

# ST JOHN'S COLLEGE BULLETIN

## Term Three, Issue Three, 2024

"Every time you say: 'Lord, have mercy on my child,' he will receive from Christ a good thought... The more you Pray the more good thoughts your child will acquire." - Saint Porphyrios of Kavsokalyvia

### From the Principal

It takes a village to create success, and truly this edition of our newsletter celebrates students, staff, parents and our wider community joining forces to create some memorable moments, as well as a number of joyful and rewarding school experiences across the program. I warmly applaud staff efforts, frequently above and beyond the expected, to put our students first. Well done!

### 100 Days of School



On Friday, 16th August, our Foundation students celebrated their 100 days of school! The day was filled with fun and creativity as they celebrated this milestone with activities all about the number 100! From counting and crafting to dressing up as their 100-year-old selves, our young learners showed off their imagination and enthusiasm. Here's to 100 days of growth, laughter, and learning!



### Book Week



Book Week began with the announcement of the winner of this year's Senior School competitions, the Odysseus Elytis Prize for Writing and the Photis Kontoglou Prize for Art. Congratulations go to Alexa B, Panayioti R, Ally B and Dianna F for their winning entries.

In other Book Week events, student's enjoyed author visits from Dean Kalimniou and Ourania Papageorgiou, and the Musical Theatre production, "Maybe a Miracle" entertained our Junior School students on Thursday morning.

By Friday morning, our wonderful families had raised over \$800 worth of free books for our library at the Scholastic Book Fair. However, the highlight of Book Week is always the annual Book Parade. Staff and students alike took the opportunity to dress up as favourite characters, dazzling us with their creativity and enthusiasm.

Special thanks go to Miss Krikelis, Mr Raspa, Ms Pimpini and Mr Sherwood for their roles in making 2024 Book Week spectacular!  
*Ms Meg Bailey*

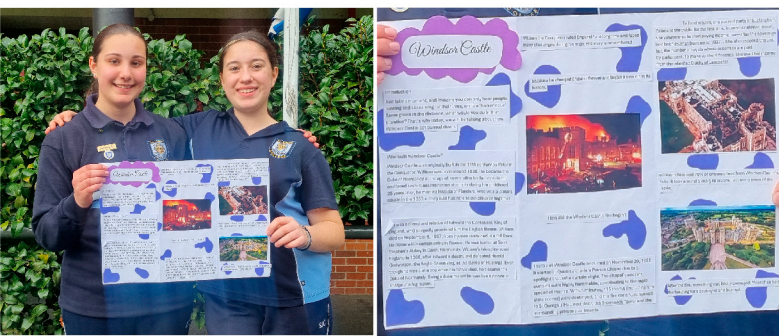
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### Ariston Program

Congratulations to four Year 7 students on their participation in the National History Challenge. Alexia, Christina and Katherine designed a poster on the 1992 Windsor Castle fire, conducting original research and preparing a bibliography as they analysed the crisis and consequences of the fire on the royal family and the British government. Saad wrote a record of the mystery disappearance of Malaysian Airlines Flight MH370 in 2014, collating evidence and photos from various sources including the report of the official investigation. Well done students and we look forward to seeing the displays.

*Ms Laura Wilcox*



### Feast Day of St John the Baptist

On Thursday, 29th August, we commemorated the Beheading of St John the Baptist. Our Junior School leaders attended the Divine liturgy at the church of St John the Forerunner and Baptist in Carlton. It was lovely to see Fr Emmanuel Lykopandis, parish priest of St John's church and alumni of St John's College. May St John the Baptist, our school's patron saint, always intercede for us.



### Father's Day

Last Friday, our College proudly hosted the "Blokes Big Breakfast," bringing together fathers from both our Junior and Senior Schools. It was a morning filled with good food, coffee, and sunshine, where our dads had the chance to network, make new connections, and reconnect with old friends. A big thank you to all that made this event such a success! It was a wonderful start to a special day celebrating our dads!

Following our "Blokes Big Breakfast", our dads enjoyed a special day with their children in the Junior School. From getting crafty to participating in a range of games and other fun activities, it was a day full of memorable moments. Thank you to all the dads who joined us and made the day truly spectacular!



### Confirmed Calendar Dates

- 09 SEP 2024 - Year 7 Basketball
- 10 SEP 2024 - Year 5 & 6 Hoop Time
- 11 SEP 2024 - Year 7 & 8 Incursion - BullyZero: Understanding Bullying
- 12 SEP 2024 - R U OK Day
- 12 SEP 2024 - Colour Run
- 17 SEP 2024 - Years 9-11 - STEM Innovators Program
- 18 SEP 2024 - Reports Released to Parents
- 19 SEP 2024 - Last Day of Term 3 for Students
- 19 SEP 2024 - Footy Colours Day
- 20 SEP 2024 - Parent Teacher Interviews (No students at school)