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he year has drawn to a close and, in all modesty and understandable bias, the College has enjoyed another successful year. We are truly blessed in Australia where we live and prosper in relative safety, ever aware that our nation exists in a global reality of instability, threatened and executed violence, human tragedy and marginalisation.

The year began with terrorist events in France and we watched in horror as these were repeated recently. We have borne witness to the plight. of refugees as they evacuated Syria in waves, desperate for a life where their children could thrive and be educated for a hopeful future. We have observed the tragedy unfolding on our own shores of refugees detained and excluded. And, in the midst of all of this, we educate girls to be global citizens, cognisant of and responsive to the needs of others. In Brigidine's 61st year, we remained committed to tolerance and understanding, support and love. Our aim for 2015 was that what brings us together is greater than what separates us, creating in our school a place where we work to dignify our common humanity.

For a school to be successful in its mission, it needs to educate girls to be able to assume the moral and ethical mantle of leadership, to optimise their learning, and to develop their spiritual. emotional, physical and academic wellbeing. It needs to have strong and professional administrators and teachers, provide a broad curriculum for all and set high expectations in a context of inclusivity. We do this well in an environment that is conducive to learning, safe, clean, caring and well organised. The final aim is always to work in partnerships with parents to ensure an optimal outcome for our girls.

## The quality of an education system cannot exceed the quality of its teachers.

(McKinsey Report 2007)

Brigidine fulfils and, at times, excels in delivering all these aspects of quality schooling. Our teachers constantly surprise me with their capacity

to adopt new practices and technologies, their responsiveness to the challenges of changing curriculum requirements and their passion to improve practice that ultimately is reflected in their students' results. Over the past two years, much of our professional learning at Brigidine has occurred here with innovative practices being shared among the staff, enhancing the collaboration and collegiality that is the hallmark of best practice.

New courses were introduced into the curriculum in response to identified needs and student interests. This year, Philosophy in Year 9 and Dance in Year 11, came onto the curriculum. Accelerated programs continued with our first Year 12 group this year sitting for their Mathematics

Extension 2 examination having already completed their Mathematics course in Year 11. Seven girls studied Mathematics Extension 2, the largest ever group in the College's history. The numbers of girls studying Mathematics, Science and Technology courses has increased as they rise to the challenge of 21st century learning.

Aligned with our learning is our commitment to improving the College's facilities. Work is progressing well on the planning and design for Stage 3 of the College's Master Plan works. This will see extensive refurbishment and modernisation of the McCammon Wing to provide flexible learning spaces for Years 11 and 12 and improved staff facilities. Construction of new verandas to the two main levels will facilitate access to larger classroom spaces and seminar rooms. Teacher staff areas with rooms for meetings with students will be located on both levels. A lift and other features will improve disability access and general student movement. The refurbishment will occur in Semester 2 2016 for use by staff and students in 2017.

This successful year was possible through the partnerships that exist to ensure the viability of the school. We are blessed to work alongside our Brigidine Sisters who commit tirelessly through both Kildare Ministries and the NSW Province to support and sustain us, especially Sr. Anita Murray, our Alumni Patron, and Sr Chanel Sugden whose work in the RE and Liturgy arenas is invaluable. Our P&F Committee nurture the 'friend-raising' that keeps people connected and those additional funds that assist us in providing those little extras that make a difference. Finally, I acknowledge the College Board, whose governance optimises opportunities and minimises risk. Their diligent and generous oversight maintains the excellence that we provide. Board Chair, Ms Kitty Guerin, has added enormously to the skills on offer and her first year as Chair has maintained the excellent standards set by her predecessors.

I am writing this in December as our 2015 HSC results come in. Our improved position in the state is testament to the diligence of the girls and the commitment of their teachers. All of this has occurred in a school which is dedicated to enabling educational opportunities for all, regardless of their abilities.

How do we ultimately measure success? By the joy that permeates the chapel, the classroom, the stage and the sporting fields, ensuring that we remain true to our mission, "...to challenge young women to act in the world with strength and gentleness". Perhaps this is the way towards global stability.

Mrs Jane Curran College Principal

## CHAIR'S REPORT 2015



#### **Brigidine College St Ives Board 2015**

Front Row Back Row

Inset

Mr Derick Korte, Ms Kitty Guerin, Ms Francesca Menniti

Sr Margaret Daniels csb, Mr Brett Kimmorley, Mrs Sonja Walters, Dr Kerry-Ann O'Sullivan

Mr Koos Kruger

eing invited to take on the position of Board Chair was a great honour, particularly at this very significant time in the history of Brigidine College St Ives with the transfer of governance to Kildare Ministries from the NSW Province of the Brigidine Congregation.

Kildare Ministries comprises the educational and community works formerly governed by the NSW Province of the Brigidine Congregation, the Victorian Province of the Brigidine Congregation and the Presentation Congregation of Victoria Kildare Ministries administers secondary school education and community services, including 10 schools - one of which is Brigidine College St Ives - and two community works.

The change of governance is, indeed, a very significant milestone for the Board at St Ives. It does require an openness to a new beginning which has involved the chairs and principals or their equivalents from the 12 ministries working together with Kildare Ministries' members and trustees to develop a new vision, mission and values.

The vision of Kildare Ministries is:

"A community where all people are valued, where all creation is recognised as sacred and where hope, justice and courage are our hallmarks."

The mission of Kildare Ministries is:

"Responding to the changing needs of our world, we strive to build inclusive communities through the provision of education and community works."

The values of Kildare Ministries are: Wonder, Courage, Hospitality, Hope, Compassion and Justice.

We recognise that it will take time for each of the ministries to truly see themselves as part of a greater whole. Nevertheless, at both a philosophical and practical level, with amendment to the Constitution change is in progress.

After such a busy year in 2014 with the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee and the opening of the Anita Murray Centre for the Performing Arts and Sciences, 2015 has been a quieter one with Stage 3 of the Master Plan being planned. Work will be carried out in 2016 ready for the 2017 school year.

Personally, I was very fortunate to join Brigidine staff member. Byron Usmar, on the inaugural Kildare Ministries pilgrimage to Ireland. In all 23 people, including trustees, board chairs, principals and members of leadership teams, and teachers from the ministries governed by Kildare Ministries gained greater knowledge and understanding of the vibrant Celtic story of the Irish people and an appreciation of their own distinct expression of Christianity, Apart from visiting and learning about the pre-Christian and Christian Celtic story, we also experienced places such as Tullow, Paddock and Kildare where the Brigidine Sisters were refounded by Daniel Delany; and Ballygriffin and Cork where Nano Nagle, the founder of the Presentation Sisters, was born and established her Order.

Finally, I thank College Principal, Jane Curran, and the members of her leadership team for their continued commitment and professionalism in maintaining the higheststandards in providing the best possible education for the girls at Brigidine. I also thank my fellow Directors: Brett Kimmorley (Deputy Chair), Derick Korte (Chair of the Finance Committee), Sr Margaret Daniels csb, Dr Kerry-Ann O'Sullivan, Francesca Menniti, Koos Kruger and Sonja Walters (Chair of the Risk Management). Their diligence and commitment to the College are exemplary and they generously give of their time and expertise to ensure that Brigidine College maintains its excellent reputation in the community.

Ms Kitty Guerin

College Board Chair



















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## **SPIRITUALITY** • LITURGICAL LIFE OF THE COLLEGE

In 2015 the liturgical and prayer life of the College realised many initiatives under the guidance of the Religious Formation area, with the support of key staff from the Liturgy Committee and direction from the Senior Six student leadership.

Throughout the year Mrs Thompson, Head of Religious Education, coordinated the creative contributions of the Art, Music and Drama departments. The work of Ms Boyd, Mr Lovelock and Ms Ramsay from the Music Department in particular, provided many a spark to College celebrations. The student leadership of College Senior Vice Captain, Olivia De Gruchy, alongside the Senior Six, was exemplary. Olivia offered much enthusiasm and faithfulness as she organised student prayer.

The year began with a liturgy for all staff in St Brigid's Chapel, with the theme of 'Joy', based on Pope Francis' encyclical, Evangelii Gaudium. The prayer reflection encouraged a focus on the mission of the College as a Brigidine community, aspiring to continue the work and values of St Brigid in the contemporary context.

The Lenten season was launched at the 'Distribution of Ashes' liturgy, when the community was challenged to accept three key pledges involving Prayer, Sacrifice and Reconciliation. Our Year groups participated in College liturgies led by the Senior Six and myself. I acknowledge the girls' faithfulness and willingness to share involvements in the liturgy. Ms Boyd with the Music Department organised a fitting reflection and Year 11 launched their charitable initiative, Project Compassion.



The College celebrated an Easter liturgy with the theme 'Qualities of Jesus' focusing on the journey of the Stations of the Cross. I commend the spirit of prayerfulness of the College and the liturgical leadership of the Senior Six led by Olivia De Gruchy, along with the contributions of the Justice and Democracy Club and the Senior Vocal and String Ensembles. Included in the reflection was an inspiring version of the passion of Jesus, blending scripture, prayer and contemporary social justice concerns. Year 11 thanked the College for the generous offerings to Project Compassion.

The Weekly Mass continued to be organised by the Religious Education Department. By

year's end RE classes from Years 7-10 had participated. In this way each class was encouraged to increase awareness and appreciation for the sacrament. At the same time it was expected that each group would nominate student involvements in readings, prayers, offertory, music and altar serving for the liturgy. I congratulate all groups for their reverence and enthusiasm for active participation.

It was gratifying to see the community come together in prayerful support at the Weekly Mass on a number of occasions. A special memorial mass was held on All Souls Day. At this mass the College prayed especially for those dear to the community who had passed



## **Eucharistic Ministers and Liturgy Leaders**

Front Row:

Rachel Kim, Seraphina Buay, Sophie Clark, Alice Edwards, Eliza Tysoe, Lisa Vaccarella, Kathryn Palmer, Isabel Bunting, Madison Chan

Second Row:

Stephanie Muir, Mia Holman, Isabella Ryan, Lauren Piper, Madeline Lai, Kelly Wilcox, Simone Dennis, Danielle Maher, Mr W. Gleeson

Third Row

Lucie Malone, Katherine Kopec, Eloise Ott, Amelia Breen, Frances Goodman, Therese Kelly, Tori Ovens, Megan Loone, Maddison McCauley



#### Altar Serving

Front Row:

Bianca Burmeister, Talei Crowhen, Elizabeth Chan, Leah Covarr, Emily Kennedy, Georgia Douglas

Second Row: Niamh Rivers, Eizabeth Kelly, Holly Glover, Helena Bragge, Mr W. Gleeson





away. Mother's and Father's Day masses were also well attended.

Each day in the College cycle a Year group gathered in St Brigid's Chapel for prayer. Here the girls shared the preparation and involvements with a roster of mentors. Amid scripture reference, prayers of intercession, traditional church devotion and contemporary context, the groups were challenged to place God in their lives.

Year 10 represented the College for Delany Day celebrations held at Delany College Granville. Year 10 students from Patrician and Brigidine colleges gathered to share liturgy, workshop and social activities centred on the legacy of the founder of both Patrician and Brigidine religious orders.

Founders Day began celebrations with Mass. It was heartwarming to see so much energy and spirit from the teachers and the girls as the term ended in prayerful devotion to Bishop Daniel Delany. The theme was 'The Joy of Brigidine', stemming from Pope Francis' call for us to live lives motivated by the joy of the Gospel. The College was privileged to have Bishop Peter A Comensoli, the bishop of Broken Bay Diocese, lead the celebration of the Eucharist.

I had the privilege to attend the Pioneers Liturgy and Luncheon. It was so rewarding to share past and present times of the College with many of the women who were the first to be enrolled at Brigidine. Mrs Ann Lomas and the Pioneers steering committee, alongside Mrs Baxter, are to be congratulated on a very successful get together.

For both Anzac and Remembrance Days the College gathered for moving services organised by the History Department, steered



by Mrs Bremner. Being the centenary of the Gallipoli landings, many students and staff attended Camp Gallipoli. This event will be treasured.

The College community responded in great numbers for the 'Prayer Sponsor for Year 12' initiative during the HSC examination period. Likewise, during the month of November for Holy Souls the 'Remembrance Book of Life' was well received. This book received a special blessing at each of the weekly masses.

The Eucharistic Ministers and Liturgy Support Program was again well attended by the senior students, with a group completing the course facilitated by Father Michael, Miss Nalbandian and myself, with support from Senior College Vice Captain, Olivia De Gruchy. It was also encouraging to have girls participate in the

Altar Server Training Program. The candidates will be commissioned at the Commencement Mass and will serve at College liturgies in 2016.

The College is so fortunate to have the assistance of local parishes for priestly ministry. I am indebted to all local priests who have given so much throughout the year, especially for masses. In particular our link to Corpus Christi St Ives has been gratifying, with much appreciated guidance and involvement from Fr Bernard, Fr Johny, Fr Greg and Fr Justin. Again this year, Canisius Centre Pymble offered great help, with Fr Michael Ryan and Fr Michael McShane from the Jesuit community readily available

Mr William Gleeson









The College community gathered for the opening of the school year with a celebration of the eucharist, honouring St Brigid's Feast Day with the theme of 'Joy'. As is our tradition, we asked for God's blessing on all for the coming year.

We were graced with the presence of special guests: Brigidine sisters Sr Anita Murray, Sr Maree Marsh, Sr Margaret Daniels, Sr Chanel Sugden, Sr Patricia Buckley and Sr Jan O'Neil; and Ms Francesca Menniti from the College Board.

The mass was celebrated by Father Michael Ryan sj from Canisius Centre Pymble. Fr Michael motivated those present to witness the strength of God's word in prayer, scripture, hymn and sacrament. Alongside Fr Michael the Senior Six led the student body in prayer, encouraging all to embrace the year in a spirit of Joy.

Following the mass 14 senior students and Miss Natalie Nalbandian were commissioned as Ministers of the Eucharist and Liturgy Leaders. This year the College was delighted to have 10 junior girls commissioned as Altar Servers.

Congratulations are extended to:

Eucharistic Ministry: Amelia Breen, Frances Goodman, Therese Kelly, Katherine Kopec, Rachel Kim, Yu-jin Lee, Lucie Malone, Megan Loone, Eloise Ott, Tori Ovens, Kathryn Palmer, Lauren Piper, Eliza Tysoe, Lisa Vaccarella and Miss Natalie Nalbandian.

Altar Service: Helena Bragge, Bianca Burmeister, Elizabeth Chan, Leah Covarr, Talei Crowhen, Georgia Douglas, Holly Glover, Elizabeth Kelly, Emily Kennedy, Niamh Rivers.

As a thanksgiving reflection College
Captain, Mia Holman presented 'A Student
Commitment' on behalf of all students,
pledging to work hard and rise to the
challenges of study and other spheres of
school life. Mrs Whiddon gave the 'Teachers'
Commitment' on behalf of Brigidine staff,
which highlighted the aspiration to mirror the
vision of the College in developing girls in our
care to face the challenges of this millennium
with courage, confidence and compassion.
Mrs Curran and the Leadership Team gave a
special blessing to all new to the College.

In his homily Fr Michael reflected on the Gospel reading, 'The parable of the lost sheep' (Luke 15:1-7), citing examples of acts of joy as people responded spontaneously to the needs of others. Inspired by Pope Francis, he asked the girls to carry out their commitments in life with joy and gratitude. In this way our worries can be turned around when invited to support those desperate for care.

#### Mr William Gleeson

## SOCIAL JUSTICE 2015 • SPIRITUALITY





### Service Learning at Brigidine

At Brigidine, service to others has always been integral to College mission connected to the gospel imperative of social justice: "I have come so that you may have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10). As Catholic Christians we are inheritors of an enlivening prophetic tradition with a mandate to challenge all forms of injustice in the complexities of the contemporary context. The Social Justice program is guided by the richness of this tradition.

All College service learning programs aim to build relationships and motivate the girls to give and receive; to look beyond themselves and seek out the needs of others and to respond by sharing their gifts of time and talent. With learner focus, skilled reflection and the active presence of program mentors, Brigidine aims for girls, having experienced



transformative learning, to take new eyes and new perspectives into their lives – aspiring to make ours a better world for all.

Each Year group nominates a charity focus and invites the community's active support. The seniors led the way with Year 12 increasing awareness of the Manly Women's Shelter on Founders Day.

Year 11 supported Caritas Australia's Project Compassion during Lent. This year focused on contribution to sustainability programs in Fiji. The girls even hosted Eric and Ma from Fiji.

Year 7 were successful with their promotion and organisation of the Vnnies Christmas Hamper Collection, rallying the school into sending over 60 hampers to needy homes in Mt Druitt. In addition, Year 8 did so well with their St Vincent de Paul winter clothing appeal, helping countless people around Sydney stay safe and warm during the cold winter.

An enduring tradition, Year 9 were advocates of cancer awareness with support to Daffodil and Pink Days, emphasising the need for increased research for these worthy causes which affect so many people.

Year 10 were inspirational in their immersion and fundraising activities with the connection to the indigenous community at Goodooga and the Baabayn Indigenous Women's group in western Sydney. The Community Involvement Program for Year 10 continues to make an impact on so many people in our society. Community service was again a focus of the Year 11 social justice cause, reflected in the Year group's participation in Street Retreat and Marist Camp.

Additionally, there were many other social justice opportunities which the girls embraced wholeheartedly, including the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal, Legacy collections, Movember and the Balmoral Burn. Brigidine girls were champions in this year's World Vision 40 Hour Famine, raising over \$10,000 to combat the ever-present issue of world hunger.

Brigidine service learning extends beyond College hours with so many willing to contribute. This is exemplified in the overseas immersions. The Antipodeans tour to Thailand and Laos and the Catholic Mission immersion in Cambodia were eye-opening and life changing trips for all those who took part over the 2014-15 Christmas holidays.

The Justice and Democracy Club presented many thought-provoking initiatives, including Comfy Clothes Day, Socktober. The Welcome Walk and The Welcome Petition.

I close with a thought delivered by College Vice Captain – Social Justice, Lara Czysnok at the Presentation Day Assembly:

Girls, your efforts are commendable, and please let this exhibition of your achievements further ignite your passion for social justice and for providing a helping hand for those less fortunate. We are a generation of inspired and empowered young women and as proven in our efforts this year, we can change the world if we truly put our minds to it. The future is in your hands,

A big well done and thank you to all those who selflessly gave of themselves to others in need in 2015.

#### Mr William Gleeson

## **SPIRITUALITY** • JUSTICE and DEMOCRACY CLUB





The Justice and Democracy (J&D) Club is focused on social justice initiatives, raising awareness and funds for the wider community with the support of Brigidine's students and teachers. We held fortnightly meetings with the main focus on the 'rights of women'.

Our year began in Term 4 of 2014, when we conducted Socktober in conjunction with Catholic Mission. Sr Theresa visited the club and addressed Jamaica's poverty and the importance of helping those living in slums. Students could wear colourful and mismatched socks during the College term for a donation, raising \$270.

In partnership with Caritas Australia, Eric and Ma from Fiji visited Brigidine College and spoke with senior students in the J&D club and several junior religion classes. They shared their experiences with food in Fiji and the importance of training and education in farming to ensure a sustainable food source for Fijians. The school community was invited to be involved with Caritas to raise funds to "end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity," aligning with the school motto of 'strength and gentleness'.

In May 2015, we supported the people of Nepal, who suffered two devastating earthquakes causing thousands of fatalities, broken families and the destruction of homes and infrastructure. Mentor 11.11 extended the idea to hold a 'bake sale' to donate funds to Nepal earthquake appeals publicised through The Rising Nepal newspaper. Cooperatively, our baking and selling raised just under \$1000.

Alongside the junior J&D club, we supported 'comfy clothes day', which allowed students to wear a comfortable item of clothing at school. The initiative was designed to raise awareness of women who do not feel comfortable in their skin. Gold coin donations were collected and donated to the Year 12 charity, the Manly Women's Shelter. Another junior J&D project was 'kindness day', when students were given stickers to share messages of kindness and friendship within the Brigidine community.

The year concluded with a focus on women in Fiji and the Philippines. We collected bras for Uplift Bras, a project supporting women in disadvantaged communities for whom a bra is often hard to obtain or unaffordable. Over three boxes were sorted and shipped to provide women with this basic need.

We extend our thanks to our Teacher in Charge, Mr Gleeson, for all his help with the club this year; we could not have run the club without him. Congratulations to incoming 2016 captains Olivia Mueller and Elle Miller, who are already making a huge difference for justice in the world.

Tara Chandra and Jessica Lynch Captain and Vice Captain Justice and Democracy Club



## Justice and Democracy Club

Front Row

Jessica Biggs, Seraphina Buay, Elle Miller, Lara Czysnok, Stephanie Muir, Fiona Li, Kanishka Dayananda, Carmelita Buay

Second Row:

Tess Clarke, Juliette Dahdah, Eliza Cameron, Tara Chandra, Jessica Lynch, Amelia Pitney, Mr W. Gleeson





## CAMP GALLIPOLI

COMMEMORATING IOO YEARS OF ANZAC SPIRIT

group of 70 Brigidine students from Agroup of 10 bright 25 Agroup of 10-12, accompanied by eight teachers, joined Camp Gallipoli's nationwide commemoration of the centenary of the Gallipoli landings, which occurred in 1915 during WWI. Camp Gallipoli is a not-for-profit organisation set up to help preserve, foster and perpetuate the unique spirit of ANZAC. On Anzac eve (24 April 2015) the group attended the celebration in Sydney's Centennial Park with over 10,000 students. The event was a sleepover with various activities commemorating this significant moment in Australia's history, culminating in a Dawn Service on Saturday 25 April.

After the official opening the girls were treated to a horse procession followed by the lighting of the Anzac Flame. This marked the return of the RSL Anzac Flame after its journey from Albany, WA to the War Memorial in Canberra and through regional Australia. The RSL Anzac flame symbolises the return of the 11,400 souls that were lost at Gallipoli. After the RSL Arizac Flame ceremony, a traditional Australian dinner was served. This was followed by dignitary interviews and short history videos.



Musical acts included performances from Imogen Clark, Blackwater, the Southern Cross Pipe Band, Mahalia Barnes and Jon Stevens. Russell Crowe's The Water Diviner was screened with lights out. On Saturday (Anzac Dayl campers were woken at dawn by a bugler followed by a Dawn Service conducted under the supervision of the RSL and federal Department of Veterans Affairs.

Camp Gallipoli will be long remembered as a fitting tribute to those who served so valiantly 100 years ago. It was such a privilege to be involved. Lest we forget.

#### Mr William Gleeson



## **SPIRITUALITY** • BRIGIDINE SISTERS VISIT YEAR 7

Connected to the many aspects of the spirit of Brigidine is the paramount legacy of the Brigidine Sisters. As the foundational pioneers of the College their impact lives on in the strong spirit which engulfs the community.

This year we had the privilege of hosting seven Brigidine Sisters. Their visit complemented the Year 7 Religious Education program as girls learned about the Brigidine tradition. Although the girls had researched the story of the Sisters of St Ives and had walked the College Heritage Trail, the personal one on one interactions gave the girls the finest experience.

The Sisters who visited were Sr Chanel Sugden, Sr Margaret Daniels, Sr Maureen Keady, Sr Trish Garland, Sr Patricia Buckley, Sr Ann Harrison and Sr Jan O'Neill. Each Sister had a significant story to tell, with most of the nuns commencing their training in the Convent in the 1950s and 1960s, along with teaching here at the College. Even today, Sr Chanel regularly visits classrooms and supports the RE teachers with lesson planning and resources, Sr Margaret is on the College Board, Sr Maureen connects with the Pioneers (Alumni) and all the Sisters are no stranger to Brigidine College celebrations.

As our Principal, Mrs Curran, commented: "The generosity of the Sisters in sharing their stories gave the girls an insight into another time. While the College no longer operates as a novitiate, the story of the Sisters and their lives here enriches our history and gives greater meaning to our modern context."

One of the Sisters commented: "It was a pleasure to share our stories with the Year 7 girls and staff and to be the recipients, once again, of the gracious and generous hospitality always shown to us when we visit the College."

We hope to incorporate the Sisters' visit as a regular event on the calendar in future years.

May the Joy of the Gospel and the Joy of the Sisters live on at Brigidine.

#### Mr William Gleeson

Assistant Principal, Religious Formation







The Brigidine Sisters were kind enough to come to school and share with us their experiences and vocations. They spoke about how they have applied the Brigidine tradition to their lives and how it has brought them into a closer relationship with God. The Sisters gave us better insight into the Brigidine congregation and the inspiring roles we can all play to continue the Brigidine spirit. They also explained to us their roles and contributions to communities such as our own.

All Year 7 girls left with a deeper understanding of the Brigidine way and how much it means to our College.

Teya Murray, Priya Uskovic and Jemma Walsh Year 7

## INTERFAITH DIALOGUE FORUM . SPIRITUALITY 15



he Years 11 and 12 Studies of Religion curriculum includes in depth studies of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Our exposure to these fascinating Abrahamic religions is largely limited to the words of a textbook, though. One can learn a great deal more from having interfaith dialogue among the adherents of these religions, and gain a much deeper and more personal understanding of the way a person's religion actually affects them than any words, however informative, read from a textbook.

A group of Year 11 students were fortunate enough to attend the Respect, Understanding and Acceptance (RUA) interfaith forum at the Sydney Jewish Museum on 22 May. Brigidine College joined Shore School, Moriah College, Aubum Girls and Granville Boys. The day began with tentative greetings between schools which blossomed into enthusiastic introductions of one's relationship with their religion - be it Judaism, Christianity or Islam. Once introductions had been made, the day formally began with a Prayer of Welcome from each religious tradition and a brief description of each school in attendance. Brigidine prayed the Our Father for the welcoming and, once translated, the prayers sung in Hebrew and Arabic for Judaism and Islam respectively had beautifully eloquent meanings behind them.

For the majority of the time afterwards, we were arranged into groups composed of students from all the different schools present. It was within these groups that we learned the most about one another's different religious traditions, allowing us to understand in greater depth what, in my case, Judaism and Islam were really about. We discussed the significance and contents of our sacred texts and scriptures, how large a role religion played in our daily lives, festivals and the general identity of one's faith in Australia.

I felt that this was one of the most fascinating aspects of the day. Adherents of religions that I do not have any exposure to sharing details about their religious lives and how it has shaped them as people was incredibly interesting. Though I have been learning about Christianity for the past four years, I discovered more about Christianity in a general sense than what I could ever have hoped to learn

through a textbook. This interfaith discussion provided an opportunity to ask many questions about the different faiths and cultural diversity represented in a group of only about 10 people.

Methods of prayer were demonstrated by each faith towards the conclusion of the day. Two boys from Moriah College delivered traditional Orthodox Jewish Morning Prayer, Granville Boys presented Islamic prayer and Brigidine introduced the forum to the Rosary.

RUA was an eye-opening experience and above all, a privilege to be a part of. I truly believe we all came out of the Sydney Jewish Museum as culturally literate people, and more respectful, understanding and accepting of each other's religion and to an extent even our own. It is clear to me that through this experience and through many others like RUA, we, the people of the future, can foster a society based on religious acceptance and interfaith harmony.

#### **Nupur Apte**



Ver the January 2015 holidays, 39 Year 11 and 12 students and six staff headed to northern Thailand and Laos as part of the College's social justice immersion program. Members were divided into three groups that travelled separately throughout their 19 days of travel. However, we all worked on a common community service project, renovating one large building containing four classrooms for the Pak Xeng High school located 60km outside of Luang Prabang, Laos.

The project involved carrying many 60kg bags of cement along with sifting sand, and collecting water from the river which took 80 students in a water line to retrieve. Then came the many lessons on how to mix

the cement, sand and water in the correct quantities to render the exterior walls of the newly bricked classrooms. Thankfully, we had a qualified renderer on hand to finesse our inexperienced work.

As well as providing much needed labour to render the walls and help with installation of ceilings, the girls taught English to primary school students, an experience they will never forget.

The three groups were also delighted to distribute donations of all required textbooks for Years 10-12, and English and Maths textbooks for Year 9. A big thank you to those members of the wider Brigidine community

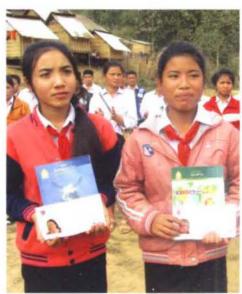
who donated to the 'Sponsor a child a Textbook Pack for Christmas' appeal.

The new experience did not stop there. Our accommodation was homestays, where the Red group was extremely fortunate to stay in a village that had hosted few visitors; prior guests were a small university group that had stayed three years earlier. So our arrival was as new for the Khmu villagers as it was for all of us. We resided in this community for a wonderful six days, during which we learned local customs such as basket weaving, looming scarfs and local cooking.

#### Ms Jo Baker

Teacher in Charge, Antipodeans Abroad









My time in Thailand and Laos with Antipodeans Abroad was the most challenging but also most rewarding experience of my life. Looking back at my trip, I have come to realise that some of the toughest times on the adventure have been essential in making my trip to Thailand and Laos all the more incredible, often teaching me so much about myself, especially in situations that were outside my comfort zone. The leadership component of the trip forced me to think on my feet, acknowledge that things don't always go to plan and recognise the value of teamwork in tricky situations.

The immersion into the culture of native people in Thailand and Laos was also a major part of the trip, and my time spent in the community with the locals taught me so much about my connection to the world around me. Although we knew little of the local language, we learned that this was not a problem and were still able to communicate with the children in the village through a smile or a high-five.

The friendships I was able to make with the locals on my trip are one of a kind and will stay with me throughout my life. Through the opportunity I was given to interact, empathise and connect with others during the trip I have been able to truly grow as a person. I genuinely believe that the memories of my time in Thailand and Laos are ones that will stay with me forever and I hope to visit sometime again in the near future.

#### Lisa Vaccarella





## **STUDENTS** • CATHOLIC MISSION TO CAMBODIA







he people I met, the experiences I had, the lessons I learned and the gratitude I gained from the beautiful culture of Cambodia is irreplaceable. The 16 days we spent immersed in another culture among inspiring people opened my eyes to the harsh differences in opportunity and access throughout the world that hold some people back materially, but that - I found in the end - do not control a person's ability to love, find happiness, express passion and most importantly, live with purpose. This was demonstrated through the strength and resilience of our amazing guide and 'mum', Soky, and through the countless kids that smiled at us, gave us high fives or that we could play games with or cuddle. The language barrier was a hurdle at first but became a lesson on the importance of a smile, and it allowed me to challenge myself to learn some Khmer to talk and connect with the people around me, whether they were children or adults.

I found the older children at St Francis especially inspiring. They, like most Cambodian children, had this burning desire to learn English and to learn in general, something I feel that we all take for granted at times in our lives. One particular girl that I met. Sredun, has stuck in my mind. We started talking together during agriculture class and I noticed how well she was able to understand me and how I could understand her. She asked me what I wanted to do when I was older as a career, a question that everyone seems to ask at home, but a question I don't know the answer to yet. She, however, had it all figured out. She longed to be an English teacher and said: "English is my purpose." It struck me that someone who unfortunately does not have as much guidance or as many

opportunities as I do has such a passion for something and determination to get there.

Another significant period on our trip was the time spent at LaValla School for disabled children. I had no idea what to expect going into this school but from there I left with the core values of respect for one another, understanding and support. All these kids were disabled in some way, whether they were in a wheelchair, had lost limbs or had an intellectual disability. Despite this, their happiness and strength cannot be compared to any able bodied youth or even adult. Through the simple yet entertaining actions of clapping games, singing, thumb wars and even just practising English and Khmer eliminated the barrier between us and within an hour the disability was invisible. What particularly awed me was their support and love for each other and how they would always help whether it be getting out of the pool, getting dressed, getting lunch out, dishing out food, the list goes on. This is something I want to implement in my life. Being more helpful and considerate of others and putting the needs of others above my own.

Lastly, the teachers and the girls that came on this trip were amazing. I was able to create new friendships and memories to cherish forever and be able to share an experience so profound with other people. I could not compare this experience to anything. The memories that replay in my mind, the photos and videos that captured the experiences, and our hearts that captured the smiles and love of all the people I met.



Isabella Ryan

wenty-three Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh's Award students, accompanied by four teachers, departed for Fiji in late September to undertake their Gold practice hike and residential component.

Two groups started in different locations on day one of the hike. Group A experienced very steep hills while group B had a flatter route. The hike led us to villages where we spent the night immersing ourselves in the culture, including attending traditional Kava ceremonies and helping the women prepare meals in the kitchen.

On the third day of hiking both groups crossed paths and we are our lunch together. delightfully telling stories and sharing experiences from the trip so far.

The fourth day of hiking was the last, and both groups completed their practice hikes in good health.

Following our hike we spent three days in Kenani with our Fijian family. Whilst there we visited the local school where we split into groups and helped in classes 3-4, 5-6 and Year 7. We also had the chance to speak with women in the Nasivikoso village.

Over the seven days that we were in the highlands of Fiji, we formed connections with the families we stayed with, the children we played with and the Fijians who walked beside us the whole way.

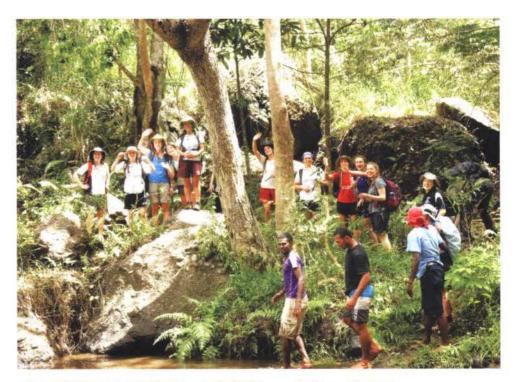
The day before we departed Fiji we were treated to a trip to South Sea Island where we had time to snorkel, swim and relax as well as reflect as a group. Although it was raining, we didn't let it dampen our spirits and we all enjoyed the day.

The morning we were due to leave, we went to Nadi for some souvenir shopping along the main street and at the local craft markets.

We arrived home safely with only a two hour flight delay.

The Fiji Expedition not only allowed us to complete a vital component in our Gold award, but also provided us with new experiences, memories, cultural knowledge and friendships that we will forever cherish.

#### Merryn McClean









ourteen privileged Year 10 Brigidine students, accompanied by Ms Kuper and Mrs Wacher, participated in the 2015 Goodooga Immersion during 3-8 August. We conquered a 12 hour bus ride as we travelled to Goodooga, stopping at country towns along the way. These included Katoomba for a quick



picture with the beautiful Three Sisters and Jamison Valley vista, and a local fruit and veg shop just outside of Bathurst to stock up on food. We relished lunch in Orange and dinner at the local Hotel in Dubbo, along with a wellearned night's sleep at Dubbo's Aussie Cabins. We visited our sister school, St Bridget's in Coonamble, enjoying the tour of the school grounds and church as well as playing games with the children. Lightning Ridge was another highlight on our way to Goodooga, as we unwound while soaking in the boiling but beautiful artesian bore baths and heard a very fascinating talk from Tom Barker about Aboriginal history and education.

Finally, we arrived at our destination where we set up home in the library and met Mindi, a community elder who looked after us for the duration of our stay. During our visit we forged tight bonds and made unforgettable memories, working and playing with the children from Goodooga Central School. We showed our dancing skills at the disco before experiencing a bath under the stars from an artesian water supply in the middle of the paddock. Hot water was pumped into a large black tub which we all managed to squeeze into and wash our hair.

During our last day we took part in the Goodooga Games, when we could socialise with both our new local friends and children from other rural schools while participating in traditional aboriginal games. We did the Brigo spirit proud while having heaps of fun. Unfortunately, as the day came to a close so too did our Goodooga visit, and we had to say our sad goodbyes to the children which was quite emotional for all of us.

As the sun set behind the trees we drove off into the distance bound for Dubbo. We took a slight detour to the Queensland border before stopping for dinner at Coonamble Bowling Club. After a long day we arrived at Dubbo very late and went straight to bed.

On the last day we had an early rise, revelling in our sunrise tour at Dubbo Zoo. Some mechanical issues with our bus meant we were able to spend some time at the local shops before heading to Sydney. We were all exhausted, emotional and maybe a little delirious by the end, however we all had the trip of a lifetime and would go back to Goodooga in a heartbeat.

#### Amelia Malone

## YEAR 10 SPIRITUALITY RETREAT . SPIRITUALITY 21





n excited Year 10 travelled to Elanora Heights on 26 November to take part in the Spirituality Retreat. It was composed of numerous activities that focused on selfreflection, discovering inner strengths and the developing of individual spirituality. This was a rewarding and symbolic moment of growth in our lives embarking on our senior years.

We engaged in activities which included mask-making, discussions in mentor groups. liturgies, drama games, meditation and affirmations. These activities were valuable in creating an atmosphere of trust and selfevaluation. For mask-making, students were given a mask that was plain on both the inside and outside. Each girl drew pictures and listed words describing how they felt on the inside and what they display on the outside. The next activity named "Who Wants Arthur?" was based on the story of a neglected dog in a pet shop who felt inclined to change himself to be accepted and wanted by the store's customers. As mentor groups, we gathered together to discuss the meaning and purpose of the story by relating it to how we felt in certain social situations and if we felt inclined to conform to stereotypes within society as Arthur did in the book. Another activity conducted was the affirmations one of the favourite activities among the Year 10 girls. Still in mentor groups, we wrote personal messages of kindness to other girls anonymously.

As the retreat progressed, we were given an insight into experiences within social justice by two guest speakers: Hannah Cheeseman and Sean Loughland who individually spoke about their experiences within the community. Hannah discussed her involvement with



indigenous youth within the organisation Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience, where she helps young people with their education and progression into the workforce. Sean outlined his work with refugees and asylum seekers and shared the importance of perspective through his experiences with refugee case studies and volunteer work.

Towards the end of the first day, a liturgy was held during which each girl received a pebble and spiritually connected with it. The pebble liturgy was an integral time for self-reflection as it provided us with the opportunity to personally evaluate our emotions and release any negativity. Towards the end of the night, each mentor was assigned a task to create a short drama performance pertaining to our development from junior students to senior students through the use of a metaphor. Multiple metaphors were chosen to represent this development, such as the growth of a flower, ingredients of a cake, puzzle pieces etc. Congratulations to 10.4 for their beautiful performance and winning the game!

Overwhelmingly, the Spirituality Retreat was immensely beneficial for all Year 10 girls as it provided us with the occasion to reflect on our personal development, supporting those around us. Additionally, the retreat strengthened our relationship with God and our faith. It also instilled a sense of camaraderie within our year, further preparing us for our senior school experiences. On behalf of the cohort, I would like to thank Mr Gleeson, Mr Loughland, Mrs Thompson and Miss Reading and all the staff who made the Year 10 Spirituality Retreat such a memorable and enjoyable experience!

Joanna Oud Year 10



The annual retreats held for Years 11 and 12 present an effective time out for the girls to consider their journey as students at Brigidine College. Amid the opportunity to build cohort unity through team building activities and self-awareness enhancement with reflection and meditation processes, the senior groups encountered sacrament with the celebration of mass and liturgies.

This year, for the first time, the entire Year 11 cohort attended the Street Retreat, with the girls based across four venues: Pymble, Randwick, Ingleside and Baulkham Hills. The groups experienced guest speakers, visited outreach centres and undertook a day placement with a social welfare agency.

#### Student Reflections

#### The Centre, Randwick

The Street Retreat was such an amazing opportunity. It gave us the chance to recognise the many street problems in our society and the opportunity to help service the community and give back to those in need. The memories made were countless even though the experience was at times emotionally demanding. During the liturgy held on the last night it was made evident that every girl there was so thankful for the challenge.

#### Sarah Boccanfuso

#### Camp Kedron, Ingleside

We were split into groups of two to five, and were sent to a wide range of placements including The House with No Steps, Mona Vale Aged Care, Collaroy RSL, Narrabeen War Vets, Sunshine Home and CCIS Aged Care in Waitara. Some girls had a more

challenging experience than others, although each of us was able to overcome any anxiety or apprehension we may have had about the people we were helping. Overall the Retreat was a fantastic experience and challenged everyone to move out of our normal comfort zones and experience something completely new. It was also a great opportunity to form new friendships and strengthen old ones.

#### Olivia Findlay

#### Canisius College, Pymble

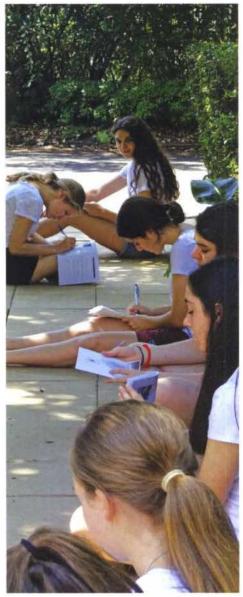
We went to places such as dementia wards, schools for disabled children and drop-in centres for adults with disabilities. We then came together in the evening to share our experiences and all became quite emotional, so following the reflection we held a liturgy where we could each write our own Prayers of the Faithful.

#### Zeyna Tinker

#### St Joseph's Centre, Baulkham Hills

With expectations high and some of us a little nervous about venturing into the unknown, we were extremely excited to be spending some time helping others less fortunate than ourselves. The three days spent on Retreat saw all of us move beyond our normal comfort zones as our eyes were opened to issues that exist outside of our community. On the final day we reflected on our amazing experiences by walking through a labyrinth. At the end of our retreat we were all so grateful for the experience.

#### Lisa Vaccarella







he Year 12 Retreat in 2015 was an opportunity for the students to take some time out after their half yearly examinations to reflect on their journeys and to prepare for the life adventures that are waiting for them. Relationships were repaired and strengthened as each group shared their hopes and dreams with each other.

Dear God,

Thank you for the experiences, good and bad, that you have given us since we started at Brigidine. They have shaped us into who we are today as individuals and allowed us to become the family of 2015 graduates.

We are grateful for the loving nature of the Brigidine community exemplified through the helping hands of one another. We pray that in the future the Brigidine community remains strong and positive and continues to have a strong influence in our lives.

We thank you for each beautiful person within the Year group and in our lives who have offered their support and encouragement throughout our school years. Thank you for helping us to express our gratitude for these special people and our love for one another.

Thank you for the bonds of friendship that have been nurtured even more during this Retreat. Please help us to continue to support each other in stressful and in happy times.

We thank you for the blessing of friends and friendship. As this chapter of our lives comes to a close we ask that you help us treasure our friendships for many years to come.

Amen.

Mrs Maree Lindsay Year 12 Coordinator



ur new student leaders for 2016 were commissioned at the beginning of Term 4 2015, marking the start of their final year of high school. During the liturgy, they took an oath to serve the community and were presented with their Year 12 badges.

