Dear Bethany Campus Community,

Temple recently hosted the Commencement Service for the Association of Independent Schools of South Australia (AISSA).

This is held each year at a different school and is a Chapel style service. We had around 250 people attend, mainly Principals, Assistant Principals, Chaplains and Student Leaders. The senior staff from AISSA also attended the service. It was a very hot Sunday afternoon, the temperature stayed around 40 degrees Celsius.

It was an exceptional service led by our Prefects from both campuses. We were able to praise our Lord and Saviour. Our Head of Christian Life, Faith and Mission, Mr. Mark Ryan, shared a very encouraging and thought provoking message on our God as Creator and our purpose in helping Him bring redemption to this world.

Vetamorphus
It has been very exciting to see the number of students at Year 12 that have enrolled into the Vetamorphus Program. This is a Certificate III in Christian Ministry and Theology. The course is a subject offered at Year 12. The program was offered for the first time at both Campuses last year and now this year Temple has the highest enrolment in SA. We are very passionate about students developing a deeper understanding of God and a great faith in our God.

Open Evening
Open Evening is happening very soon at Bethany Campus with only two weeks to go. It will be held on Tuesday March 24 at 5pm. This is an opportunity for you to see your child’s work on display and see their talents if they are involved in a performance. There will be entertainment, awesome food from our Food & Hospitality students and displays.

Parents and Friends are a very important part of our school community. They have a great desire to facilitate the broader parent body to feel more connected to the school. The Parents and Friends will also be involved in the Open Evening, providing food, drinks and slushies for this night. It is compulsory for students to attend. This is why students not involved during the day have a student free day, as they are expected to attend the Open Evening in their School uniform from 5pm to 7.30pm.

Student Leadership Conference
This year, Anna Nakos (Mile End Campus), Mark Ryan and I had the privilege of taking the Head Prefects and Deputy Head Prefects from both campuses to Canberra for five days for the Student Leadership Conference run by the Compass Group.

Our eight students joined together with student leaders from 27 schools around Australia, a total of 140 student leaders and 40 staff for an exceptional training and inspiring conference. The students (and myself) were challenged regarding our view of the world, to look at the Big Story presented in the Bible and what our story is in relation to that. Topics included: God’s Image for Creation; Reading the Bible Well; Listening and Leading; Leadership Reframed; A Time for Lament; Jesus, The Church, Listen Imagine Create; and A Cause Greater than Yourself. As you can see these topics certainly challenged us to think, evaluate and change. I was extremely proud of our students from both campuses, who certainly did us proud.

One of the main speakers was our own Mark Ryan (Head of Christian Life, Faith & Mission at Temple Christian College), who was exceptional.
in his presentations and many comments were made to me regarding how blessed we are at Temple to have a staff member of his knowledge and communication skills. Mark was certainly a popular speaker. We also visited the new Parliament House, the old Parliament House, the War Memorial, the Art Gallery, the Portrait Gallery, the Australian Institute of Sport, Questacom (the National Science and Technology Centre), and went on a bike ride around Canberra. As you can see it was a visit with a lot of activities and little free time. The mornings started at 7.30am with breakfast and curfew was 10.30pm. By the time we all got to the airport on Tuesday afternoon we were all exhausted, especially me!!

Another highlight of the trip was being able to catch up with Rhiannon Wares, the Bethany Campus Head Prefect in 2013, who is studying at the Australian Defence Force Academy and training to be an Airforce Pilot. She is doing extremely well and loved catching up on the news from the students. I was greatly encouraged and impressed with the leaders of your future society sharing and interacting with each other, and I believe many wonderful friendships were made with students across Australia. The leaders at both our campuses have some great ideas and proposals that they are hoping to implement this year and set a good foundation for future years.

Parenting Ideas Insights

This week’s article on “Help Your Kids Build Their Own Firewall Against Online Nasties” is an important one in our cyberworld society. Parents, please be aware and take responsibility regarding what your child is looking at and listening to online, because these issues won’t go away and need to be managed wisely.

R J Klimionok
Campus Principal

Congratulations to Mr Tim Brunt and his wife Bree on the safe arrival of Max Timothy, born 3:55am Sunday March 8.

Please note that on Thursday April 2 there will be an early dismissal for the Easter long weekend. Students will finish at 12.00pm. Bethany Christian School will also be finishing early at 12.10pm.

