

# eNews

## edition 1

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### From the Headmaster



#### Beginning of the 2020 school year

I would firstly like to welcome all our families for the start of a new school year. I particularly extend a warm welcome to new families to Prince Alfred College and hope and trust that your time with us will be successful and fulfilling.

We start the year with a similar number of students to the beginning of 2019, with 1,100 in Reception to Year 12. The numbers are also

similar to last year in each section of the College and we are full in Year 6 and in most year levels in the Secondary School. Our Boarding House is also full with over 150 students.

The year has started smoothly overall, and I thank everyone involved in making this happen. We have changes in two key roles, with Old Scholar and Past Parent Richard Hockney taking over as Chair of PAC Council, our governing body. In addition, John Stewart has made an excellent start as our new Head of Preparatory School. We wish both men well in these important positions that are vital to the successful operations of the College.

This year is the final year of our current Strategic Plan and the Council has commenced the process of developing a new plan to commence at the beginning of 2021. We will be seeking feedback from our community as the year progresses to assist us in that process.

Looking ahead, I will be away for the majority of second term on study leave, during which time Deputy Headmaster Dr John Kinniburgh will be Acting Headmaster. I will provide further details about my study leave plans in a subsequent newsletter.

Following the celebrations of our Sesquicentenary year, we are well-placed for further growth and development moving forward. I wish everyone well for the year ahead and look forward to another great year at PAC.

#### 2019 Year 12 results

I have previously advised parents about our Year 12 results for the end of 2019. Whilst not as strong as 2018's outstanding results, there were still some excellent performances by our boys across a range of subject areas, in both SACE and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programs.

Dux of the School Yash Giri, who gained the highest possible ATAR of 99.95, also won the Way Medal for being top in the State in Chemistry. We were pleased to recognise all our best-performing students at this week's Emeritus Assembly.

Director of Teaching and Learning Ben Evans and I are currently meeting with each of our Academic Leaders, together with SACE and IB Diploma Co-ordinators, to analyse the results and work with these staff in developing strategies for this year and beyond to achieve further academic progress.

#### Building Projects

As always, there has been a great deal happening on campus over the summer break. In addition to all the regular upgrades, including painting, re-carpeting, replacing lockers and other furniture, major projects have included the following:

- Boarding House demolition.
- Development of the Health Centre at 21 Flinders Street.
- Re-roofing of the Art / Technology building.
- Squash court re-development.
- Construction under way of a new wardli at Wambana, together with first aid and staff meeting facilities.

The demolition of the boarding houses should be completed shortly. We are currently working on the final plans for the redevelopment of the space, which will include some green space, together with carpark expansion and improved driveway for better traffic flow and pedestrian safety. We will provide further details as planning progresses.

In addition, we intend refurbishing the St Jacques stables building, which is now visible from the driveway. This building dates back to 1882, when St Jacques, which has been the Headmaster's residence since 1955, was constructed. We intend redeveloping this historic building for school use and again will provide further details in due course.

#### Coronavirus

We have endeavoured to keep our community fully informed about progress of the coronavirus and in particular the Department of Health response guidelines that we have followed assiduously. We have tried to keep the well-being of all our students uppermost in our response and have provided ongoing support to those families affected by the provisions put in place. We currently have a few students in isolation at home and look forward to them returning to us in the next week or so.

# from the headmaster

## Bushfires

I am sure we have all been horrified at the widespread bushfire emergency in a number of locations throughout the country. With several Princes families on Kangaroo Island, we have been affected in several ways.

Clayton Lang, who was tragically killed with his father on Kangaroo Island, was an Old Scholar of PAC.

At least one of our families has lost significant fencing and infrastructure on their property and several were involved in fighting the fires.

Our Chaplain, Reverend Mark Dickens, who is also a Military Chaplain, has been deployed with the Army over the past few weeks in assisting with clean-up and support for the Kangaroo Island community. Secondary School Technology teacher Paul Balestrin, who is a member of the fire service, and has been deployed both in South Australia and interstate during this period.

I am aware that we have had a number of members of our community, including students, involved in clean-up and support activities through BlazeAid and other organisations. We have also offered support to our families who have been most affected.

## Staffing

I am pleased to advise a number of staffing appointments that were made in the latter part of last year.

Matthew Slade has joined us as a teacher, Director of Football and Coach of the First XVIII at the beginning of 2020. Matthew holds a Bachelor of Education from the University of South Australia and has taught at Craigmare High School since 2001; at PAC he will teach Outdoor Education, and in other areas, in the first instance. Matthew has had a highly successful career in football, as a Premiership winner with Central Districts in the SANFL and as a State under age and SANFLW Head Coach.

Domna Margaras has joined us teaching Geography part-time in the Secondary School. A former student at Trinity College Gawler, Domna holds degrees in Arts and Teaching from Adelaide University.

Graduating Year 12 student Max Parsons will join the staff as a Trainee Outdoor Educator at Wambana in 2020. Max has had a highly successful school career and was a College Prefect in 2019.

Natalie Goodair has been appointed to take over Paula Little's Drama teaching responsibilities, whilst Paula is on maternity leave for the duration of 2020.

Natalie holds degrees in Arts and Education from the University of New South Wales. Natalie has taught at Sydney Church of England Co-educational Grammar School, Redlands, in Sydney as well as the Nepean Creative and Performing Arts High School, also in New South Wales.

