



NEW LOGO AND WEBSITE

Exciting news! We have updated our image with a new logo and have also launched a new website. The old 'rising sun' logo was developed at the school's inception 30 years ago and has carried the school through all of this time with very few alterations. The school is now considerably mature and we feel the time is ripe for a new look to take us forward.

The new school website is fresh, contemporary and easy to navigate. We hope you enjoy the new look and feel! (Note: you may need to refresh your browser to access the new site www.samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au)



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The new logo was designed by artist Simone Linssen for the Brisbane Waldorf school initiative and further developed by Beatriz Brandao. College believes it effectively reflects something of our vision to provide a living education for social renewal.

I would like to warmly thank Joan Weir, who has so enthusiastically, effectively and efficiently overseen and steered this huge project. I am sure you will agree the outcome of the work is worthy of significant congratulations and gratitude. I would also like to thank Simone, Bea and Phil Thomas who did a wonderful job bringing the logo concept to reality and to Steve and Mandy of Go4Multimedia for the development of the website.

Pep Wright

Senior Project Presentations

Saturday 28 October 8.30am - 2.30pm

Please come along and support our Year 12 students.

Dates to Remember

Monday 23 October

Class 1 Parent night, 3pm

Tuesday 24 October

Class 7 Parent night

Wednesday 25 October

Class 5 Parent meeting 3pm

Kindergarten parent night

Saturday 28 October

Senior Project Presentations

Monday 30 October

Pupil Free day, except for Pre-Prep

Saturday 11 November

Working Bee/ Open Day

Tuesday 14 November

Primary School Assembly
Class 3 and Class 5 Orchestra

Friday 1 December

Primary School Assembly
Farewell to Class 7
Upper Strings Ensemble

STAFFING

Astrid Edwards will be moving on from the Preps next year. In the two years since I have been here at the school I have admired the work Astrid has done in Star Gold as an assistant and then this year as a teacher. Working as an aide in the room, when other staff were ill, I have been able to witness this first hand. She has worked to ensure a smooth transition for the new Lillipilli Group to get started and to carry on the content of what Marilou has established for the Star Gold group. I wish her well in her travels and can see how easy it would be for her to return to a position in Early Childhood here in the future.

John Davidson

“SAINTLY DEEDS”

Throughout the year, Class 2 have been hearing many stories ranging from Animal Fable stories, Saint stories, Irish tales as well as other world and Indigenous stories. After being inspired by all the wonderful deeds of the heroes in these stories, at the end of Term 3 we decided to hold a cake stall to do our own saintly deeds for those who were unable to do it for themselves. After great discussions, we came to a consensus that, we as a class would love to help endangered animals.

The children made signs, talked to the other Primary School classes to inform them of the cake stall, learnt how to count money and give change as well as cooked many tasty treats before the big day. With great excitement, the children successfully ran the stall and managed to raise \$194 to assist WWF in their work. I am very proud of all the hard work that the children did to make their saintly deeds help animals in our world.

Carly, Class 2

“Thank you for your donation of \$194.80 to WWF’s snow leopard appeal. Mysterious in its habits and majestic in its movements, the snow leopard is one of the most extraordinary creatures on our planet. It’s also one of the most critically endangered. But thanks to you, this magnificent big cat – known as the ‘ghost of the mountains’ in its snow-capped home – has a much stronger chance of survival.”



REMINDER

Following the Senior Project Presentations on Saturday 28 October, there is a **Pupil Free Day on Monday 30 October, except for Pre-Prep children.**

WITHDRAWAL

A reminder for any enrolment withdrawals a terms notice is required.

A withdrawal form can be collected from the office if it is required.

