming to a close I would encourage Year 11 students to check their subject choices. Parents and students should discuss the following questions openly and honestly:

- Do I enjoy my subjects?
- Are they challenging me to reach my potential?
- Are they in line with my career pathway? (I have your surveys from last year if you would like to re-evaluate your direction).
- Have I included the pre-requisites for my tertiary education?
- Is OP still the path for me?

The two ways to achieve university entry are by gaining an OP or a QTAC rank, course pre-requisites apply no matter which pathway you choose. St Andrew's along with some external providers can offer the following options. As a guide; a Certificate III qualification receives a Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre rank (QTAC) of 68 which is comparable to an OP 15/16. A Certificate IV qualification receives and QTAC rank of 74 which is comparable to an OP 12/13. A Diploma qualification receives an QTAC rank of 82 which is comparable to an OP 9/10 and can also provide credit towards certain university courses. Taking these courses does not mean taking the easy way out, they are accredited courses that were previously only available post-Secondary.

Please refer to the QTAC website for OP requirements and pre-requisites for courses: <http://www.qtac.edu.au/>

Students and parents are encouraged to make an appointment to see me if you need direction about tertiary pathways or career guidance. If your child is in Years 10 to 12 and you require further information please contact me at [ssugden@saac.qld.edu.au](mailto:ssugden@saac.qld.edu.au) or 5471 5647 to make an appointment.

**Mrs Sheridan Sugden**  
HEAD OF TERTIARY AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES / VET STUDENT SUPERVISOR

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## From the Head of Primary

It is with great excitement that 20 students and 3 staff (Mr Bourne, Mrs Jane and Mr Dean; Mr Sjogren will join the group in the second week) are preparing to embark on the annual Beijing Primary School Friendship Schools' Program. The delegation leaves on the last weekend of the holidays, Saturday 9 April, and returns on Saturday 23 April. The primary purpose for establishing this program is to provide our Year 6 students with an opportunity to extend their Languages learning within a real-life context and to further develop their knowledge and understanding of the Chinese culture. I do want to express my sincere thanks to Miss Cath Green for organising the China trip for 2016.

During the first week of Term 2, whilst the students are in Beijing, another group of Year 6 students (49 in total) will be embarking on a trip to Outback Queensland – Blackall, Barcaldine, Longreach, Winton and Emerald. This trip therefore will run concurrently with the China trip and provide for the students another opportunity for them to broaden their education and experience a different environment to their own.

I am sure you will agree that these two trips are a unique opportunity for our Year 6 students and will prove to be a very rewarding experience for them. I wish them well.

## Grandparents' Day

On the last day of this term, Thursday 24 March, the Primary School will be holding our Grandparents and Special Friends' morning. The day will commence with a Chapel Service in The RGC (Richard Gowty Centre at the northern end of the College), which will be followed by visiting the Primary classrooms to share in the students' learning. If it is fine weather parking will be available on the Primary School Oval, with access via the dirt driveway next to Little Saints. The program guide for the day is:

8.40am – 10.00am: Chapel in The RGC presented by 4JR

10.00am – 10.40am: Morning Tea at The RGC

10.45am – 11.45am: Visiting the Primary classrooms for the sharing of the learning with the students.

I trust you are able to join us on this special day.

## Formal Uniform

For our Chapel services during Term 2 and Term 3, the Year 6 children are required to wear their Formal uniform with formal hat. This requires them to wear their blazers and, for boys, the long sleeved shirt, tie and trousers. The students will remain wearing this uniform for the duration of the day on a Friday, although they are allowed to take off their blazer during the day. Please make sure that the blazer is clearly labelled with your child's name. As part of the dress code, the children are expected to arrive at school in the morning and depart from school in the afternoon wearing the full and correct formal uniform each Friday of Term 2 and Term 3.

## After School Play

I wish to remind parents that there are no teachers rostered on duty for the Primary playground after school owing to the various school commitments that they need to attend to. I have noticed that the number of children playing on this equipment after school seems to be increasing. It is therefore vital that if after school you allow your child to play on the playground, in the sandpit or under B block, then they are closely supervised by you. Please do not let them play without you keeping a close eye over them and for you to stop your child if they engage in any inappropriate behaviour.

