From the Principal

Welcome Back to Term Two

In my welcome to students (ELC to Year 12) and staff in our assembly this morning, I encouraged all of us to look at the coming term as an opportunity to truly master something. It could be related to an aspect of academic study (long division, for example), a daily habit (keeping your room tidy, consistently) or a focus on further building positive and strong relationships with others (the giving and receiving of compliments).

We all know that to master something takes practice, with plenty of checks and balances along the way. Regular feedback, rigorous questioning and trial and error are all key parts of the mastery process. This is how we all learn and it is what I see, throughout each day, in our varied learning environments around our school. I look forward to hearing from students, parents and staff of the ways in which you are achieving mastery in your daily lives.

“We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.” Aristotle

Staff News

Further to information already sent to individual families regarding staff changes, I share with you the following:

Cathy Lange (Prep School) has accepted a position with the Department of Education as their Deputy Director of Music. This is a wonderful achievement. Cathy will be taking a Leave of Absence from Pulteney from Week 5 of this term for the remainder of the year. We wish Cathy well for her new and exciting venture after 32 years at Pulteney! Laura Gray, a very well-known Prep School replacement teacher (who has taught at every year level in Prep) will care for Cathy’s Year Four class.

Libby Parker (one ninety) has taken up a new opportunity to pursue her passion for writing and community engagement in a communications role at Parliament House. Libby has been a valued member of our teaching staff since 2014. Jamie Pantsaras (a skilled English and Humanities teacher already employed at Pulteney) will support the majority of classes previously taken by Libby and we welcome Jan McInnes to Year 11 English, a subject in which she has many years’ experience.

Claire Brideson (Early Learning) has accepted teaching contracts commencing this term with the Department of Education. We wish Claire every happiness and success in her new role and thank her for her wonderful work over 5 years with our youngest students. While further recruitment for ELC staffing is to be finalised, our younger students are being supported by our skilled ELC staff, Virginia Bubner and Katrina White. In addition, Barbara-Anne Francis has been appointed as a new ELC Educator.

Mark Webber, Head of Mathematics, is taking a term’s Long Service Leave this term. Anna Williamson will be Acting Head of Mathematics during this time and Mark’s
classes will be supported by Anam Dhanji who, last term, taught mathematics across Middle School and one ninety. We welcome Ann Kennedy back from a term of Long Service Leave and I take this opportunity to thank Lauren Sutter for her pastoral care of Bleby-Howard House during Ann’s absence last term.

Commonwealth Funding of Education

With the media squarely focused on Federal Budget commentary at the moment and the importance of education funding rating highly (quite rightly) in editorial and various opinion polls, I felt it appropriate to provide parents with some factual information via links to some further reading.

- The Association of Independent Schools of South Australia provides regular updates regarding education funding on their website and via media releases; these can be found here: http://www.ais.sa.edu.au/communications-news-media/current-issues
- The Independent Schools Council also provide regular updates on their website: www.isca.edu.au
- A copy of the Federal Government’s plan is available at: https://docs.education.gov.au/node/40671.
- Labor’s plan can be found at: http://www.laborsplanforeducation.com.au/labors_plan

Anne Dunstan
Principal

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From the Chaplain

Our Easter ‘Risen Life’ & ‘Spirit Filled’ Journey to Pentecost

We are six weeks into the liturgical season of Easter. Whilst memory of hot cross buns and the chocolate glut have faded, the important messages of Easter need not. It has been a great privilege for me to share with students what being an ‘Easter People’ means to Christians in their everyday life. It has been a thought provoking part of my own faith journey since becoming a chaplain.

Easter is full of meaningful metaphors and human realities. It is about dying and rising to new life, it’s about unconditional, sacrificial love; new opportunities for growth, for renewal; it’s about love overcoming ambivalence, apathy, even hatred. Easter is about hope and a willingness to embrace the cosmic mystery and fullness of life. A chance to step confidently away from the concrete, literal and explicit, and embrace the ephemeral and spiritual aspects of our lives.

When Easter is mentioned it is easy to understand why the shocking remembering of Good Friday- Christ’s crucifixion and death, followed by Easter Sunday and Christ’s unbelievable, miraculous and mysterious resurrection to new life, dominates one’s thinking. However, the season of Easter should be saturated by the hope filled, miraculous presence of the ‘Risen Lord’ in our ever day lives.

