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Director of Boarding
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2017 Boarding Leaders

Music, Sport, Clubs and Activities
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News from Vancouver, Canada
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Community
In this edition we invite community members to join us at the Senior School Art Exhibition and the annual Dance Showcase. Please join us to support the Annual Giving and McGregor Hall Chair for the Future Appeal.

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Year 12

This week has been a very important milestone for our Year 12 students as they share their last classes at Seymour College and prepare for their final examinations and life beyond school. We wish them all the very best for the next few weeks – it is indeed a very exciting time!

I would like to acknowledge our Head Girl, Isobel and Deputy Head Girl, Grace as well as our Head Boarder, Emily and Deputy Head Boarder, Claudia. Thank you girls for actively demonstrating what it is to be young women of strength, optimism and justice and for your contribution to Seymour College.

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Student Leadership Team 2017

I am delighted to announce our 2017 Student Leadership Team. On behalf of the College community, I warmly congratulate Esther, Head Girl of Seymour College and Hannah, Deputy Head Girl.

Congratulations, too, to all students who have been awarded a formal leadership role for 2017. These girls were selected from an extensive and strong field of candidates, and we thank all girls who nominated for a position. Following the completion of a rigorous selection process, the leadership positions have been appointed as follows:

HEAD GIRL Esther
DEPUTY HEAD GIRL Hannah S

HEAD BOARDER Jessica M
DEPUTY HEAD BOARDER Lucy D
Boarding House Leader Year 11 Alex Mc
Boarding House Leader Year 10 Annie H
Boarding House Leader Year 9 Perri
Boarding House Leader Years 7/8 Deanna

CLAN BRUCE CHIEF Charlotte
Chieftain Erinn
Chieftain Georgia

CLAN CAMERON CHIEF Lucy P
Chieftain Lily
Chieftain Hannah W

CLAN DOUGLAS CHIEF Tayah
Chieftain Genevieve
Chieftain Jemma

CLAN STEWART CHIEF Katie
Chieftain Juliet
Chieftain Annie C

CREATIVE ARTS CAPTAIN Lucinda
Debating Leaders Laura and Maddie
Drama Leader Lauren
Publications Leader Tiana
Visual Arts Leader Holly

MUSIC CAPTAIN Ruby
Band Leader Kirsten
Choir Leader Jodie
Orchestra Leader Ruby
Pipe Leader Tikki

**SERVICE CAPTAIN** Annabel F
Environment Leader Kate
Social Justice Leader Brittany

**SRC CAPTAIN** Josie

**SPORTS CAPTAIN** Sophie B
Athletics Leader Emma
Badminton Leader Deanna
Basketball Leader Tilly
Chess Leader Eryn
Equestrian Alex Mac
Lacrosse Leader Alexandra
Netball Leader Maddy
Pedal Prix Anna
Rowing Leader Alex Mc
Soccer Leader Tiana
Softball Leader Annabel R
Sports Aerobics Sophie M
Swimming Leader Emily
Tennis Leader Jessica H
Touch Leader Harriet
Volleyball Leader Serena
Water Polo Leader Bella

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Introducing the IB Diploma Programme at Seymour

I am delighted to announce that Seymour College is now officially an IB World School, having been successful in being authorised to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme from January 2017 onwards.

As an IB World School, Seymour is welcomed into a global community of schools committed to developing knowledgeable, caring young people who are ready to negotiate their futures successfully and make a contribution towards a more harmonious and peaceful world.

An enormous amount of hard work and effort went into obtaining authorisation. I would like to particularly acknowledge staff members Darren Pitt, Ruth Massie, Leonie Harwood and Robyn Scott for leading this process. The College received a number of notable commendations including:

- The school is commended on its strong existing culture of reflection on how, what, and why students are learning;
- Students understand the importance of responsible action within and beyond the school community and have already had school experiences in this regard;
- Conversations with teachers indicate that the Diploma Programme Coordinator devotes time to support them;
- Conversations with the Diploma Programme Coordinator show that she has a deep understanding of the programme and has the resources necessary to carry out her responsibilities;
- Conversations with the CAS (Creativity, Action & Service) Coordinator show good understanding of the promotion of responsible action within and beyond the school community through the learning outcomes and the reflection process.

We look forward to our Year 11 IB Diploma Programme students embarking on their new courses next year.

While this represents an exciting new dimension in our curriculum offerings at Seymour, we remain strongly committed to the SACE and recognise that it continues to be an excellent and highly suitable learning pathway for many of our senior students.

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Staffing News

New Leadership Appointments
On Monday 17 October, Seymour community members received a letter announcing two new leadership appointments. I thought I would recap on these today.

Dan Walker has been appointed as our new Deputy Principal for 2017. Dan is currently Deputy Head, Senior School, at Anglican Church Grammar School (Churchie) in Brisbane. He has built a nineteen-year career across public, independent, single-sex, co-educational and boarding schools. This includes more than eight years’ experience in executive and senior leadership roles; three as Deputy Principal at Brisbane State High School (2008-2011) and six as Deputy Head of Senior School at Anglican Church Grammar School (2011 to current). Dan also brings more than 20 years’ experience as a debating coach and Master in Charge and is the current coach of the Churchie Senior A debating team.

