

Head Boarders 2017

Molly Penfold

Head Boarder Girl 2017

Wow! The year has passed by in a flash. Everyone who has gone before me always said that your last year at school will go by in a blink. Now I truly understand the truth of this. We have almost finished the year! As I head into the final seven weeks with all of the amazing girls in Boarding, I reflect back over the year:

In Term 1, we enjoyed our annual Boarding Camp at Tangalooma Island Resort. There, we caught up with our 'sisters' that we hadn't seen in eight weeks and met new 'sisters' to add to our family. Everyone had a blast of a weekend, dressing up in their House colours for 'The House of Origin', our dodgeball game to beat all dodgeball games. On Saturday night, in our crazy costumes, we performed skits in our family groups. After a weekend of sand tobogganing, feeding dolphins, and enjoying each other's company, everyone had found their place in our crazy House of love and laughter.

We came back to school and got stuck into everything that we needed to. We continued to build our bonds through many fun activities: from charades to scavenger hunts and many others. In our family groups, we enjoyed other activities: from dinner at 'Hog's Breath Café'; to picnics at the park; to putt-putt golf and 'Bounce'. Through these activities, we shared unforgettable moments and strengthened our bonds of friendship.

Throughout the year, we enjoyed many activities with the boys: from dances; to gym games, when we pulled our hearts out in 'tug-of-war' and threw our arms off in 'run the gauntlet' for our Brother-Sister Houses. It is in big events like these, and even small events such as movie nights, playing handball after dinner, and even going ice-skating with Pastor Silke, when we really connected as one big Boarding family.

I thank Kate Hodgson, Finger House Captain; Mia Whytcross, Cameron House Captain; and Sarah Mahony, Faith Captain, along with of the other Senior girls who have helped me lead by example and who have played a major role in each one of our Boarding sisters lives. I also thank Murray Webster, Head Boarder Boy, along with his team who have done an amazing job at the Boys Boarding House this year.

Lastly, I thank Mrs Holman and Mr Delaney, Boarding Coordinators, who have made our last year extraordinary.

It is through all of these unforgettable experiences that we have supported the Boarding Houses for another year. As I step down from my position as Head Boarder Girl, I know that Freya Jetson, Head Boarder Girl for 2018, will do an amazing job. Her commitment and passion for the Boarding community is extraordinary. I wish her and her team the best of luck in 2018!

Murray Webster

Head Boarder Boy 2017

2017 has been full of fun, rivalry and mateship. At the start of the year, we ventured to Tangalooma Island Resort and welcomed the newest members to our Boarding family. Throughout the year, we enjoyed many trips and activities that brought everyone together, such as Focus Weekends, when both Boys Boarding Houses competed against each other. It was a successful year for boys in academics and sports – they showed their determination on the field and in the classroom, following our school motto, 'Plus Ultra' (Ever Higher). Boys achievements have inspired everyone around them.

Year 12 Boarder Boys are a good bunch of guys that you can always have a laugh with. We all endured long, tough preparations for our final exams and I congratulate the lads and wish them good luck for the last few exams coming up. I also acknowledge their commitment to the last year of their schooling and wish them every success and happiness for the future.

Congratulations to the Boarding leaders for 2018. The Year 11 Boarding cohort are a good crew, and they will be positive role models in Year 12.

I have enjoyed my final year at St Peters and hope to see the Boarding community give their best and enjoy their schooling into the future.

I wish everyone the best of for the end of 2017 and the start of 2018, and for the future endeavours of our Boarding community.

WHAT'S ON...

MONDAY 2 OCTOBER

Boarders Arrive for Term 4

SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER

7:00–10:00pm

Boarder Invitational Dance (Café 45)

SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER

1:00–4:00pm

Boarder Invitational Touch Football Carnival (Mayer Oval)

FRIDAY 27–SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER

Boarder Focus Weekend

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER

Last night in Boarding for Year 12

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER

5:00–6:30pm

Boarder Chapel – Farewell Year 12 (Chapel)

MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER

5:00–6:00pm

Boarder Christmas Chapel (Chapel)

6:00–9:00pm

Boarder Christmas Dinner (Café 45)

WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER

International & Overseas Student Travel Day

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Faith Captains 2017

Sarah Mahony

Girls Faith Captain 2017

This year, Boarding Chapels started off with a bang. We enjoyed our first service during the Boarding Camp at Tangalooma Island Resort. Along with the usual services that we look forward to on Friday nights, we have also enjoyed: services at the swimming pool after games of 'Slip n Slide' and 'Watermelon Water Polo'; services at the gym before Interhouse competitions; services over a bonfire with warm and fuzzies; and separate services for boys and girls which allowed girls

to be more engaged in activities and express themselves more openly. The variety of Chapels have been both fun and serene, and always spiritually and emotionally uplifting.

