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## Junior School Building

We are very excited to announce that work on the first new Junior School building has commenced! This building will house our Reception to Year 3 classes and it will open in time for the 2021 school year. The building will have larger classrooms and a breakout space where classes can collaborate, and where students will be able to do dance, exercise, listen to visiting speakers and even cooking.

Outside there will be a new Nature Play space, which our youngest students are going to enjoy and which will encourage creativity in play.

From time to time we have to fence off some spaces around the building site to accommodate scaffolding and cranes but this will be temporary and for as short a time as possible. We know that the end result will be worth the small inconveniences along the way.

Below are some drawings showing you what the buildings will be like. If you'd like to see the plans and architect's impression of the new building there is a display in the Front Office.

I trust that you are as excited as we are about this new building. If you have any friends who have children ready to commence school in 2021, or who have children in Reception to Year 3 who are looking for a new school, please tell them about this exciting development.



## Open Day Statistics

Thank you to everyone for making Open Day a success. Without your contribution Open Days wouldn't happen.

Below are some statistics:

- 38 tours were conducted
- There were 246 visitors
- 6 enrolments on the evening
- 90 litres of slushie mixture, 250 fairy floss and 500 donuts were served
- 250 hotdogs, 110 pulled pork rolls, and 36 curries were sold



## 2019 Missions Fundraising

Every year Hope Christian College holds specific fundraisers to be used in missional projects that we support. Our fundraising activities this year were the Junior School Walkathon, Open Days in Terms 1 and 4, and classes that participated in the classroom mission jars. These events make a huge difference in the lives of the poorest people in the world. The total raised in 2019 was \$9297.84, and we will be donating to two projects.

1. \$7200 to Bali Life to complete the renovations of the final bedroom and storage room in the Children's Centre. They already had \$12 000 raised from other parties in Australia and needed the final amount to complete it. They had planned on beginning mid-November and were relying on God for the final amounts. It is so exciting to be part of God's story around the world.

2. \$2097.84 to Tyndale Christian School's 2020 Kenya trip.

Thank you to all who have contributed throughout the year to our fundraising efforts.



## Art Room Requests

Thank you so much to those of you who have donated various items to the art room. We are fully stocked with coat hangers for next year now, thank you. The **sauce bottle LIDS** are now only required, not the bottles themselves. We are still in need of **newspaper** and a new request is **large foil baking trays**.

*Thank you!*

## Finance News

### TERM 4 FEE ACCOUNTS

If you have not yet paid your 2019 Term 4 fees, they are now **OVERDUE**. Please make payment or contact [finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au) to discuss your account. All fee accounts should be paid in full before Thursday 12 December 2019 unless you have a payment plan in place.

### 2020 FEE ACCOUNTS

In January 2020, the College will be billing fees in advance for the **full** year instead of on a term by term basis. Fees can still be paid up front, by Week 4 of each term or by weekly / fortnightly / monthly instalments.

### FAMILY CODE

Please remember always to include your **FAMILY CODE** when making deposits to the College account; this can be located on the top of your Fee Statement.

## Canteen Help Wanted

We are in need of parent / grandparent volunteers for the canteen. If you are available to help out one day a week (Tuesday through Friday), please let us know. Your help would be very much appreciated.

## Student Achievement – Kyle Briggs

Kyle Briggs recently participated in the South Australian Schools State Athletics Championship, held at Santos Stadium. Kyle, a Year 9 student, was third fastest in the State, winning the bronze medal in the 200m sprint, after finishing first in his qualifying heat. Kyle also competed in the 100m sprint, where he finished 6th overall (3rd in his qualifying heats). This is an outstanding result for Kyle, and we are very proud of his achievement because it is a result of his hard work and dedication to his athletics training. Well done, Kyle!





## Flinders Uni Open Day Reflections

On 16 August, a group of Senior School students went to the Flinders Uni Open Day, where we learned about our future studies. The first thing I learned is that Flinders is a very big place and there is going to be a lot of walking. The Flinders Uni student guides were every welcoming and helped us find our way around. I wanted to obtain information on teaching R-7, so I made my way to the Student Hub and a guide led me to the teaching section where I received a lot of information about the experience that I would have during my studies at Flinders. I also talked to a student who was part of a Flinders society that organises activities on and off campus. He also talked about how they help people in financial need and help people with other needs like transport, housing and studying. All in all, my experience at Flinders was amazing; not only did I gain information on teaching, but I also met some great people.

**Muriel Bangura (Year 11)**



## Awards Celebrations

Our last day of school this year will be Thursday, 12 December. A reminder that the Junior Awards Ceremony will be held in the morning (9:00 am), and the Secondary awards in the evening at 7:00pm. Please note these times in your diaries. Thank you.

## Junior School Swimming

A reminder that Reception to Year 5 students will have Swimming lessons every day in Week 7. These will be held at the Elizabeth Aquadome.

## Art Exhibition

Please join us for our first Reception to Year 12 art exhibition, entitled 'Dreams and Visions'. Opening night is November 30th at 6:30pm and Awards Ceremony beginning at 7:30pm. We are so excited to showcase the amazing talent that our students at Hope Christian College have. We look forward to seeing you there.



