



# The College of St. Paul's

## Residence Read

Whoever **you** are, whatever **your** story, **you're** welcome here with us.

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Dear Residence Community

Can you believe we are already at the end of May with Term 2 holidays just around the corner? Where has the year gone?

As I write this, Victoria has gone into another snap 7-day lockdown due to another COVID-19 outbreak. I'm happy we can play some part in supporting our Victorian families by having residents stay in over the weekend so they can continue their learning this week without little interruption.

As always, the Learning in Residence has been a busy place over the last couple of weeks. Winter sports are in full swing and we have had several boys playing AFL footy for their local communities on the weekends. The Urana reserve grade side has several of our senior boys playing and have recently recruited our Head of Boys' Residence Nik Wheeler to play for them. The Urana Football Club have been brilliant to the Boys' Residence, allowing us to transport several of our boys to training every Thursday night. This has meant the boys can get a good training session in during the week. There are also several girls involved in local netball competitions and congratulations to Isabel McRae who is helping to get a Girls' residence team up and running. We plan to play against the Scots boarders; and we would also like to have a 'daughters vs mothers' game early in Term 3!

Our fulltime residents attended the Albury Escape Rooms last Saturday, and our girls group managed to solve their escape under 45 minutes and were the fastest group to complete the escape since the business opened 3 years ago! Way to go girls!

The firepit at the Boys' Residence has been a popular gathering spot every Friday night with Mr Waite and the opportunity to toast marshmallows and spin a few yarns amongst each other! There has been lots of baking with Mrs Burns in the Girls' Residence over the last couple of weeks with our resident master chefs, Meg Barry and Regan Nugent whipping up delicious treats for everyone.

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**The Learning in Residence  
will be open for the  
Queen's Birthday weekend**

Please like and follow our Learning in Residence Facebook and Instagram pages. They are updated most days with all the great things our residents are doing. Just search @stpaulsresidence or stpaulslearninginresidence



Last week we celebrated National Boarding Week, although it is always boarding week here in the Learning in Residence. It was great to see our residents dress up in their pyjamas for breakfast and dinner on the Tuesday, including Mrs Tassell, Ms Bradford and the Wheeler family also joined us in their pyjamas for dinner!

The Boys' residence AFL tipping competition is starting to heat up, with Riley Kenny in the lead with 60 points, although there is a large pack of boys chasing him down, just one point behind.

We are taking the Learning in Residence on the road again next week, this time to Wagga Wagga for the Boarding Schools expo on Friday and Saturday, June 4th and 5th. If you are in the neighbourhood or know of anyone that maybe looking at boarding at St Paul's for next year or 2023, please stop in and say hi!

With the end of term fast approaching, a friendly reminder the Learning in Residence will close on Friday, June 18th at 4pm.

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

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## Equine News

Our resident equine students have been busy practising their sport after school and on the weekends.



2022 Enrolments for the Learning in Residence are now open. If you or someone you know are thinking of enrolling their child in the Learning in Residence (Boarding) please contact the College for a tour or enrolment pack on (02) 6029 2200



## Girls' Resident of the Week

### Week 5

#### Kit Senini

In recognition of your continued amazing attitude towards supervisors and your peers. You always meet expectations, you are a role model for your peers to look up to and follow, you are always polite and well spoken, you are focused and work hard during study and it is a pleasure to have you in our community.



### Week 6

#### Lucy Bramley

In recognition of the effort Lucy put into making our Learning in Residence video, her amazing attitude and dedication to both sport and equine. Lucy is always up early in the morning and goes off for a run and has now inspired other girls to join her. This award was well deserved!



## Prayer

*Almighty God,  
Holy Lord, Thank You for grace.  
Please help me move beyond the  
hurdles that trip me up and give  
me the strength and wisdom to  
look up and see the hope I run  
toward in Christ.  
I pray, Amen.*

## Girls' Residence Update

Before Mother's Day the Year 10 girls presented me with a beautiful bunch of handpicked flowers from garden along with chocolates that we shared, and a photo of them all. It made me realise how privileged I am to work with such thoughtful happy young women. The residence is an extended family in which lots of sisters live together and I'm sure many parents will agree when I say we can do many emotions in an hour and life is never dull, but watching the girls support, care and give each other advice makes it all worth it.

It is constantly difficult to choose Resident of the Week, however Tess, Isabelle, Nikita and Kit are all worthy recipients having a positive attitude towards living in residence, caring for, and about their peers and working hard towards their goals in education. Hayley, Clarissa, Meg, Belle, Regan, Sarah, Charlotte and Hayley Butt all won cleanest room this month. These girls have set such a high standard in how well they keep their rooms.

