

ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Volunteer Appreciation Morning Tea
- Preschool Bug Hotels
- Arts News
- Celebration of Success

(Pictured: Preschool Bug Hotels)

DIARY DATES

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

2/12	Year 6 to 7 Transition Day
3/12	Year 7 to 8 Transition Day
6/12	Last Day Years 7-9 Lessons
6/12	Quiz Day Years 4 & 5
6/12	Primary Years Assembly (CF6 & E2) & Year 6 Ceremony
6/12	Year 6 End of Year Excursion- Bowling
7/12	Celebration in the Courtyard (During School)
7-8/12	Round Table Assessments (Years 7-9)
9/12	Pool Day Years 7-9- Waterworld
10/12	Last Day Term 4 (12:45pm Dismissal)
31/1	PUPIL FREE DAY
1/2	First Day of School 2022

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

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Celebrations

The Year 12 Graduation and Celebration of Success Assembly recognised and showcased student achievement in 2021. Acknowledging SACE completion of our graduating students is special and it was great to be able to return to the normal practice of having family and invited guests present after not being able to do this last year. Well done to the completing class of 2021.

The Celebration of Success Assembly continued this theme for students in Year 6 and above. Again it was much better being able to have parents present to recognise many students for their achievements throughout the year. Well done to you all.

Celebration in the Courtyard we will be modified and managed within the school day.

These events plus many more will feature in our 2021 Yearbook.

Subs in Schools State Finals

Year 10 Cutting Edge Science students have been attending the University of South Australia Magill Campus as part of the Subs in Schools State Finals Competition. This involved a large contingent of Year 10 students from our school and I thank teachers Tom Cridland, Tim Trainor and David Eglinton for their support of our students in this learning experience.

Volunteers Appreciation Morning Tea

Nineteen of our volunteers were able to attend our end of year appreciation event. Certificates were presented and many of the leadership team were present to chat with people.

Volunteers provide a wonderful service to our school community and we thank all of our volunteers for their help and support of our school and its programs.

Service Recognition Certificates

Congratulations to Kerry Murrell who is recognised for working for the Department for Education for 30 years. We also recognise Catherine Di Troia, Jemma Plaisted and Petra Dolezalova who

REMINDERS:

Last Day of Term 4:

Friday 10 December 2021

School Bus & OSHC organised for 12.45pm finish

PUPIL FREE DAY:

Monday 31 January 2022

First Day of School 2022:

Tuesday 1 February 2022

have accrued 10 years of service working with the Department for Education.

End of School Year and Farewelling Staff

At the end of the year we always have staff to farewell. Leaving at the end of this year are Ms Deb Tilley and Ms Sandra Potts to retirement and we wish them well.

Ms Alexandra Christodoulou and Ms Janette Bandjak are both taking on a different role in new locations next year and we thank them for their service to our school as well.

Ms Alexandra Christodoulou – Coordinator English Henley High School

Ms Janette Bandjak – EAL English Teacher Urbrae High School

Ms Sally Putnam is taking a year's leave and Ms Kasey Bleasdale will be working at Wandana Primary School as a Literacy Coordinator for 2022.

We also have many staff to thank who are completing contracts and we will acknowledge them at our staff farewell.

Finally I'd like to thank all staff for the valuable contribution you make to the education and care for our students. To our Governing Council and all parents, thank you for the support of The Heights P-12 School.

Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday.

We look forward to a successful year in 2022.

We have just confirmed a **Pupil Free Day on Monday, 31 January**, school will start on **Tuesday, 1 February 2022**.

Nigel Gill, Principal



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LAST DAY ARRANGEMENTS

Letters have now gone home to all students regarding the last day of school on Friday, 10 December 2021 with permission slips to return to allow for your child(ren) to finish at 12.45pm. Students that are not given permission to be dismissed at this time will be involved in supervised clean-up activities until 2.05pm.



Please be advised that OSHC will be open to accept the students booked in at 12.45pm and the school buses will depart at 1.00pm.

Please see your child's teacher R-6 or Student Services 7-9 if you need a copy of the early dismissal consent slip.

Reports will be available on Daymap by 3.00pm on Friday 10 December for all students Reception-Year 11. If you have organised to collect a hard copy of your child's report, please see below for arrangements:

R-6: Reports can be collected from the Primary Years Student Services from Monday 13 December.

7-11: Reports can be collected from the Secondary Student Services from Friday 10 December.

** Student Services will close at 12.45pm on Friday 10 December and re-open at 8.30am Monday 13 December.*

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.

SAKG FAREWELL

Farewell my friend

Our much-loved Garden Specialist, Amanda Pryor is moving on in 2022.

Since 2015, classes from Reception to Year 6 work in the garden with Amanda on a weekly basis. She has guided our students to be keen gardeners by; planting seeds, harvesting, weeding, creating and working with compost, discovering insects and other animals, understanding plant life cycles, working in groups and collaborating with each other, working safely with tools and a range of other garden related activities.

Amanda has also helped me grow in my role at the school, been my ally, my bestie and I consider her a true friend. I will miss her.

Wishing her all the best for the future.

Much love,

Eva Rose, Kitchen Specialist

The Heights School - Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program



UNIFORM SHOP

Needing School Uniforms?