Mercedes, Enrolments Officer

BOAT BUILDING IN THE HIGH SCHOOL

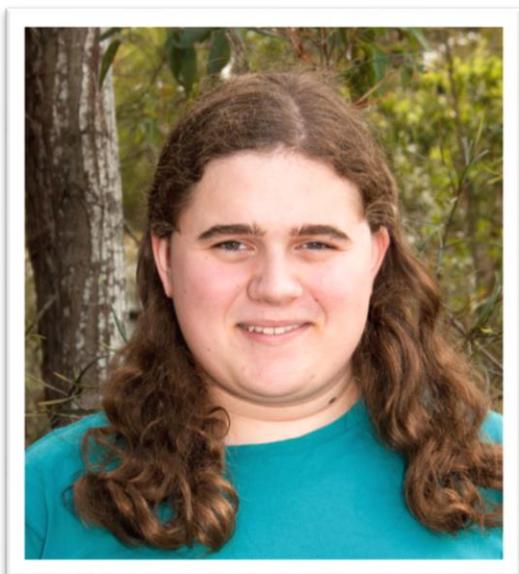
It's that time of the year again when our Class 10 students spend three weeks building a boat – this year two boats! On Wednesday, all the Prep children visited the workshop to see firsthand the building of a boat. What a rich experience for our young children to witness the High School students undertaking such a task!



SENIOR PROJECT PRESENTATIONS

This time every year our Class 12 students have completed the written and practical component of their Senior Project and start preparing for the oral presentation component. The Oral presentations will be held on Saturday 28th October from 8.30 – 2.30.

Ruby Irvine Rule's profile and information on her project 'Are Magazines still relevant in today's society and are they influential to the youth of today?' will be in next week's Newsletter.



KAI BRELSFORD

Kai has been at the school since the start of Class 7.

What is your Senior Project about?

My question is 'What is the purpose of the story?'

I have spent the year exploring that question in one way or another, for my practical, my research, and talks with my mentor

What led you to choose that topic?

Stories have been a big part of my life, as far back as I can remember. I tend to get involved with the stories I read and the characters. I have also had stories that I have wanted to tell – so this felt like the right topic for me to research and possibly pursue further (post school). This

question is a real one, a current one and one that applies to the future of my life. As part of the project, I have been going through the process of creating a comic.

What have you found enjoyable about the process?

Going through and creating the comic has been a lot of fun, a little challenging but worth it in the long run. The research has also been nice, it can be relaxing to read through a book and learn things that you did not realise before.

What have you found challenging?

The main difficulty has been managing the time, also when the time is there you need to make sure you are working in that time.

I was not able to finish my comic as a lot of unexpected things cropped up, which chewed up my time. If I was more prepared, I may have got more done in the year.

To date what have you gained from the process?

I certainly gained insight into the craft of telling stories, especially with telling stories via comics; this will help me with my future endeavours.

Also learning about managing my time better, planning for the unexpected, I have been getting better at this and will improve with this as I go through in life.

My mentor was brilliant and a great help in one of the major difficulties of the creating process, story boarding. He was able to make sure I was succinct and that the story flowed smoothly – Thank you Joe for all the brilliant help you have given me over the year and allowing me to visit the studio (Studio Joho) at QUT, Kelvin Grove, this was great!

How would you describe the Senior Project to someone who does not know what it was?

The Senior Project is made up of two parts, the question and the practical.

We are asked to create a question that we pursue/research as well as a practical physical element that goes alongside the research. These two components create the project, which we then throughout the year present our progress as well as the final result.

How are you feeling about the completion of the project?

As far as the written report, I feel this went well. I did not end up finishing my practical. I plan to continue working on the project after school.

I had a few hurdles along the way that delayed a lot of the work on my practical, these hurdles I could not have foreseen or known beforehand. I got as much done as I could in the time I had.

I will have the storyboards on display on the presentation day for people to have a look at.

What are your plans once you leave school?

My plans are to try to put my effort into creating more comics, get better at the process, strengthening my art skills as well as the other skills needed for comics so I can tell the stories I have been wanting to tell.

