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If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.

What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family.

God doesn’t require us to succeed; he only requires that you try.

It’s not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.

At the end of life we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by ‘I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat; I was naked, and you clothed me; I was homeless, and you took me in.’

I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.

The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread.

The greatest disease in the West today is not TB or leprosy; it is being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for. We can cure physical diseases with medicine, but the only cure for loneliness, despair, and hopelessness is love. There’s a hunger for love, just as there is a hunger for food.

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ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT
GYC's Directors of Ministry, Mrs Kylie Sutten and Mr Simon McManus, recently attended the Edmund Rice Education Australia symposium on literacy and numeracy. The keynote speech was by young people should be involved in the planning of literacy and numeracy which speaks to their level, their challenges and their circumstances. We need to continue to embrace the media with which we connect, both to develop an understanding of the world around them and to use it to prepare them for the world of work.

What’s not to love about maths?
Simone McManus, Hobart Campus

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FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS
Ancient wisdom: a time to plant, a time to harvest

Mrs Bobby Court

The Book of Ecclesiastes is one of “three wisdom writings in the Hebrew Bible”.1 Considered to be the work of one author, there is consensus that it was compiled during the “late post-exilic period, between 520BCE and 300BCE”. From a contemporary perspective, it could be deemed that such an ancient text has little wisdom to offer us as citizens of the 21st century. Yet, to the contrary, it seems that much of this ancient wisdom is as relevant to us today as it was to those in the ancient world.

In particular, as this academic year draws ever nearer to a close, I am reminded of these words of wisdom from the sage who penned Ecclesiastes, “For everything there is a season, and a time for every activity under the heavens... a time to plant and a time to harvest.”

After almost three terms of study, our students are preparing to ‘harvest’ that which they have ‘planted’ this year as they have engaged with their academic and vocational education programs. For some students, this is a time when they realise that a consistent and diligent approach to study throughout the year has prepared them well for this final phase of their 2016 coursework; while for others, there is a sense of disquiet as they realise that they have, perhaps, been less studious that they could have been. Regardless of where they are positioned on the spectrum of preparedness for their final assessments, the message for all students is that it is time to make a decision to finish the year as well as they can. For it is they who can experience a sense of satisfaction as they ‘harvest’ the results of what they ‘planted’ earlier this year.

In this light, it is perhaps timely that students consider adopting some of the following character traits that Stanford University MBA Professor, Jeffrey Pfeffer, believes are integral to success in any endeavour:

• the willingness and the ability to work hard and for long hours;
• the ability to remain focused on goals;
• a recognition of the needs of others and a willingness to understand who they are and to communicate with them;
• an ability to be flexible, to change course, to adopt new strategies rather than persisting with attitudes and practices that are not working;
• a need to reflect on the outcome of an event and to draw conclusions from them.

Finally, as the ‘season of activity’ that has been this academic year enters its final term, all students in our Guildford Young College community can be sure that each of their teachers is fully committed to supporting them to ‘harvest’ fitting rewards for their work this year.

We wish them every success in their endeavours.

Mr Mathew Derrick (Glenorchy)

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Historically, our story also stands alone. The appalling treatment of the original custodians was proportionally so much more destructive than any other settlement in Australia and the brutality inflicted on convicts and the poverty they experienced when emancipated was profound. All this took place in a climate of ignorance where the diversity and beauty of the environment was and is a treasure beyond description.

Material gain was hard fought for as both extractive industry and agriculture established their activities dotted around a landscape of challenging terrain with the ‘tyranny of distance’ creating enormous difficulty and demand ing the greatest resilience. Local communities were strong, they had to be; survivors. Family relied on their children to contribute to the success of the industry. As larger towns and cities developed and began to connect with a different mercantile world, smaller townships cemented their individual identity and parochialism, still very dependent on extracting resources and farming land. There was a limit on the size of agricultural properties and therefore the economies of scale were enterprise against growing wealth to the emerging mainland experience.

How has this informed our educational circumstance? With no scope here for writing a thesis, I offer the following thoughts.

For a tiny island, distance, however defined, continues to inhibit access to the same advantage that education in the associated formation and social capital provides. A number of our smaller communities remain quite isolated even though as ‘the crow flies’ the ground to be covered is minimal compared to distances travelled on the mainland. Often, in these communities, the value of leaving school ‘early’ to gain work remains, having far greater priority than completion of Year 12. Those who choose to access higher education continue to face the challenge of limited city accommodation and inefficient transport.