## Year 2 And 3 Outdoor Education

Congratulations to the Year 2 students for having such an enjoyable outdoor experience last Friday, 11 March and to the Year 3 students for an exciting two days at the Apex camp spent at Mudjimba this Tuesday and Wednesday. This is the first year when the Primary students spend a night away on camp. A big thank you to the staff who attended these events.

## Sporting Events

On Wednesday 23 March, our Prep – Year 2 students will be involved in their swimming carnival. This is always such a wonderful day for the students and we wish them all the best for the day. Thank you to the HPE staff, classroom teachers, parents and Year 6 Student Leaders for making this carnival such a fun event for the children. We also look forward to the Years 3 – 6 Cross Country carnival on Tuesday 22 March. We hope to see many supporters at both carnivals.

## ANZAC Day

I wish to give early notification of the Primary School's involvement in the community ANZAC Day Service. On Monday, 25 April, all Primary students are invited to represent the College at the ANZAC Day service at Tewanin, which is usually held at 9.00am. It is an expectation that all Primary School Leaders and Year 5 Student Council representatives attend as this is an important component of their service duties as being a school leader within the Primary School. Further details will be forthcoming at the commencement of Term 2.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to **Thomas Cameron** (Year 5IH) for his dedication towards his schoolwork. Thomas' effort was recognised with him signing the Primary School "Book of Acknowledgement". Well done Thomas.

## Important Dates This Term:

- Years 3 – 6 Cross Country – Tuesday 22 March
- Prep – Year 2 Swim Carnival – Wednesday 23 March
- Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day; Culminating Activities and Last Day of Term 1 - Thursday 24 March
- China Trip departs – Saturday 9 April
- Longreach Trip Departs – Monday 11 April

## And Finally ....

With this being the last newsletter of the term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the students, parents and staff for what has been a wonderful start to 2016. I wish you all a wonderful and relaxing holiday break – have a very happy Easter.



**Mr Robert Paterson**  
HEAD OF PRIMARY

## From The Deputy Heads Of Primary

### Learning in Prep to Year 3

Our younger students have enjoyed a busy and engaging term with many special additional activities such as the Year 2 camp, classroom swimming, specialist lessons, chapels, Assemblies and many wonderful opportunities for learning in the classroom. As the term concludes I thought you may appreciate seeing some snippets of the daily fun they have in their classrooms.

As this is the last newsletter for this term I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for their on-going support in what has been a busy and successful term. I look forward to seeing many of you on Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day on Thursday, 24 March, or at the Swimming Carnival or the Cross Country which are also occurring next week.



**Miss Catherine Green**  
DEPUTY HEAD OF PRIMARY (Prep - Year 3)



### Year 4 - 6

On Tuesday 14 March Mr Paterson and I took 25 Primary Leaders to Brisbane where we attended the National Young Leaders Day. It was a long but worthwhile day and the boys and girls learnt so many different things about themselves, other people, the world and leadership.

The focus was "Master the little" and each of the four keynote presenters returned to this phrase over and over again. In essence it is a very simple saying but when you dig a little deeper and think about our day to day lives it makes a lot of sense...especially when linked to education.

One presenter shared a very simple clip featuring an important member of the American Military and he was talking about his time when training and the importance they placed on making your bed: neat folds, crisp corners, pillow position and no wrinkles. He pondered on this...was it worthwhile, what was the point? Then he said that if this is the first thing you do in the day you will have achieved something, you will go out, face many more challenges with success to varying levels but you will return home to a bed that is made. You can then sleep easy in this well-made bed and get ready to tackle a new day with new challenges and also some that have carried forward from the day before.

My challenge is for the boys and girls to do just this, take responsibility for making their own bed and start the day with the achievable and then move on and tackle the challenges ahead – "Master the little."