Jessica Jarrett will be the Acting OSHC Director for the duration of 2020, while Kate Virgin is on maternity leave. Having completed her schooling at Loreto College, Jessica has completed degrees in Psychological Science and Social Sciences and is currently completing a Master of Teaching (Primary), all from

the University of South Australia. Jessica has worked in the OSHC program at Mercedes College for the past five years and has held the position of Acting Director.

Dr Di Hu has joined us as a part-time teacher in the Science faculty for 2020 in the first instance. Dr Hu holds a Bachelor of Science with Honours and a Doctor of Philosophy from the Australian National University and a Master of Teaching from the University of Adelaide. Since graduating in the middle of 2019, Dr Hu has undertaken relief teaching and tutoring in Chemistry & Biology.

Mei Leong has joined us as teacher of Chinese in the Preparatory School, replacing David Leung, while he is on leave for family reasons during 2020. Mrs Leong holds degrees in Arts and Social Sciences with Honours from the National University of Singapore and a Postgraduate Diploma in Education from the National Institute of Education.

Ellie Stroehrer has been appointed Trainee Outdoor Educator at Scotts Creek for 2020. Following her schooling at St Peter's Girls College, Ellie has completed diplomas in Outdoor Education, Travel and Tourism. Ellie has been employed by Wilderness Escape Outdoor Adventure since 2017 and has worked with a number of schools, including Mercedes and Wilderness, in their outdoor education programs.

Charlie Comerford has joined us as a Learning Support Teacher in the Secondary School from the beginning of 2020. Following his schooling at Prince Alfred College, Charlie has completed degrees in Health Sciences and Education, as well as a Master of Special Education, from Flinders University. While studying, Charlie has also worked as a Developmental Therapist with Connect Psychology and as an assistant in our Out of School Hours Care program.

Stacey May has joined us as Receptionist/Administrative Assistant. Stacey has worked in a variety of administrative roles, particularly in the real estate industry and has extensive experience as a receptionist. She is currently completing a Certificate in Business Management and has significant experience in managing a range of conflicting demands and requests.

Hayley Ewer has been appointed Assistant Director of our Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) program. Since 2008, Hayley has been Assistant Director of the Mercedes College OSHC program and has been Acting Director at times.

Hayley has a Diploma of OSHC from TAFE SA and is highly experienced in this area.

I am pleased to advise the following internal appointments for 2020:

- Frank Palladino has been appointed VET Co-ordinator for 2020 in the first instance.
- Emma Dibb has been appointed Acting Year 9 Level Co-ordinator in Terms 2 to 4 in 2020, replacing Laura Pascale while she is on maternity leave.

**Bradley Fenner**  
Headmaster

# calendar of events

## 2020 Term Dates

### Term 1 - Wednesday 29 January to Thursday 9 April

Exeat Dates: 15-16 February and 7-9 March

### Term 2 - Tuesday 28 April to Friday 26 June

Exeat Dates: 16-17 May and 6-8 June

### Term 3 - Tuesday 21 July to Friday 25 September

Exeat Dates: 8-9 August and 4-5-6 September (includes Royal Adelaide Show Whole School Holiday)

### Term 4 - Monday 12 October to Friday 4 December

Exeat Dates: 31 October – 1 November and 21-22 November

## Upcoming Events

### TERM 1

## Middle School

Parents' Information Night  
& Social Gathering

### Thursday 13 February

6:00pm Information Session

7:00pm Social Gathering,

Headmasters Garden, St Jacques.

(Year level session locations in TryBooking)



For bookings, click on the image above.

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### Tuesday 18 February

Preparatory Years 3 to 6 Swimming Carnival , RED Centre

### Wednesday 19 February

MS / SS Swimming Carnival , Adelaide Aquatic Centre.

A full list of events for 2020 are available on the [College Calendar](#).

## Superloop Adelaide 500 Road Closures

Please click [here](#) for road closures that will affect your travel to and from school over the next 3 weeks. Please remember to leave home earlier than usual.

## Speed Limit on Campus

SPEED  
LIMIT



A reminder to all motorists to drive at or below the speed limit of 10 km/hour within the College campus. Many of our students are new to PAC and may not be familiar with the College's road network, especially during the first few weeks

of the College year. Drivers need to be particularly vigilant at drop-off and pick-up times and please pay attention to traffic management signage within the College grounds .

Given the current added pressure being added to traffic flow, while the old Boarding House demolition and remediation process is being completed, we urge motorists to take particular care and show patience within the College grounds during drop off and pick up times in particular.

## Parking & Traffic Safety

Parking Zones around the school are put in place to ensure pedestrian safety. Children are in particular danger near schools because:

- Their small size makes it hard for drivers to see them between traffic, parked cars, stobie poles and other obstacles.
- They are easily distracted and may not be aware of traffic.
- They may suddenly run onto the road - eg: to meet a parent.
- Some road rules you particularly need to be aware of are:
- You must not stop in a NO STOPPING ZONE even for a few seconds to pick up your child.
- You may stop in a NO PARKING ZONE for a few seconds to pick up a child who is waiting nearby. You must not park or leave the vehicle.
- You must not double park or stop in the line of traffic, to pick up or drop off a child.
- You must not stop in a bicycle lane.
- You must not stop within 20 metres before a crossing or 10 metres after a crossing.
- You must not stop within 10 metres of an intersection or junction without traffic lights.

