

The Heights School

NEWSLETTER

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> Educating young minds

> 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:

- National Tree Day
- Minecraft Competition
- Stage 2 Society & Culture
- Sports News

(Pictured: National Tree Day at The Heights School)



DIARY DATES

PLEASE VISIT PARENT CALENDAR VIA THE WEBSITE FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION REGARDING ALL SCHOOL EVENTS

14/8 VISTA Year 8/9 Girls Basketball Year 10 Visual Arts Excursion - AGSA

17-21/8 Book Week 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds' National Science Week ICAS Test: Science (Year 2-10)

17/8 VISTA Year 9/10 Boys Basketball19/8 Open Boys Knockout Basketball

20/8 Book Week Virtual Assembly

21/8 VISTA Year 8/9 Open Boys Netball

21/8 SAPSASA District Netball

24-28/8 ICAS Tests: Digital Tech (Year 3-10) & English (Year 2-10)

26-27/8 Father's Day Stall

26/8 Open Knockout Girls Basketball

PUPIL FREE DAYS 2020

Monday 7/9 Term 3, Week 8 Friday 4/12 Term 4, Week 8

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY 2020

Friday 4/9 Term 3, Week 7

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

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

COVID-19 Update

I want to continue to acknowledge parent cooperation in minimising your presence in the school buildings and balconies. Over the last week, two schools in our state closed for deep cleaning due to confirmed transmissions of COVID-19. This has resulted in a number of people who attended those sites being required to isolate. I have noticed many parents doing the right thing in terms of keeping out of buildings and keeping a practical distance from one another.

Let us also remember the added benefit of enabling younger students to take a little more responsibility permitting teachers to begin the learning routine from the moment your children enter the class.

We are having to modify much of what we do that involves large gatherings though please know where possible we are doing our best to adapt so we can still provide experiences for students. Consequently, our SALA Art Exhibition and our Book Week Dress up Parade have had new twists for this year.

Please continue to keep your children home if they are unwell and if you are unwell please do not enter our buildings and school - stay home and get better.

SALA Art Exhibition

This year's entries in the South Australian Living Artists Exhibition are on display in the windows of our conference meeting room located on the ground floor of our middle years building. Although we are not having the celebration of a formal exhibition evening this year, it has been great to see the entries permitting students to be involved in this experience.

Keep an eye on a future newsletter for the announcement of the prize-winning entries.

Book Week

We are celebrating Book Week next week. This year students and staff are invited to dress as a book character aligned to the theme 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds' on Thursday 20th August and participate in our virtual online assembly. Each class is also encouraged to create a creature or a display connecting with the theme which will be exhibited in the Resource Centre during Book Week.

SSO Week - Appreciation of our Support Staff

The week beginning Monday 24th August we recognise the work of our school support staff. We have a support staff team who work tirelessly, promoting a positive service culture and presenting a great connection to our school community and our teaching and learning programs.

Thank you to you all - we feel very fortunate at The Heights to have you working with us.

School Closure

Reminder Friday 4th September is the annual School Closure Day. Monday 7th September is also a Pupil Free Day for students as staff are involved in a professional learning program.



Nigel Gill Principal



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WAITING LIST FOR PRESCHOOL 2021 LET YOUR CHILD GROW WITH US The Heights Preschool is an integral part of The Heights P-12 School. We provide an engaging and stimulating learning environment for children. Our philosophy revolves around play as a tool for learning. We encourage children to be curious and to seek answers through learning, underpinned by a partnership with family and the community. If you would like to request a Preschool Registration Form for 2021 please contact Daniella Dunne on the details below. Email: Dani.Dunne687@schools.sa.edu.au Website: https://www.theheights.sa.edu.au/preschool.html



RESOURCE CENTRE

Can you spot the fake?

Three of these Curious Creatures are real and one is a Fantastic Fake, but can you tell which is which?









All staff and students are invited to enter our 'Curious Creature or Fantastic Fakes' Book Week competition.

A mixture of 32 creatures, some real, some fake, are displayed on the window of the Resource Centre (courtyard side).

Scan the QR code below or follow the link in Daymap bulletins to see each creature and enter the competition.





Winners and answers will be announced on the Friday

of Book Week, 21st August (Week 5).

Happy guessing!

Resource Centre Staff

BOOK MEEK

qt The Heights

Curious Creatures, Wild Minds!

We will be having a virtual fashion parade on THURSDAY 20th AUGUST 2020

Students and Teachers are encouraged to come dressed as a book character, particularly those that display curious character traits.

Students are not encouraged to be dressing up as superheroes.

Classes will be involved in treasure hunts, quizzes, story telling and activities which promote our love of reading.

We look forward to a fun week of reading and learning!



ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

The Heights School is raising funds. Here's how you can help...

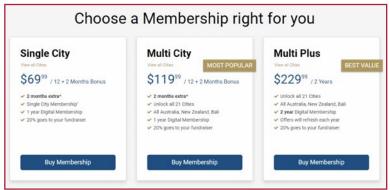
Support The Heights School! 20% of every Entertainment Membership sold goes towards fundraising.

