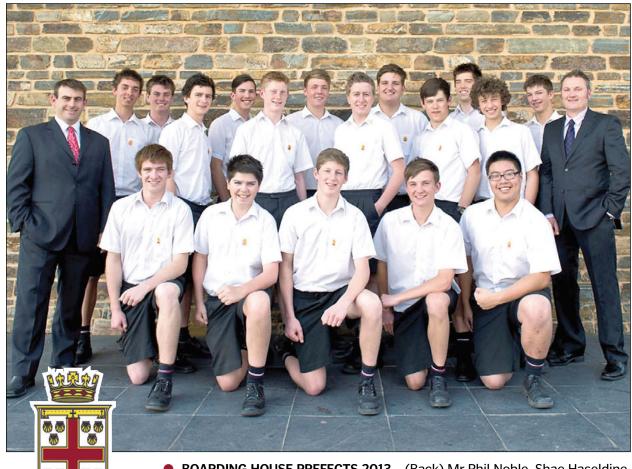
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# **Developing Princes men**



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BOARDING HOUSE PREFECTS 2013... (Back) Mr Phil Noble, Shae Haseldine, Micahel Kossatz, Shaun Gerschwitz, Matt Seals, Sam Tonkin, Ben Heaslip (Captain of Boarding), Ian Smith, James Cornish, Brenden Crawford, Cameron Giles, Robbie Childs, Tom Wheare, Mr Darren Roylett; (front) Henry Treloar, Sean Hobbs, Noah Ramsay, Nicholas Young and Gary Yang.

#### Darren ROYLETT HEAD OF BOARDING

SINCE joining the Princes community I have been overwhelmed by the sense of what it is to be "A Princes Man" and how central to this is boarding.

Boarding is a unique experience and the boys in the Princes boarding community are encouraged to develop an understanding of what it means to be a Princes Man.

At the commencement of 2013 I gained a greater appreciation of the depth of history that we have in boarding, the third, fourth and fifth generation of boarders that we have in the current boarding community is significant.

Being a 'Princes man' is not some modern marketing phenomenon, my conversations with many old boys illustrate through their stories and memories that being a Princes man is a genuine life experience and is worn as badge of honour.

Throughout 2013 we have attempted to increase the level of personal understanding of this by the boys through their experiences

This is critical, because whilst the boarding program in its entirety and the professional staff are important contributors to the overall success of the Boarding House in any given

year, it is the boys who must engage in what is on offer.

Without their support and contributions our community wouldn't exist and any achievements would be significantly less

Princes has been a boarding school since its inception in 1869 and boarders continue to be the life blood of the school's community.

Unquestionably, 2013 has been commenced as another remarkable year for the boarding community, with so much achieved by so many boys. Each boy has been challenged to try his absolute best academically and to enjoy the wide array of experiences offered through the Boarding House Activities program.

Some have also been active participants in the school's Outdoor Education and Extracurricular programs and have also played important roles as leaders.

The outstanding personal and/or team achievements of boarders in some of these areas is evident throughout this newspaper and something that they can be justifiably be proud of.

2013 is also my first year in the boarding community and I am thankful for the kindness and hospitality that I and my family have been greeted with.

### **CAPTAIN OF B**

#### Ben HEASLIP CAPTAIN OF BOARDING

MATESHIP, individuality and personality are just some important qualities which make the Princes Boarding community and being a boarder so special.

2013 has continued to be another exciting year for ers are very thankful for.

assistance towards the boys throughout the week.

Mrs Thomson, who works as the school nurse in the health centre during the week, has kindly devoted her time after school and weekends to assist in the front office, which all board- his role with Academic

portive and provided great in, with a lot of the credit going to Mr Noble.

Whether it's learning to fly a plane, or going to AAMI Stadium to cheer on the mighty Power, not a weekend goes by which isn't entertaining or exciting for boarders.

Mr Pippett has continued Support. organising tutors for boarders of any age so they can achieve the highest results possible.



PAC's boarding house, with the arrival of over 40 new boarders, years 8-11, experiencing the great opportunities of being a boarder.

The year has also seen some significant changes with old PAC boy Mr Agnew embarking on a new journey late last year, head of boarding to St Georges, Canada.

New Head of Boarding, Mr Roylett commenced in Term 1, has fit comfortably into the boarding community, already making significant improvements towards the Boarding House - all for the boys benefit.

Also joining the boarding community are new staff Mr Bittner and Mr Garrett, who have been very supWith Mrs Hall's temporary

departure at the beginning of the year to give birth to baby Audrey, her father, Mr Williams, has enthusiastically relieved Mrs Hall of her boarding duties during this time whilst she enjoys being a new mother.

The departure of amusing English gap student Sam at the end of Term 3 was disappointing for all boarders. especially those involved in rowing teams. In return we are excited to have gained new gap student Tom, who I'm sure is eager to help steer PAC's 1st VIII to a 3rd straight Head of River title. The Boarding House provides a variety of activities for boarders to participate

Ms James' essential role as a "second mother" to all boys, especially international boarders whilst they are separated from their families for up to 10 weeks, has been significantly important to the lifestyle of boarding.

Mr Quinn has once again been pivotal as another senior staff in the boarding house and we appreciate his assistance with the Community Service program.

Credit must also go to our lovely Heather and Pam, who have the trouble of dealing with boys wishing to sign out late on weekends as well as weekend and exeat

BOARDING... Noah Ramsey, Ben Heaslip and headmaster Mr Kevin Tutt.

leave forms which are usually left to the last minute.

I would also like to specially thank other staff Mr Harford, Mr Croft, Mrs Toh, Mr Nystrom and Mr Clark for their support to boarders throughout the year.

Attending PAC and being a part of the Boarding

House community has really developed my leadership skills and independence.

I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to Captain the Boarding House this year, an achievement of which I am most proud. Boarding has provided me with life-long mates from all over the globe throughout my 3 years at Princes.

Boarding at Princes is truly a unique experience which, if ever given the opportunity, should never be taken for granted.

I would like to thank staff and boarders for making this year an exciting one.



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### How does the RED **Centre help boarders?**

#### Darren ROYLETT HEAD OF BOARDING

SPORT enhances organisational skills. PAC's new RED Centre is on the Boarding House doorstep.

We understand that boys need to be active. By using the RED Centre on a regular basis our boarders learn to balance study and activity.

Just as important for boys though, is the opportunity to find productive outlets for letting off steam. By channelling additional energy into exercise, boys are then able to function better in the intellectual domain.

We plan to use the RED Centre to support our weekend activities program by offering boys the opportunity to achieve their Bronze Medallion in Life Saving and to conduct their initial training in scuba diving in the Arrowcrest

Aquatic Centre.

Easy access to quality fitness programs makes engagement accessible. We know that even the most engaged students need support with organisational skills and structure.

We are really excited about the opportunities to introduce new programs to the weekend activities for the boys through the RED Centre.

These opportunities don't just have to be about individual or team pursuit of sport and fitness. We have an exciting new canvas from which to create social activities for the students after school and on weekends such as using our giant screens in the indoor basketball facility as an indoor cinema or to introduce an indoor cricket competition between the boarding colleges.



• SPORT... The largest school Health and Sports facility in Australia, PAC's new RED Centre.

## **Fitness for life – the new RED Centre**

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### **Healthy minds and bodies** are critical to success

#### Cameron LOWE YR 12 BOARDER

YEAR 12 can be a stressful year for some students but, for me, being fit has an important part to play in being mentally strong, motivated, disciplined and being organised.

Fitness is not just about how our bodies function physically, it's about how our minds function as well.

Being fit helps me sleep and to maintain concentration for productive study during the school day and homework periods.

I have played in PAC's

First XI Hockey team since 2010. I am also a member of PAC's boatshed and part of the crew that won silver in the U19 Men's Eight at the Sydney International Rowing Regatta and the Head of the River in April this year. We are now in the

the gym, rowing room

and swimming pool to

keep my fitness up for

hockey and the upcom-

ing rowing trials as well

as for general strength

and have been able to integrate Vocational Education and Training (VET) with the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). Next year I will continue with qualifications in mechanics and metal business end of the fabrication at TAFE while also studying hockey season. I see the RED Centre playing a Rural Business big part in our success Management. this year. I plan to use I see fitness and sport

I finish at Prince

Alfred College this year

playing an important part in my success in the future and hope to be selected in the U21 Rowing Australian Squad in the next 12 months.

ON Tuesday, April 30, the college opened the largest school Health and Sports facility in Australia.

The Recreation, Education and Development (RED) Centre has been designed to complement PAC's belief that boys need an holistic and hands-on approach to learning across the physical, social, emotional, spiritual and intellectual domains.

"Obesity and depression are commonplace in our society", said Dr Andrew Randell, Manager of the RED Centre and Director of Rowing at PAC. "In the general business of dayto-day living, we often forget that an effective remedy to both of these issues is exercise and education towards sustainable lifestyles.

"Healthy people focus better, are mentally more astute, and are often better able to cope with the pressure of living. It is important that boys understand that ultimately they are responsible for their individual health. By learning these life skills at an early age, we ensure health and fitness are part of their DNA for success in life."

The centre cost approximately \$15 million to construct, and includes an Aquatic Centre, Squash Courts, Sports Science Centre, cardio and weights room as well as two gymnasiums which house basketball courts, indoor tennis, badminton and cricket facilities.

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SPORT... The new RED Centre. has also opened the Kent Town Swim School, which is being Matthew co-ordinated by high performance national and international swimming coach Peter Bishop. Peter is perhaps

best known for the suc-

cesses of two of his pro-

tegés including Hayden

Stoeckel with three Olympic medals and Cowdrey, OAM, Australian Paralympic swimmer.

Matthew has won 23 Paralympic medals including 13 gold medals. Matthew is Australia's most successful Paralympic swimmer.

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SPORT... Arrowcrest Swimming Centre

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### **Growing good ideas – boarders managing the Hartley Garden**



MY Boarding Prefect duty is to manage the Hartley Garden with the help of boys and staff. It has now become a wonderful and comfortable place for boarders

to rest and entertain. Earlier this year we planted lianas to cover the surface of the fence, so that the first impression for the garden will be much greater than the colour of wood.

There are five vegetable raisedgarden beds in total, and each season we have planted a variety of seedlings. We planted red and green chillies, tomatoes, corn, spinach, Asian greens, herbs and especially lovely flowers.

The Hartley Garden provides all boarders with an excellent environment in this community.

During the weekend, we sometimes have a huge barbecue or light a fire in the pit in this area, which is also a wonderful experience for students and staffs.

Gary Yang



• HARTLEY PROJECT... Mitchell Smith and Toby Noble planting corn in February.



• HARTLEY PROJECT... Mitchell Smith, Gary Yang, Sean Xiao and Tom Fulcher harvesting the corn in May.

