It was an honour to be selected by my fellow students and to represent them on the SRC. I was happy to take on this role with Zoe Desyllas and together we both learnt lots of things and had a great time.

Steven Gallos
YEAR 3 SRC

This year I enjoyed being a member of the SRC because I felt it was an important part of school by helping to organize events like pizza day, Easter raffle, can collecting and many other things. I also enjoyed going to the meetings and relaying the messages back to the Junior School. Being a member of the SRC taught me leadership skills and how to be more confident.

Zoe Desyllas
YEAR 3 SRC

We enjoyed being part of the meetings and fundraisers, particularly organising events for ‘Alyna and Friends Foundation of Hope.’ I enjoyed going to the meetings talking about various issues and laughing with the other members of the group. We liked being part of a group that helps to improve the school life for all students.

We have both liked being the Year 4 SRC members this year.

Anastasia Tolis and Min Sung Park
YEAR 4 SRC
PRIMARY TEAM YEARS 5 - 6

Being members of the SRC this year has been a great experience. We had various responsibilities and our classmates relied on us to report any problems or ideas for discussion with the team. Helping out on fundraisers and helping others with their work has been good fun. We hope we have the opportunity to be voted as student representatives again.

Paul Lim and Yodit Mulu
YEAR 5 SRC

This year we were honored to be elected in the SRC to represent our fellow classmates. We have thoroughly enjoyed ourselves but feel the year has come to an end very quickly. The list of things we wanted to achieve was long and unfortunately we didn’t get through it all. However, some of the things we did achieve were improvements to the toilet facilities, assisting with fundraising, listening to our peer’s concerns and learning about the role of a student representative.

One of our major aims was to purchase soccer nets which we haven’t been able to achieve, but we hope to assist the incoming SRCs with this goal.

Madeleine Cossey and Dimitri Tolis
YEAR 6 SRC
Being members of the SRC this year has been a fun and fulfilling experience. We have helped in several fundraisers including supporting the Alyna and Friends Foundation of Hope. Representing Year 7 this year has been interesting. During SRC meetings, both Evan and I expressed our opinions and mentioned our different ideas to the team. All the student representatives agreed with the idea to arrange the Wear your Sports Colour Day which supported the Alyna and Friends Foundation. On behalf of the Year 7’s both of us would like to thank the rest of the Student Representative Council for helping to make St George College a better school.

Hayley Dalkos and Evan Liakos
YEAR 7 SRC

It has been a pleasure and an honour to be part of the SRC and represent our year level, Year 8. This year has been an amazing year as the SRC has been part of many fundraisers and given to charitable organizations, in particular the Alyna and Friends Foundation of Hope which means a lot. We ran the casual day in which the money went straight to the Alyna and Friends Foundation. We have also given great ideas during our meetings in order to improve what already is a great school. This year has definitely been a busy year for both of us, but we enjoyed every minute of it.

Yianni Canatselis and Georgie Nicola
YEAR 8 SRC

This year, our goal as a school was to raise funds for the "Alyna and Friends Foundation of Hope." The Year 9 students raised money by hosting a very successful "Yiros Day."
We were fortunate enough to have the help of Athanasia Angelo's father, Mr. Michael Angelo, who donated all the meat and salads from Specialty Foods. This was a great help as we were able to donate 100% of the profit to the foundation.

Manni Katopodis and Zacharoula Ktisti
YEAR 9 SRC
This year has been a great experience for the Year 10 SRC representatives. We happily helped out in many fundraisers such as the Pizza Day where we raised a lot of money as well as helping out in many other fundraisers. Whether it was helping out our fellow students in the school yard, getting a ball down from the roof, giving advice to the younger students or organizing a fundraiser, we did our best to help out the school. We were privileged to represent our year and we think we did a great job.

Kosta Bakopanos and Mariah Radimissis
YEAR 10 SRC

My name is Kate Soukoulis and I am one of the Year 11 SRC. Having been voted to be one of the Year 11 student leaders was a great honor for me. I’ve always admired the responsibility of the Student Representatives. As a member of the SRC this year I have had the opportunity to be involved in various events and fundraisers. Being a representative of the council has proven to be all I expected and more, both the responsibilities as well as the rewards.

