

The Heights School NEWSLETTER

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> Educating young minds

> Serving our community

> Instilling values and embracing our future



The Heights School has received in excess of **\$13 Million** over the past three years. Major redevelopments include two architecturally designed buildings incorporating state of the art furniture and equipment in addition to refurbishment of existing learning spaces. These facilities will provide a modern and contemporary learning environment which will inspire innovation and spark curiosity.

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

ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Governing Council 2021
- Student Representative Council
- Road Awareness Program
- Student Wellbeing

(Pictured: BATYR Presentation, Year 10 Visual Arts)

DIARY DATES

- 5/3 Whole School Sports Day ADELAIDE CUP DAY 8/3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY 11/3 VISTA Senior Ultimate Frisbee Year 8/9 Ignite English Excursion -12/3 State Theatre Company 15/3 Primary Years Assembly (CG4 & CFII) *Staff & Students Only 16/3 Governing Council Meeting 6.00pm 17/3 VISTA Senior Boys Indoor Cricket **Open Event Evening** 17/3 6.00pm - 7.30pm 18/3 Open Event Morning 9.15am - 10.30am ALPHA Shows (R-6) 18/3
- 'Hunchback of Notre Dame'

PUPIL FREE DAYS 2021

Thursday I April - Term I, Week 10 Friday II June - Term 2, Week 7 Friday 3 September - Term 3, Week 7

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Monday 6 September - Term 3, Week 8

Click here to view our online calendar

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Governing Council 2021

The school community welcomes new members and welcomes back ongoing members to the Governing Council for 2021.

The following parent positions on Governing Council for 2021 were filled at our Annual General Meeting on the 26th February:

Jim Rouse - Chairperson Steve Marriott - Treasurer & OSHC Representative Maria Parry - Secretary Tom Kidner - Deputy Chairperson

Sophia Angelaras, Jo Bolderoff, Anna Brennan, Moira Colquhoun, David Frazer, Peter Leventis, Adrian Marschall, Tara-Lea Mather, Nicholas Tung and Prasanna Tamang.

Blair Boyer (MP) - Community Member Frances Bedford (MP) - Community Member Nigel Gill (Principal) Staff - Meg Fay (Deputy Principal), Rebekah Goodall (Assistant Principal P-6)

Students - to be elected

A big thank you to the retiring student members and parent member Alison Hoffrichter. We thank you and acknowledge the contributions you have made during your membership.

Strengthening School Community Relationships and the School Complaint Process

Good relationships within the school community give students a greater chance of success. There will be times when people have concerns about what happens at school. When this happens, we would like to encourage an open dialogue with you. To hear your concerns and work out how to address them, we have an established complaint process.

Your child's teacher is usually your first point of call. If the matter involves more than just one teacher, you should be talking with the Year Level Mentor who is overseeing the year level that your child is in. Often this person is not immediately available but they will return your call or make an appointment with you.

In the event of a concern please use the following guidelines:

Steps:

- I. Please report to the front office.
- 2. Arrange a time to speak to the relevant teacher/s about the problem.

- 3. Please do not enter school classrooms or offices about a complaint without prior arrangement.
- 4. Let the teacher know what you consider to be the issue.
- 5. Allow a reasonable time for the issue to be addressed.
- 6. If the issue is not addressed, please arrange a time to speak with your child's Year Level Mentor.

Our Year Level Mentors are:

Years R-6 Trent Feil		
Year 7	. Kyriakos Markou	
Year 8	. David Osborn	
Year 9	. Ashli Richards	
Year 10	. Marcus Bird	
Year II	. Khara Rogers	
Year 12	Arthur Roubanis	

If the matter has not been addressed to your satisfaction, please contact the Principal's Assistant who will record your call and assist you with the school's complaint process. The Principal's Assistant is the first point of contact and will refer the matter to the appropriate Senior Leader, Deputy Principal or Principal as required.

- 7. If the matter is still unresolved after following the school's complaint process, you may choose to discuss the issue with the Education Complaint Unit, 1800 677 435.
- Parents with a concern about School Policy should: I. Arrange a meeting time with the Principal to
- discuss your concern. 2. Allow a reasonable time frame for the issue to be addressed.
- 3. If the matter is still unresolved, you may choose to discuss the issue with the Education Complaint Unit, 1800 677 435.

Principles:

- Everyone should be treated with respect.
- Meetings to discuss complaints will be suspended if any person behaves in an insulting or offensive manner.



Nigel Gill Principal

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FAMILY INFORMATION

Materials and Services Charges

Have you received your Materials and Services Charges in the mail? If not, please contact the school at your earliest convenience.

Contact Details

Ensuring we have accurate contact details is crucial as we endeavour to provide clear and timely communication. While verifying your address, please also check we have your correct email and mobile number in our system as correspondence is sent via various platforms.

