

## ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Reception Science - Karna Seasons
- Tea Tree Gully Youth Achievement Awards
- Stage 2 Food and Hospitality Drip Cakes
- SAPSASA Athletics Championships

(Pictured: Stage 2 Food and Hospitality Drip Cake Display)

## DIARY DATES

Please check the parent calendar via our website for any last minute changes to scheduled events.

21/10	Last Day of Year 12 Lessons Year 10 Ignite Excursion: STEMIE Regional Challenge Young Change Makers Conference Stage 2 Literacy Studies Excursion: Grill'd TTP
22/10	Year 12 Farewell Breakfast & Parade SAPSASA Cricket Carnival
25/10 - 29/10	Swimming Week: R-2
25/10 - 27/10	Stage 1 Outdoor Education Camp: Deep Creek
26/10	Governing Council Meeting 6.00pm
28/10	VISTA Year 8/9 Girls Beach Soccer
29/10	VISTA Year 8/9 Boys Beach Soccer
1/11 - 12/11	Year 12 Exams
1/11	VISTA Year 10 Cricket Carnival Preschool Enrolment Meeting (Thurs/Fri Group 2022) 5.00pm
3/11	VISTA Year 8-10 Ultimate Frisbee 1007 English Excursion- Art Gallery of South Australia Preschool Enrolment Meeting (Tues/Wed Group 2022) 5.00pm

[Click here](#) to view our online calendar

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Congratulations

I would like to congratulate 14 of our Year 11 students who have received offers for the University of Adelaide based on their Year 11 scores. I would also like to congratulate Dimitra Tsavaris, a Year 11 student for winning the 2021 Tea Tree Gully Youth Achievement Change Maker Award. (Please see page 6 for more details about these students.)

### Welcome to Term 4

This term is the term where we hold many celebratory events, some with modifications, though fortunately it is our intention for most to go ahead.

### Events to take note of depending on the age of your child include:

- Year 12 Graduation - Wednesday 17 November.
- Celebration of Success for Middle and Senior students - Tuesday 23 November.
- Celebration in the Courtyard - Tuesday 7 December.

Keep an eye out for more information about these events. They will all be managed within current guidelines and we are investigating planning the Celebration in the Courtyard to be managed by two events - one following the other for junior primary and primary, in the one evening.

This term Ingrid Simmons and Simone Moore return from leave and Deb Tilley and Anne Ryan will go on some leave.

### Letter from Professor Nicola Spurrier

Professor Nicola Spurrier has written a letter to help schools communicate with students and families about the COVID-19 vaccine and vaccination consent. Please take note of this later in the newsletter.

### World Teachers' Day

Friday, 29 October is World Teachers' Day to recognise, celebrate and raise the profile of the profession. The time teachers give to the role in this school and many schools is an indication of the importance teachers place on their work. For example, recently we've had many teachers on duty during the school holidays preparing students for their Year 12 exams and other assessment tasks. There have also been school camps, numerous

sporting and extra curricula activities as well celebration events that often occur in the evenings. Congratulations teachers and thank you for the work you do.

### Student Attendance

We are still emphasising the importance of regular school attendance. Other than for reasons of exceptional medical circumstances, more than 10 days absent in a school year is considered to be too many. We are concerned that many of our students are exceeding this level. We continue to follow up student absence if we haven't heard from you. Please endeavour to inform us soon as possible if your child is absent from school.

### Benefits of Regular Attendance for Students

- Getting the maximum benefit from school will optimise your life choices.
- Attending school regularly will develop skills and attitudes that will help you to be successful in later life. These include self discipline, punctuality, being organised and sticking to routines.
- Regular attendance leads to an increased likelihood of being successful at school.
- Attending regularly leads to making friends and learning to maintain relationships over a length of time.
- You will learn social skills necessary to live and work successfully with others.
- People will be more positive about you if you have a good attendance record.
- Attending school provides opportunities for socialising with your friends.
- The more you attend, the more you learn, and this will probably mean you will like school more.

### Year 12 Students

The last of the scheduled lessons for students sitting exams takes place this week. Study programs



continue up to the beginning of the exam period Monday, 1 November.

Good luck to our Year 12 students at this time of their study programs.

