



St. Narsai Assyrian Christian College

Harp of The Spirit

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Dear Parents and friends of Mar Narsai Assyrian College:

Welcome back to Term 3, I hope you had an enjoyable time with your children during the July school holidays.

As you would know by now that The Assyrian Schools Board have recommended to change the name of our College from Mar Narsai Assyrian College to St Narsai Assyrian Christian College, the new name makes it a little easier for people other than Assyrians to recognize our college as a Christian entity which affiliates with the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East. The new name has been accepted by the Government authorities including, Board of Studies of NSW, Department of Education of NSW (DET), and the Federal department of Education in Canberra (DEEWR). Obviously all our letterheads, Logo and all correspondence will bear the new name: MNAC becomes SNACC.

This is the last Term for year 12 students, they will sit for their Trial HSC exams in the next couple of weeks, and we wish them well and hope that they will make a genuine effort in all of their subjects.

The Graduation of year 12 students will be on Thursday 19th September in Edessa Hall starting at 6 pm. All parents of year 11 and 12 students must attend the ceremony, where all year 12 students will be awarded with their Graduation certificate, His Holiness Mar Dinkha has prepared a special graduation certificate on behalf of the Holy Apostolic and Catholic Assyrian

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church of the East and will be presented to the students by His Eminence Mar Meelis Zaia AM on the Night.

It is also an important event for the year 11 students as they would have completed their Preliminary Course and next Term will start year 12 Courses. We will announce on the Night our new Captains, Vice Captains and other student leaders.

Year 6 to year 7 transition program is going very well, we have many application from parents of year 6 students who wish to attend our great College, we will shortly interview all students and parents who have applied for an enrolment position in our school, we will also plan meeting with parents and invite students to spend sometime in the classrooms with their new teachers.

God bless,

John Haskal
Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Dear parents, students and friends,

Welcome back to the second half of the 2013 school year and to a wide range of opportunities for our students to improve their results further, develop more skills and enjoy school life. This semester, students in years 7-10 will be working to complete the rest of their course in the lead up to end of year exams in term four. Year 11 students will be sitting their end of year exams in weeks 8-10 this term as they prepare to commence their final HSC year in term four.

We have commenced the usual Semester One data analysis process in the aim of developing better understanding of patterns of student results across all subjects and areas. The findings from this analysis will help us to explore ways to enhance student outcomes this semester. Accordingly, teachers will be asked to explore other ways to improve their students' classroom learning experiences.

HSC Trials Exams

Year 12 students will be sitting their HSC Trials Examinations next Monday. These exams will continue for eight school days, until Wednesday 7th of August. Students have been very busy preparing for these exams in the last two weeks and we wish our Year 12 students all the best and pray that they perform well in these exams and achieve great results.

I would encourage all students to continue to approach their respective subject teachers if they still need help with anything about subject(s) contents. Students are reminded to use available online resources, such as the *NSW HSC Online* resources for tips for exams and the Board of Studies *Online Multiple Choice* tests that covers many HSC subjects.

Where students have no scheduled exam for a day, they are permitted to stay at home and study for the next exam. Students are also permitted to leave school at the conclusion of the morning exam if they only have one exam in the day.

Year Eight Subject Selection Information Evening

It was great to meet parents of Year Eight students on Wednesday's Year 9 2014 Subject Selection Information Evening. The evening commenced with a Subject Market, where teachers had set up subject stalls displaying materials, texts and equipment relating to their respective subjects. Teachers answered many questions from parents and inquisitive students wishing to know more about new subjects. This was followed by a formal presentation that discussed and explained the subject selection process. All students received a Subject Selection Handbook that detailed relevant and important information about electives.

At this stage, we are collating student choices and working out the subjects that will be offered next year.

Thank You,

E. Dinkha

Excellence

Christian

Values

Commitment

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Jeans for Genes Day:

As charity work and almsgiving is a key Christian attribute, St Narsai Assyrian Christian College will be participating in the annual Jeans for Genes day fundraiser next Friday, 2nd August 2013.

Jeans for Genes day is a national day when people wear their jeans to raise much-needed funds for research into birth defects and diseases such as cancer, epilepsy, and a range of other genetic disorders. On Friday 2nd August workplaces, schools and streets will become a sea of denim in a united stance against childhood disease.

If students wish to participate in this worthy cause and wear their jeans to school, they are required to make a gold coin donation on the day. Students who wear their jeans, must come to school with appropriate sport shoes and their school sport shirts and jackets. No other attire will be accepted.

Every dollar raised on the day will help scientists at Children's Medical Research Institute discover treatments and cures, to give every child the opportunity to live a long and healthy life.

Acts 20:35: I have shown you in every way, by labouring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'.



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

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8:am
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4pm
Monday to Friday
Tel: 9753 0700
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