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SFCC Newsletter #5 - 27th April 2021

Message from Mr Abernethy

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News from the Junior Years Religious Education Leader

https://sfccdw.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1840/newsletter_term_2_week_1_2021.pdf

Australian Early Development Census

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2021 NSWCCC Swimming Championships

On Monday 29th March, St Francis had two students attend the NSWCCC Swimming Championships. We would like to congratulate Nicolas C (Year 7) and Bella G (Year 10) who represented the College and Diocese extremely well.

Bella performed outstandingly on the day, taking home 4 gold medals (100m butterfly, 200m freestyle, 400m freestyle and 100m freestyle), 1 silver medal (100m backstroke) and 3 bronze medals (50m backstroke, 50m freestyle and 50m butterfly).

Bella set a Championship record in the 100m Freestyle with a time of 59.02 seconds. Bella was awarded the NSWCCC 16 Year Girls Age Champion.

Congratulations to both Bella and Nicolas on your wonderful achievements!



Cross Country Trials

On Monday 29th March, we held the Cross Country trials at school. We had a large number of students trial on the day and give their best effort running the 2km and 3km tracks. We would like to congratulate the following students who have qualified for the next round of competition.

2021 Primary Cross Country Diocesan Team

Age Group	Name and Class
8/9 Year Boys	Luke S. 3G Siddi M. 4B Thomas T. 3R
8/9 Year Girls	Aleyah B. 4B Alyssa B. 3R Phoebe S. 3R
10 Year Boys	Noah F. 4B Matias M. 4R Ninep D. 5G
10 year Girls	Casey B. 4B
11 Year Boys	Alexander F. 5R Christian A. 6B
11 Year Girls	Emily V. 6G
12/13 Year Boys	Shaun B. 6G Anwin J. 6G Jean C. 6G
12/13 Year Girls	Ada M. 6G

2021 Secondary Cross Country Diocesan Team

Age Group	Name
12/13 Year Boys	Nikolas K Ojas G Joseph S Sharbel D Robert C Zach H
12/13 Year Girls	Ava C
14 Year Boys	Nikhil S Aidan N Brayden M Sebastian B
14 year Girls	Stephanie G Alina A
15/16 Year Boys	Bella G Tamirrashe M
15/16 Year Girls	Anthony C Daniel M

Over the past two days these students have travelled to Nowra to compete at the Diocesan Cross Country Championships.

Student Report from Year 10 Camp

https://sfccdw.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1816/year_10_camp_report.pdf

Junior/Middle/Senior Years Assembly

Bronze Awards

Congratulations to the following students on achieving their Bronze award at our recent assembly held at the end of Term 1:

Year 1

Levi C
Noah P
Daniel G
Sosefina M

Year 2

Faye M
Leah B
Reya S
Tabitha B

Zeel M
Jairus Z

Year 3

Nathan G

Year 5

Ethan Z
Nirvaan S

Silver Awards

Congratulations to the following students on achieving their Silver award at our recent assembly held at the end of Term 1:

Year 5

Mia C

Year 9

Sasha B
Marie-Desiree T

Gold Award

Congratulations to Liam on achieving his Gold Award.



Student Achievements

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their St Francis College Medallion:

Year 4

Victoria G & Adison P

Year 5

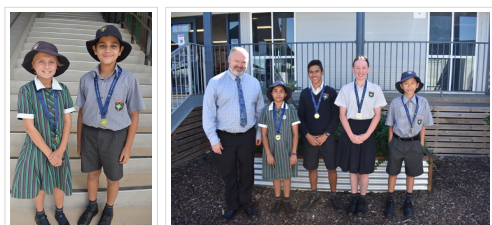
Arianna F

Year 6

Callum T

Year 10

Bella G & Jacob S



This term Year four are learning about different types of soil and rocks so that they can understand how humans and natural processes such as erosion change the earth's surface.

As such, the year four students enjoyed coming together as a grade exploring a range of different types of soils such as sand, clay, and loam.

