



**Mr Andrew Ponsford**  
**Principal**

**Term 2 Enrichment Program**

I commend to you the Term 2 enrichment program you will find attached to this copy of our newsletter. Nineteen different activities feature – many academic, a number cultural, others relating to the performing arts and still others arising directly out of interest and demand.

I warmly thank our staff for their extra contributions and opportunities.

**Candide**

Candide, has recently made the local news with a feature story appearing in the Star Weekly, [click here](#) to read the article.



*Photo courtesy of Star Weekly*

My very best wishes to the cast and crew of our 2019 production, Candide. Considerable hard work and energy has gone into the lead up and I do wish all concerned a most enjoyable, rewarding and memorable experience.

**Mrs Julie Baud**  
**Deputy Principal**  
**Head of Teaching and Learning (F – 12)**

It was such a privilege to have the opportunity to share the Canberra experience with our Year 6 students last week. Their energy levels, enthusiasm and constant excitement during all of the educational sessions never ceased to amaze me! Even after getting up at 4.20am to attend the Dawn Service at the War Memorial on Anzac Day, they were still running around at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS)

shooting baskets and trying other activities late that afternoon! The Year 6 camp is an experience these students (and staff) will remember for a long time. I hope they will also remember a lot of the information they learnt from the engaging interactive sessions at places such as new and old Parliament Houses, the War Memorial, the National Screen and Sound Archives, Telstra Tower, the AIS and Questacon. Thank you Year 6 for allowing me to share the week with you!

Meanwhile, back at school it is time to start thinking about the weeks ahead with mid-year exams and the General Achievement Test (GAT) in a few weeks. All Year 12 and most Year 11 students will complete the Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority (VCAA) GAT, compulsory for all of those enrolled in one or more Year 12 (3/4) subjects (studies), on Wednesday 12 June as well as a compulsory practice GAT on Friday 24 May, from 9.45am – 1.00pm. Senior School students were informed of this at the end of last term and there will be more details provided over the next couple of weeks. In the meantime, I urge all Senior School students to develop a revision program to assist with their preparation for these exams as they will have exams in each of their subjects, commencing Thursday 6 June.

**Ms Louisa Rennie**  
**Deputy Principal**  
**Head of Senior School (10-12)**

**ANZAC Day Reflection**

Our students commemorated ANZAC Day with a student-led Assembly on Wednesday 24 April. Welcoming Mr Peter Burquest and Mr Alan Godfrey to our school, we were afforded an opportunity to hear first-hand accounts of their war time experiences. Our grateful thanks to Callum and Rebecca for proudly representing Southern Cross Grammar at the Dawn Service on Thursday 25 April.





“In the morning dawn, the eclipsing of the sun behind the trees and the twilight, countless souls gathered to commemorate the hardships our predecessors faced in battle. On the 25th of April, ANZAC Day, we were honoured to be given the opportunity to represent Southern Cross Grammar at the Caroline Springs dawn service, which was an unforgettable experience. To describe the significance of this event would be to count the grains of sand on all of the coasts of every continent. To even think about comprehending the gravity of this occasion would be virtually impossible, with many people commemorating their loved ones lost in war over 100 years ago. ANZAC Day is one of the few times that we can come together and collectively commemorate those fighting for our nation, both past, present and future.

At the dawn service, participants (including returned servicemen) and onlookers gathered at 5:45 AM at the new Lake Caroline ANZAC commemoration monument. After numerous inspiring speeches, breathtaking stories, captivating conversations and stimulating performances, partakers were individually called upon to lay a wreath in front of the monument, a tradition traced back to Roman times to symbolise the bravery and courage of the fallen. In summary, our ANZAC day experience was one to never forget. We would like to thank Southern Cross Grammar for allowing us this significant opportunity. Lest We Forget.”

*Callum Weir (Y10) and Rebecca Dimovska (Y9)*



### Senior School (Years 10-12) Mother’s Day Breakfast

Senior school mums are warmly invited to join all Senior School students for a light breakfast and an opportunity to hear from Mrs Joanne Camilleri, General Manager and Joint Director of Telco Business Solutions. Joanne will share her insights and advice about career planning and achieving success in the workplace.

We look forward to celebrating this special day with our Senior School mums.