Describe in one sentence your experience at Samford Valley Steiner School

The school has offered me so many experiences that I may not have got otherwise, it has suited the way that I work and it's been a good place for me to be. I am happy I have been here for the time that I have.



SAVANNAH HARGRAVE

Savannah started at the school in 2011, class 6.

What is your Senior Project about?

My Senior Project is about understanding what a person's mind and body experience when preparing for, then completing the EL Camino de Santiago de Compostela.

What led you to choose that topic?

My mum and I had always planned to walk the Camino this year, and because I was struggling with a topic to pick for my Senior Project, my mum suggested that I somehow incorporate us walking the Camino into it. Because I was missing 5 weeks of school to do this pilgrimage, I thought it would be beneficial to incorporate the Camino into my school life, so that I could effectively 'study' while in Spain.

What have you found enjoyable about the process?

Overall I have found the whole process quite enjoyable, I have pushed myself more than I thought possible – mentally, physically, emotionally and spiritually. I found that I began to enjoy the act of pushing past my pain barriers and overcoming a lot of the self-doubt I experienced.

I think for me though, being able to spend 6 weeks with my mum in Spain was the best part of this whole experience.

What have you found challenging?

My Senior Project had to be very self-motivated, as most SP's usually are. I had to make myself prepare for it – make myself train by go hiking 5 days a week and the gym every other day. So the self-discipline is a definitely a component I struggled with but one I managed to overcome, whether it was for the training, execution or the research component of my Project.

To date what have you gained from the process?

I have gained a deeper understanding of what I am capable of as a human being, and I have gained the confidence in my ability to overcome difficulty.

The camp program helped me a lot as far as knowing what it feels like to physically struggle but persevere and overcome this struggle – plus the beds on the Camino were a *bit* more comfortable than just a sleeping bag on the ground.

How would you describe the Senior Project to someone who does not know what it was?

A Senior Project to me is something you take on as a senior student that is an academic expression of something that you are interested in.

How are you feeling about the completion of the project?

Relief!!

It was my favourite subject this year and it was something that I enjoyed working and on and researching – it is a bittersweet feeling.

What are your plans once you leave school?

If I am accepted into Uni I would like to study Behavioural Science & Justice (QUT) – if I don't get in I will have a quarter life crisis, go back, and walk the Camino again!

Describe in one sentence your experience at Samford Valley Steiner School

I have been able to express myself as who I am without fear of judgement or ridicule, my individuality and passions have always been encouraged and I've never felt unsupported.



Employment Vacancies

Handwork/Craft Teacher – Classes 1 -5 2018: Samford Valley Steiner School

Samford Valley Steiner School (SVSS) is seeking applications for a Handwork/Craft Teacher commencing in January 2018, to work in the Primary School from Classes 1 -5. The position is for a permanent part time contact. Applicants will ideally have a solid grounding in Steiner Education and should have experience teaching handwork in a Steiner School Primary setting. The successful applicant will also have demonstrated exemplary skills in a wide range of handwork disciplines.

The Role Description contains more information about this role and the required qualifications. The role description and information about the application process can be found on the school's website:

<http://www.samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au/employment-opportunities/>

For further information please contact the office on 07 3430 9600.

Closing Date: Friday 27th of October 2017

Senior Project Presentation Timetable 2017

Saturday 28 October 2017

PROGRAM & STUDENT PRESENTERS

8.30-8.45	Welcome & Introduction
8.45-9.15	Ruby Irvine Rule <i>'Are Magazines still relevant in today's society and are they influential to the youth of today?'</i>
9.20-9.50	Savannah Hargrave <i>'What can a Pilgrim do to prepare for the Camino and does a pilgrim's reason for walking help with their journey?'</i>
9.55-10.25	Nathan Garnes <i>'How has the evolution of technology changed the process of music production?'</i>
10.30-11.00	Morning Tea
11.00-11.30	Dylan Callaghan-Dale <i>'What key characteristics does a small business need to thrive on in the 21st Century?'</i>
11.35-12.05	Kai Brelsford <i>'What is the purpose of a story?'</i>
12.10 -12.40	Sarah Richardson <i>'What is barefoot trimming?'</i>



DOLL MAKING

This term we are making some dolls again to donate to children in refugee camps. This is part of the 100-year Waldorf education celebration. <http://www.waldorf-100.org/en/>

Come and make a doll to donate and/ or one for yourself. Materials vary from \$10- \$30.

