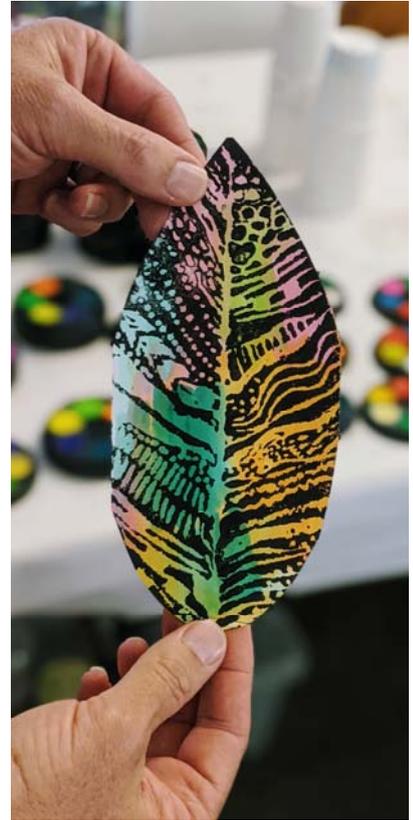




ANNANDALE
CHRISTIAN
COLLEGE
the Way, the Truth, the Life

*Our
News*

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Year 5 Feathers



Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us
shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Psalm 95:1 NIV

from the principal



Welcome to the Family

I would like to welcome Chappy Chrissy who is working 5 days a week as Chaplain and Defence Transition Mentor (DTM – primary). This now means that we have extended our chaplaincy team to 2 full time staff as well as a Student Wellbeing Counsellor (Ms Gray). What a blessing to have these skilled and godly people supporting our children across the college.

We are also pleased to welcome Mr Albert Haig who is a parent and now a valued member of the Maths/Science team. He is an extremely well qualified new addition who commenced his first day on his birthday!

Please continue to pray for all our staff as we work to conclude the year well. We are also looking for a range of full-time and part-time positions across the whole school. Please uphold this in your prayers too.

Library News

In 2017 we updated the library software to a more user-friendly system called Oliver which is a popular software used in libraries across Australia. I am pleased to also announce that we are now moving to using the library scanners for this system in all primary classrooms. This means that as a growing school we can borrow books from the classroom for take home readers more easily. This is an exciting development for reading and enhances our reading improvement strategy. We also hope that it will save time for teachers, students and parents while reducing time on stocktaking at the end of each year. I would like to thank all our teachers and the aides for their support and work with reading across the college. I would also acknowledge the innovative idea from Mrs Day (now retired) who suggested this excellent idea. Good stewardship of our resources is a biblical principle and a college value. (Mark 12:42)

Year 12 ATAR exams

External Exams

External exams commence soon and as a parent of a student in year 12 I appreciate the hard work our students are doing to get ready for these exams. Thanks to our teachers and Mrs Mackereth for her work with the Year 12s. The 'Exam Chillout room' is a wonderful initiative and welcomed respite before and after exams. I would also like to thank our teachers for the extra tutorials and support given through our online learning management system 'Canvas' in addition to the tutorials throughout the exam block. Please continue to pray for the incredible work undertaken by Mr Schneider in the logistics of organising these exams within his normal busy schedule.

Footpath – last day to 'Have Your Say'

<https://www.acc.qld.edu.au/have-your-say/>

<https://haveyoursay.townsville.qld.gov.au/jonquil-crescent-pathway>



Today is your last day to make your voice heard about the proposed Jonquil pathway. Please respond if you are able today to support this great TCC initiative for road safety and for the wider community.

Other College Pathways

I'd like to congratulate the facilities team on the excellent work of ensuring the concrete pad is extended for folk with rear access. The Australian

from the principal cont'd

Standard for this is not sufficient to get a wheelchair out of car and be able to turn around to access the pathway. Thanks to Mr McIldowie and his team for making this happen over the September break to show Christian love in a practical way. In a similar way a new concrete pathway has been laid to ensure that students have free access to the library during the school day for library lessons.

Term's Notice

Parents and guardians are reminded that a full term's notice is required if you wish to end your child's enrolment. If this notice is not provided, fees for the notice period will be charged unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please contact the Enrolment Manager, Cathi Sands, to discuss this further if it applies to your family's circumstances.



Sue Larkey – Professional Development for teachers (Autism Spectrum Disorder)

We are pleased to have Sue come to the College on the 18th of January to work with our staff to differentiate more effectively for students with autism. This is a growing need for teachers across Australia and feedback from parents and staff (teaching and non-teaching alike) has instigated this valuable training.

Campus Facebook Pages

Have you 'liked' one or more of our Facebook pages? Even if you're not a Facebook user, you can still view our Facebook pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/AnnandaleChristianCollege/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AnnandaleCC/>

Faith-based schools: What is faith?

God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. Romans 3:25

Annandale Christian College is sometimes referred to as a faith-based school. That seems obvious from our name but to some being a faith community and followers of Jesus Christ may need some unpacking. Students at our school learn that faith is the attitude of complete trust in Christ which is a total reliance on him alone. We don't just want to teach our students about faith. We want our students to have faith. We know that it is only God who can give our students the gift of faith (Ephesians 2:8).