## **Princes Golden Boys**

CONGRATULATIONS to Ian Smith and Shaun Gerschwitz who have earned their Gold Duke of Edinburgh badges.

They will attend the official award ceremony at Government House later this year, and the college will also acknowledge their achievement with their names on the Duke of Edinburgh Honour Board in Anzac Hall.

The Gold Award is recognised worldwide and I'm sure their efforts will be recognised in their home communities, too. It's a rare achievement for candidates to complete their Gold while still at school, both of these boys are extraordinary.

Both boys have worked with persistence and determination to achieve the requirements in service, skill, physical recreation, adventurous journey and residential work.

Ian worked on fundraising for Habitat for Humanity, and helped build a house while in Cambodia, planned and laboured to establish the Hartley Garden, and spent time devel-

oping his fitness and tennis.

Shaun's skill was learning to drive, he was a member of the rowing team and participated in Head of the River, he hiked the Kokoda Trail and he also joined the group who travelled to Cambodia.

A number of boarders have also joined the Duke of Edinburgh award at Bronze level, and they can use their experiences at Wambana in Year 9, or their Year 10 Peak Adventure as their adventurous journey.



• MAKING DONATIONS... Sam Tonkin and Ian Smith with bags and toys that were donated.

# From one house to another in 2013

THE Boarding House has continued its relationship with Ronald McDonald House Charities in 2013.

This is an initiative that was started by Pam Oliver at PAC a number of years ago and one that the Boarding House is proud to continue this year.

This is a student and staff collaboration involving the donation of bags containing emergency items for a family staying at Ronald McDonald House in North Adelaide.

Each bag is valued around \$50 and contains food, hygiene products and items to keep chil-

dren entertained.

So far in 2013 the boys have donated five bags, and will donate another 10 before year's end.

It has been so great to see the number of boys wanting to be involved in this program, led by Sam Tonkin and Ian Smith, and assisted by Chaise Eade, Matthew Halligan and Philip McBride.

All the boys put aside their own time to buy the items for the bags and/or put the bags together, and without their help these continuing donations would be very difficult to undertake.

## **Happy at Hogwarts**

Ron PIPPETT BOARDING STAFF

RECENTLY a number of senior students were invited to visit St Mark's residential college with Mr Roylett and Mr Pippett.

A senior student took us on a tour of the college which caters for students of the University of Adelaide. It reminded the boys of Harry Potter's Hogwarts in some ways.

The Head of the College known as "the Master", Ms Rose Alwyn, met us in the senior common room before we headed down to the Dining Hall where all present were in academic gowns.

The boys, Ben Heaslip, Sam Tonkin, Luke O'Connor and Matt Seals enjoyed this insight into life beyond school. A number of PAC old scholars reside at St Mark's including James Dunstan – one of our boarders who finished in 2011.



• HOGWARTS... Master Ms Rose Alwyn, Sam Tonkin, Luke O'Connor and Ben Heaslip in the senior common room at St Mark's.



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## **Boarders Shades of Red**

#### Nick IADANZA ENGLISH TEACHER

EVERY year students from all over the college submit their creative poetry for the Shades of Red Journal.

As is characteristic of

the talent we have within the boarding community, a vast majority of the entries come from boarding students of all year levels.

Many of the entries draw upon the sights and sounds of their

home towns and they provide a unique perspective and balance to the journal as a whole. This year's journal

promises to be the best yet and will be launched Wednesday, October 16, in Week 1 of Term 4.

Families can pick up a copy on the day for \$5 if their son is featured, otherwise they are \$20.

We look forward to seeing you there to help celebrate the artistic expression of this wonderful community.



Ned Murdoch takes a break to capture the beauty of YP.

#### **Brotherhood** Ned Murdoch

Four seeds. Four stalks. Sown in different years Blossoming in different moments Some taller. Some stronger Some which have endured much more than others But yet they are all of equal worth

The terrain moans as the constant ravs force open the soil But as hope was diminishing The stalks reached up to the sky for one last prayer Where the mystical gods responded with The luminous clear bubble that nourishes their fertile land Returning peace back to these four stalks

They have been cut up, chewed and spit out by machines and man Only to regrow again and replenishing the next generation

These seeds have become stalks And these stalks have become seeds But yet these four stalks still stand together Because this crop is homegrown

#### **River Beauty** Nelson Ellis River beauty cuts through

the barren land Native wildlife follows the path it leaves Placid flow breathes life into the farmland Parched land drenched abruptly as it relieves

Tired cliff faces climb out the terrain Morning sun wakes the paralysed district Memories of its early days remain

Dry lifeless sand and vast red gums conflict

But once the dull river ran crystal clear Its waters remained untouched by machines Greed eats away the supply with no fear Once flowed fully now few and far between

Filling its once depleted thirsty stores

Breathing much needed life forevermore



The sun sets over the field on Lachy Pyes farm in Parilla

South Australian State Library



Micah Vanloon captures the acrobatics of the planes at Clipsal 500.

#### Four seasons

Jack Elsworthy

- The succulent flavour of innocent fresh air A buttery feeling, melting away Deafening sounds caress
- the shoreline As the sun beams brightly
- throughout the season.

Graceful swirls of crusted leaves cuddle the ground Vibrant colours blossom in time Chilly days loom as harvest claws closer

As the leaves drop swiftly throughout the season.

- Stormy bleak nights bring blistering rain
- Crisping firewood warming the eerie room
- Cozy garments seize the frostv essence
- As the wintry air sweeps throughout the season.
- Chiming echoes of newborns rumbling about
- Droplets of rain, rays of sunshiny days
- A refreshing feel to the glistening lush grass
- As the flowers flourish often throughout the season.
- 4 seasons, 4 journeys The inevitable cycle remains a mystery.



## **Boarding Prefects Dinner at State Parliament House**

THE dinner with Member for Flinders, Peter Treloar, and Boarding House Prefects at Parliament House was a highlight of the year.

Mr David Cornish, Executive Officer of the Prince Alfred College Foundation, was in attendance at the dinner.

I felt enormously proud of the manner in which the boys conducted themselves; they did not need to be told the occasion was a privilege and it was clearly evident that they valued the opportunity to be hosted in such surroundings.

Peter ensured the evening ran smoothly, he proposed a toast to the school, and he shared insightfully the workings and history of parliament.

Importantly, he shared his pride in being an 'Old Red' and encouraged the boys



STATE PARLIAMENT... Prefects Henry Treloar, Sam Tonkin, James Cornish, Michael Kossatz, Nicholas Young, Tom Wheare and Noah Ramsay listen intently to Member for Flinders, Mr Peter Treloar.

to achieve.

We were also joined by Old Red MPs Ivan Venning and John Dawkins, and past parent Tim Whetstone MP.

We were privileged to be welcomed by Steven Marshall, he addressed the boys as a group, spoke of his enjoyment at attending the opening of the RED Centre, and then shook the hand of each and asked where they came from.

He also congratulated the boys on their efforts in door knocking for the Salvos Red Shield Appeal held the previous Sunday.

The evening was topped off with a tour of both chambers of Parliament House. It's planned for this to become an annual event which will, no doubt, be eagerly anticipated by the newly Boarding elected House Prefects.

but recently the boys

South Australia is kept work tasks

**Ron PIPPETT** library from 7-8.30pm, newspaper produced in help complete home-

SNR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

TUESDAY nights for our Middle School boarders are usually spent working through homework and study routines within the confines of the college

LEARNING... The SA State Library.

were taken on a stroll through the city to the SA State Library.

The superb research capabilities of the State Library were explained to the boys including the fact that every

there as well as newspapers such as the New Times, The York

Washington Post and the London Guardian. Suddenly copies of

The Border Times, YP Country Times and The Plains Producer appeared with the boys

finding Bryce Chapman's picture with his football team and Charlie Edwards spotting his parents in a photo with Tony Modra!

Conscientious study was carried out in two group study rooms that we had booked with a number of students using books on topics such as the Israeli-

Palestinian crisis to

Although we are still to fully explore the online capabilities of the library and were unable to view the Mortlock Wing, the boys did get a taste of just one of the great Adelaide institutions within easy walking distance of Kent Town.

Boarding staff are now considering making this a regular component of the boys' study program with a visit once per term suggested.

A detour via Hungry Jacks on the way home added a few more smiles to what was a pleasant break in routine for the boys.



• STATE PARLIAMENT... Mr Peter Treloar is presented a copy of the History of Prince Alfred College by Boarding Prefects Sam Tonkin and Shae Haseldine at the Parliament house.



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INTERVIEW... Brenden Crawford, Mr Ken Lord and Henry Treloar.

## **Interview** with Old Red Mr Lord

#### Henry TRELOAR Brenden CRAWFORD BOARDING PREFECTS

When did you come to the school? I commenced my time at Prince Alfred College in 1944 I was of the age of 12. At this time I started at Princes at grade 7 in the prep school.

When did you go *home?* We consistently went home to help for the exeats and most definitely in the holidays. Dad always had things that he needed us to do during the holidays and exeats. Some of us would go home by train which was always fun, the headmaster back in the day was utilised for taking down details of trips home for us he organised many things such as taxis and buses home which proved to be very useful.

What was sport like? I played tennis and footy. The front and back ovals were cut with horse-drawn mowhave a horse, so a

When did it *improve?* Things that improved after the great depression in the boarders mind were the really low prices in wool and

meat which was fantastic for many families. What was the food like in the Boarding House? The food was terrible due to the food rationings which affected the size of the proportions. It was hard to have full stomachs in the Boarding House, we were always going to the corner shop to get food due to the extremely lacking proportions offered at the college. It was extremely bad at one point, I remember one meal for example there was 70 pounds of shanks for the week, and shanks in those

days were known as

"dog's meat". How many internationals boarded? There were only 2 internationals at the time and they were from England. They were interesting to ers but Princes did not us and they only went home in the holidays, but most of the time they would go with an Australian boy for the short exeat weekends. What did you not enjoy regarding the school at the time? The period that I was a part of such a great school was during World War II and it made it quite difficult to concentrate during the process of lessons and school study. The war affected the school, in that all windows were blacked out. The lack of experienced staff due to the war really made it difficult to have good staff on campus. There was not always enough food to go around due to

the food rationing, so again we were left hungry

What was the uniform like back in the 1940s? The uniform has not changed dramatically but the only real difference between the uniforms then and the uniforms now is that they are worn differently. We would get inspected before meals and punished if they were not worn correctly. There were no winter or summer uniforms which was interesting and there was the choice of having a blazer or a long jacket over the tie and the dress shirt.

What have been your memories of the college? My fondest and best memory was graduation and leaving as it celebrated my departure. I also had strong memories with the other boys which were great, along with forming really strong relationships with many of them that I still stay in contact to this day. I do have memories of

## **Catching up with Old Reds in 2013**

A SIGNIFICANT part of the boarding community is the links with the Old Reds and the heritage of the boarding house.

