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## Open Day

The next Hope Christian College Open Day will take place on March 27 from 3:30 – 7:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Art News

No more worrying about throwing away your child's artwork or your child telling you that they didn't do anything in Art. Download the Artsonia App from the App Store or Google Play. This app enables teachers to take photos of their student artwork and upload it to their online art gallery on Artsonia.com. Teachers can also view and update their student roster and school projects.

From now on I will be publishing students' finished work onto this online art gallery and you will be notified once it has been uploaded ready to see. Once the artwork is published on Artsonia, child artists can enter contests, family members can leave comments for the artist, and order keepsakes with their child's artwork on it.

Prior to using this app, parents must grant permission for their child's work to be online. You should have received an email with a link to approve your child to be part of Artsonia. If you have not received one, please contact me on [olivia.saman@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:olivia.saman@hopecc.sa.edu.au). This is for Years 6 to 12 only at this stage.

**Mrs Olivia Saman (Art Teacher)**



## Finance Matters

### TERM 1 FEE ACCOUNTS

Issue of Term 1 Fee Statements is expected by Friday 15 February.

As this is later than previous years, the date for Early Payment Discount has been extended to Friday March 8, 2019.

If Fees are paid in full by this date, a 5% discount will be applied to your Fee Account, subject to receipt of a signed Early Payment Discount Notification Form, which can be obtained from the College Office, or advice via email to [finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au) once payment has been made.

### TERM 2 FEE ACCOUNTS

Commencing in Term 2, the College will be sending Fee Statements via email.

Please confirm your email address by emailing details to [finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au) by

**Friday March 22, 2019.**

Please ensure you include your **FAMILY CODE** in your email (this is located on the top right hand side of your previous Fee Statement).

If you do not have an email address, please advise the College Office and a hard copy of your Fee Statement will continue to be mailed to you.

# PARENTS' CORNER

## FROM THE 6-12 DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to all staff, parents / guardians / care-givers and students, new or returning to Hope Christian College. We trust you all had a refreshing summer break and are excited, as we are, about the year ahead. We truly hope you will “[Be Keen, in Twenty-Nineteen](#)”. We consider it a privilege and a pleasure to partner with you in the holistic learning and development of the young lives God has placed in our care at Hope.

As a general reminder, at Hope Christian College “[we aim to develop the ‘WHOLE’ child in a caring and nurturing environment in the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ](#)”. Part of this is helping young lives to see the importance of developing certain life skills which are essential for their future: health and hygiene; respectfully complying with expectations such as uniform and grooming standards; punctuality; time management; preparation and personal organisation; polite and respectful relationships; a positive attitude and application of effort to work.

Hope Christian College expects students to learn, uphold and comply with qualities such as:

- **Personal Organisation** (being well prepared with diary, uniform, home study tasks and assignments and learning materials for the next day)
- **Punctuality** and consistent attendance
- **Presentation** (uniform and grooming)
- **Polite** and respectful interactions and appropriate relationships with others
- **Performance** (applying one’s best efforts with a positive attitude to achieve best outcomes)

We ask and expect all parents to commit to doing their part from the home end in helping achieve these expectations and desired outcomes, as College staff will be seeking to do while your child(ren) are on campus. As has been said before, “It takes a village to raise a child”. As such, we need each other, and greatly value working cooperatively with each family.

“For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another”. Romans 12:4-5, ESV

**Mr Phil Tarrant (Deputy Principal - Secondary School, Student Wellbeing and Development)**

## GIVE YOUR CHILDREN SELF CONFIDENCE

‘Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.’ Proverbs 22:6 NLT

Journalist William Hodding Carter famously quoted the German poet Goethe when he wrote, “There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One is roots; the other is wings.” Children who know they are loved unconditionally are children with roots. Consequently they’re able stand up to whatever life throws at them. By the same token, when you instil in your children a sense of self-confidence and encourage them to dream, you’re giving them wings. And any time children are given the will to win, they’re already halfway to success. But if you let them grow up without it, they’re already halfway to failure. That means as a parent you must demonstrate faith in your children so that they learn to have faith in themselves.

