Dear St Michael’s Community,

**STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN - INTRODUCTION COOKING WORKSHOP**

On Thursday, 23 February the Primary Campus was asked to host the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation professional development workshop – Delivering Kitchen Garden Classes. The invitation came after having attended a Kitchen Garden Networking and Skills Workshop last year at Braeview Primary School. Gaby Banay, Support Coordinator and her team from SAKGF were suitably impressed by how much we had achieved, she asked if we would be interested in hosting the next Delivering Kitchen Garden workshop. Much planning and organising was done through the Garden Committee Meetings. Once the workshop was advertised there was significant interest with 35 attendees from many different schools.

The SAKGF team were able to see first-hand how successfully St Michael's ran the Kitchen Garden program at our school and the way we utilize our facilities.

We are extremely proud of the success of our Year 3 Kitchen Garden program and look forward to integrating the program into all other year levels across the curriculum and not be taught as a stand-alone subject. Mr Alan Tessari our Year 3 Teacher, and the dedicated volunteers, have been instrumental in the success of the program.

"Being a St Michaels teacher I felt really proud to have our facilities and community being a part of this training workshop. It was a great opportunity to share our successes and get ideas about future directions and resources to assist the SAKGF at the school.

Having a day in the garden and kitchen was very fulfilling and inspiring and a reminder of what it must be like for the boys to access such a great program. Seeing the SAKGF team in action was great to experience and they were very positive and inclusive of all the teachers receiving the training.

The garden shade sails were admired by the other schools and provided relief from the sun allowing us more time to harvest and explore the garden. The school certainly has come a long way with this program in the last four years."

*Kate Tyrwhitt, Visual Arts & Learning Support Teacher*

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

We have over 30 Year 4 students preparing for their reception of the 'Sacraments of Initiation - Eucharist and Confirmation’. Over the next few weeks the boys will undertake their First Reconciliation. Their preparation is a shared responsibility between family, school and the parish. The parents, together with their sons, have been attending the all-important preparation meetings in readiness. The first being Thursday 14 March.

It should also be acknowledged many other students are also undertaking Sacramental Programs within their own parish.

We wish all families every blessing as you journey with your sons in their expression of faith.

**NAPLAN**

I am pleased to advise that we received advice from ACARA that we have demonstrated substantially above average gains in NAPLAN – Numeracy between 2014 and 2016. The substantial improvements were in the cohort of students moving between Years 3 and 5. As mentioned in the ACARA letter of congratulations "Gains of this magnitude are significant and worthy of highlighting and acknowledgment." Well done.

**CO-CURRICULAR**

The Co-curricular program is well underway and thank you to the staff and many volunteers who support the program. Co-curricular activities are a fantastic way to develop positive relationships, resilience and develop students understanding of the importance of practice.

Live Jesus in our Hearts!

Damian Patton
Deputy Principal - Primary
TERM 1  
_(Subject to change)_

MARCH  
13 Adelaide Cup Public Holiday  
14 Yr 9 Girls Italian Excursion  
Sacramental Information Night 7pm (P)  
Incursion: Brainstorm Productions (P)  
15 Cross Country Carnival (P)  
15-17 Yr 12 Retreat  
16 National Close the Gap Day  
SAPSASA Swimming Metro C/Ships (P)  
19 Palm Sunday  
20 Yr 8 Immunisation  
Catholic Schools Swimming Carnival (P)  
21 Yr 9 Boys Italian Excursion  
Harmony Day  
26 Family Mass 9:00am (P)  
28-30 Business Week (S)  
29 Market Day Stall 3:20-4:30pm (P)  

APRIL  
2 Yr 4 Mass Sacramental  
3 Yr 11 Meningococcal B Immunisations  
4 Instrumental Music Night #1 7pm (MC)  
Year 8 Drama Performance 7:00pm  
Portfolio Conference Evening (P)  
Early Dismissal 12:40pm (Primary Only)  
6 Yr 11/12 Drama Excursion  
7 Feast Day of St John Baptist De La Salle  
Mission Action Day (P) & (S)  
10 Yr 11 Meningococcal B Immunisations  
11-12 Yr 11 Drama Production 7pm  
13 Term 1 classes conclude  
Early dismissal 12:40pm (P) 12:45pm (S)  

MISSION ACTION DAY – FRIDAY 7 APRIL  
On Friday 7 April, the College will experience one of the most significant days on the St Michael’s College calendar for 2017: MISSION ACTION DAY (MAD). Recently, both the Primary and Secondary campuses witnessed the launch of this year’s video, inspiring each one of us to make a difference and to give other students around the world a sense of hope. This is a real opportunity for us as a community to come together to make a difference. Mission Action Day provides a unique Lasallian opportunity to raise money for our brothers and sisters who live in impoverished conditions.