This year a great deal of fundraising has been organized. Events organized by students, and sponsored from members of the community were very successful. Some of the highest amounts of money raised were, the Yiros Day and Sausage Sizzle Day. All the money raised has been donated to the Alyna and Friends Foundation of Hope to assist one of our fellow students to travel for surgery to the United States of America.
One of the most memorable fundraisers was the Quiz Night. An event organized by the Mother’s Committee to help raise money towards new projectors for our classrooms. All students were given a police hat and were asked to patrol the room in case quiz participants were using their smart phones for answers. We were also asked to sell raffle tickets on the night. It was great to be a part of something that students will directly benefit from!

In Term 3, Andreana Shakallis and I volunteered to start a Junior Greek Dancing group. Together we taught Year 4, 5, and 6 students Greek Dancing. We gave them the opportunity to learn traditional dances that we were taught in primary school. Students, both of Greek backgrounds as well as many of other nationalities in our school, dedicated lunch times to learn traditional Greek Dances from various regions.

The group’s first performance was at the school assembly on the 28th of October for ‘Ohi Day’. The students performed a Kalamatiano and a Kotsari. Andreana and I are proud of the junior group’s efforts and successes in showcasing and embracing the Greek Culture which St George College nourishes and promotes. Above all, the students have enjoyed Greek Dancing lessons just as much as Andreana and I have enjoyed teaching them. We believe this dance group will go on and perform to future audiences to keep the Greek culture alive.

The year is coming to an end and all SRC’s have worked diligently throughout the year. Many fundraisers, including Casual Days and Sports Clothes Days, have been held to raise money for various causes. These fundraisers were very successful as all students at the College enjoyed participating in them.

With the Federal Election that was held this year a few of the student representatives and I were given the privilege of greeting the public and various politicians into our school, such as Mr John Howard. I thoroughly enjoyed speaking to the members of the community as well as members of parliament. Once the official speeches had concluded I was lucky enough to have the opportunity to speak with Mr Howard and take a photo with him. This is an experience that I will never forget.

It has been a pleasure to be an SRC this year and be a part of all the fundraisers and functions held. I look forward to the SRC’s involvement in the College community next year!

Stasha Andrews
Year 11 SRC

Kate Soukoulis
YEAR 11 SRC
INTERNATIONAL SRC

My name is Sumin Kim and I am one of the international students in the SRC, with my classmate, Yaofeng Ju. As an international student, I believe I have gained valuable experiences. I participated in the Mentoring Program and I helped my fellow international students throughout the year. Although this is my first year at St George College and I was unfamiliar with the school and everything, I hope international students feel that they have gained some benefits due to the international SRC. I hope that the International Student SRC election continues next year and in the future.

Sumin Kim
INTERNATIONAL SRC

My name is Yaofeng Ju and I am one of the international SRC who is from China. I appreciate that teachers and students gave me a chance to be an SRC of St George College.

As an SRC I try my best to help international students who have trouble in their studies. I have also attended Mentoring in the library at lunch time every Friday. It’s meaningful to teach kids knowledge after class and in their spare time to decrease the pressure on teachers.

I organized for our Chinese students to attend a small celebration and party for new international students. We went out to have a picnic at the beach and we all had fun.

Next year, I hope that all students in Year 12 will have good marks in their final examinations and achieve their goals.

Yaofeng Ju
INTERNATIONAL SRC
MENTORING

The Pilot Mentoring Program has been an enormous success this year. Many wonderful relationships were formed between our senior and primary students. That fear of the ‘big kid’ was diminished as the juniors felt at ease around their older peers in the schoolyard as well as during their mentoring sessions. All senior students were able to develop their leadership skills and guide their peers in the right direction in relation to their subjects and social interactions. Both the senior and junior students are looking forward to developing their working relationships further when mentoring recommences in 2014. Thank you to all students and mentors for their commitment and enthusiasm.

Miss Angela DrakopoulouS
STUDENT SERVICES COORDINATOR
I have been very proud of the Student Leadership Team this year. They have shown initiative, leadership skills and drive in getting things done. They were not hesitant in bringing forth solutions to problems to further develop their learning and offered ideas to further improve their school.

The senior team happily participated in the Mentoring Program thereby further enhancing their leadership skills and forming lasting relationships with their younger peers.

Overall I feel that all students have found being a student representative this year very rewarding, as is reflected in their reports in this newsletter.

I hope our College Community has found our inaugural Student Leadership Team Newsletter a pleasure to read and we look forward to this continuing next year.

Miss Angela Drakopoulos
STUDENT SERVICES COORDINATOR