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Cover Image: Angus Fry is elated after completing the bike adventure whilst at Wambana
Headmaster’s Induction – September 2014

It gives me great pleasure to commence as the 11th Headmaster of Prince Alfred College. All that I have seen of Prince Alfred College over many years, and all that I have learnt in recent months and weeks, has given me the highest regard and respect for this school, its ideals and traditions, and most importantly the education that it continues to provide.

There’s a lot to like about Princes;

• The commitment and efforts of hundreds and thousands of members of the Princes community over 145 years to make their own individual contribution to the rich tapestry that makes up the history of this school, not just through their work at and for this College, but also in their contribution to the wider community.

• I am impressed by the way in which the enduring principles of PAC have been interpreted and developed in the current environment. The messages that I have seen displayed and expressed around the College all speak of a school with a clear understanding of what it is trying to achieve. Inspiring excellence; Work hard, be kind; the concept of the Princes Man. This is a school committed to its mission and prepared to commit its resources and efforts to achieving those goals.

It was very important to me that Lincoln and Te Raukura from Kings College in Auckland, two gentlemen for whom I have great respect, were here today to hand me over to Prince Alfred College. Having been extensively involved in Maori education at my previous school, I was well aware of the Maori tradition that when someone moves from one community to another, members of the first community go with the person who is leaving to hand them over to their new community. I think that rites of passage are important to mark the major transitions in our lives, as we leave one phase and move on to the next. For me, this has helped to mark the completion of one chapter and the commencement of the next.

And I want to use a Maori concept as the starting point for some comments, particularly for the students of PAC.

**Mana:** Is the status, standing, authority or power of an individual. Mana is a spiritual quality, which comes with the position that you hold within your community. But mana is not fixed; you also have to earn it to maintain it. You increase your mana by your achievements, your conduct and the way you live, and conversely you can lose or reduce your mana through your actions as well. Lincoln and Te Raukura both possess considerable mana within their communities, Lincoln as a leading Maori educator and Te Raukura as a Maori student leader.

And mana does not exist only in individuals, it is also present within groups, organisations and institutions. Prince Alfred College has mana within the educational community, within this city and state, and even further afield. It has the standing which comes with 145 years of the pursuit of excellence in the education of boys and young men. But what is really significant is that the mana of the institution is also increased and enhanced by the actions of the individuals who make up that community. That wonderful gallery displayed on the walls of our school, our Princes Men, celebrates the achievements and lives of individuals who have not only made a great contribution to the wider community in their chosen field, but have also increased the mana of their school.

There are two concepts linked to mana, which are part of my expectations of our students. The first is pride. I have seen pride on display in a very positive way over the last few weeks associated with one of our enduring traditions, and one of the great school rivalries in the world, our intercollegiate competition with St Peter’s College.

I saw pride, quite rightly, on both sides. And I say to you now: Be proud. Be proud of who you are and what you are. Be proud of the things and institutions that you belong to: your heritage, your families, your school, your land. Be proud of what you do, and you will do it well and to the best of your ability. Pride in this sense is not a sin, but rather one of the key factors in achieving a happy, rewarding and fulfilling life. So, be proud.

The second relates to passion. I spoke to staff when I commenced about the importance of passion in what we are doing. To the students I say that there would not be an adult present at PAC who did not discover at least one of their passions during their own schooldays. You will learn about some of mine as time goes by. To fulfill your potential as a human being, to achieve your own completeness as an individual, you need to find the things that quicken your pulse, that stir your soul, and that will ultimately enrich and fulfill your life. Whether that be found in the classroom, on the sports field, in the performing arts, in the Chapel, don’t just drift, engage.

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Will van Dissel (College Captain), Bradley Fenner and Ben Siebels (College Vice Captain)
With passion, you will achieve great things, not just in the obvious sense of prizes, awards and distinctions, but also personally in the way that you develop. Passions will give you a sense of direction for your future life. And note that I use the plural: passions. A single passion does not do justice to our multi-faceted nature as human beings; there is more to us than that. A single focus can lead to a lack of balance and perspective, and to losing your way if that particular pursuit or pathway is lost for whatever reason. My second expectation or charge to you, therefore, is to seek out your passions.

My third expectation may sound like a more mundane one, but I believe it to be no less important. **Good manners.** They cost you nothing and they can have an extraordinarily positive impact on the way you are viewed by others, and how you get on in the world. Providing a positive first impression, and treating all those we meet with equal respect and courtesy, will serve us well throughout our lives. Good manners are really a way that we show the respect to others that we would like to receive ourselves.

When I visited Princes a few months ago, and spoke in Assembly, I asked that when we meet, I wanted you to greet me, look me in the eye, give me a firm handshake and introduce yourself. I said that that will get our individual interactions off to the best possible start and will also serve as a model for how I hope you would greet anyone you meet, here at school or elsewhere. I want you to know that I have been impressed with the greetings and handshakes so far, keep it up!

Finally, there is a school I know of in Nairobi in Kenya, which has a verse from the Bible written above the entrance to the School. This is Jesus’ powerful directive to his disciples: “Of those to whom much is given, much will be expected.” The interesting thing is that this particular school is not a school for those who are well off. In fact, the majority of the young men who attend the school come from the poorest families from throughout Kenya. Many are in fact orphans, who have been identified as talented and worthy candidates and have been accepted for sponsored places.

They arrive at the school with virtually nothing, and yet even at that point of arrival, the words above the entrance are telling them that much is expected of them. And that is because they have been blessed, firstly in having some talent, and secondly in being given the priceless gift of a quality education. It is now up to them to make the most of this. And if much can be expected of those students, is it not reasonable for us in our environment to expect the same, or even more, of ours? My final expectation of you students therefore is simply that: much. Much is expected of you.

I thank you all again for the warmth of welcome that has been offered to my family and me during our first weeks at Prince Alfred College and look forward with great excitement and anticipation to our shared journey.

Bradley Fenner
Headmaster
21st Century Student Leadership

“Of all the will toward the ideal in mankind only a small part can manifest itself in public action. All the rest of this force must be content with small and obscure deeds. The sum of these however, is a thousand times stronger than the acts of those who receive public recognition. The latter, compared to the former, are like the foams on the waves of a deep ocean”.

Albert Schweitzer Nobel Peace Prize 1952

Defining what “leadership” is in an educational context when developing future leaders of tomorrow at Prince Alfred College is a difficult task. Schweitzer’s insightful reflection on the importance of leadership development for “all” rather than a “few” assists us with what we don’t understand. Very much an intangible, the modern paradigm of leadership is more about exhibiting a dimension of desired behaviours which are strongly correlated to generic life skills rather than position. While much in the past has been autocratic in nature with a heavy emphasis on the old “command and control” model of leadership, post-modern leadership thinking now deals with learning and inquiry, humility, task orientation and sensitivity to others in a way that builds trust and confidence in working relationships. This mode of thought is ever so important in regards to adolescent development and boy’s education.

While there are many definitions of leadership, which specify particular behaviour, there are some generalizations we can make. One is that leadership is no longer seen as a mysterious personal quality. Leadership can unleash energy; it is building, freeing and growing. Others define leadership as the ability to influence others actions in either formal or informal settings. The ability to motivate others to follow a common cause, we know that these definitions are not entirely satisfactory, especially within an educational setting. Leadership involves much more than mere transaction between people, it involves helping people transcend their own self-interests for the good of the group; the consideration of their long term needs to develop themselves rather than immediate wants or needs. Hence the notion of “transformational leadership”, the focus on “being” a leader, transforming themselves from followers into leaders.

Adolescence is a critical time for leadership development. Developing leadership in youth can bolster self-esteem, prevent or minimize risk-taking behaviours and serve as a strong foundation for successful adulthood. Yet many adolescents are either never allowed the opportunity or even fail to take the challenge up, to act as leaders. Unfortunately in many educational settings much of this leadership remains untapped, dormant and in its place breeds a form of “social loafing”, a reluctance to take on responsibility or accountability of their own actions. This problem is particularly evident with adolescent boys. Many still are of the thought that leadership is the domain of a few who are “blessed” with those fine qualities. However much of the contemporary research indicates that leadership can be taught by providing opportunities for individuals to develop their own potential, to exhibit “moments” of leadership throughout their lives and in differing circumstances. Leadership is exhibited in a number of ways by different personalities. Many of these qualities stem from personality or character, but as stated many are teachable and could be learned and carried out in a variety of environments.

In the main, leadership is “situational” – an individual will develop their leadership skills according to the environment and task at hand. Defining the desired dimensions of leadership skills should be done in conjunction with the ethos, values, culture and tradition of an educational institution. At Prince Alfred College much of this is evident. The “Princes Man” ethos intertwined with a Uniting Church education already provides for a set of bedrock core values. These have been further clarified through the development of the College Strategic and Three Schools Management Plan. There are many existing programs (formal and informal) currently in place. Many of which exist in their own right while some serve the purpose of providing “value-added” benefit to the College curriculum. The challenge will be to develop and implement a structure and accompanying programs which is sequential and provides for continuity from ELC - Year 12. Much of this will involve tying in the existing infrastructure of programs which run in the College into one unified clearly recognized direction, where all boys who attend Prince Alfred College will be given an opportunity to develop their leadership skills.

Mark Dell’Oro
Deputy Head of Senior School

Chen Yao Chang (Ota) working with Peter Skothos and Jock Piper
English for Academic Purposes

The Prince Alfred College community is enriched by a number of international students who identify the College as their educational provider of choice. The English for Academic Purposes (EAP) course is intended for those international students who need to enhance their English language skills prior to entering mainstream instruction. Now, it has been known for some time that there is a proven correlation between a risk-taking attitude to learning and actual success at learning, so much so that Risk-Taker is one of the core attributes of the IB Learner Profile, along with Inquirer, Thinker, Communicator, and several others. These international students are surely among the biggest risk-takers in the College, having chosen to do their learning overseas and in a foreign language.

The EAP course takes one semester and is taught by Ms Donna Martin and Mr Jeff Ellis. The focus of the course is on developing listening and reading comprehension, oral participation and presentation, as well as upskilling in the main genres of academic writing that the students will need as they move into the final years of schooling and beyond.

The English for Academic Purposes course in Semester 1 this year was attended by 10 students: 8 boys (six in Year 10 and two in Year 8) as well as two girls from Wilderness and Seymour respectively. In the valedictory celebration held at the end of the course, two of the boys, Yaochang (Ota) Chen and Heng (Ferris) Wang, reflected on their experiences over the semester.

Ferris explained, "I can remember how fresh and nervous I was when I first arrived in Adelaide. Things were new for me, a new environment, a new life style, new friends and new teachers. A big challenge I faced was language. I had trouble talking with my home stay parents, teachers and most of the other students. But now, after half a year of learning English, all of us have improved, including our academic writing and Independent research skills."

Ota reflected on the difference in the learning environment that the College provides. "Mr Bailey and Ms Martin gave me lots of suggestions and they encouraged me to be a risk taker. I keep trying to take risks and try new things to improve myself. When I look back, I now realize I have become more confident because of those experiences."