Please join me in welcoming Dan and his family to South Australia – wife Kylie, daughters Mia and Rory, and son Hugo. Mia and Rory will be enrolling in Seymour. Dan has spent a few days at Seymour this week, which has included important transition time with our current Deputy Principal, Darren Pitt.

I am also delighted to welcome Susie Raymond as our new Head of Junior School for 2017. Susie visited Seymour on a number of occasions recently and has been delighted to meet with the Junior School staff, students and parents.

Susie is a Lecturer in Education at the University of South Australia, where she coordinates courses at Post Graduate and Undergraduate levels, and is in the latter stages of her PhD. Susie exemplifies Seymour’s passion for lifelong learning and the quest for personal excellence.

Susie is a highly experienced educator with a career spanning 18 years, working extensively in the independent schooling sector as a Gifted and Talented Specialist, Head of Junior Primary, Head of House and Classroom Teacher.

Shelley Travers, our current Head of Junior School, will continue to work closely with Susie to facilitate further visits and meetings to introduce her throughout this term to the Junior School and wider Seymour College community.

Student Wellbeing Leadership Roles
Since commencing at the College, I have worked closely with key members of the Executive and the Board to review our leadership structures so that they fully align with and enable the successful implementation of our Strategic Plan. This review has resulted in the creation of a new executive leadership position, the Dean of Student Wellbeing.

Reporting to the Deputy Principal, the role will be responsible for the policies and practices that enhance the wellbeing of students in Years 6-12. The role will also involve a significant contribution at a whole of College level, working closely with the other members of the College Executive team.

Operationally, the Dean of Student Wellbeing will be primarily responsible for the wellbeing of students in the Senior Years (10-12) and will be supported by the Deputy Dean of Student Wellbeing, who will be responsible for the wellbeing of students in the Middle Years (6-9).

The Dean of Student Wellbeing will replace the Head of Senior School, whilst the Deputy Dean of Student Wellbeing will
replace the Head of Middle School. Both of these new roles will commence in 2017.

Rachel McKee, currently Head of Middle School, will take on the new role of Deputy Dean of Student Wellbeing (Years 6-9). We will be advertising for the Dean of Student Wellbeing role this weekend.

We thank Adrian Lawrence for fulfilling the role of Acting Head of Senior School for Terms 3 & 4 this year.

New Staff Appointments
I am delighted to announce the following teachers will be joining us in January 2017:

Dr Paula Mills, Physics Teacher, B Sc (Hons), Ph D., Grad Cert Ed
Paula joins us from Prince Alfred College and has an active interest in current research in science. Paula is involved with NASA Space Camps, is a curriculum writer of online lessons linked to the Australian curriculum, the Next Generation Science Standards (USA) and article writer for Cosmos. Paula has also taught in recent years at the Australian Academy of Sciences. Paula is also a curriculum writer for Science by Doing and has developed “Science of Toys” (Year 7) and “Light, Sound, Action” (Year 9) units. Paula teaches SACE and IB Science and is a SACE moderator.

Andrew McFarlane, Maths Teacher, B Sc, B Ed
Andrew also joins us from Prince Alfred College. After leaving university Andrew worked for many years as a programmer in various industries and then later as a senior analyst and programmer with various international banks. Andrew later undertook his education degree and became a teacher, and in recent years has been teaching SACE and IB Maths.

Anne Williams, B Sc (Hons), Grad Dip Ed
Anne joins us from St Peter’s College. Anne is qualified as a maths and science teacher and for many years has worked as a SACE and IB Maths teacher. Anne is on the SACE Mathematical Methods committee - examinations and is a SACE Moderator.

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China Cultural Exchange

This week we welcomed back our Year 9 and 10 students returning from our inaugural cultural exchange to China. Thank you to Ming Xia-Wei and Leonie Harwood for accompanying the girls. All reports have indicated that the students had a wonderful time and many have already expressed a desire to return to China in the future. I was delighted to receive the following unsolicited email from a member of the public:

Greetings,

When I was in Beijing recently to visit the Great Wall at Mutianyu, I saw a group of students there from Seymour.

Having recently left Adelaide to take up a leadership role in a school here in China it was gratifying to see other Adelaide-based people, and particularly the lively and well-disciplined Seymour students participating in such a wonderful experience.

In the past two years or so I have been to Seymour several times in my role as a Schools Registrar for the Education Standards Board in SA. The excellent international program at Seymour is surely complemented by trips to places like China with its rich and diverse cultural experiences that broaden everyone’s concept of what it means to be a global citizen.

Congratulations to all involved in the trip and particularly the students for presenting as wonderful Ambassadors for the College and, indeed, Australia.

Regards,

Barry Burney, Director of School Affairs, Wuxi International School

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**Congratulations**

Our students continue to inspire us with their focus on excellence and their journey to becoming women of strength, optimism and justice, prepared to take life on.

