

Year 2 Chickens

The Year 2 classes have been studying life cycles this term. We were all very excited to have four chicks hatch in Mrs Nikolettos' Year 2 class! The eggs were incubated in Mrs Nikolettos' home and were brought to school just in time for them to hatch. All of the students were able to journal the stages of the egg incubation, pecking, hatching and chick growth over a week. It was lots of fun to hold the chicks and get to know their cute personalities!













Chess Club

Chess Club is run at lunchtimes on Tuesday for the Junior School and Thursday for the Middle / Senior School. Both sessions have developed a friendly but competitive environment to learn how to play chess and improve our skills through play.

The Junior School session is always booked out, with students from Years 2 and up having fun learning the game. In the Middle and Senior session we have a dedicated group of players who turn up every week to learn and compete, often playing with particular restrictions or strategies in mind to build their knowledge of the game.

If you are interested in coming to learn and play, talk to Mrs Eckert for the Junior School, or Mr Marshall for the Middle and Senior School.













SCIENCE SPARKS NEWS FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

At Hope Christian College we have been very busy exploring new concepts using a hands-on approach, which helps our students to gain better understanding.

Year 11 Chemistry students explored the concept of Polymerization. We were successfully able to make one reel of nylon thread by adding two monomers together!



Year 10 Science students have been quite busy lately with their major oral presentation. A few very brave students volunteered to do science demonstration with a range of chemicals. Year 8 science students have been studying Body Systems and Circulation- who doesn't enjoy heart dissections!





Year 9 students successfully made some ionic compounds.







Year 11 Physics students have been deconstructing problems to work out which factors affect the drop rate of a parachute. They had a lot of fun designing their own parachute and dropping it off from the balcony to measure the rate!







Year 6 classes have been learning about the Scientific Method. Miss Rankin's class looked at Growing Gummi Bears and How Permanent is Permanent Marker? It was lots of fun, and everyone enjoyed getting dressed up in their science safety gear.



Mr Russ' class had a lot of fun conducting their Science experiments! From Cleaning Up Oil Spills, Bouncy Colourful Eggs, Lava Lamps and more, they all discovered a little more about the wonderful things God has created for them in this world.

Mrs Mala Prasad (Science Key Teacher)



LABORATORY MANAGER'S CORNER



Heart Fun Facts

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- Did you know, laughing is good for your heart!
- Laughter, happiness and a sense of humour actually can help you to stay healthy.
- Research suggests laughter can decrease stress hormones, reduce artery inflammation and reduce cholesterol.
- The positive effects of laughter can last 24 hours.

Ms Vicki Thomas (Laboratory Manager)

Finance Matters

FEE STATEMENTS

Updated Statements are in the process of being emailed or posted. If your Fee payments are behind, the Statement will show an **OVERDUE** amount, which needs to be addressed. Please contact Finance **NOW** to set up a payment plan if you have not already done so.

Please also contact Finance if your income has been affected by the COVID-19 Health Alert and / or you are having difficulty meeting your fees. Minimum payments can be set up and Fee Relief can be considered.

MISSING FEE PAYMENT

The College received a payment for fees in Term 1 for which we have been unable to identify which family the payment belongs to.

• A cash deposit through the Salisbury branch

If you have made a payment and have not received a receipt from the College, please contact 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 always remember 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

If you believe you are eligible for the school card concession and the concession has not been applied to your College Fee Account, **please contact Finance.** There is currently considerable delay in the processing of school card applications, and may be for some time yet. Therefore, we may be able to conduct a self-assessment of your eligibility at the College, if you are able to provide copies of your 2019 Income Tax Return and Notice of Assessment letter from the ATO (Note: these can be accessed via myGov).

SCHOOL BANKING

The health, safety and wellbeing of our communities and our people is our first priority. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, School Banking has been temporarily paused. Please don't bring your deposit book with your weekly banking into school and we will notify you when banking will recommence.

Chapel

With the current restrictions in place, Hope Christian College has been holding online services for Chapel. Classes are still able to contribute to Chapel sessions, as seen with the Year 8 Drama students below. Their task was to act out LOVE!





