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Book Week

In Week 6, Reception to Year 5 students celebrated Book Week. The theme for Book Week this year was 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.' Throughout the week, students participated in many exciting class activities based on the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) shortlisted books. Mrs Thomas and Mrs Phillips decorated the Library with an enchanted forest theme, and ran three competitions.

The first was a lolly jar guessing competition. The winners were able to keep the whole jar! The winner of the R-2 jar was Destiny Arol, with a guess of 166, and the winner of the Year 3-5 jar was Letoya Ateng, with a guess of 146. The 'Is it Real?' competition was a hit! Students had a great time guessing whether the creatures on the Library walls were real or made up. The final competition involved creating a curious creature. The R-2 winner was Fikayo Owolabi, with her Rubix Unicorn, and the Year 3-5 winner was Hannah Ashby. Hannah's creature is called a 'Stingious Bearodubeeus', and it loves to hang around restaurants that serve apple crumble and fruitcake.

On Friday, we had the grand finale of Book Week... the dress up parade! Students and teachers dressed up as characters from a book, or a curious creature. Parents were able to watch the parade via Zoom this year because of COVID restrictions. There were prizes given out for the best boy and girl costume in each class, as well as best teachers. We also awarded prizes for the various Book Week competitions, and then Mrs Scott announced the final Literacy Pro results. Congratulations to Miss Manka's class who won the grand prize of a hot chip lunch!

Mrs Hannah Phillips (Library Coordinator)





THE SPORTS SCOOP

EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS NEWS

Hope Christian College Kings of the Court

The Hope Christian College Basketball Program rose from the defeats of 2019 to claim back to back Open Basketball Trophies at the SACSA and Northern Zone Basketball carnivals, both held early in Term 3.

The Year 9/10 team defeated Torrens Valley Christian School 18-9 in the SACSA grand final, the first time Hope has won this competition.

The Year 10-12 team then backed up and defeated Salisbury East High School 29-23 in the Northern Zone Basketball carnival.

Head coach and master of basketball, Mr Penn, and assistant coach and team chef, Mr Hutchison, set up the players to play a fast-paced, full-court pressing style of basketball. Waterbug guards (Lual, William and Paul) led the defensive line and forced turnovers in the opponents' back-court, while wily veterans (Kieren Wehr and Jack Morris) led the scoring and rebounding, and controlled the pace of the play. Ethan, 'the microwave' Jackson came off the bench as a scoring 6th man and carried the bench unit with his broad shoulders and his patented pump-fake layups. Vanya Zupanic had the most fouls, which was to be expected because Vanya is a foul magnet. Brendon Criste and Connor Leonard played in both winning teams, and were the last to board the bus home, with both players caught up in wild celebrations and signing autographs for adoring fans well into the afternoon. "I'm just proud I know how to spell my own name," said Connor, in between celebratory sips of Gatorade.

Mr Penn told the throng of waiting reporters outside the Lightsview Stadium that the championships were a result of day by day, week by week improvement and dedication of the players in the Hope basketball program.

"Keep an eye out for the documentary on Netflix," Mr Penn announced before boarding the bus, trophy in hand.

Mr Hopps, the College Board, and the wider College community celebrated the victories with the announcement of a week-long celebration.

"I think a trip to Vegas might be on the cards. Or at least free slushes from the canteen. We're so proud of our



students and we're so proud of our basketball program here at Hope," Mr Hopps was allegedly reported to have said... Maybe...

The victory was the sweetest for Kieren Wehr and Jack Morris, Year 12 students who have been part of our basketball program since they started at Hope. "If we lost today, I would've come back next year and repeated Year 12," said Jack, "so I'm so happy we won."

All jokes aside, Mr Penn and Mr Hutchison are deeply proud of the efforts and attitude of all the players who represented Hope at the carnivals this year. They are worthy champions.



Year 3-6 SACSAs Carnivals

On Monday 17 August, we sent three teams to play Aussie Rules Football at the SACSAs Year 5 & 6 Football Carnival, held at King's Baptist Grammar School. The competition was stiff for a lot of the day, but the students developed team spirit through some tough games and came out with some wins and gritty performances along the way. The girls fought valiantly against Portside, narrowly losing a nail biter. The two boys' teams battled hard through their games and managed wins against Prescott, Sunrise and Bethany Christian Schools. Mr Roberts, Mrs Bigwood and Mr Hutch were all proud of the effort shown through the day by the students, as they were wet and dirty in the spirit of team sport.