Every child has within them a God-given seed of greatness, and when you let them know you believe in them, you’re watering that seed and giving it a chance to grow. Have you noticed how people generally rise or fall in accordance with your level of expectation? When you constantly criticise kids they grow up to be negative, self-doubting, and fearful. But when you believe in them and assume they will do well, they’ll go the extra mile by trying to live up to your expectations. It’s your faith in them that creates the environment in which they learn to fly!

Give them money and they’ll spend it.

Give them resources and they’ll squander them.

But give them faith in God and in themselves, and chances are they’ll excel at whatever they do in life.

<https://vision.org.au/the-word-for-today/2019/02/05/give-your-children-self-confidence/>

The staff at Hope Christian College look forward to working with each child’s parent / care-giver.



## A FEW START OF YEAR REMINDERS

Below are a few reminders at this time of the year to help keep everyone safe, well presented, well behaved and able to achieve and maintain high standards of work.

### Contact and Communication

Good communication is key. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's Home Group teacher for any general day to day matters, as they have primary pastoral care oversight of your son or daughter. For subject related matters, please contact your child's subject class teacher. This can be done via a simple phone call to the front office of the College on 8287 1111 to arrange an appointment with a teacher or request a call back (within 24hours) or email the teacher directly.

### Safety when arriving at and departing from the College

#### Pedestrians (Adults and students)

- At front of College use the Yorktown Road crossing; do not cut across at an angle
- Walk, don't run
- Only cross on the green man, not on the red flashing symbol
- Student are not to use their phones /ear-phones while crossing roads
- When arriving by foot, please use the drive through 'kiss and drop' crossing and the crossing inside the gate. Do NOT walk down to the bottom gate, which is not supervised and has motor vehicles entering.

#### Drivers

- There are a limited number of onsite parking spaces. You may use the council carpark to the east of the shopping centre and walk over. Please do not park in front of the shops.
- When driving to dropping students off either park or use the correct 'kiss and drop' spaces adjacent to the main Administration building offices. Do NOT stop and drop your child(ren) as soon as you have entered one of the two slip roads, or double park, which causes congestion at the entrance and along Yorktown Road.
- When entering either access slip road – observe the 5km/h speed sign limit.
- Use parking spaces if they are vacant, reversing very carefully.
- If no spaces are available, keep driving around. Do not double park or block the passage of other vehicles – causing congestion and annoyance.
- If your child(ren) hasn't arrived yet, please keep moving, even if it means circling again
- Please remain calm and be patient; everyone wishes

to get home safely.

- If waiting outside the main administrative building, do NOT leave your car unattended. This is NOT a parking zone but a waiting zone. Observe the signs, and wait in your car in case it needs to be moved.
- If you have a disability blue badge parking permit, but you do not have to leave your car to collect an able-bodied student, please kindly consider leaving the disability parks for those who do need to leave their car, or who are collecting students who have disabilities. If the student you are collecting is able-bodied and you do not get out of your vehicle, they will be able to walk to wherever you are waiting in your car. This will leave the maximum number of disability parks for those who need to leave their vehicle.

### Official 'Start of the College Day'

#### Arriving and lockers

Please remember the official start to the College day is 8:40am, when students are to be lined up outside their classroom. We ask and expect all parents to do their part in ensuring students are learning to be punctual, by being well prepared and on time.

For Secondary School students a reminder bell / announcement now sounds at 8:30am, when they should move to their lockers. Middle School students (Year 6 to 9) now have their lockers placed outside their core classroom, rather than their Home Group room, preventing wasted learning time during the day. A separate reminder bell/announcement will sound at 8:35am, as previously, as a reminder for Junior School Students (Reception to Year 5) and staff. Students, therefore, need to be inside the College grounds before these times. The College asks and expects parents / caregivers to do their part in ensuring their child(ren) are here on time so they can be well prepared for the day.