The Blessing of Students was a prayer offered by staff and students for all of Year 12. The Year 12 Pledge was the prayer response by all of Year 12 led by 2016 College Captain, Alexandra Bradley.

### **Blessing of Students**

God of Strength and Gentleness,

Send your spirit to be with these students as they take on the challenge of leading the student community at Brigidine. Give them courage, wisdom and peace to enable them to build a community of strong and gentle women through their actions, words and gifts.

We ask this blessing through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Year 12 Pledge

We, the senior students of 2016, promise to strive to lead our College in a truly Christlike way, by serving others with generosity and honesty. Through our wholehearted efforts, we will promote a positive school spirit, preserve and promote the Brigidine tradition, and support those who are struggling in life. We will strive to approach our studies and cocurricular activities with diligence and commitment, and contribute what we can to building a College community that is caring, loving and just.

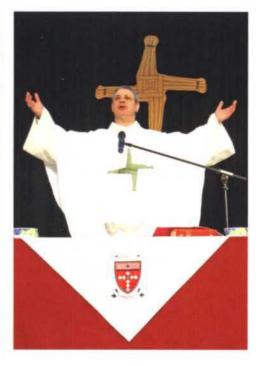
#### Mr William Gleeson















ounders Day was celebrated on Friday 19 June and acknowledged all those who have contributed to our identity and culture, including the founder of the Brigidine Congregation of Sisters, Bishop Daniel Delany, and the Sisters who founded our College at St Ives. Our festivities began with Mass and we were honoured to have the Bishop of Broken Bay Diocese, Bishop Peter Comensoli, celebrate with us. Many of the Brigidine Sisters were in attendance and that is always a particular delight for us. Year 12 spent numerous hours planning this day as it is the annual fundraising event for their charity which, this year, was the Manly Women's Shelter. The Shelter offers refuge and hope to many women and children who are victims of domestic violence. The International Food Fair enabled all to eat well and across a breadth of cultures, and we sincerely thank all parents in our community who assisted with cooking and serving. Year 12 ran their stalls, which kept everyone entertained and helped their charity.



















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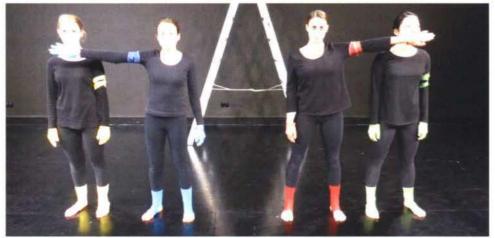


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#### Year 12

Our wonderful Year 12 classes demonstrated high standards of energy and commitment both on and off the stage during the course of a year packed with drama. In addition to group performance and individual major works ranging from individual performance through to set, costume and promotional design, students grappled with the contemporary Australian plays, Ruby Moon and Still Angela, as well as black comedies, The Lieutenant of Inishmore and The Shape of Things. We managed some delightful excursions to see OnStage (Seymour Centre) and McDonald College's production of The Shape of Things. Family and friends enjoyed the HSC Drama Nights in the Murray Theatre in both Individual and Group Performances. A HUGE congratulations to Year 12 Drama students whose outstanding and exemplary performances were nominated for OnStage: Hannah Palmer (Individual Performance - Get The Money Flo-ing), and Olivia De Gruchy, Danielle Maher, Rachel Seeto and Megan Taylor (Group Performance -Boundless Plains to Shhhhhh...).



#### Year 11

The Year 11 Drama course covers all aspects of theatrical production both on and off stage, including directing, design, performance, acting, group performance, individual performance, reviewing and scriptwriting. The two Year 11 Drama classes attended a diverse range of live theatrical performances, including OnStage and The Shape of Things. Many Year 11 Drama students were also involved in the colourful and comedic Year 11 Play, The Brady Bunch, which was adapted and directed by Miss McDonald and played to packed audiences in our Murray Theatre in June.

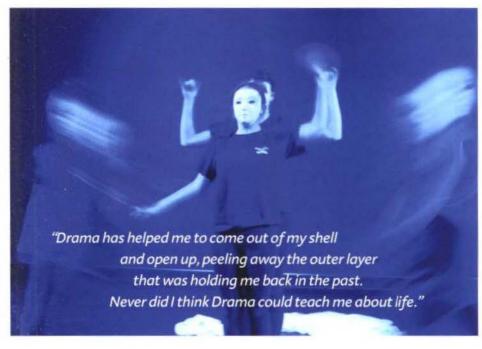
#### Year 10

Year 10 Drama students consolidate their dramatic skills, with a particular emphasis on theatrical styles, including comedy, Shakespeare in performance, Theatre of the Absurd and verbatim theatrical techniques. Our Year 10 Drama students are encouraged to see mainstream productions and to be involved in shows outside school. All Year 10 Drama students were taken to the fabulous Sydney Theatre Company production of The Present, where we were honoured and thrilled to meet, converse with and have a photograph with the critically acclaimed and elegant Cate Blanchett.





"At the beginning of the term I felt as though the people that do Drama were better than me but soon I realised that if I just have a go, I can be as good as them. Drama has made me believe in myself."



#### Year 9

For nearly all Year 9 students, this year has opened their eyes to the wonderful world of Drama!

It's been very rewarding to see our Year 9
Drama students learn how to work in group
situations and gain so much self-confidence in
their own performing abilities. In Year 9, girls
are involved in improvisation, play building,
script analysis, group-devised performances,

voice and movement skills, non-realistic skills (mask, fabric, sound, movement) and scripted material – all through a variety of practical, experiential and theory work! Year 9 Drama was involved in a full day workshop and performance run by the marvellous Zeal Theatre Company.

Our Drama Showcase Evenings in early Term 4 displayed to parents and friends the impressive skills we see from our Drama queens every

day in the Drama studios, The Association of Independent Schools Drama Conference, featuring 60 drama teachers from all over NSW, was held in the Murray Theatre in March which showcased our wonderful facilities. We were also thrilled to host the Illuminate Educate professional theatrical production of Neighbourhood Watch in the Murray Theatre in June viewed by our Years 11 and 12 Drama students.

It is not uncommon to find teachers at Brigidine working and rehearsing with our Drama girls after school and on weekends. Thank you to my wonderfully supportive colleagues, Mr Rutherford and Miss Frankham who are such a joy to work with. A special thanks to our wonderful support crew – Miss Crockett (Girls in Black) and Mrs Greer and Miss Boyd (Performing Arts Assistants) who also contribute much to the success of our department. Drama is a demanding subject but we are truly blessed to have such passionate and energetic students whose love of Drama makes our job the best in the world.

May your lives be filled with Drama! Remember that all the world's a stage....

Miss DiAnne McDonald Head of Drama

Staff: Miss DiAnne McDonald (Head of Department), Miss Linda Frankham, Mr Christopher Rutherford.



"The free, exploring mind of the individual human is the most valuable thing in the world."

East of Eden, John Steinbeck



ur focus as English teachers is to foster a lifelong love of reading, writing and speaking. Throughout the year, students have been encouraged to express their ideas on the complex issues raised by the set texts succinctly and with perspicacity. Emphasis is also placed on nurturing skills in imaginative writing and speaking. The Writer in Residence program continued this year. It was led by John Larkin, a well-known contemporary teen author. Students from Years 7-10 entered the annual Brigidine Short Story competition, focusing their stories on a trigger based on the Anzac centenary, such as 'Across the Water' and 'Courage'. All entries were original and thoughtfully written.

The winners of the competition were:

Year 7: Laura Collins Year 8: Meaghan Collins Year 9: Helena De Gruchy Year 10: Valentina Buay



In Term 2, students from Years 7-11 presented orals on a variety of topics. Finalists competed in the Public Speaking competition in September. Our guest speaker, Ms Angle Asimus (Class of 2004), spoke about her public speaking experiences as a student of the College and how it shaped her career as a television journalist. The overall winner of the competition was Eila McCrindle (Year 11). The runner up was Francesca Rowlinson (Year 11).

The winners in each Year group were:

Year 7: Chloe Christie

Year 8: Penelope Godfrey

Year 9: Larissa Navakas-Pettersen

Year 10: Valentina Buay

Year 9 students enjoyed meeting Melina Marchetta, the author of their set text Looking for Alibrandi in March. Year 12 students honed their skills with HSC lectures given by Mr Axel Kruse from Sydney University and Ms Karen Stapleton from the Association of Independent Schools. Year 11 Extension students gained valuable creative writing advice from Will Kostakis in a seminar in November. Will is a well-known and successful author of young adult fiction, and joins us as our Writer in Residence in 2016.



This year we farewelled Mrs Fernandez after 15 years of dedicated teaching at the College and Miss Frankham. We thank them for their acuity and inspiring teaching.

Mr Brett Harrison Head of English

Staff: Mr Brett Harrison (Head of Department), Ms Julianne Abercrombie, Mrs Jane Curran, Mrs Sharon Cimen, Mrs Andrea Fernandez. Ms Meredith Ferris, Miss Linda Frankham, Ms Catherine Hickie, Mrs Noela King, Mrs Leslie McLeod, Ms Anne Reading, Mrs Helen Thomas, Mrs Kathy Tobin, Ms Sherill Townsend.







his year has been an exciting time in the History Department. The rollout of the Australian Curriculum for Years 7-10 was finalised, with all classes in these years studying the new syllabus. Years 7 and 8 History students undertake three depth studies in each year. The units on ancient Egypt and China continued to be popular with Year 7. Year 8 enjoyed studying the Black Death as well as Japan under the shoguns. In Years 9 and 10, students study two depth studies in each year. Year 9 students studied the Industrial Revolution along with the compulsory depth study Australians at War. Year 10 studied a school developed depth study, Australia in the Vietnam War, as well as the compulsory depth study, Rights and Freedoms.

There were four Modern History classes and two Ancient History classes in Year 11, the largest number of students enrolled in history for a long time. Naturally, there is considerable rivalry as to which is the "best" History. Friendly banter ensued and it was wonderful to see the passion our girls have for the discipline. Year 12 completed their HSC courses, with the History Extension class producing an interesting and challenging array of topics for their History Project. This is where students research a topic and present their understanding of the historical debates involved, such as the Roanoke Colony, the September 11 attacks, the fall of the Mycenaeans or the end of the Cold War.

Information and communications technology remained embedded in the delivery of History classes. The game-based learning

platform. Kahoot!, proved popular with all classes, which found it very useful for both classroom learning and revision.

To commemorate the centenary of the Gallipoli campaign, the College held a special and moving Assembly on 24 April, before some 70 students from Years 10-12 joined the Camp Gallipoli activities at Moore Park, sleeping out under the stars. Camp Gallipoli students were accompanied by Mrs Bremner, Ms Reading and Mrs Lovett.

History students also participated in excursions and other special events. Year 12 girls attended the History Teachers Association's HSC study day in June, Year 7 visited the Museum of Ancient Cultures at Macquarie

University, Year 8 participated enthusiastically and colourfully in Medieval Day, and Year 10 responded well to the visit by Nan and Vince Cosgrove from the Vietnam Veterans Association.

Mrs Sherryl Bremner Head of History

> Staff: Mrs Sherryl Bremner (Head of Department), Miss Radell Carlson, Mrs Susan Gibson, Ms Sam Highams, Mrs Noela King, Mrs Nyree Lovett, Ms Collen McKeown, Ms Anne Reading.



"Honours has encouraged me to think outside the box and explore ideas and concepts that are not covered in a classroom environment. It has convinced me to think differently and has been an enlightening experience."

Auria Nunes

This year, the Honours Program continued to offer students the opportunity to explore, scrutinise and marvel at ideas and concepts.

During the weekly Honours tutorial sessions, girls were invited to consider the importance of curiosity as an integral and highly prized element in the learning process. The words of American poet and feminist activist, Adrienne Rich, in her address at the convocation of Douglass College in 1977, inspired them:

"You cannot afford to think of being here to receive an education; you will do much better to think of being here to claim one."

Her emphasis on the importance of an active rather than a passive engagement in one's education reinforces the significance of a powerful engine such as curiosity to drive investigation and inquiry.

During tutorial activities, Honours girls evaluated current educational theories about the role of curiosity and considered some useful skills to help them in their own pursuit of intriguing notions. These included the ability to ask pertinent questions to propel discussions, the capacity to formulate links between concepts across a range of subject areas, the drive to articulate well justified views forcefully and the determination not to be deterred by frustrations and obstructions.

After assessing what they found curious, students also analysed the nature of the TED organisation and TED talks as vehicles for spreading ideas and engaging the curiosity of others. In particular, TEDx curator Chris Anderson's observation that the talks should "rewire receiving brains" became the focus for all graduating Honours students as they completed their research work and prepared to share their findings with the Brigidine College community during the Honours Presentation Evening.

In light of this, 2015's Honours Showcase was reconfigured so that students could articulate the conclusions and evaluations of their research projects in TED-style presentations.





#### Honours

Front Row: Shantel Nanayakkara, Claudia Dixon, Annabel Baker, Victoria Hooker, Siobhan Lo, Zoe Re,

Auria Nunes, Madeleine Reid, Abigail Ries, Alannah Darling

Second Row: Sophie Clark, Lara Czysnok, Megan Loone, Tara Chandra, Francesca Rowlinson, Eloise Ott,

Rebecca Bau-Gaspar, Seraphina Buay, Madison Chan

Third Row: Laura Redman, Michelle Williams, Olivia McNamara, Jasmine Forsyth, Abby Johnson.

Emily Goad, Kate Heffernan, Neena Karunakar, Nina Loone, Sylvia Kim

Fourth Row: Meaghan Collins, Ellen Weiley, Ellen Trimble, Isadora Page, Isabel Zhu, Ciara Flynn, Junyi Fang,

Abbey Lenton

Absent: Jacinta McGrath

The evening was designed to demonstrate higher order and multi-dimensional thinking and aptly displayed how students were no longer passive recipients in the learning process. The girls considered such ideas as the impossibility of knowing anyone, the value of a life, the unfeasibility of individuality and the importance of maintaining motivation.

This year's Honours students have definitely demonstrated the importance of curiosity and its capacity to extend and enrich learning.

Ms Catherine Hickie Honours Coordinator "Overall, it was an enjoyable event, full of well-structured arguments that challenged the audience to gain an alternative perspective and provoked them to become more curious about ideas."

Shantel Nanayakkara





irst of all, I wish to sincerely thank our dedicated French and Italian languages teachers for their commitment in promoting our beautiful languages and in providing an enjoyable and innovative environment for students.

In 2015, many girls chose to study languages as an elective and all students in Years 7 and 8 studied Italian and/or French.

In August, Italian and French students in Years 9-11 sat the National Assessment of Language Competence Certificate 2 and Certificate 3 tests in Reading and Listening skills. Our results were excellent as usual, with many girls attaining Distinctions.

Culturally, Years 7 and 8 Italian students celebrated Carnevale in February by making their own masks which were displayed in SY2, and Year 7 French students decorated their own éventails (fans). Year 8 Italian were entertained by a Dennis Murphy's Puppets and Masks of Italy performance while Year 8 French participated in a Theatre LOTE Fantastique! workshop. Year 9 French went on an excursion to view a film during the 2015 French Film Festival while Year 9 Italian watched a Commedia dell'Arte performance by Dennis Murphy. Years 10-12 French visited





the Alliance Française in the city, followed by lunch at The Little Snall restaurant. Year 10 Italian attended a study day at St Augustine's, Year 11 Italian spent a day immersed in Italian culture in Haberfield and Leichhardt, and Year 12 Italian attended a study day at Sydney University, Italian and French assistantes came to Brigidine College each week to engage in oral conversation with our seniors, providing essential practice for our girls who need to be able to speak fluently and confidently to an HSC examiner for 10 minutes in the target language.

#### Exchange

This year, several girls went on a cultural exchange to France and Italy, a couple for 6 months! They wanted to live life in these countries. Their adventures were a once in a lifetime opportunity. We also had girls come from France and Italy to Australia on their cultural exchange. We thank the lovely Australian families they stayed with for hosting them. The exchange girls came to improve their English and to live like Australian teenagers. All of them loved seeing the sights of Sydney and coming to Brigidine College (although wearing a uniform and being in an all girls' school were new experiences for them!). They mentioned our strong sense of community and friendliness, and how lovely their host families were.

Mrs Annemarie Mitchell Head of Languages

Staff: Mrs Annemarie Mitchell (Head of Department), Mrs Maria Jackson, Mrs Louise Konye, Mrs Maria Melani, Mrs Véronique Wilson.











A nother year has flown by it seems, and as always great things have been happening amidst the busyness of Brigidine. Our strong reputation in the community ensures that we have a constant stream of enquiries for enrolments and this is due to the great work of all our teachers who individualise their subject areas to enhance the learning experiences of all their students.

Throughout the year, we gathered samples of the great work occurring across classrooms in an attempt to 'capture excellence' in practice. This will be another useful resource for further professional development. In addition, we expanded the library of professional resources for teachers to increase their familiarity with the range of learning needs and the practical strategies available to facilitate relevant differentiation as needed in the classroom.

Students again benefited from smaller classes in Mathematics and English in each Year group, as well as the Individualised Reading Program available to girls requiring this assistance. The Literacy Applications elective

in Years 9 and 10 continues to be well received by those students who value additional support in assignments and study skills.

Assessments remain a mandatory part of education and consequently the identification of students for whom provisions are required grows. Timetabling, rooming, supervising and supporting the various needs of students during examination periods is onerous, and so I thank Miss Walker, the various Year Coordinators, and the Learning Support staff who make this happen so effortlessly. These services are also made possible by the incredible generosity of our band of community volunteers who so tirelessly assist our students requiring readers/scribes in their origoing assessments. We simply couldn't do it without you – again!

Similarly I need to thank Mrs Stanley, who was appointed as our administrative assistant this year, given all the additional paperwork associated with the online SWD data collection and the many IP meetings that occur as a result throughout the year. Her assistance, commitment and organisational skills were indispensable! This proved particularly crucial during my long service leave in Term 2, when Ms McCudden ably stepped into the role of Head of Department and managed everything gracefully, well supported by the team. I feel very blessed to have such talented and committed people in our department who handle everything with such professionalism and who enabled me to have a guilt free time away from work to recharge and regenerate.

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We again offered the services of our wonderful Speech Therapist, Cassie Maher, to work on site each week. Cassie enhances our team with her professional skills and we were able to broaden the range of students whom she was able to see, while welcoming the professional development opportunities her lingering presence afforded staff more generally.

We were also very fortunate to be able to enlist the expertise of Mrs Covich as our Life Skills Mathematics teacher in Stage 6. Her passion, skill, and genuine enthusiasm and care for the girls enriched this component of the curriculum, ensuring all the students thrive.

Our signature 'Butterfly Cafe' flourished, providing practical experience in the preparation, planning and serving of food for all of our Life Skills students. We were able to provide Café events - which are highly sought after invitations among the staff each term, and we thank Mrs Hill for all her skill and vision. We will miss her next year as she is on maternity leave but we introduce the equally capable Ms Taba who will take on the running of the Café in her absence.

The skills learned in this part of the curriculum, in conjunction with the content from the Mathematics and Skills courses supplemented by the daily living skills acquired from home, were assessed in a practical sense when we again ventured to Delany Place at The Entrance for our overnight Living Skills camp. This year we



extended it to two nights away, which meant that we were better able to adequately assess all the necessary components. Despite the fact that the weather was not really in our favour, all the girls managed to have a wonderful time, as did staff! It was also a fitting farewell to one of our graduates - Allison Gillis - who now transitions to her world beyond Brigidine.

A major factor in ensuring that transition is a smooth process is the various work experience programs which have been in place for our Life Skills students in Stages 5 and 6. We are enormously grateful to the support we receive from our own office and Library staff

here at Brigidine who so generously provide 'real life' work experiences for our students. This is then transferred to many businesses in the local area, including Eden Café, St Vincent de Paul Society and the IGA at St Ives Village. Additionally, we were able to get work placements at the House with No Steps at Belrose, Transplant Australia, Turramurra House Nursing Home, and various library and child care facilities in the Northern Beaches area. The benefits associated with such work programs are incredibly valuable and we thank those organisations for their generous support and ongoing commitment. My sincere thanks to Ms Irene Blake for all her efforts coordinating and sourcing the various programs, as well as our incredible Learning Support teacher's aides who travel with and support the girls onsite.

In staffing news, we farewell Megan Pickwell whom we have been blessed to have as one of our very talented teacher's aides. She has been with us for five years in a part-time capacity but is now resuming full time work and is heading to Shore School to be one of their Learning Support teachers. Truly an asset to their community, Megan will be sorely missed; however, we are delighted to welcome back Susanne McRoberts to take her place among our team.

Mrs Helen Thomas Head of Learning Support



Staff: Mrs Helen Thomas (Head of Department), Ms Irene Blake, Ms Carmel McCudden, Assistants: Mrs Kim Adams, Mrs Mary Casey, Mrs Sharon Lacey, Mrs Joanne O'Connell, Mrs Megan Pickwell, Mrs Carmela Strain.





his year, teachers continued to consolidate their technology skills. Some worked through the Microsoft IT Academy's various Teaching with Technology modules, while others chose different pathways to fulfil their technology needs. A small group of teachers went so far as to take the Microsoft Certified Educator examination, a 90 minute scenariobased examination with a pass mark of 85%. So far, all who have attempted the examination have passed with flying colours. They now have a globally recognised qualification that emphasises their ability to select appropriate classroom technologies from the myriad of attractive and distracting applications that wash over us these days.

Some teachers have recognised Microsoft OneNote as the "killer app" for classroom use. It is seen as a content-rich textbook, a collaborative notebook and an individual student folder. The girls can switch between these different functions with a single click, moving from their own private note-taking space (shared only with the teacher); to the shared area where collaborative brainstorming can happen in an instant; to the text pages for subject content, homework activities and study notes. For example, one Years 11 and 12 teacher provided single click access to every HSC paper in a subject going back to 2001, including worked, sample answers as well! Also, every teacher engaged in some research that will ultimately affect whole-of-school change. The results of this research were stored in a collective OneNote. Now that every teacher has seen the power of this platform. I expect its use to increase.

This year has seen us make good use of the "cloud" as a storage and back-up area. Most girls no longer have to concern themselves about backing up their work, because it is now automatically done for them whenever they save to their OneDrive. Their schoolwork can be accessed anywhere, anytime on any device. What a stride forward that has been!

And so it goes on. We continue to search for and find better, more engaging ways to present up-to-date information to our girls. We strive to investigate and implement better ways for students to interact with this information. And we endeavour to make available more and better ways for your daughters to show us that they have "got it". And, by Jove, I think they have!

Mr Graham Hughes Learning Technologies Advisor







The libraries of the 21st century provide a welcoming common space that encourages exploration, creation and collaboration between students and teachers. They bring together the best of the physical and digital to create learning hubs.

Beth Holland

It has been another year of change and consolidation for Kinkead Library. The Year 7 Orientation program, a collaborative effort by the library and IT departments, was further expanded, covering in more detail the College's digital resources and library programs.

The Campion myConnect app was introduced for students in Years 7-10. Brigidine was one of only five schools in NSW to ensure students could access all digital textbooks on one bookshelf, rather than four different publishers' websites. As with any new software, there were a few teething problems, but these

were ironed out by Term 2. The girls have the benefit of an offline app or online access via myconnectshop.campion.com.au.

The theme for Book Week 2015 was 'Books light up our world'. We had a very special visit from American inventor, scientist and cancer researcher, Jack Andraka, a very accomplished young adult. He spoke about his award-winning work on a potential method for detecting the early stages of pancreatic and other cancers, which he had undertaken while he was a high school student. He also discussed his next project about using





nanobots to detect and destroy cancer cells. Alice Edwards (Year 12) was presented with a special Science award and reflected on his visit:

"Listening to Jack Andraka speak to us was very inspiring. He was engaging and passionate...and taught us that we can all have our own breakthrough moment. And that age is not a prerequisite for success."

Young adult fiction author, Will Kostakis, also visited and spoke to Years 7 and 8 students about his experiences as a writer, giving them some tips about how to approach their creative writing responses. He told them that editing is a really important part of the writing process and how to structure interesting sentences.

The library hosted many 'Skype in the classroom' sessions this year. Dr Sinke communicated with a shark expert in America, we Skyped Dr Karl again in November, and held the inaugural Barely Literate Book Club meeting between Year 9 Brigidine and St Plus students via Skype. The students also met up for a pizza lunch to celebrate the end of the year.

The library has continued to support Year 12 students with their HSC studies, purchasing recent editions of study guides and facilitating a trial with Edrolo. These short tutorial videos cover most subjects and every syllabus dot point, and help students revise content with interactive multimedia presentations and quizzes. A study day was also held for Year 12 Society and Culture students, when time was



Ultimately, libraries will continue to inspire students to construct new knowledge and meaning from the world around them

**Beth Holland** 

spent fine tuning ther Personal Interest Project questions and showcasing databases such as JSTOR, EBSCOhost, Questia School, and State Library eResources. The library has also supported teaching staff this year with a new subscription to ACER research journals for the numerous Staff Altitude Projects.

Staffing remained unchanged during 2015. We have been re-cataloguing non-fiction books according to Schools Catalogue Information Service protocols and to date have completed stocktakes with three departments. Ms Gould continued to focus on building the ClickView library, which is a digital video solution for

education providers. Ms Konkol put together some fantastic displays for the entrance to the library and is becoming quite an expert in book art! I thank them very much for all their efforts this year.

Mrs Leanne Miller Head of Library Services

Staff: Mrs Leanne Miller (Head of Library Services), Miss Michelle Gould (Library Technician), Ms Anna Konkol (Library Assistant).

his year we rolled out the Australian Curriculum to Years 8 and 10 students, after the success of Years 7 and 9 last year. In March, we again held a 'Welcome to High School Maths' evening for parents of Year 7 students who were interested to learn about the differences the Australian Curriculum brings and the important changes from Primary School to High School Mathematics. Also in March we participated in the global celebration of 'Pi Day', when the Mathematics Department shouted every girl who could recite the digits of Pi to 20 decimal places a pie. With camps happening the week beforehand, some groups spent their hikes reciting the digits of Pi. One Year 7 student managed to recite it to 137 places! Amazing!

In May, all our Year 11 and 12 mathematicians were lucky enough to attend the inaugural Mathematics Inspiration show at Concourse Chatswood. They heard stand-up comedian and maths advocate, Matt Parker, speaking about how a photograph is a spreadsheet, and learned how crimes can be solved using mathematics from Dr Hannah Fry. They were even featured on ABC News enjoying the show.

In August, we hosted the second annual North Sydney Regional Mathematics Association Challenge at Brigidine, with 29 teams competing this year. Our girls thoroughly enjoyed the experience of competing in interschool teams and working with others on their maths. One was heard to comment: "I didn't realise you could do maths competitively and it would be so cool".

Our Number Day assembly this year had a theme of 'Probability' and some of our senior mathematics girls enlightened the school about the Monty Hall problem. Our badge competition ran again as well as a lunchtime 'Sum-Cha' interhouse competition. Year 7 participated in three activities: The 'World of Maths' roadshow, a trail around the school. and a workshop on 'Time' for which they had to plan a day trip overseas, using timetables and working out when to Skype Mum and Dad back home in Australia. The following day, Year 8 participated in a problem-solving workshop run by specialist maths educators, Inquisitive Minds. This experiential learning workshop is always popular, particularly as it involves a 'chocolate challenge' in which the girls have to solve particular problems as fast as possible in order to claim the chocolate bar at the front.

In this year's Mathematics division of the International Competitions and Assessments for School (run by the University of New South Wales) the College achieved two High Distinctions and 26 Distinctions. Those students who achieved these results are listed, along with how they did compared with the rest of Australia. There are some very impressive results here, and we are very proud of them.



Year 7	
High Distinction:	Jane Shin - Top 1%
Distinctions:	Teya Murray - Top 3%
	Lucy Eyres - Top 7%
	Olivia Bennett - Top 11 %

Year 8	
Distinctions:	Kathryn Fung - Top 6%
	Caitlin Cummins - Top 10%
	Jasmin High - Top 10%
	Laura Ober - Top 10%
	Charlotte Thomas - Top 10%

High Distinction:	Isabel Zhu - Top 1%
Distinctions:	Ciara Flynn - Top 5%
	Annabelle Ch - Top 5%
	Annabelle Ambrogio - Top 10%
	Rachael Emms - Top 10%
	Georgia North - Top 10%
	Olivia Onslow - Top 10%

Year 10	CANADA STATE
Distinctions:	Isla Toomey - Top 6%
	Jessica McNamara - Top 8%
	Sarah Stanaway - Top 8%
	Valentina Buay - Top 11%
	Abby Flynn - Top 11%
	Sonja Henning-Smith - Top 11%
	Tiani Schaefer - Top 11%

Year 11	
Distinctions:	Tracey Korte - Top 6%
	Elle Miller - Top 10%
	Riza Tolentino - Top 10%

Distinctions:	Sophie Clark - Top 11%
	Danielle Maher - Top 11%

Congratulations to these girls and to all who participated. The questions in this competition are challenging and require various problem solving techniques, and allow students the opportunity to gauge their ability to deal with unfamiliar mathematical situations.

A big thank you and well done to the staff for 2015 for such a busy and productive year.

#### Mrs Becky Lovelock Head of Mathematics

Year 12



Staff: Mrs Rebecca Lovelock (Head of Department) Ms Jacqueline Bridges, Mrs Margaret Covich, Ms Karen Dunsmore, Mrs Donielle Gale, Mr Patric Hobsbawn, Mr Greg Johns, Mrs Maree Lindsay, Ms Elizabeth May, Mr Matthew Selby, Mrs Roslyn Summerfield, Ms Wanda Thomson.













We were fortunate to participate in HSC performance workshops with senior HSC markers, providing valuable feedback and advice to the students. A composition seminar conducted by yet another HSC marker gave the girls helpful tips and hints for creating their own compositions. These opportunities really enriched learning for our senior students.

Junior students enjoyed practical lessons on violins, trombones, djembes and guitars, making our classes noisy but also full of



enthusiasm and fun! Our elective classes in Years 9 and 10 showed the benefits of participating in the many solos concerts in their performance lessons.

Thank you to all the girls involved in music at the College this year. Your passion, dedication and talent is music to the ears of our school! We look forward to another fabulously musical year next year.

Thank you also to Mrs Ramsay, Mr Lovelock and Mrs Allan whose continued support and encouragement help to keep music thriving in the Brigidine community.

Ms Ros Boyd Head of Music

> Staff: Ms Roslyn Boyd (Head of Department), Mrs Judith Allan, Mr Charlie Lovelock, Ms Kathryn Ramsay.



personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) continued to deliver Brigidine students a demanding yet interesting course in 2015. We integrated into our PDHPE program a range of practical experiences and excursions which, along with our theory units, dealt with issues and challenges faced by adolescent females.

In the senior years, the girls took part in gym visits, exercise physiology lab testing under the instruction of university professionals, and a full First Aid course to complement their Stage 6 studies. The Physical Activity and Sports Studies (PASS) elective has become a very popular subject choice for our Years 9 and 10 students, and in 2015 the girls studied some fascinating sports science related topic areas which were enhanced by valuable practical

opportunities. Year 9 PASS classes completed a coaching and fitness unit rounded out by an end of unit biathlon at Collaroy beach. During the Sports Nutrition unit, students listened to a professional nutritionist discuss the dietary needs of an adolescent female athlete. Year 10 PASS classes went surfing for a whole practical unit, played a round of golf and learned how to operate new technology involved in the analysis of sport performance.

In Term 3, our PDHPE dance instruction and assessment took place under the professional guidance of external dance teachers. This year's dance genre was Jive and our Years 8-10 classes were taught a series of choreographed routines which was testing yet entertaining for all participants. The dance theme continued into Term 4, when our Year

9 girls showed off their Jive skills during the PDHPE department-organised Ceroc and Modern Jive dance day with St Pius X Chatswood. Year 10 finished their compulsory years of Physical Education with a unit on relaxation and recreation, and were able to participate in two sessions of Body Combat and Zumba.

As part of an initiative to use external sporting bodies to upskill our students, this year our Year 9 PDHPE girls attended coaching clinics with NSW AFL, in a venture aimed at exposing them to a new growth sport for girls. The sessions were a great success and will continue into 2016.

Year 7 girls undertook an intensive aquatics program that culminated in an excursion to Palm Beach, where they had the opportunity to do a session on water and beach safety as well as surfing instruction.

Such exciting learning opportunities would not be possible without a highly motivated and proactive staff, with the support of Mr Chant, Mrs Kuper and Mrs Ryder, Their high standards for Brigidine girls has allowed each student to strive to reach her potential.

Mr Joshua Holmes Head of PDHPE



Staff: Mr Joshua Holmes (Head of Department), Ms Jo Baker, Mrs Leigh-Anne Hartwig, Mrs Gina Hudson, Mrs Olga Pasfield, Mrs Michelle Skinner, Mrs Skye Wacher.

his year brought the excitement of Philosophy being offered as an elective to Year 9 students for the first time.

The course examined the nature of self in the question "Who am I?" and considered the impact of the work of René Descartes and Daniel Dennett to appreciate the complexity of the issue of selfhood.

Students then reflected on how they evaluate the world around them. In particular, they explored a branch of philosophy called Aesthetics during a visit to Sydney. They responded to the work of David Hume and Alain de Botton in their consideration of the Art Gallery of NSW, the parks and gardens of the Harbour foreshore and the high rise office buildings of the business district.

As the year progressed, the young philosophers became adept at investigating philosophical notions in a Community of Inquiry format in which they crafted arguments and debated issues about reality and freedom. They also challenged assumptions and endeavoured to critically analyse the thinking of Plato, Spinoza, Jean-Paul Sartre and Jean Baudrillard.

#### Community of Inquiry

This involves a group of people thinking together in order to increase their understanding and expose themselves to new ideas and opinions. Through this exercise we opened our minds to the ideas and opinions of the others around us to reach a decision about answers to questions.

Gemma Biggs, Year 9

The year ended with the intellectual challenge of Brigidine College's first Festival of Dangerous Ideas entitled, 'Children of the Enlightenment'. This coincided with UNESCO's World Philosophy Day and our young philosophers considered the challenges posed by Enlightenment thinkers and why their reasoning is still pertinent to our lives today,

We learned about how the Enlightenment was characterised by dramatic changes in science, philosophy, society and politics, including the political upheaval of the French Revolution. Former practices were challenged by the Enlightenment ideals of Freedom, Equality and the application of Reason.

Ciara Flynn, Year 9

A former Brigidine student and Mathematics and Physics Major, Kathryn Ross, spoke to us about experimenting, researching, investigating and the complexity of the pursuit of truth. We realised the importance of questions to help further understanding as the truth may sometimes be hidden.

Zoe Gougousidis, Year 8



The progression made by our young intelligent thinkers is best summarised in Abbey Slater's analysis of herself at the end of the year:

Who am I now?

I am a free person, so long as someone cannot forcefully govern my actions. I am both a body and a soul, and if either one of these were absent, the universe would not exist for me. I make my own decisions, including if I want to obey someone else, however some of my actions are determined from my past free choices. I am morally responsible for everything I do on my own conscious terms. I am an accumulation of my personal traits: thoughts, intentions, beliefs, conditions, desires, knowledge, experiences and various values of others I have personally adopted to use as my own. I can change, and do change every day (I'm never completely the same) but I cannot become a totally different person, no matter how hard I might try. And though there is no way to prove it, I am alive, a human being, and living consciously. This is who I arn - my freedom, my moral responsibility, my personal values and my reality.

Ms Catherine Hickie Head of Philosophy



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ach year in Term 1, Year 7 students are introduced to Religious Education at Brigidine through a study of the Brigidine story. They learn of the kindness and love of St Brigid, the fortitude and determination of Daniel Delany and the strength and gentleness of the Brigidine Sisters who left their homeland in Ireland to come to Australia to teach.

Through this unit, we lay the framework for the Brigidine charism based on Daniel Delany's teaching that "nothing is as strong as gentleness, nothing as gentle as real strength" and our motto, 'Fortiter et Suaviter'.

This year saw Brigidine students take part in an interesting and varied curriculum, covering topics ranging from good and evil in Year 8,





religious diversity in Australia in Year 9 and social justice in Year 10. Senior students continued to embrace Studies of Religion, with most girls completing the 2 Unit course where environmental ethical issues, the interfaith dimension of Australian society and nonreligious belief systems are explored. We again offered the accelerated Studies of Religion program for Year 10 girls, and both mainstream and accelerated students achieved excellent results in the Higher School Certificate.

This year, we further examined the interfaith dimension of Australian society with some Year 9 and 10 girls visiting the Jewish Museum. Through the efforts of the Jewish Board of Deputies the girls met with students from Jewish, Muslim and other Christian denominations to discuss and accept differences and to embrace similarities in culture, tradition and faith. Years 11 and 12 listened while guest speakers from the Islamic Sciences and Research Academy (an offshoot of the Affinity Intercultural Foundation) and the Board of Jewish Education presented lectures on topics relevant to HSC studies. Most memorably, Lara Czysnok (Year 11), her mother and I were fortunate enough to be invited to brunch with a Muslim family in Hoxton Park. There we enjoyed delicious Turkish food and dialogued with Muslims, Christians and members of the Jewish community, making us realise how in Australia we are truly blessed to share this wonderful country with one another.

Of course none of this is possible without a wonderful and dedicated Religious Education team who work tirelessly to ensure that the girls are well educated both academically and spiritually. To them we owe a great deal of thanks.

Mrs Ingrid Thompson Head of Religious Education

Staff: Mrs Ingrid Thompson (Head of Department), Mrs Brodie Byrne, Ms Marina Carvin, Mr David Chant, Ms Marine Choquenet, Mr William Gleeson, Ms Samantha Highams, Miss Brooke Lamplough, Mr Brian Loughland, Ms Carmel McCudden, Ms Colleen McKeown, Miss Natalie Nalbandian, Mrs Kate Ryder, Mrs Anne Summerhayes.





he Science Department at Brigidine had a very productive and interesting year. The full implementation of the new NSW Stages 4 and 5 syllabus gave us occasion to develop new strategies and assessment tasks that engage our girls and encourage them to think logically and scientifically in a world full of deceit, manipulation and opportunistic behaviour. If we are to educate our girls to be successful and safe after their time at Brigidine and beyond, these skills will be essential for them to navigate through society. It is very pleasing to see that the number of Brigidine girls electing to enrol in senior science subjects - Biology, Chemistry and Physics - for their HSC remains very solid and is for some subjects increasing, despite the disappointing national trends away from science.

Year 7 explored the rock platform around Palm Beach to reinforce their study of the living world, while Year 8 experienced forces first hand at Luna Park to demonstrate how they are affected by forces all the time. Year 9 visited the Royal Botanic Gardens with Maths, and Year 10 excursioned to the Australian Museum to investigate evolution in Australia. We had live sessions with Dr Karl, Professor Brian Cox and the fascinating Commander Chris Hadfield, the Canadian astronaut who elevated David Bowie's classic Space Oddity to new heights aboard the International Space

I must give a very special thank you to Mrs Radcliff, who each Monday lunchtime conducts fun science experiments and investigations in the Science Club for a growing number of like-minded and appreciative girls. The incorporation of drone flying, robotics, computer coding and other technologies into the activities enjoyed by

our students encompassing the over-arching concept of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) will help make science the relevant and useful experience that the teachers here at Brigidine hope for, and one that girls will go home and talk about over the dinner table.

Mr Rob Farr Head of Science

Staff: Mr Robert Farr (Head of Science), Mrs Sylvia Bonner (Laboratory Manager), Ms Fiona Caithness, Mrs Audrey Coburn, Mrs Krysia Lee (Laboratory Manager), Mrs Mary Radcliff, Dr Jillian Sinke, Mr Byron Usmar, Mrs Skye Wacher, Ms Simone Webb, Mrs Lindsey Wright.







earning about the basics of paying bills, building good credit and avoiding debt is the nature of financial literacy, taught in Commerce. In lieu of Commerce classes, teens have to rely on their parents or simply their own research and experience to pick up these lessons - or never get them at all. John Pelletier, director of the Center for Financial Literacy, said he's walked into high school classrooms where the bulk of students believe their chosen career will make them at least \$100,000 a year. "You can see how people. based on that flawed analysis, think that they can afford \$70,000, \$80,000 or \$90,000 in debt," he said. Year 9 Commerce students attended a Start Smart seminar provided by the Commonwealth Bank to discuss aspects of budgeting, borrowing and employment issues.

The impact of climate change on habitats and the threats imposed on species is a focus in Year 8 Geography, where the plight of the polar bears causes much concern. A visit to Taronga Zoo encouraged students to consider the impact of human activities on species survival. Year 7 Geography explored important sites of Sydney Harbour, covering a trail from Manly to the Rocks. Year 10 Geographers investigated environmental management of areas under threat such as the coastline, walking from Dee Why to Narrabeen along the Long Reef headland to observe and measure the interaction of human and physical processes.

In Legal Studies, senior students visited The Downing Centre to observe courtroom drama and Maitland Gaol to consider the effectiveness of imprisonment in achieving the objectives of punishment. This year, five Year 12 students attended a Law Week seminar, where judges of the Supreme Court discussed topical legal and justice issues.

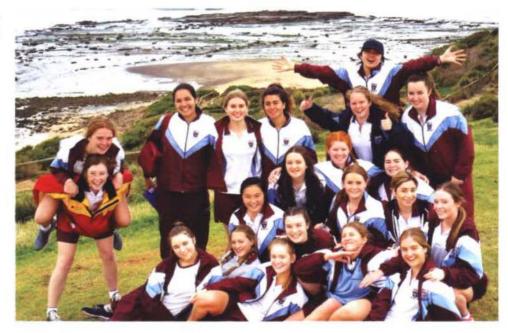
The influence of popular culture and belief systems on human behaviour were factors considered by Society and Culture students. who then committed to a Personal Interest Project that enabled them to investigate issues of importance to them.

These are just some of the activities undertaken by students in Social Science subjects under the guidance of the Social Science staff as well as Mrs Martin. They do a fantastic job seeking out venues and accompanying the girls in their explorations. We are so lucky to have a knowledgeable and committed team of educators to take us forward into the future.

Mrs Jennifer Preston Head of Social Science



Staff: Mrs Jennifer Preston (Head of Department), Mrs Danielle Ballesty, Mrs Melissa Cash, Ms Marine Choquenet, Mrs Susan Gibson, Mrs Maureen Mahon, Mr Jake Summers, Mrs Tiffany Suominen, Ms Katy Valentine.