During 2013 there were several occasions that enabled both the Old Reds and the current boarders to cross paths and swap stories and perspectives.

It is important in the development of the Princes Man that the current boys understand the perspective and experiences of the boarders that went before them.

Term 2, 2013, witnessed the opening of the new RED Centre, which provided a great opportunity for the old scholars to catch up with the boys.



**REDS...** Three generations of Boarders, Thomas, Michael, Brian and Peter Treloar at the 2013 Old Scholars Dinner.

Another occasion was the PAOCA annual dinner which was run at the end of Old Scholars Week and we saw many visitors to

the Boarding House during that time. We are thrilled to have quite a few 5th generation boarders

amongst our current

boarding community and the Old Scholars Week provided an opportunity for these boys to catch up with their Old Red relatives.



REDS... Jadyn and Brady Miell with their grandpa Ray Miell from Tintinara (who entered PAC in 1947) at the opening of the RED Centre.



• REDS... Philip McBride with his great-great-uncle Peter McBride at the opening of the Keith McBride room, which remembers Philip's great-great -uncle Keith who was killed flying a Kittyhawk aircraft in Libya during World War II.

#### **Foundation Scholarship Fund morning tea**

respective boarder had to go the city and collect a horse to mow the back and front ovals. The boarders were the second class so they had to do things like rolling the cricket pitch at 6am. "which to me felt like slave labour". The sporting successes between PAC and Saints was quite dramatic as Princes dominated in many forms of sport, many of the intercollegiate games were played at the Adelaide Oval which was quite a special sight. Even though Saint Peters had more numbers at the school they still were not as strong as us.

hundreds of sandbags being filled and stacked by the boarders in case of bombings in WWII. I still have great friendships and have hosted many lunches to catch up with long-term friends after many of the Old Old Boys' assemblies. I also remember my first day in 1940 where I was being dropped off at school. Being from the country, I grew up being told to never go without water. Because that was what I knew, I took my water sack to school. Many kids thought it quite strange, and after that day I didn't bother taking it anymore.



• PAC FOUNDATION... Shaun Gerschwitz and the president of the PAC Foundation, Dr Janet Young (left) welcome Mrs Marjorie Hassell, and David and Barbara Hassell, to the Foundation Scholarship Fund morning tea for donors.

PRINCE Alfred College held a morning tea for donors to the Prince Alfred College Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Mrs Hassell established the Colin Hassell Scholarship in memory of her husband Colin Hassell AO, an old scholar and leading architect who designed ANZAC Hall and the Eric Freak Chapel.

David Hassell served with distinction as secretary of the College Council for many years.

Former recipients of the Colin Hassell Scholarship were boarders Greg Honner and Alastair Eglinton.



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## **International boarders** from far and wide

#### Deb JAMES BOARDING STAFF

2013 has seen more international students become boarders.

We have welcomed boys new to boarding from Hong Kong, China and Thailand, to join our cohesive international cohort which covers many boys already from Hong Kong and China as well as Switzerland, Malaysia, Cambodia, Canada and Thailand.

We have 5 Year 12s Karn Alvin Wongprasert, and Fuhrmen Lee, Gary Yang and Brenden Crawford; many Year 11 boys who are SACE or IB, a large group of Year 10 boys and a growing group of Year 9s.

The boarding community has welcomed these boys who have travelled so far to become Princes Men, and their cultural diversity is appreciated in our school with its global outlook and international spirit.

These boys display a sense of a bravery: leaving their families, their familiar culture and food, their education system and their language, and come to Australia and take on all that living in Australia means to us, its permanent residents.

Although they are keen to do

well in school, these young men also participate in a variety of activities, signing up for golf, bowling, paintballing, school sport, chess, movie nights, music and band events, triathalon, cooking classes: you name, they've tried it!

Even so, sometimes the familiar can be comforting, and so particular events especially for the international students have also been popular.

To celebrate Chinese New Year we enjoyed a wonderful banquet at the Payneham Chinese Restaurant.

In April, they won summer International Games at St Peters, playing table tennis, indoor soccer and basketball.

At the end of Term 2, the international social was a huge success, with girls from our companion schools joining in the entertaining games night.

Yum Cha as a Sunday activity was fun and the boys are keen to invite other boarders to join them at a restaurant next term.

Prince Alfred College recognises that exeats can be difficult for international boys to organise, although some boys have been fortunate enough to be invited to join boarding mates at their country homes,

and this hospitality has been appreciated.

Special thanks to the Miell family who hosted all three Wongprasert brothers for a country weekend, and to Brenden Crawford's boarding mates who have shown him a number of country towns.

Now that the international boys can choose to stay on campus for exeat weekends, the dining room offers Asian style food to acknowledge their cultural preference.

A Scholar Study program was set up over the June long weekend to help the boys study for exams which took place over the following week.

The universities also acknowledge the special requirements of international students and organised a special Uni Expo for international students, and the senior school boarders found it quite informative.

Working with, and caring for, the international boys and communicating with their parents as they settle and thrive is a rewarding and joyful job and many staff enjoy the energy and interests, and computer games skills, these boys have brought to boarding at Prince Alfred College.

## **Peak adventure** and goal setting



Daniel LI STUDENT - CHINA

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I HAD a very tiring and difficult peak adventure, but when I finished this journey, I felt proud and happy with what I had achieved.

I chose a week of mountain bike riding where every morning we were up early at 7 o'clock, packing up my food, clothes, towel and riding the mountain bikes.

Once I had finished this journey, I realised that I had achieved my goal of completing the physical demands of hard exercise and that I had been determined to succeed. I'm very happy I chose mountain biking!

Daniel Li

#### **Big brother in the boarding house**

#### Withan WONGPRASERT STUDENT - THAILAND

HAVING my big brother in the Boarding House is good, especially because international students like Karn and me are so far away from our parents who, like all parents, are worried about their sons. Having a brother in the

Boarding House has helped me in many ways.

When I need some advice and counsel about subject selection going from Year 10 to study in Year 11, I talked with my brother to help me decide and choose.

Having a member of the family here in the Boarding House makes it very interesting when he invites me to do something with him or go out somewhere together on the weekends and we can speak Thai together.



Withan Wongprasert

## Real work



Sean XIAO TUDENT

## **Boarding activities**

Dominik KAU STUDENT - GERMANY

WHY did I, a German student, want to come to Australia? I am asked this question uncountable times but I never have an easy answer.

I have been attracted to Australia for a very long time and this came from my strong interest in animals since I was a child.

I particularly like dangerous animals and Australia seems an exciting place. So that's one reason. Another reason is the language.

I studied English in school for six years and at I liked the language because you can express yourself so simply but nevertheless reason for going to the USA or to Great Britain but as my brother was already in England for a year abroad I didn't want to do the same.

The last reason that came to mind was the school system (that I knew because of my brother's year abroad).

In Germany we are not allowed to freely choose our subjects and we have to do more subjects even though they aren't that detailed.

Here, I can choose some subjects that don't exist in Germany.

I think I will have a really good year in Australia, not only because of the nice country and school but also because of the people.

William CHENG STUDENT - CHINA

**Studying in boarding** 



IN the last week of Term 2 our all Year 11 boys went to work experience, which was a very good challenge for our work life because it gave us a chance to know what a real "job" is.

Every day I went to a flower shop, Fine Field Roses. I have a lot of NOW that the RED Centre is built, I interest in nature so this have more opportunities to play my was a good chance for favourite sports. me to learn some knowledge about plants.

I also saw the growing of plants and the process to make flowers bloom.

I am very thankful to the boss who was very kind, very patient and helpful. My work experience was quite good fun. stress.

exact. This isn't possible most times in German.

The Boarding House is very near the

When I have time after school, I will

RED Centre so it is very convenient to

go to the RED Centre to practice bas-

ketball with my friends or work out at

while playing sports and it reduces my

It is fantastic because I like to relax

go there.

the gym.

Obviously that would be also a

All staff members and students are really, really friendly and always helpful.

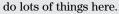
#### **The RED Centre Movie night** activities Arnold PANG STUDENT

Jones WONG **STUDENT - HONG KONG** 

MOVIE night is a favourite Boarding House activity and most of the boarders enjoy going to see the new movies. It is so much fun watching a movie together with other boarders.

I always join the movie night activity because Mr Noble organises the best movie for us to see. I have seen most of the Hollywood movies because school kindly pays for us.

I CAME to Prince Alfred College in Semester 2 in 2012 and I moved into the Boarding House this year. It is really a nice place to live in because it is so convenient to school and I can



Our first homework and study time in Boarding House is every day from 7pm to 8.30pm. During this period of time I can either stay in my room or go to the library.

It is very quiet there with a good study atmosphere thus most of us will choose to go to the library to study.

Sometimes there will be some teachers there who can help us with any problems with our study. I promise you, I will study well in the Boarding House.



THE Boarding House doesn't just provide a place for a student to live in after school, it provides a lot of activities which students can join with their friends such as movie nights, Chinese "Yum Cha" excursions and bowling.

We ate a lot in the "Yum Cha" and my friends and I enjoyed it because we come from China and it reminds us of our home.

I am new to Adelaide and to boarding and I am looking forward to enjoying more of the PAC activities.





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Allen Li

**Good choice** 

Allen LI STUDENT - CHINA

BOARDING school is a good choice for me because before I moved Prince Alfred into College Boarding House I often felt bored.

But, here we have weekend activities and I can play basketball, video games, go shopping or eat out with my friends.

And, here is another reason that makes me happy in the boarding house, as a Year 11-12 room, a space that belongs to me.

In China, boarding study quietly. schools have dormitories and no privacy.

#### Movie night activities at PAC

King Yi LEUNG STUDENT - HONG KONG

I CONSIDER myself very lucky for choosing to study at PAC. Not only have I made new friends and met many nice people in the boarding house, this school has given me a gift, the desire to achieve excellence.

When given freedom, people will probably be lazy. I wasn't a good student back in Hong Kong because I felt very safe with my family which gave me an excuse to be lazy since I had nothing to worry about!

things However. changed when I arrived at PAC from Hong Kong exactly 1 year ago.

Here, I have to do everything by myself and I realised I couldn't keep student I have my own on like that. The best part of living here is I can have my own time and

> I have to work hard for my future.

### Switzerland: More than you think

Christopher HARRIS STUDENT - SWITZERLAND AND AUSTRALIAN

WHEN people refer to Switzerland it is likely they will picture the typical stereotypes: chocolate, cheese, watches, cows, mountains and lakes.

However, there is more to Switzerland than just Rolex or Toblerone. It is most of all a nation that was forged by the crusades of freedom for its people.

As you can imagine, having 4 different national languages, German, French, Italian, Romansch and a fifth non-official language, English, communication can get confusing at times - whether you're looking for the exit sign on a highway, and having to go through the first 3 languages before finding the right one; or whether you have to navigate the multiple dialects of multicultural cities such as Geneva, Zurich, Basel or Locarno, just to name a few. In a country like Australia, one might perceive this to be problematic, at best.

