In my last newsletter article, I mentioned that one of the key activities for staff during professional development week was to consider how to integrate a Christian perspective in what we teach.

Parents may wonder what this looks like in practice, so let’s consider a few examples.

A Year 10 Commerce class is studying personal financial management and investment strategies. As the students learn about investing in shares or managed funds they are likely to develop an understanding of how individual investors make money from such investments and also the associated risks.

In considering these risks, it would be helpful for students...
to consider some case studies of people who had made unwise investment decisions through either their own naivety or greed.

This would be an ideal opportunity to share what God teaches is in the Bible about the dangers of a love of money by looking at some Bible passages such as 1 Timothy 6:10: “for the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.”

In turn, a class discussion on this verse would hopefully better equip students when, as adults, they make a range of investment decisions.

A Year 3 class learns about the way that the force of gravity pulls objects towards the earth by dropping objects from different heights. The class teacher could take the opportunity to remind students that it is ultimately God who controls gravitational force and that we should be in awe of God because of his sovereign control over his creation. Mentioning Psalm 8:3 – 4 could also be helpful.

Integrating a Christian perspective into the curriculum does not need to be complex or time-consuming. Sometimes the most powerful way to help students understand a Christian perspective on a particular area of study can be through a brief explanation or class discussion where students have an opportunity to ask questions and share their thinking.

I feel sure that many parents, even those who may not consider themselves Christians, would appreciate teachers integrating Christian perspectives like this into the classroom. For example, I would hope that the large majority of people in society would appreciate children being taught, with reference to the Bible, the dangers of being greedy when they are learning about stock market investments.

Being a Christian school, we need to be courageous and not shy away from considering a Christian perspective on topics that put us at odds with the attitudes and values of society. For example, the ABC and social media seem to report and discuss, almost ad nauseam, issues related to homosexuality such as gay marriage. When Christians seek to sensitively explain that we believe marriage should only be between a man and a woman, we are often harshly criticised for doing so.

Because there are so many wonderful things to learn and discover at Shire Christian School, topics such as gay marriage only arise very infrequently with our older students. However, when such topics do come up in pastoral care, or where it is addressed in mandatory curriculum documents, please be praying that our teachers will sensitively and lovingly make the Scriptural position clear and also provide support and encouraging advice on how students can act and think Christianly.

Junior School winners of ‘A Moment’ art competition

The Visual Arts department were pleased to announce the winners of the 2016 Art Competition for each Junior School stage group.

We received 60 entries across the Junior school. Well done to all those who participated in producing a photograph or artwork with the concept theme ‘A Moment’.

Kinder to Year 2
Drawing Category
Winner: Kiara Hazlewood
Highly Commended: Carissa McKay

Photography Category
Winner: Abby Weinstein
Highly Commended: Anna Rolland

Years 3 to 4
Drawing Category
Winner: Sumerset Rigg
Highly Commended: Makai Wagstaff

Photography Category
Winner: Ben Davidson
Highly Commended: Isabelle Saville

Years 5 to 6
Drawing Category
Winner: Ben Coffey
Highly Commended: Alexander Lianos

Photography Category
Winner: Eloise Walker
Highly Commended: Jenna Davidson
Towards the end of last term, Year 11 Business Studies students were given the privilege to interact and engage with an iconic Australian business, Gelatissimo.

This unique opportunity was possible thanks to generosity of Mr Filipe Barbosa (Gelatissimo CEO) and father of Denise Barbosa, a Year 11 Business Studies student.

Students visited two distinct areas of the business. The first was the manufacturing, warehousing and head office space in Rydalmere, where students observed the operations process, which highlighted the importance of stock management and production methods.

This was also the first opportunity for students to sample a variety of Gelatissimo’s delicious gelato products.

Students then traveled into the city where they compared two different Gelatissimo outlets, one at The Rocks and one at Circular Quay.

In comparing the two outlets, students were able to assess a number of factors that lead to the running of a successful business.

Once again students enthusiastically took up the opportunity to sample the wide range of available flavours of gelato.

This excursion gave students a chance to apply their content knowledge to a real business situation. It also demonstrated the key elements required when planning for business success.

A special thanks to Mr Filipe Barbosa and his staff for giving up their time to make this excursion both informative and memorable.