**Mr Ben Dean**  
DEPUTY HEAD OF PRIMARY (Years 4-6)



## Primary Curriculum and Student Learning

### A new App: Schools A to Z

The New South Wales Department of Education has released a free educational App that gives explanations and videos of concepts, key vocabulary and skills across the key curriculum areas to help students, teachers and parents. The App is called Schools A to Z and it is a helpful tool to assist families to understand the key concepts being taught in Australian schools. The key vocabulary, skills and concepts are based on the Australian Curriculum so the App is relevant to our St Andrew's teaching and learning context. It is currently available at the Apple App Store and I hope it can assist St Andrew's students and families.

**Mrs Sue Bambling**  
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT LEARNING

## Surfing

**Contest News** - Congratulations to **Cooper Davies** who competed in the Subway Pro Junior Surf Contest at Phillip Island. Cooper performed admirably in the conditions and gained valuable contest experience whilst competing against the best U18 year olds in the country.

Well done to all those students who represented the College at the North End Cup against Sunshine Beach High. In a true display of the depth of our surf team, 30 students battled both the conditions and competitors to secure our first win in the individual format of the competition.

Congratulations to all those students who competed in the Noosa Festival of Surfing last weekend. Special mention must be made of **Adelaide Smith** who took out 2nd place in the U15 division.



**High Performance** - Nine lucky students are off to the Quiksilver Pro on the Gold Coast this week as part of our High Performance Surf Camp. Students will then travel to Casuarina in Northern NSW to attend the Hurley High Performance Surf Centre for 2 days of intense coaching which includes a hit out on the much hyped skate-ramp-foam-pit.

**College and District Trials** - College trials will take place in Week 1 of Term 2. A team will then be selected to represent the College at the District trials in Week 2.

## Surf Lifesaving

A massive effort by all our surf lifesavers down at the State Titles at North Burleigh last weekend. Competitors were faced with challenging conditions as the ocean whipped itself into a frenzy and delivered a shore break similar to Waimea! There were some outstanding team performances from both Sunshine Beach and Noosa Heads SLSC's but special mention must be made of **Matt Lewis** who won individual Gold in the U11 Ironman and **Abbie Tolano** who won Silver in the U12 Ironwoman.

## Netball

Continued success for many of our Secondary Netball teams at the Monday afternoon/night competition and Primary Netball teams at Coolom Tuesdays and Thursdays. The teamwork and individual strengths are very impressive and should make all feel very proud of being a part of St Andrew's Netball.

Our new St Andrew's Club teams playing on a Saturday morning at Maroochydore have just completed a two week grading process where they displayed some fantastic determination and stamina in what was a gruelling and hot process. Well done to all teams, the hard work for now is complete and we await the final grading decisions before your regular fixtures commence Saturday 9 April.

## Water Polo

Congratulations to 11 students who have been who recently competed for the Sunshine Coast Schools Open Water Polo teams. The Girls are Queensland Schools Champions and the Boys are Runners up. Well done to **Nelly St Baker, Jake Thompson, Jacqui Sjogren, Maddi Coolican, Eva Kharouni, Gabby Emerick, Rheece Powell, Harry Fry, Troy Dowrick, Harrison Hill Nolloth and Steel Gribble**.

The Queensland teams were announced and **Jacqui, Rheece, Maddi and Harrison** were all announced in the team with **Steel** as reserve. They now head to the AIS in Canberra to compete at the Australian National Championships in May. Special mention to **Jacqui** who was also named as MVP (most valuable player) for the entire tournament which is an incredible honour.

Congratulations to Year 10 student **Harry Fry** who has been selected in the U15 Australian Water Polo Squad. He will train at the AIS in Canberra over Easter with the goal to earn that Australian cap as an Under 15 Australian player to travel to Serbia later in the year. A fantastic achievement to make the squad and we wish him well.

## Swimming

After some super performances at the recent Sunshine Coast Regional Swimming Championships, it is absolutely fantastic to see 9 St Andrew's students headed to the Queensland Schools Swimming Championships. Congratulations **Matt Lewis, Ella Honeysett, Ria Donger, Shailee Finney, Zac Bromage, Lauren Maguire, Josh Bennett, Jayden Morrow and Mia LaFlamme**. Best wishes in your preparations and at the event.