However, in my opinion, this multicul-

tural difference is one of Switzerland's greatest and strongest attributes.

With its lattice of subcultures and dialects, drawn from its 5 neighbouring countries, it at first may appear as if my country of birth does not have a language or identity of her own.

Whilst the northern part speaks German, the southern parts Italian, the western (where I was born) French and the eastern parts Romansh, there are in fact two overarching concepts which bind us together and make Switzerland unique: these are the notions of 'compassion' and 'acceptance'.

To me, it is these two concepts which have most helped to build harmonious relationships within my home country of Switzerland, and whilst they might just be two examples from the greater picture, they are in my opinion the foundation for what we conceive as also true here in Australia.

Finally, I do strongly believe that Switzerland is more than you think. It is above all a nation that has probably found a way to affluence and if so, whilst

#### **THE 26 SWISS CANTONS –**



others divide themselves, we might be the example, the multicultural nation that not only fights for freedom through neutrality, but most of all that unites everyone behind a cause, the cause of peace and prosperity.



### Life as a boarder - an eye-opening experience

Jankan CHAN STUDENT · HONG KONG

LIVING in the **Boarding House** of Prince Alfred College is a unique experience since only universities own boarding houses within their campus in Hong Kong. I have met

people from all

parts of South Australia and the Northern Territory, from different backgrounds, and from different countries too. For a student becoming a boarder like me, it is an eye opening experience.

### **International life at PAC**

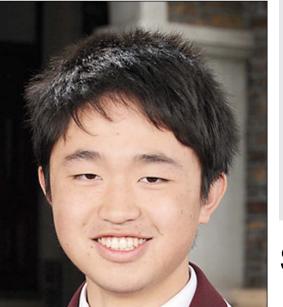
#### Scott SONG STUDENT - HONG KONG

I AM an international student of Prince Alfred College and, also, I am a boarder.

For me, Prince Alfred College is the second school where I have studied in Australia.

Before I came here, I studied in Glenunga International High School, a public school with a pretty good reputation and lots of students. This was also the reason why I studied there.

However, my parents strongly advised me to transfer to a private school for a better education which is why I



#### Being a new boarder

Spencer NG STUDENT - HONG KONG

I AM Spencer, from Hong Kong, and I am a new Year 9 boarder in Hartley Wing. When I arrived in Term 3, I didn't feel lonely. Instead, I am very happy to be a PAC boarder.

Boarders and staff here are friendly, which has made me feel welcome.

The Middle School boys in my wing are very helpful, and are thoughtful and considerate in showing me around.

I want to thank my roommate, Clinton, who explained everything about boarding and answered all my questions.

#### Sunrise at PAC Visal CHORN sunrise STUDENT - CAMBODIA

Jankan Chan

Here, I have made friends from different nationalities, I talk with people from different year levels, I live with people and their different habits and interests, and we all form a large community. It is a more than a home.

The amazing part that I want to mention about being a boarder at PAC, is the friendly atmosphere and the feeling of a home.

We have our own common rooms in different wings, where we can relax and create the sense of being together, in the true sense of a home.

Besides, there are loads of different exciting activities I do on weekends with boarding mates, like surfing, paintballing, scuba diving or even going to a footy match together!

All in all, what I would like to say is, being a boarder at Prince Alfred College is refreshing and exciting.

Living in such a large community with lots of friends, is the most cheerful way to grow up as a Princes man.

decided to come this school.

Prince Alfred College has better facilities for me to learn, a better gym to develop a strong body, fewer people in a class, which means the teachlessons with very high ers can focus on students percentage of academic more often.

language.

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We have to spend a lot

At first, it perplexed

The teachers here take

more time than local

boys, with greater effort.

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often wanted to give up.

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national students, giving

us courage and inspira-

we have homework time,

so this gives us a good

In the Boarding House,

It is all-boys school, so I can concentrate on my studies during school time. Nonetheless, my classmates and I still want to meet some girls and like the social events with other schools. There are some inter-

national students as well: this leads us to help each

other. As an English learner, it's hard to study in

environment for revision and study.

Food here is pretty good and healthy and we can often choose from different things to eat.

Life here is really happy and enjoyable. I have much more leisure time to relax and be myself and I have the opportunity to take part in various school and boarding activities.

I am glad that I came to Prince Alfred College House here at PAC. and I to study and receive a better education.

MY name is Visal Chorn and I am 17 years old and I come from Cambodia. I came to Australia in 2012 to begin Year 9 at Prince Alfred College.

Before I came here, I used to live at Sunrise Orphanage in Cambodia. Prince Alfred College offered a scholarship to the children at Sunrise, especially to those people who are good at their studies and I was chosen. The scholarship includes all my educa-

I have my older

speak in our language tional fees and living in the Boarding House. Khmer.

I know that living in Sunrise brothers who Australia is a fantastic also live in the Cambodia opportunity for me and I make sure I work hard to can visit them and we deserve it.

Visal Chorn

children's villages





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FINAL PRODUCT... Wonderful display of the boys' gingerbread house creations.



DECORATING... Alex Mitchell, Gunn Itakorpan, Charlie Edwards, Pam Oliver, Philip McBride, Ian Smith and Tom Christensen.

### **Gingerbread workshop**



ABOUT 25 boys and staff participated in a gingerbread house workshop last year.

Everyone had a fabulous time assembling and decorating their gingerbread houses.

The best decorated gingerbread house went to Tim Jolly and runnerup was Will Sumner.

We will again have this fun activity towards the end of term 4.

ICING... (from left) Tim Jolly, Alex Mitchell and Tom Christensen icing their gingerbread men.

### **Food committee report** Deb JAMES BOARDING STAFF

FOOD and nutrition are important topics of discussion for teenage boys and the chef Darryl is keen to provide the best he can for the three meals every day, plus afternoon tea and supper, that he provides for all the boarders.

Individual boys can request particular diets during training seasons, some boys have dietary restrictions that are catered for, special meals are served for boys when they are injured and at all times, their health and physical development are keen factors behind the menu planning.

This year during the summer term, lunch al fresco was introduced for two days a week.

On these occasions, the kitchen staff set up long tables under the jacaranda tree or the dining room verandah, and provided an extensive choice of picnic

style food. During the winter terms, soup is available at recess times to keep the cold away.

Celebrating a special occasion is important and each month a birthday cake is provided to celebrate the boys' birthdays, and there have even been Crows and Port coloured iced doughnuts on the Friday before the footy show-

down. Fresh fruit is constantly consumed, and the bowls of fruit in Fiddian Foyer are filled with a choice of seasonal products.

Asian style food is served on exeats to appease the international boarders who unfortunately are unable to join family for these weekends.

Students who reside in the IB House have the privilege of a weekly supper box, because they are too far from the dining room for a quick night walk for toast. Saturday night sup-

sausage sizzle by the campfire in the Hartley Garden, perhaps pancakes cooked on the barbecue, hot chips, pizzas, homemade cake or cookies, special ice cream with or without TimTams. No boy need be hungry when a boarder at PAC. The Food Committee

pers are a little different

to make it interesting for

the boys who stay on

campus: perhaps, a

has student representatives from each year level, who canvass the complements and complaints from their peers, and we meet twice each term to share these ideas with Darryl.

Suggestions are taken on board and trialled or sourced when possible.

Menus are now sent home so parents can track what their sons will be having for dinner and other meals.

The dining room and its staff are all appreciated by the boys who arrive like clockwork every day.

Yummy Yum Cha

Deb JAMES BOARDING STAFF

POTS of green tea and smokey China tea, many plates of interesting small pieces of food (some recognisable, some not), crispy fried prawns, salty roast pork, steamer baskets of tantalising dumplings, dim sums and pork buns, bright green Asian greens, saucers of chilli, soy or sweet sauce all served on the lazy Susan in the centre of the table on Sunday morning.

Coincidentally, it was Ho Ting's 16th birthday and for a boarders' activity we enjoyed Yum Cha with many other Asian and local families at an Adelaide restaurant.



• YUM CHA... Jason and Jeffrey Yum Cha.

enced with Yum Cha, as it is a great family activity for them at home, so they were in charge of ordering.

unique little yellow cakes with runny sugary egg centres. It was a delicious

ding and then the

We finished the Yum outing and it will cer-Cha with traditional tainly be offered as an

#### Jiaoxi (Chinese Dumplings)

- Ingredients: 700g pork mince
- 2 packets of double merinos gow gee pastry
- (can be obtained from a Chinese grocery shop)
- 650g cabbage (use a food processor to chop finely) 50g spring onions (chop finely)

#### Method:

Put the cabbage and the spring onions in a large bowl, sprinkle with 2 teaspoons of salt. Allow to sweat for 15 minutes. Squeeze as much water as possible from the cabbage/spring onion mixture.

#### Put the following into a large stainless steel bowl and mix well:

- Pork mince
- Cabbage/spring onion mixture 1 teaspoon grated ginger
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 2 teaspoons oil
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce
- ew snakes of peppe
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon chicken stock powder

#### Method:

Take one piece of gow gee wrapper. Put in one teaspoon of the pork mince mixture and wrap up the dumpling. Once all the mixture is used, pan fry the dumplings and serve with a dipping sauce.

#### **Dipping Sauce**

#### Ingredients:

- 1 cup soy sauce
- 3 teaspoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 2 teaspoons white vinegar
- Chopped spring onions
- Chopped chillies
- Chopped garlic

#### How to pan fry the Chinese dumplings:

Heat some oil in a pan, add the dumplings. Fry until the bottom of the dumplings are brown in colour, add some boiling water and cover with a lid. Leave the dumplings in the pan for a few minutes then take the lid off. Put in a little more hot water and cook the dumplings a second time. Once the dumplings are cooked, take them out and serve them hot with dipping sauce.

**Cooking class** 

with Mrs Toh

COOKING CLASS... Boys eating the Chinese dumplings with chopsticks, Mitch Clarke, Charlie Treloar, Visal Chorn, Gunn Itakorpan, Witthan Wongprasert, Ian Smith, Jason Yip and Malcolm Sim.

COOKING classes are held at least once or twice a term and they are predominantly Asian cooking classes. So far, we have had classes in sushi making, Chinese dumplings, stirfry Hokkien noodles and special fried rice. There

were about 10-12 boys in a cooking class.

The boys did all the preparation work and

once the cooking was done, the boys ate what they have prepared and after that some of the other boys in the Boarding House were also invited to have a tasting. These were enjoyable experiences for everyone.

In Term 2 this year we had a Chinese dumpling class, we would like to share the recipe with you.

The Hong Kong sweet items: egg cus- activity for the boardboys are very experi- tard tarts, mango pud- ers to choose again.



• CLASS... Arnold, Kosco and Ho Ting enjoying Yum Cha.