Nigel Gill, Principal



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## IMPORTANT MESSAGE

### A MESSAGE TO PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS FROM

Professor Nicola Spurrier,  
Chief Public Health Officer



**Dear parents and caregivers,**

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a worrying time for all of us.

The Delta COVID-19 variant is twice as infectious as the original COVID-19 strain and there are now more cases in children and young people.

Vaccination is the best way to protect you, your family, and your friends from getting sick, and reduce the risk of outbreaks and school closures.

**I encourage everyone aged 12 years and over in your household to get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible.**

COVID-19 vaccines in Australia are safe and many millions of Australians are already protected.

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) has recommended both the Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for people aged 12 years and over in Australia.

Consent from a parent/caregiver for COVID-19 vaccination is required for anyone under the age of 16.

To find a location to get vaccinated and book, visit [covidvaccine.sa.gov.au](https://covidvaccine.sa.gov.au)

SA Health has lots of information to help answer questions, including videos, fact sheets and a range of other resources. For more information, visit [covidvaccine.sa.gov.au](https://covidvaccine.sa.gov.au)

Thank you for keeping South Australia COVID safe. Please join me in being a fully vaccinated family.

Yours sincerely



**PROFESSOR NICOLA SPURRIER**  
Chief Public Health Officer  
Health Regulation and Protection



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## IMPORTANT DATES IN TERM 4

### Across School Events

23/11 - Celebration of Success (Years 7-12)  
10/12 - Last Day Term 4 (Early Dismissal)

### Year 12 Students

21/10 - Last teaching day for Year 12 students  
22/10 - Year 12 Farewell Morning Tea  
1/11-12/11 - Year 12 Exams  
17/11 - Year 12 Graduation

### Year 11 Students

15/11 - Last teaching day for Year 11 students/BBQ  
16/11-22/11 - Year 11 Exams

### Year 10 Students

22/11 - Last teaching day for Year 10 students  
23/11-26/11 - Year 10 Exams

### Year 7-9 Students

17/11 - Year 8 Immunisations (2nd Visit)  
2/12 - Year 6 to 7 Transition Day  
3/12 - Year 7 to 8 Transition Day  
6/12 - Last day Years 7-9 lessons  
7/12-8/12 - Round Table Assessments (Years 7-9)  
9/12 - Pool Day Years 7-9 - Waterworld

### Primary Years

23/11 - Year 6 Celebration Assembly  
25/10-29/10 - Swimming Week (Reception-Year 2)  
9/11 - New Reception Transition Visit 1 (Tuesday Group)  
11/11 - New Reception Transition Visit 1 (Thursday Group)  
16/11 - New Reception Transition Visit 2 (Tuesday Group)  
18/11 - New Reception Transition Visit 2 (Thursday Group)  
24/11 - Year 6 Aquatics



## FUNDRAISING

### people's choice COMMUNITY LOTTERY

### SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

The Heights School is once again participating in this year's People's Choice Community Lottery. Since its inception in 1984 this community lottery has helped raise more than \$20 million with registered groups keeping 100% of each \$2 ticket sold.

## TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!

To support The Heights School and be in the draw to win some amazing prizes, tickets can be purchased online by clicking on or typing the following link in your browser: <https://communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au/products/the-heights-school>



### PRIZES

**THERE ARE 41 PRIZES ON OFFER WORTH MORE THAN \$300,000!**

**The Early Bird prize** is a Toyota Yaris Cross Hybrid (RRP \$33,269)

**First prize** in the main draw is a Toyota Kluger GX AWD Hybrid (RPP \$59,537)

**Second prize** is a Toyota Corolla Ascent Hybrid Hatch (RRP \$31,610)

**Third prize** is a Harvey Norman Grand Home Package (RRP \$25,330)

**TO SEE THE FULL LIST OF PRIZES PLEASE CLICK ON OR TYPE THE FOLLOWING LINK IN YOUR BROWSER:**

[HTTPS://COMMUNITYLOTTERY.PEOPLESCHOICE.COM.AU/PAGES/PRIZES](https://communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au/pages/prizes)

### KEY DATES

**EARLY BIRD SALES CLOSE**  
18 NOVEMBER 2021

**EARLY BIRD PRIZE DRAW**  
25 NOVEMBER 2021

**TICKET SALES CLOSE**  
24 FEBRUARY 2022

**MAIN PRIZE DRAW**  
3 MARCH 2022



We are fundraising with  
**Entertainment**

## The savvy way to save!

Get a **FREE Multi City Upgrade\*** with a Single City Membership purchase.  
Plus **20% of the purchase** goes to our fundraising cause.

