Dear St Michael's Community,

Pastoral Support ~ Sr Jimsy & Sr Nithya
Congratulations to Sr Jimsy on her recent full time appointment at Sacred Heart College Middle School. It is terrific that Sr Jimsy will be able to fully contribute to the Religious and Pastoral life at SHCMS, however their gain is certainly our loss! We thank her for her work over the last 18 months as a Pastoral Support Worker at St Michael's College. The relationships she has built with the students, families and staff, predominantly at the Primary campus and during their times of need, has been greatly appreciated, as has her involvement in the Religious life of the College. We wish her every success in her new role.

Sr Nithya will continue at St Michael’s in an expanded role across both campuses. Unfortunately, there are times when families within the St Michael’s College Community will be faced with particularly difficult times. As a Catholic, Lasallian Community, we are committed to supporting families who are experiencing situations of illness, death or general grief. Sr Nithya, in her role of Pastoral Support Worker, is a significant point of contact between the school and the home in such cases and we would encourage you to contact her should the need arise. While being based at the Secondary Campus, Sr Nithya will generally be at the Primary campus on Thursday's, where she will also be involved in the Mass, Sacramental program and class visits. If you would like to make contact with Sr Nithya, please feel free to call the front office, or email her at SrNithya@SMC.sa.edu.au.

Italian Exchange
As you will see in the Star this week, our Italian exchange students and staff are almost ready to head home. It has been our pleasure to host this wonderful group from our Lasallian sister school, San Giuseppe de Merode, in Rome. We wish them well on their return journey and trust their time at SMC has been enjoyable and memorable.

I particularly thank Mrs Tonia Carfora and Ms Pepe-Micholos for their organisation and involvement in the exchange, as well as the staff from San Giuseppe, Ms Cristina Michilin Marion and Mr Marcello Giordani and all of our host families.

SACCS Enrolment Policy
As you might be aware from recent media coverage, there has been a review of changes made to the enrolment policy for Catholic schools. As a result, and after extensive community consultation, Catholic schools can once again provide two intakes each year for children commencing in Reception. A number of guidelines have been put forward by the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools, including that children starting in Reception in Term 3 will have a minimum of 6 terms in Reception. The criteria for starting Reception on the first day of school in Term 1 continues to be that the child will attain the age of 5 on or before 30 April in that year. The criteria for starting Reception on the first day of school in Term 3 is that the child will have attained the age of 5 on or before 31 October in that year and children whose birthday falls between 1 November and 31 December are not eligible to commence school before the following year.

Schools will have the flexibility to offer either one or two start dates, dependent on the needs of families in their community. The implementation of this policy is very much a local decision, and as such St Michael's College will be reviewing our options over coming weeks and will keep you informed of these outcomes.

Live Jesus in our hearts!

John Foley
Principal
Parents and parishioners are warmly invited to attend Mass at either Campus each week during school time. Please do not hesitate to contact the College with any queries.

- PRIMARY: Thursday at 9:00am
- SECONDARY: Wednesday at 9:00am

### INTERESTING READING

**LIVING CATHOLIC:**

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS MAGAZINE:**

**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS:**

**CESA NEWS:**

**SOUTHERN CROSS NEWSPAPER**
For the latest edition [www.thesoutherncross.org.au](http://www.thesoutherncross.org.au)

### TERM 3 TUTION FEES 2015

Tuition fees have been posted home. If you have not received an account, please contact Ms Jane Green, Registrar, at the Secondary Campus. Parents are encouraged to make contact with Ms Green if they wish to discuss any financial matters relating to tuition fees, particularly to make alternative payment arrangements.

College fees can be paid by Cash, Cheque, Direct Debit, MasterCard, Visa, or EFTPOS (withdrawing from cheque or savings accounts). Accounts can also be paid by telephone using credit card facilities. Cash withdrawals from EFTPOS are not available.

**TERM 3 FEES ARE DUE FOR PAYMENT BY FRIDAY 31 JULY, 2015.**
A $20.00 ADMINISTRATION CHARGE IS LEVIED ON ALL OVERDUE ACCOUNTS UNLESS ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BEFORE THE DUE DATE.

St Michael’s College is once again offering a limited number of **Entertainment Books** for sale. Books are $65 each and inside you will find hundreds of 50% off, 25% off and 2-for-1 offers from the best restaurants, movie cinemas, takeaway chains and attractions. The vouchers can be used over a 12 month period. Books will be available for collection from Week 2, Term 2.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Parents are advised that a case of **Chicken Pox** has been reported at the Secondary Campus. For further information please see the relevant information at [http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/Public+Content/SA+Health+Internet/Health+topics/Health+conditions+prevention+and+treatment/Infectious+diseases/Chickenpox+and+shingles/](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/Public+Content/SA+Health+Internet/Health+topics/Health+conditions+prevention+and+treatment/Infectious+diseases/Chickenpox+and+shingles/)
Congratulations to the following students in Years 10, 11 & 12 who achieved Academic Excellence or Academic Endeavour awards for their Semester 1 studies.