For those who live in the outer suburbs of our cities and major towns, and who traditionally were dependent on major extraction and manufacturing, their isolation is defined by generational unemployment and in some instances the communal, personal, family, health and mental wellbeing dysfunction that may emerge. Hope can easily be lost and the avenue to a different life through education and connection to another world can seem to be out of reach. Pockets of entrenched poverty reflect a perspective that struggles to see how anything can be salvaged or even to develop a way to do so.

The Year 9-12 Curriculum Review will grapple with providing recommendation to the Minister to construct education opportunities that will bring reform and enable our young people to achieve well beyond what they believe their capacity to be; access to completion of Year 12 and beyond, as is their right, and to emerge as well formed, educated, confident and socially responsible people, able in their own right to make a positive difference to their world.

Career education has and will continue to play a vital role here but beyond this, just as importantly, it believes us all to say and do what we can to be agents of change, to enter into the conversation, recognising, the ‘poverty’ our culture seems to have accepted and to demand change for those without a voice.

The ‘greater good’ for our Tasmanian community will only be achieved when those who continue to live impoverished existence can be helped and guided to their human dignity as valued members of our society. Our work needs to begin with the children and not wait a moment longer.

I wish the Review well, it is important and necessary but Year 9-12 is too late for the little ones about to begin their schooling. Our responsibility to speak up and set and offer hope, welcome and promise begins with your advocacy today.

We can be true to the opportunity an island is able to offer its people; that is, by necessity, to be extraordinarily creative and innovative, strong and focussed on responding to challenge, enhancing the measures we have and believing in our capacity to bring about the complex cultural change our young people need.

At the heart of the solution is proclaiming loudly, in every circumstance, by parents, grandparents, employers, any person of influence, that education to Year 12 is life-giving and is the right of every child in this State.

In the words of St Teresa of Calcutta: I alone cannot change the world, but I can care for one little world across the waters to create many ripples.

Mr Patrick Court

NEW PRINCIPAL

The next Principal for Guildford Young College will be Mr Craig Deayton (pictured below).

Mr Deayton, an acknowledged educational leader, is currently Principal of Sacred Heart College, New Town. He has been a Principal in Tasmanian Catholic schools since 1994.

His appointments have included Star of the Sea College, George Town (1994-1998); MacKillop Catholic College, Merroonig (1999-2006) and Sacred Heart College (2009-2016).

The Archbishop of Hobart and chairman of the Guildford Young College Governing Council, the Most Rev. Archbishop Julian Porteous, made the announcement on 29 July.

“Craig’s drive to build a culture in schools of dynamism, engagement and rigour have enabled successful implementation of various reforms in particular the improvement of core skills of literacy and numeracy for all students,” Archdiocese Porteous wrote in a letter to the Catholic community.

“I am confident that his background and commitment to excellence in Catholic Education will successfully lead Guildford Young College into the future.”

He also wrote, “It is with gratitude that I take this opportunity to thank Mr Bobby Court for the professionalism and vision she has demonstrated during her 13 years leading Guildford Young College, her dedicated advocacy for quality secondary education in Tasmania and her vast contribution to the success of Guildford Young College.”

Mr Deayton will begin as the third Principal in the history of DVC at the beginning of 2017, following on from Mrs Court. GYC’s first Principal was Sr Pamela Davis OP (1994-2003).
Years of dedication honoured

A leader in the GYC community has been awarded the highest accolade given by Catholic Education in Tasmania.

Mrs Simone McManus, Director of Ministry on the Hobart Campus and a teacher, was one of two 2016 recipients of the Exemplary Contribution to Catholic Education award, presented at the Tasmanian Catholic Education Commission Recognition Awards. The other recipient this year was Fr Bernie Graham SDB, who, although more closely associated with Dominic College, is on the Governing Council of Guilford Young College.

Mrs McManus was also nominated for her contribution to co-curricular activities for students and her generosity in sharing her time and expertise with the broader Catholic Education system.

FR BERNIE GRAHAM SDB was nominated for his dedication and contribution to the establishment of Guilford Young College as well as the reconfiguration of Dominic College while serving as school principal during its transition from kindergarten to Year 12 in 1995.

