

ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Construction Site Visits
- Preschool to Year 12 Sports Day
- Stage 2 Aquatics

(Pictured: Blair Boyer MP, Shadow Minister for Education and Year 3 students from BG3 received a tour of our new construction sites)



DIARY DATES

18/3	Open Event Morning 9.15-10.30am
18/3	ALPHA Shows (R-6) 'Hunchback of Notre Dame'
19/3	Non Uniform Day (R-12)
19/3	VISTA Year 10 Boys Indoor Cricket
22/3	Parent Teacher Interviews (R-6)
24/3	Parent Teacher Interviews (R-12)
24/3	EARLY DISMISSAL 2.05PM
24/3	VISTA Athletics Carnival
26/3	SAPSASA TTG Athletics Carnival
26/3	SVP Meeting 9.15am
29/3	Primary Years Assembly (CF5 & EI) *Staff & Students Only
29/3	Stage 1 & 2 Arts Excursion - SACE Art Show
30/3	School & Preschool Tours (Bookings Required)
1/4	PUPIL FREE DAY
2/4	PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Good Friday)

PUPIL FREE DAYS 2021

Thursday 1 April - Term 1, Week 10
Friday 11 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

Students Learning about Construction

Read on and enjoy the photos later in the newsletter about our young students getting in the construction area and learning about what is involved in this type of work. Shadow Minister for Education and Member for Wright Blair Boyer joined the tour group took part in the question and answer session with students.

International Women's Day

International Women's Day was celebrated on Monday 8th March. It's a globally recognised day celebrating women's achievements and calling for gender parity across the world.

The two Year 11 SRC Representatives who are members of our Governing Council, Lovanya Mittal and Gabrielle Colloff along with our Governing Council Secretary, Maria Parry and Year 11 Coordinator, Khara Rogers attended a breakfast in recognition on Friday 12 March hosted by Frances Bedford State MP for Florey.

2021 Improvement Plan

Governing Council and Education Director Anne Lamont have discussed and agreed on our school's Improvement Plan. This is the final year of our three plan and sees us continuing to target:

- High Band Achievement in Reading
- High Band Achievement in Numeracy
- Increasing the percentage of A grades at Year 12

Many exciting activities and events have occurred over the last couple of weeks. Our R-12 Sports Day was held Friday, 5 March. Congratulations to all involved. It was great see so many from our community come into the school for the event. Once again participation, support, encouragement and a great family atmosphere was present.

On Monday we held a whole school assembly revisiting our commitment Against Bullying and Violence and celebrating Harmony Week.

Harassment, bullying and violence in all its forms have no place in The Heights School community. Our school affirms the right of all members of the school community to work, learn and play in a safe and secure environment.

Annual Report

The 2020 Annual Report is now complete. It can be obtained from the front office and will be placed on our school website in the near future.

Open Days

Looking further ahead next week we have Open Evening, 6.00pm Wednesday 17 March and Open Morning, 9.15am Thursday 18 March. We are looking forward to showcasing our school and providing evidence of the learning improvements being achieved by our students.



Nigel Gill
Principal

REMINDER

Early Dismissal on
Wednesday 24 March (2.05pm)

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Want to volunteer at The Heights?



Join The Heights School Volunteer Partnership Program!

We value our volunteers at The Heights School and appreciate the contributions they make to our school community supporting the education of our students.

Where to volunteer?

There are many areas including classroom, Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, resource centre, excursions and camps to name a few.

Not sure if you have time?

We appreciate any time volunteers can donate. Regular volunteers are fantastic and have the most impact but if that's not possible, even half an hour can make a huge difference to an area that really needs extra support.

How to join?