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his year has been a very busy and exciting one for the Technology and Applied Studies (TAS) Department.

In Stage 4 we continued to cultivate our units of work, with Year 7 studying three units: the Dream Room project involved using eco-friendly products to redesign a room, Snack Attack developed healthy snack food for children, and Magazines for Teens produced a magazine in groups using Photoshop and Publisher.

Year 8 students fashioned boxer shorts during the Textiles focus area, café foods in Food Technology, mechanical moving toys in Wood Technology and 'Wonderful Websites' in ICT.

Years 9 and 10 students studied a variety of TAS courses this year, including Design and Technology, Food Technology and Textiles Technology.

Year 9 Design and Technology students experimented with many different materials to create resin jewellery, recycled timber frames and 3D printed bottles. In Term 3, classes were lucky to have a lesson on how 3D printers work and how to best use AutoCAD® software to design hollow perfume bottles. Year 10 students completed an eco-friendly lamp, which tied in with UNESCO's International Year of Light theme. The projects were innovative and used an array of new and recycled

materials in their production. The second product was a furniture item that incorporated recycled pallet timber into the sustainable designs.

Years 9 and 10 Food Technology had a busy year, the highlight being an excursion to the Sydney Royal Easter Show where the girls viewed the produce exhibits and engaged in the educational programs run by the Royal Agriculture Society. Workshops included chocolate and cheese making, a fully working dairy, and various cooking demonstrations.

Food Technology students also participated in many activities during the year, where their practical skill development and presentation techniques progressed. These included cake decorating, new healthy food products, stir-fry and bush food products. We are starting to see many well-styled food products.

Textile Technology students worked on a variety of projects that offered them opportunity to hone their design and manufacturing skills. Year 9 students sewed pyjamas, skirts and highly decorated cushions inspired by a culture of each student's choice. The girls developed skills in surface decoration using a variety of printing, dying, embroidery and fabric folding techniques. Year 10 students deconstructed pairs of jeans to re-use them in the construction of a textile item, including hammocks, bags, cushions, clothing items and quilts. The second project that students undertook was an article of clothing inspired by contemporary and historical influences, with the girls drawing inspiration from contemporary movies and books as well as the culture and fashion of historical time periods.

Year 11 Textiles and Design students worked on two preliminary projects this year, helping them to develop the skills required to complete a Major Textiles Project. The first project required them to design and create using a commercial pattern. The girls also attended a fashion drawing workshop facilitated by qualified TAFE fashion teacher, Carol Dulhunty, who taught skills in basic fashion sketching and rendering using a variety of media. The skills learnt during this workshop were then transferred into the production of entries for the Wool4Skool™ competition. The students also completed an individual project during

Year 11 was given opportunity to model their completed garments at the Presentation of Awards event. The two classes worked together to choose the music and choreograph the walk on stage. I congratulate them on a very professional performance.

Years 9 and 11 Textiles students recently attended the Whitehouse Institute of Designs Graduate Fashion Parade in Surry Hills, giving

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them an exciting chance to see a collection of tertiary students' final projects and a real fashion show. The girls were amazed by the quality of the works and how the whole collections were put together, even down to the hand-crafted shoes on some models. This was another highlight for our Textiles girls.

Our Year 12 Design and Technology and Textiles Technology students worked consistently throughout 2015 to complete their respective Major Projects. They demonstrated skill and techniques to complete a project and supporting documentation. These projects were showcased in the first combined Year 12 Exhibition with the Visual Arts Department. I congratulate all the students on a beautiful evening of major projects.

Congratulations to Olivia De Gruchy (Year 12 Textiles) who had her Textiles 2015 HSC Major Work selected for display in the 2015 Texstyle Exhibition. Olivia's piece was a beautifully designed and manufactured white de-lustred polyester jumpsuit with a sheer silk organza overlay floor length skirt.

Congratulations also goes to Isabella Purnell (Year 12 Design and Technology) for her nomination into the 2015 DesignTECH exhibition. Isabella conceived a fully automated clothes line system that will sense rain and trigger a rain safe cover to spread out over the clothes line. Further accolades for Isabella came via her entry in the 2015 University of Wollongong's Faculty of Engineering and Information Sciences' STEM and Design and Technology competition. She was Runner Up for the Women in Design and Technology Award, and Winner of the Best Use of Referencing/Bibliography

Award. A wonderful achievement for such an innovative design project.

Finally, I extend my thanks to the TAS Department, for their efforts and enthusiasm throughout the year in developing our students into creative and innovative designers.

Mrs Tawney Peachey Head of TAS





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his year the newly introduced Photographic and Digital Media elective course in Year 9 was selected by enthusiastic, creative and technically minded Art students who desired to enhance their photographic and computer skills. The course, facilitated by Ms Taylor and Miss Nalbandian, gave students the opportunity to explore digital photography and to enhance these images using computer graphic techniques. Photographic and Digital media is yet another creative avenue to develop students' intellectual and artistic autonomy, critical judgment and reflective actions in making and interpreting artworks. Girls were also introduced to the processes in making their own short film.

The Bella Program at the Museum of Contemporary Art offered our Integrated Visual Arts students occasion to spend a day with the artist in residence, David Capra, and his sausage dog, Teena. This concluded in a very interactive and immersive artmaking day for the girls.

Our HSC students worked tirelessly to complete their Body of Works for final submission to BOSTES, also showcasing their resolved artworks at our annual thExhibition held in August. Students were proud to exhibit their final artworks and the exhibition night was a huge success. The department is proud to announce that Rachel Seeto's artwork Fish and Ships was selected for ARTEXPRESS 2016. Well done, Rachel.

This year, Year 11 enjoyed an incursion, spending the day with local artist, Daniel O'Connell, who inspired their creativity in deconstructing and reconstructing ideas and thoughts, and making huge expressive,

spontaneous charcoal drawings. They were encouraged to think outside the box with their mark making.

Year 10 Visual Design students were taken on excursion to the Art Gallery of New South Wales where they saw the *Pop to Popism* exhibition earlier in the year. They attended an informative lecture prior to viewing the exhibition in which the girls could understand the deeper effect of the Pop Art movement on the Australian art scene at the time.

Year 10 Visual Arts students worked collaboratively to construct life sized figures using paper and cylinders, making an assemblage of moving and dancing figures. These artworks were exhibited in both the College library and on the veranda of the Anita Murray Centre. The Visual Arts students embarked on an excursion to the Art Gallery of New South Wales, where they enjoyed viewing the annual Archibald, Sulman and Wynne Prizes exhibit.

Year 9 Visual Arts students were immersed in drawing and serious artmaking earlier this year when taken on an excursion to the Brett Whiteley Studio in Surry Hills. The students engaged in completing quick expressive drawings of Whiteley's sculptures, which were later developed into very dynamic collages. Under the guidance of Miss Mountfort and Miss Dzubiel, they completed an engaging still life painting. The final task allowed the students to enjoy the process of the 3D form, making interesting and thought provoking sculptures using found objects.

The mandatory course in Years 7 and 8 allowed students to make and create artworks in both 2D and 3D forms. Year 7 were taken on a journey to explore the genre of the portrait, interpreting their sitter's life and interests

through the interpretation of pattern, colour and symbols. Our Year 8 students enjoyed their experience printmaking, completing lino prints inspired by the artworks of Margaret Preston.

As a department we are fortunate to have two new kilns delivered this year to replace the weathered pair that had been part of the furniture for over 20 years. Both Years 7 and 8 worked in clay, exploring techniques and joining skills used in handbuilding. They completed interesting and engaging ceramic pieces, such as contemporary castles, quirky looking gargoyles and fantastical fish.

This year we embarked on the venture of hosting a joint display of Visual Arts, Textiles and Design, and Design and Technology exhibits, including all other HSC major works such as Extension English. Extension History, Society and Culture and the Honours program. A very successful evening showcasing all the HSC major works allowed parents, friends and students to enjoy the talents the Year 12 girls.

As Acting Head of Department for the year, I thank the Visual Arts staff for their support and their inspiration in teaching the students in such a professional manner. A successful year of creating, making and sharing delighted both students and staff,

Mrs Lucille Flory Acting Head of Visual Arts

Staff: Mrs Lucille Flory (Acting Head of Department), Mrs Brodie Byrne, Miss Peta Dzubiel (Term 2), Miss Natasha Mountfort (Term 1), Miss Natalie Nalbandian, Mrs Joanne O'Connell (art assistant), Ms Kieren Taylor.

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#### Assistant Principal Religious Formation

Throughout the year the College embraced the theme of 'Joy', stemming from the papal document *Evangelii Gaudium*, in which Pope Francis challenged all Christians to live lives motivated with the Joy of the Gospel.

Connected with the many aspects of the Joy of Brigidine is the paramount legacy of the Brigidine Sisters. As the foundational pioneers of the College, their impact lives on in the strong spirit which engulfs the community. As an integral goal of the Faith dimension of our Strategic Plan, Embed an understanding of St Brigid and Brigidine within the daily life of the College, the tradition of the Brigidine sisters must be told and enlivened for future generations.

This year, we hosted sever Brigidine Sisters. Their visit complemented the Religious Education program as the girls learned about the Brigidine tradition. Although classes had researched the story of the sisters at St Ives and had walked the College Heritage Trail, the personal one to one interactions gave the girls the best experience. The occasion of congregating with Sr Chanel Sugden, Sr Margaret Daniels, Sr Maureen Keady, Sr Trish Garland, Sr Patricia Buckley, Sr Ann Harrison and Sr Jan O'Neill was such a memorable highlight.

At a Brigidine Combined Leaders Gathering at Brigidine Randwick, the College senior leaders shared workshop sessions with girls from Randwick and Indooroopilly. Amid the discussions, the group dialogued with Brigidine Sisters, Sr Chanel Sugden, Sr Jan O'Neill and Sr Maureen Keady shared stones of the founding of the Brigidine order in Australia and traditions of each of the colleges. The girls received a special blessing from the Sisters and a St Brigid's Cross. At such events it is gratifying to see the legacy of the Brigidine Sisters alive in the College of today. The girls are proud of the tradition, speak with confidence and model a distinctively Brigidine identity.

It was encouraging to see the growing appreciation of sacrament with the continuance of a total College Mass each term and the development of the Religious Education class-led weekly masses. Opportunities for student leadership in various ministries grow as girls gain assurance to accept the invitation to take the extra steps in faith development. The training for eucharistic ministry, liturgical

leadership and altar service, and alongside involvements for outreach, all provide possibilities for the girls to put faith in action. In the area of outreach, experiences such as the Street Retreat, Community Involvement Program and immersions continue to expand.

Staff participated in a Wellbeing and Spirituality Day at the commencement of Term 2. Aspects of mindfulness, balance and stewardship were incorporated into the activities. The program included prayer, scripture, reflection, yoga and meditation.

The College was proud to host an Interfaith Forum in the Murray Theatre in March, attended by many staff, students and parents. It took the format of a presentation/conversation among three representatives from the Abrahamic faiths — Rabbi Gad Krebs (Masada St Ives) for Judaism; Fr David Ranson (Holy Name Wahroonga) for Christianity (Catholic); and Mahsheed Ansari (ISBA) for Islam. It was facilitated by Sr Trish Madigan OP.

On Anzac eve a group of 70 Brigidine Years 10–12 students accompanied by seven teachers joined a nationwide centenary commemoration of the Gallipoli Campaign of 1915 named Camp Gallipoli. The group attended the Sydney based celebration in The Entertainment Quarter (Moore Park) with over 10,000 students. It was a sleepover with various activities commemorating this significant moment in Australia's history, culminating in a Dawn Service on 25 April. It will be long remembered as a fitting tribute to those who served so valiantly 100 years ago. It was such a privilege to be involved.

Finally, I acknowledge Mrs Curran and the Leadership Team, alongside the College Board, College staff, alumni, girls and parents, who all help to maintain Brigidine as a strong faithful community.

The Joy of the Sisters in the year of the Joy of the Gospel was strong at Brigidine in 2015.

#### As Pope Francis states:

This is the joy which we experience daily, amid the little things of life, as a response to the loving invitation of God our Father: "My child, treat yourself well, according to your means... Do not deprive yourself of the day's enjoyment" (Sir 14:11, 14).

#### Mr William Gleeson

Assistant Principal, Religious Formation



#### Assistant Principal Teaching and Learning

As another year closes, it is an ideal time to reflect on where the journey of girls' education has taken us. There have been many changes over the years, most of them subtle but significant in terms of progress.

Not so long ago research was showing time and time again that girls were anxious about taking risks and accepting academic challenges for fear of disappointing the expectations of significant others, namely their parents and their teachers. They would fret about making mistakes and a fear of failure loomed large in their anxiety. If they achieved recognised excellence they would squirm with the attention, question their self-perceptions about the culturally accepted role of women and unconsciously aim to underachieve the next time. In a remarkable survey by Neil Carrington and Stan Bailey (2000), 1470 preservice teachers were asked to rank, in order of preference, eight hypothetical students who varied according to gender, ability (average or gifted) and attitude to study (studious or nonstudious). Regardless of the gender of the preservice teacher, who are all now teaching in our schools, the least acceptable student was the gifted, studious girll What an interesting indictment on our culture. This revelation from my postgraduate studies was something I brought with me to Brigidine College.

A starting point was to establish a vision that every girl had a right to expect an education that challenged her and encouraged her to venture beyond her comfort zone into an unknown but achievable area of learning. She would accept that mistakes made were the opportunities for learning and academic growth; then having achieved her best, she would enjoy the feeling of personal success. It is easy to utter such statements but making it happen requires time and effort. A great many small shifts and tweaks were required to develop a bigger picture.

Focusing the language on growth, improvement, positive mindsets, optimism, perseverance and realistic achievement was to be an everyday occurrence. The idea of doing your best, not being the best was emphasised, and the concept of improvement in small increments was articulated in the 'one more mark' principle. A practice of effective, formative assessment and feedback was necessary to enable the girls, all of them, to progress. Inviting parents to the educational conversations each year to discuss the role they would play as partners was essential. To learn to be a positive support to their daughter's learning, rather than reflect disappointment over a mark and deem she had 'failed' because that mark was low, became the aim. With 75% attendance at information evenings on average each year, College parents have become engaged partners, committed to their girls' education.

Learning itself has been the subject of considerable change. The days of churning content out against a set of dot points is no longer the focus of teaching.

The advent of the Australian Curriculum has heralded changes that incorporate multidisciplinary thinking and general capabilities as core objectives. It presents an opportunity to rethink the delivery of syllabus expectations and marry them with future-focused skills and related pedagogies. We continue to explore and embrace all the possibilities that may lead to improvement in our practice and student learning. Technology in education is no longer a novelty and has become an integral component of learning, assessment and reporting. In two years, NAPLAN will become an online adaptive test; it seems inevitable that changes in the HSC are not too far away.

A significant initiative was to provide students with courses that tested them at their individual academic level. Life Skills courses are mandatory for high needs students but girls who require a little bit more learning support than most and those for whom learning needs to be more challenging invites a curriculum that enables this to occur seamlessly. Additional English and Mathematics classes, specialised electives, and acceleration opportunities in Studies of Religion II and Mathematics were successfully introduced programs. Girls were encouraged to stretch themselves and to undertake more rigorous courses if they have the aptitude and interest. This year, seven students completed Mathematics Extension II, and as all embark on Science degrees at university they are more than prepared for their tertiary studies.

We wanted the girls to be proud of their achievements so we determined to proclaim more examples of success and celebrate them accordingly. The introduction of application to studies grades and awards was designed to identify those girls whose learning attributes were exceptional in terms of effort, application and persistence; an award that celebrates an important life skill which can be accomplished by every girl in the school. We wanted to honour the many examples of academic excellence and accord them a special place in our celebrations with newly designed trophies and lines. The ceremonies also aimed to capture the breadth and depth of other achievement by including performances, cocurricula achievement, sport and community endeavours. The Dux/Proxime assembly at the start of the year moved away from its focus on two students to a rich celebration of a large number of students worthy of being proudly presented to the girls.

When I came to Brigidine College I was committed to the idea that girls would have every opportunity to excel at their academic level and enjoy the success that it brought them, and that together we would celebrate it with positive, inclusive enthusiasm. With the expertise and generosity of dedicated teachers, who work tirelessly for the girls, my reflections on educating girls is that we are walking the talk and will continue to do so.

#### Mrs Susan Martin

Assistant Principal, Teaching and Learning

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#### Assistant Principal Pastoral

A recent Department of Education report on 'Student Wellbeing' defined wellbeing as:

"A sustainable state of positive mood and attitude, resilience and satisfaction with self, relationships

and school," (DEEWR 2015)

Wellbeing is an essential element of a Brigidine College education. With all that we know about girls and their preferences for learning we are able to focus on building relationships at Brigidine as a core component for a thriving community. We have always been a special place where welcome hospitality and care for people are clearly evident each day. Girls that thrive at Brigidine enjoy the benefits of their education here and in turn move out into the world with the capacity to renew and regenerate our Australian society.

This climate of care provides a sound foundation for learning and for student flourishing. As girls feel comfortable to express themselves confidently, and to venture out, take risks and try new things that are a little beyond them, they can begin to excel and fulfil their potential as young women.

Wellbeing is sustained through the provision of a safe and supportive environment. There are clear expectations for students to maintain with one another and with their teachers. We seek their feedback on issues that concern them and listen to their ideas and goals through Mentor interviews and student welfare surveys.

Wellbeing endures through connectedness. Students are always encouraged to strive for more, to be involved and to improve the quality of their relationships in the College. At a time when young women are still in formation, we offer transparent frameworks for growth to adulthood based on right relationships, a growth mindset and a positive attitude to dealing with life's challenges and joys.

Wellbeing leads to learning engagement. Engaged students do better and doing better increases engagement. As we focus our pastoral time more on positive education and social and emotional learning, these key areas create for our girls the right mindset and attitude for learning and engagement with their own education.

Wellbeing happens when staff, parents and students work together and create new opportunities for learning and growth. There is still a lot of work to be done in the area of mental health and supporting students with anxiety and other related illnesses. Through opening up the channels of communication and accepting these illnesses as a part of life, we can move forward to managing and supporting students to work through their situations and achieve to their potential.

I thank the year coordinators and the counsellors for their outstanding work in providing care and leadership for students in the College. There are always a number of students facing significant health, emotional and personal issues and challenges, and there have been some great results achieved with thoughtful action, time and persistence. Wellbeing is central to our education of girls at Brigidine College; we hope to always enable each girl to flourish with strength and gentleness.

#### Mr Brian Loughland

Assistant Principal, Pastoral



# Director Development and Community Relations

Many people in our Brigidine community have come to know individuals in the Development and Community Relations team but don't really know what we do throughout the year. We're all about connecting!

Each year members of our team connect people with information and opportunities. Here is a snapshot of the connecting that we did in 2015.

For new students and families – tours, Open Day, Welcome Day and Information Night for new Year 7 girls and their parents; thanks to Jennifer Kirkby and Kathy Giuffrida.

For current students and families – Mother's and Father's Day Breakfasts, Year 9 Mothers Brunch, Year 10 Parent/Daughter Dinner, Year 12 Graduation Dinner, Grandparents Day, Year 8 Afternoon Tea: thanks to Gail Dugan for working with teaching staff on these events.

**Melbourne Cup Ladies Lunch** – a whole team effort and thanks to our Year 12 mothers, Maree Brown and Felicity Dennis, for their great work with this inaugural event which was so much fun!

Our P&F subcommittee – presented two wonderful events which the team supported, Caribbean Twilight Welcome Cocktail Party in February and Top Hat...Top Night Trivia event in September. Special thanks to the P&F but particularly Maria Lowe and Pip Inman for their arrazing work on these events. We also thank Laura Hurstfield for her support as President over the past four years, as well as Jim Breen, Kieran Flynn and Penny Wilkinson.

Alumni and Archives – Pioneers and Golden Girls Reunion, Class of 2014 alumni gathering, Alumni Reunion Day for the Classes of 1975, '85, '95, 2000, 2005 and 2010; thanks to Wendy Baxter, Kerri Genovese and Philippa Goddard. Also special thanks to our volunteers, Marie Duffy and Margaret Cook, treasured past staff members.

The Annual Giving program once again played an important part and was supported by many donors who helped us fund bursaries for girls whose families are experiencing difficult times, the Recognition of Brigidine Sisters artwork project and seats in the Murray Theatre.

Facebook has really taken off for us this year, with our top post reaching over 11,000 people. This keeps us in touch with our girls, parents, alumni, past staff, past parents and Brigidine Sisters.

Many girls played their part in a growing number of videos that we produced this year, using both external providers and the talents of Leah Crockett, our Audio-Visual Technician. Leah also plays a key role in producing BrigFest, the College's Short Film Festival, which attracted some excellent entries this year and was supported, for the first time, by valuable sponsorship from AFTRS, Videocraft and East Coast Audio-Visual.

Throughout the year, our community is kept in touch with all the regular and exciting aspects of the College and the girls' activities through our various communication channels, but particularly through our weekly e-newsletter *Matters*, our biannual magazine *The Bridge*, and, of course, this 2015 Yearbook. Huge thanks to Aleisha Conlay (Class of 2001) for her energy, creativity and enthusiasm.

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LR Maree Lindsay, Sue Appleton, Andrea Fernandez

#### Sue Appleton

ue began here in 1990 and will conclude her time now in 2015 after an amazing 26 years of work as our College Counsellor.

It is said:

When you look at a person. Any person. Remember that everyone has a story. Everyone has gone through something that has changed them.

I am mindful of the thousands of students that Sue has encountered with a story. A family situation, a friendship issue, a story of trouble from childhood, stories with drama and relating incidents from the weekend just gone, fears for the future and what may happen to them.

All of their fears, worries, losses and grief were all met with Sue's kindness, compassion and her listening ear. Listening with the ear of her heart to students and staff in this community.

Then going as well - above and beyond for some girls - to their homes, and supporting staff experiencing loss and challenges. Sue was always approachable, friendly, available and always on the lookout for those not travelling so well - always one with a mind for others.

She has seen a lot of change and has been shuffled around the College in her time as Counsellor. From the current art area to McCammon and then to Synan.

But this movement never changed the way that her counselling was delivered. She always listened, met the person where they were at and then helped them find a way out of their situation or a solution to their problems.

Sue, you have been a great colleague and your outstanding work over many years with Ingeborg Dean and more recently with Amy Hockey is greatly appreciated by this community and the Pastoral team.

I hope you can feel a sense of pride in all you have achieved in your time at Brigidine and know deep within you that you will leave the College a richer and more loving place because you have walked here.

#### Mr Brian Loughland

Assistant Principal, Pastoral

#### Maree Lindsay

'd like you to cast your minds back to 1989 when I first met Maree - two fresh-faced, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed young teachers started their journey together at Brigidine working on a musical titled "A Tribute to Broadway". In nine short weeks, Maree choreographed brilliant routines for some of the most famous Broadway tunes of all time - "The Time Warp" from The Rocky Horror Show, "The Hand-Jive" from Grease and the show-stopping finale "One" from A Chorus Line. Those nine intense weeks of rehearsals cemented a friendship that has grown into a family. Over more than 20 shows, Maree and I have laughed, cried, watched our daughters grow into beautiful young ladies and enjoyed countless hours of fun witnessing students blossom on the stage.

But musicals are only one facet of Maree's outstanding contributions to Brigidine. She is an exceptional maths teacher. Her patience and talent from drawing out even the least able students such that they believe that they can achieve in maths is nothing short of miraculous.

It is this compassion and support for students that led to Maree taking on the role of Year 12 Coordinator in 2001, and this is where the true gifts of Maree were realised. Every year for the past 15 years Maree has coaxed, cajoled, consoled, comforted, cheered and cared for a group of girls. Maree's initiatives as Year 12 Coordinator have now become Brigidine traditions - the Year 12 Breakfast, the final Year 12 Chapel that reduces the mentor teachers to tears every year, and of course the legendary Founders Day.

And so, as Maree embarks on a new and exciting adventure in Melbourne, we wish her well and thank her wholeheartedly for sharing her gifts and talents with us for over 20 years. Loreto Mandeville Hall in Toorak is definitely the lucky one to have such an outstanding new member of staff next year.

#### Ms Roslyn Boyd

Head of Music

#### Andrea Fernandez

rom her very first day at Brigidine College, Andrea has been an outstanding teacher. She is an innovative teacher whose lessons are always meticulously planned. Everyone who knows Andrea is impressed by her sharp intellect, her love of teaching and her passion for literature. Her students enjoy her sense of humour, encouragement and support, as well as her dedicated approach to improving their grades. Throughout her years at the College, Andrea has taught all year groups, Extension 1 and Extension 2; and her students always achieve beyond their expectations. Andrea's acuity in the Standard HSC course resulted in her top students achieving a Band 6 several times. This is an outstanding outcome. Andrea cheerfully gave her free time to assist her students after class and her students always appreciated her perspicacious feedback on their work.

At the end of the year it is commonplace to receive telephone calls from parents thanking the College for the privilege of having Andrea teaching their daughter and for the passion for learning and love of literature that she has instilled in their daughter. We receive many telephone calls from parents asking if their daughter can be in Andrea's class in the following year.

For many years Andrea coordinated the annual Brigidine Public Speaking Competition and her contributions ensured its growth into a successful and iconic competition.

Andrea has been an extraordinarily talented colleague and a valued and loyal friend to all of us. We thank Andrea for her contribution to the College and wish her all the best at Waverley College.

#### Mr Brett Harrison

Head of English













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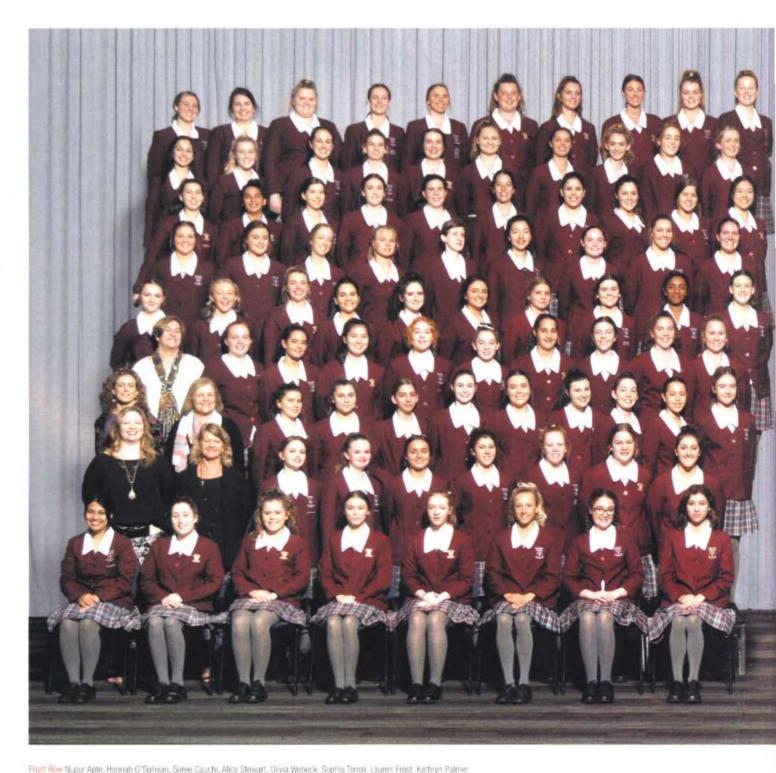
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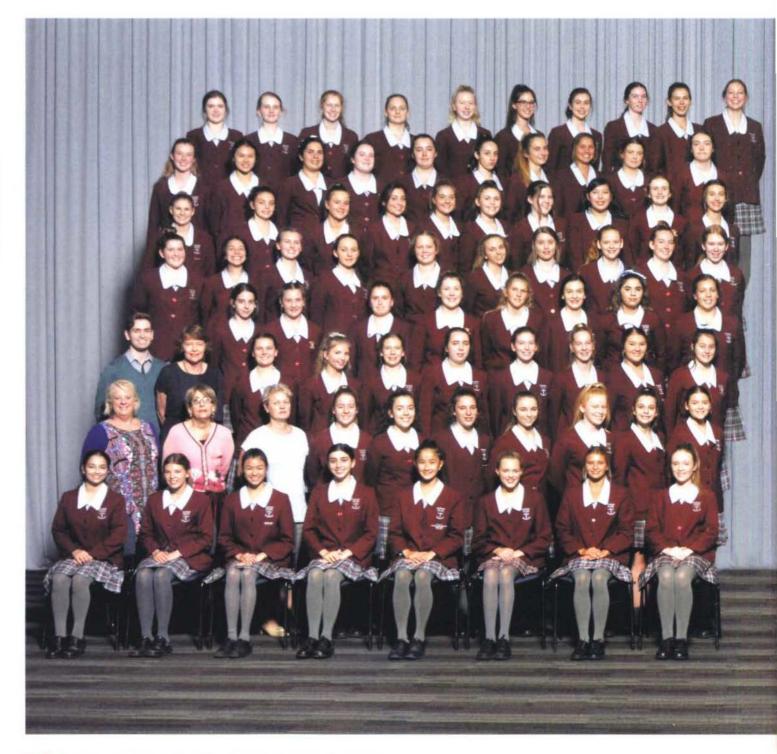
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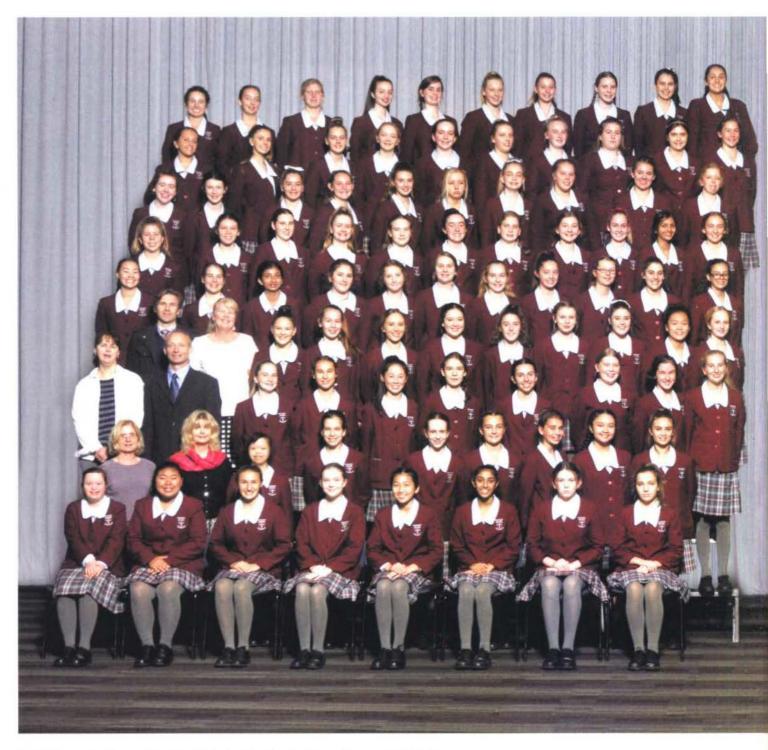
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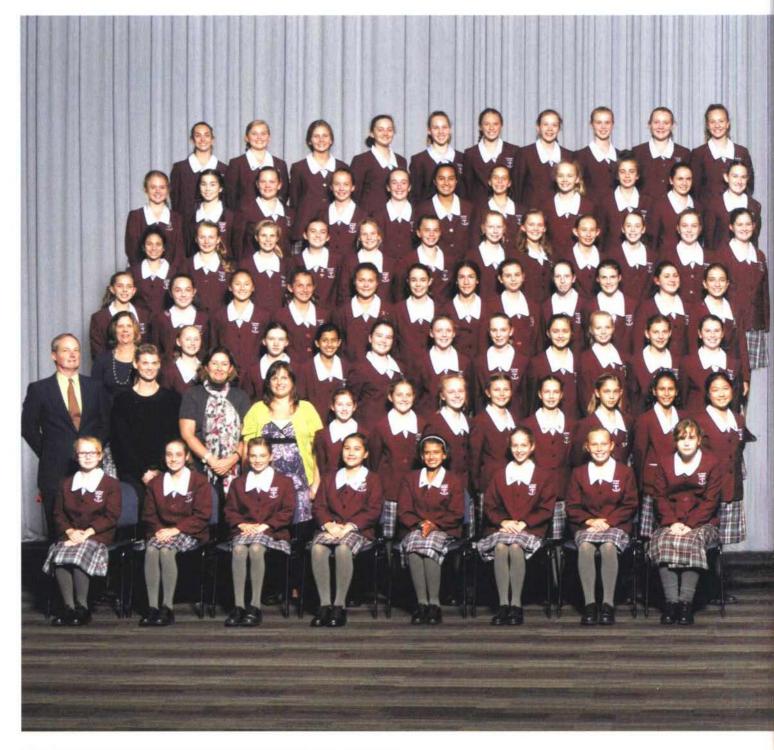
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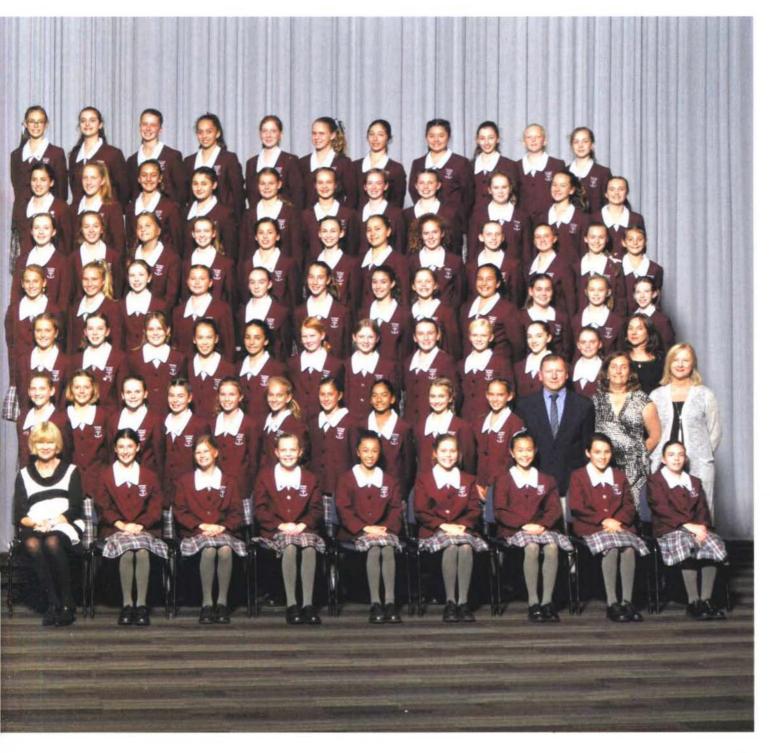
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Alice Stewart

Molly Sutton

Zeyna Tinker

Riza Tolentino

Samantha Stack

Maggie Stokeld

Alana Su-Navratil

Isabella Thomson

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#### Senior Six

Isabella Ryan (Student Leadership), Seraphina Buay (Social Justice), Olivia De Gruchy (College Senior Vice Captain), Mrs J. Curran, Mia Holman (College Captain), Simone Dennis (Clubs), Megar Taylor (Houses)



#### Year Ambassadors

Rebecca Bau-Gaspar, Emma Steiner, Kelly Wilcox, Mrs J. Curran, Isabella Ryan, Stephanie Muir, Maddison McCauley



#### Daughters of Alumni

Front Row

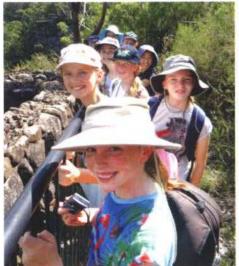
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Second Row: Charlotte Redman, Jaslyn Berg, Mia Barbour, Georgie Grieve, Millie Grieve, Gabrielle Florance, Madison Berg

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Wednesday 11 March arrived and there were 150 smiling girls waiting in the quad to go off to the Year 7 camp. Nerves and anxieties were managed admirably and we headed to Stanwell Tops.

Beforehand, it had been suggested to the girls that the best way to enjoy the camp was to try to help everyone else enjoy it. This was exactly what happened. The girls embraced all aspects of the experience with great enthusiasm, whether it was riding bikes, climbing walls, playing trivia, swimming, cooking on a trangia and even sleeping in a tent on a cool and bleak night. The girls' care for each other was most impressive, often looking after a sick friend or visiting the toilet in the dark with them. Naturally, the girls relished the delicious food provided by the Stanwell Tops centre as well.

The girls made a wonderful start to their journey towards becoming strong and gentle Brigidine women. I congratulate them all and of course their magnificent mentor teachers who were with them eating camp food and sleeping in tents on a miserable night.

Well done to all the girls and teachers. The Year 7 camp was a truly impressive start to this year.

Anne Summerhayes Year 7 Coordinator













Year 8 camp was filled with new challenges for us to face. When we arrived at the Outdoor Education Group camp site, we split into mentor groups and prepared for the day ahead.

Mentor Groups 1-5 crammed every possession into their day packs only to be told that luxuries such as hairbrushes and flushable toilets would not be an option on this camp! Despite the thunderstorms, flooding and hail, we hiked to our camp sites and set up the tents. The hail was so heavy, it completely covered the ground like a blanket of snow. Some groups had to relocate because of the weather, but they were well prepared and braced themselves by practising a lightning safety position, putting up tarpaulins and digging trenches to divert water. Everyone managed to cope well and still enjoyed staying in the tents

for the night. Each girl acquired bush survival skills like bush cooking, starting camp fires and mastering the art of the bush toilet.

Meanwhile, Mentor Groups 6-10 revelled in the comforts of warm cabins and dry clothes. Throughout the day they participated in a number of activities, including high ropes, raft building and the giant swing. On the second day, the mentor groups swapped so by the end of camp we had all had the opportunity to experience both sets of activities.

Despite the weather, each girl learned many new skills, formed stronger bonds with their year group and made memories to last. It was a fantastic experience.

Meaghan Collins and Selina Lewis Year 8











Year 9 was lucky enough to spend camp surrounded by exotic nature and endless greenery at the Belanglo State Forest. We learned many new and interesting life skills that shaped all of us as an individual and helped us grow into beautiful young women.

We learned the essential skills of life from cooking and cleaning, to packing a hiking bag that we were able to carry. We also experienced abseiling and mountain biking as well as learning where to set up camp when out in the bush. Several camp songs were sung as we conquered all three mountains top to bottom throughout our hikes. Canoeing was also a blast as we travelled down the streaming river, getting stuck on hidden sticks and rocks just below the surface and having to use our utmost strength and teamwork to somehow get unstuck.

The best part of the whole camp was sitting around the camp fire singing songs and telling stories whilst bonding with our mentors and forming lifelong friendships. Everyone's boundaries were tested but that was what brought us all closer together. We would not say that this camp was really easy because it challenged every Year 9 girl on a physical or mental level. However, camp was one of the best experiences of our lives because it was so amazing to learn all these life skills that we have used every day since camp, as well as to find that our limits could be pushed further than we first thought.

Ella Clements and Matilda Christie Year 9







he Urban Challenge was a rewarding experience for all Year 10 girls.

The three-day camp was situated in the city, packed with engaging activities and rewarding challenges. Each group caught a ferry from Circular Quay across to the peaceful Cockatoo Island where we spent one night camping in tents. The second night was at the Baden-Powell Scout Centre in Pennant Hills.

Girls undertook volunteer work, such as buying food for Wesley Mission, and participating in information sessions and learning about experiences from Odyssey House. We made new friends and experienced the enriching Muslim culture at the Malek Fahd Islamic School. The Sydney Jewish Museum hosted groups for a guided tour and seminar, which enlightened us about the Holocaust and the history of the Jewish people in Australia. We visited many iconic sites as part of the photo expedition, including Kings Cross, Chinatown, Fish Markets, Darling Harbour and Paddy's Markets.

Overall, having endured the challenges and enjoyed the activities, we learned many new things, strengthened friendships and gained valuable skills and confidence. Each girl contributed to their team, creating a fun and fulfilling camp environment. Everyone left camp with wonderful memories and feelings of happiness, accomplishment and possibly exhaustion!

Melinda Thomas and Sophie Wright Year 10











his year, Year 11 was treated to Brigidine's inaugural cultural tour of England, Scotland and Italy. When this tour was envisioned, we had a desire to offer the girls the ultimate cross-cultural excursion to places that they had read about in class but which they could not possibly appreciate in the fullest sense, except in their imaginations. The challenge was to craft an experience that integrated knowledge from History, Literature, Geography, Visual Arts, Society and Culture in particular. and weave a narrative connecting people. places and events through a time span of 2500 years, trusting that deeper knowledge and understanding would follow.

The legacy of the Roman Empire was there in the city walls of York, Hadrian's Wall separating England from Scotland, the hot springs and Roman baths of Bath, and the A46 road, large sections of which follow the course of the Roman Fosse Way. In Italy, we visited the Forum where the decision to invade England was made; and the Colosseum, where intricate tunnels, trapdoors and cages released a combination of gladiators, Christians and wild animals from Africa for grizzly entertainment. We noted the wealth of the Roman Empire in the red marble from Ethiopia and the green marble from Abyssinia in the columns of the temples to the gods, only to discover that many were removed and rebuilt into St Peter's Basilica at the Vatican.

We could imagine the Earl of Warwick in his castle assisting the Yorks, then the Lancastrians in their battle for the English crown. From Henry VII to Henry VIII we saw how important a male heir was to conserve the Tudor dynasty and in its wake split England from Rome. The impact of the Reformation under Henry VIII was evident as Roman Catholicism was washed from the walls of York Minster and Salisbury Cathedral, but resplendent in Il Duomo in Florence and St Peter's Basilica. The ruins of the great Abbey of York were a reminder of the loss of the medieval Church from the landscape of England, although the expertise of spinning and weaving lived on to become the industrial powerhouses of the Industrial Revolution. The Manchester Ship Canal, now gentrified for a young professional population, once brought the bales of cotton from the Americas to the mills which transformed the cities of northern England. It was not difficult to imagine Dickens writing about squalor, the urban poor and child workers, and the clamour for raw materials which ultimately sent those very people to Australia. So many connections

At Alnwick Castle we walked through the ancestral home of the Percy family, the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland, marvelling that after all these years, the Duke still lived there with his family (the family photos were on the piano). He raises income for the upkeep of the castle by leasing it to film companies where it has been Hogwarts in the Harry Potter films. Grantham Caste in Downton Abbey and Nottingham Castle in Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves. That was very 2015, but the girls came to understand that Henry Percy was Anne Boleyn's thwarted lover, that Thomas Percy was part of the rebellion to blow up the Houses of Parliament and that Percy has been

a regular character in the comedy, Blackadder (Season 1 of which incidentally used Alnwick Castle as a set location). The Percys have been influential aristocrats since the time of Edward I.

