INTRODUCING THE 2015 SCHOOL CAPTAINS

CAPTAINS
Ella Nearmy
Harrison Smitheman

VICE CAPTAINS
Nick Macey
Jordan Grainger
Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends,

I begin with a heartfelt thank you to all the staff, families, parishioners and friends of All Saints for the fantastic welcome I have received in commencing a new learning and pastoral journey in this vibrant community. I extend my personal welcome to all the new families and especially the children who have joined All Saints for the first time. A special welcome to Georgia, Charlize, Jasper, Riley, Shaya, Jakob, Bohdi, Charlotte, Bailey, Blake, Chelsea, Ruby, Anna & Bella (R/1 CR), Isabella, Oliver, Cody, Felipe, Jake, Hannah, Talan, Ella, Rian, Jordan, Geoffrey, Joshua, Shae (R/1 F), Erica, Arika, Rylan, Sophie, Mitchell, Hudson, Chelsea, Lily, Charlize, Ryan & Abigail (R.1 G), Sophie, Charlie, Luke, Evie, Sadie, Pearl, Xavier, Jayden, Fravashi, Kai & Ethan (R/1 L), Sienna, Addi, Isla, Charli, Xanthe, Shaylah, Keira, Thomas, Roman, Mitchell, Ava, Linkin, Emily & Matilda (R/1 R), Summer, Austin, Riley, Cadel, Phoenix, Jacob, Sienna, Riley, Ada, Hannah & Kobie (R/1 V) Rose, Than, Toby, Josifina, Tyler, Claire, Knox, Cooper, Cruze, Bohdee & Ellie-Sue (R/1 W), Ebony, & Ava (2BR), Fallon (2C), Corey (2D), Christopher (3L)Lily-Rose & Benjamin (3N), Ashton & Halle (4B), Lily (4O), Kailie (4R), ILaidem (5M), Joshua (6S) Mason & Paris (7M).

Before I set foot in this amazing school, I did much discovery about the proud programmes and philosophies of the school and as much learning as I could about the most important aspect: its people. I especially wanted to learn everything I could about the children who are the life and pulse of this wonderful community. This learning journey continues today. I thank all the children who have shown much patience with me as I ask them their name, perhaps for the 3rd time in a week!

I seek partnership with all of you as together we can aim for and achieve many things for our precious young people. I look forward to meeting you in and around the school and importantly working with you in the year ahead.

Last Tuesday night, the school held our Meet the Teacher/2014 AGM. It was a lovely gathering with many families attending. One of the important things AGMs are about is celebrating the milestones of the community. Going on the reports and displays presented, there is much to be proud of. I take a moment to thank our administration staff and teachers for the seamless and effective preparation for the AGM.

I thank the School Board of 2014 for their strong commitment to the school and add my appreciation to the retiring members Tanya Gailbraith, Andree Brown and Sherrie Close for their contribution.

After consulting with our Board Chair, Cath Kennedy and Fr Charles, our Board President, a collective decision has been taken to install all 5 candidates to the Board for 2015. It was felt that All Saints will need much careful consideration and wisdom to support the very exciting Building Project which will be underway soon. I thank personally all the candidates who are now Board members and recognise the important thought of the community in voting for them.

Please congratulate, Darryl Hill, Anna Small, Danny Burns, Deb Wilton and Jodie Oliver-Baxter. These people, and of course the other existing members, are your representatives in the school community. Please feel free to approach them or the school Leadership Team if you have matters you would like to open conversations about. Successful partnership begins and is enlivened by respectful communication. I/we look forward to working in strong spirit of collaboration.

Finally, by now you might have caught up with the news about the new play opportunity for the children in the morning. The tennis court and the oval are now open for free play at 8:30am. These areas are in addition to the large courtyard area available to the children. Running is only permitted on the oval. These areas are fully supervised in the morning (and at other break times throughout the day). Please be reminded that the big playground is not available for free play in the mornings or after school.

I again thank you for assisting the dedicated staff to get the 2015 school year off to a great start!

Regards

Justin Cavuoto
Principal
Welcome to the 2015 school year. I am looking forward to continuing my work as Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission (APRIM) with the All Saints community.

