

# THE ADVOCATE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF ARNDELL ANGLICAN COLLEGE



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## FROM DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING MR IAN FINN



Every year, all teachers go through a program of professional learning. This can be in a variety of forms, including post-graduate study, courses and conferences and school visits. All of these opportunities ensure that our staff are looking to constantly improve upon their teaching practice, as they are exposed to new ideas and insights. Our teachers then bring these back to our college and share them with others to enable a collective approach to continuous improvement. The goal of all professional learning is to act as a catalyst for improving teaching practice in light of new research and contextual understanding.

The dedication displayed by staff to their own development is essential for improving the educational experience of students at Arndell Anglican College. By continuing to learn and update their knowledge and skills, our teaching staff are able to set an example of the importance of lifelong learning. Additionally, this ensures our teachers are on the cutting edge of research and innovation, leading to an improved classroom experience for our students.

In order to deliver optimal professional learning, there are several core principles that need to be embedded when designing this for staff. Firstly, any course needs to be based on research. This ensures that there is evidence backing any new strategies that we introduce.



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### From the Director of Professional Learning, Cont.

Secondly, professional learning needs to be a collaborative process where teachers work together to build new knowledge. Finally, there needs to be a focus on the practical application of new knowledge.

In 2023, Arndell will be launching a new professional practice cycle that embraces these principles. Staff will select professional goals they wish to work on across the course of the year, will engage with research in collaboration with one another and will engage in observations to practically apply what they have learned.

Our new Teaching and Learning Growth Cycle will seek to continually improve the educational experience of students at Arndell.

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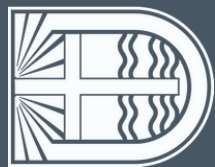



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*2024 Scholarships*

Arndell Anglican College is fortunate to be able to offer a range of scholarships for entry into Years 7 and 11 2024. Scholarship Applications close 6th of February 2023. Apply online [www.arndell.nsw.edu.au](http://www.arndell.nsw.edu.au)

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## CHAPLAINCY CHAT

REV JEREMY CLARK

### Comfort

***Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.***

*Isaiah 40:1 (NIV)*



I love putting on a pack and hiking through the bush. I enjoy the nature and beauty of God's creation and the opportunity to see the intricacies, like a waterfall, a view, the way different plants grow and thrive. So often, this can only be seen by walking to it. At the same time, there have been times when I've completed challenging hikes. One time, I climbed a 500m ascent to only have to walk back down and then back up another 500m. All of this with a heavier than usual pack. I remember the last few kilometres, on much more level ground, walking back out to the car as some of the most challenging walking I've done. My legs were like jelly and then they started cramping up. I had nothing left, to this day I still don't know how I made it to the end.

God's people went through something far tougher. They were made to pay double for their rebellion against God in the 6th century BC. They were taken off into exile, then forced to do hard labour for 70 years. It makes my hike sound like a little stroll in the park. I can imagine they felt like they had nothing left every day.

Yet, God had a plan. God's plan was to bring them back. That, after their punishment, they would come and find comfort in him. Now, thousands of years later we know his plan for comfort went well beyond just coming back to their promised land. Through Jesus we can have eternal comfort. I'm so thankful for this message of comfort. It means that even though we may go through tough times, or even joyful times, I'm reminded God has a bigger plan. A plan for us to be in relationship with him through his son. I pray that you too might know this comfort.

If you wish to chat about the Christian faith, ask general questions about chaplaincy or have any needs for prayer, please do contact the Chaplaincy Team at the College.

**2024 Enrolments** .....and beyond

Enrolment applications are accepted in advance for all year groups.

We have recently begun our Year 7, 2024 Enrolment Interviews, and continue to accept applications.

<https://enrol.arndell.nsw.edu.au/student/enrolment>

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## YEAR 2 EXCURSION

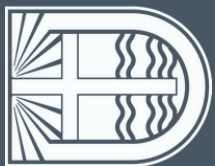
MISS ELISE RADDATZ

On 25 October, Year 2 embarked on a journey back to the 19th Century at the Australiana Pioneer Village. During History lessons, Year 2 have been learning about the past and how people lived prior to the evolution of technology we use today such as telephones, air conditioners, and washing machines. Students discovered what life was like over 100 years ago as they churned fresh butter, washed clothes by hand using a washing board, pumped their own water, spun wool and felt the heat of a blacksmith's shop.