On Tuesday 18 August, we sent two teams to play Aussie Rules Football at the SACSAs Year 3 & 4 Football Carnival, held at King's Baptist Grammar School. The teams battled and improved throughout the day, notably the boys' team

who played the whole day at least one player down. Mr Roberts and Mrs Bigwood had a lot of fun watching the students demonstrate team work and encouragement. A big thanks to Mr Mick 'Gandalf' Roberts, demonstrating his infinite football wisdom and hard work to make both days so much fun.



State Soccer Carnival

From August 26-28, Year 6 students Misha Longar and Nyaluak Dhieu competed in the Playford District Girls Soccer Team as part of the State Soccer Carnival. The Playford team finished runners up in Division 2. Representing Hope Christian College as part of a district team was a solid achievement by both girls who had fun and some success on the day. SAPSASA representative, Scott Hughes, said the girls did well and looks forward to them being able to compete again next year as Year 7 students. Well done, Misha and Nyaluak.



Northern Zone Soccer Carnival

In Week 5 of Term 3 Hope Christian College sent a boys team and a girls team to the Northern Zone 5-a-side soccer carnival. Both teams played well and recorded good results against Mark Oliphant College and St Columba, and narrow losses to Craigmore and Salisbury East. The boys finished in 5th place, while the girls came 4th in their respective divisions. We are proud of the players, their teamwork and positive sportsmanship.

We may be old, but we can still dunk. Just lower the rings first!

'The Hope Hutchies', the old scholars basketball team (emphasis on the word "old") won their inaugural season in the Division 3 Men's competition held at Starplex on a Monday evening. The players were ex-Hope students who had out-grown our basketball program, but who wanted to continue playing the sport they loved with the friends they made while at school. Initially the team was set up as an elite pathway, but this went out the window when the team approached Mr Penn and Mr Hutchison to make up the numbers. Mr Penn and Mr Hutchison have elite skills, but these skills are in areas like napping, eating hamburgers, or writing entertaining newsletter articles - skills that may not align with success on the basketball court. Nonetheless the team forged ahead, winning every game in the regular season, just like the Crows in 2020, except for the winning part.

The Hutchies defeated 'The Fellowship' in the Grand Final, 44-17. The team needs to publicly acknowledge

Year 12 student Charlotte Churcher who came out as the scorekeeper each week, except when it was too cold or too late. We really appreciate her support, as well as all the mums and grandparents who came out to support and heckle each week.

The trophy given to the newly crowned (and newly hobbled) champions was a boomerang decorated by a local Indigenous artist, Felicity Nampitjinpa. The boomerang represents the "return to sport" and "return to being together" after the COVID pandemic stopped community sport for close to three months. The lesson we can learn, is that we shouldn't take playing sport or spending time with our friends and colleagues for granted, because one day you'll become really old like Mr Barnes, and it'll probably hurt a lot to run around. So, run around while you're still young. Or something like that.

The winning team: Jye McKenzie, Mr Penn, Jack Morris, James Morris, Ben Scannell, Mr Hutchison



SCIENCE SPARKS

NEWS FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

This year Hope Christian College celebrated National Science Week from 15 to 23 August. The theme was 'Deep Blue: Innovations for the Future of Our Oceans'. Our students from Primary and Middle school were involved in a range of activities. They explored some aspects of the ocean and had so much fun learning!

Reception and Year 1 students designed and created ocean dioramas. Year 2 students had so much fun learning about densities and shapes. Year 3 and 4 students designed and made model boats using different shaped sails. Year 6 students designed a fishing line using a range of materials provided. They managed to catch a few ducks! Year 7 and 8 students created a satellite using edible and non-edible items. They did such an

amazing job. Year 9 students were invited to create an original infographic to highlight and promote an aspect of innovation focusing on our oceans.



10 Unbelievable Facts About the Ocean

1. Our oceans cover more than 70 per cent of the Earth's surface.
2. The majority of life on Earth is aquatic.
3. Less than five per cent of the planet's oceans have been explored.
4. The world's longest mountain chain is underwater.
5. There are more historic artefacts under the sea than in all of the world's museums.
6. We still only know a fraction of the marine species in our oceans.
7. Over 70 per cent of our planet's oxygen is produced by the ocean.
8. It's possible to find rivers and lakes beneath the ocean.
9. Around 50 per cent of the US lies beneath the ocean.
10. The Pacific Ocean is the world's largest ocean and contains around 25,000 islands.