**Academic Excellence:** presented to those students who averaged an 'A' grade across their Semester 1 subject areas.

**Academic Endeavour:** presented to students who achieved 'Excellent' or 'Good' for Application to Study and Behaviour in class for all subjects.

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**Congratulations to the following students in Years 10, 11 & 12 who achieved Academic Excellence or Academic Endeavour awards for their Semester 1 studies.**
Congratulations to the following Primary students who received the following awards for their Semester 1 report.

**ACADEMIC ENDEAVOUR**
Awarded to students for Excellent Effort in the majority of subjects in their semester report.

| Year 1       | Daniel Annese  
|             | Riley Carrie  
|             | Jordan Foti   
|             | Luke Hall     
|             | Ellis Hoendervanger  
|             | Maxwell Jarvis 
|             | Khoa Anh Lu   |
| Year 2      | Boyd Clarke   
|             | Ruben Consalvo|
|             | Andrew Lucas  |
| Year 3      | Ryan Ballantyne |
|             | Eddy Gilbert  
|             | Bailey Horsell|
|             | Samuel Jarvis |
|             | Bosco Schirripa 
| Year 4      | Jackson White |
| Year 7      | Antonio Della Pace |

**STUDENT CAPABILITIES**
Awarded to students for Excellent Effort in the majority of areas listed in ‘Student Learning and Well Being’.

| Reception   | Mitchell Hunter |
|            | Aidan Stephens  
|            | Mitchell Stephens |
|            | Marcus Waye     |
| Year 2      | William Rayner  |
| Year 3      | Zachary Schwarz |
| Year 4      | Jacob Feijen    
|            | Heath Conlon-Brown |
| Year 6      | Christian Dianos|
|            | Zane Fiacchi    
|            | Shamus Horgan   
|            | Nicholas Thornton |
| Year 7      | Callum Conlon-Brown |
|            | Pierre Hellmanns|
|            | Oscar McCann    |

**ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE & ACADEMIC ENDEAVOUR**
Awarded to students for Excellent Achievement receiving 4 or more A’s in their semester report and Excellent Effort in the majority of subjects in their semester report.

| Year 2      | Jackson Lucas |
| Year 3      | Stephane Dion-French |
|             | Matthew Nguyen |
| Year 4      | Marcus DePalma |
|             | Kenneth Nguyen |
| Year 5      | Finn Higham    
|            | Alexander Karnas |
|            | Dylan Scalfino |
|            | Will Schubert  |
| Year 6      | Abu Hassan     |

**ACADEMIC ENDEAVOUR & STUDENT CAPABILITIES**
Awarded to students for Excellent Effort in the majority of subjects in their semester report & Excellent Effort in the majority of areas listed in ‘Student Learning & Well Being’.

| Year 1      | Joshua Francis |
|             | Dimitrios Tsaconas |
| Year 6      | Salvatore Santucci |
| Year 7      | Joshua Grant    |

**OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT - Academic Endevour/Academic Excellence/Student Capabilities**
Awarded to students for Outstanding Achievement receiving 4 or more A’s in their semester report Excellent Effort in the majority of subjects in their semester report and Excellent Effort in all of the areas listed in ‘Student Learning and Well Being’.

| Year 1      | Kristan Tsoulakis |
| Year 2      | Connor Williamson |
| Year 6      | Will Larven      
|             | Sebastian Landey |
|             | Karthik Robin    |
|             | Zack Stephens    
|             | Luke Trevaskis  |
| Year 7      | Liam Bull        
|             | James Chomnes    |
|             | William Foley    
|             | Saxon Holbrook   
|             | Paras Stefanopoulos |
PRIMARY CAMPUS

MASS
Parents are invited to attend Mass which is celebrated on Thursdays at 9:00am in the Beverley Chapel.

FAMILY MASS
The next Family Mass will be on Sunday 30 August in the Beverley Chapel at 9:00am. Please consider attending.

TRAINING - INCLEMENT WEATHER - CANCELLATION POLICY
Students will be notified by 2:30pm on the day of training if the training has been cancelled. A text message will be sent from the Primary Campus to families advising them of the cancellation. In the event the weather becomes inclement after 2:30pm training sessions will be modified and or moved indoors.

SCHOOL STREAM
FREE APP FOR PRIMARY PARENTS/CAREGIVERS
The Primary Campus is now using the School Stream free app for all parents across multiple devices. This app provides parents with real time information including school happenings and events, notifications, canteen menus, sporting fixtures and updates. Our intention is to gradually release information to parents via the app with the hope that one day all parents will have access to it, therefore decreasing the communications we currently distribute via hard copy. If you are using the app and are happy with it, please let other parents know. Word of mouth is sure to increase the usage of the app.

Feedback from Junior Primary parents “the app is easy to use”; “paperless”

Mr Kym Clark, Director Lasallian Mission

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
Is your son or daughter taking up the Challenge in 2015?

