

Headmaster



Darren Fleming

HOLIDAY BREAK

Term 3 is always busy with a variety of activities but it is also one of the most important terms academically, especially for Year 12 students. The very last QCS

test has now been completed and from now on, Year 12 students will sit state wide external exams at the end of their final year. Senior students are now in the process of preparing their applications for university and apprenticeships ready for next year.

Please take care as you head home for a well-deserved break and we look forward to your return on Wednesday 9 October.

During the first week back, we will be announcing the musical for 2020 and on the weekend, past students will return for their annual reunion. The festivities will commence with a special cricket match under lights on Friday 11 October. This will be our official launch of the lights and I would encourage all families to attend.

BRO ROBIN

On 11 September, we celebrated Br Robin's Platinum Jubilee of taking his obligations as a Brother of St Barnabas, the founding order of All Souls School. A Mass for St Barnabas was celebrated by the Right Reverend Dr Keith Joseph, the Bishop of North Queensland and we welcomed back Bishop Bill Ray who delivered the sermon. After the service a lunch was held in Halse Hall. Br Robin also had an early 90th birthday celebration as his actual birthday, 27th September, is in the holidays. I was very proud of the students as they helped celebrate these milestones in such a respectful and dignified manner. It was lovely to welcome so many guests back to the school and I know Bro was very appreciative.

A huge thank you to all those who assisted especially Melissa Peace, Br Nathan, Tracy Maff, Karen Storey and Deb and the catering team.

STUDENTS

NEXT STEP- YEAR 12, 2018 DESTINATIONS

Each year, graduating Year 12 students are surveyed to determine the directions they have taken in regards to their careers. I have included the summary for our 2018 students for your interest. The full report is on the web site.

SCHOLARSHIPS

We congratulate Rae Evans (Year 12) and Camryn Guldbransen (Year 11) on being accepted into university scholarship programs in Brisbane during the holidays. Camryn will attend the Queensland University of Technology's Science Technology Engineering & Maths (QUT STEM) camp and Rae will be attending the University of Queensland's InspireU Law camp. I hope they have a great time working with students from all over Queensland and with the university staff.

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Bro Robin Warsop B.S.B. celebrates in Chapel with Amber Aspinall and Adam Hensley (2019 School Captains) and Headmaster, Darren Fleming

REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in the NQ Athletics team to attend the State Titles:

Alex Haydon

100m

Lachlan Gostelow

Triple Jump & Long Jump

Myles Gostelow

Triple Jump

Todd Thorn

100m, 200m, 400, High Jump
& Long Jump

Kathryne Squair

High Jump

MUSIC

On Tuesday 17 September, singers of all ages came together to perform as a combined community choir in a new event for Charters Towers entitled the Festival of Voices. Year 4, 5 & 6 students, as well as selected secondary students and staff, performed in the choir which was conducted and accompanied by All Souls St Gabriels School staff Miss Leslie Croker and Mrs Wendy Fleming. We thank the staff for their dedication and leadership in the performing arts, at both a school and community level.

YEAR 6 CANBERRA TRIP

Year 6 students have just returned from a week in Canberra where they took in the sights and immersed themselves in everything Canberra has to offer. At assembly, the students gave a snapshot of their highlights and lowlights. Unfortunately for our politicians, they were beaten out of top spot by the snake man and ice skating. It was a very busy week and I thank Mr Turner, Br Nathan, Miss Browne and Mrs Weston for travelling with the students. I also received a lot of positive reports about the way the students conducted themselves for which they need to be congratulated.

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD

In the last month, I have received two letters from the Duke of Edinburgh's International Awards thanking the school for its support and contributions to the Award and to the lives of young Australians. The Award is an ideal fit for our school as it requires students to overcome physical challenges and encourages service and skill development.

We have had over 150 Gold Award recipients since 1985.

Excerpts from the letters appear below.

"This year marks the 60th Anniversary of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award in Australia. As one of the longest serving Award Centres in Queensland your organisation has been nominated to receive a commemorative certificate at a function hosted by the Patron of the Award in Queensland, His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC, Governor of Queensland, and Mrs Kaye de Jersey at Government House."

Our Awards co-ordinator, Mr Denis Riddle, attended the ceremony and collected the award on the school's behalf.

