Dear Parents, Families, Students, Teachers and Friends,

The College motto is Courage, Faith and Service. I believe in these words for myself as well as for this College. Over the next 3 editions I would like to speak to each of them.

Firstly COURAGE. Courage takes many different forms. Courage is the ability to stand up for those who are in need. On Friday 11 of September 2015, Alkimos Baptist College is standing up, courageously, for those who need hope. Our annual Revolution Red campaign will be run by our Student Council. This will be a great time for our students to paint our community red with a message of hope.

There is also the courage to stand firm. In times of uncertainty our College must be courageous and stand united under our vision and mission. All our families are vital to our community at Alkimos Baptist College and we encourage you to stand firm with our College. Our annual Open Day is fast approaching, a fantastic opportunity for our community to see the amazing school we are. Your support is vital for the success of this day. Stand firm with us on this day and help show our community what a wonderful place Alkimos Baptist College is.

The courage to look to God. It takes courage to acknowledge God in our lives. As a College we must continually strive to seek God’s will for us and to constantly put Him first. I ask the question, what does God want from this College? Ultimately, courage is the ability to let the worry and fear be released and instead allow ourselves to be filled with peace and assurance that God is in control and we are not.

Deuteronomy 31:6 in the message translation says

"Be strong. Take courage. Don’t be intimidated. Don’t give them a second thought because God, your God, is striding ahead of you. He’s right there with you. He won’t let you down; he won’t leave you.”

Yours sincerely

Kieran Graham
College Principal
CAKE STALLS
This term the P&F will again be running the Recess Cake Stalls for students each week. It will only be for Term 3 this year. Please see the Term 3 Calendar for the class roster and the P&F section of this Newsletter for more details.

ALKIMOS BAPTIST COLLEGE FETE – SILENT AUCTION
Alkimos Baptist College is hosting our annual Open Day and Fete on Saturday 17th October 2015. One of our main official College fundraiser is our Silent Auction and we would like to make an appeal to you to help donate any new quality goods, or services either from businesses you regularly use or work for. If you require a sponsorship letter from the College, please see our College office.

Examples of donations from previous years have been: Workout sessions, Bottles of Olive Oil, West Coast Eagles signed football, Western Force Signed Jersey, dinner for two, are just a few examples. Please bring your Silent Auction donation to the College office as soon as possible and thank you for your partnering with us in this great fundraising venture.

P & F NEWS

The Term 3 P&F Meeting was on Wednesday 19th August. The minutes of P&F Meetings are all kept in a P&F file at the College office and available for parents to view.

Our P&F President position is vacant. If you are interested in taking on the President position for the rest of the year, please see Kieran Graham or call the College Office on 9406 8189.

Classes are rostered on each Friday. When your child’s class is rostered on, please send in a cut cake, slices or cupcakes to the Staff Room on the morning. NO creams or nuts if possible please. The cakes are sold to the Primary and High School students for usually 50 cents during the recess breaks. If all parents and carers rostered on contribute, we should have enough for the whole school.

18/9/2015 - Year 10, 11 & 12 Classes

Thank you everyone for your kind support!

Woolworths Earn and Learn

As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We’re now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem.

So this week, please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they may be stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps.

Thanks again for all your support!
Due to overwhelming demand from families and schools to offer revision courses further North of Perth, Academic Task Force has been invited to present a series of WACE Exam Boost Seminars for Year 12 students at Quinn's Baptist College in Mindarie.

These courses are open to all students and will run over the next four weeks in Term 3. Each 6 hour WACE revision Exam Boost course will inspire and build your students’ confidence. Students will receive consolidation of subject knowledge, enhanced understanding in their course and methods on how to apply what the students learn at school in their exams. These courses will provide students with excellent preparation for their Mock and WACE exams.

The following courses will be available:

- Saturday 12th September  Maths 3CD
- Sunday 13th September  Chemistry 3AB
- Saturday 19th September  Physics 3AB
- Sunday 20th September  Human Biological Science 3AB

We are absolutely delighted that we can provide this opportunity to your students. These seminars are open to all Year 12 students from all schools and will offer students the benefit of revision and exam preparation help locally.

It would be appreciated if you can please forward this email to all relevant staff in your school who can inform their students as they deem fit.

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Les Nouvelles de Français

AU REVOIR to our French student Nicolas Legrande who attended Alkimos Baptist College Weeks 1 - 3 in year 11 this term. We were sad to see him leave as he was an active part of all our French classes during that time encouraging our students in their French endeavours. Nicolas has returned to France to complete his final year of High School and sit for the Baccalauréat Exams. Nic is looking forward to returning to Australia in the future.

MERCI ET AU REVOIR!

It was also a pleasure to have Kaoru the Japanese student from France who attended the Year 10 class. Kaoru spoke fluent French and he was an asset to our year 10 French class.

**LANGUAGE PERFECT WA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS (Aug 17-24th)**

Congratulations to the following students who made a big effort!

