

Whyalla Secondary

Newsletter



Week 10, Term 2

Richman Principal's Welcome

Dear parents and caregivers,

It is hard to believe that we are about to finish our final week of term 2, with staff and students all looking forward to the upcoming school holidays.

Unfortunately I have to inform you of an incident that took place on school grounds recently. At lunchtime on Monday 4 July there was an altercation between a number of year 10 students during an intercollege soccer carnival game. The altercation was swiftly deescalated by referees and teachers before the game and carnival were abandoned. Parents of the students involved have been spoken with. Violence and aggression are not tolerated in our school, and appropriate disciplinary measures have been taken. The leadership group of the other school have been advised and will consider the behavioural consequences for their students. I am now reviewing all interschool sports carnival processes and procedures.

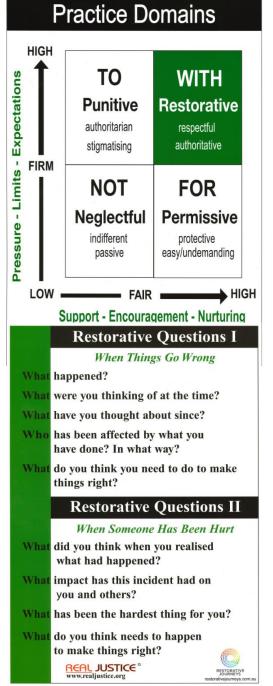
We have seen improved behaviour in recent weeks at the college and we will continue to work together as a community to see long term improvements for all students. The use of security guards within the school has provided positive support for staff, and after discussions with the Department for Education over the last week, they will continue to be in place in term 3.

At the start of semester 2 we created a flexible learning class for year 7 and year 9 students. These 2 classes have a focus on hands-on integrated learning which will see improved attendance and engagement for the students involved. These classes are a perfect example of ATRIUM pedagogy.

This term we say farewell to teaching staff David Povey and Sam Lewis and also SSO Natalie Walsh. I wish them well in their future positions and thank them for their work at the college. Also Henna Ahmedi who is about to commence maternity leave and Munsha Tatla who will be on long service leave for the remainder of the year. Congratulations to our Finance Officer Kate Warren on the recent birth of her daughter, Isla Grace.

I am very pleased to announce that new staff members Shareen Sami (Senior Leader Aboriginal Education), Rhys Moyne (Design & Technology), Brittany Styles (year 7/8 English/HASS), Courtney Perrier (ASETO), Geetha Nair (Year 9 English/HASS) and Jarrad Dunbar (curriculum SSO) will all be commencing work at the beginning of term 3.

On the recent student free day staff engaged in a Restorative Journeys PD facilitated by Kerrie Sellen. Kerrie's framework recognises that the ability to manage relationships is central to lifelong learning and success. The Socratic Method (asking questions) encourages self-reflection, creates the space to be heard and challenges negative behaviour in the context of its impact on others. This process cultivates the capacity to build and maintain significant relationships. On this page you will see a copy of Kerrie's practice domains and restorative questions. These are visible in every classroom and all staff are using them on a daily basis.



I would like to congratulate the year 7/8 girl's basketball team, who won the carnival in Adelaide last week. A huge achievement for the girls and the college. It is NAIDOC week this week. Thank you to our ASETO's for their organisation of activities this week.

Student reports will be available via the Daymap parent portal from today. For families without email they will be sent through the post. Stage 2 holiday sessions are being held in the holidays. Subjects and session times are contained within the newsletter. Stage 2 midyear exams will be held at the UniSA Whyalla campus between Monday 25 July and Friday 29 July.

Please note that the school will be open from Monday to Friday in both weeks of the school holidays between 8.30am and 4.30pm.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our school community a very relaxing and restful break.

We all look forward to seeing you on Monday 25 July. My quote for the start of next term is;

"Stop being afraid of what could go wrong and start being excited about what could go right"





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Updates

REPORTS

Reports will be live on the Daymap Parent Portal Friday 8 July. Families that do not have access to Daymap will have their reports posted to them. Other families wishing to have a report printed and posted to them can request this from the college by phoning 8668 9600.





