Dear Temple Family,

It was really good to be able to visit the Year 8 students on their camp at Normanville. I was very encouraged as students shared how they gave the different activities of snorkelling and surfing a go. For some it was the very first time they had ever tried these activities. What a great effort. Well done to Miss Maria Minicozzi on organising the camp and to all the staff that helped out.

I attended the AISSA Commencement Service with our Head Prefects and Deputy Head Prefects from Mile End Campus and the Bethany Campus. It was held at Prince Alfred College and was for school leaders and Principals from independent colleges. It is held to celebrate the start of the year and to give thanks to God for what he has done through Christ and for His continued provision. It was a more traditional Uniting Church service and was good experience for our students. It was really encouraging to see the schools come together and give thanks in this way.

Anne Knock form Northern Beaches Christian School visited both campuses last Friday. She is the Director of Development at the Sydney Centre for Information in Learning (SCIL), that is a part of Northern Beaches Christian School, (NBCS). The development of the Library space at the Bethany Campus was very much inspired by the developments at NBCS and Anne was keen to see what we had done with the space.

Surprisingly she was more interested in the developments we had done at the Mile End Campus as they were also keen to develop an inner city campus in Sydney.

For many, many years we have been known as that school in the shed/factory. If you wait around long enough what you are doing can actually become fashionable from an educational development sense. What we have done is the development of a black field site. This is where a site not intended for educational use such as a factory is turned into a school. A green field site is where you build a new school on land. A brown field site is where you are able to use a previous school.

Development of black field sites are gaining great interest. Who would even imagine that what we have done at Mile End over 30 years

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2013 NATIONAL SCHOOLS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

The convention provides youth input on how to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in the Constitution, at the 18th National Schools’ Constitutional Convention, being held at Old Parliament House in Canberra from 20 – 22 March.

Facilitated by Emeritus Professor John Warhurst, Professor of Political Science at the Australian National University, Aric together with other selected delegates will explore how to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in the Constitution.

Students will hear a panel of experts discuss the advantages, disadvantages and issues raised by such a proposal and, through working groups.

In becoming a national delegate, Aric was selected from around 4,000 students from government, independent and Catholic schools, most of whom took part in feeder conventions in their home state or territory.
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has actually now become ‘in’. God has a great sense of humour and we are continually thankful for His provision.

School Musical—‘SINGIN’ IN THE RAIN’
It is exciting to see the students and staff practising, and preparing for our musical ‘Singin’ in the Rain’. I am very confident that the musical will be one of the biggest highlights for this year. There is a massive amount of commitment and work made by so many people in putting on a Musical.

Please continue to pray for the team Mrs. Faith Cahill, Mrs Kirsty Smith, Miss Stacey Greenham, Miss Kelly Anderson and Mr Brad Adams as they lead the students. Please also pray for all the students involved. It is an incredible journey to be part of, but can also be very tiring and demanding.

Please pray for strength and perseverance for all involved. It will be a spectacular event.

Year 12 Subject Interviews
The Year 12 Subject Interviews will be held on March 21. Please see enclosed flyer.

It is a really important opportunity for you as parents to connect with the subject teachers and discuss the progress of your child. It is strongly encouraged that students attend with their parents for each of the subject interviews. Bookings can be made online using “Parent/Teacher Online.” The link can be found on our website. Log in information was sent out previously for the Care Group interviews. If you are unsure please contact our Front Office on Ph: 8405 0900.I look forward to seeing parents on the night. The Plaza Café will be open for a good cup of coffee.

Mr. Marcel Rijken, Principal

EASTER BREAK
THURSDAY, MARCH 28—MONDAY, APRIL 1
SCHOOL FINISHES at 2.30pm
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, FRIDAY APRIL 12, 3.00pm
RETURN TO SCHOOL, MONDAY, APRIL 29

Photo above, left to right: Aric Pierce (Head Prefect), Tiffany Nott (Deputy Prefect), Leigh Norcott (Head Prefect) and Cuan James (Deputy Prefect).

Compass Schools Conference 2013
For the last seven years, we have sent a number of our senior student leaders to the Compass Schools Conference in Canberra. It has always been a worthwhile and thoroughly enjoyable experience, and this year was certainly no exception. The students were challenged with excellent teaching in relation to the Biblical story, and each were inspired to not only discover their calling as image bearers of God in the world, but consider how they could embody this in their school and wider community. Undoubtedly, the conference has had a significant impact on our students and I look forward to seeing the fruit of their learning as the year goes on. The conference is also an excellent opportunity for relationship building with the senior leaders from the Bethany Campus and other Christian Schools from around Australia. It is always great fun, and each year the students are a pleasure to take on such a trip.