\*Offer for a limited time only. For T&Cs visit [entertainment.com.au/promotions](http://entertainment.com.au/promotions)



Not sure what to do these holidays? An Entertainment Membership has you covered.

**Saturday** – 4% off your groceries from **Woolworths** to stock up on grand final supplies and your weekly food shop

**Sunday** – 10% off at **Priceline** – perfect for some new makeup, stock up on vitamins and skincare

**Monday** – Save 5% off **Big W** eGift card to purchase some new books, a board game, and a new Switch game and then **Sushi Hub** for a lunchtime treat

**Tuesday** – There's a birthday in the house today so it's a chocolate mud cake from **The Cheesecake Shop**

**Wednesday** – Want to cheer up a friend? 15% off all hampers from **Interhampers**

**Thursday** – Who doesn't love the **Adelaide Zoo**? Grab some **Subway** on the way and picnic on the grass amongst the 250 species of animals

**Friday** – It's coffee time from **McCafé** and supplies from **BCF** for some backyard camping adventures

**\$224.50** of savings in a week for an investment of **\$69.99 PLUS 20%** helps our schools fundraising!

And for a limited time purchase a Single City Membership and be upgraded to a Multi City Membership for **FREE**.

**PURCHASE TODAY:** [www.entbook.com.au/1619k82](http://www.entbook.com.au/1619k82)



## 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 the student's 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.

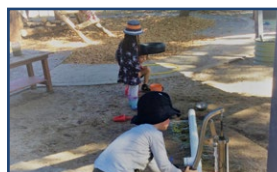


## ENROLLING NOW FOR PRESCHOOL 2022

## 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 2022 please contact Dani Dunne on the details below.



Email: [Dani.Dunne687@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Dani.Dunne687@schools.sa.edu.au)

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



## RECEPTION SCIENCE - KAURNA SEASONS

In Science last term, Reception students learnt about the weather and how it impacts what we might wear, activities we might do and food we might eat.

As a part of this learning about weather, Reception students focused on the seasons and what the common weather patterns might be for each one. To enrich this learning, they looked at the Kaurna seasons and how the Kaurna people observe the land and sky to know what season it is.

Students learnt about what clothes, activities and food are most common in each season and then they chose their favourite and illustrated something that might happen in that particular season.

Mrs Goerner then bound their illustrations into a book so that this information could be shared with other early years classes.

Below is a calendar of the Kaurna seasons taken from [bom.gov.au](http://bom.gov.au)

*Colleen Goerner, Early Years Science*



Reception students L-R Isha (CF2), Reet (CF1), Tonia (CF4) and Ryan (CF3)





## TEA TREE GULLY YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

A big congratulations to one of our Year 11 Aboriginal students, Dimitra Tsavaris, for winning the 2021 Tea Tree Gully Youth Achievement - Change Maker Award.

The City of Tea Tree Gully's Youth Achievement Awards are an opportunity to formally acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of local young people, aged 12 to 25 years.

The awards recognise the important role that young people play in the community. Prizes are awarded to winners for each category.

This awards compliments Dimitra's dedication to her education. Dimitra also achieved a full Karnkanthi Indigenous Education Program scholarship with the University of Adelaide and Dame Roma Mitchell Excellence in Education Scholarship in 2020.

This will entitle her to funding and tutoring outside of school and inclusion into educational programs run by the University of Adelaide.

Dimitra has a high aim for post school education, wanting to become a female leader and to give back to her community.

*Aaron Murray-Raschella*

*Aboriginal Secondary Education & Transition Officer*



**Congratulations!**



## ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY EARLY OFFERS - YEAR 11 SCORES

Congratulations to the students who applied and have received entry into Adelaide University for early entry in 2022 using the Year 11 Scores initiative.