If so, please ensure they fill in their student reading records as they read their books, get them signed off as they go and make sure your child hands it in to their teacher or the school contact person before: Friday 4 September 2015.

The Challenge is to read 12 books in total:
- Reception to Year 7: eight of these books are to be from the Challenge booklists available on our website and four of their own choice which can include class novels and research texts.
- Years 8 and 9: four books from the Challenge lists and eight of their own choice which can include prescribed texts, research texts and any other texts from their studies.
- Years 10 to 12: twelve books of their own choice which can include prescribed texts, research texts and any other texts from their studies.

Student reading records are available from your child’s teacher or from the school contact person who is usually someone in the school library (ask your child’s teacher) or download from the website.

Your son can also Rate a Read, reviewing the books that they are reading and send this in to us. We award a winner every month with a book prize and post their review, first name and school on our website. Also, we have a student blog section for both primary and secondary students to post and share thoughts about the Challenge and books that they are reading – encourage your son to have a go! The Challenge website has a section for students, school staff and families, highlighting some great ideas!

Don’t forget the GreatStart website developed to support families with ideas and activities to help make the most of everyday learning and events, especially important in the first five years of life:

‘We know families are busy so we have ideas for activities that you are already doing, ideas that may be new and will only take a few minutes and others that will take longer. We have also included extra information for you if you want to learn more about the literacy and numeracy that your child will be developing and how this will link to learning in later life.

We will continue to add new ideas and activities, including ideas to connect to particular events or occasions. We are also keen to hear from you on the site; how you went, what worked or other ideas that we can share with other families.’

Enjoy the Challenge! Premier’s Reading Challenge Team.

Mr Ray Becker, Key Literacy and Numeracy Coordinator

GREEN AND GOLD DAY @ SMC PRIMARY ~ Friday 7 August 2015
Primary students are encouraged to wear green and gold clothes for a gold coin donation to celebrate the life and work of St Mary MacKillop. We will wear our national colours to acknowledge Australia’s first Saint.

There will also be a cake stall on Friday at recess (outside Founders Hall). All cakes/food have been made by the Junior Primary students and all monies will be donated to the Mary MacKillop Foundation, supporting small life-changing projects.

We encourage all students to get involved and go GREEN & GOLD!

Ms Cathie Gaffney, JP Coordinator
PLAYGROUP @ Beverley

A free Playgroup open to all families with children aged 0-5 years.

Discover Playgroup... fun and learning for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers.

Tuesdays 9 – 11 am
Starting Tuesday 11 August, 2015
School Term Only

St Michael’s College
Primary School Campus - Founders Hall
78 East Avenue, Beverley

Please contact Laura at Playgroup SA for more info on Free call 1800 171 882

A Communities for Children initiative funded by
The Australian Government Department of Social Services
SECONDARY SUBJECT COUNSELLING INFORMATION

Term 3 is when students and parents make important decisions regarding subject choices in preparation for future career pathways. These choices should be guided by student interest and success in preparatory subjects. Students in Year 10 have completed, or will be completing in Semester 2, the Personal Learning Plan (PLP) as the first stage of their SACE Certificate. This is designed to assist students to identify possible career paths. Various parent information nights are designed to explain the subject selection process and SACE Certificate requirements and I urge parents to attend these if at all possible. Mr Anthony Vizianiaris and Ms Rose Coorey are available for Careers Counselling and Mr Kevin Woolford is available for advice on VET courses. Appointments can be made by contacting Student Services. Critical dates for various stages of the subject selection process are listed below. Due dates for the return of various forms will be published on the forms. Your support in this important process is greatly appreciated and I can be contacted through Student Services to clarify any issues arising.

SUBJECT COUNSELLING PROCESS

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<td>SACE Parent Information Evening. Attendance recommended: Year 11 parents.</td>
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SUBJECT CHANGES

At St Michael's we pride ourselves on our subject selection procedures using our successful Year 12 results as a gauge of the rigour of the process. To ensure the best possible approach, students are provided with information from Heads of Department in regard to the subjects on offer during specific assemblies. Individual counselling sessions are offered through Student Services to assist in determining appropriate subjects. Career Counsellors visit senior classrooms to personally deliver relevant material. Subject Handbooks pertaining to particular year levels, as well as tertiary information pertinent to the senior years, are distributed to parents via their daughters or sons. Pastoral Teachers are also important sources of information in this process. For our senior students, the process culminates with an individual parent/student interview with a Counsellor to determine the validity of the proposed subjects.

We stress to students to choose their subjects wisely because once the line structures and number of classes are determined based on original student preference, it may be impossible to change to another subject. We also understand that mistakes can be made and preferences shift for a wide range of reasons. Thus we allow students the opportunity in the first two weeks of the school year to review and make changes where possible. This does cause a significant degree of disruption to our teachers' learning programs and also disadvantages students as they enter a new subject having already missed a substantial amount of work.

