Dear Parents, Teachers, Students and Friends,

Whilst in Vietnam, team debriefing time was one of my fondest memories. Coming back to the hotel after spending an exhausting day or evening helping, playing games, talking or various other activities and discussing the thoughts and feelings our team had was very rewarding. There was such a wide range of emotions and feelings about the day that it was hard to imagine we all shared the same day.

The discussion started with “Your most memorable moment…!” These memories usually lead the group into tears of laughter as we remembered little parts of the day that we forgot. Laughter brings a group together. The discussion around the group would then move towards “Your most challenging moment…!” These were a lot harder, yet a lot more profound. “Giving a wheel chair to a man who had been bedridden for 38 years.” “Hearing the story of a man who lost 4 daughters and a wife in a bomb raid during the Vietnam War.” “Seeing how little the children had, while still being so happy with life.” “Hearing about how an unwed mother is disowned by her family.” “Meeting people with so little, yet being more happy than I.”

It quickly became apparent that the challenges our students faced came from the understanding that we have so much in our society and they have so little, yet their lives were filled with joy and happiness. These debriefing sessions became more than a recap of the day’s events and became a soul searching time to think about our priorities in life.

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers in the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will He not much more clothe you, you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. Matthew 6:25-34

Whilst there is huge depth and complexity to these verses, there is also a simple truth. God does love us and He will care for us. Seek God and His righteousness. A simply way to live in very complex times.

Kieran Graham
College Principal
SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

SECONDARY TERM PLANNER
Please ensure that you keep the updated copy of the Secondary Term 2 Planner visible at home so that you are aware of the events for the Secondary School each term. Extra copies are available at the College office.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
The College will be providing areas of extra curricular activities during Term 2. These will include Tutoring, Athletics Training and Interhouse Sports.

ONLINE CANTEEN
Please ensure that your child's details are all updated on the Online canteen so that their lunch orders can be delivered to the right year. Thank you.

WINTER UNIFORM
Winter Uniform is to be worn by students during Terms 2 and 3. Please ensure that your child has all the correct uniform. If there is any reason why your child is unable to wear the correct uniform please write a letter to your child’s form teacher. Also please ensure that the correct black lace up shoes are worn and that the College uniform is not mixed and matched with the Sports Uniform. Please do not allow students to wear canvas PE shoes. These are not in keeping with the described uniform standard in the Secondary Diary. If you are not sure, please ask Mrs Potgieter.

RAIN JACKETS AND WET WEATHER
This term and next term we may have some wet weather days. Students may wear rain jackets to school. (Blue colour is preferable). Students leave these jackets in their bags and do not wear them inside the classrooms. If students are walking to school or catching a bus, they may need to bring an umbrella to school. Umbrellas can be left to dry outside near their bag.

UPDATED MEDICAL INFORMATION
Please ensure that we have up to date Medical Action Plans if your child has anaphylaxis or asthma or another medical need that we need to know about.

NEW CONTACT DETAILS
Please ensure that the College office has your updated address and contact details at all times. This is very important for emergencies and important mail outs. Please attend to this regularly as needed.

UNIFORM SHOP - OPENING TIMES
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
8.00AM TO 4.00PM
Summer Uniforms orders are now due for Term 4.
Parents to please contact the College office to arrange an appointment.

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P & F NEWS

The Term 2 P&F Meeting was held on Wednesday 27th May. The minutes of the P&F Meetings are all kept in a P&F file at the College office and available for parents to view.

Mrs Tina Harper-Rigby has resigned as our P&F President and we would like to thank Tina for leading our P&F over the past two years with great vision and direction. If you are interested in the President position for the remainder of the year, please see Kieran Graham or call the College office on 9406 8189.

Thank you everyone for your kind.

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

Jam and Kulture 2015

We are beginning to gear up for another exciting up and coming concert.....Kulture!!! With the very high standard set last year, we are opening up Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3-4pm in Room 11 for students to come and rehearse their music, drama or dance performances in the lead up to this event. Teachers will be present to assist you, so come along with your creative ideas. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please note that "Jam" - our organic band, will continue to also run on Thursday as planned.
GOLD COMMENDATIONS AWARD WINNERS

Year 7
Brianna Archer
Chloe Ashton
Gemma Boyd
Taylor Brooker
Ciara Carroll
Jeanne Kabwit
Grace Millar