Since 2010, his contribution has been in governance which includes representing the Salesians of Don Bosco and Dominic College on the Governing Council of Guilford Young College and the Association of Catholic Colleges of Tasmania. He is also the Salesian delegate for wider ministry for the Australia-Pacific Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco and is also the Vice-Provincial.

AT HOME IN THE KITCHEN

Dominic College students loved the industry-standard kitchen they had at their disposal when they visited the VET Hospitality Suite on the Glenorchy Campus recently for a ‘taster’ session with GYC teacher Mrs Linda Williams.

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College leaders for 2017

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Glenorchy Campus

Captains

Luke Williams and Hannah Fitzpatrick

Vice-Captains

Dani Rahamani and Claudia Fone

Hobart Campus

Captains

Thomas Loveluck and Julia De Souza

Vice-Captains

Jacob Rugless and Megwyn Mosenthal

The appointments follow an extensive selection process that included delivering a speech to their Campus peers, an interview, voting by students and staff and a recommendation to the Principal. The announcements were made to Campus gatherings by the College Deputies Principals, Mrs Susan Bunkum (Hobart) and Mr Matthew Derrick (Glenorchy).

The House Captains for next year will be known early in Term 4.

The 2017 Student Leaders will be formally presented to the Guilford Young College community at the 2016 Graduation Ceremony on Tuesday 8 November.
Celebrities lend a hand, too

At the instigation of Year 11 student, Luke Williams, the GYC Media Production class was visited by some of Hobart’s celebrities during Term 3. Luke began a foundation in 2014 to help raise funds and awareness for children diagnosed with autism. This year, as part of his GYC course work, he created an advertisement that allows him to spread this awareness further through the community. As part of this project, Luke enlisted the help and talents of a number of well-known Hobart celebrities, including John X (pictured above with Luke), Dave Noonan ( pictured right with some of the Media class), Leigh Carmichael, Cassie Xittavelonis and Jo Palmer. Luke also appears in this new awareness campaign, I will lend a hand.

Luke’s foundation, Lend a hand to Hugo, is a not-for-profit, registered charity that was inspired by his nephew, Hugo ( pictured right with Luke), who was diagnosed with severe autism when aged two. Lend a hand to Hugo assists families through the funding of therapy and educational resources, and is a leader in raising awareness of the Autism Spectrum Disorders through their public speaking programs aimed at children 12-18. Therapy can cost more $150 per session and most children require 20 hours per week. Lend a hand to Hugo has already assisted four families and has enlisted support from a number of Australian athletes and other public figures.

Further information about the foundation can be found on Facebook: www.facebook.com/lendahandtohugo.

French exchange students say farewell

French exchange students JULIETTE BELPOMO and JULIETTE ARMAND enjoyed college life at GYC for several weeks during Term 3.

Julliette Belpomo was on exchange from Students of the World and spent four weeks in Ms Kristin Leeds’ tutor and Juliette Armand was an exchange from AFS for five weeks. Both students felt the time went too fast and they are hoping to return for further study soon. The dance class was a highlight of their experience, as was tasting Australian foods and enjoying nature.

Spirits soar as memories are made

Spirits soared and memories were made as the third annual College Colours Day was celebrated by the whole College at the Glenorchy Campus on Wednesday 14 September.

A day of gratitude, acknowledgement of achievement and celebration, it was packed with activities – from the College Assemblies, held in the Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre through to House tug-of-war (won by Carmel House) and basketball competitions as well as numerous fundraising activities and finally the Has GYC Got Talent talent quest.

The culmination of the day was the announcement of the winners of the House Spirit Cups.

This year the Cups were won by Bosco House (Hobart Campus) and MacKillop House (Glenorchy Campus). Pictured above are the House Captains, from left, Amy Spandler and Zach Gorman, Bosco House, and Glo Bayabos and Galiby Chaffey, MacKillop House.

A special feature of the day was a presentation made by the College Captains to the Principal, Mrs Bobby Harris, as this was the final gathering of the whole College before she finishes her term as Principal at the end of the year.

While enjoying lovely spring weather, students and staff appreciated the seriousness that comes with the for the day of fun and relaxation ahead of the seriousness that comes with the for the end of the year – exams and graduation.
Advertising brochure highlights former GYC students

Two former GYC students feature in a new brochure on school supported traineeships set out by VET-Construction.

The Tasmanian Catholic schools are included among the schools on the nationwide brochure that supports the scheme.