You will need to complete and return the School Volunteer Partnership Application Form available by contacting the Community Liaison, requesting one via email dl1430.volunteers@schools.sa.edu.au or collecting one from Front Reception.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Gjuzide Apat
Community Liaison

ENROLLING NOW FOR PRESCHOOL 2021

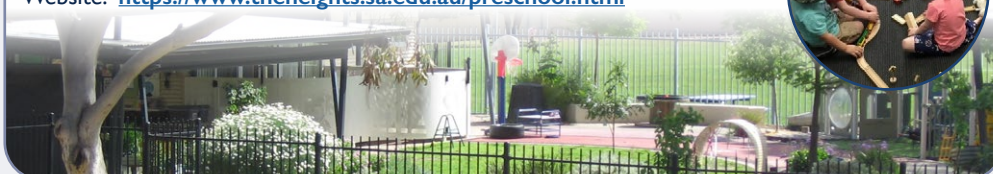
LET YOUR CHILD GROW WITH US

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

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

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



CONSTRUCTION SITE VISITS

Excitement is in the air as we edge closer to the completion of our two major builds which are still on track to be available for our students in Term 3 of this year.

In addition, our much-needed new shed along Brunel Drive is about to become available to us within days, which will house school machinery together with equipment.

Recently, some of our primary classes had the unique experience to tour our new construction sites.

I dare say this was not only unique for the students and teachers involved, but no doubt unique to our wonderful builders who have probably never hosted children before!

Chappell Builders, led by their Project Manager Josh, provided an insight to the infrastructure of a new building. Students were able to see insulation, wiring and air conditioning ducts before wall lining goes in, together with a look at the preparation required before laying concrete. Students got a feel for how big the structures were and the amount of physical work and the months of planning that go into such major construction.

The school extends our thanks to Chappell Builders for sharing their time and knowledge with some of our students who relished the experience.

We were also extremely fortunate to share this special afternoon with Mr Blair Boyer, Shadow Minister for Education. We are always grateful for how generous he is with his time and genuine support of our school and the delivery of quality outcomes for children.

I look forward to watching these spaces come to life once they're full of students!

I also look forward to sharing these amazing facilities with our families once complete.

Kind Regards,

Vicki Cook, Business Manager



Big smiles from these Year 3s from BG3 (Jemma Plaisted/Frasier Dickie) after their tour



Glass is arriving!



Chappell Builders welcome a visit from Blair Boyer MP, Shadow Minister for Education



Josh Threadgold, Project Manager of Chappell Builders leading a talk with our students, together with Blair Boyer MP and Vicki Cook, Business Manager

CONSTRUCTION SITE VISITS



Our Year 3s in BG3 (Jemma Plaisted/Fraser Dickie) enjoying the view of our new Gymnasium



Year 5 students from FI (Santhi Ravichandran) – thank you Chappell Builders!



Thumbs up from our Year 1s in CF9 (Heather Christie)



"When I grow up I want to build things"



Year 1 students from CF9 taking it all in (Heather Christie)



Year 6 students from E2 (Jess Haecker) receiving information from Josh Threadgold, Project Manager, Vicki Cook, Business Manager and Darren Jackway, Site Manager



Year 5 students from FI (Santhi Ravichandran) watching site preparation before the concrete pour



Rebekah Goodall our Primary Leader enjoying the moment

NOVITA AWARDS NIGHT – MADISON RODERICK

I was honoured to be invited to the Novita Awards Night on Wednesday 24th February to watch Madison Roderick (Year 8) receive the Wallmans Lawyer Academic Achievement Award for 2020. This award recognises consistent academic excellence by a Novita client over the age of 10.

Madison has muscular dystrophy, which impacts greatly on her schooling and other aspects of her life. On top of this Madison had to undergo major spinal surgery in 2020, which just added to the daily challenges she faces.

Through all of this, Madison always has a smile on her face and positive attitude. She is fully committed to her studies and consistently produces work of an exceptionally high standard in all learning areas. Her resilience and persistence is amazing, making her a fantastic role model for her younger sister, Dakota, as well as for all her peers.

Congratulations Madison on this well deserved award and best of luck in the future.

Mrs Rothery



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BREAKFAST

On the 12th of March Frances Bedford, State MP for Florey, hosted the 3rd Florey International Women's Day Breakfast at Valley View Secondary School. We were honoured to attend this important and empowering breakfast. The focus on the event was discussion of the suffragette movement and how it impacts on today's developing women. Students in attendance, Gabriella Colloff and Lovanya Mittal were impressed and took several key ideas from the impassioned guest speaker, Tessa Kowaliw, an advocate and journalist campaigning for equality.

The event stood as testament to the continuing search for equality and women's rights.

