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# Newsletter

## Welcome to Our 2020 Receptions!



Mrs Elise Tarrant's Class



Mrs Sherri Powell's Class



Mrs Kirsten March's Class

## Finance Matters

### ANNUAL FEE ACCOUNTS

Annual Fee Statements were emailed to Families on the 30th of January. If you do not have an email address, your Statement was mailed out in Week 2.

Fees may be paid on a term by term basis, or on a fortnightly payment plan. If you have not yet set up a payment plan, please contact [finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au) to arrange an appointment.

If the Fees for all of 2020 are paid in full by Friday the 21st of February, 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 advise finance via email once payment has been made.

**If you have not yet received your Fee Statement, please email Finance to let us know.**

If you have an overdue amount or are having difficulty meeting your fees, the College has Fee Relief available. Please contact Finance to arrange an appointment to discuss.

### MISSING FEE PAYMENT

The College has received a payment for fees from the Police Credit Union. We have been unable to identify which family the payment belongs to.

If you have made a payment and have not received a receipt from the College, please contact [finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au) to claim the payment. You will need to be able to identify the exact amount of the payment and the date it was made. Please remember always to include your **FAMILY CODE** when making deposits to the College account; this code can be located on the top of your Fee Statement.



**SCHOOL CARD**

Please apply for School Card Concession **NOW** if you have not already done so. The simplest way to apply is online at <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>.

Alternatively, a printed copy of the form can be obtained from the College Office. Please ensure your form is provided to Finance as soon as possible.



## 2019 Year 12 Commendation Ceremony

It was tremendous to be able to celebrate the SACE results of the 2019 Year 12 students at our recent Commendation Service (7 February). Together with numerous family members and friends, Hope Christian College congratulated all of last year's cohort, and gave monetary awards to those who earned A grades in a range of subjects: Ashlee Schoene, Celina Edis, Chloe Hatswell, Aimee Latham, Joanna Rouse, Stephanie Scannell, Billy Frame, Tiana Hummel, Prisca Issa, Ta-leah Lehman, Tahlia Richardson, Brooklyn Thomas, Fiona Trollope and Tehya Evans.

Additionally, we recognised the 2019 Dux of Hope Christian College, Ashlee Schoene (ATAR of 94.70), who also received a highly-prized glass trophy to commemorate her outstanding achievement.

**Mr Shane Barnes (Deputy Principal – Curriculum)**



The Year 12 students of 2019.



Ashlee Schoene is the Hope Christian College 2019 Dux.

## Year 12 Camp

Year 12 Camp is part bonding and get-to-know-you, part study and work preparation, part self-understanding, and all infused with the aroma of Jesus.

The students participated in a spirit of cooperation and togetherness. They were respectful of each other, staff, and the other campers at West Beach Caravan Park.

A highlight was trying the high ropes and challenge course at West Beach. A few of the students really surprised themselves with their achievements (and the credibility of some of the staff rose considerably). Another highlight was learning about self, and playing some team building games with Mr Tarrant.

Thank you to Mr Lungley, Mrs Alford, and Mrs Schwarz for taking care of the Year 12 students, and the chaplains and other staff who helped with team building and devotions. We pray for the students and that their final year of secondary schooling would go well.



## Student Leader Retreat Day

On Friday the 31st of January, the Senior Student Leaders, Sam Hartwich, Mrs Atkinson, Mr Morton, and Mr Jory travelled to Playford Uniting Church for a day's retreat in preparation for the year of Community-based activities ahead. Sam led the series of meetings interspersed with worship, prayer, and team building activities. We looked at Jesus' leadership style and practical ways that we could use the principles of servant-hearted leadership in everyday situations. It was a great day; thanks to God for His word and presence, Playford Uniting Church for the food and hospitality, Sam for an excellent job in ministering, and the students for their willingness to grow and stretch.

**Mr Mark Jory (HPE & Community Key Teacher)**



Year 12 Camp adventures.



## Children's University

Children's University is up and running again this year. For those interested in enrolling or re-enrolling, an information session with Mrs Jones will be held on Wednesday, Week 4 at 4:00pm in Room 51 (Mrs Nikolettos' Year 2 class). We look forward to seeing you there!

## PARENTS' CORNER

### FROM THE HEAD OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

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 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 Christian College.