## Athletics

Super news from the Australian Athletics Championships in Perth. Year 11 student **Jack Payne** (pictured right) is the Australian Silver medalist in the 18 years Discus. What an incredible achievement for a fantastic young man and thoroughly deserved for all the hard work and sacrifice that goes into earning this accolade. Congratulations Jack. Well done also to **Owen Carey-Foster,**



**Riley Modini and Emily Nicholas** who all competed at the National Championships – a super achievement to get there.

## District Trials

### Upcoming District trials for 15 years and Open Age

Trial Day 3 on Tuesday 19 April - all trials from 4:30pm - 5:30pm

15 yrs Boys and Girls Basketball at Sunshine Coast Grammar

15 yrs Girls Football (soccer) - at Glasshouse

15 yrs Boys Football at Suncoast

15 yrs Boys Rugby Union - at Sunshine Coast Grammar

### Upcoming District 12 years trials

12 years Girls Touch at Suncoast 20 April

12 years Boys Touch at Good Shepherd 21 April

11 years Netball – to be confirmed

12 years Netball - 21 April at Matthew Flinders at 4pm

## Volleyball

Last week was very busy for our Volleyballers with all the Division 1 teams playing on both Wednesday and Friday afternoon. We also had some of these players backing up again on Friday night for the final round of the Trish Buckley Shield in Caloundra. This week is our last round of games before finals. At this stage there are 5 St Andrew's teams that have a chance of making the Top 2 and being in the Finals next week. These are **Junior Girls Red, Intermediate Girls Red, Intermediate Girls Blue, Intermediate Boys Red, Intermediate Boys Blue**.

Good luck to all our teams this Wednesday. Also congratulations to the Year 10 Girls team who, after three weeks, ended up 3rd by winning a nailbiting 29-27 set against Burnside. Well done, **Tatum Attias, Jemma Bates, Brie Bella, Sade Daniels, Grace Floyd, Sinead Hayes, Jenna Kath, Isabel Mathers, Sarah McDiarmid and Izzy Parfitt**.

## Cross Country Carnivals

- The **Year 3-6 Carnival** will take place on Tuesday 22 March from 8.40am – 11.00am
- The **Year 7-12 Carnival** will take place on Tuesday 22 March March 12.00pm – 3.00pm

Best wishes to all runners and Houses. This is a selection Carnival for the College Cross Country team to compete at the District Cross Country event on Wednesday 27 April and the Qld All Schools event on 7 May. There will be training for selected team members over the holidays.

The first Sunshine Coast Cross Country series is coming up and is a great way to enjoy running.

Race 1: Sunday 10 April at Elizabeth Daniels Park (Cricket Pavilion) Syd Lingard Drive, Buderim. U8 – U14 races take place between 9am and 10am head to [www.sccrosscountry.org](http://www.sccrosscountry.org)

### Girls AFL

Congratulations to our Senior Girls AFL who won all their matches in their Pool but eventually beaten by a strong Caloundra team at the recent Sunshine Coast Girls AFL Carnival.



### Football

What a day of St Andrew's Football last weekend - our four U10 and U11 teams were in action at carnivals all day. Lots of matches and a great way to start the season. Our lovely new Away shirts got a run too! The U13 team continued their great start to an unbeaten season with a super 6-1 win over Coolum with a super hat-trick to **Cambell McDiarmid**.

Our first ever St Andrew's Football Club Girls team played 2 hours of Football and will enjoy a great season after matching many of the teams in their league. Witnessing the energy and enthusiasm from a super group of girls playing Football each Saturday is brilliant.

Saturday night (12 March) at Suncorp stadium was very special. Our junior teams leading the main teams onto the field - 150 players and families supporting them. A 5-0 win to the Roar! A highlight was Captain and friend of St Andrew's, Matt McKay coming over at the end of the match to chat to the St Andrew's players.

Thanks to the Football Club community for their super support of St Andrew's Football.

Our Year 11/12 season is over and our teams finished in the Top 4 in both divisions which is a super achievement. Thanks to all the Year 11 and 12 players for their work with this.