Every other Tuesday starting 17th October from 9-12 at my house in Highvale (few minutes from the school).

The other Tuesdays we do the same at the Beachmere Birali School. The Birali School will also pay for some materials to have parents make them. How many dolls can we all make together!?

Let us know if you want to come.

Femke and Avril (0421 863 073)



FRIDAY FOODIES

Welcome back everyone! Hope you had a lovely break and are ready for term 4! PAFA would like to see you all at our first Friday Foodies of the term, next week on 27 October, straight after school at the Hub.

Come and enjoy a BBQ sausage sizzle, yummy homemade foods, garden produce, coffee and hot chocolate and great entertainment just to name a few. If you'd like a table to sell your own homemade produce please call Harshi on 0416 440 940.

See you all there! *The PAFA Team*

CRAFT NEWS

Thank you to all that braved the rain today, it was really lovely sitting crafting, listening to the rain on the Hub roof. We were nice and dry but still enjoying nature watering everything around us.

Next week we are making bees wax food wraps. I have sourced some beautiful chemical free (organic but not certified) pure beeswax. We will be using the ironing method to make the wraps, this method gives a lovely wrap that it not too heavily coated with the beeswax, it is very simple and a quick process.

Everything will be supplied, although if you have a preference to use your own fabric you may bring it along and I can work out a price for you. The price next week will be \$10 for 2 large wraps, if you prefer to make smaller wraps you may cut down your fabric.

I made the wraps in the photo during this week to test out the method and they are now for sale in the Treehouse - packs of 2 for \$15.

Hope to see you at the Hub next week.

Warmly

Tracey

PS. Save the date for the following week, Kathryn Avery is hosting Craft and will be teaching us to weave a bowl



Basket Weaving Workshop #1

Saturday 4th November | 1pm - 4pm | The Hub

PAFA invites you to join **Judith Wolski of Wild Baskets** for an afternoon Basket Weaving Workshop. This workshop is designed for adults and children aged 12 and over.

Judith's interest of weaving baskets began when her grandmother lost her sight and one of her therapies was basket weaving. She would sit with her and pass pieces and prompt her when she missed a bit. Over 20 years ago, she got involved with Bush Care and Revegetation Projects often removing weed vines which are strangling our native environment. She started using pest vines to weave baskets. These baskets are eco friendly, beautiful, and useful works of art.

Total Cost is \$40.00 with a \$10.00 deposit payable by Friday 20th October to secure your place.

Numbers are limited so be quick!

To register, please email kellywhilock@gmail.com and pay your deposit (surname as a reference) to:

PAFA main account
BSB 633 000
Acct 138486006



Children's Basket Weaving Workshop #2

Sunday 5th November | 9.30am to 11.30am | The Hub

PAFA invites children aged between 6 and 11 years old to join **Judith Wolski of Wild Baskets** for an introduction to Basket Weaving. This is a children's workshop only for children aged between 6 and 11 years old. A guardian must be present with the child to assist where necessary.

Total Cost is \$30.00 with a \$10.00 deposit payable by Friday 20th October to secure your place.

Numbers are limited so be quick!

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ASSOCIATED INITIATIVES

These Steiner/Anthroposophically related activities and services, whilst not directly related to the school, can be seen to be in sympathy with and supportive of the impulse of Steiner education.

