

## The Heights School

## **NEWSLETTER**

**ISSUE 2** | 21 February 2019



> Serving our community

> Instilling values and embracing our future



The Heights School has completed the \$3.5 Million upgrade to student facilities, providing vital new learning spaces and opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM).

Additionally, The Heights School has received a \$10 Million grant to provide brand new buildings with state of the art furniture and equipment to enhance student learning. Planning has already commenced.



A Fair Go Have a Go, Go Hard, Keep Going! Go Together

#### **ISSUE** HIGHLIGHTS:

- SACE Merit Ceremony
- Lunchtime & Recess Fun Programs
- Year 6-9 Splash Carnival
- 2019 House Leaders

Pictured: Year 10 Splash helpers 2019 (see article on page 8)

#### **DIARY DATES**

22/2 Catch up School Photos

23/2 Ignite Testing

25/2 VISTA Yr 8 Girls Basketball

27/2 Governing Council AGM (6pm)

28/2 VISTA Yr 8 Boys Basketball

1/3 SAPSASA Swimming

4/3 School Tour

Year 8 Immunisation Information Session

5/3 VISTA Senior Boys Indoor Cricket Carnival

8/3 Sports Day P-12

11/3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Adelaide Cup Day)

14/3 VISTA Yr 10 Boys Indoor Cricket Carnival

See more upcoming dates on the <u>next page</u>

<u>Click here</u> to view our online calendar

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Parents and friends of
The Heights School Community
are cordially invited to the

Celebrate the success of 2018

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2019 6.00pm

Find out what we aim to improve in 2019

> Enjoy nibbles and a drink

Conference Room (Administration Building)

To nominate for Governing Council please email Dani Camillo, dani.camillo890@schools.sa.edu.au to obtain a nomination slip or collect one from the Front Office.

Nominations are to be returned to Dani by 9.00am on Wednesday 27th February 2019, prior to the AGM.

Choose to be a part of the Governing Council to support future improvement priorities

#### SACE MERIT CEREMONY

On Tuesday 5 February 2019, the Merit Ceremony recognised the outstanding achievements of South Australia's brightest Year 12 students. For our class of 2018 The Heights had 4 merits which only stands as a testament to those students who achieved this accolade with the support parents and staff.

The students who achieved merits in 2018:

Prashansa Signh - Specialist Mathematics, Physics Yuri Park - Japanese

Alexandra Wilson - Biology

Congratulations to those students who achieved this honour as it stands them in great stead for their future.

Ian Benjafield, SACE Improvement Leader/Year 12 Coordinator





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## **AROUND OUR SCHOOL**

### **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### **SCHOOL TOURS 2019**

School tours are held from 9.00am-10.15am as listed below. Bookings are required via our website.

Monday 4 March	.Term I, Week 6
Monday I April	Term I, Week I0
Thursday 9 May	.Term 2, Week 2
Thursday 23 May	.Term 2, Week 4
Wednesday 31 July	.Term 3, Week 2
Wednesday 21 August	.Term 3, Week 5
Wednesday 6 November	.Term 4, Week 4



#### **OPEN EVENTS**

Booking are not required.

Wednesday, 27 March 6.00pm-7.30pm Thursday, 28 March 9.15am-10.30am

Monday 29 April	Term	2, Week I
Friday 24 May	Term	2, Week 4
Friday 30 August	Term	3, Week 6

Monday 2 September.....Term 3, Week 7

#### **PUPIL FREE DAYS 2019**

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Friday 30 AugustT	erm	3, Weel	د 6

#### **SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**





## The Heights School Preschool to Year 12

- > Educating young minds
- > Serving our community
- > Instilling values and embracing our future

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### You are invited to our **OPEN EVENTS**

Wednesday 27th March 6:00pm to 7:30pm

9:15am to 10:30am

Learn more about our Ignite Program, and our \$3.5 Million upgrade to student facilities, providing vital new learning spaces and opportunities in STEM



The Heights School - Preschool to Year 12

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#### REPORTING A STUDENT ABSENCE

Students are absent from school or late at times for all sorts of reasons. Could you please let the school know if your child is going to be late or absent and the reason, so we can record the absence correctly and keep track of where students are during the school day.

You can report your child's absence in the following ways:

- Phone the school on 8263 6244
- Email student services on dl.1430.studentservices@schools.sa.edu.au

If your child arrives late to school or needs to leave early, it is very important that they go to Student Services and sign in or out, so that we know when students are on site. Could you please provide a note in your child's diary or email student services if your child needs to sign out early for any reason, as we need parental permission before we can let your child leave the school grounds.

Similarly, a note or email is also helpful when your child signs in late so we can mark the absence correctly, otherwise it will be marked as an unexplained absence.

