



St. Narsai Assyrian Christian College

Harp of The Spirit

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COLLEGE EVENTS

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Monday
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Staff development day
(Pupil Free Day)

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Fathers Day year 11 charity visit to
Church retirement Village

Dear Parents and friends of St. Narsai Assyrian Christian College:

The end of Term three is approaching; we have a number of events that are already planned for this Term to be finalised.

- Year 12 students have completed their Trial HSC exams and grades will be sent to the Board of Studies ,all units of work and of the year 12 course should be completed and students will have few weeks to revise and study before the commencement of their Higher School Examinations in October. Let us all pray for these children and wish them all the best and success in their exams. Parents need to encourage their children to study at home and please make sure to provide your child with peaceful and happy environment suitable for study.
- Year 11 students of 2013 will complete their Preliminary course by the end of this Term and will commence year 12 courses in Term 4
- Graduation Ceremony of year 12 this year is on Thursday 19th September at 6 PM in Edessa Hall
- All parents of year 11 and year 12 are expected to attend the Ceremony ,you can also invite your aunties ,uncles and all other friends of the family that you wish to bring to the event but we must be notified of the number of people attending for seating arrangements.
- His Eminence Mar Meelis Zaya AM will be present as well as the Reverent fathers of our Diocese and many Other dignitaries including some members of NSW as well as Federal Government Parliaments.
- Year 12 students will be wearing their graduation gowns, Year 11 students must wear their full school uniform

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Staff Development Day

On Monday 2nd September Staff will again be engaged in another day of training with a focus on improving teacher effectiveness in relation to teaching literacy in the classroom. This will be a pupil free day, so students can use this day to work on their assignments at home

Transition Program

We have send a letter of invitation to parents of each student enrolling at St Narsai Assyrian Christian College in 2014. The invitation is to interview parents and students and to explain to the parents our school's policies and procedures throughout their high school journey.

Good News all Round

Congratulations to St Hurmizd Assyrian Primary School Staff and Executive for a very successful review (inspection) carried out by the Board of Studies personnel, in their report. The board recognized the quality of the teaching programs offered and their teaching strategies. Well done sister school for an excellent result. Congratulation also to The Grace Child Care Centre staff for passing their Audit by the Department of the Community Services

God bless your families

John Haskal

Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Dear parents, students and friends,

Opportunities for students

Thanks to our dedicated staff, a number of school based activities are now available for students to take part in. Some of these include the Student Representative Council (SRC) monthly newsletter, the College's Book Club, a Year 7 Design Challenge and the Christian Representative Council (CRC). Students are strongly encouraged to participate in as many school based activities as possible as they contribute to the positive personal growth of all students involved.

We are fortunate to have proactive and thoughtful individuals who deeply care about the wellbeing and growth of all students. A recent initiative of this team has been to improve communication within individual year groups, where issues can be introduced and discussed and where students can be acknowledged for their efforts and contributions to the College community. This initiative comes in the shape of a weekly informative newsletter.

Parents are always encouraged to get in touch with these year advisors to discuss any issue relating to their child's education at the college. The following is a list of our Year Advisors:

Mr. Hardman	Year 12 Advisor
Miss. Isshak	Year 11 Advisor
Mrs. Isaac	Year 10 Advisor
Miss. Eishou	Year 9 Advisor
Miss. Antaky	Years 7 & 8 Advisor

Thank You,

E. Dinkha

Excellence

Christian

Values

Commitment

ACERO Design Challenge

Students were challenged to design a promotional poster for ACERO- the Assyrian Church of the East Relief Organisation. Once students understood the importance of this organisation and its impressive achievements, they were eager to take on the challenge.

A number of year 7 students are currently finalising their designs and the winning posters will be published across the school so students and parents could develop a better understanding of the aims and the work of this organisation and may help raise funds for this organisation and its work.

Year Advisors

Year Advisors are teachers who have been given the responsibility of guiding and supporting students through the implementation of the College Pastoral Care Policy. The Year Advisor works with the KLA and Pastoral teams within a professional learning community context to enhance outcomes for students.

College News



Year 8 Excursion

Towards the end of Term 3, Year 8 spent a delightful day in Darlinghurst at the Sydney Jewish Museum. Students in these particular classes were looking at specific holocaust texts, namely “The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas”, told from the perspective of both German and Jewish children. After a not so quick lunch stop, the 40 or so students made their way to the museum where they had the pleasure of speaking with a holocaust survivor, Tom, who shared his tragic and eventful journey with the students. Afterwards, they were taken on a guided tour of the museum, paying particular attention to the children’s section. Students were able to observe real life artefacts from the holocaust as well as documents, photographs and clothing, many rescued from concentration camps. A long bus ride completed our adventure and a lovely day was had by all!

D. Isshak

Year 8 English Teacher.

College News

Year 10 Incursion

On the 15th of August, Year 10 had an incursion based on a play written by William Shakespeare, called 'The Merchant of Venice'. The incursion took place in the school hall during periods 5 and 6. Year 10 participated in many different activities that involved drama skills such as, acting out different scenes from the play, projecting our voices to show a particular emotion and using different body language actions to communicate a certain emotion or act. The incursion was focused on drama and the different activities involved different quotes from different characters from the play. The incursion was not a typical incursion we would have; it was more like a workshop where our drama skills were put to the test. One of the activities that everyone contributed to was getting into groups and acting out one of the two settings from the play, Venice and Belmont. The scenes in Venice were mainly business related and involved characteristics such as being serious. On the other hand, the scenes in Belmont were opposite; students had to look joyful, carefree and romantic. Year 10 were certainly engaged in all of the different activities which made it enjoyable and full of laughter.

Eden Daniel 10D



UNIFORM SHOP

School uniforms are now in stock and available from SHAPS uniform store

Open Mon, Tue, Wed

8.45am – 10am

7-9 Greenfield Rd, Greenfield Park

9753 4185

School Hours

8:30am
To
2:50pm

Office Hours

8:am
To
4pm
Monday to Friday
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WWW.mnac.nsw.edu.au

Email Address

School.office@mnac.nsw.edu.au



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Nothing is too big or too small to call us about, and we will always listen and try to understand.



Help is available. No one needs to face their problems alone.

Call Lifeline on 13 11 14 for support or dial 000 if life is in danger.

Parentline

Parent line is a confidential telephone counselling service providing professional counselling and support for parents and those who care for children.

Phone: 1300 1300 52 (cost of a local call) - 24 hours a day, seven days a week - www.parentline.org.au



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