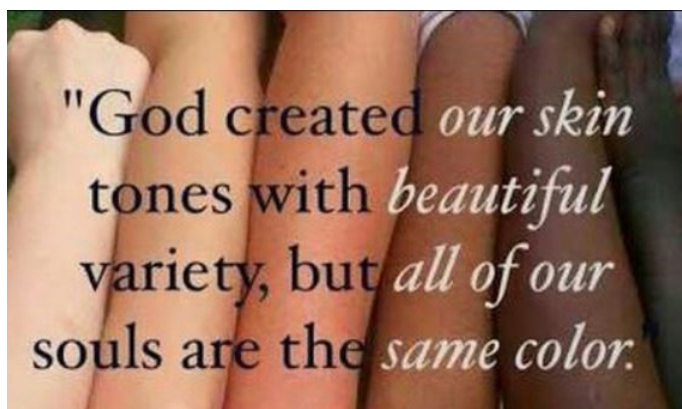
We value being a multi-cultural learning establishment that focuses on the holistic growth and development of each life who we believe is made in the image of God.



Recent enrolment data has revealed that our students and their families are representatives of over 40 different nations of the world. I am reminded of a Ray Stevens song from a few years ago, 'Everything is Beautiful'.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tL-0Cc4beqw>

"Jesus loves the little children  
All the children of the world  
Red, brown, yellow  
Black and white  
They are precious in His sight  
Jesus loves the little children of the world."



As has been stated, 'It takes a village to raise a child', so at Hope Christian College, with you, we look to God to give us wisdom and love for the daily task of educating the children God has lovingly placed in our care.

Our aim is "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 see the importance of developing certain life skills and attributes 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.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to assist you further in the home environment with the development of these matters.

### PUNCTUALITY

Thank you to all who have already helped us by ensuring your child(ren) are at school by 8:30am, to allow plenty of time for them to prepare for class, which commences at 8:40am.

### PRESENTATION

Thank you also to those who have ensured their child(ren) are dressed in not only the correct uniform, but also that they are wearing it correctly. Compliance with all College Policies is expected, and a signed condition of enrolment, so thank you for your assistance in helping us collectively develop the 'whole' individual.

[https://www.hopecc.sa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/HOPE\\_CC\\_STUDENT\\_UNIFORM.pdf](https://www.hopecc.sa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/HOPE_CC_STUDENT_UNIFORM.pdf)

### POLITENESS AND GOOD MANNERS

It has been stated that 'Manners Maketh Man' (William Horman, Headmaster at Eton and Winchester in the late 15th century). At Hope Christian College, we seek to help students be mindful of respecting others and behaving in a way they would wish to be treated (Matthew 7:12 and Luke 6:31). Others have claimed, 'manners make us human and without them, we aren't human'.

Acquiring and using good manners is a simple way of showing respect for one another, as well as respect for God, self, the College, property and equipment, and the environment.

### PREVENTION

A polite reminder of banned substances at the College, as everyone has a right to always feel and be safe:



**CAFFEINE/GUARANA/HIGH ENERGY DRINKS**

Students are prohibited from bringing into the College and/or consuming high caffeinated drinks, and/or those with Guarana extract such as Red Bull, V, Mother, etc. Such drinks will be confiscated and disposed of. The scientific research is clear on the harmful effects of such drinks. See: <https://www.livestrong.com/article/27433-guarana-bad/>

**DEODORANT SPRAYS, PERFUMES, COLOGNES, AND OTHER AEROSOL SPRAYS**

Whilst we value good personal hygiene at Hope Christian College, it is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** for students to bring deodorant sprays, perfumes, colognes, or other aerosol sprays. Some sprays can trigger life threatening allergic reactions and respiratory distress such as asthma attacks in some individuals. All products that fall into this category will be confiscated and sent home with the student at the end of the day.

**CHEWING GUM**

Students are prohibited from bringing into the College and/or consuming chewing/bubble gum. Students should consider an alternative to chewing gum such as Eclipse Mints or other non-gum-based mints. All chewing gum products will be confiscated and disposed of.

**MOBILE PHONES POLICY UPDATE**

The College is in the process of reviewing and updating its Mobile Phone Policy, given the continued use by some students of mobile phones while at the College. As a reminder, students are not to have their mobile phone out, visible, on, or used from the moment they enter the College gates to the moment they exit them. If they do so, the phone will be confiscated and left at Student Services in the first instance, with escalating consequences following. Students do not need to use a phone at all while at the College as messages can be communicated with home via Student Services. Even more serious are students who take it upon themselves to take still or video images of themselves or other students while dressed in College uniform. Some even

then post them on the Internet, potentially harming or endangering other students. Students can expect very serious consequences for these breaches of the Policy that exists for the safety of the College Community and personal dignity. We thank you in advance for your support with this important matter.