"Without the dedication and encouragement of Award Centres like yours, The Award in Australia would not be where it is today, currently assisting over 40,000 young Australians annually to find their purpose, passion and place in the world and equipping them for work and life."

"As much as your school has assisted the Award throughout the years, we also hope it has been an equally rewarding and fulfilling experience engaging your students in the Award."

"Once again, thank you for your schools effort and contribution."

The Hon Gray Nairn AO, Chairman
& Mr Peter Kaye AM National CEO.



Denis Riddle accepted the Duke of Edinburgh certificate of recognition on behalf of a school from his Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC, Governor of Queensland

Dean of School

Karen Storey

We made it!

Term three always seems to be our busiest time of year and I applaud students, staff and community members for the activities they managed to fit into just nine weeks. From academic to sporting and cultural pursuits along with the vast array of other social and extra-curricular activities, this term has had it all. When you combine these things with the interruptions to normal routine I am sure that many students, parents and staff will be glad for a couple of weeks of rest and rejuvenation before we do it all again in Term 4.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Interviews will be held from 12.00–2.00pm on **Tuesday 8** October. Interviews are an effective means of getting a formal update of your child's academic progress so far this semester. It is, therefore, strongly encouraged that you attend. Should you wish to make an appointment with one of your child's teachers, please contact Mr Jon Teichmann or Ms Flo King through the office or via email: jteichmann@allsouls.qld.edu.au

It would be greatly appreciated if these appointments could be made during the first week of the holidays so that the schedules can be finalised prior to Travel Day. If you are unable to attend parent-teacher interviews please feel free to make contact with your child's teacher via phone through the school office, or on email using their first initial and last name followed by @allsouls.qld.edu.au eg: kstorey@allsouls.qld.edu.au

Term 4

The first teaching day of Term 4 is Wednesday 9 October. Term 4 sees many important events on our calendar and I have no doubt that we will finish the year on a strong and positive note. Due to the many celebrations of student achievements that happen during Term 4 it is vital that students return ready and eager to learn from day 1.

A reminder to all secondary students that formal uniform must be worn on:

First day

Wednesday 9 October

Green Dinner

Friday 1 November

Awards Day (World Theatre)

Friday 15 November

Deputy

Ian Dietrich

I'm sure I won't be the only staff member to start an article in this edition of our newsletter with the words – We made it! Term 3 is notoriously busy – and this one didn't disappoint on that front.

Term 3 Reports

All families should have received an academic report at the end of this term. It is in the same format as the Term 1 Report for students in Years 7-9 & Year 12. This summarised "progress report" contains valuable information and helps to keep the lines of communication open between home and school.

Families of students in Year 10 should have received a "full report" as they have completed their studies under the Australian Curriculum and will move to studies following the new Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) senior syllabus documents in Term 4.

Families of students in Year 11 should have received a "full report" as they have completed their studies under the new Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) senior syllabus documents for Units 1 & 2.

I encourage families to use these academic reports as a basis for conversations about school. I also encourage parents to contact the school to arrange time for a parent teacher interview so that these school conversations can include our teaching staff, parents and students.

2019 Year 8 into 2019 Year 9

A reminder that each Year 8 student received a paper copy of the Year 9 2020 Subject Selection form and the Years 9 & 10 Curriculum Handbook at their Subject Selection Information Meeting in Week 7 of this term. Electronic copies of these documents were also emailed to all Year 8 parents.

Year 9 2020 Subject Selection forms need to be completed and return to the school by 8.15am Wednesday 9 October – day one Term 4. The information provided on these forms is required by the Senior Leadership Team as we continue to develop the 2020 timetable.

Stationery Lists

Families of student in Years 10 and 11 should have received an electronic copy of the 2020 Stationery List for their next year level of schooling. Whilst the documents are labelled '2020', students in these year levels begin their new studies – Units 1 & 3 – from the beginning of next term. Families are encouraged to make sure students are equipped for the start of these new units of work.

2020 Timetable

Over the past term I have been gathering information and reviewing structures associated with the Years 7 to 12 timetable. The Senior Leadership Team, Heads of Department and senior teachers have added to the detail I need to continue to work on this project. This is a long process that relies upon many factors from many people. Subject selection forms (Year 8 families and new students), enrolment data, external providers (DTTC & QCAA), physical resource structures and current staff movements all impact upon the make-up of the timetable. I will be continuing to work with these groups and developing a draft version of the timetable structure by the end of next term. The timetable can only really be finalised once all student and staff information is known, and this won't be until mid-January.