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### **Academic success story**

Ron PIPPETT SENIOR BOARDER SUCCESS STORY

BOARDERS have achieved great feats academically in recent years and this is very much the result of dedicated study and immense determination.

However the Boarding House does offer various means by which the boys can be supported and, indeed, inspired to achieve their very best.

Very briefly these methods include the following:

• Our Tutoring Program has increased significantly this year. Boys have taken the opportunity to obtain assistance through external tutors that in most cases have been accessed with boarding house support and scrutiny. Jock Clarnette (pictured), former College Captain, has played an active role in the Tutoring Program, as have other PAC Old Scholars.

• An Indigenous Support Program has been implemented successfully this year with a focus on English/ Humanities and Maths. The boys involved have benefitted enormously.

• Learning Support – Boys who are finding some subjects challenging receive additional focus by Boarding House staff and are encouraged to participate in supervised homework sessions at night.

• Careers and Further Education – Close liaison with Monica McGann has proved to be most advantageous. Boarders have been very well represented at careers' nights and university information sessions. Another agriculture information night with Marcus Oldham and Landmark is being planned for later this term.

• Enhanced Learning Programs – Academic Lectures. This continues to be a valuable experience for the more advanced students in the BH (although it is open to all)

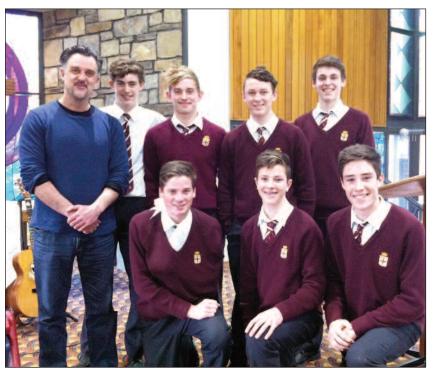


• **SUCCESS STORY...** One our many helpful Boarding House tutors, Jock Clarnette.

and the value of boys attending very innovative and challenging presentations at the University of Adelaide, UniSA and the State Library cannot be understated. Boys are regularly emailed details.

• Middle School Reading Program – These boys are encouraged to involve themselves in a silent reading session at 8.45pm each night. We have also spent one of our homework sessions in the State Library of SA which we hope to make a regular occurrence.

• Competitions and Grants. We continue to encourage the boys to enter academic competitions. Prefects this year (Ian Smith in particular) were behind obtaining Anzac DAY Commemoration funding which allowed the college to set up a Hugo Throssell memorial in Piper Pavilion just before Anzac Day.



• **ENTERTAINMENT...** Performer Scott Hicks with, from back, Jack Bruce, Henry Cockington, Alex Andre, Tom Christensen; front, Harry Ford, Nick Gregurke and Dylan Mosey.

### **Boys enthralled by** Vietnam production

the show they wanted to

stay back afterwards to

have a chat with Scott to

talk about history, music,

travelling and even farm-

Scott actually compli-

mented the boys on their

ing and harvests!

#### Ron PIPPETT B/HOUSE STAFF HISTORY TEACHER

SCOTT Hicks has an amazing story to tell about the Vietnam War and tells it with passion and prodigious talent.

He sings, acts, roleplays, entertains and teaches his way through two hours of one of the

> •• Really enjoyed it! The whole thing was very interesting." – Liam Vivian

"Gave us an insight into what his father went through concerning the war and its aftermath. He told the story really intensely." – Nick Gregurke

> • A better way to get the message across." - Will Combe

best educational experiences boys could have. On Wednesday, August 7, a number of boarders were so impressed with On Wednesday, August Thanks to Henry

Cockington who offered a sincere vote of thanks on behalf of the entire Year 10 cohort.

Below are some of the comments made by our boarders.

\* The way he used his guitar with so many sound effects was really cool. The fact that his dad was Frankie in the Redgum song was pretty cool too because you knew it was all first-hand accounts.\*

Different point of view. More confronting than other historical viewpoints.
– Jack Mann

## **Princes boys show compassion**

"I thought that Stuart and

### How to save a life

OBTAINING a first



• **PASSIONATE...** Jack Mann speaking at the Ex-POW service in the chapel.

#### Ron PIPPETT BOARDING STAFF

EACH year the college hosts a memorial service for the Ex-Prisoner of War Association of SA and Year 10 students are encouraged to volunteer to participate. Jack Mann, a boarder from Angaston, bravely offered to create a film and prepare a presentation with day boy Stuart Harris. Here is what Jack had to say about the experience:

"I talked about Changi prison in Singapore, and the prisoners that were forced to build the Burma railway.

"I didn't know much about Australian POWs and I was extremely interested throughout the research at the courage shown by these men during these dire times. entation that showed people the circumstances in which these men were imprisoned. "I think that we did a good job of bringing these

good job of bringing these horrors back to life to show people how brave these men were.

"We could never fully understand or portray how nightmarish it really was but I think we did our best.

"I thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity.

"The Ex-Prisoner of War Association is definitely something I would like to get involved again," Jack said.

Both boys did commendably well and were praised for their efforts by all in attendance – including the Year 6 classes from the Prep school. certificate is one of the most valuable things that we can ever learn and hope to never need to use.

For 14 of the boarders, they undertook in learning about civic responsibility and how to potentially save someone's life.

On September 1 boys from Year 9 to Year 12



undertook in a one day St John course that was tailored for school students.

Responses from the boys were positive, all taking it in and learning a thing or two.

Jones Wong, a year 11 student from Hong Kong, is quoted as saying, "It was good. A little boring, but now I know how to save your life," when asked about the day.

This was a great initiative and one that we will look to run again, let us hope that the boys are not put in a situation where they will ever have to use their new learning.



Sat 21

Sun 22

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Mountain Biking

Scuba Diving

# Prince Alfred College Boarding Activities

#### Term 3 2013 Week Activity Time Location Group **Driving Range** 7.00pm West Beach All Fri 26 Friday night tech 7.30pm PAC Workshop All 1 Sat 27 SANFL: Norwood v West Adelaide 2.10pm Norwood Oval All (July) AFL: Port v Lions 12.40pm **AAMI Stadium** All Sun 28 Ice Hockey: Adrenaline v Ice Dogs Thebarton 4.30pm All 7.30pm PAC Workshop All Friday night tech Fri 2 7.40pm Norwood Oval All SANFL: Norwood v Port Adelaide 2 (Aug) Movie: The Wolverine Sat 3 8.00pm Norwood Cinema All 9.00am Yum Cha China Town All Sun 4 AFL: Crows v Port 2.40pm **AAMI Stadium** All EXEAT WEEKEND 3 Fri 9 Freestyle MC Competition 7.00pm **Thebarton Theatre** All Fri 16 Games Lock in West Croyden 7.00pm All AFL: Port V Suns 1.40pm **AAMI Stadium** All Sat 17 4 Comedy: In their own Words 7.30pm **Entertainment Centre** All Year 12 9.00am Wellington Sky Diving Sun 18 6.30pm PAC Chapel Compulsory **Chapel Service** Intercol Basketball Fri 23 6.00pm **Red Centre** Compulsory 5 Sat 24 Intercol Football 2.15pm St Peter's All Ice Hockey: Adrenaline v Melbourne Ice 4.30pm Thebarton All Sun 25 Fri 30 AFL: Port v Blues 7.00pm **AAMI Stadium** All **Junior Social** 6.00pm Year 7-9 John Dunning 6 Sat 31 Movie: Kick Ass2 8.00pm Norwood Cinema All (Sep) Scuba Diving 8.00am PAC Invited Sun 1 First Aid Course 9.00am PAC All 7 Thurs 5 EXEAT WEEKEND (Friday show day) **Tenpin Bowling** 6.30pm Norwood All Fri 13 Friday night tech 7.30pm PAC Workshop All **Rock Climbing** 9.00am Morialta Sat 14 All 8 City to Bay 7.00am City to Glenelg All Scuba Diving Port Noarlunga Sun 15 8.00am Invited **Chapel Service** 6.30pm PAC Chapel Compulsory Fri 20 Friday night tech 7.30pm PAC Workshop All

		Cooking Class:	Sushi	1.30pm China Town		All	
10	Fri 27	End of Term					
On-go	oing Progra	ams					
Option			Provider	Duration	Location	Cost	
Academic Lectures			Mr Ron Pippett	Term 1 to 4	Various	Free	
Cooking Classes			Mrs Jenny Toh	Term 1 to 4	PAC Kitchen	Free	
Duke of Edinburgh Award			Ms Deb James	Depends on Level	College / Outdoors	\$75	
Boat	Licence		Mr Phil Noble	Self Study	Various	\$60	
Senio	or First Aid		Mr Tim Quinn	Term 3	PAC	\$60	
Rock & Water Program (Yr10)			Mr. Darren Roylett	Term 3	PAC	Free	
VET Short Courses			Mrs. Tabitha Noble	Term 3	Various	P.O.A	

11.00am

8.00am

Fox Creek

Port Noarlunga

All

Invited



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### Boarding activities – from cooking to sky diving

#### Phil NOBLE

DEPUTY OF BOARDING

THE boarding activities program continues to fill the weekend with loads of opportunities for our boys.

The wide range of different pursuits including cultural, performance, sporting adventure and community service have also been complemented with academic and wellbeing seminars.

This year we have also focused on offering opportunities for our boys to get lifelong skills and nationally recognised certificates.

These have included Jenny Toh's famous cooking classes, White Card, first aid, responsible service of alcohol and scuba diving.

Our activities allow the boys opportunities to explore outside the school grounds and engage with the city and surrounding environments.

The boys can head out in small groups to the football or even watch a movie premiere with 90 others. The activities allow our boys to socialise with friends while participating in fun and exciting experiences, many of which they may not have done before.

The opportunity to

attend events such as the Clipsal 500, Fringe acts like Stephen K Amos and Arj Barker has allowed the boys to engage with internationally recognised performers.

Outside the city the boys have surfed down at Middleton, rock climbed at Morialta Gorge and ran around the bush at Tarlee trying to mark each other with paint balls.

Many of our international students take regular advantage of learning new skills and trying activities that are part of Australian culture, whether it was attending AFL games for the first time or learning to surf, these boys have enjoyed

spending time in the great outdoors. These students also share their own unique cultural pursuits helping support cooking classes and taking our boys to international sporting

events like ice hockey. The biggest highlight for many of the Year 12 boys will be the upcoming sky diving weekend where 26 brave Year 12s are hoping they have the courage to jump out of a perfectly good plane

from 8000ft. This experience has become an annual part of the program giving our senior boys one last

opportunity to get outside and relax before putting their heads down ready for their final examinations.

The boarders' garden project was officially opened last year on Boarders Day and has seen our first year crops grow with great success. So far we have yielded some great produce including potatoes, corn, tomatoes, rocket, spinach and hot chillies.

Our fruit stock is coming along nicely and hopefully this year some passionfruit and strawberries we be ready to go.