In showing the girls the homes and places that inspired the novels, poetry and plays. we were keen to relate that to contemporary thinking. It was important to understand that Shakespeare's version of history was through a Tudor lens, that Dorothy Wordsworth corrected and amended some of William's work, that Jane Austen wrote with a satirical take on Georgian society and that Emily Bronte challenged the conventions of the day that a woman could not write about passionate romance. When seated on the Spanish Steps, we sat as John Keats would have done; in Florence we could see the fruits of the Renaissance thinking, so evident in the sculptures and works of art. In the National Gallery of London we enquired about Botticelli's Venus only to discover it was at the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence, which we would visit.

The age of the buildings and the architecture of the times were all around us in the places where time seemed to have stood still the medieval streets of York, the Jacobite tenements of Edinburgh, the rural cottages of Grasmere, the Victorian brick and ironworks of Manchester, the Tudor houses of Stratfordupon-Avon, the Georgian terraces of Bath, the Norman keep at the Tower of London. medieval Siena, Renaissance Florence and ancient Rome. All of them older than Sydney.

With all this flowing around us, we still enjoyed being in the here and now. We learned to spend pounds and pence, euros and cents; and eat haggis and black pudding, Scottish shortcake and Kendal mint cake. We joined in the revelries of the West End, eating at Covent Garden, seeing the musical Matilda and negotiating the tube (London Underground) home. We dressed up for Twickenham, sporting yellow wigs and in some cases tutus, and cheered Australia without really understanding the game of rugby at all. We became Florentines for a day, then tourists for a day as we bought our gelatos and threw our coins into the Trevi Fountain in Rome with a wish before beginning our journey home.

Each of the girls will have taken something different from this tour but without doubt, they have been given the opportunity to intellectually wander in the culture of a different place and hopefully this has ignited a desire to immerse themselves in other places at other times in the future. This was a learning experience like no other.

#### Mrs Sue Martin

Assistant Principal, Teaching and Learning

#### Senior Six

College Captain Alexandra Bradley

College Senior Vice Captain Eloise Ott

Vice Captain Academic and Student Leadership Francesca Rowlinson

Vice Captain Cocurricula Lucy Pentelow

Vice Captain Houses and Sport Abby Ballesty

Vice Captain Social Justice Lara Czysnok

#### Year Ambassadors

Georgia Callaghan-Gilmour

Monique Lewis

Laura Slocombe

Sophia Tonoli

Bianca Yeung

#### **House Captains**

	Captain	Vice Captain
Fatima	Maddison Ronksley	Lucy Pirrie
Kildare	Sarah Corfield	Holly Furness
Lourdes	Eliza Tysoe	Georgia Nolan
Prague	Aimee Carroll	Sophia Barratt

#### Cocurricular Clubs and Sport

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Art	Bianca Yeung	Lucy Pirrie
Athletics	Melissa Fitzsimmons	Alison Colgan
Basketball	Fiona Grace	Georgia O'Sullivan
Dance	Lisa Vaccarella	Adele Samus
Debating	Lara Czysnok	
Drama	Eliza Tysoe	Aimee Carroll
Duke of Edinburgh	Merryn McClean	Kate Menzies
Football	Lianne Merlo	Emily McGain
Hockey	Jemima Pfaff	Sophia Barratt
Honours	Megan Loone	
Justice and Democracy	Olivia Mueller	Elle Miller
Languages	Mimi Rosenbaum	
Mock Trial	Erica Rounds	Barbara Honeysett
Music	Georgia Nolan	Tiegan Denina
Netball	Sarah Corfield	Lucy Pentelow
Public Speaking	Francesca Rowlinson	Dominique Bennett
Softball	Kate Menzies	Merryn McClean
Sports Aerobics	Sophia Tonoli	Emalee Callaghan-Gilmour
Swimming	Olivia Findlay	Ellen Hester
Taekwondo	Mimi Rosenbaum	Mahek Bansal
Tennis	Lucy Pentelow	Kristi Wilkinson
Textiles	Sarah Boccanfuso	Lucie Malone
Touch Football	Amelia Littler	Alyce Kassis
Volleyball	Emma Vinci	Maddison Holland
Water Polo	Chelsea Reed	Abby Ballesty

























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We were delighted to host many of our alumni throughout the year during the various Alumni functions at the College. Our Patron of Alumni, Sr Anita, was kept busy welcoming many of her past students back to Brigidine.

#### 12th Annual Pioneers and 1960s Era Reunion

The annual reunion for Pioneers – 1950s alumni who were the College's first students – and 1960s era alumni was held at the College in March.

The day was a special celebration for the Class of 1965, who commemorated the 50th anniversary of their graduation. Five members of this year group joined us and were presented with their Golden Girls St Brigid's gold cross by our Principal, Mrs Jane Curran.

Sr Maureen was the moderator for a paraliturgy with the theme 'peace and harmony'.

At the High Tea that followed in Bowie Hall, the Pioneers enjoyed hearing recollections of their school days. These had been sent by class mate Diana Clocchiatti, who lives in Italy, and included the day the domestic science room caught fire after a lightning strike.



#### Class of 2014 Yearbook Afternoon Tea

The Brigidine Class of 2014 returned to collect their yearbooks and revelled in a fun afternoon reconnecting with their former class mates and teachers.

It was a great opportunity for us to hear about their new lives.

Some girls were taking a gap year, others had commenced full time work, while others

were continuing their studies in various fields, including fashion design, forensic medicine, animal studies, international relations, social work, law and teaching to name a few.

We wish them all the best of luck in all that they do in the coming years!

We are pleased to welcome the Class of 2014 as the newest members of the College alumni.





#### Annual Alumni Reunion Day

Brilliant weather after a week of rain enabled us to showcase the College and our beautiful gardens at this great annual event.

This year we celebrated with the Classes of 1975, 1985, 1995, 2000, 2005 and 2010.

Alumni did tours of the College, viewed Archive photos and memorabilia, enjoyed afternoon tea in the Murray courtyard and were entertained by the College band and choir.

It was a festive occasion and this year we were honoured to be joined by several past and present staff, who we hope will use this day again in future to reconnect with Brigidine.

Also in attendance were past principals, Sr Anita Murray and Mr John Bowie with Mrs Patti Bowie, current Principal, Jane Curran, and past College captains from 1985, 1995, 2000 and 2005.

Thank you to the alumni who made an extra effort to travel from Western Australia, South Australia, Victoria, Queensland, Country NSW and Canada to be with us.

It was a great day filled with laughter and lots of wonderful stories of days gone by.









#### Mentors

We were very grateful for the valued input of our alumni, who returned to the College to mentor our current students. This year, Alumni members were involved in separate discussion forums with our current Years 10 and 12 students, as well as participating as guest speakers at various student events, adjudicating at the Public Speaking competition and providing their expertise as coaches for our sport teams.

Thanks to our alumni for these valuable contributions, we really appreciate it.

#### **Alumni Mothers**

Welcome back to our alumni who are mothers of Year 7 daughters, and we thank alumni who are mothers of Year 12 daughters for their love and guidance. We look forward to the graduating Class of 2015 joining our Alumni in 2016.

#### Wendy Baxter Alumni Coordinator



Alumni Mothers with Sr Anita (L - R): Mrs Cecilia Ferrer (Class of 1977), Sr Anita, Mrs Anne Baillie (Class of 1980), Mrs Shane Grieve (Class of 1988)









he Brigidine College Archive exists to maintain the non-current records of the College along with a substantial photograph library and memorabilia collection. With respect to sourcing early photographs and memorabilia, we are reliant on donations. Sometimes, as happened at the beginning of 2015, we get the wonderful gift of a significant item. Recently, this was the 'Lindo Interhouse Shield', which was awarded to the winning House from 1960 to 1971.

Henry Lindo was the tennis coach at the College from 1954 until 1989. We assume that he donated the shield to the College for interhouse competitions. In 1959 the founding principal, Mother Romuald Walz, formed the first Houses and named them Fortiter and Suaviter after the College motto. As the College grew, Mother Lawrence Kinkead added another house and renamed them to what we know today as Fatima, Kildare and Prague, Lourdes was added in 1968 by Mother Thomas Keating.

The Lindo Shield had been missing since 1971, presumed to have been thrown out at some stage until Marguerite Cawte (nee David), from the Class of 1975, was cleaning out her mother's house and made the discovery. Marguerite's sister, Marcia David, was College Vice Captain in 1971, and possibly took it home when it was to be replaced. Thanks to Marguerite for thinking of us and restoring to our care such an important artefact of College history.

Kerri Genovese Archivist

### COMMUNITY • PARENT VOLUNTEERS and MOTHERS GROUPS



#### **Parent Volunteers**

The Brigidine College community thrives on the involvement of our parents and friends, who generously give of their time and expertise to assist with many of the College's cocurricular activities and clubs, justice and democracy programs, and social functions. Thank you to the many volunteers who offered support throughout the year. The contributions of family and friends add a depth and richness to the College experience for our girls and create memories which will remain with them forever.

#### Gail Dugan **Events Coordinator**







#### **Mothers Groups**

The Brigidine Lunch and Supper Club welcomed five new groups of mothers in 2015.

At the inaugural meetings of these groups it was wonderful to see new friendships forming and the great enthusiasm the ladies had when looking forward to their 'lunches' continuing.

We also welcomed many past students of Brigidine, some of whom said their own mothers were still meeting with lunch groups formed when these new members were students at the College.

The lunch and supper clubs are a social event and have also raised funds for our library.

Thanks to Gail Dugan, who kept the logistics of the club running smoothly, and our magnificent helpers in Pia Carlone Hyde, Debbie Benefield and Pauline Douglas.

Caroline Kimmorley Convenor

#### PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION • COMMUNITY 93





nother busy year for your Parents and Friends Association (P&F) began with the AGM in October 2014, when we voted in Pip Inman as vice president and Maria Lowe as cocktail party coordinator.

In February we held the annual P&F Cocktail Party, which brought the caribbean to Brigidine along with dancers, cocktails, a steel band and a continuous supply of delicious food. Everyone dressed to theme and the weather helped us out. For the first time, the party was held in the courtyard outside the Anita Murrary Centre, with decorations and lighting bringing the space to life. The P&F also presented a cheque for \$15,000 to go towards the audio visual equipment upgrade in Bowie Hall.

The P&F Committee held the annual HSC presention by Sue Martin in the Kinkead Library. and as always Sue made sense of all the facts

and figures surrounding the HSC results. The P&F also arranged for Drug and Alcohol Research and Training Australia Director, Paul Dillon, to do a presentation on 'Teenagers, alcohol and other drugs'. Paul is passionate about ensuring the community has accurate and up-to-date alcohol and other drug information. He also presents to girls in Years 10 and 11, so it was worthwhile for parents to have the opportunity to hear Paul speak.

In September, the P&F heid a top night with top hats, top trivia and top entertainment. The Annual P&F Trivia event to raise additional funds for audio visual equipment for Bowie Hall began with the Brigidne Dance club performing. Our Trivia Master then glided onto the stage in a giant top hat, ushering in the fun that included unicycles, heads and tails games, raffles, auctions and of course the trivia. With over 30 tables of various hats and

headwear on show, the hall looked amazing. There were plenty of enjoyable moments with games, raffles, \$1000 cash prize, challenging trivia, Best Male Hat and Best Female Hat awards and the silent auction all leading to us raising over \$26,000 for the College.

An exciting new addition to our Trivia Night this year was the online auction. You could bid on items prior to the event and on the evening just sitting at your table managing your bids from your mobile device. One exciting moment which got the room buzzing was when someone bid \$46,000 on an item, but this was quickly amended when the button-happy bidder advised she had wanted to bid \$46.00!

I was honoured to again be a guest at the Year 12 Academic Awards Presentation, where I presented the P&F Award for Brigidine Spirit to Isabella Ryan (2015 College Vice Captain - Social Justice). It was an afternoon of recognition of the girls' conscientiousness, not just academically but also participating in College and community life. The afternoon also included dance, music and drama performances. Representatives of the Year 12 charity. Manly Women's Shelter, also came to accept their cheque and thank the girls for their efforts in raising the much needed funds.

My sincere thanks to my executive team: Pip Inman, Jim Breen, Kieran Flynn, Maria Lowe, Penny Wilkinson and Linda Abbott. Also a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped out at events; we really couldn't manage these occasions without your ongoing support.

The P&F would also like to thank our Principal, Jane Curran, Di Lawrence and her team, Brian Riordan and the Maintenenace team and all the College staff for their continuous hard work and support.



President, Parents and Friends Association



### **COMMUNITY** • MELBOURNE CUP LADIES LUNCH





Women celebrated all round at the inaugural Brigidine Melbourne Cup Ladies Lunch held on Tuesday 3 November. We revelled in the friendship, fun and, for many, the end of the HSC.... Then we rejoiced at the first female jockey to win the race!

A festive crowd of 120 women gathered and got "just a bit" glamorous for the special occasion. We began a new tradition of Year 12 mothers working with Community Relations to host a wonderful day for Brigidine women and their friends. Maree Brown and Felicity Dennis put their creative flair and experience together to design decorations, games and a recipe for success at Miramare Gardens in Terrey Hills.

Women travelled from Goulburn, Dubai, Belgium and Hong Kong to be there!

On arrival, the ladies sipped champagne while they were beautifully serenaded by our own Chamber String ensemble.

While enjoying some sweeps, jars of luck, raffles and mystery boxes we managed to raise around \$1000 for the Year 12 charity, Manly Women's Shelter, Some kind punters even gave their winnings!

The response and feedback to the event was fabulous with "I'm definitely coming next year and bringing more of my friends" the oft-repeated farewell phrasel

The baton has been passed on to next year's Year 12 mothers, Karen Tonoli and Christine Clarke.

Congratulations and thanks again to Maree and Felicity. What a superb parting gesture from Year 12 and these great ladies.

#### Di Lawrence

Director of Development and Community Relations







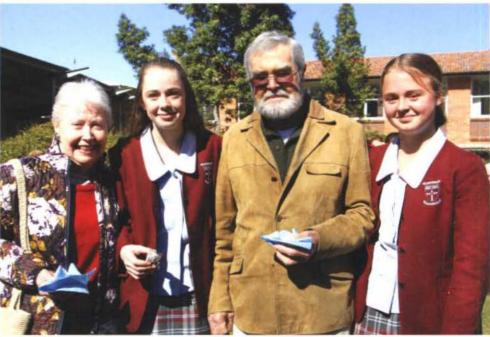












































#### Year 10 PARENT AND DAUGHTER DINNER • COMMUNITY 99



ornsby RSL came alive on the evening of Thursday 20 August, as our Year 10 girls and their parents attended the Parent and Daughter Dinner. It was a night to remember!

College staff, parents and students enjoyed the food and the opportunity to socialise with one another. Mia Barbour produced a short film which revealed moments from Year 10 throughout the year and was very entertaining.

Caroline Conlon was our amazing guest speaker. Caroline was born deaf. Her talk was extraordinary as she used a mix of talking and sign language with an interpreter.

Caroline, a Brigidine alumni from the Class of 1983, is an Australian actress and director. She was Artistic Director of the Australian Theatre of the Deaf from 2005 to 2008. She talked about her work through the World Federation of the Deaf, also highlighting her favourite trip to Samoa where she provided capacity building training to National Deaf Associations with the aim of empowering deaf people to protect their human rights.

Caroline shared insight into her life of being deaf, and her inspirational story. She opened our eyes to the deaf community. Caroline's message was that being deaf is not a disability; it just requires people to access information in different ways. She gave the example of when she and a friend, who is blind, were house sitting. After shopping, it was logical to Caroline that she should unpack and separate the groceries into cold and dry food piles. Her blind friend then put the piles of groceries away allowing her to recognise where things are, giving her the access she needs. Caroline left us with the message that we must play the card we are dealt in life and make the most of every opportunity.

A huge thank you to Year 10 Coordinator, Ms Reading, for her organisation. Thank you to the College Executive and our Mentors who attended. Thank you to all the staff, parents and girls who made the night very special.

#### Ashley Roberts

Year 10







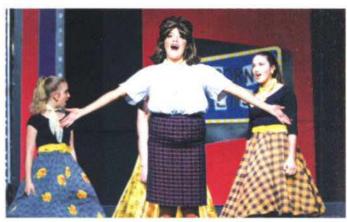






















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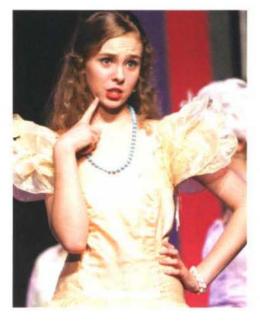
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The 1960s was a time of incredible social change in America. In an era initially marked by its political optimism, change became a rhythm that underscored every facet of American life. The push for civil rights became a particular focus in the early part of the decade, instigated by the 'Greensboro sitins' of 1960 — a series of non-violent protests by four university students who chose not to sit at the segregated lunch counters at a department store in North Carolina.

It is fitting that it was a group of students whose simple actions created the foundation of a new America. After a decade where young people had been seen as 'rebels without a



cause', the 1960s belonged to the youth generation, and the cause was clear: equality. The medium for achieving this was perhaps not a surprising one, as by the 1960s television had become the dominant form of household entertainment. In the city of Baltimore, Maryland, The Buddy Deane Show was the youth television show of choice, presenting top music acts performing live alongside a 'committee' of teenage dancers. It aired for two and half hours a day, six days a week, inciting fervent loyalty among its teen viewers. Every other Friday, the show featured African American teenagers, but they were not allowed to be seen dancing with their white peers.

In an interview with the Associated Press in 2002, Deane said: "The management of the station... asked each kid [on the show's committee of regular dancers] what they thought about integration, and they said, "Well, it's OK with me, but my folks won't be happy.' That was the general consensus," Sadly, the general consensus prevailed; the show was cancelled in 1964, unable to support the teenage participants' desire for racial harmony on television.

Hairspray takes these threads and recapitulates them into a narrative that is not necessarily historically accurate, but one which resonates deeply with the unreserved optimism that we all have for living in a world where race, gender and appearance do not dictate a person's worth. In the fictionalised *The Corny Collins Show*, integration ultimately becomes a cause for celebration and the happy ending that occurs in the wake of Tracy Turnblad's

innocent perspective on the world would not happen in the real America for a few more years. Luckily, the *Hairspray* audience sees America through Tracy's eyes, and her vision of an America radicalised by the colourful possibility of television has informed the staging of our Brigidine production.

In keeping with the radical new world Tracy envisages, Hairspray began as a comparatively tame film by radical director John Waters. With a host of unusual performers including Ricki Lake, Debbie Harry, Sonny Bono and the drag queen Divine in his last film role. Hairspray was a modest success upon release in 1988 but soon became a cult hit on home video. Fourteen years later it opened on Broadway as a musical, thoroughly reworked from its campy beginnings by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman. The success the musical has experienced thoroughly eclipsed Waters' film, and following the 2007 film version starring the likes of John Travolta, Michelle Pfeiffer and Zac Efron, it has gained new legions of younger fans.

It is with great appreciation that I thank the cast and the production crew for their ambitious efforts with this show. I would particularly like to acknowledge Mrs Lindsay for her many years of exceptional commitment as our choreographer. This show was indeed a celebration.

Mr Chris Rutherford



#### "It's the story...of a lovely lady..."

elcome back to the world of the Bradys! As American as apple pie and as sweet and endearing as a bowl of Alice's homecooked pumpkin pie, we were so pleased and proud to present our 2015 Year 11 Play, The Brady Bunch, where four separate casts brought some favourite episodes to life.

Originally airing on television between 1969 and 1974, The Brady Bunch ushered in the era of wide epaulettes, bell bottom trousers, fringed vests and plaid trousers - and that was just the boys! The Brady Bunch presented us bright burnt orange colours, swishing hair, and Mike Brady's homespun philosophy making sense of the world beyond 4222 Clinton Way. More recent Brady Bunch movies have reignited interest in this beloved family.

I unashamedly love The Brady Bunch and congratulate the wonderful and energetic cast and crew for making our rendition 'absolutely just lovely'. It has been a pleasure working with such 'groovy chicks' as our Year 11 students!

A huge thank you to Miss Crockett, Mr Rutherford and Miss Frankham for their ongoing support and hilarity.

Miss DiAnne McDonald Director



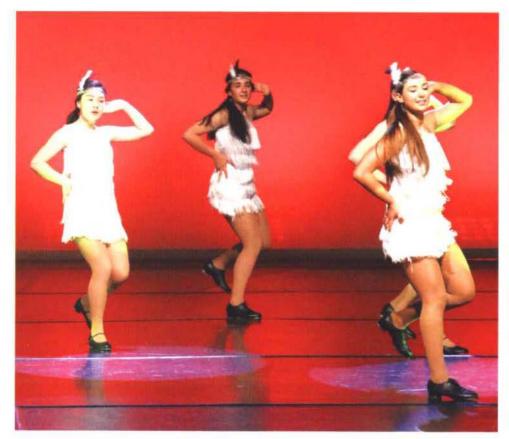




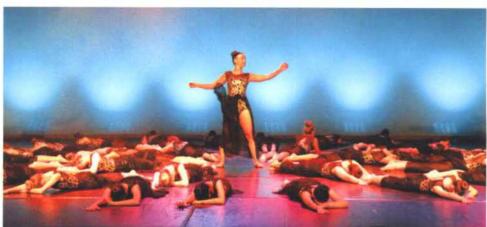














Our annual Brigidine Dance Spectacular was held in August, for the very last time at UTS Ku-ring-gai's Greenhalgh Theatre. It was a fabulous show comprising 29 acts with over 300 students involved.

The evening showcased jazz, hip hop, musical theatre, lyrical, ballet and tap, including a number of our talented soloists performing winning eisteddfod routines.

Our well-awarded 2015 eisteddfod group also performed three routines on a night made extra special with a performance from our first ever HSC Dance class consisting of Year 11 students.

It was a pleasure having three College alumni choreograph the majority of the routines this year. Thanks to Lauren Thompson (Class of 2009), Rebecca Back (Class of 2011) and Lauren Grieve (Class of 2013).

As my last year as Dance Club Coordinator I would like to thank all the girls that I have been associated with over the past six years, and I look forward to seeing what's ahead for the Club and dance at Brigidine.

Mrs Shane Grieve
Dance Club Coordinator

### BRIGFEST - SHORT FILM FESTIVAL • CREATIVITY 105







It was a night of 'camera, lights and action' as we celebrated the talent and creativity of our own filmmakers in August. The red carpet and star-studded entrance set the scene for BrigFest entrants, actors, families and fans for our short film festival, which is growing in every

Now in its sixth year, BrigFest has taken another step forward with the support of industry specialists, including the Australian Film Television and Radio School (AFTRS), Videocraft, East Coast Audio Visual (ECAV) and Film Depot. Each of our sponsors provided prizes to category winners. encouraging their filmmaking skills, confidence and creativity. Prizes included AFTRS Open Short course and Videocraft equipment hire gift vouchers, an LED TV/DVD from ECAV and a filmmaking tutorial with Film Depot.

Films were viewed by an enthusiastic judging panel that included Louise Smith (Class of 1992), a producer from Film Depot, and staff - Mrs Curran, Mrs Cimon, Mrs Florey, Mr Harrison, Miss McDonald and Mr Rutherford.

An excited audience of family, friends, staff and film buffs enjoyed watching 11 short films, which all contained this year's signature item. "bubble". The concept was interpreted in very different ways by the filmmakers, inspiring the production of some excellent films. Competition for awards was keen.

Videocraft's NSW State Manager, Andy Liell, said: "I was impressed with the way the filmmakers used all the techniques available to them to produce really high quality short films."

The introduction of the Board Developed course, Photographic and Digital Media in Years 9 and 10, has been a popular elective choice for many girls. We anticipate further growth in BrigFest entries flowing on from this

#### Winners at the Festival were:

Years 9 & 10 Category Burst by Georgia North

#### Years 11 & 12 Category

Full Circle by Seraphina Buay and Valentina

#### Best Overall Film and Years 7 & 8 Category

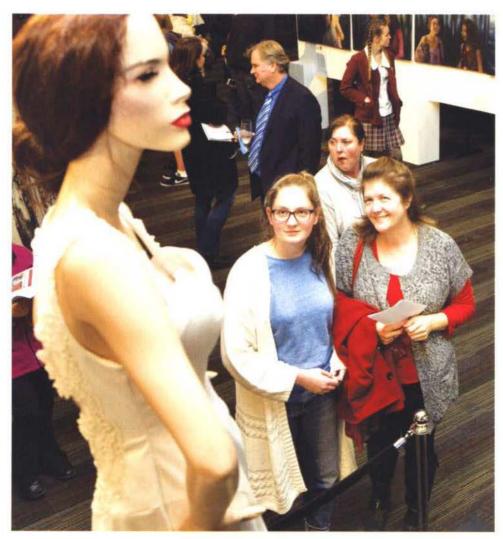
Shatter by London Hartard

Highly Commended Awards also went to Exploration by Zoe Re (Year 9), Recurrence by Julia Vaccarella (Year 9) and Is this it? by Claudia Bailey (Year 11).

Congratulations to BrigFest film producers, directors, editors and actors. We also thank all those who have supported this initiative since it was introduced by Jane Curran in her first year as Principal at Brigidine College St Ives.

#### Ms Di Lawrence

Director of Development and Community Relations







when hosted The Exibition in August, showcasing a variety of HSC major works. The exhibition gives the Brigidine College community an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of most of our HSC students. This year the exhibition focused on HSC Visual Arts, Textiles and Design, Design and Technology, as well as major works completed in Society and Culture, Extension 1 and 2 English, Extension 1 History and the Honours Program.

Congratulations to our HSC students on the completion of their Bodies of Work in all of these subjects. Each girl has demonstrated commitment and dedication in creating interesting and engaging works for audiences to enjoy.

Displays were complemented by musical entertainment provided by the Music Department, while Year 11 students helped serve food and beverages to our large and appreciative crowd. The night was indeed a celebration of the persistence, perseverance and accomplishments of Year 12 students throughout the year.

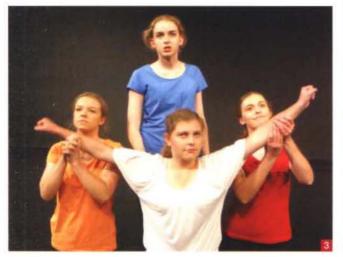
Thank you to all the wonderful staff who assisted in setting up and making *ThExhibition* such a success.

Mrs Lucille Flory Acting Head of Visual Arts







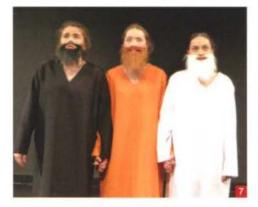




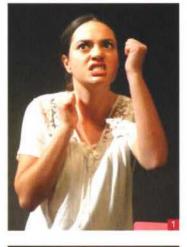




- This program may contain.... talent
- Wo-Man
- 3. Spiritual, Sexual, Social and ... Sammy
- 4. Greed is God
- A Grave Story
- Boundless Plains to Shhhhh .....
- Australia's Next Top Messiah 7.
- GFC 8.

































- 1. A Not So Riveting Story Claudia Gomez
- 2. Ambassador for Muggle Relations Olivia De Gruchy
- 3. Angel Danielle Maher
- 4. Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, sand to ..... sand Rachel Seeto
- 5. Cupid Take Hawaii Sinead Doran
- 6. Did I Tell You, Frank Megan Taylor
- 7. Dinner's Ready Lauren Piper
- 8. Food Baby Georgia Slater
- 9. Get The Money Flo-ing Hannah Palmer
- 10 Here for a lovely moment Sarah Thomason
- 11. I have a dream.... Georgia Barrie
- 12. Let Them Eat Cake Sophie Galvin
- 13. Mamma Mia Gabriella Vumbaca
- 14. Memories of Ben Matilda Morton





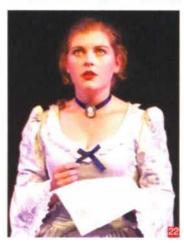


























- 15. Mss American Dream
  - Maddison McCauley
- 16: Normopath Victoria Trevallion
- 17. One Man, Two Guynors Katherine Goode
- 18. The Appointment Olivia Johnson
- 19. The Booty Therapist Isabella Bonadio
- 20. The Kindness of Strangers Jessica Lynch
- 21. The Language of Love Holly MacAlpine
- 22. The Last Autumn Holly Gehringer 23. The Spokeswoman - Samantha Horton
- 24. The Winters Are Coming Eleanor Harris
- 25. Three Ts Jasmyne Mackaness
- 26. Toments Keana Bousfield
- 27. Twenty Lauren Forbes
- 28, Waiting for Piglet Ellie Linton-Pfrost
- 29. You Don't Know, Do You? Jacinta Perret

















- Katherine Goode vocals
- 2. Maddison McCauley violin, vocals
- 3. Nina Osada-Phornsiri piano
- 4. Amanda Liem piano

- Eliza Cameron voca/s
- 6. Stephanie Muir flute
- 7. Kirilee Wagner cella
- 8. Lauren Scelzi piano







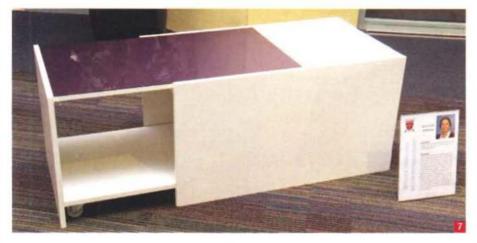














- 2. Madison Chan, gymnastics training equipment
- 3. Georgia Barrie, portable suburban chicken coop
- Kathleen Harris, balcony clothes horse
   Hally I a Hanis cutdeer entertainment.
- Holly Le Hanie, outdoor entertainment drinks cabinet
- 6. Emma Warburton, sewing workstation
- April Crowe-McMullen, multi-functional table
- 8. Isabella Purnell, auto clothesline cover
- 9. Alexandra Zaarour, make-up unit



## CREATIVITY • YEAR 12 HSC TEXTILES AND DESIGN



- 1. Arki Mountford-Martin
- 2. Claire Havelka
- 3. Emily Parker

- 4. Olivia Audsley
- Lauren Forbes
- 6. Jessica Tierney

- 7. Krystal Hoffmann
- 8. Jemma Ferrer
- 9. Holly Le Hanie























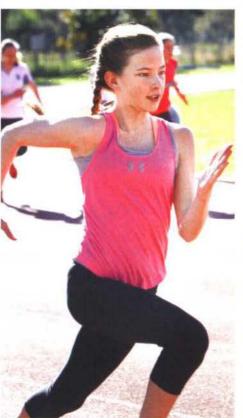












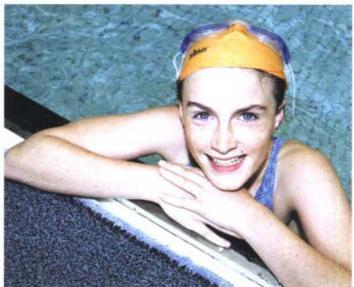












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## **House Captains**

Front Row. Madeleine Sankey, Madison Chan, Megan Taylor, Emma Welch, Georgia Slater

Second Row: Kristin Tumer, Jacinta Perret, Mrs.J. Curran, Jasmyne Mackaness, Keana Bousfield







/ithout question, we have had the best year being Fatima captains in 2015. It began with a bang at the Term 4 2014 Christmas sing-offs, when we rolled onto the stage in our Christmas bauble outfits. It was so much fun full of sweat, cheers, a 'Mean Girls' dance by the House captains, a whole school dance to the song Shake it Off and an overall win for Fatimal Our dance moves were on fire and it was definitely a highlight of the year.

We then boated up at the Swimming carnival in keeping with our theme 'First Mate'. Again, Fatima proved to be the loudest House, sacrificing our voices to win the cheer-offs. The year continued with great spirit at the Athletics carnival, where our theme was 'Frat House'. Everyone brought their A game and best costumes and looked absolutely amazing. Unfortunately there was no win or trifecta for the cheers but it was a winner of a day.

Every second week we met up with the junior House captains, who came up with such fantastic ideas and helped us along the way. The 711 sessions were always such a blast and they ended well when we brought in food and played party games on the last day. This year the first ever Ping Pong tournament was

contested on the College green. Every House captain and House patron united in a 'battle to the 10th point' extravaganza. It was a lot of fun and we hope the tradition is continued.

Our final event was the notorious Book Week, when all captains brought Harry Potter characters to life. We had a great turnout as Fatima's top 5 Book Week characters strutted the cat walk.

Throughout the year Ms Caithness provided the best ongoing support with her dolphin thoughts, attending to any of our needs and advising us not to throw Iclipops at students. We say a big thank you to her as well as to Vice Captain of Houses, Megan Taylor, and Mrs Lindsay who did an amazing job the whole year and always kept us on track during meetings.

Finally to all the other House captains, this has been the most wonderful year and it would not have been the exciting, enjoyable, fun loving and memorable experience without you guys. So thank you.

Madison Chan and Jacinta Perret Captain and Vice Captain, Fatima House

















As enthusiastic captains of Kildare for 2015, we aimed to lead the House in a year of fun and success. Although we did not come first in the carnivals, we definitely brought the most House spirit, participating in all activities with enthusiasm and determination.

Dressed as a Christmas tree and candy cane we started the year with a bang at the Term 4 2014 Christmas carol sing-off. Kildare showed an enormous amount of spirit and unity, putting their best voices forward with the girls singing their hearts out. The 'Mean Girls' dance by the House captains and the whole-school Shake it Off dance gave Kildare girls a chance to show off their killer dance moves,

We took to the swimming pool dressed to impress with the theme 'Kildare Kingdom'. With much resolve and excitement, our girls hit the pool with strength and gentleness. Kildare's high level of participation was definitely something to be proud of.

Before we knew it, it was time for the Athletics carnival. Kildare stood out with fluorescent costumes following the theme 'Kildare Kicking it Back to the 80s'. We shone with amazing talent in sprinting, jumping, throwing and best of all cheering. The porn porn routine synchronised with the cheers highlighted Kildare's solidarity and ability to work together.

Throughout the year, we were involved in a number of meetings where we came up with ideas to improve and maintain House spirit and enthusiasm. The fortnightly 711 activities enhanced cohesion between years with fun and exciting activities. Kildare excelled in the Ping Pong tournament between House captains and patrons, winning the 'battle to the 10th point'. Our final event during Book Week gave Kildare members a chance to show off their fabulous costumes inspired by characters from their favourite books.

As Kildare captains, we say a huge thank you to Mrs Lindsay for her constant support and to Mr Selby for being the best dressed and most passionate House patron. An enormous thank you also goes out to our fellow Year 12 girls for helping us every step of the way, and finally to the wonderful ladies of Kildare. It has been the most memorable experience being Kildare House captains and we wish next year's captains all the best; we know you will do Kildare proud.

Emma Welch and Jasmyne Mackaness Captain and Vice Captain, Kildare House



his year was a fantastic one for Lourdes! The year 2014 came to a close with Lourdes House coming a close runner up in the Christmas sing-off. Our enthusiasm and spirit were contagious as we sang and screamed to Christmas carols and Brigo classics such as The Spice Girl's Wannabe.

For the Swimming carnival, the Lourdes 'Life Savers' demonstrated some serious House spirit as they participated in both the competitive and House races. The girls' involvement and their incredible skill resulted in Lourdes winning the carnival overall, which was insanely exciting for the two of us and for the House as a whole.







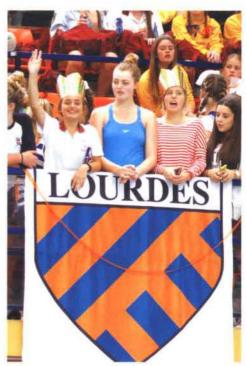
For the Athletics carnival, the Lourdes stand was filled with Adidas and Nike as the girls embraced the theme of Lourdes 'Lads 'n' Lasses'. Although we were not successful in winning this carnival we were extremely proud of the spirit our girls showed in the cheers despite the challenges they were presented with. Special mention goes to Phoebe Lowry for her own interpretation of the theme, as she arrived in full Scottish attire made entirely by her.

Lourdes fully embraced other celebrations such as Book Week, and it was delightful to see the gusto of all the Lourdes girls as they strutted their stuff dressed as their favourite fictional characters in front of the school.

It has been such a pleasure to lead our House this year and we thank all the Lourdes girls for making our job so enjoyable and for laughing with/at us as we made fools of ourselves in front of you. We also say a massive thank you to the wonderful Mrs Lindsay and Ms Angelo; we could not have survived the carnivals and 711 without you both. We leave Lourdes in the extremely capable hands of Eliza Tysoe and Georgia Nolan, and we are excited to see what Lourdes accomplishes next.

Being House captains was one of the best experiences of our lives. Our blood will forever bleed orange and blue.

Georgia Slater and Keana Bousfield Captain and Vice Captain, Lourdes House



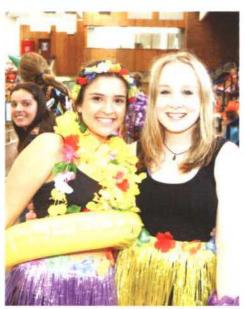














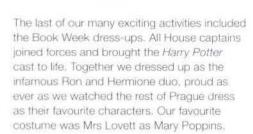


Brigidine one to remember,

We started off our captaincy with a bang at the 2014 Christmas sing-offs, when we took to the stage as giant presents. Prague raised the roof with our loud voices, enthusiasm and spirit, though the unfortunate placing of fourth didn't set us off as we had big shoes to fill!

Prague brought the theme of 'Pool Party' to the Swimming carnival as our girls confidently wore Hawaiian shirts and leis and paraded around with blow-up toys. There were lots of yellow swimming caps speeding up and down the pool and everyone participated in championship or novelty races to contribute to our accumulation of House points.

The Athletics carnival brought together the 'Prague Princesses and Prom Queens' with plenty of crowns and sequins in sight. Everyone was so passionate throughout the day with their House spirit as they participated in events and sang loudly. Our positivity and determination throughout the carnival meant that we were crowned first in both the cheeroffs and overall carnival! Such a remarkable achievement for one event.



Throughout the year the junior Prague House captains gave us insight into what they wanted to see change within the House and helped with House activities. This afforded us opportunity to after activities and the way things were run so that all girls could benefit from our leadership.

The best part of our captaincy was being crowned as the overall House Champions at the end of the year. This was a moment that together we found incredibly rewarding. After putting so much effort into something we both truly loved being a part of, it was so exciting and we can't wait to see how well our House will do in the future, because we know how much Prague girls are really capable of. Go Prague!

Madeleine Sankey and Kristin Turner Captain and Vice Captain, Prague House



## 2015 Age Champions

## 12 years

1st Ta'alili Feaunati 2nd Holli Raaff 3rd Tara Dean

#### 13 years

1st Nicola Markley 2nd Charlotte North 3rd Lauren Pilling

#### 14 years

1st Isabelle McLennan 2nd Kaddison Van Rhoon 3rd Junyi Fang

## 15 years

1st Isabelle Ronksley 2nd Bronte Gaughan Grace Christensen

## 16 years

1st Courtney Young 2nd Clare Elder 3rd Sophie Wright

## 17 years and over

Emma Welch 2nd Melissa Fitzsimmons 3rd Alison Colgan

#### Para Athlete

1st Juliet Liddy 2nd Ellen Hester 3rd Beatrice Martin

The following records were inadvertently omitted from the 2014 Yearbook.

## New Records (2014)

Para athlete 100m: Juliet Liddy Para athlete 200m: Juliet Liddy

## **Final House Point Score**

1st	Prague	768	
2nd	Lourdes	638	
3rd	Fatima	629	
4th	Kildare	555	

## Open 100m Invitational Champion

Isabelle Ronksley

## 2015 Athletics Champion

Isabelle Ronksley

## **New Records**

17+ years 400m Run **Emily Parker** 

17+ years Long Jump Melissa Fitzsimmons

12 years Discus Ta'alili Feaunati

## Mrs Belinda Moore Director of Sport











## 2015 Age Champions

#### 12 years

1st Olivia Bennett 2nd Madison McGrath

3rd Keily Ting

## 13 years

1st Madison Louw 2nd Anika Townley 3rd Lauren Pilling

## 14 years

1st Mia Rolfe 2nd Lily Flynn 3rd Annabelle Oh

## 15 years

Katie Manning 1st 2nd Hayley Ballesty 3rd Isabelle Ronksley

#### 16 years

1st Courtney Young 2nd Madison Long 3rd Kate Menzies

## 17 years and over

Olivia Findlay 2nd Sophia Tonoli 3rd Tamara Alford

#### Multiclass

1st Ellen Hester 2nd Allison Gillis 3rd Juliet Liddy

## **New Records**

Junior 100m Freestyle Mia Rolfe

14 years 50m Freestyle Mia Rolfe

14 years 50m Backstroke Mia Rolfe

## Invitation 50m Freestyle Champion

Mia Rolfe

## 2015 Swimming Champion

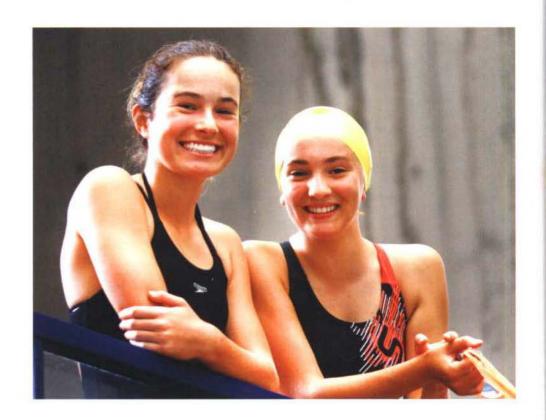
Mia Rolfe

## **Final House Point Score**

1st	Lourdes	773
2nd	Prague	681
3rd	Fatima	621
4th	Kildare	553

## Mrs Belinda Moore

Director of Sport



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## **Club and Sport Captains**

Amanda Liem, Rebecca Bau-Gaspar, Georgina Beauchamp, Sophie Clark, Simone Dennis, Seraphina Buay, Jennifer Tims, Maddison McCauley, Katherine Goode, Isabel Bunting

Second Row: Alice Edwards, Georgia Barrie, Victoria Trevallion, Kelly Wilcox, Rachel Seeto, Aoife Doran, Isabella Purnell, Emma Steiner, Natalie Yeung

Third Row: Lucy Stater, Juliette Dahdah, Jessica Tierney, Alexandra Woolley, Georgia Stater, Laura Welch, Emily Parker, Jessica Lynch, Taylor Gleeson,

Kashia Merlo

Fourth Row: Lauren Willett, Pia Doyle, Natalie Rinaldi, Tamara Alford, Bianca Parnell, Sophie Grieve, Estelle Horrocks, Maddison Brown, Tara Chandra



## Da Vinci Decathlon

Front Row Priya Wheatley, Alannah Darling, Claudia Dixon, Abigail Ries, Penelope Lovell, Madeleine Reid, Jane Shin, Teya Murray

Second Row: Auria Nunes, Michelle Williams, Olivia McNamara, Abby Johnson, Meaghan Collins, Neena Karunakar, Lucy Eyres, Abbey Lenton,

Mrs J. Whiddon

he year 2015 has been another busy one for the Centre for Excellence. Brigidine students have participated in a variety of lunchtime clubs including Art, Computer, Languages, Drama, Science and Textiles. Other girls have enjoyed Debating, Girls in Black, Mock Trial, Public Speaking and various activities of the Music Club. Thank you to all the staff who have helped in the Centre for Excellence in one way or another.