So, as we say farewell to another hectic term, I wish everyone a safe and refreshing break before a short and busy Term 4.

Platinum Jubilee

Greetings and Salutations with heart-felt thanks from The Bro Robin B.S.B. for what was a splendid occasion in all aspects. Not only the Prefects, Servers and school, but also those who travelled long distances to be present i.e. Sr Carol C.H.N (Cheltenham), Dr Thomas Roast M.O. (UK). In person and noticeable participation in the actual renewal of OBLIGATIONS was discernable with that whispered repetition "I DO" from the many witnesses. All of us were involved in the classical Toasts proposed by Chris Allingham, John Honeycombe, Ali Farquhar and Donald Crombie all of whom had been involved with THE BRO for many decades.

Fraternally
Bro Robin Warsop B.S.B.

Dean of Students

Wendy Fleming

Respect Through Unity – continues to be the theme for this year, as promoted by the 2019 Seniors.

Young Mens' Camp

Davin Marshall, Ben Carter and Br Nathan-James took this message even further through their Young Men's camp, held in the final week of Term 3. As a group the focus has been on developing good young men, with strong mentors and a sense of camaraderie. Thank you must go to these men for their initiative and proactivity in getting this concept off the ground and working with young people to further strengthen them.

QTAC Applications

With the QCST completed, many Year 12 students turned their focus to applying for university ready for study in 2020. This required them to create a QTAC account and then rank their course selections from first choice, making decisions about their future pathways which included which university to attend, what location and which specific course of study. These major decisions have required a commitment to finding out further information, seeking advice, and then making adult choices.

Year 10 Careers

Year 10 students have been meeting with me to chat about their future pathways, considering whether their subject choices will be suitable to prepare them. It has been interesting to hear about the diversity of future pathways being considered by our students, as well as the thought and consideration they have put into choosing their subjects, ready to commence studying the Year 11 subject material in Term 4.

Indigenous Literacy Day

Our Indigenous Literacy Day celebrations will be held at the end of Week 2 in Term 4. Part of this celebration includes the Great Book Swap. If you have any books that you no longer want and would like to donate them to school, they can be left with Mrs Fleming via Flo at Student Services.

RUOK Day

RUOK Day is a reminder for people to check on each other. Part of our acknowledgement included activities on the final day of Term 3, culminating with a netball match in the MPC.

Pastoral Care

Wendy Fleming
Dean of Students

RUOK Day

RUOK Day is a time for us all to pay extra attention to the people around and check to see that they are OK. You don't need to be an expert to reach out to others – it is important to listen and be a good friend. Don't just stop at the first question – RUOK? Think about what your response will be if you hear 'No, I'm not OK'. It is important to be prepared to listen and give support to those who are not OK.

We need to have regular, meaningful conversations about life – its ups and downs – and these can make a real difference in the lives of those who might be struggling.

If you sense that something is not quite right with someone you know – maybe there's something going on in their life or they are saying different things or acting differently – trust your own instinct and check up on them. Make some time to ask "Are you OK?" and be prepared to genuinely listen.

Showing you care and reminding them that they are not on their own and that people care for them is a really powerful experience for someone who is doing it tough.

It's OK to show your emotions.

It's OK to be upset.

It's OK to say you're sorry.

It's not OK to bottle up everything inside until you don't think you can cope with it on your own any longer.

We make time to ask

RUOK?

Holidays

Rest is an important part of the upcoming holidays. For some it is as simple as being with your family and being able to go to the fridge, have a different meal time, choose the clothes you want to wear and just enjoy time at home. Whilst it may not be a 'rest' and may include more activity (eg mustering) than school, the mental rest from academic pursuits is important to come back to the final term refreshed and ready for the next phase of school learning.