The Church at Bethany is holding ‘Welcome to Australia’s’ annual Welcome Party for new migrants who arrived in Australia in the last 10 years. This year we have invited guest panelists to answer questions you may have in their field of expertise:

- Elena Di Fiore of HR Management Consulting – Job Searching
- Mark Mudri of Mark Mudri & Associates – Australian law including Migration law
- Paul Hester of The Church at Bethany – Christianity
- Cris Vidanes of Westpac Bank – Banking and Finance

Date: April 11, 2015
Time: 3pm
Venue: Bethany Christian School Function Room, Countess St Paralowie

Transportation can be arranged if required.
Meet new friends and taste international food as we party!

Contact Edmund and Arlene for more details: 0411 299 475
PARENTS AND FRIENDS

As parents, a vibrant school community is important to us. Being involved in the Parents and Friends group not only gives you the opportunity to be actively engaged in supporting events and initiatives, but also provides a wonderful avenue through which to get to know and work along side other parents. Together we make a difference in the life of the school.

If you would like to join us an invitation is extended to all interested parents and friends to join us at any of the Parents and Friends meetings held through the year.

Bethany Campus, Staff Room, Tuesday, May 12, at 7pm

PARENT PRAYER GROUP

Parents and friends are invited to join the Parents Prayer Group as they meet fortnightly between 2pm—3pm, to pray into the life of the school. We look forward to seeing you. Meetings held in Rod’s Office.

Parents Prayer Meeting dates for Term 1, 2015

Wednesday March 25, April 8

ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS

Enrolment interviews will commence for the 2016 intake of students in early February 2015.

An Enrolment Form must be received by the school before an interview can be booked.

Please contact Mrs Linda Hunter on PH: 8256 9600 to obtain a Prospectus Pack

Online payments

You can now pay your tuition fees and other school related payments securely on our school’s website. Go to http://www.templecc.sa.edu.au and follow the prompts. Please note that you will need your family code (located on your fee statement) to use this service.

SPORTS WEBSITE

Sports website: sports.templecc.sa.edu.au

The website contains draws, team names, consent forms, times, dates, venues, what’s coming up etc.

Please do not hesitate to contact Joshua Lloyd (Sports Coordinator) on 8256 9600 or email him at joshua.lloyd@templecc.sa.edu.au

NAPLAN 2015

NAPLAN last period for 2015 is in Week 3 of Term 2. Testing will occur on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th May.

All Year 7 and Year 9 students at Temple Christian College are encouraged to participate. However if you would like your child to be withdrawn from NAPLAN tests for philosophical or religious reasons, please notify the school of your request by email. Notification must be finalised by Friday 13th March 2015.

Contact: naplan@templecc.sa.edu.au

Thank you for your cooperation.

Volunteers Needed

If you would like to volunteer in the Canteen, please contact Steve at Bethany Christian School on 8283 0000.
Redbacks Visit
On Friday February 27, Chadd Sayers and Jake Lehmann from the SA Redbacks Cricket team came to our school to talk about achieving goals in life, through sport, education and community involvement. The questions the students asked were insightful and interesting and the players gave great answers which supported the values we have as a school. Left is the article from last week’s Messenger Press discussing the school visit.

Open Evening
Tuesday March 24, 2015
5.00 - 7.30pm

SSSSA Swimming Carnival 2015
Following our annual Temple Swimming Carnival earlier this term, a team of talented swimmers from the Mile End and Bethany campuses were chosen to represent the school at the South Australian School Sports Swimming Association (SSSSA) Carnival held on Tuesday, Week 5. The following students made up the team from the Bethany Campus: Hannah Alderman, Astrid Cocks, Ethan Crook, Owen Ebert, Tina Le, Brittany May, Coen Mobbs, Lateilia Mobbs, Brandon Nguyen, Claire Ramintas, Benjamin Richards and Emily Thamm. Thank you to Alex Kumar and Eli Bonuedi who also came along to help times keep for the day.

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At the end of the carnival, the boys finished in 2nd place, the girls finished in 4th place and overall Temple finished in 3rd place. Two of our U16 students placed first in their events; Brittany May Backstroke Div 2) and Lateilia Mobbs (Open Breaststroke Div 1). Our U15 girls 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay Team also placed 1st with a combined effort of Mile End and Bethany students.

I would like to thank all students who came on the day and significantly contributed to the overall points score and also to our student timekeepers for the carnival. Without all student contributions and willingness to swim, even for many in their non-preferred events, the day would not have been as successful as it was. Well done!

Joshua Lloyd,
Sports, PE and Health Coordinator