An insert that highlights a Tasmanian success story features SAM WORTH (GHC 2005) and LAURA NEGRI (GHC 2015).

Mr Mooney began teaching at St Therese’s Catholic Primary School, Moonah, as a PE teacher. In 2014, he was appointed Assistant Principal at St Paul’s Catholic Primary School in Bridgewater. He is the supervisor of AFL SportsReady school support team. Laura, who is working full-time as a sports assistant at St Paul’s while studying for a Certificate III in Sports and Recreation.

Mr Mooney’s dedication to teaching has been recognised by the Tasmanian Catholic Schools Education and Employment. Several organisations dedicated to providing high quality training and improving the skills of the State’s workforce.

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Oral History hits mark with young and old

The inaugural Oral History project has been a hit with the GYC students and their elderly counterparts alike – and the collaborators are delighted.

A Hobart Campus Emerging Issues in Society class undertook an oral history exercise with residents of Freemasons’ Homes in Lindisfarne during Term 2.

Students, mostly in pairs, were assigned a resident who they visited weekly for several months to gain information needed to compile a written biography of the resident.

Student travel to and from and at the home was funded by Palliative Care Tasmania (PCT).

The final component of the program was a social evening at the home, the highlight of which was the students’ sharing of the residents’ stories.

“The girls from GYC made such a breathtaking presentation on the Ortigas story of my life, I was very touched and they made me look so glamorous too!” ILMA, Freemasons

“We found it extraordinary to find out that at the time that Ilma graduated from university as a qualified Accountant and won a University prize she could not accept it as she was a woman.” MADDIE GYC

“I think the girls from GYC that I met each week are very fine young women. They are a credit to their College and their parents.” Brian (Freemasons’ Nursing Homes)

“While listening to Hazel we learnt about her values - the value she places on family, friends and love. ‘Hazel’ has taught us to listen to those older than us, to be patient and to enjoy the little things in life, Hazel lives life, and makes the most of her old age. She’s a very social person and is somewhat tech-savvy using the technology of today for her advantage.” Josie and Holly (GYC)

“I would highly recommend this experience to any resident who is considering being involved. I thoroughly enjoyed each visit” Delta (Freemasons’ Nursing Homes)

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MacKillop Catholic College recently used GYC’s Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre for its annual drama production, this year Scattered Lives. It was a chance for former MacKillop students to say hello. Among them was Year 11 Technical Theatre Production student Matthew West, pictured on the set with actors Ella Blayber (Year 9) and Jack Bryce (Year 10) and crew member April Malovnek (Year 10).

Production Time

The GYC musical for 2016, Footloose, burst on to the stage in spectacular fashion for four wonderful performances to huge audiences in the Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre, in August.

It was a thoroughly entertaining, high energy, toe-tapping experience. Director Chelle Burtt, choreographer Emma Stone, musical director Matthew Ives and a number of other production technicians - along with a talented cast - pulled together a wonderful show.

Industry Recognises

The construction of the Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre on the Glenorchy Campus has earned its builder one of several accolades at the 2016 Master Builders Tasmania Awards for Excellence.

Vos Construction and Joinery Pty Ltd took out the New Construction $5-10 million category with the GYC show-piece. This was one of seven category wins for the firm before it was announced as Commercial Builder of the Year, making it the standout winner at the awards which were held in Launceston on 20 August.

Footloose

Like many people my age, Footloose provided the soundtrack to my youth. I remember specifically watching the movie for the first time, then having the cassette in my Walkman, and getting to listen to this iconic music over and over. I didn't want it to end!

There are so many great messages to take away from this simple yet powerful story. The one I chose to focus on was “pain management”. It is very interesting to me that every character in this story finds unique ways to handle the pain they are dealing with in their lives.

Whether it is Shaw shutting down, Ariel lashing out, or even Willard fighting, this town is haunted by the pain of its past. Ren’s arrival provides a catalyst for everyone to examine themselves more closely and find a way to deal with the pain they have been living with for years.

By standing alone in his belief system, he shows us all what it truly means to have courage, and allows the town to find some measure of healing.

This is the only show I’ve encountered where every single character finds that sort of peace.

I sincerely thank Guilford Young College for allowing me to be part of an amazing theatrical journey and of course I thank the wonderful cast and crew for their hard work, patience and commitment.

Go in peace!
Robotics comes of age

Robotics has come of age at GYC.

