Launch of our Facebook Page

Come and join the ‘St Aloysius Catholic College Parents & Friends’ Page – over 150 likes already! The Page is approved by the College however, it is only to be used as a form of general communication and has been created to assist parents, students, staff and friends of the College Community. As the Page is new, and to assist with the management of the Page, all posts will be approved by the Administration Managers of the Page. To post new information, like reminders for up and coming P&F activities, meetings, sports updates etc, please send a message to the Page and then it will be posted. It is all going very well and we are extremely grateful to Angela Cassidy and Erica Ramage for their efforts in getting the Page up and running. Find us and Like us on Facebook! As always, feedback on the Page is welcome.

Funding Submissions Round 1, 2013

At the P&F Meeting in April, over $10,000.00 dollars worth of submissions were given approval by those in attendance at the meeting. Items funded include storage equipment and a couch for the Kinder classrooms, two portable whiteboards for Grade 2, three Elmo Magnifiers for Grade 3 and Grade 4, two outdoor Connect 4 games for all at the Kingston Campus, a science green house for the Huntingfield Campus and a donation to the Huntingfield SRC to help them get started on some projects. Full details of the submissions can be found in the Minutes of the P&F Meeting for April 2013 - visit the College website http://www.staloysius.tas.edu.au/ - select Community, Parents and Friends Association, Minutes from P&F Meetings.

Funding Submissions Round 2, 2013

How does everyone have an opportunity to have a say about how the P&F spends the money raised throughout the year? Attend the P&F Meeting where Funding Applications will be considered or submit an application yourself. The process involves an applicant (Staff or Parent) completing a form providing details and costs of items or services they would like the P&F to fund. The applications are discussed in full at a P&F Meeting and those who are present are encouraged to ask questions about the application and then vote on the submissions.

Round 2 Applications close on Friday 26th July and will be considered at the Meeting on 7th August 2013. Applications must be received by Mr Joe Sandric at the Huntingfield Campus, Mr Brendan Gill at the Kingston Campus or the P&F President, Angela Cassidy.
Mothers’ Day Stalls

Very busy and very successful Mothers’ Day Stalls were held on Wednesday 8th May at both Campuses. Over 780 gifts were sold making the day a huge success. We would like to thank all the teachers and staff at the Kingston Campus for being so organised and positive and the children for being so well behaved. It really is wonderful to see the joy and excitement on the faces of the children as they purchase that special gift. At the Huntingfield Campus we were inundated during the lunch time period and we thank the students for being so patient while having to line up to select their gifts.

The stalls would not have been possible without the hard work of Lesa Ratcliffe, her excellent buying skills and fantastic flair for wrapping really helped set the scene and the lovely ladies who helped prior to stall day and on the day; Angela Cassidy, Tanya Griggs, Leah Kelly, Bec Sward, Priscilla Doyle, Kylie Shelverton, Lisa Kean, Wendy Palmer, Melissa Dance and Lesa Ratcliffe. Most importantly, thank you to the parents and students who supported this event by purchasing gifts. Thank you everyone!

We are very happy to report the Mothers’ Day Stalls raised over $1400.00 for our College.
College & Parish Fair

Plans for the College and Parish Fair are well underway with our dedicated Committee of volunteers working hard to bring it all together for SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER. A “Fair Flyer” will be distributed to families in Term 3 to keep you all informed of dates for collections, tombola jar day, free dress days etc. On Friday 28th June the students at both Campuses enjoyed a Free Dress Day with gold coin donations raising funds to purchase ingredients for the Sweet Stall. On behalf of Bec Sward, the Sweet Stall Co-ordinator we thank everyone for their generosity and congratulate Miss Megan Taskunas and her Grade 2 students for being the class who raised the most money - ENJOY THE CUPCAKES 2T!!

Fathers’ Day Stalls

We have already started buying for the Fathers’ Day Stalls which will be held on Wednesday 28th August at the Huntingfield Campus and Thursday 29th August at the Kingston Campus. Anyone who would like to assist with the stalls (wrapping, helping on the day etc.) can contact Angela Cassidy.

Building Resilience in our Children

The P&F were pleased to support the College with the presentation of the “Building Resilience in our Children” held in the Sisters of Charity Centre on Monday 27th May. Our thanks and appreciation is extended to Alison Brereton, Bec Sward, Dearne O’Halloran, Erica Ramage, Leah Willis, Lesa Ratcliffe, Melissa Dance, Michelle Bromley, Priscilla Doyle and Toni McGinniss for providing a lovely supper enjoyed by many following the presentation.

Congratulations to the lucky door prize winners Bec Sward, Danielle Milic and Dearne O’Halloran who each won a book titled ‘The Resilience Doughnut - The Secret of Strong Kids’ by Lyn Worsley valued at $29.95. The session was very informative and enjoyed by over 80 parents and staff. Further information is available on the following website www.theresiliencedoughnut.com.au A copy of the book is available for families to borrow from the College - please contact Leanne Prichard.

Birthday Books and Games Donations

Thank you to HANNAH JAGER who turned 5 and donated Ella Bella Ballerina and Cinderella.

We hope you enjoyed a very special day. The P&F, and the library, thank you for your kind donation.

If your child has recently had a birthday, or is about to have one, please consider donating a book for either Campus Library or a game for the Games Club. Donations can be left at either Campus Office—just remember to include your child’s details so a sticker of recognition can be added to their gift.
Dates for your Diary

We have a very busy Term 3 ahead of us and would love you to note these dates in your diary:

- Fri 9th August: Free Dress Day for the Fair.
- Tue 13th August: Sausage Sizzle Kingston Campus
- Wed 14th August: Sausage Sizzle Huntingfield Campus
- Sat 17th August: Boot Scootin’ Bonanza
- Fri 20th September: Day Time Disco – Kingston Campus

Further information on each of these events will be sent home to families closer to the date.

Mid Year P&F Dinner

All families should have recently received their invitation to attend the P&F Mid Year Fundraising Dinner—The Boot Scootin’ Bonanza. The dinner will be held on **Saturday 17th August 2013**.

Invitations were sent home with your eldest child. If you didn’t receive your invitation and would like one, or if you have any queries, please contact Toni McGinniss on 0438 145 954 or email toniandken@bigpond.com

Entertainment Books

Once again the Entertainment Books have proved popular with our College families and we would like to thank Melissa Dance for Co-ordinating the distribution and collection of the books and Danielle Milic for assisting with the process. All books should have been paid for or returned by now. If you have any enquires please contact Melissa on melissa.dance@catholic.tas.edu.au or call in and see her in the Kingston Campus office. We trust families are already enjoying the benefits and discounts available in the books and we’re sure some vouchers will be redeemed in the upcoming Term Break.

OUR NEXT MEETING FOR 2013

WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST 2013 AT 7.00PM
HELD IN THE PARISH MEETING ROOM UNDER THE CHURCH
EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME AND WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE