From the Head of Senior School

It’s great to be grateful!

In earlier editions of Ancanthe, and in a newspaper article I wrote for The Mercury a few weeks ago, you would have read about the efforts of Mr Simon Bennett and the other Mentors on the Senior Campus in helping students explore the benefits of learning to recognise and develop our capacity to be happy. The most recent topic in this program focuses on gratitude and the benefits of taking the time to be thankful. Ask your daughter whether or not she started a gratitude journal or took up the challenge to write a thank you letter and how she felt as a result.

In more general terms, it is a most fruitful time of the year to turn our thoughts to being thankful. As an Anglican school there is obviously a big emphasis placed on Easter. From activities in class, to Chapel services, to our combined campus celebrations, every student has had the opportunity to rejoice in the message of the Resurrection. Over the break, I’m sure I’m not the only one who took the time to enjoy the company of loved ones and take stock of how fortunate we are.

Also during the break, Anzac Day is a precious tradition for those of us who wish to commemorate the sacrifices made in the pursuit of peace. Personally, it is an opportunity for me to remember my dad and his service in World War 2. As I dragged myself, bleary-eyed and longing for the warmth of my doona, to the dawn service at the local RSL, I was once again moved by the number of people in attendance, particularly those of school age. As wreaths were laid and tributes paid, I said my thanks to all those who had died to preserve our way of life.

On a lighter note, this Sunday is set aside to say thank you to all the wonderful mums out there, among us or cherished in memory, without whom none of us would be here. On behalf of all our girls and staff, I thank you for everything you do and hope you have a truly memorable day.

Mr Michael Cross
Head of Senior School

War Widows’ Service 2011

On 20 April the Middle School Years 5/6 Choir was invited to sing at the War Widows’ Service at St David’s Cathedral. It was a privilege to be asked to share our music with the congregation at this annual Field of Remembrance Service. The girls performed their songs beautifully and with a maturity beyond their years. Their sensitive rendition of Walking in His Care by Henry Blake was very well received.

Zahara Lemon and Emma McCulloch on behalf of the school, presented Mrs Rosemary Charlston, the State President of the War Widows’ Guild, with a floral wreath that was placed on the Cenotaph on Anzac Day. Thank you to Mrs Dianne Legg who played the organ for the service and to Miss Meg Rimes for assisting with the choir on the day.

Mrs Sonya Van de Geer
Middle School Music and Choral Director

Collegiate Pool

June Holiday Program
Week 1: Monday 6 - Friday 10 June
Week 2: Tuesday 13 - Friday 17 June
(Monday 12 is a Public Holiday)
Cost: Week 1 $70.00, Week 2 $55.00
Cost to do both weeks: $120

Term 2 Program
10 weeks, Monday 20 June - Sunday 28 August.
Cost: $130.00
Bookings please call 6211 4919

Senior Years at Collegiate

An unmatched learning environment that allows you to develop your unique abilities, become a citizen of the world and a leader in your field of endeavour.

Join us on Wednesday 11 May for a tour of our Student Centre at 5.45pm. Following the tour stay for an Information Evening at 6.30pm to learn about academic and student life in Years 9 to 12 at Collegiate.

Enquiries to Katherine on 6211 4911.
www.collegiate.tas.edu.au

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Set for Life.
ANZAC Day 2011
For students at Collegiate and Hutchins, Anzac Day this year was very special. Those of us who were lucky enough to have been part of the Tears of Gallipoli exchange program were hosting our Turkish friends, and because the aim of the exchange was to commemorate our countries’ participation in World War 1, the focus was really on Anzac Day and its meaning.

The RSL and the Committee who organise the Anzac Day activities were extremely helpful and generous and the Turkish students felt they were welcome and even important visitors. We all attended the Dawn Service as a group, Turks and Australians together, and then the Turkish students were guests of the RSL Club at their Gunfire Breakfast, while the rest of us gathered in the Collegiate dining room. Later in the morning, the Turkish students and their teacher, along with Mr Sayers from Hutchins and Ellen Davis and Damon Heather, the two Year 12 students involved with the Exchange, were guests at the Lord Mayor’s morning tea where they were photographed with the Governor, the Premier and other Tasmanian leaders.

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Our Anzac Day is very different from the Turkish equivalent, because, although both countries commemorate the large numbers of dead and wounded in the Gallipoli campaign, for the Turks it is a victory that they commemorate. Our friends did say, however, how much they enjoyed our services. They had newspaper photographs of themselves to take back with them, and the experience of talking to the local radio and television media on Anzac Day. They were certainly minor celebrities for a time to the extent that, as a result of our Anzac Day participation, I have been contacted by an academic from a New South Wales university who is researching Australian Turkish relationships. He saw us all on the Anzac Day broadcasts and is anxious to find out more about our exchange!

Mrs Vicki Paterson
Head of Faculty, Society, Work and Environment

Middle School Achievements
We wish to acknowledge and congratulate:

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Mr Charles Kemp
Head of Middle School

The Year 12 Leavers Dinner date has been set.
Parents of Year 12 students, please keep Tuesday 6 December free in your diary for this event.

Careers Expo - Tuesday 10 May
Next week is the BIG WEEK, after many months of planning the Careers Expo is imminent. We have well over 50 exhibitors, from familiar careers through to new and exciting ones that you may never have heard of!

Find out about Careers ranging from sciences through to art, theatre through to professional ski instructor, paramedic to working for National Parks.

Parents and students from Years 8 through to 12 are strongly encouraged to attend. This is a wonderful opportunity to do some research, as I said to the girls in assembly, this is their life - and it is not a dress rehearsal. Students really value their parents’ advice and support so please come along and support your daughter at what promises to be a very inspirational event. Rarely will they have the opportunity to have access to so much expertise all under the one roof. Plus on top of all this, supper will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!