In their transition to the College, both boys concluded that they had been made to 'feel at home', an important factor in their wellbeing and a powerful tribute from boys who are, in fact, a long way from their home.

Kelvin Sparks
Director of Teaching and Learning (ELC - 12)
The Princes Man in The Middle School

Schools are busy places and adolescence is a busy time of life. We are caught up daily in the business of becoming. Constantly striving for the next goal, the next level of development. And yet, schools need also to provide opportunities to be - to take stock of oneself as I am now, in this moment, and appreciate myself for who I am.

I was recently offered the following quote by a colleague from Danish Philosopher, Soren Kierkegaard, “The unhappy man is always absent from himself, never present to himself.” In this light, the key to happiness lies in being able to bring oneself to being present in the moment with one’s self. This is challenging to even the best and brightest of us, so how can we encourage our young Princes Men to stop and smell the roses? To answer this, I returned to the source and explored Kierkegaard’s ideas on the ethical life.

Firstly, Kierkegaard tells us that the ethical life is one led in a spirit of critical reflection; the ability to take moral accountability and responsibility for one’s life choices. This is central to our work with the boys in Middle School - helping them stop and see, through our relationships and conversations with them, the agency they have in creating the school we want.

Related to this is the assertion that we must be willing to take active control of our own lives. This is the great “letting go” of adolescence, as students grow into their own individuality and responsibility for their world and parents learn to accept that their child is doing as much. At Princes, it finds its highest expression in the Middle School through the Wambana program where we take a pause in the “regular” curriculum to connect boys with a deeply personal process that has been the hallmark of young boys’ transformation into manhood throughout cultures and centuries.

We are also told that the inner existence is more important that the external. This inner self is that which shapes our character, values, inclinations and identity. Such things are the embodiment of the Princes Man and the last of them, the development of one’s identity, is the core business of adolescence. So, as a consequence, we are compelled as a Middle School to support this development and encourage our boys to find their place in the world. This can only happen if we take time, as we do in assemblies, chapels and wellbeing sessions, to explore this inner existence.

Finally, Kierkegaard speaks of commitment. Commitments, like those found in friendships, are the foundation of a responsible and ethical way of life. Commitments force us to stop and reflect on the impact of our behaviour on others. Our shared commitment to each other as members of the Middle School and the wider College community, is a necessary bond. It binds us in our becoming who we are as individuals and guides us in our interactions with one another.

The Middle School is a special place, and time, in the life of our boys and those of us who share the privilege of nurturing them. Let us all find happiness in being present with our boys, taking the time to stop and appreciate the special, and sometimes challenging, moments in their development. In so doing we will help our boys strive to become better - Princes Men who take an active role in shaping themselves and their approach life and learning.

Michael Oomens
Deputy Head of Middle School
Scotts Creek

Over terms 2 and 3 the Scotts Creek campus is a hive of activity. This year has been no different with a number of programs running for boys from Year 5 through to 8. We are geographically blessed at Scotts Creek as our winter daytime temperatures are mild and generally sunny with beautiful fresh and frosty evenings. This environment provides a fantastic backdrop for us to enrich the learning experience and the lives of the students at Prince Alfred College.

Our Year 5 program has a local indigenous focus and in term two the Year 5 classes were all visited during their program by Cynthia and Anita from the Ngaut Ngaut Aboriginal centre at Nildottie. The boys had the opportunity to touch a possum coat, feel a beautifully carved boomerang and try their hand at using the emu caller. These visits were met with many questions from the boys about aboriginal culture and how the local aboriginal people used the local area long before we were here.

In term 3 the Year 7 classes were busy completing their Scotts Creek projects. Each class had a slightly different task to the other. The boys have this year, laid a patch of turf surrounding the high ropes course, developed pathways through the Garden of Eden to link the gates, chooks and compost areas and painted the decking, buildings and chook shed ready for our hens. The contribution the Year 7 boys have made to the centre this year has been fantastic and they should be proud of their efforts and the results for many years to come.

Throughout the year staff from Scotts Creek have also been supporting the senior outdoor education classes during their expedition component of the course. It has been wonderful to see Outdoor Education continue to grow and develop even further this year at the school. Outdoor Education at Princes is as strong as ever and will continue to flourish and provide opportunities and learning experiences that are only on offer through the classroom that is the great outdoors!

Micha Jensen
Coordinator Scotts Creek Outdoor Centre

Wambana – Major Expedition

Wambana expanded its program this year from four weeks (27 days) to five weeks (34 days). The additional week now includes a major expedition in the Southern Flinders Ranges. Based at the township of Melrose, our boys spend 7 days exploring the mountain ranges of the Southern Flinders. Building on their new skills learnt at Wambana, students work together in small teams and navigate their way through some of the most spectacular wilderness in South Australia.

The addition of the major expedition challenges our boys using the outdoor pursuit of bushwalking to achieve our aims and objectives. The expedition focuses on leadership, group dynamics and personal reflection. A key element of the expedition relates to how our students work together to achieve a common goal. Students begin to understand the importance of active listening and the need to be clear and concise in their communication with others. Problems are faced and solutions are shared. Boys begin to understand the importance of informed decision making. Students learn the technical skills of map and compass reading, understanding bush terrain and basic survival skills.

“I really enjoyed the melrose experience, even though it was physically and mentally challenging, it was a great week and one that I will never forget”
Martin Yanchev

Wambana staff ‘shadow’ the groups giving the students greater autonomy. At times navigational errors occur, team function is tested and challenges are faced when poor decisions are made. These experiences provide a rich environment for a student to learn through direct interaction with their peers. The strength of the program is the feedback and reflection process coordinated by the Wambana staff. During set stages of the expedition Wambana staff guide the group and individuals to understand their role in the team. According to our students, one of the greatest challenges they face is the 24 hour solo campout.

“The Melrose expedition was a great learning experience, working hard and making new friends at the same time. We had to navigate our way through the treacherous and unforgiving landscape that Melrose had to offer. It proved a struggle at times but working as a team and having fun along the way got us through the journey. The solo expedition was a great experience having one on one time to get to know you’re partner and being able to camp with no distractions for one whole night. It was a great experience and I learnt a lot from it. It is an experience that I will never forget.”
Lucas Froude

Dale Hobbs
Director - Wambana

The boys from 9SJN enjoying one of the many activities at Wambana
Preparatory School

The Junior Primary over the last couple of terms has been one full of literature, with boys participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge, Book Week and Father Son Story Night being our key events across Reception to Year 2.

Receptions shared the joy of reading for the Premiers Challenge with a week of daily story telling among families’ and a variety of staff members across the community. Year 1 and 2 boys have taken on a more individual role to the challenge reading at home.

Book Week saw us make connections about reading comparing the past with the present and participating in a range of experiences throughout the week in the Library. The highlight as always is the Book Week Parade where students and staff got into the spirit of celebrating all things books.

Father Son Story Night is a much cherished event by all, where boys and fathers share in a story performed by the JP staff. 2014 was a first for us to share the newly refurbished library with our fathers to snuggle and share stories.

The Year 3 boy’s first overnight camp was the big highlight of the term for them. They headed to Woodhouse Camp Site for a 2 night stay. The boys loved Challenge Hill where they got to climb, slide, crawl and jump from the various pieces of equipment. Some team strategy games in the pine forest had the boys running furiously capturing and guarding the ‘treasure’. Beautiful weather ensured a great time was had by Mrs Martin, Mr Bishop and students alike.

The Year 4 boys each found and learnt a poem for the year level poetry recitals. Winners from each class then competed against their successful peers to find a Year 4 winner.

Both year levels were very excited to attend a cartooning workshop where they learnt the skills of basic character drawing.

On Friday 28 August the Seymour College Year 5s joined our Year 5 boys for a series of leadership workshops designed to enhance these particular skills for our students. The day began with a talk from guest speaker, Jess Trengove, Australian marathon runner and bronze medallist in the recent Commonwealth Games. The students were then mixed into groups where a rotation of workshops delivered by our staff covered the areas such as personal presentation, accountability, organisation and teamwork. The day was a great success, with students from both schools enjoying the chance of working together.

A focus upon the PYP Exhibition for the Year 6 boys was a highlight. Human Spirit + Action = Change is the Central Idea which underpins all of the work the boys have engaged in throughout the term. The boys focus upon a global issue and identify an action in which they may be able to create a change in some way. It is great to see boys actively involved in creating depth to their understanding of issues which impact upon them both locally and globally.

Sean Watt
Deputy Head of Preparatory School
Preparatory Winter Sport Summary

Winter sport always attracts maximum participation and 2014 has been no exception. We have a record number of boys playing football, fielding two Primary 6/7 teams and three Year 4/5 modified teams. Our new Football Coordinator, Phil Noble, has done a fantastic job of attracting quality coaches to the College and his professionalism and organizational skills has given these coaches great support. Thanks to our old scholars who have come back to coach – William Dalwood, Nick Mosey and Max Burford, who with the help of staff managers, have the boys playing some high standard football. It was great to see our school represented in SAPSASA football in Term 2. Congratulations to Jack Wheare who was selected in the State U12 SAPSASA team.

Soccer numbers have also increased in 2014, with the dedication of our Development Coach, Jason Hayhurst and some well experienced fathers, Steven Benn and David Martin, who have volunteered their time to help. We have also welcomed the inclusion of Sylvana Viscione and her mother Marie, who have done a wonderful job with the Year 5 team. This season we have a Year 6 and 5 team, plus 2 teams of 4/5 boys playing a modified game on a Friday afternoon. It has also been pleasing to see so many Year 2 and 3 boys learning soccer skills after school with Jason. Congratulations to Steven Benn and his Year 6 team who were undefeated all season and won their Intercol 3-1 against St Peter’s College. I am sure the inclusion of so many PAC boys in the SAPSASA Regional Team is testament to the opportunities given to these boys at school. Well done to Scott Madden, who was selected in the State U12 SAPSASA team for 2014.

Hockey and half-field/minkey competitions have proven quite popular again. Our teams playing on a Friday afternoon at the Burnside Hockey Club have enjoyed much success this year. Thanks to Margot Leeson and Tom Mitton, who pulled a Primary A team together for Saturday mornings and enjoyed the competition. There are some quality players coming up through the ranks of the Preparatory and Middle School. This was evident again in the selection of many of our boys in the SAPSASA Regional team.

Table tennis has a great following on a Friday afternoon after school, and we have fielded a Primary A/B team this year. Under the guidance of Development Coach, John Potter, the profile of the sport has lifted. I am sure the Middle School teams will be boosted by some quality Year 6 players in 2015.

Basketball was again offered as an extra sport for boys to play mid-week. This season has seen record numbers turn out and thanks to coordinator Andre Roller, we have attracted enough coaches to manage all of the teams. The skill levels continue to develop and these teams have had plenty of success.

We have also initiated the PAC Running Group in Term 2 and 3 this year. Mark Howson, a member of our events team here at PAC, who is also a keen runner coordinated the group. It has been fantastic for him to share some of his vast knowledge and experience with our younger boys on a Tuesday morning before school and Fridays after school. We hope to continue this group, of up to 20 boys, training in Term 4. We anticipate this training will encourage boys to become involved with cross country running competitions and improve fitness for Athletics Carnivals and general wellbeing.

