

Year 10 Camp

This year, Year 10 Camp was held in Week 4 of Term 4 at the TocH campsite, Victor Harbor. With this location as a base of operations, students engaged in activities in the Victor Harbor region such as studying various aspects of beach, safety, an introduction to beach sports, and improving their knowledge and skills in aquatic activities such as kayaking and body boarding. Students had fun snorkelling, and fish feeding was the highlight! This camp program was designed with activities that were intended to help our students build up on their resilience and team building skills.

Devotion was another highlight, as teachers shared their personal testimonies, and Mrs Riggs' Theatre Sports became an instant hit!

Thank you to all the awesome teachers who came on board- Mr Morton, Mr Clasohm, Mrs Simon, Mrs Riggs and Mrs Hogan. Students really appreciated you.

Mrs Mala Prasad







Beach Volleyball

On Tuesday 12 November, Hope Christian College sent six teams to the Year 8/9 Beach Volleyball Carnival held at Glenelg Beach. Our Division 2 Boys team consisting of Jack Williams, Kyle Smith, Paul Brawn, Amit Kumar and Akech Akech defeated Paralowie in the Grand Final by a single point in extra time. In other notable results, our Division 1 Boys team won through to the Grand Final where they finished runners up, and one of our Girls Division 2 teams made it as far as the Semi-Finals. It was a fantastic day and we are proud of all the players.

Mr Kelly Penn, Mrs Hayley Dawson and Mrs Renee Atkinson





Student Achievement – Brandon Irawan

Brandon Irawan recently completed in the World Scholars Cup "Tournament of Champions" at Yale University, USA.

The tournament was a very challenging one. As he arrived in the USA only one day before the competition, Brandon had to cope with jet lag symptoms while doing his debate and other written challenges. During the tournament, Brandon successfully completed all written academic challenges as well as three rounds of debate. He was competing against the highest performing opponents (final-round qualifiers) from 60 countries worldwide.

At the Tournament of Champions 2019, Brandon, as a representative of Hope Christian College, achieved three medals:

- Gold medal awarded for Top Scholar (individually).
- Silver medal awarded for Debate Champion (individually).
- Silver medal awarded for Team Debate (as a team).





Uniform Shop Hours

Holidays

Tuesday 21 January 9am-4pm Wednesday 22 January 9am-12.30 & 1pm-4pm Thursday 23 January 9am-12.30pm Friday 24 January 1pm-4pm

Term 1 Week 1

Monday 27 January (Australia Day Holiday)
Tuesday 28 January 8am-4pm (First day of term)
Wednesday 29 January 8am-12pm & 12.30pm-4pm
Thursday 30 January 8am-4pm

Term 1 Week 2

Monday 3 February 8am-12pm & 12.30pm-4pm Tuesday 4 February 8am-12pm & 12.30pm-4pm Wednesday 5 February 8am-12pm & 12.30pm-4pm Thursday 6 February 8am-12pm & 12.30pm-4pm



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.**



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.

Finance News

TERM 4 FEE ACCOUNTS

Thank you to all the families who have paid their Fees for 2019.

If you have not yet paid your 2019 Term 4 Fees, they are now **OVERDUE.** Please make payment or contact <u>finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au</u> to discuss your account. All Fee accounts MUST 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. Fee Statements will be emailed out before the end of January 2020.

FAMILY CODE

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

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.

Work Experience Report

In the October holidays a number of students participated in work experience. Akira Thomas, who is studying Certificate II Food Processing (Baking), did her work experience at Whip It Up cake supplies. Below is an excerpt from her report:

I helped customers choose their colour themes for birthdays and a 70th wedding anniversary. I took phone orders, stocked shelves, packed ingredients and used a vacuum seal machine.

This work experience was very useful as I learned about the ingredients and products used in cake decorating, which is an interest of mine.