## Princes in Pictures

To view and order photos taken at College events, please visit [Festival City Photography's website](#) and follow the instructions below:

- Click on VIEW YOUR PHOTOS and select the year.
- Select the image titled Prince Alfred College.
- Enter the Access Code "**Princes**" plus the year eg: **Princes2020** (case sensitive) and hit enter.
- Select the category of your choice.
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If you encounter any problems, please call 1300 360 241.

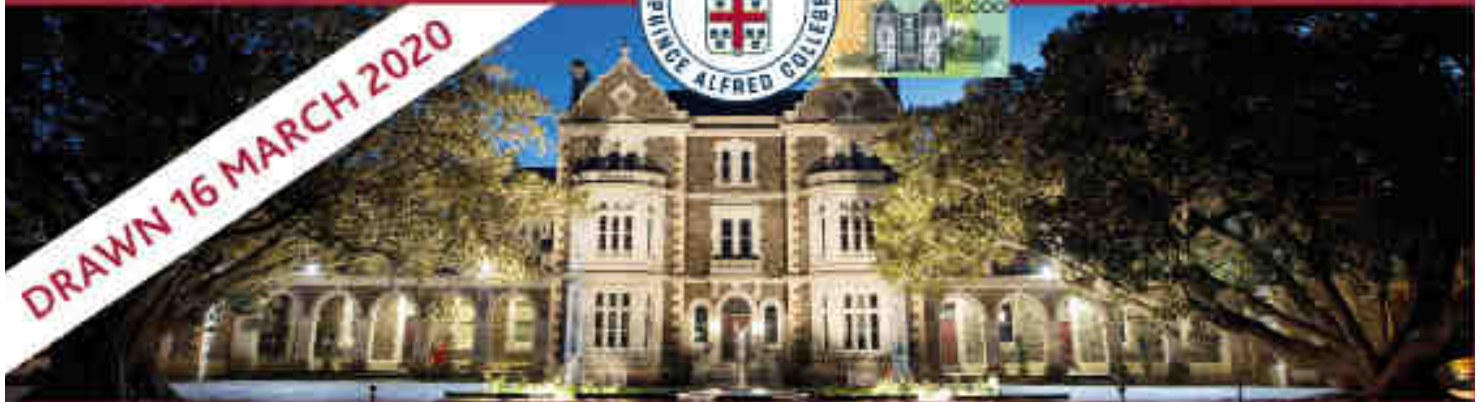
# community notices

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**SAVE THE DATE**  
FRIDAY 6 MARCH 2020

*“Ladies in Red”*

PAC International Women's  
Day Luncheon



GUEST SPEAKER  
JENNY PARADISO

Executive Director of Enable, Speaker, Board  
Member, A&P 100 Women of Influence, Business  
Member of the Financial Business Women of the Year

**BOOKINGS AVAILABLE SOON!**

# community notices



## FoPAC Family Fun & Movie Night



Friday 7 February 2020  
6-9pm PAC Front Oval

Food and Drinks available  
Megacourt inflatables for the children  
Movie – "The Secret Life of Pets 2"



## JUNIOR VOICES and PRINCES VOICES looking for new members

**Junior Voices (JV):** JV is open to Preparatory School students in Year 3 to 6. As per previous years, Junior and Princes Voices will combine for events, such as Easter Service in Kent Town Church.

**Thursday 7:30-8:30am** WH25 (Music Room above the PPT, Main Building)

**Princes Voices (PV):** Princes Voices aims to be a large ensemble open to all secondary students (Year 7-12). We encourage any student who enjoys singing to participate as we build this group up to our target of 30+ members. Students in this group will have the opportunity to perform in a joint choir with Seymour College.

**Friday 7:30-8:30am** WH25 (Music Room above the PPT, Main Building)

**Senior Vocal Ensemble (SVE):** Participating in Generations in Jazz, SVE aims to be a small ensemble of students with an interest in jazz and pop music. While the vocal program grows the SVE will be open to all secondary students and we encourage those wanting to challenge themselves with more complex repertoire to join. In time, this group will become an auditioned ensemble of experienced and senior students.

**Wednesday 7:30-8:30am** WH25 (Music Room above the PPT, Main Building)

For any enquiries contact Voice Co-ordinator, Fran Greenwood  
[fgreenwood@pac.edu.au](mailto:fgreenwood@pac.edu.au)

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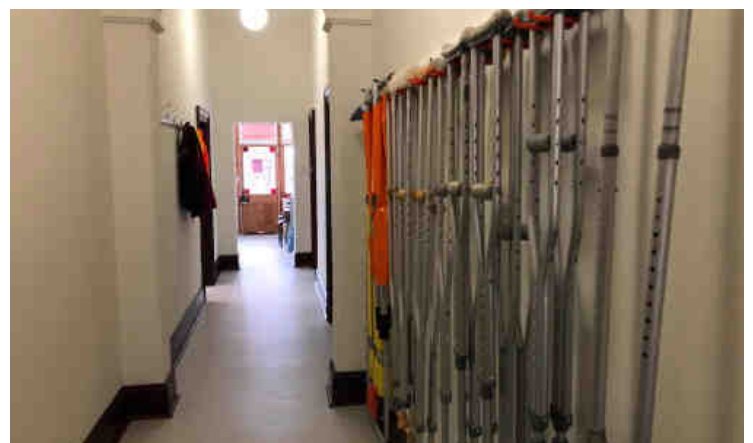
# health centre

## Health Centre

Over the summer holidays, the Health Centre relocated to new stand-alone premises which will provide a superior health service for all our boys and staff. This new facility includes two wards, a dedicated appointment room for the visiting Doctor and private consultations, plus an observation area. The Health Centre is led by Anna Thomson with nurses Anita Greco and Amanda McConnell – all of whom are Registered Nurses with specialisations in paediatrics, allergy and asthma management, and adolescent care.

