PRAYER FOR UNIVERSAL CHILDREN’S DAY

Loving God You have called us to work for true justice in our communities and to be messengers of freedom for all who are not treated as your children. Give us grace to put our faith into action to end the violence and cruelty that overshadows many children’s lives. Jesus taught us to welcome children and learn from them. May we use our imagination to put ourselves in children’s shoes and learn to teach and guide them with wisdom, gentleness and understanding. Let us treat each child as we would treat the Christ child. Amen

SCHOOL UNIFORM

I am a strong advocate for the wearing of school uniform. Our uniform looks fantastic and we have received many positive comments about it. It is great that nearly all our students are able to wear their full uniform every day. There are enormous benefits for ensuring all students wear our full school uniform. These include:

- Defining our College identity.
- Developing within our students a sense of belonging to our College community.
- Provides an opportunity to build and enhance ‘school spirit’.
- Promotes a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity.
- Enhances the health and safety of students when involved in school activities and excursions.
- Complies with our obligations under Work Health and Safety Legislation e.g. SunSmart policy regarding wearing approved sunhats in Terms 1 and 4.
- Promotes positive community perceptions of our College.
- Makes school clothing more affordable by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear current fashions and expensive clothes.

However, it appears we have a small number of students ‘electing’ not to wear their full uniform. Students at the Huntingfield Campus are expected to wear their blazers every day to and from school, unless the weather is too hot. They can then carry their blazers. Only approved College coats are to be worn with the school uniform. Coats of different colours should not be worn.

Under our policy, girls should not wear makeup, including mascara to school. There are, however, some girls at the Huntingfield Campus who need to be reminded of this section of our policy.

If for any reason a child is not able to wear a uniform, under our current Uniform Policy, parents must provide a written explanation.

OUR 2013 GRADE 10 STUDENTS

Our senior students, the Grade 10s, are soon to embark on a new educational journey beyond St Aloysius Catholic College. As a leadership group, they have accomplished many, many fine deeds and have been involved in many activities and events throughout the year. I have been extremely proud of the manner in which they have represented themselves, their families and the College. They, too, should be proud of the contributions that they have made during their time at the College. As they continue their journey in 2014 and beyond, I wish them every blessing and success in whatever path they choose for their future.
The Grade 10 students have some very important events coming up:
- All this week they will be doing their end of year exams.
- Friday 29th November will be their last day of schooling at St Aloysius.
- On Tuesday 3rd December, we will be honouring their contribution to our College at our Thanksgiving Liturgy and Awards Presentation, which will commence at 6.30pm in the Performing Arts Centre at the Huntingfield Campus.

**COLLEGE/PARISH MASS – SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER**
Our 3rd and final College/Parish Mass for 2013 is this Sunday 24th November at Christ the Priest Church at 10.00am. This is a great opportunity for families to come together with the staff and parishioners to give thanks for the many blessings we have received this year.
Our generous Parish volunteers will be acknowledged at the Mass for the assistance they give to us during the year.
There will be a BBQ after Mass to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, the Parish's Feast Day, and we are invited to attend.

**SURF CARNIvals**
Due to various circumstances including WHS requirements and non-availability of surf lifesavers, we unfortunately will not be able to hold surf carnivals for Grade 4 – 9 this year in December, alternative excursions are being considered by class and homeroom teachers.

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The Serenity Prayer
God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change;
Courage to change the things I can
and the wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;
Enjoying one moment at a time:
Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;
Taking, as He did, this sinful world,
as it is, not as I would have it;

Trusting that He will make things right
if I surrender to His will;
That I may be reasonably happy in this life
and supremely happy with Him
Forever in the next.  

Rienhold Niebuhr
Dear friends of the College,

May I restate what Mrs Doran says in her article, about uniform.

You may remember at the start of third term, when we were both on holiday, Brendan Gill and I met quite by accident in Waterford, Ireland. Now apart from the crystal that is manufactured in that area, Waterford is where one of my personal heroes, Edmund Rice, started his first school.

Edmund Rice started the Christian Brothers who, apart from hundreds of other schools around the world, began St Virgil’s College and Lourdes Hill Agricultural School, the forerunner to St James Catholic College, two Colleges that I have spent more than twenty years at. Edmund is a hero of mine for in his example I find inspiration to the type of teacher and leader I need to be.

When Edmund began his first school in Waterford, it was to educate the poor Catholic youth of the area. In doing so he turned his back on a considerable fortune that could have made his life very comfortable and instead invested it in schools. He even financially assisted Nano Neagle, the founder of the Presentation Sisters, who began, apart from hundreds of other schools, St Mary’s!

