Principal news

The SATIS Athletics team represented us well with some fine performances that appear elsewhere in this newsletter. I noted that there were many highly placed performances, with Ryan Powell and Brooke Jones each taking out two wins, and yet another record for Ryan, shaving 4 seconds off the 3000m time.

Next year we are introducing an additional item of clothing for warmth. Mrs Arrowsmith has done a lot of research to source a soft shell jacket that will provide wind and dampness resistance and can be worn with the PE uniform when representing the College in sport. It will also be able to be worn over the Blazer in winter on particularly cold days. While the item is optional, Mrs Arrowsmith has secured a jacket that is a classic cut and cost effective. There should be no need for students to wear any other jacket as they have done this winter.

All students have been alerted to the danger that they place their peers in by the indiscriminate use of aerosol sprays. We have a number of students who are asthmatic and some are developing decreased tolerances to aerosol sprays and asthma attacks are a consequence. As such, students have been advised not to bring these to school. Roll-on antiperspirants are an alternative.

At the recent presentation evening of the Devonport Football Club, three of the winners are current students at St. Brendan-Shaw College. All three players had each played 5 games or more at a higher level of football throughout the season. Congratulations to: Xavier Todman (Under 18 team Best & Fairest); Nathan Rataj (Development team Best & Fairest); and Kade Pitchford (Senior team Best & Fairest). In addition, past student and current employee, Braden Van Buuren, was named RISING STAR.

Mr Frank Pisano
Principal

"Making many books there is no end, and much study wearies the body." Ecclesiastes 12:12
**Year 12 Final Assembly**

As stated last week, Friday 31st October will see our final Year 12 Assembly. This begins at 10:00am. On this day, all students are expected to be in full school uniform with their blazers. No student should be in PE uniform for any excuse. No student should be without a blazer. If students feel they will have difficulties meeting these expectations for that date, they must see myself in the days leading up to Friday 31st October and I will help them meet the requirements.

**Uniform**

With the advent of the warmer weather, from next Monday blazers will not be required to be worn to and from school. However, blazers will still need to be worn to assemblies. All students should take particular care to be well dressed whilst travelling to and from school.

Richard Chapman,
Deputy Principal

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**Justice**

It is not uncommon to witness a fanatical ‘win at all costs’ mindset; violence on the field, on the sidelines or in the street; racist taunts, communal conflict and exclusion of minorities; abuse and exploitation of women; and greedy opportunism that turns social good into business opportunities for a few.


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**Aerosol sprays and Asthma**

SBSC has a number of students with Asthma. Some students are experiencing increasing sensitivity to aerosol sprays and Asthma attacks are resulting. Please be aware that asthma can be fatal! This is why we decided to make the following new rule.

—> NO aerosol sprays are to be used at the College, on buses to and from school or at College events. (Roll-on deodorants are an alternative) If staff see these, they have been instructed to confiscate them. Parents can collect these at their convenience at the Caritas office.

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**Uniform Shop**

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The Young Writer’s Festival (YYWP) was held over one week during the holidays and consisted of forty people from all over Australia. This year, for the first time, the program was held online as well as in Newcastle, NSW. I was one of the many people participating online. Using Google Hangouts, ten people including myself were called in a group chat in Newcastle where our faces were being projected on a wall to the YYWP organisers. We were each sent an email containing a timetable covering the whole week. On the first day, we had a meet and greet where I met everyone online.

The following days included fifteen workshops involving non-fiction writing, poetry, fiction and three live streams with Garth Nix, Will Kostakis and two journalists. Will Kostakis talked for three hours straight about his hilarious childhood, including a brief story about his parents being divorced which led to dinner with his father, brother and his father’s new girlfriend. As his father wildly made out with his new girlfriend, Will described the moment as ‘watching an octopus trying to fight itself’. The following Saturday Garth Nix also talked for a ridiculous amount of time about his family and his writing experiences. When Sunday finally came, we were asked to talk about the stories we were supposed to be writing that I had no idea about. However, this did not stop me from completing a 12,000 word story named ‘Children of The Sky’ which took first place. Not only did I walk away in first place, we discovered our group points and had Blue come in second.

The National Young Writer’s Festival was truly an amazing experience. It is held every year and I cannot wait for 2015. If you ever get the chance to participate, I encourage you to take the opportunity with both hands and I wish you the best of luck. I have learnt so much, met amazing people I now call friends and had an even better experience. But most of all, I don’t want to say goodbye.

Jack Murfet

“Don’t challenge yourself by telling yourself you’re writing a book, just write.”
-Jack Murfet

Tests on Basic Skills. For Years 7,8 and 9

If your son or daughter is in Years 7, 8 or 9 he or she will be undertaking a set of national tests in Maths, Spelling, Comprehension and Vocabulary over the next few weeks. These Progressive Achievement Tests are designed by the Australian Council for Educational Research and are used in over 4000 schools across Australia.

