Important Dates

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Principal’s Message

Hello, everyone. Another busy term is reaching its conclusion. This term, more so than most, resounds with a nostalgic note as it finishes, because it marks the end of thirteen years of schooling for our Year 12 students. They will leave many lasting memories with the staff and students of the College. The farewell mass was filled with readings on the theme of light, which was echoed by the symbolism of the new school candle, with the light of Christ passing from one year to the next, as the new school captains, Nadine Rouffael and Ibram Saleeb accepted the school candle and the mantle of leadership from our outgoing captains, Andrew Mikheal and Mary Girgis. The College community thanks Mary and Andrew for their service and looks forward to the leadership of Ibram and Nadine as they lead us in new directions, guided by the leadership of Christ who taught us that to lead is to serve. Our prayers go out to our departing Year 12 students and we wish them every success in the forthcoming HSC examinations. I pray that the next few weeks may be productive as they enter their studies with a final burst of enthusiasm. Please keep our Year 12 students in your prayers.

Our Year 8 students are currently partaking of an overnight spiritual retreat. We hope that this will be another important step in their spiritual growth and continue to nourish them in the months and years ahead as they strive to live as Christ at all times. A number of other excursions will take place this week. As stated previously, the importance of these excursions should not be underestimated. They provide a breadth of experience that underpins learning and responses across many key learning areas and have a significant role to play in maintaining enthusiasm for learning. In addition to the excursions, on Thursday we have a Market Day, hosted by our commerce students. This provides students with the opportunity to develop valuable business skills and life experiences.

Our buildings continue to move forward at a pleasing rate. It bears repeating that, at the end of this construction phase, the College will have an additional 22 rooms, a new library and hall! There will be plenty of room to expand, so let your friends and relatives who are yet to bring their children to the College know about the exciting new facilities and encourage them to consider St Bishoy Coptic Orthodox College as the school for their children. If you are happy with the College tell others; if you are not happy with aspects of the College, tell me so that we can continue to improve the educational offerings that we provide.

Thank you to all of the parents who have responded to our requests to improve the safety for children around the college, particularly in the afternoons. Please remember to reverse into parking spots in the afternoon, so that you may drive out. Your patience during the construction phase is appreciated.

I pray that you will all enjoy your holidays and return safely to us for the beginning of term 4, a term that promises to be a busy one for all. As always, know that you and your families are in my prayers and I pray that God continues to bless our College Community.

Rob Stephenson
Principal
## AWARDS

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**Primary**
- Bishoy Kamal (4K)
- Annasimone Wanis (6P)
- Amos Jyubeh (6P)

**SILVER!!!**
What an amazing achievement!!! Well done to Jennifer Ibrahim (K), Marian Jabo (K), Andrew Habashi (K), Cassandra Bulis (K), Beenmet Dereseq (2O), Mark Zaki (2O), Markos Gibryal (2O), Matthew Tawdrous (4K), Pierre Elsabie (4K), Martina Zaki (4K), Abraam Bokor (4K), Patrick Mankarious (4K), Daniella Gobran (4K), Olivia Daoud (4K), Raafat Ibrahim (4K), Timothy Latai (4K), Mariam Morkos (6P), Annemarie Hanna (6P).

**GOLD!!!!!!!**
Congratulations to these people: Kirolos Georgi (2O), Antony Fouad (2R), Pavlee Butros (2R), Daniella Wasif (3S), Nagi Dimitri (5AG), Monica Basta (5AG), Natalie Saad (6P)

## HAPPY NAYROUZ
On Monday the 13th of September, Mrs Michael, Mr Bahgat and the Year 4 and 6 students performed hymns for the school. It was lovely to see the children involved and celebrating the Nayrouz (New Coptic Year).

## PUBLIC SPEAKING
On Thursday the 2nd of September, our school competed with St Marks and St Marina and St Mina Schools in Public Speaking. Our year 3 students are Sarah Fenter and Macarious Girges, our year 4 students are Patrick Mankarious and Daniella Gobran, from year 5 Bishoy Boulos and Mardeen Mikhael and from year 6 Abanoub Mikhail and Marina Hanna. It was an enjoyable and fun day.

Mardeen Mikheal (5AG)
DEBATING

On Friday the 3rd of September, our school participated in the debate against St Marks Coptic Orthodox College at our school. Our Primary Debate Team members are Marina Hanna, Abanoub Mikhail, Bishoy Boulos and our silent speaker Natalie Saad. Our High School Debate Team members are Jackline Habashy, Monica Girgis, Mary Tanious and the silent speaker George Mikhail. Both teams were doing a magnificent job. Then came the time when everyone was waiting for the results. Our primary team won but sadly our high school team lost. Nevertheless, they did a great job. Both teams did very well and experienced new things.