**SASTA Oliphant Science Awards**

We have had multiple winners this year in the 2016 SASTA Oliphant Science Awards. Year 12s Alexandra and Brittany have been awarded second and third place respectively in the Year 11-12 category of Science Inquiry. Isabella (Year 11) received a Highly Commended award for her Scientific Writing. Josephine (Year 7) won third place in the Photography category, and Priyanka (Year 3) won second place in two categories – a poster and Scientific Inquiry. In addition, Seymour College was awarded second place in the Senior Schools award for Science. Well done to all involved.

**Women in Engineering**

Year 11 Georgie has been accepted into the prestigious University of New South Wales’ Women in Engineering Camp at the end of the year. This is a fantastic opportunity for her to explore the diverse fields of engineering and network with other students in a great environment.

**Australian Mathematics Trust Award Presentation**

Seymour College will be hosting the AMT Award Presentation on Wednesday 16 November. Congratulations to Katherine (Year 6) – Distinction, Priyanka (Year 2) and Truc-Mai (Year 7) – High Distinction, Sheridan (Year 9) – Prize and Jodie (Year 11) – Prize and Best in School. Katherine and Truc-Mai have also been invited to Enrichment Workshops. Well done to all girls who participated.

**Enterprise Competition**

Congratulations to Year 11 students, Josie, Lucinda and Ruby for becoming the South Australian finalists for the Plan Your Own Enterprise Competition 2016. Their business plan, QuickSit, is a babysitting booking app. Well done girls.

**CJ Dennis Poetry Competition**

A number of Junior School girls who attend the Writers’ Club have submitted poetry for the CJ Dennis Poetry Competition. We are thrilled to announce that in the Primary Category across Australia, two of our Year 5 students were prize winners with their poems. Gaby received second prize for her poem *The Brumby* and Lily received third prize for her poem *The Wackergonginee*. Well done girls.

**Dance Success**

Congratulations to Year 7 girls Amielle and Madeline, and Year 8 Helena on their exceptional performances at the Royal Academy of Dance Genee Dance Challenge SA Semi Finals last term. Amielle won the Choreographic prize, Madeline was the Level 2 winner and Helena was the Level 3 winner. Madeline and Helena will represent SA at the Finals in Sydney during December. We also wish Helena the best of luck as she prepares for the Australian Ballet School in Melbourne next year.

**SAPSASA Metro Athletics Championships**

In the last week of Term 3, 11 Seymour girls competed at the SAPSASA Metro Athletics Championships finishing third of 18 districts in SA. Special congratulations to Year 7s Georgia and Lily who competed in the 13 years 4 x 100m relay and won...
a silver medal.

Sport Aerobics and Fitness World Championships
Best wishes to Demi (Year 8) and Issy (Year 10) who are currently representing Australia with their club Activ8 at the FISAF World Championships in Vienna, the highest current level for this sport. We look forward to hearing about the competition on your return.

Lightning Academy
Congratulations to Juliet (Year 11) for her selection to the inaugural Rachael Sporn Lightning Academy, identifying emerging talent in basketball. The Academy starts in the first week of November, will focus on offensive and defensive upskilling and will run for the duration of the WNBL season.

Tumbling Gold
At the September National Clubs Gymnastics Carnival in Bendigo, Sophie (Year 9) won a gold medal in tumbling and was awarded the National Tumbling Champion in Level 6. Her success in Bendigo follows on from her silver medal (Under 17s) in the National Age Championships held in Melbourne in May. Well done Sophie.

Photos courtesy Shaun Patterson, WinkiPoP Media

Equestrian Interschool Nationals
Congratulations to Equestrian Leader, Mary (Year 12), Chloe (Year 8) Claire (Year 9) and Liv (Year 12) on their performances at the 2016 Australian Interschool Nationals in Sydney at the end of Term 3.

To read the equestrian report, please click here.

U13 National Hockey Championships
Year 8 girls Georgia, Mia and Samantha competed at the U13 National Hockey Championships in Perth during the Term 3 break. The South Australian Team only lost one game out of 11 and were placed third nationally. Well done on a fantastic result.

The girls were lucky enough to be sharing the venue with the SA Suns, featuring Old Collegians Emily Grist (’12), Maddy Spano (’12), Jillaroo Miki Spano (’15) and Olympian and Hockeyroo Jane Claxton (’10).

Australian Figure Skating Championships
Sisters Sophie (Year 10) and Bridie (Year 7) have been selected to compete in the 2016 Australian Figure Skating Championship held in Melbourne from Saturday 26 November to Friday 2 December. Congratulations girls and we look forward to hearing about your performances.

Old Collegian News
Congratulations to Old Collegian Dr Kate Fennell (Gunn, ’03) on receiving a scholarship grant from the Freemasons Foundation of SA/NT, which will help fund a study into the mental and physical wellbeing of farmers.