Year 8
Roald van Tonder

TERM 2 EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

TUTORING:  Tuesday: Room 7 Literacy Mrs Potgieter
            Room 8 Numeracy Mrs Balachandran
            Thursday: Room 7 Literacy Miss Erasmus
                     Room 8 Numeracy Mrs Belcher

CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING:
Tuesday and Thursday mornings 7.30 - 8.15am: Mr Zanetti

AFTER SCHOOL INTERHOUSE SPORT Term 2 Soccer:
  Gibson - Mr Shayne Zanetti
  Hamersley - Mr Speldewinde
  Dampier - Mr Wayman
  Flinders - Mr Hayward

INTERHOUSE CARNIVAL SOCCER

Wednesday 17th June
  3rd vs 4th

Monday 22nd June
  1st vs 2nd

Wednesday 1 July
  All Stars Game
Dampier had a fierce and tough competition this week playing against Flinders, unfortunately we lost to our rivals but still had the strength and courage to persevere.

Thank you to all our diligent players, it has been an awesome Interhouse Competition this term.
Be afraid, be very, very afraid… we are planning to go and watch the scariest movie on the planet. Students and staff are going to watch Steven Spielberg's latest Movie Jurassic World on Tuesday 16 June after school. Students will appreciate why we need to study…Biology, History, Chemistry, Physical Education and Mathematics in this movie…

Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic Park, Isla Nublar, an island located off Central America's Pacific Coast near Costa Rica, now features a fully functioning dinosaur theme park, Jurassic World, as originally envisioned by John Hammond. This new park is owned by Simon Masrani (Irrfan Khan), CEO of the Masrani Corporation. Owen Grady (Chris Pratt), a member of the park's on-site staff, is a trainer of a group of Velociraptors, known as Blue, Charlie, Delta and Echo. At the corporation's request, the park's geneticists create a hybrid dinosaur known as Indominus Rex (resembling a T. rex in appearance and having the genetic material of Giganotosaurus, Rugops, Majungasaurus, and Carnotaurus, giving it its distinctive head ornamentation and ultra-tough bony osteoderms with horns placed above the eye orbit) to boost visitor attendance. Claire Dearing (Bryce Dallas Howard) is the park's operations manager. Her nephews, Zach (Nick Robinson) and Gray (Ty Simpkins), are visiting the island when the hybrid escapes and are subsequently caught up in the creature's deadly rampage. It then becomes the responsibility of Owen and Jurassic World's security team to contain the hybrid dinosaur before she can cause more damage.

Oh dear…will I ever sleep again?
PARENT CHILD CONNECTION

Monday 15th 22nd & 29th June at 22 Southport Street, West Leederville 6.30 - 9.00pm

Raising children should be one of life’s greatest experiences but as any parent knows it is not an easy task. People with children under ten are invited to this course to learn new skills, feel better about their parenting and gain confidence. This seminar will include different parenting styles, discipline that works, environmental influence, understanding behaviour patterns and communication.

For further information please phone 9489 6322.

DADS RAISING BOYS

Wednesday 24th June at 1 Ord Street, Fremantle 6.30 - 9.00pm

Raising teenage boys can be challenging, but there can be exceptional times of fun and closeness. This workshop is designed to assist fathers navigate their way through the teen years, help build positive relationships and strong positive young men for the future.

For further information please phone 9489 6322.

INTERNET SAFETY

Tuesday 23 June 145 Main Street, Osborne Park 5:00 - 6.30pm

The benefits of the internet appear endless, but with smart phones and tablets apart of our daily lives, it’s become increasingly important to understand how young people interact online. Presented by local police, this workshop is a great opportunity to learn more about how young people use the internet, how you as a parent can reduce their exposure to risk, and how young people can embrace the online world with confidence.

For further information please phone 9208 9555

COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR TEEN

Tuesday 30 June 145 Main Street, Osborne Park 5:00 - 7.45pm

Adolescence is a time of great transition and challenge, for young people and their families alike. Conflict, communication difficulties and a lack of understanding may often occur. At such an important time, it can be easy to lose confidence in the ability to parent successfully. This group is designed to assist you to increase your understanding of adolescence, improve your relationship with your teenager, learn new ways of communicating and self-care and stress management.

For further information please phone 9208 9555
What’s happening in Primary

COMING IN 2016

ALKIMOS BAPTIST COLLEGE IS VERY EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT IN TERM TWO 2016 KINDY - YEAR 7 WILL PRESENT THE MUSICAL

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