### Friday 10 May 2019

**7.50am – 8.45am**

**Student Lounge, VCE Centre**

RSVP by 3 May: [emajstorovic@scg.vic.edu.au](mailto:majstorovic@scg.vic.edu.au)

### Ms Janis Coffey

**Head of Middle School (5 - 9)**

### Grade 6 Canberra Camp

“The Year 6’s went on an amazing trip to Canberra! In school we had been learning about democracy and how it makes Australia a great place to live. We had also been learning about Australian Parliament and how the government works. In Canberra, we got to visit Parliament where we got to go inside the House of Representatives and the Senate! We tried to count all of the clocks in Parliament but lost count! We also visited Old Parliament House, the Australian War Memorial, the Australian Institute of Sport, the National Film and Sound Archive, Questacon, the Telstra Tower and attended the ANZAC Day Parade. We also attended the Dawn Service at the War Memorial on ANZAC Day to pay tribute to the ANZACs. Visiting Canberra helped us to understand democracy and the parliamentary system.”

*Tayla Kojdovska and Menara Ranatunga (Year 6)*



We are grateful for the funding and support of the Australian Government through the PACER contribution which enables the students to participate in the wide range of activities and tour during the course of the Year 6 Camp to the nation’s capital.



## Dance Club

This new initiative started in Week 2 and will run each Wednesday afternoon for the duration of the Term. It will take place after school from 3.15pm – 4.00pm and will form part of our enrichment program. An external party will be running the program and each week will take on a new 'theme' of dance, including Hiphop, African, MJ, Combat Aerobics, Broadway etc. Students will need to indicate their interest via the Sign Up Sheet each week on the Middle School Community Notice Board by Tuesday afternoons.

## Term 2 Camps

The Year 8 and 9 camps will run during the last week of term and there will be various information afternoons that run from 4pm – 5pm on the following dates. All students and parents are invited/ encouraged to attend these sessions:

- Year 8 Snow Camp: Thursday 23 May
- Year 9 China: Thursday 30 May
- Year 9 Broome: Monday 3 June
- Year 9 Melbourne/Tasmania: Tuesday 18 June

## Ms Romina Pimpini

### Head of Junior School (F – 4)

Last week we welcomed the new Term with a celebratory Assembly, including our annual Easter Hat Parade from our Foundation students and announcements of our Class Captains for Term 2.

Foundation students and their families got 'crafty' over the term break and created colourful head-wear that included eggs, chickens, lots of cotton wool and even a dinosaur or two!

A big thanks to all the crafty-creators at home who helped our Foundation students add colour and excitement to the start of our term.



## Term 2 Captains

Our Term 2 Captains were also announced on this occasion, shared by many parents and family members.

We wish our Captains for this term every success in their leadership and development as role models in the Junior School at SCG.

Term 2 Captains are:

- 1CS - Chloe Findlay
- 1SS - Rayan Safdar
- 2LH - Ashton Joannou
- 2SM - Annalise Daulo
- 3VT - Rose Camilleri & Aarin Dang
- 3AB - Bryan Tran
- 4DG - Alessandra Leong
- 4DM - Renelda Veli





## Term 2 Chess program in the Junior School

What a terrific start we had this week in Chess @ JS.



Eleven students participated in strategy and problem-solving skills beyond the classroom, as well as making some new friends from different year levels.

Sessions run Mondays after school from 3.15-4.15pm in the LRC.

*Interested in joining?* Registration is easy via the link

[www.kidsunlimited.com.au](http://www.kidsunlimited.com.au)

## Wet – Weather in the Junior School



In Term 2, we may have varied weather patterns in Melbourne, and on occasion, this will cause us to have 'Wet Weather Days'.

In the Junior School Building, signage will indicate a 'Wet Weather Day' and we ask that parents and family members support our daily routines with the children and assist us with the following:

### Wet Weather Day - Drop-Off

- Students should line up inside the Junior School Building, along the wall immediately outside their classroom with their bag
- Parents/Carers are encouraged to adopt a 'kiss and drop' strategy – children will be safe as they remain in the building and parents/carers may leave [reducing traffic in our building]
- Provide an umbrella for your child or consider the school raincoat as options to keep your child dry before and after school.

### Wet Weather Day - Pick-Up

- Students will be dismissed from their classroom
- Parents/Carers are asked to await your child/ren outside the building to avoid disruption to learning for all students
- Please refrain from knocking or tapping on classroom windows, as this also creates a disruption for learners
- Bring along an umbrella/raincoat for them to use or wear on your travels back to vehicles or transport

## School Photo Day 2019

Tomorrow **Friday 3 May** is our School Photo Day. Personalised Photo Order envelopes should be at school already, as these will be handed to photographers.



It is required that students are dressed proudly in their full formal winter uniform on this occasion.

\*Please Note: SIBLING PHOTOS will be taken on Tuesday 14 May due to Interschool Sports clashes for Year 5 and 6 classes\*

## Winter Uniform in Term 2 and 3

A reminder that Term 2 sees the inception of our winter uniform, which includes winter shorts or long pants for boys.

It is important for students to arrive at school in uniform each day. Many thanks to parents and families for their support in this matter.