THE DRAMA DIARIES

UPDATES FROM THE DRAMA FACULTY

Drama is a subject undertaken by all Year 6 – 9 students over a semester. It is then a chosen subject in Year 10 – 12. I thought I would take this opportunity to explain why Drama is a fantastic subject and why I am so passionate about every student having the opportunity to experience it.

Why do Drama:

Drama is one of the most versatile and applicable subjects in the curriculum. In Drama you learn life skills that will help in all areas of your life:

- Creativity in problem solving (thinking outside the box)
- It develops confidence and good communication skills
- It is a practical subject, and helps with public speaking and being more persuasive when presenting an argument
- It develops self-control and discipline
- It is a collaborative subject, and teaches skills in working with others and accepting others' points of view
- It develops empathy and understanding.

Theatre Sports:

Theatre Sports is a fun way of doing Drama competitively. Every Friday Lunch time about a dozen different students from a number of different year levels get together to practise their Drama skills and play Drama-related games. Last year we had the chance to compete against different schools and came third in a regional competition. It is a bit of work, involving lots of risk taking and some commitment but it is also heaps of fun.

What do we do?

Throughout this year, we have explored a number of different styles of theatre and performance from Physical Theatre and Mime, to using masks in Commedia Del'Arte. This semester we are having some fun looking at Melodrama and Radio Theatre. We also research and gain an understanding of the different aspects of Theatre such as costumes, lighting, sound, and make up.

Drama is a great opportunity to learn something new and take a risk. It enables the students to step out of their comfort zone and experience a new way of engaging with the world. If you have students doing Drama, have a chat with them and discover if they are taking a risk and learning to be brave and fearless.

Mrs Rachel Riggs (Drama Teacher)

"One of the greatest things drama can do, at its best, is to redefine the words we use every day, such as love, home, family, loyalty and envy. Tragedy need not be a downer."

– Ben Kingsley



Reception Coding Fun

In Digital Technology, the Reception students have been using positional language to give directions. This included giving and receiving directive instructions to... robots! Well, they are actually Bee Bots. These coding instructions made the Bee Bots go forward, backwards, left and right, while sometimes they turned around on the spot. We then transferred this learning to the Bee Bot app on the ipads. Most of all, we had lots of fun!



Year 3 Manka Writing

The Year 3 students recently completed a writing task in which they had to explain why they preferred their favourite season. Below are some fantastic samples.

"Ahh!" I say blissfully. I love Spring. Surely you agree with me that it is the best season EVER.

Firstly, you get to smell the freshest air ever! Did you know it's really fresh because new trees give us oxygen?

Secondly, new flowers grow, whereas in Winter all the flowers lose their petals.

Lastly, in Winter the air is so cold your nose hurts! But in Spring the air is perfect breathing weather.

"That's why Spring is my favourite season," exclaimed Litia.
– Litia Qeramoto

Woosh! The wind goes past my face. It feels so fresh! Surely you agree that Winter is the best.

Firstly, I love Winter because you get to snuggle under a big warm blanket and watch movies with your family.

Secondly, I just love sipping hot chocolate from a mug, and watching it snow outside.

Lastly, I just love it when we have a nice, warm dinner all together at home. It gives me so much joy.

"Winter is the most magical time of the year," I exclaim happily.
– Jean Kamara

Ow! Another sunburn! I wish we always had perfect Spring weather.

Firstly, Spring is the best season because all the germs stop spreading. Finally, no more coughing and sneezing!

Secondly, Spring is the best because of the perfect weather. Everyone is happy and joyful.

Lastly, Spring is the best season because all the flowers bloom and it is really nice. Nature awakens.

"Ah! My garden looks so nice. Thank you Jesus for this beautiful season," I say delighted.
– Moivabah Fofana

Silly Socks Fundraiser

On Friday 21 August, Year 7 students Bailey Robinson, Ishi Baraka and Pager Alaak, with the help and support of Mrs Greenwood, ran a Silly Sock fundraiser for the Hutt St Centre's Walk a Mile in My Boots campaign. Middle School students wore colourful and silly socks, and purchased a sausage sizzle lunch, with all the money going to this good cause. Some students also donated socks, beanies, scarves and toiletries. All together, Bailey and his team raised \$569.30 and 56 items of clothing.

On Wednesday 2 September, the boys and Mrs Greenwood visited the Hutt St Centre to make the donation. They met Mikayla York-Brown, the Events and Community Fundraising Coordinator, who thanked our students for their generosity and compassion. Mikayla was overwhelmed with happiness at the amount raised and the goods delivered. She made a special point about how useful the socks would be, as the Centre supports more than 200 people a day, and how socks were always in short supply. Mikayla told the boys that "kindness is contagious" and how their small act in doing the silly sock event was powerful because it would encourage other students to show kindness and compassion too.