Come before the end of 2021 and beat the rush
The beginning of a school year creates busy times and there is no busier place than our Uniform Shop. To help families we are going to offer opening times the week after school finishes, please take advantage of these extended hours.

Additional Uniform Shop opening times:

Monday 13 December 2021 9.00am – 1.00pm

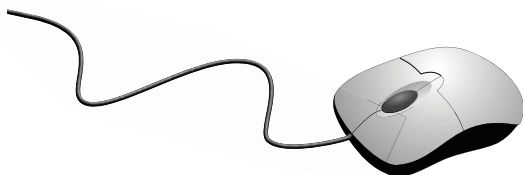
Tuesday 14 December 2021 12.00pm – 3.00pm

(Subject to COVID-19 restrictions)

Please take advantage of these additional openings and avoid the queues at the beginning of 2022. Our Finance Office will also be open at these times, so if you'd like to settle your 2021 account it would be great to see you.

Did you know?

For your convenience, you are able to order uniforms online via the school website. You will be contacted when your order is ready, and you can simply collect it from the front office. Please contact us for you would like further information.



Advance Notice – Administration/Fee paying days

Families of our enrolled students will receive Materials & Services Charges with other helpful school information via mail early in January 2022. To provide convenience for families with payment of these charges, the school administration opens during the below times the week prior to the school term commencing:-

Thursday 27 January 2022 – 3.00pm – 6.00pm

Friday 28 January 2022 – 9.00am – 12.00pm

(Subject to COVID-19 restrictions)

During these times the school also opens its Uniform Shop, offers payment plan services, school card applications and provides customer service to assist parents with queries relating to administrative forms and general information. It is also a great opportunity to verify and update any family information we have recorded to assist with correspondence and your child/ren's wellbeing (for example postal address, email, emergency contacts, and medical plans).

We encourage families to make payments and apply for school card online via the school website www.theheights.sa.edu.au

Additional opening times for our Uniform Shop to begin 2022

To further support our families as they prepare their child/ren for a successful start to 2022, we are offering additional opening times to our uniform shop the week before school starts and the first week of the school term.

Tuesday 25 January 2022 – 9.00am – 1.00pm

Thursday 27 January 2022 – 3.00pm – 6.00pm *Fee paying day

Friday 28 January 2022 – 9.00am – 12noon *Fee paying day

Monday 31 January 2022 – PUPIL FREE DAY – UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED

Tuesday 1 February 2022 – First day of Term 1 – UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED

Wednesday 2 February 2022 – 8.30am – 10.30am

Thursday 3 February 2022 – 8.30am – 10.30am & 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Friday 4 February 2022 – 8.30am – 10.30am

(Subject to COVID-19 restrictions)

Please note the Uniform Shop will NOT be open on the first day of Term 1

UNIFORM ONLINE ORDER INSTRUCTIONS

Uniform can be purchased online through the school website www.theheights.sa.edu.au follow the instructions below:

- Click on Online Payment to School or Preschool
- Click OK to confirm you are making a payment to the school
- Enter your family code (if you do not have this please contact the school on 8263 6244)
- Enter your child's name
- Enter the uniform items required in the Description/invoice line, eg 1 x Sz 14 PE top (you can add a maximum of 50 characters in this line, if a large order please email itemised order to sonia.hahn343@schools.sa.edu.au and include receipt number)
- Enter total amount \$ (the uniform order form and sizing guide is on the school website, click on the 'About Us' tab at the top and select Uniform)
- Select your payment option
- Enter your credit card details and click proceed

You will be contacted when your order is ready (please allow 3-4 business days), uniform orders will be left at the Front Office for collection between 8.30am and 4.30pm.

If you have any questions or would like any further information please contact Maria Parry on 8263 6244 or maria.parry794@schools.sa.edu.au

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MORNING TEA

You often hear people say how fast time goes by and here we are, just about at the end of Term 4 2021!

Despite this year's challenges we have been fortunate that The Heights volunteers comprising of parents, guardians, extended family, old scholars and members of the wider community donated their valuable time and skills supporting our students, school programs and events.

A Volunteer Appreciation Morning Tea was held a couple of weeks ago in honour of the volunteers who have provided their support this year. Our Principal, Nigel Gill personally thanked volunteers and spoke about the fundamental role they have within our school community. We also appreciate and thank the following staff members making time to attend the event, Meg Fay - Deputy Principal, Val Westwell - Assistant Principal: Teaching and Learning, Laura Tambe - Assistant Principal: Support Services P-6, Amanda Pryor - Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program Specialist and a special thank you to Felicity Barty - Events Manager for providing key support at the event.

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who attended and represented many school areas including student mentoring, events, resource centre, breakfast club, Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program and Pedal Prix to name just a few. A special mention to the amazing team of volunteers at Clovercrest Baptist Church, Pathway Community Centre and Kickstart for Kids for their vital volunteer support with student mentoring, emergency sandwiches and fruit and the popular breakfast club each Friday morning.

On behalf of The Heights staff and students, a big thank you to all our volunteers for the countless hours of time so freely given enriching the lives of our students. We appreciate your support and wish everyone a safe, happy and healthy festive season.

We look forward to seeing you in 2022.