Emergency Management Plan

We would also like to inform you the school's Emergency Management Plan is available at our Front Office on request if you wish to review.

Please free feel to phone or come into our Front Office to update any details or make enquiries.

We look forward to providing our community with outstanding customer service.

SCHOOL TOURS 2021

Bookings are required for school tours and can be made via our website.

THESE WILL OCCUR ON THE SAME DAYS:

School Tour - Q&A for School/Preschool - Preschool TourSchool Tour9.15am - 10.00amSchool Q&A with Principal10.00am - 10.30amPreschool Q&A with Principal10.00am - 10.30amPreschool Tour with Kate10.30am - 11.00am

<u>Term I</u>

Tuesday 30 March 2021 (Term I, Week I0)

<u>Term 2</u>

Thursday 29 April 2021 (Term 2, Week I) Friday 30 April 2021 (Term 2, Week I)

<u>Term 3</u>

Tuesday 27 July 2021 (Term 3, Week 2) Wednesday 28 July 2021 (Term 3, Week 2) Thursday 12 August 2021 (Term 3, Week 4)

Term 4

Wednesday 20 October 2021 (Term 4, Week 2)



AROUND OUR SCHOOL

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS



AROUND OUR SCHOOL

LOST ITEMS

We recognise it is inevitable that items will be misplaced by students. To assist in reuniting lost items with their owner we would like to highlight the importance of clear labelling with students full name and current class on all items.

Lost property will be located in a central collection point;

- Primary years; the corridor outside the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen
- Secondary years; under the stairwell in M building

Students are encouraged to take responsibility for their own belongings and if missing check appropriate collection areas throughout the school day. Parents seeking lost items should check the lost property before school (8:40am - 8:55am) or after school (3.05pm - 3.30pm) to claim items.

Unclaimed but labelled items will be returned to their rightful owners after each clean-up of the lost property. At the end of each term any unclaimed uniform items in good condition will be utilised by the school and all non-uniform items in good condition will be donated to a local charity.

ENROLLING NOW FOR PRESCHOOL 2021

LET YOUK 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 your child to attend The Heights Preschool in 2021 please contact Dani Dunne on the details below.

Dani.Dunne687@schools.sa.edu.au Email:

Website: https://www.theheights.sa.edu.au/preschool.html

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.

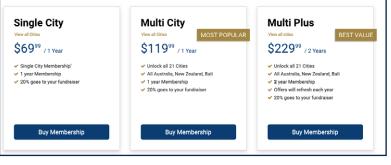
The Entertainment Digital Membership can be shared with family members in your household on up to five different

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!

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SRC 2021

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Congratulations to our Student Representatives for 2021. With such a big year ahead it was fantastic to see the enthusiasm our students had in wanting to be a part of the 2021 SRC and be a voice for our school community. The SRC will work alongside school leadership and assist with major events around our school



that promote positive student wellbeing and learning. They will meet regularly and discuss ways to improve the school and how they can be active members in our school community.

Daniel Brzezinski, Student Wellbeing Leader (7-12) Suzanne Ierace, Student Wellbeing Leader (R-6)

Year 6 SRC Leaders

EI - Rudra Thakkar EI - Jaebeen Lee E2 - Evan Dodd E2 - Samaira Gupta E3 - Blake Evans E3 - Kira Maher MG4 - Noah Mortlock

MG4 - Nadia Coppens

Class Representatives Reception CFI - Sophie Jay CFI - Matthew Tatchell CF2 - Yuvi Tiwana CF2 - Layla Lindsay CF3 - Shyam Narayan CF3 - Shyam Narayan CF3 - Swara Bhavsar CF4 - Charlie Wright CF4 - Piper Lorraine Year I CF8 - Naaz Shah CF8 - Harshi Trambadia CF9 - Sophia Bishop CF9 - Budan Aldaus