IMPORTANT DATES

School holiday dates: Monday 11 to Friday 22 July Year 12 catch up sessions: Thursday 14 July to Friday 22 July Day 1 of term 3: Monday 25 July

Stage 2 exam week: Monday 25 to Friday 29 July

(week 1, term 3)

Year 12 formal: Friday 18 November (time and location to be confirmed)

Youth Opportunities graduation: Wednesday 27 July at 4pm in the Whyalla Secondary College Mount Laura Theatre

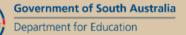
Governing Council: Wednesday 10 August at 7pm

Student free days: Monday 22 August & Friday 18 November

Open night and community open day: Dates to be announced







RAINBOW CUTTLEFISH PARADE ILLUMINATES WHYALLA

The Bait Fridge, a performance collective from Adelaide, is travelling to Whyalla in July to create a bright, loud, colourful parade with D'faces for Cuttlefest. From 11 July to 15 July, people of all ages and skill levels are invited to come in to D'faces and take part in building giant puppets and costumes for the Rainbow Cuttlefish Parade on the foreshore on Saturday 16 July. The Bait Fridge is a group of musicians and visual artists who make bold, imaginative costumes and puppets out of junk. Last year when they visited Whyalla, they built a large wearable garfish puppet from old cardboard and poly pipe, decorating it with drawings made by kids at the Unearth festival. This year's parade is set to be an explosion of colour and sound, with musicians from Slow Mango performing under the circular part of Whyalla Jetty as the sun sets. The puppets and costumes in the parade will celebrate the natural beauty of Whyalla and it's marine life.

See the parade from 3.30pm at Ada Ryan Gardens on Saturday 16 July, or find out more about the project at <u>www.dfaces.org</u> Contact Anastasia Beasley for more information <u>art@dfaces.net</u> or phone 0499 648 800.



7/8 REGIONAL KNOCK OUT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



Congratulations to our year 7/8 students who have been busy in Adelaide competing in the regional knockout basketball carnival. The team competed against other schools from around the state and won the final!



NICOLSON AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL VISIT

Whyalla Secondary College students assisted Nicolson Avenue Primary School students in learning how to prepare small meals and treats. The focus of the visit was to learn safety in the kitchen and basic cooking knowledge.





STEM GIRLS AT UNISA

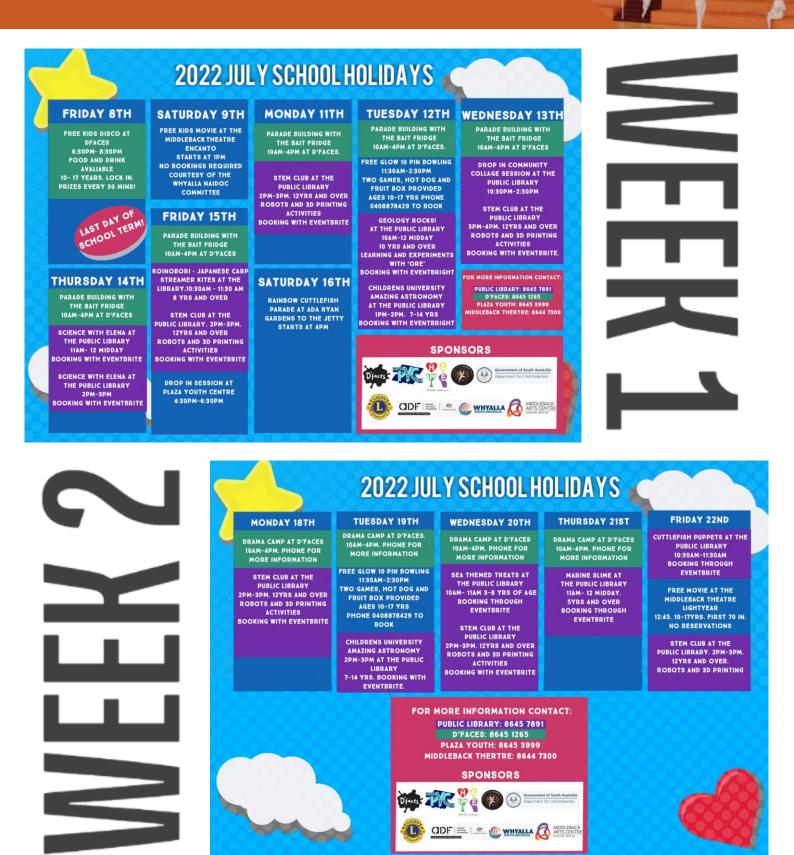
Students from Samaritan College, Whyalla Secondary College, St Joseph's School and John Pirie Secondary School had an opportunity to explore all things STEM related at the STEM girls academy hosted by UniSA Whyalla Campus.





