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How important is an education in the contemporary world? Most people would agree that it is hugely important if children are going to reach their potential and access the best opportunities to use their God given gifts. The fact is that an effective or relevant education has probably been very important at any time in history, including pre-history.

I am well aware that most parents at Redeemer make significant and in some cases huge sacrifices to send their children to Redeemer. Usually a statement like this is interpreted as relating to financial sacrifice. The reality is that parent's love in regards to educating their children goes well beyond the financial. For parents to make the time to help their children learn to read, socialize in difficult circumstances, help them find their interests and talents; is a huge sacrifice in time, patience, energy, commitment and discovery. Sadly, too many parents in our wider society do not give of themselves in this way to their children.

Any school, but particularly a Christian school, should be complementing the sacrifices made in the home. School education is more than just teaching information and knowledge. It is also about sharing a love of learning, a love of life, a confidence in the future, a journey of life-long discovery. Additionally, a Christian school is about making all in its community feel valued and loved. A poor exam result or subject grade, or even an excellent exam result or subject grade, is soon forgotten, but a community where we feel we have a belonging; that memory can linger a life time and inspire a life.

As Redeemer works with parents and students to foster and maintain a community where love is real, in the times when we fall short, it is in those times that we need to ask why we care or why we should care. Care is, after-all, the fraternal twin of love. It is the awareness factor that allows us to see the needs of others, launching ultimately into sacrificial giving and love.

The celebratory events of Term 4 are **where love comes to life** for the whole community to see. These events truly reflect the beautiful outcomes of overcoming struggles and making sacrifices for the individual and the community. As our graduates leave and our continuing students roll into 2016, I hope you will join me in joyfully reflecting on what has been, and look forward to the rewards of caring for each other next year.

Mr David Radke
Principal

Chaplain's Column

Hope and Peace in Christ



When we view some of the horrid events that have taken place around the world this year, we should acknowledge that we are indeed in a blessed country. Sometimes I feel that we can become complacent and take too much for granted.

Jesus was no stranger to horrid events. In fact he was embroiled in them and was the focal point of them. Jesus' birth, while innocuous on the surface, had an incredible impact on his life and on the lives of those around him and his community. Herod's edict for the slaughter of innocents (Matthew 2:16) goes down in biblical history as one of the worst genocides conceivable.

Jesus and His family became refugees seeking safety in another country, only to return many years later when the dust had settled and found themselves displaced. Nazareth was now to be their home town. Jesus can relate to all those who have been disenfranchised by those in power.

I hope and pray that as a result of events in the world over recent times that those who genuinely seek refuge will find it, and those who desire peace will have it. Ultimately, the peace we may find in Christ surpasses anything the world offers.

Every blessing to you all,

Mr Col Stiller
Lay Chaplain

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Redeemer hosts the Lutheran Church of Australia 18th General Convention of Synod

Redeemer Lutheran College was transformed from a school into a convention venue in the second week of the September school holidays for the Lutheran Church of Australia (LCA) 18th General Convention of Synod. Over 150 volunteers from within the Redeemer and Our Saviour Lutheran Church community assisted with organising the convention which was the biggest event ever hosted at Redeemer Lutheran College in our 35 year history.

While the actions of our staff and volunteers might not be spoken of quite throughout the whole world, they're certainly being spoken about in the whole of Australia as delegates and visitors from the Lutheran Women of Australia (LWA) Convention and the LCA Synod returned to their home congregations in various parts of our continent and share their Redeemer experiences with family and friends.

Redeemer was proudly on show to approximately 800 guests (including 423 registered delegates and close to 400 visitors and 'locals') who attended the convention from across Australia and New Zealand. In Principal David Radke's

opening welcome to the convention, Redeemer was referred to as "the school in the garden". Comments have continued to flow in over recent weeks about the beautiful grounds and facilities at Redeemer. Numerous comments were also made about our staff and volunteers. Some comments were about the "superb" music or the "amazing" technology or the "inspiring" worship services. Many spoke of the warm welcome that "embraced us as soon as we walked in". One lady was pleasantly surprised that the volunteers could actually answer her questions. Several visitors commented on the teamwork and the positive spirit with which our people did their jobs.

Our visitors and delegates experienced faith in action over the week-long event. The daily worship services fed their faith. So too did the small acts of service and welcome where our staff and volunteers became the hands and feet of Jesus. Long after our visitors forget the specific details of the week, they'll remember how the sharing of Christ's love made them feel.

Many volunteers offered to stay beyond their allocated shift, or to come again the next day, or to do extra and different jobs. No matter what challenge had to be met, there was always a willing person offering to do whatever needed to be done.

At a post-gathering of the District Synod Planning Committee, the LCA staff and the Bishops hailed the Rochedale Synod as the best one ever. This is mentioned, not with the intention of skiting, but in order to celebrate what can be achieved when many people are involved and each one does his or her little bit – "Where love comes to life". The synergy of teamwork is a formidable power, and when God has his hand on what we are doing, we can truly experience Philippians 4:13 "All things are possible, through Christ who strengthens me."

For more information, visit:

 redeemer.com.au/news/blog/redeemer-hosts-lutheran-church-general-synod

“On behalf of the Office of Bishop, I’m writing to express our sincere thanks to Redeemer Lutheran College for hosting the LCA General Convention of Synod.

We are extremely grateful to your team for the energy and commitment you brought to ensuring the Convention of General Synod was well organised and an uplifting experience for the delegates and visitors who participated in it.

We particularly acknowledge you, your staff and volunteers from the school community worked long hours both before and during the days of Convention to ensure that all our needs were met and issues that needed to be attended to were addressed in a timely way.

May God continue to bless you and your college community as you serve the community through a Christ-centred education.”

PETER SCHIRMER, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CHURCH

“A sincere thank you to you for the wonderful way in which you prepared and organised the Redeemer facility for synod. Well done!

PASTOR MARK NITSCHKE, GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, NOOSAVILLE

“What a night! The ‘Jazz and Shiraz evening HOSTS (Hands of Our Saviour Together in Service) organised for the 2015 LCA Synod was a true highlight of our Lutheran family coming together.

The jazz and shiraz (and beautiful food) served up in the beautiful Redeemer surroundings were a delight... but there is a far deeper service you have given that I want to express my thanks. Service is giving of yourself for the benefit of another.”

CHEY MATTNER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, ALWS

“I start out on the journey of trying to say an adequate thank you to you personally and your amazing staff team at Redeemer for ALL your tremendous work and support in making the LCA’s Eighteenth Convention of Synod such an organisational success.

Thank you. Thank you all. I thank God for you.”

“I believe the organisation, processes, spirituality and the amazing local people, your welcome and the setting for this Synod will give those who attended, hope to take home with them.”

REV NEVILLE OTTO, SECRETARY, LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA





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New Senior Chaplain

Introducing Pastor Damien Martin



My name is Pastor Damien, my wife is Tamara, our children: Zaylia, who will be joining Year 4 next year, Elias, who will be going into Prep next year, Annika, who is currently 3 years old, and Reuben, 6 months old.

We are coming to you from Dimboola and Jeparit, which are small country towns in the back blocks of Victoria. To put things in perspective; the town we currently live in is smaller than the student population of Redeemer and my regular worshiping congregating is half the size of the staff at Redeemer. I cannot wait to arrive and serve you as Christ served his disciples.

In God's peace,

Pastor Damien

Building and Grounds Update

Senior School Courtyard



A grant was also recently received by the college for the installation of large shade sails which now cover the newly renovated Senior School Courtyard. Special thanks to the Redeemer Parents and Friends Committee for also contributing towards this project!

Air-Conditioning Rollout

Throughout the course of 2015, air-conditioning continued to be rolled out across the Senior School campus. Installations have recently taken place in SH Block throughout September and SE Block has just been completed ready for the new school year. This recent work now sees the majority of teaching spaces in the Senior School air-conditioned, with the Junior School being fully air-conditioned.

Business Directory

An initiative of the Redeemer Parents and Friends Committee



Support the Businesses that Support Redeemer!

The Redeemer Lutheran College Community Business Directory serves to connect families, staff, alumni, and supporters of our college throughout our community in a practical and mutually beneficial way.

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Redeemer Fair 2015

On Saturday 24 October, Redeemer's gates overflowed with students, staff, parents, friends, families and community members for an afternoon of fun and an evening of celebration. The Parents & Friends Management Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the Redeemer community for their unwavering support of this very important event in the school calendar.

Redeemer Fair in Term 4 is a school tradition that allows the Redeemer community to come together with the wider community and celebrate all things Redeemer. A wonderful display of our school spirit, our music and arts talents and of course our ability to work together as a school to ensure an enjoyable event.

For more information, visit:

[.com redeemer.com.au/news/blog/a-fantastic-fair-2015](http://redeemer.com.au/news/blog/a-fantastic-fair-2015)

Springboard

Springboard 2015, Redeemer's annual showcase of student work from the curriculum areas of Art, Design Technology, Information Technology and Food and Textile Technology failed to disappoint crowds yet again at the opening night on Wednesday 21 October 2015.

While proud parents and many new visitors to Redeemer enjoyed the work on display, guests were also treated to a student fashion parade, music performances and refreshments from our Hospitality students. Springboard 2015 was also open throughout Redeemer Fair on Saturday 24 October 2015, where thousands of visitors to Redeemer had an opportunity to take in the impressive work on display!

For more information, visit:

[.com redeemer.com.au/news/blog/springboard-showcase-2015](http://redeemer.com.au/news/blog/springboard-showcase-2015)

Welcome to Redeemer's Newest Resident!



On Thursday 30 July we welcomed a new resident to the Redeemer campus! A stray Koala which turned up across the road from Redeemer at Rochedale Markets, was given a new home at the College in a large Tallowood tree near Notts Cottage behind SE Block. Redeemer has been home to a number of Koalas throughout the College's 35 year history, known famously as 'Elizabeth'.

What the video clip here:

[facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranCollege/videos/vb.114626201906631/873498799352697/](https://www.facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranCollege/videos/vb.114626201906631/873498799352697/)



Helping Hands' First Birthday



July 2015 marked one year since the 'Helping Hands' Yellow Van had its first run around the neighbourhood! There has been only one Friday night it did not run. It was the Friday night of the Musical when half of Brisbane was in the grips of flash flooding so the Van went out Saturday morning instead.

Doing the maths, 52 x 30 people (on average) gives you an idea of the number of conversations with community members and the help offered over the year. Of course, each night they are mostly the same faces, but nearly every night we meet someone new.

We celebrated this First Birthday in July by giving gifts to the Helping Hands Van. Food items that have a long shelf life and toiletries were gratefully received. Senior School Home Groups brought items to school and placed them around the altar during their devotion in Redeemer Chapel, while Junior School students brought items to the MPC and placed them on the stage for devotions during their Assembly.