CF9 - Ryder Aldous CF10 - Holly Anderson CF10 - Aaron Choi CF11 - Alam Sandhu

CFII - Oliver Pena

(R-6)		
Year 2		
CF5 - Connie Wong		
CF5 - Leon Tsentidis		
CF6 - Zarah Kirk		
CF6 - Rehan Abbas		
CF7 - Aria Cane		
CF7 - Noah Pearce		
Year 3		
BGI - Aishwarya Sathisha		
BGI - Bailey Seeds		
BG2 - Paige Simpson		
BG2 - Manheet Bhatti		
BG3 - Blake Harper		
BG3 - Kaylee Crowhurst		
Year 3/4 & 4		
Year 3/4 & 4 CG4 - Lucas Pickford		
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CG4 - Lucas Pickford CG4 - Sophie Altmann		
CG4 - Lucas Pickford CG4 - Sophie Altmann CG6 - Ria Nair		
CG4 - Lucas Pickford CG4 - Sophie Altmann CG6 - Ria Nair CG6 - Aadvik Gupta		
CG4 - Lucas Pickford CG4 - Sophie Altmann CG6 - Ria Nair CG6 - Aadvik Gupta CG7 - Samuel Appleton		
CG4 - Lucas Pickford CG4 - Sophie Altmann CG6 - Ria Nair CG6 - Aadvik Gupta CG7 - Samuel Appleton CG7 - Rachel Tomney		
CG4 - Lucas Pickford CG4 - Sophie Altmann CG6 - Ria Nair CG6 - Aadvik Gupta CG7 - Samuel Appleton CG7 - Rachel Tomney Year 5		
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discuss ways to improve the school and how they				
Year 7-12 SRC Leaders				
Year 7				
Anmol		Junheon		
Year 8				
Melrose	_	Maddison		
Year 9				
Jack	_	Siya		
		A A		
Year 10				
Kaksha		Swati		
Year II				
Lovanya		Gabrielle		
Year I2				
Courtney	Beda	Linh		

BATYR PRESENTATION

Over the last 3 weeks students in Year 9, 10, and 11 have taken part in a presentation by mental health organisation BATYR. The presentation gave the students an opportunity to hear key messages and information around supporting our mental health. Of every 30 students in Australia, 7 will be dealing with a mental health issue, yet only 2 will reach out for support. We want young people to be engaged in positive conversations about mental health and empower them to reach out for

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support when needed. Students heard from a range of guest speakers who spoke about their journey through challenging times and how they were able to seek help and manage their mental health. Presentations like this discuss the stigma around mental health and help create a community that support young people's wellbeing. The Heights School has formed a partnership with BATYR and they will visit our school discussing these important themes over the coming years.



Student comments:

'The presentation discussed things that are difficult, but it makes it easier knowing there are people that can help'. Year 9 student

'It was high energy and had some fun games'. Year 9 student

'The guest speakers made it easier to talk about mental health.' Year 10 student

'I learnt where I can get help, and I feel more informed about managing my mental health'. Year II student

'I realised that stress and anxiety is a normal thing, and we need to learn ways on how to cope with them'. Year 11 student

Daniel Brzezinski

Student Wellbeing Leader (7-12)

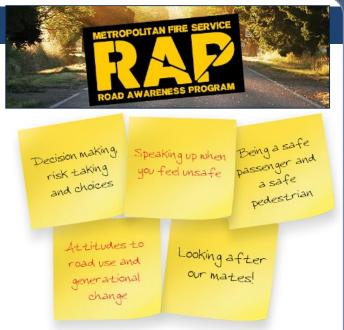


ROAD AWARENESS PROGRAM & VISUAL ARTS

ROAD AWARENESS PROGRAM (RAP)

On Monday 15th February the Year 11 students took part in the Road Awareness Program (RAP) run by the Metropolitan Fire Service. The Program is a powerful, hard-hitting road safety presentation delivered by firefighters to young and inexperienced drivers across South Australia and interstate. Designed to give an open and honest insight into the experience of firefighters working in road crash rescue, RAP seeks to actively engage and empower drivers and other road users through positive peer pressure and its core message: "You get to choose the risk; but you don't get to choose the consequences". During the 100 minute presentation, students were given a confronting and realistic insight into road crash trauma including vision of real crashes and crash survivors. Real life crash survivors, many now living with permanent disability or loss of a loved one, shared their story as part of the presentation.







VISUAL ARTS

My Year 10 students have had a busy start to the term. As part of a crosscurriculum activity with the Drama faculty, they have been creating the props and backdrops for a play based on the medieval character Robin Hood.

From the Middle Ages, they moved further back to the time of Antiquity. Here, they have been reproducing classical sculptures (by Michelangelo and Donatello) in pencildrawings, concentrating on shading techniques. As you will see from the accompanying photographs, the results have been outstanding.

I am very proud of my students and they have shown me that they have the potential to become high achievers.

Petra Dolezalova, Visual Art Teacher





The Heights 15th-19th March (Week 8)



EVERYONE BELONGS www.harmony.gov.au

THE HEIGHT SCHOOL P-12 SPORTS DAY

Friday 5th March

A reminder to all Parents/Caregivers that The Heights School P-12 Sports Day is on this Friday, 5th March (Week 6). All students and parents should have received the Program Booklet via an email and hardcopies are available in the Front Office. See overall timing for The Heights School P-12 Sports Day below:



- 8.55am: Years P-12 Welcome Address on the Primary asphalt area
- 9.20am: Years 7-12 events commence on the Senior Oval
- 9.30am: Years P-6 events commence on the Primary (P-2) and Middle Oval (3-6)
- 2.00pm: Relays commence on the Senior Oval
- 2.45pm: Presentations
- 3.05pm: Dismissal

We welcome all parents and caregivers to attend and support their children. There will be a coffee van and shelters situated around the school to help produce shade so please feel free to use them. We look forward to seeing you there!