Note: If you have a large family and the older students are expected to deliver their younger siblings, extra time must be allowed by parents to enable the older Secondary students to arrive at their Home Group room by 8:40am at the latest. This is non-negotiable.



**Official 'End of the College Day'****Dismissal and public bus services**

The College day finishes when students are dismissed from their classes at 3:30pm for Secondary students (Years 6 to 12), and 3:20pm for Junior School students (Reception to Year 5) and not before, with the exception of one-off medical appointments, etc. Students are NOT permitted to depart before that time to catch an earlier bus, or to enable them to go to 'work'. The College is, however, in the process of negotiating with Adelaide Metro which provides the public transport service for the College, to see if they can delay the departure of their buses from the College. Until then, students may remain in the Library to work on their homework until the next bus arrives, or the family might investigate car-pooling options with another family. Thank you for your understanding and expected cooperation.

**Uniform and Grooming**

With regard to student uniform and grooming, wearing uniform correctly is another important part of life training for young people. As such, it is as important as academic curriculum learning. Many jobs, from apprentices, those who work in hospitality and trades, to clerics, nurses and other professionals, require uniform to be worn correctly. Uniform also helps take away anxiety about what to wear each day and it helps to eliminate squabbles over who can or cannot afford the latest clothing. The most up-to-date Uniform Policy is on the College website. The link to the policy is: <https://www.hopecc.sa.edu.au/policies/> There are consequences for students who do not wear the uniform correctly. However, we would like to avoid children getting into trouble over uniform issues.

**The College Uniform Shop** is open on Monday mornings from 8:00am until 12:00pm and on Thursday afternoons from 12:00pm to 4:00pm. Julie Gent is the Uniform Shop Manager and she will be able to assist you with everything you need to equip your child with the correct uniform.

**Physical Wellbeing and Banned Substances**

Physical well-being matters are those associated with safety, health and fitness.

**High Caffeine/Guarana Energy Drinks** – Students are NOT to bring into the College and / or consume high caffeinated drinks and / or those with Guarana extract such as Red Bull, 'V', Mother, etc. Such drinks may be confiscated and disposed of. For further information, parents and students are encouraged to read:

LCSW, Reviewed by Steven Gans, MD, Updated March 13, 2018, <https://www.verywell.com/effects-of-caffeine-on-teenagers-4126761>

**Aerosol Cans, perfumes and Liquid Correction Fluid –**

Due to the risk to staff and students with asthma and other respiratory conditions, the use of aerosol cans / perfume sprays at college has been banned. The use of 'Liquid Correction Fluid' is also NOT permitted for similar reasons and to prevent damage to property.

**PARTNERING WITH PARENTS**

Trust God as you parent. Parenting is an awesome job, but it is also a tough job! Lean on God's help, and seek him as you parent. Let God help you be the parent he designed you to be.

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take". Proverbs 3:5-6, NLT

<http://www.jollynotes.com/bible-verses/bible-verses-for-parents-10-bible-verses-to-encourage-parents/>

**Newsletter Parenting Resources**

In each newsletter there will again be references to various articles and resources on the Internet, which may be of assistance to parents and care-givers in the difficult and onerous task of parenting youngsters to be responsible digital citizens and adults of the future.

**50 Apps All Kids Should Play at Least Once**

Sifting through the app stores trying to find the best mobile games for kids isn't easy, so we've done it for you! Though plenty of other awesome apps are out there, kids should play these at least once. From art to coding, preschool-skill building to problem solving, and social-emotional learning to endless runners, dive in with this list of 50 standout apps across all age groups. Check out our Essential Apps Guide for even more titles, or find a curated list that fits your kid's specific interests.