The Health Centre is now located in the cottage on the left hand side of the main driveway.

In the case of an emergency, our Nurses are also very well equipped to provide care at the site. If your son requires any specific care and you would like to provide additional information on his medical needs, please contact the Health Centre on (08) 8334 1205 or [email](#).



# community notices

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## EDIE'S EXPERIMENTS

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### CHARLOTTE BARKLA

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## Become a 'Chair' Leader

Please see below for your opportunity to, Be a 'Chair' Leader for the ANZAC Hall upgrade!

A major upgrade of the ANZAC Hall is almost complete.

We invite Prince Alfred College community members to purchase a chair so that every performance in the refurbished ANZAC Hall can be enjoyed in comfort.

A plaque (pictured on the left) with your chosen inscription will be attached to the chair(s) you purchase, to signify your support for this project and as a reminder of your generosity for the life of the chair.

To purchase a chair please click [here](#).



# early learning centre

## Gong Xi Fa Cai

Happy Chinese New Year from the 4 year old class - Angwin Room.

During the build-up to Chinese New Year, the Angwin children have had the opportunity to explore the "Legend of Nian". This story has been a great way to introduce the students to Chinese New Year.

Using pop stick puppets, we traced the steps of Nian the dragon beast, who once a year came out of the ocean to feast on the crops and sometimes the villagers. One year an old man arrived and helped the village children who hid in a cave for safety.

The village children heard loud noises outside and Nian roar in pain. The next morning Nian the Dragon Beast was gone. The old man was also gone, but he had left a bag with red shirts, fire crackers and tin pans to scare the beast away if he ever returned, these were the things Nian feared most.

This is the reason red is the colour of Chinese New Year.

The Angwin children made their own red banners to hang above the classroom door to scare away Nian.

## Kerry Rowbotham

ELC Co-educator



# preparatory school

## Made to Feel Very Welcome



They say that the two most stressful events for any marriage is moving and going on holiday. In my great wisdom I decided to cram both of these into the last two months. What sparked all of this was the fantastic opportunity I was given; the opportunity to become the new Head of Preparatory School of this outstanding College. Regardless of the stress we may have felt, my family and I have been made to feel very welcome

here at PAC. Mr Fenner and his team have welcomed us with open arms and the staff, parents and boys of the school have made me feel very much at home.

My journey to PAC began a very long time ago in Thunder Bay, North Western Ontario. Thunder Bay is a city of 110,000 people located at the top of Lake Superior. It is an eight-hour drive to the nearest Canadian city and a place where you need to like snow, winter sports, fishing and very large mosquitos. Inspired by my parents, who were both teachers, I went on to study education at our local university.

Following my graduation, I travelled to London on a year-long holiday and stayed there for a mere 17 years. In London I learnt many important lessons about teaching and learning while I worked in several very challenging schools located in the centre of the city. I was also blessed to work with excellent teachers and have been able to learn the craft of teaching and to follow my passion for leadership.

I was Deputy at Holy Trinity and St Silas Primary School before taking up my first Headship at St Mary Magdalene Primary School in Islington. I then went on to be the Vice Principal of the new St Mary Magdalen Academy.

Working at the Academy not only provided me with new leadership opportunities, it also brought me into contact with Anne Ford, Principal of John Wollaston Anglican Community School. The school employed me as their new Head of Junior School and allowed me to bring my wife back to her home in Perth, WA.

That move proved very fortuitous for us, as we soon welcomed our son and daughter into our family and began a new and exciting life in Australia. After five years at John Wollaston, I was appointed as the new Head of Primary School at Scotch College - A boys' school affiliated with the Uniting Church and steeped in Scottish tradition. A College very similar to PAC.

My journey through many diverse settings has had a significant impact on me. It has driven what I believe as an educator and as a leader. Key to my belief is my educational philosophy and my moral purpose.

### My Philosophy of Education:

- All children have the equal right to an excellent education.
- To develop strong mutually supportive partnerships with colleagues and parents.
- To establish an engaging, challenging and differentiated learning environment for students of all abilities.
- To develop teacher capacity and leadership opportunities for staff.
- To give colleagues a voice in the development and direction of the school.

### My Moral Purpose is:

To develop an environment that provides outstanding caring, Christian, inclusive education for the whole child. It is equally important to develop strong literacy and numeracy skills, an appreciation of the arts and sport, as it is to foster strength of character in young people. Students need to be equipped with the skills and attributes to compete in a global economy. Teachers need to be developed and empowered to be able to deliver the best educational outcomes for every child.

These are what that I strive to achieve in the schools in which I work, and in all of my engagements with colleagues and parents.

I am so very happy to be at PAC. It is a brilliant school with a long tradition of excellence in the education of boys and the development of good men. It is a College I am proud to be a part of. I look forward to getting to know the many members of the wonderful community who have already made me and my family feel very much at home.