The campfire area and rainwater tank have been installed so boarders can now enjoy some fresh drinking water and have been seen on a Friday night watching the football on the TV through the window while they sit around the campfire.

We continue to look for new and exciting opportunities for our boys and expose them to as many different experiences as possible. The boys are encour-

aged to suggest and search for any things that they would like to try and we hope that they are always up for a challenge and take the opportunity to get out and about.

## **Nation2Nation program**

Chaise EADE BOARDING SENIOR

TWO Aboriginal boarders here at Prince Alfred College have their eyes on the sky, a vision to fly to America.

Princes senior school students Shae Haseldine and I, and Tikari Rigney and Bridget Mason from Seymour College, all share a goal to raise indigenous leadership awareness throughout Australia.

We also want to share this information in the United States with their First Nations people and gain valuable perspectives from them.

Whilst participating in regular team meetings, the team have devised an itinerary for the two-week period overseas on the program now called "Nation2Nation Cultural Exchange Program".

This opportunity offers us the chance to build our leadership skills, enhance our own cultural awareness (of our own identity and the First Nations culture) over in the States.

We're hoping to learn as much as we can by visiting the different museums such as the Holocaust Museum, the Museum of Natural History in New York, the Smithsonian Museum, all to benefit our learning and to gain a whole other spectrum in the world as global citizens.

The trip first started out with a dream to meet President Obama, and discuss cultural issues with him. But then it became more than that... a dream to change indigenous perceptions, a dream to raise awareness. A dream to lead.

Not only will this trip be an experience of a lifetime, but it



NATION2NATION... Shae Haseldine and Chaise Eade.

will open up gates of opportunity for all of us. We believe that with support of our dream, we can achieve heights never climbed before and initiate a new frontier of indigenous education.

We are undertaking different forms of fundraising for our vision.

This includes having raffled off a 10-kilogram block of Cadbury chocolate and an assortment of prizes to help raise the funds.

We have been selling Traditional Aboriginal Bush Medicine that was made by Gletys Haseldine, Shae's grandmother who also painted the artwork that featured on our letter to the President.

We welcome all gestures of support towards our fundraising.

We hope to do Prince Alfred College, Seymour College and our families proud with our initiative, with hopes to create a Leadership Foundation for indigenous students in the Independent Schools of South Australia in the near future.

We will be giving back to our communities and schools through presentations and guest talks throughout the schools and the broader communities of our home towns and Adelaide.



### **Amazing array of activities**

Sam TONKIN YR 12 STUDENT

WHEN starting my academic journey in Year 10 at PAC I didn't realise the major benefit of extracurricular activities that the Boarding House would grant me.

I remember back to the first days of going to that long-awaited football match at AAMI Stadium watching the hard hits and strategic plays made by teams on all sides, although to be honest the Richmond Tigers make all the right moves in my opinion. Now being in Year 12, my third vear at the school. I can really appreciate the help and relaxation the activities program has helped me achieve, as I have found that balance is critical in Year 12. Still even as one of the most senior boys in the Boarding House I love indulging in the odd local game of AFL and even SANFL when given the chance. An eye-opening activity that I participated in during early this vear was that of the Junior (Years 8-10) Bowling Intercol. A fairly new competition for juniors held out at Norwood Kingpin Bowling on a lazy Sunday afternoon.

This helped with getting the younger boarders up and about socialising and having fun in a light-hearted competition for the prize of the "Noble-McCross" Intercol Bowling trophy (and the glory that comes with it).

Winners were Walford College, taking a tight victory away from our very own reigning titleholders



• LEARN TO DRIVE... Participating in the CAMS Ignition Driving Program is Charlie Edwards, Ben Heaslip, Bill Jenner, Clinton Xu, George Jaensch and Seb Murdoch with driver Tim Slade.

#### **Boarders behind the wheel!**

ON Wednesday, 27th February, 2013, a group of boarders was part of a small select group of students who participated in the CAMS Ignition Driving Program.

The aim of this program was to challenge student attitudes to driving prior to them getting behind the wheel – that way we hope to keep them safer for longer.

The boys attended a seminar and

were given driving instruction with Samantha Reid (Nissan Motorsport Test Driver) and Tim Slade (V8SC Erebus Mercedes Development Driver) in the staff car park at PAC. Mercedes Benz Adelaide generously provided the vehicles for this experience.

We can safely report that the cars and instructors survived the experience!

here at PAC.

One of the great things that I really love about the activities program here at the Boarding House is the versatility and alternatives offered to the boys, allowing them to try lots of new things. This is something I am a great believer in, taking on every challenge in a polite and respectful manner while having fun at the same time.

Whether it be going for a Sunday morning surfing trip with some of the boarding staff down at Middleton, or going for a rock climb with your boarding brothers at a nearby rock climbing gym, there is something for everybody and if there isn't we try to accommodate and find something that will be applicable for those boys who haven't found an activity they're passionate about just yet. Sam Tonkin

The final thing I have to say about the Boarding House activities is that not only is there a lot of fun to be had but also a lot of opportunities to take hold of.

For example, later on this year I will be undertaking a weekend course enabling me to have a first aid qualification in the workplace.

There have also been other boys who have undertaken barista courses on weekends.

This just goes to show that opportunities really are everywhere, even lying in the great and versatile activity system here on offer at the PAC Boarding House.



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ONE AND ALL ... Year 9 boarders, George and Seb Murdoch, boarded the One and All at Point Turton, Yorke Peninsula.

### Princes boys ahoy!

21 Year 9 boys boarded the One and All at Point Turton on the Yorke Peninsula and returned to Adelaide over three days in the vessel's first extended voyage beyond St Vincent Gulf since the brigantine was financially grounded in mid 2011.

"Sailing the One and All tall ship brings together all of the qualities and skills that the boys develop in leadership, role modelling, communication, independence and compassion during their four week extended stay at the Wambana campus," explained Dale

ON Monday, March 25, Hobbs, Director of the Wambana Extended Stay program.

> of seamanship, the dimension to the trip. It is an adventure all on its own and a powerful way to bring the boys home after four weeks away from parents, siblings and the school environment. It celebrates their achievements and the transition from boy-

hood to manhood." The Year 9 boys undertook sail training through a three shift watch keeping rotation under the guid-Extended Stay experience aboard the One ance of the captain and crew. Their jourand All.

ney took them through the Spencer Gulf past the "By learning skills Lighthouse, down the

west coast of the boys bring another Yorke Peninsula and around the Innes National Park. They then travelled through the Althorpe Islands, down to the north coast Kangaroo Island and back through the Gulf

> St Vincent into the Port River to Port Adelaide. Between March and September, approximately 100 students from Prince Alfred College will end their

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#### **OPINIONS**

#### George MURDOCH YR 9 BOARDER

THE Wambana Extended Stay program ran for a number of weeks at Point Turton on Yorke Peninsula.

Even though we were based close to our homes, we were limited in our contact with our families like the other boys.

Being at Wambana prepared us for leaving home as an adult. We learn skills like cooking, cleaning and independence. We had to manage a budget for our Wardli over the four weeks, we could only have three-minute showers, and we measured our electricity daily. This

Sebastian MURDOCH YR 9 BOARDER I STARTED at PAC only four weeks

before the extended stay program. The program gave me the opportunity to get to know my whole class really well. We didn't have phones, iPhones or iPads (technology) so I really appreciated it when I received letters from home.

Surfing was a standout activity for me; I love anything to do with the ocean and fitness. I also really enjoyed Bublacowie Military Museum, there were so many artefacts to explore and study.

Over the four weeks I realised

## **Peak adventures**

PEAK Adventure is a great opportunity for our boys in Year 10 to experience a number of outdoor activities in unique environments across Australia.

This year we had boarders join a number of trips including Mountain Biking in the Flinders Ranges, Scuba Diving on Yorke Peninsula, Caving at Naracoorte and White Water Rafting on the Mitta Mitta River in Victoria.

The boys are challenged over the 5 days to develop skills in their chosen activity, they overcome weather and the physical components of their journey preparing all their own gear and food as well. Below are two boys' experiences:

#### Alex MITCHEL STUDENT

I WENT to caving for my peak adventure in semester 2, it was located down in Naracoorte, this is widely known for the great caves and experiences that comes along with it. I went with 6 fellow boarders which made

this time very enjoyable because we all get along so well. We also got to know a lot of the day kids a lot better. I overcame my fear of being in tight spaces pretty quickly after being forced to stay in there for up to 4 hours. We learnt how stalactites and stalagmites were made and the history behind some of the caves.

#### Tom CHRISTENSEN STUDENT

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FOR Peak Adventure a group of 13 students in Year 10 travelled to Naracoorte to go caving. We stayed in cabins at a National Park where the caves were located. In the first 'adventure caving' experience we had certain challenges that we had to accomplish to be able to complete the other caves throughout the rest of the week. The group went to 7 different caves which all had their own certain looks and differences about them. All caves had either stalagmites or stalactites on the ceiling or ground which were good to look at. On Monday when we arrived in Naracoorte we did our food shopping for the week, that was a challenge in itself but the boys found that Wambana the year before helped. Overall, it was an adventure filled week, with great challenges and a good life experience.

### Princes aviation program

Jayden MIELL STUDENT

SINCE the end of 2011 Prince Alfred College Boarding House has been running a program to assist boarders in attaining their pilots licence in conjunction with Adelaide Biplanes based at Aldinga Aerodrome.

Four boys, including myself having attained their licences early this year. Chris Harris and Vivian Oldfield have passed their both General Flying Progress Test (GFPT), which is a major milestone in their licence. Robbie Childs and myself have both attained our Recreational Pilots Certificate.

All four of us are now

able to hire and fly aircraft from Aldinga Airfield and fly within a certain distance of the field.

All of us still have to begin the navigation phase of our licences to allow us to fly as far as our planes can take us, but due to three of us being in Year 12 and the high work load we have decided to shelve further training in order to commit more time to our Year 12 studies.

All of us hope to complete our training after we complete Year 12 and it could be a great summer project.

For me personally the aviation program has enabled me to gain vital experience in flying and has been the highlight of to study the Bachelor of



FLIGHT... Jayden Miell.

College. I plan to use the experience in order to set a

foundation for my plan

my time at Prince Alfred Aviation and the Grad uate Diploma in Aviation at the University of South Australia and hopefully develop a career in aviation.

### **Rafting the mighty Mitta Mitta**

FOR Peak Adventure, I and 29 other students chose white water rafting and on Monday, August 25, we flew to Melbourne and then drove 6



taught us some of the things that go into running a household.

The program starts with a 160km cycle tour. The second day of the tour was really hard. It was hot and there were some hard stretches of cycling through the sand. I realised my mental strength is really quite good and when you're doing something like this with mates, I want to achieve, regardless of how I feel.