## PARENTS' CORNER

### FROM THE HEAD OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

#### THOUGHTS TO CONTEMPLATE

##### 10 Godly Principles to live by...

"...AND IT WAS VERY GOOD..." GENESIS 1:31 NIV

God knew the 'you-shaped' purpose you were born to fulfil, so He provided all the gifts you'd need. Having designed you, God stands back and with a satisfied grin says 'very good.' Can you say that about yourself? It's important that you can. Why? Because others will treat you according to how you treat yourself! This is not pride, it's just healthy self-esteem based on God's opinion of you. When you have it, it affects every area of your life. Truth be told, it determines how far you'll go in life. Stop and ask yourself today, 'How do I really feel about myself?' Be honest! Then read these 10 principles:

1. Never think or speak negatively about yourself, GOD DOESN'T!
2. Spend time thinking about your God-given strengths and learn to encourage yourself; for much of the time nobody else will.
3. Don't compare yourself to anybody else. You're unique, one of a kind, an original. So, don't settle for being a copy.
4. Focus on your potential, not your limitations. Remember, God lives in you!
5. Find what you like to do, do well, and strive to do it with excellence.

6. Have the courage to be different. Be a God-pleaser, not a people-pleaser.
7. Learn to handle criticism. Let it develop you instead of discourage you.
8. Determine your own worth instead of letting others do it for you. They'll shortchange you!
9. Keep your shortcomings in perspective – you're still a work in progress.
10. Focus daily on your greatest source of confidence – the God Who lives in you!

<https://vision180.org.au/2007/01/25/10-principles/>

## SUMMER UNIFORM

A great big thank you to those parents who have supported the College by complying with the Uniform Policy, ensuring their child(ren) are wearing the correct items of uniform, and wearing them correctly. There are a few students who still do not appear to have a hat, or girls with their dress length still far too short and not down to their knees.

By way of reminder, the standard of uniform and grooming at Hope Christian College is formal and not casual in nature. Regarding uniform, the College seeks to present our students' uniforms in such a way that both represent the College as a place of excellence in grooming and appearance as well as catering for students' comfort and wellbeing. We are also aiming to help train students in learning to take pride in their appearance and complying with expectations as will be necessary in many workplaces in society. The College thanks its parents for partnering with us in helping to train and develop this and other valuable life skills.

## BEING SUNSMART

Having watched the video 'Dying for a Tan – Australia' (14mins) via <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQ5JNbiH480> in Home Groups recently, thankfully many students now realise why we are conscientiously attempting to educate each person to be SunSmart. Additionally, each class now has a large bottle of sunscreen that students can use to reapply their sunscreen before going out into the yard at recess, lunch, or for an outdoor learning activity. We would of course advise sunscreen to be applied at home before coming to school especially on those days when a high UV rating is being forecast.

## PARTNERING WITH PARENTS – DIGITAL DEVICES

### Care with the use of social media and Tik Tok

Parents may or may not be aware of an app called 'Tik

Tok'. In 2018 Tik Tok was the most downloaded app from the Apple store with over 104 million downloads. Tik Tok is a destination for short-form mobile videos and has become increasingly popular with young people. Because of trends emanating from the United States, it has become popular to create a short video in school uniform or even at school to 'go viral' or 'become famous'. We are in the process of reminding our student body that it is against the College's Social Media Policy for anyone to create, pass on or upload any photos or video clips of any students in College uniform, as these present the potential for a breach of privacy as well as potentially bring the name of the College into disrepute. Please be aware of these and any similar uploads to the Internet via social media, notify us as soon as possible of any breaches of this nature (via screen capture etc) and ensure your child deletes any they may have taken. We think it is important for parents to make sure they understand this new app and the risks associated with it. Please see the link below for Tik Tok's information for parents. It is worth a chat with your son or daughter about the risks and the ways they use the app.

### For Parents

<http://support.tiktok.com/en/privacy-safety/for-parents-en>

### Tik Tok (formerly Musical.ly)

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-issues/esafety-guide/tiktok>

### SA parents raise concerns after students post sexually explicit clips on Tik Tok

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-10-29/parents-worried-about-students-posting-on-tiktok/11645430>

Also worth a read:

### Tweens, Teens and Phones: What Our 2019 Research Reveals

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/tweens-teens-and-phones-what-our-2019-research-reveals>

### Secret Vault Apps That Hide Things on Your Kid's Phone

<https://www.netnanny.com/blog/secret-vault-apps-that-hide-things-on-your-kid's-phone>

### Is the Best Secret Folder App Safe for Kids? (1.12 mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8RlciKBu5A&feature=>

# College Calendar - Important Dates

	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	WEEK
NOVEMBER	10	<b>11</b> Year 12 Exams  Yr 9 PE Zumba Incursion  Yr 6 Adelaide Zoo	<b>12</b> Year 12 Exams  Year 8/9 Beach Volleyball	<b>13</b> Year 12 Exams  Year 10/12 Beach Volleyball  Yr 6 Dance Incursion	<b>14</b> Year 12 Exams  Year 4-7 Beach Volleyball  Yr 8 Science Excursion Cobbler Creek	<b>15</b> Year 12 Exams	16	5
	17	<b>18</b> Yr 6-10 Startsmart Financial Literacy Incursion  Yr 9 Basketball Clinic	<b>19</b> MS 2020 Orientation Afternoon in Gym	<b>20</b> Yr 6 Dance Incursion  Yr 11 Brunch Experience Excursion	<b>21</b> Yr 6 Adelaide Zoo	<b>22</b> Year 12 Formal Dinner  Year 11 Japanese Excursion	23	6
DECEMBER	24	<b>25</b> R-5 Swimming  Year 10 and 11 Exams	<b>26</b> R-5 Swimming  Year 10 and 11 Exams	<b>27</b> R-5 Swimming  Year 10 and 11 Exams	<b>28</b> R-5 Swimming  Year 10 and 11 Exams	<b>29</b> R-5 Swimming  Year 10 and 11 Exams	<b>30</b> R-12 Art Exhibition Opening	7
	1	<b>2</b> R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre	<b>3</b> R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre	<b>4</b> R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre	<b>5</b> R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre	<b>6</b> R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre  Yr 1-5 Transition Day (Half Day) Yr 6-9 Transition Day (Full Day)	7	8