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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The representative Swimming Carnivals after our own College Events allow the gifted swimmers to progress to the highest all schools level.

A number of high level carnivals take place. Gifted athletes in our sporting programs compete at IPSSO, MISA and NASSA; some at AICES and CIS; a smaller number at the All Schools events at PSSA and then to the Nationals. Talented athletes from the College are able to represent the nation, and this year we have already acknowledged the exceptional talent of our Year 11 student Michael Ruhs who captained the Australian All Schools Football Team.

The sporting programs taking place after hours in the Rawdon Middleton Sports are operating at maximum numbers and students do well to put their names down for the next season. Programs in Basketball, Futsal, Football, Sprint Training and Dance are all on offer. Our Music program has been growing too and the College is very busy in the after school hours most days.

This week Dr Gawthorne will host the Debating Event for HICES Schools (the Independent Co-educational Schools). Some 200 students with teachers and many parents in attendance will compete in a debating event and our own teams look well prepared.

Are you booked in for the annual **Movie Night Under the Stars** event? It's for the whole family and will take place on Friday week, **22 March from 6pm**. Food is available for purchase or you can bring your own picnic (no alcohol please) to enjoy on the Oval under the stars. We are looking forward to watching the movie '**Sherlock Gnomes**'. It will be a great night – why not come along?

Lots of parents and staff are enjoying our Café in the MRK each Thursday and Friday from

7.30am. It's proving to be a great morning with excellent coffee too! There's an opportunity for an informal conversation and catch up at the end of the week. Drop your children off and take a few minutes to join the crowd.

At the end of this first term we will have a team of experienced educators spend 3 days at the College as part of the Review by our parent body, the Anglican Schools Corporation. Staff, students and parents took part in a broad survey about the College late last year. The visit in a few weeks' time will allow the team to experience the College first hand. A detailed report with observations and recommendations will then be prepared for the College Council and Senior Team. We will bring a report back to the Community in Term 2. This is a process that takes place every 5 years.

The new Kindy Centre is close to completion. Great joy for teachers and students in Kindy and Year 3.

Thanks for your continued support. Let me bring news of our next project in the coming weeks.

'Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.' **1 Corinthians 13:7-8**

Mr Ross Whelan
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