Brisbane Branch of the Anthroposophical Society

Tomorrow is our Brisbane Branch of the Anthroposophical meeting with Kate Sharp. Welcome to our 2nd last meeting for the year! Kate Sharp will be presenting her research on the links between Neuro Science and Anthroposophy.

Where: This will take place in the Cate Room at the Samford Valley High School, carpark at the end of Narrawa Drive, Wights Mountain 4520

Time: 9.45 for a 10am Start to 4pm

Please bring a plate to share for lunch, or if you can't bring something, that is fine to, please still come.

RSVP Monique Davies Secretary Brisbane Branch Anthroposophical Society in Australia anthroposqld@gmail.com.

CLASSIFIEDS

Please note: All Classified Advertisements are submitted by individuals for the community benefit. They do not in any way express the views, opinions, endorsement or policy of the school and should not be relied upon as such.

There is a flat \$5 charge for each advertisement and payment is required prior to inclusion.

For Rent

A spacious self-contained unit granny flat style on a 5 acre property at Wight Mountain only 2 min from the Steiner School. Quite and secluded. Can be available fully furnished or empty.

\$275/wk Rent include electricity & gas, no bills to pay. Contact Adam on 0414-400-022 or adamhovav@gmail.com

Term 4 kids yoga

Monday 330pm-415pm: Kids Yoga @ Cedar Creek Hall (4-8yr old's)

Tuesday 330-415pm: Kids Yoga @ Zen Space Samford (4-8yr old's)

Tuesday 430pm-530pm: Tween Yoga @ Zen Space Samford (9-13yr old's)

For more information or to book please contact Kathryn Avery of Blue Lotus Kids Yoga on 0434237397 Or via Email at info@bluelotuskidsyoga.com.au

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Wights Mountain QLD 4520

CRICOS Registration:

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Northside Fitness News

Two more reasons to join us at Team NF!

1. Yoga with Kirsty

We are delighted to share that as well as the existing cardio, boxing and strength classes, you can now stretch, strengthen and relax twice a week, in what have already become very popular classes.

- **Mon 9am** – start your week with clarity and intention
- **Wed 6.30pm** – the perfect mid-week wind down with relaxing postures, breathing and meditation (good sleep guaranteed!)

“Kirsty has created a class that offers a very gentle way to ease yourself into the practice of Yoga but also allows you to push yourself a little further if desired.

I have been to both evening and daytime class and have enjoyed both - daytime to wind you up to begin your week & night time for calming the mind after a busy day.

I would highly recommend these sessions especially in the hurried world we live in today, so come along you'll be so glad you did!"
Michele

2. Fermenting Workshop

- Saturday 21 October
- 2-4pm
- Mitchelton Presbyterian Church (40 Ruby Road, Mitchelton)

Join us for an afternoon where you

- make & take home your own jar of sauerkraut
- watch the making of and taste other popular ferments (including kimchi and kombucha)
- receive a detailed workbook with all you need to know to get started
- take home a SCOBY to make your own kombucha
- become confident in making probiotic rich foods for your family!

Tickets: \$30 each (ingredients and jar included)
Spaces are limited to 12, so book now!

For bookings and questions, contact Nick at nick@northsidefitness.com.au or 0434990572

You can also book into both classes via the MINDBODY APP – just search for Northside Fitness - we look forward to welcoming you along!

Creative arts therapy: Sessions & Courses for Adults and Children

Creative arts therapy creates a space, where a difficult challenge or condition in the soul can be brought and explored in a gentle way. Using a range of artistic activities and arts practises, sand play, painting, drawing and form drawing, clay modelling, writing and conversation, an unravelling begins. This may happen over a series of sessions with both guided and more open activities. Art making generates inner

warmth and nourishment, helping to restore balance where astrality presses too deeply on the soul. Reflective opportunities help to assist understanding, ultimately strengthening one's resolve to move forward by oneself.

