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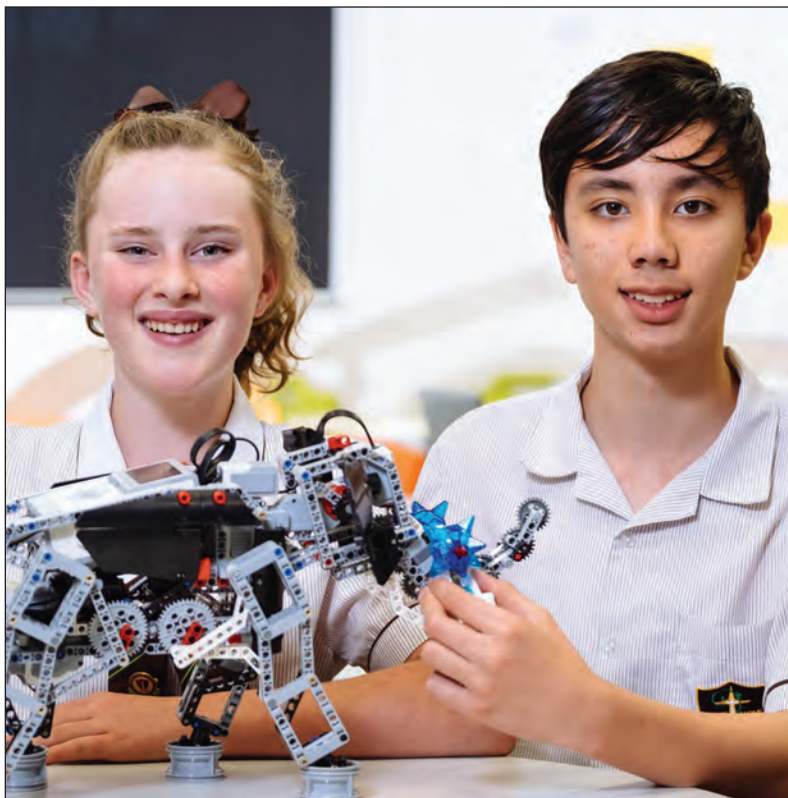


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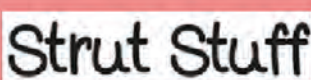
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The Broadway musical that picked up a record 12 Tony Awards when it debuted in 2001, is once again set to wow crowds with its modern, outrageous, in-your-face humour when the Savoyards' theatre group breathe life into this contemporary, laugh out loud farce this September.

The production, with its plethora of catchy songs, contains a simple plot: a down-on-his-luck Broadway producer and his mild-mannered accountant come up with a scheme to produce the most notorious flop in history to trick their backers (all "little old ladies") out of millions of dollars.

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The Savoyards' Brisbane show will be directed by Gabriella Flowers, and choreographed by Hannah Crowther, with Mark Beilby providing musical direction.

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The annual National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is now behind us. Mass testing programs such as these always draw public commentary. No doubt media stories will emerge once again this year decrying falling educational standards, limited government funding for education and the potential harm done by subjecting children to tests. Some will even say that teachers will teach to the test, as though this is a bad thing. I sincerely hope they do!

Teachers will teach all the elements of reading comprehension, spelling, grammar, writing and numeracy required for the student's year level. Questions which draw out the essential concepts in each of these areas will be selected for the annual tests. Whether the minds of eager young students have grasped all of these concepts during the past two years will become evident. Teachers will eagerly await the results!

Just as Google and Facebook gather valuable data we regularly provide to them for the benefit of marketing companies, so it is that NAPLAN test results gather data of great value to our teachers. Whether an individual student has grasped particular mathematical concept or a class needs further practice making inferences from a piece text, information about achievements or gaps in understanding can easily be identified from the wealth of data provided annually to all schools. Test results provide rich data to assist teachers to improve their teaching strategies in order to develop the learning potential for all our students.

Teachers at St John's are great proponents of the need to teach children how to think for themselves, to be creative and innovative and to collaborate in team environments to solve real world problems, however, all would agree that without exceptional results in literacy and numeracy as the foundation, these higher

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We look forward to using NAPLAN test results to the advantage of our students when they become available later in 2017.

Our next **Open Morning is Saturday, August 19, from 9am to 12 noon** and you can register via the St John's website or it may be more convenient for your family to book a tour of our primary or secondary campuses, at a time that suits.

Please email our Registrar, Janette Collins
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