Mrs Fay Alford (Pathways Coordinator)

Art Exhibition

Please join us for our first Reception to Year 12 art exhibition, entitled 'Dreams and Visions'. 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

BEHAVIOUR – LEARNING VALUABLE SKILLS FOR LIFE

At the end of another busy year the College wishes to thank all those students who have been thoughtful, respectful and compliant in their behaviour and attention to the way they conduct themselves, work hard in their studies and wear their uniform. Thank you also to parents who have been supportive of College expectations as we endeavour to develop the 'whole' child. It is in partnership with and the cooperation of parents that we seek to help students to develop in all areas of their life. We seek to help students to display values and attitudes that demonstrate respect and that grow a sense of community. We recognise that this is summed up in Jesus' teaching "so in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you..." Matt 7:12.

Sadly, some students have not been attending to this value or the advice given throughout the year on such topics as: bullying and harassment, play-fighting, fighting, passive bystanding (being an accessory or spectator to an incident and not doing anything to stop or report it), misuse and abuse of social media (including sexting), and the inappropriate use of mobile phones in general.

For those individuals who do not heed advice given to

change their behaviour they can now expect more severe disciplinary consequences such as more lengthy 'external suspensions' and 'contracts of continued enrolment', and for some 'expulsions', as the College has a legal duty of care to the whole community.

Hope Christian College aims to always be a safe place for everyone in the College community as we seek to develop a caring and nurturing culture.

We have also encouraged students to take pride in the name and good reputation of the College which every student will want to be valued, and how poor behaviour choices of one or more students may damage that reputation in the community at large.

We understand that behaviour management begins with the acquisition and development of a positive set of values and virtues. It is our desire that all Hope Christian College students learn and display:

- **Self-respect** whereby they understand they are made in God's image and act accordingly (Genesis 1:26)
- **Respect for others**; students, staff, parents, volunteers and their belongings (Philippians 2:4)
- **Encouraging one another** (1 Thessalonians 5:11)
- **Helpfulness,** one to another (Philippians 2:4)
- **Diligence** in all endeavours (Colossians 3:17)
- **Obedience** (Colossians 3:20)

At Hope Christian College we seek to help students develop these positive values and virtues through our curriculum and pastoral care system including: curriculum from a Christian world view, morning Home Groups including prayer and Bible reading as community activities, class rewards, assemblies, confidence building and relationship-based community activities, pastoral care and good news slips.

At Hope Christian College we seek to help students to understand that there are consequences to actions and that there is sometimes a need to correct a student's behaviour when it is not guided by positive values and virtues. Discipline at Hope Christian College is restorative in nature, wherever possible. It seeks to correct the inappropriate behaviour and restore the student to a safe and happy position within the College community. We recognise that where a student is determined not to correct their behaviour sadly they may not be restored to the College community.

Parents and care-givers, we thank you for partnering with us at the College in helping the young lives God has placed in our care to develop and achieve their true potential as healthy and wholesome well equipped

members of society.

https://www.hopecc.sa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/HOPE_CC_BEHAVIOUR_MANAGEMENT_POLICY.pdf



CHRISTMAS CONTEMPLATIONS...

The 12 Days of Christmas

Usually interpreted to be a countdown to Christmas day by marketers — may have been in fact a secret teaching tool. While the original songwriter is unknown, the English version first appeared in a children's book in 1780. Dr Neil said that in 1979, Canadian hymnologist Hugh McKellar floated the idea that the song had a secret code — a theory she said "had merit" but could not be proven.

According to Ms Neil, each item in the 12 Days of Christmas song was a metaphor for a bible story.

- "On the first day of Christmas my true love gave to me, a partridge in a pear tree," symbolising God (true love) and Jesus Christ (the partridge).
- Second day: Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments.
- Third day: Three French hens represented the three gifts of faith, hope and love.
- Fourth day: Calling birds were the four gospels.
- Fifth day: Five golden rings were the Books of Moses.
- Sixth day: Geese a-laying stands for the six days of creation.
- Seventh day: Swans a-swimming were the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- Eighth day: Maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes.
- Ninth day: Ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit such as charity, peace and kindness.
- Tenth day: Lords a-leaping represent the 10 Commandments.