<https://www.common sense media.org/lists/50-apps-all-kids-should-play-at-least-once>

**Apps to Watch Out for in 2019**

Stay on top of the popular titles teens are already using. BIGO Live, BitLife, Discord, Holla: Live Random Video Chat, IMVU: 3D Avatar Creator & Chat, Like- Magic Music Video Editor, Lipsi, Socratic Math & Homework Help, Tellonym, Zepeto

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/apps-to-watch-out-for-in-2019>

### **Not Just SnapChat: 6 More Dangerous Apps Parents Need to Know About**

BeeTalk, Whisper, WhatsApp, TikTok ((formerly named Musical.ly), SpotaFriend, Flinch

<https://foreverymom.com/family-parenting/6-dangerous-apps-jenny-rapson>

### **The Sexual Abuse 'Fire Drill' – How to Prepare Your Kids Ahead of Time**

<https://foreverymom.com/family-parenting/a-sexual-abuse-fire-drill-maralee-bradley>

### **CYBER WELL-BEING MATTERS – 'SEXTING'**

A useful App for students with smartphones on the Law in South Australia concerning Cybersafety matters is called 'Out of Bounds'.

See [https://www.lawsociety.sa.asn.au/LSSA/Out\\_of\\_Bounds\\_App.aspx](https://www.lawsociety.sa.asn.au/LSSA/Out_of_Bounds_App.aspx)

The Out of Bounds App is an educational and interactive app about laws relating to sexting, cyberbullying and age of consent in South Australia. The app has been specifically designed as a resource to develop understanding and prevent confusion regarding these laws in an increasingly online and interconnected world. The app was developed by the Law Society of South Australia in collaboration with the University of Adelaide, and generously funded by the Law Foundation of SA. Explaining the laws surrounding Age of Consent, Sexting and Cyber Bullying, the app contains easy to understand summaries of the law, case studies, quizzes, comics and other interactive features to help users, especially teenagers, understand the laws and consequences of unlawful sexual intercourse, sexting and cyberbullying.

We encourage all parents and students to download this onto their smartphone and go through the pages of the app together.

**Mr Phil Tarrant (Deputy Principal - Secondary School, Student Wellbeing and Development)**



## **SAPOL Youth Leadership Camp**

The SAPOL Youth Leadership Camp was an amazing opportunity that I am so grateful that I could experience. It placed me in a variety of situations where I could both demonstrate and develop leadership abilities in a group environment. I attended during the summer holidays from 6 January until 11 January at the Echunga Police Reserve. Throughout the week I was pushed both physically and emotionally, allowing me to go further than I ever thought I was able to. We did activities like raft building, a police obstacle course and a high rope course.

Additionally, I was able to listen to a variety of speakers including Paralympian Katrina Webb and the Governor Hieu Van Le, all of whom gave me very insightful information that has helped prepare me for the year ahead. The camp was a truly rewarding experience that has helped me realise my full potential.

I encourage you to look for opportunities to participate in extra curricula activities while you are at school. It broadens your outlook and perspective and looks great on your resume. Read the emails sent out by Mrs Alford, Pathways Coordinator, and apply for anything that interests you.

**Billy Frame (Year 12)**

## **Music Tuition**

It is great to see so many students enjoying music and being excited about growing as a musician themselves. There has been great interest this year, so, if you have been thinking about private music tuition at Hope Christian College and have not as yet returned your enrolment form, it's not too late, but positions are filling very quickly. The cost of music tuition is \$260 per instrument per term. Hope to hear from you soon.

**Mrs Merrilyn Griffith (Co-ordinator)**

# College Calendar - Important Dates

	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	WEEK
FEBRUARY	17	18	19 Yr 6 & 8 Autism SA Incursion – Power of Peers	20	21	22	23	4
	24	25 Yr 6 Museum Excursion  Open Indoor Cricket Carnival @ Salisbury East	26	27	28	1 Yr 6-12 Sports Day	2	5
MARCH	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	6
	10	11 Public Holiday	12 Yr 8 Immunisation / Catch-up from 2018 – 9am  Yr 10 & 11 Men B first Dose	13	14	15 Yr 3-5 Sports Day	16	7