The Hope Christian College Middle School is looking forward to a continued partnership with the Hutt St Centre, and hopes to be involved in these types of initiatives in the future.

Mrs Greenwood, Mr Penn, and the Middle school want to publicly acknowledge Bailey, Ishi and Pager. We are so proud of their heart for others, their thoughtfulness, and their leadership in supporting people less fortunate.



Lost Property

A reminder please, to check Lost Property whenever you have the chance. We have all sorts of drink bottles, containers, and jumpers waiting for their owners!

PARENTS' CORNER

FROM THE HEAD OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

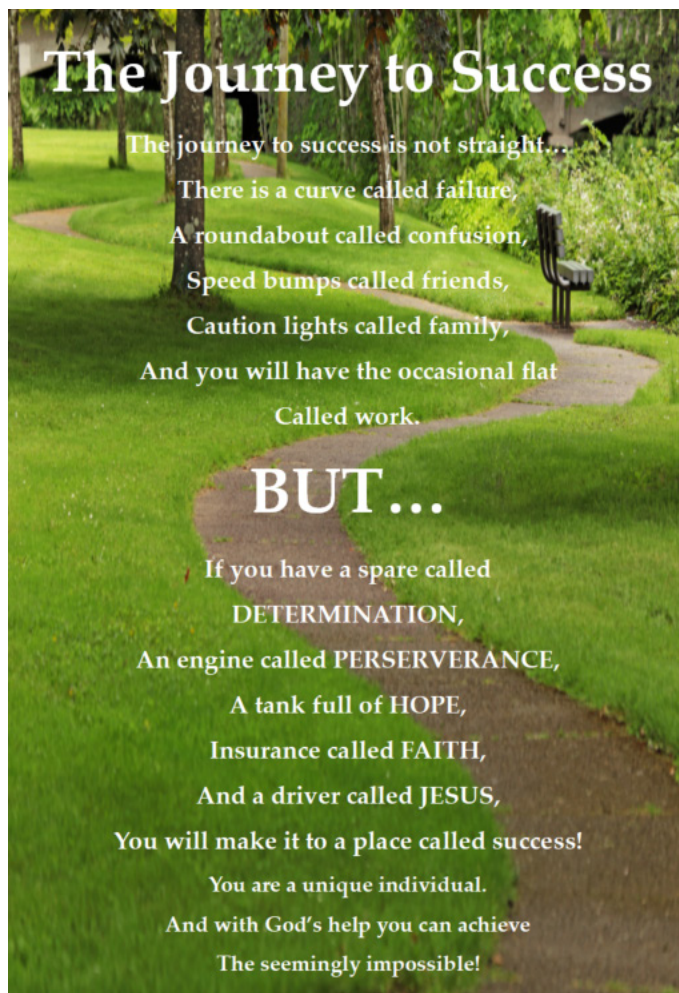
Devotional Thought

Secrets of Success When Developing the Whole Person in Life

"I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should." (1 Corinthians 9:27a)

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful." (2 Timothy 4:7)

"But the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control**. Against such things there is no law." (Galatians 5:22-23)



Mobile Phones, Incorrect Uniform, and Safe Driving. A Few Reminders...

Mobile Phones

Thank you to the vast majority of students who comply with the College's Mobile Phone Policy and turn their mobile phones off the moment they enter the College gates and keep them out of sight the whole of the day

until they leave the College gates. We really appreciate your compliance and support of College Policies which is expected.

For others who do not comply, 'Tough Love Consequences' now mean that any student who has their phone on or visible can expect it to be confiscated and be being issued with an After-Hours Detention from 3:30pm – 4:30pm at the earliest convenience. This has been in the SEQTA notices for students and parents to read recently. Further breaches will result in escalated consequences to help the student learn to comply and make the correct choices. Phone use at school is not necessary and parents are asked to keep their child's phone at home unless they need it for safety reasons when travelling to and/or from the College.

Uniform

A polite reminder that it is the responsibility of students to know the Uniform Policy and abide by it. As a condition of enrolment, parents are also expected to support the policy ensuring their child(ren) is dressed in the correct uniform and wearing it correctly when they leave the house, or car. For students who choose to wear their PE uniform on a day when they do not have PE, Health or Drama, they can expect to be issued with an After-School Detention the next school day. Jewelry items in breach of the uniform policy will be confiscated and only returned to a parent.