Steeped in history, Mission Action Day began in the 1960’s, as a walk-a-thon along our local beaches, from Henley to Semaphore and back. Today MAD has grown to include many activities designed to cater for the interests of all students from Reception to Year 12.

Nomination forms have been sent home with students and it is important these forms are returned as soon as possible to ensure your child the best opportunity to secure their first activity preference. St Michael’s College prides itself on both the participation levels of its students and the success of fundraising on this special day. We have committed to the ‘Twinning Project’ within schools across Pakistan. This is a really important day in our college calendar and allows us to live our Lasallian Mission and Vision Statement in being able to support the Human and Christian Education of the young - especially the poor. Our target this year is to continue to grow in our support of this very worthwhile cause. Clearly, these donations make a very real difference!

Let us join together as a community and give our best to support those in need for MAD 2017.

Activity booklets can be accessed here:  

Matthew Williams – Director of Pastoral & Admin  
Kym Clark – Director Lasallian Mission

CONTACT DETAILS CORRECT?  
It is important that the College has up to date contact information for parents and guardians, particularly email addresses.

If you have recently changed any of your personal contact details, please advise the College as soon as possible via email or telephone:  
smc@smc.sa.edu.au or 8356 5966

INTERESTING READING  
LASALLIAN NEWS:  

LIVING CATHOLIC:  

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE:  

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS:  

CESA NEWS:  
http://cesa.webtemplate.com.au/sites/3189/_newsletter/642/376f1dd89bad37f5b2a7d1e4857e/newsletter

SOUTHERN CROSS NEWSPAPER:  
For the latest edition www.thesoutherncross.org.au

AUSTRALIAN REFUGEE ASSOCIATION NEWS:  
http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=4e13acbdff8373b9504d25799&id=b8144fc013&c=74779b04e
MISSION ACTION DAY
FRIDAY 7 APRIL 2017
MEET THE COLLEGE LEADERS FOR 2017

SCOTT HANEL

The best thing I did over the holidays was: relax with friends.
The things that I am the proudest of is: performing, playing in bands.
My favourite band: INXS – needs no explanation.
My favourite TV program/s is/are: The Blacklist.
My favourite book is: The Book Thief, because it’s an intense story.
My favourite song is: Never Tear Us Apart.
In my spare time: practice music (Saxophone).

ASHA KUCHEL

The best thing I did over the holidays was: climb St Mary’s Peak because I got to see the Flinders from 1117m above sea level.
The thing/s that I do that I am the proudest of is/are: volunteering in Balgo as an LYL because it opened my eyes and heart to the need of so many people in our own country.
My favourite book/s is/are: Harry Potter because they are so thrilling.
In my spare time I like to: Water Ski because I like the thrill of hitting the water.
I have a pet: turtle called Squirt.
As a child, something that I was very proud of: having travelled to 11 countries because I had been able to experience new cultures.

MICHAEL LADEN

The best thing I did over the holidays was: I made a lamp and worked on some electronic projects, because I enjoy making things and being creative.
The things that I am the proudest of is: my schoolwork because I put in as much effort as I can.
My favourite TV program is: Breaking Bad because it’s a riveting story.
My favourite band is: Art vs Science, because it reflects my thoughts.
My favourite book is: The Night Circus because it’s a book full of wonder.
In my spare time I like to: play Video Games because it allows me to connect with my friends in a fun way.
As a child, something that I was very proud of: building my own computer because I enjoyed it, also it was rewarding.

EMMA MARINELLI

The best thing I did over the holidays: Went to my first gig and did the snake pit, because I learnt a new style of music.
The things that I am the proudest of is: being a part of the SANFL and AFL Womens League as an umpire, because I am one of the first female umpires.
My favourite TV program is: The O.C.
because it is drama and comedy.
In my spare time: train and do activities and hikes, because it is a great way to clear the mind and soul.
My favourite book is: Unbroken, because it is a very sad, but inspiring story.
I have a pet: dog whose name is Schultz.

PRIMARY CAMPUS LEADERS – 2017

JAMIL ABU HASSAN – 7M
Best thing about coming back to school? Seeing people I haven’t seen in a long time.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? Zebra
Who would you like to invite to SMC? The 36s.
Describe yourself in one word? Responsible.

LUCA CAMOZATTO – 7M
Best thing about coming back to school? Seeing all my friends again.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? A ferret.
Who would you like to invite to SMC? The Adelaide 36s.
Describe yourself in one word? Caring.

CHARLIE BARNARD – 7B
Best thing about coming back to school? To see my friends and to learn my favourite subject.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? I would have a cat.
Who would you like to invite to SMC? I would like to invite my mum.
Describe yourself in one word? Imaginative.