Khara Rogers

NEVO/FLO Coordinator

Pictured: Frances Bedford MP, Gabrielle & Lovanya



AIDAN RATCLIFF - RELAY FOR LIFE

Year 8 student, Aidan Ratcliff will be participating in his second Gawler Relay for Life on 27-28 March 2021 with his family as part of the team, Peacock Pride. He will have relayed for 21 hours, aiming to raise much needed funds for Cancer Council SA.

If you would like to please consider supporting Aiden by making a donation, please follow the link below:

https://secure.fundraising.cancer.org.au/site/TR/RelayforLife/CCSA?px=1840873&pg=personal&fr_id=6013



THE HEIGHTS PLAYERS DRAMA PRODUCTION

Calling all crafty students and parents who are interested in stage design:

Join The Heights Players backstage crew in prop and set making in the Art area on Thursdays after school (3:10pm until 4:30pm). This year's play is called 'Oh What a Lovely War'.

Activities could include: papier mache, painting or sewing. Enquiries to Mrs Sztekel (via Daymap, email or in person). Commitment and parent permission will be required for interested students.

Donations – if you are able to donate any of the items listed below, please label 'Drama donations – Beth Sztekel' and leave at the Front Office or the Art building (D Block) ASAP:

- Large sheets of cardboard (thick box-type)
- 1x hula hoop
- 1x old beanie
- Artificial flowers
- Lengths of fabric (calico, unpatterned, browns, creams, whites)
- Pieces of foam or polystyrene (minimum 10cm3)
- Crepe paper or tissue paper (14x red, 7x white, 7x blue, 7x yellow, 7x black)
- Wellington boots (adult size)
- Old sticks/poles (from brooms etc).

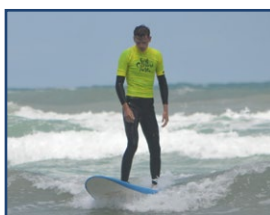


STAGE 2 AQUATICS



On Thursday 25 February, the Stage 2 Integrated Learning PE class participated in a surfing excursion at Middleton Beach. Students were led by Department for Education qualified instructors who took the class through all of the safety and technical aspects of an activity that was a new one to most group members. This forms one of three practical inquiry tasks the class completes for the year and also is used to reinforce some of the concepts learnt in theory classes regarding skill acquisition and learning style preferences. As shown from the photos, a great time was had by all!

Andrew Costello, Physical Education Teacher



PRESCHOOL TO YEAR 12 SPORTS DAY

The Heights School Preschool to Year 12 Sports Day was held on Friday 5th March. It was a fierce contest with multiple Houses taking the lead throughout the day and only a few points separating houses on our leader board at the end of the day! It was wonderful to see so much parental and community support from Preschool to Year 12. **Congratulations to our Sports Day House Winner: Hydra Sharks.**

The House Leader Board is as follows:

Hydra Sharks – 2549 points

Draco Crocodiles – 2544 points

Corvus Redbacks – 2473 points

Aquila Dingoes – 2156 points

Sports Day 2021 began on the Primary asphalt and it was a welcomed change with a stream of the different colours and high energy surround the team chants. It was fantastic to see all students at The Heights School participating in one of our biggest school events for the year.

The 2021 Sports Day was a huge success with a large number of Primary students being actively involved and participating throughout the day. Throughout the day students thoroughly enjoyed numerous events with Fireman's relay, the Tug-O-War, Vortex and sprints being extremely popular. It was terrific to see so many students from P-6 embrace being a part of their house, wearing their colours with pride.

Our Year 7-12 Students participated in a variety of athletic and team events on Sports Day with participation points allocated for all events. Certain houses proved stronger in athletic events, whereas others were tough competitors in the team events. It was pleasing to see such a huge number of student entries in events and a positive atmosphere.

A real highlight was the end of the day house relays, where students lined the track and cheered home their house teams. Special mention must be made to the outstanding commentary provided throughout the day by staff member Aaron Jelfs and Year 12 student Ethan James-Beinke - it felt like we were at the Olympics.