Pope Francis’ New Year’s Message
At the conclusion of mass Pope Francis delivered his traditional New Year’s Day address to tens of thousands of people, most of whom took part in peace marches to the Vatican. Pope Francis echoed last year’s message of his hope for world peace.

“Peace is always possible but we have to seek it. Let us pray for peace.
Let there be no more wars.
Peace is always possible but we have to go and look for it.
Prayer is the root of peace.
Happy New Year to everyone. Let it be a year of peace in the embrace of the Lord ....
Peace in our day; peace in hearts, peace in families, peace among the nations.”

Pope Francis, 1 January 2015.

Building Community
This week the children and teachers have been concentrating on developing strong relationships within their learning communities. At All Saints we believe that relationships are at the heart of good teaching and learning. These relationships are based on mutual respect and responsibility for working collaboratively. We are all nourished by our relations with others.

“Children are the essence of Humanity. Children are Community “ - Carla Rinaldi, 2012

Welcome Mass
Our year at All Saints traditionally begins with a Welcome Mass. This special celebration is part of our Catholic Identity and gathers the All Saints community together to welcome the new school year by asking God’s help in all that we do. The Welcome Mass will be celebrated by Fr Charles in the Hall on Wednesday, 11 February at 9.15am. It is a wonderful opportunity to be together in prayer and I know that the children and staff are very appreciative of your presence.

Family Mass
The first Family Mass for the year is on Sunday, 15 February at 10:45am at the Seaford Ecumenical Mission (SEM). The 2015 All Saints staff will be commissioned at the mass. The Children Representative Council (CRC) members will be involved in the mass. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ash Wednesday Mass
February 18 is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is the first day of the Lenten Season. It is a day of fasting and prayer and a time when the All Saints community come together to celebrate mass. The ashes from the last year’s Palm Sunday are burned and used to mark the sign of the cross on the forehead of those attending mass. The ashen cross is a visible reminder of our need for forgiveness. The Ash Wednesday Mass will be held in our hall at 9:15am and everyone is welcome to come along and join us.

Kate Turner
APRIM
Other School News

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Regular Uniform Shop Times

Wednesday 8:30-9:30 am
Thursday 2:30-3:15 pm

Orders for new uniforms may also be placed via the school website or through the Front Office. These orders will be processed on Tuesdays and Fridays only.

(Please note: the Uniform Shop may not be accessed unless a member of the Uniform Shop Team is present).

Reminder: Boys are now required to wear a short sleeved and banded white shirt with their dress shorts as part of the Summer Uniform.

Urgent requests
If you have good quality second hand uniforms that your children have outgrown, these items can be sold through the Uniform Shop. All second hand uniforms must have been purchased from the All Saints Uniform Shop (Permapleat/LWReid) and must be in saleable condition (no stains or damage). Any items deemed unsaleable will be disposed of. Second hand uniforms must be accompanied by a Second Hand Uniform Form available at the Front Office. Proceeds from the sale of second-hand uniforms will be processed mid-term and at the end of term & distributed to relevant families.

We also urgently require the assistance of a volunteer in the Uniform Shop on Wednesday mornings from 8:30-9:30am. If you are interested in helping out and you are a Registered Volunteer with a current Police Clearance, please leave your details at the Front Office.

Thank you
All Saints Uniform Shop Team.

Italian Corner

Bentornati a duemilaquindici! Spero che voi abbiate passato una buona pausa. (Welcome back to 2015! I hope you all had a great break).

For the first two weeks of Term 1 we will be focusing on getting to know each other again after our Summer holidays. To do this we have been playing a range of language games that promote interaction between children, both in English and Italian. We have also been revising words such as the greetings and practicing how to introduce ourselves to others.

Although the school year is only a couple of weeks old, we have already been busy organising work that children produced last year for our Carnevale display. Carnevale will take place this weekend (7-8 February) at the Royal Adelaide Showgrounds. For more information about this traditional cultural experience you can visit the Carnevale 2015 official website: Carnevale Festival Adelaide.