How did Edmund invest his money in schools? Well, he built classrooms but he also built a bakery next to each school so that each morning the poor boys could have something to eat before they began their studies. He also paid for a tailor to work next to each of his schools so that the boys could be uniform in their appearance, so as to not create division between them.

We are custodians of this tradition: Uniforms that are uniform and highlight our egalitarian nature.

So students, wear your uniform with pride, understand the deeper reason we have it and know that we are all equal at St Aloysius Catholic College.

Have a great week, Joe Sandric

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Message from the Kingston Student Representative Council

A lot of students have been asking us about doing special things at assembly, like dancing or singing. Because our assemblies are already very busy, Mr Gill suggested that we organise a Talent Show.

We have planned a Talent Show for the Kingston Campus. Single students or groups of students can dance, sing, act and create their way to the Talent Show final. Auditions will be held on a Friday at recess and lunch, beginning next Friday 22nd November. The SRC will choose ten acts for the Talent Show final. We have not agreed on a date yet with Mr Gill for the talent show final, so stay tuned.

Many students across the Campus are always rehearsing. We plan to tell all students this week and stick up posters.

*The Kingston SRC*

**Grade Four Leadership positions 2014**

On Friday (November 22nd) a range of people from the College will be speaking to current Grade Three students about Leadership Positions at the Kingston Campus for 2014. Leadership opportunities exist in the following areas in 2014 for Grade Four students:

* Student Representative Council
* Environment Leader
* Busy Bees
* ICT Leader
* Sports Leader
* Faith & Mission Leader

**Assembly Timetable**

Our next assembly is this Friday 22 November, 2.00pm - Hosted by Prep WI

Tuesday 17 December, 11.15am - The Nativity, Hosted by 3R and 1B

Wednesday 18 December, 1.30pm - Hosted by Grade Four & the SRC
Infant Athletics Carnival
The Infant Athletics Carnival date has been confirmed as December 18th. This is the second last day of school. The carnival will commence at 9.00am.

Planning for 2014
Term Four also involves considerable preparation for the 2014 school year. Just a reminder that any correspondence about the 2014 school year should be addressed to the Principal or Director of Campus by November 25th.

Swimming
A reminder that Prep to Grade Two swimming begins next week (November 25th). These lessons are very beneficial and the recent increase in drownings in Australia is a stark reminder of the importance of water safety. You can help your child have a positive experience by ensuring they are both physically and mentally prepared. Physical preparation involves allowing your child time to practice getting dressed after swimming. Mental preparation can involve talking to your child about the upcoming swimming lessons so they are aware of the lessons and can ask any questions.

From the Pastoral Associate ... ... ...  Mrs Leanne Prichard

Universal Children’s Day/ World Day of Prayer and Action for Children (DPAC)- Today is Universal Children’s Day. This day was established by the United Nations to promote children’s welfare around the world. The date also marks the day on which the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, in 1959 and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, in 1989.

The three-year theme for the World Day of Prayer and Action for Children 2011-2013 is: STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN. All people of faith, guided by their respective religious teachings and values, are encouraged to express hope and determination through prayer and action that the world be made fit for children. Further information at: http://www.dayofprayerandaction.org

SOCK IT TO POVERTY DAY
Last Thursday students and staff on both campuses dressed up in their favourite socks to raise money for the Philippines and Catholic Mission as part of our first ever Vinnies “Sock it to Poverty Day”. Our Vinnies/Mini-Vinnies organised lots of activities at the Huntingfield Campus, including a prayer and reflection on the work of Catholic Mission, sock lotto, best sock outfit competition (won by Ella Harding) and the longest odd sock line competition (which was won by the students in 6DD).

One of the highlights of the day was the staff versus student “sock-er” match, which was won by the staff, of course! We wont mention who won the staff versus student sock tug of war though!

A wonderful day was had by all with over $700 raised on the day. Thanks to everyone involved in the day, with special thanks to our Vinnies/Mini-Vinnies students for all their hard work organising the day.
A final reminder that our final College/Parish Mass for the year will be held this Sunday 24th November at 10am in the Church of Christ the Priest in Kingston. Thank you to all those families who have RSVPed to this Mass and the BBQ afterwards. We look forward to seeing many of you at this Mass where we will give thanks for all the blessings we have received this year.
THANK-YOU AFTERNOON TEA FOR VOLUNTEERS – ADVANCE NOTICE
Each year, St Aloysius Catholic College acknowledges the many parents, parishioners and other volunteers who assist in various ways in our College during the year. Without these dedicated volunteers, we could not provide the variety of activities and support to our students. This year’s Thank-you Afternoon Tea for Volunteers will be held in the Sisters of Charity Centre on the Kingston Campus on **Wednesday 11th December at 2.00pm.** Anyone who has assisted in any way this year - in classrooms with parent help, at the fair, in the canteen, school banking, P & F, uniform shop etc are warmly invited to attend. An general invitation will be sent home this week. For catering purposes, please return the RSVP slip by next week if you are attending.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
A reminder to our candidates and their families that our final preparation session for Reconciliation will be held at 9.00am on Sunday 24th November, before our College/Parish Mass. These students will then play a role in this special celebration where we will pray for them as they make their final preparations to receive the Sacrament on the evenings of Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th November. A reminder for these children to bring their workbooks to this Mass.