Warm regards,

Gjuzide Apat, Community Liaison



IGNITE



IGNITE

at The Heights School

REGISTER NOW

IGNITE is a specialist program for students with high intellectual potential. The Heights School is the official Department for Education school for gifted learners in the northern metropolitan area of Adelaide.

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILD IS GIFTED?

The characteristics of gifted learners vary, however, many display some or all of the following traits:

- High levels of curiosity and deep levels of knowledge in one or more areas
- Excellent creative thinking and ability to problem solve
- Strong empathy and sense of social justice
- Highly developed sense of humour

Initial selection for the IGNITE program is based on performance in the Australian Council for Education (ACER) Gifted and Talented Assessment.

2022 Year 6 students are eligible to sit the test for a place in the Year 7 IGNITE program for 2023

IGNITE SELECTION TEST

SATURDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2022 9AM-1PM

LOCATION: THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL, BRUNEL DRIVE, MODBURY HEIGHTS, 5092

Register your child to sit the test at: <https://www.theheights.sa.edu.au/index.php/programs/ignite/>

A registration fee of \$125 applies for non-school card holders. Registrations close Friday 18 February 2022



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PHOTO DAY 2022

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS Tuesday 8th February 2022



PLEASE NOTE: Traditional or Composite group and the presentation format are chosen by your school.
Sibling photos, if available, can also be ordered online and must be ordered prior to your photo day.
A late fee will apply for photos purchased after ordering has closed.

HOW TO ORDER

ORDER ONLINE

Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal.
Alternatively, you can choose to pay over 10 weeks using LatitudePay.

STEP 1

Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

STEP 2

Enter your school code: **4NQ CDT YMN** in the 'order and download' box.
This will take you to your school's secure online ordering site.

STEP 3

Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and procedures.
During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sibling photos, if available.

PHOTO DAY

8/2/2022

1. Please wear your full school uniform
2. Please place your order online before the day of photography
- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter this code:
4NQ CDT YMN
3. Payment can be made using Visa, Mastercard, PayPal or Latitude Pay

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school photography & print specialists

If you have any queries concerning school photographs and ordering, please contact **advancedlife** directly: www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

School photographs will be returned to your school 4-6 weeks after the day of photography

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If parents/legal guardians have not given permission for their child to be photographed/recorded by external media organisations then their child's photo will not be taken, even if a photo order is placed.

If you would like to change your permission preference, please **contact the school** on **8263 6244** and let us know you wish to change permission for your child to be photographed/recorded by external media organisations for publication/broadcast.

You will need to sign a new permission form during the first week of school.

Contact us: www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

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LIBRARY

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to everyone who completed their Premier's Reading Challenge for 2021!

The Heights School had **630** students participate this year.

Certificates and medals were presented to students during Week 7. Our local Member of Parliament Mr Blair Boyer kindly made the R-6 presentations at our Assembly.

It is always pleasing to see students in high school showing interest in their literacy by participating in the Challenge.

Thank you all for your support of the program!

Book Returns

Borrowing has ceased for the year and all books need to be returned. Please search for any books that belong to our Library and return them to school. You can check your own library account through AccessIt by clicking on the library catalogue link on the school's Intranet.

If you are not already a member I highly recommend that you join Libraries SA so you have access to books, resources and activities over the holidays.

Volunteers

A huge THANK YOU to Gjuzide Apat and her team of volunteers that have assisted us in the Library this year. Your efforts have been very much appreciated.

Scholastic Book Club

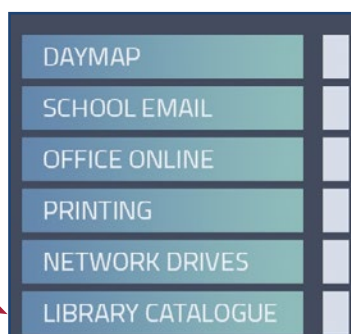
Another huge THANK YOU to everyone who has supported the school by purchasing from the Book Club. Due to the late arrival of the catalogues, we did not distribute Issue 8. You may however, still purchase by going online: [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

You will need to get the items delivered to your home which will require an additional \$7.50 postage fee. This is still a great way to get some well-priced Christmas presents!

May you all have a wonderful break and we look forward to see you all in 2022.

From all the Library Staff

Ms Potts, Ms Simpson, Mr Powell, Kellye, Maria and Lynn



STAGE 1 CAD/CAM

Over the past few weeks Stage 1 CAD/CAM students have been undertaking the challenge of surveying the new site work. They worked together model and create a scaled 3D timber map to be showcased within the school.

