From the Principal

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Xavier College Development Plan 2006-2010
Response sheet to be returned to College Office or to Tutor Group Teachers as soon as possible.

Xavier College 2004 Year Book
A special 10th Anniversary Edition with a reflection on the life and vision of Fr Dennis Handley.
An order form is on the back page.

STUDENT FREE DAY
WEDNESDAY 29TH JUNE

Mr Lynn Martin Principal

“a school of the future in the present”
COMMUNICATE THE WRITE WAY

“If your child has experienced disappointment and rejects your attempts to support him then put your thoughts down on paper so that he can read them when he is ready. While the spoken word can easily be rejected messages that are written have the advantage of being absorbed when the reader is ready.”

If you want to get a message across to your child it is usually through the spoken word. Families tend to revolve around the spoken word. It is a quick and in-the-moment type of communication.

There are times when the written word is the most effective form of communication in your family. At Christmas and birthdays we write messages of good wishes and affection on cards. During the years we stick notes on fridge doors or noticeboards to tell others about important dates. Or we scribble important reminder messages for children on pieces of paper and leave them on the backs of bedroom doors so children don’t miss them. Reminder notes is just one form of written communication. The written word is a vastly underutilised form of communication in families. Here are a few great ideas either tried by the author or provided by parents that may prompt you to use the written word when appropriate.

1. If you really do have something important to say to your child write a note and leave it for them to read. If your child has experienced disappointment and rejects your attempts to support him then put your thoughts down on paper so that he can read them when he is ready. While the spoken word can easily be rejected messages that are written have the advantage of being absorbed when the reader is ready.

2. If you are angry with your child write him a note then consider throwing it away! Writing helps you feel better by getting the feelings out. Sometimes kids need to know we are angry or upset with them but often a parents’ anger is caused by other issues and can be taken out on children. Writing gives us perspective!

3. A mother told me in a parenting seminar how her husband had difficulty explaining his emotions around the death of a loved one. He withdrew from his family for a time and his children were confused. He then wrote a note to his school-aged daughter discussing his feelings of loss but in a way that was accessible to his daughter. This mother told me that this letter helped her daughter understand her dad and why he was acting differently.

4. Here is a good idea for dads who work late or who have night meetings that take you away from kids. Give each of your children a special message book and get in the habit of writing messages in it. They can be affectionate messages, a good joke you have heard or some news. Anything that will be of interest to your child. If you come home after children are in bed write something in their message book and leave it by their beds so that it is the first thing they see when they wake up in the morning.

5. Many mothers know about this but the RNA in the school lunchbox is still a popular form of written communication. RNA stands for Random Note of Affection (or Appreciation) and when not overused can be a terrific surprise for kids, particularly when it accompanies a food treat. Communication in families can be tricky at times. But we need to use all resources available to connect with others. The written word is a powerful and sometimes underused way of communicating with children and young people as well as partners.

Mr Michael Grose
Accredited professional speaker and author

ARCHBISHOP’S
awards
2005

Archbishop Wilson will again recognise the current or recent outstanding work of individuals in service to others in the community by presenting the Archbishop’s Awards for the second year. Nominations are now being called for these awards.

The three categories for the Awards are:

- Service to the Community of South Australia
- Service to the Education of Young South Australians
- Service to Parish Life within the Archdiocese

The recipients of the awards will be notified confidentially during August and invited as guests to the Archbishop’s Dinner on Friday September 30th to be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre. The award recipients will receive a parchment at the dinner and then presented with their award medallions at the 11 am Mass at the Cathedral on Sunday 9th October.

Nomination forms are available from your parish, school, and the diocesan centre or can be printed from this site.

For any further information please contact Mr John Ellis on 8210 8234
Government Apprenticeship Scheme - Applications are now OPEN

The Government Apprenticeship Scheme provides a centralised recruitment and management service for State Government agencies that employ and train apprentices.

All apprentices are employed in 3 or 4 year Contracts of Training by State Government agencies. Apprentices will gain a nationally recognised trade qualification.

Apprentices are not guaranteed employment at the end of their apprenticeship. However, while they are employed in an apprenticeship they are eligible to apply for South Australian Public Sector vacancies in related vocations advertised in the Government Notice of Vacancies.

The recruitment and placement of all South Australian Public Sector apprentices is coordinated through Employment and Skills Formation.

For the detailed application process please to read fact sheet on the Government Apprenticeship Scheme for the 2005/06 program.

Eligibility: Anyone seeking an apprenticeship with the South Australian Government is eligible to apply. There are no restrictions on an applicant's age.

Application Process: The Government Apprenticeship Scheme advertises in June of each year. Apprentices commence with agencies in January of the following year.

Where are apprentices placed? Apprentices are placed in metropolitan and regional locations throughout South Australia.

All South Australian Government agencies that wish to employ apprentices must do so through the Government Apprenticeship Scheme.