This therapy is also most suitable for children. With the assistance and involvement of the parent/parents a series of sessions is structured to meet the child's needs. Drawing upon Rudolf Steiner's fourfold view of the human being a way is sought to support and lighten the unfolding challenges that have become a hindrance for the child. A therapeutic story or artistic reflection is offered to the child as a completion of the series of sessions.

Kate has had a background of many years working in the creative field, as a crafts and handwork teacher in the Steiner Schools system and is a qualified Creative Arts Therapist.MA (CreativeArtTherapies), Grad DipArt Therapy & Couns. MIECAT. Member ACA

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www.katesharptherapy.com

Great Summer Hats for Babies and Kids in UV Organic Cotton

I'm a mother to three boys at the Castlemaine Steiner School in Victoria and I've struggled to find good quality natural summer hats for my children over the years. So I've recently brought in a small range of Organic Cotton Hats made in Germany by Pickapoo which are UV rated to the highest standards and designed for maximum coverage. There are sizes to fit from newborn to big kids in a range of lovely plain solid colours with no patterns or pictures. I hope you like them! Find out more here:

<https://www.woollykins.com.au/collections/pickapoo-hats>

Homeopathic consults

Cyena is a new mum at SVSS this year (daughter Sage is in Star Gold) and is a Homeopath with over 8 years' experience in practice. She works with families who prefer to use natural medicines to help with a wide range of

ailments. Homeopathic medicine is completely non-toxic and acts gently, allowing children's bodies to recover without strain on their immune system. Homeopathy is holistic, taking into account the physical, mental and emotional aspects of the child's experience. Cyena practices classical homeopathy in conjunction with a naturopathic approach to health. Cyena offers consultations by phone, at her home clinic in Gaythorne or at the SOMA room in the Lifestyle Centre on Mt Glorious Road by appointment. Call Cyena on 0418792827.

Looking for an Eco-Friendly Kitchen Renovation for 2018?

As a family within the Steiner Community, the team at Easy Living Kitchens would love to design and deliver a stunning New and Eco-Friendly Kitchen you'll be Guaranteed to Love.

Locally manufactured from local suppliers where available, with a commitment to eco-friendly and sustainable processes with a minimum negative impact on the environment using high levels of recyclables. Manufacturers that manage waste responsibly through numerous recycling programs including aluminum and metals, used oils and timber waste recycled back into energy. Easy Living Kitchens offer a great range of eco-friendly styles, finishes and functional solutions for any type of kitchen you can imagine or need.

To Book your Free Kitchen Design Consultation and have your kitchen renovation planning underway for 2018, contact us at <http://www.EasyLivingKitchens.com.au> or Call Us on 1300 650 681. Don't forget to mention "Steiner" to claim your Special Bonus as our way of saying Thank You...
Samantha (Class 3 parent)
Easy Living Kitchens

The Samford Support Network would like to ask for your help

We have a young woman in her twenties who is very unwell and is undergoing major surgery this week. She will be probably be in hospital a number of days and out of action for the next 7 weeks.

She cannot work and has no funds to draw on. Centrelink is paying a part of her rent and we see her at risk of becoming homeless whilst in hospital, especially as she has some medical bills outstanding. She is struggling desperately and in crisis in so many aspects of her life at the moment.

Whilst there are other sources of hardship assistance available, they take time to process and get the funds. The Samford Support Network has decided to put in place a hardship fund, which we believe we need for our wonderful Samford Community in general to help out people in genuine immediate crisis on a case by case basis.

We would appreciate a donation of any amount to the following account with the reference 'hardship fund' which is with our local Samford Bendigo Bank.

Bank: Samford Bendigo Bank
Account Name: Samford Support Network
BSB: 633-000
Account Number: 152668570
Reference: Hardship Fund

If you would like a tax deductible receipt for your donation, please email ssn-treasurer@googlegroups.com with your name, address and email and we will send one out to you.

With sincere thanks on behalf of this young lady and others who will be helped by your donation.

Your Samford Support Network