Mr Mark Peters, Teaching Staff
“We put our slippers on for Slippers Day because they are nice and warm and it was freezing cold outside.

“We had been learning about Winter. Mrs Bentley’s slippers were big dinosaur feet and they made noise like Grrrrrr!!

“We even went to music with our slippers on. Slippers are fun”

Composed as a group, by the children of Prep 1
• Thank you for the opportunity to share our different gifts.
• Pray that we have good rehearsals.
• Pray that all the cast and the teachers stay healthy for the performances.
• Pray that all the cast learn and remember their parts.
• Pray that God will be honoured through each performance and promotion that we do.
• Pray that lots of people will come to see Alice In Wonderland.

Prayer points...

donations of colourful teacups, saucers, teapots and milk jugs

A very merry unbirthday to you! To you! A very merry unbirthday to you!
In six weeks’ time you are invited to a very special Unbirthday party with the Mad Hatter, the March Hares and Alice.
To make the party perfect we are asking for donations of colourful teacups, saucers, teapots and milk jugs.
If you have any of these items to brighten up the Mad Hatters tea table, please leave them at Reception.
Your donation will be greatly appreciated as you have only one birthday each year, but you have 364 unbirthdays!

Happy unbirthday to you!
Pray for Nathan, Barry family

As you may be aware Nathan Barry, one of our Year 10 students, is currently being treated for cancer. Please pray earnestly for Nathan, his family and his friends at this time. The school will continue to provide support to the Barry family. We are also taking practical steps to support other students who may be struggling to cope with Nathan’s condition. - Mr Brett Hartley

Parent Help needed...

Writers: Students may require a writer for their exams due to acute injury or a long-standing disability. Writers assist by completing written elements of exams as dictated by students. Exam Writers are not required to read for students, unless stipulated.

Readers: Students may require a reader for their exams to assist in their completion. They are required to read all of the written information including unseen texts and sources, diagrams, criteria, questions and instructions. Readers are not required to write for students, unless stipulated.

You may also be required to practise with a student for a few sessions in order to familiarise yourself and student with the process.

If you are interested please contact Miss Lauren Dalrymple learningsupports@shirechristian.nsw.edu.au

Light refreshments will be provided.

Please RSVP to kwilson@shirechristian.nsw.edu.au to assist with catering

Important message for Opal cardholders

All students are reminded to Tap on and Tap off at the beginning and end of each trip with their Opal Cards when travelling to and from school.

If students don’t tap on and tap off, services may be cancelled due the lack of recorded patronage.

Wrap with Love

Starts:
Monday 22nd August 7-9 pm

Where:
Shire Christian School Senior Library

Cost: Free

All knitters and crocheters are invited to the annual knit-in to support Wrap With Love, a charity pledging to provide warm wraps for people suffering from extreme cold.

Please bring along your own knitting and crocheting supplies.

If you are unable to attend the knit-in, squares, wraps and donations of 8 ply yarn can be left at school.

Knitting patterns can be downloaded from Wrap with Love.

Light refreshments will be provided.

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Health authorities are becoming increasingly concerned about our general lack of physical fitness and the burden that obesity and deficiency in regular exercise are placing on our national economy.

We are being constantly reminded about the need to be more careful about what we eat and to drag ourselves away from the electronic screens to which we have become addicted and do some walking, jogging or playing in the fresh air with which we are so abundantly blessed in a “land that abounds in Nature’s gifts of beauty rich and rare”.

Speaking of the National Anthem, the Olympic athletes provide a good role model for us in terms of disciplined eating and training habits.

Are we doing our bit for Australia by avoiding sugary drinks, consuming enough fresh fruit and vegetables, avoiding greasy takeaway, leaving our car in the garage for reasonably short walking-distance trips, or just getting out and smelling the roses?

All this attention being given to health and wellness is most commendable, but it highlights a much more serious problem for our nation today.

The Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy: “For physical training is of some value…” (1 Timothy 4:8), so he obviously saw the importance of a healthy, active lifestyle.

He even referred to this sort of thing when he wrote to the Church at Corinth: “Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last for ever. Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.” (1 Corinthians 9:24-27). And what he added to Timothy was the most important point he was making: “… physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.”

If only we as a nation were more concerned about what is happening to us because of our neglect of developing godliness! Notice that he says that “godliness” does not only “have value” and “hold promise” for the life to come; it does this for the “present life” as well.