## Highlights in 2015

The Australian Speech Communication Association classes were held before and after school with a small group of students taking advantage of these lessons. On 12 May a poetry recital was held in the Chapel with the Speech students taking part. The following students performed to a high standard: Jemima Guberina, and Abigail Ries (Year 7), Margot Calero and Olivia McNamara (Year 8), Sylvia Kim (Year 9) and Caitlin Thai (Year 10).

Teams from Years 7 and 8 competed in the da Vinci Decathlon at Knox Grammar School in May. Although there was tough competition, our Year 7s placed first in Art and Poetry and 7th in Code Breaking. Year 8 placed 8th in English. Team representatives were:

Year 7: Alannah Darling, Claudia Dixon, Lucy Eyres, Penelope Lovell, Teya Murray, Abigail Ries, Jane Shin, Priya Wheatley

Year 8: Meaghan Collins, Abby Johnson, Neena Karunakar, Abbey Lenton, Olivia McNamara, Auria Nunes, Madeleine Reid, Michelle Williams

At the St Ives Lions Club Youth of the Year in February, College Captain Mia Holman won the Public Speaking section of the competition. Her presentation was a warm, caring and emotional speech on Motor Neurone disease.

The Zonta Young Women in Public Affairs Award is based on service in the community and leadership achievements that demonstrate commitment to the advancement of the status of women worldwide. This year's Brigidine entrant in the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai competition was College Vice Captain - Social Justice, Seraphina Buay. She was awarded runner-up in the competition which was fabulous!

The Tournament of Minds was held at Roseville College on 23 August. Brigidine College entered four teams in the Social Sciences Challenge called 'You are the Biggest Link - Goodbye'. All teams performed to an excellent standard and we were delighted when Team 2 was awarded Tournament Honours!

Team 1: Laura Collins and Teya Murray (Year 7), Meaghan Collins, Selina Lewis and Jazmin Wright (Year 8), Rachael Emms and Demi Kavallaris (Year 9). Facilitator: Bianca Yeung (Year 11)

Team 2: Ella Forrest and Samantha Hoefnagels (Year 7), Shantel Nanayakkara and Auria Nunes (Year 8), Junyi Fung, Sylvia Kim and Isabel Zhu (Year 9). Facilitator: Eloise Ott (Year 11)

Team 3: Alannah Darling and Abigail Ries (Year 7), Caitlin Cummins, Eden Miller and Ella Ward (Year 8), Annabel Baker and Victoria Hooker (Year 9). Facilitator: Mrs Jan Whiddon

Team 4: Ella Coakes, Chantelle Cunningham, Lucy Eyres and Caitlin Gill (Year 7), Isabella Behrens, Zoe Re and Alice Stafford (Year 9). Facilitator: Mrs Annemarie Mitchell

#### Mrs Jan Whiddon

Centre for Excellence Coordinator

## COCURRICULAR Clubs . ART and DEBATING





ach year the Art Club provides opportunities for students to share creative ideas and to practice art. A large number of girls from Years 7-9 met once a week during lunchtime, enjoying the social interaction with each other whilst making art.

We commenced the year with gusto and enthusiasm. The subject for our first paintings was an animal, exploring texture and tone. For the next activity we investigated three dimensional form, making sculptures using cardboard. This was extended into photographing the sculptural form, examining shadows and shapes. The final activity was a portrait drawing of a favourite celebrity.

As Club Captains, we enjoyed the interaction with our junior peers each week. A thank you to Ms Flory for her assistance during the year and congratulations to the new Art captains for 2016.

Emily Parker and Juliette Dahdah Captain and Vice Captain, Art Club



## Debating

Front Row: Seraphina Buay, Fiona Li, Rebecca Bau-Gaspar, Amanda Liem, Sophie Clark,

Karoun Boghossian

Second Row: Mia Holman, Sophie Galvin, Bianca Parnell, Eliza Cameron



## **Debating Junior**

Front Row: Auria Nunes, Laura Redman, Sarah Bakker, Madison Louw, Abigail Ries

Second Row: Blanca Keating, Selina Lewis, Jemima Thomas, Ella McCarthy

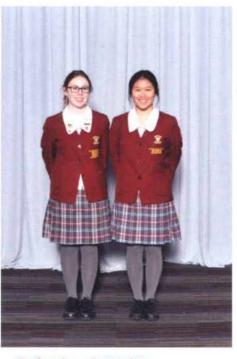
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## Debating Senior Year 11

Front Row: Lara Czysnok, Megan Loone, Bianca Yeung, Rachel Kim

Second Row: Eloise Ott, Alexandra Bradley, Olivia Mueller



## **Debating Captains**

Rebecca Bau-Gaspar, Amanda Liem



## **Debating Intermediate**

Front Row: Caitlin Thai, Keeley McAlinden, Alice Stafford, Annelise Hall,

Isabel Toohey

Second Row: Lucy McKern, Eloise Carroll, Matilda Christie, Ciara Flynn,

Annabelle Ambrogio

he Brigidine College Debating Club had an outstanding season in which all girls involved demonstrated incredible passion, commitment and teamwork. Every girl improved dramatically during the season and it was fantastic to see their ability to communicate their ideas confidently and persuasively emerge.

Teams from each Year competed in the prestigious Independent Schools Debating Association (ISDA) Competition held on Friday nights in Terms 1 and 2. Brigidine debated against a variety of schools including PLC Sydney, Wenona School, St Joseph's College and Sydney Grammar. Topics ranged from the ethics of paying ransom for hostages in the Senior Division, to the abolition of compulsory voting in the Intermediate Division, and the funding of overseas exchange programs for high school students in the Junior Division.

The girls competed with courage and poise, demonstrating their eloquence and assuredly engaging with challenging matters of current affairs. Special congratulations go to our Year 7 team which qualified for the finals. The girls are to be commended for their logical arguments and excellent team work. They are all a credit to the school.

We extend our thanks to all the people who supported the Debating Club, especially to all our coaches who put in much time and effort to provide guidance to the girls. We'd also like to thank Mrs Dugan and Mr Riordan who were instrumental in organising the many functions we hosted. Special thanks also to our chairpersons and timekeepers who were very generous with their time and of course to all the parents who have given so much support to our club. Most importantly, thank you to Mrs Thomas who tirelessly organised the club every week, and to Mrs Tobin, who took on the role of Teacher in Charge for Debating while Mrs Thomas was away in Term 2. The amazing season we've had would not have been possible without all their hard work.

Congratulations once again to all debaters on a superb season.

Amanda Liem and Rebecca Bau-Gaspar

Captain and Vice Captain, Debating Club



## Drama Club

Front Row. Carmelita Buay, Nicole Chan, Jessica Biggs, Monique Glase, Holli Raaff, Georgia Barrie, Rachel Seeto, Jessica Atalla, Angelina Zoldos, Ella Temple, Charlotte Ellis, Charlotte Waite

Second Row: Abigail Powell, Libby Dwyer, Isabella Encina, Ashlea Geftakis, Georgia Prendergast, Jordyn Parry, Mary Pagano, Anika Townley, Sophie Spurr, Tara Dean, Jessica Wearne, Mohar Apte, Priya Wheatley

Third Row. Sophie Devine, Tessa Panetta, Jordyn Nicholson, Samara Kelly, Chantelle Cunningham, Laura Collins, Madison McGrath, Shae Griffiths, Isabella Wilson, Abigail Ries, Zali McKay, Jessica Mercieca, Emily Bakker

Fourth Row: Chloe Christie, Maddlerose Dreves, Madeline Rabatsch, Neena Karunakar, Olivia McNamara, Alexa Burmeister, Elizabeth Mitcherson, Zara Pittioni,

Ta'alili Feaunati, Alicia Ward, Margot Calero, Keily Ting

Fifth Row: Bridget Tysoe, Tegan Greig, Isabella Wilkins, Victoria Biles, Madison McGirr, India Hutchinson, Charlize Brouwers, Lucinda Weber, Olivia Bennett,

Ruby Rayner, Brittany Boot

As though school life didn't need any more drama, we definitely stirred some up in the Drama Club this year! We had the pleasure of engaging in hilarious shenanigans every Thursday lunchtime from Term 2. It was incredible to see Years 7 and 8 students – the majority of whom had settled into school only a term before – expressing their passions for drama with unrivalled enthusiasm. Barely able to stand still, eager and excited faces met each week and the energy buzzing in the room was astounding and contagious.

Getting a taste of drama life, the girls discovered growing confidence in themselves whilst working collaboratively with new friends, as we engaged in a variety of improvisation, play-building and focus games. Creating and building upon scenarios such as fishing in the Antarctic, jumping into canyons or infiltrating a bank, the girls unlocked their creative minds and brought hilarity and excitement to their lunchtimes. Additionally during Term 4, Years

7-12 took part in some fantastic afternoon workshops with industry professionals from NIDA and the Australian Theatre for Young People, to increase knowledge about the possibilities of drama theory and practical performance.

As well as collaborating with talented Drama Club girls, we had the pleasure of hosting different school events, commencing with the Drama Showcase in 2014, which is a compilation of outstanding drama performances from Years 9-11, and Carols by Candlelight alongside the Music Captains. With Christmas spirits ringing high, we transformed ourselves into elves to tell a Christmas tale and to celebrate the musical talents of Brigidine College. Of course all this merriment led to a surprise visit from Santa and some not so surprising Christmas puns.

Founders Day brought out our inner spies as we demonstrated our ninja skills and nerf

guns when compering the annual Brigidine's Got Talent show, which revolved around Year 12's 'Mission I'm Possible' theme. Presenting the limitless talents of Brigidine students from singing and slam poetry to acrobatics that brought the school to their feet made for a Founders Day we'll never forget.

We have been incredibly blessed to work alongside Miss McDonald and Mr Rutherford, who've supported us the past year; we could not have been more excited or honoured to be the 2015 Drama Captains. In sharing our passion for drama, we've forged strong connections with talented young girls in the Drama Club and created many memories and hilariously unforgettable mishaps. We cannot wait to see what the future holds for the drama girls. Drama Club, the world is your stage!

Rachel Seeto and Georgia Barrie Captain and Vice Captain, Drama Club

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## **Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver**

Front Row: Rachel Kim, Lucy Pentelow, Zoe MacPhail, Ella McCrindle, Alyce Kassis,

Shehara Bastianpillai, Merryn McClean, Sara MacPhail, Gianna Lau, Emily Dalwood

Second Row. Monique Lewis, Lauren Pinn, Megan Loone, Lara Czysnok, Lucie Malone, Madeleine Harry,

Soraya Agnew, Maddison Ronksley, Chelsea Reed

Third Row: Isabella Hoffmann, Bianca Yeung, Eloise Ott, Rose Spurr, Monica Grayson,

Hannah Frykberg, Kate Menzies, Jacinta Neal

Fourth Row: Sophia Barratt, Eleanor Eckton, Francesca Rowlinson, Sarah Boccanfuso,

Alexandra Bradley, Georgia Nolan, Emily McGain, Amelia Breen



## **Duke of Edinburgh Award Bronze**

Front Row: Julia Vaccarella, Larissa Navakas-Pettersen, Sarah Langer, Eloise Carroll, Rachael Emms,

Isabelle Ronksley, Jasmine Forsyth, Lucy McKern, Victoria Hooker

Second Row. Elizabeth Gehringer, Sonia Elliott, Juliet Liddy, Ashley Roberts, Sylvia Kim, Lily Spalding,

Mia Carson, Grace Atkinson, Rachel Kim

Third Row Mylee Jones, Juliet Costanzo, Jessica Kittos, Renee Davison, Kate Edmeads,

Scarlett Judson, Anna Silva, Isabella Farrell

he Duke of Edinburgh Award is an Internationally recognised program for young people aged 14 to 25 that equips them with life skills to make a difference to them personally and their communities. The scheme, which awards students at a Bronze, Silver and Gold level, comprises four components - a skill, physical recreation, community service and an adventurous journey - as well as a residential project for the Gold Award. These sections allow participants to cultivate self-motivation, leadership, independence, teamwork and responsibility.

The club had a successful year with over 220 students enrolling to complete the award. Huge congratulations go to all the girls who put in the hard work to finish their awards so far, and best wishes for all the girls still working hard on completing their awards, especially the Gold girls travelling to Fiji during the Term 3 holidays.

Additionally, Brigidine entered two teams into the NSW Hillary Challenge. This competition involves a series of outdoor adventure challenges competing against other school teams. Brigidine B won their category and qualified for the National Championships in Victoria in October 2015, while Brigidine A placed 4th.

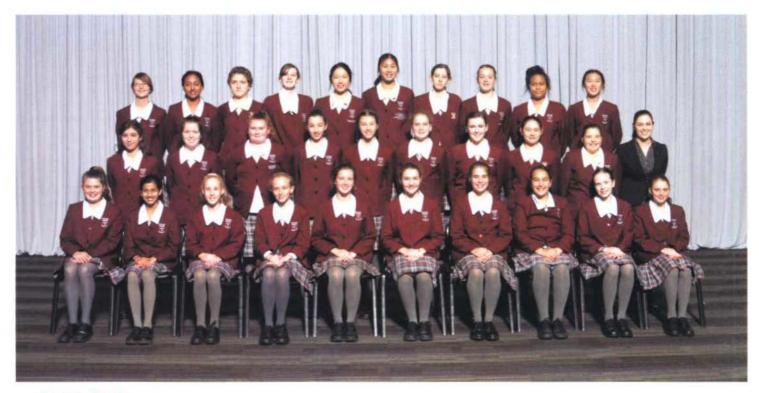
This year Brigidine introduced the Compass Award for Year 8 students, as a precursor to the Duke of Edinburgh Award. It enables girls to build self-esteem, confidence, an awareness of the community and a desire to help others.

We say a heartfelt thank you to our convenor, Mrs Wacher, for all the hard work and time that she put into the running of the club this year. Without her tireless efforts and dedication the club would not have run as smoothly as it did.

The success of Duke of Edinburgh Award participation is a true reflection of the commitment and unwavering enthusiasm of all involved. Finally, we say big congratulations to the 2016 captains, Merryn McClean and Kate Menzies, and we wish you the best of luck for next year.

## Sophie Clark and Kashia Merlo

Captain and Vice Captain, Duke of Edinburgh Award



#### Girls in Black

Front How: Laura Redman, Mohar Apte, Talei Crowhen, Erin Murphy, Georgia North, Amelia Davis, Larissa Navakas-Pettersen, Tessa Panetta, Sarah Burton,

Jessica Biggs

Second Row: Kathryn Palmer, Ellie Linton-Ffrost, Hannah Ribbons, Olivia Bennett, London Hartard, Jasmine Forsyth, Jacqueline Bonner, Mimi Rosenbaum,

Emily McNamara, Miss L. Grockett

Third Row: Kate Heffernan, Mahek Bansal, Robyn Yeats, Maddison White, Rachel Seeto, Nina Osada-Phornsiri, Dannielle White, Alexandra James, Erica Rounds,

Junyi Fang

irls in Black is the technical and backstage Igroup at Brigidine College. We operate visuals, audio, lighting and staging elements for productions, performances and special events.

In the first few weeks of the year, we covered the basics such as rolling and safely taping down cables and learning about the different areas of the stage as we prepared for the 2015 College Musical, Hairspray. During the rehearsal period of Hairspray, we programmed lights, organised props and ensured everyone knew their various roles.

Girls in Black members fulfil all of the backstage roles for productions, including stage manager, lighting operators, video operators, radio microphone technician, stage crew and properties crew.

Many hours go into musical rehearsals and shows but it is all worthwhile when the shows sell out for every performance!

In Term 2, Girls in Black was involved in even more productions! These included the Year 11 Play The Brady Brunch, Neighbourhood Watch, HSC Drama individual performances and the Founders Day Mass and talent show. Girls in Black even produced its

own promotional video using film making techniques and Movie Maker editing software.

Term 3 kicked off with an excursion to see Les Misérables at the Capitol Theatre. The production was amazing and the girls could see how their Girls in Black skills were used in a professional capacity. During Term 3 we also learned how to equalize microphones. set up for choir performances, and the theory of theatrical lighting. We also successfully provided all of the technical elements for the College's short film festival, Brigfest and the HSC Drama exams.

Term 4 was a great chance to learn more about audio and microphone theory and to hone our skills before the Brigidine Christmas concert and Presentation of Awards.

Throughout the entire year all Girls in Black members contributed many hours of hard work and helped to make every production and event a huge success.

Congratulations to all the Year 12 Girls in Black for their many years of commitment.

Hannah Ribbons and Rachel Seeto Girls in Black

## Mini Girls in Black

ini Girls in Black (Mini GIBs) is the Years 7 and 8 group of Girls in Black, who met every Tuesday lunchtime. This year, Mini GIBs learned basic skills necessary for productions, including the names of cables, how to roll and tape down cables, and how to set up a microphone stand.

In Term 2 Mini GIBs created short films, editing them using Movie Maker. Year 7s created an interesting film focusing on a flashback to kindergarten and a very strict teacher. Five girls from Mini GIBs submitted entries into the Brigfest short film festival with London Hartard (Year 8) winning the festival for 2015!

Mini GIBs also had the opportunity to see Les Misérables at the Capitol Theatre to see how to apply what they have learned to a professional production. There have been many girls helping with the AV in assemblies this year and the girls have learned a lot whilst operating the lights, microphones and slides. Every Tuesday lunchtime is filled with fun and hilarity; come and join us in 2016!

Miss Leah Crockett

Convenor, Girls in Black



## Languages Club

Front Row Jazmin Wright, Emma Steiner, Natalie Rinaldi, Mimi Rosenbaum, Amelia Malone

Second Row: Mrs J. Whiddon, Raihana Mangal, Helena De Gruchy, Rachael Emms, Mrs A. Mitchell

ontrary to popular belief, Languages Club ✓is not about learning languages as such. but rather about cultures of the world. This year, the girls showed much interest in the different traditions and lifestyles around the globe.

We engaged in various activities, such as puzzles, quizzes, Italian card games, jigsaw puzzles of French and Italian monuments, finda-words and crosswords. We explored traditions behind Valentine's Day, Easter, St Patrick's Day, Mother's Day and the various charity days held in Australia. We played Family Feud, learned lots of trivia through crossword clues and read over travel articles to broaden our knowledge.

Monday lunchtimes were spent researching unusual locations like Antarctica and Alaska, as well as tracing royal family trees, especially those of England, Denmark and Monaco.

Via the jetpunk.com quizzes website, we timed ourselves while guessing as many countries as we could in 15 minutes, our best being 125/197. Other games on the same website included matching flags and capitals with their respective country.

The girls were always enthusiastic and made our job as Captains of the Languages Club a pleasure. Thank you to all the girls for their attendance, participation and contributions. Thank you to our Teacher in Charge, Mrs. Mitchell, and Mrs Whiddon for always being there with and for us!

#### Emma Steiner and Natalie Rinaldi

Captain and Vice Captain, Languages Club



## Mock Trial

Front Row: Nupur Apte, Mimi Rosenbaum, Amanda Liem, Alice Edwards, Kathryn Palmer, Mahek Bansal

Second Row Isabel Toohey, Hannah Frykberg, Therese Kelly, Zeyna Tinker, Barbara Honeysett, Erica Rounds, Miss R. Carlson

Absent: Soraya Agnew, Olivia Mueller

Brigidine's Mock Trial team had a wonderful year that was characterised by fantastic teamwork, determination, commitment and resilience. The competition was challenging, with cases that included a dangerous driving charge, an accusation of negligence and a murder trial.

The girls performed extremely well, finishing the season with wins over Masada College and Hornsby Girls' High School and narrow losses to Knox Grammar School and Normanhurst Boys' High School.

In all trials, the girls competed with confidence and courage, showing their eloquence and

engaging with demanding legal matters. Their quick thinking and improvisation under pressure and time constraints was always very pleasing and entertaining to watch.

Thank you to everyone who participated in Mock Trial in 2015. Our successes would not have been possible without the dedication and hard work of everyone who contributed as Barristers, Solicitors, Witnesses, Magistrate's Clerks, Court Officers and general supporters of the club. A special thank you is extended to our Teacher in Charge, Miss Carlson, for tirelessly aiding us in innumerable ways. We also acknowledge our coach, Libby Goode,

who instilled in the team an ethos of focus and continuous improvement.

Finally, we wish the very best of luck to the new Mock Trial Captains, Erica Rounds and Barbara Honeysett. We are confident in their abilities to advance the Brigidine Mock Trial Team in 2016.

Once again, congratulations to all the Mock Trial girls. You really made us and the school proud.

Alice Edwards and Amanda Liem Captain and Vice Captain, Mock Trial

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## Senior Vocal Ensemble

Front Rows Jessica Atalla, Lucy McKern, Kathryn Palmer,

Olivia McNamara, Abby Van Balkom, Isabel Toohey

Second Row: Elizabeth Chan, Maddison McCauley, Tiegan Denina, Devina Maurice, Annelise Hall, Katherine Goode,

Rebecca Bau-Gaspar

Third Row: Anita Furtado, Kirilee Wagner, Jacinta Neal, Sophie Jarrett.

Abby Flynn, Stephanie Muir



## Stage Band

Front Row: Michelle Williams, Emma Gillman, Ursula Phillips,

Kirilee Wagner, Abby Flynn, Abby Johnson, Natasha Williams

Second Row: Zoe Gougousidis, Teresa Honeysett, Bridget Tysoe.

Sarah Wackett, Ciara Flynn, Annabelle Ambrogio

Third Row: Isabella Hoffmann, Jessica Kittos, Lily Galoustian,

Jasmin High, Rachael Emms



## **Rock Band**

Zoe Gougousidis, Taylor Klose, Teresa Honeysett, Gabrielle Florance, Laura Galoustian, Anita Furtado, Eilish Camilleri

he year 2015 has been yet another eventful one for the Music Club and big thanks must go to all the girls (and their parents!) for their hard work, dedication and enthusiasm.

At the completion of the 40 weeks of this academic year we have managed to commit to over 60 different events and excursions. Those in the know will appreciate that even the smallest of events requires a great deal of preparation, practice and commitment. This year saw its fair share of big events too.

Concert Band has been busy this year. In Term 1 who could forget the torrential downpour the girls arrived in for their performance at the Royal Easter Show? By the time we got to the stage we were all completely soaked through. Then there was mad panic getting a band of 100 onto a small stage in just five minutes. But in true Brigidine spirit the girls played brilliantly and did us proud, and then had fun enjoying the rides afterwards. In Term 2 the Police Band conducted a workshop and lunchtime concert which was fantastic. The NSW Band Festival at UNSW, which the girls performed dazzlingly at, kicked off Term 3. In Term 4 they had their own concert in Bowie Hall, which displayed their remarkable development and growth over the year.

The Choir went on tour to Brisbane at the start of Term 2 to work with our sister school, Brigidine Indooroopilly. We had a wonderful time there making friends, participating in workshops run by Australian conductor and composer, Gordon Hamilton, and spending some quality time at Dreamworld. Two days later the Choir, just managing to fit on the stage, performed at the St Ives Festival on the Green. They were superb! The Choir sang well at our end of year Music Club party and then had great fun at the annual Carols by Candlelight concert.

Along with performing at a huge number of events this year the Senior Vocal ensemble achieved some great success. They progressed through two rounds at the Sydney Eisteddfod and then placed an unofficial 3rd in the Australian Choral Grand Prix at Town Hall in Sydney - don't underestimate this significant accomplishment, which saw us beat some very well established ensembles. Also this year, the girls travelled to Melbourne having earned a place at the National A Cappella Championship. We came second by only a few marks, which again was an absolutely amazing achievement. Well done to one of our new groups this year, the Junior Vocal ensemble, which sounded fabulous and will make the Seniors keep working hard!!

The Stage Band continued to develop their performance skills and played beautifully at the large number of events and excursions this year. Their gig supporting the charity for Parkinson's disease in October was magnificent. There is now a Junior Stage Band, which has been an exciting addition to the Music Club this year. The String program grew and we now have more players than we have had for many years. They too are taking pleasure in having more gigs in their calendar. We've had the Rock Band and Hipster Folk Band perform this year for the school, and the Woodwind ensemble and Senior Flute ensemble.

Well done to all the girls who received their plaques and lines in recognition of their commitment.

A big thank you to our staff who work tirelessly in making these events and excursions happen: Mr Allan, Mrs Allan, Mrs Boyd, Ms Butler, Mrs Curtis, Mr Davies, Mrs Fisher, Ms Gan, Mrs Greer, Mr Jones. Mrs Lee, Ms Mikus, Ms Ramsay, Mr Roberts, Mrs Sercombe.

#### Mr Charlie Lovelock

Head of Cocurricular Music



## **Woodwind Ensemble**

Marie Aung, Maegen Lee, Michelle Williams, Alice Stafford, Ella Davies, Rhona Kennedy, Emily Bakker



## **Chamber Strings**

Ms K. Ramsay, Corina Behrens, Ella Cooper, Linda Borthwick, Kirilee Wagner, Maddison McCauley, Rachel Kim



## Choir

Front Flow: Priya Sutton, Charlotte Waite, Angelina Zoldos, Ella Temple, Caitlin Gill, Anika Townley, Katherine Goode, Maddison McCauley, Olivia McKasah, Mia Vallaydam, Teya Murray, Jessica Atalla, Bianca Pannaci, Olivia Perrignon

Second Row: Mia Cairns, Brianna Parker, Emily Todd, Georgia Douglas, Mia Gougousidis, Isabel Toohey, May Belle Silvester, Sylvia Kim, Penelope Lovell, Emma Silva, Claudia Dixon, Zoe Gougousidis, Abby van Balkom, Georgia Prendergast, Natasha Palmer, Priya Uskovic, Bianca Burmeister, Monique Glase

Third Row: Kayleigh Hirsch, Jacoba Sheridan, Laura Collins, Chloe Christie, Zali McKay, Eilish Camilleri, Alicia Ward, Devina Maurice, Ciara Flynn, Juliet Buchanan, Madelline Rabatsch, Jessica Mercieca, Chantelle Cunningham, Madison McGrath, Zara Erich, Abbey Tyler

Fourth Row: Rebecca Bau-Gaspar, Margot Calero, Ashley Smith, Keisha Sheehan, Elizabeth Chan, Emily Goad, Lucy Buttini, Isabel Stacey, Sarah Petherbridge, Sarah-Jane Wilson, Kathryn Fung, Leah Covarr, Lucy McKern, Charlotte Cuda, Kathryn Palmer

Fitth Row. Karina Parel, Tegan Greig, Antonia Hannam, Olivia McNamara, Meaghan Collins, Alisha Borgese, Ruby Rayner, Tiegan Denina, Kate Heffernan, Emma Jenkinson, Kaddison van Rhoon, Zali Beuzeville, Niamh Rivers, Kasey Moulds, Natasha Williams

Sixth Row: Annelise Hall, Anita Furtado, Isabella Wilkins, Molly Noble-Booth, Ella Coakes, Selina Lewis, Olivia Hannam, Madison McGirr, Isabelle McElhone, India Hutchinson, Abby Flynn, Paris Judson, Soffea Evans-Halliday, Sonia Elliott

Seventh Row: Sophie Jarrett, Beatrice Van Heeswijk, Jacinta Neal, Nikkita Denev, Katherine Paterson, Gabrielle Florance, Georgia Byrne, Charlize Brouwers, Tia O'Callaghan, Stephanie Lowe, Emily McGain, Julia Forrest, Caitlin Neale, Isabel Zhu, Stephanie Muir

Absent: Georgia Nolan, Molly Sutton, Jacinta McGrath



## Concert Band

Front Row Rae Pastuszak, Isobel Keeping, Barbara Honeysett, Stephanie Muir, Hannah Ribbons, Kirilee Wagner, Rebecca Stanley, Rachel Seeto, Sophia Polito, Isabel Bunting, Emma Vinci, Monique Lewis, Kathryn Palmer

Second Row: Nicole Chan, Jessica Biggs, Abigail Powell, Amanda Powers, Natasha Palmer, Therese Kelly, Frances Goodman, Rebecca Feather, Demi Kavallaris, Jane Shin, Jessica Atalla, Ella Temple, Priya Sutton

Third Row: Georgia Prendergast, Marie Aung, Emily Bakker, Charlotte Banbury, Keily Ting, Laura Ober, Olivia McKasah, Charlotte Cuda, Andrea Ayala-Schnell, Elsa Schuller, Anika Townley, Isabella Mestrov, Jessica Wearne, Zoe Gougousidis

Fourth Row: Emily Kennedy, Siobhan Lo, Ellish Camilleri, Chloe Christie, Laura Collins, Madison McGrath, Alexandra Markesevic, Sophie Challenor,

Michelle Williams, Madeline Rabatsch, Lauren Hocking, Penelope Godfrey, Jodie Baxter, Kirstin Baxter

Fifth Row: Ella Forrest, Abby Johnson, Nicola Markley, Zara Brown, Emma Gillman, Bella Spence, Helena Bragge, Olivia Bennett, Rhona Kennedy, Sarah Bakker,

Cassandra Patterson, Sarah-Jane Wilson, Lauren Stewart, Evelyn Hatziioannou, Natasha Williams

Sixth Row: Isabella Kadziela, Mikaela Ellis, Rachel Tysoe, Abby Flynn, Alexandra Ober, Ciara Flynn, Bridget Tysoe, Matilda Christie, Abbey Butler, Diana Ageras,

Teresa Honeysett, Ella Clements, Annabelle Ambrogio, Linda Borthwick

Severith Row: Isabel Zhu, Jemima Belger, Kaisha Leighton, Ella Davies, Jasmin High, Alice Stafford, Lily Galoustian, Jessica Kittos, Ruby Trevallion, Sarah Wackett,

Isabella Hoffmann, Juliet Costanzo, Rachael Emms.

Absent: Renee Gaspar, Eloise Carroll, Jacinta McGrath, Molly Sutton



## String Ensemble

## Front Row:

Priya Wheatley, Tiffany Quan, Leah Covarr, Rachel Kim, Kirilee Wagner, Maddison McCauley, Corina Behrens, Mia Gougousidis, Carmelita Buay

## Second Row

Annabelle Oh, Linda Borthwick, Molly Noble-Booth, Joanna Oud, Bernadette Kelly, Teresa Honeysett, Ella Cooper, Ms K. Ramsay



## Musical Orchestra

Front Row: Zoe Gougousidis, Marie Aung, Monique Lewis, Sarah Wackett,

Jessica Kittos, Rachel Kim, Emily Bakker, Sylvia Kim

Second Row: Sarah Bakker, Natasha Williams, Teresa Honeysett,

Alice Stafford, Rachael Emms, Helena Bragge,

Michelle Williams



## Junior Vocal Ensemble

Front Row: Jessica Atalla, Mia Vallaydam, Charlotte Cuda,

Abby van Balkom, Abbey Tyler, Natasha Palmer,

Bianca Burmeister, Monique Glase

Second Row: Mrs J. Allan, Olivia McNamara, Tegan Greig, Ruby Rayner,

Madison McGirr, Georgia Byrne, Anita Furtado, Niamh Rivers,

Madeline Rabatsch, Mrs R. Boyd



## Junior Stage Band

Front Row: Layne Cook, Jessica Biggs, Jessica Wearne, Isabella Mestrov,

Emily Bakker, Abigail Powell, Ella Temple

Second Row: Ella Molloy, Chloe Christie, Ella Forrest, Madeline Rabatsch,

Olivia McKasah, Charlotte Banbury

Third Row: Charlotte Cuda, Annika Lovett, Jemima Guberina, Ella Davies,

Olivia Bennett, Alexandra Markesevic

We have both been a part of the Music Club since Year 7, back in the days when the department was over in the darkest corner of the school. Everyone in the Club can agree that a lot has changed since then. There were only about 10 people in the Choir when we started, and we distinctly remember singing Bruno Mars' Count on Me a thousand and ten times at the annual Spotlight on Music and Cabaret concerts. The Choir in particular grew larger over the years, and one time at band camp, we learned for the first time ever how to dance, adding some moves to Price Tag.

Looking back on the last five years, it's amazing to see how much we've grown as a club. All the ensembles that have been started, the many competitions we've entered, the memorable moments we've had whilst at music camps or on tour, such as attending Dreamworld, seeing Les Misérables and The Lion King (and crying our eyes out both times!), and of course, the trips to Melbourne, both for the Brigidine combined schools performance in Sunshine and Senior Vocal ensemble competing in the A Cappella Nationals where we came second in the country! As members and now as captains, we have witnessed the transformation of the Music Club and both feel truly proud and privileged to have been part of that journey, all the way from the Connolly Wing to the new Anita Murray Centre.

We thank the staff who made all of this possible and have made being a Music Club member so much fun. Ms Boyd, Mr Lovelock, Mrs Allan, Ms Ramsay and everyone else in between, you've all helped us so much, so thank you on behalf of everyone in the Club. We've had a fantastic time and we will never forget the memories we've shared with you all. To the girls in the Club, you're hilarious and so talented, and we can't wait to see what you all get up to in the years to come! Thank you for trusting us as your captains for 2015. We'll miss you and wish you all the best. Music Captains 2015, singing out!

#### Katherine Goode and Maddison McCauley

Captain and Vice Captain, Music Club



## Musical

Front Row: Jessica Atalla, Isabel Toohey, Georgia Douglas, Abby Van Balkom, Erin Murphy, Katherine Goode, Maddison McCauley, Grace Tims, Mia Gougousidis, Brianna Parker, Bianca Burmeister, Jessica Penollar

Second Row: Beatrice Martin, Katherine Brown, Georgia North, Lauren Hocking, Ruby Rayner, Abbey Tyler, Matisse MacMillan, Olivia McNamara, Zali Beuzeville, Valentina Buay, Elizabeth Chan, Corina Behrens, Zoe Re, Zoe Gougousidis

Third Row: Natasha Williams, Michelle Williams, Neena Karunakar, Lauren Haynes, Bella Spence, Kate Heffernan, Tegan Greig, Sonia Elliott, Larissa Navakas-Pettersen, Madison Berg, Abby Johnson, Niamh Rivers, Rebecca Thornton, Alexa Burmeister

Fourth Row: Sarah-Jane Wilson, Rae Pastuszak, Emily McNamara, Mimi Rosenbaum, Sarah Petherbridge, Jacqueline Bonner, Mahek Bansal, Hannah Ribbons, Ellie Linton-Ffrost, Eliza Tysoe, Kathryn Palmer, Ellen Hester, Isabel Stacey, Jasmine Forsyth

Fifth Row: Lucy McKern, London Hartard, Ella Clements, Annelise Hall, Abby Flynn, Ciara Flynn, Rachael Emms, Alexandra Mitcherson, Juliet Liddy, Mikaela Ellis, Ana Butron, Annabelle Ambrogio, Teresa McIntyre

Sixth Row: Laura Banning, Georgia Gomez, Sarah Wackett, Isabella Hoffmann, Matilda Christie, Georgia Byrne, Alice Stafford, Jessica Kittos, Isabelle Ronksley, Claudia Christenson, Alana Harris, Jacinta Neal. Isabelle McElhone, Jaslyn Berg

Seventh Row: Robyn Yeats, Maddison White, Stephanie Muir, Rachel Seeto, Sophie Jarrett, Nina Osada-Phornsin, Emily McGain, Jacinta Perret, Sophie Galvin, Georgia Barrie, Tiegan Denina, Dannielle White, Alexandra James

## COCURRICULAR Clubs + PUBLIC SPEAKING



## **Public Speaking**

Front Row: Amelia Malone, Nina Loone, Olivia McNamara, Lara Czysnok, Meaghan Collins, Michelle Williams, Teya Murray

Second Row: Mrs J. Whiddon, Mia Holman, Raihana Mangal, Ciara Flynn, Francesca Rowlinson, Ella Ward, Sophia Polito

The Catholic Schools' Debating Association Public Speaking competition took place in Term 1, with Ella Ward and Michelle Williams (Year 8), Tea Delle Vergin and Ciara Flynn (Year 9), Amelia Malone and Raihana Mangal (Year 10), Dominique Bennett and Lara Czysnok (Year 11), and Sophia Polito (Year 12), taking part. Ella, Ciara, Amelia and Dominique qualified for the second round and we were excited when Ella successfully moved into the Metropolitan Final held at Christian Brothers' High School, Lewisham.

In March, Meaghan Collins and Nina Loone (Year 8) participated in the Rostrum Voice of Youth local final, where Meaghan won her heat and went on to compete in the Regional Final, speaking on the topic, 'The price of progress'.

Also in March, Francesca Rowlinson (Year 11) entered the Rotary Four Way Test Speaking Competition that was held at the State Rotary Conference in the Hunter Valley. Francesca spoke on the value of education and her own experiences on her trip with the Antipodeans Abroad cultural immersion to Thailand and Laos.

The Rotary Club of Frenchs Forest held its annual Youth Speaks competition in April where students work as a team with a Chairperson, Speaker and a Proposer of the Vote of Thanks. The Brigidine team of Year 11 students, Lara Czysnok, Rose Spurr and Dominique Bennett as speaker, was announced as the winner over the other finalists from Masada College.

After competing in the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award local final at Narrabeen Sports High School in July, Ciara Flynn (Year 9) took part in the Regional Final in August at The Arts Unit, Lewisham. Ciara did an outstanding job delivering her five minute prepared speech and two minute impromptu speech.

Our final event for the year, the AHIGS Festival of Speech, was held in October at Wenona where students competed from 27 Independent Girls' Schools. Congratulations to all Brigidine girls who participated: Meaghan Collins and Olivia McNamara (Year 8), Ciara Flynn (Year 9), Valentina Buay, Annelise Hall, Isabel Toohey and Ellen Trimble (Year 10) and Dominique Bennett and Lara Czysnok (Year 11). The girls contested various sections including Public Speaking, Readings, Poetry and Current Affairs. Meaghan Collins placed 3rd in Junior Readings, and our overall position was 14/27 with our placing in the Junior section 6/27!

Thank you to the students and staff who helped to make 2015 a wonderful year for public speaking!

#### Mrs Jan Whiddon

Centre for Excellence Coordinator

## SCIENCE + COCURRICULAR Clubs 141



#### Science

Front Row: Caitlin Gill, Sally Heffernan, Emily Bakker, Kathryn Fung, Abigail Ries, Mia Gougousidis, Mohar Apte, Jessica Biggs

Second Row: Sylvia Kim, Zoe Gougousidis, Emily Goad, Brittany Boot, Kate Heffernan, Madison Berg, Natasha Williams

Third Row Olivia Bennett, Teresa Honeysett, Ella Coakes, Ella Davies, Isabel Zhu, Lucy Buttini, Junyi Fang

Cience Club is open to all students from Years 7-10. Our activities Oencompass all science disciplines and are designed to extend students' experiences beyond the classroom.

Science experiments are conducted at lunchtimes with teachers from the Science Department. The Science Cub provides a stimulating environment and an excellent opportunity for students to develop their scientific knowledge and skills.

We emphasise first hand investigation, with students performing fun and interesting experiments. This year we embraced some STEM (integrated science, technology, engineering and mathematics) activities. We put our engineering and circuitry skills to good use making a buzzer wire game.

Investigating the shape memory of the alloy Nitinol was fascinating. The alloy can be stretched out of shape and "magically" returns to its original shape upon heating. It was interesting to learn about its many applications, including the use of it in stents for heart surgery. A collapsed stent is inserted into an artery and then the patient's body heat helps it to expand to its original shape, thus opening up the blood vessel.

We perfected our paper plane construction skills, varying wing shapes. weight, and flaps up or down in an attempt to build the best plane to win the Science Week Paper Plane Competition. We also tried out our piloting skills flying drones in the Murray Theatre with Mr Farr as Squadron Leader!

Thermoplastics are those types of plastic that can be heated and reformed. We enjoyed taking the thermoplastic in one form and using hot water above 75°C to melt it and shape it into another form. This activity showed us how some plastics can be recycled and was a lot of fun too!

Of course Science Club also includes some investigations to test our myth busting skills. Does toast always fall butter side down? Our intrepid scientists discovered that the height of the bench is a significant factor in this perplexing question. After testing different heights we came to the conclusion that some kitchen bench heights do seem more likely to cause toast to crash butter side down on the floor. Try it at home and see!

Science Club is also about doing entertaining science, with making sun prints, lava lamps and colourful crystals among our favourites.

If you like to learn about the world around you and the amazing science behind it then come along to Science Club and join in the excitement.

### Mrs Mary Radcliff

Teacher in Charge, Science Club



## **Textiles**

Front Row: Charlotte Waite, Nicole Chan, Teya Murray, Caitlin Gill, Jessica Tierney, Sarah Boccanfuso, Natalie Yeung, Priya Wheatley, Lauren Hickey, Ella Temple, Carmelita Buay

Second Row: Ms M. Schumann, Monique Glase, Sophie Spurr, Zoe Gougousidis, Phoebe Jenkins, Keily Ting, Shae Griffiths, Gabrielle Tate, Madelin Owen,

Alannah Darling, Mia Gougousidis, Jazmin Wright, Mrs J. Whiddon

Third Row: Georgia Prendergast, Zali McKay, Annika Lovett, Natarsha Vidulic, Charlotte Harry, Lucy Eyres, Stephanie Gustard, Emily Goad, Ruby Lowe,

Kathryn Fung, Jessica Mercieca, Ashley Smith

Fourth Row: Claudia Vidulic, Ella Coakes, Danielle Abbott, Matilda Christie, Helena De Gruchy, Isabelle Ronksley, Rachael Emms, Sophie Eyres, Lucy Buttini,

Ella Clements, Kasey Moulds, Lauren Hocking

This year we had the pleasure of running the Textiles Club with the help of Mrs Whiddon, the Teacher in Charge. We received the largest number of participants for Textiles Club since its inception. The girls worked on various projects split into two junior groups and one senior group.