LOUI’S VAN BISCUIT DRIVE
Thank you to the families from 1K who made treats for Loui’s Van last week. This week it is Prep Wi’s turn to contribute.

HUNTINGFIELD MASSES
Tomorrow’s mass has been prepared by 9BG. Parents are warmly invited to join us for mass in the Chapel at 10.20am.

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**Cyberbullying: Talk, Report, Support**
Cyberbullying is using technology to deliberately and repeatedly bully someone. By reporting it, talking about it and supporting each other we can stop it. Bystanders who do nothing encourage bullying.

**What does Cyberbullying look like?**
It can include:
- abusive texts and emails
- hurtful messages, images or videos
- imitating others online to set them up
- excluding others online
- nasty online gossip and chat

**How do I deal with it?**
- talk to someone you trust straight away—like a parent, sibling, uncle/auntie, teacher or friend
- don’t retaliate or respond—they might use it against you
- block the bully and change your privacy settings
- report the abuse to the service and get others to as well
- collect the evidence—keep mobile phone messages and print emails or social networking conversations
- remember you didn’t ask for this—nobody deserves to be bullied
What if someone is being bullied online?

• If you know a friend or someone at school is being cyberbullied:
  • don’t join in—don’t comment on posts, images or videos that will hurt others
  • don’t forward or share posts, images or videos that will hurt others
  • leave negative groups and conversations
  • report bullying to someone that can help—this can be an anonymous report to a parent or teacher
  • if you are confident, call others on their bullying and ask them to stop—“Enough. This isn’t funny”
  • support your friend—let them know you are there for them—“I heard about those crap posts. I’m here for you”

Am I a cyberbully?

Sometimes it can be easy to fall into a trap of feeling like you need to defend yourself aggressively, like you need to be the most popular, or needing acceptance online by pointing out other people’s flaws. You might even be trying to hurt someone on purpose. These actions might seem innocent or you might think that you’re ‘just joking’ but they can really affect the experiences other people have online.

By making other people feel upset, excluded or scared, you are not only affecting them, but you are also showing the world what kind of person you are. There are better ways to gain respect, popularity, strength and social standings! Be a part of positive conversations, regardless of differences in opinion.

Being a bystander and doing nothing encourages bullying.

Watch this:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=xTLBQBYX2MQ

Thanks to Cybersmart for this information:

Don’t forget to checkout our own website here: www.icybercitizen.net

COLLEGE FEES 2013

A reminder for families that unless prior arrangements have been made, all 2013 account should now be settled. Should this not be the case arrangements can be made by contacting the Business Manager, Mr Les Gardner on 6229 0100.

COLLEGE FEES 2014 – General reminder

The 2014 Fees and Levies payment forms are due to be returned to the College Office by 26th November 2013. Please contact the office if you have any queries. All forms are also available on the College website.

Mr Les Gardner
BUSINESS MANAGER

LOST PROPERTY

Lost red glasses belonging to Olivia Prince Prep O.

WhAM NIGHT

This Thursday the College will be hosting a WhAM evening, showcasing the Wood Art and Music works of our Huntingfield Campus students. The showcase will run on Thursday, 21st November from 5.30pm-7.00pm and is being held in the Drama Room. Tickets are available from the College Office. Entry is for a gold coin donation at the door.

Mrs Anne Blythe-Cooper
7-10 MUSIC TEACHER
ABORIGINAL ARTIST AT THE COLLEGE
On Thursday last week we were able to have the great privlidge of experiencing true Aboriginal art with the Queensland Artist, Arthur Cronlon. He worked with the Indigenous students all day and created a wonderful wall mural, which will be placed in our Aboriginal Garden. Once we have placed it on the wall, we will have a launch early next year for all our families to see this wonderful piece. The students thoroughly enjoyed the visit. Afterwards Arthur attended the College Assembly and demonstrated his wonderful artistic skills, to all students at the Huntingfield Campus. It was very exciting to see him walking through the College. On Friday the Kingston Students were able to have some class art with Arthur. These art pieces will be displayed through the college both at Kingston and Huntingfield.

