We are really starting to get into the school term! This term we have already had Year 11 Exams and NAPLAN will take place this week. We also have the Year 11 Crossroads camp at the Sydney Academy of Sport Centre in Narrabeen. Debating and Knockout sports are also being held throughout the term.

**Parent Teacher Evenings**

The first of our Parent Teacher Evenings is for Year 11 and 12 on 23rd May from 2.30—6.30pm. Parents and Carer can make an appointment with the relevant teachers online via the school website. There is a link on the front page that will take you to the booking forms.

Parent Teacher evening for Year 7 and 9 will be held on 20th June and Year 8 and 10 will be held don 25th June. Bookings for these dates will open 2 weeks before the scheduled Parent Teacher evening. Parents who are unable to attend at these times will be able to phone the school to make an appointment for a suitable time with the appropriate teachers.

**Year 10 Subject Selections**

In the last week of this term Year 10 students will attend a series of Subject Selection Seminars. Around this time they will also receive a comprehensive booklet providing information about HSC subjects and the procedures for subject selections. Next term Year 10 students will select their subjects for Year 11 and 12.

We advise all our students to elect subjects that they enjoy and are good at as these are also the subjects they are more likely to perform well in. Students will have plenty of opportunities to discuss subject selections with their teachers and parents before they make their final decisions.

**Social Justice Sleep Out**

Will be held on 25/05/12. Students and some staff will be sleeping the school overnight to help raise funds for the homeless. Hurry places are filling up fast.

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NAPLAN

Once gain Year 7 and Year 9 will sit the NAPLAN tests. These will be taking place on Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th of May with the “make up day” on Friday 18th May. I have just been in to see Year 9 start their NAPLAN tests.

Project Based Learning with Year 9

A number of Year 9 students have been able to take a project based learning module for term 2 this year. The module is called Project X and runs for 10 weeks. The students have split into two groups and each group will be doing a different project. The projects are inquiry based and involve problem solving, quality research and team work. One team is working their driving question “Is the increased use of technology affecting the health and well-being of teenagers” and the other group is looking at “Designer babies—Ethical?”

More to come.....
YALLAMBEE

The School Gates

As you may be aware the school is situated on the site of the old Yallambee House that once belonged to the Vicars Family. This old house was demolished in 1971 however the school has been able to retain some of the “treasures” from it that make our school unique and provide a reminder to us of our wonderful heritage. Along with the beautiful stained glass windows lovingly restored with the help of our P & C, we have the 100 year old Oregon gates that have been positioned at the Promenade entry to the school. These gates will be restored by the Arrunga Men’s Shed in Ermington. This is a great project for the Men’s Shed and it will be good to see the gates restored to their former glory. Below are some before pictures and I will follow up with some after pictures in a later newsletter. Mr Dennis Rolinson will be supervising the restoration. Two of his daughters and his now daughter in-law attended Cheltenham in the 1980’s.

Pinkies Café

Pinkies Café has been running in the school for about 3 years now. It has been an incredible success, starting with only about 15 students who sought training in Barista skills to more than 200 girls who want to develop these skills. Barista Training provided students with some excellent post school skills including the ability to operate a commercial Espresso machine, skills in preparing and serving coffee, knowledge about coffee and personal and interpersonal skills when working in a team and with the customers. Students can use their training to support their applications for casual work.

As we have been limited to one machine, students have had to wait a long time to get the opportunity to join a Barista class. As a result we have decided to expand the opportunities for students to take this course by building a small café within the school that will provide for additional classes and training. It is hoped that the students will take ownership of this café and that they will host the café for their fellow students. The new Pinkies Café is currently under construction. I have provided a small glimpse below of the progress. It is almost complete and just requires the painting to be finished an the final installation for the new machine and a clean up. Once complete I will provide more photos of the finished café.
This week Nicola Maitland of Year 12 has been in Canberra playing in the NSW All Schools team at the Australian All Schools Softball tournament. Her team had a successful week and played in the final against Queensland. In what Nicola described as “the most intense game of my life,” she scored the winning two runs.

As a result of her performance at this tournament, Nicola has been selected in the Australian Schoolgirls team. This team will play in the International Challenge Series at Blacktown International Sports Park from Thurs 26th - Sun 29th July. They are in camp on Tues 24th and Wed 25th July.
ATHLETICS

The NSW All Schools Swimming Carnival was held at the Sydney Aquatic Centre, Homebush. Our 6 x 50m all age relay team competed and were placed sixth against some very tough competition. The winning time was 2.52 with each team member having a split of under 29 seconds! Our girls swam very well and completed the event in 3.02.

At this level of competition the girls were competing against schools from across the state- Catholic (CCC), Independent (CIS) and Public (CHS), so as you can see they have done very well. Congratulations girls!
Athletics

On Friday 11th May, a group of almost 60 girls represented the school at Zone Cross Country. They were accompanied by Mrs Paolino, Mrs Taylor and Ms Wade

Results are;

Cheltenham Girls: 2nd
Rachel Horwood: 3rd place 17+
Maya Leverett: 2nd place 12 years
SCHOOL UNIFORM

Term 2 has started and all students should now be wearing their full winter uniform. This consists of:

**Winter Uniform**

- **Tunic** - Maroon A line serge tunic – Junior and Senior
- **Shirt** - Junior (Years 7 to 10) – Light blue striped long sleeve shirt
- Senior (Years 11 to 12) – Light blue long sleeve shirt
- Clothing worn under the shirt in winter must not be visible.
- **Tie** - Maroon with light blue stripes
- **Jumper/Blazer** - As for summer – Is available to all students in all year groups
- **Socks** - Light blue short socks
- **Stockings** Grey (official school colour) or black
- Grey must be worn for all formal functions
- **Shoes** - Fully enclosed, low heeled black leather lace up shoes
- **Ribbons** - Maroon, blue or pink
- **Coat** - Navy woollen coat available from Lowes, Macquarie Centre

Please note that Sloppy Joes and Hoodies are NOT to be worn as a school jumper or underneath the school jumper. If students feel the cold they can wear the school overcoat.

**Students and parents should be aware that the Department of Education requires that all students attending practical class including Science, Technology and Visual Arts wear low heeled, supportive enclosed leather shoes to protect the feet. Students can be withdrawn from practical classes and given alternative work if their footwear does not meet the DET OHS requirements.**

Slip on shoes and canvas shoes or Rabens are **NOT** to be worn to school. They are not the correct school footwear.
Early leave Terms 2 and 3 reminder

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Information Series for Parents/Carers

Living with Teenagers

FREE SESSIONS

Transitions, Body Image, Stress, Technology

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the 2012 series of information sessions.

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Who?

Greg Powell has worked as both a school-based psychologist and a primary school teacher. He is an experienced presenter and has given seminars for both adolescent and adult groups in Northern Sydney across a variety of topics relating to parenting, education and mental health.

Angie Wilcock is an Australian expert and speaker on transitions in education. A published author with a strong teaching background, Angie now works with teachers, parents and students in this specialised area. Her sessions are a mix of humour, information and real strategies to support families.

BodyThink for Parents has been designed to inform and educate parents about body-esteem, body image, media literacy and the many factors that influence and impact children growing up in today’s world.

Reach Foundation was established in 1994 by Jim Stynes OAM (AFL Brownlow Medallist) and Paul Currie (Australian film director). Reach has been making a positive impact on the lives of young Australians for nearly 20 years, promoting mental health and well-being.

Enquiries/Bookings

Please contact CAFS (Mission Australia) on (02) 5487 1366 during business hours. Bookings are essential.

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