ISAAC DUNSTAN – 7M
Isaac is away on holidays, however we hope to catch up with him later in the term.
FINN HIGHAM – 7B
Best thing about coming back to school?
Being able to catch up with friends again.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? Meercat.
Who would you like to invite to SMC? Scott Thompson.
Describe yourself in one word? Excitable.

MICHAEL MOSCHOU – 7B
Best thing about coming back to school?
To learn more about Maths and to see me friends.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? A fish.
Who would you like to invite to SMC? Steve Smith.
Describe yourself in one word? Smart.

ALEXANDER KARNAS – 7B
Best thing about coming back to school?
Meeting up with friends again.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? A poodle.
Who would you like to invite to SMC? Andrew McLeod.
Describe yourself in one word? Excitable.

WILL SCHUBERT – 7M
Best thing about coming back to school?
I enjoy being back again.
If you could have any pet, what would it be? A baby lamb.
Who would you like to invite to SMC? Real Madrid team.
Describe yourself in one word? Proud.

Later in the Term we look forward to finding out about our Year 6 Primary Campus Leaders.

Angelo Zoanetti, Coordinator Upper Primary

PRIMARY CAMPUS

ASH WEDNESDAY
Ash Wednesday is the beginning of 40 days of preparation for Easter. It’s a time to consider the place of Christ in our lives and a time to reflect on ways to make the community we live in better. The symbolism of the Ashes is to serve as reminder of our mortality, the place of Christ in our lives and that from Ashes new life springs. Each class attended an Ash Wednesday liturgy in the Primary Campus Chapel which were led so reverently by the Year 6 and 7 Faith Service & Community Leaders. Classes were presented with Project Compassion boxes and viewed a short presentation to consider how going with those sweet treats and drinks can have a profound impact on others far less fortunate.

Kym Clark, Director Lasallian Mission

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN - INTRODUCTION COOKING WORKSHOP IN ACTION!
NEW SUSTAINABILITY SUPPORT OFFICER AT PRIMARY CAMPUS

Hi, my name is Robyn Palmer and I have recently been engaged as the Sustainability Officer at the Primary campus. You may have already met me in the garden, or with my 3 sons, who attend the Primary Campus.

As the school garden coordinator for the past 4 years, I have seen some wonderful changes take place in the school. Not only in the garden, but with the development of a wetlands, introduction of a waste management program and of course our Youth Environmental Leadership Team. In my new role, I will support these existing programs, and teams, and endeavour to incorporate sustainability into the whole school philosophy.

Students will participate in new sustainability projects and have an opportunity to join our environmental club. I look forward to working with teachers and students, assisting them with conducting audits; such as waste, water, energy and biodiversity. Together we will improve current practices and introduce planning for future improvement opportunities.

Parent sustainability workshops are also on the agenda! Keep an eye out on School Stream for upcoming events and opportunities to get involved in our school sustainability program.

The focus of this term is waste reduction. Get ready to see more recycling bins throughout the yard and less general waste. With this as a focus, let me take this opportunity to remind you of our Nude Food Lunches - what a great way to reduce plastic waste in our school and also help to introduce healthier options into lunchboxes.

I live and breathe sustainability and am so fortunate to have an opportunity to help our students and community to connect with and protect our precious environment. Who knows, we may just have future Environmental Ministers at the Primary Campus.

I look forward to catching up with you soon.

Robyn Palmer, Sustainability Support Officer

CAMBODIAN COCOON – FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Our recent Market Day sales raised $500 to support the global fundraiser ‘Cambodian Cocoon’ raising funds for a family of Cambodian orphans for food, education, water wells, gardening needs etc. Look at the water well that is now in operation!

Thanks so much for your support, we couldn’t have done it without you.

Garden Committee

JUNIOR PRIMARY PARENT READING WORKSHOP

On Tuesday 7 February, the Junior Primary parents were invited to attend a Reading Workshop presented by Reception, Year 1 and Student Services teachers. We outlined the programs and strategies used in the classrooms and how the activities and home learning tasks link with what is taught at school. Approximately 70 parents attended the evening and the feedback indicates that it was well received by parents and they went away informed and confident in supporting their son/s with his literacy development.

The teachers would like to thank the parents for their commitment to working in partnership with St Michael’s in helping the boys be the best they can be!

Parent comments:

"What I took away from the reading workshop was the enthusiasm and dedication all the teachers have. It was clear that they all have a passion for making sure every student has the best possible start to reading. Along with the information given at the workshop, I have confidence in the school and in myself as a parent to support my sons learning at home."

"We both found attending this year very beneficial to understanding you and your fellow teachers’ approach to teaching reading and literacy within the school and giving us parents a better idea of how our work with our children in the home setting can complement the learning process."