We always endeavour to enrol students into the most appropriate course. However, there are practical matters that must be taken into consideration. Changes in the middle school are often problematic and not necessarily in the best interests of the student. More often we are finding that students in the middle school seek changes that, unfortunately, are not made for sound educational reasons, such as wanting to be with their friends in a particular class or preferring one teacher over another.

Generally, unless there has been an administrative error, Year 8, 9 and 10 students will be expected to remain in the subjects of their original choice for the duration of the semester. This will allow teachers to begin each semester with a minimum of disruption which is necessary to ensure a quality learning environment and ultimately a successful outcome for all students. At times, Subject Teachers may use their professional judgment as to whether a particular student is able to cope with the demands of their course and recommend an alternative option.

Our senior students, namely Year 11 and 12 students undertaking the SACE, will still be able to make modifications at the beginning of the school year, and also mid-year for Year 11s, if they are concerned as to whether they will be successful in that particular subject or where their intended pathway has changed.

The importance of careful planning and consultation in ensuring the most appropriate subjects are chosen in the first instance is reiterated.

Ms Bron Kemp, Director of Curriculum and Assessment
CHARITY WEEK - HUTT STREET CENTRE

On the last day of Term 2, students from both the Primary and Senior campus helped to raise money for the Hutt Street Centre by coming to school in casuals and bringing a gold coin donation. The Hutt Street Centre helps to serve food to over 200 homeless people a day. Focusing on a mission to build a society where “everyone is respected and encouraged to reach and sustain their full potential”, the Hutt Street Centre provides a safe community where those who are down on their luck can get access to medical support, recreational activities and even hairdressing services. As a part of ‘Charity Week’ we raised a combined total of $1625.35 which all went towards buying imperishable foods, clothes and blankets to be donated to the Hutt Street Centre. This included 90 cans of food, 12 jars of fruit, over 70 pairs of underwear and 25 blankets. Thank you to all the students who helped out and donated a gold coin as every single donation counts! It would be great to see students continue to support this amazing charity. More information is available on the Hutt Street website or by contacting their office on 8418 2500.

"We believe that together, we have a responsibility to care for those who suffer as a result of the inequities and to change those structures so everyone can benefit from the resources the community has to offer."

Christopher Galimitakis 12CU

YEAR 8 STUDENT LEADERS

On behalf of the Year 8 Pastoral Team I would like to thank the following students for their efforts and commitment as Year 8 Student Leaders during Semester 1:

- 8BR Francesco Ciampa, Blake Jarman
- 8BU Cosimo (Cosi) De Ieso, Louis Suter
- 8CA Sotiri (Sam) Liambis, Josh Larven
- 8DE Ruby Scardigno, Chloe Hodges
- 8FP Jacob Karnas, Michael Depalo
- 8GI Chelsea Calabro, Isabella Cahill-Terrell
- 8MI Natalie Costa, Monique Pietsch
- 8NI Isabelle Rapuano, Ruby Williams
- 8SP William Desaur, Paul Manocchio
- 8WH Vincenzo Triulcio, John Moschou

I would also like to congratulate and acknowledge the new Year 8 Student Leaders for Semester 2:

- 8BR Cameron Clarke, Benjamin Hoy
- 8BU Matthew Monti, Liam Adrain, Noah Mittiga
- 8CA Arjun Sharma, Sebastian Goode
- 8DE Olivia Cochrane, Milan Loper
- 8FP Mitchell Allen, Thomas Davey
- 8GI Tiana Merlino, Vyvian Nguyen
- 8MI Marcella Scappatura, Zoe Craig
- 8NI Chiara Carzo, M’Kenzie Urlaub
- 8SP Cooper Lambert, Max Plunkett
- 8WH Justin Richardson, Cody Smith

The Year 8 Pastoral Team look forward to working with you as you develop your leadership skills throughout this Semester.

Mr Parfrey – Year 8 Director

SCIENCE COMPETITION

A small group of students participated in the International Competition and Assessment for Schools – Science Competition.

Congratulations to the following students on receiving certificates for their results:

- Year 8 Credit: Francesco Ciampa, Ivan Simac
- Year 8 Merit: Declan O’Callaghan
- Year 10 Credit: Bailey Allen, Benjamin Fitzgerald
- Year 10 Merit: Ross Kearsley
- Year 11 Merit: Jessey Nguyen

I would encourage students to consider participating in the competition next year.

Mr Robert Dempsey, Head of Science

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY COMPETITION

Congratulations to Ethan Marchioro (9SO) and Daniel Passaniti (9SO) for achieving Distinctions in the Australian History Competition. These are very significant results considering that these students are in Year 9 and were competing in the Year 10 competition. They placed in the top 15% nationally. Over 20,000 students across Australia compete in the Australian History Competition each year.

Mr Matthew Muscat, Head of Department - History
PISA 2015 ~ Tuesday 11 August 2015

St Michael’s College has been randomly selected to participate in the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA). These assessments provide a wide range of valuable information for education policy and review in Australia and overseas and will allow a comparison between the Australian education system and overseas systems. Participation in these assessments is an obligation for both government and non-government schools.