Yes, let us not neglect the importance of physical fitness, both in diet and exercise. But PDHPE is incomplete if it leaves out the place of spiritual diet and spiritual exercise.

We are so thankful to be part of a school community that sees the importance of this in the curriculum. How is our daily diet of God’s Word going? What about the regular exercise of prayer and fellowship with other believers?
On Friday 29 July Year 4 went into the ABC Centre at Ultimo to hear a performance by some members of the SSO.

Their “Learning and Engagement” program presents concerts each year that are carefully crafted to meet the needs of Primary aged students.

The conductor lead us through the pieces, introducing families of instruments, things to listen out for in the music and told us a little bit about the pieces we heard.

We are privileged to have such great opportunities in Sydney to hear amazing live music.

Staff were so proud of our students who scored the best seats in the house (front two rows), and their knowledge of concert etiquette was excellent!

Year 4 visits the SSO...

Year 4 shared some interesting observations...

- “I like the man doing an impression of crunching a cockroach on his instrument.”
- “I liked how the music was smooth and calming.”
- “I enjoyed watching the violin and cellists’ fingers going really fast up and down.”
- “My favourite piece in the music was the ‘meerkat song’.”
- “The orchestra was so good!”
- “I liked it when a guy on the double bass did an impression of a racing car.”
- “My favourite part was when we got [to clap] a tricky rhythm.”
- “I liked it when the conductor was dancing.”
- “When we went to the ABC centre my favourite part was when they were making impressions of their favourite thing.”
- “I liked the ‘meerkat song’ because it was mysterious. I also like the song selections.”

Mrs Elissa Stonestreet, Teaching Staff

Australasian Mathematical Olympiad Problem Solving Competition

During Week 5, the Year 7 and 8 Extension Mathematics Classes competed in the third mathematical olympiad for 2016.

Each olympiad involves solving five difficult problems. All students made a valid attempt and the following students achieved outstanding results with four questions correct:

- Jonah Van Waart (Year 8)
- Joel Stokes (Year 8)
- Wesley Yiu (Year 8)
"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love."
- Psalm 103:8

- Praise the Lord for His mercy, his grace, that He is slow to anger and thank Him for his abounding, steadfast love.
- Pray for the Year 12 students sitting their trial HSC exams.
- Pray for energy, enthusiasm, good memories and joy for students and Staff involved in the Alice in Wonderland production as they continue to rehearse.
- Thank God for Science Week at school and the way God has made this world with all of its incredible details and the opportunity to learn about how some of those details work.
- Pray for students who are doubting God’s goodness, His mercy, or His steadfast love.
- Pray for healing and endurance for Nathan Barry (Year 10) who has cancer and is undergoing his eighth round of chemotherapy this week.

For Prayer and praise

Parents’ Prayer Time
Please come and join other parents for a short prayer time in the IRC after the Junior School morning assembly, next Friday (19 August).

Morning tea is provided, and children are very welcome. You can leave when you need to.
Junior School is as exciting as the Olympics!

Our Junior School has certainly been buzzing with enthusiasm and events since the term started.

We have had a Gala Day and Metro Cup Day for our Netball and Soccer Teams, a performance at Menai Marketplace, learning about the Olympic Games, P-2 Athletics Carnival, 3-6 Mini Olympics and Musical Practices.

There have been as many events as are scheduled in the 2016 Olympics!

I’d like to thank our teaching staff, our students and parents who have helped, trained and participated in these events.

Maths Competition

Next Tuesday will be the UNSW Mathematics Competition for those who have registered.

An Extravaganza

The Musical, “Alice in Wonderland”, is shaping up to be a colourful extravaganza!

I’d encourage you to come along, and bring your family and friends . . . you’ll really enjoy the show.

Fruit of the Spirit

This term we are all learning about the Fruit of the Spirit as found in Galatians 5:22,23.

You may like to discuss these at home and help our children know how we can have and show the fruit of the Spirit as we live for Jesus and become more like him.