After several years of close competition, GYC students have placed 1st and 2nd in the Tasmanian RoboCup Junior Championship finals. The Guildford Young College fielded several teams in the championshiof the 2016 RoboCup Junior Competition. The Guildford Young College had 2nd place teams in both the Senior and Junior divisions.

Difficulties bring rewards

Graham also brought another challenge to the group. He challenged the group to push through anger and frustration to achieve their goals to have a wonderful experience.

You are inspirations to us all.

The group conquered a total of 32 km over three days. The class comprised students from my Computing class who were not interested in robotics. The class played to its strengths and pushed everyone to success.

Setting individual goals made Graham a success. The group was well planned, all goals set for the group to do better.

Graham also brought another challenge to the group: the weather. It was windy and as the group moved further towards the summit, the weather became much colder. This challenged the group morale. The class was well rewarded, however, with spectacular views and, for many, a sense of great achievement.

Graham was just one of the many challenges overcome during the three days. As various members struggled physically and emotionally, over rough terrain and carrying heavy packs, falls, injuries and tears were also part of the experience. The class pushed through anger and frustration and disappointment in order to achieve their goals to have a wonderful experience.

Adam Byrnes, Josh Peters, Gabby Chaffey

Science Week @ GYC

Science Week provides a wonderful opportunity to astound students, young and old, with some scientific sleight-of-hand.

During Science Week, Year 3 and 6 students from Sacred Heart Catholic School, Gossevan, were entertained and educated with some scientific showmanship.

Dry ice and liquid nitrogen were employed for some ‘cool’ demonstrations. Roses were frozen and smashed, balloons both exploded and imploded and fog was made freely available for theatrical effect.

Among the mayhem, the students implicitly learnt about the intricacies of boiling, melting and sublimation points as well as contraction and expansion of gases.

Students were also charged with energy on the Van de Graaf generator. It was a real hair-raising experience with students and teachers alike experiencing the effects of static electricity. Mini lightning was created and the repelling nature of like charges was experienced through a confetti fountain. An electrifying time was had by all.

The following week, Year 6 students from St James Catholic College, Cygnet, also visited. This time they were entranced by the biology and chemistry laboratories under the watchful eyes of Mrs Heidi Senior and Mrs Rebecca Clifford and a number of students.

The line 1 chemistry class at the Hobart Campus worked through five different chemical reactions. The senior students led the younger students through making observations and trying to explain what had been observed.

Next day, in the biology lab, a variety of activities held the students spellbound.

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Thai Kitchen to the World continues to grow with GYC at its heart

Thai Kitchen to the World, an international collaboration now into its fifth year, has grown beyond Tasmanian shores.

The teaching chefs from Bangkok’s Suan Dusit Rajabhat University, this year for the first time, started their Australian visit in Melbourne – at the William Angliss Institute, a TAFE institute providing specialist training in Hospitality, Tourism and Culinary Arts. They were joined there by GYC’s VET Hospitality teacher, Mr Stephen Lunn.

Later, in Tasmania, the visitors - Dr Niphatchanok (Ning) Najpinij (Gastronomy, Graduate School, Suan Dusit Rajabhat University) and Mr Phonganan (Chef Paul) Sirisaenghaivian and Mr Songpol (Chef Puk) Vithanawatuna (both teaching chefs at the university’s international culinary school) – conducted masterclasses for GYC students, high school students, TasTAFE students and industry apprentices in Hobart and in Launceston.

The 2016 visit culminated with a reception for Thailand’s new Ambassador to Australia, Mr Chirachai Punnkrasin, from Canberra, other international and local dignitaries and families, at the Hobart Campus of Guilford Young College. Mr Punnkrasin and his wife, Mrs Kanyaratana Punnkrasin, visited the GYC kitchens on the afternoon of the reception as students prepared the delicious food which was later served by other GYC students.

As in previous years, scholarships for a 10 day Thai experience based at the Suan Dusit Rajabhat University were announced by the Ambassador. Even as the delicate aromas Thai cooking were fading from the GYC kitchens, plans were already being hatched for 2017.

Thai Kitchen to the World, aims to increase awareness, training and skills in finer details of Thai cooking for local chefs, apprentice chefs and school hospitality and students.

With support from local groups involved in business, education, training and skill development, Thai Kitchen to the World has become established as an annual and sought-after experience.