### Rugby

**Primary** - Our Primary Rugby teams are looking great and training extremely hard. Training is on each Friday. We are requesting all Primary Rugby players to 'Turn the Terrace Red' on Wednesday 13th April as we support our Senior teams at Peregrin Fields. Just a reminder that matches start for Primary Rugby on Saturday 16th April.

**Secondary** - Best wishes to our U15 and Opens Rugby 7's team who

compete in Hervey Bay this weekend. Our U13, U15's and 1st XV have matches each Wednesday this Term and next week we play St John's at Nambour on Wednesday 23 March.

### Tennis

We will be commencing Term 2 classes on Monday 11 April for a 10 week term.

In Term 2 we are introducing a Friday FAST 4 match play. The competition will be broken into 2 divisions.

Students in Years 3–7 are invited. It will be a great opportunity to practice both singles and doubles matches in a fun coach supervised environment.

Please contact Glenn to register your interest 0414 494 645 or email him at [tennis@noosasprings.com.au](mailto:tennis@noosasprings.com.au).



This year we are again competing in the Sunshine Coast Schools Tennis Championships which is a weekly Tennis competition each Wednesday afternoon.

Please register your interest with Glenn by 9am on Friday 18 March.

**Who:** This is available to all Year 5 – 12 students.

**Matches:** Every Wednesday commencing on 20 April to 8 June (FINALS) inclusive. Matches commence at 4.00pm and will conclude at 6.00pm

**Teams:** St Andrew's will be nominating a number of teams to play in a range of divisions, Glenn will create these teams.

- Teams will be mixed or single sex and will consist of 4 players with at least one reserve.
- 'A' division: elite level (typically this level would include players who have tournament experience).
- 'B' division: intermediate level (typically this level would include developing players).
- 'C' division: entry level (typically, this level would have inexperienced players new to the game or those hoping for some social fun).

**Format:** Matches will take place Home and Away, Round Robin. Players will play 1 x Fast4 Doubles and 1 x Reverse Doubles; 1 x Singles match, First to 6, tie break at 5-5.

**Venues:** Each 'B' and 'C' grade team will play either home at St Andrew's / Coolum Tennis Club or away. 'A' grade teams will operate out of a central venue which is to be advised.

**Transport:** Players and families are asked to make their own travel arrangements each week to and from the various venues.

**Cost:** Cost for the entire season will be just \$25 and this will be billed to your College account.

**Uniform:** All players are expected to wear the Red Sport uniform to play. Non St Andrew's uniform items are not permitted.

**Contact:** If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact myself at [srobson@saac.qld.edu.au](mailto:srobson@saac.qld.edu.au) or Glenn Irwin on 0414 494 645.

### Prep – Year 2 Swim Carnival

Our College's Prep – Year 2 Swim Carnival is to be held on Wednesday 23 April at the Noosa Aquatic Centre from 9.15am – 11.30am. The Carnival is a fun, non-competitive event where all children in Prep – Year 2 are encouraged to take part in a wide range of fun events alongside children of the same ability. It should be a wonderful morning.

Prep swim from 9.15am – 10am. Year 1 and 2 swim from 10am – 11.30am. All parents are encouraged to come along and support the children in their non-competitive events.

**Mr Steve Robson**  
**DIRECTOR OF SPORT**





# Music News

Music Office: 5449 5852

musicoffice@saac.qld.edu.au

## Co-Curricular Music

Keep in touch with all of our latest news by visiting our **Music Latest News** page, **Music Events** page and **Music Facebook** page.

### Last Day of Term 1 Open Mic & BBQ

On the last day of Term 1 the Friends of Music and Music Leaders will be holding a BBQ for all Secondary Students as well as staging another fantastic Open Mic through lunchtime. The Snack Shack will be closed on this day and students are encouraged to bring in a small amount of money to support this initiative. More information on our **Music Events Calendar**.