Year 11 Music

In Week 6 of this term, the Year 11 Music Experience Class completed a performance assessment. Here they are preparing!



SEQTA Engage – Important

Due to the recent update of the College's database software, SEQTA Engage stopped working as it should for parents. To re-enable access to parents, you are required to log out of your previous account and set up a new account from the Welcome email you would have received. If need a new welcome email or assistance to regain access to SEQTA Engage and your child's academic information, please email us at seqtasupport@hopecc. sa.edu.au.

Please keep in mind that academic reports are issued via SEQTA Engage at the end of each term, so setting up your new account will allow you to receive these.



Music Tuition

Private Music Tuition is available at the college. Lessons are of 30 minutes duration, one-on-one with a music tutor, during college hours. The cost of tuition is \$270 per term per instrument.

Enquiries to the music tuition coordinator Mrs Griffith. <u>merrilyn.griffith@hopecc.sa.edu.au</u>

Students will need an instrument to enable practise between lessons. Cost of tutorial books and other print

music is additional.

Literacy Pro

Literacy Pro is still running strong this year. Keep up the great reading! During Bookweek (Term 3 Week 6) we will be announcing the individual winners and class winners for...

• Most Words Read

- Most Points
- Most Quizzes Passed and
- Highest quiz score

The following students achieved certificates based on their Literacy Pro points.

Blue Certificate (25 Points)

Achok Atem Khloe Renton Rvan David Aleise Freimayer Chut Garang **Bryce Houston** Emma Britten-Jones Asunta Ayuel Jok Manyuon Zachary Woulleman Oladotun Oteegbade Ester Mualhlun Aman Deng Lukas O'Connell Mia Freimayer Angel Poni Deng Manyuon Asheri Nonsentia Vitale Brawn Amelia Hubrechsen Callan Bridger Rohan Mattson Lucia Aluma

Red Certificate (50 Points)

Bailey Tingey Grace Nehme Mayowa Owolabi Hannah Ashby Charlie Tingey Kaylee Pomfret Folayemi Tayo-Abrahams Litia Qeramoto Katie Hateley Toluwa Tayo-Abrahams Esther Tai Thul

Bronze Certificate (100 Points)

Bailey Tingey Moivabah Fofana Saviour Duku

Silver Certificate (250 Points) Pau Hoin Hoih

Lost Property

It is difficult when uniform items go missing. Here are some helpful tips to see lost items returned to you:

- Please remember to label all of your child's clothing and items that they bring to the College.
- The College cannot take responsibility for lost items or items left around the property. Any lost property, if found, is brought to Student Services and is placed in the lost property baskets.
- If an item is labelled we will endeavour to return it to the student whose name is on the item ASAP. If the item is not labelled, it will remain in the lost property baskets for two weeks, at which time if it has not been claimed the item (if in good condition) will be given to our second hand uniform person and will be sold on the second hand uniform Facebook page.
- If you are looking for lost property please feel free to present to Student Services before 9am or after 3:15pm to look for your lost item, before the College Office closes at 4pm.
- Please remember that Hope Christian College is not responsible for lost property, especially if an item is not labelled clearly. We hold lost property for two weeks as a service to the College families.



Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop Holiday Hours

Thursday 16th July: 9am to 2:30pm Friday 17th July: 9am to 2:30pm

Extended hours first day of Term 3 Monday 20th July: 8am to 4pm

Online appointments are required for uniform fit outs, current and new students.

Parents will be notified when online orders are ready to be collected.

Exchanges will require tag, packaging in original state, and an accompanying a receipt of purchase.

Please refer to website for further information https://www.hopecc.sa.edu.au/uniform-shop/

2021 Vocational Education & Training (VET)

If your child is interested in pursuing a trade career, it is strongly recommended that they commence studies while at school. Employers looking for apprentices are particularly looking for school leavers who have: completed a VET course (usually Cert II but sometimes Cert III), undertaken work experience and have their driver's licence. If your child has done none of these, their chance of gaining an apprenticeship is reduced.

Year 11 is the best year to undertake VET studies. A wide range of courses is available though TAFE and other trainers. A number of students have spoken to me about VET courses for next year. Return of the Application Form is a necessary first step of the process.