For more information, visit:

redeemer.com.au/news/blog/helping-hands-first-birthday

2017 Scholarships

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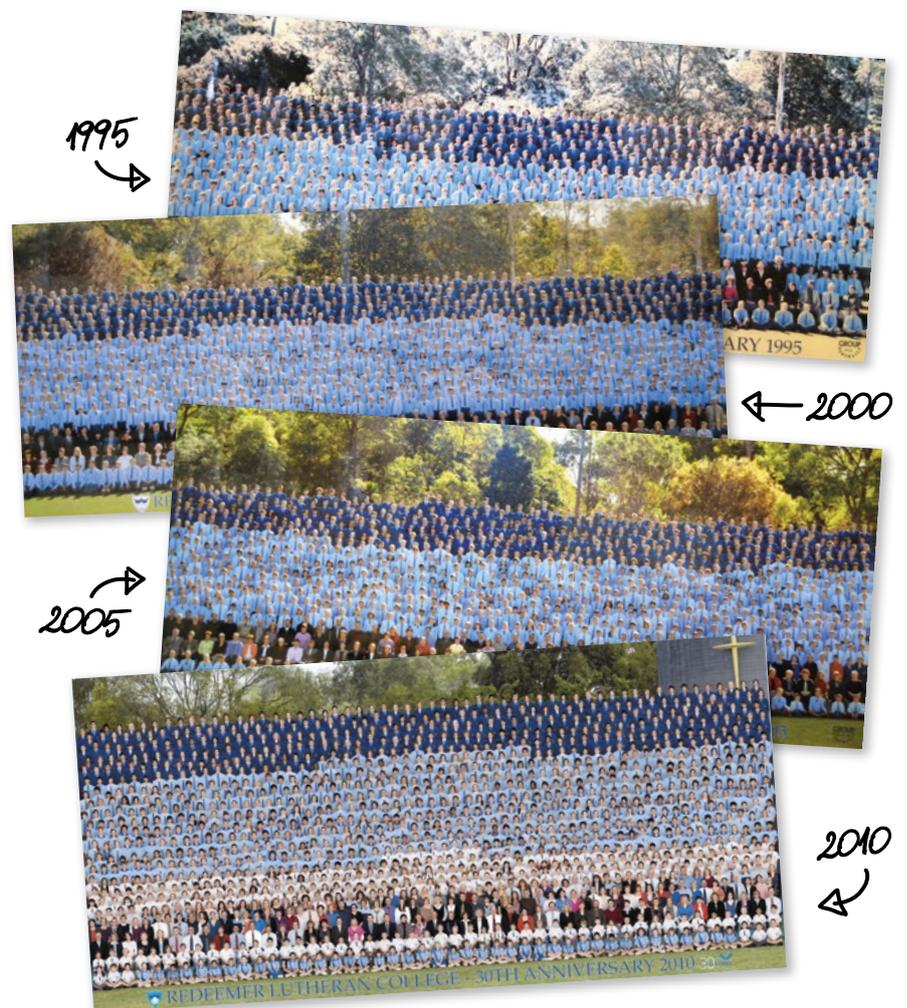


35th Anniversary Whole School Photograph

Since 1995, a whole school photograph has been taken every five years to capture the moment in time at Redeemer. This year's photograph which was taken on 30 July 2015, commemorates the 35th anniversary of Redeemer Lutheran College.

Past students who were at Redeemer in 1995, 2000 and 2005 will certainly never forget standing sky high up the top of towering scaffolds to ensure the whole school could fit into the photo! Digital technology in recent times has meant that whole school photos are now taken as a series of photos, with each Year level taken separately and compiled for the 2015 photograph.

A wonderful keepsake for our students on their journey through Redeemer Lutheran College.



Senior School News



Mrs Anastasia Strong
Head of Senior School

Reflecting on 2015

As I reflect on the behaviour and efforts of our students throughout 2015, I feel grateful and blessed that we work with such fantastic young people each day.

The Academic Honours List highlights students who have made an excellent effort in their academic studies, but there are many students whose names do not appear on the list who deserve a pat on the back for their diligent effort this year.

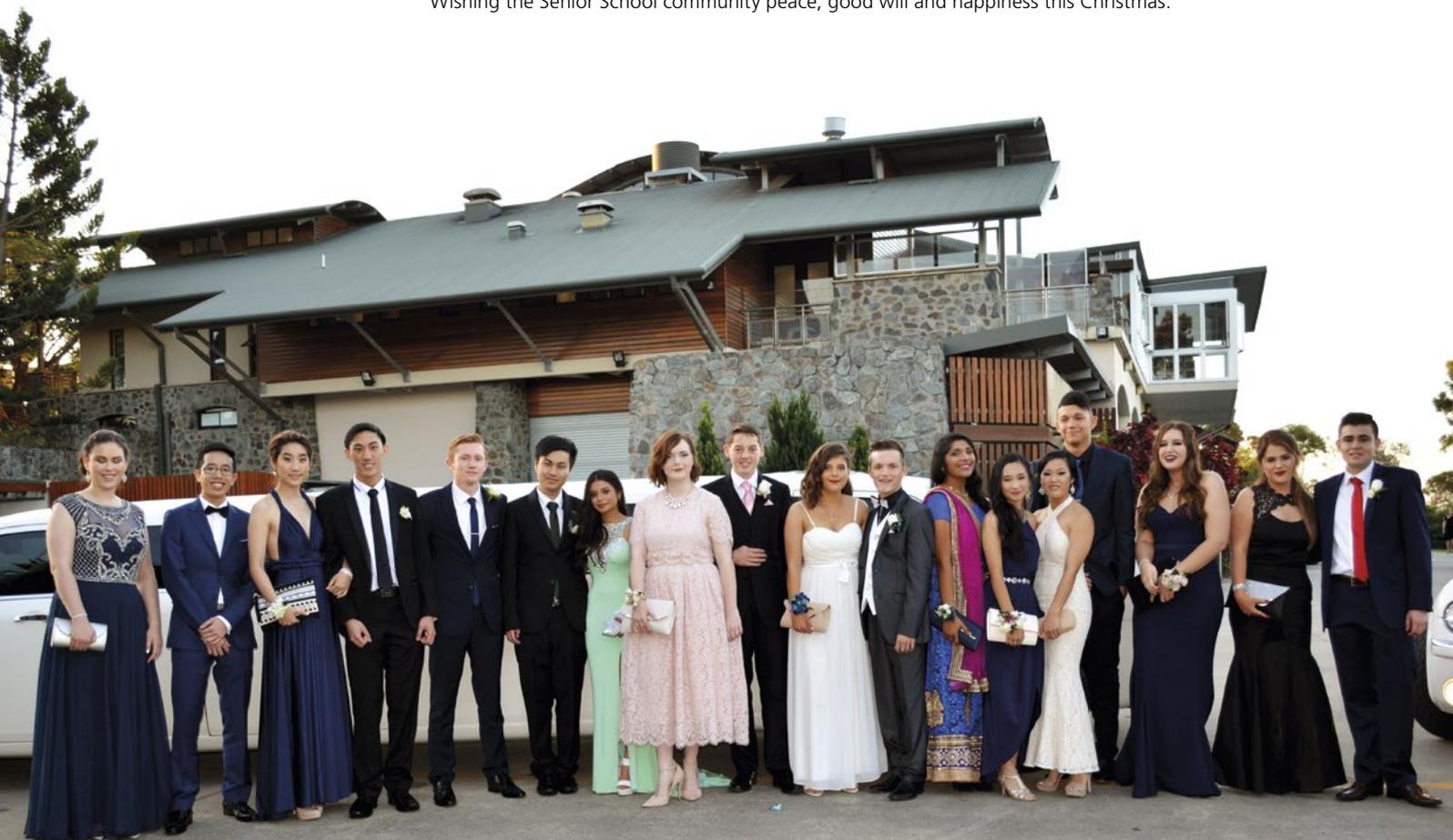
We also celebrate the students who have served the Redeemer community in various ways in 2015. Congratulations to the students recognised for their efforts through the annual Service Awards. Whilst these awards recognise outstanding effort, many students have given significantly to the College community and have embodied the values of the College in their interactions with others. This year, our students donated items to Helping Hands, the Christmas Box Appeal and raised funds for the Leprosy Mission, Hear and Say Centre, Leukaemia Foundation and Beyond Blue. Redeemer students have made a difference to the lives of others through their service and contributions.

Students in Years 7-12 competed in various House events this year showing enthusiasm and loyalty to their House. The Pastoral Care Leaders evoked great House spirit during the year with the help of their House Captains. The House Shield for 2015 was awarded to Ramsay House! All Houses battled hard in each competition, but Ramsay had the edge in 2015.

I wish to thank the students, teachers and parents for their ongoing support and commitment to our co-curricular programs in 2015. The highlight of the 2015 cultural calendar was the musical 'My Fair Lady' which resembled a professional production in every way. Special thanks to all the dedicated parents who have supported our sporting programs throughout the year, your efforts are very much appreciated.

Sincere thanks to the Senior School teachers, Pastoral Care Leaders and support staff who put their heart and soul into serving the students and their families each day - they make Redeemer a very special place.

Wishing the Senior School community peace, good will and happiness this Christmas.



Shibakashi Day 2015



About three hundred students and staff from our Japanese Sister School, Shibakashi, came to spend the day with Redeemer Senior School students as part of their annual five-day study tour on Friday 19 June 2015. The Senior School Japanese students acted as leaders for the 32 groups of Shibakashi visitors, providing them with support throughout the time they were here.

The day started with Redeemer's Worship Band and a Welcome Ceremony where a few of the Redeemer Japanese students had the opportunity to display some of the excellent Japanese language skills they have acquired over the past few years.

After morning tea, students from both Shibakashi and Redeemer shared in a cultural exchange in Home Groups. This was particularly enjoyable as it provided many Redeemer students with the opportunity to meet the Shibakashi students they had exchanged letters with earlier in the term. The Shibakashi students guided the Redeemer students through activities such as making straw sandals, origami, calligraphy and Japanese traditional games.

After the Home Group activities there were sporting matches in Volleyball, Basketball, Dodgeball, Ultimate Frisbee and Soccer. Redeemer achieved mixed results but overall everyone enjoyed themselves and language proved no barrier to intercultural understanding.

After a great concert which included music performances from Redeemer students and a Japanese dance demonstration by Shibakashi, it was hard for many to say goodbye to their new friends as the day came to an end.

Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians



A number of our students recently took part in the 2015 Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians. This is a problem-solving activity organized by the Australian Mathematics Trust which is aimed at top performing students in the subject. The program is aimed at mathematically interested and talented students who are in the top 20 per cent in schools around Australia and overseas.

Of those who participated in the challenge at the Intermediate Level, the top 15% receive a High Distinction and the next 15% receive a Distinction.

Of those who participated in the Challenge, Teresa Poon (Year 8) achieved a High Distinction, and Sean Cosijn (Year 8), Harry Yin (Year 8), Wesley Yang (Year 9) and Mathew Huang (Year 10) received Distinctions.

Congratulations to these students who entered the competition and did so well.

Year 9 Outdoor Education Experience



Throughout Term 4, two groups of Year 9 students had the opportunity to spend four weeks at Camp Tuckekoi on the edge of the Mary River Valley and Noosa Hinterland.

View more pictures and read about the adventures of our students on the Tuckekoi Blog:

[.com redeemer.com.au/news/blog/tuckekoi-blog-2015-1](http://redeemer.com.au/news/blog/tuckekoi-blog-2015-1)
redeemer.com.au/news/blog/tuckekoi-blog-2015-2

Year 7s Visit Botanical Gardens and Planetarium



On Tuesday 21 July, the Year 7s set off to the Mt Coot-tha Brisbane Botanical Gardens to investigate and classify different living things as part of their study of Biology. From birds, to ferns, to trees, the students were able to learn the scientific processes of identification and classification. Students were given a booklet and walked around with Education Officers who introduced them to the world of various types of living things, lagoons and forests.

In the afternoon session, students travelled through space and saw the wonders of the dwarf planet, Pluto (just visited by the New Horizons spacecraft last week, in fact!). The world of planets, orbits, constellations and nebulae surrounded us as we lay back and looked up at the planetarium dome.

Haiku Poem Pots



Year 9 Visual Art classes, from 2014 and the current 2015 cohort, had the honour of having their terracotta Haiku Poem pots on exhibition at Logan Art Gallery. These tall slab vessels average around 50cm in height. Students have displayed meticulous skill in the construction and decoration processes to illustrate the Haiku poem which they wrote in Yugambah language (the indigenous language of this region). This is a very special opportunity to have student work in a stand-alone exhibition space with other practising artists.

Senior School Interhouse Athletics Carnival



Thursday 25 June 2015 was 'Field Day' for the first day of the Senior School Interhouse Athletics Carnival, and Friday 26 June 2015 was 'Track Day'! Congratulations to Ramsay House for winning the carnival with 3815 points!

Marshmallow Tower Challenge



During lunchtime on Thursday 6 August, the Senior Resource Centre was filled with the noise of creative, vibrant discussions and the sound of marshmallow munching. The first ever Marshmallow Tower Challenge brought together six teams of students from Years 7-12 to try out their engineering skills. The challenge set was to support the weight of one marshmallow on the highest possible tower made of no more than 20 sticks of dry spaghetti, 1 metre of string and 1 metre of masking tape.

