TRAITS KIDS DEVELOP AT CAMP

While it’s easy to think of ways to teach our kids to do laundry or solve math problems, finding a way to instill important character traits isn’t so simple. The way we model traits we want our children to exhibit has a powerful influence on them, and some traits (kindness, gratitude, and generosity) they learn first and foremost from their parents and family. But there are other traits best learned through experiences outside the home and beyond the watchful eyes of parents. Camp experiences offer exactly that experience and allow children to develop their independence, self-confidence and grit.

At camp, kids are encouraged to set goals and to challenge themselves.

Interrupting the cycle of dependence happens when we as parents are willing to encourage our children to develop their independence, self-confidence and grit, and, though it may seem counter-intuitive, that happens best when we’re not around.

We pray that all of our campers here at St Paul have a wonderful and safe experience this week.

Excerpt taken from the Sunshine Parenting Website

https://sunshineparenting.wordpress.com/2015/02/20/three-character-traits-kids-develop-at-camp/

Submitted by Karly Voigt
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

New Administration Space
Many of you will have noticed that our administration staff have moved into the new space adjacent to the previous school office. Please enter via the usual administration door and then head through the sliding doors on the right. If you are heading through to classrooms with your child, please continue to use the courtyard entrance. Thanks in advance for your patience as Kerry, Catherine and Sue adjust to their new office space!

Sports Uniform Tuesday 27 October
This year we trialled a new way of taking sports team photos where teams were photographed at their games in their various sports team uniforms. Whilst we have some great photos, we are missing a few teams for our magazine. We will be taking photographs of a number of teams next Tuesday, 27 October. To avoid confusion, we would like all students of St Paul to wear sports uniform on this day. Thank you.

School Entry and Exit via the Church
During Chapel and Assembly times (Wednesday and Friday mornings) we open the church doors facing Audrey Avenue to school families. At all other times, these doors remain locked to ensure the safety of all school students, and school and church staff members. If you are exiting the school during any other time than Chapel and Assembly, please exit via the courtyard near the office, or via the office.

Year 6 and 7 Camp
This week will see all Year 6 and 7 students heading to the Swanport Aquatic Centre near Murray Bridge for a three day aquatics camp. Students will participate in a range of water sports, and my understanding is that this will be a new experience for a large number of them. Camping programs provide an opportunity for students to challenge themselves, developing confidence and resilience, therefore we see these camps as an important part of the school calendar. We are thankful to the teachers and parent volunteers contributing a significant amount of time into making this possible for our Year 6 and 7 students.

Community Chaplain's New Office
Our Community Chaplain, Mrs Felicity Tamasi, has moved to her new office! You will find Felicity next door to the canteen, in the previous uniform shop. If you need help to find her, please ask any school staff member, or ask at the school office. Felicity is available all day Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and in the morning on Fridays.

Traffic Flow Reminder – No Right Turn
Please take note that the speed limit on Audrey Avenue when children are present is 25 km/h. The speed limit on school grounds at all times is 10 km/h. We once again appeal to all St Paul families to adopt the use of a ‘no right turn’ mindset for Audrey Avenue. This means that, if you are entering the school from Audrey Avenue, you approach from the west (Prospect Road end). We request that any traffic coming from Main North Road, please continue past the school.
to the roundabout and then come back toward the school to enter by turning left. This will greatly increase the safety of all motorists on Audrey Avenue before and after school.

I urge you to please speak with me or with Andrew Messenger if you have any questions regarding our morning and afternoon car park procedures. Thank you, in advance, for joining us in making safety paramount.

Leila Mattner
Assistant Principal

LEARNING CORNER

Learning Program 2016
On Tuesday 27 October at 7pm in the Creative Space, information about the future of the St Paul learning program will be shared and discussed with interested members of the school community. This night follows on from an evening held in the hall last year regarding the next generation of learners arriving in schools. Teachers have spent considerable time in professional development and learning in the past two years about ‘21st Century Education’. In particular, we have considered how students and even learning itself has changed. We would like to share this journey and outline how this will continue in 2016 and beyond. We look forward to seeing you there.

Jason Fay
Director of Learning

FROM THE LIBRARY

During Book Week in Term 3 we had a visit from the talented author and artist Emily Doan, a student of Endeavour College. Her visit was a great success and the students really engaged with her colourful, imaginative book. We have copies of her book ‘Who are you?’ available to purchase from the office for $15.00 (cash only). If you like to support local, young authors this would make a great addition to your home library or a gift for primary school age children.

Wendy McLeod
Library Resource Manager

CRICKET UPDATE

Parents, please note that the first round of matches is scheduled for this weekend.

Kangas: Friday 5:30 pm at Prospect Oval.
Juniors and Seniors: Saturday morning programs will be sent home on Friday.

Kym Mickan
Sports Coordinator
SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders are due by Tuesday 27 October. Please put orders in a NAMED envelope to the office and check that all information on credit slips/cheques/order forms is correctly recorded. Thank you.

Robyn Mader
Business Manager

CHURCH NEWS

Christmas Trees from Holy Cross, Birdwood
Birdwood are able to offer their high quality trees at $35 each. Please note that delivery can only be arranged for orders of 10 or more trees, however, we can notify you of the closest Church from where your order can be collected if there is less. Please place your order by contacting Naomi in the church office on 8262 4690.

SPORTS RESULTS

Basketball
Jaguars
St Paul Jaguars (18) defeated Walkerville (9) in a very fast and competitive game. The boys made a strong start to the term with some great defence and strategy in this game.

Panthers
St Paul Panthers (4) was defeated by Norwood Red (14). A great effort from the Panthers in their first game for this season. Welcome to all our new players. Looking forward to an exciting season of basketball.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Lacrosse Come and Play
Friday nights 5:30pm to 6:30 pm
Starts 23 October, 30 October, 6 November and 13 November
NALC: Terama Street, Gepps Cross

Students in Year 4 and upwards
Bring a team of 4/5 players
School teams welcome
or individuals will be placed into teams
New players encouraged
Cost $50 per team
Equipment provided

Get you friends together to try Lacrosse!
To nominate a team or express your interest
Contact Kelsey on 0400 261 036
TWILIGHT TOUR

Thursday 29 October
4.00pm - 6.30pm

Come and see the diverse opportunities and the holistic educational experience for Year 7-12 students.

- An engaging Middle Years program for Year 7-9 students
- A diverse range of extra-curricular and leadership opportunities
- Supporting all students to discover their attributes and reach their potential
- Setting high standards for enquiring minds and enthusiastic learners

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Matsuri
ON MOBARA

Japanese Cultural Festival
Sunday 25 October 11am - 4pm
Mobara Park, Mawson Lakes

A unique community celebration of cultural performances and martial arts demonstrations, visual arts and the delights of Japanese cuisine.

For more information visit www.salisbury.sa.gov.au/matsuri or ring 8406 8222

Join the event on Facebook by visiting bitly.com/Matsuri15

Our Values

God's Word
Acceptance
Excellence
Respect
Compassion
Hope
Community
Love

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