Chess and debating have again been very popular and well represented in the Preparatory School. Thanks to the dedicated staff involved, these boys have enjoyed regular competitions against other schools and have had very pleasing and successful results.

Deb Trengove
Co-curricular Administrator Years 4-12
**Two Year Olds**

At the beginning of Term 3, the Langley and Wilkins rooms welcomed many new friends to the ELC. Focussing on our Unit of Inquiry around Celebrations we took a close look at International Friendship Day (Sunday 3 August). We have been talking about our friends, discussing who their friends are and what they like to do with them when they are at school.

- We talk to them - Isaac
- Mummy, yeah Mummy is my friend. Ashlynn and Poppy. They teach me tricks. I do cartwheels - Rosie
- Miss Emily is my friend - Austin
- I do painting and reading books with Rosie
- My friends give me cuddles in the Langley room – Ashlynn
- This is Ned and me playing with the Lego – Charlie B
- I’m going to draw Abi. I actually play with her. Dis is Charlie here, did is Ryka here. Dis is you Miss Emily. You da big kid and dis is Billy da tadpole - Scarlet

Throughout the week, the Langley and Wilkins children created a special friendship mural using markers and water paints on a sheet. The two classes also enjoyed a shared picnic lunch on the oval.

**Three Year Olds**

The Cooper, Mead and Mattingley Room friends have demonstrated a depth of knowledge regarding our unit of inquiry, Shadowlands, and are eager to share their understandings with their peers.

- The Mattingley Room friends, armed with the camera, have been searching for shadows in the school environment. 
- You need the sun and I can see a blue sky - Angus
- Shadows! - Jaanav
- Look my shadow! It stomps! - Leon
- The cars have shadows - Louis
- There’s a tree shadow - Joe
- That’s the spider web shadow. The sun makes it - Ethan

The Mead Room began to put their scientific expertise to good use by delving into the differences between transparent and opaque! Wow! The Mead Room children are fantastic scientists; using the overhead projector the children tested their theories. They noticed that light was able to go through some things... but not others, and when the light couldn’t get through it made a shadow!!!!

- That dinosaur is opaque! - Loukas
- I am opaque! - Harrison R
- Opaque! That’s my ‘L’ and my hand too - Lily

The Cooper Room have been reading the books *Light and Dark* and *Night Light* and then discussing the differences. Throughout the books the children were encouraged to consider natural and manmade light sources and the different uses for these lights. They have been investigating whether bright light or dim light is better to see in and the different things we do during the day and at night.

When comparing the different types of light the class was asked which lights were bright and which were dim:
Car lights are brighter than candles - Anay
The light of a candle is dim - Zoe
The sun shows us brightness - Tallulah

Our learning journey is revealing the children’s interests in this unit of inquiry and we are excited to see where we go next.

Four Year Olds

Term 3 has seen the lights go down and darkness creep through the Four Year Olds rooms. The Unit of Inquiry of “Shadowlands” has resulted in all sorts of creativity. The children were intrigued by the fact that shadows don’t stay the same. The children looked at how David’s shadow moved over the day. They noticed that it changed length and direction and tried to make sense of why it happens.

Angus T: When he moves, the shadow moves.
Kai: The Sun it changes. Far, then the morning it goes small. The shadow then gets long.
Zeke: The shadow moved when the light moved.

The children experimented with light boxes and torches. They performed shadow puppets shows and created silhouettes. They even inquired “What colour is a shadow?”

Harrison: Are shadow black? Yes black.
Teacher: Always? Can they be coloured?

A green transparent square was placed on the light box.

Group: Green!

Alex F: No, they are not shadows. The lights goes through them to make them coloured.

But probably the most exciting part of the inquiry was when we left the Earth in our rocket and headed to the stars! Our rocket now has a space cabin. The children extended the seating to allow more crew and organised themselves for a mission to the stars. Olympia even made maps. The cabin has loads of lights and buttons and a joystick to steer. The children had great fun plotting the journey through the planets.

Olympia: Mars up there.
David: Jupiter!
Toby: I can see the moon too!
Boasi pressing buttons and Toby steering.
Olympia (pointing): Neptune!
Boasi: I’m the driver- Ready to go?
Toby: I’m the sensible driver.
Boasi: I can see loads of them.
Olympia: Blast off!
Boasi: 5, 4,3,2,1! Ready.
Olympia (using her fingers to count along): 5, 4,3,2,1! Blast off!

Melanie Garland
Manager Early Learning Centre

01
Shadows aren’t always black - a rainbow shadow
02
The children in their space cabin
This year’s Boarders’ Day, held on Friday 12 September was a highlight of the year for the boarding community. It provided the 138 boarders with a fantastic opportunity to share their life in the Princes boarding community with their peers, teachers and non-teaching staff members of the College. The day provided a catalyst to bring together the many achievements of the boys who are from a wide and diverse background.

A highlight of the Boarders’ Day was the early morning distribution of this year’s annual Boarders’ Herald. This year’s 16-page publication (kindly printed by Michael Ellis and his team at the Yorke Peninsula Country Times) delivered to the boys and other members of the school community early on Friday 12 September, reflects the energy, efforts and achievements of boarding life. The 2014 edition is a further refinement on previous editions, highlighting the diversity of boys and their achievements – from cooking to jumping out of aeroplanes!

The Boarders’ Day Assembly is a traditional event and the focus of Boarders’ Day. This year’s assembly did not disappoint and provided the broader school community with some insights into boarding life. The focus of this year’s day was “Where do we come from?” Boys from Year 8 through to Year 12 spoke about aspects of boarding life and their backgrounds. The common thread through the diversity of experiences and backgrounds was that the boys were appreciative of their boarding experience and were proud to be Princes men. The feature film shown at assembly presented a selection of the boarding activities program offerings, whilst Chris Harris (Year 12) and Patrick Lowe (Year 8) provided an insight into their life as a boarder at the College. Sam Taylor (Year 12) was a formidable master of ceremonies and Captain of Boarding - Philip McBride demonstrated through his speech the significant impact that boarding has had on his life at Princes.

Following the assembly the whole school was invited to attend the annual Rushton Cup Football match which was played at lunchtime on the back oval in a country football atmosphere. This game enabled the boys from Fiddian and Bayly/Hartley to fiercely compete for bragging rights over the Rushton Cup in front of a great crowd. The country feel was also contributed to with a magnificent BBQ which was a fund raiser for our chosen charity of Ronald McDonald House.

The Boarders ready to play for the Annual Rushton Cup Football match on Boarders Day

I must thank the Catering Manager Mr Darryl Attiwill and his team for providing the essential ingredients for a great BBQ on the day with the majority of ingredients kindly donated by some of the College’s suppliers. Their support with the BBQ preparation and the work of the Housekeeping team in helping us set up on the day was certainly appreciated.

Overall, the day was a memorable occasion, raising funds for the Boarding House charity, Ronald McDonald House. Just as importantly the day show-cased many of the boarders, the breadth and diversity of the activities they are involved in after school hours and on the weekends and it also allowed members of the school community to gain an insight into the diverse backgrounds of the boys. For many boarders, home is hundreds or even thousands of kilometres from Prince Alfred College. For some boys it is even in another country. Despite some of the challenges that are associated with living so far from home to attend school here at Princes the boarders are a happy, enthusiastic and very supportive group of young men. They share a unique way of life and are part of a community that adds enormous value to the Princes Community.

Darren Roylett
Head of Boarding
Community Programs
The goodwill and generosity of the Princes community continues to support a large number of community service initiatives. Over the last two terms there have been many activities that have benefited a range of organisations.

This year, 10 senior school students have been participating in the Cancer Council Youth Ambassador leadership development program. This has included different challenges for participants to undertake, two of which include creating a social awareness campaign with a cancer prevention message, and creating a fundraising event to raise money for cancer research, support and prevention programs. Fundraising initiatives in support of this included an “Ergo for Cancer” activity, which incorporated an attempt to break the Guinness World Record for the most people rowing 500m on an indoor rower in a 24-hour relay. Another key event arising from the program was the “Reds splash out for cancer” in which a number of staff undertook the ice bucket challenge for a nominated price. Collectively, these activities raised in excess of $6000 for the Cancer Council.

Several students recently participated in World Vision’s 40 Hour Famine. Their interest in this was generated after attending World Vision’s Global Leaders Day earlier this year at the Entertainment Centre. This day saw several hundred students from schools across Adelaide and country SA gather to hear about World Vision’s activities in Rwanda and the programs there which will be supported through the 40 Hour Famine.

Sausage sizzles remain a popular activity amongst students when it comes to fundraising. Over the last two terms sausage sizzles across the college have helped support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, SIDS and Kids Red Nose Day, the Cancer Council, and the purchase of library books in support of Kevin Tutt’s work with the Cambodian Children’s Fund organisation.

In early September, over 20 students assisted with the selling of badges and merchandise for Legacy in and around Norwood Mall. The work of Legacy relies heavily on the support and generosity of the community for income as it does not receive government funding for its activities. We have been pleased to continue to support this organisation and its charitable work in this way.

Students from the Senior school are also supporting the Kickstart for Kids programs at Hillcrest and Wandana primary schools. Kickstart for Kids is a not for profit charity which helps disadvantaged school children with a breakfast and mentoring program.

In early August we saw the Reds go Pink in support of the McGrath Foundation’s “Pull On Your Socks” campaign with the 1st and 2nd XVIIIs wearing pink socks in their clash against Sacred Heart. Other fundraising initiatives on the day included the traditional sausage sizzle, the sale of pink scarves, and a raffle.

At the beginning of last term, Preparatory school families responded to a call for winter clothes from Goodwill. Over 4 cubic metres of clothing were provided, much to the delight of Goodwill. Also in the Preparatory school, the current Year 6 PYP Exhibition is focussing on Human Spirit + Action = Change. Several student initiatives are focussing on raising awareness and funds for Shelter SA, Hutt Street Centre’s 12 Hour No Power Challenge, the RSPCA, the Brain Foundation, and Amnesty Australia.

The community spirit is alive and well in support of community service!

Mark Dickens
College Chaplain/Community Service Coordinator
The career development journey continues to be welcomed and valued by the Prince Alfred College students. In addition to being able to access careers counselling, the students have been able to avail themselves of a number of exciting events and visitors this year. Visiting universities have included: St. Andrew’s University (Scotland), The University of Sydney, Bond University, The University of Melbourne and Monash University. We’ve also had residential colleges and gap year programs share during the year.

The annual Prince Alfred College Careers Expo was held on Wednesday evening, 13 August 2014. More than 400 people were in attendance. 30 exhibitors and over 35 guest speakers came to share their expertise. Their presence, along with Marcellina’s pizza and a raffle draw (which included a 10 kilo block of Cadbury’s chocolate) certainly contributed to the positive energy and fun on the night. Feedback from the speakers, exhibitors, parents and students included:

“Wow!! What an amazing Expo you have put together. I was so pleased to see a huge range of Exhibitors.”