"I found the reading workshop extremely informative and worthwhile. Learning to read has changed so much since I went to school that I found it really valuable to hear about the techniques used today in order to help assist in my son’s learning, particularly the Jolly Phonics."

"Having an understanding of the background has helped with our approach to homework and the readers. Thanks to the teachers for putting on the workshop, I don’t think it should be optional for new parents."

Cathie Gaffney (on behalf of the JP and LS team)
Coordinator Junior Primary
DE LA SAUCE IN FULL PRODUCTION!
De La Sauce Day was again a huge hit with the Year 3 classes who were so eager to wash, crush and bottle tomatoes, creating their very own school brand of De La Sauce. This year, 95 bottles were produced, giving us more than enough to stock the kitchen for upcoming cooking classes.

A huge thank you to the parent volunteers who braved the 37°C day. Not only are we teaching our children about home grown produce through the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program and the benefits of fresh home cooking, but more importantly keeping tradition alive. This tradition has been in my own family ever since I can remember and my own boys look forward to it every year. It is a skill brought to us by our Italian immigrants and one that our school community is keen to keep alive.

Our sincere gratitude goes to my father, Nick Mercurio, not only for donating 8 boxes of tomatoes, but for his endless generosity of time and knowledge. We would also like to thank all staff who helped with set up, production and pack up. It was a wonderful community event, which we look forward to continuing for years to come.

Robyn Palmer, Sustainability Support Officer

YEAR 2 EXCURSION – ART GALLERY
On Thursday 16 February the Year 2 students engaged in a tour and workshop at the Art Gallery of SA. This workshop has been specifically designed for younger learners to appreciate portraiture in viewing and making their own portraits. The education team at the gallery took the students through the Elder Wing of the Gallery to view paintings and sculptures, recognising the difference between portraiture and other disciplines in visual arts. The boys were very excited to be at the gallery and were very involved in discussing and experiencing the artworks. Using the Reggio Emilia philosophy of education, the boys created their own multi-sensory portraits. They enjoyed this hands on approach and all the creations were different and had many stories behind them.

Thank you to the parent volunteers that helped to keep the boys viewing the artworks rather than touching them in the gallery - it was all a very new experience for them!

Kate Tyrwhitt, Visual Arts & Student Services Teacher
MASS
Parents are cordially invited to attend Mass which is celebrated weekly on Thursdays at 9:00am in the Beverley Chapel.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM – YEAR 4
An information evening will be held on Tuesday, 14 March at 7:00pm at OLM 176 Crittenden Road Findon to outline the "Pastoral Framework for the Sacramental Catechesis of Children, Archdiocese of Adelaide". This framework will guide the Sacramental Program at St Michael’s College in conjunction with the support of the Flinders Park/Hindmarsh Parish and your family. **Attendance is very important if wishing to access the Year 4 Sacramental Program.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Parents, Grandparents and Carers are advised that throughout Lent the Primary Campus will be providing opportunities for each class from Reception to Year 7 to journey the “Way of the Cross” in the Beverley Chapel. Class teachers will advise the day and time for their particular class.

BEING BRAVE
Brainstorm Productions award winning in-school performances will present “Being Brave” on March 14 in Founders Hall. This performance will focus on providing strategies to deal with Bullying/Resilience/Cooperation and Positive Relationships through dance, song, humour and movement. Parents are welcome to attend R-Year 3: 9:30 and Year 4 upwards at 11:05.

PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS
Parents are advised that if they wish to communicate directly with the Primary Campus the following address is available: primaryadmin@smc.sa.edu.au All communications are handled in a confidential manner.

STUDENT DISMISSAL
Students are dismissed at 3.20pm and teachers are on duty until 3.35pm. Students on campus after 3.35pm, who are not actively engaged in co-curricular or under direct supervision of an adult, will be directed to OSHC for care. This OSHC care will incur a fee. Please advise Beverley Admin if you are unexpectedly delayed so that appropriate care arrangements are actioned.

Mr Kym Clark, Director Lasallian Mission

SAPSASA WESTERN DISTRICT SWIMMING TRIALS
On Wednesday 1 March, 12 St Michael’s Primary students participated in the Western District SAPSASA Swimming trials held at Immanuel College. The boys who were selected from our internal trials competed in a variety of swimming events including freestyle, backstroke, breast stroke and butterfly. It was great to witness the boys swim against other local western district schools.

The successful candidates from these trials will have the opportunity to represent the Western District Zone at the SAPSASA Metro State Swimming Carnival to be held at the SA Aquatic and Leisure centre in the weeks to come.

Well done to all the boys involved.