### Music Exchange

Many of you may have first-hand experience of buying educational resources for your students and within a short time these resources have been used and often forgotten about. In some instances, these resources may be kept for siblings or as is often is the case, thrown into a box and forgotten about. Our Friends of Music parent support group has initiated a program within the College called "St Andrew's Music Exchange". Essentially, if you have some used resources or instruments then these can be donated to the Exchange via the Music Office. Items listed on the exchange can be found on our **Music Community page** via the **Music Exchange link** (N.b. Pictures of items are currently not available). Families can browse the items available at any time and requests can then be made through to the Exchange via Friends of Music (**fom@saac.qld.edu.au**). We hope that this will allow more access to relevant resources for our families for what can be a costly venture depending on the pace of your child's studies. As a part of this program, there are currently 4 keyboards and 9 acoustic guitars for sale and available from the Music Office for \$20 each. If you would like to purchase one of these items, please contact the **musicoffice@saac.qld.edu.au**.

### Assembly & Chapel Performances

Congratulations to Harry Hughes, Sarah McDiarmid, Harriet Wensley, Luke & Nick Duregger and Noah & Cooper Barrett and for their fantastic performances at various assemblies and chapels over the past two weeks. Students are encouraged to contact the Music Office or our Music Leaders if they would like to perform. Click **HERE** to view the media from this performance.

### Sunshine Coast Junior Eisteddfod

The Sunshine Coast Junior Eisteddfod is fast approaching and I would like to encourage all students having lessons at the College to enter. Details on how to enter can be found on the **Sunshine Coast Junior Eisteddfod Website** and families should complete entries after consultation with their teachers. Entries close 21 March.

### Anglican Schools Music Festival

On 22 April over 40 St Andrew's students will join another 300 students from 13 other Anglican Schools at QPAC for an amazing day of music. A concert will be held at QPAC and as many families from our community are encouraged to attend and support our students at this event. Tickets are only \$10 and available from the **QPAC Website**.

**Mr Andrew Eunson**  
DIRECTOR OF CO-CURRICULAR MUSIC



# Music News

## Music (Curriculum)

### Music Across the Primary School

What a fortnight in the Music Department! As always, with the end of term approaching, the Year 7-12 Music and Music Extension classes have been busy preparing for assessment; however, some of our youngest students have been equally busy engaging in music! The past fortnight has seen our Year 5 Music Immersion Concert, the Year 3's working towards achieving their Recorder Karate belts, the Year 6's working on singing and playing the ukulele, the Year 2's starting to explore music on their xylophones, and our Preps exploring the use of their singing voice... and, there is more to come in the Primary School, with the Year 4 Music Immersion Concert being livestreamed this Friday (please visit the Music Facebook page for the link). Enjoy a brief pictorial insight into the past fortnight below!



### Year 7 Music

Congratulations to the Year 7 students for their focus and determination towards their performance assessment for the term. The students worked together as a class group to perform Riptide by Vance Joy (sing and play keyboard, guitar, ukulele, and a variety of other instruments). It was great to hear the improvement in the students' work over the term, and each of the four classes provided an excellent rendition of the song in their lesson this week! It was great to see the students work together at this challenge and achieve something quite special musically – aside musical gains, I am confident that the students also continued to refine valuable skills in working both collaboratively and independently that will serve them well across their schooling.



### Year 11 Music Night

If you are reading this 'hot off the press' on Friday afternoon, then it is not too late to make it back to the College for the Year 11 Music Night tonight! The night promises to be a fantastic celebration of the students' learning over the term and we are anticipating a great turn out of peers, family and friends. The students take to the stage at 6.30pm, so perhaps we might see you there? It is a relatively informal night (at least for the audience), so feel free to bring a bean bag to relax and enjoy the music. I look forward to sharing some photos of the event in the next edition of Wavelength.

**Mr Cade Bonar**  
HEAD OF MUSIC (CURRICULUM)

# Learning Centre News

## Peter Carnavas Visit

Acclaimed author Peter Carnavas visited the Year 5 and Year 3 students for an engaging and inspiring session on creative writing. Students explored character development, alternative endings, varying their use of verbs and using their five senses to enhance their writing. Developing the ability to write a high quality narrative is ongoing throughout the Primary and Secondary schools and author visits are a valuable way for students to hone their skills.

