ASSEMBLY REQUIRED  Tanya Masters

Receiving wedding presents, it was a happy time. One gift accepted by a couple I’ve heard of, received was a bench cabinet that had to be assembled. All of the wooden pieces were precut and predrilled, and all the hardware for assembly was included. Unfortunately, most of life isn’t that way. Life doesn’t carry with it simple instructions and we can easily find ourselves overwhelmed.

We need not face our burdens alone. God offers His peace in the midst of our struggles: “Be anxious for nothing, but ... let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God . . . will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus” (Phil. 4:6-7).

FROM THE PRINCIPAL  Kaye Mathwin-Cox

On Sunday the 20th February, the Year 12 Prefects joined Stuart Cox and myself to attend the AISSA (Association of Independent Schools, South Australia) Commencement Service held at Temple Christian College. This is was a wonderful opportunity for our prefects to join with other leaders of Independent Schools to bless the year ahead and acknowledge the strength of collegiality between the school communities of the independent Sector. The Prefects represented the College proudly in front of such a large cohort of peers.

END OF YEAR FINISH DATE

The College Council has supported the Executive Team’s proposal to make Friday the 11th of December a Pupil Free Day. It is our hope that this will allow the many families (and staff who travel interstate and intrastate the opportunity to leave before the holiday traffic commences.

I wish all students well for Sports Day this Friday and encourage all our families to come along and join in the fun and fellowship.

FROM THE MIDDLE SCHOOL  Andrew Jericho

This week presented a fantastic opportunity for our Year 8 students to grow in their self-confidence, courage and closeness as a group. Monday through to Wednesday the 44 Year 8’s embarked on an adventure to the Errappa Police Camp in Iron Knob. The experiences included orienteering, rock climbing, high wires, laser skirmish, and the infamous ‘Leap of Faith’. The peer encouragement, group camaraderie, teamwork and personal achievements of many kinds are a great cause for celebration, and a superb way to start the year.
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SRC & HOUSE CAPTAINS/VICE CAPTAINS INDUCTION Kaye Mathwin-Cox
Congratulations again to our SRC students and to our House Captains and Vice House Captains. These students were chosen by their peers. We wish them well in these important leadership roles this year.

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SPORTS DAY
As you are aware our Sports Day is on this Friday, the 6th of March. Students will need to wear their school sports shorts, socks and shoes. They are permitted to wear a shirt (with sleeves) in their house colours, which are Magellan (black), Hipparchus (blue), Galileo (yellow) and Hadley (white) and to bring along streamers etc. in their house colours. Any decorating of bodies is to be completed at home under parent supervision. Students must bring and wear their school hat whilst waiting for events. The canteen will be open over at Ravendale for purchases, as per previously communicated to parents last week. We encourage all family (and extended family) to come along and support these students and join in on a day of fun and fellowship. Please refer to the College Blog for the timetables of events. www.navigator.sa.edu.au.

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UNIFORM MS CHANGE
Please note there has been a change to the Uniform Policy. Middle School Students may now wear Predominantly white, black or grey with white, black or grey laces to match.

TRANSPORT
As per previous communications we have discussed the transport of students home from the Sports Day. Please note that this transport will be provided by the College. Please ensure that your child has the correct transport information so that they are able to be transported home at the end of the day.

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Year 1A: Grace McLennan & Bailey Newman
Year 1B: Jorja Poverty & Austin Clem
Year 2/3A: Ella Simpson & Taris Burge-Woolford
Year 2/3B: Hannah Moseby & Hunter Smith
Year 2/3C: Ava Misch & Fletcher Beard
Year 4/5A: Ruma Potts & Kaleb Oestmann
Year 4/5B: Cara Frost-Krieg & Ari Ralph
Year 4/5C: Anika Parenta & Thorin Averay
Year 6/7A: Sam Griffith & Eden Slater
Year 6/7B: Matthias Farmer & Matilda Arbon
Year 6/7C: Harry Boast & Portia Clem
Year 8A: Flynn Bullock-Allard
Year 8B: Kya Eldridge & Lauryn Farmer
Year 9A: Luke Mundy & Abbey Schlink
Year 9B: Lane Pennington & Shanley O’Brien
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