Please click here to view the article featured in The Advertiser.
Melissa Powell
Principal
Business Director

Rita Chetcuti, Business Director, invites tenders for the new Sports Centre Café.

Sports Centre Café

Tenders Now Open

Seymour College is pleased to invite tenders for the leasing of our new Sports Centre Café.

Building on our strong commitment to providing an excellent experience and service to our students, parents and to the wider community, the College is introducing an alfresco café at its Sports Centre facility.

The aim of the café is to create a centrally located, easily accessible, relaxed and welcoming community-based hub, where a variety of high quality café style food and beverages are offered for purchase to the community.

The Sports Centre is host to a variety of sporting activities annually and attracts a significant amount of traffic to the College. Such traffic includes students, staff, parents and external community members. A typical week brings in excess of 1,000 visitors through the College’s sporting facility.

The café includes a generous sized equipped kitchen of 22m². There is an alfresco area of 41m² immediately outside under a verandah, which comfortably seats 12 persons. There is a further 100m² available beyond the verandah onto the current lawned area, where planning is currently underway to install seating and shade for up to 32 persons.

The café, which has frontage to the Sports Centre car park, has a pleasant panoramic outlook over the Mitchell Oval and surrounding treescape.

Interested parties should request a Tender Pack from Mrs Rita Chetcuti, Business Director on 0408 841 694 or by email rchecutri@seymour.sa.edu.au.

Tenders close 2.00pm, Friday 11 November 2016 (extended).

Rita Chetcuti
Seymour College Business Director
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Welcome to Term 4

Welcome back to Term 4. As we head into the warmer months it is very important that we all remember to be sun smart by keeping in the shade and wearing sun screen and hats as necessary.

All students should now be wearing their summer uniform to school and, just a reminder, hats should be worn at all times when off campus and top buttons need to be done up. Scarves should never be worn with summer uniform; however, jumpers and blazers are appropriate if the weather is cooler.

Final Week for Year 12s

Today we farewelled the Class of 2016. The girls began their day with the Year 12 Farewell Assembly at which our school community said goodbye to our Year 12 girls and wished them well for their final exams. It was delightful to continue the tradition of the singing the blessing by the youngest girls from the Junior School. Following the Farewell Assembly was a morning tea for the Year 12 students and their parents. The Year 12 girls were then involved in their Clash of the Clan activities, before being dismissed at lunch time.

On Friday evening at the Year 12 dinner, our leaving cohort have the chance to share memories with their peers and teachers. Preceding this, Year 12 parents are invited to join staff and the Year 12 girls on the Boarders’ Lawn for parent drinks. This lovely opportunity allows staff to informally mingle with parents and the Year 12 girls and their parents.

Most Year 12s will not be on campus from Week 3, as they begin their SWOT Vac period. However, the Visual Art students will be busy completing the finishing touches of their major art works, for the opening of the Year 11 and 12 Art Exhibition in Week 3 on Tuesday 1 November. Please click here for booking information.

The opening of the exhibition is the culmination of months of tireless work from our Year 11 and 12 girls and they must be applauded for creating such innovative and creative works. Special thanks must go to the parents and families for their support of the girls and I also extend my thanks and appreciation to the Art Teachers, Christine Wheatley-Dawson and Suzanne Close for all of the preparations, guidance and encouragement that they have offered the girls. We congratulate all the girls involved in this exhibition.

Finally, as we say farewell to our Year 12 students, we wish them every success in the lead up to their exams. We look forward to welcoming the girls back in Week 8 of Term 4, to formally farewell the Class of 2016 at our Valedictory event.

Adrian Lawrence
Acting Head of Senior School
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Year 10 PDP and Year 11 REP

Year 10 Personal Development Programme (PDP)

On Wednesday of Week 1, our Year 10s were given the privilege of wearing their sports uniform for the day in order to take part in a PDP games session. They engaged in a number of games and puzzles in their Clan groups with the guidance of their Clan Guardians. This was a great opportunity for our Year 10s to interact outside of the normal classroom environment and to work together to achieve a goal with their peers. Everyone had a great time. Special thanks must go to our Clan Guardians, Rhonda Masters and Caroline Hodges for hosting the event.

Year 11 Research Project (REP)

Week 1 saw the conclusion of the Year 11 Research Project classes for the year. Well done to all our students who have worked so hard on these significant pieces of work. For the remainder of the term our Year 11s will have an alternate programme in these lesson times, which includes wellbeing classes, guest speakers, activities and some study lessons. We look forward to a very interesting term for them.

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**Girls’ Night In**

On the night of Monday 24 October, our Year 12 girls hosted a **Girls’ Night In** for Year 12 students from Seymour and a number of girls from other schools. The night involved pizza and soft drink and time on the bean bags watching a movie in the CPA. The purpose of the event was not only to give the girls a night off from their studies, but also the more important reason of raising money for the Cancer Council.

The girls were addressed by a recent cancer survivor and this provided a keen awareness of the reason they were all there. All in all, it was a brilliant night with a strong message, as well as a chance for our hard-working students to relax for an evening.