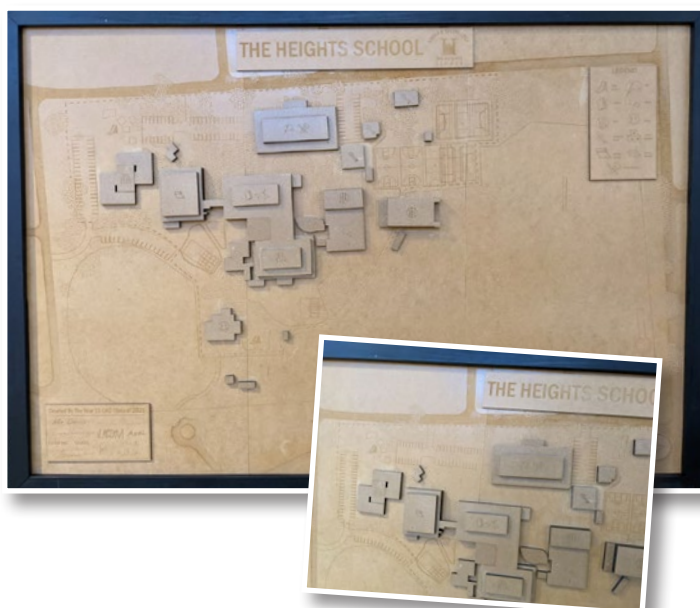
Critical to this task was students ability to collaborate, delegate and problem solve, as they identified different elements for each other to lead.

After surveying all elements that were important to include, they worked together to model all buildings and other site features. These were then exported to be cut with the school's laser cutter. With an approximate 5+ hours of cutting and engraving, it was one of the most time-consuming jobs completed in years. Let alone the tedious time it took to glue all the fiddly parts together.

As you can see from the photos the students did an amazing job. They were over the moon with what they achieved together and were chuffed at the idea that they could showcase their work within the school for years to come.

Sean Davis

Design & Technology Teacher



PRESCHOOL BUG HOTELS

On Friday, 26th November the last of our bug hotels were installed by Brett from Partwardli Brett's Bug Hotels. These bug hotels were purchased using the funds from our Woolworths Landcare Grant that we acquired earlier in the year. The grant has allowed us to purchase 4 bug hotels and a collection of native plants aiming to increase the native bee population. Preschool families donated vegetable and flower seeds from the Woolworths Discovery Garden which the children planted and took care of during our nature focus in term 3, which have also enhanced our native habitat. Brett spoke to the preschool children about caring for the bugs and nature within our yard. We then went into the back garden to search for bugs that we could place into the holes we also collected feathers, leaves and flowers to place in the smaller holes for decoration. These native plants will also encourage butterflies to visit the garden. The children are looking forward to seeing which insects take up residence in the hotels.

Kirsty and Kate
Preschool



YEAR 6 AQUATICS

On Thursday November 11th and Wednesday November 24th, Year 6 students made the long trek down to West Lakes Aquatic Centre to participate in their Aquatics and Water Safety course. After six years of school swimming lessons, our students were able to branch out and have some new experiences on, in and around the water. The weather was not kind, classes P10 and P11 had to brave the wind and rain which made some of the activities a little more challenging. Luckily, classes P9 and P12 had some slightly more pleasant conditions for their day at the beach. A little bit of bad weather could never stop our Year 6s! They enjoyed a wide variety of activities, which included sailing, kayaking, canoeing and beach awareness/surfing. Our Year 6 students represented our school magnificently, and were commended by the lead instructor for their knowledge and willingness to have a go.

It is an exciting time for our Year 6s, they are about to begin transitions to high school and they have recently celebrated the end of their primary schooling.

We wish our Year 6s all the best as they continue their learning journey into high school.



JAMES WILLIS

Geelong has selected James Willis with the 32nd selection in the 2021 NAB AFL Draft on Thursday night.

James visited the school the day following the picking to thank teachers and staff that supported him along the way. A special phone call of thanks to Mr Benjafield was also made.

Featured are some photos that were taken during the short time he was here.

Congratulations James and we wish you all the best in your career.

Mr Roubanis, Year 12 Level Leader



James and Deputy Principal, Meg Fay



James and Ms Williams



James with Mr Markou, Mr Roubanis, Ms Rogers, Mr Gray and Mr Thach

YEAR 8/9 MIXED BADMINTON

On Friday, 19th November, Year 8/9 students from The Heights School competed against other schools in the VISTA Badminton carnival at Cedar College. On the day, we had a total of 6 teams, spread out amongst 2 divisions. The day started well, with all teams having initial wins. Many of the opposition teams provided great competition for our students to play against. In the end, we had some fantastic results, with the Division 1 Boys placing 1st, our two Division 2 Girls teams playing off for 1st as well. Well done to all involved and a special thank you to two Year 10 students, Shawn Ng and Reuben Biju Kuriakose who came along on the day to coach, score and referee.

This event wrapped up VISTA Sport for 2021, a huge thank you to all staff and students involved in all carnivals this year. We look forward to 2022 and hope it will be bigger and better than ever!

Nick Schild and Georgina Sulley-Beales, Sports Coordinators



ARTS NEWS

Sculpture Project based on the work of artist Tom Moore

Tom Moore is a glass artist based in Adelaide. He works out of the Jam Factory, using their hot glass facilities, as well as working from his own studio at home. He creates strange fantastical creatures inspired in part by the strange and delightful illustrations he saw as a child. He says, "The nonsense literature of Edward Lear, Lewis Carroll and Doctor Seuss continue to inspire me toward the creation of visual humour in glass."