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## EQUESTRIAN

### MS IMOGEN THEW

During October, a team of 9 Arndell riders attended the Tamworth Interschools Horse Extravaganza.

As always there was great team spirit and excellent riding, with many riders coming home with awesome results as a bonus!

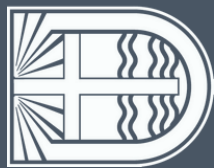
Eliza placed 5th in the ODE and Jacob was 3rd Sporting Running T.

William placed 3rd in the EvA 95cm Eventing riding Lamondale Reveller and 2nd in the Elementary 3B and 3C riding Adelaide Hill, and then was Overall Senior Secondary Dressage Champion.

Paige placed 6th in the Novice 2B and was part of the NSW Primary Dressage team which placed 3rd overall earlier this term at the National Interschool Championships. Great work Paige!

Well done to our riders! We are so lucky to have you represent the college!

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## RUGBY SPONSORSHIP 2023

### Platinum Package - \$2000 (1 available for Boys, 1 available for Girls)

- Logo on back of playing jersey
- Large Front of training jersey – First XV squad
- Logo and Main sponsor weekly mention in Crusaders Corner of Sports Scene
- Logo and weekly mention in Sports Scene newsletter
- Logo in Arndell and business advertisement in Arndell Advocate
- Links to business on Arndell Facebook page
- Option to have signage on game days

### Gold Package - \$1000 (1 available for Boys, 1 available for Girls)

- Large Back of training jersey – First XV squad
- Logo and Main sponsor weekly mention in Crusaders Corner of Sports Scene
- Logo and weekly mention in Sports Scene newsletter
- Logo in Arndell and business advertisement in Arndell Advocate
- Links to business on Arndell Facebook page
- Option to have signage on game days

### Silver Package - \$600 (2 available) – First XV squad

- Side sleeve or smaller logo on back of training jersey
- Logo and minor sponsor weekly mention in Crusaders Corner of Sports Scene
- Logo and weekly mention in Sports Scene Newsletter and links to business on Arndell Facebook page

### Bronze Package - \$400

- Minor Logo on sleeve of training jersey
- Minor sponsor Logo in Crusaders Corner of Sports Scene

### NOTES

What Sponsorship money will be used specifically for:

- Purchase of training equipment, such as training balls, tackle pads, game balls etc
- Subsidise apparel for students

### CONTACT

- Please contact Mr Peter Gordon to express interest ([sport@arndell.nsw.edu.au](mailto:sport@arndell.nsw.edu.au))
- Closing date for registering interest 25 November 2022





14<sup>th</sup> November 2022

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School Bus 5085 – AM Service

Dear Parents and Students,

Due to the upcoming roadworks at the intersection of Grose Vale Rd and Grose River Rd – North Richmond, there will be a change to **School Bus 5085**.

Commencing **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022** will depart from Grose Vale Rd and Riverview St at **6:49am (15 minutes earlier)** and operate the current route to Grose Vale Rd and Peaks Rd then via Grose Vale Rd, **left Grose Wold Rd, right Grose River Rd, right Ashtons Rd to Nutmans Rd, turns around & returns Ashtons Rd, left Grose River Rd, left Grose Wold Rd, left Grose Vale Rd**, then continues current route to Richmond Station and school.

The bus will omit Grose River Rd between Grose Vale Rd and Grose Wold Rd.

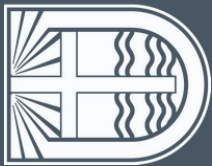
**Services will return to normal from Day 1 Term 1 2023.**

For further information please contact Busways Customer Service on **1300 69 2929** or **[Infoline@busways.com.au](mailto:Infoline@busways.com.au)**.

Yours sincerely,

BUSWAYS  
(3410i) SB 5085 144V

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[busways.com.au](https://busways.com.au)

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## TAP on & TAP off

Every time you travel by bus  
It helps us plan bus services



### STUDENT OPAL CARDS

If your child travels to school by HillsBus or Busways bus, please ensure your child has a valid Opal card (either a School or Child/Youth Opal card).

Encourage your child to tap on when they board and tap off when they arrive at their stop.

The Opal card data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services.

During Term 4, they are focusing on increasing the compliance with tapping on and off with school Opal cards.