Silver Awards

Sophie Morrison
Samuel Hunter

Bronze Awards

Samuel Hunter
Sophie Morrison
Milayna Batterham
Eloise Walker
Jonathon Costa
Zac Young
Ella Luxton
Emily Doyle

More Mini-Olympics Day pictures on page 11.
Where I Belong

Take a closer look
at Shire Christian School

Prep to Year 12 Co-Ed School
Visit our website to book your tour

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#wherelibelong
Take a tour with the principal and learn about the planned building program

Date: Friday 26 August
Time: Immediately after Junior School assembly, around 8.50am.
Where: Meet in the Breezeway

Meet the Teacher

Tell us a bit about yourself

I grew up on a farm on the Southern Highlands but have called Wollongong home for the last 18 years. I have taught Physical and Health Education for 12 years and before that I spent time studying Social Welfare and working in the fitness industry. The schools I have most been involved in are Wollondilly Anglican and Illawarra Christian School and most recently the Uni of Wollongong. Coaching and swim teaching have always been passions of mine as well as many crafty pursuits!

My family and I are involved in Wollongong Baptist Church and we are also Foster Carers.

What will you be teaching (and to whom) at Shire Christian School?

I am covering Ms Ham’s classes in the PDHPE dept this year while she is on leave. That means that I get to spend lots of time with Years 3 to 5, Year 7 and Year 10 during their sport time.

Why did you want to teach at Shire Christian School?

I have friends who went through this school and others who have taught at the school and I thought I’d love to have a chance to “join the team”!

What appealed to you about the community and the role?

Primary age is a fabulous developmental stage to work with children to develop their interpersonal and physical skills.

I have always loved working with young adults as they move through the next stage in their lives and to be able to share with some high school students at this school, is also a privilege.

Personal convictions

The Lord has given us all wonderful and unique resources and I just love to help students develop and refine their individual talents, abilities, interests and relationship with their Creator.

Which of your teachers had the biggest influence on you? Why?

My PE teachers through school and then my Uni prac teachers, as well as some special netball coaches influenced me over the years with their enthusiasm for teaching life skills, their approachability and genuine love for children and young adults.

What you learnt from them that you still practice and value today?

I learnt from these role models that life is precious, can be lived to the full and reaching your personal potential is a worthy goal?

What is your vision for your students this year?

This year I aim to provide the students I teach with varied opportunities to explore moving their bodies and participating in many forms of physical activity all while learning new and interesting things about the experiences.

I will remain available and hope to be a resource for students seeking to continue their learning in physical and health education . . . and life in general!

Ms Olivia Simpson, Teaching Staff.
Year 6 students were entertained with a Japanese drama last Friday afternoon. The visiting Japanese exchange students each received a small gift from Mr Hartley.

Farewell to our Japanese exchange students

After school care employment

Christians are encouraged to apply for casual employment in our after school care program. We don’t need anyone for before school care.

Those who are interested should send a brief email to Mr Brett Hartley at: principal@shirechristian.nsw.edu.au and also apply through the Camp Australia website: http://careers.campaustralia.com.au

Once approved by Camp Australia, those people will be placed on the casual list for after school care at Shire Christian from 2.30pm to 6pm Monday to Friday and they will be contacted when needed.

Important Notices

Drop off Zone is not for parking
Please be considerate to neighbours and don’t park near or on driveways.

Prep Father’s Day Breakfast
Prep 1: Tuesday 30 August
Prep 2: Friday 2 September
Week 6 at 8:30am
On Monday 1 August, a team of 55 competitors travelled to Campbelltown to represent our school in the CSSA Zone Athletics Carnival.

The students participated with great enthusiasm in both track and field events. Each team member displayed excellent sportsmanship and performed to the very best of their ability.

One of the highlights of the day was seeing both the Junior and Senior Boys Relay teams achieve first place and the Junior Girls Relay team achieve second place.

Special congratulations goes to Mikayla Shore (8 year) and Noah Anderson (11 year) who earned the title of Age Champion on the day. An outstanding result!


Twenty four of these competitors achieved a first or second place in their events and will be competing at the CSSA State Athletics Carnival to be held at Blacktown on Friday 19 August.

Photographs: Mrs Joy Towell  
Miss Louise Kerr, Teaching Staff
How did you prepare for the audition?
I really wanted the role of Queen of Hearts or Mad Hatter because I felt they were the roles I could put the most emotions into and it was just me.