“Thanks again for this opportunity. I had a lovely time speaking with some of your boys – they are a bright and enthusiastic crowd.”

“Dear Ms Magann, Thank you for organising a superb careers information evening last night.”

Career development has been further introduced into the Middle Year Program. This year, the Year 9s were introduced to the ‘world of work’, employers’ expectations, resume and application letter writing, as well as how to present for an interview. The Year 9s were invited to join Year 10 – 12 students in attending “The Big Day In” Careers in IT Excursion. This provided an exclusive opportunity for students to hear IT professionals speak about tertiary education and future career plans. Students were able to speak with representatives from UniSA, Microsoft, Lego Education, Digital Careers, Wisetech Global, Nouvs, and the ACS Foundation. Several exhibitors had interactive displays, allowing students to get up close and experience what an IT career has to offer. A number of Year 9 students also enjoyed coming to the PAC Careers Expo.

The Year 11 cohort was a part of a 3-Day Career Development Workshop which included a wide range of guest speakers, a day visit to UniSA and The University of Adelaide, and even a comedy hypnotist – Isaac Lomman – who promoted the power of the mind! Amidst the laughter and fun, the students learnt about presenting themselves for employment, helpful information about career and study pathways, customer service excellence and the importance of maintaining good mental health.

The Careers Office was honoured to have The High Commission from Canada (Canberra) speak at the “Work and Study in Canada Night” which was held on Wednesday 24 September. Canada offers world class university education at an affordable price and 5 of their universities are ranked in the top 100. A traditional Canadian dish of pancakes, maple syrup and bacon were made available to all who attended. It was great to see other Independent, Catholic and Public schools attend.

Monica Magann
Careers Advisor
Nepal Father/Son Experience 2014

During the October School Holidays, Andrew Stace and Micha Jensen led a group of seven fathers and their sons on an adventure through the mighty Himalayas.

Taking fathers and their sons away from their busy lives for a couple of weeks to spend quality time at such an important point in their lives was something that Andrew and Micha felt was important for people to experience. We all get caught up in the day to day of life and to step back and enjoy new sights and to go on a journey with family is an opportunity that might otherwise get skipped by.

The group spent a couple of days in Kathmandu before the trip, taking in important cultural and religious sites, doing their last minute shopping and relaxing before heading to the mountains, flying into the infamous Lukla Airport.

This year’s group trekked to Ama Dablam Base Camp (4500m) in the Everest Region. Because of the altitude, many of the days walks were quite short which allowed the fathers and sons to immerse themselves in the village lifestyle, visiting local shops, temples and hanging out with the locals. The group shared many great experiences in the villages along the way and enjoyed the challenging terrain.

The highlight of the journey was getting a special blessing from the most important Monk in the region and then climbing over 800 vertical metres from Pangboche up to Ama Dablam Base Camp for some of the best views available of the Himalayas and Everest. To top it off the day was clear and the views were amazing.

After the trek, some of the group travelled to Chitwan National Park to spend time in the jungle, others went bungy jumping and some chose to relax in the Kathmandu Valley. All headed home better for the time with their father or son with amazing memories that only they will share forever.

Andrew Stace
Nepal Trip Coordinator
Honouring Sacrifice

In April next year, a group of twenty students will be travelling to Gallipoli and the Western Front to retrace the steps of PAC Old Scholars, 100 years earlier. The 2015 Battlefield Trip will be led by History teachers, Mr Ron Pippett (trip organizer) and Mr Darren Roylett.

The tour will take us to the cliffs of Gallipoli on the eve of the centenary – a week before ANZAC Day – and into Belgium after walking the Somme battlefields in France. We will be studying the Great War generation with the special purpose of locating memorials for Princes’ Old Scholars who fell on these battlefields, in order to commemorate their sacrifice with a brief ceremony and the placing of a College badge and a poppy. It should be noted that College archivist, Mr Tony Aldous has now pinpointed 132 PAC Old Scholars that fell during WW1 with almost 2000 volunteering to serve during this tragic era.

Each member of the tour party has been allocated a specific PAC Old Scholar to research and the boys will offer a brief tribute at graves, memorials or battlefield sites. We will have military historians accompany the group on to the battlefields. ANZAC Day will be spent attending the Dawn Service at Villers-Bretonneux – with 5000 other Australians - in northern France. This will undoubtedly be a unique experience - to travel to Gallipoli 100 years after the first ANZACs - and will offer these boys, who love History, a salient experience. The trip will also entail touring two great cities – Istanbul and Paris.

All the boys have been involved in fundraising enterprises with part proceeds going towards Legacy - a most worthy cause.

Ron Pippett
Teaching & Learning Leader – Humanities / Senior History

UK Cricket Tour

The tour for the boys is an opportunity of lifetime. The cricket is the foundation of the tour and something that cricketers at Prince Alfred College aspire to be part of throughout their tenure.

Playing 12 games in 18 days provides great opportunities to develop both individual and team aspects of the game. It provides challenges on and off the field that are not available to most cricketers.

Travelling as a group of 19 also provides great opportunities to put into practise the skills such as patience, tolerance, self-reliance and selflessness which are reinforced each day at the College.

Friendships are cemented during the tour whilst sharing cultural, historical and sporting experiences.

The boys attended the musical The Lion King, visited the Tower of London and St. Pauls Cathedral and also experienced Lords first hand.

Opportunities to build international friendships and relationships whilst playing and living with English families are positively reflected upon by all of our tourists. It is the highlight and essential aspect of the tour.

Boys from Felsted School visit regularly to Australia and opportunities to cement relationships. We look forward to their visit in 2015 and hope that teams or boys from the schools we visited travel to Australia and allow us to repay their hospitality in the future.

Russell Thompson
First XI Coach

Old Scholar and Victoria Cross recipient Hugo Throssell visiting in 1916

A tour match in the English countryside
The China Study Tour 2014

The China Tour 2014 saw a delegation of 46 students and teachers from PAC and Wilderness School travel to Beijing, Xian, Jinan and Dalian. The tour focuses around enriching Chinese language skills, building an appreciation of the Chinese culture and the creation of a strong Chinese-Australian relationship, which we were able to make through connections and the people that we met. The delegation visited a number of local schools and universities, enhancing a long-term relationship between PAC and those schools, especially the Senior High School attached to Shandong Teachers University, which has been connected with PAC since 1993.

The Great Wall of China and the Terracotta Warriors were certainly high points of the tour. Nick Demianyk and Harrison Crawford had this to say in their daily blog post; “The Wall was as impressive and large as we had all imagined and our expectations were not let down. We posed for a couple of group photos with the additional random and went off in different directions. We were humbled by the experience of a lifetime.” Other landmarks which were of particular interest included Tianamen Square, Forbidden City and Summer Palace.

One of the more physically demanding parts of the tour was climbing Mt. Tai. At the top of the 7000 step mountain is a temple. 3000 years ago it served as one of the most important ceremonial centres in the whole of China. Thomas Cook, a boy on the tour, said this in his daily blog entry; “By the time we reached the half-way point we were all dripping in sweat even though it was only about 18 degrees. It was at this point that we were given the choice of walking the second half or taking the cable car to the top. Nearly the whole group decided to continue on and endure another gruelling 3500 steps. Many of us were unaware that the mountain would incline the further we climbed. We got a big shock when we saw the path leading up a near vertical cliff face! The last few hundred metres were definitely the most painful. At some points it was hard to look behind because of the fear of falling back. It was truly amazing after reaching the top to look back at the path we had just climbed. I think many people, despite the pain and sweat felt a real sense of achievement.”

In Dalian the boys and the girls were taken to the homes of Chinese students for dinner. This was a part of the emersion in the Chinese culture and building links between China and Australia. Many of the students are still in contact with their home stay families. Sebastian Walker said “After we had spent a day with our Chinese buddies at their schools we were then escorted to our host family’s apartment. In my personal case and evidently in the case of many others, dumplings seemed to be the theme of the entire evening. This day was certainly an eye opening experience with many insights gained as to how the average working class family lives.”

Ultimately, the China Tour was an amazing experience for the whole delegation. Everyone enjoyed making new friends, the warm hospitably of the Chinese people and soaking up everything that China had to offer, including its culture and its language. It truly was an unforgettable experience.

Tim Hobbs
Year 11 Student
Friends of PAC

We are really excited to announce that after much collaboration, the Parents and Friends committees of both the Preparatory and Senior schools have now merged to become the new Friends of PAC Association. We will continue as a larger and stronger association across the whole College, supporting the school community, building strong community spirit and raising funds to help develop resources and facilities for all of the boys to enjoy. We have proudly supported the school so far this year with the purchase of a sound system plus new television equipment for the Preparatory School.

Our busy calendar of yearly events continued in May with the sell-out Biggest Morning Tea and fashion parade which raised over $4,000 for the Cancer Council and saw more than 120 ladies enjoy fashions from Denim Iniquity. Our hardworking committee again offered the Entertainment Books for sale, assisted with ticket sales of the Rock Star the Musical school performance, and coordinated the very popular Cake Stalls at both the ELC/JP and Yr 3-6 Sports Days and of course the sports day Sausage Sizzle. We would like to thank all of the parent helpers who kindly donated some of their time to help make these events such a success for the boys.

The Friends of PAC is an energetic and passionate group of parents and we warmly welcome new committee members from every year level for 2015. If you would like to find out more please contact Rachel Walsh - President, 0413 014 535.

Rachel Walsh
Chairperson, Friends of PAC
All That Jazz
Starting 5 years ago with our first guest artist, jazz great James Morrison, this concert has firmly established itself as the highpoint of our music calendar.

We have had some outstanding guest artists play at this concert over the years, but this year we went a step further with our first ‘Artist in Residence’. We were thrilled when Mr Ross Irwin accepted our invitation to work with our ensembles for the full five days leading up to this event. Ross plays with the well-known bands The Cat Empire and The Bamboos as well as being chief adjudicator at the Generations in Jazz.

This year’s concert started with a spectacular fanfare from the Intermediate Band, setting the tone for a great night’s music.

Next up was Senior Band. We have come to expect great performances from them, but this year they took their performance to the next level by combining with Wilderness Senior Concert Band. The main difficulty was trying to fit the 80 students and instruments on stage. The huge sound in their final piece will be long remembered.

The choir led by Connor Olsson-Jones turned in two swinging pieces “Satin Doll” and Michael Buble’s “Sway” and had the crowd tapping along with the infectious rhythms, ably assisted by a great solo from Ross.

The strings also turned it up a notch, also combining with Wilderness Senior Strings. They produced the wonderfully warm sound that only a full string section can. Highlight of their set would have to be Shine Wang playing the most difficult solo part to “A Jazz Suite for Solo Violin”.

After interval it was the Big Bands turn on the stage. All had worked extensively with Ross during the week and the results of his mentoring were clear in their energetic performances.
Big Band 4 was first up and proved that even though they were the youngest band on the stage, they can still make a mean sound. Big Band 2 and 3 had both won their division at Generation in Jazz this year and both bands turned in sets that made it clear why they deserved their wins.