This is a requirement of bus travel that your child has a valid Student Opal card, and that they tap on and off each time they use the school bus or route bus service. This is outlined in the TfNSW Code of Conduct as follows:

*"It is a condition of the School Pass Terms and the Student Codes of Conduct when travelling that students in possession of the School Opal card must tap on and tap off every time when using public transport to travel to and from school. Per section 3.2 of the Opal Privacy Policy, Transport for NSW collects information from taps on and tap offs to support coordination, planning and policy development for transport, transport services and transport infrastructure."*

It's been noted that students from our school using the bus service have not been tapping on or off. In Term 4, there will be a strong focus on getting students back into good habits of tapping on and tapping off with their student Opal card.

We're requesting your help to restore the tap on and off numbers to match the travelling numbers to benefit the students, parents, school, and bus operator.

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## Student Term Dates 2022 - 2023

Term 4 2022 (9 weeks)	
Tuesday 11 October	Term 4 Students Commence
Wednesday 7 December	Term 4 Concludes – Junior School
Thursday 8 December	Term 4 Concludes – Secondary School

Term 1 2023 (10 weeks)	
Thursday 19 and Friday 20 January	Kindergarten Transition Assessment Interviews
Monday 23 to Wednesday 25 January	Staff Professional Development Days
Thursday 26 January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Friday 27 January	Year 7 Orientation & Secondary Leaders
Monday 30 January	Pre-Kinder – ½ day (morning) Year 7, Year 11 and Year 12 Students Commence
Tuesday 31 January	Pre- Kinder ½ day (morning) Year 1-6 and 8-10 Commence
Wednesday 1 February	No Pre-Kinder Kindergarten Students Commence
Thursday 2 February	Pre-Kinder ½ day (morning)
Friday 3 February	Pre-Kinder ½ day (morning)
Monday 6 February	Regular Pre-Kinder timetable begins
Thursday 6 April	Term 1 Concludes
Friday 7 April to Monday 10 April	Easter

Term 2 2023 (9 weeks)	
Monday 24 April	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 25 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 26 April	Term 2 Commences
Monday 12 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 23 June	Term 2 Concludes

Term 3 2023 (10 weeks)	
Monday 17 July	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 18 July	Term 3 Students Commence
Friday 22 September	Term 3 Concludes

Term 4 2023 (9 weeks)	
Monday 9 October	Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 10 October	Term 4 Students Commence
Wednesday 6 December	Term 4 Concludes – Junior School
Thursday 7 December	Term 4 Concludes – Secondary School
Friday 8 December	Staff Professional Development Day







## COLLEGE CONTACTS

Headmaster:	Dr Gareth Leechman
Deputy Headmaster:	Mr Austin Robinson
Head of Senior School 10-12:	Mr David Hall
Head of Middle School 7-9:	Mrs Michelle Wilson
Head of Junior School P-6:	Rev. Keith Peterson
Assistant Head of Junior School: Curriculum:	Mrs Tamasin Lowe
Assistant Head Junior School: Pastoral Care & Organisation:	Mrs Larne Jacobs
Director of Curriculum 7-12:	Mrs Katrina New
Director of Professional Learning:	Mr Ian Finn
Director of Strategy and Planning:	Mrs Karen Merrick
Chaplain P-12:	Rev. Jeremy Clark
Director of Wellbeing & Community Service:	Mr Stuart Ryan
Director of Business Services:	Mrs Jodie Woods
Enrolments Manager:	Mrs Penny Finlay
Careers and Tertiary Education Advisor:	Mr George Cavanna
Equestrian Co-ordinator:	<a href="mailto:equestrian@arndell.nsw.edu.au">equestrian@arndell.nsw.edu.au</a>
Uniform Shop:	Mrs Elizabeth Moore – 4572 3254 Shop Opening Hours – Term Time Monday – 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm Tuesday – 8.15 am to 4.00 pm Thursday – 8.15 am to 6.00 pm
Before and After School Care:	Camp Australia - 1300 105 343 <a href="http://www.campaustralia.com.au">www.campaustralia.com.au</a> Before School Care: 6:45 am – 8:45 am After School Care: 2:45 pm – 6:00 pm Coordinator – 0401 904 531
Canteen:	Monday – Friday – 4545 2486
Website:	<a href="http://www.arndell.nsw.edu.au">www.arndell.nsw.edu.au</a>
Advocate Newsletter:	<a href="mailto:penny.finlay@arndell.nsw.edu.au">penny.finlay@arndell.nsw.edu.au</a>
Sport Scene Newsletter:	<a href="mailto:sport@arndell.nsw.edu.au">sport@arndell.nsw.edu.au</a>

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