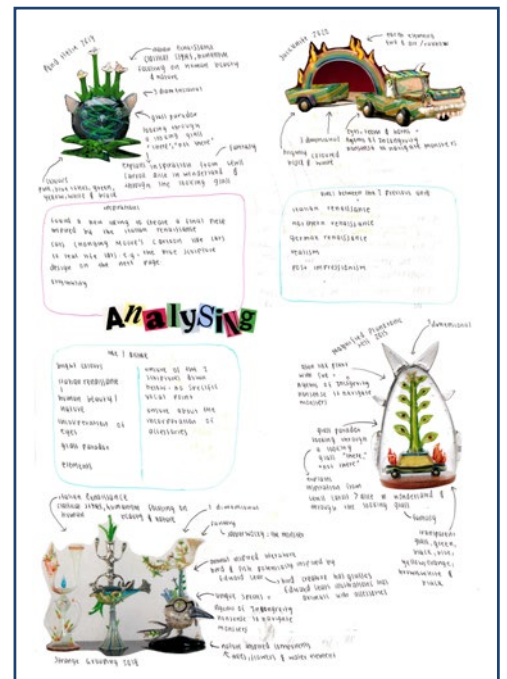
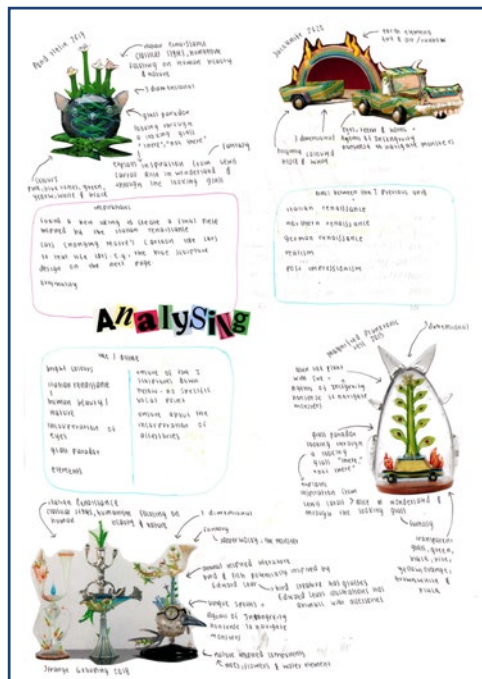
Art students studied the work of Tom Moore before developing ideas for their own sculpture. As we do not have glass facilities at school we made our sculptures out of clay. The glazing process does provide a lustrous glass finish which echoes back to Tom Moore's beautiful glass sculptures.

Hannah Darling and Catherine Bourn,
Art Teachers

Photographer: Ellajayne Rowe, Year 9



Tom Moore Sculptures
Pyrogermination and
Compost Brothers



Student folio Pages



Student Sculptures



CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

Our Celebration of Success assembly was held on Tuesday 23 November 2021. This event was attended by over 150 parents and caregivers, local dignitaries and Year 7-10 students and teachers.

Our student hosts, Linh Al-Nuaimi and Beda Hwang were exceptional in front of such a large audience. We would also like to thank Jack Matteucci for his Acknowledgement of Country and Lovanya Mittal and Gabrielle Colloff for closing the ceremony.

Students were recognised for their academic achievements, sporting achievements and service to others. All recipients embody our shared school values in a multitude of ways.

Congratulations to all award winners.



Acknowledgement of Country - Jack Matteucci

School Special Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have received Special Awards in 2021

Isambard Brunel STEM Achievement Award

Gleb Dubinin

Isambard Brunel STEM Achievement Award

Aprilia Oon

Florey Music Award

Dhritiman Deb

Florey Music Award

Amelia Sanders

Modbury Lions Club VET Award

Hayley Frazer

Modbury Lions Club VET Award

Cooper Quinn

City of Tea Tree Gully Councillors Keane Award

Caleb Wallis

City of Tea Tree Gully Councillors Keane Award

Onesimus Hewett

Governing Council Equity and Respect Award

Siya Bhasin

Governing Council Equity and Respect Award

Daniel Mather

Governing Council Equity and Respect Award

Jirah Baker

Australian Defence Force Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Year 10 Award

Yashwanth Gunasheelan

Australian Defence Force Future Innovators Year 10 Award

Vatsal Thakkar



Mr Nigel Gill - Principal



Student hosts - Linh Al Nuaimi and Beda Hwang



Closing speech Lovanya Mittal and Gabrielle Colloff



Musical Performance Amelia Sanders and Dhritiman Deb

CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

Australian Defence Force Year 10 Awards

This year, the awards were presented by Mr David Eglinton on behalf of the Australian Defence Force.

ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award - Year 10

The Long Tan Award is presented annually to a student who demonstrates leadership and teamwork within both the school and the broader local community. At the same time, it recognises those who display strong values such as doing one's best, respect for others and 'mateship', characteristics that are integral to Australian society.

The award is named after the Battle of Long Tan, during the Vietnam War and is a fitting tribute to the Long Tan veterans, for the very traits they demonstrated such as determination, mateship, teamwork, tenacity, compassion and leadership.

Award Winner: Yashwanth Gunasheelan - Year 10

Yashwanth has demonstrated effective team leadership and teamwork throughout his schooling journey, being involved in many of the The Heights STEM programs and competitions, including: the UNISA STEMIE Finals, Subs in Schools and Oliphant awards. It is easy to see that Yashwanth has gained respect from his peers and teachers through his demeanour, personal presentation, and relationships with peers from all levels which has made Yashwanth a role model in the school. Yashwanth is dedicated to his school, classes, peers and his extra-curricular activities, bringing a positive outlook to any task.