And to finish the night, Big Band 1’s set started even before the boys got on stage with the now traditional introductions while the boys walk on playing their instruments. Also featured in their set was Connor Olsson-Jones singing a Frank Sinatra standard “Fly Me to the Moon”.

As this is traditionally the last concert our Year 12s play with their ensemble, we always aim to finish on a high note, but this year’s concert would have to be the best yet.

Andrew Newhouse
Director of Music Performance
2014 Athletics Carnival

It was wonderful to see plenty of blue, green, yellow and orange in the stands of Santos Stadium on Monday September 15 at our annual School Athletics Carnival. The weather was a little damp and windy in the morning, but fortunately we stayed dry.

The student involvement this year was very pleasing to see, and the staff, as always, were very supportive and worked tirelessly on the day. The lead up to the carnival was very hectic, and the work of the senior House Leaders to pull the teams together was much appreciated.

The hard work of Hayden Cleveland must be acknowledged, he spent many hours entering data and coordinating the event sheets for the day as well as prior to the carnival. This ensured a very smooth running and organized day, with maximum participation. The help of Peter Bubner and the PE staff was also very much appreciated.

The competition was strong and the enthusiasm of the boys to do their best was evident. From the results, a PAC team of approximately 80 boys was selected for the Interschool Achilles Cup.

The overall house winner was Cotton with 1488 points followed by Taylor 1407 points, Watsford 1207 points and Waterhouse 1177 points. The Spirit Cup was awarded to Waterhouse.

Year level Athletics Champions:

Year 7
Winner: Charlie Dangerfield
Runner-Up: Benson Page

Year 8
Winner: Noah Miles
Runner-Up: Seb Quaini

Year 9
Winner: Hugo Barry
Runner-Up: Folu Komolafe

Year 10
Winner: Charlie Riggs
Runner-Up: Seb Murdoch

Year 11
Winner: Stuart Harris
Runner-Up: Sean Meredith

Year 12
Winner: Bryce Woolard
Runner-Up: William Goode

Deb Trengove
Athletics Coordinator

Before the Grand Final started we knew which house would win the competition as Watford Year 12 and Watsford Year 10 proved to be the better teams throughout the tournament. It was just a matter of which year level could work as a team. It ended with a 3-2 win to Watsford Year 10 who withstood a determined Year 12 outfit which had a number of chances to equalise.

Watsford’s Year 10 team were represented by Dylan Davies, Nathan Duong, Finley Hayhurst, Lachlan James, William Jenner, Max Meyer, Orlando Norman, Daniel Subramaniam, Jayden Subramaniam, Cooper Thompson and Lachlan Woodards.

I’d like to thank all the competitors who got involved in the tournament especially the spectators. It was great to see so many students coming to support their house teams. Lastly thank you to the students who umpired matches throughout the 4 weeks. Your contribution is much appreciated.

Indoor Soccer

The House Indoor Soccer competition got under way in week 2 of this term starting with the Middle School competition which ran for 2 weeks during lunchtimes. To maximise participation teams were divided into house and year levels. Each team played 4 minor round games with the top 5 teams playing off in the finals. This year Waterhouse Year 7 and Cotton Year 7 played in the Grand Final which went down to the very last minute where Waterhouse was victorious. The team comprised of Harvey Bernardi, Ned Burfield, Zac Cheney, Scott Madden, Charlie McGown, William McKenzie, Jackson Miller, Jackson Rees, Peter Rossi and Luke Vidovic.

The Senior School competition began in weeks 4 and 5 with a large number of participants coming out to have a kick. There were plenty of goals being scored as we never had a drawn game throughout the minor rounds.

Squash Report

This year PAC entered 8 teams into the North/Eastern Division of the Squash SA High School Competition.

Of these, 6 teams made the finals and 3 made their way through to the Grand Finals.

Our Division 1 and Year 9 team (comprised of Year 8s!) both were victorious, with our Division 2 (1) team, against another school’s top 4 players, going down by a couple of points on a count back! Not a bad effort for 4 Year 10s!

It was a particularly impressive season with almost all boys playing up a Division, with no Year 12s our Year 10s and 11s stepped up beautifully into Division 1 and 2. Similarly, our Year 9 team was comprised of Year 8s, and our Year 8 teams were full of Year 7s. Some very promising signs for the future.
Harrison Wigg - Football

Harrison Wigg has had an outstanding season both as a player and a leader of the Prince Alfred College Football team.

Harrison arrived at Princes in 2012 and had an immediate impact being used in a variety of roles yet primarily as small defender. In his first game, as a Year 10, he was awarded Princes best player in a crunching game against Sacred Heart College. During the year, Harrison was selected in the South Australian under 16 side to compete at the National Championships. After a successful year at Princes, Harrison was awarded the Best First year player award.

In 2013, Harrison continued his development and spent more time in the midfield where he began to get more attention from opposition players. During this time he became well known for his clean skills and ability to take on the play.

In 2014, Harrison was appointed vice captain of the Firsts. Harrison has demonstrated a tremendous team orientated mentality in as much that when he has had state duties or has been sidelined with injury he has at all times been at training and at games. He has assisted with the team in everything from running water to helping out on the bench.

Harrison spent most of the football season as a member of the South Australian State Under 18 team, playing all 6 games and averaging 20 disposals a game. Given the role of the ‘general’ of the South Australian defense, much of play coming out of the backlines was directed through him. Clearly coaches were impressed with his kicking ability, decision making and composure. The South Australian team won the National Championship with Harrison being awarded the MVP for an outstanding tournament. To complete his remarkable year he was selected in the All Australian Team for 2014.

At SANFL level Harrison has demonstrated a strong running ability averaging 27 disposals, 7 marks, 3 tackles and 5 clearances in his games this season at North Adelaide.

Harrison has also volunteered his time this season to support the Auskick program on Sunday mornings, working with young children, helping to develop their football skills. His strong work ethic and desire to get the best out of his football have made him an exemplary player both on and off the field and a fine role model for others.

Harrison has made a significant contribution to Prince Alfred College football and he thoroughly deserves to receive the school’s highest sporting accolade Honours Colours.

Troy McKinnon
Director of Co-curricular

Cotton House celebrating their win
Harrison Wigg on his trusted left foot whilst playing for SA’s Under 18 Team
Harrison Wigg State U18 representative
Will Goode is up up and away at Sports Day
The victorious leaders from Cotton House Mitchell Clarke, Will Goode and Nelson Ellis accepting the trophy from Headmaster Mr Bradley Fenner
Senior School Chess 2014
PAC Senior School chess completed an exceptional year, recording an impressive clean-sweep of the three Secondary Interschool Divisions. Our teams were invigorated by the arrival of the Kong-Lim brothers, Qi Le and Yu Le. Five teams were entered in the Secondary Interschool Competition: two in Division 1, two in Division 2 and one in Division 3.

The two PAC teams played superbly to finish 1st and 2nd in the Division 1 competition. The Red team consisted of Eddie Han, Qi Le Kong-Lim, Peter Gregoric, Denny Han and Joel Lee and the White team consisted of Isuru Dissanayake, Louis Xiao, Riu Lin, Jason Huynh, Terence Ang and Caleb Barns. Riu Lin must be congratulated for winning every game during the past two years with a perfect score intact.

PAC Red finished 1st in the Division 2 competition ahead of Glenunga IHS with PAC Gold finishing strongly in 3rd place from 26 teams entered. Outstanding results were achieved by Aaron Hammatt and Axel Heinrich’s robust playing resulted in a great picket-fence score throughout the season, bolstering his team’s overall result.

In the Division 3 competition, PAC Red also finished strongly in 1st place from 13 teams entered. A notable highlight of the team’s season was Kieran Fitch’s superb win of 11 successive games only to falter in the final round.

PAC won the secondary Champion School Shield for the fifth consecutive year, ahead of Glenunga IHS and St Peter’s College.

A pleasing number of boys competed in the South Australian Junior Championships held during the July holidays. Qi Le Kong-Lim won the U16, Peter Gregoric the U15 and 12 year-old Preshaan Thavarajah the U14 titles.

PAC won the annual intercollegiate Chess match convincingly defeating St Peter’s College 9 – 1 in an awesome display of superior fire-power.

Isuru Dissanayake is to be congratulated on being an excellent role model as Captain of Chess through his dedication and fine competitive skills as a chess player. Special thanks must go to Mr Richard Thorne who generously gave his time and expertise to coach the senior school Chess boys. His immense enthusiasm, passion and love for the game have been invigorating driving force for all involved.

Peter Serwan
Director of Chess
Preparatory School Chess 2014

An excellent number of boys nominated to play chess in the Preparatory School and we were again fortunate to have the coaching services of both Mr Richard Thorne and Mr George Howard. PAC Prep entered seven teams into the Primary Interschool Competitions with three B and C Grade teams making the finals at season’s end.

Captained by Preshaan Thavarajah, the PAC Red finished third in A Grade. Preshaan won most his games and was ably supported by Seran Perera, Ethan Hayes, George Vagionas, Alexander Elix and Mitchell Whiteman.

PAC White came runner-up in the B Grade competition, narrowly ahead of PAC Red. The team consisted of Leron Rathnayake, talented new-comer Max Galettis, Giles Atkinson and Lachlan Moore. Good performances were also noted by Griffin Bierlein and Nelson Then.

2014 has been another successful year for C Grade chess with an enthusiastic group of boys ranging from Years 3 to 6. The Tuesday CBC C Grade competition was won by PAC and the core team consisted of Adam Black, Lachlan Dickens, Alex Henchliffe and Hamish Towers who recorded solid performances. Special mention must go to Patrick McGavin, Meshach Heinrich, Henry Knight and Elias Raptis who won the majority of their games throughout the year.

A number of boys competed in the City of Adelaide and South Australian Junior Championships held during the April and July holidays. It was pleasing many boys made effective use of provided weekly coaching, July holiday coaching and tournament opportunities. Preparatory School Champion, Preshaan Thavarajah, again won the Under 12 City of Adelaide Junior Championship and also the State U14 Championships with virtually perfect scores!

The Primary boys demonstrated excellent determination in narrowly finishing runner-up in the annual prestigious EK Shield, just behind St Peter’s College, well ahead of Walkerville PS and Magill PS.

Thanks must go to Mrs Margit Hosking and Ms Mandy Bell for their invaluable support throughout the season and especially for their assistance in co-ordinating C Grade chess. Special mention also goes to Peter Gregoric and Jack Greenslade who gave up their time to help the younger boys develop their chess skills and sportsmanship.

We are hopeful of further growth in the number of boys playing chess for PAC and continued improvement in next year’s competitions.

Peter Serwan
Director of Chess
Sports and Co Curricular

The winter Intercollegiate season for 2014 has been a terrific success on many levels. Given that the 2013 winter season saw us win one match, we certainly left a much better set of results for posterity sake.

In pure terms, the Winter Intercollegiate scoreboard rests at 4-4 with wins in Table Tennis (for the first time), Hockey (for the 8th straight time), the reclaimation of the Football title and a triumphant 9-1 victory in the Chess.