The blooming collaboration, spearheaded by Guilford Young College, also involves the Honorary Thai Consul to Tasmania, Mr Abhirat Achalabun, the Royal Thai Embassy and the Suan Dusit Rajabhat University.

Thai International Airlines supports us 3 return tickets plus some give away gifts, Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) 300 cotton bags with cookbooks and Tampoga (Melbourne) Thai ingredients and beverage.

Thai Kitchen to the World is designed to foster ‘people to people’ links and cultural exchange and has been a valued part of Guilford Young College VET Hospitality classes annually since 2014. Thai Kitchen to the World foregrounds Thai cuisine and cultural heritage and the College has been fortunate in welcoming renowned chefs and academics who have showcased their skills and knowledge to both students and staff and the wider community.

In June this year, Dr Hatthaichanok Najpinij, with whom I attended the conference in Bangkok, delivered seminars on Thai cuisine, culture, history and religion to Asian Studies, AAP and Food and Nutrition classes in Hobart and in colleges in northern Tasmania.

The Chulalongkorn Asian Heritage Forum continued to deepen what I had learnt in Hobart from Dr. Najpinij.

World experts in the fields of the intrinsic link between cultural heritage and cuisine with a particular focus on religious ceremony and historical development of food presented at the conference. Of particular interest were the presentations, “Sweets in Buddhist Narratives” by Venerable Chongdok Park, “Food Sweets and Buddhist Monastic Life” by Dr Soonil, and “Wagashi (Japanese Sweets) and Buddhist Monastic Life” by Dr Soonil, and “Wagashi (Japanese Sweets) and Buddhist Monastic Life” by Dr Soonil, and “Wagashi (Japanese Sweets) and Buddhist Monastic Life” by Dr Soonil.

Two other recipients of the scholarship, Harrison Davidson-Lim and James Banks, will fly to Bangkok in November to attend the Suan Dusit Culinary School attached to the prestigious Suan Dusit University. Suan Dusit University strives to preserve and promote traditional Thai cuisine.

It is at this culinary school that famous Australian Thai chef, David Thompson, learnt traditional culinary skills and recipes from ancient Thai chronicles from Dr Najpinij’s mother who is an expert in historical Thai cuisine and preparation of royal cuisine.
GYC students feature in Tasmanian Volleyball Schools Cup

Students from GYC participated in the Tasmanian Volleyball Schools Cup with well-supported boys’ and girls’ teams. Both teams played very well with great dynamic play and served to be seen throughout the event. Having finished so well in the State title, they travelled to Goolwa, SA, for the nationals, with high hopes.

Over the first two days, we showed great potential in our racing and skills and we were in the top four of 24 teams. However, we were a relatively heavy team with all three of our helmets in Year 11 or 12. This factor had a negative influence on us in the second half of the regatta when the wind completely dropped out, making it hard for us to be competitive against the lighter teams which were quicker. We ended the regatta ninth, narrowly missing out on a top eight finals series.

I would like to thank our coaches, Jony Cooper (GYC 2013) and Oli Burnell and our team manager Tony Greene for all the opportunities and help they gave on and off the water.

The championships which were held 12-16 July, were won by a team from The Friends’ School, giving Tasmania back-to-back titles.

Rowers prepare for coming season

After a well-earned break from the 2015/2016 rowing season, our rowers are preparing to get back out on the water and enjoy some fresh spring mornings and evenings. With major competitions not commencing until 2017 the students will clock up the kilometres as they prepare for another season.

Although our rowing numbers were small last season, the students competed well representing GYC and in combined crews.

A highlight of the season was when two GYC students competed at the Sydney International Rowing Regatta which combines the Australian Open Rowing Championships, the King's and Queen's Cups Interstate Regatta and the Australian Open Schools Rowing Championships.

The students were Lauren Conway (Yr 12) and Jared Weisse (Yr 11). Lauren competed in the Schoolgirls title and was a member of the Tasmanian Women’s Youth Eight which had a fantastic meet to finish fourth. For Jared, it was a wonderful experience of high level competition.

GYC’s rowers for the past season were: Lauren Conway, Nina Neyland, Meg Robinson and Bronte Charles (pastor’s daughter), Jared Weisse and Solomon Mitchell. With the exception of Lauren, they are all Year 11 students. It is hoped they will continue next year and be joined by current Year 10 students.