With team names like 'Hot Chocolate' and 'I can eat more marshmallows than you', it was certain to be imaginative. One team even made a literary nod with the name 'The Deathly Marshmallows' (Harry Potter).

The winning team of Alex Craze, Josiah Laurens and Ethan Chung, all from Year 7, opted to strengthen their tower rather than go for height and in the end it paid off. Theirs was the only tower still standing after the timer buzzed.

Junior School News



Mrs Kelli McKeiver
Head of Junior School

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

Semester 2 has flown by and here we are at the end of another year. We have seen our students grow in their learning, grow in maturity, grow in their friendships, grow in their faith and most obviously, how they have grown physically. The Lord our God has a plan for each of us, for staff and students. He provides for us each and every single day and this year he has given us many wonderful moments.

Here are some of the cherished moments and reflections on Semester 2 2015:

"My personal highlight was seeing how much the students have grown and developed during the school year. I am always amazed at how independent my class becomes by the end of the year! It has been a pleasure getting to know each child in my class and their lovely families." Mrs Nicola Pennisi

"A highlight for my students was the Fair and being able to spend time socialising with their friends in an exciting, community based environment. They loved seeing staff and their peers participating and enjoying the Fair. They were so excited even in the days after the Fair to share what they had done and who they had seen." Mrs Renee Brattan

"The students loved the Year 6 Canberra Tour. It was an amazing time of growth and development for our students spending one week in Australia's capital city." Mrs Corin Fudali

"Moving into the new Year 4 Flexible Learning Classrooms has been a highlight in Semester 2. Parents often mention or comment on how exciting and amazing the new rooms must be for the "students", but fail to realise how much we, the teachers, also enjoy the new environment." Mr Nathan Weil

The highlight for me this semester was to see the Junior School now fully located in permanent facilities. All of our Junior School students can now work in purpose built, flexible engaging environments to facilitate their learning.



Book Week 2015



Each year, Redeemer Junior School library devotes a special week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators, highlighting the Children's Book Council Australia (CBCA) shortlisted books.

The library promoted lunchtime activities that reflected this year's theme of **Books Light up our World**, and offered competitions and storytelling to highlight the importance of reading. As part of our promotion, the college hosted three authors, Dave Hackett (Cartoon Dave), Cameron Stelzer (The Stroogle + Pie Rats) and James Maloney (The Book of Lies Series).

On Friday 28 August after the costume parade, the day was spent in rotations where classroom teachers and library staff developed activities relating to the shortlisted books. There were so many fabulous costumes this year. The students enjoyed an action-packed day of activities. Thank you to all the families that support this event.

"I love Book Week. My favourite shortlisted book was 'Figgy in the World.' It had a special message to always care for your family and friends." **Sienna Dodimead**

"The parade was amazing. I liked all of the different rotations and hearing all the different books. My favourite rotation was 'One minute silence' where I learned more about the ANZACs." **Jasmine Finn**

"Book Week was great. I liked seeing everyone in their costumes. I liked all of the different activities that we got to do." **Hayden McKenzie**

Experience Redeemer 2016 College Tours



Take a closer look at Redeemer

- Term 1 Wednesday 16 March 2016, 9am-11am
- Term 2 Wednesday 18 May 2016, 9am-11am
- Term 3 Wednesday 3 August 2016, 9am-11am
- Term 4 Wednesday 19 October 2016, 5pm-6pm (Twilight Tour)

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Year 6 Canberra Trip



On Sunday 13 September, Redeemer's Year 6 students departed and headed for Canberra. Here are just a few snippets of some of the students' reflections on the trip.

"I learned that CSIRO invented Wi-fi. That's amazing and really cool." [Rachel Hodgkinson](#)

"I will always remember the night I went to Questacon. I went on the big drop. It shocked me how fast I travelled." [Hamish Sayers](#)

"I liked how there were so many different types of weapons on display at the War Memorial. Going to KIDZONE and sitting in a real helicopter was pretty amazing." [Ethan Robinson](#)

"I liked it when we stood on top of Parliament House. It was so windy up there. The view was incredible. We could see all the way to The Australian War Memorial and on to Mt Ainslie. We had a photo taken so we could remember." [Ojas Munjal](#)

"I will always remember the day we visited Parliament House. We got a new Prime Minister! This made me very happy. There were lots of people and reporters there." [Riana Taiaroa](#)

"The accommodation at The Australian Institute of Sport was really good and the staff were lovely to us. I thought the beds were really comfy." [Isabella Daley](#)

"My favourite thing was going on the big drop at Questacon. I wasn't frightened. It was fun to be so adventurous." [Sarah Ward](#)

"I will always remember the Earthquake Room at Questacon. It shocked me how awful it felt. I can now imagine what a real earthquake might feel like." [Erika Sorrensen](#)

For more information, visit:

redeemer.com.au/news/blog/year-6-canberra-tour-201

Dads and Lads



A total of 30 dads and 40 lads attended the two Dads and Lads camps at Stradbroke Island over two weekend in late October and early November. A fun time was had by all with participants enjoying each other's company. Activities included swimming, beach cricket, gorge walk, spotlight and other games.

Prep Lone Pine Excursion



The Prep students headed off on their long awaited trip to Lone Pine. The weather was fantastic and the bus trip was a first for some students. The aim of the excursion was to consolidate the work we have been doing on animals. The Lone Pine Guides gave a great talk on animal adaptations, with special focus being given to the types of body coverings various animals have. Preps had the opportunity to touch a snake, pat a koala and hold a chick. For most children, the highlight of the day was feeding the kangaroos and even feeding some imposing emus! The Sheep Dog Show gave students an insight into how dogs can be used as more than just pets and allowed students to see where the wool comes from to make our clothing. After a fun filled day, there were many tired students and teachers on the bus ride home!

"I enjoyed feeding the kangaroos because it tickled my hands." [Ishani \(Prep JL\)](#)

"I liked patting the snake. It felt soft not slimy." [Jonathon \(Prep JL\)](#)

"I loved having lunch with the koalas." [Calara \(Prep JL\)](#)

"Holding the baby chicks was good because we had our photo taken with them." [Geordi \(Prep JL\)](#)

Year 4 Classroom Refurbishments

On Friday 23 October, there were many excited Year 4 students as 4NW and 4DB moved back to their refurbished classrooms, complete with new furniture, and 4SC relocated into their newly built classroom. Year 4 parents were also invited to attend this 'Opening'.

The Year 4 classrooms have been designed and furnished to allow for maximum flexibility to enable teachers to personalise learning for each individual student.

For more information, visit:

redeemer.com.au/news/blog/new-year-4-classrooms



JS Swimming Carnival



On Monday 9 November, Years 3-6 participated in the Junior School Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to Lavarack House for taking out first place with 476 points!

JS Athletics Carnival



On Wednesday 24 June, Junior School students headed over to Scurr Oval for their Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to Ramsay House for taking out first place with 995.5 points!



Principal's Report



The focus on the academic life of the College for 2015 began at the start of the year when we celebrated the results of the graduating class of 2014. We were pleased to congratulate the following three students who received an OP1: Tim Kiemann, Ben Kleinschmidt, and Maryse Warbrooke. Overall, the class of 2014 performed exceptionally well exceeding the State average in the OP1-5 category by nearly 22%.

The College's annual Springboard showcase earlier this term presented a rich, diverse and very high quality display of student work from the Visual Arts, Design and Technology, Home Economics and Information Technology. For the first time, student work from Film and TV was on display. Again, the Springboard program was supported by the Music Department to showcase the exceptional talents of both staff and students. It was a perfect match of culture and technology. From the Principal's perspective, the 2015 Springboard Showcase was especially well presented and all staff and students should be extremely proud of their work.

In 2015 Redeemer's NAPLAN results continued to reflect the academic success experienced across the College. For the third consecutive year, our student scores were higher than State and National averages in every area tested in every year level. Tracking of cohorts over the last eight years continues to indicate that Redeemer students improve at a greater rate than their State and National counterparts. This success is testament to the support of our parents, the commitment of our students, and the dedication of all staff across the College.

Throughout 2015, broader learning activities continued across the College with the 2015 Canberra Tour being the first year in which only Year 6 visited Canberra. The Canberra Tour's move to Year 6 makes it a significant mountaintop experience of the Junior School into the foreseeable future.

In delivering its academic program, Redeemer remains committed to providing high expectations and rigor across the College, in a manner which is supportive of all ability levels in order that students can maximize their learning according to their ability.

The ever increasing use of devices at Redeemer, the on-going and expanding use of a Learning Management System, and

utilisation of flexible learning spaces in both the Junior and Senior Schools are not end goals in themselves. Rather these tools and approaches to teaching and learning are provided to teachers and students as alternative means for higher learning engagement. These evolving tools and practices stem from the Australian Curriculum and Australian Institute of Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) Standards, both requirements of the Queensland State Government. These government initiatives include the expectation of utilising e-technologies and require Redeemer, along with all Queensland schools, to develop new pedagogical strategies to incorporate teaching and learning approaches such as more individualised student learning, collaborative learning between students, and an increased focus on encouraging creativity.

First and foremost, Redeemer is focused on maintaining its high standards in literacy, numeracy, science and general knowledge, and the retention of traditional academic knowledge and skills. These are still important requirements in almost all work places and they are essential for tertiary study. Redeemer also must prepare and equip its students for a life engaged with e-technologies, and we will do so in an evolving manner in line with broader developments across education.

Survey results plus general and specific feedback continue to highlight Redeemer's excellent pastoral care across the whole college. Redeemer seeks to continually improve its Pastoral Care service to its families and, where possible, to the wider community.

Redeemer's House system provides many avenues to strengthen relationships across the various year levels. The annual Pavement Art competition across both sub-schools is just one of the House competitions where students can build relationships, and exercise their creativity in a fun and meaningful way.

This year, the transitioning of Redeemer Year 6 students to the Senior School for 2016 and beyond was very well received by students and parents. The transition process, established last year, continues to include a Transition Passport for Redeemer Year 6 students going into Year 7, as well as a range of familiarisation activities which have occurred since the beginning of Semester 2 2015. Year 6 students also competed in the 'Transition Cup' which involved sporting and trivia contests throughout the year. The Year 6s had their timetable modified as 2015 progressed preparing them for the two week cycle that operates in the Senior School. Other personal organisation initiatives also assisted the Year 6s in their awareness of what will be required of them in 2016. I take this opportunity to thank all Staff who have supported these initiatives in 2015.

At Redeemer, students are encouraged to be involved in community service activities. There are many community service activities that our students have enthusiastically supported, through the Student Council in the Junior School, and through the Student Committees in the Senior School. These activities allow students to reflect, considering others less fortunate than themselves and to unselfishly give of themselves and their resources.

In the Senior School, some of these activities included ReCycle raising money for the Leprosy Mission, World's Greatest Shave supporting the Leukemia Foundation, and Lunch on the Green raising money for Beyond Blue.

The Junior School has continued to support charities with this year's focus on "Helping Hands". Students recognised that the actual Helping Hands van has ongoing costs and wanted to support this community outreach. The money gathered from Chapel offerings paid for new tyres for the van.

In addition to the Junior School support of "Helping Hands", the whole college has extended itself even further in its involvement. Student and community support has seen an increasing number of students in the Senior School giving up their time on a Friday evening to help on the Van roster, and I was indeed humbled by the Year 12s this year making a substantial donation to support this important service. In the wider community, Our Saviour Lutheran Church continues to staff the Van over the holiday breaks and the Helping Hands Van has attracted personnel (roster) support from the Algester Scout movement.

There has been an abundance of highs in the 2015 Performance Music year with all ensembles consistently exceeding expectations through memorable, outstanding performances. A tremendous weekend of 'My Fair Lady', perhaps the finest musical Redeemer has staged, was just the icing on the cake for a very busy and productive Performance Music program.