But as humans we have a role as well: we lead others into a lifelong faith by telling them about Jesus which we refer to as our testimony. Faith is more than mere 'belief'. Faith found in the Bible is not 'blind' nor without evidence. Rather, as God's people we reflect on who God is and remember His redemption and salvation through the cross. We are all called to regularly reflect on God's mercies as well and, on the basis of all of these things, trust in Him. Faith is trusting in God for salvation, relying on Jesus and His death and resurrection, accepting that we can bring nothing to the table when it comes to our own salvation, and understanding that our forgiveness comes to us entirely because of God's work, God's initiative and God's grace. Faith is knowing He is ever present with certainty, absolute confidence and resolve.

At Annandale Christian College we also want our students to understand their personal need for faith in Jesus. We all really need God! Our deep hope is that by learning and celebrating life through a Christ-centered education that our children will be fully equipped to make an informed decision to follow Jesus for themselves.

Blessings, Andrew Jones

From the Head of Primary



Welcome back to Term 4!

There is lots happening across our College this term as we celebrate life and learning together. I have the privilege of beginning this term as the Acting Head of Primary and it has been fantastic to get to know primary students better as I have visited classes and chatted with students in the playground. For those who don't know me, I moved to Townsville at the beginning of 2020 from Darwin, where I taught at Palmerston Christian School. In Darwin I taught across upper primary and was also able to serve in leading the primary team. I am passionate about student wellbeing, and seeing each student reach their God given potential while understanding the immeasurable love God has for them. Working at ACC, I am regularly reminded of the blessing it is to be able to share in the lives of students across our College, as I see them grow and mature in their faith.

2022 Class Placements

I am also grateful for the hard work of all of our teachers here at ACC. Their heart for students is evident in all that they do. As we start looking at class placements for 2022, we prayerfully consider the placement of students, taking into account their learning and social-emotional needs. If you feel there are particular things that we should be aware of in placing your child, please ensure that you send me an email prior to Wednesday 20th October. An email went home earlier this week with more information around this.

Hats and Water Bottles

As the weather warms up, please ensure that your child has their hat and a full water bottle for school each day. Keeping up hydration in these hotter months is very important and having a water bottle minimises the need for students to leave the classroom.

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Coffee & Prayer

Wednesday
8.30-9.30am @
The Coffee Cart
buy a delicious
barista coffee
then join us to
pray for our
College
community

ANNANDLE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE PRESENTS

Christmas Production Night

6:00pm Wednesday 24th November 2021 - More details to follow



'READING FOR HOPE' OUR TEAR READATHON BEGINS IN 2 days!!!!!!

Thank you to all families who have signed up for our "Reading for Hope" readathon.

Something that we might consider so small can have life changing differences for others.

85% of all monies raised goes straight to TEAR supported Projects & Community Education.

All money sponsorship is done online through this website: readathon.tearfund.org.au

Please see Library staff if you have any questions.

Mrs Nicholson - Librarian

BRING COLOUR TO
SOMEONE'S WORLD!

WED
20TH
OCT



FREE DRESS DAY

Wear your brightest coloured clothes
and bring a gold coin donation.



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Declare His glory among the nations. Psalm 96:3

Our school has been involved in Operation Christmas Child for many years now. This is our opportunity to give back and share God's love with others. You might like to contribute by buying an item to add to the class boxes being packed, pack a whole box as a family or help with the shipping costs of the boxes. Each box can be filled with simple gifts from the 6 categories below:

- ◆ Something to wear
- ◆ Something to play with
- ◆ Something for school
- ◆ Something to love
- ◆ Something special
- ◆ Something for personal hygiene

If you are keen to be involved, please see your child's teacher.

I also encourage you to find out more about the work of Samaritan's Purse by visiting: operationchristmaschild.org.au

Laura Whittle



We have 489 members signed up to our ACC Community Facebook page. Join in on the conversations, questions and comments which are helping to build our community.

Request today to join the ACC Community page.

TERM FOUR 2021

Date	Event
Tuesday, 19 October	Year 8 Market Day
18 October - 1 November	TEAR Readathon (Please note change of date)
Monday, 25 October	Interschool Robotics Competition TCEA Meeting
Tuesday, 26 October	Kindy Parent Info Evening
Wednesday, 27 October	Prep Parent Info Evening
Friday, 29 October	P & F Staff Appreciation Day
1 - 2 November	Senior Biology Camp
3 - 5 November	Year 11 Leadership Camp
Friday, 12 November	Primary Awards Assembly
Wednesday, 17 November	Secondary Celebration & Awards Evening
Friday, 19 November	Year 12 Graduation & Final Day
Monday, 22 November	P & F Meeting
Wednesday, 24 November	Primary Christmas Production
Friday, 26 November	Final Day Years 10 and 11 Year 6 Graduation Year 6 Graduation Assembly
Wednesday, 1 December	Year 6 into 7 Transition Day
Friday, 3 December	Final Day of Term Four Uniform Free Day P & F Market