Tasmanian Schools Cup in volleyball

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I would like to commend both teams on their efforts, as their final standings did not reflect the skill that was shown.

A big thank you too, to Mr Zain Wright for getting students to the venue and starting in the lineup with GYC boys, for their only win of the day.

It is encouraging to see most of the players are Year 12 and itching to come back for redemption next year.

Thank you to all the players for a wonderful day out.

Greg Anderson, coach and manager

Netball Firsts' SSATIS title returns to GYC

After a thrilling and skilful game that went into extra time, the GYC Netball Firsts regained the SSATIS netball title from arch rivals, St Mary’s College.

Having gone through the roster games undefeated, the GYC girls went into the grand final full of confidence against St Mary’s College, but history was against them. Both teams had played off in the previous three finals with St Mary’s taking the title on each occasion.

Following a flier of a start that saw GYC take a 10-point lead into the first break, St Mary’s College players determinedly pegged back the lead until they got in front. After an almost goal-for-goal tussle in which neither team was able to break away, the score on the full-time siren was 42-42.

In two six-minute periods of extra time, GYC, scoring first, showed disciplined control to hold off St Mary’s 57-51, to bring the trophy home for the first time in four years.

GYC will now contest the SATIS final in Hobart late in Term 3. This match will be reported in the next Newsletter. Results will be posted on the GYC website and on Facebook.

Thank you to Michelle Quayle for coaching the team.

Fun season

The Netball Seconds had a great opening to their roster with strong wins over St Michael’s Collegiate School, Fahan School and The Friends’ School. Unfortunately, a number of forfeits throughout the competition had a strong impact on the team’s results and the girls were unable to make the finals.

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On the state scene

The AYC-Friends Arrows team has won back-to-back premierships after cruising to a 77-46 win over the Northern Hawks in the State League Netball grand final in August. The team boasts five GYC alumnas, Natalie Downston (Aulich), Reagan Davie (Plunkett), Sophie Gunn (Manning), Emily Sharp and Amy Rainbird. Natalie has been the coach of the GYC Firsts for several years.

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Students take on canoe polo for first time

Canoe polo for 2016 was another successful year with the team coming third in its roster.

Several members had not played before and the skills developed and team work shown were fantastic.

Jeremy Ford captained the team and was responsible for coaching and making sure all the players had a great experience.

Other team members were Kimberlee Caunter, Nina Neyland, Sophie Taylor, Kate Trdin.

Paul Baker, manager.

Thanks to Mr Baker for looking after the team.

Girls enjoy their hockey season

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Late form brings back-to-back SSATIS titles for First XI

by Marco Guerzoni, coach

Although the 2016 season was disrupted by bad weather, GYC’s soccer First XI still had a great year, due thankfully, to its capacity to deliver its best form in the closing weeks of the roster.

Successive early victories against The Friends’ School meant that the season would once more gravitate to a closely fought battle with The Hutchins School. Hutchins delivered some very sound competition during the roster. In the three games played in the lead-up to the SSATIS final, the results were evenly shared, with a victory apiece and a drawn game. Hutchins ended the rostered fixtures on top of the ladder on goal difference.

The SSATIS final proved to be a strong tussle. Despite scoring in the first five minutes, Guilford was under constant pressure from a well-structured and pacey Hutchins XI. The first half ended 1-1.

The second half was one of high drama and passages of beautiful football. A converted penalty to Hutchins in the 66th minute and a double yellow card offence to Guilford, placed the team under considerable pressure. Finding itself 2-1 down and with only 10 players, Guilford regrouped, repelled numerous attacks from Hutchins and in the last 15 minutes found another gear to equalise and then score two brilliant and deciding goals. The final score was 4-2 to GYC.

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Finals again

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The team finished the season with mixed results from wins, losses and a draw. The constant was having played in cold and wet conditions most weeks!

A big thank you to Mrs Rebecca Clifford and Mrs Mel Brown for coaching and taking time out of their Tuesday afternoons!

Congratulations and thanks to the team for a great season!

Amy Spandler, captain.

Team: Annie Deayton, Chloe Foster, Izabella Johnston, Ebony King, Brooke Saward, Isabel Mitchelmore, Laura O’Neil, Emily Preglumay, Amy Spandler (captain), Jessica Squires, Lacey Swain, Monique Tapp, Madeline Veerier, Morgan Verrier, Samantha Watkins, Amy Park.
SOLID ROSTERS

Competing in the first grade competitions, both the boys' and girls' basketball teams had promising starts in their respective SSATIS rosters.