There is much paperwork involved in undertaking a VET course and government subsidised certificate courses require prerequisites. If your Year 10 child has any intention of undertaking a VET course next year, they must speak to me soon. Prerequisites that they may be required to do this year are a short course or work experience (during school holidays) in their area of interest. If you decide on work experience, there is an amount of theory work which MUST be completed before a placement can be considered. At this stage, due to COVID-19, placements will not be undertaken until the October holidays at the earliest.

If you have any questions or concerns about VET, career pathways or work experience please contact me by phone (Tue, Wed & Fri) or email fay.alford@hopecc. sa.edu.au on any day.

Mrs Fay Alford (Pathways Coordinator)

PARENTS' CORNER FROM THE HEAD OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT

Be a Blessing Counter!

"Count Your Blessings, name them one by one" is the first line of an age-old loved song with great sentiment and meaning. (See <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> <u>watch?v=PT5qk8bx3ZM</u>)

God has already loved us and blessed us with everything we need for life and eternity. There is nothing we can do to make God, our Creator, love us any more than He already does and nothing so bad we could do that will make God love us any less. How amazing is that! Shout it from the roof tops, "THANK YOU GOD!"

A few things I have learned over the years that may help put things to perspective:

- Develop an attitude of gratitude and thankfulness. "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done". (Philippians 4:6)
- Be thankful for what we do have rather than looking at what we do not have.
 "Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus". (1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18)
- Seek God first in everything.
 "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well".
 (Matthew 6:33). To find out what 'all these things' are, read the preceding verses in Matthew chapter 6.

In other words, look to:

- The Creator not the creation
- The Giver not the gift
- The Sower, not the food
- The Problem Solver not the problem.

For further contemplation and meditation on "this devotion refer to: <u>https://biblicaldiagnosis.</u> <u>com/2013/08/13/how-do-i-seek-first-the-kingdom-of-</u> <u>god-part-1-of-2/</u>

"LORD God, thank you for your incredible, never ending, and unconditional love for me, displayed through Your One and only Son Jesus Christ. Help me learn to be thankful for what I do have and for the free gift of eternal life you freely offer us for this life and eternity, where we can live in perfect relationship with you forever! Amen."

MOBILE PHONE POLICY UPDATE

One of our highest priorities at Hope Christian College is to ensure a safe learning and teaching environment. Due to an increasing number of incidents of students choosing to use their mobile phones while at school for a variety of reasons, the College is in the process of updating its Mobile Phone Policy. FOMO (The 'Fear Of Missing Out') has caused many students to be distracted in their learning when they feel that notification buzz. There have also been those who have chosen to use their device to harass others or engage in inappropriate and sometimes illegal use of social media during the day. As a reminder, students do not need a phone while at the College at all. Messages will be passed on to a student should parents need to send a message of an arranged appointment, earlier pick up time etc., if and when required.

From the start of Semester 2, it is likely that a student who has a mobile phone will be required to turn it off as soon as they enter the College gates, or before, and store their phone in their locker for the remainder of the day. Many Independent schools are already operating a policy such as this. As already stated in our current policy, "the College will not accept any responsibility for the loss, theft, damage or unauthorised use of a student's mobile phone while at the College or on a College activity... Students must take responsibility for their own property and must be aware that the theft of phones in society is common."

Students are reminded not to share their locker code with anyone, and to consider leaving their phone at home if they are dropped and picked up from school, or do not require it as a safety communication device when travelling to or from the College.

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanks giving, present your request to God.

Philippians 4:6

College Calendar - Important Dates

	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	WEEK
JUNE	28	29 Beginning of Semester 2	30	1	2	3 Last Day of Term 2	4	10

Term 3

JULY	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	WEEK
	19	20 First Day of Term 3	21	22	23	24	25	1
	26	27	28	29 11/12 Boys Basketball at Lightsview	30 9/10 Boys Basketball at Lightsview	31 7/8 Boys Basketball at Lightsview Balaklava Eisteddfod	Balaklava 1 Eisteddfod	2