- Eleventh day: Pipers piping were the 11 apostles.
- Twelve drummers drumming represented the points of the Apostles Creed.

https://mobile.abc.net.au/news/2016-12-15/the-12-days-of-christmas-a-secret-code-for-persecuted-catholics/8123428

We wish the Hope Christian College community a meaningful time at Christmas as we remember the greatest gift ever given to humankind, the precious life of God's one and only Son Jesus Christ, who, as a human demonstrated for us His perfect, never-ending, sacrificial and unconditional love. It is good to remember, however, that Christmas can be the loneliest times for some who are on their own for whatever reason. May we encourage you all to include others at Christmas outside your immediate family, friends and loved ones, in 'sharing the love' with them. May God bless you all richly at this time and throughout 2020!



PARTNERING WITH PARENTS – DIGITAL DEVICES

Too Much Screen Time Hinders Brain Development in Preschoolers

https://www.generationnext.com.au/2019/11/too-much-screen-time-hinders-brain-development-in-preschoolers/

#WAKEUPINSTAGRAM

Instagram is facilitating rampant grooming for sex trafficking and child sexual abuse, as well as adult fetishisation of young girls, on its platform. In response, three anti-sexual exploitation organisations from three different countries — 'the National Center on

Sexual Exploitation' (United States), 'Collective Shout' (Australia), and 'Defend Dignity' (Canada) – launched the #WakeUpInstagram campaign to call on Instagram to improve its related policies and practices. https://endsexualexploitation.org/instagram

YouTube: A Complete Guide for Parents

https://cdn-prod.netnanny.com/assets/giveaway/ YouTube-Guide.pdf

Four Things to Consider Before Buying a VR Headset https://www.netnanny.com/blog/4-things-to-consider-before-buying-a-vr-headset

How to Help Kids Dodge Cigarettes, Vaping, and Pot Marketing and Stay Smoke-Free

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/how-to-help-kids-dodge-cigarette-vaping-and-pot-marketing-and-stay-smoke-free

IGNITE Program

IGNITE is a program for students with high intellectual potential. The Heights School is a Department for Education (DfE) Special Interest School which is funded to provide programs for IGNITE students previously known as 'Students with High Intellectual Potential' or 'Gifted and Talented'.

Students are selected for entry into the IGNITE Program through an ACER (Australian Council for Educational Research) assessment which is held once per year in February. The assessment is open to students in Year 7 or exceptionally gifted and mature Year 6 students for entry into Year 8 in 2021.

If you believe your child would thrive and benefit from the Ignite program, please complete an expression of interest form for your child to sit the ACER test conducted at The Heights School

Expression of Interest Forms are now available on online via http://www.theheights.sa.edu.au/ignite.html



a program for gifted and talented children

College Calendar - Important Dates

| DECEMBER | SUN | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SAT | WEEK |
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| | 1 | R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre | 3 R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre | 4 R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre | 5 R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre | R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre Yr 1-5 Transition Day (Half Day) Yr 6-9 Transition Day (Full Day) | 7 | 8 |
| | 8 | 9 R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre Horizons Program Yr 6-9 R-5 Activity Day | R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre Horizons Program Yr 6-9 (Beach Day) | R-12 Art Exhibition Playford Civic Centre Horizons Program Yr 6-9 (Ice Arena) | LAST DAY OF TERM 4 Junior School Awards 9:00am Yr 5 Graduation Morning Tea Secondary Awards 7:00pm Horizons Program Yr 6-9 | 13 | 14 | 9 |

2020 Term 1

| | NNS | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SAT | WEEK |
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| JANUARY | 26 | 27 Australia Day Public Holiday | 28 TERM 1 BEGINS Year 12 Camp | 29 Year 12 Camp | 30 Year 12 Camp | 31 Student Leadership Retreat | 1 | 1 |