The tests provide detailed information on your son or daughter’s strengths and weaknesses and allow the College to better monitor their progress over time and provide more individualised assistance. If you have any queries please feel free to contact:

Mr. Gavin Hicks
Deputy Principal Teaching and Learning
On Friday 17th of October, 34 students travelled to Hobart to participate in the SATIS Athletics Carnival. After stopping along the way at Campbell Town to refuel for lunch, they continued on to Hobart and filled in the afternoon with swimming at the Hobart Aquatic Centre, dinner in North Hobart and laser tag at Zone 3.

It was an early start on Saturday, arriving at the Domain Athletics Centre at 8am, ready for the first event at 9am. After a group warm up and motivational speech from Athletics Coordinator, Mr Chapman, the team were ready to compete at their best.

It was a great day with sunny weather and plenty of outstanding performances including:

- **Ryan Powell** 1st Open Boys 1500m
- **Ryan Powell** 1st Open Boys 3000m - Ryan broke the 3000m record by 4 seconds and set a new time of 8:55.13.
- **Aaron Brown** 2nd Open Boys Discus
- **Max Green** 2nd Under 15 Boys 800m
- **Matthew Wood** 2nd Under 14 Boys 800m
- **Shaun Davey** 3rd Under 14 Boys Long Jump
- **Nikki Burton** 3rd Open Girls 800m
- **Renae Bussey** 3rd Open Girls Javelin
- **Brooke Jones** 1st Under 15 Girls 100m
- **Brooke Jones** 1st Under 15 Girls 200m
- **Brooke Jones** 2nd Under 15 Girls 400m
- **Inighion Quinn** 2nd 4x100m Relay
- **Nikki Burton** 3rd Under 15 Girls 800m

I would like to acknowledge a few members of the team that went above and beyond to represent our College, filling events that they were not selected for and doing it with such a fantastic attitude. The following students competed in a large number of events, which is an amazing effort in one day- Well done! Jake Gleeson (7 events), Shaun Davey (6 events), Renae Bussey (4 events), Brooke Jones (4 events), Finlay Murfet (4 events), and Nicole Brown (4 events).

I would like to thank Mr Richard Chapman and Mrs Lucy Withers for volunteering to accompany the team over the weekend, helping to marshall athletes, act as lap counters, supervise the team and even commentate the carnival. A huge thank you!

**Miss Renee Sushames**

**Head of Sport**
What happens @ SBSC

20 Oct was the International Day of Peace

We showed our support by making and placing pinwheels on the football oval, to represent our wish for "whirled peace".

WOODWORK CLASS

2 amazing pieces made by our students are displayed in the Caritas office this week.

Made by:

Tyler Fisher and Joy Pfleger

Prefects 2014 & 2015 combined lunch!

"Thank you so much Bridget for organising for Kade and Brooke to come and speak at our Assembly. They did a fantastic job. They were excellent representatives of your school and were an inspiration to our students."

Alison Broomhall, Grade 6 teacher, Our Lady of Lourdes

Leadership Assembly at OLOL
The Tasmanian Catholic Schools’ Parent Council (TCSPC) provides the forum for Parents who have children educated by the Catholic Network of schools. The Annual General Meeting and Conference takes place on Sunday 26th October at St Finn Barr’s Catholic School 247 Invermay Road, Launceston. Keynote addresses will be provided by Archbishop Julian Porteous who will outline a vision for Tasmanian Catholic Schools, Parishes, Clergy and families, and Mr Francis Sullivan from the Truth and Healing Council who will talk on why the Council has been put in place and recommendations for moving forward.

Registration can be made through the following links:
http://www.trybooking.com/FNNA0r http://www.trybooking.com/97006
Registrations are essential for catering and the $10 cost can be paid on arrival.
The full program can be found at the TCSPC website at: http://www.tcspc.org.au/

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St Brendan-Shaw College Arts department presents

2014 Arts Evening

Come along to see the talented Arts students showcase works from throughout the year.

Thursday November 6th
7pm Start, Gold Coin donation
The Genesis Centre
Josie Beyerle

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It’s Cricket Time!!!

Devonport Orions Cricket Club are looking for u15 & u17 cricketers for this season.

Training is held during the week with games played on Sundays.
To join the club and start playing this season, contact
Tony Brown (0438511499) for more information.
All new players welcome.

Mr. Steven Ryan,
Head of Health and Physical Education

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North West High School Regional Basketball Championships 2014

This weekend The Devonport Basketball Council will be hosting BTAS’s NW High School Regional Championships. Our College has 11 Teams entered in the tournament catering for approximately 90 students. Every student who indicated a desire to participate is involved which is only possible because of volunteers consisting of parents, students associates of the college and staff. We wish all involved an enjoyable and fun weekend!
Details of the Draw, Tournament Conditions and Teams can be found on the College Website at:
http://www.sbsc.tas.edu.au/sports

Contact Person:
Mr Adam Aherne,