## Grandparents' Day (March 24) – Donate-a-book

Every Grandparents' Day we offer families the opportunity to donate a book to the library collection and help us to provide a comprehensive collection for our students. We will provide a selection of books to choose from and all donations are acknowledged in the front cover of the book; each family also has the opportunity to borrow the book first. Please take the time on Grandparents' Day to browse the books on offer.

## Redgum Book Club

Thank you to all families who ordered from our first issue of Redgum Book Club. Orders will arrive in the school next week and will be distributed to individual children. We appreciate your support in using Book Club to purchase books, each order provides the school with credit to purchase additional resources.

## Holiday Borrowing

Students are able to borrow during holiday periods (excepting Christmas when we stocktake). Now is a great time for students to browse our new additions to the collection and select some titles for the upcoming break. In the last week of term we are busy in the preparation of Term 2 resources and library organisational tasks. Children from the Primary School will not visit with their class during this week; however, students are welcome to come before school or at break times. Students have had the opportunity to borrow an additional book for the holidays during Week 8.



**Mrs Allison Paterson**  
LEARNING CENTRE DIRECTOR

## UNIFORM SHOP

### Trading Hours Term Time

<b>Mondays</b>	<b>8:00am - 1:30pm</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>8:00am - 3:30pm</b>
<b>Fridays</b>	<b>8:00am - 1:30pm</b>

### Trading Hours School Holidays

**Friday 8 April 8:00am - 3:30pm**

### Formal Uniform - Term 2 & 3

Formal Uniform is required for all students in Years 6 -12 in Term 2 & 3. Please be prepared early to avoid the last minute rush. All Formal uniform items are in stock!

### Instore now!

Track pants \$43 and Track suit jacket \$95

Blazers will not be accepted to have Awards sewn on in Terms 2 & 3.

### Orders

Email and telephone orders will be delivered to Primary classes and Secondary students can collect orders at lunch.

### Contact Details

Please email [uniformshop@saac.qld.edu.au](mailto:uniformshop@saac.qld.edu.au) or phone 5471 5519 if you have uniform enquiries or would like to place an order.

**Mrs Victoria Kane**  
MANAGER UNIFORMS & BOOKS



## The 2016 FAIR

SATURDAY 28 MAY

RIDES  
FOOD STALLS  
FUN FIREWORKS

**Planning is well underway for our community event of the year and yes FIREWORKS WILL BE BACK**

How can you help?

- Start collecting your books, toys and clothing for our secondhand stalls
- Look out for information coming home about Stalls
  - Can you donate a voucher or item for our Silent Auction or Raffle?
- Would you like to be an official Sponsor of the Fair?  
For more information please call Mrs Sue Sagar on 5471 5555



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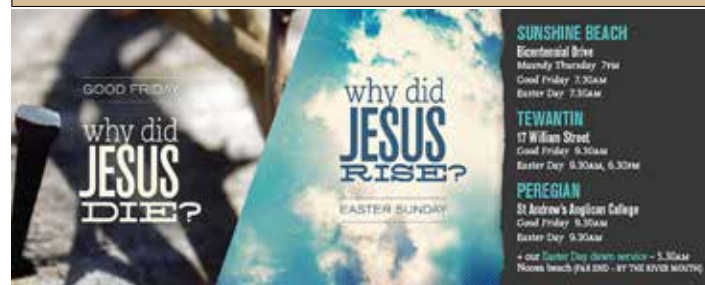