All College ensembles continued to have a strong presence at various highprofile competitions in 2015. Senior Concert Band and Stage Band participated in the Gold Coast Eisteddfod, one of the biggest school competitions in the country, and placed highly in both sections. Earlier in the year, Senior Concert Band also placed third at the prestigious Queensland Youth Music Awards. Intermediate Concert Band and Year 6 Band took out Gold Awards at Queensland's MusicFest while Junior Concert Band, in their first outing at this particular event, won a Silver Award. Chamber Strings, Intermediate String Ensemble, Senior Singers, The Fellas, College Choristers and Junior Choir were all awarded at the Redlands Eisteddfod and, as usual, all Performance Music ensembles delivered stunning and polished programs for events such as Redeemer Fair, the Redeemer Concert Series, Springboard and at numerous services and concerts including the Queensland Youth Orchestra's Concerts at Twilight series at Brisbane's Old Museum Building. A number of Redeemer students were successful in gaining positions within the Queensland Youth Orchestra organisation for 2016, our most ever, and we are extremely proud of each of them.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Music staff whose love of what they do, and their expertise in their roles, inspires our students on a daily basis. Music is valued very highly in the Redeemer community; this is evident in the strong participation by students and their outstanding achievements. I would like to thank the Music Supporters Group and the many other parents for your ongoing support and encouragement of our hard-working and talented young musicians, and I would also like to thank the students for your commitment and enthusiasm – you are fine ambassadors for the College.

2015 has been an interesting year at Redeemer in regards to Sport. There were challenges and there were individual and team highlights. The principal acknowledges that the challenges were very real and need addressing as soon as practical in order to rightfully support those students, staff and parents involved.

The broader picture of Redeemer Sport for 2015 portrays a community who loves their sport and is very respectful of its importance in a holistic education.

JTAS was again superbly supported by students and parents with both outstanding team and individual carnival results. Of particular note were seconds in SLAPS and JTAS Swimming Carnivals, and third in SLAPS Track and Field Carnival.

In the Senior School, three Premierships (Boys Tennis Firsts and Year 10 team, and Girls Hockey Seconds) were achieved in the highest level of TAS; an outcome like this has not been achieved by Redeemer for many years. Furthermore, fourteen other teams were placed in the second to fourth rankings which was a very commendable achievement. In each of these sports, students displayed courage, commitment and loyalty to their team mates and the College under challenging circumstances and their performances individually and as teams were exceptional. Attaining a sufficient number of players was a challenging issue in a couple of sports. In 2016, Redeemer will dedicate considerable time and energy to strengthening Sport.

I am very appreciative of the hard work and commitment of our Sports staff, including the many coordinators and coaches who kept Sport running throughout the year. Thank you to parents for all you do to support Sport at Redeemer – from providing transport, being involved in the various Supporter Groups, to being the cheer squad or simply providing encouragement when needed. And last, but certainly not least, thank you to the students who are willing to commit time, energy, and enthusiasm.

The College has continued to invite parents and students to provide feedback to the College via a range of surveys. This will continue in 2016. Via the use of these tools, Redeemer seeks to better serve its student and parent community, both in its day-to-day operations as well as its forward planning. I encourage parents to complete surveys as they are made available. I assure you that your feedback is welcomed and valued.

Community partnerships with the P & F and Our Saviour Lutheran Church have once again been of great benefit to the College in terms of building a strong caring community that models responsible citizenship to our student community, participation through service to others and expressing and exercising the care and love of Christ.

Throughout this year, the P & F have continued to support Redeemer through its traditional activities of the parent Supporters Groups and Fair. They have continued to investigate new initiatives with the aims of strengthening the P & F through its fund raising and friend raising activities. This was seen in many ways this year, one such example was the introduction of Year Level Parent Facilitators and the restructuring of the Fair Committee.

Speaking of the Fair, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Fair Committee, as well as each and every parent, student, and staff member who contributed to such a wonderful event. It is always a huge effort, but an effort which is richly rewarded, not only through the funds raised, but through the friendships made and strengthened as people work together for a shared goal.

Principal's Report cont...

Another P&F achievement during 2015 has been the establishment of an online community Business Directory! This P&F initiative serves to connect supporters of our college in a practical and mutually beneficial way. The Directory provides a unique opportunity for College families to promote their businesses and offer special discounts direct to our community.

Every year I am amazed by the outcomes from the efforts of the P & F and 2015 was an excellent example of parents generously giving of their time and talents in order to support staff and students.

2015 was a big year for our partnership with Our Saviour Lutheran Church as, together, we hosted the 2015 Lutheran Church of Australia General Convention of Synod. This event occurs every three years and is held at different locations around Australia. 2015 was Redeemer's and Our Saviour's time to shine. We had approximately 800 people each day who needed accommodation, transport, catering, and support in whatever way was needed. The purpose of this Convention was to bring delegates from every Lutheran Church in Australia to one place in order to conduct important business. This required a huge amount of organisation and logistical support. I am proud to say that the staff of Redeemer and the members of Our Saviour Lutheran Church rose to the challenge working together to meet every need. The theme of the Convention was "Where Love Comes to Life" and I certainly experienced that every day of the Convention.

As in previous years, Our Saviour's support of the co-curricular program, Christian Dance, the reading and giving of Bibles to the Junior School and their support of the Redeemer Fair, continued to be significant contributions to the community life of Redeemer in 2015.

The Redeemer community also includes our more mature friends. Each year we look forward to welcoming the many Grandparents and Special Friends of Redeemer students. This is a very special day for families and one that makes lasting memories for all involved.

As you are all aware, 2015 was a special year as it marked the centennial of the ANZAC landings. Redeemer's ANZAC observance commenced with a Dawn Service, followed by a shared breakfast with all who attended. This ANZAC observance involved members of our wider community as well as the students of the Christian Life Committee.

Redeemer's partnerships also extend beyond our shores. The annual visit of Redeemer's Japanese sister school, Shibakashi, again provided students with a positive and personal interaction with another culture and a sharing of cultural experiences, sport and the arts. The day is educational in the broadest sense of the word and provides families with the opportunity to have lengthy and healthy discussions regarding cultural interaction.

The College's capital program aims to provide contemporary facilities which effectively support the wide range of academic, sporting and cultural programs on offer.

This year, Redeemer continued its development of the Middle Years precinct with the additional of a basketball / netball recreation space. The Senior School Courtyard was completely

redeveloped, providing covered outdoor spaces for learning and for socialising. Two new flexible learning areas have been created, one in the Senior School in Room SM9 and the other in the Junior School, being the new Year 4 classroom; this classroom completes the building of permanent classrooms for the Junior School.

Other capital works that have been carried out this year include further airconditioning of the Senior School and the upgrade of the Swimming Pool amenities.

Over the Christmas holidays, work will be carried out to upgrade the facilities in the Kleinschmidt Centre and the College will begin a pre-emptive painting maintenance program that will see the entire College repainted within the coming years.

It is with sadness that we farewell staff, both teaching and non-teaching, who have served the College for a number of years. We thank each of them for their service to the families of the College and wish them all the very best for the future. I thank the following staff who left Redeemer at various times during 2015: Bill Clarke, Adrian Ford, Vicki Francis, Kerwyn Kleinschmidt, Kim McInnes, and Bill Walker. I would also like to thank staff who are leaving at the end of this year: Catherine Andress, Marianne Bell, Anita Robinson, Kristy Schaeffer, and Margarete Wallis.

Redeemer has a wonderful staff culture, one that is rich in service, care and professionalism.

Throughout 2015, academic staff have worked very hard in their service to families of Redeemer. I would like to pay tribute to the marvellous contribution which they have made on a daily basis. With the common motivation of their Christian faith, they have provided a committed, accepting, forgiving and empowering environment. They have been enthusiastic for their subjects and classes, energetic in engaging students, and evolving in the ways in which new ideas and material have been presented. They have set high standards of professional service and have provided care for and support for each other and their students.

Looking across the College, I see overwhelming evidence of hard working, committed and loyal staff in the non-teaching area as well. The beautiful grounds of the College have continued to impress community members and visitors alike and are evidence of a dedicated and creative grounds and maintenance staff. The cleanliness of our facilities equally reflects a cleaning crew who are professional and proud of what they do. Elsewhere the support staff of the College directly serve the needs of parents and visitors through the various Receptions or in their roles of assisting teachers.

In all cases, the compliments that flow from the community to the College about the work of all our staff are always appreciated.

In closing, I thank the College Council for their leadership of Redeemer this year. At the governance level of the College, it has been an interesting year as the Council grappled with the ever changing needs of 21st century education. I thank College Council for their dedication, guidance and support of the College Executive and of me personally.

Mr David Radke
Principal

College Council Report



As 2015 draws to a close for Redeemer Lutheran College the highlights for me are as follows.

The beginning of this year saw the practices for the musical *"My Fair Lady"* begin in earnest. All of the effort, teamwork and talent by the students and staff culminated in the performances that were presented at the beginning of May. The performances that I saw were amazing and I have heard many

praiseworthy comments for all of the shows. The College Council sincerely thanks all the students and staff for their efforts to make each performance such a memorable experience.

The remodelling of the Senior School courtyard near SL Block was completed over the summer holidays. With financial assistance from the Parents and Friends Committee, shade sails were subsequently installed in this area. I understand that this area is well used by students during breaks.

The College's air-conditioning program for classrooms continued through the year with financial assistance from the P & F. In order to cope with the electrical demand of these units, the transformer for the Senior School was upgraded during the June/July school holidays. Many thanks to the staff who temporarily relocated themselves while parts of the College were without power for up to a week.

In September, Pastor Damien Martin accepted the College's call to the position of Senior Chaplain. Pastor Damien is currently serving the Dimboola-Jeparit Parish in Victoria. This Parish includes a Primary School at Dimboola. Pastor Damien will commence duties at the College in January 2016. Our thoughts and prayers are with Pastor Damien and family as they prepare to move to Queensland at what is a busy time in the Church year. I take this opportunity to thank the College's lay chaplains who have continued to serve the College tirelessly while the College was without a Pastor Chaplain.

In the middle of the year, work commenced on the construction of an additional Year 4 classroom in the Junior School. This room was built as an extension to the existing two Year 4 classrooms and was recently completed. Many thanks to the existing Year 4 students and their teachers and assistants who transferred to other classrooms while the construction work progressed. All three Year 4 classes are now located in these rooms. The additional room was joined into the existing building to allow for a maximum amount of flexibility between all three classrooms. This additional classroom will allow the building adjacent to the Junior School administration building to be removed. It is proposed to build a covered area on the vacated land.

At the end of September, the Lutheran Church of Australia, General Convention of Synod, 2015 was held at Redeemer

Lutheran College. The General Convention of Synod is generally held on a 3 year cycle and also includes the Lutheran Women of Australia National Convention. The months of preparation by the College prior to this event with the assistance of the Lutheran Church of Australia Queensland District resulted in a Convention that ran very smoothly. Many favourable comments were received about the way Convention was run and also about the quality of the College facilities. Many thanks to the College staff and the Our Saviour Lutheran Church volunteers and other volunteers who worked tirelessly to ensure that the Convention program remained on track and to ensure that all delegates were kept well informed.

Redeemer Fair, which is organised by the Parents and Friends Committee, again was a very successful event. Despite what was a gloomy day weatherwise, there was a solid attendance at the Fair. I understand that the profit from this event was one of the highest ever. On behalf of College Council, I thank the many parents, students and staff who volunteered their time over an extended period of time to make this such a great event. The Fair is a part of the Rochedale community.

Redeemer would not function as well as it does without all the work of the auxiliaries, such as Parents and Friends Committee, Sporting Supporters groups, Music Supporters, Redeemer Foundation, Our Saviour congregation and the list goes on. To all of the auxiliaries and the associated volunteers, I and College Council thank you.

I want to thank College Councillor, Darren Pope, who retired this year, for his service to the College over the past five years. I take this opportunity to thank the members of College Council who volunteer their time to serve as the College's governing body and ensure that the College remains founded on God's Word, the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Our Hope is in Christ"

Mr Ross Warbrooke
Chairman

The current members of the College Council are:

- Chair:** Mr Ross Warbrooke
Vice Chair: Mr Andrew Spyropoulos
Secretary: Mrs Sarah Dixon
Members: Mrs Elaine Forster
Mr Michael Hoopmann
Ms Margit Hubbers
Rev Robin Stelzer
Consultant: Mr Shaun McKenzie

Redeemer Lutheran College Foundation

The past year 2015, has been focused on the reestablishment of the Foundation with a view to position for future development and growth in 2016 and beyond. The year started with the development of the initial Purpose and Objectives for the Foundation.