Both Adelaide University and Flinders University opened up this initiative in 2020 due the evident impact COVID can have on the student's ability to complete their final demanding year to their highest standard through a pandemic.

Well done to the below students whose Year 11 grades and commitment to study has shown immediate impact for the future.

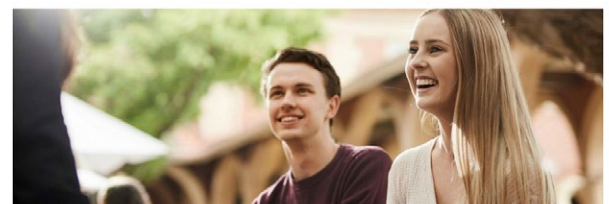
- Mia Pham - Bachelor of Commerce
- Ellie Kenny - Bachelor of Criminology
- Shayla Vanstone- Bachelor of Criminology
- Courtney Allen - Bachelor of Business
- Aishwarya Nair - Bachelor of Computer Science
- Urvi Ghosh - Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced)
- Jack Marshall - Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced)
- Johna Biju John - Successful - Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced)
- Manish Mahala - Bachelor of Health and Medical Science (Advanced)
- Beda Hwang - Bachelor of Health and Medical Science (Advanced)
- Jason Ling - Bachelor of Health and Medical Science (Advanced)
- Sam Arnold - Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences (Advanced)
- Dominic Jose - Successful - Bachelor of Computer Science
- Madison Craker - Successful - Bachelor of Psychological Science

### Study at Adelaide

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### Year 11 Entry Pathway

In 2021, we'll be extending our Year 11 Entry Pathway to this year's Year 12 cohort.



Many congratulations to those applicants and best wishes in completing Year 12 and your exams to come

*Ian Benjafield*  
*SACE Coordinator*

## STAGE 2 FOOD AND HOSPITALITY DRIP CAKE DISPLAY

The Stage 2 Food and Hospitality classes this year have again presented an amazing array of drip cakes, showcasing their cake making and decorating skills. In this task students design, and then create their own contemporary drip cake for a specific event or occasion. This year we had 34 students presenting their cakes. The finished cakes were all amazing, with all students completing their cakes to a very high standard, their professional styling of the cakes was very impressive. Many students not only made their cakes, however, also made meringues and macarons to help decorate their cakes.

However, I think the highlight of the cake making for the students was the feedback and the reaction that was given to them by students and teachers, while they were displayed in the library.

On behalf of all the students, we pass on our thanks and appreciation to everyone who gave such positive feedback, it was very welcomed. Thank you also to the library staff who enabled us to display them.

*Sarah Rogers and Alison Coleman*  
Food and Hospitality Teachers



## SAPSASA ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of September, The Heights School had several students represent the TTG District at the SAPSASA Athletics Championships at SA Athletics Stadium. These students competed at the District Athletics Carnival in Term 1 in which they placed first in their chosen event. Congratulations to following students on representing their school and district, this is a terrific achievement:

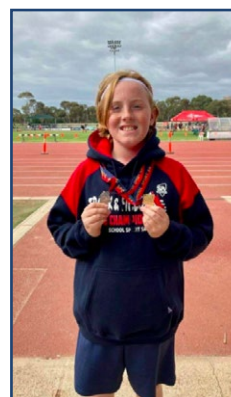
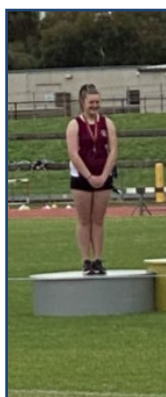
- Leanna Batara (U11 Girls): 100m, 200m, Long Jump
- Lucy Cameron (U10 Girls): Shotput
- Louis Morgan (U12 Boys): 100m, Boys 100m Relay
- Antonio Pena (U11 Boys): 800m, 1500m

Further congratulations must go to the following students who were able to win medals in their chosen event:

- Georgia Atkins (U13 Girls): Silver in Shotput
- Beau Lawson (U10 Boys): Bronze in Shotput, Gold in Discus

Well done to all students and we can't wait to see how you continue to compete in athletics in the future.