There are no longer hard copies of the Entertainment Book. Digital membership is accessed by downloading the app and purchasing a 12 month membership at the following location:

www.entbook.com.au/1619k82

Membership is valid for 12 months and can start at any time.

The Entertainment Digital Membership can be shared with family members in your household on up to five different devices, but only one device can actively redeem offers at any one time.



You'll receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our fundraising at the same time!

NATIONAL TREE DAY AT THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL

On Friday 31 July, The Heights Preschool and the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden held a combined event to celebrate National Tree Day. This event was originally registered with Planet Ark and sponsored by Toyota, however due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, all public events were cancelled. We then decided to proceed with a small tree planting ceremony to celebrate the day.

Kirsty Hatchard and a group of very excited "Junior Gardeners" from the Preschool, and Amanda Pryor (SAKG Garden Specialist) were joined by our special guest, Vicki Cook (The Heights School Business Manager) to plant a nectarine tree in the garden area behind the Preschool. We learnt about preparing healthy soil and digging a hole big enough for the tree's root ball and how to look after the tree once it had been planted. Vicki, Kirsty, Amanda and the students helped plant the tree, fill in the hole with soil and water it afterwards.

We would like to thank Zoes Sarandis and his Grounds Team for preparing the garden area for our National Tree Day ceremony. Many thanks also to Vicki and the Finance Department for helping us to organise the tree. It was a lot of fun and we can't wait to enjoy the nectarines!



Amanda Pryor, Garden Specialist





REDESIGN ADELAIDE CBD COMPETITION

CREATED BY RILEY SWAN 704

MINECRAFT COMPETITION

During the last four Weeks the Year 7, 8 and 9 students took part in a Minecraft competition during Personal Development. To kick start the Australian economy, the government announced significant funding for the development of the city. There is a desire to invest this

money in order to maximise economic gains. Students had the job of building a future City of Adelaide as quickly as they could. The first 8 billion blocks were laid and the students had to finish off the city. They had to modify the city as it currently stands or start from scratch.

Congratulations to all the students who participated and handed in a final copy of the new City of

Adelaide.

The winners were:

Ist Place:

Rajvi Shah & Taylah Lessue 703

2nd Place:

Sneha, Nethra and Lily 704

3rd Place:

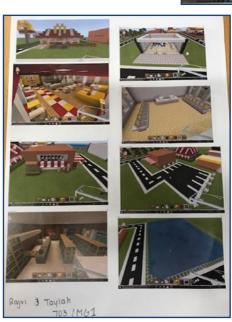
Riley Swan 704

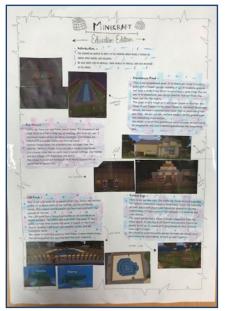
Daniel Brzezinski, Student Wellbeing Leader and Georgina Sulley-Beales, HPE/ Science Teacher













STAGE 2 SOCIETY & CULTURE

Group Charity Work

This year's Stage 2 Society and Culture students are trying to fight extreme poverty in Australia and the Asia-Pacific region by raising funds through their challenge of living on \$2 dollars a day for a week.

They will be creating a discussion forum and

maintaining a social media campaign which invites school community members to learn about extreme poverty in Australia, sponsor their cause and join the challenge.

If you would consider a donation please click the link:

https://www.livebelowtheline.com.au/fundraisers/2forfivedays

If you would like more information on Live Below The Line or if you would like to join the school team click this link: https://www.livebelowtheline.com.au/

Please check out and like our social media posts on <u>The Heights School Facebook page</u> as it helps with our project.

Or contact us via email: Bob.Powell491@schools.sa.edu.au

Thanks,

Grainne O'Connell, Margaret Panchol and Matt Broucil









ADELAIDE FRINGE SCHOOL POSTER COMPETITION

The Adelaide Fringe is looking for a student to design their next poster!



19 FEBRUARY - 21 MARCH 2021

Submission Requirements

- -Artwork should be A3 or A4 portrait
- -Entry can be colour or black and white
- THE ADELAIDE FRINGE LOGO WITH 2021 DATES NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DESIGN OR SPACE LEFT FOR THEM TO BE ADDED.
- Images must be the artist's own creation.
- Competition is open to students from Reception to Year 12
- Group entries are welcome

The winner receives...

-The winning artwork will appear as the cover of the 2021 Adelaide Fringe Schools Booking Guide and be acknowledged with the artist's first name, year level and school -The artist will win a performance by a 2021 Fringe artist for their school.

-Top 100 entries will be included in the Schools Poster Competition exhibition.

THE FRINCE IS LOOKING FOR: ARTWORK THAT SHOWS WHAT STUDENTS ENJOY ABOUT FRINCE OR WHAT IT MEANS TO THEM.