The One and All was definitely the highlight of my extended stay. When we got to the tall ship I realised that it was massive. There were so many different sails and ropes. I couldn't believe we'd be able to learn how to sail the ship.

There are so many things that boys get to do at PAC. The balance of school, friends and learning really means that you grow as a whole person when you board at Princes.

Mum does more work than I knew, for example, cooking the meals, cleaning the house and washing.

We learnt that we were returning on the One and All only a few days before we sailed. The One and All bigger than anything I'd been on before. I was excited at the thought of climbing the sails - it was a bit like rock climbing only scarier.

At Wambana I learnt to look after myself and value my independence. I also learnt to take responsibility for my actions. On the One and All I learnt how to set sails, tie knots properly and navigate at sea.

I am privileged to be coming to Princes. I like the subjects, the teachers, the facilities, the grounds and the sport I am offered. Being a boarder I get the best of every service and facility, if I make use of the opportunities given to me.

hours to arrive at a little town called Omeo.

This is where we were staying for the duration of the camp, although it was not very spacious, it was a great time.

There was a communal kitchen so at night this brought everyone together. On Monday morning, we all hopped on the bus and drove to Rafting Australia where we were fitted with gear and given the safety brief.

We then drove to the starting point of where we started rafting, we rafted on the Mitta Mitta river all week, which was good and presented us with new challenges each day as the river level changed.

I was in a boat with Jordan, Ben, Sid, Will, Will and Mr

• **RAFTING FUN...** Boarders Will Sumner (back right, red helmet) and Jordan Ackland (back left, blue helmet) enjoing white water rafting in Omeo, Victoria.

Stace. Our rafting guide was called Swainy, we all thought he was a funny and an all round good bloke; this made our raft bond quite well together.

This was a great camp overall has made me a better team

worker and more patient.

These skills were not only made in the boat but also in the lineup waiting to cook, etc.

This camp was a great friendship builder and one I'll never forget.



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### **Flight training success**

Phil CLARK BOARDING STAFF

ON Sunday, June 9, at Aldinga Airfield, with his proud mum visiting from France, Chris Harris achieved a milestone with his General Aviation flying training with Adelaide Biplanes.

Namely, he passed his General Flying Progress Test (GFPT).

This practical flying test could only be undertaken having completed approx. 30 hours of flying and passed the Basic Aeronautical Knowledge (BAK) theory exam.

This endorsement allows Chris to take passengers in the vicinity of the airfield and its training area. Navigation training is now required before Chris will be able to fly anywhere in Australia with passengers.



FLYING SOLO... Robbie Childs in cockpit with his sister Emma.



DELIGHTED... Chris standing in front of the Cessna 172 plane after accomplishing this milestone.

#### Slugging it out for a great cause

Phil McBRIDE STUDENT

THE Relay for Life was a great experience that I was able to participate in. 15 boarders participated in the event was one running an incredible 42km throughout the 20-hour event.

The goal is to run or walk a baton around a track constantly; it does not sound like all that much fun, but you would be surprised.

The atmosphere was great, you could see hun-

dreds of other people running to raise money. Meeting many survivors and people who

were doing it for loved ones or friends who have passed on really pulled on the heart strings.

The stories they told you were just amazing how they lived life to the fullest every day since they were diagnosed.

They were constantly saving I should make the most of my life and how lucky I was.

We continued to run through the night and

took it in turns to run while others were sleeping.

I think I managed to get three hours sleep and by morning I was exhausted.

Late in the morning was annoying, we had finished and there were prizes for certain people. We did not receive any but we were not here to do so.

It was a really enjoyable time and I would encourage anyone who is keen to give up a little time for a greater cause.

## **Kona Dirty Weekend comp**

many laps as we could in

12 hours. So we took

turns to ride and relay

The track was not very

difficult to ride, but it

was a really nice one

which included climb-

ing, trail and descending

and was very good for

During the competi-

after each lap.

Tony WANG STUDENT - HONG KONG

OUR PAC mountain biking team took part in the Kona Dirty Weekend competition. As a new member of the team, it was my first time to take part in this kind of race. On Saturday morning,

cross-country bikes. we loaded our bikes and set off to the destination, tion, I rode 7 laps of 6km Cudlee Creek. each lap which helped our group win second

We were divided into some groups to ride as



place



WEEKEND AWAY... Tony Wang with his mountain bike at the Kona Dirty Weekend.

**Princes sky diving experience** 

THE first day of spring spawned what was one of the most exhilarating days for 6 young men and 2 teachers from PAC.

An early morning start was a struggle for some; however, most boys coped with some beauty sleep on the way to Wellington (20 minutes from Murray Bridge).

Although some boys tended to egg on supervisor Bitner to do "snakeys" down the entrance of the complex, the drive was a nice warm up for what lay ahead.

Once we had arrived it was a

long suspenseful wait for our turn to let fly. The moment had finally arrived and the first lot were up (Alex Hayes, Thomas Wheare and Hugh Murdoch). It was exciting.

Hugh had purchased a hand camera and the boys couldn't wait to see what the final looked like.

After a long tense wait, they landed and emotions flew high as the last group of boys was ready to take flight.

Briefed by a rather loose cannon who went by the ironic name of 'Splat' we all knew we were in for something crazy.

As we reached 8000 feet we had 360° view of the Coorong and Murrav River.

Once our group landed (Amyas Ross, Jack Scaife and Brayden Redden) we knew exactly how the previous group felt and never had all of us spent such a blissful Sunday morning together in such high spirits.

Overall the day was ecstatic and I recommend it to all Year 12 boarders that follow in the coming years.

#### **Rock and water** activities



FOR several weeks throughout Term 2 and 3, all Year 10 boarders were treated to the Rock and Water Course.

The sessions were solidly directed by Tim Brenton. The enthusiastic group had the opportunity to learn and perform martial arts techniques that would help defend in "an ever-changing world of danger." He emphasised the increased risks we face through cheap shots and gang tactics, and how we can utilise protect ourselves and our loved ones. The idea was to defend first and attack second, only if absolutely necessary! Testosterone was controlled as students practised serious selfdefence techniques safely and effectively on mates; the moves' true potential were revealed. Students were well educated both practically on martial arts and on how the hazardous world might call upon those skills in self defence. Overall, the experience was positive and taught potentially dangerous but necessary skills for the future.



**RELAY FOR LIFE...** Jankan, Jeffery and Ken.



HEAD OF THE RIVER... Cameron Lowe celebrates victory.

#### Head of the River success

ON April 6, 2013, the boarders were bussed out to support the PAC rowers in the Head of the River and it was fantastic to see the excellent results achieved by the PAC rowers. A special mention must be made of the efforts of the

boarder rowers - George Jaensch (Year 9), Digby Bowring (Year 11) and Cameron Lowe (Year 12) who took part in the regatta.

Cameron was part of the victorious First XVIII who convincingly won the main event!

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Unfortunately, The

Princes side with six

Year 11s and 4 Year

10s was clearly out-

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Saints outfit losing 45

It was a disappoint-

ing end to the season,

however, due to the

Princes side remain-

ing unchanged next

year and possibly

gaining new players,

the boys are already

looking forward to

regaining the title in the 2014 50th annual

basketball Intercol.

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## **Rugby captain's report**

#### Matthew SEALS RUGBY CAPTAIN

ON August 21, 2013, the Saint Peter's and Prince Alfred College's First XV rugby teams collided in what was an intense end to the season.

Although the heavy rain and wind kept many of the supporters away, it was indeed the weather that the founders of Rugby had in mind when they created the game.

This resulted with the players, and supporters, from both teams being thoroughly drenched, and covered in a thick layer of mud.

Whilst the Saint Peter's team came to the field expecting another win, as they came to the game undefeated, the PAC boys quickly made them think twice, bringing high intensity from the kick off.

Unfortunately Saint Peter's scored the first try, however the Reds were quick to retaliate, ending the first half only a metre from the Saints' try line.

Even though the Reds were a try down, it was easy to see the Saint Peter's team getting worried.

With the beginning of the second half underway, the Reds were eager to even up the score, which with the help of some brilliant line work from the entire team, Edward Boyde was soon able to break through Saint's defensive line, bringing us up even at seven points all.

By this point in the game, emotions were high, which resulted in a scuffle between the teams, which ended with our team receiving a card, increasing the workload required from the rest of the boys.

Unfortunately this impacted on the PAC team, and Saints' were able to score another try, however they did not manage to convert.



• FIRST XV RUGBY PLAYERS... Matt Seals ably supported by Jayden Miell.

This motivated the reds to put their body on the lines to attempt to get another try.

Although for the last gruelling minutes of the game, we were able to keep the ball just a few metres from the Saints' try-line, unfortunately with the final whistle blowing, we were unable to get the ball over the line, ending the game at 12 - 7 to Saints.

Although we lost, the First XV gave it their all, and appreciated the support that they received from the school.

As always, it was an exciting match of rugby, and I encourage you to attend the future Intercols, and support the Reds!



• **INTERCOL BASKETBALL...** Intercol Basketball featuring boarders Alex Smith (17), Jack Lang and Aaron Francis (8).

### **Basketball report**

#### Jack LANG STUDENT

THE 2013 season for the Prince Alfred College Open A basketball team was a bit of a rollercoaster with some big wins and narrow losses.

The team gained convincing wins over Adelaide High, Rostrevor College, Pulteney Grammar School and Saint Ignatius.

In these wins the team displayed some true determination and talent as we played disciplined team basketball.

The team had a great lead into the 2013 basketball Intercol with two big wins right before the match. This gave the team confidence heading to the Intercol.

The 2013 open A basketball Intercol match was the 49th annual basketball Intercol and was to be played in the brand new Prince Alfred College RED Centre.

The match featured a young and inexperienced Prince Alfred College team and a much older, experienced Saint Peters team.

The crowd support at the RED Centre was amazing and nerve-racking for all players.

Both schools dis-

2013 soccer season

Angus SMART STUDENT

PRESEASON trainings and trials for the First XI and senior teams started in Week 3 of Term 1, giving the 40 players that turned out to train about seven weeks to make their mark and fill a spot in the four senior teams we had this year, as opposed to only two





• **FIRST XV RUGBY PLAYERS...** Matt Seals, Daniel Skinner, James Cornish and Jack Luke left nothing in the tank in the clash with Saints

### **Hockey Intercol**

SITTING in the change rooms, with only 15 minutes left before the big game, I was expecting the team to be in a frenzy, but instead there was silence.

Everyone was sitting on the bench thinking on the task at hand, after all PAC was down five wins in this year's Winter Intercol. The silence was then broken by our coach's pre-game inspirational speech, thanking us for a great season and to have fun today.

As we stepped out

onto that pitch, we were greeted with buckets of rain as the day took a whole new meaning to a "water-based pitch." But we weren't going to let that stop us.

As the starting whistle blew, the pressure was on to get our first goal. Both teams went 110% trading tackles, shots and the occasional slide but, at last we had shot the first goal mid-way through the second half followed by a quick second.

