

Principal's Welcome



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Important Dates

Subject Selections

Monday 21 August – Friday 8 September

Sports Day

Monday 4 September Athletics (pm)

Tuesday 5 September Whole School

Red Day

Tuesday 5 September

Whyalla Town Primary School

Transition

Wednesday 6 September

Pupil Free Day

Thursday 7 September

School Closure Day

Friday 8 September

Operation Flinders

Tuesday 12 – Wednesday 20 September

SAASTA Academy Day at Cowell AS

Tuesday 12 September

Learning Conversations 4–6.30pm

Tuesday 12 September

Finance /Governing Council

Wednesday 13 September

R U OK? Day

Thursday 14 September

Dear parents and caregivers,

As we prepare to send out this edition of the newsletter, many staff have taken Industrial Action today. I thank our AEU Subbranch Secretary Alistair for keeping me informed and up to date about this process. As you know the college was open today offering a modified program to our students.

The college has celebrated many great achievements over the past 2 weeks including;

- Wear it Purple Day!
- SAASTA community afternoon
- VET block week
- PPEP presentation for year 10 girls
- SSO week
- Year 7 transition visits to the college (Long Street, Hincks Avenue, Memorial Oval, Whyalla Stuart & Fisk Street Primary Schools)
- Year 9/10 netball finals in Adelaide
- Spencer Gulf beach excursion
- SASPA presentation in Adelaide
- Stage 2 Outdoor Ed Bushwalk Camp in Melrose
- Year 10 catch up immunisation clinic
- GFG Foundation excursion to the Whyalla Port Facility for some of our year 7/8 students
- Year 12 Rec HPE coaching clinics at Nicolson Avenue Primary School.

Last week myself and the Year 7/8 Assistant Principal Pete Usher presented at the SASPA conference in Adelaide where we shared our journey about being an ATRIUM pilot school. We received a lot of positive feedback and a number of Principals have approached us about coming to visit the College to see our ATRIUM pedagogy in action.

In HR news I would like to announce that the following staff have won positions outside of the college next year;

- Andrew Dunn, Principal Springbank Secondary College
- Munsha Tatla, Daily Organisation at Christies Beach High School
- Belinda McEvoy, Leader Yankalilla Area School

The following staff have won positions at the college for 2024;

- Melissa Kober, Senior Leader Student Pathways/VET
- Justin Pool, Senior Leader SWD/One Plans
- Anthony Wilkinson, Year 7 Leader (three-year tenure)
- Ema Botei, Flexible Learning Leader (three-year tenure)
- Jake Miell, Daily Organisation/Timetable (three-year tenure)
- Rav Padayachi, Daily Organisation/Timetable

Our 2024 Sports Day activities start on Monday with students participating in athletics events between 11.45am – 3.30pm. Students will participate in the 1500m and other longer duration events. Normal classes will occur during this allotted time with students only being required on the oval for the key events. Events will continue on Tuesday 5 September with whole school activities and Red Day foods which will be available from the canteen and food vendors. Please note that the mobile phone policy will apply on both days.

A reminder that Thursday 7 September is a pupil free day and Friday 8 September is a school closure day. Students do not come to school on either of these days and the school will be closed on the Friday.

Other important events include our learning conversations on Tuesday 12 September from 4.00–6.30pm. Parent and caregivers are invited to visit the college, learn our pedagogy, explore our college and connect with teaching staff. If you wish to book a subject counselling appointment please ring your student's year level student services on 8668 9600 who can assist you in booking a timeslot on the same evening.

My quote for this newsletter is:

"Results happen over time, not overnight. Work Hard, Stay Consistent and be Patient"

College Updates

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School fees

Materials and Services charges are now overdue. Friendly reminders are being sent to all families with outstanding invoices. School Card is available for low income families and independent full time students studying year 10, 11 and 12.

School card forms are available at Student Services/Front Office or you can also apply online:

SA.GOV.AU - School Card scheme (www.sa.gov.au)

Action Network

The South Australian Student Representative Council (SA SRC) is a student body consisting of Years 10, 11 and 12 from across South Australia, working together to create student-led change within their own communities. There are two main campaigns in the SA SRC. Elysia & Tyson are involved in two campaigns, "Free fares for our Future" which aims at free public transport for all students. The second campaign is "Fitness for Free" which aims to get free access to gyms and recreation centres for all high school students which is designed to act as a way to help young people's personal wellbeing. Elysia and Tyson met with Peter Borda on Wednesday the 16th of August where we discussed Whyalla's future and got recommendations moving forward. In addition to this, we met with Whyalla business owners at the monthly Whyalla Business Breakfast to share our visions and background. Through our initial meeting with Peter we established "Fitness under the fig tree" a weekly walk or fitness in the foreshore where anyone is welcome. You'll find us near the Seaview cafe Wednesday mornings at 6:45am. Our campaign petitions are also now live at bit.ly/freefaressa and bit.ly/fitnessforfreesa



SAASTA Community Event

The Stage 2 SAASTA students ran their Community Event with great success last week. Students invited local health services, family members and significant community members into the school to learn about SAASTA and what the students have been doing in class. They prepared a healthy feed for the guests and spent time getting to know each other. It was awesome to have Cowell Area School's SAASTA Connect students and staff attend too.



MENU

SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

(ALL MEALS SERVED WITH MANGO TANGO CRUSH SMOOTHIE)

SAVOURY BREAKFAST MUFFIN

CAULIFLOWER, HAM, BACON, CHEESE, SPRING ONION

MIXED BERRY CREPE:

VANILLA CREPE WITH MIXED BERRIES CREAM CHEESE FILLING TOPPED WITH RASPBERRY COULIS

WSC SMASHED:

SMASHED AVOCADO, POACHED EGG, TOPPED WITH ROCKET, BALSAMIC GLAZE, PISTACHIO & COCONUT DUKKAH



Students undertaking Certificate II in Commercial Cookery prepared a brunch last Thursday and a lunch last Friday for some very lucky staff members. They created menus, prepared and cooked all the food. This was a great experience for staff and students here at the college. Well done to all students involved.

Sports Day!

Monday 4 September (pm)
Sports Day - Athletics

Tuesday 5 September Sports Day
Whole School and Red Day