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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Junior School Athletics Team for the NASSA Representative Carnival travelled to Campbelltown Athletics this week to compete against 7 other Anglican schools including the Illawarra Grammar School, Wollongong, Wollondilly and St. Lukes Grammar from Dee Why.

On a clear Winter's day we held our own, winning several events and relays. Final points will be tallied and scores will follow. Congratulations to all team members.

We trust you are looking forward to the big event next Saturday 24 August. The South West Festival grows in number and excitement every year and the 2019 event looks to be our biggest event yet. Be sure to come along with all the family.

Earlier this year, an external team of experts came to the College to review our programs and classrooms; to talk with staff and students; and to follow up on all the survey data that every family student and staff member had contributed to late last year. A report was prepared with observations and recommendations; and that report has been received by the College Council; the Anglican Schools Corporation Board and just this week the Senior Leaders of the College. I will now prepare a summary for release to families and staff and propose an action plan to pursue the recommendations as appropriate. This summary should be available this term in a few weeks' time.

Also, in a few weeks' time, we expect to commence the building works for the new health clinic, student well-being link and the renovation to the Administration Centre which will add additional interview rooms, office space and modernise our entry and Reception area. It should be a 6

month process and we expect Reception will be relocated to E Block for the duration. We will bring a specific notice to you regarding the changes.

You will already know of our advertising for a new Deputy Principal/Head of Junior School to replace Mrs Bessant who will retire at the end of this year. We are looking to appoint a permanent position for a College Chaplain and will add an Assistant Chaplain also to the team. Rev Dayhew our Acting Chaplain has already indicated his interest and we expect others will wish to apply for these key positions in the College.

Year 12 Students are entering the final stage of their school education. Trials are over; students with major works and performances will be highlighted at the upcoming Illuminate event on Thursday 5 September and Graduation is not too far away. We wish them well. Please keep them and their parents in your prayers.

Thank you for your continued support of all we engage in at the College. It is a place full of interest, enjoyment and learning.

'His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by his own glory and goodness.' 2 Peter 1:3

Mr Ross Whelan Principal