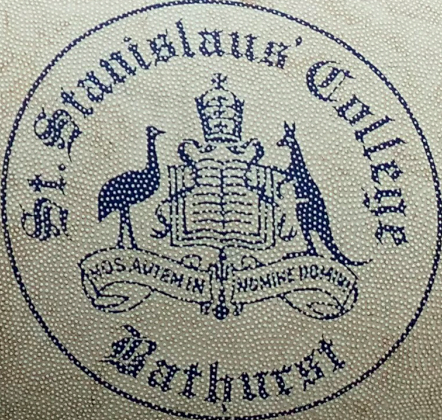


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Co-curricular forms a large part of College life - from team and individual sports to visual arts, music, chess, tech and agricultural teams, community service, academic extension and learning enrichment programs. When students get involved in co-curricular, they learn about themselves and others and further develop and transfer their learning skills and habits from inside to outside the classroom. Each student has his creative, physical and social abilities and talents nurtured through our extensive range of offerings. This provides the opportunity for every student to reach his potential and develop his abilities, skills and confidence, as well as a sense of discipline and teamwork.

Chess

The Chessnuts gather on a Friday lunchtime in G1 to play Chess. The team participates in the annual Country Schools Secondary Competition and, in Term 3, the College holds the Lavis Cup competition, where everyone is encouraged to participate.

Creative and Performing Arts

Students have a wide range of opportunities in the Creative and Performing Arts. Students can participate in music, art and drama through the Concert Band, Stage Band, Drum Corps, Jazz Band, Choir, Cantor Group, the Stannies and MacKillop Combined Stage Band, Visual Arts Club (Stannies Artists Development Association - SADA) as well as the annual combined College musical and drama productions, produced and presented in conjunction with MacKillop College students and staff.

Debating and Public Speaking

The Debating and Public Speaking Club meet in G4 each Thursday at lunchtime. All students can apply for their House Debating team, with the annual Students versus Staff debate keenly attended. The College offers students the opportunity for selection into the annual Country Women's Association Public Speaking Competition, as well as many statewide competitions throughout the year. A College tradition, the Rhetoric Man competition, is a public speaking competition that sees one student crowned the best speaker in the College.

Indigenous Culture Group

Culture isn't static. People adapt to changing climate, new inventions and influences from other people and other cultures. The Stannies Indigenous Culture Group is open to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students as a platform to connect to the Stannies Community and a reflection on how their connection to culture continues today.





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Historical Society

The Stannies Historical Society meets every two weeks to discuss and debate key historical events, groups, individuals and ideas. The group offers additional support to students preparing for assessment tasks and those interested in getting involved in external projects such as the Simpson Prize or the Minister for Veteran Affairs Prizes.

St Vincent de Paul Youth Conference

Each year our Year 10 and 11 students volunteer to join the St Stanislaus' College St Vincent de Paul Youth Conference. The SVDP conference meets regularly to plan community outreach programs. The committee plans fundraising activities for projects throughout the year and delivers gardening and lawn mowing services to local families in need through our Green Team. The Conference holds a special place in the heart of Stannies culture. This year Stannies celebrates 110 years of continuous service to our community.

Elevate Program

The Elevate Program is the umbrella for a range of progressive opportunities for students who have a keen interest in challenging themselves beyond the classroom curriculum.

Project Inspire - Year 10

Project Inspire is a Stannies and Mackillop College co-educational, co-curricular, talented and gifted program for self-selected Year 10 students. The Project is a learning framework of supported mentorship designed to match experience with drive and passion. Professional, qualified leaders offer their time and expertise to work alongside students who are self-starters and leaders in their own right to knowledge, share and work on a specific outcome over a set period of time. Stepping up from the usual work experience model, Project Inspire takes mentoring to a new level - inspiring to be job and 'change the world ready'.