The students also had the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programmes focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. They spent time at the Aust. War Memorial, Parliament House, the Museum of Australian Democracy, the AIL, The National Museum of Australia, as well as exploring some of Canberra’s shopping districts.

The Australian Government recognizes the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist in meeting the cost of the trip the Aust. Government contributes funding for each eligible student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred. We would like to thank the Aust. Government for their support of this program. Thanks must go to Aric Pierce, Leigh Norcott, Cuan James and Tiffany Nott for their exemplary conduct and wholehearted participation, as well as Mr. Brad Adams for his leadership.

Mark Ryan, Assistant Principal – Student Development
RACE TO SAVE THE WORLD

On what appeared to be the only wet day for summer, a select group of thirteen Yr. 10 Geography students set out to compete in the inaugural, Australia wide ‘Race to Save the World’ event. Not knowing what to expect students came with the knowledge that the event would engage them in global poverty in some way. In a spat of minutes the students realised that this was going to be no ordinary event. Their first task, writing letters to parliamentarians regarding Australia’s commitment to alleviating global poverty. Then came the challenge to personally deliver them to Senators and their advisors scattered throughout the city.

With similarities to the highly televised ‘Amazing Race’, our ‘little’ Yr. 10s performed magnificently under the pressure of time constraints, brain overload and engaging with the ‘scary’ public. Competing head-to-head with University aged students and other high schools, our students held their own. Even when mistakes cost time through getting on the wrong bus or failing to collect the required number of signatures on an Amnesty International petition, our students stood up, regained their composure and, with determination, got themselves back into the race.

In all, our tremendous Temple teams fared exceptionally well. In particular the team consisting of Jesse Beckinsale, Josiah Pay, Isaac Gersch and Ryan Matulick came within a bee’s whisker of taking out the competition only narrowly being beaten by a team of University students. What a fantastic effort boys! Special mention must also go to the teams of Alisha Dutschke, Anita Tarasenko and Amy Hawes, and Rebecca Calo and Deidre Boshoff who were each able to convince a primary school each to sign up to becoming a fair-trade school. What a great outcome!

“It was amazing to learn practical ways to deal with poverty” Alisha Dutschke

“Now I understand what poverty really is” Michael Phillips

GERMAN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

On Friday, 15 February, after a long flight, we arrived in Australia. The first thing we thought was: “It is hot!” In Germany we have winter at the moment which means a lot of snow and -10°C.

After meeting our host families and exchange partners we got in the car and noticed that all the people were driving on the wrong side of the road! And we still need time to get used to that.

Our host families are very nice and we’ve already seen a lot of things in and around Adelaide. For example, the lovely beach, the Adelaide Fringe, a wildlife park and we have been dolphin cruising and shopping.

School in Australia is very different compared to Germany. We can sleep longer because it doesn’t start at 8am, but we can’t go home at 1pm. The teachers and students are all very nice, so we’ve already had a lot of fun.

We think it’s good participating in an exchange because you get to know a lot of new people and you are improving your language skills. Of course if you want to learn something about a certain country, you can search for information on the internet or in books. But that’s nothing compared to the experience you get when you live with a family and get to know their culture.

We hope our time in Australia will be unforgettable and maybe, in some years, we’ll meet some of you again in Germany!

By Svenja Wöllner and Franziska Attenhofer, German Exchange Students
We were blessed with the opportunity to stay at Dzintari, Latvian Campsite at Normanville, which overlooks the beach. The students enjoyed a variety of activities including, surfing, fishing, snorkelling, beach games and mini Olympics.

Monday was quite showery, cool and overcast. Despite that all the students got involved in all the activities. Surfing and beach games were held at Middleton Beach. Most of the students who had never surfed before were able to stand on the boards by the end of the session. Second Valley was an idyllic location for fishing and snorkelling. The students were asked to look for bait, they managed to find cockels and crabs. Hannah Arai caught a flathead. Tuesday was a perfect summer’s day.