The winter sports season was a success built on the work of great people; people who took time to fill a multitude of roles to ensure our boys, could focus their attention on the task of ‘playing the game’. We would again like to publicly acknowledge the outstanding organisation and dedication of our sports coordinators Mr McLaughlin (Table Tennis), Mr Russo (Soccer), Mr Stace (Hockey), Mr Noble (football), Mr Wilde (debating), Mr Cross (Squash), Mr Serwan (Chess), Mr Jordison (Basketball) and Mrs Trengove (Athletics).

Further to these people we have a vast network of coaches, managers and ancillary support (umpires, first aid staff) that help our players to focus simply on the game. Without the help of these people, the game would not take place.

Basketball

PAC 36 lost to St Peter’s 45

The 50th First V Intercollegiate Basketball Game was held on 22 August at the Saint Peters Gymnasium and unfolded as an exciting contest. The PAC team had retained every player from our 2013 team and added the likes of power forward/center Braiden Ousey plus ‘young gun’ point guard Tyson Brazel playing in his first intercol as a Year 10. The first half was a fairly tight contest, with PAC holding a slight edge thanks to defensive efforts and dominance around the basket. Our senior players were controlling the play and making smart decisions with the ball. Saints responded in the second half with a much greater intensity on defence and worked back the momentum in their favour. They were able to bring the margin back to within a few points, hitting a couple of big shots early in the last quarter. We struggled to adjust to the stifling defence and turned the ball over at critical times, allowing Saints to take the lead. Once in front, Saints never looked back and dominated the final quarter, running out clear winners 45-36.

This year’s Hockey Intercol saw PAC looking to make it 8 straight titles, and this was quickly placed in jeopardy as SPSC was the first to open it’s account with 2 first half goals. The PAC boys were simply outplayed in the first half, which impacted upon their confidence and decision making. The boys came out strongly in the second half with great patience and decision making through the midfield and this resulted in Angus Fry finding space in the circle, taking a wonderful tomahawk from the top of the circle. Dalton Casey showed the skill that he is known for, by slotting home the winning goal with only a few minutes to go. A fantastic come from behind win by PAC, which showed their great character and determination to completely turn the tide of the game.

Football

PAC 13. 16 (94) defeated St Peters 6. 6 (42)

The First XVIII football team participated in the 143rd football Intercol game against Saint Peters XVIII. As always there was a huge crowd there to support teams from both colleges.

The first quarter was evenly balanced with the first goal coming of the boot of Braiden Ousey after Saints didn’t take the early opportunities that they had. At this point, the RED Army was awoke and their support made a huge difference to the team. Even at this early point of the game, Vince Rocca looked dangerous as did Harrison Slee and Will Combe was giving us great drive from stoppages.

The second quarter was a seasinging battle and the match was evenly poised at the long break, with Princes 19 points ahead. Princes had certainly got on top in terms of the contested possession count and looked more damaging with their outside run, but Saints did stay in touch with genuine grit around the ground. It was shapin to be an important third quarter!

Lucky enough the boys were up and about at the start of the third and through a terrific Hamish Nitschke purple patch, kicked two very early goals to really put the heat on our friends from St Peters.

By the last change we were well and truly in control and this ascendency continued in the last with Vince Rocca completely dominating up forward and being well supported with great delivery from a wide group of players.

In the end it was a triumphant conclusion to the Intercollegiate season, Princes running out 52 point winners.
Rugby

St Peters 29 defeated PAC 17

With new coach Peet Arnold at the helm we were very fortunate to be able to utilize previous First XV coach Andrew MacGregor across the entire Rugby program in a development role. This meant that players across the program had a year of great development. It probably meant a recalibration of the ‘way we play’ and some new learning.

The Rugby Intercollegiate saw a convincing win to Saints. Although the scoreboard showed a 29-17 loss, we should be very excited about the manner in which our boys played the game. On the day we had some solid contributors, with none better than Philip McBride, who despite being under a significant injury cloud, played a terrific final game for the College. Sean Meredith scored and converted our only try, and was solid.

Whilst the result was disappointing the entire process and structure we have created gives us great hope for 2015 and beyond. Certainly we have sharpened the way we will play and the challenge now lies in honing this to a level that allows us to play how we would like to play more often and for longer.

Debating

Despite SPSC gaining another victory in the Debating Intercol, PAC put up their strongest performance in recent years. In a closely fought debate on the topic of Paid Surrogacy, all 3 of our debaters were articulate, confident and cool under pressure. First speaker and team captain, William Miller confidently outlined both the team line and his own points and handled the daunting Points of Information well. In his first Intercol William Campbell injected humour and responded to SPSC intimatory tactics with acerbic wit. Tyson Bateman summed up the team’s arguments and refused to buckle under a barrage of Points of Information from the opposition. As timekeeper and fourth squad member, Lachlan Graham was accurate to the tenth of a second and was even complemented on his bell-ringing by SPSC Headmaster Mr Murray. While the adjudicators retired to consider their verdict and as the tension mounted PAC had good grounds for optimism. Nevertheless, SPSC experience told in the end and once again we left empty handed. As a College however, we can take heart from the fact that we are getting closer and closer to the John Bannon Shield.
Chess
PAC defeated St Peters 9-1

PAC won the 42nd Chess Intercollegiate Match by the flattering score of 9-1 making it five in a row. The convincing win not only demonstrated the depth of chess talent but also reflected the outstanding efforts of the students in their divisions throughout the year in Interschool chess and successful participation in State Junior Championships.

Last year’s Intercol result was very close encounter with PAC narrowly winning 5.5 to 4.5 due to just 1 win on the bottom 5 boards in contrast to this year’s marked improvement on these lower boards. The very first win of this year’s match was appropriately from an astute attacking game by Captain, Isuru Dissanayake, a larger than life and formidable opponent!

It is rare to win a chess Intercol by such a wide margin and several close games went to PAC because of better concentration in the last half of the game combined with an edge in endgame expertise.

Our students enjoy their competitive chess which also provides significant educational benefits. Hopefully all our boys, both emerging and continuing players, shall flourish and continue their success with chess in the years to come.

The 37th Soccer Intercollegiate between Prince Alfred College and Saints was a thrilling affair mirroring last year’s close encounter. From the opening whistle, the tension was evident with both teams’ defences clearly on top and forwards having very little space.

Ten minutes into the first half Saints opened the scoring when a lapse in concentration by the Princes defence allowed the Saints forward to casually slot the ball past our goalkeeper Tyson Batemen.

As the first half progressed, the Princes midfield began to exert their domination and an equaliser appeared imminent but the Saints defence continued to remain resolute.

After the break, Princes again picked up the tempo. The best opportunity to equalise came midway through the second half, when Orlando Norman’s low shot was deflected millimetres around the upright by the outstretched hand of the desperate Saints goalkeeper.

As the half progressed, both teams began to find space and exchanged chances with Princes having the better opportunities. Despite Princes’ best efforts Saints managed to hang on to their narrow margin and retain the Simpson trophy for 2014.

The 4th Annual Table Tennis Intercol was played at St Peter’s College on Tuesday 19 August. The coach, John Potter, had worked for two years developing this group of players into a team determined to win Princes first Table Tennis Intercol. Regular weekly practices and early starts on a Friday mornings for the past 18 months built great team morale, skills and fitness.

The crowd roared as the PAC Table Tennis team took to the courts. The towering presence of Josh Sarah-Katnich, Will Miller, James Whisson and Fergus Willsmore struck fear into the hearts of the St Peter’s boys. PAC, underdogs going into the match filled the stadium with confidence and pride. Looking like a champion is one thing but playing like one is another. Beads of sweat began to form on the opposition’s forehead as they witnessed unbelievable shots being played from left, right and centre by the unbeatable combination of Zun Liu and Tom Williamson.

The doubles could not separate the two teams and as time passed Saints’ legs began to shake, their faces became red, and they knew that the PAC team was a team of champions including Xin Rong and Cale Amos who smashed the tail end of the Saints team. By the end of the matches PAC proved victorious in a convincing 16-8 win. A standing ovation was delivered from the crowd, as this was the first Table Tennis Intercol win for Princes.
Ruby Ball
The Prince Alfred College Foundation celebrated its 40 anniversary in style with the unforgettable Ruby Ball, held in the stylish surrounds of the William Magarey Room at Adelaide Oval. Guests were entertained to a Broadway theme with the backdrop of the lights of the city of Adelaide complimenting the visual effects of scenes of Broadway and New York, brass band music by Brass FX and the brackets of songs from famous musicals performed by James Scott, Lynette Harris and Princes very own Annamaria Beni and Tasso Bouyessis.

For the first time a Wine Wall was conducted and the generosity of PAC winemakers, current parents and our community made this highly successful.

The Foundation thanks all donors to the Wall of Wine and the main auction, and to Mark Carosi of italktravel Glynde (formerly Jetset Glynde) and David Morris of Copyworld for their generous sponsorship of the New York Lottery run in conjunction with the Ruby Ball.

Grandies
For the first time Grandies Club members were invited to join in a day tour by coach to the College’s Wambana campus at Point Turton, 230km from Adelaide on the western side of Yorke Peninsula. Thirty-two Grandies took the opportunity to visit the facility where Year Nine boys spend five weeks living and working together.

On arrival Grandies were welcomed by Mr Dale Hobbs and the students from the class of 9PWI who proudly escorted them on a tour of the facility: their living accommodation, the garden, class room, weather station and facilities where bikes and other outdoor equipment is stored.

The outdoor wood fired oven was well stoked and Grandies were treated to a nearly endless supply of homemade pizzas, followed by cakes and biscuits the boys had baked for their enjoyment.

A combination of good company, sea air and a hearty lunch ensured the coach was very quiet on the return journey, apart from the odd snore!

PAC Gives Thanks
Prince Alfred College gives thanks for the lives of two Old Reds whose generosity to the school has recently been received through their estates.

David Sobels (PAC 1938–41) maintained a strong interest in the life of the College and Foundation from his home in Merimbula, NSW. He was the second of four generation of the Sobels family to attend the College and shared with his son Peter the distinction of winning cricket trophies in the Intercol and scoring ducks!

Maxwell Bruce Wellington (1933–35) died in Victoria aged 95 in 2013. A noted sportsman Max played Intercol Football in 1934/35 and was captain in 1935, and participated in Intercol Athletics (team captain), Tennis and Cricket.

The making of a bequest to the Prince Alfred College Foundation is a lasting way for members of the College community to acknowledge their link with Princes. Bequest enquiries are handled in the strictest confidence and for further information please contact David Cornish, telephone 8334 1255 or dcornish@pac.edu.au.

David Cornish
Manager Development
Dinners

Hong Kong Dinner - Wednesday 28 May 2014
Spurred by a visit to Hong Kong by the Chairman of College Council, John Keeves (1977-81), seven HK-based old scholars: Freddie Chung (1959-64), Scott Dolling (1982-86), Bill Hardy (1962-63), Hubert Law (2001-03), Will Nicholls (1990-96) and Alan Zhou (2007-09) dined at the Kowloon Cricket Club’s Grill Room in what was a re-convening of the Hong Kong dinner after a hiatus in 2013.