They were encouraged to explain what they could see, hear and feel and recorded observations in their science books!

Regards

Year 4 teachers

Australian Swimming Championships

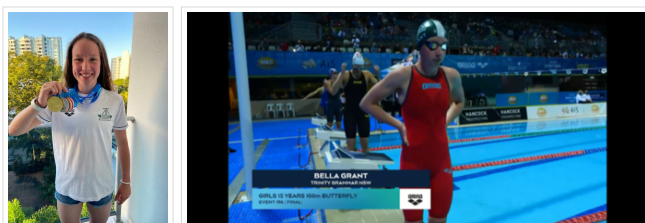
Recently two of our students Bella G and Stephanie G attended the Australian Swimming Championships at the Gold Coast.

Stephanie competed in 5 events over 6 days, and placed 14th in the 200m Backstroke.

Bella attended her second nationals, qualifying for 9 events over 6 days. Bella took 2 bronze medals, a silver, and a gold medal 1st and was crowned Australian champion in the 100m butterfly for 15 year old girls.

Her results were as follows:

200m backstroke - 3rd
100m freestyle - 8th
200m butterflystroke - 5th
400m freestyle - 4th
100m backstroke - 7th
400m individual Medley - 3rd
200m freestyle - 2nd
100m butterflystroke - 1st
200m individual medley - 6th



Debating

During the school holidays a group of students attended a debating workshop. We went back to school for an entire day to learn about debating with Miss Sultana and Mrs Spencer, and boy, did I learn a lot! For most people, Debating might just be arguing, and you're not the only one who thought that, until I joined the club for the first time. Although, it's more than speaking, it's proving your argument to the other team, building leadership skills, developing confidence with public speaking, working cooperatively, making friends, and so much more.

During the debating workshop we had our first practice debate and the topic was 'that the internet brings more harm than good'. I loved the speeches, and enjoyed listening to each and every one of the speakers. Although every one of the speakers sounded BREATHTAKING, there could only be one team who won each debate. Debating is so much fun and I am so lucky to be part of the team as the publicist- we even got pizza! It's going to be an edge-of-the-seat thriller! One debater stated "I had a lot of fun competing and just being there at school learning new things".

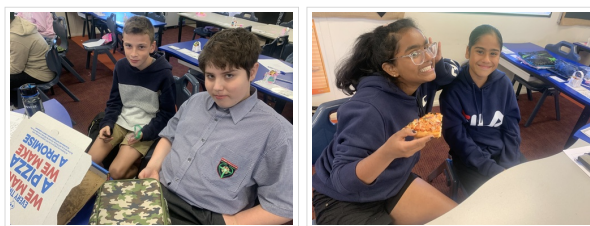
It's going to be an absolutely remarkable year for the one and only debating club!

Written by Sophia A

Debating Publicist

Primary Sport

Over the next few terms, students in years 3-6 will have the opportunity to participate in various team sports through 'gala days'. These days are non-competitive and no prior experience in playing the sport is required to participate. More information about these gala days is available on a note sent out via Compass. If your child is interested in participating, please read and complete the note on Compass by 30th of April 2021.



Year 4 Science



Early pick up procedure

Recently we have noticed an increase in numbers of parents have been coming without any warning to pick their child/ren up early from College Reception. We would like to remind you that if you are picking your child/ren up early and they are in K-4 you will need to send an email to their teacher, prior to the pickup day/time explaining why they are leaving early in. This will allow the teacher to organise them to be sent to the College Reception with their bag ready for pick up.

If your child/ren are in years 5-11 you will need to write a note in their diary explaining their early pickup and the time they are to leave. Your child/ren will then show their class teacher, at the appropriate time and will be allowed to leave to meet you at College Reception.

Lost Property

We still have a considerable amount of glasses and cases in our 'Lost Property' at College Reception. If your child has lost a pair of glasses and you can identify them, then either yourself or your child can come and collect them from College Reception.