As part of the talent night, some of the students showed their singing, bass playing and comical abilities. Mrs De Luca cooked up a tasty serve of Chilli Spaghetti, Aaron Tyler and James Otta won the hot chilli prize. Caolan Dowling and his team performed a comic skit called ‘The Irish Pub’, and they won the Talent Night. Coming in at a close second and third were Harry Love playing the bass to AC/DC and Gabii Bradock singing a Hilary Duff song.

The Mini-Olympics on Wednesday, were held in the hall at the campsite, due to rain.

It was an excellent activity because each student was able to showcase a talent. The main purposes of the camp were to provide the students an opportunity help foster and build new relationships. I would like to thank the Year 8’s and the teachers, Mr Brice, Mrs De Luca, Mr Siegfried and our student mentors, Doy McLean, Matt King and Wilderness Escape for their commitment and participation in the 2013 camp. I am so grateful for the many connections we made with students. I look forward to the year ahead.

Some comments from the students:

**What was most enjoyable and why?**

‘I enjoyed surfing because it was a warm day and the waves were fantastic. All the instructors were supportive’. **Laelle Masongele.**

‘The most enjoyable thing for me was the surfing and Mini-Olympics because everyone was able to get involved and have heaps of fun’. **April O’Neil.**

‘Surfing and snorkelling, because I haven’t done it before and it was fun. And Talent Night and beach games’. **Alyssa Kaak.**

‘The beach games were my personal favourite, due to good weather and having free time in the water/beach with friends’. **Lachlan McIntyre.**

‘Probably surfing because it’s really fun and you feel satisfied when you stand up on the board and you get to talk to new people’. **Elisha Oakey-Barry.**

‘Talent Night because we won and I wore a wig’. **William Collier.**

‘I loved snorkelling the most because I have never done anything like it before. It was such an amazing experience’. **Hannah Cocks.**

‘The things I found most enjoyable would have to be the food and the free time where I got to hang out with my friends. The snorkelling was also very enjoyable, I was nervous at first when I had to go under water and swim but it turned out to be really fun and relaxing to do’. **Renee Lundberg.**

‘Year 8 Camp was one of the best camps I’ve been to. It was extremely fun and gave us a chance to get closer with our friends’. **Chloe O’Neil.**

‘Year 8 Camp is really good to go on because you build up relationships and confidence’. **Gabi Bradock.**

**What I learnt about myself...**

‘I made friends on camp and I could fish with crab meat’. Jake Lawrence.

‘That I loved Mrs DeLuca’s chilli pasta’. **Carissa Salvatore.**

‘I learnt that if I didn’t want to take part in one of the activities, I will just keep trying to take part in it’. **Georgy Findlay.**

‘I learnt that I have a lot of personality and that when I’m tired I just imagine myself in another world and just stare at something and just not concentrate on what is actually happening’. **Intsar David.**

‘As I was staring at a scene of two hills and a valley covered by dark evergreens. It reminded me of the sacrifice Christ had made on behalf of us. And the thing that struck me most amazingly was that at the back of the two hills in the horizon, there was a thin, blue lining, which reminded me of how easy it is to miss the path of truth that Christ has made. We miss it by looking for happiness in the lies and deception of worldly possessions’. **Jai Wakome.**
YEAR 10 CAMP

It’s 7:30am on a Tuesday morning. The air is fresh and there’s a keen sense of expectation in the air. 83 year 10 students board a bus en route to Mylor Baptist Campsite. 45 minutes or so later their scenic drive ends. A quick induction talk ensues. The next 2 days see the students placed into 6 different groups as they tackle 11 different action packed activities; high ropes, giant swing, raft making, archery, laser skirmish, canoeing, challenge course, pool games, flying fox, mountain biking and orienteering. They form new friendships, learn new skills, overcome various personal fears and learn to work together in team. Day 3 presents the 10km run and with it the challenge of pushing your limits; a scenic run, with a few hills thrown in along the way. The local police also pay a visit and chat about driver safety. Red Faces at night is always a laugh. Day 4 is the Temple Challenge where the teams uses the skills learnt throughout the camp to build a stretcher, orienteere their team to the “treasure”, construct a raft and ferry their team one by one across the river. Thanks must go to all the teachers and mentors who came. They gave up time away from loved ones as well as precious sleep to ensure the smooth running and enjoyment by all. Thanks must also go to Him above, who blessed us with incredible weather and safety from potential fire dangers.

