As the year quickly comes to an end, who can believe we only have four weeks left of the year. I would like to keep the College community up to date with our developments and plans for next year.

In terms of enrolments we continue to receive unprecedented pressure for places within our College. Year 7 will be the largest cohort in the College’s history with 150 students. Any more applications will now be placed on a waiting list. We are considering expanding places in our Kindergarten and Year 5 streams to offer a third class. In total we will have almost 1100 students in the College next year. If you wish to enrol siblings into the College I would encourage you to do so relatively quickly as some year groups will be completely full by the end of the year.

In terms of staffing for next year I am pleased to announce the following appointments:

The Rev. Jeremy Clarke has accepted the role as our College Chaplain, commencing in 2016. Jeremy has a long history in education and Christian mission. Jeremy is not only an ordained member of the Anglican Diocese of Sydney but he is also a qualified and experienced teacher of mathematics. For the past few years Jeremy has been working at Rouse Hill Anglican College as a teacher of Biblical Studies and been involved in the broader life of the college. Jeremy lives locally and his family worship at the Anglican Church in Kurrajong.

Mr David Jenkins has accepted the role as a new Biblical Studies teacher, commencing in 2016. David is already known to the college as he taught music here several years ago. Davis is currently completing a Bachelor of Theology at SMBC and he will be involved in our Biblical Studies program as well as the CAPA Department, where he will teach music and be involved in our band programs.

Miss Kim Woldhous has accepted the role as a Social Science teacher, commencing in 2016. Kim comes from a commercial background and has retrained as a Business Studies and Economics teacher. She is a committed Christian and attends the Rivergum Community Church. We look forward to her involvement in the college.

Miss Claire Hainey has accepted the role as a History teacher, also commencing in 2016. Claire has a First Class Honours Degree from Macquarie University, has been involved in mentoring first year university students, and has a passion for the teaching of History. She is a person of active Christian faith and is involved at Macquarie Baptist Church. We look forward to her involvement in the college.

In coming weeks I will be making appointments in the French and Maths Departments and will keep you informed of these appointments in due course.
Junior School Mini Market Day for Missionvale and Destiny Resuce
Over four days in October, Arndell had its first team of riders represent the College at the Interschool Extravaganza in Tamworth. Georgie Batten, Lucy Batten, Hayley Farrar, Emily Hill and Courtney Stafford either won or placed in a number of events over the duration of the competition.

Well done girls!
On Thursday 22nd October the Anti-Bullying Committee, consisting of Emily Arnold, Emma PurserHanson, Madeleine Wouters, Isabelle Langley, Elysia Sproule, Amy Fradd, Natasha Murray, Isabella Newton, Melissa Whitmore, Meegan Fletcher, Maddison Hawkins, Thomas Dobson, Matthew Smith, Tanisha Jamie, Sophie Hanckel and Jessica Harper, organised and ran two anti-bullying seminars for Years 9 and 10 students. The workshops aimed to develop the skills needed to prevent, and manage bullying behaviour, specifically relational bullying for female students, and physical bullying for male students.

Miah Perry, in Year 10 said “The committee did an awesome job and I think it’s really important that we have the opportunity to talk and discuss different forms of bullying such as relational which can so easily fly under the radar. I think it’s a great initiative and I look forward to seeing our school become one that ‘stamps out bullying’.

Students are encouraged to stand up against bullying behaviour at Arndell, whether they are a victim, a bystander, or simply aware of a situation, by increasing their confidence and leadership qualities. We are very thankful for the contribution of our Year 12 Anti-Bullying Committee and look forward to their continued promotion of the wellbeing of our students at Arndell.

The Stage 1 students were given the opportunity last term to further establish the Stage1 garden due to the generous donation of plants from Stonehill Rural Services. The students planted, and are now tending, an abundance of produce including strawberries and spinach. Continuing to care for the garden has provided the students with the opportunity to be physically active and to learn to care for living things. Working in the Stage1 garden also provides the students with a greater understanding of the care required to produce our food. We are very grateful to Stonehill Rural Services for their continuing support.
Just a reminder that all High School lost property is now sent to the Mears library. Junior School lost property is sent to Mrs Bower. Because of the huge number of items that are sent here, I am seeking your cooperation in ensuring your child’s clothing is labelled with his/her name. When clothing is labelled I can quickly add it to the list of lost property items, published online on the College Dashboard – Today’s Announcements. This list is updated daily so that it is current. Students are expected to check the Dashboard daily to see if any lost property is being held for them, so that they can collect it promptly.