We look forward to another great year of learning in nell'Aula d'Italiano (The Italian Room), including our bi-annual Italian Day that will take place in Term 2. Watch this space for more information.

Grazie per l'attenzione e cordiali saluti a tutti! (Thanks for your attention and best wishes to all!)

Signor Vaudo e Signora Pardoe

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Student Absentees via SMS

Please advise the school of student absentees via SMS. Please send your child’s name, class & reason for absence by 9:00am to 0418 117 541.

2015 Music Tuition Program

Our wonderful Music Tuition Program will be continuing again in 2015. The teachers will be offering tutoring for the following instruments:

Lisa Almond  Violin, Voice & Guitar  0432 394 681
Katie Edwards-Maiden  Piano  0416 597 104
Harley Campbell  Drums & Bass Guitar  0468 860 470
Sean Olsder  Saxophone & Clarinet  0478 116 791  sean.olsder@student.adelaide.edu.au

If your child is interested in learning any of the above instruments please contact the relevant teacher on the number or email provided.

Sue Budd
Music Tuition Program Coordinator

Do you have excess fruit or vegetable produce in your home garden? If so we would gratefully receive any donations which will be used in our kitchen. Donations can be left in the front office and they will be put to good use within the Kitchen/Garden Program.

Craig Goldfinch

Chess

Last year 4M and 4BS learned to play Chess with Fred Loipersberger. At the end of Term 4 the classes battled it out for the Benedict Chess Shield. It was won by Year 4M (4M: 6½, 4BS: 3½).

A big thank you to Fred for his impeccable teaching and love of the game.

Gina Cusano
Volunteering at All Saints

Thank you to the many volunteers who give their time to help at All Saints. We would like to remind parents and carers that to volunteer at any time, either in the classrooms, sporting functions or on excursions, you need to be a Registered Volunteer with a Current Police Clearance.

Applications for a Police Clearance are processed through the Front Office. You are also required to undertake a short online course and complete the induction process including the Registration form.

All forms and further information are available from the Front Office. Once your forms have been lodged it can take between 2-6 weeks to receive your Police Clearance which you must then bring in to the Front Office for verification.

If you have any other questions please enquire at the Front Office.

Parents & Friends

Building Community

In contributing to the life of our school community by volunteering your time and talents in whatever way best suits you and your busy lifestyle, you will be giving yourself the opportunity to:

- Make new friends.
- Learn new skills and share your particular skills and talents with others.
- Have time out from the usual routine of work, home and other commitments.
- Be a role model to your child/ren and other parents/carers.
- Send a strong message to your child about the value you place on their school in particular and their education in general.

Volunteering your time and talents to support our school community has benefits for your child, for you and for our school. You may own a business or have an art and craft background that could be useful. Maybe you know someone that knows someone? All help is greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in volunteering within the school, please see the P & F Building Community form on our website and return to the Front Office.

Helen Thompson and the Parents & Friends Committee

Scholastic Book Club

All children will have received a Book Club catalogue this week through their class box.

Please read through the catalogue with your child and take the opportunity to get some great books at wonderful prices while also benefiting our school. 20% from the sale of all books purchased through the Scholastic catalogues is returned to the school and the library can then purchase books and equipment to share amongst the children.

If you would like any other catalogue for different age groups, these are available at the Front Office.

The due date for all orders is Wednesday, 18 February at 3:00pm. No late orders will be accepted as this means we will miss the cut-off date for orders. Please make sure your orders are in before the due date so your children won’t be disappointed.

For more information, please see the note that was sent home to families this week: Book Club Parents Letter.

Thank you for ordering through Scholastic and supporting our school library.

Michelle Goldfinch
Bookclub Co-ordinator
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Resource Centre News

Welcome back to another exciting year in the Resource Centre. Children and parents/carers are welcome to come to the Resource Centre Monday—Friday, 8.30—8.50am and 3:10—3.30pm. Children will have an opportunity to borrow/return books during their class visits to the Resource Centre, however we encourage children to also return and borrow books before and after school. Children will receive overdue notices each Friday.

The Resource Centre is open at lunchtimes for children to borrow/return, play board games, read a book or draw. Children from Reception to Year 4 are required to have a communication folder or library bag to protect their books.