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Year 11 and 12 Art Exhibition

We welcome you to join us at the Semester 2 Year 11 and 12 Art Exhibition on Tuesday 1 November. This exhibition is the culmination of months of tireless work from our Year 11 and 12 girls.

Please RSVP to 8303 9000.
YOU ARE INVITED TO
YEAR 11 AND 12
ART EXHIBITION
TUESDAY 1 NOV
6.30 to 8.00PM
BARR SMITH HOUSE
RSVP: 08 8303 9000
Pastoral Care

So far my Year 7 experience has been a blast and very rewarding. The teachers have been really nice and have taught us so much this year. I love how they explain things in very great detail and make sure that we know what we are doing. They also make the lessons fun and interactive for the whole class. I love how all of the lessons somehow intertwine with each other when we have a big assignment. I also love how we use technology during lessons to enhance our learning experiences.

Katherine, 7S

I too believe our teachers are invested in their students learning. A lot of what Katherine has written points to good Middle School methodology, including her valuing of positive relationships within the class and with her teachers.

We are continuing to foster and promote positive relationships with and between students, in this term’s Pastoral Care sessions.

Students in Years 6 and 7 are using the resources of Iona Boniwell to focus on genuine respect for themselves and when relating to others. Forgiveness and empathy are also being explored. The Year 6 Study Tour this week to the South East region of South Australia, provided another opportunity for students to establish positive relationships within their cohort.

Year 8s will also focus on respect and they started by discussing and reflecting on the differences between respect and disrespect and their effects. They have also started the process of becoming next year’s leaders of the Middle School.

Year 9s will show respect and pride for themselves as they work to exhibit their STiR proposals. They too will go on their Outdoor Education camp. Many students return from this with a sense of real achievement because they have faced challenges and taken safe risks in a variety of activities. Relationships are also fostered, as they work together for common goals and see each other in a new environment outside of the normal school setting.

The term will end with the Annual Service Fair, when all Middle School students will contribute to raising money for a worthy cause.

I wish all participants in the Middle School Musical production of *The Wizard of Oz* all the best as they rehearse, perform and support each other over the next couple of weeks. I cannot wait to see the show; by all accounts it will be impressive.

*Rachel McKee*
*Head of Middle School*
Head of Middle School

In this edition Rachel McKee reflects on Pastoral Care in the Middle School. We also profile a recent visit by Engineers without Borders.

Engineers Without Borders

Late last term volunteers from the Engineers without Borders group came and ran another one of their Outreach sessions, this time for the Year 9s.

The Water Filtration Activity aims to educate students about the basics of making a sand/gravel water filter as well as the concept of social justice in engineering and how developing countries adapt to create appropriate technologies to suit their communities' needs.

Students in teams of approximately five were allocated a country. The 'countries' were given instructions and 'funds' which were used to build the sand filter. Developing countries had parts of their instructions changed to symbols based on the level of literacy in that country and they were also given limited funds. While teams brainstormed their designs and purchased materials, representatives from the developing countries sought assistance from the more developed countries. They could negotiate for funding, knowledge, help with the instructions or materials, but often found themselves faced with the challenge of building an equally efficient filter with limited resources.

The groups presented their water filter designs and spoke about some of the challenges they faced, including why they decided to donate, or not to donate, funds or resources to other countries. Each filter was tested by pouring dirty water into the top and looking at the colour of the filtered water. Students were asked to identify problems developing countries might have in supplying clean water to their population, and also to suggest how more developed countries might be able to assist them in finding longer term solutions.

Sharon Eichinger
Science/Maths Teacher
**Head of Junior School**

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**Welcome Back**

As we started what will be a very busy and full Term 4, it was wonderful to see and hear our beautiful Junior School grounds and classrooms spring back into life. Summer uniforms reminded me that, despite the cool weather lingering, summer is on its way. I have been very impressed with the number of girls wearing their hats each day as they arrive and leave school. Not only are hats an important part of the summer uniform, they also keep our girls sun safe.

On our very first day of term, I was able to share some beautiful photos of the newest member of the Seymour family. Freddie Marwe arrived into the world on Friday 14 October, a healthy baby boy born a couple of weeks early. We could not be happier for Brigitte and her husband Nick and have sent them our love. We look forward to a visit soon so that we can all meet Brigitte’s gorgeous son.

Amanda Fairley has admirably stepped into the Junior School PE teaching role this term and she is enjoying getting to know the students.

We also welcomed back Deb Virgo from her long service leave this week. She took some well-earned time to recharge and re-energise, and is looking tanned, fit and healthy after her exciting walking trip through Italy. In her absence Stacey Clark fitted perfectly into Deb’s big shoes, and I would like to thank her for her commitment and hard work. Bel Mears returned to Seymour to help in the office as well, so it has been very smooth sailing thanks to her vast experience and wonderfully warm approach.