The Red on the field

and the side lines erupted with cheers as at last, we had broken ahead of the competition.

As the halftime whistle blew the team rushed to the side lines, locking each other in a tight circle of celebrations, as our coach gave his plan to bring home the shield. With the team psyched for round two the game continued, the rain still determined to bucket down, soaking us from head to toe. The air filled with the chants of the fellow students determined to help the team step over the line. By the first 10 minutes

we managed to score again putting us 3-0. Saints, determined

not to go down, scored their first goal, serving as a wake up call to the Reds that the Blues weren't going down without a fight.

However, that only fired up the Reds as we took four more goals by the end of the game.

After the team erupted in celebration we gathered in the centre of the pitch where we were greeted by the rest of the school to chant the PAC victory song for the first and only time for the Intercol Week.

teams in 2012.

The First XI was made up of 18 boys between Years 9 to 12 and featured 3 boys from the Boarding Community.

9 Of the 3 of us, two of 9 these boys are new to 9 PAC this year, but Ethan 1 Smith (year 10) and Sam 1 Taylor (year 11) fitted 1 into the team perfectly 1 into the team perfectly 2 and made an impact 3 right from the start.

The team travelled to Melbourne for games and bonding activities in the first school holidays which was a great experience to lead into the season's tough opposition.

The First XI played in the Wednesday night Twilight League, the

SOCCER... Angus Smart in action.

highest of the school leagues in Adelaide and also in the State Knockout Cup.

Other senior teams, consisting of 3 or 4 boarders played in the 2nd and 3rd leagues on Saturday mornings at our new 'home' pitches at the West Adelaide Soccer Club Junior Grounds.

The Year 8 soccer team features a handful of boarders as well.



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## **Kicking goals to success**

THE Boarding House at Prince Alfred College has a sustained reputation for inspiring academic and sporting excellence.

In what would be a college record, four PAC students, all boarders, have captured the eye of AFL scouts and are being considered for the national draft in November

2013 Year 12 students George Hewett (Port Broughton), Cameron Giles (Armagh Valley) and Campbell Combe (Crystal Brook), and 2012 graduate Jake Pitt (Lucindale) hope to follow in the footsteps of recent graduates Jack Trengove, Luke Tapscott and Jack Viney (Melbourne Football Club) and Sam Day (Gold Coast Suns).

"This is a particularly bright group of students, not only in terms of their intelligence but also their lust for life", PAC's First XVIII coach, and 2012 State Schoolboys (secondary) Coach of the Year, Troy McKinnon said.

"I doubt there has been a more talented group of boys go through a South Australian school in the last 20 years. Not only are the boys a force to be reckoned with on the football field, but also in the classroom, with 10 of the First XVIII recently awarded Academic Honours and Colours."

Prince Alfred College was one of the 12 founding members of the South Australian Football Association in 1877. Troy believes that the key to PAC's student successes in sport, in the classroom and in life is



• CENTRE BOUNCE... Alex Hayes showing his ability to get the first touch in the First XVIII Intercol battle.

the same.

"We have always aimed to engage each boy in a way that motivates him, shows trust in him, allows him to be the owner of his progress and above all recognises his effort.'

"Our footballers seem to have a clear understanding that many of the skills they learn on the field of endeavour transfer really well to the classroom and vice versa. Ultimately, the football program at Princes is an effort driven program, which is easily transferred to

every aspect of life.' The commitment to educating the whole boy at Princes should never underestimated. be Sport and co-curricular pursuits give boys the opportunity to practise the same aspects of learning as the academic programs in the college. 'The IB learner profile looks to develop each

boy's ability to think deeply, problem solve, with principle, act

reflect, take risks, stick to the task and show courage - sport and cultural pursuits do exactly this also. Experiential learning occurs in all corners of the college."

Troy observes that the boarders are a particularly talented group of boys.

"They love to be challenged, they welcome opportunity to measure and develop their shared and individual character levels. If we develop them to

be deep thinkers, to show resilience, to respect others, to act with humility and to

complete every task, then we are developing them for life "I think the great thing

about mixing boarding and day boys is that you really aren't putting any restrictions on anyone participating in sport and engaging in healthy pursuits. The country boys (boarders) are a tight group of students."

Boarders often come from small rural areas

and they really appreciate the sense of community that sport brings. When you combine the day boys with the boarding boys you bring out the best of everything in life at Princes.

When asked to reflect on the qualities of Campbell Combe, Cameron Giles, George Hewett and Jake Pitt, Troy smiles.

"Apart from being talented extremely sportsmen, they are highly respected by the staff and the other students. They are natural leaders.

"All four boys are fiercely competitive with themselves. They strive to be the best they can be. They are boys of high character; they work hard for others and are reliable, humble and consistent in all that they do.

"The characteristics that have opened doors for them in their football are the same traits that will open doors for them in life!



INTERCOL... Year 12 boarders 2013.

### **Football Intercol Matches**

Nelson ELLIS STUDENT

THIS year's winter intercollegiate battle saw the Red army march down to Hackney Road to do battle with the old foe. The 10Bs were first to step foot onto the oval which resembled a quagmire. The lads came home with their first win of the season in a big occasion.

Boarders Will Sumner and Liam Vivian played influential parts in the victory as well as others.

The 10A's faced more of a challenge than expected with the trying conditions taking all the skill out of the game.

These conditions suited the Saints outfit but Ashley Giles, Alex Andrea and vice-captain Dylan Mosev were able to adapt to the conditions and pull the team over the line with a heart-stopping one point victory.

The likes of Daniel Gregg, Henry McMurray, Lachy Pye and Noah Ramsey in his departing game from PAC were able to keep the control of their status as one of the best 3rds teams in Adelaide beating the Blue and White on the Front Oval by 80 odd points.

The 3rds were firm favorites from start to finish and enjoyed a memorable Intercol victory.

A first quarter scare saw the Second XVIII bounce back with a hard fought victory as a curtain raiser for the main event. Jack Scaife pulled in the reins for his team leading them back on course.

Performers included a determined Tyler McKenzie plus Jay Green, Ned Murdoch, skipper Hugh Murdoch and many more

The outcome ended as expected but with a far smaller margin of a few kicks.

The First XVIII led by the trio of boarders Campbell Combe, Cameron Giles and George Hewitt saw the most trying conditions of the day after the oval suffered three games prior to the big game.

Sadly the desire of Saints to break the drought of nine Intercol losses proved too much for the boys in Red. The team was littered with talented boarders all over the ground who gave it their all.

On the whole the Princes Boarding community overall saw good footy results and it only looks promising for football in the Reds jumper for years to come.

### **Talented trio**

Ron PIPPETT MIC FOOTBALL

second place in the Messenger Cup. AFL scouts have shown



Second XVIII success

**Ron PIPPETT** MIC FOOTBALL

TALENTED boarder footballers again played leading roles in the Second XVIII this



SOON after they arrived in the Boarding House as uncertain Year 10 students from the country, they quickly made their mark.

All played First XVIII football that year and this year formed a formidable leadership group before all making the victorious State U18 Championship team.

Campbell Combe (Crystal Brook), Cameron Giles (Armagh Valley) and George Hewett (Port Brough - themselves to their ton) have all played significant roles in college football this year helping the senior team to

considerable interest in the boys too.

McKinnon, Troy First XVIII Coach stated, "They are all highly respected by the staff and the other students and they are all very down to earth."

Mr McKinnon went on to say "none of them really knew anyone and they have drawn on each other and got the best out of each other.'

Without doubt they have all dedicated craft reaching high levels of fitness and constantly honing their skills. Perhaps more

 INTERCOL... Talented trio from left, Campbell Combe, Cameron Giles and George Hewett.

have offered leader-

impressively Campbell, ship and support to the Cameron and George younger boys in the boarding house.

year. Onballers Jack Scaife and Micah Van Loon tied to win the Best and Fairest award.

Hugh Murdoch's captaincy was lauded at the Intercol dinner as Hugh was able to develop considerable leadership skills whilst running the side's warm up, taking drills at training and assisting with selection.

Injured player, Will Brown's selfless work as team runner should be recognized too.

In addition other Year 11s such as Jack Daly, Nelson Ellis, Jack Lang, Jay Green and Ben Glover performed superbly in the team's victories over First XVIII teams from Pulteney Grammar, Westminster, CBC and St Pauls.

Certainly the future looks bright with players of this talent coming through the ranks.

• INTERCOL... George Murdoch arrives back to the Boarding House from a demanding weekend of football.



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• LEISURE... The boarders' parents group on Southern Yorke Peninsula.

## 2013 Boarders' parents weekend heads to Southern Yorke Peninsula

THIS years' Boarders' Parents Weekend was held on Southern Yorke Peninsula on Saturday and Sunday, February 23 amd 24.

Thanks need to go to Anne-Marie Scaife, Jo Hayes, Annabel and Bri Murdoch for organising early with a cooked breakfast then onto the bus to the Inland Sea, a local restaurant that also sells local seafood to anyone travelling to the area.

Sharon and Ian, the owners, then took the group through their business showing how the keep live crayfish and the processing procedure they use. Back on the bus the group headed for the Marion Bay Tavern for lunch and then on to the Innes National Park, luckily for all involved it was perfect weather to show off "the camp and everyone walk over the boardwalk to the beach as it was such wonderful weather most decided to walk, swim and splash their way a couple of kilometres to the little fishing village used by the local cray fisherman during their season. Back on the bus it was off to Corny Point for wedges at the Howling Dog Tavern and then back to Wambana. Greeting all was the Point Turton Progress Association who prepared a fantastic evening meal. It was great to see Darren and Simone Roylett join us for dinner and catch up with the boarding families.



• **BEACH...** Enjoying the sunshine, from left, Jo Hayes, Lavinia Hannaford, Frankie Sandow and Annabel Murdoch.



the weekend.

Parents arrived on the Friday night to the college's Wambana campus where the Year 9 Princes extended stay program is held and enjoyed a barbecue dinner on a beautiful hot evening by the sea.

Dale Hobbs who runs the extended stay program gave an outline to parents of how it works.

Saturday morning started

Bottom End". Hot, no wind and glassy seas so as the bus travelled through checking out the scenery it came to the Pondalowie surfers

Sunday was breakfast at the Point Turton Tavern and then farewells began as it was time to travel home.

Thanks to all who travelled from far and wide and the weather gods for some of the best weather we could ask for. Also thanks to Dale Hobbs and family for bosting the fami

and family for hosting the families at Wambana.

We all look forward to heading up to Broken Hill in 2014.

• **NIBBLES...** Fiona Altmann, Allison Warne, Martin Altmann, Jamie Edwards and Suzann Seals enjoy a drink and bite to eat.

2014 AUGUST BOARDERS' PARENTS WEEKEND TO BE HELD IN BROKEN HILL