If you have any questions or concerns about mental health or wellbeing issues please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the Pastoral Care Team:

Wendy Fleming	Dean of Students
Darren Guldbrandsen	Head of Boarding
Carol Shadforth	Year 7 Co-ordinator
Jordan Bensemman	Year 8/9 Co-ordinator
Ben Carter	Year 10/11/12 Co-ordinator
Kate McCartney	School Nurse
Terri Hensler	School Nurse
Br Nathan-James	Chaplain
Flo King	Administration
Sarah Smith	Psychologist

Equestrian Team

Charlee Keleher
Rural Activities Prefect

For the past couple of weeks, the Equestrian Team have been training and working their horses by doing some jumping, flatwork and sporting events. Carley Shephard competed in Ayr on the weekend and did extremely well on her horse Denzel. Carley received many 2nds and 3rds in jumping, rider classes and sporting events.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and thank Lionel for all the time and effort he has contributed to both the Equestrian Team and Cattle Club events this term.



Carley Shephard

School Chaplain

Bro Nathan-James

Br Robin BSB Platinum Jubilee

They came from near and far, friends, past students and staff, to celebrate with Br Robin on his Platinum Jubilee. Br Robin celebrated 70 years in profession as a member of the Brotherhood of St Barnabas and an equal number of years as a teaching brother. For 70 years Br Robin has set aside the usual pursuits in life, establishing a family, accumulation of money and wealth, and a certain amount of independence, in order to serve God and the people of God, specifically as an educator and member of the Bush Brotherhood. This is a particular achievement as, like most Bush Brothers Br Robin originally set a goal of 5 years, but is still going strong 70 years later. It was clear from speeches and toasts and table talk that Br Robin had made a significant impact on generations of students and their families. Whether participating in the Scouting movement, educating, heading Feetham Dorm, participating in Chapel services or just spending time with people, Br Robin touched the lives of many who affectionately recall their time with him. Staff, students, friends, members of the community gathered in the Chapel to witness Br Robin reaffirm his obligations as Brother. They were then treated to a fine lunch in the School dining hall. We give thanks for his life of service and wish him well for his continuing presence and service among us. Deo Gratias.



School Prayers

In our thoughts & prayers;

- We give thanks for 70 years of service to God and the people of God by Br Robin. We thank God for the influence he has had on the lives of generations of young men and women.
- We pray for those who will be traveling over the semester break and for rest and recreation.
- We pray for the sick and those in need; we especially remember Kaci and her family and those that support her.



The Arts

Kylie Kempster
Head of The Arts

END OF A BUSY TERM

As the end of term approaches the Arts Department is still full steam ahead. In class, students have now completed their Term 3 work in a flurry of performances, exams and resolving of artworks. It was a particular treat for the school community to be invited to a performance from talented singer Kasey O'Donoghue, accompanied by her siblings Liam and Kaitlyn, as part of her Music Extension assessment. Thank you, Mrs Fleming, for making this possible. Other highlights of end-of-term assessment were viewing Year 9/10 Drama's insightful student-devised performance *The Language of Love*, as well as delighting in the cute stop-motion movies, starring their own turtle sculptures, and intriguing turtle lino-prints created by Year 7 Visual Art students under the tutelage of Miss Oberg and Mr Sellars. Congratulations to the entire A Team for finishing Term 3 strongly, and showing that creativity can (and often does!) flourish under a looming deadline!

Outside the classroom, we prepared for the inaugural Charters Towers Festival of Voices. Thanks to the efforts of Mrs Fleming and Miss Croker in organising and hosting the event at the World Theatre. Stay tuned for an update on this great community event in the first newsletter next term. This will be followed by the 8th Annual Festival of Bands on 17 October next term. Put it in your diary now!

Take a well-earned break over the holiday, and challenge yourself to do something creative if you have the chance. It's good for the soul!



Luanna Cassar, Amber Smale, Ella Dietrich, Claire Kempster and Heidi Whelan in their student-devised production *The Language of Love*.



Left: A scene from the stop-motion animation of Luke Keough, Joel Sexton and James Geeves



Right: A scene from the stop-motion animation of Miranda Jonsson, Lauren Atwell, Karlee Searle and Emily Stevens

Kasey O'Donoghue performs with her siblings



Miranda Jonsson's lino-print

News from The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

Denis Riddle

Award Centre Leader

The big adventure

Every two years the Silvers and Golds hike the renowned Thorsborne Trail on Hinchinbrook Island. This year the expeditioners were: Golds - Jordan Dietrich and Zoe Donaldson; Silvers - Chloe Frohloff, Rily Goodwin, Matt McKellar and Grace Newnham. They were joined by past student Alice Schneider and past Dean of Students Mal Schneider from Annandale Christian College. Rily said it was one of the best experiences, "tough but rewarding". Leading the expedition were teachers Peter Wallis and Matthew Cuckson, ably supported by parent Kim Donaldson and GAP Marc Hildebrandt.