Thank you.

**Student Services** 



#### School Tour



## You're Invited

Please join our school tour followed by the opportunity to meet our Principal, Nigel Gill, for refreshments and a conversation about your child's education in a relaxed atmosphere on

Monday 4th March 2019 from 9:00am to 10:15am

Are you looking for a **leading school** for your child as they enter Year 8 schooling?

The Heights School would love to share it with you

Bookings are essential. Please book online at http://theheights.sa.edu.au/tour or contact Dani Camillo 8263 6244

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#### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

Our Heights School Breakfast Program is a delicious and fun way for students to begin their Friday mornings! Lifepoint Church generously supplies pancakes and toppings for our students, every Friday. The toast, fruit and yoghurt are donated by KickStart for Kids. There is no cost to students.

Students across the school are welcome to enjoy pancakes, toast, yoghurt and fruit under the Rotunda, every Friday morning. We begin serving pancakes at 8:00am and finish serving at 8:30am. The program finishes at 8:30am, to ensure students aren't late to class.

If you have any questions, please contact me via the Front Office on 8263 6244 or by email at Noelle.Wallis558@schools.sa.edu.au

**Breakfast Program Details:** 

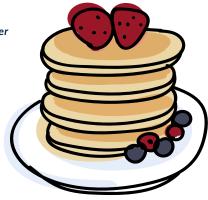
Date: Every Friday Morning

Time: 8:00am - 8:30am

Location: Under the Rotunda

(In front of the entrance to the Gym)

Noelle Wallis Pastoral Care Worker



#### LUNCHTIME & RECESS FUN AT THE HEIGHTS IN 2019 - TERM 1

I am excited to begin my ninth year as Pastoral Care Worker at The Heights School. This Term I will be running four Lunchtime programs and one Recess program each week. These programs are opportunities for students to be involved in fun, structured activities in their free time. All of these programs are offered at no cost to students.

#### Monday - Lunchtime

#### Year 12 - Milkshake Monday

All Year 12 students are welcome to enjoy a chocolate, strawberry or caramel milkshake during Lunch on a Monday. They can play with a selection of board games and card games, while relaxing and spending time with their friends. All this happens upstairs in the Senior School each Monday during Lunchtime.



#### Tuesday - Recess

#### YEAR 8 - DODGEBALL

Every Tuesday during Recess, Year 8 students are invited to the Gym to play dodgeball.



#### Wednesday - Lunchtime

#### Reception - Year 6 - BLAST

Every Wednesday Primary Years students are invited to participate in BLAST. Each week there is a short value lesson and at least two fun and active games. BLAST incorporates the Play is the Way Life Raft Concepts being taught in the Primary Years. Blast runs fortnightly on odd weeks for students in Reception – Year 3 and fortnightly on even weeks for students in Year 4 – Year 6.



#### Thursday - Lunchtime

#### Year 7 - Lunchtime Lounge

All students in Year 7 are invited MG3 in the Middle School, during lunch. They can play on the Wii or with a selection of board games and card games. Treats are provided for the students.



#### Friday - Lunchtime

## Year 9 - Lunchtune Lounge

All students in Year 9 are invited MG3 in the Middle School, during lunch. They can play on the Wii or with a selection of board games and card games. Treats are provided for the students.



If you have any questions or suggestions about Lunchtime and Recess programs at The Heights, please contact me via the Front Office on 8263 6244 or by email at <a href="Moelle.Wallis558@schools.sa.edu.au">Noelle.Wallis558@schools.sa.edu.au</a>

Noelle Wallis

Pastoral Care Worker

Leukaemia Foundation

20 YEARS

#### WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE STUDENT FUNDRAISER

#### Shaving for a cure

My name is Shannon Blyth and I am a Year 12 Heights student from the home group SS26, and on the 13th of March I will be shaving my head for the 2019 World's Greatest Shave. Each year blood cancer effects more lives than breast cancer or melanoma and each day 35 people are given the devastating news they have blood cancer. Cancer has claimed the lives of two very close people to my heart, my grandpa when I was 8 and my beautiful family friend who tragically lost her battle early this year.

Nobody should have to suffer through this battle and I hope that by taking part in this year's World's Greatest Shave, I will be helping to make a difference in this battle. Every sponsor means one step closer to providing an individual with the help they need, \$53 will ensure that someone being treated in hospital will receive the extra support they need. Will you help me to make a difference and help to rid the world of cancer?

How can you sponsor me? I have the link for my page listed below, but if that doesn't work simply Google 'Shannon Blyth World's Greatest Shave' and my page with a photo of myself and my beautiful pup Leo will pop up with more of my story. I also have a donation box which is placed in the upstairs senior school common area each day until March 13th.