Purpose and Objectives of Foundation

Purpose

1. The Redeemer Foundation exists to:
2. Source and Manage Bequests.
3. Recognise and Reward Achievements on behalf members bequests.
4. Fundraising.
5. Manage the Funds of Foundation.
6. Manage and Protect the Property and Assets of Foundation

Ongoing Objectives

1. Develop the Purpose, Objectives and Strategies in order to Understand and Re-establish the Foundation
2. Understand and Develop the Structure and Model of the Foundation including the Physical and Fiscal.
3. Renew and formalise the relationships with our Key Stakeholders – the College, Members, Community and Regulatory Bodies.
4. Develop a Communication Strategy in order to:
 - Communicate, Engage and Promote the Fact, Nature and Purpose of Foundation.
 - Inform the College Community regarding the options to contribute and donate to various avenues.
5. Tidy up the Legacy Arrangements.
6. Develop a Membership Growth and Fundraising Strategy.

I believe that the Directors have positioned the Foundation as best as could be expected this year to continue the development and growth of the Foundation over the next few years.

Membership

Membership of Foundation should and will be a key focus moving forward and this will be in line with the objectives as they are further developed and delivered into 2016.

2016

The next twelve months will hold a number of opportunities for the Foundation as it deals with the ongoing structure and next steps of establishment and growth to meet the future needs of the College.

I would like to thank the Directors of the Redeemer Foundation for their strong support during the past year.

Mr Nicholas Monsour
Chair

Parents and Friends Committee

Wow, this year has really flown! It feels like only yesterday that I was attending opening ceremonies for 2015, and here I am writing my end of year report.

2015 has been my second year as President and, once again, I see this position as an honour to hold. I would like to thank David Radke, College Executive Council and all school staff for their ongoing support of the P & F and our activities.

I would like to thank the rest of my wonderful management team publicly for, not only their support, but the endless hours of commitment that they have volunteered to allow our school to have such a good parent body. These amazing men and women have been the drive behind our executive this year and deserve congratulations on a very successful year.

Secretary: Amanda Drake

Treasurer: Nicole Mazzer

Vice President: Bianca Torluccio

Parent Representative Junior School: Natalie Pashen

Parent Representative Senior School: Juan Jefferey

Fair Committee: Brenda Nagel, Jacquie Garey, Sarah Perry, Teri Grandin

The P & F this year has undertaken to make some significant changes to the way things have been done in the past to allow future P & F members to have access to how, why and where different things happen within the P & F scope. Probably the most significant changes were made to the organising of our main fundraiser for the year - Redeemer Fair. These changes saw the Fair this year turn out to be not only a financial success but, more importantly, a community success. We have listened to everyone, including meeting with Senior School Student leaders to seek feedback from them.

We have also attempted to set up for the future a more transparent vision of exactly what P & F Funds get spent on, so that people can see the fruits of their assistance and how it helps support all the students now and well into the future.

As I mentioned earlier, this is my second year as President, and I would also like to advise the school community that I will not be seeking re-election next year due to work and family commitments. I have thoroughly enjoyed the past two years of being able to make a small contribution to making Redeemer the great school that it is.

I also would like to thank Nicole Wolf, Deb Tuner, Ross Groch, Peter Grant, Ross Watson and most importantly, Julian Schubert, for all they have done in the past two years.

In closing, I would like to strongly encourage you all to consider the opportunity of a position on the P & F Management Committee in the future as, without a strong parent body, you do not have a voice within the school.

Mr Rob Dunn
President

Rugby Supporters

Congratulations to our students. This year saw Redeemer Rugby players play with passion and commitment despite challenges in team numbers.

Rugby Supporters is a group of parents who volunteer to work serving barbecue items and drinks at Stoltz Oval for Rugby home games. Stoltz is a remote venue and this service is appreciated by players and spectators.

Thank you to everyone involved in this year's Rugby season, whether playing, coaching, spectating or working on the barbecues, your contribution is appreciated. I encourage new parents to get involved. It is an opportunity to support the players, meet other parents and create a sense of community at the grounds.

Funds raised during the Rugby season are used for the benefit of Redeemer Rugby. This year they were used to provide training shirts for the First XV, trophies at the Rugby Dinner and banked for future use.

I would like to especially thank, Janette and Carsten Mortensen, Dora and Tony Spinelli, Fiona Sayers, Julie Stanfield and my own children (Jayne and Aidan). These stalwarts made Saturday morning barbecues fun. Nothing phased them, without their assistance on Saturday mornings the Redeemer Rugby Barbecue would not have existed.

This is my family's last year of involvement in Redeemer Rugby and I would like to say how grateful I am for the opportunity to be involved as a supporter. I was able to contribute and show my support whilst celebrating my children's sporting achievements. I am thankful to my children who welcomed and supported my participation. I have met lovely people and built great friendships with other parents.

Get behind the new Rugby Supporters team next year and volunteer some time.

Mrs Angie Leeming
Rugby Supporters

Soccer Supporters

2015 was another great year for Redeemer Soccer, player involvement and skills were of a high standard. The games were engaging and entertaining. Thank you to everyone who assisted the Soccer Supporters group, especially the Leeming, Mortensen, Spinelli, and Stanfield families.

Monies raised though the home game barbecues go directly to the Soccer Supporters group. This year some of the profits were used for a break-up party, which was greatly appreciated by players.

Redeemer Soccer Supporters 2015 was heavily reliant on Year 12 parents for assistance. This has resulted in a void for next year. Please consider volunteering some of your time at a home game in 2016. Whether it's setting up first thing in the morning, serving at the barbecue, or packing up after the last game of the day, any time you can spare is valued. It is an opportunity show your support and to connect with other parents in a friendly relaxed atmosphere.

Mrs Angie Leeming
Soccer Supporters

RLC Cricket Club

2015 has seen the Redeemer Lutheran College Cricket enter its third year. Once again we have fielded four teams in the EDJCA competition this year with Under 9, 10, 11, and 12 teams. The ages of the boys involved ranges from Year 2 up to Year 6 at the college with a total of 43 children, with 14 of our players from Year 6.

Most teams have had some scoreboard wins which is a big improvement on last year, but win or lose, they are all having fun and the development of their skills and understanding of the game is visible.

In conjunction with improvement during matches we have had a few boys trial for representative teams with one, Tim Myatt, being selected for an Eastern Districts development team.

Coaching resources remain one of our greatest challenges. The major coaching success for the season has been our recruitment of Robert Ballarino, a grade cricketer from the Redlands Tigers Cricket Club, as our head coach. He has provided structure to training sessions that has often been missing in the past. Unfortunately without the support of enough other junior coaches he has been unable to provide the degree of individual attention we had been hoping for. Recruitment of coaching staff will continue to be a challenge into the future.

Up until now the focus of the Cricket Club has been very much at the Junior School level given the age of the participants, but I know there are some enthusiastic parents amongst the Senior School students as well and I hope that we can transform ourselves into being a Cricket Supporters club for the entire college over the next few months.

Dr Tore Eivers
President



Music Supporters

2015 Awards



What a fantastic year we've had in the Music Department in 2015! With a buzz of excitement our music performance groups gathered at the beginning of the year with record numbers of students participating in the program from Year 2 right through to Year 12. Once again, members of Music Supporters were on hand to fit performance uniforms in preparation for the year ahead.

The success of our musical "My Fair Lady" this year can only be attributed to the hard work and effort put in by all involved. Music Supporters were on hand during the many rehearsals to provide refreshments to the students and staff during their breaks from the rigorous schedule. We were also pleased to be able to purchase the much needed sconce lights for the musical orchestra shedding a little light on their music! Music Supporters volunteers are also involved in the various concerts held at school throughout the year collecting entry fees and organising supper during intermission breaks. These concerts not only give parents and friends an opportunity to hear their children perform, but also teach the young musicians valuable performance skills and above all give the opportunity to create beautiful music together.

Music performances at the Fair showcased our many very talented young musicians and the dedication of all of the wonderful conductors and accompanists involved. Music Supporters were once again involved in running the MPC Coffee Shop. As always, all of the proceeds of our various fundraising activities throughout the year go directly back into the music program. Of note this year we were able to put funds into the purchase of a vibraphone to be used across many of the ensembles with a plan to help with the purchase of other additional instruments to support next year's program.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff involved in the music program for their ongoing dedication and support and also the many parents who support their students in music. I would also like to thank the members of the Music Supporters group for their tireless efforts and look forward to doing it all again in 2016! If you would like to be involved in the Music Supporters Group in 2016 please don't hesitate – we'd love to see some new faces!

Ms Jodi Baptie
Music Supporters

2015 Valedictory Awards

The Anne Schmidt Perpetual Award for Meritorious Effort in Accounting	Maddison Ramsay
The Parents & Friends Award for Excellence in Ancient History	Anne-Marie Ryland
The Judy Kuo Award for Biological Science	Celine Haddad
The Dr Myra Seeto Award for Business and Commerce	Madeleine Lalic
The Peter Wu Award for Chemistry	Christanny Schmidt
The Glover Award for Excellence in Christian Studies	Rochelle Warbrooke
Excellence and Service in Drama Award	Jessica Bertschy
TLC Training Solutions Award for Excellence in Early Childhood Studies	Rochelle Warbrooke
The Sean Frieberg Memorial Prize for Economics	Sze Min Ng
The Noël Chan Award for English	Maddie Howe
The Ted Balfe Memorial Prize for English Extension	Not awarded in 2015
Award for Excellence in Film and Television	Jessica Bertschy
The Parents and Friends Award for Excellence in Geography	Nicola Wormwell
The Parups Waring Architects Award for Graphics	Maddison Ramsay
The Home Economics Award	Kelly Fraser
Award for Excellence and Service in Hospitality Practices	Jonathan Jones
The Information Processing and Technology Award	Tina Yao
The M, R & A Pennisi Award for Excellence in Information Technology Systems	Tina Yao
Award for Excellence in Languages – German	Brighde Judge-Mears
Award for Excellence in Languages – Japanese	Joyce Lam
The Award for Legal Studies	Christanny Schmidt
The Manufacturing Technology Encouragement Award	Ching Yang
The Jerry Krauel Award for Meritorious Effort in Mathematics	Quentin Hung
The Parents and Friends Award for Excellence in Modern History	Lewis Vint
Excellence in Senior Music Award	Celine Haddad
The Judy Kuo Award for Music Extension (Performance)	Grace Ip
The Award for Excellence in Physical Education	Matthew Stanfield
The H and K Chan Award for Physics	Christanny Schmidt
The Dr Nicole Seeto Award for Science	Christanny Schmidt
The Technology Studies Award	Ching Yang
The Visual Art Award	Maddie Howe
The Simpfordorfer Memorial Award for Vocational Education	Alanah France
The University of Queensland Award (Academic)	Quentin Hung

2015 Awards

2015 Sport Awards

The Klupp Perpetual Trophy for Boys' Athletics	Tyler Green
The Hickey Trophy for Girls' Athletics	Joyce Lam
The Farlow Trophy for Boys' Basketball	Jonathan (Jono) Liu
The Kanowski Trophy for Girls' Basketball	Bianca Hurley
The B G 'Sno' Lindsay Memorial Trophy for Cricket	Thomas Ryan
The Bronwyn Taylor Trophy for Girls' Cross Country	Joyce Lam
The Stumer Family Trophy for Boys' Cross Country	Tyler Green
The Logan Trophy for Service to Hockey	Amanpreet (Aman) Chazzer
The Redeemer Trophy for Netball	Jessica Bertschy
The Rowley Trophy for Rugby 1st XV Best & Fairest	David Leeming
The Anderson Trophy for Best and Fairest Open A Soccer	Matthew Stanfield
The Donna Zernike Trophy for Girls' Swimming	Kira Gibbs
The Paice Trophy for Boys' Swimming	Thomas Jeffries
Girls' Tennis Award	Jessica Lynch
Boys' Tennis Award	Jeremy Lie
The Harris Perpetual Shield for Girls' Touch	Celine Haddad
The Mark Garton Trophy for Boys' Volleyball	Jeremy Lie
The Tanya Reedman Shield for Girls' Volleyball	Bianca Hurley
Pierre de Coubertin Award 2015	Jeremy Lie
Parents and Friends Association "Blue Spirit" Award for Service to Sport	Bianca Hurley (Year 12) Alessandro Spinelli (Year 12)
Parents and Friends Association Sportsman of the Year	Liam Woodward (Year 11)
Parents and Friends Association Sportswoman of the Year	Claire Johnson (Year 10)