Lord, help me to live this term
quietly easily
To lean on your great strength
trustfully, restfully
To wait for the unfolding of your word
patiently, sincerely

Anne Dunstan
Principal

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Uniform Shop

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The Pulteney Shop would like to welcome back all Students and no doubt they are looking forward to the commencement of Term 2.

We would also like to welcome all the New Students commencing their education at Pulteney Grammar School.

Term 2 is full Winter Uniform with the exception of one-ninety who have a ‘mix and match’ uniform except for Chapel and Full School Assembly when they are required to wear their Formal Uniform.

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Shop Manager
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Admission to Communion

In Term 2 there will be a formal ‘Admission to Communion’ program in the Prep school. It will focus on Year 3 however anybody can be part of this. If you or your child are interested, please contact me. The special Admission to Communion Service will take place on Friday, 1 July, 8.50 am. For older students and community members it could be followed up by Confirmation in Term 3 this year or in years to come.

The Magdalene Centre

As the glorious Autumn weather turns to Winter the Pulteney Community continues to be generous in its regular contributions. Donations can be brought to the Chapel Foyer. Baskets have been labelled so that we can sort and care for your donations.

Children, church and singing.
I have received correspondence from Anglican parishes keen to include children in their parish life by offering opportunities to sing in choir programs. If this is of interest to you and your child please contact me.

Chaplaincy Contact 2016

I work with the whole school community and will be at Pulteney every school day. I am available at other times to conduct special services, such as baptism, blessing, weddings, funeral and memorial services.

I can be contacted at any time. Please email michael.lane@pulteney.sa.edu.au, phone 8216 5512 or 0434 297 879 or contact the school office.

Deep Peace,
Michael

Friends of Pulteney

Email address: friendsofpulteney@gmail.com
2016 Meeting Dates

19 May
23 June
28 July
30 August
6 October
10 November
or should be able to exert complete control over what takes place in there – even though it is just made up of tiny cells and connective tissue. For many people, this illusion of control can lead to prolonged suffering.

As a society we are led to believe the more control we gain in our lives, the less suffering we will endure and the greater likelihood we will be happy. One only has to look as far as the businesses, health professionals, authors, personal trainers and so on, that promise if you change your diet, lose weight, undertake treatment to promote hair growth, have whiter teeth, get more sleep each night etc., then you will be happy. Our society is geared towards the notion that if we take stock and have more control in our lives, then we will be happy. And yet, there are so many aspects of our lives that we simply do not have control over. We do not control what others say or do to us, we can’t control whether we are struck down by a sudden illness, just as we can’t control when a loved one will die. All these factors can lead and contribute to unhappiness. The reality is, in the grand scheme of things, we have little control of what happens to us. Furthermore, when we do have control, it often impossible to maintain.

I am by no means advocating a wholesale rejection of control. We need to be in control of what we say and do to others, just as we need to be in control when we get behind the wheel of a car. The rationale I am endorsing, is that if we attempt to control all of the cognitive processes that take place in our minds, including the irrational thoughts, the uncomfortable feelings, images or sounds that arise, then we are likely to experience increased suffering.

So if control is not the answer to increasing our wellbeing what is? Many psychologists argue that along with lowering your expectations of happiness and placing less personal responsibility in achieving it, we need to learn to better manage the uncontrollable. In other words, we need to figure out what we can and can’t control and drop the struggle with the uncontrollable.

Chris Clements
Psychologist

Futures

Information on Careers is located on our School website at http://www.pulteney.sa.edu.au/students/futures/ The following topics are covered this week.

Bond University Scholarships now open
Applying to the Australian Defence Force Academy
Young Endeavour: 2016 Youth Development Voyages
SAE Open Night - Wednesday 4 May
Academy of Interactive Entertainment Open Day – Saturday 21 May
Digitally Enabled Workforce
How Facebook Can Help (or Hurt) A Student’s Job Prospects
Urban Planning Resource
Local Government Careers

If you have any questions concerning careers or related topics, please feel free to contact me on leeanne.bryan@pulteney.sa.edu.au or 8216 5553.