Thank you for taking the time to read about my decision and my goal of trying to make a difference, with your support and donations we can all try and rid this world of the awful disease which affects too many incredible people each year.

Thank you again. Sincerely,

Shannon Blyth SS26









https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?eventId=14612&registrationId=735992#&paneII-1



#### THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN



## **Call for Volunteers**

The Heights School is part of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program for the Primary Years. Our involvement began in 2009, as one of the first 10 South Australian schools in the pilot program. Our school designed and created the garden that students continue to maintain all year round. Students use the produce grown in the garden to create delicious meals in cooking classes.

#### We are looking for volunteers to help us in our Kitchen and Garden classes.

Being involved in your child's learning adds to their experience and sends a clear message that their education is important to you. Research shows that when parents and caregivers are more closely involved with their child's education there are direct benefits to a child's school experience. Students are more likely to enjoy learning, feel motivated to do their best, have better relationships, greater confidence and attend school more regularly.

No experience is necessary. Times available upon request.

We would love to welcome you to our team.

Please contact the Community Liaison Officer

Phone: 8263 6244

You are also welcome to have a chat with us in the kitchen or garden, Thursday mornings, if you have any questions.

#### **CAMP QUALITY PUPPETS**

On Tuesday 5th February all Primary classes attended a performance by Camp Quality Puppets. The puppeteers Lori and Abbie told an engaging story that explained about cancer.

Students learned

- Why a person who has undergone treatment may look a little different (due to the side effects of treatment)
- Why it's important to be supportive of a classmate or family member living with cancer
- That cancer isn't contagious, so it's ok to play with someone who has cancer
- The importance of recognising our own strengths and the power of positivity Teachers and students were very impressed with the performance and loved the way the puppets told the story using humour and sensitivity.

Penny Phillips, Performing Arts Teacher



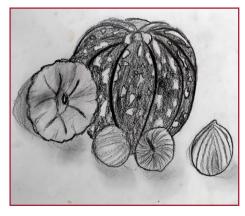
#### **VISUAL ARTS**

This term the Year 9 and 10 Visual Art Students have been going through the process of making 'Collagraph Prints'. Here is some of the work they have done.

STEP 1: Create 'Still Life' arrangement



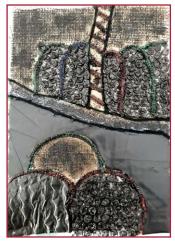
STEP 2: Sketch with charcoal



STEP 3: Zoom in and enlarge with pastel



STEP 4: Create collagraph plate



STEP 5: Make a print



#### YEAR 6-9 SPLASH CARNIVAL

Our 2019 Splash Carnival for Years 6-9 students, was held on Wednesday the 13th March at Salisbury Swimming Centre. With the return of favourite events such as the swim/walk relay, rope pull and the peg scramble, 2019 also introduced a series of new events. Students competed in Freestyle, Breaststroke and Kick Board 30m Races. They challenged their peers to a game of Finska and collaborated to beat opposing Home Groups in Stand-up Water Polo. Students also had the chance to participate in Elimination; a novelty event requiring speed, persistence and teamwork. The pool was packed with students when it came to Free Swim time and once again students lined the banks of the pool for their chance to tackle the Inflatable Fun Run.

Our annual Staff vs Student 50m Freestyle Relay witnessed a change in the guard this year, with our Year 9 Swim Team taking home the glory and our Staff Teams finishing 2nd and 3rd. It was once again an event that had all eyes on the pool and the noise of encouragement for both Students and Staff could be heard for miles. Congratulations to all Students and Staff who participated in Splash Carnival and made our 2019 Carnival the best yet!

Thank you to all Staff members for your support with Splash Carnival. I would also like to acknowledge the outstanding work of our Year 10 helpers; Alisha Mohamad Nizam, Grainne O'Connell, Samara Fenn, Trinity Cameron, Hannah Lehmann, Madison Cracker, Roberta Hulbar, Jordan Starr, Cooper Green, Barzi Siyani, Bayar Siyani. Without their support the running of the carnival would not have been possible.

#### Congratulations to our winning Home Groups:

EI (429 points)

703 (358 points)

807 (246 points)

906 (215 points)

#### Eulaly Allen, Sports Coordinator









#### 2019 HOUSE LEADERS

The Heights School House Leader election process changed in 2019. Students nominating for House Leader positions were required to complete a 30 second speech. Congratulations to all students who nominated for House Leader positions and spoke in front of their peers. A huge congratulations to our successful 2019 House Leaders.

