

July, 2024

Hi Everyone!

It's July! Crazy times! 2024 is speeding by - we can't believe how quickly it is going!

From this month on, you will notice some changes to the format of our newsletter - we are doing a few things to streamline it, and make it easier to find information in the future, and to find the relevant stuff that you need! It will also help those who have limited internet to be able to load the email. :) We will continue to tweak it in the coming months.

Another quick update - thanks to all who have participated in our Celebration Survey! Due to the responses, we will be having our in person Celebration in March 2025, and we will also be running a dedicated Online Celebration for those who can't make it in person. We would love to run in person Celebrations across the region, but at the moment that is cost prohibitive. Keep your eyes open for future updates!

Praying for all of you. Keep up the great work!

God Bless!

The Accelerate Team

* Please be aware that access to some of the links in this newsletter, may require you to be logged into the Accelerate website. *

Why Education is an Investment: A Home School Perspective

Explore the vital role of education as an investment in society and the future, from a Christian perspective. Discover the benefits of home schooling and the importance of integrating ethics and character into education. Learn why nurturing well-rounded individual's matters in building a thriving community. Dive into practical insights and perspectives on empowering children for success in life, guided by Biblical principles. Discover more on the impact of education beyond academics.

Read full article here!

From the Certificates Team

Academic Projection Sheet

For this month's guidance from the Certificates Team, we are learning about one side of the Academic Projection Sheet. We will discuss the Goal Contract which is on the back next month. Remember, we are asking our families to aid us in maintaining our Certificate's high standing with the tertiary educational institutions in the South Pacific through high quality marking standards.

Are you aware that the Academic Projection towards Graduation Form can be downloaded <u>here</u> (in the Downloads section of the Member's Area) or purchased from SCEE (printed onto card)? This is a great way for students (and parents) to track their progress towards the completion of their Certificate Pathway. *Please be aware that this can also be used to help track younger students progress through the PACEs.*



If you would like to read further, please click this link.

IN PERSON Student Conventions 2024!

Families, start preparing your students for our return to face-to-face Student Conventions. Make sure you add these dates to your calendar.

Venues for each Convention will be announced when finalised. If you have any questions, please contact <u>events@scee.edu.au</u>

DATES:

Fiji – 22-26 July

Australia – 7-8 August 2024 *See below

New Zealand – 26-30 August 2024

PNG - 9-13 September 2024

Indonesia - 20-24 September 2024

See our <u>calendar</u> for more information.

* 💐 Join Us for the Aussie A.C.E. Student Convention Workshop! 💐

Date: August 7th & 8th

2 **Time:** 9 AM - 4 PM

S Cost: \$15 per person per day (includes lunch and tea breaks)

Who: All ages welcome! Bring the whole family.

♥ Where: 8-12 Business Drive, Narangba QLD 4504

Get ready for two days of excitement, learning, and fun at the A.C.E. Student Convention Workshop! Whether you're new to the A.C.E. Student Convention or a seasoned participant, this workshop is perfect for everyone.

What to Expect:

Solution Interactive Workshops: Dive into hands-on sessions where you can learn and practice some of the exciting events featured in the A.C.E. Student Convention. From academic to artistic skills, there's something for everyone.

える Learn Fun Sports Events: Discover and practice some of the fun sports events you can compete in at the convention.

Showcase Performances: Be inspired by special performances that highlight the talents and hard work of our A.C.E. students and alumni. See what you can achieve and get motivated for your own future performances.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to prepare for the A.C.E. Student Convention while having a blast. Bring your enthusiasm and get ready for two days of unforgettable experiences!

Register now and join us for a workshop filled with learning, fun, and fellowship! 🔗

Email your interest to events@scee.edu.au

Please include your customer code(if applicable), name, age (for children) and any dietary requirements.

The Quarterly End of the Moderation Dates 2024

While we receive PACE tests for moderation all year round, the Certificates Team Moderators moderate quarterly. Those PACEs which are received after the moderation deadline, will be moderated in the next quarter.