### PFA Uniform Shop: New 2 You

The PFA pre-loved Uniform Shop, *New 2 You*, regularly runs each Friday from 2.00 – 3.30pm and is staffed by volunteers.

For the next few weeks this will not occur due to the Junior School hub housing our School Production, *Candide*.

Any pre-loved uniform enquiries should be sent to [pfa@scg.vic.edu.au](mailto:pfa@scg.vic.edu.au) so that items may be located and sold to you.

While this is a different method to the open-shop each week, we thank you for your understanding and look forward to hosting the *New 2 You* store in the Junior School Hub once again from Friday 31 May.

## It's Back!

Earn & Learn is back at Woolworths supermarkets.

From 1 May (yesterday) - 25 June, anyone who shops at Woolworths can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers.

Every \$10 of shopping will earn a sticker, as well as bonus sticker promotions each week.

This year we will be collecting stickers to expand our Junior STEM resources. Sheets to place your stickers, as well as collection bins are available at Reception.

Here's hoping we can all contribute to this program so that we can earn and learn at SCG!







**Mr Joseph Hedditch**  
**Assistant Head of Senior School**

**Parent Teacher Interview Day - All Day Sausage Sizzle** for all families present at Southern Cross Grammar for parent/teacher interviews next Wednesday the 8 May, 11.00am – 5.00pm.

Come and purchase one of our delicious \$3.00 sausages (Halal option available) while you are at the school to attend Parent Teacher Interviews to help fundraise for our Peru expedition coming up this December. The sausage sizzle is a great opportunity for all in the community to show your support for the Ambassador Team.

Flip Out tickets (indoor trampoline centre in Derrimut) will also be sold on the day at the sausage sizzle stand for \$20 each (\$29 value). Flip Out offers a variety of fun activities which the whole family can get involved in. The voucher includes 2 hours at the trampoline park and an option of trampoline socks or a free Slurpee. It is a great opportunity for active and exciting family fun.

Many thanks to Flip Out who has gladly supported the Ambassador team with raising funds for the Peru expedition by offering us the opportunity to sell vouchers within our community.

It should be noted that 100% of all costs involved in the program are spent on the associated projects, providing vital support for the programs ongoing commitments, both long and short term. Costs of students to travel enable them to have a direct influence on local needs such as:

- Community: building new classrooms or a seaweed farm
- Environment: tree planting, establishing sustainable practices and education
- Wildlife: reforestation or digging water holes.

Thank you so much for your support and we cannot wait to see you there!

*The Ambassador Team: Chloe Baillie, Chanelle Baldevia, Barath Baskaran, Paris Ekladious, Taylah Erhart, Paris Lapsas, Joshua Macpherson, Kasey Mercieca, Andjela Micic, Grace Muneretto, Damien Razmovski, Maxine Shettigara*



**The World's Greatest Shave**

Every day, 35 Australians are diagnosed with leukaemia; a form of cancer which affects the blood and can be devastating to the many people who suffer with this debilitating disease. SCG's very own Alyssa Kishta, from homeroom 10.2, set out to raise money for people suffering from leukaemia via the World's Greatest Shave.

The World's Greatest Shave is a charity which aims to give people living with blood cancer the emotional and practical support they need. Alyssa was very successful in her efforts demonstrating her ability to Aim High and Be a Leader in alignment with SCG's Student Centred Vision and raised a grand total of \$560. The school is very proud of you Alyssa for supporting such a valuable cause. Well done!



**Mrs Ashlee Walsh**  
**Daily Organiser and Teacher**

**FareShare Excursion**

"At 8.00am Wednesday morning, 18 students, Mrs Walsh and Miss Coffey departed SCG to leave for Abbotsford to participate in the FareShare Kitchen, where they rescue food and save hunger. When we arrived at the Kitchen, we were greeted by very welcoming staff and were introduced to what goes on behind the scenes in such places. We were going to make quiches and we were all looking eager to start.



We were set a goal of 1500 quiches to make, and we started the process. At first, there were two groups; packaging and making the quiches, it then evolved into a third group; making the pastry.

Soon, everyone was involved in something or the other, helping out around the kitchen. At 12.00pm, we had a break, and ate some of our handmade own quiches- yes, they were tasty- and we were surprised and quite happy that the goal was reached- about 1600 quiches- and that this amount will have gone to the people who need it.

After our break, we started the clean-up and the process of packing up and preparing for the next day. When that was finished, the staff that had so warmly welcomed us- said farewell, and said that the quiches we made were being sent to Foodbank, a famous charity that gives out food to the people who cannot achieve food security. We arrived back at SCG at 1.30 pm.

Overall, we all had a very enjoyable experience and one that will be remembered!"