Dion Gazettas, Primary Co-Curricular Coordinator
SECONDARY CAMPUS

MONTY PRYOR

Every year the English Department runs a program to have visiting authors and poets work with our students, in addition to several performances of dramatic work. One of everyone’s favourite visitors is Monty Pryor, also known as Boori. Monty (pictured) grew up on Palm Island in the 1960s, and has taken many of his experiences from his childhood and used them as the basis for the many books, screenplays and other creative pieces he has authored. He loves to share these stories with the students, and the students always find them incredibly absorbing!

This year Monty also joined in with the Arts Week theme by playing the didgeridoo (yiggi yiggi) and teaching everyone the honey bee dance.

Mrs Jane Sykes, Head of English Department

YEAR 12 SCHOOL TIES

The Year 12 ties are now available for purchase from the Bookroom Senior Campus. The Bookroom is open between 8:00am-4:00pm weekdays except Wednesdays. School Ties are $22.00 each. Cash payments can only be accepted at the Bookroom. Credit Card/EFTPOS payments can be made through the Administration Office and ties can then be collected from the Bookroom using the receipt as proof of purchase.

Mrs Rogers, Bookroom

YEAR 12 RETREAT: Wednesday 15 – Friday 17 March, 2017

The Year 12 Retreat is a key event in the College calendar and invariably one of the most memorable experiences of the year. It is a means of engaging senior students and making links between the world they know and the faith to which they are called. Student evaluations of the retreat confirm its profound value and central place in the St Michael’s Year 12 experience. Please refer to the parent letter for all details regarding this event. A summary appears below.

A reminder of the three Retreat groups and venues:

Group 1: Mylor Baptist Centre – 12 KI, RA, JA, AM
Wingrove Road, Mylor: 8388 5234

Group 2: Latvian Camp Dzintari – 12 BI, CH, ED, MA
Willson Drive, Normanville: 8558 3485

Group 3: Nunyara Conference Centre – 12 OR, DE, DS
5 Burnell Drive, Belair: 8278 1673

TRANSPORT: All students travel by bus with St. Michael’s staff.
DEPARTING: 8:45am Wednesday, 15 March from St Michael’s College.
RETURNING: Approximately 12:00pm Friday, 17 March at St Michael’s College.

Students will need to bring: sleeping bag, pillow, towel, toiletries (soap, tooth, brush etc.), insect repellent, 2 tea towels, hat, sun screen, walking shoes, torch, coat, change of clothes and closed shoes for outdoor activities (they will get muddy), warm clothing (evenings can be cold), swimming gear optional (Normanville), personal medication. Any queries can be addressed to Mr Dempsey, Acting Director of Mission.

Mr Dempsey, Acting Director of Mission

DANCE EXCURSION

Our Stage 1 Dance Students had a ‘fly on the wall’ experience at the Australian Dance Theatre open rehearsal as part one to their Stage 1 Dance learning immersion into Australian Contemporary Dance. Students experienced how a professional company worked and how Artistic Director Garry Stewart led the creative process. Garry Stewart explained the influences and themes in his work and how it translated into movement, leaving our students with inspiration and an understanding of the expectations of a professional dancer. Part two of the learning immersion will consist of 6 intensive lessons with an artist in residence experience – learning repertoire from the piece viewed at open rehearsal ‘Beginning of Nature’.

Mrs Dani Caputo, Dance Teacher
YEAR 8 CAMP REFLECTIONS

Woodhouse Camp
On Wednesday 22 February, all Year 8 students left our school desks and books behind for 3 days and embarked on an exciting Year 8 camp. As I stepped off the bus in Woodhouse, I could feel the excitement (but also a bit of nerves) bubbling inside of me.

Day two was the highlight for me – the camp staff had organised for us to play Laser Skirmish in the Forest – every boy’s wildest dream! The adrenaline was pumping through my veins as I was hiding behind trees, taking aim and ready to take out as many players of the blue team as I could. This was much better than playing PlayStation 4 at home!! Although we were all exhausted from the war-time activities, the teachers still had more fun in store for us. Each dorm group was asked to prepare and perform a funny skit that the teachers would score, Australia’s Got Talent style. It was amazing how everyone came up with something original in such a short time. Some of them were of course really ‘bad’ but that made it even funnier!

The last day of camp had arrived. Maybe the teachers knew we would be dog-tired by now because they had planned a less intensive but awesome activity called ‘geotagging’, where we had to use a GPS tracking device to find electronic chips hidden in various locations across the Woodhouse campsite.

As the camp was coming to an end and clean up was in progress, I started thinking about my family and realized I had been so immersed in all the activities that I had barely given them any thought. This camp had been all about teamwork, trying new things and exploring new friendships. It was a great way to kick-start high school and to get to know my fellow students and teachers in a different environment.