2015 Service Awards

Year 3	Ellie Koppens
Year 4	Jack Crethary, Annabelle Marshall
Year 5	Caitlyn Halim, Catherine Ju
Year 6	Lucy Serafini
Year 7	Emma Bures, Sariah Suter
Year 8	Joshua Spyropoulos
Year 9	Chloe Dart, Brent Simmonds
Year 10	Claire Johnson, Ashleigh Nicholls, Anna Stirling, James Wissler
Year 11	Aimée Harper, Nicholas Harper

2015 Year 12 Service Awards

Leadership Award - College Captains	Celine Haddad, Bradley Nicholls
The Principal's Award	Not awarded in 2015
The Caltex Best All Rounder Award	Thomas Ryan
The Ron Masterton Trophy for Music	Grace Ip
Service Awards	Amanpreet Chazzer, Tyler Green
McKenzie Trophy for Loyalty, Service and Leadership	Celine Haddad
The Foundation Trophy	Nathan Kenny

2015 Awards

The "Beth Stick" Trophy for Debating and Public Speaking	Thomas Ryan
The Sandra Pigott Award for Library Service	Samuel Watt
The Nicky Bricknell Award for Drama Performance	Not awarded in 2015

2015 Academic Awards

Year 6	Proxime Accessit	Emelie Ly
	Dux	Shanice Timotius
Year 7	Proxime Accessit	Emma Bures
	Dux	Rachel Chiong
Year 8	Proxime Accessit	Mikaela Clark, Nicola Puttock
	Dux	Teresa Poon
Year 9	Proxime Accessit	Wesley Yang
	Dux	Olivia Wormwell
Year 10	Proxime Accessit	Claire Johnson
	Dux	Peter Kleinschmidt
Year 11	Proxime Accessit	Ziyue (Monica) Li
	Dux	Xiaotong (Alice) Zhou
Year 12	Proxime Accessit	Maddie Howe
The Lumsden Trophy for Dux of the School		Christianny Schmidt



Maddie Howe receiving the Year 12 Proxime Accessit



Christianny Schmidt receiving The Lumsden Trophy for Dux of the School

Redeemer Flashbacks

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS

In 2015, Redeemer Lutheran College celebrated its 35th year since opening in 1980 surrounded by rural Rochedale farm land. Throughout 2015, we took a look back over the past 35 years, at the people and events that have helped to shape Redeemer into the great school we all enjoy so much today.



#flashbackfriday

2016 College Captains and Student Leaders



Congratulations to our 2016 College Captains and Student Leaders, announced at the Valedictory Service on Thursday 19 November 2015:

Girl's College Captain:

Rucha Kashikar

Boy's College Captain:

Joshua Green

Girl's Deputy Captain:

Jordyn O'Kearney

Boy's Deputy Captain:

Travis Dunkley

Lavarack House Captains:

Tiahn Gardiner, Madeline McInnes, Nicholas Boshammer and James Yang

Mansfield House Captains:

Kacey Chalmers, Gabrielle Morris, Joshua Baillie and Michael Dileo

Ramsay House Captains:

Rebecca Chan, Peyton Van Barrelo, Connor Hickman and Jett Stanton

Wilson House Captains:

Neve Ferreira, Carly Furlonger, Nicholas Harper and Jack Peoples

Music Captains:

Anita Luong and Samuel Poon

Sports Captains

Natasha Aslander and Liam Woodward

For more information, visit:

redeemer.com.au/news/blog/2016-student-leaders

Sports Awards Evening



The 2015 Sports Awards Evening took place on Wednesday 4 November. It was a fantastic night which specifically celebrated the year in Sport at Redeemer. The night includes presentations to students who received Achievement Certificates in TAS Sport, TAS Premiership winners, presentations of Firsts Jerseys, Perpetual Trophy Awards, and Regional and State Representative Honours. The most anticipated moment of the night was the announcement of the 2015 Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year and the highly prestigious Blue Spirit Awards. The 2015 winners were:

2015 P&F Sportsman of the Year

Liam Woodward (Year 11)

2015 P&F Sportswoman of the Year

Claire Johnson (Year 10)

2015 P&F Blue Spirit Award for Service to Sport

Bianca Hurley (Year 12) and Alessandro Spinelli (Year 12)

Another highlight was the Special Guest interviews with Janine Jungfels, past Redeemer graduate and current World Champion Trial Bike rider and Lachlan Staples, Head Coach at Southside Aquatics and former elite swimmer who represented Australia at the 2009 World Championships. To the delight of the audience Janine brought along her bike and demonstrated some of her trial bike skills in the Chapel!

The night was rounded off with a rousing demonstration of the Redeemer War Cry by all the student's in attendance.

Thank you to all parents, coaches, staff and students who supported Redeemer Sport in 2015.

Staff Profiles



Mr Anthony Vassallo
Business Manager

What does the position of Business Manager entail?

I look after all of the non-academic aspects of the college such as finance, grounds, facilities, Tuckshop, Redeemer Shop, Outside School Hours Care, Vacation Care and many of the regulatory requirements that the college has to meet. In addition

to my Business Manager responsibilities, I also teach and will be teaching Year 10 Business this year.

Why did you apply for this role, and what brought you to Redeemer?

I love being a Business Manager! Redeemer is my third school in this role.

When you were a school student, what did you want to be when you grew up?

One of my earliest memories of TV was watching the news when the first moon landing happened. For most of my time at school I wanted to be an astronaut.

Where were you born?

I was born in London, England.

What is your favourite place that you have ever visited?

The place that had the biggest impact on me when I first saw it was Delphi, just outside of Athens. Delphi was first developed around 600BC. On the day I first visited it, we drove up through low lying clouds and we were greeted by the site of an incredible stadium and other ruins.

Do you prefer dogs or cats?

Definitely dogs. We have a five-year old labradoodle named Scruffy.

What is your favourite cuisine?

I enjoy most types of food but my favourite is Italian.

Who is your role model, and why?

Professor Jay W. Forrester is the founder of a field of study known as System Dynamics. System Dynamics encourages us to look at the interactions between people, economics, ecology and more to better understand our complex world. Now in his mid-nineties, Professor Forrester still spends much of his time promoting the use of System Dynamics in Prep-12 education.

What is one fun fact about yourself?

I used to teach Modern Jive at weekends to adults who thought that they would never be able to dance. Everyone can dance!

What are some words of wisdom you would like to pass on to current students?

I believe that it was Henry Ford who said "Whether you think you can, or you think you can't--you're right."



Mrs Nikki McKenzie
Enrolments Registrar

What does the position of Enrolments Registrar entail?

The Registrar takes responsibility for the effective implementation of the enrolment processes of the College and the effective recruitment and enrolment of students. Basically I manage all of the College's enrolments! Of course, this role entails a number

of different duties on a day to day basis but most important of all is representing the College with a smile and a friendly face when introducing prospective families to the wonderful school that is Redeemer.

What do you like most about Redeemer?

I have been at Redeemer for 9 years now and have made many close friends amongst my colleagues. I love that, even though as a whole staff we are all different with different interests, if one of us is struggling or needs help, everybody rallies together. This is something really special that touches the hearts of many.

When you were a school student, what did you want to be when you grew up?

An archeologist, then an air hostess, followed by a teacher! What little girl wasn't inspired by her teacher at some stage and wanted to be just like her?

Where were you born?

Mater Private, Brisbane.

What is your favourite place that you have ever visited?

I am in awe of lands far and wide whenever I leave this great city, however, having recently visited Greece and the Greek Islands of Crete and Santorini, I will stick with them as they are the freshest in my mind! I loved the simple, fresh and tasty foods of Greece, the relaxed atmosphere and I can now say I have swum in the Aegean Sea!

What is your favourite thing to watch on television and why?

I love a good Rom/Com – doesn't matter which one, and as for television, nothing beats a cooking or renovating show, but you don't see many of them these days...!

Do you prefer dogs or cats?

Dogs!

What is your favourite cuisine?

Seafood – yum.

What are some words of wisdom you would like to pass on to current students?

Breathe. I have learnt not to go directly to panic mode until I have all the facts. So many times we waste time and energy stressing and worrying about things that haven't happened yet, or may never happen.

Staff Farewells

At our end of year functions, we have also farewelled the following staff from Redeemer Lutheran College. A special thank you to each person for their recent service to Redeemer Lutheran College:

- Mrs Catherine Andress (Maths, Science, Business)
- Mrs Cristy Armour (Work Experience Coordinator)
- Mrs Marianne Bell (Junior School Learning Enhancement)
- Mrs Deb Brown (English, History)
- Mrs Leah Cox (Year 5 teacher)
- Pastor Stephen Cronau (Interim Chaplain)
- Miss Lisa Dighton (Head of Junior Sport)
- Miss Krystal Gagen (Junior School Teacher Librarian)
- Mr Andy Gore (PE, Geography)
- Mr Nick Gray (Year 5)
- Dr Robert Paech (Chemistry, Science, Maths)
- Ms Anita Robinson (Home Economics, Outdoor Education Coordinator)
- Ms Sarah Ruhle (Junior School Music)
- Mrs Kristy Schaeffer (Sports Officer)

At the end of 2015, we are sad to farewell the following staff who have served Redeemer in excess of 10 years;



Mr Bill Clarke

Grounds and Maintenance (Foreman)

Redeemer Lutheran College has bid farewell to our Grounds and Maintenance Foreman, Mr Bill Clarke. Bill has served the Redeemer community with distinction for the past

10 years, assisting and leading our grounds team who do an outstanding job in keep our facilities up to date and in ship-shape order. Thank you Bill for your contribution to Redeemer, and we wish you every blessing in your retirement!



Ms Margarete Wallis

Grounds and Maintenance (Cleaning)

Margarete Wallis has faithfully served Redeemer Lutheran College for the past 17 years as one of the members of our cleaning team. While Margarete's contribution was very much behind

the scenes, the cleaning work that she has undertaken each day over the past 17 years has been appreciated as she's made our facilities sparkle! We wish you well in your retirement Margarete, and thank you for your tireless work at Redeemer.

LEQ Staff Service Awards



Lutheran Education Queensland recognises staff and volunteers by offering awards for service over a significant period of time. At our recent Celebration Ceremonies, we recognised those who have served for ten and twenty years. Mr David Bliss, Executive Director of Lutheran Education Queensland, presented the Lutheran Education Queensland Service Awards and the Lutheran Education Australia Service Award at our recent Senior School Celebration Ceremony on Friday 27 November and Junior School Celebration Ceremony on Tuesday 1 December 2015.

10 Years

Mr William Clarke
Mrs Teri Grandin
Mr Shane Stone
Ms Melissa Chard
Mrs Sharon Gerbich
Miss Lauren Krenske

10 Years

Mrs Jenny Ludwig
Mr Javier Sanchez
Mr Philip Sharwood
Biedermann
Mr Andrew
Spyropoulos

20 Years

Mr Stephen Sisson
Mrs Kelli McKeiver

For more information, visit:

redeemer.com.au/news/blog/redeemer-staff-recognised

LEA Service Award



Dr Kerwyn Kleinschmidt

27.33 Years Service

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Kerwyn Kleinschmidt to Lutheran schools for 27.33 years.

