

NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 6

15 November 2019

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Dear SVSS Community,

I have been reflecting on the many wonderful experiences I have witnessed the past few weeks and am in continual awe of our school community; students, staff, parents and families who give of themselves every day to build this community together.

Events such as the Class 12 Senior Projects, Class 8 Projects, working bees and class plays are all opportunities for our community to connect with each other. Seeing the students shine and achieve inner confidence, conviction and determination is always one of the most rewarding aspects of being a teacher or parent and there are still more opportunities before the year ends as our term calendar unfolds.

Wednesday night this week was the Class 12 Graduation dinner and seeing them dressed in their finest as young adults ready to embark on new adventures was wonderful to behold. Talking to their parents, many of whom had been at SVSS since Pre-Prep, was enlightening, as I heard stories of the school's growth, trials and tribulations, but through it all, a firm belief in their child's journey at the school and being able to witness the fruits of a Steiner education; a young adult who knows themselves and wants to contribute in positive ways to the world.

Watching Class 7 perform their play this week was also a true delight. These young people are ready to embark on their high school journey and I witnessed a new depth of maturity as they performed their roles that told the story of the first woman to enter space in the early 1960s and her courage to lead the way into new and unknown frontiers.

With all the highs of this week, there has also been a sense of watchfulness and preparedness as we hear the stories of the many tragic situations that people have experienced in the face of huge fire threats. I am sure everyone has a friend or a family member, either in NSW or QLD that is facing the threat of evacuation or bushfire. We also have colleagues in Steiner schools that have had to close their schools and defend their homes and my heart goes out to all affected and hope they remain safe.

In this Issue



NEWS FROM SCHOOL DIRECTOR
P1

ADVENT MARKETS P2

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS P3 - 4

CLASS 12 GRADUATION
CEREMONY P5

CLASS 5 PLAY P6

EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES P7

PAFA 2020 CALENDAR P8

We have been extremely vigilant in monitoring the situation at SVSS, with Admin staff regularly checking the fire websites and monitoring air quality. I have also been in contact with the Dept of Health and the Public Health Unit and I assure everyone that we are taking the situation seriously and will make decisions accordingly if required. Some classes have had camps cancelled or plans altered but safety is always our number one consideration.

I would like to take the opportunity to warmly thank Carly Sheard, Helena Ryan and Class 4 while Carly worked hard and efficiently to support the Primary School faculty this term. Helena and Class 4 have been very flexible and Carly has been an enormous support to me and the Primary staff, going the extra mile at all times. I will be able to announce the appointment of our new Primary School Education Administrator soon and in the meantime if Primary parents have any questions please see your Class teacher or contact me.

Next Thursday 21st November I am holding a morning Cuppa session at 9am in the Hub for anyone who wants to have a chat about the school or just to say hello. I hope to see some parents there, though appreciate it is a very busy time of year!

Tracey Taylor, School Director

Advent Market / Friday Foodies - 22 November

Come along to The Hub on Friday 22nd November from 2.30-5pm for an afternoon of food, entertainment and to pick up some home-made gifts and products.

There is a great range already on offer: face painting for the kids, stalls that offer Christmas decorations, essential oils, skincare and clearing products (sage sticks etc), second hand toys, wooden toys, craft group toys and Steiner toys, Hey Moon products, native plants and more!

Plus, we'll be entertained by the string ensemble and some parents are getting their band together for a special gig!

There is always room for more stalls - so if you'd like to sell your home-baked/made food or handicrafts, or if you've been wanting to showcase your musical talent - please get in touch!

Contact Cherie on cheriepasion@gmail.com or 0423 503 926

Please remember there is no ATM on site, so remember to bring along cash, the nearest ATM is in the village :)

We hope to see you there to soak up the community feels. Keep an eye on the PAFA Facebook page for more updates about the Advent Market.

Team PAFA

Dates to Remember

Friday 15 November

Music, Art and Drama (MAD)
Night. 5.30pm in the Hall

Thursday 21 November

Cuppa morning, 9am in the Hub

Monday 2 December

Primary School Christmas
Carols 6pm, Amphitheatre

Wednesday 4 December

Year 12 Production (Times
TBC)