Training for the Award involves first aid. Almost every expedition has its share of scrapes and bruises, but this year saw a real emergency with emergency beacon, signal flares and a helicopter evacuation. Thankfully, the injured hiker with two broken arms was not one of our party. However, Peter and Mal, assisted by Kim and Zoe, provided vital service in stabilising the injuries and assisting with the evacuation. Training pays dividends.

Latest Award holders

Congratulations to the following students who have gained their Bronze: Hayley Grant, Paige Candy and Hailea Wallace.

A special congratulation goes to the first of our current Year 9 cohort to finish Bronze. Well done to Mia Dickson who was closely followed by Caitlyn Elliott.

60 years in Australia

2019 marks the 60th anniversary of the Award in Australia. All Souls' School, as it was named before joining with St Gabriel's School in 1991, was one of the first schools in Queensland and the first in North Queensland to enter students. School Chaplain Rev. Michael de Brisay encouraged a dozen students to enrol, but only one finished. Our very first Award holder was Stewart Cairns, a Year 9 student from Darwin, who was presented with his Bronze badge on 12 August 1966 by the Mayor Arthur "Tiger" Titley in front of the whole School. It was the first award for North Queensland. Since those early days, we have seen 158 students earn a Gold and hundreds of others gain a Silver or Bronze.

As part of the 60 year celebrations, our School was invited to Government House to receive a special long service certificate from the Governor His Excellency The Honourable Paul de Jersey AC QC, who is the Patron of the Award. Also invited was one of latest Golds, 2018 Prefect Rachel Hall, who is currently studying in Brisbane, and Stewart Cairns, our very first Award holder. It was a memorable moment as the first and the latest badge holders held the School's certificate.

Stewart recalled the expedition component of the Award as going into "unknown" country. He was dropped in the bush and required to make his way back to school over two days and a night – alone! Thankfully, today's requirements pay more attention to safety and there are helicopters to rescue the injured.

Since those early days, the Award has become international and now operates in more than 130 countries and territories. A Gold, Silver or Bronze Award holder is part of a world-wide community who have undertaken physical challenges, developed new skills, provided service to others and gone adventuring. An Award is a valuable addition to a student's resumé and to life's lessons.



Stewart Cairns and Rachel Hall at the Governor's reception holding the certificate commemorating the School's involvement in the Award since 1965

Junior School

Tina Akers

Head of Junior School

Year 6 Canberra Experience

Year 6 students recently travelled to Canberra for an educational tour of the national capital. Students were afforded the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.



The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital, as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. Under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program, the Australian Government provides funding of \$150 per student to assist in reducing the travel costs for this educational experience. We thank the government for their support, and look forward to receiving the rebate which will be paid directly to the School in the coming weeks.



On behalf of the Year 6 families, I would also like to thank the ASSG Parents and Friends Association for their donation of \$50 per student, which also helped reduce the overall cost of the trip for families.

We have a dedicated staff and a wonderful school community who all share the same core purpose of providing the very best educational opportunities for all our students. There are always engaging learning experiences occurring in the Junior School. Experiences such as the Canberra Trip help stimulate, authenticate and reinforce classroom learning. When students take on

personal challenges, strive to meet or exceed them, the sense of accomplishment and pride is well founded and worthy of recognition.



The Year 6 students are to be commended for representing our School with great pride at the many venues they visited. For many students there were a few firsts, including; flying, travelling interstate and being away from home for an extended period. We were proud of how brave they were at accepting these challenging firsts.



Thank you Mr Turner for preparing the students with the knowledge and understandings that enabled them to answer many of the tour guides questions and engage in informed discussion. It is very affirming to receive the positive feedback from the tour guides acknowledging how well behaved, courteous and knowledgeable our students are.