For more information contact:
John Cerny, Coordinator, Government Apprenticeship Scheme, Employment and Skills Formation Directorate,

Government agencies providing on-the-job training for apprentices include:
- Department of Further Education, Employment, Science and Technology
- Primary Industries and Resources
- Department of Environment and Heritage
- SA Water Corporation
- Department of Health
- Department of Administrative and Information Services
- Department of Transport and Urban Planning

Apprenticeship vocations that may be offered through the Government Apprenticeship Scheme in the 2005/06 intake include:
- Cooking Level 3 (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Carpentry and Joinery (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Electrical Tradesperson (Electrician) (Metro, Berri, Crystal Brook)
- Engineering (Mechanical) (Berri and Port Lincoln)
- Furniture Level 3 (Cabinet Making) (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Horticulture Level 3 (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Motor Mechanics (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Refrigeration Mechanic (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Electronics Tradesperson Cert 3 (Metropolitan Area Only)
- Farming (Agriculture Cert Level 3) (Struan Via Naracoorte)

Post Placement Support
- Disability Employment Register
- Aboriginal Employment Register

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Year 9 Girls Knockout Soccer
On Tuesday the Year 9 girls soccer team travelled to Gawler High School to play 2 matches, firstly one against Gawler, then we played Smithfield Plains. Our first match proved the girls had the arsenal to match it with some quality teams as they played superbly, the ball rarely leaving our attacking half. A fantastic Natasia Noto goal as well as an own goal, brought about by excellent pressure from Katherine Rocca, created the 2-nil score line at half-time. No goals were scored in the second half as Gawler crowded their goal and we struggled to find space in attack.

Smithfield proved to be a stronger side than Gawler, playing a rough, intimidating style of soccer but to the girls credit, they never took a backwards step. Smithfield defeated Gawler 3-0 so they knew a draw against Xavier would take them through to the next round. This ensured the girls would have to endure a defence with 8 players. We had all of the play but with Smithfield completely congesting their goal, it was near impossible to score. A counterattack by Smithfield late in the game brought about a goal and the final scoreline of 1-0. Although disappointed by the loss, the girls played incredibly well with some fine performances by Holly Oke and Ellie Clark in defence, Katherine Rocca and Katie Thackray as strikers and Kia Llewelyn, Amanda Bartsch and Cidgem Demir in the midfield.

Mr Dan Searle
Sports Administrator

Year 9 Boys Knockout Soccer
The Xavier College Year 9 knockout soccer team played a Round Robin competition, which included Trinity College and Gawler High. The first game was against Gawler High. The game began quickly as Xavier were too fast for many of their players. Within the first six minutes, Kahnmen Greig slotted home a simple goal. Xavier picked up the tempo and attacked the game with ease. A nice corner was headed in by Shane Cordes. Minutes after that the Gawler goalkeeper made an error, which ended in a penalty. Jake Nightingale stood up and converted the penalty. Ben Stevens controlled the four defenders and made sure our goal was safe. Ryan Appleton and Kahnmen Greig scored another goal each before the end of the first half in which they lead 5 – 0. Xavier continued to dominate the second half with 8 goals coming in half an hour. The half was even more impressive with defender Ben Powell scoring a hat trick within six minutes. Other goals came from Shaun O’Brien, Sam Stanton, Ryan Appleton and Luke Ostbye. Xavier won the game 13 – 0. Goal Scorers: Ben Powell 3, Shaun O’Brien 2, Ryan Appleton 2, Kahnmen Greig 2, Jake Nightingale, Shane Cordes, Sam Stanton, Luke Ostbye Best Players: Ben Powell, Ben Stevens, Kahnmen Greig, Ryan Appleton, Shaun O’Brien

Twenty minutes after our first game we were drawn to play Trinity. The boys were still tired but had no option. Trinity were all over them as the boys were struggling for pace and fitness. Sweeper Ben Stevens got injured and came off early in the match. This was a major blow as he kept the defence strong and in control. Trinity went ahead 3 – 0 in the first half. Trinity kept coming at Xavier as the players tried their best to hold out their attacks. Xavier had their chances but were too tired to get power into their shots and crosses. Lachlan Greenhalgh kept our defence safe and blocked everything that came to us in the second half. Luke Ostbye in goals made some great saves to keep Trinity from scoring more goals. Trinity ended up running out the game 4 – 0. Best Players: Lachlan Greenhalgh, Ben Powell, Ryan Appleton, Shaun O’Brien, Jake Nightingale, Luke Ostbye

Mr Steven Goricki
Year 9 Coach

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Kentish Road, Gawler Belt

Telephone: (08) 85 230088
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employment & training services

Are you thinking about getting a job?
Are you a parent, carer or over 50?
Have you been out of the paid workforce for a minimum of 2 years?
(Some minimal paid work will not preclude you)

Transition to Work is a Federal Government funded program which may be able to assist you.

Free assistance with resumes, application letters, interviewing skills, career counselling, training etc. to prepare you to face the sometimes daunting task of finding paid employment.

Funding for training or re-training may also available.
You do not have to be registered with Centrelink, however eligibility criteria applies.

If you are interested please ring 8300 1500 for more information.

Xavier College 2004 Year Book

A special 10th Anniversary Edition of the College Magazine features the highlights of the 2004 school year, as well photographs and articles that delve back into the history of the College. We reflect on the life and great vision of Fr Dennis Handley, founding Principal of Xavier College.

All the major events of the year are covered, including Sports Day, Year 8 Camp, Xavier Day, Year 12 formal, retreat and graduation, Pedal Prix, Gymkhana, Rock Challenge, just to name a few!

There will only be one 10th Anniversary, make sure you have a copy of this special edition yearbook.

If you wish to purchase a copy please pay at the bookroom by THURSDAY 16th JUNE. No late orders can be accepted. The cost is $36, which includes over 100 pages of photos and articles. (including 12 great colour pages!) Estimated arrival date before the end of June. If you have previously ordered and paid for a magazine last year you will automatically receive one.

I would like to thank everyone for their patience in waiting for the magazine. It is a time consuming activity, but the end result makes it all worthwhile. This will be the last opportunity to place an order. Don’t miss out!

NAME: ........................................................................................................ TUTOR GROUP: ..............

I would like to order 1 copy of the 2004 Xavier College Magazine. I have enclosed my payment of $36. (Payable at the Book Room)

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