**PARENTING RESOURCES**

As in previous newsletters, we will continue to suggest resources useful in helping raise our children. They may relate to cyber safety, social media, behaviour, home study, special learning needs, and suggested strategies for raising healthy children as part of a family at home. Please feel free to let me know of any useful articles or resources you may come across that you feel other parents may benefit from, by emailing them to me via [phil.tarrant@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:phil.tarrant@hopecc.sa.edu.au)

**INTERNET RESOURCES TO HELP YOU GET STARTED**

**Parents who struggle to get their children ready for school**

<https://www.google.com/search?q=how+to+help+parents+who+struggle+to+get+their+children+ready+for+school>

**Giving your children experiences instead of toys boosts their intelligence and happiness**

<https://iheartintelligence.com/giving-children-experiences-instead-of-toys-boosts-intelligence-happiness/>

**Why are kids addicted to technology? (Free ebook)**

<https://www.veteranmentors.com.au/why-are-kids-addicted-to-technology/>

**Apps to watch out for**

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

**How to set parental controls for Disney Plus**

<https://www.netnanny.com/blog/how-to-set-parental-controls-for-disney-plus/>

**Parents' Ultimate Guide to YouTube**

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/parents-ultimate-guide-to-youtube>

## SEQTA Engage

SEQTA Engage allows you to view your child's academic results, upcoming assignments, and many other elements to keep you informed on your child's education. If you require any support, please send an email to [seqtasupport@hopecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:seqtasupport@hopecc.sa.edu.au) rather than contacting admin directly.

**Miss Rachel Pelentsov (Assistant Director of Studies)**

## Open Day



Our first Open Day for 2020 will be held on **Wednesday 25 March, 3:30-7:30PM**. Please join us for musical performances, open classrooms, food, and fun!

## Gymkhana

On Friday 28 February, Trinity College is hosting their Interschool Gymkhana. If you have a horse or access to a horse and would like to represent Hope Christian College, please see Mrs Dragon in the canteen. Entries close on Tuesday 25th February.

## Work Experience Reports

Work experience is a great way to find out if you are suited to a particular field of employment. Some VET (Vocational Education and Training) courses have a compulsory work experience component.

At the end of 2019 Term 4, a number of students participated in work experience. Courtney Bowers went to Gawler Public Library, Vili Qeramoto went to Lawrence & Hansen Electrical, and Vanya Zupanic went to KRM Electrical.

Below are excerpts from their reports:

I enjoyed my work experience because I had the chance to connect with people. The placement showed me more about myself and helped me to really gain an understanding about where I want to work. I found that I can talk to and relate with older people. I enjoyed scanning and returning books, and sorting and reshelving them. I learned that I need to develop my customer service skills.

**Courtney Bowers, future library technician**

My work experience was rewarding and made me feel capable of any task given to me. The work placement was useful as it helped me to learn some parts that electricians use in their trade. A lot of parts are very similar, which was confusing at first, but I got used to it.

**Vili Qeramoto, future electrician / electrical engineer**

I enjoyed my work experience placement because I learned many new things that could help me later on. I enjoyed watching how to wire up an air conditioner. This placement made me more certain that I want to become an electrician. The experience was both fun and educational.

**Vanya Zupanic, future electrician**



# College Calendar - Important Dates

	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	WEEK
FEBRUARY	16	17	18	19	20	21 Yr 6-12 1500m Event	22	4
	23	24	25 Yr 11 Lawn Bowls  Year 9 Mt Lofty Walk	26	27	28 Yr 4 Adelaide Zoo Excursion  Open Indoor Cricket Carnival	29	5
MARCH	1	2 Yr 12 Harpers Place	3 Yr 11 Lawn Bowls	4 Yr 5 Student Leadership Conference	5 Yr 6 Japanese Excursion	6	7	6
	8	9 Public Holiday	10 Yr 11 Lawn Bowls  Year 5 Cleland Wildlife Park  Yr 8 Immunisation Catch-up  Yr 10 Men B	11	12	13 Secondary Sports Day  Harmony Day	14	7