There were many highlights for the students (and staff) including visits to the Australian War Memorial, Government House, the old and new Parliament House, the High Court, the Australian Institute of Sport, National Museum, CSIRO, and Questacon. They also enjoyed their evening activities at the Canberra Reptile Zoo, Rock Climbing and Ice Skating.

The Year 6 students fully embraced all aspects of their Canberra experience and were able to absorb information by listening and talking to guides and observing their surroundings intently. I'm sure all students have a wealth of

knowledge, many stories they can share with others, and experiences they will recount as a group for many years to come.

Thank you Mr Turner, Miss Browne, Mrs Weston and Bro Nathan for sharing this experience and taking the responsibility of supervising the students during this trip.

Junior School Disco

Friday 13 and a full moon brought the Junior School covered area alive with countless villains from Star Wars, Harry Potter, Rapunzel, Frozen, Batman, Snow White and many, many more infamous characters. What a tremendous effort everyone put into preparing their amazing costumes. The children (and staff) looked totally wicked!



Thank you: Casten and Noel who put up the hessian screens, Miss Croker for organising the monstrous sound system, Mrs Heur (and Alaina) for compiling a playlist of tunes that inspired the children (and adults) to get into the groove and dance the night away, Adam Hensley (School Captain), Jed Marshall and Jackson Peagham who, under the direction of Mrs Marshall kept the sausages sizzling on the BBQ, and the Junior School Student Council for organising such an incredibly, awesome evening.



It was wonderful to have so many families and friends join us. I feel very fortunate to work with a staff who are fully committed to their students, and have the support of the wonderful School community. It was so rewarding to see the children excited and enjoying what was a fantastic night of fun with their friends.



Very Proud of our Students

The students have achieved much success in their learning and extra-curricular activities this term. They have worked diligently to grow as learners and we are very proud of them all.

Nurturing our students' achievements, successes and growth, are staff who provide the inspiration, know-how and continual support. Our staff are energetic, reflective thinkers and problem-solvers. They are continually evaluating their impact on their students' learning, sharing their knowledge and investing their time to support the growth of your children. The Junior School staff want every student to feel that they have accomplished their 'personal best', so that they can go confidently into the holidays with a sense of success and achievement.

Happy Holidays

We hope that you will welcome a change of pace over the next couple of weeks and enjoy sharing time with family and friends.

On behalf of the Junior School staff, thank you for your continued support throughout the term. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and ready for the start of Term 4 on **Tuesday, 8 October**.

Enjoy a safe and restful break.

From the Dorms...

And just like that, one of our busiest terms is done and dusted! Term 3 is always our most academically challenging term, and this one was no exception. Everyone did a fantastic job of keeping their heads above water, and soldiering on despite all their other commitments. We've been really impressed with everyone's overall approach to the past 9 weeks, they've worked, played and studied hard, and still found time to have some fun!

Our seniors are experiencing a mix of emotions at the moment now that only 6 weeks of their academic year is left. We're very proud of the young men and women they've become, and their efforts within our school community have been greatly appreciated. As their time comes to an end it means our Year 11's will begin to contemplate their leadership roles and responsibilities, and what they want and expect from their senior year. They've just finished the voting process on their 2020 senior jerseys, and the fact that they officially start Year 12 next term, has finally hit home. We wish them all the best on this final chapter of their education.

Our whole school recently celebrated Brother Robin's Platinum Anniversary! 70 years in the brotherhood, which is a remarkable achievement and an amazing commitment to his faith. Everyone has a Brother Robin story, and it was terrific to be able to celebrate with him and share all our stories. Brother Robin's ties with every All Souls family run deep, and we're all a little bit better for having known him, and had him in our lives. We'd like to take this opportunity to commend all our students on their fantastic behavior, and assistance while rehearsing for, as well as setting up for the festivities and the respect shown to Brother Robin on his special day.

Brother Robin, you have touched the lives of every student to walk these hallowed grounds, and left wonderful memories with all our Souls Boys and Gabe's Girls, and we thank you.

The Year 6 students had a fantastic week away on the Junior School Canberra Trip recently. They managed to fit many adventures into their 4 days. There were many

highlights including: visiting the Australia Reptile Zoo; Questacon; the CSIRO and the Ice Skating Centre! Our Year 6 boarders (Isabella Whiting; Ruby Hunt; Elwyn Miller; Leearnna Campbell & Hannah Knuth) were completely exhausted on their return, but very excited to share all their stories with us. Apparently it's "really, really cold down there!"