### **John Stewart**

Head of Preparatory School

# secondary school

## From the Head of Secondary School & Deputy Headmaster

It does give me great pleasure to welcome back all boys and their families for the start of the new academic year. One could be forgiven for thinking that 2020 will be considerably less busy with the College Sesquicentenary now behind us. Of course, that will not be the case with many exciting activities and programs to look forward to as the year gets underway. We have already had a busy start to the year, but there is a positive tone around the Secondary School campus with plenty of energy amongst the boys. I would also like to extend a particularly warm welcome to all the new boys and their families who have joined the Prince Alfred College community in 2020.

I would also like to acknowledge all the new staff who have commenced at the College for the first time. All new teachers in the Secondary School participated in an induction program during the staff professional development days and this will continue throughout Term 1. We are committed to each and every staff member to ensure that they are well prepared and equipped to deliver their practice as effectively as possible for the benefit of the students.

On Tuesday 28 January 2020, the Secondary School again held our 'Meet the Tutor' afternoon, which provided families with an opportunity to connect with their son's Tutor early in the new year. We have received some very positive feedback about the day, and we will use this feedback to improve on the program for next year. I do encourage all parents to connect with their son's Tutor if they were unable to attend.

If anyone would like to know more about any aspect of our Pastoral Care Program, I invite you to make contact with our Dean of Students, [Mr Shaun Oakey](#). In addition to this, Year Level Coordinators are available to discuss details about specific topics and themes developed for each respective year level.

- Year 7 - [Peter Bubner](#)
- Year 8 - [Rob Colaiacovo](#)
- Year 9 - [Laura Pascale](#)
- Acting Year 9 – [Emma Dibb](#) Terms 2 to 4
- Year 10 - [Scott Parker](#)
- Year 11 - [Andrew MacGregor](#)
- Year 12 - [Andrew Stace](#)

I wish all students the very best for the term and I look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at the Middle and Senior School Parents' Information night and social gathering on Thursday 13 February and Tuesday 18 February 2020 respectively.

## Coronavirus - good hygiene practices

As parents and guardians are aware, the College continues to manage its response to the Coronavirus in accordance with the Department of Health guidelines and this has been referred to in the Headmaster's regular updates about this issue. Good hygiene practices are considered essential in lowering the risk of transmission of any type of infection to others, good sneeze/cough hygiene and hand hygiene practices are important.

These include:

- Wash your hands regularly using soap and water or an alcohol based hand rub. Dry your hands well.
- Cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue or your elbow, not with your hand.
- Place used tissues immediately into a rubbish bin and then wash your hands.
- Keep your hands away from your face. Wash your hands before and after any contact with your nose, eyes, mouth and throat.
- Wipe down all frequently touched surfaces regularly with a cleaning cloth dampened with detergent, or a large alcohol wipe.
- Wash your hands before and after eating and/or using the bathroom.
- Stay at home if you are unwell.

## School TV

The significant bushfire events that have occurred over the summer have been devastating and have affected many communities. The impact of the bushfires has been felt by many communities and it has been distressing for all Australians. As part of their ongoing commitment to supporting the wellbeing of our students and community, School TV have produced a 'special report' titled ['Talking about Bushfires'](#).

## Digital Wellbeing with Dr Kristy Goodwin

This week we welcomed Dr Kristy Goodwin to Prince Alfred College to deliver a Digital Wellbeing presentation to parents and also students in the Middle and Senior School. Kristy shared important information about cybersafety and also the importance of digital wellbeing. The information shared will also be followed up in the Pastoral Care Program in the coming weeks.

# secondary school

## Attendance Procedures

As noted in the last eNews in December 2019, the Education and Children's Services Act 2019 has been assented to and will replace the Education Act 1972 and the Children's Services Act 1985. This will come into operation during 2020 and some of the key requirements will include:

- New tough penalties for parents / carers who allow a child to be chronically truant – maximum fine increased from \$500 to \$5,000.
- Parents / carers will be legally obliged to take all reasonable steps to ensure their child's attendance.
- Introduction of family conferences to support families to make voluntary arrangements to address chronic non-attendance.
- Parents / carers will be required by law to provide a reason for a child's absence within five (5) days.
- Tougher penalties against those who use abusive, threatening or insulting language or behave in an offensive or threatening manner to a school staff member acting in the course of their duties – maximum fines increased to \$2,500.

To this extent, the College is beginning to implement amended procedures and these include the following:

- SMS alerts to parents and guardians if a student is late to school.
- Absence requests:  
ALL absence requests (other than for common illness) of ONE school day or more should be forwarded to the Head of Secondary School via [email \(requestforabsence@pac.edu.au\)](mailto:requestforabsence@pac.edu.au) accompanied by a Secondary School Request for Absence Form.
  - Boarders may request the following leave from the [Director of Boarding \(zsavage@pac.edu.au\)](#):
  - Part-day absences.
  - Early departure at the end of term (or before exeat) and late arrivals following a break.
  - Initial discussions regarding 'Harvest Leave' at the end of the year (Senior School students only).

## Swimming Carnival - Wednesday 19 February, 2020

A reminder that ALL students are expected to attend the College swimming carnival on Wednesday 19 February 2020 at the Adelaide Aquatic Centre. This is an important student activity and both attendance and behaviour procedures apply in the same way as they would at school.

Further information about travelling to and from the carnival will be distributed shortly. Please note that parent permission forms for the carnival must be returned by Monday 10 February.

## Dr John Kinniburgh

Head of Secondary School & Deputy Headmaster

## Library News

Welcome back to a new year at Prince Alfred College and a special welcome to our new students. I hope you all manage to find your way to the library soon.