By Abanoub Mikhail, Natalie Saad and Bishoy Boulos

UNIVERSITY OF NSW ENGLISH COMPETITION

Congratulations to all these students who received a Credit in the University of NSW English Competition.
Year 4: Daniella Gobran
Year 5: Elaria Hanna
Year 6: Marina Hanna and Natalie Saad

Amazing!

STAGE 2 EXCURSION

On the 9th of September, Years 3 and 4 went on an excursion to the Fairfield Museum. The children had a great time and learned a lot. Thank you to the parents who helped on the day. Everyone had a great time. Here are some pictures 😊
YEAR 7 EXCURSION

On Tuesday the 7th of September, the Year seven students went on an excursion to St Mary’s Cathedral as a COS excursion. At 8:30 we walked to Mount Druitt train station. We caught the 9:10 train to the city. We stayed on the train for quite a long time. While we were on the train, it stopped all of a sudden for about a minute. We got to see the Opera House and the Harbor Bridge. We took that chance and took a lot of photos before the door closed. We finally arrived at St Mary’s Cathedral. We stood outside the cathedral and took so many photos. We were told we have to be extremely quiet when we go inside. When we went inside we had to sit at the back of the cathedral. We couldn’t really see what was going on because of how big the cathedral was.

There was an award ceremony going on for the year twelve’s. Then there was a year twelve boy who was playing on the guitar while another year twelve girl was singing a song all about Mary Mackillop. After they finished they were walking out of the Cathedral. We saw George Pell the Catholic Archbishop of Sydney. We bought many souvenirs from the shop in the cathedral. After we went out we went back to St James train station. We got told that there was two minutes left until the next train came so everyone was in a rush. When we went on the train we realized that we went on the WRONG train! So we decided to get off at Circular Quay. When we got off at the Circular Quay we went to McDonalds and Hungry Jacks. Then we went and walked around a bit. We saw a man who was pretending he was statue. He was miming. He was in the weirdest pose ever. We went closer and then after that he scared a girl (not mentioning any names.) We also were very lucky yesterday because we saw a bit of extra things. We saw a dingo, koala, snakes, Tasmanian devil, echidnas and a wombat. We got to feel a few of those animals too. We also saw Chris Brown from Bondi Vet. Some people said Hi and he said Hi back. At 1:30 we caught the train to come back to Mount Druitt station. It was very crowded on the train and there weren’t enough seats for everyone. The boys were trying to be “gentlemen’s” and they let some girls sit while they stood up. While they were standing up Alex fell on one of the old ladies. Everyone really enjoyed their time and Mr. Shenouda was proud of us. 😊

By Monica M Hanna

FUNDRAISING

Every Thursday, the High School students will be fundraising during recess. A range of snack food will be for sale to all students (eg. cupcakes, jelly cups, popcorn etc…) All items will be priced between $0.50c and $1 each. Please support the students for their great contributions.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

Please bring all your receipts that you receive when you shop at Coles from the 2nd of September to the 31st of October, 2010, and place it in the box placed outside the school office. The more receipts we collect, the more sport gear we will get! Come on kids, collect those receipts 😊
COMMUNITY NEWS

FAMILY FUN DAY

WHEN?
SATURDAY
25/09/2010
4:30PM
WHERE?
ARCHANGEL
MICHAEL & ST
BISHOY CHURCH

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

JUMPING CASTLE

TEA & COFFEE

FACE PAINTING

FAIRY FLOSS

XBOX

POPCORN

TABLE TENNIS & CHESS COMPETITION

FOR AGES 25 YEARS AND OLDER

WHEN- SATURDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER 2010 AT 1.00PM
WHERE- ARCHANGEL MICHAEL & ST BISHOY CHURCH
COST- $3 FOR TABLE TENNIS ENTRY
      $2 FOR CHESS ENTRY
KIDS CAN JOIN IN- FUN ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE
(JUMPING CASTLE, X-BOX PLUS MORE)
THERE WILL ALSO BE A SAUSAGE SIZZLE
If you would like to advertise your business, the school will be more than happy to advertise for it in the school newsletter each week. It will cost $25 per term or $100 for the year and we will provide a tax deductible receipt. The advertisements for this week are located on the last page of the newsletter.

**FIRST IN BEST DRESSED**

There is a resort to rent at Forster 3.5 hour North of Sydney for a weekend $100.00 or the whole week for $250.00 cleaning fees to be paid upon arrival ($30.00) flat rate.

This includes using all the facilities on site (tennis court, table tennis, lawn for a soccer games play area, giant trampoline swing for the kids ) board games and balls also available, bike riding swimming pool, boat hiring for fishing or riding at a low rate half or full day.

The unit accommodates 6 people regardless of age. 2 bedroom fully equipped kitchen with microwave TV DVD BBQS in front of the units.

All units are one story level. Close to shops beaches and parks.

Camp site also available with your own tent and use the same facilities. $15.00 per day

Available during the month of Sep., Oct., Nov., Dec., Feb. excluding school holiday

For booking please ring Eva on 0405 180533 after 3.30pm

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