Thursday 5 December

Kindergarten Summer
Advent Celebration

Year 12 Graduation

Last Day for High School

Friday 6 December

Year 7 Final Assembly

Last day of term

ADVENT MARKET & FRIDAY FOODIES

Friday 22 November 2019
The Hub
2.45pm

*Gifts
Local artisan crafts
Delicious food
Live music*



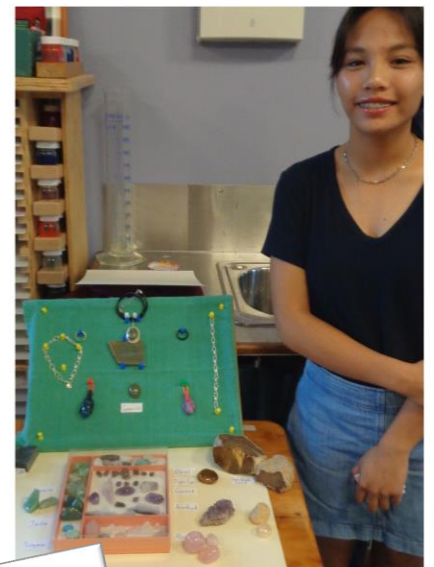


HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Class 8 Projects

Class 8 students have been working all year on an independent project, the results of which were shared with their families and staff last week.

I would have to say these projects were one of the Class's best kept secret – all of the students excelled with their speeches and the display of their practical component. All present in the audience felt privileged to witness the presentations and were left feeling warmed by the experience.





Class 12 Graduation

It is that time of the year for High School staff to prepare to say farewell to another cohort of Class 12 students. This is often an occasion with mixed emotions.

Over the next 3 weeks they will be working on their final production “*The Seagull*” by Anton Chekhov which will be held in the Hall during the last week of term. Stay tuned for more details.

The class had their Graduation dinner on Wednesday evening; an opportunity for parents, students and staff to celebrate their secondary education journey together. We were very spoilt with yummy food, a lovely view by the river and good company.

The Graduation ceremony will be held in the school Hall on Thursday 5 December – see poster for more information.

All parents welcome.

Mercedes

OSHC 2020 BOOKINGS

Dear Families,

The year is nearly at an end and 2020 is fast approaching. Our OSHC has become quite busy this year and some days we are at our full capacity. Next year we will have more new Families starting who may require Outside School Hours Care. I have already received quite a few Enrolments wishing to start the New Year. For all the existing OSHC Families that still require a permanent booking for your child, you will need to fill out the attached Booking form for 2020 (*See link in email body*). If your child’s permanent booking doesn’t need to change from this year, you can let me know and it will continue as it has been.

All Families that need to do a casual booking for their child will need to contact OSHC at least 24 hours prior to see if there is availability. Families with permanent bookings will receive priority for extra days they may need, providing they have given 24 hours’ notice.

Please don’t assume that you can just send your child without a booking. If there are no available spots, you will be called to come immediately to pick them up. We need to follow regulations and have legal obligations.

All booking forms need to be returned by Monday 2nd of December 2019. Please return all booking Forms for to the OSHC room or Primary School Office, or you can email them to me at oshc@samfordsteiner.qld.edu

Thank you and I look forward to seeing the familiar and new faces next year.

Kind regards,

Kylie Turner, OSHC Co ordinator

Graduation Ceremony

Class 12 of 2019



Thursday 5th December, 11.45am for a 12pm start at the Hall

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND

- ❖ Opening and Story
- ❖ Class 12 Parent speech
- ❖ Class 12 Student speech
- ❖ Class 12 Presentation – Tim Dunn, Sonia Jago & Class 1's
- ❖ Farewells
- ❖ High School Choir to sing
- ❖ Closing

Class 7 upwards only

- ❖ All to sing – ‘*As We Stand by The Shore*’ continually
 - ❖ Class 1- 6 to leave via the Primary School side
 - ❖ Class 7 to leave via the High School side and start the guard of honour, followed by Classes 8 – 11, staff, parents and then Class 12 students
 - ❖ Class 11 picture of Class 12 at the High School
 - ❖ Class 12 to leave rocks on the Cairn
- Class 12 depart!!!**

CLASS 5 - ODYSSEUS PLAY



Employment Vacancies at SVSS

Please visit <https://www.samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au/about-us/employment-opportunities/> for a full list of vacancies at SVSS

Kindergarten Relief-Teacher and/or Kindergarten Relief-Assistant

Samford Valley Steiner school's Early Childhood service welcome applications of interest for Relief Teaching, and, Relief Teacher Assisting work in 2020 within our beautiful Kindergarten setting. Your application should be marked Confidential and addressed Kindergarten Relief-Teacher and/or Kindergarten Relief-Assistant Application. Email to the EC Education Administrator eceducationadministrator@samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au

Kindergarten Relief-Teacher - Essential Qualifications and Legal Requirements

*Bachelor of Education or equivalent. *Current Queensland Teacher Registration, or ability to obtain Qld Reg

*Current First Aid and CPR Certificates from a recognised institution or willingness to obtain them within 10 weeks

Kindergarten Relief-Assistant

*Minimum - Studying towards a Certificate 3 in Children's Services * Current First Aid and CPR Certificates from a recognised institution or willingness to obtain them within 10 weeks *A Blue Card

Your application should include:

1. A brief outline of your interest in the position and state any relevant positions or major responsibilities you have held.
2. Experience in early childhood Steiner education or care settings (not compulsory)
3. A brief statement which describes how you consider yourself suitable against each of the Suitability criteria.
4. The names, positions and telephone contact numbers for at least three referees who can comment on your suitability for the position.