We are launching the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) early this year, in an attempt to beat last year's record. Our Prefects will once again lead the reading challenge with the commitment to read 12 books over the next few months. Participating in the PRC is not only a great thing to do to broaden your minds, but committing to something for a number of years also looks good on your resume.

Volunteering is another thing which looks great on resumes - Have you thought about volunteering? I am seeking applications for students to join the Student Library Committee and volunteer one lunch time per week in the Preparatory Library, shelving books and interacting with the younger boys. When seeking part-time employment many employers look very favourably on people who can show that they have volunteered their time in some form. If this is something you are interested in please call into the Senior School library and see me.

Adelaide Writers Week is coming up and for the first time the library will live stream some of the sessions. The program of dates and times will be advertised on the library noticeboard in the coming weeks.

Best wishes for a very successful start to the school year and remember the library team are more than happy to help in anyway we can to make your PAC journey easier.

Click [here](#) to view our first 2020 newsletter.

## Cathryn Harris

Library Manager

## PAC Athletics Program

The PAC Athletics Program is up and running for 2020. It is hoped that this program will improve and develop over the next 12 months and beyond, with higher participation rates and the introduction of quality coaches.

Currently the College does not have an affiliated Athletics Club but it is something which, as a Co-ordinator, I would love to initiate in years to come.

If a PAC Student is keen to join a Club so that he may compete at the Athletics SA meets – I can certainly direct him to some well-structured and successful Clubs and Running Groups in Adelaide in the meantime.

The College will be nominating teams for the State Cross Country at Oakbank in Term 2, the SA Associated Schools (SAAS) Achilles Cup Championships and Knockout Athletics both in Term 3.

There are also opportunities for boys to compete at mini-meets mid-week in Term 2 for the SAAS Cross Country Competition. The College also holds the House Cross Country in Term 2 and the annual House Athletics Carnival in Term 3.

Training sessions have commenced for our boys Years 3 to 12. All boys are welcome to attend. We have engaged quality coaches for our current program.

### PREPARATORY SCHOOL RUNNING GROUP YEARS 3 - 6

- Coach : Mark Howson
- Manager: Deb Trengove
- Assistant : Jordan Neal

Every Tuesday morning Terms 1 to 4, Front Oval from 7.30am-8.15am. Boys are to wear their PE gear, runners and bring a drink bottle

#### Mark Howson

Mark has been coaching athletics, cricket and football at PAC for five years. He is a member of the SA Athletics League and running has been his special passion for 25 years.

He has competed at the Masters State Athletics and is a regular AFL Umpire for the School competitions during the winter. Mark works in the Events Department at PAC.

### SENIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS GROUP YEARS 7 - 12

- Coaches: Patrick Gayen, Matthew Clarke, Tim Earle

Every Tuesday morning Terms 1 to 4, Front Oval from 7:15am-8:15am. Boys are to wear PE uniform, runners and bring a drink bottle.

#### Tim Earle



Tim joined PAC as a Mathematics teacher in 2019 and is excited to be involved with the College's athletics program again this year. His own experience with competitive running began in high school and he looks forward seeing our young athletes discover what a rewarding and character building sport it can be. Tim has

raced over a variety of distances since his introduction to the sport, but his passion as an athlete (and coach) is middle distance running.

#### Patrick Gayen



Patrick is an Old Scholar of PAC and now a University student who also loves Athletics. He holds a Level 2 Coaching accreditation in Athletics.

Patrick started participating at the age of 2, living and breathing athletics whilst at school, and attending Little Athletics until the age of 17. As an athlete he travelled with the SA State All Schools Team making the final at nationals in triple jump and has medalled at state level in triple jump, shotput and multi-event. He has been coaching for six years, including at his former Little Athletics Club, at PAC and other schools, and for the Little Athletics State Development Squad. Patrick was the inaugural Co-ordinator of our Junior Athletics on Friday afternoons in 2019.

#### Matthew Clarke



Matt is very excited to join PAC as an Athletics Coach for 2020. Originally from Melbourne, he has recently moved to Adelaide in the pursuit of a qualifying time for the Tokyo Olympic Games later this year in the 3km steeplechase. Whilst in Melbourne Matt has had coaching experience at Carey Grammar School,

where he was Assistant Cross Country Coach and was Head Cross Country Coach at Camberwell Grammar School. He hopes to bring some of his experience at both a coaching and athletic level to PAC, to help further the program in the sport in which he has much passion for.

We look forward to all boys who are keen on athletics, to join our Program this year. For more information please [email](#) Deb Trengove, Athletics Co-ordinator.

# boarding

## Boarding at PAC

Welcome to 2020 Boarding at PAC. We start our first calendar year in our superb new Boarding House with 155 boys. This is a positive reflection on the wonderful care provided by our staff and the caring environment created by our boys and their families.

## Boarding Bonding

This year we have welcomed over 40 new boarders into our community. It has been very pleasing to see the way in which our experienced boarders have welcomed their new peers. Our first weekend together saw the boys able to choose from a number of activities including: attendance at an Adelaide United match, ten pin bowling and "come and try" scuba diving.

On Sunday, all the boys joined together for a barbecue brunch and games on the oval. This was followed by a trip to the Adelaide Oval to attend the Bush Fire Appeal 20/20 Showdown. This was enjoyed by all of the boys and staff. The event was a meaningful way for us to come together as community, while supporting a worthwhile cause. The fact that some members of our community were directly impacted by the recent bushfires made the day even more meaningful.