We have enjoyed being back with the boys for dinner on community night. The weekly quiz has been lots of fun and has proven to be very competitive. Baking is still popular in the girls' residence with some lovely scones, cakes and slices being produced over the weekends. Last week we celebrated National Boarding Week with the residents wearing pjs to dinner. Afterwards Clarissa and Zoe cooked and served French Toast to the other senior girls while the juniors enjoyed making pancakes. Isabel has been training some of the younger girls in netball and Lucy has produced a short video about life in residence here at St Paul's. It's brilliant to see the girls come together and express their creativity in many ways as we celebrate how different each one of them is.

### Mrs Jackie Tassell, Head of Girls' Residence

I love working in residence because of all the different personalities, which makes every day interesting. In the last few weeks Belle has been busy in the craft room producing some great work and Meg has been learning to sew on our sewing machine. Evie, Regan, Meg, Jordyn, Chloe and Charlotte have been busy getting fit by running and playing football. Last week with the cooler weather, the girls have watched some movies together. It's good to see them enjoy each others' company and relax after a busy day at school.

### Ms Vicki Bradford, Girls' Residence Supervisor

### From the Residents

I have been a full-time resident at St Pauls college since Year 7 in 2017 and wouldn't change it for the world. I have developed into a self-sufficient independent person through the years and am grateful for everything that being in residence has taught me. I love the hustle and bustle of weekdays and the relaxed weekends; I have developed friendships I cherish, and I don't think I would be doing nearly as well in school if I wasn't a resident. As a full time, resident for many years there have been difficult times, but I have always been able to gain support from the other residents. I can honestly call the residence my second home and I am honestly a little upset to be graduating next year.

### **Makayla Quinn** **Year 11 Resident**

## Boys' Residence Update

With another active schedule planned within the residence this term, the boys have been engaged and eager to take part in activities, studies, routine and have plenty of fun on the way. One important thing that I have noticed so far, is that the majority of boys have been making it a priority to get fit and look after their health and wellbeing - taking the opportunity to be involved in physical activities and being active during the week and weekend.

With the changes to our study structure, it's been beneficial for the residents to be more focused to complete assignments and use their quiet surroundings to be productive, whilst using their study time wisely.

The cold weather has hit us in Walla Walla, but the frosty mornings and chilly nights won't stop us continuing our intensive activity programs. Our community dinner, community sports, AFL tipping, table tennis singles competition, Adrenaline fitness class, AFL training and gym sessions are always a highlight throughout the term and it's great to see most of the boys be involved.

The Year 9s recently attended the Rite Journey Camp and the Year 10s were out in the workforce on work experience, so during that week it was relatively quiet in the residence. I hope they all made the most out of their experiences and enjoyed their week developing new skills and relationship building.

**Nik Wheeler (Head of Boys' Residence)**

### Laundry Service

The Learning in Residence offers a paid laundry service to our residents. The cost for this service is \$110 per term. Our wonderful laundry ladies will wash, dry and fold residents clothing on certain days of the week for both boys and girls.

If you would like this service for your child, or require more information, please contact Mr Kris Wheeler.



### Birthdays

We have celebrated Ruby Jones, Edward Davis and Christopher Kernaghan's birthday over the last couple of weeks. Happy birthday to you all, we hope you had a wonderful day!

## Boys' Resident of the Week

### Week 5

#### Hunter Gibbons

Hunter has shown enthusiasm and consistency in many areas of the Residence this term. Not only is he excelling in his studies, his time management skills, manners and positivity have been noticeable throughout the community. Hunter keeps a clean room, is on time, attends breakfast in the morning and is friendly towards all the boys and girls in the community. It's awesome to see the progress Hunter has made and we all look forward to seeing more of the great qualities he brings to us.



### Week 6

#### Medhi Daghagheleh (Michael)

It's been noticeable over the past weeks that Michael has been working extremely hard with his studies and education. He is often found over in the Hub after school, putting in extra time in all areas of his subjects. It's a credit to him and I hope, for his benefit that it shows in his grades. Michael has also been a great role model for the younger residents on the weekends and has helped supervisors on many of occasions, when needed. It's also great to see Michael extend his friendships and support others when needed. Congratulations Michael, this award is thoroughly deserved in many ways.



# What's Been Happening...



*ANZAC Day*



*Beechworth visit*



*Boxing session*



*Morgan's Lookout*



*Baking class*



*Cooking breakfast*

# What's Been Happening...



Arts and crafts



Grace Routley



Make your own pizza night



Kit Senini



Meg Barry



Thomas Sinca



Pyjama Party



Table Tennis competition