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CONSTRUCTIONS

# Fortnight at a glance

# Term 1, Week 9 & Holidays

Saturday - 19 March	
8:00am - 1:00pm	Secondary Musical Rehearsal - The Richard Gowty Centre
High Performance Surf Camp (18-20 March)	
Sunday - 20 March	
9:30am - 10:45am	Anglican Church of Noosa Worship Service - The Studio
Monday - 21 March	
HARMONY DAY	
Year 11/12 Test Week continued (21 & 22 March)	
10:00am - 10:40am	Secondary Assembly- The Richard Gowty Centre
12:20pm - 1:00pm	Primary Assembly - The Richard Gowty Centre
1:45pm - 3:00pm	Year 5 & 6 Sport
From 4:00pm	Secondary Netball Fixtures - Fisherman's Road, M'dore
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Evening with the Principal (for parents) - The Studio
Tuesday - 22 March	
9:00am - 12:00pm	Primary Cross Country (Year 4-6) Carnival - Primary Oval
12:30pm - 3:00pm	Secondary Cross Country Carnival - Primary Oval
3:15pm - 4:30pm	Musical Orchestra Rehearsal - Music Rooms
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Year 11 Commedia Dell Arte Drama Performance - The Studio
Wednesday - 23 March	
New York Trip - Senior Business Students (23 March - 4 April)	
8:30am - 12:30pm	Prep - Year 2 Swimming Carnival - Noosa Aquatic Centre
9:00am - 3:00pm	Year 11 Geography Field Trip
10:00am - 10:40am	Secondary Chapel
1:10pm - 1:40pm	Musical Voice Coaching - Room I18a
1:45pm - 3:00pm	Year 1 & 2 Sport
Thursday - 24 March	
LAST DAY OF TERM 1	
8:30am - 10:00am	Grandparent's Day & Culminating Activities - The RGC
11:00am - 12:20pm	Spanish Salsa Dancing Workshop: Year 9-11 Spanish Students
1:45pm - 3:00pm	Year 7 & 8 Sport
3:10pm - 4:00pm:	Primary Art Club - Years 5/6 - Art Studio 2
Friday - 25 March	
COLLEGE CLOSED - GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	



Saturday - 26 March	
8:00am - 1:00pm	Secondary Musical Rehearsal - The Richard Gowty Centre
Sunday - 27 March	
9:30am - 10:45am	Anglican Church of Noosa Worship Service - The Studio
Time TBC	Rugby Trip to Suncorp
Monday - 28 March	
COLLEGE CLOSED - EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	
HOLIDAYS - WEEK 1 (Tuesday 29 March - Sunday 3 April)	
8:00am - 4:00pm	Main Admin & Finance Offices open
8:00am - 6:00pm	Outside School Hours Care Holiday Program
Friday 1 April	Secondary Musical Leads Rehearsal - The Studio
Saturday 2 April	Secondary Musical Rehearsal - The Richard Gowty Centre
Sunday 3 April	Anglican Church of Noosa Worship Service - 9:30am - 10:45am
HOLIDAYS - WEEK 2 (Monday 4 April - Sunday 10 April)	
8:00am - 4:00pm	Main Admin & Finance Offices open
8:00am - 6:00pm	Outside School Hours Care Holiday Program
Friday 8 April	Secondary Musical Leads Rehearsal - The Studio
Saturday 9 April	Secondary Musical Rehearsal - The Richard Gowty Centre
Saturday 9 April	Year 6 Beijing Trip departure (9 - 23 April)
Sunday 10 April	Anglican Church of Noosa Worship Service - 9:30am - 10:45am
WEEK 1, TERM 2 2016	
Monday - 11 April	
Year 6 Longreach Trip (11-15 April)	
10:00am - 10:40am	Secondary Assembly- The Richard Gowty Centre
12:20pm - 1:00pm	Primary Assembly - The Richard Gowty Centre
1:45pm - 3:00pm	Year 5 & 6 Sport
Tuesday - 12 April	
9:00am - 12:00pm	Primary Cross Country (Year 4-6) Carnival - Primary Oval
12:30pm - 3:00pm	Secondary Cross Country Carnival - Primary Oval
3:15pm - 4:30pm	Musical Orchestra Rehearsal - Music Rooms
Wednesday - 13 April	
Year 11 Leadership Camp (13-15 April)	
3:15pm - 4:15pm	Tournament of the Minds Club - Year 6 Students
1:45pm - 3:00pm	Year 1 & 2 Sport
Thursday - 14 April	
10:00am - 10:40am	Primary Chapel - The Richard Gowty Centre
1:45pm - 3:00pm	Year 7 & 8 Sport
Friday - 15 April	
10:00am - 10:40am	Primary Chapel - The Richard Gowty Centre