Our first week has been a positive one and we look forward to all of our Boarders having a rewarding and enjoyable term.



## Support for Boarders

As the boarders settle into a new school year, it is important that we provide opportunities for their development socially, academically, pastorally and from a Co-Curricular perspective. To cater for the boys in this regard, we have key staff with portfolios of responsibility. These include:

- [Mr Mike Oomens](#) – International students
- [Mr Darren Roylett](#) – Indigenous support
- [Mr Will Bittner](#) – Years 7, 8 & 9 and Activities
- [Mr Phil Noble](#) – Year 10 and Academic
- [Mr Monty Mott](#) – Year 11
- [Mr Zac Savage](#) – Year 12

Please contact the Boarding House on (08) 8334 1201 or the relevant staff member, should you need to discuss any issues.

## Zac Savage

Director of Boarding

# performing arts

## Music Retreat 2020

After the successful inaugural Music Retreat last year and the wonderful year that followed for the Music Department, we once again kick-started the school year with a day of rehearsals and workshops for Years 7 to 12 Co-curricular music students. After a long break with no music together over summer, 75 boys opted to give up their final day of holidays to come to school to catch up with mates and enjoy playing music together.

With the Year 12 Common Room acting as a rehearsal space for the day, Big Bands 1 and 2 got down to business at 9am while all remaining instrumentalists attended specific workshops for their instrument – woodwind, trumpet, trombone and rhythm section. Strings, rock band and drum corps boys also had the chance to work with specialist staff in this session. The Senior boys then got their turn in workshops when Big Bands 3 and 4 rehearsed.



There were delicious chocolate donuts for all at recess time, before students came together for a special Music Quiz in the PPT, run by our new Year 12 leaders. With a team name that jazz great John Coltrane would be proud of, 'Giant Stairs' took out the hotly contested quiz. As per 2019, we once again introduced all music tutors to the students one at a time, to help foster that special sense of community and teamwork that the Music Department has. Unfortunately, our guest artist for the day, beatboxer Joe Burgess, was struck down with illness just hours before the 12pm show, but on the positive side we could fit in extra big band rehearsal time before lunch!

After lunch it was onto a mass singing session led by new Voice Co-ordinator Ms Fran Greenwood. Whether vocalists or not, singing is an extremely helpful tool for all musicians, and this exercise proved that the boys could work together and produce a lovely sound – something we'll be working on in singing session with all boys at the College this year. The last session saw a few various rehearsals running, with most boys playing in the combined concert band who were busily preparing for their performance at the Welcome Assembly the next. To have about 80 boys on stage performing together on first day of the school year, is very impressive, and a great way for the brand new Princes Men to begin their experience here. Thank you to boys, parents and staff for supporting our 2nd annual Music Retreat – I'm sure this head start will hold us in good stead for an exciting year to come!

**Andrew Edge**

Director of Music & Acting Director of Performing Arts

# performing arts

## Drama SA Clarifying Forum

In Week 9 of Term 4 2019, Prince Alfred College Drama hosted the 'Clarifying Forum' for Drama SA in the Prince Phillip Theatre. This was an informative event providing professional development to over 40 Drama teachers from South Australia to learn, explore and experiment with the Stage 1 Drama course that is undergoing significant changes to its content and execution. Drama SA worked in collaboration with professional theatre maker Claire Glen and Drama teachers Tessa O'Callaghan from Cabra College and Anthony Kelly from Mercedes College, to deliver workshops relating to the specific assessment types in the Stage 1 Drama course.

This was an excellent event where Drama teachers of South Australia were given the opportunity to exchange ideas and build on their professional practise, to explore creative and inventive concepts tailored to the needs of the students in their classroom and their school.



## It's started.....One Man, Two Guvnors

It's now cast, the 2020 whole school production One Man, Two Guvnors by Richard Bean, due to be performed on 28 - 31 July 2020 in the ANZAC Hall, is a farcical performance not to be missed. In Week 9 the cast from the play started their research by participating in two events designed to launch their understanding and excitement regarding this Commedia dell'arte inspired performance. The first event was viewing the National Live version of One Man, Two Guvnors at the Palace Nova East End starring James Corden. With 30 students in attendance, including the affiliated students from surrounding girl's schools including Wilderness, St Peters Girls, Seymour College and St Aloyisus who are also cast in this play, we had the theatre to ourselves. The students roared with laughter at the witty comic moments and well-timed slapstick routines. They also obtained a strong sense of the convoluted plotline, the complex



character relationships and understood farce as a style of performance. The second event involved the ensemble cast participating in a Cirkidz workshop designed to expose students to physical theatre ensemble skills. Under professional



instruction, the ensemble cast learnt slapstick routines – slaps, kicks and punches, acrobatic balances and how to manipulate spinning plates to create entertaining onstage blunders. This was an excellent workshop for these students and a great start to their learning for this upcoming production.

**Rebecca Hassam**  
Drama Teacher

## Calling All Drama Students!

Want to be part of something fun, exciting and adrenaline raising?? Come along to the PPT every Thursday lunchtime for a session of TheatreSports!!

So what is 'TheatreSports'? TheatreSports is a team-based event where teams engage in a range of drama games where all must create a scene out of a theme or idea given only to them a few seconds prior to beginning. TheatreSports is improvised drama that teaches teamwork, thinking on your feet and creative thinking. Based on the following principles; acceptance, staying positive, being in the moment, embracing fear and storytelling, all students are welcome regardless of experience. With the opportunity to compete in a range of TheatreSports competitions throughout the year, this is a wonderful opportunity to represent the College, build new drama skills whilst also making new friends along the way.