Safe Driving

You should have noticed the new signs in the two drop off roads at the front of the College. For the safety of everyone, particularly small young children, please abide by the 5 kph sign, and stop at the crossing as you would at any unbroken white line even when clear, and make sure you do not leave your vehicle in the four 'Kiss and Drop' spaces directly in front of the Admin building between 8am – 9am and 3pm – 4pm. If you need to visit the front office, please park somewhere else and walk. These spaces are purely for promptly dropping off your child and leaving quickly at these busy times.

Thank you for your cooperation, compliance and support!



Flinders Uni Visit

A group of 15 Senior School Students attended a visit to Flinders University on Fri 21 Aug. This was in lieu of attending the Open Day as most universities did not run physical Open Days this year due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Once at the Bedford Park campus, the group was welcomed by three student ambassadors, Hugo, Clarry and Helen, who escorted us to a lecture theatre. At first, students were given an introduction by Access Project Officer Bex Johnson, presenting general information about university life and why students would choose to study at Flinders University.

Next, Hope Christian College students had the opportunity to ask questions of the student ambassadors. Hugo was a medical student who began his pathway through studying medical science, Clarry was a student of Occupational Therapy and Helen was a Law student. Although the question time began slowly, it rapidly proceeded into a host of varied and relevant questions.

After that, students were escorted on a campus tour during a break in the weather, which ended at the Plaza. Here students were given the opportunity to eat lunch and take a break. After lunch, students were presented with an entertaining workshop entitled 'Psych Out', where various branches of psychology were outlined and our powers of observation were tested.

Feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive and they felt better informed about Flinders University study options.

Mrs Fay Alford (Pathways Coordinator)

Uni SA Presentation

Ellie Sander from UniSA presented to Senior School students on Tue 25 Aug during Community Lesson. She interpreted some of the acronyms used relating to university entrance such as SATAC (South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre) and ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank). Ellie also explained terms such as Prerequisites, Assumed Knowledge and Guaranteed Entry. Year 12 students who chose to attend the SATAC session, held recently on a Wednesday afternoon, were already familiar with these terms.

Ellie then spoke about different course areas within the university and pointed out some courses that were

offered exclusively by UniSA, e.g. Podiatry and Pharmacy. Students were given the opportunity to speak to Ellie individually and collect brochures relevant to their career interest.

Mrs Fay Alford (Pathways Coordinator)



Finance News

Fee Statements

Term 3 Fees were due for payment on the 14 of August and we thank all of our families who have made their payments. If you have not yet paid your Term 3 Fees or do not have a payment plan, these are now OVERDUE, please arrange payment as soon as possible.

If you are having difficulty meeting your fees, the College has Fee Relief available and may be able to assist. Please contact finance to arrange an appointment to discuss.

Family Code

Please remember to always 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 on-line 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.

School Banking is Back

If your child has previously participated in School Banking, or has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account, they can start banking straight away by bringing their Dollarmites deposit wallet to school on School Banking Day. If your child has lost their deposit wallet, please contact finance@hopecc.sa.edu.au or visit any Commonwealth Bank branch for a replacement.

School Banking Day will be THURSDAYS.

College Calendar - Important Dates

SEPTEMBER	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	WEEK
	6	7 Start Smart Year 6	8 Start Smart Year 7 Year 10 & 11 Grill'd Visit	9 Start Smart Year 8	10 Start Smart Year 9 Road Awareness Program Year 11	11	12	8
	13	14 Year 3/4 SACSA Boys and Girls Soccer Carnival	15 Year 5/6 SACSA Boys and Girls Soccer Carnival	16 Year 11 Camp Year 7/8 SACSA Boys and Girls Soccer Carnival	17 Year 11 Camp Year 3 National Motor Museum Year 12 Food & Hospitality Food Truck	18 Year 11 Camp JS Sports Day	19	9
	20	21	22 Fingerprint Expert Year 1,3 & 5 JS Parent/ Teacher Interviews	23 Year 9 Camp Year 8A Thorndon Park Orienteering Fingerprint Expert Year 2,3&8 Year 8B & 8C Geography Excursion	24 Year 9 Camp Year 8B Thorndon Park Orienteering Reception Farm Incursion	25 Year 9 Camp Year 8C Thorndon Park Orienteering Talent Quest JS LAST DAY OF TERM 3	26	10
	27	28 HOLIDAYS	29	30	1	2	3	