After four rounds the boys had two wins and two losses. After a loss in their opening round against Rosny School, they bounced back well against The Hutchins School and The Friends' School, defeating them 72-76 and 62-59, respectively. Then they were outplayed 38-45 by Hutchins.

The girls’ team also has had a strong start to the roster. In the opening round GYC defeated Friends’ 47-33 and then followed up with another solid win against Fabian School, 62-12. The girls endured their first loss in round three against the benchmark team, St Mary's College. The score was 42-83.

The end of both seasons will be reported in the next NewsLetter. In the meantime, results will be posted on the GYC website and on Facebook.

Best and fairest

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What a great season!

In the AFL Senior Finals, the GYC boys played in the semi-final against St Patrick's College, in Launceston, at the beginning of Term 3. The St Patrick's boys showed why they were the reigning premiers, defeating GYC 27-165. St Patrick’s went on to retain the title premiers, defeating GYC 27-165. St Patrick’s went on to retain the title.

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When the GYC girls had their second 'friendly' AFL match, against Fabian School, the level of skills and toughness displayed by both teams was fantastic. Fabian was the winner on the day.

Effort, belief bring about water polo win

GYC girls have gone back-to-back as the winners of the College Girls’ water polo competition. It is only the third time in GYC history that this has been achieved.

This year the girls played Rosny College in the final, which coach Peter Kube described as the "classic clash between the champion team and the champion player”. He was high in his praise for the manner in which the GYC girls played as a team, engineering their win by commitment, effort and a belief that they could win. Rosny had one outstanding player in whom the team placed great confidence.

It was a nail-biter of a game. At half-time, GYC was down 2-4. The final score was 5-4. Mr Kube said that while the GYC game plan called for desperate defence and structured play, in reality the players had to respond to the situation.

"Whoever was at hand needed to contain the Rosny star,” he said. “And what a challenge! Somehow the GYC players concocted a defence of following and subduing, and eventually her influence on the game faded.”

He was effusive in his praise of the whole team.

"If asked who was the best player, the answer is simple: Frances, Madeline, Claudia, Zoe, Isabella, Anna, Charlotte, Brooke and Paola. Each player was the team’s best and fairest."

The GYC spirit shone brightly at the Hobart Aquatic Centre that night – Friday 5 August. “The girls displayed the GYC values of teamwork, hard work and generosity. The victory brought great credit to the girls and to GYC,” Mr Kube said.

The girls were supported by a large number of peers and friends who helped create a fantastic atmosphere.

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No-nonsense approach

by Peter Kube, coach

The GYC Red team had a very different experience to the Blue team. In the 10-game season, GYC Red had two byes, won two games by forfeit and regrettablly had to forfeit a game also. The season became five games only. GYC Red finished the season in sixth place.

The team was a fantastic group of no-nonsense girls. Superbly led both in games and at training by Anna Koerner and Ashlan Campagna, the team was always fun to be around. In each game, the girls’ commitment to each other and the game was very evident. They never took a backward step in the water, even when playing teams of greater skill. In several games they worked together to achieve surprising results, including a stirring victory against St Michael’s Collegiate School late in the season.

Many of the girls have now played their last game of water polo– a fantastic game requiring courage when in close contact, fitness with the non-stop swimming and tackling, and trust in your team mates. One cannot play water polo without learning the values of courage, effort and teamwork.

Thank you to each of the girls for a great 2016 season and for conducting themselves so well at all times, representing the College with pride and providing proof again of the value of sports.
Important dates for Term 4

October

10 Term 4 begins
15 SATS Athletics carnival, Launceston
20 Hobart Show public holiday
21 normal classes – compulsory attendance

November

1 All Saints Day
2 All Souls Day
4 final day of scheduled classes
7-11 study week
8 GYC GRADUATION 2016; 7-9:30pm – FORMAL UNIFORM
11 Remembrance Day
14-18 exam week
15-17 Year 10 Course counselling, 4-6pm both Campuses
21-25 exam week
25-26 student leader formation
27 first Sunday of Advent
28-December marking week

December

7 Year 10 orientation, 8:30am-12:30pm both Campuses
8 distribution of Yearbooks and references
9 last day for teachers
16 College administrative office closes
19 TASC results released to students

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