Here’s what some of the kids had to say about the camp:

FOOD:
“It was the best food I’ve ever had on a school camp. There was plenty of it too”.
“Yummmm!” – Tabitha Morgan
“The bacon was awesome!” – Daniel Berry

ACCOMMODATION:
“Happy it wasn’t a tent” – Chloe Katapodis
“There was an ensuite which was good” – Bella Annells

ACTIVITIES:
“The activities were a lot of fun. It was a great opportunity and enabled me to step out of my comfort zone and challenge myself” - Lucy
“The laser skirmish was the best because it had really cool guns from my favourite games” – Joel Foster

TEAMS:
“I loved my group, although we didn’t win, I loved getting to know more people” – Madeline Gricks

10km RUN:
“I really enjoyed the 10km run. It pushed me and it felt good to finish it” – Rebecca Preston
“One of the best things on camp and I wanted to do it again the next day to beat my time” – Isaac Peplow

RED FACES:
“Soooo fun!! Lots of laughs and entertainment. It was a great way to spend the last night” – Kayla
“Red faces was funny… I really liked watching Dan sing, Jesse being a “girl” and the teachers doing their dance” – Evana

LEO

CHALLENGE:
“The biggest challenge for me was trying to sleep in my dorm as someone kept snoring. In the end I realised it was me” – Jacob
“I found the 10km run the most challenging because I have shin splints so my legs were hurting throughout the run but in the end it was SO worth it” – Danielle
“The high ropes were amazing and scary at the same time. I overcame my fear of heights” – James Akeley

HIGHLIGHT:
“Getting to know all the Year 10’s and teachers” – Alexina

“Becoming more confident and making more friends” – Jesse
SACSA TABLE TENNIS 2013
On Monday, 4 March, Temple sent three Table Tennis teams to play at Tyndale in the SACSA Table Tennis carnival.

Year 8/9 Boys
We entered 2 teams and both teams had a fantastic tournament. Team A was unbeaten all day and won the Grand Final convincingly verses Tyndale. Team B came second in their group and played in the Semi-final against our very own A team. Team B ended up 4th of 21 teams.

Open Boys
Mason Pickard was unbeaten all day and the team looked very strong in the group stage. However, the Semi-final was the end of their campaign narrowly losing to Kings A. The open team ended up 3rd overall. Temple Bethany campus won the Open boys competition.

SSSSA SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2013
After our annual Temple Swimming Carnival, a team of talented swimmers from the Mile End and Paralowie campuses were chosen to represent the school at the (SSSSA) South Australian School Sports Swimming Carnival held on Tuesday Week 5 of Term 1.

The following students achieved certificates for the events in which they swam: Isabelle Annells, Deirdre Boshoff, Karsha Creaser, Robert Curle, Cuan James, Amelia Kingham, Helen Mahood, Caitlyn Mattner, Robert Patterson, Mason Pickard, Aric Pierce, Samuel Riken, Alissa Rooney, Chelsea Turner.

Matthew Thamm from the Paralowie campus received a standard for the U16 Boys 50m freestyle which was an excellent achievement.

At the end of the carnival, the Boys were placed 3rd and the Girls were placed 5th from which Temple achieved a total point score of 982 in an overall place of 4th.

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!
Mr Magan Schaefer, Sports Coordinator

If you have never had a look at the website click on the link below and become familiar so you know where to look for results that are relevant to you. http://www.decd.sa.gov.au/sport/pages/secondaryschoolsportsa

Secondary School Sport SA Website
Are you participating in one of the SSSSA Knock Out competitions or one of the championships like the Swimming, Triathlon, or Athletics? No longer do you have to wait for the results to be mailed to the school sports coordinator and for them to have the time to distribute the information. In most instances the results of the championship are on the website the next day.

As a participant in one of the knock out competitions do you wonder who will be your next opponent? Each Monday morning the results of each of the Knock Out competitions are uploaded to the website so you may be able to know this before your coach.

If you want to nominate for one of the Interstate teams you must do it on the web site. You will also find information on the calendar of events that are run each year, newsletters, award information, policies and guidelines. It is a joint site with SAPSASA and there are links to Swimming and Aquatics and DECD.
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Parents Prayer Meeting dates for Term 1, 2013
Friday, March 8, March 22, April 5
Front Office

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Mile End Campus, Staff Room
7.30pm, Tuesday, 12 March

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