*Mr Seymour*





## WEST AUSTRALIAN GRASSCOURT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Last week, Taylah Lessue in 803 competed at the 2021 West Australian Grasscourt Championships in the 14 & U girls played at Cottesloe Western Australia.

Taylah was seeded 7<sup>th</sup> and finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place - a great achievement!

During Term 3, Taylah played the Rafa Nadal Girls 14 & U Championships in Darwin and finished Runner Up. She won the Rafa Nadal Values Award.

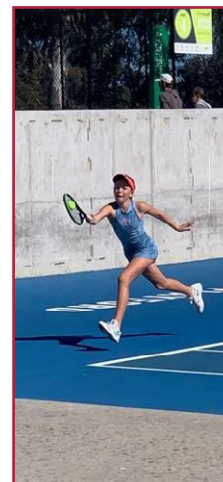
She also played in a Junior ITF (International Tennis Federation Event) which she didn't get a singles win (did get a doubles win) but it was amazing competition.

During the school holidays, Taylah played at the Woodville Orion Gold event winning the Girls 14 & U event.

An amazing effort considering she is still 13 (turns 14 in March and can play in this same age group until February 2023).

We would like to congratulate Taylah on her tennis achievements and look forward to watching her career over the coming years.

Thank you to Taylah's family for providing the update and photos.



## BOYS VISTA BASKETBALL CARNIVAL

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September, a group of students took part in the Year 9/10 Boys VISTA Basketball Carnival at The Lights Community and Sports Centre.

Whilst we didn't win any games during the initial rounds, we did come away with two wins towards the end of the carnival when we played teams in a different pool.

Our team was a good mix of players, each bringing with them their own skills and experiences. Well done to the following players who took part:

- Alex Jose - calm and collected player with a consistently good shot and fantastic ball skills.
- Sam Parry - our tallest player who took some good rebounds and finished off with a fantastic last game.
- Harrison Morrell - a great team player who was persistent and who made an awesome reject towards the end of the day.
- Obed KC - a player with incredible ball skills and a strong sense of awareness on the court.
- Brandon Scott - a player who continually moved around the court well and worked hard for the team.
- Logan Schwartz - a great team player who displayed fantastic support and encouragement to the rest of the team throughout the day.
- Sarabyjotsingh Dhaliwal - a consistent player with excellent ball skills and vision.

Well done to you all.

Mrs Rothery  
Health and Physical Education





## COMMUNITY NOTICES



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### Wonggangga Turtpandi COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

From Thursday 14 October 2021  
Thursdays & Fridays  
9:30am to 1:30pm

Wonggangga Turtpandi will be offering Pfizer COVID-19 vaccinations to all our mob 12 years and older in a more culturally safe community space.

Ring to make your booking on  
**8182 9663**

Please help protect yourself,  
your mob & your culture!



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### Muna Paiendi COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

From Monday 11 October 2021  
Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays  
9:30am to 1:30pm

Muna Paiendi will be offering Pfizer COVID-19 vaccinations to all our mob 12 years and older in a more culturally safe community space.

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Short courses in

### Responsible service of alcohol, barista and food safety



## Register your interest today!

#### Responsible service of alcohol

An essential course for all hospitality staff to gain an understanding of their responsibilities in the sale and supply of liquor.

#### Barista

TAFE SA's nationally accredited barista training will teach you the origin of coffee, about different types of beans, how to blend different types of coffee and a whole lot more. This course is suitable for those who are wanting to become a barista and may be looking for work in the industry.

#### Food safety

TAFE SA's accredited short course in food safety helps increase knowledge of food safety and enhance the level of professionalism when working with and handling food. This interactive course is appropriate for anyone involved in the hospitality industry.

\*\*Fee Free for all ATSI students

**Course location**  
TAFE SA Regency

**Contact and Register your Interest**  
**AnneMaree Cooper**  
**Aboriginal Access Centre**  
TAFE SA Regency Campus  
E [annemaree.cooper@tafesa.edu.au](mailto:annemaree.cooper@tafesa.edu.au)

T (08) 8348 2425

**Placements are limited**

**Dates: 20th to 24th September**

[tafesa.edu.au](http://tafesa.edu.au)



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