Congratulations to our Year Level Champions for Years 7-12:

Year Level Champions

Year 7 - Sam Parkin and Elise Siddall

Year 8 - Yannan Pan and Jasmine Batara / Rajvi Shah (tied)

Year 9 - Liam Phung and Sienna Aladesaye

Year 10 - Jonas and Tryphena Hewett

Year 11 - Thumith Chandrasena and Aimee Wilson

Year 12 - Mekhia Khiev and Abbie Stribling

Overall, Sports Day was a great day for students, parents/caregivers and teachers.

I would like to acknowledge the outstanding work of the following people:

- Noelle Wallis, SSOs and the HPE faculty
- The Arts faculty, for running the successful house mascot drawing competition
- The Lions Club
- Our wonderful school Grounds Staff who did an amazing job line marking and other behind the scenes work - thanks Zoes and crew
- Preschool - Year 12 Staff Members – Without the dedication and enthusiasm of all staff during the day, Sports Day would not have been such a success
- To all the students who showed outstanding sportsmanship and behaviour throughout the day.

Thank you!

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



PRESCHOOL TO YEAR 12 SPORTS DAY

**Sports Day Art Competition Winners**

Congratulations to the following people whose artworks were chosen as point winners:

1st (100 pts)

Liya Cojuhari CG7 (Aquila Dingoes)
Ashlyn Tung E2 (Hydra Sharks)
Dimitra Tsavaris I103 (Corvus Redbacks)

2nd (75 pts)

Falyn Maher BG1 (Draco Crocs)
Urmeeksha Urmeeksha (Draco Crocs)
Trinity Cameron (Hydra Sharks)

3rd (50 pts)

Adelynn Tung CF5 (Hydra Sharks)
Liana Cherian 702 (Corvus Redbacks)
Sage Haba I203 (Aquila Dingoes)

4th (25 pts)

Joshua You CG7 (Corvus Redbacks)
Jasleen Kaur E3 (Aquila Dingoes)
Hannah Lehmann I206 (Hydra Sharks)

Team Points Allocated:

Hydra Sharks: 294 (44 participation points, 250 place points)
Corvus Redbacks: 205 (30 participation points, 175 place points)
Aquila Dingoes: 189 (14 participation points, 175 place points)
Draco Crocs: 174 (24 participation points, 150 place points)

Well done to all of those who participated, your points made a difference!

Mrs Sztekel



NETSETGO

MONDAY NIGHTS
5:15-6:15

\$90 for a 9 week course running from May 3rd - June 28th.

Net - Activity/Skills

Our NetSetGo program offers skill development in a fun format. Run by current Tango players and coaches. Available to all children aged 5-7 years of age.

Held at Kings Baptist Grammar School, Friendship Court, Wynn Vale (indoor gym)

SPORTS VOUCHER ELIGIBLE





Kevin Brooks Basketball

"No Kid Left Behind"

Join one of our programs at Golden Grove Recreation Centre!

For more information or to register scan the QR Codes or visit playsport.com/kevinbrooksbasketball



Kevin Brooks Basketball—All Programs

- Academy
- School Holiday Camps
- 1 on 1 sessions



Junior Social Competition - Join our club to play in the Adelaide Community Basketball Association Social Competition

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Mother & Daughter Night

A SPECIAL NIGHT OUT FOR MUMS OR SIGNIFICANT FEMALE OTHER AND THEIR DAUGHTERS - RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

Saturday March 27th

\$5 PER PERSON - COVID safe supper included
6:30pm - 8:30pm

THE NIGHT WILL INCLUDE:
CRAFT, PARTY GAMES, PHOTO BOOTH
AN ENCOURAGING MESSAGE AND
LOADS MORE

RSVP TO ANN HUGHES BY 19th March
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SPACES ARE LIMITED:

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REFERENCE NO: SURNAME AND MD

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VALLEY VIEW SOCCER



WE ARE LOOKING FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS TO JOIN OUR MASCOT 'SKIP' FOR SEASON 2021

Boys and girls of any skill level are welcome
8 years through to 17 years

Mums, Dads, and Grandparents can coach too!

Don't miss out on being a part of a welcoming, safe, and family-friendly club.

Training for Season 2021 is on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6.30pm



WE DON'T HAVE TRYOUTS - WE HAVE FUN

Email: businessadmin@valleyviewsc.com
Facebook: Valley View Storm Soccer
Contact: Denise 0405113742
Registrations close soon!