Twenty two St Michael’s students were randomly selected from our school data:

10BL Julian Harmer
10CO Domenique Saraceno
10FE Michael Eason
10FH Kristen Burgess
10KA Tristan Baldan
10MO Kai Pudney
10SA Joshua Hawkins
10ST Matthew Marchioro
10SU Jade Abrahamson
10TU Jason Lam
11MB Jordon Dametto

Testing will be undertaken on Tuesday 11 August, and as well as the honor of representing Australia, these students will receive a student profile showing their results, a certificate of participation and a small gift.

We wish these students well in their undertaking and know that they will attempt the testing with the St Michael’s approach of “being the best they can be”.

Ms Bron Kemp, Director of Curriculum & Assessment Administration

YEAR 11 LASALLIAN RETREAT – Thursday 13 August 2015, 8:45am–2:00pm

The 2015 Year 11 Retreat Day will be facilitated by the Lasallian Youth Ministry Team. Students are asked to arrive at the Christian Family Centre, 185 Frederick Rd, Seaton, by 8:45am and will be dismissed by 2:00pm. Students are asked to bring a pen, recess and bottled water for the day. Lunch is provided. Please refer to the letter which was sent home last week via students for more details. This day is an integral part of the College Religious Education and Pastoral Program and as such, all students are required to attend. Any questions relating to the day can be directed to Mrs Katrina Kreis, Head of Campus Ministry, or Mrs Margaret Dunn, Year 11 Director.

YEAR 12 LASALLIAN SEMINAR DAY 3 – Friday 14 August 2015, 8:45am–2:00pm

The final Year 12 Seminar Day for 2015 will be facilitated by the Lasallian Youth Ministry team. Students are asked to arrive at the Christian Family Centre, 185 Frederick Rd, Seaton, by 8:45am and will be dismissed by 2:00pm. Students are asked to bring a pen, recess and bottled water for the day. Lunch is provided. Please refer to the letter which will be sent home next week via students for more details. The Year 12 Seminar Days are an integral part of the St Michael’s College learning program and a compulsory Year 12 event. Any questions relating to the day can be directed to Mrs Katrina Kreis, Head of Campus Ministry, or Mr Sam Kitschke, Year 12 Director.

Mrs Katrina Kreis, Head of Campus Ministry

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

Places have become available for flute, violin, guitar, drums, bass, piano, vocals, trombone, trumpet, saxophone/clarinet. Please see Mrs Cutt in the music office or email pauline.cutt@smc.sa.edu.au if you are interested in joining our Instrumental Music Program.

Mr Tim Donovan, Director of Music

LEARN TO CODE LIKE A NINJA!

The NCSS Challenge lets you learn to program while you compete. The School of IT at the University of Sydney is running an online programming challenge for high school students over five weeks in Term 3, 2015 - starting on Monday 3 August. Unlike existing competitions, the NCSS Challenge is designed to cater for beginners, intermediate and advanced students. Each week, a set of notes for either in-class or self-directed learning will be distributed to participants via email and online. A set of challenge questions testing this material will also be distributed. Each week’s challenge set will range from relatively easy to extremely challenging allowing beginners to progress at their own rate whilst extending gifted students. The challenges will increase in complexity as more and more programming concepts are covered over the 5 weeks. If you would like to take part, please register at: ncss.edu.au/challenge.

Mrs Cardillo – Head of Information Technology

YEAR 10 PARENTS DINNER AND CATCH-UP

Come along, enjoy a meal and catch up with other Year 10 parents on Wednesday 5 August 2015 at The Lakes Resort Hotel, at 7:00pm. RVSP to Sharon May at: gmay2@bigpond.com or 0414 228 577 by 1 August 2015. All Year 10 parents welcome.
History shows us that the exchange of information and thought is integral to growth, innovation and understanding. Last week we welcomed our six exchange students: Alessia Marchionne, Nicolò Vertecchi, Silvia Porretto, Ruggero Catalano, Alessandro Angelucci and Vittoria Caldani and the staff of San Giuseppe de Merode, (our sister Lasallian School in Rome), Cristina Michilin Marion and Marcello Giordani. Generously hosted by the families of Chelsea Shepherd, James Gorcilo, Annalie Scuteri, Samuel Cannata, Jordan Di Bartolo and Dana Petrovski, the group has hit the ground running, attending classes and also a range of excursions in and around Adelaide.

Their first week at SMC included additional language and culture focused lessons after school with Ms Price, Ms Delgado and Mr Karnas; a welcome dinner and excursions to Grange Jetty, Cleland Wildlife Park, Victor Harbor, Adelaide, Monarto and Hahndorf.

The following is text some of the students wrote collaboratively regarding their day trip to Cleland and Victor Harbor.

On Friday, 24 July, the staff and exchange students from our Roman sister-school, San Giuseppe De Merode, and their host brothers and sisters, along with Mr Woolford, Mr Vizianiaris and Signora Benedetti, went on a day-trip to Mount Lofty, Cleland Wildlife Park and Victor Harbor. This provided an opportunity to show our Italian visitors interesting aspects of Adelaide and its neighbouring towns.