Please see Mrs Goodair or Mrs Hassam in the Performing Arts faculty if you have any questions and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Natalie Goodair**  
Drama Teacher





# friends of pac

## School Fees Raffle

**Win \$15,000 off your PAC school fees!**  
Get your tickets NOW in the FoPAC School Fee's Lottery!  
**DRAWN 16 MARCH 2020**  
Only 300 tickets, at \$100 per ticket!\*  
Head to the PAC website: <https://pac.edu.au/news-events/event-bookings/>

Tickets for the FoPAC School Fees Lottery are selling fast. Hurry to purchase one of the few remaining tickets prior to the draw, which will be held at our next FoPAC meeting on Monday 16 March in the McBride Room (upstairs RED Centre).

Remember there are only 300 tickets for sale at **\$100** each, the 1st and only prize is a \$15,000 credit against the fee account of a student enrolled at PAC in 2020.

For full Terms and Conditions, and to purchase your tickets click [here](#).

Major Lottery Licence No: M13756

All funds raised will be used towards promoting the interests of the School Community, Students and Teaching Staff of PAC.

## Family Fun and Movie Night

**FoPAC Family Fun & Movie Night**  
Friday 7 February 2020  
6-9pm PAC Front Oval  
Food and Drinks available  
Megacourt inflatables for the children  
Movie – "The Secret Life of Pets 2"

FoPAC invites you to one of our favourite events of the year – Family Fun and Movie night from 6:00pm on the Front Oval.

This year's movie is 'Secret Life of Pets 2' and it will start screening at 6:45pm, enough time to purchase some dinner, drinks and snacks before getting comfortable on the oval.

New to the Preparatory School? It is a great night for meeting and welcoming new and existing families within the school community. Our new Head of Preparatory, Mr John Stewart will also be there to start the night's proceedings.

There is plenty of entertainment for the children, including soccer and basketball games. Purchase a wristband for \$5 on the night and they have unlimited access on the inflatable commando course or the 'Wipeout' inflatable!

The Rowing Team are selling sausages with plenty of gourmet toppings, as well as water and soft drinks. The Cricket Team are selling Yiros, freshly cooked on the BBQ.

For the adults, the bar will be stocked, we will have our refreshing PIMMS and Aperol, plus beer and wine.

And of course there will be plenty of movie snacks available – freshly made popcorn and our popular donuts!

Bring your chairs and beanbags and join us for a fun night. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Save the Date

**SAVE THE DATE**  
FRIDAY 6 MARCH 2020  
*"Ladies in Red"*  
PAC International Women's Day Luncheon  
BOOKINGS AVAILABLE SOON!

## FoPAC Meeting

Our first meeting for the year was held on Monday 3 February and was attended by both parents and the College Executive. We were pleased to welcome some new faces to the committee and thank them for their contributions and new perspectives.

Don't forget our next meeting will be held on Monday 16 February at 7:00pm and we will be drawing our School Fees Lottery. All ticket holders are welcome to join us for the draw and to stay for the meeting. Wine and cheese provided.

## Questions??

Should you have any questions for FoPAC or how you can get involved and join the College FoPAC community, please contact us via [email](#) and we will be happy to answer any queries you may have.

# old scholars

## 2020 Diary Dates

### Thursday 13 February

Intercol Bowls

### Wednesday 26 February

Intercol Tennis

### Sunday 15 March

Intercol Cricket

### Friday 27 March

Reds in the CBD Drinks (and welcome to our 'new' Old Reds from the Class of 2019)

### Friday 3 April

Fleurieu Peninsula Dinner

### Friday 1 May

Class of 1955 Sixty-Five Year Reunion Lunch

### Friday 8 May

Intercol Golf

### Friday 15 May

Class of 1990 Thirty Year Reunion Lunch

### Saturday 27 June

SPOC vs PAOC Football Intercol

### Thursday 30 July

Annual Thanksgiving Service

### Friday 31 July

Old Old Boys' Assembly & Annual Dinner

### Friday 21 August

Class of 1980 Forty Year Reunion Lunch

### Friday 18 September

Class of 1970 Fifty Year Reunion Lunch

### Thursday 15 October

21st Annual Vintage Reds Luncheon

### Friday 30 October

Class of 2010 Ten Year Reunion Drinks

## Social Media

Please follow us on:

- Instagram [@PAOCA\\_1878](#)
- Facebook [PAOCA](#)

Please refer to [PAOCA website](#) for reports and photos from our events and a comprehensive listing of future events.

Queries may be directed to the PAOCA Executive Officer, Mary-Ann Standish on (08) 8334 1880 or via email [mstandish@pac.edu.au](mailto:mstandish@pac.edu.au)



We have an additional Instagram page!! Check out our latest site [@princealfredcollegearchives](#)

Full of wonderful pictorial stories from our archives, our College Archivist, Kate Pulford, is making the cultural heritage of PAC available for future generations.

Recently added is a 1934 photo of our boys dressed in the old school blazers and caps and also an 1885 portrait of the PAC Cricket Team and a 1961 Footy photo!!

You never know, perhaps your grandfather will be featured!! The new [@princealfredcollegearchives on Instagram](#), is updated regularly and a wonderful page to follow.