We had our annual Inter-House Academics Challenge on Monday the 9th. A big congratulations go to Feetham/Becket who walked away with the win! Apparently they are the smartest Houses! Congratulations to all those involved in helping with the set-up, and running of the challenge. It's great to see our seniors take on, and successfully drive, this fantastic event.

Congratulations to our senior students who recently completed their core skills testing (QCS), we wish them the very best and hope they receive the results they are hoping for. It is yet another milestone that confirms that their schooling here at Souls is almost finished. It really has been a mammoth couple of months for them, and the pressure they have endured and stamina they have displayed proves that they are almost ready to tackle life after school!

The rugby union season finished with the Inter-School Rugby tens competition which is always really popular with our kids. Our boarders went out for the finals on Saturday night and to cheers our kids on. Thanks to Deb and the kitchen staff for doing our Saturday night meal as a takeaway so we could eat out there. I have attached a heap of photos.

This term has definitely been one for the record books, as far as head-colds and the flu goes. It seems like we were just getting over one germ, when a new one would hit. Hopefully all the kids can have a good rest over the holidays and come back to Term 4, fresh and ready to end the year with a bang.

Well, that just about wraps things up for boarding news. Have a great couple of weeks with your sons and daughters at home, and safe travels. Remember, if you have questions please contact your Senior Resident.

Until next time, take care.

Alban highlights

Congratulations go to Meg Bailey and Jasmine Elliott for their Netball achievements. Meg received 'Most Valuable Player' for Gabes Sparks, and Jasmine received 'Most Valuable Player' for Gabes Fire. Well-deserved girls!



Also, congratulations to Jasmine for her success in Rugby Union. Jasmine received an award for the "Leading Try-Scorer" for the U16 Girls, for the season. Well done Jasmine!

Well done Isabella Whiting, who got into character for the Junior School "Villains" disco recently. Bella went as 'Mother Gothel' from the movie Rapunzel. And let's just say, that she'll definitely be an asset to the school drama squad, when she hits high school next year!



Chloe Frohloff with our resident hairdresser, Jo Butler (from Retro Hair Design & Style) and her partner Kelly, came into Alban one afternoon for a few bookings. They say a haircut is as good as a holiday... but the girls tend to disagree! Thank you Jo & Kelly for your time and expertise - greatly appreciated!



Thank you girls for a great Term 3. It was the busiest, but definitely one of our best within the dorm. I'm very lucky to be entrusted with your care - you make my job easier. Have a great holiday at home with your families, and I'll see you back here for the last lap of 2019!

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Becket highlights

As everyone is aware, I have been away for about 2 weeks in beautiful, snow-capped New Zealand, for our daughter's wedding. The girls who travelled to NZ with ASSG last holidays, had been telling me how beautiful it was, but I didn't realise just how stunning it really is. They also promised me I would be able to ski, but they were wrong! Thank you to all the staff who looked after my girls while I was away.



In true Becket form, we won the recent Inter-House Academics Challenge! We do love our blue ribbons and the girls did not disappoint!

We are again having work done in Becket over the holidays so we asked the girls to move over to Alban for the last couple of days of term so the workman could get an early start. Hopefully this should all be done by the girls return for Term 4.



Karen and Darnelle, making earrings.



Edwina & Bella showing Bohdi how to make Palm-Leaf decorations.



Board games and cards have been very popular again this term. Some serious business happens around the kitchen table in Becket... lucky we're not playing for Gold Mines and Cattle Stations!

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Chad highlights

Interesting things that have happened in Chad:

- ◊ Year Sevens have won "Wing of the Week" all but twice this year.
- ◊ Briarley, Lucy, Rowena, Rosie, Caitlyn and Montanna, have won this term's raffles, and have enjoyed pizzas and chocolate!
- ◊ "Uno" has been replaced by "Speed" and "Old Maid" as the card game of choice this term, but Vas is still the best card player!
- ◊ Still on the card games...who would have thought that Reggie is no good at "Bullsh#t"?!
- ◊ Our seniors have been awesome role models this year and have helped immensely. Even while studying hard for their QCS and exams.

Thanks everyone for a good term and we will be back to do it all again after the break.