So I prepared for the role of Queen of Hearts by shouting at myself in the mirror and my cupboard door. I tried to put a lot of emotion into my words. I also practised my song “Painting the Roses Red”.

The musical is only six weeks away, what are you looking forward to?
I am looking forward to performing and spending time with my friends in the musical because they have become a second family to me. When you are in a production you develop really close friendships with others of all ages.

What is your character the Queen of Hearts like and is she like you?
The Queen of Hearts is a very imposing, menacing character who tends to lose her temper quite a bit. She is known for shouting and her unforgiving nature because whenever something goes wrong she yells, “Off with your head!”

In some ways she is like me because sometimes I can be imposing and I thought I could portray her.

I love getting ready for the role, getting my make up done and getting into costume as I transform into her.

What will you be thinking while you are on stage performing?
I will be thinking don’t mess up and remember my lines. I will be trying to become my character and not scare everyone.

How can we pray for you and the musical?
Please pray that I won’t get sick or hurt and as I’m putting the finishing touches to my lines and character in these last few weeks that I will do my best and be the best Queen I can be.

Pray that everyone in the musical will be healthy, remember their lines, not have stage fright and do the best they can do.
How did you prepare for the audition?
I practiced a lot with Ellie.

The musical is only six weeks away, what are you looking forward to?
I am looking forward to the performances, the audiences and acting.

What is your character Tweedle Dee like and is he like you?
He is crazy, energetic and bouncy very much like me. I am very energetic and crazy and I love bouncing up and down.

What will you be thinking while you are on stage performing in the musical?
I really like acting and I will be hoping that I remember my lines. I will be hoping that I don’t muck it up for Tweedle Dum and that the audience likes how we act.

How can we pray for you and the musical?
Please pray that Ellie and I are able to help and support each other as we act out our scenes.
Pray that everyone finds the musical fun and don’t get too nervous.

How did you prepare for the audition?
I practiced a lot with Milayna and prayed that I would do well and asked my family to encourage me.

The musical is only six weeks away, what are you looking forward to?
I am looking forward to performing and watching the audience laugh and their reactions. Performing with Milayna is really fun and silly.

What is your character Tweedle Dum like and is he like you?
Tweedle Dum is energetic, very excited and crazy without even knowing it. He is a loud cheerful character who loves to play with friends and likes to talk a lot.

He is quite like me as I like playing and I’m a crazy, cheerful person. Tweedle Dum laughs a lot and makes people happy which I also try to do.

What will you be thinking while you are on stage performing in the musical?
I will be wondering what the audience is thinking about me and my character.
I will be hoping that my family will be happy and proud watching me and that they will think that Milayna and I are funny.

How can we pray for you and the musical?
Please pray that Milayna and I will do well and perform our best. Pray that we won’t be sick on the night. Pray that God will help us and we will do our best and not be nervous.
Performance showcase

Thank you for your support
Principal’s Awards

Gold
Brianna Dearing
Natalie van Waart
Silver
Isabelle Jefferson
Natalie van Waart

Academic Awards

YEAR 7
Endeavour
Tahlia Hampson
Achievement
Hannah Alverson
Ashley Crofton
Tahlia Hampson
Annalie Hatton
Julian Kwok
Tiana Marre
Amy Sandilant
Joel Sefton
Louis Spencer
Tiffany Tan
Dylan Tinker
Kate Watters
Excellence
Monique Oste
Emmy Rolland
Katherine Coffey

YEAR 8
Endeavour
Bailey Gifford
Pauline Immanuel
Achievement
Lewis Bridge
Amy Crean
Danielle Croucher
Anne Enderby
Liam Fallon
Kalina Grabow
Olivia Ishak
Elissa Kerr
Daniel Mellows
Lauren Philip
Joshua Rupenovic
Joel Stokes
Morgan Tsang
Jonah van Waart
Wesley Yiu

YEAR 9
Endeavour
Abbey Baker
Abigail Begg
Zahri Bredell
Annalee Hampson
Lilly New
Aaron Peters
Emily Rattenbury
Claire Stafford
Ellesha Stephenson
Emma Warren
Naomi Waters
Braden Wilkes
Achievement
Petra Abrahams
Samuel Barber
Robert Daniel
Isabella Fanous
Annalee Hampson
Hannah Kusch
Lachlan Magrath
Kayla Munckton
Patrick Murray
Lilly New
Aaron Peters
Amelia Sara
Bonnie Stonestreet
Charlotte Taylor
Excellence
Bethany Munckton
Simon de Feyter
Madison Freer