Liam Carey

Ankara Camp
This year we were lucky enough to go to Ankara Youth Camp, Walkers Flat. We were all feeling a bit nervous before we left but also excited to have the chance to meet some of the other boys from 8DN, 8BE and 8ST.

When we arrived at the camp, we listened to the staff and teachers while they explained what all the students were going to be doing over the three days. After that, we eagerly went to check out the dorms that we would be sharing with our dorm mates.

The most popular activities were Kayaking and Raft Building, even though a lot of the rafts sunk as soon as they went into the water. On the second night, we had a talent show in the hall which was very funny and we can tell you that there are some very talented Year 8s at St Michael’s but the teachers might not agree.

We all had a great time and enjoyed meeting some new friends and hanging out together.

Kieran Hubert & Hayden Fortington

Aldinga Camp
Week 4, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday we got the opportunity to go to Aldinga Camp site. This camp gave me confidence, new skills, surfing lessons (a work in progress), new friends, opportunities of a life time and even the chance to sing to High School Musical on the top of our lungs, while washing the dishes with my friends and Mrs Gilmore, which was hilarious.

Surfing at Aldinga Beach was great fun even though I might have knocked out some of my classmates with my great surfing skills. We were involved in many group activities which was a great bonding experience. Overall I think going to this camp gave me many memories with my new friends which I will treasure forever. I can’t believe how many friends I have made just from these three days.

I am very thankful I got the opportunity to go to Aldinga Camp Site.

Lily Batty
**Wallaroo**

Two girls' classes at St Michael's College, 8GR and 8WI, went to camp for 2 nights at Wallaroo. The bus ride to our camp was around 2½ hours but on our way to Wallaroo we stopped at a petrol station at Port Wakefield to have lunch. When we arrived, we were split into groups and got our dorms ready.

The activities we did were geocache, kayaking, relationship games, building rafts, beach afternoons, pizza making and on the last day a Tribal challenge.

We were fed a lot by El who was the cook. She served us breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner and dessert, with food such as lasagne, sandwiches, wraps, biscuits, fruit, chocolate milkshake or milo, cheesecake and much more which were all delicious.

The second night we got into our groups in the lounge room and the teachers held a quiz. There were 4 groups of questions, music, pop culture, sports and St Michael's College. The winners of the quiz were Broken Heart. Ms Philp also held some yoga classes and there would always be someone doing someone’s hair into a braid or plait.

The staff at the Wallaroo camp were very nice to us all, helping with the activities and were very funny and friendly. The camp was amazing and everyone on it was very grateful for the staff's help. Thank you to Ms Granleeser, Mr Winston, Ms Philp, Kate and the teachers who made camp possible. During camp we made lots of new friends and it was amazing!!!!

Madison Schwarz

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**STUDENT SERVICES**

**YEAR 12 MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY PRESENTATION FOLLOW UP**

Students from all year levels are able to register on the ACER UMAT website and purchase preparation materials. Year 12 students can register and apply to sit for the UMAT and as part of this registration they get the practice Questions Book 1. We encourage Year 12 students to apply for the UMAT as soon as possible so they can access the preparation material as soon as possible.

MedEntry a UMAT “Preparation” Company, offer a reduced fee “Bursary Scholarship” for one student at St Michael’s College. We have asked interested Year 12 students to email Ms Coorey with an “application” covering four headings as to why they should be considered:

- **Interest and Suitability** for a Career in Medicine and or Dentistry; **Academic Merit** (including current subjects and a realistic ATAR goal; **Contribution to the College**, including Co-Curricular and Leadership and if relevant **Equity Consideration** (which will remain confidential).

Any other notable achievements outside of these other areas will also be considered. The emailed application is due **Friday 11 March** to rose.coorey@smc.sa.edu.au. Ms Kemp will look over the short list of applications and choose the student to be nominated for the Reduced Fee Bursary. We remind students sitting the UMAT that both ACER and the Universities do not endorse or recommend any UMAT preparation courses. Research has shown that there is not necessarily any correlation between higher UMAT results and participation in one of these expensive courses. We simply offer you this information for your own consideration. Also many companies offer discounts for three or more students enrolling together. If your son/daughter wants to do one of these courses, please email me by 10 March and I can put them in touch with other interested students so they can access the discounted rates prior to payment.