The first stop was the Mount Lofty lookout. Unfortunately the weather was bad because it was foggy and rainy. On the panels we saw how the view should normally look, but we could only imagine how good it was!

Our second stop was Cleland Wildlife Park, where we learned a lot about native Australian animals, especially their behaviour and their relationship with humans. We saw many typical Australian animals, including many kangaroos and wallabies, Olivia the python, a black cockatoo called Blackie and Newman, the bearded dragon. The students were in awe of Claire, the Conservation Officer, who stood with the 3-metre python draped over her neck and around her arms, while they patted the python and felt its soft and surprisingly cold skin. Alessandro was able to hold the bearded dragon and feel it breathing. He could also sense its curiosity for the people around him and said that this incredible international experience has allowed him to feel great respect for the earth and for the animals.

At Cleland we also saw a baby possum, some wombats and a Tasmanian Devil. A few of the kangaroos and wallabies also had joeys in their pouches. Getting so close to one of the koalas and having photos taken with it was one of the highlights, as was getting close enough to the kangaroos and wallabies to feed them and feel their soft fur.

The bus ride to the former sealing and whaling town of Victor Harbour provided an opportunity for our visitors to sample some uniquely Australian sweets, including Cadbury Vegemite chocolate, Tim Tams, Fruchocs, Freddo Frogs and Caramello Koalas. Luckily, when we arrived, the sun came out! So after a quick lunch in Victor Harbour, we walked across the bridge to Granite Island. During our 1 hour walk around this amazing island, we saw some penguins and many other birds and we all took lots of photos and videos, especially of the strange rock formations and beautiful view.

Overall, this day-trip provided an opportunity for the Italian exchange students to practice their English skills while learning more about South Australia’s history and natural environment. Despite the view from the Mt Lofty Summit being blocked by thick, early morning fog, Granite Island and the bus ride provided the students with an insight into Australia’s unique, natural beauty.

Heartfelt thanks to all students and staff who have welcomed the students into their classes and to the many staff members giving their time to ensure that their stay is a fruitful and enjoyable one.

In a similar way, many, many thanks to host families and to students who always embrace our guests so warmly. May your friendships be long lasting and may you all learn much from each other.

Signora Tonia Carfora and Signora Maria Pepe-Micholos, Italian Teachers
EDUCATION USA INFORMATION SESSION
Monday 10 August, 6:00pm, Potts Lecture Theatre, Pembroke Senior School, 18 Holden Street Kensington Park
If you would like to know more about studying in America and how to apply, please register to attend an Information Session. It is only offered once a year for Year 10, 11, 12 students and their parents. At this session the presenter, Suzanne will discuss the process of applying for undergraduate study in the US with reference to testing required, the application process, timeline, and costs. It is expected that the information session will run for approximately one hour. Suzanne will also be able to speak to students who are specifically interested in finding out more about sports scholarships. Students/parents are requested to register for this event by following this link: Register

EDUCATION UK INFORMATION SESSION
We have also received information about an Information Session to be held on Tuesday 25 August 2:00pm-3:30pm with regards to studying at Warwick University in Coventry in the UK. If any families are interested in this please email Rose.coorey@smc.sa.edu.au as soon as possible and details will be forwarded.

CAREERS TERM 3
Year 12 Students
Within this coming week we will have launched into the next part of our journey: “Applying to Uni 2016”. On Monday 3 August at 7:00pm in the Staff Centre we will host an Information Night for interested Year 12 parents who wish to know more about the SATAC application process and the transition to University and/or TAFE SA. On the same night students will be able to attend a mini Tertiary Entrance Expo here at the College and ask questions of the Uni and TAFE Admission Representatives. There will be University and TAFE representatives staging a Mini Expo.

On Wednesday morning in Extended Pastoral Care Year 12 students will receive the publications from SATAC to support 2016 entry and have some time in Pastoral Care to look through these materials before the talk to all Year 12 students the following morning. On Thursday at 9:45am students will hear the ins and outs of applying for University in the Mary McKillop Centre. Given nearly 80% of our Year 12 cohort apply for University entry it will be a busy time of the year. We have urgent Year 12 students to make an appointment with the Career Counsellors before the Year 10 and Year 11 subject selection process which begins in Week 4. We continue to encourage students who are not aiming for a tertiary pathway to make an appointment and discuss their plans.

Year 10 and Year 11 Students
There is an extensive support structure in place to assist students in making their 2016 subject selections. As part of this, students may wish to make an appointment with a Career Counsellor once they have worked through the normal process. As part of the Appointment process there is a form to complete that must be brought to the appointment. If the form is incomplete it will indicate the student is not prepared for the appointment and an alternative time will be set. We want to make sure students get the most out of the 30 minute appointment time. Please note students only have an appointment with a Career Counsellor if they initiate it by going to Student Services at recess or lunch to make an appointment. We do not begin seeing Year 10 and Year 11 students until after the launch of their Subject Selection process. Students receive a lot of information in their “Subject Selection Packages” we encourage students to go through this material before seeking help.