Nick Schild, Georgina Sulley-Beales and Pierce Seymour Sports Coordinators

VISTA YEAR 8 BOYS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to our Year 8 boys who attended the VISTA basketball carnival on Friday 19th March. Whilst we did not take out the Division 1 competition, the effort by all was 100%, and the way students represented our school in terms of behaviour and overall sportsmanship was outstanding.

Well done Brandon Price-Johnson, Hae-Gyu Kim, Patwin Wong Liong, Cooper Seaton, Ethan Jones, Jules Hodson, Connor O'Keefe and Ryder Formosa.



VISTA YEAR 8 GIRLS BASKETBALL CARNIVAL

Our Year 8 girls basketball team represented The Heights School with great determination and resilience against teams from other schools at Lights View Community Sports Centre on Tuesday 16th February. Moving through the first two games with ease against their opponents, we came up against a strong Modbury opposition. The girls came into half time behind on the scoreboard, but in the second half some great shooting and rock-solid defence helped us to win a high scoring thriller 30-27. The girls were so proud of their efforts. However, they knew the day wasn't finished against Modbury, as it was likely we would then meet them in the finals.

The girls finished 1st in their pool and were in the playoff for Division 2 glory against Modbury. The final was a much lower scoring affair, with some great defence from both sides. Again, the girls dug deep in the second half to push ahead with their lead. With seconds left, the girls counted down the clock to defeat Modbury for a second time and win the title. The girls displayed a respectful, determined attitude throughout the whole day, bringing them home the win. Well deserved!





Nick Schild, Sports Coordinator

COMMUNITY NOTICES

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PARENT FORUM

'Outside the box'

You are invited to a Parent Forum for parents and carers of children and young people with disability.

The forum will include a presentation from Director, Disability Policy and Programs, Ian May on Department directions in 2021.

You can register to attend 2 workshops available on the days

- "There is no funding, so there is no support?" Debunking the myth
- Dyslexia (reading and spelling difficulties) Ways to help your child at home
- All about SERU (Special Education Resource Unit) supports available
- What is important to parents/carers about the 'One Plan' feedback session

The forum will provide a safe and supportive environment to share your experience, obtain information and helpful strategies as well as providing the opportunity to have your questions answered.

The information you provide will also assist us in the planning of future forums.

This workshop is for a limited number of parents and carers and will be held maintaining current COVID 19 guidelines.

WHEN: Thursday 25 March 2021

9.30 am - 10.00 am Register/tea/coffee

10.00am - 2.00pm Parent Forum

WHERE: Special Education Resource Unit (SERU) & Fulham Gardens Primary School Performing Arts Centre

72A Marlborough Street, Henley Beach SA 5022 Ph: 82352871

Contact Julie.cakebread68@schools.sa.edu.au at SERU if you have any questions

Lunch/refreshments provided

Register via https://register.eventarc.net/e/44988

For other information and resources available please visit SERU website: web.seru.sa.edu.au



Tea Tree Gully Netball Club



DATE: SCHOOL TERM 2—28th April > 10th June 2021 TIME: 4.30—5.30pm

LOCATION: TTGNC Courts - Brand New Courts @ Banksia Park Sporting Hub COST: \$70.00— this also includes special Suncorp Net Set Go Pack (T/shirt & Ball) (can use Sports Voucher with the credit of \$30 can come off your Summer Fees) <u>BEGISTRATION LINK:</u> https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/reg/signin.asps? E=128Btype=5Borodd=4268395id=925558.entitivid=44442 E=128Btype=5Borodd=4268395id=925558.entitivid=44442



Current vacancies for our Girls U13s and U15s teams in 2021!

Join Salisbury Inter Soccer Club, a family friendly club passionate about female football with an established program. Seeking girls with or without soccer experience!

EMAIL LAUREN AT SISCJUNIORS@GMAIL.COM



LOCATION: Strikers Training Courts Elizabeth Street, Banksia Park

REGISTER NOW ONLINE

https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages /reg/welcome.aspx?type=6&id=91958&entityid=443

> MORE INFO: EMAIL US AT STRIKERSNETBALL13@GMAIL.COM

Tea Tree Gully Netball Club

Is your 5-10 year old interested in netball but you don't know how to get started?

Tea Tree Gully Netball Club will be running their Netball SA certified NetSetGo program every Wednesday from 28th April - 10th June 2021 (School Term 2). Each player will get their very own awesome starter kit, which includes a tshirt and netball. TTGNC is offering one of the best value for money \$70.00 programs in the area and would love to hear from you.

http://www.teatreegullynetball.org.au/