Suitability Criteria

1. A love for young children and a willingness to deepen their understanding of Steiner Early Childhood Education in a nurturing, family-oriented environment.
2. Patience, equanimity, good health, endurance, enthusiasm, flexibility, and the ability to communicate well with teachers
3. A willingness to receive instruction and openness to working as a team member.

OSHC Relief Staff

Our well attended Out of School Hours Care is seeking relief staff for the role of Lead Educator. The primary role of the Lead Educator is to work within our OSHC team to develop, implement and evaluate the service's daily routines and programs. This position may become permanent part time in the future as the service continues to grow.

Please see the Application package on the school website <https://www.samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au/about-us/employment-opportunities/> for further information. Applications close at 4.00pm Friday 8th of November 2019 and should be emailed to kturner@samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au and marked Confidential – OSHC Assistant/Lead Educator 2019.

Also, those interested in being a relief assistant please email Kylie Turner and she will explain what are mandatory requirements for this role.

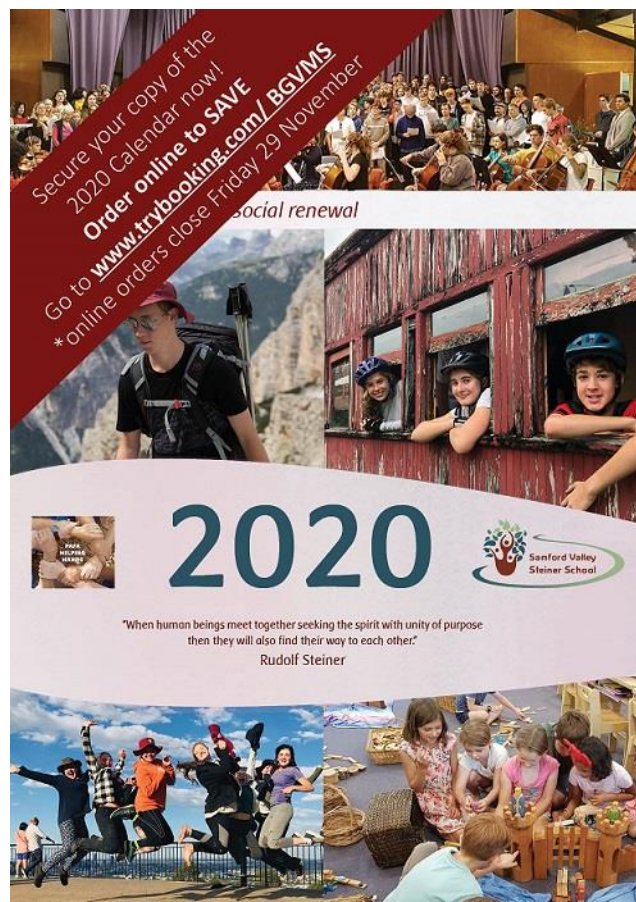
PAFA 2020 CALENDAR

Our very own calendar fairy has been working her magic once again on another beautiful calendar for 2020. You can secure your very own copy by pre-ordering online at: www.trybooking.com/BGVMS

Order before Friday 29th November to take advantage of the early bird discount of \$13 per calendar. We also have multiple copy discounts for those who would like to share extra copies with their children, family and friends. The discounts are as follows: 2 x calendars for \$25, 3 x calendars for \$35, 4 x calendars for \$45 and for large families 5 x calendars for \$55.

The PAFA SVSS calendar project is run completely by PAFA volunteers and all proceeds raised from calendar sales goes directly towards making our school a more beautiful place for the children, staff, volunteers and all the families and friends.

These calendars are beautiful gift ideas for extended families to keep up to date with the school key dates such as working bee, festivals and school holidays etc.



CLASS 3 HEAD OFF ON THEIR FIRST CAMP!



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.**

Arco half-size cello for sale

Cello and bow suitable for 9-11-year-old. Has some marks and scratches. Animato hard case, some wear at base Used condition but plays well, \$300. Listed elsewhere. 0421 106 441

3/4 Violin for Sale - \$180

Enrich Student Plus in good condition. Hard case, bow & rosin.
Selling as child no longer playing violin.
Contact Judy - 0432 330 125.