Ruby enjoys waffles and berries for Sunday breakfast.

An intense game of cards going on, in Chad.



A bit of fun in the pool with Rowena and Charlotte on the weekend.



It's great to see all our girls mixing within the 3 girls dorms, and knowing that each dorm has something different to offer.

The pool-table at Becket has been getting a good workout this term!



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Ramsay highlights

With Exams finally over, most of the Ramsay boys headed home early for a much anticipated and well deserved break. Our final couple of weeks have been a bit of a grind with exams and assignments. To make things worse many of our kids have been sick with the flu which has only compounded the pressure.

Just a few highlights from the dorm:

- Around the dorm spirits are high. The boys' behavior this term has been great and improving all the time. I'm impressed with the culture in our dorm and the way our boys support each other. It's great to see so many boys stepping up and taking on more responsibility within their year level.
- Once again, it's been a privilege to look after your boys and help guide them through their adolescent years here at All Souls. Have a fantastic, and safe, couple of weeks with your boys.



Ramsay boys at the Rugby Tens Grand Final, Saturday 14th



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Feetham highlights

All the boys in Feetham dorm have asked me to wish Max Washington all the best, as he had to go and get a 2nd operation on his ACL (knee).

We hope it all went well Max, and good luck with the rehab.

James Callaghan and Mitchell Fox have been going up to the cricket nets of late. James has been telling everyone that he is the next Steve Smith!

I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

It's time for another week of...
"Gully's Facts" by Sebastian and Gareth.



Gully is the 'Door Nazi'. Every time he walks through the dining hall, he makes the kids open up every door! (Yep, even in winter!)



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Page Highlights

- Several of our boys went down to Townsville to trial for the North Queensland Athletics Team. Alex Haydon was selected into the team for the 100m sprint, running an 11.04s. Congratulations to the boys who trialled and especially Alex for making the team.
- Our annual footy tipping competition has come to an end with Adam Hensley coming away with a win.
- Exams have finally finished so the pressure is off the boys which means everyone is happy again.
- Davin is currently away with our boy's camp so we have added this photo; just because we can!



Page Dorm's fearless leaders... Davin and Rachel, enjoying the night out at the Rugby Tens Grand Final.



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Recreation

Dawnie McGill
Recreation Officer

Turning the lights on, on O'Keefe Oval on a Saturday night continues to be very popular with our boarders, everyone gets to play mixed touch and just run around.

We took our Year 6, 7, 8 and 9 boarders down to Townsville for the day on Saturday 7th, September. We started at the Strand and the kids had fun at the Water Park and playing on the beach. Fish and Chips were the lunch choice of the day, along with ice cream from Juliet's.

We left the Strand and made our way over to Ten Pin Bowling. We originally had Kingpin in mind, but they were totally booked out, so we went to plan B and tried the other Tenpin Bowling Alley. And it was great! The kids were in air-conditioned comfort while they tried out the bowling alleys, dodgem cars and the games arcade. They had pretty good café food as well, which the kids thought was great.

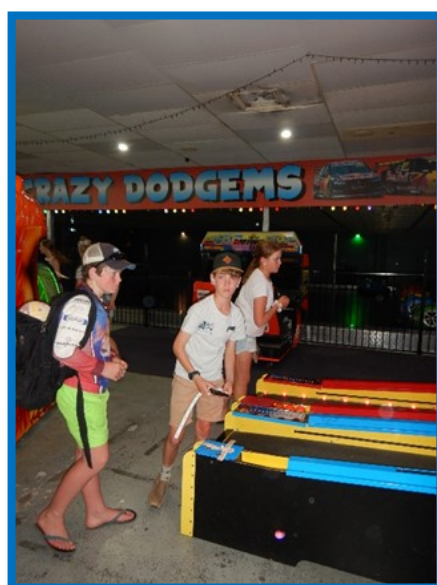
Some of the older students needed to go shopping, so Rhett took them over to Willows Shopping Centre, so they didn't miss out. By the time we were ready to come home, I think everyone was tired, but they'd had a good time.

I would like to thank Davin, Rhett and Yvonne for helping me out- without these people helping me, my job would be so much harder.

We have more trips in the planning stages for next term, so 'watch this space'!

Everyone stay safe.

Townsville Trip



Rugby Tens Finals Night

