

TERM 2 I THE WAY NEWSLETTER I FRIDAY 10 MAY 2024



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have had a busy start to the term with events and occasions from the first day. Last week we commemorated ANZAC Day as a whole college and reminded students about the sacrifice that was made all over the world for the freedoms that we enjoy today. Students from both Junior and Senior school contributed to the service. Some of our senior students had just returned from the history Europe trip and they were able to speak about what they learned whilst visiting some of the war sites. We were also pleased to welcome Warrant Officer Class 1 David Harvey who shared his reflections on the significance of the ANZAC spirit in shaping the identity of our country. Mr Harvey is a parent, and he has served in three different conflicts around the world. We give our thanks to those who have committed their lives to serving others.

We made the decision to post pone our Mother's Day breakfast and I thank you for being so understanding. The wet weather impacted our capacity to manage the site safely. I do wish everyone a very happy Mother's Day for Sunday and look forward to a belated breakfast celebration later in the term.

Finally, we are keen to offer more opportunities for families to engage with current thinking around raising children. There is a saying 'It takes a village to raise a child' and I think this is still true today. Our young people are growing up with many pressures and access to information that was not available when most of us were young. As a result, they are impacted by an array of social media and messaging that is difficult to monitor. I would like to encourage you to talk to your children about both the positives and harm they may encounter online. We are offering a link to a guest speaker for next Tuesday evening on the topic of Resilience – and the ways we can

support our children. Please see the information to hear from Dr Justin Coulson in this edition of The Way.

Next week, students will be in their winter uniform. It is certainly becoming chilly in the mornings so I am sure they will welcome the additional layers.

The musical has been a fabulous success. I trust that you have enjoyed the performances and the outstanding talent that has been on offer.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Colossians 3:23-24

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