Following an initial gathering on the balcony for pre-dinner drinks John proposed a Toast to the School and in the process brought us all up to date with many exciting developments at the school. Later, it was Convener Cameron MacDonald’s duty to nominate a suitable recipient of the perpetual Freddie Chung Award and this went, fittingly, to Will Nicholls whose own father, David (1962-66), was well remembered by Freddie himself during their time at PAC together in the 60’s.

A thoroughly enjoyable evening was right capped in Wanchai where some purposeful discussion ensued until the College Council Chairman called “time” and the few hearty souls that remained dispersed into the neon lit night!

Cameron MacDonald (1976-87)
Hong Kong Dinner Convener

Eyre Peninsula Annual Dinner – Friday 30 May 2014
The Eyre Peninsula Old Scholars Dinner was held at The Hilton Motel in Port Lincoln. The Chairman for the evening was Michael Treloar (1976-80) who welcomed the thirty guests who had travelled from across Eyre Peninsula as well as from Adelaide. Representing the school and the PAOCA were PAOCA President, Mr John Jovicevic and PAOCA Executive Officer, Mrs Mary-Ann Standish.

The Toast to the School was made by Darrin Stone (1996-98) who spoke of the good times he had enjoyed and wonderful friendships he made while attending Princes. John Jovicevic responded and spoke about current activities occurring at the school. He mentioned the high levels of success being achieved both on the sporting field and in the classroom. John also spoke of the wonderful contribution that past Headmaster Kevin Tutt had made in his time at the school.

The Toast to the Association was made by Michael Treloar who highlighted the important connection Kevin Tutt had made with the Old Scholars. He mentioned particularly the times Kevin had spent on the Eyre Peninsula and the friendships that had resulted. He thanked Mary-Ann Standish for all the work she does and the valuable contribution she has made to the PAOCA. John Jovicevic responded and spoke of the large range of sporting and social activities the PAOCA is involved in. He also made mention of the wonderful Old Old Boys Assembly which is growing every year and that this year’s Annual Dinner speaker will be Sam Newman.

A query from local fisherman Joe Tapley (1996-2001) as to the significance of the twelve scallops that appear on the school flag caused quite a discussion! The mystery was finally solved by current parents Steve and Petrea Glover who referred to the College’s history book which was given to them as a gift on the night (please purchase one if you wish to know the answer!).

A PAOCA tie was awarded to Robert O’Shaughnessy who had travelled from Whyalla for the dinner.

Michael Treloar (1976-80)
Eyre Peninsula Convenor

01 L-R: Darrin Stone, Joe Tapley, Michael Treloar and John Jovicevic at the Eyre Peninsula Dinner
02 L-R: Jim and Glynis Calderwood, Peter Rehn, Andrew Chappell and Brian Treloar at the Eyre Peninsula Dinner
Inaugural South African Dinner – Sunday 22 June 2014
James Mumford (2007-09), David Krywanio (1979-83) and Edward and Sarah Jackson had a small but highly enjoyable inaugural South African Old Reds’ dinner in Pretoria on 22 June.

Edward has been posted to the Australian High Commission to South Africa, David Krywanio is providing capacity building assistance to the South African Treasury, and James Mumford was visiting South Africa to attend a conference on agriculture in Cape Town.

A serious bout of Cape Town-belly in both David and James delayed the dinner by 24 hours, but given that James had flown half way around the world, all were determined that the dinner go ahead!

Edward Jackson (1986-93)
South Africa Convenor

OLD SCHOLARS’ WEEK – Monday 21 – Friday 25 July 2014

Annual Dinner - Friday 25 July
The 2014 Annual Dinner is the largest event held by our Association each year and this year, we had over 540 attend the dinner which was held at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

The attendance of over 540 members resulted in the evening achieving the highest record attendance of the last 10 years and an increase of over 120 on last year’s attendance numbers. It was extremely pleasing to note that we had tables represented from every graduating year between 2013 and 1991 which demonstrates the strong willingness and connection our younger members continue to share with the College.

The evening was highly successful and enjoyable with many Old Reds enjoying themselves well into the late hours of the evening as the staff of the Convention Centre attempted to pack up the venue!

This year we were fortunate to have AFL and media icon John “Sammy” Newman as our Guest Speaker who entertained the audience for an hour sharing his life experiences and stories post his career as an elite VFL footballer. Particular humorous references and stories involving current day media icons and well known football identities added to the light hearted and jovial mood which resulted in the evening running into the early hours of the morning for many.

The success of our Annual Dinners is only possible with the dedication and enthusiasm of our Members and I would like to thank everyone who attended for making it such a special and enjoyable night.

President

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London Old Collegians’ Weekend Report 2014

108th Annual Dinner, East India Club, Friday 26 July

The Mighty Reds who attended this year’s 108th Annual PAOCA London Dinner saw in another fine after dark performance, taking in the highest of highbrow highs, and some of the lowest of lowbrow lows, that this great city has to offer.

Meeting in the American Bar of the Club for pre-dinner refreshments, all present were fortunate to witness a cameo appearance by Aaron “Brash” Brasher (1985-87), in town with Wine Australia on an extensive professional celebrity hand-shaking visit, but with the good humour and commitment for which he is renowned, to find time to stop by. Well played that man. In addition, we welcomed PAOCA London hero and former stalwart Dr Ian Kneebone (1975-76), with that most perfect of surnames for a medico, in town from Sydney for a conference and adamant that he would dine with his beloved Old Reds.

A sumptuous meal and delicious course of red wine followed in the Clive Room, aptly named given the presence and efforts of our revered Master of Toasts, Colin “Super Cat” Frearson (1986-89). Terrific toasts and speeches given by the Cat, Mr David Gray (1954-62), and Leigh “Big Bird” Schelvis (1990-2001), it was time for our customary salute to the Inner Ratbag (in receipt of improved health news from Mr Charlton) before the Reds retired to the Library for photographs with the School pennant, and singing of the Princes First XVIII, much to the surprise of other East India Club Members, and disgust of Mr Bailey, our St Peter’s guest for 2014. Thereafter the Reds hit Soho, treating various establishments to a display of gentlemanly conduct and low key advance victory celebrations including drinking out of the David Gray Trophy, with former PE and Economics teacher and much loved Red, Paul “Ando” Anderson, in town for the evening and good enough to join. The writer can confirm that all were safely in bed come 8am, in preparation for the cricket match starting at noon.

Toast to The Inner Ratbag

Gentlemen, please fill and raise your glasses once more. We drink to a man of our community who, despite what life has thrown at him, serves as a model for our School’s motto, fac fortia et patere. A committed London Chapter member possessing that elusive and alchemic mix of scholar and troublemaker. A man who retains a courageous sense of humour. A man who wears with pride the true irreverent spirit of the digger. May we all retain this spirit and humour in our own lives, and draw together close when life’s challenges warrant. Gentlemen we drink to Mr Doug Charlton, and his and our own Inner Ratbag.
3rd Annual Intercollegiate Cricket Match, Wandsworth Park, Saturday 27 July

Later that day, in perfect conditions (made all the more perfect by Mr Wade Crouch’s (1986-94) annual donation on behalf of Fuller’s Brewery, of 11 cases of craft beer), and dressed impeccably in whites and their cherished baggy maroons, the Reds won the toss and went in to bat, with Rob (1952-60) and Fay Gerard, John Nosworthy (1942-53), and Ian Huntley (1955-63), among various partners and children, who came along to witness a knife’s edge contest of great skill and athleticism.

On this front they were mostly shortchanged. However, all things being relative, it is accurate to observe that the Reds were marvellous with the willow, with all pairs doing damage, clubbing 10.5 per over to reach a gross total of 210, netted to 140 after accounting for wickets lost. Despite a spirited Saint Peter’s batting reply, the Glorious Reds were not to be denied in their quest for supremacy. Dot ball after dot ball sent down, attempted runs crumbed like starving seagulls, the Princes of the Parade held their nerve to emerge victors by six runs, in equal measures relieved, triumphant, and exhausted.

Presentations followed including to Mr Jackson the honour of Most Distinguished Player once more, not only for his run scoring (including some truly massive country cricket sixes) and wicket-taking, but also for his shattering Mr Firth’s box with a delivery so deadly that CERN scientists have taken custody of the remaining plastic shards to ascertain whether Jackson’s arm holds the answer to a more efficient Hadron Collider.

Post-match revivification took place at the again aptly-named pub The (Super) Cat’s Back, where the THREEPEAT Reds celebrated their win alongside their Blue brothers, and made plans for the rest of the year. A wonderful weekend well attended, and brilliantly supported, many thanks to all. Fac fortia et patere.

Nicholas Pontt (1993-95)
London Convenor
Reunions

Class of 1984 Thirty Year Reunion

Time is passing quickly and for the class of 1984, this was highlighted remarkably when 57 Old Reds and 8 Masters gathered for the 30 year reunion on Friday 12 September 2014.

The morning commenced with a tour of the school which was led by Mr David Cornish. Those who toured were able to see first-hand how the school has evolved from what the assembled group thought in their day were very good facilities to the world facilities that have been established.

The Class of 1984 gathered at The Gallery in Waymouth Street, a fabulous venue. The room was buzzing from the start. Many familiar faces, some not so! However, once the ice was broken the time fell away and we were back in the day, and rapport was comfortable and familiar.

The day was capably emceed by Mat Henbest who kept the afternoon running smoothly and near to time with great humour!

We were privileged to hear a few words from Headmaster, Mr Bradley Fenner and the Vice-President of the PAOCA, Mr Thomas Huxtable who congratulated us on our gathering as well as informing us of the happenings of the PAOCA.

A Toast to the School was given by Brenton Gibbs and Andrew “Pottsy” Moore responded.

Following main course George Condous took the microphone and interviewed John Day, Alastair Smart and George Kontopolous. Not sure if 30 years ago you would have attached international pilot, aquaculture consultant and supplier of continental goods to their names but all gave a brief, and at times, humorous insight to how they have spent the last 30 years. Mark Smith took home the prize for being the furthest travelled (Hong Kong), however many interstate addresses were noted.

Somewhere in the PAC Archives the Red & White film was found, adding to the mood of the day - a reminder that yes we have changed and we didn’t always study!!

The Class of 1984 would like to thank the masters who attended. It was great to see and talk with Messrs Bean, Coldwell, Fergusson, Kitto, Millard, Mattingley, Morris and Watson.

The Class of 1984 would like to sincerely thank Mr David Cornish for conducting the tour of the school, and Mary Ann Standish who coordinated the day which all attending agree was a great day, with lots of laughs and post show smiles.

Ian Jenkin (PAC 1981-84)
Class of 1984 Committee
Class of 1964 Fifty Year Reunion

On Friday 19 September 2014, 66 Old Reds of the 1964 alumni came together for a luncheon at the National Wine Centre to celebrate the very special event of 50 years since they left Prince Alfred College. The day was made even more special with the attendance of former Masters Messrs Ian Houston, Malcolm Gray and David Mattingley.

Old Reds who travelled from overseas were Fred Chung (Hong Kong), David Finnegan (UK), Ian Darnton-Hill (USA) and Bruce Beauchamp (Vietnam). Many Old Reds made the trip from interstate as well as those from SA country areas.