This year we celebrate are The International Year of Light. Two major events that will also be celebrated in the Resource Centre will be the Premier’s Reading Challenge and Bookweek. Bookweek occurs in Term 3, 22-28 August. This year’s theme is ‘Books Light up our World’

Premiers Reading Challenge

The Premier’s Reading Challenge will begin at All Saints in Week 3. Children from Reception to Year 2 will complete the challenge as a whole class activity in the Library. Children from Years 3-7 are encouraged to complete the Challenge individually. Forms are available from the Resource Centre for the children who would like to participate. The Challenge closes on 4 September where all completed forms must be returned to me in the Resource Centre.

Excerpt from the Premier Jay Weatherill’s letter to the school community:

“Welcome back to a new school year and the twelfth year of the Premier’s Reading Challenge.

I am challenging South Australian children from Reception to Year 12 to read twelve books by the 4th September 2015.

Also, for the first time, there will be a reader for life champion award presented to children who have competed the Premier’s Reading Challenge twelve times.”

If you would like to read the complete letter please view it in the School Community Board near the Front Office.

Gina Cusano
PRC Coordinator

Medication & Asthma

Children who need individual health care support from staff will need a health care plan from their doctor. Any medication required to be administered during school hours must be handed to Front Office staff who will store it securely in a locked cabinet. Medications are NOT to be kept by children in their school bags or on their person (except Asthma puffers & spacers which MUST be kept in the child’s school bag for easy access).

Medication must be:

- prescribed by a doctor. This includes analgesics and other medication that can be bought over the counter.
- only sent if needed. Medication that has to be taken three times per day can be taken before and after school, and before bedtime, and not come to school at all.
- delivered in the original container, with the label from the pharmacy. You can ask your pharmacist for a second, labelled container to keep the extra medication at home.
- within the use-by-date.
- come with written instructions and/or doctor's medication plan.

If your child suffers from Asthma, even if it’s only mild, then they must have a current Asthma Plan on file at the school. If you have a recent or updated plan please bring a copy to the office. Forms are also available at the Front Office for you and/or your child’s doctor to complete.

Ali Sugars
Senior First Aid Officer
**Diary Dates**

- **February**
  - Friday 6th: Assembly (6E), 9:15am in the hall
  - Wednesday 11th: Welcome Mass, 9:15am in the hall
  - Friday 13th: Leadership Assembly, 9:15am in the hall
  - Sunday 15th: Commissioning Mass, 10:45am at SEM
  - Wednesday 18th: Ash Wednesday Mass, 9:15am in the hall

**School Board**

- Friday 20th: Assembly (4R), 09:15am in the hall

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**Frequently Asked Questions**

**How can I register to Volunteer in my child’s classroom?**

Please refer to the ‘Volunteering at All Saints’ article on Page 6 of this newsletter.

**When will I find out how much I owe in school fees?**

Packs will be sent out this week with options for payment. Please return these to the front office as soon as possible. If you have any queries you can contact Rainer Bartl through the office.

**How can I find out about information & upcoming events within the school?**

Our School Newsletter is emailed out to families every 2 weeks and is a very informative tool to keep you up to date with all the school events and activities. Please make sure you check the school’s website regularly for any upcoming events. All class & school notes can be accessed at Current Notices & Reply Slips.

**Is there a Pupil Free Day this term?**

Yes, there is a Pupil Free Day Friday, 10 April. Thursday, 9 April will be the last day of Term 1 & finish at 3:10pm.

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**2016 Enrolments**

All families wishing to enrol their children in Reception for 2016 must lodge a completed Application for Enrolment form

(including siblings of existing students).

Application close on **Thursday, 9 April**.

Interviews will take place during Term 2. An Application for Enrolment form is available from the Front Office.

Contact Leisa Macey, Enrolments Officer, on 8327 0020 for more information.

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**LITTLE SAINTS PLAYGROUP**

Playgroup sessions are held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays during the school term in the Community Room, 9.00–10.30am.

You are welcome to join us for fun play, games, stories and making new friends. Please bring along a hat, drink and healthy snack for your child.