I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to lead as Faith Captain in 2017. I have enjoyed the chance to help the Boarding community enjoy fun and interactive Chapel services. I thank my fellow Faith Captain, Joshua Koyama, who

has helped me all year long, as well as our mentor, Chaplain Silke Moolman, who has us and always been there to provide spiritual guidance to Boarders.

As my service comes to an end, Leandra Peiris, Faith Captain for 2018, will begin hers. I am very excited to see and hear about all the great ideas and work she is going to achieve in 2018. I am sure she will do an amazing job.



SCHILLING HOUSE

Henry Radel

Schilling House Captain 2017

In Semester 2, many new faces were introduced into the Boarding fold. Schilling House welcomed Shane Ting (Year 9), Malachi Hill (Year 10) and GuoYang (Mikey) Gu (Year 8).

Term 3 has been very productive. Most of the Year 12 students are now in the throngs of competing for their OP results and, just recently, did their best to work together in pursuit of the best possible QCS outcomes. The seniors have shown themselves to be the hardest working cohort of Year 12s in recent memory, with many of the boys predicted to achieve great outcomes. Aniket Kumar has been diligent in his attendance of additional optional study sessions, and some boys have even worked five hours a day on their school work to achieve their best possible results. Term 3 is traditionally the term when many Year 12s begin to labour in their study efforts, however, the boys have

demonstrated exemplary resolve in the face of an intense year of study and sport.

The younger year levels would do well to follow the example that has been demonstrated by the seniors. Daniel Grammon must be highlighted as a young man achieving exceptional standards with his academic work in Year 11. Daniel has also recently been appointed Faith Captain for 2018, a role that he is very well suited to, and we look forward to him taking it up.

John Radel in Year 9 has enjoyed good results this year and must also be commended. John was appointed as the Junior High Captain in the day school for 2017 from a strong cohort of leadership and has also managed to maintain his high level of academic achievement alongside being a representative rugby league player. It is also a pertinent time to mention the exceptional efforts of all of our boys across all year levels

who have battled the transition from old schools to the, often strenuous, standards of St Peters. The boys have done their best.

Our Year 12 boys have managed themselves with the utmost maturity. It has been an honour to call them my peers and to have them support me throughout the year. Their loyalty has been a constant source of inspiration. It is with great pleasure that I announce Lachlan Woo as my successor for 2018. Lachlan has been a student at St Peters since he arrived in Year 7 – what seems many years ago. Lachie has long intended to apply for the role and will no doubt do his best to honour the role that is Schilling House Captain in 2018.

With one term remaining, I encourage all boys to persevere 'til the end of the year with the same enthusiasm and maturity they have demonstrated so far. It has been an absolute pleasure to lead your sons in 2017.



LUDCKE-MÜTZE HOUSE

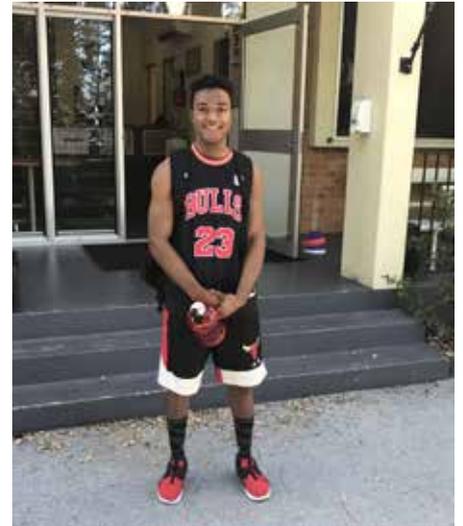
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Ludcke-Mütze House Captain 2017

What a year 2017 has been for Ludcke-Mütze House! It's been an honour to mentor and support these boys throughout the year. Boys have formed tightknit bonds that will last beyond school.

I thank Kate Hodgson, 2017 Captain of Finger House, and her House mates for being an amazing sister house. I thank Mr Andrews for being an awesome house leader. Most importantly, I thank all of the boys of Ludcke-Mütze House for making 2017 a year to remember.

I wish Jack Paterson, Ludcke-Mütze House Captain for 2018, the best of luck next year.





FINGER HOUSE

Kate Hodgson
Finger Senior Resident

What a year 2017 has been! With our Boarders excelling in the boarding house and the day school alike, we have celebrated prolific sporting, arts and academic successes.

Despite losing the famous annual dodge ball game, I am exceptionally proud of Finger House: I commend their commitment and perseverance throughout this year. Particularly, the younger girls have displayed

constantly uplifting spirits and the ability to make us all smile. As the youngest girls, they represent the future of our Boarding House, and it is great to be able to leave knowing that the spirit of Boarding continues.

I congratulate Senior girls and their families on the rapidly approaching end of our school careers. We have made it this far together and I wish you all the best of luck for Term 4 – let's finish the year strong!

Amongst the excitement of the term, our Boarding House was also privileged to celebrate Mrs Vunipola's marriage. We all congratulate her and wish her the best.

Mrs Vunipola is a role model to all girls and adds so much to our Boarding community.