Mr Eglinton
and Yashwanth
Gunasheelan

ADF Future Innovators Award - Year 10

This award recognises student achievements in STEM in 2020. The ADF are presenting this award to encourage the next generation of innovators, critical thinkers and problem solvers; bright Australian students who are succeeding in STEM subjects. Achievement in STEM opens up a range of exciting opportunities which can help to shape our Nation's future. This award, acknowledges students who demonstrate innovation and learning in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Award Winner: Vatsal Thakkar - Year 10

Vatsal has been involved in many of the The Heights STEM programs and competitions, including: STEMIE, Subs in Schools and Oliphant awards. Vatsal works hard to do his best in any challenge that is presented to him, exceeding expectations with his innovative ideas. Vatsal is very open with his ideas and knowledge and strives to help his peers to also be successful in their studies.



Mr Eglinton and Vatsal Thakkar

City of Tea Tree Gully Councillors Keane Awards

Sponsored by Cr Bernie Keane- Pedare Ward and Cr Sandy Keane- Hillcott Ward.

Award Winner: Caleb Wallis - Year 12

Caleb is an outstanding tutor and support to other students, he has volunteered his time this year, spending eight lessons every week mentoring and tutoring students throughout the school. Caleb has mentored primary students, and tutored both individual primary and secondary students. He also runs weekly maths tutoring sessions for students in Years 4, 5 & 6. Caleb has volunteered weekly at Breakfast Club for the past four years, starting at 7am, helping set up, making toast, serving food and cleaning up, every Friday morning. Caleb has led Ignition, the student led prayer group, for the past three years. Caleb Wallis is a respectful, diligent and positive member of our school community. He has a friendly, kind and compassionate nature that makes him approachable to those around him. He is always happy to be of assistance and volunteer his time to help others in the school community.

Award Winner: Onesimus Hewett - Year 12

Onesimus is hard working, positive and respectful to those around him. He is an outstanding tutor, spending eight lessons every week tutoring Year 4, 5 & 6 students in maths. He has tutored individual primary and secondary students and has even given extra individual tutoring when there was a need. He has also been working weekly with one of our Year 11 Maths Methods classes. Onesimus has volunteered weekly at Breakfast Club for the past two years, starting at 7am, helping set up, making toast, serving food and cleaning up, every Friday morning. He also helped to run Ignition, the student led prayer group for the past two years. Onesimus has a compassionate heart and a deep commitment to help others. Whenever there is a need, Onesimus is quick to volunteer his time to make a difference.



Councillor's Sandy and
Bernie Keane

Florey Music Awards

Sponsored by Frances Bedford MP, Member for Florey.

Award Winner: Dhritiman Deb - Year 9

Although it is a humble instrument, Deb shows that having an excellent bass guitarist is essential for any ensemble. Deb has demonstrated a passion and drive to always achieve his best within both his Year 9 classroom band and The Heights Stage Band that he attends Wednesday after school. He is always challenging himself with more and more complex bass lines, and has improved his sight-reading skills immensely over this year. Deb also produces his own electronic music tracks, showing he is a diverse and skilled musician.



Ms Frances Bedford
with Dhritiman Deb

CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

Florey Music Awards (continued)

Award Winner: Amelia Sanders - Year 11

Amelia has shown dedication and excellence with her musical studies this year. She has played her clarinet as part of the Year 11 class band and also been a vocalist in both the class band and Senior Vocal Ensemble. Amelia has been involved in both our Winter Music Recital and School Production of Oh What a Lovely War. She is a valued member of our music community who is always willing to learn a new part or help others.



Ms Frances Bedford
with Dhrithiman Deb

Governing Council Equity and Respect Awards

This year, Mr David Frazer presented the awards on behalf of Jim Rouse, Governing Council Chairperson.

Award Winner: Siya Bhasin - Year 9

This student has been a part of the Student Leadership team for 2021. She has been able to support school events and celebrations consistently and is always willing to offer her help at any time. She has a consistent approach to speaking with her peers, is always respectful and treats all members of the school community with respect. She has been a role model for younger students including worked with small groups during lunchtime activities to help develop their skills. She is able to build connections with others with ease, while having her voice heard and using her leadership skills to be a supportive team member. This student has worked with her peers at The Heights as well as students from other schools, to build a range of skills. She is honest and reliable and will most definitely make a good leader and role model for our students in the future.



Award Winner: Daniel Mather - Year 11

Daniel Mather is consistently friendly, warm and polite. He treats staff and students with respect and is always ready to give his time to help others and has supported and volunteered at whole school celebrations and events. Daniel has been a committed volunteer at Breakfast Club for the past four years. Starting at 7am, he helps with setting up, making toast, and serving food every Friday morning. He is always one of the last volunteers, staying until clean up and pack up are finished. Through his hard work and positive attitude, Daniel makes a positive impact in many areas of the school.