TERTIARY OPEN DAYS ~ Friday 14, Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 August 2015
We encourage families to set aside time on this weekend to attend the Open Day events staged by the Universities and TAFE SA. There will be extensive programs, with set talks, tours etc. For preliminary planning we urge you to keep an eye on the relevant websites: You can register on each website and some Universities have competitions advertised as well.

INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT OPEN DAY, Sunday 16 August 2:30pm
The Swiss Hotel Association accredited College: ICHM offers courses in Hotel Management here at Regency Park. Graduates go on to work at international hotel chains in all areas of the hospitality industry – Operations, HR, Tourism, and more. We encourage anyone with an interest in the Hospitality Industry, Tourism and Business Management to take a look at ICHM: http://www.ichm.edu.au/ Whilst it is an expensive course, it is eligible for HECS HELP http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/studyassist/helppayingmyfees/hecs-help/pages/hecs-help-welcome

TORRENS UNIVERSITY AUSTRALIA
Torrens University provides students with hands-on, real world learning experience working to industry-standards, all delivered in learning environments with no more than 25 students per class. The University is hosting an Open Day on Saturday 1 August 2015 at the Wakefield Campus, Wakefield Street, Adelaide from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Register your attendance by calling Ruth Jaksa on 8113 8713 or emailing ruth.jaksa@tua.edu.au.

GAP YEAR CAMP AMERICA
Many Year 12 students are interested in investigating Gap Year opportunities for 2016. Research shows us that students who participate in a “good” Gap Year experience do in fact do better when they settle into tertiary study. The Camp America program is one such experience. We encourage interested students to attend the upcoming information sessions for June 2016 participation. The Information Session is being held Wednesday 26th August at YHA Waymouth Street Adelaide between 6-8pm. See: http://campamerica.com.au/
DEFENCE FORCE

Defence Force Recruiting will be running Q&A sessions on multiple avenues of entry into the Defence Force. Students will be able to login through Facebook and chat to members of the ADF!

To find out more please direct students to www.facebook.com/defencejobsaustralia

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ADFA SESSION

There will be a special session on Wednesday 5 August at 6:00pm for Year 10, 11 and Year 12 students interested in ADFA. ADFA is the pathway through the Defence Force for Officers with a University Degree. Students are based in Canberra and undertake Officer training in between their studies at the University of NSW. See: http://www.defence.gov.au/adfa/ Please RSVP cptsa@dfr.com.au.

The session will be held at Defence Force Recruiting Level 4 191 Pulteney Street Adelaide.

UPCOMING CAREERS EVENTS

St Michael’s College
Monday 3 August Mini Careers Expo St Michael’s College (Year 10-12 Students) 6:00pm-8:00pm.
Monday 3 August Year 12 SATAC Tertiary Entrance Info Evening Parent Guardian 7:00pm-8:00pm.

Other
Wednesday 5 August ADFA Information Session 6pm
Monday 10 August Pembroke School Education USA Information Session 6:00pm

Flinders University
Friday 14 August Flinders Uni Open Day 9:30am-4:00pm.
Saturday 15 August Flinders Uni Open Day (City Campus) 9:30am-4:00pm.

UniSA
Sunday 16 August UniSA Open Day City West & City East Campus 9:00am-4:00pm.
University of Adelaide Open Day North Tce Campus 9:00am-4:30pm
ICM Open Day Regency Park 2.30pm
Tuesday 25 August UniSA Careers Start Business & Law Info Session City West Campus 4:30-6:30pm.
UniSA Build & Plan Your Future 5:30-7:00pm City East Campus 5:30pm-7:00pm.
Wednesday 26 August UniSA Magill Campus Magill @Twilight 4:00pm-8:00pm.
Thursday 27 August UniSA Mawson lakes Campus Discover Mawson Lakes 4:00pm-7:30pm.

Mr Kevin Woolford VET Coordinator, Ms Rose Coorey and Mr Anthony Vizaniaris - Career

2015 MINI CAREERS EXPO
MONDAY 3 AUGUST 2015
6:00pm – 8:00pm
FOUNDERS HALL
Secondary Campus, Henley Beach

Exhibitors include:
Flinders University | Uni SA | The University of Adelaide | TAFE SA

Please Note:
This event will be held on the same night as the Year 12 (2016) SACE Evening at 7:00pm, and the Year 12 (2015) SATAC Evening at 7:00pm.
Representatives from all three SA Universities (Flinders University, University of South Australia and University of Adelaide) will be in attendance at St Michael’s College on the night to distribute updated information and answer individual questions relating to courses/pathways offered and entry requirements.

GRAMMAR CORNER

A verb is a doing or a being word.
‘Doing’ includes thinking, feeling, happening or anything which includes a process.
‘Being’ refers to the verb to-be and includes the words ‘am’, ‘is’, ‘are’, ‘was’, ‘were’, etc.
An adverb is a word which provides more information about a verb and often ends in –ly
WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Mark Williamson - Class of 1990

Mark graduated from St Michael’s in 1990 and entered the competitive market of the national foods industry.