Finally, I congratulate the new leadership team for 2018: Katie Strachan, Finger House Captain; Freya Jetson, Head Boarder Girl; and Leandra Peiris, Faith Captain. We all look forward to their enthusiasm and plans for the future. Each of these girls display the true qualities of Boarding and our girls' motto 'Two Houses, One Heart'. I wish them the best of luck for next year.

We wish all of our Boarders and their families a safe and happy holiday!



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BOARDER PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

BOARDER PARENT NETWORK MEETING WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST 2017, 7:00PM

ATTENDEES:

Karen Penfold, Stuart Delaney, Wes Meurant, Sinead Ray, Mark Andrews, Bev de Cloux, Gayle & Bernie Dagg, Rob Thomson, Jade & Scott Ryan, Anna Radel, Jo Staples.

APOLOGIES:

Katie Zerner, Tim Kotzur, Kim Holman, Luisa Taufatofua.

Welcome

Karen Penfold

Welcome to everyone

Actions from previous meeting:

- Kim & Stuart – to investigate sporting dinners on a Sunday night – Stuart spoke to Shaun Nodwell and this is going to be reviewed for 2018.

Anna Radel

- Saturday lunch – esky is packed for boys heading off to sport on a Saturday – students must let staff know if they are going to miss any meal so that an extra meal or late meal can be organised. Suggestion that meal tickets are given to boys at away games, to allow them to use the other school's tuckshop; this is then billed back to the school. Stuart said that they have been doing that, for the certain schools that allow it. Also only generally done for football and rugby as schools have facilities; unfortunately, this is not available for tennis and basketball. If students do miss out, just let staff know and they will organise something for them.
- Cooking facilities – all available, toasters, sandwich makers etc. Kitchenettes available for all students. All students welcome to supplies and spreads available. Café opens at 6am every day except for Sunday (9:30–10:30 brunch, lunch at 2pm and dinner at 5:30pm).
- Boys' Hygiene – just checking that they are made to have showers, especially for the younger ones. Stuart has regular conversations with the boys; both one on one, and as a group. They are supervised to make sure they have showers.

Gayle Dagg

- Damage in boarding – boys to report it straight away, unless there are witnesses to the damage, staff are unable to do anything about it. If it is not resolved, boarding has to cover damages.
- Communication when student is unwell – Health Centre have been amazing with their communication to parents, have received all correspondence, doctor called, etc. Just a reminder to students that they can knock on supervisor's doors throughout the night if they are unwell. If you are concerned about child after hours, do not hesitate to contact Kim or Stuart on their mobile.
- Phone App for REACH – deleted old one but couldn't re-install new one – Stuart will sort out ASAP.

Bev Stockwell

- End of year events – Year 12 final overnigher on 10 November, boarders depart boarding (stay with family/friends) and return to school on necessary days for appropriate functions – Thursday: Mystery Celebration Day and Friday: Graduation.

Jo Staples

- Travel to swim meets – finding it difficult to get son to swim meets via other families. Stuart informed the swim club should be organising this, not the parent; parent to contact coaches directly to make sure this is organised.

General

- Feedback – food – keep salad ingredients separate so that they can make up their own salads.
- Years 11 & 12 Track & Field Performance Schedule – boarders have to register their attendance at Sports House.
- Term 4 Teleconference tentative – if we can go ahead with one, Julie Burton will email details.

Stuart Delaney

- Boarder Menu – Beginning of last term new Catering Manager started, completely changed role, Shirley looks after kitchen and tuckshop.

Shirley has revised all menus and is slowly changing them. She is asking for feedback and is having meetings with students to obtain feedback.

The menu is placed on the app every week. The menu is based on a five-week rotation and Shirley is checking, on a daily basis, what is working and what isn't. Students are always encouraged to give feedback. Stuart will contact Amanda Lui directly to have a chat.

- Year 12 Overnigher – Tuesday 15 August: Year 12s are heading to Couran Cove as a thank you for all the hard work they have been doing – unfortunately, not all students can attend (IB students in the middle of mock exams).
- Wednesday 16 August – Leadership speeches, interviews and voting for Boarding. Leaders will be announced Thursday night (17 August) as a Boarding Cohort and then to the school at assembly on Friday.
- Students can attend the Ekka or Movie World on Wednesday 16 August.
- Kim and Stuart attended ICPA Conference in Alice Springs, last week. Met existing parents, ex-scholars and met with potential new students.
- Also attended Heads of Boarding Conference in Sydney.
- Reminder – email regarding tutors, assistance is here for the students. If they are struggling with a particular subject, all they need to do is ask and they will be directed to a time and night with a tutor. No additional costs are charged to families; this is something that is supplied by boarding.

Sinead Ray

- Luisa's wedding in Tonga – Kim attended.
- Water station Sunday morning – great job by the girls.

Meeting closed: 8:00pm.

Next Meeting: Teleconference – TBA, if one is held in Term 4.