



St. Narsai Assyrian Christian College

Harp of The Spirit

N e w s l e t t e r

COLLEGE EVENTS

Monday

**24th February 2014
SNACC Swimming
Carnival Prairiewood**

Wednesday

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Year 12 Design and
Technology Excursion**

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NAPLAN practice Test
(7 and 9)**

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**7th March 2014
Year 7 Camp**

Dear Parents and friends of SNACC

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Thanks to all those parents of year 7 and year 10 students who attended our information Nights On Monday and Wednesday of this week, students of these two cohorts have been supplied with information Booklets which contain all mandatory hours required to teach each subject, the booklets also include the Assessment Tasks scheduled for the whole year .Please parents make sure your children read the information and submit their Assessment tasks on or before the due date.

The year 7 students are settling in very well and they seem to be enjoying themselves in their new environment of a High School, They will soon go on to Camp at Narabeen, I am sure they will have a great time together with a number of teachers who will offer them activities that will help them bond together as well as teach them to cooperate with each other in order to achieve the outcome of the activities.

Year 12 students of 2014 have only two more Terms left before they sit for their HSC in October; they need to establish for themselves a study plan at home and you as parents need to help them by creating a study space without interruption in your homes for your children. Make sure to contact the school if you believe your child needs help.

We are seeking parents who wish to be part of St Narsai Assyrian Christian College Parents and Friends Association for 2014, I have already received names of some parents who have volunteered for the committee, we need few more, please send your name, email address and contact number to the Office so we can contact you .We will be meeting soon.

We have formed a Graduation Committee from teachers and staff of St Hurmized and St Narsai to start planning for the year 12 student's graduation in September.

We are monitoring the attendance habits of some children, any students who come late to school on a regular bases and those students who are absent from school without permission will be dealt with by calling parents in to explain the reasons for the lateness or absence from school. Students must be at school every day and on time, the Board of Studies has allocated mandatory hours of teaching each KLA in an academic year, if your child fails to meet the mandatory hours may be reported to the relevant authorities and may repeat the year. You as parents are responsible for your children's attendance and must bring them or send them to school on time

God Bless

J Haskal



FROM THE DEPUTY

St Narsai Assyrian Christian College

Dear parents, students and friends,

College staff continue to work on improving literacy across all year levels and in every aspect of student's learning within the current college literacy project. There is a strong and visible focus on literacy in every classroom, in particular year 7 and 8 students. These students are now busy preparing for a range of writing tasks and they would need support from their parents.

Assessment Information Evenings

This week we conducted both, the Year 7 and Year 10 Assessment Information Evenings over two separate nights. Important assessment information was shared with parents and students about respective courses for these year groups and all students from both years were issued with assessment booklets.

Thank you to the parents and students who attended the two Assessment Information Evenings this week.

NAPLAN 2014

This year's NAPLAN tests will take place between 13-15 May. As usual, we encourage parents of Year 7 and 9 students to work with their children to help them better prepare for these important tests covering literacy and numeracy areas. There are online resources that students can utilise as well as NAPLAN style books that students can use to improve their literacy and numeracy skills.

The following link allows access to NAPLAN practice tests:

<http://www.education.nt.gov.au/parents-community/assessment-reporting/nap/schools/tests/2009-practice-tests>

Pastoral Care Programs

Students across all year levels will be participating in a well designed PC program aimed at developing our students in a number of important areas. These areas cover general knowledge, faith matters, study skills as well as literacy aspects. It is therefore crucial that students arrive to school on time and be at their respective PC classes on time.

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Christian
Values
Commitment

Thank You,

Mr. E. Dinkha

From the Mathematics Co-ordinator

Dear Parents,

A short reminder to parents of Years 7, 8 and 9 students that the Mathematics classes have been put together slightly differently this year. Each Year group has a top graded Maths class comprising those students who have shown a talent at the subject at this stage of their education, regardless of their gender. This would normally be between 25-30% of the cohort. The remaining students have then been allocated to equally graded classes based on gender ie; girls are in 1 or 2 classes and boys are in 1 or 2 separate classes. It is a fact that girls are often overpowered in Maths classes by boys dominating questions and discussion and equally some boys have a tendency to show off and act as clowns when there are girls in the room. This is an unfortunate trait of human nature rather than something specific to our students. Hopefully our organization of classes will solve some of these problems and allow more students to achieve their potential in this area.

Chris Hardman

Maths Coordinator

AKAD UNIFORM SHOP

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

Open Monday and Tuesday

9am-11am

Wednesday

2:30pm-4:30pm

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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