

*Our Vision: ABM wants to see people everywhere experience the wholeness of life God offers in Jesus Christ, and supports our partners as they participate in God's mission.* 

## Term 3 Anglican Schools News & Resources 2016

Welcome to the third edition for 2016 of ABM's Quarterly Anglican schools' News & Resources. This email will keep you up-to-date with educational resources for students and staff, highlight news stories from our Partners around the world and inform you of upcoming events this year.



2016 ABM School Appeal

Help ABM support our Partners to educate and prepare local communities for emergency situations caused by human crisis and natural disasters.

ABM supports our partners not only by providing emergency relief aid, but also by supporting them in emergency situations and assisting them to educate their local communities on methods to mitigate the effects of climate change.

Through fundraising efforts, we are able to fund Disaster Preparedness and Risk Reduction programs in vulnerable areas, which draw on the existing strengths and resources within our partners and their local communities.

Communities are empowered to map evacuation routes appropriate to each type of possible disaster, considering the safety of the most vulnerable such as elderly, children and the disabled. Evacuation centres are identified and equipped and Disaster Committees are formed and trained in emergency leadership roles. Also incorporated into this program is the continued development of community-level and organisation wide Disaster Action Plans. Training in ensuring potable water supplies and food security can also form part of disaster preparedness.

#### Together we can Embrace. Educate. Empower. It's time for change.

Download resources for the 2016 School Appeal including an information sheet, fact sheet and poster.

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## For your calendar...

The annual One World WonTok conferences will be taking place once again in **May 2017.** More details to come in the Term 4 newsletter.

At this year's One World WonTok Conference students engaged in interactive learning activities to raise awareness about the causes of poverty and how the global

community has agreed to address these through new Sustainable Development Goals.

Delegates were equipped and encouraged to develop their capacity as leaders to positively and proactively contribute to social justice issues.



### **CROP FAILURE. SEVERE MALNUTRITION. WATER SCARCITY.**

These are not the images that come to mind when thinking about beautiful Papua New Guinea. Yet the effects of the ongoing El Nino weather system continue to wreak havoc on this tropical island, devastating the lives of many. In a recent report by the PNG Church Partnership Program (CPP), it was estimated that around 140,000 people there are suffering severe food and water shortages, the majority of whom live in the Southern Highlands and Western provinces, including the areas of Popondetta, and Dogura.

Tragically, numerous reports have surfaced of young women and girls being exchanged for food by their families, or children being abandoned by parents who are unable to support them in the crisis. These disturbing instances of forced prostitution and neglect show the desperation within these communities, and the urgent need for food relief assistance.

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## Transforming Service Conference Keynote Video Resources Now Available

Service Learning as a particular activity within schools has arisen from the recognition that serving others not only affects the ones being served, it also involves deep learning and change for those who are doing the 'serving'. In fact, often those involved in service activities gain much more from the interaction than the people they set out to help. In a very real sense our tacit assumptions that 'serving' is a hierarchical activity where we bestow service upon another is turned on its head – transformed!

#### Read more... View video resources



## The 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development

World Leaders have committed to 17 Global Goals to achieve 3 extraordinary things in the next 15 years.

End extreme poverty.

Fight inequality & injustice.

Fix climate change.

The Global Goals for sustainable development could get these things done. In all countries. For all people. If the Goals are going to work, everyone needs to know about them. **TELL EVERYONE.** 

Visit The Global Goals Resource Centre for:

- A selection of Global Goals logos
- Social Media ideas
- Lesson templates
- Lesson plans
- A poster library for schools
- Blog post & newsletter ideas

http://www.globalgoals.org/



Suggested Guidelines for Successful Church Partnerships



## Successful Partnership Guidelines released by ABM

In September 2015, a new publication from the ABM Partnerships Unit, *Suggested Guidelines for Successful Church Partnerships* was officially launched.

The guidelines are a useful resource, designed to help dioceses, parishes and **schools** think through the issues surrounding partnerships and avoid some of the pitfalls – like rushing in to fund projects when a relationship hasn't been firmly established. It also highlights the benefits of working through a mission organisation such as ABM.

You can view the Guidelines online

Or you can download a .pdf copy of the guidelines here. (4MB)

# Support an ABM Project & share your story!

**Is your school currently supporting a project?** Why not choose an annual project for your school to get behind? News and updates on our 2016 projects may be found under the relevant project pages on our website.

We'd love to hear your story about what your school is doing to



work with ABM for love, hope and justice in this world! Send your stories to <a href="mailto:education@abm.asn.au">education@abm.asn.au</a>

You are welcome to contact our office for more information.

ABM Projects online >>>



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