It IS frustrating though, when clothing is not labelled. When students come looking for unlabelled clothing they ALWAYS take the newest looking item, and sometimes, when the real owner comes to look for their ‘new’ item, it is no longer here. For this reason, ALL unlabelled clothing is now washed and sent to our Uniform Shop for resale.

So, please check that ALL your child’s school clothing, both PE and daily uniform, is labelled, so that it can be returned to them. As the weather gets warmer jumpers and blazers are frequently removed and left behind.

Parents are welcome to ring me on the above number to enquire about your child’s labelled property or simply ask your child to check on the Dashboard from home.

Junior and Senior School Sports Teams Photos available for Purchase

Sport Photos of College Representative Teams have arrived. They are available for purchase for $17.00 per photograph. The copies are available for viewing at reception.

Swimming Cross Country and Athletics Age Champions 2015
Become a Record Breaker
Miss Ashley Patterson

Rotary Club of Windsor Inc

P0 Box 166 Windsor 2756.
www.windsorrotary.org.au

We are attempting to break the Guinness Book of Records for "the most people trained in CPR in the one day". We are a regional event under the umbrella of Take Heart Australia whose main event is at Allianz Stadium in Sydney. The main purpose of the campaign is awareness and training of the community so that they can successfully deal with a Sudden Cardiac Arrest emergency.

CPR saves lives.

Monday the 30th of November is Take Heart Australia Day

The Rotary Club of Windsor are offering FREE CPR Training to local communities and schools. If you are interested in gain lifesaving skills in CPR and being a part of a Guinness work record please email Miss Patterson to register or seek further information. ashley.patterson@amnell.nsw.edu.au
ZooWhiz Learning Home Access Discount Cards

Our school is participating in the ZooWhiz Learning Community Subscription Plan.

Through the Community Subscription Plan our school now has FREE access to ZooWhiz Learning (www.zoowhiz.com) during school hours. Parents are able to access ZooWhiz at home at a very special price by using the Home Access Discount Card.

ZooWhiz is the new, intelligent, automated online learning system that enables you to support your child’s progress in maths, spelling, word skills and reading.

Please note: The ZooWhiz Learning Home Access Discount Card must be used to activate a subscription by 14/12/2015* as it will expire after this date.

The ZooWhiz Home Access Discount Cards have recently been distributed to children. If you are unable to locate yours then please contact the Administration Office.

A Poem By India Culey, Year 5

Silence, it’s unnaturally still,
everything is waiting.
Then down the rain came, no more silence,
still everything is waiting.
Puddles became pools, pools became rivers,
still everything is waiting.
The wind is howling, tearing down buildings,
still everything is waiting.
Then it all stops, silence returns,
still everything is waiting.
A magnificent rainbow, it fills the sky,
and no longer is anyone waiting.
Important Information regarding the School Opal Card

Changes to SSTS applications and the introduction of the School Opal Card

From Term 1 2016, Transport for NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme in lieu of bus/train passes currently issued by the transport operator. Students who travel with Bailey’s Bus Services will remain with a paper travel pass.

The School Opal card is only for travel to and from school on school days and doesn’t cover travel to after school care, school excursions, sport and other activities away from school. A Child/Youth Opal card may be purchased for personal use.

For students who currently hold a travel pass in years K, 1, 3, 4, 5 and 7-11, nothing needs to be done. Your 2016 School Opal card will be delivered to the College early 2016.

An application for the School Opal card is to be completed if students are:

- Entering Kindergarten
- Progressing from Year 2 into Year 3
- Commencing Year 7
- Repeating a year
- Changing school
- Changing address or personal details
- Changing mode of transportation.

How to apply for and School Opal card:

- Complete the application at www.transportnsw.info/school-students.
- Print, sign and date the completed application, then submit it to the College Administration for endorsement.
- The College will send the endorsed application to Transport for NSW. Once approved, the School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.

OR

- Complete the paper SSTS application form recently handed out and return it to the College Administration by Thursday the 3rd of December 2015 for endorsement.
- The College will send the endorsed application to Transport for NSW. Once approved, the School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.

Please note paper applications for School Opal cards received after the 3rd of December 2015 cannot be processed and you will be required to complete the application online.