**UN EFFORT FORMIDABLE**

1st - Megan Taylor Year 8 with 2008 Points (Silver Certificate)
2nd - Chloe Ashton Year 7 with 1121 Points (Bronze certificate)
3rd - Tiahna Booth Year 8 with 314 Points
4th - Dylan Vermaak Year 9 with 299 Points

Congratulations also to Ciara Carroll Year 7 who won a draw for a $20 iTune voucher in the Competition.
Year 10 Formal

A special night to remember, a special year to remember...our Year 10 students enjoyed an evening of splendour on the 28th of August at the Year 10 Formal. The room at Portifino's Restaurant was decorated tastefully and they danced the night away to the DJ's tunes. No one could resist the dance floor, laughter and smiles were seen the entire evening.

The plated menu served was exceptional, all the students and staff mentioned how tasty and well prepared the food was. From the entrée to the desserts and the coffee's were enjoyed by all. The atmosphere was very relaxed and the speeches were entertaining.

Each Year 10 was awarded a special prize, the students screeched with laughter at the awards.

Sandrine Bukeyeneza - Little Soul Singer
Morgan Brittle - Mr Thumper Foot
Grace Cooke - Little Miss Mobile
Bianca Crosling - Little Miss Drama Queen
Abbey Davidson - Little Miss Night Life
Roisin Doherty - Little Miss Dance Party
Matthew Harms - Mr President
Thomas Johnson - Mr Mischief
Tayla Juncal - Little Miss Battler
Samuel King - Mr Bump
Jason MacFarlane - Mr Sleepy
Ashleigh Morton - Little Miss Sparkle
Willow Morton - Little Miss Stubborn
Nicole Osborne - Little Miss Tidy
Ashley Petera - Little Miss Switched On
Isabella Stanton - Little Miss Mysterious
James Tucker - Mr Questions
Arno van Tonder - Me Helpful
Brandon Ward - Mr Forgetful
Averil Willoughby - Little Miss Duck

We left the restaurant with a feeling of joy and excitement for the year ahead.
YESS!! WE HAVE DONE IT! The incredible Reds are playing in the Finals against Flinders this Monday the 14th of September. It has been an exciting and successful term of European handball for the Reds. We encourage all parents and Gibson Roos to cheer on our amazing team this Monday afternoon. See you there!

LETS ALL WEAR OUR RED T-SHIRTS FOR THE FINALS!

FLINDERS

A special shout out to our Sharkettes

Flinders would like to take this opportunity to congratulate their Sharkettes who have recently joined the team. Their dedication has been nothing short of fantastic, and has been a major contributor to the club’s huge success this season.

During the last match Team Captain Nicole Osborne played an outstanding spell, placing consistent pressure on the forward half. Shark’s player Naomi Makuei was also a stand out, placing her body on the line to save a ball that was travelling with speed towards the home goal. Finally a massive shout out to the Shark’s one and only, Tiahna “The Deceptacon” Booth, who scored a massive 6 goals for the team.

Well done to our Sharkettes, keep up the great work. Grand final here we come!!!

HAMERSLEY NEWS

We might not have won, but we never ever give up! Due to Abby Bondini and Grace Miller who fought with everything they had, refusing to admit defeat and forfeit a game. Hamersley is still in the running of finishing the Inter House Championship Competition in the second position.

The competition has been fierce this term, we have competed through ice winds and a few drops of rain but we have enjoyed every second of it.

Thank you very much for the dedication of our players and the fearless Mr Speldewinde and Mr Wallace who have coached and encouraged the students to always give off their best.
**Dads Raising Girls**
Find out how to build a rewarding father daughter relationship. As a male role model in a young girl’s life Dad’s play an important role in their development of self confidence and self esteem. This can often affect how they relate to others as they get older.

Thursday 17th September
22 Southport Street, West Leederville
6.30 - 9.00am / $25 per person

**Kids and Today’s Technology**
Technology is now being used by very young children and most teenagers are proficient users of the many aspects of technology. Your knowledge of what’s out there, how it’s being used and how you can manage it in your home will have a direct impact on your kid’s learning and safety.

Tuesday 15th & 22 September
22 Southport Street, West Leederville
6.30 - 9.00am / $35 per person, $50 couple

**Mums Raising Teenage Girls**
As we know, the relationship between a mother and her daughter is very important. This seminar helps mothers to better understand their daughters and the challenges they go through during puberty and helps to better equip their daughters to be happy and strong individuals.

Monday 21 September
22 Southport Street, West Leederville
$25 per person

**Fathering After Separation**
It’s important for fathers to distinguish between their parenting role and the relationship break-up. This seminar, held in a male only environment, suggests ways in which fathers can keep in touch with their children, even if hindered by formal access arrangements.

Tuesday 22 September
7 Anzac Place, Mandurah
$25 per person

**Mums Raising Teenage Boys**
As the primary female role model in a boy’s life mothers play an important role in the development of their son’s identity including their ability to be nurturing. For teenage boys in particular, this on-going relationship with their mothers has long term implications. This in turn affects how they relate to others, particularly girls and women.

Tuesday 22nd September
22 Southport Street, West Leederville
$25 per person
What’s happening in Primary

Fathers Day Stall

Happy Father’s Day

Images of children and adults at a stall, with children holding items and smiling.