YEAR 10
Endeavour
Madison Freer
Rachel Knight
Bethany Munckton
Carla O’Donnell
Caitlin Smith
Simon de Feyter
Natalie van Waart
Achievement
Aleihea Agostini
Brianna Batterham
Anastasia Carroll
Amy Chow
Jacqui Dunn
Abigail Gunawan
Rachael Knight
Chantal Marbach
Kristalea Murdoch
Carla O’Donnell
Anthony Oste
Justin Reynolds
Caitlin Smith
Philip Thompson
Natalie van Waart
Keziah Walker
Excellence
Bethany Munckton
Simon de Feyter
Madison Freer

YEAR 11
Endeavour
Katelyn Anderson
Nicholas Begg
Luke Corban
Emily Dewar
Phoebe Giles
Sophia Ioakim
Isabella Irwin
Lara Ishak

YEAR 12
Endeavour
Laura de Feyter
Morgan Hind
Jack Knight
Jasmine Maurits
Laura Munckton
Madeleine Nelson
Liam Steacy
Megan Street
Achievement
Willem Barber
Tahlia Edenborough
Theodore Gunawan
Bradley Holmes
Jack Knight
Alison Li
Madeleine Nelson
Daniel Nichols
Kirsten Pulford
Alyssa Reynolds
Liam Steacy
Megan Street
Hannah Taylor
Alison Vanmidde
Alexander Wang
Thomas Watters
Megan Westwood
Hannah Wilson
Excellence
Morgan Hind
Laura Munckton
Laura de Feyter

Principal’s Medal Winner: James Waters

Benjamin Leong
Maans Lundstroem
Benjamin Warren
James Waters
Jake Young
Achievement
Julia-Grace
Alexopoulos
Katelyn Anderson
Daniel Ballantine
Benjamin Barber
Joshua Barry
Nicholas Begg
Charlotte Driver
Sophia Ioakim
Grace Jacobson
Elizabeth Katsolos
Benjamin Leong
Laura May
Daniel Murray
Erin Oataway
Joshua Speechley
Benjamin Warren
James Waters
Excellence
Jake Young
Emily Dewar
Luke Corban
P&F Family Directories

The P&F group have been collecting details for inclusion in a parent directory, as the school are unable to provide this information due to privacy restrictions.

The aim is to be able to facilitate communication between school families by providing contact details for those who would like to be involved.

Only those who are included in the directory will be provided with a copy. We will be printing these for distribution from Wednesday 24 August.

If you would like to be included but are not sure whether you have sent your details through yet, please email them to pf@sscs.nsw.edu.au by this Sunday night (14/8).

You can provide as much or as little info as you want but there will be space for parent names, address, phone numbers, email and the names and classes of your child this year.

It would be appreciated if people could give a gold coin donation for the directory to help cover printing costs.

Hope you can come!

You are invited to attend the Parents & Friends Group meeting on Wednesday 24 August from 7.15pm in the IRC.

Our P&F directories will be available from that night for all who have chosen to be included in the directory. (More details later on how to get your copy if you can’t attend).

The concept of a School Banking program within Shire Christian School will be detailed, with an information session and an opportunity to ask questions.

We will also be planning our upcoming events: “Alice in Wonderland” and family movie night among others.

Community Notices

A screening of the film “Embrace” has been organised at Miranda Cinemas for 7pm, Monday 29 August by a parent at our school through FanForce.

If you are a fan of CollectiveShout (Melinda Tankard-Reist) or feel strongly that women should not waste a single day worrying about their body not being good enough - then this movie is for you.

We need to sell 90 tickets by 22 August for the movie screening to go ahead. If we don’t get 90 you get your money back, so there is no financial risk.

‘Embrace’ screening Monday 29 August

So grab some friends or your teenagers - male or female - giving boys the opportunity to get a realistic view of women instead of the Photoshop images in magazines, and come and see a great film.

Trailer here: https://fan-force.com/sc.../embrace-event-cinemas-miranda-nsw/

Tickets here: https://fan-force.com/sc.../embrace-event-cinemas-miranda-nsw/

Items in Community Corner of the newsletter are placed at the discretion of the School. However, the School does not endorse any such item.
It’s been a year since we just missed out winning the State Gala day grand final.