The junior girls focused on the basic skills of how to operate and use a sewing machine. The girls then applied this knowledge to constructing origami bags from quilting fabrics. They chose their own unique designs and also learned several sewing techniques. The bags were quite a success and were a great achievement for those who hadn't sewn before. After completing the project, we made peg dolls using scraps of textiles to make clothes for pegs. In addition to the origami bag, Ms Schumann's junior textiles group fashioned simple skirts.

Senior girls sewed a knit jacket, featuring a zipper and pockets. This involved following a pattern and instructions, broadening the girls'

skills as they implemented numerous techniques. All jackets turned out extremely well and the girls should be very proud of their achievements. Using different surface decoration techniques such as block printing, girls also decorated a bag.

This year's enhanced course, enabling girls to make more complex projects in a supportive environment, was a huge success. A big thank you to Mrs Whiddon and Ms Schumann for all their hard work, organisation and many hours of assistance. We don't know what we would do without you! To all the girls involved, thank you for your enthusiasm and dedication. We hope you continue sewing and wish you all the best.

Natalie Yeung and Jessica Tierney
Captain and Vice Captain, Textiles Club

## ATHLETICS • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 143



#### Athletics

Front Rows Holli Raaff, Shantel Nanayakkara, Charlotte North, Jemma Walsh, Madeline Rabatsch, Isabelle McLennan, Alison Colgan, Beatrice Martin,

Madelin Owen, Natesha Shalliker

Second Row: Natarsha Vidulic, Kaddison Van Rhoon, Kathryn Trupiano, Ella Cooper, Rhona Kennedy, Camryn Woolley, Sarah Raaff, Kahli Gilchrist, Ta'alili Feaunati

Third Row: Nicola Markley, Olivia Bennett, Claudia Vidulic, Melissa Fitzsimmons, Megan Rose, Lauren Pilling, Anna Silva, Juliet Liddy

Fourth Row: Jemirna Guberina, Mandy Guberina, Millie Grieve, Georgie Grieve, Emily McGain, Kate Mayjor, Isabelle Ronksley, Bronte Gaughan

rigidine Athletics experienced another season of success in both athletics and cross country. We congratulate all the girls who competed in track and field and cross country events in Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA), Broken Bay Secondary Schools Sports Association (BBSSSA), NSW Combined Catholic Colleges (NSWCCC) and All Schools competitions. Both Athletics and Cross Country girls achieved outstanding results, contributing to the ongoing success and growth of these teams at Brigidine.

This season started off with Cross Country training commencing early in Term 1. This prepared the girls for the BBSSSA event on 29 April and IGSSA competition on 15 May. At BBSSSA, our girls showed amazing sportsmanship and support to all athletes competing. Five students performed particularly well and so progressed to the NSWCCC Championships on 17 June. At NSWCCC, both Year 7's Charlotte North (2nd place) and Year 11's Alison Colgan (10th place) qualified for the NSW All Schools Championships. Charlotte was also a standout at the Annual IGSSA Cross Country Carnival in Mittagong, finishing 3rd in her age group. and earning her place at the National Cross Country Championships in Victoria.

Terms 2 and 3 saw a large number of girls attending Wednesday night track and field training at the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation, Narrabeen. Here, the girls trained for their specialised events in preparation for upcoming competitions, as well as for other events they were interested in. On Tuesday 11 August, Brigidine athletes competed in the BBSSSA's annual Track and Field Championships at Sydney Olympic Park. Brigidine came 1st in the overall school point scores, boasting many girls that were crowned age champions: Ta'alili Feaunati (Year 7, 12 yrs), Melissa Fitzsimmons (Year 11, 17 yrs), and Emily Parker (Year 12, 18 yrs).

Brigidine's phenomenal results qualified 23 girls for the NSWCCC competition on 11 September. Beforehand, Brigidine travelled to the annual IGSSA competition held 13-14 August. With the support of Year 7.

the girls achieved brilliant results. Special congratulations to the senior girls relay comprising Melissa Fitzsimmons (Year 11) and Emily Parker, Emma Welch and Laura Welch (Year 12), who became the senior champions for all competitions, including BBSSA, IGSSA, All Schools Relay, and NSWCCC.

Thank you to our amazing coaches, Jake Lynch, Bev Jaye, Garry Malcolm, Emma Jeffcoat, Darryl Welch, Rob De Gruchy and Elizabeth Parker, as well as teachers Mr Chant, Ms McCudden and Mrs Moore for all of the time and effort you put into making the athletics season so successful. Congratulations to Melissa Fitzsimmons and Alison Colgan, Athletics captains for 2016. Good luck to all athletics girls next year and the seasons to come. It has been a pleasure being Athletics Captains this year.

## Laura Welch and Emily Parker

Captain and Vice Captain, Athletics

# COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • CROSS COUNTRY



### **Cross Country**

Holli Raaff, Claudia York, Ashlea Geftakis, Elsa Schulfer, Jemma Walsh, Charlotte North, Lauren Hickey, Charlotte Ellis

Second Row: Sarah Burton, Alison Colgan, Rhona Kennedy, Ella Cooper, Rachel Tysoe, Lauren Haynes, Chloe Christie, Madison McGrath

Third Row Amelia Littler, Bronte Gaughan, Abby Ballesty, Emily McGain, Millie Grieve, India Hutchinson, Olivia Bennett

Samantha De Montemas, Isabelle McLennan, Chloe Grant, Nicola Markley, Grace Seaglove, Alexandra Cheeseman, Sophie Wright, Tiani Schaefer, Absent:

Jemirna Pfaff, Aoife Doran, Molly Manning, Laura Galletta, Courtney Young

### BASKETBALL • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 145



### Basketball Team 1

Front Row: Georgina Beauchamp, Fiona Grace, Kristin Turner, Chloe Grant

Second Row: Hannah Wong, Estelle Horrocks, Bianca Parnell, Eloise Ott

rigidine Basketball had another successful year. In 2015, 10 teams competed in the Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) competition held on Saturday mornings. All the girls were extraordinary players and put maximum effort into all their games this

This year we introduced basketball skills sessions, which enabled the girls to develop proficiency outside of team training and to mix with girls from all levels of Brigidine Basketball.

Brigidine basketballers did a fabulous job overall, with seven teams making grand finals. Brigs 7, 8 and 10 even took home 1st place!

Thank you goes to Miss Tesoriero, who did a brilliant job in coordinating everything this year. Without her organisation and support we wouldn't be playing.

Finally a big thank you and congratulations to the Basketball girls. You all performed exceptionally this season, displaying incredible sportsmanship and teamwork throughout. We are so happy you have been part of this amazing club and we hope to see you all next year!

### Estelle Horrocks and Bianca Parnell

Captain and Vice Captain, Basketball



### Basketball Team 2

Monique Manookian, Madeleine Sankey, Emma Warburton, Natasha Warian, Amelia Littler, Alexandra James, Kathleen Harris



### Basketball Team 4

Emily Dalwood, Meredith Paterson, Lara Czysnok, Madeleine Baillie, Claire Sidaway, Georgia Fenwick, Holly Gannon



### Basketball Team 3

Georgia O'Sullivan, Maddison Holland, Gabriella Markesevic, Jemima Pfaff, Georgina Fryer



### Basketball Team 5

Maegen Lee, Isabella Geftakis, Ella Ward, Isabelle Ronksley, Olivia Onslow, Rebecca Warian, Charlotte Lawson

# **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities** • BASKETBALL



### Basketball Team 6

Jade Woo, Gabrielle Florance, Lily Moore, Julia Forrest, Katia Matkowski, Lara Pillai



### Basketball Team 9

Jane Shin, Gabrielle Tate, Isabella Kadziela, Bianca Buchberger, Natasha Keosseian, Eliza Lowe, Charlotte Ellis



### Basketball Team 7

Alicia Keosseian, Abby Johnson, Katherine Ford, Alice Stafford, Jenna Wright, Annabelle Ambrogio, Ruby Magee, Zoe Re



### Basketball Team 10

Samantha Hoefnagels, Laura Redman, Lauren Stewart, Madison McGirr, Alexandra Markesevic, Catriona Higgs, Sarah Burton



### **Basketball Team 8**

Front Row: Christina Chan, Lucy McKern, Abbey Lenton, Auria Nunes
Second Row: Isabel Zhu, Leah Perkins, Tia O'Callaghan, Lucy Buttini

### DANCE • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 147



### Haunted

Front Row: Carmelita Buay, Isabelle McLennan, Charlotte McGrath, Jasmine Barbour, Alexandra Woolley, Taylor Gleeson, Gemma Biggs, Hannah Collins,

Valentina Buay, Chloe Oldham

Second Row: Georgia Tindall, Claire Thomson, Emilia Bradbury, Lisa Vaccarella, Clara Mulkeen, Natalie Herrera, Linda Borthwick, Cinzia Marrocco, Abbey Slater

Third Row: Victoria Parry-Lyons, Rebecca Egan, Tori Ovens, Megan Taylor, Mia Barbour, Adele Samus, Lidia Marrocco, Stephanie Keshishian, Siena MacMillan

his year was a very successful and enjoyable one for the Dance Club, which remained the largest cocurricular club with members from Years 7-12.

In Term 1, morning jazz classes commenced with almost 300 students registering. Our open auditions also took place, when all dance members could audition for the College's elite eisteddfod groups that competed in three different eisteddfods throughout the year. In Term 2, all participating girls had the opportunity to register for extra dance classes, and the eisteddfod season started.

In May, we entered the IRBD Dance Challenge, competing against schools across the Northern Beaches and North Shore and placing for all three registered routines:

### **High School Contemporary Section:**

1st for 'Say Something 3rd for 'Haunted'

### High School Jazz Section:

1st for 'Circus'

In June, our girls went to Extreme Eisteddfod, in which we competed against schools across Sydney. This was another successful weekend during which we achieved the following results:

### **High School Contemporary Section:**

3rd for 'Say Something' Highly Commended for 'Haunted'

### High School Jazz Section:

1st for 'Circus'

Our final eisteddfod was Sydney Eisteddfod in July, competing against schools Australia wide. We entered three sections and were recognised with a Highly Commended for each one. This was a tremendous effort

and creditable result, with all our routines scoring over 90 in competition against the top 50 schools in the country.

A huge thank you to the eisteddfod team, who are all so talented and dedicated and made our job so easy and pleasurable throughout the year. Our principal choreographer, Rochelle Jones, guided our eisteddfod group to success this year as well as managing HSC Dance at Brigidine. She provided the eisteddfod team with so much inspiration and encouragement and we wouldn't have been able to complete the year without her.

The Dance Spectacular held in August is a huge annual highlight. Members of the Dance Club worked hard all year to perfect routines that were performed in the Spectacular. The enthusiasm and expertise offered by all teachers facilitated every girl to reach her fullest potential. We acknowledge the contributions and help of all dance teachers and our convenor, Mrs Grieve, who spent endless hours organising everything to do with Dance and the Dance Spectacular.

The year 2015 also proved an exciting one for Dance at Brigidine, with the introduction of an HSC Dance course for a Year 11 class, taught by Rochelle Jones. Offering Dance as part of the curriculum for the first time proved to be a success. In 2016, the current Year 11 class will complete the HSC course while a new Year 11 class will begin the course. We trust that interest and take-up of this subject will only continue to grow.

Thank you to everyone who participated, making Dance so successful and such an enjoyable club to be involved in. We are honoured to have led such an amazing group of girls and our best wishes to all Brigidine dancers in 2016.

### Taylor Gleeson and Alexandra Woolley

Captain and Vice Captain, Dance

### **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities + DANCE**



### Lyrical and Contemporary

#### Front Row

Charlotte Ellis, Ashlea Geftakis, Emily Kennedy, Alicia Ward, Anja Kastowsky, Lauren Stewart, Katherine Brown, Lauren Moore, Alannah Darling

#### Second Row:

Margot Calero, Niamh Rivers, Genevieve Collins, Valentina Buay, Emma Shlager, Ellen Quinn, Rebecca Smith, Chantelle Cunningham

#### Third Row

Lucy Buttini, Eloise Carroll, Danielle Abbott, Teisha Wiseman, India Hutchinson, Olivia Mestres, Kelsey Murrell



### Circus

#### Front Row

Chloe Oldham, Charlotte McGrath, Giorgia Ryan, Jasmine Barbour, Alexandra Woolley, Taylor Gleeson, Georgia Tindall, Hannah Collins, Valentina Buay, Bianca Burmeister

### Second Row:

Lisa Vaccarella, Ciara Mulkeen, Isabella Ryan, Mackenzie George, Siena MacMillan, Cinzia Marrocco, Claire Thomson, Abbey Slater, Alicia Parton, Natalie Herrera

### Third Row:

Lidia Marrocco, Adele Samus, Tori Ovens, Mia Barbour, Hayley Wrightson, Georgie Grieve, Megan Taylor, Rebecca Egan, Maddison Ronksley.



### **Ballet Group**

### Front Row

Isabelle McLennan, Tori Ovens, Taylor Gleeson, Siena MacMillan, Alannah Darling

### Second Row:

Maddierose Dreves, Lucy Buttini, Lauren Warburton, Zali McKay

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### Years 11 and 12 Hip Hop

Keana Bousfield, Eliza Tysoe, Madeline Worsley, Jemma Ferrer, Monique Lewis, Georgia Barrie, Natalie Yeung, Kanishka Dayananda, Ciara Mulkeen, Lisa Vaccarella

#### Second Row

Julia Hooper, Stephanie Keshishian, Gabriella Vumbaca, Tori Ovens, Jacinta Perret, Taylor Gleeson, Adele Samus, Lidia Marrocco, Lillian Harris, Isabella Ryan

#### Third Row

Ellie Paterson, Caitlin Armstrong, Emma Welch. Charlotte Bull, Sophia Barratt, Lauren Willett, Laura Welch, Maddison Ronksley, Sophie Galvin



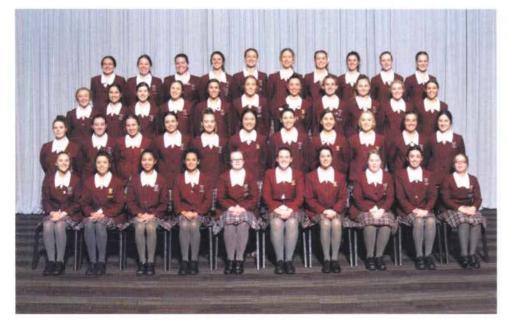
### Years 11 and 12 Musical Theatre

Lisa Vaccarella, Ciara Mulkeen, Lidia Marrocco, Lillian Harris, Monique Lewis, Madeline Worsley, Eliza Tysoe

#### Second Row:

Molly Manning, Georgia Barrie, Gabriella Vumbaca, Caitlin Armstrong, Keana Bousfield, Julia Hooper

Maddison Ronksley, Sophie Galvin, Charlotte Bull, Tori Ovens, Jacinta Perret



### Years 11 and 12 Jazz

Keana Bousfield, Olivia De Gruchy, Natalie Herrera, Jaime Brookes, Rae Pastuszak, Madeline Worsley, Eliza Tysoe, Isabel Stacey. Lisa Vaccarella, Ellen Hester

### Second Row:

Julia Hooper, Isabella Bonadio, Alicia Parton, Claudia Gomez, Rebecca Egan, Bianca Yeung, Gabriella Vumbaca, Isabella Ryan, Georgia Barrie,

Ciara Mulkeen, Lidia Marrocco, Laura Slocombe, Ellie Paterson, Megan Taylor, Eliza Burns, Taylor Gleeson, Jacinta Perret, Hayley Wrightson, Adele Samus, Lillian Harris

### Fourth Row

Caitlin Armstrong, Maddison Ronksley, Sophie Galvin, Emma Welch, Sophia Barratt, Lauren Willett, Charlotte Bull, Laura Welch, Alexandra Woolley. Tori Ovens

### **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • DANCE**



### Year 10 Jazz

### Front Row:

Kate Finn, Sabine Benefield, Victoria Parry-Lyons, Linda Borthwick, Siena MacMillan, Claire Thomson, Louisa Compton, Valentina Buay

#### Second Row

Beatrice Van Heeswijk, Laura Dowsett, Stephanie Lowe, Mia Barbour, Georgie Grieve, Philippa Green, Louisa Burns, Leah Atley



### Years 9 and 10 Hip Hop

#### Front Row

Lauren Moore, Emily Kennedy, Chloe McCammon, Nellie Baldwin, Charlotte McGrath, Lucinda Krek, Julia Vaccarella, Charlotte Redman

#### Second Row

Rebecca Smith, Giorgia Ryan, Bella Spence, Ellen Quinn, Alexandra Ober, Lola Meade, Camryn Woolley

### Third Row

Cinzia Marrocco, Laura Wheen, Teisha Wiseman, Valentina Buay, Kate Shaw, Anna Dunn, Olivia Onslow



### Years 9 and 10 Musical Theatre

### Front Row

Emily Kennedy, Charlotte Redman, Ellen Quinn, Kelsey Murrell, Rebecca Smith, Chioe McCammon

### Second Row

Genevieve Collins, Louisa Compton, Emma Shlager, Valentina Buay, Sophie Dean

### Third Row:

Anna Dunn, Teisha Wiseman, Kate Shaw, Olivia Mestres, Lola Meade

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### Year 9 Jazz

### Front Row:

Julia Vaccarella, Lucinda Krek, Sophie Dean, Hannah Collins, Nellie Baldwin, Charlotte McGrath, Chloe McCammon, Emily Kennedy, Lauren Moore

#### Second Row:

Charlotte Redman, Genevieve Collins, Lola Meade, Camryn Woolley, Jasmine Forsyth, Giorgia Ryan, Isobelle Inman, Rhona Kennedy, Rebecca Smith

Kelsey Murrell, Lucy Buttini, Alexandra Ober, Cinzia Marrocco, Olivia Onslow, Soffea Evans-Halliday, Abbey Slater, Anna Supierz, Bella Spence

Eloise Carroll, Danielle Abbott, Anna Dunn, Alice Stafford, Kate Shaw, Teisha Wiseman, Georgia Gomez, Laura Wheen



### Year 8 Jazz

Bianca Burmeister, Corina Behrens, Mia O'Sullivan, Mackenzie Haines, Grace Holland, Zali Beuzeville, Talei Crowhen, Katherine Brown, Shantel Nanayakkara, Hannah Harrison

#### Second Row:

Isabelle McLennan, Mackenzie George, Auria Nunes, Margot Calero, Jacoba Sheridan, Sophie Challenor, Bridget McKee, Alicia Ward, Alexa Burmeister, Abbey Tyler

### Third Bow

Caitlin Cummins, Rebekah Moore, Natasha Williams, Angelique Kreller, Rachel Tysoe, Olivia McNamara, Rebecca Thornton, Niamh Rivers, Nina Loone

### Fourth Row:

Eden Miller, Grace Mirabello, Ella Ward, Olivia Barratt, India Hutchinson, Ella McCarthy, Anita Furtado, Georgia Crossman, Jasmine Barbour



### Years 7 and 8 Musical Theatre

Front Row: Annabelle Judd, Mackenzie Haines, Zara Pittioni, Zali McKay, Chloe Jackett, Katherine Brown, Grace Dodd

Second Row: Niamh Rivers, Ruby Rayner, Katia Matkowski, Ella Davies, Lauren Stewart, Rebecca Thornton, Helena Smith



Nina Loone, Eden Miller, Monique Lewis, Sophie Galvin, Taylor Gleeson, Isabella Ryan, Giorgia Ryan, Eilish Camilleri

### **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • DANCE**



### Year 8 Hip Hop

Front Row: Tara Ferreira, Emily Mazzitelli, Maegen Lee, Alexa Burmeister,

Abbey Tyler, Corina Behrens

Second Row: Olivia McNamara, Evelyn Hatziioannou, Katia Matkowski,

Tegan Greig, Poppy Koulouris, Helena Smith



### Year 7 Hip Hop

Priya Wheatley, Ashlea Geftakis, Maddierose Dreves, Mary Pagano, Charlotte Ellis



### Year 7 Jazz Wednesday

#### Front Row.

Charlotte Waite, Bianca Pannaci, Ella Temple. Mia Cairns, Ashlea Geftakis, Tara Dean, Rebekah Astley, Jordyn Parry, Charlotte Ellis

### Second Row:

Sophie Devine, May Belle Silvester, Olivia McKasah, Elsa Schuller, Olivia Ruggiero, Chloe Christie, Madison McGrath, Jemma Walsh, Tiahna Cassar, Claudia Dixon, Mary Pagano

### Third Row:

Zali McKay, Anna Rodgers, Lauren Stewart, Diana Ageras, Jessica Keyser, Madison McGirr, Olivia Bennett, Lucy Eyres, Eliza Lowe, Maddierose Dreves



### Year 7 Jazz Monday

### Front Row;

Olivia Perrignon, Ashlee Marks, Claudia Norkett, Monique Glase, Priya Wheatley, Isabella Achelles, Lauren Hickey, Mia Vallaydam, Lauren Russo, Natesha Shalliker

### Second Row:

Chloe Oldham, Lauren McDonnell, Laura Collins, Samara Kelly, Laura Piacentini, Charlotte Cuda, Keily Ting, Anika Townley, Libby Denyer, Cameron Oxley

### Third Row:

Penelope Lovell, Zara Pittioni, Madeline Rabatsch, Brittany Boot, Bianca Buchberger, Bianca Keating, Selina Pini, Isabella Wilson, Chantelle Cunningham

### Fourth Row

Juliet Buchanan, Sadie Page, Lucinda Weber, Ella Davies, Jemima Guberina, Chloe Geeves, Isabella Kadziela, Natalie Lukacevic, Chloe Jackett

### FOOTBALL • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 153

he year 2015 has been an exceptional one for Brigidine Football, with eight teams entering the IGSSA competition and a total of 108 girls participating. With an extra team competing this year, we are steadily growing in number. This season, seven teams finished in the top 4, and five of these teams competed in the finals. A special congratulations to Brig 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 who played exceptionally well in the finals, with Brig 5 narrowly missing the win for their grade.

It has been a great season for football this year, with all girls playing to the best of their ability. Games were highly competitive and very exciting to watch from the side line, and all girls should be commended for their fantastic display of sportsmanship and great

A special thank you goes out to all the coaches, particularly ex-Brigidine Football Captain Imogen Carlisle for her time and effort in coaching Brig 1. We would also like to thank Mrs Dickens, along with the Sports Department for their ongoing support and management which allowed Football to run so smoothly.

Congratulations girls, it has been a terrific experience to be your Football Captains and we wish you all the best of luck for next year!

Jennifer Tims and Aoife Doran Captain and Vice Captain, Football



### Football Team 2

### Front Row:

Sophia Azize, Isabella Catanzariti, Sophie Wright, Sophia Rhodes, Emma Vinci, Gianna Lau

#### Second Row

Mia Holman, Sarah Wackett, Eliza Burns, Millie Grieve, Mandy Guberina, Bianca Avanus



### Football Team 3

### Front Row:

Sonja Henning-Smith, Jaime Brookes, Isla Toomey, Brydie Kruize, Alessia Davey

### Second Row:

Alana Christenson, Fiona Lewis, Charlotte Magee, Sarah Barnes, Matilda Morton



### Football Team 4

### Front Row

Ivy Whiteman, Nellie Baldwin, Maddison Harvey. Kaddison Van Rhoon, Taylor Klose, Kathryn Fung, Rebecca McDonnell

### Second Row:

Kathryn Trupiano. Rachel Tysoe, Holly Glover, Samantha de Montemas, Charlotte Flynn, Grace Seaglove, Carmel Gordon



### **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities** • FOOTBALL



### Football Team 5

#### Front Row

Laura Ober, Chloe McCammon, Emma Gillman, Alana Harris, Jacinta Dearn, Bella Spence, Zali Beuzeville, Mia Gougousidis

### Second Row

Annabelle Oh, Alexandra Ober, Bridget Tysoe, Brittany Thompson, Sophie Eyres, Ella Champion, Zoe Gougousidis



### Football Team 6

#### Front Row

Marie Janssen, Amber Jones, Alice Samson, Claudia Pinn, Abbey Tyler

### Second Row

Ruby Scarf, Selina Lewis, Rebecca Sankey, Ella McCarthy, Megan Rose



### Football Team 7

### Front Row

Ella Molloy, Tiahna Cassar, Shae Griffiths, Charlotte Patterson, Anika Townley, Charlotte North

### Second Row:

Abigail Powell, Isabella Wilson, Lucinda Weber, Jemima Guberina, Lauren Pilling, Lauren Russo



### Football Team 8

### Front Row:

Jessica Biggs, Jessica Wearne, Keily Ting, Jessica Mercieca, Tessa Panetta, Sophie Spurr, Caitlin Gill

### Second Row:

Alicia Nolan, Maddison Calleia, Olivia Bennett, Ella Coakes, Charlotte Robertson, Selina Pini

### GYMNASTICS and HOCKEY • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 155



### **Gymnastics**

Georgia Wallis, Madison Kelly, Chloe Bryce, Ella Champion, Emily McCullagh, Sarah Watson

his year a small but dedicated group of seven girls braved cold winter mornings to take part in a 6.00am gymnastics class every Wednesday morning, during which they learned and practised their routines for the Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) gymnastics competition early in Term 4. In 2015 Brigidine entered girls in Levels 3-9.

The IGSSA competition saw six Brigidine gymnasts take the floor to compete against some very large teams from opposition schools. Our team may have been small but our performances were strong. Special mention must go to Jessica Villegas (Year 9), who won the All-around competition in Level 9.

### The 2015 IGSSA Team:

Level 3 Georgia Wallace

Level 4 Chloe Bryce & Emily McCullagh

Level 5 Ella Champion Level 7 Madison Kelly

Level 9 Jessica Villegas

### Mr Joshua Holmes

Convenor, Gymnastics



### Hockey Team 1

Front Row: Georgia Callaghan-Gilmour, Sophia Barratt,

Sophie Callaghan-Gilmour, Zoe Morgan

Second Row: Emily Thornton, Jemima Pfaff, Mia Carson, Camryn Woolfey



### Hockey Team 2

Front Row: Monique Lewis, Cassidy Burgess, Elle Miller,

Stephanie Jordan, Elizabeth Chan

Second Row: Eleanor Piacentini, Kate Menzies, Laura Dowsett,

Zeyna Tinker, Ella Reilly



### Hockey Team 3

Front Row: Celine Nalbandian, Holly Keyes, Claudia Pinn, Olivia Ramage,

Ana Butron, Elizabeth Tubb, Jessica McNamara

Second Row: Olivia Mestres, Abbey Butler, Keeley McAlinden, Bianca Avanus,

Isabelle Worsley, Claudia Douglas, Cassianna Day

## **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • HOCKEY**



### Hockey Team 4

Front Row: Olympia Gordon, Carmel Gordon, Anna Supierz,

Alisha Borgese, Alice Samson, Milana McKay, Marie Janssen

Second Row: Rebecca Sankey, Holly Glover, Samantha De Montemas,

Gabriella Penn, Ella Clements, Rhona Kennedy



### Hockey Team 5

Front Row:

Lauren Moore, Rebecca Smith, Sarah Andrew, Helena Smith,

Rebecca McDonnell

Second Row. Olivia Barratt, Annabelle Chilton, Megan Rose, Meka Williams



### Hockey Team 6

Front Row

Charlotte Thomas. Abbey Tyler, Amelia Davis, Ruby Rayner,

Poppy Koulouris, Maegen Lee, Sarah Lowry

Second Row: Jade Woo, Alison Akhurst, Nikkita Denev, Katherine Ford,

Ella McCarthy, Isabella Reddy



### Hockey Team 7

Front Row:

Jessica Biggs, Priya Wheatley, Isabella Mestrov, Isabella Wilson, Jordyn Nicholson, Alexandra Markesevic, Jemma Walsh, Lauren McDonnell

Second Row: Catriona Higgs, Antonia Hannam, Lauren Pilling, Lucinda Weber, Olivia Bennett, Ruby Lowe, Anna Rodgers

his year, with Hockey starting in Term 2, many girls participated in small-sided hockey games on Wednesday afternoons, which gave them greater opportunity to hone their skills in a friendly competitive environment. Then in Term 3, the girls tested their newly improved skills in the Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) competition.

Throughout the year, we were very fortunate to have current parent and ex-Olympian Anthony Thornton train our Brig 1 team as well as assist other teams. His knowledge and expertise in hockey definitely contributed to our success this year. We were also very lucky and grateful for all the other coaches of the Brigidine teams who dedicated their time and energy to supporting and encouraging our girls to develop their hockey knowledge and skills.

Overall we had a very successful season, with all girls playing with great enthusiasm and demonstrating their fine hockey skills and fitness. Congratulations to Brigs 1, 4 and 6 for making the semifinals, and special congratulations to Brig 4, our Junior 1st team, for qualifying for the finals. Unfortunately they lost 2-0 to Frensham, but displayed fierce determination and consistency.

A special thank you to all the coaches and Sports Department, especially Mrs Dickens and Miss Fong, for their time ensuring that this year ran smoothly as well as for coming to as many games as they could to cheer on all the girls.

We had such an enjoyable season and we wish the captains for 2016, Jemima Pfaff and Sophia Barrett, all the very best for next season. Good luck to all future hockey players and thank you to the current players for making this season so amazing and unforgettable for us.

### Isabella Purnell and Lauren Willett

Captain and Vice Captain, Hockey

## NETBALL + COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 157



### IGSSA Netball Team 1

Lucy Pentelow, Aimee Carroll, Renee Davison, Sarah Corfield, Abby Ballesty. Anna Silva

he year 2015 brought about an exciting and challenging netball season for all involved. Towards the beginning of the school year, six teams were selected to represent the College in the Ku-ringgai Netball Association competition. While the season beginning in March was joyful and exciting, unfortunately all teams were defeated before reaching the finals. However, we commend them for their efforts and enthusiasm, coming together every Saturday and working as a team for an enjoyable and competitive game of netball.

Brigidine also participates in the Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) competition. The College entered five senior, four junior and three Year 7 teams, which all achieved excellent results in their grades. We congratulate the nine teams that made it to the semi finals, with Brigs 2, 4, 5 and 9 progressing to the finals. Brig 9 took out their premiership round, and Brig 4 (aka Brigidream) put in a fantastic effort to live up to their team name by also winning their premiership undefeated.

A particular highlight of the netball season is the annual challenge between Brigidine College St Ives and our sister school Brigidine College Indooroopilly, Queensland. This year St Ives hosted the Queensland girls for a fun and spirited weekend. The game was strongly contested, with each and every girl playing to their utmost potential. Our girls retained their shield for another year, winning 44-41. Thank you to all the billeting families who made this experience possible and to the Brigidine community for welcoming the Indooroopilly team so warmly.

Congratulations to everyone who participated in all competitions - players and umpires alike. We also say a huge thank you for the support and encouragement provided by coaches, managers and parents throughout the season, Additionally, we acknowledge the amazing Brigidine Sports Department whose continuous efforts and dedication make the club so successful.

As captains, we are so proud of each and every girl who represented the College this year and we wish the best of luck to next year's captains; Sarah and Lucy. We know you will carry the netball flag with pride and enthusiasm into the 2016 season.

### Maddison Brown and Lucy Slater

Captain and Vice Captain, Netball



### IGSSA Netball Team 2

Front Row Chloe Grant, Shehara Bastianpillai, Adele Samus,

Chelsea Reed

Second Row: Holly Furness, Sarah Boccanfuso, Laura Watts



### IGSSA Netball Team 3

Front Row: Charlotte Redman, Caitlin Neale, Lucy McKern,

Emalee Callaghan-Gilmour

Second Row: Isabella Hoffmann, Emily New, Rachael Emms



### IGSSA Netball Team 6

Front Bow Lucinda Krek, Ainsley Hermann, Ursula Phillips,

Ta'alili Feaunati, Rebekah Moore

Second Row Ruby Scarf, Olivia Onslow, Ella Worland, Jacinta Dearn

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### IGSSA Netball Team 7

Front Row: Zoe Re, Laura Langford, Alexandra Ober, Kate Ryan,

Jacinta McGrath

Second Row: Sarah-Jane Wilson, Teresa McIntyre, Zoe Samus,

India Hutchinson, Eloise Carroll



### IGSSA Netball Team 10

Front Row: Jane Shin, Laura Redman, Madison Louw, Emma Silva,

Sacha Clements

Second Row: Chloe Christie, Natalie Lukacevic, Chantelle Cunningham,

Madison McGrath



### **IGSSA Netball Team 8**

Front Row: Marie Aung, Cassandra Patterson, Bianca Wong, Antonia Wong,

Emily Mazzitelli

Second Row: Matisse MacMillan, Molly Noble-Booth, Amelia Clelland,

Gabrielle Florance, Rebecca Thornton



### IGSSA Netball Team 11

Front Row: Isabel Vitoria, Zali McKay, Olivia McKasah, Charlotte Ellis

Second Row: Selina Pini, Bianca Keating, Sasha Rous, Amy Rose



### IGSSA Netball Team 9

Front Row: Tara Ferreira, Lola Meade, Ellen Quinn, Nina Loone

Second Row: Lauren McGrath, Jessica Tuifua, Ciara Flynn,

Annabelle Ambrogio



### IGSSA Netball Team 12

Front Row: Bianca Pannaci, Ella Temple, Mia Vallaydam, Lauren Russo

Second Row: Stephanie Gustard, Claudia Dixon, Mary Pagano

### SAILING • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 159



### Sailing

Front Row: Madeleine Reid, Phoebe O'Sullivan, Sophie Challenor, Pia Doyle, Kaddison Van Rhoon, Tamara York, Zara Toohey

Second Row: Charlotte Harry, Georgia Crossman, Eliza James, Victoria Biles, Grace Seaglove, Hannah Joynson, Ruby Rayner

Third Row: Evie Dumas, Ashley Roberts, Madeleine Harry, Juliet Costanzo, Islay Dumas, Isabelle McElhone, Kate Hoefnagels

Absent: Holly Simmonds

n increase in participation levels in the Brigidine Sailing Team allowed the learn to sail and racing programs to develop skills required in sailing. The learn to sail team successfully acquired basic sailing skills such as boat handling and positioning.

This year's racing squad consisted of Islay Dumas and Pia Doyle (Year 12), Juliette Costanzo, Evie Dumas and Ashley Roberts (Year 10), and Tamara York and Phoebe O'Sullivan (Year 9). Over the last year, they significantly improved and refined their proficiency in mark traps, boat control, speed and rule knowledge, resulting in them achieving fourth place at the School Teams Racing Pittwater Regatta in March. The racing girls also competed at the NSW Secondary School Teams Racing Championship held on Sydney Harbour in April. Buoyed by high levels of enthusiasm and copious amounts of teamwork, we placed 9th overall and were the 2nd all girl team, just missing qualification for the girls nationals.

Unfortunately, this was the last year for Salling at Brigidine. The 24 girls n both the racing squad and learn to sail were very disappointed given the amount of interest that had been shown by the girls (there was even a waiting list to join the team). Sailing is a great sport for girls and this was the only sport at Brigidine where an all girls' team could race against all boys' teams - even beating them during the races.

A thank you to our convenor Ms Thomson for her endless support and organisation of Sailing over the past year. Also a huge thank you to our Brigidine coaches for their guidance, encouragement and assistance in nelping us sail and perform better.

Pia Doyle

Captain, Sailing

### COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • SOFTBALL



### Softball Team 1

Front Row: Georgina Beauchamp, Katie Kimmorley, Kate Menzies,

Grace Christensen, Merryn McClean

Second Row: Ellen Weiley, Kate Mayjor, Claire Zillman, Georgia Slater

he year 2015 was a considerably dry and successful season for all Brigidine Softball teams. We entered eight teams into the Independent Girls' Schools Sporting Association (IGSSA) competition, and of these teams four made it through to playoffs with two progressing to the Grand Final - an outstanding effort. Brigidine 4 were the premiers of their division, while Brigidine 6 finished runners-up of theirs.

Among our coaching staff were five ex-students, three current students and two from the wider community. An enormous thank you goes to these coaches, as we would not have achieved this year's success without them. This season was also successful because of the cooperation and dedication of the parents in getting their girls to every game, so thank you all very much. Additionally, we extend a big thank you to parents who took on roles of managers and scorers.

Throughout the season we greatly appreciated the support of Sports Administrator Mrs Dickens, who was a big help to all students, coaches and parents.

Finally, thank you to all girls for their commitment and enthusiasm this year, it has been an incredible season and we hope that along with developing your softball skills you also took away the value of teamwork and friendship. We wish next year's captains luck and success in the 2016 season.

### Georgina Beauchamp and Georgia Slater

Captain and Vice Captain, Softball



### Softball Team 2

Front Row: Valentina Buay, Holly Gehringer, Claudia Krek, Seraphina Buay

Second Row: Jacinta Perret, Madeleine Sankey, Emily McGain, Monique Lewis



### Softball Team 3

Hannah Ribbons, Charlotte Slater, Kashia Merlo, Renee Davison, Mylee Jones, Molly Marining, Leah Covarr



### Softball Team 4

Grace Atkinson, Elizabeth Gehringer, Alessia Davey,

Isabella Catanzariti, Olivia Ramage

Second Row: Isla Toomey, Stephanie Lowe, Joanna Oud, Francesca Copas,

Jessica O'Donnell

## SOFTBALL . COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 161



### Softball Team 5

Front Row: Rebecca McDonnell, Taylor Klose, Alisha Borgese,

Matisse MacMillan, Sarah Lowry

Second Row: Isabella Reddy, Sophie Eyres, Alana Harris, Emma Jenkinson



### Softball Team 6

Front Row Cassandra Patterson, Camryn Woolley, Kaddison Van Rhoon,

Ruby Scarf, Madeleine Reid

Second Row: Daniela Latouche, Alison Akhurst, Lily Moore, Isabel Zhu,

Jacinta Dearn



### Softball Team 7

Front Row: Auria Nunes, Angelique Kreller, Molly Noble-Booth,

Meka Williams, Maegen Lee

Second Row. Bridget McKee, Rebecca Sankey, India Hutchinson,

Bridget Tysoe, Ellen Quinn



### Softball Team 8

Front Row: Jessica Wearne, Olivia Ruggiero, Lucy Eyres, Gabrielle Tate,

Keily Ting, Jane Shin

Second Row: Ashley Smith, Lucinda Weber, Ella Coakes, Ella Forrest,

Mia Vallaydam

### **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities** • SPORTS AEROBICS



### **Sports Aerobics Fitness**

Front Row: Madison Kelly, Chloe Grant, Anna Supierz, Jessica Villegas,

Sophia Tonoli

Second Row: Emma Shlager, Anna Dunn, Antonia Whiting, Mr J. Holmes



### Sports Aerobics Stage 2

Front Row: Amber Jones, Laura Wheen, Grace Christensen,

Isabella Geftakis, Ruby Magee

Second Row: Emalee Callaghan-Gilmour, Kate Shaw, Teisha Wiseman,

Mr J. Holmes



### Sports Aerobics Stage 1

Front Row: Anja Kastowsky, Jasmine Ammitzboell, Kahli Gilchrist,

Sophie Challenor, Sophie Dean

Second Row: Aimee Carroll, Olivia Barratt, Nicola Markley, Holly Furness

It has been another successful year for Brigidine Sports Aerobics teams. In 2015 we had four teams represent the College in the Schoolaerobics competition. Our teams competed in the Stage 1, Stage 2 and Secondary aerobics divisions, and for the first time we entered a team into the elite Fitness division. Our teams trained up to three times a week over the entire year, showing great determination and dedication to achieving dazzling routines.

The competition season proceeded as follows:

### Preliminary Championships NSW State Championships

 Stage 1:
 2nd
 Stage 1:
 3rd

 Stage 2:
 4th
 Stage 2:
 3rd

 Aerobics:
 3rd
 Aerobics:
 5th

 Fitness:
 1st
 Fitness:
 1st

On the basis of our State Championship results, both the Stage 2 and Fitness teams were selected to attend the Australian National Championships on the Gold Coast in August. Our teams at Nationals all performed at an outstanding level, taking on the best schools and clubs in the country. Our Stage 2 team finished 12th and our Fitness team finished in 5th place.

### **NSW Representatives**

Stage 2: Grace Christensen, Isabella Geftakis, Amber Jones, Ruby Magee, Kate Shaw, Laura Wheen and Teisha Wiseman (Year 9).

Fitness: Madison Kelly (Year 8), Anna Dunn, Anna Supierz and Jessica Villegas (Year 9), Chloe Grant and Emma Shlager (Year 10) and Sophia Tonoli (Year 11).

In 2015, we had a few new additions to our program at Brigidine. For the first time we had student coaches, so congratulations must go to Emalee Callaghan-Gilmour, Aimee Carroll and Holly Furness (all of Year 11) who did a great job preparing their teams for competition. Congratulations must also go to the nine girls who received the first Sports Aerobics lines at Brigidine for two years of representing NSW at a national championship.

2015 Representative Lines: Grace Christensen, Anna Dunn, Chloe Grant, Madison Kelly, Ruby Magee, Emma Shlager, Anna Supierz, Sophia Tonoli and Jessica Villegas.

We look forward to 2016 with an ever expanding program under the leadership of our Captain, Sophia Tonoli, and Vice Captain, Emalee Callaghan Gilmour.

### Mr Joshua Holmes

Convenor, Sports Aerobics



### **Sports Aerobics Secondary Aerobics**

Emalee Callaghan-Gilmour, Nicola Thompson, Francesca Copas, Sophia Barratt, Katherine O'Brien, Jessica McNamara, Mr J. Holmes

### SWIMMING • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 163



### **BBSSSA Swimming**

Front Row Anika Townley, Madison Louw, Emma Board, Lauren Pilling, Madison McGrath, Sophia Tonoli, Ellen Hester

Second Row: Annabelle Oh, Mia Rolfe, Olivia Bennett, Juliet Liddy, Ella Cooper, Rhona Kennedy, Grace Atkinson

Third Row: Lucy Buttini, Katle Manning, Francesca Rowlinson, Abby Ballesty, Olivia Findlay, Lucinda Weber

Absent: Kaisha Leighton, Courtney Young, Lily Boffa, Keily Ting, Lily Flynn, Ella Worland, Hayley Ballesty, Sophie Grieve

he year 2015 has been a quiet but nevertheless enjoyable one for swimmers at Brigidine.

Because of changes at other schools, invitational carnivals we would typically compete in failed to eventuate. Nor did we attend the Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) carnival, as it clashed with our Camps and Retreats dates.

Nevertheless, Brigidine sent a team of 29 swimmers to the Broken Bay Secondary Schools Sports Association (BBSSSA) carnival held at Sydney Olympic Park in March.