Please note that a 12 PACE subject should be sent over 4 moderation periods (approximately 3 PACEs per quarter). Do not send whole subjects all together as there may be a financial penalty.

Please remember to send your students' moderation for each date shown:

Moderation 3 – 20th September 2024

Moderation 4 – 9th December 2024

<u>INDONESIAN FAMILIES</u> – Please hold all tests for moderation at your school until we have a new address for the Indonesian Moderator.

Required PACEs to be moderated are any subjects in a Senior Secondary Certificate, and Level 2 or above in the HSC, HSAC or COA.

*Algebra I (or Business Maths only for SSC) AND English I must be moderated as they are prerequisites for the SSC, High School Advanced Certificate and Level 2 or 3 Certificate of Achievement.



See our calendar for more information

Have you joined our exclusive, members only,

Accelerate Christian Home Schooling Families Facebook group?

You will have access to a wealth of information and advice from our member families (and Accelerate team members) and it is a great way to connect with those in your area and further afield. You don't have to walk the Home School journey alone.



Does your child struggle with Mathematics? Is it a challenge to keep them motivated?

A Mathletics subscription can be a great supplement to the PACES, which not only helps improve results but also encourages a love of mathematics (or at least no longer a dread). Mathletics is an online subscription based program that brings out the joy of learning through fun activities, games and competition. Children are motivated to achieve their best as they progress and succeed, earning certificates, points and unlockable rewards. Mathletics works with your child at their level, and provides support with hints, videos and guides as your children are challenged to pursue their own learning journey and discover knowledge at their own pace.

A study in over 8,000 schools showed 30 minutes of Mathletics a week gave students a 9% advantage over their peers in national standardised tests.

We currently have a limited number of Mathletics subscriptions available to our families at a reduced cost of \$60 per student (compared to directly purchasing it for \$99).

For more information, please visit the <u>Mathletics</u> page on our website.



Please be informed that the July to December invoices have been sent to your registered email address. We kindly request that you check your inbox and review the attached invoice at your earliest convenience. If you have not received the email in your inbox, please also check your spam or junk mail folders. If you have any questions or need further assistance regarding the invoice, feel free to contact us.





Scripture Memorisation

We include two translations for the Scriptures: One is the traditional King James Version (KJV), which is the version used in all PACEs. The other version will usually be the New American Standard Bible (NASB), or a similar translation chosen for readability while retaining the meaning of the original Greek or Hebrew writings.

We recommend you and your child/children learn each Scripture passage over the following month. Read it together and discuss what it means, and how it applies to your lives. Memorize one verse each day, or every couple of days. Every time you memorize a new verse, add it to the verses before. Repeat the section often during the day. Try "spot quizzes" at random times in the day. Try making it fun by putting the words to music, or having competitions to see who is able to memorize the whole passage faultlessly before anyone else.

As soon as your child has recited the entire passage without fault, use our Scripture Passage form (Members menu) to notify us, and we will record it.

Memorized Scriptures will show on each Semester report. Children who memorize eight (8) passages in a year will be eligible for a Scripture award at the end of the year.

Deuteronomy 6:3-9

King James Version (KJV)

3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the Lord God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord:

5 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

New American Standard Bible (NASB)

3 Now Israel, you shall listen and be careful to do *them*, so that it may go well for you and that you may increase greatly, just as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has [a]promised you, *in* a land flowing with milk and honey.

- 4 "Hear, Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one!
- 5 And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.
- 6 These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.

7 And you shall repeat them diligently to your sons and speak of them when you sit in your house, when you walk on the road, when you lie down, and when you get up.

- **8** You shall also tie them as a [b]sign to your [c]hand, and they shall be as [d]frontlets [e]on your forehead.
- 9 You shall also write them on the [f]doorposts of your house and on your gates.

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