Unleashing Brilliance - Years 7-10

Unleashing Brilliance aims to provide our students with real-world applications of knowledge. Students will have the opportunity to co-design a project and extend the transferable skills required to succeed in the 21st century. Students will immerse themselves in a challenging project to deepen their understanding and build on individual student interest. Students bring with them a willingness to challenge themselves and grow, both academically and personally. The program further aims to help participants develop and model leadership skills, build mutually beneficial learning relationships and benefit from collaborating with others to plan, design and create. Unleashing Brilliance enables an individual to experience and open doors to otherwise out-of-reach opportunities. The program emphasises the critical skills for the 21st century: Communication, Critical thinking and reflection, Creativity and Collaboration.

Media Team

The Student Media Team is a group of like-minded students who have a keen interest in video production. The Student Media Team organise live stream video broadcasts for sporting events, Course Awards and Speech Day and video productions of student events like the annual swimming carnival and athletics carnival. The Student Media Team is allocated a team office with an editing suite and a complete video production kit. Meetings take place at lunchtime and when required for events.

Maths MEET

Math MEET is an opportunity for students of all ages and mathematics abilities to work collaboratively to improve their understanding of mathematics. Whether students are looking to get some help catching up on concepts that they didn't understand in class or perhaps they are a budding mathematics wiz looking to extend themselves, Math MEET has something to offer. The Mathematics staff runs math MEET; however, senior mathematics students are also on hand to work



collegially on problems. At Math MEET, students will have a chance to work on their classwork, get assistance with assignments or tackle one of the teacher-provided stimulus problems.

Maths HUB

Math HUB is an afterschool program that aims to provide mathematics assistance to students in a relaxed, collaborative environment. The Mathematics staff are on hand to provide help to students from Year 7 Mathematics through to Year 12 Mathematics Extension, with homework, assignments or general knowledge gaps. Students are encouraged to adopt sound study habits for problem-solving subjects such as Mathematics.

Agriculture Teams

The Agriculture team welcomes students of all ages to learn skills associated with primary production and livestock exhibition. Students work each week at the school farm, assisting with general farm duties and caring for the livestock's health and welfare.

Equestrian Team

Equestrian activities include participation at the local shows, North West Equestrian Expo and the Light Horse Troop. Students also have the opportunity to be involved in developing horse handling skills at the school farm.

Cattle, Sheep and Poultry Team

The Stannies stock is exhibited at the Blayney, Royal Bathurst and Sydney Royal Easter Shows. The team is actively involved in the selection of livestock and responsible for their preparation. Students are encouraged to network and establish relationships with breeders to deepen their skills further. Steggles Meat Bird Pairs and Hyline layer hens are prepared each year for the Sydney Royal Easter Show.





Athletics and Cross Country

The College provides excellent opportunities for students to compete at the highest levels in Athletics and Cross Country. Students compete in the College Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals as a pathway to selection in the College squads for further specialist training and Carnivals. Our students have the opportunity to then compete locally at the WAS (Western Associated Schools) and Bathurst Diocese carnivals before the Independent Sporting Association (ISA) Carnivals held in Sydney; Athletics at Olympic Stadium Homebush and Cross Country Carnival at the Sydney Olympic Equestrian Centre.

For many years, success at the ISA carnival has led to further representation in the CIS (Combined Independent Schools) team at the NSW Schools State titles and then further representation at the National Schools titles. Many prestigious perpetual awards are presented at College, including the Finn Cup (scratch start sprinting), Athlete of the Year and the Sergeant Paul Quinn Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Individual Athletic performance.

Basketball

The College has competed strongly in the ISA (Independent Sporting Association) Basketball competition since joining the association in 1996. The College provides teams in the Opens, Under 17s, Under 15s, Under 14s and Under 13s age groups. There is weekly coaching and local games played in the College Indoor Recreation Venue (IRV).

The competition occurs on a home and away basis with many outstanding schools, including St Augustine's College, Oakhill College, St Pius X College, Chevalier College, St Gregory's College and others. Stannies has had teams reach the finals series since entering the competition and has maintained strong representation in the ISA Opens representative sides. These compete against the other independent school associations.