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School Holidays Events







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NAIDOC Week



NAIDOC week celebrations are held across Australia to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. NADIOC community day was held to celebrate the importance of the week. Agencies were in attendance offering a variety of activities. Students and staff participated in arts and crafts, learned about NAIDOC week from information stalls, participated in giveaways and cooked kangaroo tail and damper in a fire pit.









GET UP! STAND UP! SHOW UP!





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arrive at WSC at least 15 minutes prior to the exam start time so they can be escorted to UniSA by their teacher. Further information has been sent to stage 2 families by the year 11 / 12 Assistant Principal Dr Alexandra Holeva. Students must

3:30	2:40-3:30	1:50-2:40	1:20-1:50	12:30-1:20	11:40-12:30	11:10-11:40	10:20-11:10	9:30-10:20	9:00-9:30	8:30-9:00	
After School	6	5	Lunch	4 Psychology	3 Psychology	Recess	2 Specialist Maths	1 Specialist Maths	Care Group /Ind Study E 3.2.18		Monday
	2:40 After School Meetings	7		5 Biology	5 Biology	Tuesday 9:00-10:20 Extended Care Group (7-12) 3.2.18 3		Tuesday			
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	7 Physics	4 Physics		6	5		2	1	Care Group /Ind Study E 3.2.18		Friday

Whyalla Secondary College Stage 2 Mid Year Exam Timetable

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Stage 2 teachers are providing tutoring sessions to assist students. Students attending must wear their school uniform and appropriate footwear as this is a formal learning activity on school grounds. Students will need to sign in and out at the front office to comply with WHS procedures. They will also need to bring their own food/drink to the sessions as the canteen is closed during the school holidays.

	Stage 2 catch up sessions									
Week 1	Date	Subject/Class	Teacher	Time						
School	14.07.22	Psychology	Sarah Hemming	9:30-12:00						
Holidays.	(Thursday)									
	14.07.22	Rec Physical Education	James Fox	9:30-12:00						
	14.07.22	General Mathematics (Teams meeting)	Jeshurun Tan	9:30-12:00						
	14.07.22	Physics (Teams meeting)	Jeshurun Tan	12:00-2:30						
	14.07.22	Chemistry	Sarah Hemming	12:00-2:30						
	15.07.22	Physical Education	James Fox	10:30-1:30						
	(Friday)									
	15.07.22	Health Science	James Fox	9:30-12:00						
	15.07.22	 Psychology Chemistry Stage 2 RP 	Sarah Hemming	9:30-12:00						
	15.07.22	PsychologyChemistryStage 2 RP	Sarah Hemming	12:00-2:30						
Week 2	21.07.22	English	Rebecca Walton	9:30-12:00						
School Holidays.	(Thursday)	r It-It	Delesso Welters							
	21.07.22	English	Rebecca Walton	12:00-2:30						
	21.07.22	Specialist Maths	Jake Miell	9:30-12:00						
	21.07.22	Mathematical Methods	Jake Miell	12:00-2:30						
	21.7.22	Visual Art/Digital Pub Photography	Pete Beer	9:30-12:00						
	21.7.22	Visual Art/Digital Pub Photography	Pete Beer	12:00-2:30						
	22.07.22	Biology	Emma Hage	9:30-12:00						
	(Friday)									
	22.07.22	Visual Art/Dig Pub Photography	Pete Beer	9:30-12:00						
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	22.07.22	English	Rebecca Walton	9:30-12:00						
	22.07.22	Biology	Emma Hage	12:00-2:30						
	22.07.22	Food and Hospitality	Mel Kober	12:00-2:30						
	22.07.22	Essential Maths	Punam Singh	12:00-2:30						