Linda Bonnitcha
ABORIGINAL CO-ORDINATOR

TASMANIAN SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH
Congratulations to the following students who received awards in the Tasmanian Science Talent Search board game section:

First Place: Jet Jankiewicz
Second Place: Macy Charles
Highly Commended: Hannah Donovan and Ella Harding
YMCA School Holiday Fun & Fitness Program

Dates & Times:
- Monday 6th—Friday 31st January
- 9am—4pm
(longer stays available upon request**)
(includes visits to Glenorchy Pool on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays)

Costs:
- Tuesday & Thursday $27.50 per child per day
- Monday, Wednesday & Friday $34 per child per day
(incorporates additional charge for pool entry)

What to bring
- Children should wear sports attire/shoes
- Bring a packed lunch, snacks & a water bottle.
- Swimming attire and towel on pool days.

Other important information:
- Bookings subject to minimum numbers.
- Payment required on enrolment.
- Timetable of activities & enrolment forms available on request (see reception).
- Cancellation fees may apply.
- ** Additional fees apply for longer stays

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Book & pay at YMCA Y-Kids Party & Play
8a Constance Avenue Glenorchy
Phone (03) 62728077
Email: hobart@ymca.org.au
KINGSTON BLUES CLUB TRIALS
The Kingston Blues Netball Club will be running selection trials for U/11 to U/17 this weekend (ie Grades 4-10). These selections are for Club teams in the 2014 Southern Tasmanian Netball Associations winter roster, which is played at Creek Road, Newtown on Saturdays. If your child is interested in playing club netball, information can be found on the Kingston Blues website (www.kingstonblues.org.au).

Mrs Andrea Reece
SACC Sports Coordinator

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM 4 DIARY DATES - IMPORTANT EVENTS FOR YOUR INFORMATION

NOVEMBER
Wednesday 20/11 Secondary Schools Triathlon at Bellerive Beach
Thursday 21/11 Primary Schools Triathlon at Bellerive Beach; WHAM Night (wood, art and music) at the Huntingfield Campus starting at 5.30pm.
Sunday 24/11 College/Parish Mass at 10.00am
Wednesday 27/11 & Thursday 28/11 FIRST RECONCILIATION SERVICES
Friday 29/11 Grade 10 students finish for the year

MONDAY 18/11 – FRIDAY 22/11 GRADE 10 EXAMS
MONDAY 25/11 – FRIDAY 6/12 PREP – GRADE 2 SWIMMING PROGRAM
TUESDAY 26/11 – THURSDAY 28/11 GRADE 8 CAMP
TUESDAY 26/11 – FRIDAY 29/11 GRADE 6 CANBERRA TRIP
WEDNESDAY 27/11 & THURSDAY 28/11 FIRST RECONCILIATION SERVICES
TUESDAY 26/11 & WEDNESDAY 27/11 GRADE 8 GIRLS CAMP AT ORANA
TUESDAY 26/11 & WEDNESDAY 27/11 GRADE 8 BOYS CAMP AT CONNINGHAM

DECEMBER
Tuesday 3/12 EoY Thanksgiving Liturgy & Awards Presentation at 6.30pm
Wednesday 4/12 P&F AGM at 7.00pm

WEDNESDAY 4/12 – FRIDAY 6/12 GRADE 9 CAMP AT CAMP CLAYTON
THURSDAY 5/12 – SATURDAY 7/12 AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL IN MELBOURNE

Friday 6/12 Grade 6 Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral
Wednesday 11/12 Kingston Campus Advent Prayer Service TBC
Wednesday 11/12 Kinder M Nativity
Thursday 12/12 Kinder J Nativity
Friday 13/12 Kinder R Nativity
Friday 13/12 EoY Reports issued to parents
Friday 13/12 P&F Carols by Twilight at the Huntingfield Campus
Monday 16/12 Prep – Grade 9 Orientation Day
Monday 16/12 College Board AGM at 6.00pm
Tuesday 17/12 Grade 5 & 6 EoY Excursion
Wednesday 18/12 Kingston Campus EoY Assembly at 1.30pm
Thursday 19/12 Huntingfield Campus EoY Assembly at 11.30am

THURSDAY 19/12 2013 SCHOOL YEAR CONCLUDES FOR STUDENTS
FRIDAY 20/12 2013 SCHOOL YEAR CONCLUDES FOR STAFF

2014 TERM DATES
Term 1 Thursday 6 February – Thursday 17 April

EASTER in 2014 is in the school holidays – Good Friday is 18 April and Easter Sunday is 20 April

Term 2 Monday 5 May – Friday 4 July
Term 3 Monday 21 July – Friday 26 September
Term 4 Monday 13 October – Thursday 18 December

NB: Teachers commence on Monday 3 February and finish the year on Friday 19 December.