Cricket

The College maintains a proud cricketing tradition with the cricket season always beginning with the 1st XI side playing an Old Boys Team. For many years the Old Boys Team contained the College Old Boy Peter Toohey, who played 15 tests for Australia 1970s. The 1st XI and 2nd XI Teams compete in the Sydney-based ISA competition with strong success leading to further representative opportunities in the ISA sides ongoing to the CIS (Combined Independent Schools) sides competing in the NSW State titles. The College has maintained a strong record in the statewide Berg Shield for students in Catholic schools in Year 9 and below, with Strannies winning the title in 2016/2017. The College has 10 sides in the various age groups in the Bathurst District Junior Cricket Association competition, played on a Saturday morning in Bathurst and nearby districts. Stannies offers excellent facilities and coaching throughout the season at the school campus.

Hockey

Stannies students have the opportunity to play Saturdays in the local Bathurst Hockey competition. The College regularly has students represent the ISA at the CIS trials in Pennant Hills, which is the pathway to selection in the NSW CIS team, competing in the Schools Tri-Series Tournament.

Rugby

The game of rugby has long held an important place at the College. It has been, and continues to be, a pastime that generates great interest and enthusiasm amongst all sections of our community. The College is proud of its strong rugby heritage and sees the game as a vehicle which assists with the education of the boys who play. The rugby program aims to teach teamwork, commitment, discipline and sportsmanship, which are qualities that develop character and build self-confidence in our boys. Rugby is an inclusive game which allows boys of differing sizes and abilities to be involved.



Stannies is the only regional school to win the statewide Waratah Shield (1974, 1980, 1981, 1995) as well being finalists on eight other occasions. The ISA 1st XV has won the title of Undefeated ISA Premiers on five occasions (1998, 2004, 2005, 2008, 2017).

There have been numerous students who have represented either ISA, NSW Schools or Australian Schools at Under 16 or Under 18 level (Bo Abra became the ninth player selected for Australian Schools in 2017). Stannies fields three or more sides in each age group - Under 13s, Under 14s, Under 15s, Under 16s and Opens divisions. The College plays in the formidable ISA Division 1 competition against St Augustine's College, Oakhill College, St Pius X College, Kinross Woleroi School, St Patrick's College and St Gregory's College. In addition, pre-season fixtures are played against some of the strongest GPS and CAS rugby schools. These include Barker College, Knox College, Trinity Grammar, Cranbrook School, Kings School, St Ignatius College.

The College continues an ongoing tradition of overseas tours with most recent experiences, including Fiji and New Zealand.