Award Winner: Jirah Baker - Year 12

Jirah Baker is respectful and energetic. She is passionate about making the world around her a better place and is especially committed to helping younger students feel valued and find their place in the school community. She has been an outstanding



tutor and mentor over the past two years. She has volunteered four lessons each week tutoring or mentoring younger students. She has tutored individual students as well as small groups of primary students. She has mentored two different students weekly this year, through her creativity and commitment has made a great impact in the lives of her students and will be greatly missed by them. Jirah also volunteers at Breakfast Club each week, serving the pancakes to hungry students. Jirah has also volunteered her time to help run Ignition, the student led prayer group, this year. While doing a very challenging Year 12 course load, she has gone above and beyond in her service to the school community.

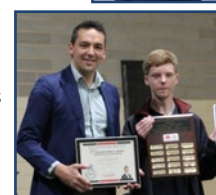
Isambard Brunel STEM Achievement Awards

The Isambard Brunel STEM Achievement Awards are sponsored by Blair Boyer MP, Member for Wright - Shadow Minister for Education, Training & Skills and Veterans Affairs and acknowledge two students, one in Years 7-9 and the other in Years 10-12 who have displayed outstanding commitment to and achievement in the study of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths).

As well as having his name on the street our school is situated upon, the famous engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel, played a key role in Britain's industrial revolution, designing and constructing railway lines, bridges, tunnels and docks around the country, as well as providing massive advances in naval architecture. It is fitting that our STEM award is named after him also.

Award Winner: Gleb Dubinin - Year 9

Gleb Dubinin has excelled in all of his studies in 2021 achieving an A grade in all of his subjects. These have included elective studies in Digital Technology, Electro Technology in which he has excelled. He has excellent knowledge and skills in coding which he was able to use extensively to support his team in the Andy Thomas Foundation competition. As a member of this team, Gleb demonstrated outstanding skills in collaboration, problem solving, curiosity, communication, and creativity. These attributes are all valued in the disciplines of STEM and so I commend Gleb Dubinin to you as a worthy recipient of the Isambard Brunel STEM Achievement Award for 2021.



Blair Boyer with Gleb Dubinin

Award Winner: Aprilia Oon - Year 10

Aprilia has a strong passion for Science, technology and mathematics, always striving for the highest standard of work. Aprilia is a team player, pushing herself and her peers to be successful in their projects and studies.



Blair Boyer with Aprilia Oon

CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

The Lions Club of Modbury VET Awards

The Heights School wishes to thank the Lions Club of Modbury for their sponsorship of the Vocational Education and Training Awards that they present to two students on an annual basis. This award recognises their efforts and encourages them on their chosen career pathway. The Lions Club of Modbury provide each award winner with a very generous \$250 cheque.

This year's awards were presented by Mr Alan Zwar, President of the Lions Club of Modbury and Mr Peter Wilson, Secretary of the Modbury Lions Club.

Award Winner: Hayley Frazer - Year 11

Hayley Frazer has shown a keen interest in working with children, publishing her own children's book called 'Something a Little Different', a book about diversity and difference. Through hard work and dedication, this year Hayley has also completed her Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care while completing all of the requirements for Stage 1 SACE. Hayley is to be commended for her perseverance to manage the requirements of a Certificate III course, including completing over 120 hours of work placement across her school holidays as well as after school. Hayley has shown absolute commitment and dedication to successfully complete her certificate course and set herself on a successful future pathway. Well done Hayley.



Mr Alan Zwar with Hayley Frazer

Award Winner: Cooper Quinn - Year 12

Cooper Quinn started his VET pathway as a Year 11 student and successfully completed his Certificate II in Construction last year. With the turbulent year that 2020 was, there were very limited opportunities for work experience, however Cooper never gave up and completed his construction work experience at the beginning of Year 12. Cooper went on to successfully complete a Certificate III in Carpentry this year while also managing the demands of year 12. With the two qualifications successfully completed Cooper has now also secured an apprenticeship. We wish Cooper all the best for a successful career.



Mr Peter Wilson with Cooper Quinn

School Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have received School Awards in 2021:

Academic Excellence Awards

Year 7

Isabelle Strelan
Angeline Tung
Joshita Venkatesh Kumar
Chitra Dave
Liana Cherian
Alyssa Pugatschew
Riwoo Jung
Gelsey Ghotra

Year 8

Manuth Chandrasena
Jasmine Batara
Dhyani Akhiani
Praveen Gunatillake
Sher MinKang
Madison Warner

Year 9

Gleb Dubinin
Jiya Sargun
Miguel Tolentino
Averil Oon
Khushi Bhargava
Mah Rukh Fatima
Kumarasinghe Jayaratne

Year 10

Tryphena Hewett
Bang Ong
Han-Khai Ong
Aprilia Oon
Reannah Curl
Vatsal Thakkar
Mithuni De Silva

Year 11

Aida Norishaam
Olivia Vallelonga
Asees Kaur
Paul Cyril
Lachlan Blake
Gemma Blake
Aimee Wilson
David Maslov

Significant Academic Improvement Awards

Year 7

Aaliyah Russell
Jihye Lee
Gelsey Ghotra
Vanessa Chan
Damia Mackay
Ayla Van Broekhoven

Year 8

Toby Beauchamp
Mason Jonas
Daisy Brown
Ridimaa Jasuja
Tawsida Tabasum
Jessica Jose

Year 9

Long TinLai
Amber Wells
Abhigam Nayak
Denise Acuoth
Gaoshang Lv
Hannah Brown
Hayden Mortlock

Year 10

Alexandra Rus
Simon Ellis
Ashlee Agars
Naomi Benfield
Reannah Curl
Kisa Tran
Tabitha Gilliam

Year 11

Ben Laing
Kani Hossaini
Promesse Binwa
Hayley Frazer
Jasmine Bartlett
Liam Clarke
Louis Hancock
Jacinta Dolman

CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

School Service Awards

One of our school values is “Community, Continuity and Respectful Relationships, which means that we ‘go together’ in our work towards providing continuity of care, values and relationships from Preschool to Year 12. It also means our culture is family friendly, has a sense of community and engenders the qualities of trust, belonging, identity and pride in the school.