Mark is now a strategic sales and marketing leader with extensive experience in the FMCG (Fast Moving Consumer Goods) industry, with a track record of success in building business strategies and marketing plans to meet brand, sales and profit targets.

Mark is an energetic and dedicated people leader, who is passionate about developing self, individuals and teams to deliver superior results often within tight time frames and limited budgets. He has successfully established business relationships built on trust, integrity and service, working with International, National and State Clients across multiple channels and multiple categories. With demonstrated ability, Mark develops knowledge profiles related to products, market segments, industry, issues and risks, to lead the development and implement comprehensive plans to motivate and inspire sales teams to reach and exceed sales, revenue and distribution targets.

Being a clear and concise communicator, Mark has experience in leading the implementation of significant organisational change programs, with the proven ability to engage an audience and successfully sell a vision.

In his current role as Director of Gnab Strategic Partners, Mark helps small to medium size businesses in South Australia achieve their goals, whether these goals are sales related, people related or strategy related. Current clients engaging Gnab Strategic Partners come from a variety of different business areas, including label manufacturing, value added meat products, organic dairy production, a non for profit organisation and a state sporting body. Mark and Gnab Strategic Partners are passionate about South Australia and helping the many great businesses within South Australia achieve their goals.

Mark is an avid basketball fan and is currently President of the West Adelaide Bearcats Basketball Club. His son, Connor, is following in his father’s footsteps as a student at St Michael’s College. Connor is in Year 2 this year (2015).

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

- Will McCann 12RA representing SA in the School Sport Australia Cross Country Championships in Melbourne in August 2015.
- Kate O’Connor 9WI representing SA in the Australia Pacific School Games Swimming Championships in Adelaide in November 2015.
- Liam Georgiadis 12AM representing SA in the School Sport Australia Golf Championships in Canberra, ACT, in August 2015.

OCEANIA BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Alex Mudronja (pictured), 10KA, who is one of 12 players to have been selected to represent Australia at the FIBA Under-17 Oceania Basketball Championships in August. The Australian team will face off against Tahiti, New Caledonia and New Zealand with the tournament to be held in Silverstream, New Zealand. Should they advance to the gold medal match, the Under-17s will then play in a curtain-raiser to the Boomers versus Tall Blacks clash in Wellington on 18 August. Nine members of the team represented their States in the Under-18 and Under-16 Australian Junior Championships earlier this year. Alex is a versatile player who will play at both the point guard and shooting guard position. Alex is one of the few St Michael’s College students who will have represented the country in Basketball at the junior level. We wish him all the best.

Mr Dylan Hicks, Head of Health & Physical Education

CO-CURRICULAR NEWS

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.

VENUES/TIMETABLES

Please follow the link http://www.smc.sa.edu.au/news-information/current-sports-fixtures to access times and venues (no password required!). Details have also been emailed to students.
On Tuesday 28 July St Michael’s hosted Cabra Dominican College and Tatachilla Lutheran College for Round 2 of the Open Girls Knockout Netball. The first game of the day versus Cabra saw a fast paced game demonstrating a high skill level. Stacey Thomas gained many intercepts in defence, with Charlee Hodges, Mia Voulgarakis and Alex Watts capitalising with a shooting percentage of 89% for the game. Strong running and tight defence throughout the mid court from Sophie Morgan and Mia Troncone all assisted St Michael’s to defeat Cabra 53 to 38.

St Michael’s played against Tatachilla in their second game with a win meaning the team would advance through to the finals played at ETSA Park in just over a week’s time. Tight defence and many intercepts coming from Naomi Firn, Sarah Williams, Taylor Reed and Stacey Thomas made it challenging for Tatachilla, with Adele Demasi providing great run through the centre, feeding accurate passes into the goalies. St Michael’s defeated Tatachilla 46 to 29. We wish the team the best of luck for the finals!
SCHOOL IMMUNISATION DATES 2015
All Year 8 students will be offered: 1 dose of Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine, 3 dose course of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) and 1 dose of combined Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Boostrix).

Visit 3 Thursday 26 November Year 8 HPV (3)

UNIFORMS:
DOBSONS UNIFORM SHOP 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.
Parents are able to place orders using their credit card and supplying their name and the pastoral class of their son. Items will then be delivered to the Primary Campus.

SPORTS CENTRE SCHOOL WEAR
For supplies of Co-curricular uniforms.
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 http://www.smc.sa.edu.au/uniform/where-to-buy-our-uniform

STUDENT TRANSPORT
SCHOOL BUS SERVICE CHANGES

ADELAIDE METRO BUS ROUTES & TIMETABLES
286 Henley Beach to City
287 Henley Beach to City
288 West Lakes Centre Interchange to City
H32 Henley Beach South to Wattle Park
H33 Henley Beach South to City