Leeanne Johnston-Bryan
Coordinator of Futures
Parent Teacher Student Meetings

On Tuesday 10 May and Wednesday 18 May, Parent Teacher Student Meetings will take place in the Centre for Senior Learning commencing at 3.50pm, with the last appointment being at 8.20pm. All meetings are 10 minutes duration.

I am pleased to inform you that the Parent Teacher Student Meeting booking facility for Years 7 to 12 are now open and spaces are filling fast.

Please refer to the map below for details on the interview rooms, which are all located in the Centre for Senior Learning.

Kind regards

Greg Atterton
Deputy Principal

Senior Sports Notices

Anglican Cup

On Wednesday the 11 May, Pulteney will once again be hosting the annual Anglican Cup competition against Pedare, Woodcroft and St Johns Grammar. Selected students will represent Pulteney in Football, Soccer (boys & girls), Hockey (mixed), Netball and Basketball (boys & girls). I encourage everyone to get along on the day and support our students. The carnival will commence at 9.30am and conclude at 2.45pm. As Year 9’s are involved in NAPLAN next week they will be expected to sit the Reading Test prior to participating in the Anglican Cup. It is expected this test will be completed by approximately 10am. Students may change into their required sports uniform prior to the test in order to participate promptly after completion of the test. Under no circumstances can exemptions be made for students to play Anglican Cup, we thank all students and parents in advance for their support.

The link below has a copy of the program for the day.

Netball

YEAR 7, 8 & 9 NETBALLERS: Please take note of the following points:

1. A reminder that training starts this week on the following days and at the following times, (and will continue for the rest of the season):
   
   Year 7 A&B: Thursdays 3:45 - 5pm
   Year 8 and Yr 9 C: Thursdays 3:45 - 5pm
   Year 9 A&B: Tuesdays 3:45 - 5pm

2. Internal Trials will be held this Saturday morning, 7 May, from 7:45 - 9:00am, on the South Tce Courts. These trials are compulsory for all players.

3. Please join the 2016 Netball Edmodo page using the code ns2bc5.

If you have any questions or cannot attend training or trials for any reason, please let Ms Reed or Ms Petherick know asap.

YEAR 10, 11 & 12 NETBALLERS: To receive the latest updates about squads, updates, matches and so on, please join the 2016 Netball Edmodo page using the code ns2bc5.

Thank you
Ms Reed & Ms Petherick

Secondary School Sport South Australian Track and Field Championships

After an absence from The SSSSA Track and Field Championships, Pulteney Grammar School returned to once again compete in this prestigious competition, in Division 1 (B grade). A competition that schools from around the state travelled to participate and compete in.

A sunny day greeted the Pulteney athletes on Wednesday 13th of April down at Santos Stadium. Using the Athletics Rungie Cup competition results, a small, yet competitive squad represented the school on the day.

Unfortunately due to illnesses, injuries and study commitments a number of students selected were unable to participate meaning that other students needed to fill these events, and those who did so, did an outstanding job.

Although Pulteney did not achieve the overall success that we had hoped for all the students involved on the day did themselves and their school very proud. A special congratulations to the following students for placing 3rd or better in A grade events:

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Prep Sports Notices

AUSKICK
Commences this Sunday, Morgan Oval, directly behind Glover Playground at 10.00am to 11.00am. Please bring out receipt and registration to the first session.
If you haven’t registered and you would like to be a part of Auskick go online to aflauskick.com.au and we will look forward to seeing you this Sunday.
If you have any queries re Auskick please contact Bill Davis, bill.davis@pulteney.sa.edu

Year 6 Netball
I am in need of 2 or 3 girls to play netball on a Friday afternoon in terms 2 and 3. If your daughter would like to play in the Yr 6 team, please let me know ASAP. Please contact Bill Davis, bill.davis@pulteney.sa.edu

Winter Sports
Yr 2,3,4 Netball matches commence next Monday, May 9.

All other sports commence week 2, Friday May 13 or Saturday morning May 14.

Students received a letter on Tuesday outlining details of their respective sports, except Hockey which will go out Thursday.

Bill Davis
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