For Sale

Beale Large Upright Piano (Bench Seat Included)
Mint Condition. \$4,5000 ono. Camp Mountain
Call Connie 0478 117 403

Kevin Morgan, local Samford & Steiner parent

Specialising in small Concrete Slabs, Spraycreting pads & driveways 0419651540

Handyman, gardening, rural yard maintenance

local Samford 0422886765 Call Steve (references available)

Fully furnished 4-bedroom house

Pet friendly, inc pool, Samford Village, for short term rent call 3289 6000

Cabins to Hire

Delivered to your acreage, 6x3mtrs, 7x3mtrs available min 3months perfect for extended family, office 3289 6000

Independent Architectural Consultant

I am an Independent Architectural Consultant with experience of leading different scale architectural and interior design projects from concept to completion. I am passionate about creating spaces tailored for individual needs responding to every day habits, with strong connection to nature. Indoor and outdoor spaces are interwoven in my design approach, they are inseparable. I focus on passive design, a path I am concurrently exploring in my PhD research. For more details please visit my web page www.tomatoarchitecture.com, find me on Instagram and LinkedIn. Agnieszka Nowak m. 0451 103 872.

Nick Ellison Holistic Health - Mobile PT and Online Coach

I know just what it's like to be a parent, juggling to fit everything in. And I know how easy it is to let your own health and fitness keep falling down the to-do list!

So I created the 21 Day 'Small Steps, Big Difference' Challenge – a three week program designed to help you feel fitter and have more energy through simple & manageable daily actions:

- daily challenges
- weekly feedback
- achievable goals

For more information, call Nick on 0434 990 572, or you can start today by [clicking here](#). If you'd prefer more specific, face-to-face exercise and health coaching I also offer a mobile service in the Samford Valley so give me a call to book in your complimentary assessment.

Looking for a house to rent

A family of three is looking for a 2-bedroom place in Samford Valley area (smaller option to be considered) for a long-time rent. I am self-employed independent architectural contractor concurrently pursuing research PhD at the University of Queensland. As most of the time I work from home I would appreciate quiet surroundings to help me concentrate on my work. My husband Grzesiek, works as a joiner and is an independent contractor. We have one daughter Ligia, who attends class 1 at SVSS. We all love animals of any kind and it would be a great advantage if there was an option of keeping an adult dog in the future place. If interested, or you know someone in the community who would be, please contact Agnieszka Nowak m. 0451 103 872, e. aga@tomatoarchitecture.com

Flametree Financial

Flametree Financial are Samford based Mortgage Brokers, ready to assist you with your Personal or Business lending needs. Take the stress and hard

work out of locating the best loan rate and lender - we have the knowledge, tools and proven existing relationships within the industry to find your perfect product/lender match. We have extensive experience with the self-employed, First Home Buyers and complex transactions so can offer you an advanced level of understanding and focus on education and service.

Founders, Leah and John Hudson, live in the Valley and are passionate about building a sustainable future both locally and globally. Both have years of experience as small business owners and understand the unique challenges involved in running and maintaining a successful venture.

If you care about the environment, are passionate about your community and would like to support lenders who share your values, then let us help guide you towards great value lenders that share your values and vision for the future.

Contact our principal Lending Adviser John Directly on 0413 741 456 or email john@flametreefinancial.com.au

Children's Mindfulness & Movement Classes with Natavia Maria

Natavia Maria has been teaching mindfulness and meditation to children, corporate organisations, government agencies, holiday resorts and corrective services, bearing witness to amazing benefits and transformations in the participants. Natavia shares practical tools that support a healthy lifestyle, improved social skills, concentration and coordination with individuals gaining improved insight and understanding of self.

Classes are held on Wednesday at Zen Space Samford Valley: 5-10 years 3.30-4.15pm \$15
Teens 4.30-5.30pm \$18
Phone 0466 558 894

School Contact Information

Phone: 3430 9600

Email: info@samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/Samford-Valley-Steiner-School-106275046117815/?ref=hl

Website: www.samfordsteiner.qld.edu.au

Address:

5 Narrawa Drive
Wights Mountain QLD 4520

CRICOS Registration:

RSEGB T/A Samford Valley Steiner School **CRICOS 03326J**

**Sign up for just Term one
Open Intensive 3rd Feb - 27 March**

 **Pacifica College
of Eurythmy**

**Full Time Eurythmy Training
in Australia**

Applications open for 2020
3.2.2020 - 27.11.2020

A comprehensive,
four-year professional training,
preparing eurythmists for work
in artistic, educational,
therapeutic and social spheres.

For more information contact:
+61 403 171 651 email: pacificacollege@gmail.com
Samford Valley, Queensland, Australia