

FOUNDERS DAY, 31 JULY 2015



Starting a tradition: The first group of alumni to take part in the handprint wall.

It was our great honour to welcome back students who had graduated from Faith over the past 10 years to help celebrate Founders Day.

'Gavin Buhse Medallists', students who have attended Faith from Prep to Year 12, were greeted with a hand printing ceremony, where their hand print became part of Faith history. These handprint tiles will become part of a wall in Prep. Trees were also planted with the help of our Alumni and Prep students.

It was wonderful to be able to share the joy of 33 years of Faith on Friday with our community. Sharing a cake at Morning Tea was a great start. The Middle School hosted our Prep students for the afternoon as they made some special handprints and played some fun games, while the Senior School leaders welcomed our alumni and gave tours to our visitors.

Our special assembly connected our current students with our past. Our preppies had everyone captivated by their performance of 3 uplifting songs – very high on the cute factor! An afternoon tea for staff, alumni and past parents was a great way to catch up on news of the past few years and follow our students' journeys as they've made their way through further study and work life. A very memorable and special day!

We are so proud of our alumni and value keeping in touch with them.



SENIOR SCHOOL WORSHIP

Senior School Worship Captains have continued to share a variety of meaningful worship experiences and messages for everyday life through our Senior School Worship times each fortnight. Recently, with the assistance and talents of Charlie Bridger, all students were invited to place a painted fingerprint on a prepared painting of a tree to symbolise each person as a significant, unique and special part of God's creation. We thank our Senior School Worship Captains for their leadership throughout the year.

NATIONAL CAPITAL TOUR

Our Year 7 students travelled to Sydney, Canberra and the snow for a 6 day educational and skiing experience.

Their first stop in Sydney was Circular Key including the Opera House and a ferry ride across the harbour to Taronga Zoo. Students had a wonderful time enjoying the zoo exhibits and amazing views across Sydney city. Our second day began with a chilly -6 degrees in Canberra and a visit to Government House. Students learnt about the role of the Governor General (Constitution, Commander in Chief, Ceremony and Community). A visit to Questacon Science Centre and the Australian War Memorial completed this day in Canberra.

The students filled a day with memorable activities and learning experiences starting at the Royal Australian Mint, followed by a tour of High Commissions and Embassies. The group enjoyed a tour of Parliament House and participated in a learning activity, role-playing the introduction of a new bill in the senate. This was followed by a history lesson about democracy at Old Parliament House.

One morning the students took a walk along Lake Burleigh Griffin as the mist lifted followed by a tour of the Australian Defence Force Academy with past student Luke Brown. Luke is graduating this year and is expecting a posting to Amberley Air Force Base in 2016.

A journey to be remembered.



JUNIOR SCHOOL STRING ENSEMBLES

The Junior School String Ensembles performed brilliantly in the Redlands Eisteddfod. The Poco Strings were awarded 3rd place for their performance in the Beginner ensemble section. This is a fantastic result for an ensemble who have only been playing together for six months! The Dolce Strings were also awarded 3rd place in a very tough primary school section. Congratulations to all the students who played.



SOIRÉE

Congratulations to our very talented Senior School classroom music students. Performances at the Senior School Classroom Music Soirée were exceptional and a real credit to students and staff as a result of developing gifts and talents and dedicated practice.

It was a pleasure to be a part of the audience and see how far our students have developed since their days in Middle School Music. Well done to Bailee Brazil, who was our mystery Middle School special guest, who certainly held her own amongst some very fine company! It was great to be able to catch up with our group of alumni performers who continue to develop their musical talents beyond the College. Our foyer provided a wonderful entry point for the event, with amazing art works on show from the Senior School visual artists, coordinated by Phil McLennan.

Thanks to Gina Ellis, our musicians and support team for a fabulous night of entertainment and Visual Art!



MODERN HISTORY RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

Twice each year the Senior School Modern History students visit the University of Queensland to supplement the research process, for the completion of their major assignments. Completing our second visit on Thursday, 30 July the students spent the day finding a range of source material for their respective areas of investigation. The Year 11 students were completing their research on the Communist era in China; while the Year 12 students spent their time investigating an Ethical Dilemma of their own choice.

Apart from the immediate academic benefits, it is always a great and inspiring experience for the students to visit one of Queensland's premier tertiary institutions, to simply soak up the academic environment. Being in such a salubrious setting offers a wonderful incentive for our present students to see their potential next step in their own educational journey into tertiary studies. We are confident these Year 12 Modern History students will make every step a winner as they move towards the end of their schooling.



BOOK WEEK

We have had a wonderful week at both the Junior and Middle/Senior Schools celebrating Book Week with students, staff, parents and grandparents.

A first for our College, the Book Swap was a wonderful success with most children bringing up to 5 books each to swap! The purpose of our day, to encourage the joy that is found in reading, was absolutely ticked! Mr Colin Sutcliffe, former Junior School Head, shared his experience with the Indigenous Literacy Foundation and gratefully accepted a cheque for \$1000 on behalf of the Foundation and Capalaba Rotary. Thank you for supporting this very worthwhile cause.

Our parents and grandparents were welcomed to the ISC to share activities and reading with students.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE PREMIERSHIP WINNERS



Open B Basketball



Year 7 Basketball



Year 8 Basketball



Year 8 Soccer