**HOLIDAY REVISION PROGRAMS**

The College does not endorse any Holiday Revision Programs but provides the information for each family’s consideration. Individual Year 12 subject teachers at St Michael's College build in Revision to their programs and in some situations offer holiday sessions. Students are encouraged to discuss revision with their respective subject teachers before enrolling in any additional private programs. For more details, please view:

- **Adelaide Education Group:** [www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/](http://www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/)
- **Adelaide Tuition Centre:** [https://adelaidetuition.com.au/](https://adelaidetuition.com.au/)
- **Year 12 Maths revision:** [https://www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/](http://www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/)
- **MedEntry a UMAT “Preparation” Company:** [https://www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/](http://www.adelaide.edu.au/pce/year-12-holiday-tuition-revision/)

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**CONTRIBUTION TO THE COLLEGE**

Academic Merit

Continuing & Professional Education Science.

**CURRICULAR**

**SSSSA C GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

Congratulations to the St Michael’s College Swimming team who competed in the SSSSA C Grade Championships Swimming Carnival this week. The team was very successful in this carnival. The team managed to finish third overall in the Girls competition, sixth overall in the Boys competition and fourth in the combined Overall competition.

Well done to all our swimmers who competed on the day. A particular congratulation to the Open Girls Medley Relay, U/14 Girls Freestyle Relay, U/15 Girls Freestyle Relay, U/16 Girls Freestyle Relay, Open Boys Freestyle Relay and Open Girls Freestyle relay teams on winning their events.

We had a small team on the day who as always, competed to the best of their ability, managing to finish in first place on twenty-three occasions, and finishing with a podium finish in forty-one events out of a possible fifty-six events. It is a fantastic effort from all swimmers who week after week give it their all for St Michael’s College. All students should be incredibly proud of themselves; the way they compete each week and their attitudes is incredible.
SPORTS DAY 2017
Click here for a Sports Day 2017 report.

UNIFORMS
Please ensure you visit Sports Centre at 142 Port Road, Hindmarsh, to purchase the correct uniform for your son/daughter. Further information is available via the website: www.sportscentre.com.au or http://www.smc.sa.edu.au/__files/f/2850/co_curricular_website.pdf.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

- Corey Ackerman (08SA) and Jacob Cleland (09BE) who competed in their first surfing competition, in Round 1 of the SSSSA Under 16 Surfing Championships last week. Corey and Jacob finished Round 1 in equal 7th place out of 18 teams.

CO-CURRICULAR RESULTS

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SECONDARY GIRLS

WATER POLO
SENIOR C  SMC 5 v MERC 6

SOFTBALL
B GRADE  SMC 7 v SPGS 17

BASKETBALL
SENIOR B  SMC 23 v NAAZ 43
JUNIOR B  SMC 40 v CARD 32

TENNIS
JUNIOR B  SMC 1(12) v CAB 5(30)

TOUCH FOOTBALL
SENIOR B  SMC 0 v SAC 6

VOLLEYBALL
SENIOR B  SMC 3 v MMC 0
SENIOR C  SMC 0 v SDPC 3
JUNIOR A/B  SMC 3 v NMHS 0
JUNIOR B  SMC 2 v MERC 1

COMMUNITY NEWS

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR CATHOLIC CHILDREN AT MATER CHRISTI CHURCH - SEATON
Parents who have children wishing to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Communion are warmly invited to enrol them now. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated Wednesday 12 April, Confirmation and First Eucharist will be celebrated by Archbishop Philip Wilson on Saturday 26 August during the 6:00pm Mass. Children’s sessions will be held on Wednesday nights 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Please direct all enquiries to Elena Moffa on 8356 4036, 0414 993 429 or email elenamoffa@bigpond.com.

ST JOSEPH’S OLD SCHOLARS ~ SUNDAY MARCH 26 AT 2:00PM
You are invited to attend the St Joseph’s Old Scholars Annual Mass at Kensington Convent Chapel. Priest is Father Kevin Taylor and a Devonshire Afternoon Tea will follow ($5.00). The invitation is for ALL former teachers/students (male and female) from ANY Josephite School/College here or interstate to attend.

COLLEGE INFORMATION

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RESETTING PARENT ACCESS TO SEQTA
If you are experiencing problems with your SEQTA ENGAGE password, please send an email to the address parentpasswordreset@smc.sa.edu.au An Activation Email will then be sent to your registered Email address at the College which will enable you to reset your access. Please note that this request may take up to 24 hours to process.

SCHOOL IMMUNISATION DATES 2017
All Year 8 students will be offered:  
Visit 1 Monday 20 March 2017: HPV (1), Varicella  
Visit 2 Wednesday 28 June 2017: HPV (2), Boostrix  
Visit 3 Wednesday 15 November: HPV (3)

UNIFORMS:
DOBSONS UNIFORM SHOP (click here for more information)  
1 Lawrie Street, Henley Beach  8150 2306
Normal Trading Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday ~ 8:00am – 4:15pm
Please contact Mary or Margaret on 8150 2306 to arrange an appointment.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to building works, the Uniform Shop is being temporarily relocated to a transportable building. The Shop can be accessed via Mitton Avenue (signs will be displayed). The shop is located on the oval.