The team swam and supported with tremendous spirit, with a number of swimmers recording personal bests and placing in their events. The team finished fourth in the overall point score; the Senior girls team performed best by finishing second in their age group.

Congratulations to Mia Rolfe (Year 9), Juliet Liddy (Year 10) and Ellen Hester (Year 11) who all qualified to swim at the next level of competition - the NSW Combined Catholic Colleges (NSW CCC) carnival in May.

Special mention must go to:

- Mia Rolfe (Year 9), who won three events in her age group, just missing out on records in the 100m freestyle and 50m backstroke
- Olivia Findlay (Year 11), who swam in seven individual events and two relays, remarkably placing in eight of the events.

At the Saturday afternoon squad training sessions at Terrey Hills, coaches Rafael Rodrigues, Laura Walbank and Rachel Carroll kept the swimmers ticking along nicely each week in the pool, with some tough sets interspersed with a few "entertaining" activities. The squads, which range from recreational swimmers to the very best Brigidine swimmers, all enjoyed the atmosphere of fun and hard work provided by the coaches and each other's company. The outcome was a happy group of students improving their techniques and times.

Mr Dave Chant

Swimming Convenor

### COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • TAEKWONDO



### Taekwondo

Front Row

Teresa Honeysett, Isabella Behrens, Kate Heffernan, Barbara Honeysett, Isabel Bunting, Mahek Bansal, Mimi Rosenbaum, Gianna Lau,

Claudia Christensor

Second Row: Sarah Morabito, Olivia Bennett, Isabel Zhu, Isabelle Ronksley, Isabelle Tezak, Annabelle Ambrogio, Junyi Fang, Libby Dwyer, Sally Heffernan

Brigidine Taekwondo never ceases to impress, taking fighting and kicking 'like a girl' and turning it around to mean something inspiring. Each girl in the club was hard at work and trained diligently every Friday afternoon to improve their skills and combat techniques, showing their immense dedication to the sport in preparation for grading where they aspire to advance to the next belt level. This included mastering belt patterns, learning new one-step sparring combinations and kicks ranging from the humble front kick to flying jumping side kick, and proving to be the true ninjas of the school.

Grading gives each student the opportunity to showcase their hard training and eligibility to be promoted to the next belt level according to their skill. It is a great privilege to see how careful preparation for grading pays off in their success and the respect they learn through the sport, which lies at the core of Taekwondo.

Taekwondo takes away negative stereotypes associated with women in sport. Self-defence plays an important role as young women learn to be independent and prove their own strength to themselves. Each girl continuously improves her fitness and flexibility. Most importantly,

Taekwondo boosts their confidence and shows how girls can be effective fighters and skilled at martial arts. It empowers young women with the confidence and positive attitude to embrace the world with assurance, courage and resilience when faced with challenges.

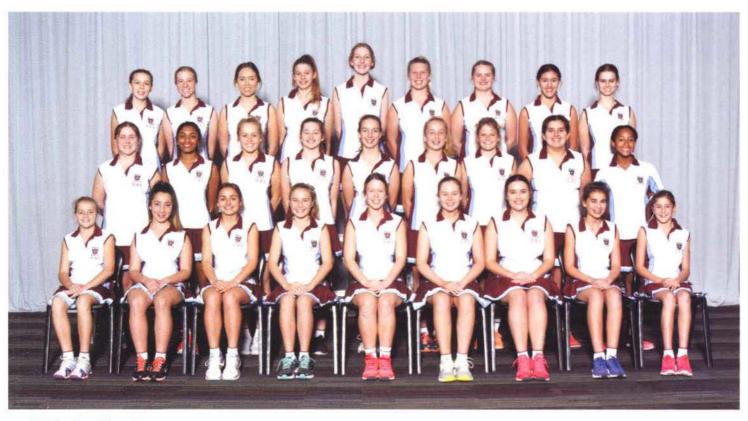
We were very excited to participate in the annual All Schools Tournament in September at Shore School in North Sydney, demonstrating Brigidine's many talents against schools all over NSW. The girls were placed into different divisions according to weight, height, age and belt. Incoming captains Mimi Rosenbaum and Mahek Bansal coached the girls this year. With each student placing and achieving fantastic results, the day proved to be a great success.

Special thanks goes to the Sports Office for looking after Taekwondo so well throughout the year.

### Isabel Bunting

Captain, Taekwondo

### TENNIS • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 165



### **Tildesley Tennis**

Front Row: Charlotte Thomas, Talia Jackson, Lucy Pentelow, Isabella Wilson, Simone Dennis, Maddison McCauley, Stephanie Jordan, Zoe Re, Isabella Encina

Second Row: Soffea Evans-Halliday, Shehara Bastianpillai, Kristi Wilkinson, Mikaela Ellis, Rachael Emms, Emily Thornton, Sophie Wright, Lauren Djani,

Nellie Baldwin

Third Row: Melinda Thomas, Fiona Lewis, Alicia Wrightson, Olivia Mason, Frances Goodman, Millie Grieve, Rebecca Stanley, Tahlia Wrightson, Sarah Barnes

ennis started off in Term 1 by entering 12 teams into the Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) Tennis competition on Saturday mornings. Everyone displayed such commitment throughout the season, always ensuring that they played to the best of their ability. Overall, five teams placed in the top 4 of their divisions, qualifying for finals in the last weekend. This was a great achievement and all girls should be congratulated for putting in maximum effort throughout the competition.

The highlight of the Brigidine Tennis year is the Tildesley Shield, which is a school tennis tournament that has been running for 97 years. It began in 1918 to encourage team spirit, school spirit and wide participation. Thirty-one hopeful Brigidine tennis players and reserves, wearing our new Tildesley hoodies, set off to compete in this tournament in March.

Over two very hot days, our 12 singles players and seven doubles teams contested the knock out competition. All the girls formed a great cheer squad to support our players. With their faces and bodies painted in maroon and blue, their cheering from the sidelines provided ongoing encouragement throughout the day.

After some impressive performances and close matches, our Brigidine team managed to improve on last year's ranking and moved four places up the ladder.

Later in the year, seven teams entered the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Tennis competition. All teams are to be commended for their efforts and enthusiasm, coming together every Saturday and working as a team for an enjoyable and competitive morning of tennis. Special congratulations go to Brig 4, 5 and 7 who made the semi-finals, which were unfortunately rained out. We are sure you girls would have had a great match!

A particular highlight of Term 4 Tennis is the championship held at Oxford Falls Tennis Academy. A successful day, full of intense competitive tennis with lots of fun and laughter. Congratulations to Lauren Djani (Year 10) for winning both the singles tournament and the doubles with her partner, Lucy Pentelow (Year 11).

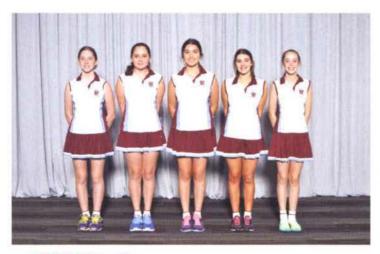
We thank our coaches - Lucas, Alex and Ash - for all their hard work and commitment. We also say thank you to the Director of Sport, Mrs. Moore, our Tennis convenor Miss Tesoriero, and the Sports Office for all of their organisation, time and effort in running Tennis at Brigidine. A further thank you to all the parents who gave up their own time to drive girls to and from training and continued to show support on the weekends. We couldn't have done it without you all.

Lastly, we congratulate and thank all the participating girls, who demonstrated such dedication, enthusiasm and good sportsmanship. As captains of Tennis this year, we were so proud of each and every girl who committed their time to play each weekend and train throughout the week. Tennis at Brigidine has flourished and this is due to all those involved. We will definitely miss Tennis and all the girls next year as everyone has become a strong and cohesive team that has bonded so well. We know that you will continue to grow as a sport, keep improving as players and reach new goals. Thank you to everyone who made our last year of Tennis so memorable and for making us so proud.

Simone Dennis and Maddison McCauley

Captain and Vice Captain, Tennis

# COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • TENNIS



**HKDTA Tennis** 

Niamh Rivers, Jemma Gillett, Georgia Gomez, Bella Spence, Eliza Lowe



Tennis Team 1

Simone Dennis, Rachael Ernms, Stephanie Jordan, Maddison McCauley



Tennis Team 2

Charlotte Thomas, Sophie Wright, Kristi Wilkinson, Lucy Pentelow



### **Tennis Team 3**

Shehara Bastianpillai, Fiona Lewis, Frances Goodman, Melinda Thomas, Sarah Barnes



Tennis Team 4

Emily Thornton, Tahlia Wrightson, Laura Dowsett, Raihana Mangal



### **Tennis Team 5**

Joanna Dowsett, Sarah Wackett, Rebecca Stanley, Sonia Elliott, Alicia Parton

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Tennis Team 6 Bianca Yeung, Emily New, Charlotte Bull



Tennis Team 7 Soffea Evans-Halliday, Mikaela Ellis, Olivia Mason, Nellie Baldwin



**Tennis Team 8** Isabella Encina, Isabella Wilson, Millie Grieve, Zoe Re



Tennis Team 9 Talia Jackson, Laura Langford, Amelia Clelland, Selina Lewis, Sarah Andrew



Tennis Team 10 Olympia Gordon, Niamh Rivers, Jemma Gillett, Emily Goad, Annabelle Judd



Tennis Team 11 Charlotte Ellis, Catriona Higgs, Lauren Pilling, Isabel Vitoria



Tennis Team 12 Sophie Spurr, Jemma Walsh, Selina Pini, Sally Heffernan

# **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities** • TOUCH



### Touch Team 1

Front Row: Alyce Kassis, Charlotte Slater, Amelia Littler, Raihana Mangal,

Lauren Pinn

Second Row: Holly Furness, Emily McGain, Abby Ballesty,

Francesca Rowlinson, Sophia Barratt



### Touch Team 2

Front Row: Shehara Bastianpillai, Hannah Frykberg, Katie Kimmorley.

Jessica O'Donnell, Cassidy Burgess

Second Row: Alana Christenson, Georgie Grieve, Sarah Corfield,

Alexandra Bradley, Millie Grieve



### Touch Team 3

Front Row: Jessica McNamara, Celine Nalbandian, Grace Atkinson,

Holly Keyes, Valentina Buay

Second Row: Isabella Catanzariti, Olivia Ramage, Jorja Lush, Hannah Croft,

Lily Spalding



### Touch Team 4

Front Row. Eliza Tysoe, Elizabeth Gehringer, Madeleine Alvarez,

Georgia O'Sullivan, Louisa Compton

Second Row: Laura Slocombe, Katherine O'Brien, Mandy Guberina,

Sarah Wackett

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### Touch Team 5

Front Row: Katie McInnes, Francesca Copas, Amelia Pitney,

Claudia Douglas, Monique Lewis, Emily Dalwood

Second Row: Alysha Prasad, Michaela Ferrero, Maggie Stokeld,

Bianca Yeung, Bianca Avanus



### Touch Team 6

Charlotte Thomas, Lucinda Krek, Ella Cooper, Rebekah Moore, Front Row:

Penelope Godfrey, Sarah Lowry

Second Row: Ruby Scarf, Rachel Tysoe, Hayley Ballesty, Ella Worland,

Olivia Onslow, Rhona Kennedy



### Touch Team 7

Front Row: Phoebe Wayne, Prue Bowtell, Kahli Gilchrist,

Camryn Woolley, Chloe Bryce, Charlotte Lawson

Second Row: Meaghan Collins, Emma Jenkinson, Jasmin High,

Charlotte Flynn, Zarina Mangal, Amber Jones



### **Touch Team 8**

Front Row: Bianca Wong, Cassandra Patterson, Kaddison Van Rhoon,

Lily Miegel, Antonia Wong

Second Row: Jacinta Dearn, Makenzie Lesko, Bridget Tysoe, Rebecca Sankey



We had an exceptional season, with 10 teams - Brig 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 - qualifying for the finals. Congratulations to Brig 2, 4, 8, 12, 13, 14 who won their grand finals. Of the 14 schools competing in the IGSSA competition, Brigidine had the most teams win a grade and the best overall results.

We say a huge thank you to the entire Sports Department for their organisation of the teams and training sessions. We know that none of this would have been possible without your support.

### Amelia Littler and Alyce Kassis

2016 Captain and Vice Captain, Touch



### Touch Team 9

Front Row: Georgia North, Poppy Koulouris, Angelique Kreller,

Alisha Borgese, Claudia Pinn, Rebecca McDonnell

Second Row: Olivia Barratt, India Hutchinson, Gabriella Penn,

Madelaine Thomson, Selina Lewis

# **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • TOUCH**



### Touch Team 10

Front Row: Ella Barney, Sarah Langer, Emily Slocombe, Lola Meade,

Grace Tims

Second Row: Meka Williams, Hayley Blanche, Lily Moore, Brittany Thompson,

Kathryn Trupiano



### Touch Team 11

Front Row: Emily Mazzitelli, Helena Smith, Jade Woo, Ruby Rayner,

Nadia Covich, Mia O'Sullivan

Second Row: Molly Noble-Booth, Victoria Biles, Rebecca Wood,

Katia Matkowski, Katherine Ford, Grace Mirabello



### Touch Team 12

Front Row: Holli Raaff, Charlotte North, Madison Hunt, Tara Dean,

Sacha Clements, Lauren Russo

Second Row: Isabella Wilson, Ta'alili Feaunati, Jemima Guberina,

Lauren Pilling, Madison McGrath



### Touch Team 13

Front Row: Charlotte Ellis, Ashlee Marks, Luca Wannell, Ashlea Geftakis,

Claudia York

Second Row: Jemma Walsh, Juliet Buchanan, Lucinda Weber,

Natalie Lukacevic, Maddierose Dreves



### Touch Team 14

Front Row: Ella Molloy, Anna Rodgers, Alyssa Richardson, Chloe Jackett,

sabella Achelles

Second Row: Alexandra Markesevic, Natasha Keosseian, Madison McGirr.

Lauren Stewart, Amy Rose



### Touch Team 15

Front Row: Jordyn Parry, Olivia McKasah, Charlotte Cuda, Tiahna Cassar,

Lauren McDonnell

Second Row. Elsa Schuller, Madeline Rabatsch, Annika Lovett,

Sophie Devine, Penelope Lovell

### **VOLLEYBALL** • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 171



### Volleyball Team 1

Front Row: Maddison Holland, Sabrina Fuda, Eloise Ott, Claire Sidaway,

Lucy Pentelow

Second Row: Emma Vinci, Caitlin Richardson, Olivia Florance, Tara Perkins,

Eliza Burns



### Volleyball Team 2

Front Row: Erica Rounds, Tracey Korte, Lucy Shallard, Sarah Tuncel

Second Row: Zeyna Tinker, Molly Clarke, Rose Spurr



### Volleyball Team 3

Hannah Wong, Emily Thornton, Ellen Weiley, Chloe Grant Front Row:

Second Row: Tahlia Wrightson, Renee Davison, Charlotte Magee.

Laura Watts



### Volleyball Team 4

Front Row: Sophie Hyde, Meredith Paterson, Claire Gaspar,

Alessia Davey, Ann Ticehurst

Second Row: Cassianna Day, Philippa Green, Ashleigh Regina-Oakes,

Isla Toomey



### Volleyball Team 5

Front Row: Marie Janssen, Annabelle Oh, Holly Glover, Ruby Magee,

Second Row: Jordan Vinci, Kate Shaw, Samantha De Montemas,

Alana Harris

he year 2015 was a great season for Brigidine Volleyball, with 10 teams playing in the Saturday competition at Santa Sabina College. We applaud the girls for their dedication and sportsmanship throughout the season. Congratulations go to the nine teams that made it into the finals, with special recognition for Brig 10 for receiving the gold medal, Brig 9 and 1 for placing second and Brig 8, 6, 5 for placing third in their divisions.

A huge thank you to our Volleyball convenor, Mrs Irvine, for ensuring that we had all the information we required about training and games.

We love playing volleyball at Brigidine because it is competitive and most importantly enjoyable.

### Emma Vinci and Maddison Holland

2016 Captain and Vice Captain, Volleyball

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### Volleyball Team 6

Front Row Tiffany Quan, Emily Kennedy, Elizabeth Tubb, Sarah Issaia,

Julia Vaccarella

Second Row: Kate Ryan, Abbey Butler, Ruby Trevallion, Anna Dunn,

Lilly Holdsworth



### Volleyball Team 7

Front Row: Amanda Powers, Isabella Behrens, Charlotte Redman,

Tea Delle Vergin, Sylvia Kim

Second Row: Junyi Fang, Eloise Carroll, Alice Stafford, Alice Samson



### Volleyball Team 8

Front Row: Mia Gougousidis, Emma Board, Helena Bragge; Maegen Lee

Second Row: Abby Johnson, Leah Perkins, Gabrielle Florance



### Volleyball Team 9

Zoe Gougousidis, Rebecca Thornton, Isabella Reddy, Zoe Samus, Regina Sastraprajuta, Eilish Camilleri



### Volleyball Team 10

Front Row Isabel Vitoria, Zara Pittioni, Renee Gaspar, Julia Cook

Second Row: Stephanie Gustard, Lauren Jones. Lauren Warburton

### WATER POLO • COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities 173



### Water Polo Senior A

Front Row Sophia Tonoli, Chelsea Reed, Kelly Wilcox, Mia Carson

Second Row: Hayley Ballesty, Tamara Alford, Abby Ballesty, Olivia Findlay

Absent Samantha Wilcox



### Water Polo Senior B

Front Row: Kayla-Ann Young, Tess Clarke, Kate Menzies.

Kate Boccanfuso, Ella White

Second Row. Madeleine Sankey, Aimee Carroll, Holly Furness,

Amy Macqueen



### Water Polo Intermediate A

Front Row: Zara Brown, Ella Worland, Rachel Tysoe, Bella Spence

Second Row: Ella Champion, Kaisha Leighton, Keira Paine, Caitlin Wilcox

Absent Lily Flynn



### Water Polo Intermediate B

Front Row: Milana McKay, Lauren Haynes, Mia O'Sullivan,

Demi Kavallaris

Second Row Bianca Wong, Rebekah Moore, Bridget Tysoe, Antonia Wong

Absent: Madison Furness

rigidine Water Polo in 2015 was very successful, with high levels of Bparticipation and achievement maintained during the season. Five teams entered the Northern Suburbs Schools Water Polo Association competition at Warringah Aquatic Centre on either a Monday or Friday night. We commend all girls on their commitment and enthusiastic approach to Water Polo throughout the year.

The Open A team had a brilliant season, losing only one game and finishing runner up in the grand final to Stella Maris College. This was a terrific result against a very tough side. All girls displayed impressive teamwork and determination and we wish them all the best next year.

The Open B team had a fantastic year also, building up their skills and improving immensely. They played competitively throughout the season and demonstrated wonderful sportsmanship. We congratulate all of the girls for their efforts throughout the season.

The Intermediate A team had a great season also, against some tough competition. The girls made it to the semi-finals against Stella Maris; a tremendous effort and a testament to their hard work.

The Intermediate B team developed their skills throughout the season and played well together, working effectively as a team.

We give a huge thank you to the coaches, Tertia Garay and Madison Spencer, for their tireless work and commitment all year. Your encouragement and dedication were very much appreciated. We also acknowledge Mrs Moore and the Sports Office for their organisation and support throughout the year.

Finally, a big thank you to all Water Polo girls. You displayed incredible teamwork and enthusiasm and we will miss the infectious Brigidine spirit. We wish Chelsea Reed and Abby Ballesty, the captains for 2016, all the best for next year.

Kelly Wilcox and Tamara Alford

Captain and Vice Captain, Water Polo

### **COCURRICULAR Sports and Activities • ACTIVITIES**



### Equestrian

The following girls are to be congratulated for their participation in equestrian: Ella Barney (Year 9), Eloise Bacon and Sydney Evans (Year 10), and Kate Maylor and Ashleigh Wiseman (Year 11).

This year Kate Mayjor competed in the Oxley College Equestrian Day interschool event, placing 1st in the 80cm Showjumping, 1st in Cross Country, 2nd in Dressage, and 4th in Educated Mount.

Sydney Evans entered the National Young Riders Dressage Championships in Victoria, a competition for riders aged 21 years and younger. She won five out of six tests and was the Medium Champion, Elementary Champion and FEI Individual Pony Champion. She was also selected to compete for the NSW riders team which placed first, giving her four national titles overall. Sydney was then selected for the Dressage NSW Youth Development Squad for 2015.

All five Equestrian girls represented the College at the Australian Interschool Equestrian Championships in the Dressage competition, where we placed 1st and were the Highest Scoring Secondary school.





### Snowsports

The following girls represented the College at the 2015 NSW Interschools Snowsports Championships: Penelope Lovell (Year 7), Zara Brown, Chloe Bryce, Keira Paine and Grace Seaglove (Year 8), Lucinda Krek, Makenzie Lesko and Ursula Phillips (Year 9), Renee Davison (Year 10), and Eliza Burns, Mia Gartner and Claudia Krek (Year 11).

This year we had girls compete in Alpine, Moguls, Skiercross, Snowboard and Snowboard Cross events. Brigidine came 8th of 19 secondary girls schools, with Ursula Phillips going on to represent the College in Snowboard Cross at the Australian Interschools Snowsports Championships.

### Mrs Belinda Moore

Director of Sport

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### CLASS OF 2015 . TEACHER IN TANDEM SPEECH



It's been a long journey getting to this day, for all of you and for me, but I must admit it is a pleasure speaking to you as your teacher in tandem. I've learned over the last few years that many students believe that a principal is not a teacher. Actually they are and I am – I have been happily teaching English for many years. I have not had the pleasure of teaching you but I have had the joy of accompanying you on this journey.

We began it together almost six years ago in January 2010. I stood on this stage, in the centre, and you sat hunched in your chairs, no hats in sight – they would come later. I was so nervous but trying to impress the staff by appearing like I knew what I was doing, and I didn't. I was feeling a little clueless. I remember my opening words: "Feeling lost, not knowing where you are or where you are going next, what the name of the person sitting next to you is or anything about them – and that is just me! Heaven only knows how you feel!"

You laughed and I knew in that moment that we were going to be okay together and we have been – almost six long years. And we are essentially still the same people, a little older and a little wiser, hopefully. We shared amazing experiences in this wonderful school and we've met wonderful people, both staff and students, who have guided and befriended us and made us better people by virtue of their presence.

In Year 7, Mrs Bevan, retired now, was your year coordinator. At your Reflection Day you listened to the song, *That's What Friends Are* 

For. Mrs Gibson taught you how to mummify a piece of fruit, Mrs Mitchell taught you how to make Carnevale Masks — some things never change. Little Shop of Horrors was our Musical but you weren't in it. In PE, you played volleyball, did artistic and rhythmic gymnastics, played OzTag, and went swimming and surfing at Mona Vale Beach. There is a photo of Mia, drenched, wrapped in a pink and yellow beach towel. Sophie Clark was awarded a High Distinction in the Science Competition so we should not be surprised that she has achieved so deservedly.

At Camp you learned your war cries and watched the film, Fly Away Home. Over the years I've listened to teacher in tandem speeches and they often use metaphors – the film struck a chord with me and I thought of geese but I'm a bit ambivalent. To be called a 'goose' is a humorous insult and to be thought of as 'geese' suggests you flock in formation without individuality or spontaneity. To quote The Life of Brian, you are all individuals!

On Founders Day in 2010, the College was introduced for the very first time to Barry the Barracuda, that oversized fish finger masquerading as a mascot. The staff danced in kilts to Lord of the Dance and you danced in the Dance Spectacular without waists and hips, beautifully cylindrical as 12 year olds tend to be – sorry Year 7! Sophia Polito won the inaugural BrigFest with her her short film, Fight Against Evil.

Twenty-two of you were awarded Applications to Studies and our lovely Emma Steele was awarded the Most Outstanding Academic Achievement.

In 2011, Mrs Ryder was your year coordinator and it was her role to flock the geese. Katherine Goode won the Public Speaking — little did I imagine that this pocket dynamo with attitude would grace many stages in many memorable roles. Remember when Katherine had her head shaved for charity along with a couple of teachers? The look obviously appealed to her so she mixes and matches the shave and the wave these days. So too that year did we meet the character of Lina Lamont, whose voice was horrible enough to sink convoys of ships, ironically played by Maddie McCauley of the dulcet tones.

By Year 9 you were getting into your rhythm but I'm not sure applying yourself to your studies was it! The 22 Applications to Studies of Year 7 had dropped to eight. You did redeem yourselves somewhat with three of you tying in First Place – Bec Bau-Gaspar, Mia and Sophia. At Camp you built blue barrel rafts and fell in the water only to get drenched. Watching you yesterday I am convinced you still like being wet! And your generosity in sharing the water was sincerely appreciated. I did dry off. Your Reflection Day focused on 'Footprints for the Future'. Founders Day was the big 'O' and Maddie played Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz.* Sophie Grieve was your main

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swimmer and Emily Parker and Emma Welch were emerging as gun athletes.

In Year 10, Miss Reading was your year coordinator. Intellectually, progress was dubious as your Reflection Day had you focusing on The Hungry Caterpillar. I'm hoping it was somehow linked to you becoming butterflies but if not, we do love grubs - they too have their place in the universe!

You helped those in need through helping charities raise funds, undertook 20 hours of Community Involvement and 15 of you went to Goodooga. You accepted the Urban Challenge as your camp - the first group to do this - even dragon boat racing on the harbour. During your camp, some of you demonstrated extraordinary acts of kindness and, while no fuss was made and I am not about to divulge what these were to protect the defenceless, we on staff knew about it.

Jessica Watson spoke to you at your Parent and Daughter Dinner and I think of you every time I see her in the current advertisement on TV to 'never look behind you'. Grease was your musical, Stephanie Muir and Kirrilee Wagner were your soloists in the Music Cabaret, Emily Parker kept running, along with Emma and Lauren Welch. Sophie Grieve and Allie Gillis kept swimming.

Life was looking up - 18 of you had Application to Studies Awards and Issie Bunting became the gentle face of martial arts in Taekwondo.

Last year, during our Diamond Jubilee, you were sparkling, pun intended. Your year coordinator was Ms Dunsmore. You travelled to Cambodia and made music for the orphans, you supported Justice and Democracy initiatives which has been a real strength of yours. You have not suffered from shyness and you have celebrated each other's successes - The Bourgeois Gentleman, Beauty and the Beast, Wool4Skool (Olivia de Gruchy), Public Speaking, Short Stories but only 11 Applications to Studies!!

Your Year 12 world, in the care of Mrs Lindsay, has continued your extraordinary journey. You have demonstrated strong and gentle leadership, in the classroom, in the playground attaching stickers to younger years, always sweetening it with a lolly! You have led in performance in dance, drama, music, in the pool and on the track. And your leadership truly reflects what we value. It hasn't been dogmatic and rigid - it has been by negotiation and example. And it has the added dimension of excellence. You've proved the value of being good at what you do, at aiming higher and the well-deserved pride that comes from honest success. Some of you have had challenges in Year 12 but you are here. Don't ever deny the simple grace of survival and staying the distance. That in itself is a worthy goal. This year you got 15 Applications to Studies so we know you're on the rise!!

We've shared many 'firsts' - hats, the Year 10 urban challenge, laptops for all, the Anita Murray Centre, and each other!

Many of you have spent time in my office and most of the time it was to share a good story like your wins in eisteddfods or sport. I even discovered how good the acoustics are in my office as you repeated prize-winning performances! Occasionally it was for more difficult moments in your younger years and I would like to acknowledge how proud I am of how you have grown from these moments. A couple of times I had to decide whether you were worth the investment and you were. You stayed the distance and grew better and stronger. No matter what anyone tells you, for a teacher these memories and these stories are the ones that resonate with us.

It's been a fun journey - I've watched you grow into amazing young women of whom I am profoundly proud; you have watched me age - from brown bob to bald, curls, matronly grey and yet we still see each other as we did that first day. Over the last few years I've come to realise that beauty lies only in your eyes and your mouth - our eyes reflect our truth and

our mouths have the capacity to smile. Honest engagement and enjoyment of each other is all that matters in life.

I'm going to finish by staying true to who I am - an English teacher, loving poetry, stories, films and language. I am going to tell you a story, written by Tim Costello, one of Australia's leading voices on social justice. It is a story of hope.

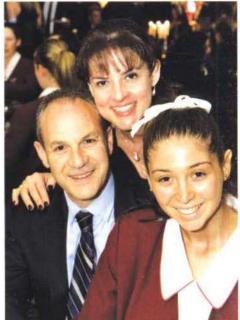
A father who was a coalminer took his son down the shaft into the underground pit where he worked. He said, 'Wait here in this lit space, as I need to go along this tunnel.' While the son was waiting for his father to come back, the light in the mine failed. He was in pitch darkness and called out for his father. Down the tunnel, he heard his father's voice command him to start walking towards him. The boy cried out that he could not see anything. His father said, 'Is the light on your helmet on?" The boy replied yes that it was, but it only threw light for one step ahead, and it was deep black beyond that. His father said, 'Well, take that step.' Of course, the boy did, and he cried that he could not see any further. His father said, 'How much light can you see now?' The boy replied, 'Only about a step.' Back came the instruction, 'Well, take that step.' There was enough light just for one step at a time and, of course, by following the soothing advice, one step after the other, he finally reached the safety of his father's strong arms.

My wish for each of you is you find within you the light that is needed to take each step. Walk in that light. It is sufficient.

May God bless you and hold you safe. Go with our love and gratitude for a job well done.

Jane Curran College Principal Teacher in Tandem, Class of 2015





























Year 12 was asked to comment on their own experience at Brigidine College during their time here.



Elise Afshari
I have created special memories at this lovely school with the many friends that I have had endless moments of laughter with. I will forever cherish these memories for the rest of my life. I will miss Brigidine and our Year group.



Tamara Alford Everything has led to this; every beginning and ending.



Caitlin Armstrong
Being able to grow
alongside all the
beautiful girls in my Year.



Olivia Audsley
I'll always remember
the laughs with friends
during lunch time and the
hushed giggles in class.



Sophia Azize It's all fun and games until someone divides by zero.



Madeleine Baillie
Kiss me if I'm wrong,
but dinosaurs still exist
right? Shout out to my
CMH girls, been great to
grow up with you over
the years.



Sarah Barnes
I've learned generosity,
compassion, acceptance,
how to maintain
positivity, and that I'm the
daughter of a rock star.



Georgia Barrie
Due today, do today.



Rebecca Bau-Gaspar
"With freedom, books,
flowers, and the moon, who
could not be happy?"
- Oscar Wilde



Georgina Beauchamp
Watching everyone
grow into beautiful
people, along with all the
friendships, teachers and
amazing opportunities
I have been so blessed
with, has made my time
at Brigidine unforgettable.



An amazing and memorable experience where I have formed friendships with beautiful girls, been supported by teachers and presented with fantastic opportunities.



Isabella Bonadio
"You have brains in your head, you have feet in your shoes, you can steer yourself in any direction you choose" - Dr Seuss



Jacqueline Bonner
I hate Hamlet...



Keana Bousfield "Seize the day. Because, believe it or not, each and every one of us in this school is one day going to stop breathing, turn cold, and die" - John Keating (Robin Williams) in Dead Poet's Society.



"Did you have training this morning?"



Seraphina Buay "It does not matter how slow you go, as long as you do not stop" - Confucius



Isabel Bunting Maths puns are the first sine of madness.



Eliza Cameron "Yes, I have red hair. No, I don't look anything like your other red-headed friend" - Me, to about 85% of people I meet.



Madison Chan I have had the best experience at Brigidine made strong friendships, learned so many life skills and have had so many opportunities. I am now excited for the future but the memories at Brigidine will always be with me.



Tara Chandra Brigidine has provided me with many opportunities. It has helped shape me into the person I am today. My favourite memories have been Year 10 Camp and my involvement in social justice initiatives.



Sophie Clark I have loved all the opportunities at Brigo -Duke of Ed, the Goodooga and Cambodia trips, the friendships I have built and the support they have offered me in pursuing my sport. Thanks to The Brady Bunch for making my job as Mum so wonderfull



Jessica Cunningham "My God, it's full of stars" -David Bowman in 2001: A Space Odyssey



Juliette Dahdah "Wherefore art thou Romeo?" - Romeo and Juliet, Act II, Scene 2



Kanishka Dayananda



Olivia De Gruchy "How is it she knows everything?" - Ron Weasley in Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban



My time at Brigidine has allowed me to form so many special friendships that I will cherish forever. I have loved our camps and retreats and all our Founders Days, but the little things that happened each day are the best memories



Aoife Doran See kids, I told you I was a hottie in high school;)



Sinead Doran
Don't sweat the petty
things, and don't pet the
sweaty things.



Joanna Dowsett
"Never let the fear of
striking out keep you from
playing the game." Thank
you to all the lovely girls
who made my time at
Brigo great!



Pia Doyle
I share the same birthday as Mrs Johns.



Islay Dumas
I love brigoooo xx



Camilla Dunn
"This wasn't like High School Musical at all"
- Jemma



I will never forget the Biology excursion to the Women in Science Forum at the Garvan Institute of Medical Research. I didn't stop thanking every single Science teacher until weeks after, when there was general consensus that I should stop.



Georgia Fenwick
Been a good six years, shout out to CMH.
#100percenters



Jemma Ferrer "This wasn't like High School Musical at all" - Camilla



Lauren Forbes
"I would like to thank not only God, but also Jesus"

- Justin Bieber, 2011 MTV Video Music Awards



Julia Fox
I have loved spending time with my friends over the past six years. #CMH2015 #whatsgood #tags4likes



Laura Galletta Goodbye everyone, I'll remember you all in therapy.



Sophie Galvin
"Sophie Galvin is the
funniest person you'll ever
meet." - Everyone



Holly Gannon



Holly Gehringer
"I did my waiting! Twelve years of it, in Azkaban."
Although I am glad it's the end, I consider Brigidine an incredible influence on my life. This amazing place full of amazing people has helped shape me into the young woman I am today. Mischief managed.



Allison Gillis
I love my friends at
Brigidine. I liked my
teachers, they helped me
a lot. I had a good time at
Brigidine.



**Taylor Gleeson** "I wonder what ATAR you need to become Beyoncé?"



Claudia Gomez



Katherine Goode I believe in annoyed at first sight.



Lucy Grant Once a wildcat.



Sophie Grieve Nothing beats the friendship group I have from Brigidine - CMH.



**Eleanor Harris** My weight went up while my grades went down.



Kathleen Harris



Claire Havelka Loved my friends, my mentor and the canteen.



Caitlin Hill Brigidine has taught me to get my head in the game, and now it's the start of something new.



Krystal Hoffman



Mia Holman I will treasure the lessons I have learned and the memories I have made here, and will take them with me into the future. "She is clothed in strength and dignity; she laughs without fear of the future." (Proverbs 31:25)



Julia Hooper My six years at Brigidine have provided me with many opportunities both in the classroom and out. My favourite memories have been Dance Club and Dance Spectacular, being part of the musical crew and spending lunch times with my amazing group of friends.



**Estelle Horrocks** The incredible friends and memories made to last a lifetime. All the experiences I will cherish, and knowing the stress of the HSC will all be worth it in the end...hopefully.



Samantha Horton



Kasu Hummelstad



Caitlin Hutchings My experience of education at Brigidine College has been positive as it has allowed me to bop to the top.



Olivia Johnson "More fortiter, less suaviter" - wise words said during our netball final from the great Mr Loughland.



Natalie Killingsworth Mission I'm possible.



Sha Lin Koh I have made memories and friends at Brigidine that I will treasure for a lifetime.



Sha May Koh Brigidine has been a short but sweet two years, and I couldn't have wished for a better way to end high school.



Madeline Lai



Holly Le Hanie "Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who. matter don't mind." - Dr Seuss



**Bridget Leonard** (5-7)0



Fiona Lewis The guinea pigs of Accelerated Maths being forcibly told: "You love maths, especially algebra." - Mrs May, Day 1



Fiona Li Almost 8000 hours of my life filled with great girls, teachers and fun times.



Amanda Liem It's a little worrying when the Accelerated Religion class calls themselves '10T is the Bestest'. Go us!



Ellie Linton-Ffrost At Brigidine I have made great memories and lifelong friends.



Phoebe Lowry



Jessica Lynch



Holly MacAlpine "Go away." - Mrs Lindsay



Jasmyne Mackaness The only reason I've been at school all this time is to distract myself from the fact that I will never be Beyoncé. Miss you already Brigo!



Danielle Maher TICIT



Molly Manning Will never forget all the amazing Brigo memories and for being a part of the best Year group.



**Maddison McCauley** "This wasn't like High School Musical at all."



**Emily McNamara** I am lucky that saying goodbye is so hard and that I have many wonderful memories.



Kashia Merlo "People say that nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day."



Sophie Milligan Brigidine is a place where teachers encouraged us to break the status quo. Brigidine is having friends we'll keep for the rest of our lives, and that means we really are "all in this together".



Molly Moloney Mischief managed.



Matilda Morton I enjoyed making friends at Brigidine College and getting involved in Founders Day, formal and other events.



Mountfort-Martin When's this due?



Ella Mueller CMH for life. I'm going to miss coming to school every day and seeing all my friends.



Stephanie Muir All the amazing musicals and my beautiful musical family, Duke of Ed hikes with The Braidy Bunch and the wonderful class of 2015.



Jessica Nanayakkara One of my best memories of Brigo is meeting my amazing friends and having so much fun with them. I think to make high school unforgettable you need to have and find friends who really like you for you, not for someone else!



Nina Osada-Phornsiri "I'm doing so awesome on my own, like, right now, I found this can of beans." -LSP in Adventure Time



Hannah Palmer



**Emily Parker** 

Thank you so much to everyone, I have learned so much during my time at Brigidine! I leave with confidence and a strong desire to succeed in my chosen career. I wish everyone the best of luck!



Bianca Parnell

Scared about my ATAR... but at least I know I am a 99.95



Alicia Parton

Being able to spend every day with all of my friends and the other gorgeous girls that make up our Year group.



Ellie Paterson

I have made friendships that will last a lifetime, and will miss the familiar faces and smiles of my Year and our teachers. The lessons learnt here will travel with me for the rest of my life!



Katherine Paterson

My school years at Brigidine have been some of the best of my life. Formals, Founders Days, brownies in doubles, inside jokes, and many more experiences have made us closer as a grade and given me friendships I will cherish for a lifetime.



Jacinta Perret

I'm sad... This was nothing like High School Musical at all but sad spelt backwards is das. and das ist nicht gut!



Lauren Piper

"I'm spontaneous!" - Harry Bright (Colin Firth) in Mamma Mia!



Sophia Polito

Mrs Summerhayes once said that preparing for an exam is like having a baby. By the end of this, I think I would have birthed a whole Brigidine community.



Lara Prasad

I look better than the kid next to me.



Isabella Purnell

I look better than the kid next to me.



Hannah Ribbons

I will miss Brigidine and all my amazing friends and Year group. It has given me so many memories and I will never forget all the amazing opportunities that I have been provided with. Thanks for everything, Brigidine.



Natalie Rinaldi

I will miss my amazing Year group and the unforgettable memories I have made over the years with them, especially all the times spent at recess and lunch.



Isabella Ryan

The amazing bonds of friendship and endless memories. The hilarious moments with the Senior Six, girls who will always bring a smile to my face.



Madeleine Sankey

Using the common room as my locker and Mrs Bremner's Ancient class!



Maree-Rose Scalercio

My experience here has been amazing and I have created so many wonderful friends and memories. The most memorable have been during whole school events. I will always cherish the time I have had at this school and the amazing people here.



Lauren Scelzi Why should I care about Hamlet's moral dilemma? It's not my problem.



Rachel Seeto Finding my passion on and off stage through Drama and Girls in Black, working alongside the most incredible people I will ever know. Oh, and also pouring a bucket of sand over my head! I've

never felt more alive.



Georgia Slater Being a member of the Brigidine community has allowed me to become an independent and respectful young woman, who feels like she can take on the world. I've enjoyed every day at this school and I believe it will hold a special place in my heart forever.



Lucy Slater My favourite memories include Founders Day, being Netball Vice Captain, Year 11 Street Retreat and 12.9 mentor! To the class of 2015: "Today is your day, you're off to great places, you're off and away." Miss and love everyone so much!



Marivic Smith My own experience through my education has been long and tough; however, with help from fellow students and teachers I was able to manage. You never know what you can achieve unless you try.



Rebecca Stanley Brigidine has shaped me into the person I am today. It has made me confident in who I am and who I want to be. I couldn't be more grateful for my education and the friendships I know will last a lifetime.



**Emma Steiner** In the words of High School Musical's Gabriella: "Everyone is special in their own way, we make each other strong. We're not the same, we're different in a good way. Together's where we belong."



Madison Syddall "Shimmy Shunga" Maddy



Lucy Tate Call me if you're cute.



Megan Taylor As stated by Mahatma Ghandi: "A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can after the course of history." And this truly defines our Year group.



Sarah Thomason



Jessica Tierney "You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore" - in The Counterfeiters by André Gide



Brigidine has enabled me to grow and develop as a person and I have loved every moment. I have loved spending time with friends across all Year groups and will miss seeing these girls every day.



Victoria Trevallion Sass never dies.



Genevieve Triemstra Always a wildcat.



Charlie Turner



Kristin Turner "Always remember that you are unique, just like everyone else.



Andrea Van Niekerk The best years spent with such amazing girls, fab canteer muffins and some of the best memories I will keep forever. See ya Brigo!



Clare Vanzino Cash Money Heroes 2015.



Jane Vanzino Cash Money Heroes.



Kirilee Wagner I loved being part of the Music department: playing jazz in the Stage Band especially, helping two keen new cellists in the String Ensemble, and going on tour with the Senior Vox.



**Emma Warburton** 



**Emma Welch** I didn't choose the twin



Laura Welch ...the twin life chose me.



That was not like High School Musical at all.



Alexandra Woolley Antipodeans 2014/15 with the Red Team, Dance Club and dancing at Dance of Champions and also all the friendships over the years.



Alicia Wrightson



Natalie Yeung All the moments of laughter and smiles shared from staff and students have contributed to memories I'll treasure forever. Highlights include Duke of Ed and textiles with Mrs Whiddon.



Isabella York



Kayla-Ann Young

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"Versace Dress - Black gown...





Lauren Willett

Spending these past few years with such a beautiful and inspiring Year group with the endless laughter and fun times together, and making amazing friendships, has made my time at Brigidine so special and unforgettable.