All digital and hard copy entries need to be emailed or given to Miss Darling in person by the 24th of August (Monday Week 6)

Hannah.Darling882@schools.sa.edu.au

FRINGE LOGO LOCATION: (FOR DIGITAL ENTRIES)

-STUDENT ACCESS
-FRINGE LOGO 2021



VISTA SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL CARNIVAL

On Monday the 3rd of August our Senior Boys Basketball Team competed against other schools at the Senior Boys Basketball Carnival at The Arc. Our Senior Boys Team work well as a cohesive unit and are passionate about basketball. It is fantastic to see a group of our students playing basketball at lunch times, on weekends and at carnivals together.

From the boys themselves;

"It was a great and competitive day."

"Loved playing great team basketball with my mates."

"Had a great time playing the last year with the boys."

Nick Schild / Georgina Sulley-Beales Sports Coordinators



VISTA SENIOR GIRLS AND BOYS VOLLEYBALL CARNIVAL

On Wednesday the 29th of July 3 Senior Boys Volleyball teams and 3 Senior Girls Volleyball teams competed against other schools at the VISTA Zone Carnival at Mars Stadium. Our boys team came 3rd overall and other teams finished outside the major placings but fought hard all day.

It was very noticeable that the behaviour of all students was exceptional, with a fantastic turnout of numbers and sportsmanship also shown to all other teams no matter what the score was. In addition, those students who helped out with refereeing and scoring are to be

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thanked too.







VISTA YEAR 8/9 GIRLS 5-A-SIDE SOCCER CARNIVAL

It was a cold, wet and windy day at Para Hills High School on Friday the 7th of August, where a team of Year 8 and 9 students participated in the VISTA 5-a-side Soccer Carnival. The girls came 6th in Division I. From the girls about the day:

"I enjoyed the finals games and had an absolutely amazing day with friends."

"I enjoyed versing friends from other schools and kicking 4 goals."

Nick Schild

Sports Coordinator



VISTA YEAR 8/9 BOYS 9-A-SIDE AFL CARNIVAL

On Monday 10th of August our Year 8/9 Boys 9-a-side AFL team competed against other schools at The Heights School. Perfect conditions greeted the boys, with the sun out and no wind. The boys started off the day with minimal communication amongst the team and as the day progressed so did their communication. They had plenty of wins and ended up finishing 4th despite a controversial decision at the end of one of their games. Thank you to Mr Jelfs for taking the boys for the day and for Tyler Crowhurst for umpiring throughout.

Nick Schild Sports Coordinator







VISTA YEAR 8/9 BOYS 5-A-SIDE SOCCER CARNIVAL

A perfect, sunny day greeted the Year 8/9 boys at Para Hills High School on the 30th July, where two teams of Year 8/9 students from The Heights School participated in the VISTA 5-a-side Soccer Carnival. With fierce competition for both teams, the boys put up a good fight and managed to secure some victories early in the day - some even going down to penalties which was a spectacle for both teams and others watching on too. Overall the boys in Division I finished with 3 wins, whilst the Division 2 team scored 5 wins.

Some comments from the day:

"The day went well, but it was very tiring towards the end playing so many games."

"It was good to be finally back and playing."

Nick Schild / Georgina Sulley-Beales Sports Coordinators









All Abilities



BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

Learn to play basketball in a safe and friendly environment with trained coaches!

These are just some of the amazing benefits from attending these tailor-made training programs:

- # Improved playing skills
- Increased confidence on and off the court
- Greater team-building skills
- One on one engagement with others
- Positive involvement for all.

Starting on the 8th of August 2020, programs will run every Saturday morning, with all kids receiving an ACBA t-shirt and drink bottle.

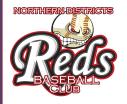
Specifically designed	
for children with:	

- An intellectual or physical disability
- Learning and integration difficulties
- Any type of

PROGRAM	DAY	LOCATION	TIME
7–12 years old	Saturday	Turramurra	8.00am - 8.45am
12+ years old	Saturday	Turramurra	8.45am - 9.30am



Register online at www.adelaidebasketball.com.au



2020/21

Ages 4+ boys & girls

TERM 4 2020 9 weeks Thursdays 4.30-6pm from 15th Oct

TERM 1 2021 9 weeks Thursdays 4.30-6pm from 4th Feb

Registration Costs

\$90 (2 terms) OR \$60 (1 term) club fees + \$22 league fees
Club Fees includes Reds T-Shirt - School Sports Vouchers Accepted for Club Fees







COME & TRY | Free Sessions | Sundays 1pm | Aug 23, 30, Sept 13, 20 $\,$

For more information email: ndbcjuniors@outlook.com Register at: www.revolutionise.com.au/ndbc/registration from 1st Sept

NDBC - Walkleys Park, Fairfax Road, Ingle Farm





2020/21 JUNIOR

BASEBALL

PRESEASON + COME AND TRY

T-Ball | U9 PEEWEE | U11 | U13 | U15

SUNDAYS 1PM STARTING 23RD AUGUST

Aug 23, 30, Sept 13, 20. Weekday trainings start Sept 29.

JUNIOR TRAINING - Tuesdays & Thursdays 4.30-6pm PEEWEE TRAINING & T-BALL - Thursdays 4.30-6pm













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