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**New Head of Junior School Visit**

As she prepares to be our new Head of Junior School in 2017, the Junior School has welcomed an excited Susan Raymond who has spent some time getting to know us. On her very first visit, Susan enjoyed one of the staff's world famous Wednesday morning teas and she mingled with students from the Early Years through to Year 5.

Our parent community also had their first opportunity to get to know Susan following a Junior School assembly, where we were able to formally introduce her to Seymour. She was touched and inspired by the warmth and enthusiasm of her welcome. Susan will be making regular visits to the Junior School throughout the term and hopes to meet with as many members of our community as possible.

*Shelley Travers*

*Head of Junior School*
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Junior School Canteen

After a term of exciting anticipation, the refurbished Junior School canteen lifted its brand new roller shutter this term. The new kitchen appliances and a complete refit, allow us to make food on site and offer an updated menu. This will now include a range of freshly made, delicious and nutritious morning tea, lunch and snack items for the girls. New menus can be accessed on SOCS.

Catercare's Leah will be our canteen coordinator and, with the help of parent volunteers, we hope to provide a friendly, healthy and helpful service for families. Girls will be able to order lunch from our extensive menu and also purchase over the counter snacks. I would love to hear from any parents wishing to volunteer a couple of hours each week, or even less regularly, to help in our canteen. Volunteers will need to obtain a current 'Working with Children' clearance, which we can help arrange through the Junior School office. Please contact me if you would like help.

For the remainder of this year lunch orders will still need to be made via our current paper bag system but we are currently exploring a range of online ordering options for the future.

Shelley Travers
Head of Junior School
**Year 5 Seymour/PAC Leadership Day**

Our annual Year 5 Seymour/PAC Leadership Day was a wonderful opportunity for our Year 5 leaders to reflect on their developing skills, as they worked through a series of activities focusing on organisation, teamwork and building of a personal growth mindset. The theme for the day was *Leadership in Action* and we shared ways in which leadership discussions can be turned into real actions and words.

An inspiring guest speaker and Old Collegian, Maddy Broadbridge ('10), spoke about her extensive volunteer work and shared many of her leadership experiences. The students were particularly interested in her representation of South Australia in the Kokoda Leadership Challenge. Young leaders from around Australia travelled together to Papua New Guinea, to walk the challenging 155km Kokoda track. Our message to the students is that everyone can be a leader, albeit in a variety of different but relevant ways.

The weather was kind to us and a delicious morning tea was provided by the Seymour girls. As the day progressed there was a lot of wonderful interaction between the cohorts from both schools and we look forward to continuing this leadership programme into the future.

*Shelley Travers*

*Head of Junior*
**Head of Junior School**

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**PYP Verification Visit**

As part of the candidacy phase for PYP authorization, the school consultant, Melissa Graham, recently spent two days in the Junior School. Melissa has 10 years’ experience in the PYP and is currently the Acting Head of Junior School at St Margaret’s School in Melbourne. She is a PYP Coordinator and an IB workshop leader and consultant.

During the two day visit, Melissa met with Leadership, a select group of parents, and spent time wandering through classrooms to see firsthand the programme in place within the school. Classroom and specialist teachers were also invited to meet with Melissa to share their PYP journey.

The Junior School will continue to prepare for a verification visit from the IBO next year, with the aim to be fully authorized by the end of 2017.

It has been wonderful to host Melissa this week and to share the wonderful way our school, in particular, the teaching staff have embraced the IB PYP philosophy.

*Steph Bates*
*Assistant Head of Junior School Curriculum and PYP Coordinator*
**Head of Junior School**

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**Junior School Term 4 Diary Dates**

For more information about these upcoming events, please go to SOCS or contact the Junior School Office on 8303 9001.

- Wednesday 9 to Friday 11 November – Junior School Clash of the Clans
- Friday 11 November – Remembrance Day Service
- Friday 18 November – Year 4 Future Leaders' Day
- Sunday 20 November – Year 5 to Scots Church
- Monday 28 November – St Andrew's Day OCA Assembly
- Wed 30 November and 1 December – Junior School Nativity Play
- Friday 2 December – Junior School Swimming Carnival
- Monday 5 December – Junior School Moving Up Day and iPad Session for Year 3&4 parents
- Tuesday 6 December – Early Years Christmas Concert and Junior School Carols Celebration
- Thursday 8 December – Year 5 Graduation Service and family gathering
- Friday 9 December – Final day of Term 4 (12.30pm finish)
2017 Boarding Leaders

It is with great delight that I congratulate our new Boarding Leaders for 2017.

Our 2017 Head Boarder, Jess (Darwin) will work closely alongside Deputy Head Boarder, Lucy (Port Hughes) and Prefects Alex (Naracoorte), Annie (Kaniva), Deanna (Guangdong, China) and Perri (Darwin).

Boarders are renowned for involving themselves in all aspects of life at Seymour College. In addition, they happily volunteer to assist others. Our new leaders have been committed members of our boarding community for a number of years. From Wet and Dry Undies team members to acting as tour guides, assisting at our regional shows, being members of numerous sporting teams, and helping at Parents' and Friends' functions, these girls are committed to leading fulfilling lives as boarders.