Parents are advised that blazers and winter skirts have arrived and can be purchased at the Uniform Shop in preparation for Term 2. For queries please call: 81502306. All online orders are processed at the uniform shop directly. Any queries can be directed to the above number. Fittings can be arranged and paid for at the shop which has now relocated to the Senior Campus via Mitton Avenue. Signage is in place to assist parents.

Primary school parents can also purchase items over the phone and have them delivered directly to the Primary Campus at any time.

SPORTS CENTRE SCHOOL WEAR
For supplies of co-curricular uniforms (click here for more information)  
142 Port Road, Hindmarsh  www.sportscentre.com.au

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS: ONLINE SELLING & BUYING
Please refer to the College website for information relating to the sale of second hand uniform items. For further assistance telephone: 8346 3411

STUDENT TRANSPORT

SCHOOL BUS SERVICE – Click here

ADELAIDE METRO BUS ROUTES & TIMETABLES – Click here
286  Henley Beach to City
287  Henley Beach to City
288  West Lakes Centre Interchange to City
H22  Henley Beach South to Wattle Park
H32  Henley Beach South to City

GRANGE TRAIN – Click here
Building on the success and enthusiasm from the past few years, both staff and students were eager to get the 6th Annual College Sports Day underway at SA Athletics Stadium.

With the weather forecast for a warm 35C, all competitors demonstrated fantastic commitment, application and sportsmanship to both traditional Track and Field events, and the Novelty events, including Tug-O-War, High Ball Catch and the 3 Legged Races. As with all Sports Day, various Houses were leading the points race at times throughout the day, with many Houses keen to improve on their finishing order from 2016.

All the House Captains put in an amazing effort designing banners, developing chants, songs and war-cries to make the day even more special for their House. Thank you to all the Captains for their hard work leading up to and on the day, you all did an amazing job!

Heading into the final hour of competition there were several houses still in with a chance to win the overall points cup and the 4x100m relays became even more important, due to the double points awarded to these events. Miguel and Jaime were around the top of the leaderboard all day, but MacKillop House was pushing their case to become the first 4-time winner of the overall winner’s cup.

Over the past two years, the success and support of the ‘Champion of Champions 100m Race’ and the ‘Champion of Champions Half Mile Race’, has been immense and this year was no exception. These races were conducted after the relays, and contributing to the overall points, allowed the fastest 10 runners from each gender, regardless of year level or House, to battle it out for the title of the fastest male or female over the 100m and Half Mile distances.

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Overall, each House participated to a very high level all fighting to win the Br Chris Gorringe Sports Day Cup and showing off a lot of team spirit along the way. In the end, MacKillop House (White), came away with their fourth victory in as many years. La Salle House (Red) showed their high level of spirit all throughout the day and won the Geoff Cornish Spirit and Sportsmanship Cup for the second consecutive year. Without the help of the Physical Education Faculty, Mr John Edwards and the rest of the SMC staff, this day would not have been such a great success.

Our annual Middle School Cross-Country & Sports Gala event is up next in Week 2 of Term 2.

Mr Dylan Hicks
Head of Health & Physical Education
RESULTS

Boys 2017 ‘Champion of Champions 100m Race’
1st – Blaze Dorian (Right) - Jaime (Yr 12) - 11.17hh* (New College Record)
2nd – Max Hagicostas (Centre) - MacKillop (Yr 9)
3rd – Jack Zille (Left) - Turon (Yr 12)

Boys 2017 ‘Half Mile Champion of Champions’
1st – Jack Hunter (above) - Mutien (Yr 12 / 3-time winner)
2nd – Matthew Perotta - Lasalle (Yr 11)
3rd – Chris Vivian - Turon (Yr 11)

Girls 2017 ‘Champion of Champions 100m Race’
1st – Molly Farmer (above) - MacKillop (Yr 9) - 12.70hh* (New College Record)
2nd – Grace Facchini - Miguel (Yr 9)
3rd – Melita Suica - Miguel (Yr 8)

Girls 2017 ‘Half Mile Champion of Champions’
1st – Madison Schwarz (Left) - Jaime (Yr 8)
2nd – Charlotte Dolan (Centre) - Mutien (Yr 9)
3rd – Alana Pahor (Right) - Solomon (Yr 9)
RESULTS

Overall Winners: MACKILLOP - Br Chris Gorringe Sports Day Cup
Holding the Winner’s Trophy, House Captains, Kai Pudney and Morgan Taylor, along with all Year 12 MacKillop House members.

Geoff Cornish Spirit and Sportsmanship Cup: LASALLE
House Captains, Genna Liambis and Mitchell Christie.
Photo Gallery