Unfortunately due to ongoing restrictions the Internationalism program was cancelled this year and we have been unable to nominate students for this award, we hope to continue with this award once restrictions are lifted and the program resumes.

The following School Service Awards acknowledge those students who participate and volunteer to assist with activities within our school.

Pedal Prix

Award Winner: Thomas Baker – Year 8

Thomas has been part of the Pedal Prix team for 3 years and this year was the leader for a vehicle that focused on the younger, new riders. His leadership with the younger students was outstanding taking on the roles to enable them to ride safely and with confidence.



Award Winner: Ryan Suresh – Year 8

Ryan is a first-time rider who has shown amazing leadership and would help at any opportunity with the younger students at both the training sessions and races. His enthusiasm for training, racing and willingness to learn has been a fantastic benefit to the team. He was always the first one to training and help with the younger students.



Award Winner: Arlo Yip – Year 9

Arlo has been with the Pedal Prix team for 3 years and his maturity, commitment, and riding abilities have been an important asset. He is willing to go above what is expected and will help at any chance with sharing his knowledge to the younger students. His commitment to training and race day events over the last 3 years has shown his dedication to the Pedal Prix team.



Award Winner: Gemma Blake – Year 11

Gemma has been a crucial part of the Pedal Prix team for 7 years and this year became assistant student trainer helping run the weekly training sessions. She rode in 2 races as part of an all-female team with just 3 riders coming 4th in the Open Female category and beating the other Heights vehicles. Her commitment, leadership and athletic performance has been outstanding with Gemma becoming a mentor to the many younger riders.



Sports Award

Award Winner: Georgia Atkins - Year 7

Georgia has participated in a significant number of SAPSASA carnivals throughout the year and demonstrated a high level of sportsmanship. Georgia won gold for shot put for her age group at Tea Tree Gully District competitions and went on to win silver at the State Championships.



Award Winner: Tryphena Hewett - Year 10

Ongoing participation and demonstration of sportsmanship having achieved to a high level in her field. Tryphena Hewett won the Alan Iverson Award for the best High Jumper awarded by Athletics Australia.



Award Winner: James Willis - Year 12

Ongoing participation and demonstration of sportsmanship having achieved to a high level in his field. James has participated in a significant number of Vista Sporting teams in his time at The Heights School and has recently been part of the 2021 SANFL Draft Combine. We wish him well.



Secondary School Student Leadership Awards

Award Winners: Linh Al-Nuaimi - Year 12 & Beda Hwang - Year 12

Both of these students have equally contributed to the Student Leadership Team. They have been a presence and positive influence around the school throughout the year. They have helped on whole school celebrations, attended meetings, and have suggested many ideas that have been discussed on how to continually improve our school. In addition to the positive contribution around the school they are kind, respectful and helpful in all situations and have been able to use problem solving skills with a calm measured approach. They have been role models for students in all age groups including supporting primary school students during lunchtime activities. Both have been able to balance supporting their peers with maintaining excellent academic results. Heading into the future the profile of the student leadership team will continue to grow with some great ideas and planning already taking place for 2022 and beyond. I would like to thank these two students for their contribution to the school and wish them well in their future.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Northern Adelaide Local Health Network

Watto Purrunga Aboriginal Primary Health Care Service

Christmas Nunga Lunch

Please join us for a shared lunch to celebrate the end of a busy year!



When: Wednesday 8th December 2021
Time: Lunch served at 12pm
Where: Wonggangga Turtupandi
11 Church Street, Port Adelaide 5015

Please call 8240 9611 to register
Please let us know if you have any food allergies!

Transitioning Up

Looking after your child's wellbeing while transitioning from primary to high school

Discussing students' concerns around their upcoming move to high school. Going through scenarios and different tools/strategies they can use to support their wellbeing

Workshop running from 3:00 - 6:30
Children's session 3:00 - 5:00
Pizza served 5:00 - 5:30
Parents to join 5:30 - 6:30 to continue the conversations

Location: The Brocas Centre, 111 Woodville Road, Woodville
Thursday January 20th, 3:00-6:30
\$5 Per Family

For enquiries please contact libby@youngmindssa.com.au or 0404 616 691
For bookings: www.trybooking.com/eventlist/ccscommunitycentres

Tea Tree Gully District Football Club

JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

UNDER 7 - UNDER 17.5
BOYS & GIRLS

Season commencing 29th April 2022

Boys and girls that wish to compete for the Tea Tree Gully Football Club in season 2022 can now register.

To register, please go to
<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/ad5e94>
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