Their boarding peers see them as kind, fun, wise, enthusiastic and intelligent and, with these qualities, they will find success in all that they undertake over the 12 months of their leadership tenure.

Caroline Hodges
Director of Boarding
News from Vancouver, Canada

Year 9s India and Lilly are currently in Vancouver attending York House School for a four week exchange.

India tells us about her first week in Canada:

On arrival in Vancouver, I was greeted by Kathryn and her mum Lisa, waiting at the airport with a sign. We jumped in their car and drove to Kathryn’s house, before we headed off to Whistler.

Whistler is an absolutely beautiful area and unlike anything I have ever seen before. The landscape is beautiful, with mountains everywhere and pine trees lining the roads. It snowed on the first day, which was an awesome experience. I have been skiing before when it has snowed, but the snow in this village was different and thicker and Whistler is filled with fun things to do.

Thanksgiving was a special celebration day as we went to a family friend’s house for a Thanksgiving Dinner. On Thanksgiving, everyone around the table says what they are most thankful for. Amazing food is enjoyed including a turkey roast with stuffing and apple sauce. I also tried pumpkin pie for the first time, which was delicious.

At school, I met Ms McDonald, as well as the two other exchange students from England. They are lovely girls and Lilly and I got along really well with them. The school days are different to ours and the lessons are much longer. I am taking Journalism and French, which are both hard but interesting. I attended Kathryn’s hockey game and Claire’s volleyball game, which were cool to watch.

I am having an absolutely fantastic time and enjoying every second of this school exchange.

India
Year 9

Rosie Lake
Coordinator of Student Activities
**Music, Sport, Clubs and Activities**

This week we celebrate our student involvement at the Equestrian Interschool Nationals and Summer Sport results. We also hear from our exchange students in Vancouver.

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**2016 Equestrian Interschool Nationals**

In the last two weeks of September, four Seymour girls travelled to the 2016 Australian Equestrian Interschool Nationals held at Sydney International Equestrian Centre.

Year 12 Mary competed in Elementary and Medium Dressage and Liv, also Year 12, competed in Introductory Eventing and Novice Dressage. Year 8 Chloe competed in Preliminary Eventing and Novice Dressage and Year 9 Claire competed in 60cm Combined Training and Novice Dressage.

All the girls rode extremely well and made their school and state proud. Team SA won the overall Team Spirit award, which is awarded to the state that wears their uniform correctly and demonstrates the spirit of interschool by supporting their team members and the other competitors. Mary and Liv were Team SA team leaders, so they were a part of the group who collected the trophy.

Individually, the girls did very well. Some highlights included Liv finishing 14th out of a large pool of competitors, Claire finishing 9th in the Combined Training while I was delighted to win Reserve Medium Dressage champion.

Congratulations to all the girls who competed and good luck for next year!

*Mary, Year 12*

*Equestrian Leader*
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Summer Sport Round 9 Results

Basketball
Senior A were defeated by Scotch 39–49
Mid A defeated Scotch 44–40
Mid B defeated Scotch 40–21
Mid C1 were defeated by Pembroke 16–23
Mid C2 drew with Pembroke 14–14

Softball
B Team defeated Walford 12–11

Tennis
Premier League defeated Westminster 6–0
Premier League Reserves defeated Westminster 5–1
Division 1 Team 1 were defeated by St Ignatius 1–5
Division 1 Team 2 were defeated by Pulteney 2–4
Division 2 Team 1 were defeated by Pulteney 2–4
Division 2 Team 2 defeated Pulteney 3–3 (28–26)
Division 3 Team 1 were defeated by St Ignatius 3–3 (21–23)
Division 3 Team 2 were defeated by Pulteney 2–4
Division 4 Team 1 were defeated by Pembroke 2–4
Division 4 Team 2 were defeated by Pulteney 0–6

Touch
Senior B Team defeated St Aloysius 4–3
Senior C Team defeated Mary MacKillop 5–0

Volleyball
Senior A were defeated by Westminster 1–2
Senior B were defeated by Westminster 0–3
Senior C were defeated by Westminster 0–3
Mid A were defeated by Westminster 1–2
Mid B were defeated by Westminster 1–2
Mid C were defeated by Westminster 0–3

Water Polo
Year 11/12 B Team vs Nazareth – Game cancelled
Year 11/12 C Team were defeated by St Michaels 4–9
Year 9/10 Team drew with Mercedes 4–4
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Year 11 and 12 Art Exhibition

We welcome you to join us at the Semester 2 Year 11 and 12 Art Exhibition on Tuesday 1 November. This exhibition is the culmination of months of tireless work from our Year 11 and 12 girls.

Please RSVP to 8303 9000.
YOU ARE INVITED TO
YEAR 11 AND 12
ART EXHIBITION
TUESDAY 1 NOV
6.30 to 8.00PM
BARR SMITH HOUSE
RSVP: 08 8303 9000

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Seymour Dance Showcase

Join us at the Seymour Dance 2016 Showcase on Sunday 27 November 2016 at the Centre for Performing Arts, Seymour College, 546 Portrush Road, Glen Osmond.