*Ved Padmawar (Year 9)*



**Mr Robert Graham**  
**Learning Area Leader – Music (F – 12)**

**Music Recitals – Semester 1**

Music Recitals will be held on **Sunday 26 May** in the Junior School Learning Hub and will feature performances from students enrolled in Private Music Tuition at the school.

Recitals will run throughout the day and all members of the school community are welcome to attend. For further information about Music Recitals, or to enquire about the school’s Private Music Program, email [music@scg.vic.edu.au](mailto:music@scg.vic.edu.au)



## NAPLAN Timetable

<b>Date</b>	<b>Test</b>	<b>Time</b>
14 May (Day 7)	Year 3 Writing	Period 1A and 1B
	Year 5 Writing	Period 1
	Year 7 Writing	Period 1
	Year 9 Writing	Period 1
15 May (Day 8)	Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 Writing Catch Up testing	Period 2
16 May (Day 9)	Year 3 Reading	Period 1A and 1B
	Year 5 Reading	Period 1
17 May (Day 10)	Year 7 Reading	Period 1
	Year 9 Reading	Period 1
20 May (Day 1)	Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 Reading Catch Up testing	Period 3
21 May (Day 2)	Year 3 Language Conventions	Period 1A and 1B
	Year 5 Language Conventions	Period 1
21 May (Day 2)	Catch Up testing (if required)	Period 2
22 May (Day 3)	Year 7 Language Conventions	Period 1
	Year 9 Language Conventions	Period 1
22 May (Day 3)	Year 3 and 5 Language Conventions Catch Up testing	Period 2
23 May (Day 4)	Year 3 Numeracy	Period 1A and 1B
23 May (Day 4)	Year 5 Numeracy	Period 1
23 May (Day 4)	Year 7 Numeracy	Period 2
23 May (Day 4)	Year 9 Numeracy	Period 2
23 May (Day 4)	Year 7 and 9 Language Conventions Catch Up testing Writing Catch Up testing	Period 2
23 May (Day 4)	Year 3 and 5 Numeracy Catch Up testing Reading Catch Up testing	Period 2
23 May (Day 4)	Reading Catch Up testing	Period 3
24 May (Day 5)	Year 7 and 9 Numeracy Catch Up testing Language Conventions Catch Up testing	Period 1
24 May (Day 5)	Numeracy Catch Up testing Any outstanding Catch Up testing	Period 3



### TERM 2, 2019, Enrichment Program

	BEFORE SCHOOL, 7:50 – 8:30AM	MS LUNCH, 1:05 – 1:45PM	JS LUNCH, 1:35 – 2:00PM	AFTER SCHOOL, 3:15 – 4:00PM
<b>Monday</b>	Mini Strings, Selected F-12 Students, JS Learning Hub, Bridgitte Dias	Chess Club, MS/SS Students, B207, Howard Lacey  Drama rehearsals, selected MS/SS students, B103, Lincoln Busby		Drama rehearsal, selected MS/SS students, Lincoln Busby (Week 2, 3pm-8pm)
<b>Tuesday</b>		Chess Club, MS/SS Students, B207, Howard Lacey  Advanced Vocal Ensemble, Selected 7-12 students, B101, Genevieve Sathiaseelan and Vivien Lee		Drama rehearsal, selected MS/SS students, Lincoln Busby (Week 3, 3pm-8pm)  Science Support, MS Students, B109 (Week 3, 5, 7 and 9)  Mathematics Academic Support, MS Students, B205 (starts Week 3)
<b>Wednesday</b>	Junior Strings, Selected F-12 Students, JS Learning Hub, Samantha Calvert  Guitar Ensemble, Selected F-12 Students, B101, Trevor McQuade	Chess Club, MS/SS Students, B207, Howard Lacey	Year 3-6 Choral, Selected 3-6 Students (1:15pm), JS Hub, Genevieve Sathiaseelan and Vivien Lee	Dance Club, MS Students, TBA, Week 2 onwards  English Academic Support, MS Students, B205 (starts Week 3)
<b>Thursday</b>	Senior Strings, Selected F-12 Students, JS Learning Hub, Samantha Calvert	Chess Club, MS/SS Students, B207, Howard Lacey  Wind Ensemble, Selected 12 Students, B101, Adrian Perger and Rohan Laird		Robotics Club, Selected MS/SS Students, B102, Rajnesh Ram  Drama rehearsal, selected MS/SS students, Lincoln Busby (Week 3, 3pm-8pm)
<b>Friday</b>	Junior String Quartet, Senior String Quartet, Selected F-12 Students, JS Learning Hub, Samantha Calvert and Bridgitte Dias	Chess Club, MS/SS Students, B207, Howard Lacey  Drama rehearsals, selected MS/SS students, B103, Lincoln Busby		