For more information on the School Opal card and the School Student Travel Scheme (SSTS), please visit www.transportnsw.info/school-students or call 131 500.
Year 7 Lolly Pop Art

Miss Jacqi Willis
2017 Scholarship Opportunities

Arndell Anglican College has a number of Scholarships on offer for 2017:

- **Academic Scholarships** are offered for Year 7 and 11 entry and are awarded on the basis of results achieved in the ACER Scholarship Test.
- **Creative and Performing Arts Scholarships**, offered for Year 7 entry, require applicants to provide a resume, undertake an audition and complete the application form.
- **All-Rounder Scholarships**, offered for entry into Year 7, require completion of the ACER Scholarship Test, submission of a resume and the application form.

Applications close Monday, 8 February 2016.

To register for the ACER Scholarship Test please [click here](#).
Creative and Performing Arts Scholarship Application Form, [click here](#).
All-Rounder Scholarship Application Form, [click here](#).

Appointments to tour the school and meet with the Headmaster can be arranged by calling the Personal Assistant to the Headmaster, on (02) 4545 2472 or emailing [enquiries@arndell.nsw.edu.au](mailto:enquiries@arndell.nsw.edu.au).

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College Fees are Now Overdue

As per the enrolment agreement, fees and charges are due and payable in advance or during the first week of the term to which they relate. Your commitment to on time payment is appreciated.

There are several options for paying fees:

Cheque, Cash, Eftpos, Visa or Mastercard – accepted at the main office every day between 8am and 4 pm;
Cheques can be posted to the school – PO Box 4063, Pitt Town NSW 2756;
BPAY® - refer to your fee statement for reference details;
BPOINT® (Visa, Mastercard and American Express credit card payments only) – visit [www.arndell.nsw.edu.au](http://www.arndell.nsw.edu.au) click on the “Fee Payment” link at the top right hand corner or phone 1300 276 468 and follow the prompts. A 1% surcharge applies to each transaction; or
Fortnightly or monthly instalments through the Sydney Anglican Schools Corporation (SASC) Direct Debit Installment Plan – application forms available by phoning or popping into the main administration office.

Where circumstances arise that may prevent timely settlement, contact should be made with Mrs Jodie Woods, the Business Manager at the College on 02-4545 2485 for a private discussion about your circumstances. Fees and charges not paid by the end of term, and where an approved arrangement is not place and being met, could lead to the exclusion of your student from the College next year.
Operation Christmas Mission

— Holy Trinity School (Fiji)

Arndell Anglican College and Holy Trinity Anglican School (Fiji) are working together to love those who won’t get a present this Christmas by providing gifts to both boys and girls. Join in extending the love of Jesus to others through this small gesture.

Each Homeroom will be providing 1 male present and 1 female present for primary aged students in Fiji.

❯ Your homeroom needs to bring in **2 empty shoe boxes**
❯ Each family is asked to bring in **$5 each** to go towards postage
❯ Each homeroom needs to fill up the boxes

Some suggestions would be:
- Good quality textas and pencils, a colouring book, small unbreakable toys (tennis balls/hand balls) soft toys (teddy bear), hard toys (toy cars/small dolls), spreads (not honey) or TimTams.
- No sharp objects or other types of food other than spreads and TimTams.
- We want to be able to fit a mix of things into the box – so small items are great.

We will be collecting these at the end of **Week 6**

Make Christmas about giving not just receiving!
Term Dates Remaining 2015

Tuesday 1 December: Infants’ Presentation Afternoon

Wednesday 2 December: Primary School Presentation Evening

Thursday 3 December: Students’ last day for 2015 Senior School Presentation Evening

College Contacts

Headmaster: Mr Gareth Leechman
Deputy Head / Head of Senior School: Mr James Webb
Head of Middle School: Mr Austin Robinson
Head of Junior School: Rev Keith Peterson
Director of Curriculum and Policy: Mrs Karen Merrick
Director of Teaching and Learning: Mr Jim Milford
Director of Staff and Student Welfare: Mrs Lynn Gillen
Business Manager: Mrs Jodie Woods

Equestrian Co-ordinator: Miss Kristen Bailey
kristen.bailey@arndell.nsw.edu.au

Uniform Shop:
Mrs Liz Moore – 4572 3254
Tuesday and Thursday (term time)
8.20 am – 11.00 am & 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm

Before and After School Care:
Camp Australia – 1300 105 343 (for bookings)
www.campaustralia.com.au
Before School Care: 6.45am – 8.45am
After School Care: 2.45pm – 6.00pm
Ms Elle (Co-ordinator) – 0401 904 531

P & F President:
Mrs Alannah Norman – 0404 033 994
pandf@arndell.nsw.edu.au

Canteen:
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For photos of college activities and events “Like” Arndell Anglican College on Facebook.