Kerwyn commenced his service in Lutheran schools in 1988 when he was appointed as a Teacher of Physics and Junior Science at Redeemer Lutheran College.

To this position Kerwyn brought a wealth and breadth of knowledge. He has an intellectual mind and used this to challenge his students in their learning. He set high expectations for his students and their learning and worked to support them in achieving these expectations.

Kerwyn was an active participant in the co-curricular life of the College. Whilst his first love is athletics where he served both as a coach and as a highly qualified official, he had also been involved in other activities such as cricket, hockey and as a Queensland Rugby Union referee.

Kerwyn's faithful and conscientious service to his Lord and the Lutheran Church of Australia, through his service in Lutheran schools, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

Our Saviour Ethos

The culture of a Christian College is always much greater than what can be packed into the life of a school. Our Saviour Lutheran Church was established over 30 years ago to partner with Redeemer Lutheran College supporting the Christian culture, encouraging active expression of faith and extending the school ethos to 'life-long' and 'community-wide' action.

At Our Saviour Lutheran Church we are...

"Inspired by the love of Jesus, Growing as Disciples and Disciple makers."

Inspirational Worship

Celebrating the love of Christ and the truth of the Gospel.

Prevailing Prayer

Persistent faith filled prayer that changes lives and empowers ministry and mission

Caring Community

Supporting one another and reaching out to the world, in compassion and love

Outreaching Discipleship

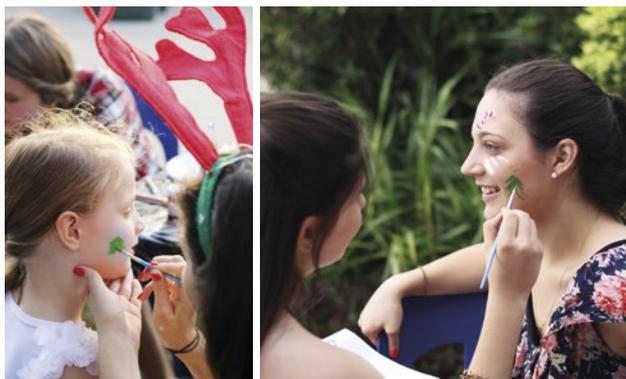
Growing, inspired as God's people, for service

Empowering Leadership

Encouraging and equipping members to live their faith in everyday lives

Enabling Organisation

Systems and structures for the fulfilment of our mission and vision



Bush Bonanza 2015



What a spectacular Bonanza! From the moment that the animals arrived, the balloons were blown up and face paints brought out, it was clear to see the sheer joy on the faces of the kids. Watching and engaging with the parents, they too were enjoying the activities around them.

Once the Bush Band kicked in and the crowd joined with the "Heel and Toe"s and the "Doh-Si-Doh"s, the event moved to a whole new level. With around 400 people involved in anything from working up a sweat on the dance floor, to eating what were honestly the best burgers that I had eaten all day, to catching up with old and meeting new friends, it really was an event to join the legends!

Beyond the fun and the action was the service provided to our neighbours in Nepal, those communities devastated by the earthquakes earlier this year. The end result was around \$9,500 donated to the Australian Lutheran World Service earthquake appeal.

Well done to all those involved, and we'll continue the legend for Bush Bonanza 2016!

Car Wash Fundraiser

On Sunday, 13 September, a group of youth gathered on the grass in front of the Chapel to wash cars to raise money for OSSY (Our Saviour Senior Youth) Camp. The excited youth washed and polished cars before finishing with a water fight, but not without first making the Helping Hands Van spick and span! The fundraiser was successful and the youth group were able to purchase two tents and a shade shelter, and the cost for campers was able to be kept low and affordable. Thank you to all who supported the car wash and gave donations.



Our Saviour Senior Youth Camp

At Our Saviour, we are blessed with a flourishing youth group made up of incredible, kind, eager and gracious teenagers, and a team of committed, hard-working and selfless youth leaders. After many fantastic Friday nights at OSSY (Our Saviour Senior Youth) throughout the year, we were all looking forward to spending the weekend together for OSSY Camp. New friendships were made, and old ones strengthened as we played wide games on the green rolling hills, tubed on the shining lake, sang by the shimmering fire, and prayed under the sparkling stars.

Bec Pennisi
Our Saviour Youth Coordinator

"A spectacular venue, outstanding Spring weather, an awesome team of willing leaders, and above all a fantastic bunch of enthusiastic, co-operative and inspiring young people. They were the ingredients of the OSSY Camp at Somerset Dam on the October long weekend. The method was to combine the ingredients and mix them well, in a variety of fun activities, energetic games and thought provoking devotions. Then simply add water and stir until weary. Pack up, send home and repeat, increasing quantities and adjusting method as necessary.

What an awesome weekend! God is good and we're already looking forward to next year."

Carl Eckermann
Ministry Coordinator



Life at Our Saviour

Helping Hands

In the age of “user-pays” and where there is no such thing as “something-for-nothing”, Helping Hands provides just that. There is no expectation, no reward, simply a community need and willing hands and feet to respond to that need. Our Saviour congregation appreciates the partnership we have with Redeemer, where we can work side by side in helping our community through the ‘Helping Hands’ van. With generous donations of time, food parcels and household items, as well as knitted blankets and scarves over the winter months, we have seen the development of real community, as together we serve others. We have also been blessed by the interaction with those in need, to see their hearts warmed by the commitment and dedication shown by all of those who serve with the van. To quote the words of one of those whom we serve, “They’re all our friends now!”

Prep Readers



Every week there is a team of willing helpers from Our Saviour who volunteer their time to spend with the Redeemer Preps. Early in the year, the Preps receive a Children’s Bible from Our Saviour congregation and as a part of that gift we love to share what is contained within those pages – the stories and teachings of a God who loves each one of us. We spend a brief time catching up with the students, reading a variety of bible stories from the Old and the New Testament and then we pray with the children that God will bless them through His word.

Play Group

The wailing began at pack up time, “I want to keep playing with the trains!” The eager three year old can’t get enough of Play Group time – 8.30am Tuesdays in the MPC. It is a swirl of little adventurers, shy starters, mums and dads with babies, toddlers and stories to share. There are parents seeking company or infant play mates (setting up for school friendships). Grandparents and helpers join in, plus former regulars calling in for coffee and a chat before classroom volunteer duties begin. Life and faith grow from early fun, sometimes with surprises. What will the future hold? Play Group makes you wonder!

Kids for Christ (Ages 5-10)



Kids for Christ has grown and changed over the past year! A particular success we enjoyed recently was implementing “project groups”, where each child gets a choice about how they will respond to the story of the day. Groups on offer were Technology, Service (knitting for Helping Hands), Drama and Dance. The children really enjoyed being involved in helping to plan, and carry out, elements that would be included in the Harvest Thanksgiving service. We are blessed to share time with a core group of children, and are supported by parents helping as well. Of course we love to welcome visitors and new members, we are excited to have a number of Redeemer families joining us for children’s ministries, and encourage our children to invite their friends along to join in the fun.

Wednesday Morning Cuppa

Each Wednesday morning of the school term, the Junior School meet together for Chapel. Quite a number of parents also attend. Mrs Rachael Stelzer approached some of the available ladies from the Our Saviour congregation with a vision to provide a cup of tea/coffee, some nibbles and a chance to fellowship after the children had moved to class.

And so was born a delightful time of friendship possibilities between the parents of the Junior school students and folk from the congregation. It is difficult to decide who enjoys the time more! Much laughter and sharing of joys and trials of ‘life with children’ has made this time a blessing for all participants.

We will continue into 2016. You are warmly invited to share in this short time of fellowship from the start of the school year. It is great way to meet other parents!



Inspired by Jesus

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Past Parents & Friends

Annual Reunion Dinner – Friday 25 July 2015 at The Glen Hotel



Reunions

Past students and teachers are invited to attend the reunion of their graduating class from Redeemer Lutheran College.

Class of 2006

Saturday 6 August 2016 (Tentative)

Class of 1996

Saturday 3 September 2016 (Tentative)

Class of 1986

Saturday 8 October 2016 (Tentative)



Scan this QR code for more information about your reunion

Redeemer Alumni Survey

Redeemer Lutheran College is currently conducting an online survey with all past students to gain your opinions and views on a number of topics relating to Redeemer Alumni Reunions.

Visit the survey at:

[redeemer.com.au/
community/alumni/survey](http://redeemer.com.au/community/alumni/survey)





Class of 2005 – 10 Year Reunion

Saturday 2 August 2015, 7.00pm at The Glen Hotel



Class of 1995 – 20 Year Reunion

Saturday 5 September 2015, 7.00pm at The Glen Hotel





Class of 1985 – 30 Year Reunion

Saturday 10 October 2015, 7.00pm at The Glen Hotel



Alumni News



Congratulations to **Tom Jeffries (15)** who competed in the Queensland School team at the Pacific School Games in Adelaide from 21-29 November 2015. Tom did outstandingly well in his age group 17-19 years, winning 4 Gold medals and 3 Bronze. He achieved individual Gold and National Schools Champion in 100m backstroke and 50m backstroke with new national schools record-breaking times in each of 57.60s and 26.01s respectively. Tom also swam the backstroke leg in the Queensland 17-19 years 200m and 400m medley relay teams for the other 2 Gold medals. His Bronze medal swims, 3rd place, were 200m backstroke, 50m fly and 200m Individual medley.

1. **Tom Jeffries (15)** recently participated in the Queensland School Sport Swimming Team at the Pacific School Games in Adelaide.

Joshua Tregoe (06) is in his 8th year in the Royal Australian Navy. He is based in Darwin as a Leading Seaman on the patrol boats (HMAS MAITLAND).

After completing his secondary schooling at Redeemer, **Murray Bowler (07)** worked and achieved his ticket as a Soil Testing Technician before deciding he wanted to go to University and study surveying. He graduated as a surveyor in 2014 and now works in New York City, USA.

In July 2015, **Wendy Bowler (09)** graduated from a dual degree in Criminology and Psychology at Griffith University. At present she is working in Cairns for her cousin who is starting up a new tourism abseiling business at Behana Gorge outside Cairns.

Ben Shaw (98) started a plumbing apprenticeship after graduating from Redeemer in 1998. At the age of 22 he started his business 'Shaw Thing Plumbing'. He has grown a very successful business from the ground up to one that is well known in the local area and continues to thrive in our current market. He also has a family, he was married in 2004 and has 3 children aged 7, 8 and 10.

David Lean (10) has recently started writing for and helping to edit the Atlantic Daily Bulletin which is the quarterly journal of the British Titanic Society. David was invited to do so after attending their convention in Southampton last year.

Claire Small – Qantas' 2015 Australian Woman of the Year in the UK



Congratulations to **Claire Small (86)** on winning the Qantas Australian Woman of the Year in the UK Award 2014.

Awarded annually to an Australian woman living in the UK who is a leader and role model in her field of expertise, has achieved success through business or personal endeavours, the arts, sciences, professional disciplines, government, the community sector or any other field. The aim of the Award is to showcase what Australian women have achieved while in the UK, strengthening the bond between Australia and the UK.

This year's award was presented by High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, The Hon Alexander Downer AC, at a special ceremony at Australia House in London.

Claire is the Clinical Director of Pure Sports Medicine and moved to London in 1995 after successfully completing the prestigious Masters in Physiotherapy Studies at the University of Queensland. She had been awarded a scholarship to complete this degree and was the youngest person to receive the qualification.

Claire spent her first 9 years working at The Physiotherapy Centre building a significant patient base and developing her teaching skills, as well as serving on the executive committee of the Musculoskeletal Association of Chartered Physiotherapists (MACP), the professional body for physiotherapists working in musculoskeletal medicine. She went on to join the team opening Pure Sports Medicine in 2003. Pure Sports Medicine

was the first multi-disciplinary clinic of its kind in the UK and is still the leading organisation providing a comprehensive service to patients with musculoskeletal problems. From starting with two clinicians, Claire and one Australian sports physician, the organisation has grown to employ a clinical staff of 74 across nine different medical and healthcare disciplines.