Alexandra Zaarour I really like using colourful language in my exams; let's hope it doesn't

happen in the HSC.

y time at Brigidine has encompassed many lessons and I would like to take this time to thank all of my teachers for everything they have taught me both inside and outside of the classroom. Without you I would not be who and where I am today. You have given me memories that make up this speech and the skills to be literate enough to read them out. But the most important lesson I believe Brigidine taught me was the importance of life and living it to the fullest.

I began school as a huge worry wart. I wouldn't ever click 'I accept the terms and conditions' box unless I had read the entire document. I thought school was just for learning. I thought it was a pre-life experience that everyone had to do to then start life, like a prerequisite for life. I wished for the day when all of the knowledge we ever needed to be taught could be inserted into our brains with a microchip. I later learned in Geography that the average life expectancy was about 80 years, which meant that school made up just under a quarter of our lives. So life doesn't start when you finish school. It has already started, so live it! Life is exciting!

Brigidine College has provided me with so many opportunities including Duke of Edinburgh, Snowy Mountain Hike, mission trips such as Cambodia, clubs such as soccer and debating, school plays and school camps. It is these opportunities which, although often undertaken with reluctance, made me into the person I am today with the views, passions and beliefs I now hold. I met my closest friends through these adventures and have never ever regretted taking any of these opportunities.

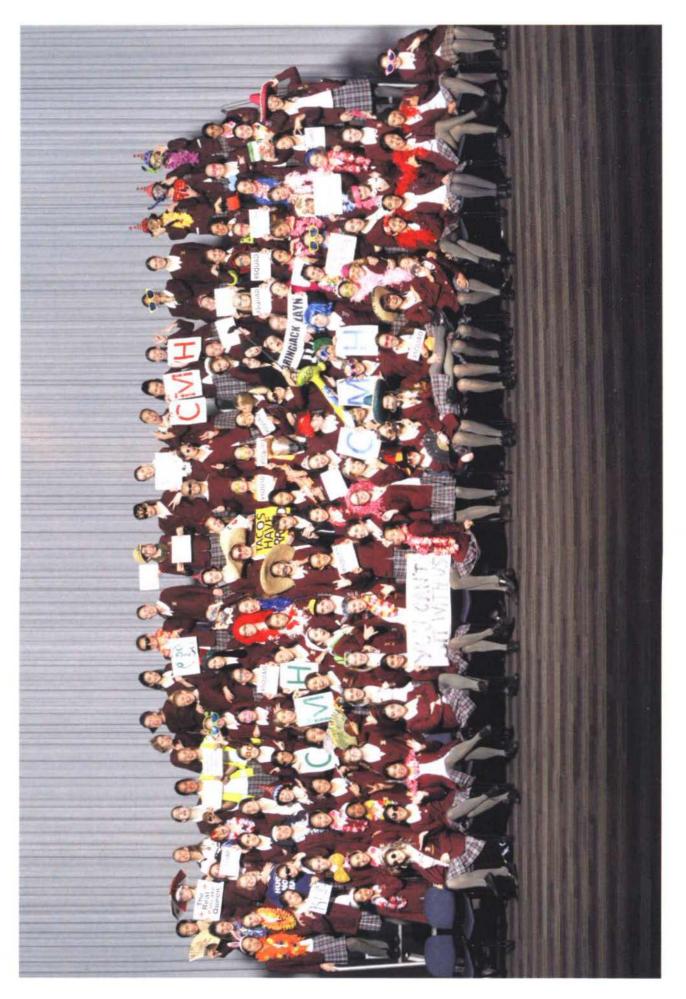
Brigidine also fostered my love for Jesus. Hearned that I was given specific gifts and passions for a reason, and that it wasn't a bad thing that mine were different to the gifts of the person beside me. I became more confident and joyful, living by my favourite Bible passage: "She is clothed in strength and dignity; she laughs without fear of the future" (Proverbs 31:25). An example of this fearless laughter was on the Snowy Mountain Hike up Mount Kosciuszko that arose when I left my socks on the heater to heat up while I filled up my water bottle from a nearby stream. I came back to find my charred socks amidst my laughing fellow hikers.

Life is unpredictable and delicate. It has ups and downs just like your heartbeat; it is the ups and downs that are a part of you.

To the staff, students and the Brigidine community, you have embellished my life. Thank you for the incredible honour to have been the College Captain for 2015. It has been a pleasure to be part of the leadership team. To my fellow senior leaders of 2015, you are amazing! Your dedication is inspirational and I can never thank you enough for your love and support. To my peers, you are incredible young women whom I am honoured to have known. I wish you the very best for your futures and may you continue to carry the spirit of strength and gentleness.

Lastly, life is lovely, I will conclude with Psalm 118:24: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Mia Holman College Captain 2015



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#### **DESCRIPTION OF SPECIAL AWARDS**

#### Brigidine College Medal

Awarded to an outstanding Year 12 student who has consistently demonstrated the pursuit of excellence in a range of endeavours, who has been consistently and significantly involved in the life of the College, has exemplified 'Fortiter et Suaviter', and whose quality of response to the College has been one of generosity.

#### Parents and Friends Award for Brigidine Spirit

Awarded to a Year 12 student for her outstanding contribution to the promotion of community spirit at the College through a positive and committed approach, generous support of others and an active involvement in College life.

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Presented early next year following the release of the Higher School Certificate results.

#### St Brigid Award for Courage and Commitment

Awarded in acknowledgement of a student in Year 12 who has demonstrated the values of St Brigid, courage, commitment and dedication to her studies and College life in the face of significant challenge and adversity.

#### Caltex Best All Rounder Award

This award is presented in recognition of a student's excellence in academic, leadership, sporting and community service activities.

#### The ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award

Awarded to a Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12 student acknowledging the achievements of students who have demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership and teamwork either within the school or the wider community.

#### Jenny Laird Memorial Award for Contribution to College Life

Jenny Laird died in 1975 whilst a Year 10 student at the College. Awarded in her memory to a student who displays a genuine commitment to Christian values and practices and who has made a significant contribution to the outreach activities of the College.

#### Feain Perpetual Trophy for Leadership and Loyalty

Awarded for outstanding leadership of, and loyal contribution to, a College Club.

#### Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment to Studies

Awarded for conspicuous efforts in study, through consistent application and hard work, commitment in all subjects and achievement according to ability.

#### Sister Norma Clare McKay Perpetual Award

In memory of Sister Norma Clare McKay csb, a tireless promoter of the eloquent life.

This Perpetual Award is awarded to the Senior College Speaker of the Year as evidenced in the speaker's excellence in achievements and her range of participation in public speaking.

#### Silver Jubilee Trophy for Service and Loyalty

Awarded for genuine service to the Centre for Excellence and loyal commitment to the Centre's ideals.

#### Golden Jubilee Trophy for Outstanding House Leadership

Awarded for conspicuous loyalty and contribution to a House and for inspirational leadership of a House.

### Diamond Jubilee Trophy for Academic Excellence

Awarded for outstanding academic achievement in all subjects for the Higher School Certificate.

#### Music Performer of the Year

Awarded for recognised excellence in all Music performances.

#### Drama Performer of the Year

Awarded for recognised excellence in all Drama assessment performances.

#### Designer of the Year

Awarded for excellence in creative design and construction of a major project.

#### The Gleeson Family Perpetual Prize for Year 12 Modern History

Awarded to an HSC student who demonstrates a spirit of inquiry and intellectual endeavour in Modern History and who has exemplified a particular enthusiasm for Modern History as evidenced by class participation, wide reading and studious application.

#### Vanessa Kirk Memorial Award for Ancient History

Vanessa Kirk died in 1990 soon after completing her HSC at the College.

Awarded in her memory, this prize recognises application and enthusiasm in Ancient History.

#### Josef Maurer Shield

Josef Maurer was a renowned teacher of Mathematics at the Callege.

Awarded in his memory, this honour recognises excellence in Mathematics.

#### Todd Family Award for Excellence in Technical Support

Awarded to a student for excellence in the provision of technical expertise, commitment and dedication to the cocurricular performance program of the College.

#### Marie Duffy Award for Service to Music

Marie Duffy taught Music at Brigidine College from 1976 to 1989. She instigated a fine tradition of singing with the first Madrigal Group and produced many shows, specialising in Gilbert and

Awarded to a Music student in Year 12 who has given generously of her time and talents performing in school ensembles, assisting the Music staff and mentoring younger students.

#### Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice

Awarded to a student in Year 12 who, throughout her time at the College has clearly demonstrated advocacy for the marginalised, has maintained a high level of involvement and has shown initiative in the College charity, outreach or faith programs.

#### Brigidine College 'Blue'

Awarded to Year 12 students in recognition of excellence and the achievement at an elite standard in College sport or other club activities.

#### Pierre de Coubertin Award

Awarded to a student who, through a range of sporting activities, has made an exemplary effort to achieve her personal best and who has inspired the involvement of others.

#### Clare Malone Memorial Prize for Visual Arts in Year 11

Clare Malone died in 1993 whilst a Year 11 student at the College. Awarded for 1st place in Visual Arts.

#### Louise de Jong Memorial Prize for Drama in Year 11

Louise de Jong died in 1997 whilst a Year 11 student at the College.

Awarded for 1st place in Drama.

#### Macquarie University Prize

Awarded to a student who has achieved outstanding academic excellence in her subjects over the year.





#### Senior Honours Program Graduation Award

Awarded to Year 12 students who have been involved in the highly challenging Brigidine Honours Program for five years. Each student has demonstrated a commitment to holistic excellence in the pursuit of academic achievement, participation in cocurricular activities and generous service to the College and wider communities.

#### Honours Program Graduation Award

Awarded to Year 8 students on completion of their Junior Honours and Year 10 students on completion of their Intermediate Honours. Each student has demonstrated a commitment to holistic excellence in the pursuit of academic achievement in the form of a research project, participation in cocurricular activities and generous service to the College and wider communities.

#### **Brigidine Year Award**

Awarded to a student in Years 7-12 who epitomises the College values of strength and gentleness. In her dealings with her fellow students and the staff of the College she has demonstrated leadership, a willingness to volunteer for year group activities and events and an awareness of the needs of others. She has been heavily involved in College life and consistently displays excellent behaviour and a positive attitude to learning.

#### **Academic Merit**

Certificates for Academic Merit are awarded to students who have achieved excellent academic results across a range of subjects.

#### Academic Excellence

Awarded to students who have achieved excellent results in a number of subjects.

#### Application to Studies

Certificates for Application to Studies are awarded to students who have demonstrated commitment and diligence to their studies across a range of subjects.

[Prizes are not necessarily awarded each year]

Chloe Christie	Application to Studies
Laura Collins	Application to Studies
Chantelle Cunningham	Application to Studies
Alannah Darling	Application to Studies
Jemima Guberina	Application to Studies
Antonia Hannam	Application to Studies
Chloe Jackett	Application to Studies
Madison McGrath	Application to Studies
Teya Murray	Application to Studies
Abigail Ries	Application to Studies
Jane Shin	Application to Studies
Priya Wheatley	Application to Studies

Priya Wheatley	Application to Studies	
Academic Achievem	ent	
Olivia Bennett	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	
Priya Uskovic	University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction	
Jessica Biggs	1st Science	
Tiahna Cassar	1st Mathematics Standard	
Antonia Hannam	1st History	
Eliza Lowe	1st Mathematics Fundamentals	
Priya Wheatley	1st Geography	
Alannah Darling	2nd Science	
Claudia Dixon	2nd Geography	
Chloe Geeves	2nd Mathematics Standard	
Jemima Guberina	2nd Personal Development, Health & Physical Education	
Annika Lovett	2nd Mathematics Fundamentals	
Charlotte North	2nd Visual Arts	
Isabel Vitoria	2nd Italian	
Mohar Apte	3rd Mathematics Standard	
Maddison Calleia	3rd Mathematics Standard	

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Grace Livingstone	3rd Italian
Zara Pittioni	3rd Geography
Lauren Russo	3rd Mathematics Fundamentals
Sophie Spurr	3rd History
Nicole Chan	3rd Music 3rd Religious Education
Madison McGrath	3rd Geography 2nd Music
Lucy Eyres	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction 2nd English
Jordyn Parry	3rd Mathematics Advanced 1st Music
Madison Louw	2nd Visual Arts 1st English
Natarsha Vidulic	2nd Personal Development, Health & Physical Education 1st French
Lauren Pilling	3rd French 3rd Italian 3rd Music
Teya Murray	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction 1st French
Laura Collins	3rd Italian 2nd Technology 1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education 1st Religious Education Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious Education
Abigail Ries	3rd History 2nd Mathematics Advanced 1st English 1st Technology
Jane Shin	University of NSW Science Competition  - Distinction  ICAS Mathematics Competition  - High Distinction  3rd French  3rd Geography  2nd History  2nd Religious Education  1st Italian  1st Mathematics Advanced  1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education  1st Science  1st Technology  1st Visual Arts  Academic Excellence  Outstanding Academic Achievement  Award  Macquarie University Prize for Academic  Excellence
Teya Murray	Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice
Olivia Bennett	2015 Sports Award for Year 7
Tessa Panetta	Brigidine Year Award for Year 7

Application to Studies	Charles and the state of the st
Jemima Belger	Application to Studies
Meaghan Collins	Application to Studies
Ella Cooper	Application to Studies
Caitlin Cummins	Application to Studies
Kathryn Fung	Application to Studies
Mia Gougousidis	Application to Studies
Zoe Gougousidis	Application to Studies
Hannah Harrison	Application to Studies
Charlotte Harry	Application to Studies
Evelyn Hatziioannou	Application to Studies
Lauren Haynes	Application to Studies
Lauren Hocking	Application to Studies
Phoebe Jenkins	Application to Studies
Alicia Keosseian	Application to Studies
Abbey Lenton	Application to Studies
Selina Lewis	Application to Studies
Nina Loone	Application to Studies
Shantel Nanayakkara	Application to Studies
Auria Nunes	Application to Studies
Natasha Palmer	Application to Studies
Leah Perkins	Application to Studies
Isabella Reddy	Application to Studies
Madeleine Reid	Application to Studies
Amy Skiffington	Application to Studies
Lauren Stanaway	Application to Studies
Abby Van Balkom	Application to Studies
Ella Ward	Application to Studies
Natasha Williams	Application to Studies
Academic Achieveme	nt
Jasmin High	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction
Kathryn Fung	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction
Anita Furtado	University of NSW Science Competition  – Distinction
Neena Karunakar	Graduating with Junior Honours
Abbey Lenton	Graduating with Junior Honours
Olivia McNamara	Graduating with Junior Honours
Michelle Williams	Graduating with Junior Honours
Alison Akhurst	1st Science
Sarah Bakker	1st Italian
Christina Chan	1st Geography
Sarah Lowry	1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education
Holly Peakman	1st Mathematics Fundamentals
Jazmin Wright	1st Mathematics Standard
Jasmine Barbour	2nd Mathematics Fundamentals



	ent (cont'd) and Special Awards
Helena Bragge	2nd Music
Lily Flynn	2nd Mathematics Standard
Kahli Gilchrist	2nd Personal Development, Health & Physical Education
Riley Jacka	2nd Italian
Amber McCully	2nd French
Jessica Routledge	2nd Visual Arts
Ella Ward	2nd Religious Education
Bianca Wong	2nd Mathematics Standard
Alexa Burmeister	3rd Mathematics Fundamentals
Laura Galoustian	3rd History
Penelope Godfrey	3rd Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
Isabella Reddy	3rd Geography
Jade Woo	3rd Technology
Charlotte Thomas	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction 2nd English
Nina Loone	1st Mathematics Advanced Graduating with Junior Honours
Madeleine Reid	1st Science Graduating with Junior Honours
Zoe Gougousidis	University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction 1st Music
Molly Noble-Booth	3rd Religious Education 2nd History
Antonia Wong	2nd Technology 1st Visual Arts
Laura Ober	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction 2nd Geography 2nd Italian
Meaghan Collins	3rd History 1st English Graduating with Junior Honours
Auria Nunes	2nd Visual Arts 1st History Graduating with Junior Honours

Academic Achieveme	nt (cont'd) and Special Awards
Lauren Hocking	3rd Religious Education 2nd French 2nd Music
Amy Skiffington	1st French 1st Science
Caitlin Cummins	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction 3rd Religious Education 3rd Mathematics Advanced 2nd French
Shantel Nanayakkara	2nd Mathematics Advanced 1st Science 1st Technology Graduating with Junior Honours
Jemima Belger	3rd History 2nd English 2nd French 2nd Music 1st Religious Education Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious Education Academic Excellence Outstanding Academic Achievement Award
Georgia Douglas	Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice
Nicola Markley	2015 Sports Award for Year 8
Abby Johnson	2nd Music Graduating with Junior Honours Brigidine Year Award for Year 8



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Application to Studies		
Eloise Carroll	Application to Studies	
Ella Clements	Application to Studies	
Helena De Gruchy	Application to Studies	
Sophie Eyres	Application to Studies	
Ciara Flynn	Application to Studies	
Holly Glover	Application to Studies	
Bernadette Kelly	Application to Studies	
Rhona Kennedy	Application to Studies	
Siobhan Lo	Application to Studies	
Giorgia Ryan	Application to Studies	
Kate Shaw	Application to Studies	
Julia Vaccarella	Application to Studies	
Laura Wheen	Application to Studies	
Camryn Woolley	Application to Studies	
Academic Achieveme	nt	
Annabelle Ambrogio	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	
Georgia North	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	
Annabelle Oh	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	
Rachael Emms	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction	
Isabel Zhu	ICAS Mathematics Competition  - High Distinction University of NSW Science Competition  - Distinction	
Isabella Behrens	ALC Certificate 2 Italian Listening  – High Distinction	
Margherita Zoccolan	ALC Certificate 2 Italian Listening  – High Distinction  ALC Certificate 2 Italian Reading  – High Distinction	
Junyi Fang	University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction	
Danielle Abbott	1st Drama	
Nellie Baldwin	1st Mathematics 5.1	
Eloise Carroll	1st Design and Technology	
Grace Christensen	1st Mathematics 5.3	
Helena De Gruchy	1st Italian	
Bernadette Kelly	1st Visual Arts	
Lucy McKern	1st Music	

	ent (cont'd) and Special Awards
Aimee Miller	1st Mathematics 5.2
Zoe Re	1st History Elective
Abbey Slater	1st Philosophy
Julia Vaccarella	1st Food Technology
Phoebe Wayne	1st Drama
Sarah-Jane Wilson	1st Textiles Technology
Olivia Onslow	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction 1st Physical Activities and Sports Studies
Camryn Woolley	University of NSW Science Competition - Distinction 1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education
Hannah Collins	1st Food Technology 1st History Elective
Emily Slocombe	1st English 1st History
Laura Wheen	1st Commerce 1st Photographic and Digital Media
Giorgia Ryan	University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction 3rd History 3rd Religious Education 2nd Commerce 1st Australian Geography Academic Excellence
Ciara Flynn	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition – Distinction ALC Certificate 2 French Reading – High Distinction 2nd Australian Geography 1st English 1st French 1st Geography Elective 1st History 1st Mathematics Accelerated 1st Science 1st Religious Education Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious Education Academic Excellence Outstanding Academic Achievement Award
Holly Glover	Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice
Rhona Kennedy	2015 Sports Award for Year 9
Helena De Gruchy	Brigidine Year Award for Year 9

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Application to Studies		Academic Achieveme	ent (cont'd) and Special Awards
Valentina Buay	Application to Studies	Eleanor Piacentini	University of NSW Science Competition
Elizabeth Chan	Application to Studies	Carab Waskett	- Distinction
Leah Dawson	Application to Studies	Sarah Wackett	ALC Certificate 2 Italian Reading  – High Distinction
Laura Dowsett	Application to Studies	Helena Ammitzboell	ALC Certificate 2 French Listening  – High Distinction  ALC Certificate 2 French Reading  – High Distinction
Sonia Elliott	Application to Studies		
Madeleine Harry	Application to Studies		
Sonja Henning-Smith	Application to Studies	Claudia Douglas	ALC Certificate 2 French Listening
Isabella Hoffmann	Application to Studies		<ul> <li>High Distinction</li> <li>ALC Certificate 2 French Reading</li> </ul>
Amelia Malone	Application to Studies		- High Distinction
Devina Maurice	Application to Studies	Jaslyn Berg	ALC Certificate 2 French Reading
Jessica McNamara	Application to Studies		<ul> <li>High Distinction</li> <li>Australian Geography Competition</li> <li>Distinction</li> </ul>
Celine Nalbandian	Application to Studies		
Joanna Oud	Application to Studies	Sonia Elliott	ALC Certificate 2 Italian Listening  – High Distinction  ALC Certificate 2 Italian Reading  – High Distinction  Australian Geography Competition  – High Distinction
Meredith Paterson	Application to Studies		
Sarah Stanaway	Application to Studies		
Emily Thornton	Application to Studies		
Isabel Toohey	Application to Studies	Elizabeth Chan	Australian Geography Competition  – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition  – Distinction
Laura Watts	Application to Studies		
Tahlia Wrightson	Application to Studies		
Academic Achieveme	nt and Special Awards	Abby Flynn	Australian Geography Competition  – High Distinction
Ellen Weiley	Graduating with Intermediate Honours		ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction
Tiani Schaefer	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	Jessica McNamara	Australian Geography Competition  – Distinction ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition  – Distinction
Isla Toomey	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction		
Kate Hoefnagels	Australian Geography Competition  – Distinction		
Isabella Hoffmann	Australian Geography Competition	Laura Dowsett	1st Textiles Technology
	- Distinction	Alyssa Grady	1st Mathematics 5.2
Joanna Oud	Australian Geography Competition  – Distinction	Chloe Grant	1st Physical Activities and Sports Studies
Meredith Paterson	Australian Geography Competition	Annelise Hall	1st English
	- Distinction	Holly Keyes	1st Mathematics 5.1
Isabel Toohey	Australian Geography Competition  – High Distinction	Amelia Malone	1st Food Technology
Tahlia Wrightson	Australian Geography Competition  – Distinction	Devina Maurice	1st Drama
ranna wrightson		Hannah Wong	1st Physical Activities and Sports Studies





Academic Achievement (cont'd) and Special Awards		Academic Achievemen	it (cont'd) and Special Awards
Ellen Trimble	Australian Geography Competition  - Distinction 1st Drama	Sarah Stanaway	ICAS Mathematics Competition – Distinction University of NSW Science Competition – High Distinction 3rd Preparation for HSC Mathematics Extension 1 2nd Australian Geography 1st Commerce 1st History 1st Music 1st Science 1st Religious Education Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious Education Academic Excellence Outstanding Academic Achievement Award
Emily Thornton	Australian Geography Competition  - High Distinction  ALC Certificate 2 Italian Reading  - High Distinction  1st Geography Elective		
Laura Watts	ALC Certificate 2 Italian Listening  – High Distinction ALC Certificate 2 Italian Reading  – High Distinction Australian Geography Competition  – High Distinction 1st English Extension		
Jessica Wilson	1st Italian 1st Religious Education	Amelia Malone	Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice
	Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious Education	Raihana Mangal	ADF Long Tan Award
Beatrice Van Heeswijk	Australian Geography Competition	Chloe Grant	2015 Sports Award for Year 10
Beating van Hooswijk	High Distinction     Ist Visual Arts     Ist Visual Design	Sophie Wright	2015 Sports Award for Year 10 Brigidine Year Award for Year 10
Sonja Henning-Smith	Australian Geography Competition  - High Distinction ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction 1st Design and Technology 1st Preparation for HSC Mathematics Extension 1	Year 11	
		Application to Studies	
		Nupur Apte	Application to Studies
Sophie Hyde	ALC Certificate 2 Italian Listening  – High Distinction ALC Certificate 2 Italian Reading  – High Distinction ALC Certificate 2 French Listening  – High Distinction	Mahek Bansal	Application to Studies
		Alexandra Bradley	Application to Studies
		Amelia Breen	Application to Studies
		Rebecca Cunningham	Application to Studies
	ALC Certificate 2 French Reading  – High Distinction	Lara Czysnok	Application to Studies
	1st French 1st Italian	Emily Dalwood	Application to Studies
Valentina Buay	Australian  Australian Geography Competition  - Distinction  ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction University of NSW Science Competition  - Distinction  3rd Commerce  3rd English  3rd HSC Preliminary Course Studies of Religion II  3rd Textiles Technology 2nd Australian Geography 2nd Drama 2nd Personal Development, Health & Physical Education 2nd Science 1st Mathematics 5.3  Academic Excellence	Tia De Berardinis	Application to Studies
valentina buay		Eleanor Eckton	Application to Studies
		Rebecca Feather	Application to Studies
		Barbara Honeysett	Application to Studies
		Emma Hughes	Application to Studies
		Therese Kelly	Application to Studies
		Megan Loone	Application to Studies
		Lucie Malone	Application to Studies
		Emily New	Application to Studies
		Amelia Pitney	Application to Studies
		Eleanor Psaila	Application to Studies
Celine Nalbandian	ALC Certificate 2 French Listening	Emma-Jane Rhodes	Application to Studies
	<ul><li>High Distinction</li><li>3rd Music</li><li>2nd History</li></ul>	Francesca Rowlinson	Application to Studies
		Laura Slocombe	Application to Studies
	1st Australian Geography 1st English	Samantha Stack	Application to Studies

Sophia Tonoli

Lisa Vaccarella

Anneka Weber

Ashleigh Wiseman

Application to Studies

Application to Studies

Application to Studies

Application to Studies

1st English 1st History Elective

Religion II

1st Personal Development, Health &

1st HSC Preliminary Course Studies of

Physical Education

Academic Excellence

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Academic Achieveme	nt and <b>Special Awards</b>	
Zoe MacPhail	ALC Certificate 3 French Listening  – High Distinction	
Tracey Korte	ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	
Shehara Bastianpillai	Australian Geography Competition  – High Distinction	
Olivia Mueller	Australian Geography Competition  – High Distinction	
Isabella Thomson	Australian Geography Competition  - High Distinction	
Riza Tolentino	ALC Certificate 3 French Listening - High Distinction ICAS Mathematics Competition - Distinction	
Lara Czysnok	ALC Certificate 3 Italian Listening  – High Distinction ALC Certificate 3 Italian Reading  – High Distinction  Graduating with Intermediate Honours	
Eloise Ott	Goethe Institut Award for German Languag Studies Graduating with Intermediate Honours	
Abby Ballesty	1st Geography	
Amelia Breen	1st Textiles and Design	
Tiegan Denina	1st Music 1	
Eleanor Eckton	1st English Standard	
Rebecca Feather	1st Mathematics	
Megan Loone	1st in Japanese Continuers OHS	
Emily New	1st Economics	
Lucy Pentelow	1st Mathematics	
Amelia Pitney	1st Ancient History	
Adele Samus	1st Dance	
Laura Slocombe	1st Modern History	
Samantha Stack	1st Business Studies	
Sophia Tonoli	1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education	
Lucy Pirrie	1st Visual Arts Clare Malone Memorial Prize for Visual Arts	
Erica Rounds	1st Studies of Religion I Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious Education	
Lauren Tsamouras	ALC Certificate 3 French Listening - High Distinction 1st Music 2	
Alexandra Bradley	1st Economics 1st Legal Studies	





Academic Achievemen	nt (cont'd) and Special Awards	
Emma-Jane Rhodes	1st Biology 1st Food Technology	
Tia De Berardinis	ALC Certificate 3 Italian Listening  – High Distinction 1st Italian Continuers 1st Mathematics General 2	
Elle Miller	ICAS Mathematics Competition  - Distinction  1st HSC Mathematics  1st HSC Studies of Religion II  Brigidine Sisters' Prize for Religious  Education	
Ella McCrindle	ALC Certificate 3 French Listening  – High Distinction  ALC Certificate 3 French Reading  – High Distinction  1st French Continuers  1st Drama  Louise de Jong Memorial Prize for Drama	
Amelia Breen	3rd Biology 3rd Business Studies 3rd Mathematics 3rd Studies of Religion II 1st Textiles & Design Academic Excellence	
Sophia Tonoli	3rd Mathematics Extension 1 2nd Business Studies 2nd HSC Mathematics 1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education Academic Excellence	
Yu-Jin Lee	1st Chemistry 1st Mathematics Extension I 1st Physics Academic Excellence	
Francesca Rowlinson	ALC Certificate 3 French Listening  – High Distinction 1st English Advanced 1st English Extension 1 1st Society and Culture Academic Excellence Outstanding Academic Achievement Award	
Olivia Mueller	Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice	
Abby Ballesty	2015 Sports Award for Year 11	
Alison Colgan	2015 Sports Award for Year 11	
Monique Lewis	Brigidine Year Award for Year 11	

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#### Year 12

College 'Blue' Awards	and Year 12 Sports Award
Rebecca Bau-Gaspar	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Seraphina Buay	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Sophie Clark	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Aoife Doran	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Sinead Doran	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Holly Gehringer	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Krystal Hoffmann	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Mia Holman	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Olivia Johnson	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Amanda Liem	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Maddison McCauley	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Stephanie Muir	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Madeleine Sankey	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Jennifer Tims	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Victoria Trevallion	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Emma Welch	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Laura Welch	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Lauren Willett	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Alexandra Woolley	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Natalie Yeung	College 'Blue' (DEA Gold Award)
Madison Chan Emily Parker	College 'Blue' (Acrobatics) College 'Blue' (Athletics)
Emma Welch	College 'Blue' (Athletics)
Laura Welch	College 'Blue' (Athletics)
Pia Doyle	College 'Blue' (Sailing)
Clare Vanzino	College 'Blue' (Touch Football)
Jane Vanzino	College 'Blue' (Touch Football)
Madeleine Sankey	2015 Sports Award for Year 12

Application to Studie	S
Sophia Azize	Application to Studies
Karoun Boghossian	Application to Studies
Isabel Bunting	Application to Studies
Eliza Cameron	Application to Studies
Sophie Clark	Application to Studies
Olivia De Gruchy	Application to Studies
Alice Edwards	Application to Studies
Holly Gehringer	Application to Studies
Fiona Li	Application to Studies
Amanda Liem	Application to Studies
Molly Moloney	Application to Studies
Ellie Paterson	Application to Studies
Sophia Polito	Application to Studies
Isabella Ryan	Application to Studies
Megan Taylor	Application to Studies

Academic Awards an	d Special Awards
Seraphina Buay	Graduating with Senior Honours
Madison Chan	Graduating with Senior Honours
Tara Chandra	Graduating with Senior Honours
Sophie Clark	Graduating with Senior Honours
Karoun Boghossian	1st Business Studies
Olivia De Gruchy	1st Textiles & Design
Simone Dennis	1st Personal Development, Health & Physical Education
Alice Edwards	1st Biology
Georgia Fenwick	1st Geography
Holly Gannon	1st English Standard
Taylor Gleeson	1st Food Technology
Caitlin Hill	1st Society and Culture
Mia Holman	1st Chemistry
Maddison McCauley	1st Music 1
Stephanie Muir	1st Music Extension
Alicia Parton	1st History Extension
Isabella Purnell	1st Design and Technology
Isabella Ryan	1st Legal Studies
Lauren Scelzi	1st Mathematics General 2
Rachel Seeto	1st Drama
Genevieve Triemstra	1st Ancient History
Juliette Dahdah	1st Studies of Religion I 1st Visual Arts
Amanda Liem	1st Modern History The Gleeson Family Perpetual Prize for Year 12 Modern History
Fiona Li	1st Mathematics Extension 2 1st HSC Mathematics (2014) 1st HSC Studies of Religion II (2014) Josef Maurer Shield for Mathematics
Kirilee Wagner	2nd Mathematics Extension 2 2nd Mathematics Extension 1 2nd HSC Mathematics (2014) 2nd Music Extension 2nd Physics



1st Music 2

Academic Excellence

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Academic Awards (co	nt'd) and <b>Special Awards</b>	
Molly Moloney	loney  3rd English Extension 1 2nd English Advanced 2nd French Continuers 1st English Extension 2 1st French Extension Academic Excellence	
Rebecca Bau-Gaspar	2nd Modern History 2nd Italian Continuers 1st English Advanced 1st English Extension 1 1st Spanish Beginners Open High School 1st HSC Studies of Religion II (2014) Jonathan O'Dea Prize for Academic Excellence Diamond Jubilee Trophy for Academic Excellence	
Isabel Bunting	3rd Mathematics Extension 2 2nd HSC Mathematics (2014) 1st French Continuers 1st Italian Continuers 1st Mathematics Extension 1 1st Physics Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment to Studies Jonathan O'Dea Prize for Academic Excellence Diamond Jubilee Trophy for Academic Excellence	



Special Awards		
Sophie Clark	The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) Education Award and Scholarshi	
Sophia Polito	Sister Norma Clare Award for Public Speaking	
Charlie Turner	St Brigid Award for Courage and Commitment	
Rachel Seeto	Todd Family Award for Excellence in Technical Support	
Olivia Audsley	Designer of the Year Award	
Madison Chan	Designer of the Year Award	
Kirilee Wagner	Music Performer of the Year Award	
Hannah Palmer	Drama Performer of the Year Award	
Rachel Seeto	Drama Performer of the Year Award	
Olivia De Gruchy	Jenny Laird Memorial Award for Contribution to College Life	
Sophie Clark	Feain Perpetual Trophy for Leadership and Loyalty	



Special Awards (con	t'd)
Katherine Goode	Marie Duffy Award for Service to Music
Amanda Liem	Silver Jubilee Trophy for Service and Loyalty
Madison Chan	Golden Jubilee Trophy for Outstanding House Leadership
Megan Taylor	The ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award
Mia Holman	The Caltex Best All Rounder Award
Seraphina Buay	Kildare Ministries Award for Social Justice
Simone Dennis	Brigidine Year Award for Year 12
Isabella Ryan	Parents and Friends Award for Brigidine Spirit
Maddison McCauley	Music Performer of the Year Award Brigidine College Medal

College Leaders 2015	
Mia Holman	College Award for Captain of College
Olivia De Gruchy	College Award for Senior Vice Captain of College
Megan Taylor	College Award for Vice Captain of College (Houses)
Simone Dennis	College Award for Vice Captain of College (Clubs)
sabella Ryan	College Award for Vice Captain of College (Student Leadership)
Seraphina Buay	College Award for Vice Captain of College (Social Justice)

The following awards were presented early in 2016 following the release of the Higher School Certificate results:

Dux of the College	Rebecca Bau-Gaspar
Proximes	Fiona Li Isabel Bunting

# **ACHIEVEMENT + COLLEGE RECORDS 2015**



### **SWIMMING**

# **Age Champions**

Age	2013	2014	2015
12	Mia Rolfe	Ella Cooper	Olivia Bennett
13	Jacqueline Feurtado	Mia Rolfe	Madison Louw
14	Orla Flynn	Katie Manning	Mia Rolfe
15	Jasmine Follett	Madison Long	Katie Manning
16	Louisa Bartels	Jasmine Follett	Courtney Young
17	Madison Spencer	Madison Spencer	Olivia Findlay
SWD	Ellen Hester	Ellen Hester	Ellen Hester

### **Brigidine Swimming Carnival Records**

Event	Record Holder	Time	Year
Open Female 200m Individual Medley	Kristi Oliver and Danielle Hopcroft	2:26:15	(2001)
Junior 100m Freestyle	Mia Rolfe	1:02.85	(2015)
Intermediate 100m Freestyle	Elise Gillard	1:02.31	(2008)
Senior 100m Freestyle	Elise Gillard	1:02.62	(2009)
12 years 50m Breaststroke	Louisa Bartels	40.06	(2009)
13 years 50m Breaststroke	Bianca Esposito	39.53	(1998)
14 years 50m Breaststroke	Kristi Oliver	36.76	(2001)
15 years 50m Breaststroke	Tierney Seeto	36.44	(2011)
16 years 50m Breaststroke	Victoria Cook	34.58	(2000)
17+ years 50m Breaststroke	Samantha Pearse	36.14	(1994)
AWD 50m Breaststroke	Danielle Flanagan	48.51	(2003)

Event	Record Holder	Time	Year
12 years 50m Freestyle	Bianca Esposito	30.17s	(1997)
13 years 50m Freestyle	Rachel Pearse	30.09s	(1990)
14 years 50m Freestyle	Mia Rolfe	29.10s	(2015)
15 years 50m Freestyle	Elise Gillard	28:41s	(2007)
16 years 50m Freestyle	Elise Gillard	28.81s	(2008)
17+ years 50m Freestyle	Elise Gillard	28.76s	(2009)
SWD 50m Freestyle	Danielle Flanagan	38.20s	(2001)
12 years 50m Backstroke	Danielle Hopcroft	36.99s	(1997)
13 years 50m Backstroke	Mia Rolfe	35.05s	(2014)
14 years 50m Backstroke	Mia Rolfe	33.54s	(2015)
15 years 50m Backstroke	Danielle Hopcroft	33.07s	(2000)
16 years 50m Backstroke	Danielle Hopcroft	32.79s	(2001)
17+ years 50m Backstroke	Ellen Spadon	32.88s	(2010)
SWD 50m Backstroke	Danielle Flanagan	41.18s	(2001)
12 years 50m Butterfly	Rachel Pearse	36.47s	(1989)
13 years 50m Butterfly	Kristi Oliver	31.84s	(2000)
14 years 50m Butterfly	Kristi Oliver	31.40s	(2001)
15 years 50m Butterfly	Kristi Oliver	31.43s	(2002)
16 years 50m Butterfly	Danielle Hopcroft	31.61s	(2001)
17+ years 50m Butterfly	Victoria Cook	30.99s	(2002)
SWD 50m Butterfly	Ellen Hester	57.20s	(2014)
Open 50m Invitational	Elise Gillard	28.66s	(2008)
Junior 4x50m Freestyle relay	LOURDES	1:48.25	(2008)
Intermediate 4x50m Freestyle relay	LOURDES	2:08.29	(2012)
Senior 4x50m Freestyle relay	LOURDES	2:09.76	(2014)

### **ATHLETICS**

# **Age Champions**

Age	2013	2014	2015	
12	Ruby Scarf	Nicola Markley	Ta'alili Feaunati	
13	Helena De Gruchy	Junyi Fang	Nicola Markley	
14	Sophie De Montemas	Isabelle Ronksley	Isabelle McLennan	
15	Emma Welch	Courtney Young	Isabelle Ronksley	
16	Abbi Wilkinson	Emma Welch	Courtney Young	
17	Emma Douglass	Emma Douglass	Emma Welch	
Para Athlete	Juliet Liddy	Juliet Liddy	Juliet Liddy	

### **Athletic Records**

Event	Record Holder	Time	Year
Open 1500m	Alexandra McGain	5:01.90	(2010)
12 years 200m	Samantha Norris	26.36s	(1991)
13 years 200m	Danielle Fisher	26.25s	(1998)
14 years 200m	Isabelle Ronksley	27.26s	(2014)
15 years 200m	Sharon O'Kane	26.40s	(1977)
16 years 200m	Danielle Fisher	26.36s	(2001)
17+ years 200m	D Fisher and R Cooper	26.45s	(1999)
Para Athlete 200m	Juliet Liddy	34.60s	(2014)
12 years 100m	Madelin Owen	13.70s	(2014)
13 years 100m	Danielle Fisher	12.84s	(1998)
14 years 100m	Danielle Fisher	12.94s	(1999)
15 years 100m	Danielle Fisher	12.84s	(2000)
16 years 100m	Sarah Kimmorley	12.66s	(2006)
17+ years 100m	Danielle Fisher	12.74s	(2002)
Para Athlete 100m	Juliet Liddy	16.10s	(2014)
Open 1500m Walk	Amy Bettiol	6:42.02	(2013)
12 years 400m	Sarah Gailey	1:09.05	(1993)
13 years 400m	Helena De Gruchy	1:01.72	(2013)
14 years 400m	Helena De Gruchy	1:01.00	(2014)
15 years 400m	Sarah Kimmorley	1:04.07	(2005)
16 years 400m	Sarah Kimmorley	1:02.86	(2006)
17+ years 400m	Emily Parker	1:02.02	(2015)
M/Disability 400m	Corinne Turner	1:38.77	(2010)
Junior 800m	Chelsea Hayward	2:32.61	(2006)
Intermediate 800m	Justine Cobb	2:30.57	(2001)
Open 800m	Alexandra McGain	2:23.73	(2010)
Invitational 100m	Danielle Fisher	12.53s	(2000)
All Age Relay 6x100m	KILDARE	1:20.20	(2009)

#### The following records were inadvertently omitted from the 2014 Yearbook.

Event	Record Holder	Time	Year
Para athlete 100m	Juliet Liddy	16.10s	(2014)
Para athlete 200m	Juliet Liddy	34.60s	(2014)

Field Records	5		
Event	Record Holder	Time	Year
LONG JUMP			
12 years	Nina Osada-Phornsiri	4.48m	(2010)
13 years	Lauren Harrison	4.77m	(2009)
14 years	Kelly Cheng	4.97m	(2003)
15 years	Virginia Smith	5.00m	(1979)
16 years	Melissa Fitzsimmons	5.09m	(2014)
17+ years	Melissa Fitzsimmons	5.50m	(2015)
HIGH JUMP			
12 years	Lauren O'Neill	1.52m	(2001)
13 years	Lauren O'Neill	1.64m	(2002)
14 years	Melissa Fitzsimmons and Nina Osada-Phornsiri	1.55m	(2012)
15 years	Melissa Fitzsimmons	1.57m	(2013)
16 years	Kandis Orr	1.57m	(2006)
17+ years	Briana Zylstra	1.59m	(2004)
SHOT PUT			
12 years	Rachel Hill	9.05m	(1990)
13 years	Kerry Reen	10.61m	(1983)
14 years	Emma Douglass	10.98m	(2010)
15 years	Sophie Spinks	10.79m	(1989)
16 years	Sophie Spinks	11.33m	(1990)
17+ years	Kristina Reen	10.30m	(1994)
DISCUS			
12 years	Ta'alili Feaunati	31.38m	(2015)
13 years	Emma Douglass	27.34m	(2009)
14 years	Laura Douglass	28.59m	(2009)
15 years	Emma Douglass	32.95m	(2011)
16 years	Emma Douglass	33.70m	(2012)
17+ years	Emma Douglass	33.15m	(2013)
JAVELIN			
12 years	Laura Douglass	18.90m	(2007)
13 years	Angelique Delaney	24.80m	(1999)
14 years	Angelique Delaney	31.21m	(2000)
15 years	Angelique Delaney	34.17m	(2001)
16 years	Angelique Delaney	35.02m	(2002)

Angelique Delaney

17+ years

(2003)

30.61m

MY 2015 MEMORIES