The luncheon was compered by Bob Snewin who presented reflections of 1964 as well as the ‘goings on’ at PAC that year. A sobering note was the minute’s silence remembering the deceased Old Reds from 1964.

The gathering was very pleased to meet and hear an address from newly appointed Headmaster Mr Bradley Fenner as well as an update from the PAOCA’s Immediate Past President Graham Burfield.

The Toast to the School was capably handled by Russell Heywood-Smith and the Response was ably managed by Max Venning.

This was a wonderful function enjoyed by all in attendance (exampled by the amount of email feedback received) with many requests of wanting to do it again next year!

The luncheon was completed with all in attendance joining in a raucous rendition of the school war cry!

Bob Snewin (PAC 1960-64)
Frank Beauchamp (1939-50) was honoured for his "exceptional service to the dairy industry" at the 2014 SA Dairy Awards in August. Frank became the recipient of the Brenton Higgins Memorial Award. He was born into a dairy industry family when his grandfather started the milk processing co-operative Beauchamp Brothers which later became AMSCOL. Frank later became a dairy farmer and was quoted as saying in a recent Stock Journal "I had never been closer than 100 metres to a cow"!

Michael Bratchell (1969-74) is currently employed as the Project Officer for the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service in Darwin NT during the major Terminal Expansion Project at Darwin International Airport. The new facilities will improve international passenger movements through the terminal while maintaining Border Protection measures. Mike competed in the 2014 XXXIIInd AFL Master National Football Carnival held at Westminster College in September. He competed against Victoria Metro in the over 50's NT team and they won!

Andrew Bratchell (2001) is currently working from St Marys Hospital London undertaking nursing and home carers activities, whilst taking the opportunities of travelling throughout Europe. Next venture will be nursing in Vancouver, Canada commencing early 2015.

Ben Collette (1998-2002) recently sat his registration to practise as an Architect and is now a fully Registered Architect in Western Australia, working at one of the most prestigious firms in Perth, Oldfield Knott Architects Pty Ltd.

Justin Della Zoppa (2003-2004), a Riverland potato producer, was named the “2014 Rabobank Potatoes South Australia Industry Award winner” in May 2014 and as part of his prize, has been awarded a scholarship to attend the 2014 Rabobank Farm Managers Program, a course which offers young farmers from across a range of agricultural sectors in Australia and New Zealand. Along with his family, Justin runs Hilltop Produce, located approximately 5km outside of Waikerie.

Andrew Graue (1999-2000) now works in the film industry and runs "Anomaly Studios", one of the largest studio facilities in Australia and the former home of the SA Film Corporation at Hendon. Recently, films like Wolf Creek 2 and SBS TV series Danger 5 have called it home, and the studio’s impressive list of clients continues to grow. Andrew is also a partner in Anomaly Media, which creates corporate content. The company specialises in corporate videos, training videos, television commercials - pretty much any kind of content that can be filmed. The company is currently expanding to have a national presence with an office in Sydney specialising in feature film production.

Lachlan Griffiths (1998-2002) who now resides in Calgary is encouraging more Canadians to take up Australia’s national sport (yes Aussie rules!). It is the aim of a five year plan written by Lachlan and as the Alberta province representative on the AFL Canada executive, he has spearheaded a campaign to introduce the sport into schools across Canada.
Bill Griggs (1964-74) was one of eleven South Australian outstanding leaders acknowledged by The University of Adelaide in May this year. Associate Professor William (Bill) Griggs AM ASM, received a degree of Doctor of the University (honoris causa), one of the most respected Doctors in South Australia.

Alex Hill (2008-10) raced in the 4 seat of the Men’s Eight at the World Championships between 24 and 31 August. The Crew placed 7th winning the B final.

Craig Hocknull (1987-89) won the Arizona Open trophy earlier in the year with a three round score of 200, three shots clear (after playing in 45 degree heat!). This enabled him to win his PGA section ‘Player of the Year’ Award and at the same time win the ‘Junior Golf Leader’ Award made to the pro who has done most to enhance junior golf in the Southwest of the USA. Craig has set up a golf academy and does his ‘trick shot show’ all over the States and even South America. It is the first time there has been a dual award winner, and over ten years since a club pro has won the Player of the Year.

Edward Jackson (1986-93), who is currently on posting as the First Secretary at Australia’s High Commission to South Africa, joined 15,000 other runners for this year’s 90 km ‘Comrades’ ultra-marathon from Pietermaritzburg to Durban in South Africa. Comrades is held each year to commemorate those who fell in the Great War and began in 1921.

The race was quite an experience with tens of thousands of supporters lining the roads offering home-made salted potatoes, bananas, lollies and sandwiches. There was a wonderful camaraderie and sense of feeling among the runners.

Edward bumped into at least half a dozen other Australians who were running the race. The number of official Australian-registered Australian runners this year was 206, which was the third highest number of overseas runners after the British and US.

Those Old Reds who are interested in running the 90th anniversary of South Africa’s greatest marathon in 2015 are encouraged to contact Edward (edward.jackson@dfat.gov.au).

John “Pug” Keeves AM (1934-42) celebrated his 90th birthday recently, and this special event was honoured by a visit from Headmaster Bradley Fenner and Foundation Executive Officer, David Cornish. John was the first Captain of the Preparatory School in 1937.

David “Tubby” Lock (1950-60) deeply appreciates the support of his Old Red mates and penned the following:

“An Old Red says thanks:

The last couple of years have been pretty ordinary. We lost our darling grand-daughter in a tragic accident. I finished up with prostate cancer (you don’t have to be very clever to get that, all fixed now!). A couple of phone calls from Gilbert “Gilby” Rutherford and next thing, David “Wags” Wagner, “Long John Solly”, David “Doggy” Hassell and Gilby drive up from Adelaide to Wentworth, NSW to see their old mate to see how he is travelling. Their mateship and concern really brought home to me how great our time at PAC was in character-building and being mates and friends for life. We had a couple of lemonades and told lots of lies, and had a wonderful night. Thank you so much”.

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Peter McBride (1935-42) became one of the longest serving members of the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron earlier this year after attaining 70 years of membership. Peter has however been associated with the Squadron for 84 years having started boating on his father’s motor yacht in 1929.

Ted Norman (1964-68) has been residing in Memphis (yes, the home of Elvis!) for a little over three years. He and his family have now travelled to 45 of the contiguous US states and will break their USA habit and return home to Australia in 2016.

Jahan Penny-Dimri (2001-2006) Since completing IB and commencing at the University of Adelaide in 2007, Jahan has completed Instrumental (cello); Bachelor of Law with an Honours thesis on medical law; Bachelor of Science (Jurisprudence); and Bachelor of Health Sciences with Honours based on research into stem cell and gene therapy. Jahan sat for the national Graduate Medical Entrance exam and was offered a place at Melbourne’s Monash University. He is now attached to the three Eastern Health hospitals (Box Hill, Maroondah, Angliss) and intends to become a trauma surgeon. In addition to academic, career and music achievements Jahan also took up the sport of fencing. He became the top ranked foil in SA and represented Australia in World Cup tournaments held in Asia and Europe. The University of Adelaide awarded him a Half Blue and then a Full Blue for his sporting achievements.

Tony Simmons (1982-92) founded The Full Circle Group (after leaving the law) almost a decade ago, and it was announced in April that the company was to be acquired by an ASX listed company, JCurve Solutions Limited. The business is a cloud-based software and telecom consulting services’ company.

Jared Vanmali (2009-2013) was recently awarded the Queen’s Scout Award which is the highest award given in the Venturer Scout Section (Scouts aged 15-18). The QS Award is designed to give Venturers the opportunity to develop in all aspects of life and to become a responsible and self-reliant citizen. Jared is one of the few Venturers in South Australia to receive this prestigious award this year. Jared has been an active member for over 12 years, starting as a Joey Scout at Beaumont. He is now a Rover Scout and a Cub Leader at Pembroke. His presentation was held on the 13 September 2014 at the Beaumont Scout Hall.

Mark Vincent (1981-85) is now working between Sydney and Auckland, having opened the Auckland office of Shelston IP Lawyers. Mark recently shared a bottle of wine with our new Headmaster Bradley Fenner, who at the time was the Headmaster at King’s College in Auckland!

NOTICES

PAOCA Annual General Meeting
The 136th Annual General Meeting of the Prince Alfred Old Collegians’ Association will be held on Thursday 20 November 2014, commencing 6:00 pm in the Ashton Room, Level 1, Prince Alfred College and all Old Reds are welcome. If you have any queries please contact Mary-Ann Standish, Tel: (08) 8334 1880 or Email: mstandish@pac.edu.au

2015 Intercol Croquet
Is croquet your thing, and would you like to compete in an intercol croquet game in 2015? If so, please register your interest by contacting Mary-Ann Standish, Tel: (08) 8334 1880 or Email: mstandish@pac.edu.au
2014 AUSTRALIA DAY HONOUR

The Prince Alfred Old Collegians’ Association congratulates the following Old Red who was honoured in the 2014 Australia Day Honours:

MEDAL OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (OAM)
Mr David B Carter (1937-1939) received a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for service to the Families of Deceased Veterans.

We congratulate David and apologise that this was Award was omitted from the May 2014 Princes Record.

2014 QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY HONOUR

The Prince Alfred Old Collegians’ Association congratulates the following Old Red who was honoured in the 2014 Queen’s Birthday Honours:

MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA (AM)
Mr Robert L Hannaford (1960-61) received a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for the significant service to the visual arts as a painter.

Births

Badman, Guy (1992-94) and Bronwyn were delighted to welcome their first child Frankie Mae Badman on 25 September 2014 in Perth.

Katdare, Ketan (1979-90) and Susannah welcomed their second son, Edward Nicholas, a brother to Alexandra and William on 20 July 2013.

Moffat, Tim (1995-99) and his wife Sharon welcomed the arrival of their first child, Hamish William on 29 August. Hamish is grandson of Old Red Craig Moffat and the College’s Archivist, Tony Aldous.

Pyragius, Tim (1988-92) and his wife Carmen welcomed their first child, Abigail Rose on 22 October 2013.

Rowland, Alistair (1995-98) and his wife Emma were delighted to welcome Oscar Peter Charles into the world on 11 June 2014.

Engagements


Tom Lambert (1990-2004) announced his engagement to Vanessa Robinson on 5 April this year.

Leigh Warren (1990-2004) announced his engagement to Kimti Kumar on 22 September in Ronda, Spain.

Weddings

1. Ben Collette (1998-2002) married Sarah Mazzeo in Adelaide on 29 March this year. Old Reds Michael Almond, Ben Murray and Alex Bastian (all from 2002) were groomsmen and Old Reds Scott Holmes, Matt Myhill, Chris Traianos, John Hough, Todd Jones, Brad Wong, Nick Hosking, Richard Denton, Themis Chryssidis were also in attendance. The wedding and reception were held in Hahndorf at the Whitehouse.


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To register your interest, please contact Matthew Rawes, Manager, Student Recruitment at mrawes@pac.edu.au or 8334 1275.

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