Claire has built an organisation that has changed people's expectations of the way in which healthcare is delivered as well as bringing the best of Australian medical care to the UK. She continues to treat patients, but is also active in teaching, lecturing and research to ensure that the drive towards clinical excellence is a fundamental part of the ethos at Pure. She is a lecturer and examiner for a number of postgraduate medical and physiotherapy courses and is the co-author of a popular textbook for clinicians entitled *Managing the Injured Athlete*.

Interview with Claire

In what years did you attend Redeemer Lutheran College?

1982-1986. The school was in its 3rd year when I began and there were only about 250 children in total. We had only two buildings and lots of new teachers. Devotions was held in an open space in A Block which also contained the library and all the lockers. The grounds were a big open space with lots of trees and wooden benches. We made a lot of our own fun with limited resources to begin with.

What was your favourite subject at school?

I liked a variety of subjects – always Maths and Music. Soc Ed (do they still have that? – it probably has a different name these days) and History up to Year 10 and then – dare I say it Mr Kraul – Physics as well, in Senior. Interestingly, although I am a Physio, I never took Biology and even though I have travelled all over the world I didn't do Geography either.

Who was your favourite (or most influential) teacher at Redeemer?

To name one would be impossible as I gained so much from so many of them. Because the school was so small when we started, the teachers knew us all very much as individuals. Richard Koch was my form teacher in Year 8 and taught me Maths and Science. It was his first teaching job and I am sure he found dealing with 8c a challenge. Somehow, all the noisy new Year 8s ended up in the same class. Anne Livesey (now Seabrook) inspired a love of music and art that has stayed with me. I catch up with her for dinner most times I am home in Australia. And Jerry Kraul has to be one of the most patient physics teachers. School friends still talk about the endless questions I asked to try and understand things and the lengths he had to go to to stop me talking. I'm sure he fainted when he saw that I'd managed to pass the subject.



What was the most valuable thing that you learnt at Redeemer?

The teachers I liked most at school were the ones that I had a great deal of respect for. I learnt that the two things generally go hand in hand and it has been a good guide in life both personally and professionally.

When you were at school, what were your career aspirations?

Career??? I just wanted to put a backpack on and go travelling!

What did you go on to pursue after graduating from Redeemer?

I went to UQ to study physiotherapy, worked for a year at the Royal Brisbane Hospital and then went travelling. I came home to do a Masters in Physiotherapy and then moved back to the UK where I have been for 20 years. I worked in private practice for a time and then opened a multi-disciplinary medical clinic for sports and musculoskeletal problems in 2003. We've grown from two people to 110 in the last 12 years and now have four clinics in London. This year we will see over 90,000 patients.

What steps did you take to end up in the position you are now?

Worked incredibly hard. I've been fortunate enough to meet many highly

successful people from all industries and the one thing they all say is that no-one gets anywhere without hard work.

Describe your typical 'working' day?

I still treat patients two mornings a week, which I love and would never give up. Other than that, I may be teaching at the University, reviewing figures for the clinics and the various disciplines, meeting with an orthopaedic consultant or undertaking a joint consultation with one of my team. One of the advantages of owning your own business is the flexibility it often brings to your work life.

What experiences have you had since graduating from Redeemer?

We read a book at school in Year 10 called "A Fortunate Life" and that's how I'd describe my time since leaving Redeemer. I've travelled to every continent including Antarctica and I've been to some amazing sporting events including several rugby world cups, Ashes tests at Lords and the Men's 100m final of the London 2012 Olympics. I've met a lot of interesting people from business, politics, the arts and entertainment and a number of sports, but meeting David Beckham was pretty special.

How do you spend your leisure time?

London is a great city to live in – there is always something new happening. I eat out with friends a lot, go to the theatre and sporting events. I travel to Europe for weekend holidays frequently and further abroad 2-3 times a year. I love to ski a couple of times a year and to balance all the restaurant dining, I run around Battersea Park where I live a couple of times a week.

Where do you hope to be in ten years from now?

Hopefully in a position to travel regularly between the UK and Australia for several months at a time. I love living in London but do miss the outdoor, laidback lifestyle in Australia. If only the two places weren't so far apart!

If there is one piece of advice that you could pass on to current students, what would it be?

Believe in yourself – you can do anything you want to.

For more information, visit:

www.redeemer.com.au/news/blog/qantas-2015-australian-woman-of-the-year-in-the-uk

Janine Jungfels – Logan Sportswoman of the Year

2015 Australian Expert and Women's Trials Champion

Congratulations to Redeemer Alumni, **Janine Jungfels (05)** who was awarded Logan Sportswomen of the Year at a gala event on Saturday 14 March 2015. Janine competes on the world-stage in the sport of Bike Trials and was named Australian Female Mountain Biker of the Year having secured 12 world-cup podium finishes in her career to date.

Janine's most recent prestigious achievement was on Friday 13 November 2015 when she was awarded the 2015 Female MTB of the Year at the Australian Cycling Awards. This recent award caps off a remarkable year for Janine, after she became the first Aussie to win the UCI Observed Trials World Championship in Angorra.

Janine said that after an incredibly trying year filled with a number of challenges and life changing decisions, she was still pinching herself over becoming the 2015 UCI Trials World Champion.

"I'm stoked to finally have been able to win the world title after all the hard work and effort I've put in and it's great to be able to bring the gold medal home for Australia," she said.

Janine is Australia's most successful international trials rider and was named the 2015 Australian Cyclist of the Year.

As a member of the Brisbane South Mountain Bike Club (BSMC), Janine helps the next generation of trials riders and mountain bikers to develop the amazing bike handling skills that has earned her the world title.

Janine started riding bike trials in 2005 and has been competing internationally since 2009 where she finished a commendable fourth place in her world stage debut at the world championships in Canberra. Since then, she has had some great results with 12 World Cup podium finishes in the last four years.



In 2013 she became the first Australian, male or female to win a world championship medal in the mountain biking discipline, when she won a bronze medal in the UCI Mountain Bike and Trials world championships in South Africa.

Janine was our special guest at Redeemer's 2015 Sports Awards Evening on Wednesday 4 November.

Source: thereporter.com.au and janinejungfels.com

Weddings

Stephen Wandel (90)



Stephen Wandel (90) married Feixia (Mabel) Gu on 4 October 2014 in Sydney. Among his attendants was his brother **Andrew Wandel (94)**.

Josh Chau (07) and Clare (nee Chan 09)



Josh Chau (07) proposed to **Clare (nee Chan 09)** in front of the Sydney Opera House following a treasure hunt! Josh and Clare were married in Redeemer Chapel on 12 September 2015. The bridal party included past students, **Lydia Chau (08)**, **Annie Katsanevas (09)**, **Luvlin Singh (09)**, **Taylor Booyesen (07)**, and **Vasil Comino (07)**.

Hayley Joyce (11)



Hayley Joyce (11) married Sam Boyd on 31 October 2015 at Cleveland and included in the guests were Hayley's close school friends from Redeemer.

Engagements

Ashley Fay (08)



Ashley Fay (08) and Maggie Gospos became engaged on 31 October 2015.

Sidney Wong (09) and Lydia Chau (08)



After dating for four and a half years, **Sidney Wong (09)** proposed to **Lydia Chau (08)** during a day trip to Byron bay. They are looking forward to getting married in May 2016!

Jake Mercep (10) and Breanna Hutton (11)



Jake Mercep (10) and **Breanna Hutton (11)**, were engaged on 14 February 2015 on Burleigh Hill.

Jessica Collins (11)



Jessica Collins (11) and Isaac Turner got engaged on their fourth anniversary when Isaac proposed at sunset at Kangaroo Point.



Births

Peta Egan (87)



On 12 February 2015, **Peta Egan (87)** gave birth to her first child, Finnegan Raftery (at the ripe old age of 45!). His Dad, Martin Raftery, and Peta have four children between them, and Finn is definitely the apple of his big brothers' and sisters' eyes (Lachlan 11, Prue 9 and Cameron 7). The family are very blessed to have Finn.

Rachael Stelzer (Pukallus 92)



Congratulations to Tyson and **Rachael Stelzer (Pukallus 92)** on the arrival of Vaughn Matthew Stelzer born 24 September 2015, 3.9kg, 50cm. A baby brother for Linden and Huon.

Jason Wandel (91)



Anastasia Zoe was born on 10 December 2014 to Deborah and **Jason Wandel (91)** in Adelaide.

Sarah Dixon (Ferguson 97)



Congratulations to Nat and **Sarah Dixon (Ferguson 97)** on the safe arrival of Jael Gabriele Dixon on 18 November, 3,157g (6 pound, 15), and is 51cm long. A sister for Grace and Abigail.

Aaron Glover (98) and Alison Glover (Stelzer 98)



Miriam Joy Glover was born on 2 April 2015. Daughter of **Aaron Glover (98)** and **Alison Glover (Stelzer 98)**, sister to Bradley, Naomi and Kiran.

Danielle Adams (Palmer 02)



Mark and **Danielle Adams (Palmer 02)** welcomed identical twin boys into their family on 30 April. Despite being born a at 30 weeks and some initial concerns, both boys are now doing extremely well and are smothered in love by their big sister Olivia.

Georgina McPhail (Kelly 07)



Michael and **Georgina McPhail (Kelly 07)** welcome their second child, Sadie, born 7 August 2015. She is pictured with her 2-year-old brother, Patrick.

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Redeemer Events Calendar

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4	Monday	College Administration re-opens, 8.00am - 4.00pm
16	Saturday	Redeemer Shop Opens, 8.00am-4.00pm
26	Tuesday	Australia Day Public Holiday
27	Wednesday	Term 1 commences for Years 7, 10 and 12
27	Wednesday	Prep Orientation Day, 9.00am-10.30am
28	Thursday	Term 1 commences for Prep to Years 6, 8, 9 and 11
29	Friday	Senior School Opening Service, 8.45am (Redeemer Chapel)



1	Monday	Scholarships Open for Years 7 and 11 in 2017
1	Monday	Junior School Opening Service, 8.45am (Redeemer Chapel)
4	Thursday	Senior School Interhouse Swimming Carnival (Aqualogan, Springwood)
6	Saturday	P & F Movie Night Under the Stars, 5.30pm (Chapel Green)
15	Monday	Parents and Friends Annual General Meeting, 7.00pm



14	Monday	Senior School Interhouse Cross Country Carnival, 9.00am
16	Wednesday	Experience Redeemer – College Tour, 9.00am-11.00am (Redeemer Chapel)
18	Friday	Senior School Special Worship, 8.40am (Redeemer Chapel)
21	Monday	Junior School Interhouse Cross Country Carnival, 9.00am (Fred Davey Oval)
24	Thursday	Term 1 Concludes
25	Friday	Good Friday Worship, 8.30am (Redeemer Chapel)
27	Sunday	Easter Sunday Worship, 6.00am and 8.30am (Redeemer Chapel)
28	Monday	Easter Monday Public Holiday



11	Monday	Student Free Day
12	Tuesday	Term 2 Commences
22	Friday	Grandparents Day for Senior School students, 9.55am-12.20pm (Chapel)
		Grandparents Day for Junior School students, 1.00pm-3.00pm (Chapel)
25	Monday	ANZAC Day Public Holiday



2	Monday	Labour Day Public Holiday
10	Tuesday	NAPLAN Testing Commences
14	Saturday	Scholarship Testing for Years 7, 8 and 11 entry in 2017
18	Wednesday	Experience Redeemer – College Tour, 9.00am-11.00am (Redeemer Chapel)



17	Friday	Shibakashi Day (Senior School)
21-22	Tuesday-Wednesday	QCS Practice Day
22	Wednesday	Junior School Sports Day (Scurr Oval)
23-24	Thursday-Friday	Senior School Interhouse Athletics Carnival (Scurr Oval)
24	Friday	Term 2 Concludes

Redeemer Parents and Friends Committee presents...

Movie Night Under the Stars

A FREE Outdoor Movie Night

Paddington

Saturday 6 February 2016

5.30pm – Food available to purchase at the Chapel Hub

7.00pm – The movie screens on the Chapel Green



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