This year we started Term 3 at the ‘Fridge’ (Barden Ridge soccer ovals) for the Zone Gala Day. Knowing they needed to win Zone to get another chance at the CSSA Championship, the girls came away from the day with a clean sweep, beating all teams with zero goals against them. We were off to Penrith three days later to compete against the best Christian School soccer teams in the state.

The girls started of the day with a strong 9-0 win against Toongabbie Christian School. As coach, I was worried about Green Point Christian School at the beginning of the match. However, the girls settled into a good pace and rhythm and won 3-0. While Pacific Hills played well despite some injuries and no subs, Shire Christian headed into the semifinals with a 6-0 win.

Semi-final time against Coffs Harbour Christian School. Coffs Harbor had a very strong team leading into the match with a couple of very good strikes on goal leaving our girls a little flustered. Some inspirational words from our captain, Lara Dipple, helped the girls find their feet. They slowed the game down and began to gain control. Sending a couple of quick balls from the backline to our strikers, Isabella Fanous and Amelia Rader gave us the 2-0 win, leading us in to the Grand Final.

We found ourselves playing a familiar team, Green Point, in the final. The girls felt confident having already beaten Green Point earlier in the day.

Our team scored a goal early in the match and things continued from there. With a very strong fullback line lead by Lauren Philip, it seemed like nothing could get past the defense.

If anything did make it past our strong defense, Annika Rathbone in goals didn’t let it get past her. Amelia Rader and Isabella Fanous scored 5 goals between the two of them. Samara Browne and Lara Dipple decided that our forwards shouldn’t have all the fun and scored 2 more goals. This brought the grand final score to a 7-0 win at full time. The girls were over the moon to take out the Zone and State gala days undefeated with zero goals scored against them.

I’m so proud of how the girls played. I was most proud of the way they played so well together as a team, encouraging and supporting each other. They were kind and thoughtful winners and represented our school with pride and impressive sportsmanship.

Mr Brendon Arthur, Coach

‘The girls played amazing soccer and it has been a pleasure to coach this amazing group. We’ll be back next year to take the CSSA soccer gala day grand final in the bag.’

- Quote from 2015 Newsletter
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“Do you want to understand more about how to build strength in your daughter as she navigates the challenges of becoming a young woman?”

“Do you want to connect with your daughter on a deeper level?”

“Do you want to experience a great adventure and have fun together with her for a weekend?”

As the first and most significant male figure in your daughter’s life you will have a profound impact on how she feels about her own self-worth and how she navigates the enormous pressure on her as she grows toward womanhood.

This weekend combines fun and learning that will give you the opportunity to connect with your daughter as well as gain some basic insights into how to be an ‘Intentional Father’.

Sean Johns presenter for “The fathering project” and founder of “4 Fathers”, works with dads and their children, guiding them in the development of strong authentic relationships.

This camp is run by trained presenters and adventure guides, and located at one of NSW leading adventure camp facilities. It will be one of the highlights you will have with your daughter all year.

Fathers will have the opportunity to

1) Spend quality time on one time with their daughters
2) Experience some great adventure stuff such as Horse riding, caving, archery, canoeing etc with trained guides, (no experience required)
3) Hear valuable information from a trained presenter on key aspects of fathering daughters.
4) Mix with other fathers looking to build the same relationship with their daughters
5) Visit a beautiful part of the country and stay at the Mountain Trails Adventure Camp in Wee Jasper NSW.

For more information and to register contact Sean sjohns@resurg.com.au • 0412 582 773
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Community Notices

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“Do you want to have some great fun and adventure together for a weekend?”

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Combine great fun with relevant information on intentional fathering. This camp is run by trained presenters and adventure guides, and located at one of NSW leading adventure camp facilities. It will be one of the highlights you will have with your son all year.

Fathers will walk away with the opportunity to

1) Have some great one on one time with their sons
2) Experience some great adventure stuff such as motor cross riding, caving, archery, canoeing etc with trained guides, (no experience required)
3) Hear valuable information from a trained presenter on Fathering your boy towards manhood.
4) Mix with other fathers looking for the same things for their sons

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