

SFX NEWSLETTER Issue 4

From the Principal

Dear Parents, Students and Staff

There has been a media focus on politics over recent weeks with our Federal election, the Brexit issue in Great Britain and the tensions between USA and China over trade imbalances receiving the most air play. Interestingly the return... [read more](#)



Student Wellbeing

A couple of things from me in this edition of the College Newsletter.

Seminar for parents and educators—Raising Kids and Teens in a Screen World

First, I wanted to pass on information about an upcoming seminar that is open to parents and educators: ... [read more](#)

ANZAC commemoration at SFX

SFX commemorated ANZAC Day this year with a whole school ceremony on 30 April to especially remember Australian service nurses who have been treating defence force and civilian casualties for more than a century.

The ceremony was run by the students who filled roles such as Speaker, Wreath Bearers and Musicians. We were honoured to have ... [read more](#)



Religious Education



We are all “broken” in some way *Jean Vanier*

A great man died recently. His name was Jean Vanier. He was considered by many Catholics to be the world’s greatest living saint. Although born into a privileged and influential family, in 1963, he relinquished his wealth, academic status and influence to live and work with people who were mentally and physically challenged. His way of living inspired others to live with him in community. ... [read more](#)

Resource Centre

The Resource Centre is a hive of action and kicking some great goals.

Reading! Challenge yourself! The 10 Genre Reading Challenge was launched in the middle of last term and one Year 7 student has already read 10 books from 10 different genres. Well done, Gwen!... [read more](#)

Climate Change Conference.

Last Friday Merici College hosted the Inaugural Climate Change Conference.

The students needed to submit a research paper on the topic of Active Transport in Canberra and how we can encourage it within the school community. The submitted papers were judged by... [read more](#)



Sport News



Year 8 students Zac Chapman, Jack O'Donnell and Jack Friend represented Australia in the U/14 Boys Softball Championships in Auckland NZ. The boys played extremely well. A special mention for Jack Friend who was selected as Co-Captain of the U/14 Aussie Boys Gold team. Jack helped lead his team to victory, winning the championships! ... [read more](#)

The da Vinci Decathlon

On Thursday 9 May, 16 Year 7 and 8 students participated in the annual da Vinci Decathlon held at Canberra Grammar. Students compete in 10 categories against 39 other teams of Year 7 and 8 students from other ACT and regional NSW schools.

As there are so many teams [read more](#)

MyWay Card Information

As you are probably aware, the month's free travel period came to an end on Sunday 26 May 2019. With paid services starting next week on Monday May 27, students are being reminded to top up their MyWay cards or purchase tickets to avoid fines of up to \$181 for travelling without a ticket. [read more](#)



Being a parent is the hardest job we'll ever have. All parents at some time experience difficulties and stress.

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Marriage and Family Sunday 2 June 2019

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