#### **AQUILA DINGOES**

#### Leaders

Gabby Martin Hanna Harrison Gabbi Colloff Amelia Sanders Daniel Hor **Emilie** 

#### **CORVUS REDBACKS**

#### **Leaders**

Liana Cherian Tahlia Miller Sophie De Vries Thumith Chandrasena Cooper Green Shannon Blyth

#### **HYDRA SHARKS**

#### Leaders

Chitra Dave Ava Jones Aimee Wilson Macey Briggs Frank Krinis Nathan Maunder

#### **DRACO CROCODILES**

#### **Leaders**

Cora Williamson Locan Langman-moore Jas Dhingra Yug Patel Jaimee Lake Awal Dut

#### SPORTS DAY DRAWING COMPETITION

I. Draw your House Mascot: Aquila Dingoes, Corvus Redbacks, Hydra Sharks, Draco Crocodiles. All drawings will be displayed in an Art Exhibition on the day.

2. Submit to PE office by Friday Week 5 with your name and home group.

Categories for Place winners:

Years P-4 / Years 5-8 / Years 9-12

- 1st Place = 100 points
- 2nd Place = 75 points
- 3rd Place = 50 points
- 4th Place = 25 points
- 2 Participation points per entry

Last year the drawing competition points swayed the final results for 2 houses. Every points matters! Miss Allen



#### ISPS HANDA WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Katie Seol from CF8 was selected to hit the first tee off shot at the ISPS Handa Women's Golf Championship on Thursday the 14th February. She did this at the Grange Golf Club where she was so excited, had a great time and did an amazing job! Katie loved sharing the footage of herself with her peers the next day. I, along with other teachers thought it would be a great idea to share Katie's achievement with everyone.

The following link features an article published about Katie. We will also be uploading footage to the school Facebook page. https://www.golf.org.au/wao-news-display/mygolfers-openwomensausopen/102886



#### Wednesday 27 February 2019 7pm - 9pm

Are you looking for ways to help your child handle life's challenges?

Do you have an anxious child?

Do you worry about the impact screen time has on their developing minds?

Come along to this FREE workshop for the latest research, practical strategies and tips on:

Building resilience Managing anxieties Screen time vs Green time

Bookings essential at: https:\\healthystrongfamilies.eventibrite.com.au For more information contact Rachel McCaskill on 8366 9272

171 Montacute Road Newton (enter via front doors)

Location

Campbelltown Library

#### Presenter

Mary Raschella Parenting Educator

Cost - FREE

Creche provided

Refreshments provided







## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

# JAM 2019

First Friday of the month during School term

Friday 15t Mar
Friday 5th April
Friday 3rd May
Friday 5th July
Friday 2nd Aug
Friday 6th Sep
Friday 15t Nov
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#### Time 7-9pm Entry \$3 per child or \$5 a family

If you are in Year 5 & 6 then you will love Jam.
It's a night full of fun, games, hang time,
large and small group interactive activities.

Contact: Ann Hughes 8397 9400 or ahughes@clovercrest.com.au Clovercrest Baptist Church 2 Famechon Crs Modbury North



Houghton Districts Football Club 1377 Lower North East Road, Houghton

#### Junior players still required for 2019!!!

Under 7-Under 10 (born 2009-2012) mixed age groups and U12 girls (born 2006-2009)

Register now at www.sanfl.com.au/registrations

Season registration \$120 for all age groups.

When ORS Sports Voucher of \$100 is used, out of pocket cost is only \$20!

#### For further information contact:

**Kyron Lovell** – Junior Football Director <a href="mailto:hdfcjuniors@gmail.com">hdfcjuniors@gmail.com</a> or 0409 284 886

Find us on Facebook
Houghton Raiders







SWOOP WANTS YOU! TO PLAY FOOTBALL IN THE UPCOMING 2019 SEASON SEASON STARTS IN APRIL!

#### GAMES PLAYED ON FRIDAY NIGHTS AND SUNDAYS

REGISTRATION ONLINE WWW.MODBURYHAWKS.ORG.AU

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME FOR SEASON 2019
AGE GROUPS UGS TO U10S - MODIFIED RULES
AGE GROUPS 12S TO 16S - PREMIERSHIP GRADES
GIRLS TEAMS U10S, U12S, U14S & U16
TRAINING FOR YOUNGER GRADES (U7-10) COMMENCING FIRST WEEK OF MARCH

MJFC IS A PROUD FAMILY CLUB WITH ENCOURAGING PLAYERS
& QUALIFIED/CERTIFIED COACHES

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT SHARON 0419 844 910 FOR ALL EMAILED ENQUIRIES PLEASE SEND TO MJFC.REG@GMAIL.COM

MODBURY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB. HAZEL GROVE, RIDGEHAVEN (BEHIND WATERWORLD, GOLDEN GROVE ROAD)

VACANCIES FOR ALL GRADES STARTING AT UNDER 7'S UP TO 16'S AND GIRLS TEAMS AVAILABLE