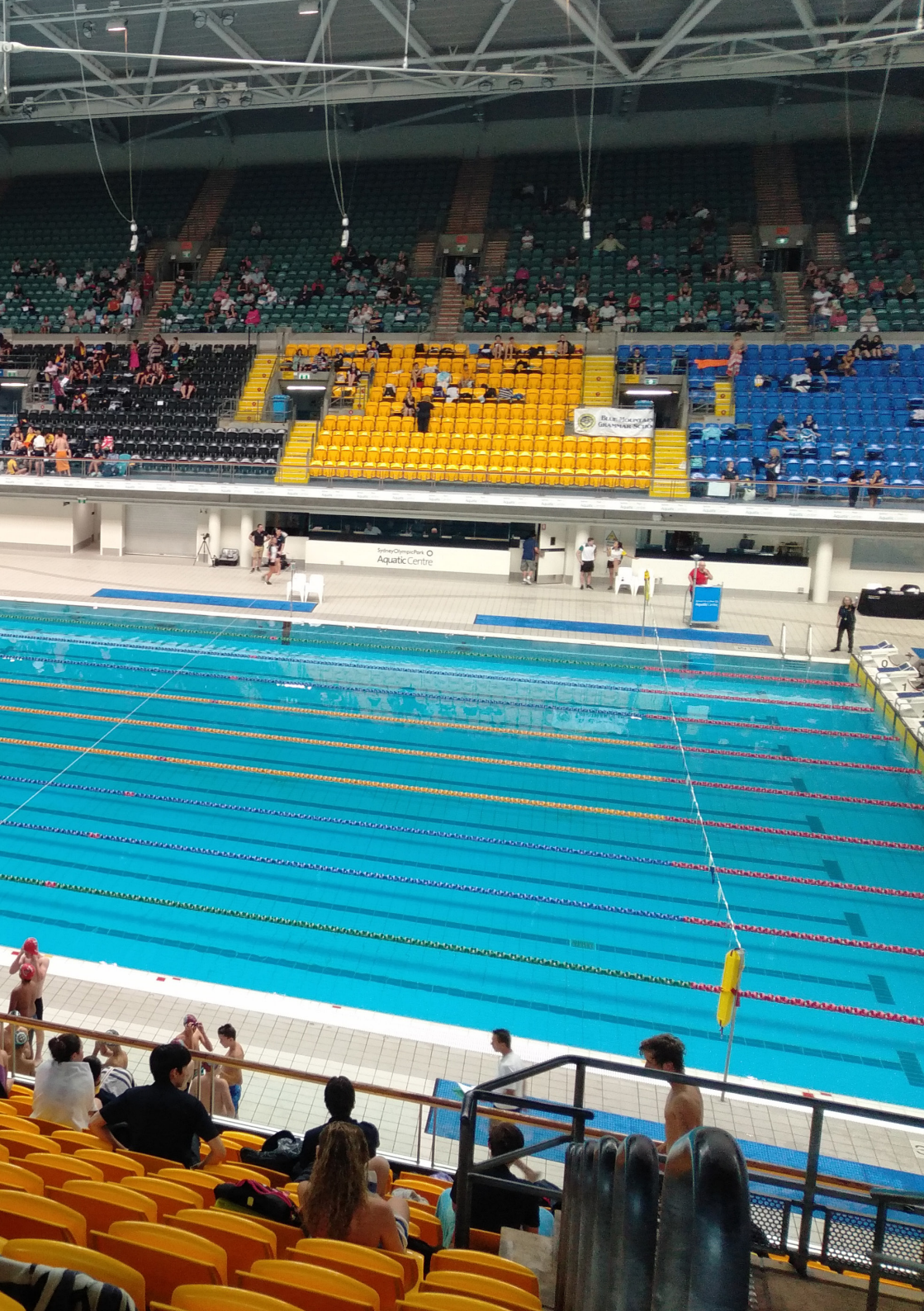
Rugby League

Stannies students can play in the local Bathurst Rugby League competition and represent the College in the statewide Country Cup knockout competition for Under 13s, 15s and Opens. In addition, the Cochrane Cup for Catholic school's is available for our Under 14s and 16s. Over the years, Stannies has progressed throughout the rounds of these competitions and is very fortunate to have many outstanding coaches on staff. Stannies students have also gone into the NSW CIS representative sides at both Under 15 and Opens levels which compete annually in School Boy's titles championships, Braidon Burns is the most recent student to follow this pathway directly into the NRL competitions.

Football

The College is part of the statewide Independent School Cup ICS competition and representation is by selection. Students can





participate at club level in the Bathurst District Football Association competition and the Western Premier League

Swimming

Swimming is a highly active and competitive sport at College with many opportunities for students during Term 1 and Term 4. The College Swimming Carnival is a unique event where House participation is the key. The College swimming squad emerges after competition in the College Swimming Championships and training occurs regularly at the Bathurst Aquatic Centre. Further opportunities for this squad to compete locally in the WAS (Western Associated Schools) and Bathurst Diocese Carnivals prior to the ISA carnival held in the Olympic pool in Homebush. Stannies continues to develop students selected to represent ISA at subsequent carnivals at the CIS and national levels.

Tennis

Tennis has a strong profile within the school with two separate teams across senior, intermediate and junior age divisions in the local summer ISA competition. The College Blue and White Teams represent Stannies throughout the season leading to the Singles and Doubles Championships at season end where students have achieved great success. Highly contested College Championships also take place during the tennis season, while Stannies students have also gained higher representative honours competing for ISA in the CIS Tennis tournament.

Touch Football

The College maintains a strong presence in the local Bathurst District Touch Association's Men's and Under 14 competitions. In summer, Stannies usually enters over 20 teams allowing 250 players to compete each Monday evening. The strength of Touch Football at Stannies has recently led to an Opens team representing at the ISA Touch trials, which provides a pathway for student selection in ISA teams for the CIS trials and further representation at the national titles.



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