Mrs Vivien Ride
Academic Dean

Kate Gaul
Kate is a graduate of the NIDA Director’s Course (1996). Kate has also trained with Anne Bogart and the STC Company in New York. Kate is currently the Festival Director for World Interplay.

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Cyber Safety Tips For Internet Use at Home
from Mrs Janene Crowle, Middle School eLearning Facilitator

Facebook
Facebook Security Settings - Have you or your daughter checked you security settings lately? Recent changes to Facebook mean that the default (automatic) setting is a non-secure connection. To adjust, follow the steps below:

Go to Account / Account Settings / Account Security. Click change.
Check (tick) the secure browsing box. Click save.

www.cybersmart.gov.au

You will find further tips in Ancanthe each week.

keys2drive - helping parents teach their Learner driver
As a parent you may be a good driver; but being able to teach your Learner is not an easy task. A recent national survey of more than 1,250 parents of Learner drivers found that almost half (45.5%) were nervous or apprehensive when they began teaching their teen how to drive.

keys2drive is a federally funded program, developed by the Australian Automobile Association which aims to take the drama out of learning to drive. It helps parents to prepare for their role as a supervising driver and to ensure that any time spent in the car with their Learner is successful and effective.

keys2drive is a free lesson (involving theory and on-road) delivered by an accredited professional driving instructor to any Learner who is accompanied by their supervising driver – most often a parent.

This program, the single largest Learner driver safety program undertaken in Australia, represents a unique and valuable experience for parents and their Learner drivers.

To register for a free lesson or to learn more, visit www.keys2drive.com.au

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Reflection Perception Projection
Last show tonight at McNeill PAC, 7:00pm
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Tickets $15 adult, $8 concession, available at door.

Children’s Day
Children’s Day in Japan is celebrated on 5 May. It used to be a festival for boys only but since World War 2 it has been a national holiday for all children. On this day, families hang cloth sock kites in the shape of carp (koi) outside. The kites fill with wind and the koi appear to be swimming. There is usually a large fish for father, a smaller fish for mother and a fish for each child in the family with the smallest at the bottom. The koi was chosen as a symbol because of its courage and strength to swim against the current. Another symbol for the festival is the iris because it grows straight and tall. Did you see the koi at Anglesea on Thursday?
Some students in Year 1 when asked about their thoughts on having a Children’s Day said:
“I would eat sushi all day,” Lyla.
“I would relax,” Olivia C.
“I would be excited because it would be a day for children not adults,” Isobel.
With all that has happened in Japan recently, it is a wonderful festival to celebrate the future of the country.
Mrs Susie Allan
Teacher of Japanese

Holiday Acting Workshops
Ages 8 – 16
Boost confidence Spark imagination
Tues/Wed 7 and 8 June
and/or Tues/Wed 14 and 15 June

New program each workshop
Drama Studio – McNeill Performing Arts Centre
10:00am – 4:00pm Tutor: Lynn McCarroll
E: lynn@lynnmccarroll.com P: 6265 5438

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School Calendar

Friday 13 May
Chapel: Reibey/Dundas, 8:30am to 8:45am
Kinder to Year 4 Reports Due Home
Years 5 and 7 Full Reports Due Home
Music: String Quartet, Broughton, 12:30pm to 1:15pm, Senior Choir, McNeill PAC, 12:45 to 1:15pm, String Quartet, Broughton, 4:00pm to 5:30pm
Water Polo TBA
Saturday 14 May
Hockey TBA

Coming Up
Monday 16 to Friday 20 May
Focus on the Future Week
Middle School Swimming Program, Years 5 and 6
Monday 16 to Thursday 26 May
Years 10 and 11 Larapinta Trail Bushwalk
Tuesday 17 to Thursday 19 May
Year 5 Parent Interviews
Tuesday 17 May
Years 9 and 10 Parent Teacher Interviews
COGA Meeting, Cananore, 7:00pm
Wednesday 18 to Friday 20 May
Senior Drama Production
Wednesday 18 May
Years 5 to 12 Cross Country, Rokeby Police Academy
Kindergarten 2012 Interviews
Thursday 19 May
Junior School Cross Country, Ham Common
Years 6 and 8 Full Reports Home
Friday 20 May
Years 11 and 12 Full Reports Home
University Day

Winter Sport Commencement Dates
Water Polo commences May 13
Hockey: Years 5 to 8, Saturday 14 May
1st and 2nds, Monday 16 May, Years 9 and 10, 17 May

From the Chaplain... Chris Judd and other things...
I can kick a football as accurately as Chris Judd. I can chip a golf ball from a sand bunker as well as Tiger Woods. And I can bring glory to God by obeying his command to love God and neighbour as passionately and perfectly as Mother Theresa or any other saint of Church history.

The only problem I have is consistency. Whilst Judd almost always hits his man, Tiger almost always puts his chip within a foot of the hole and some (rare) Christians almost always love God and neighbour - I tend to waver between good kick and bad kick, good chip and bad chip, selflessness and selfishness, love and indifference, tolerance and intolerance.

The Christian life involves living as a loved child of God, whilst striving to transform our character so that it progressively becomes more like The Child of God. God promises us, who would pursue this transformation, the power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit who grows in us the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

I may never increase my kicking or chipping consistency, but as I submit to the Holy Spirit's transforming love, wisdom and power I can expect to become more consistent in my Christlike love for my God and for my neighbour. Shalom (Peace),

Scott Sargent
School Chaplain

Care provides a conduit for our spirit's expression in the midst of our social existence.
The more we truly care, the more we'll come to know ourselves and others.

Doc Childre