Junior Concert: 11.30am-12.30pm
Senior Concert: 2.00pm-3.00pm
Tickets: $15.00, bookings at www.trybooking.com/230162

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A sausage sizzle, provided by the Seymour College Parents’ and Friends’ Association, will be available for purchase at the conclusion of the Junior Concert until 2.00pm.

Other refreshments will be available throughout the day.

Tickets: $15.00, bookings at www.trybooking.com/230162

Tickets available from Friday, 16 September until Friday, 11 November.

Ticket numbers are limited – book early and don’t miss out!

For more information, please contact Seymour Dance on 8333 0003
or email dance@seymour.sa.edu.au

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Annual Giving and McGregor Hall’s Chair for the Future Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has generously supported the past Annual Giving appeals. Your support goes a long way towards advancing vital College projects.

We have launched our 2016 Annual Giving Appeal and this year we are asking for support for the refurbishment of a great hall that has been witness to many performances, assemblies and special occasions over the past 40 years. McGregor Hall is in need of major renovations to create a dynamic music and performance space for the future.

To contribute to this transformation you may wish to sponsor a Chair for the Future. An engraved plaque with your choice of wording will be placed on the back of your chair and you will have the pleasure of knowing that your generosity has made it possible for a young student to showcase their talents, join in communal activities and develop an appreciation of the performing arts (tax deductible donation of $1000 per chair).

Alternatively, as part of the Annual Giving Appeal you may choose to support the development of the Taylor Resource Centre or contribute to the Library Fund. Any size of gift is greatly appreciated. If you are considering a larger gift, you may like to establish a named scholarship.

For more information on donating, scholarships or leaving a bequest, please contact Vicky Lekis, Director of Advancement, on 8303 9072 or via email vlekis@seymour.sa.edu.au. Gifts over $2 are fully tax deductible.

Vicky Lekis
Director of Advancement
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Parents’ & Friends’ Association AGM

The Parents’ and Friends’ Association are holding their AGM on Thursday 17 November at 7.00pm at Barr Smith House.

The positions of Treasurer and Community Liaison Officer are both open for expressions of interest Please click here for a nomination form. Please complete the form and return to McGregor or Barr Smith Campus by Thursday 10 November, marked ‘Attention - P&F Secretary’.

For more information, please contact Emma Farrer, Philanthropy Assistant at EFarrer@seymour.sa.edu.au or phone 8303 9046.

Marcelle James
President
Seymour College Parents’ & Friends' Association
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Diary Dates

A comprehensive calendar of events can be found by current parents on SOCS - click here.

Saturday 29 October
Summer Sport Round 8

Monday 30 October to Friday 4 November
Clash of Clans
Year 12 SWOT Vac

Tuesday 1 November
Year 11 and 12 Art Exhibition, Barr Smith House 6.30pm

Friday 4 November
Clash of Clans Final
P&F BBQ lunch and drinks 12.30pm

Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 November
Exeat Weekend

Saturday 5 November
OCA Adelaide Reunion

Monday 7 to Friday 11 November
Foundation Swimming
Year 12 Exams

Monday 7 November
MS Musical Wizard of Oz Dress Rehearsal, CPA
OCA Golf Day

Wednesday 9 to Friday 11 November
JS Clash of the Clans
MS Musical Wizard of Oz, CPA 7.30pm

Friday 11 November
Thistles Coffee Morning
JS Remembrance Service

Saturday 12 November
Summer Sport Round 9

Monday 14 to Friday 18 November
Years 3 and 5 Swimming
Year 9 Camp 1
Year 12 Exams

**Tuesday 15 November**
OCA Committee Meeting and AGM 7.00pm

**Thursday 17 November**
P&F Committee Meeting and AGM, Barr Smith House 7.00pm
The positions of Treasurer and Community Liaison Officer are open for expressions of interest. Please click here for a nomination form or contact Emma Farrer at EFarrer@seymour.sa.edu.au or phone 8303 9046.

**Friday 18 November**
OCA South East Lunch
JS Future Leaders’ Day
Thank You Function 6.30pm

**Saturday 19 November**
Summer Sport (MS only)

**Sunday 20 November**
JS to Scots Church

**Monday 21 to Friday 25 November**
Years 2 and 4 Swimming
Year 9 Camp 2
Year 12 Exams

**Tuesday 22 November**
MS Concert, CPA 7.00pm

**Wednesday 23 November**
Year 6 2017 Orientation Day
Year 6 2017 Parent Function 6.30pm

**Thursday 24 November**
MS Boarders’ Orientation
P&F JS Sausage Sizzle

**Friday 25 November**
JS/MS 2017 Orientation Day
Staff Christmas Market, 4.00-7.00pm

**Saturday 26 to Sunday 27 November**
Exeat Weekend

**Sunday 27 November**
Seymour Dance Showcase - book at www.trybooking.com/230162