



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The year 9 and 10 students have had a busy start to the year, settling into their new classes, getting to know their new teachers, and engaging in their learning and chosen subjects.

Year 10s have begun their first SACE subject and new course of Exploring Identities and Futures. The course has generated great discussions from students as they engage in the learning activities and unpack the set tasks.

Georgie Christian Year 9/10 Assistant Principal



Lachlan Combes Year 9 Leader



Scott King Year 10 Leader



We have had a number of community and outside organisations present, offering opportunities, programs, lunchtime activities and information sessions to the year 9 and 10 students. These include GFG, Sammy D foundation, Youth Opportunities, Centacare and Headspace. SAASTA students also had a visit from The Power Community Team, who ran workshops with the students.

Looking ahead, the wellbeing team and student leadership have begun organising their first House Madness day. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours and get involved in a wide rage of activities organised for the morning. World Down Syndrome Day will be recognised and celebrated with Care Group activities and a coloured sock day, the year 9/10 Boys cricket trip Wednesday 13 March in Port Pirie, the first Learning conversations evening of 2024 will be held on 26 March, and year 9 Adventures camp will run in weeks 10 and 11.

We have enjoyed seeing our students engage in this terms opportunities and are excited to see what else is to come throughout the year.

Do you follow our official Whyalla Secondary College Facebook and Instagram pages or are you connecting through our school newsletter or website? We are connecting with families through multiple platforms to provide regular updates of the events and learning opportunities with a range of videos, photos and news stories.

Connecting to our college



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Our recent Year 9 and 10 assemblies celebrated those students who have been exemplifying our school values. Well done to those students who received an award.

### Year 9 Integrity

• 9A Kurt Smith 9B Nada Ali

9C Billie Dunn

- 9D Abbie Main-Rae
  - 9E Makaelah White
- 9F Carly Giles-Jones

- Year 10 Inclusion
- 10A Amayah Cockroft
   10D Hannah Murphy
  - 10E Elliot Ruff
- 10C Corey Barber

10B Legion Clarke

• 10F Tigalillee Gale

# **Connecting to Daymap and Edpass Portal from Home**

### Daymap

how to video via our website.

## EdPass Portal

From the Edpass portal, any student will be able to access all applications assigned to them by the department. This will include the office 365 application suite. Within this environment, no applications are needed to the be installed on the local device as all applications are cloud based.

The Core applications WSC utilise are:

'Microsoft Office 365 Mail' - for communication to and from teachers. 'Microsoft Office 365 Teams' - for classroom activities.

'Microsoft Office 365 OneDrive' - Syncing files to and from the School.

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# **Media Consent Form**

Due to The Department for Education updating the Media Consent Form, we are asking all families to complete the attached form for each of their student/s. The form clearly explains the 3 levels of consent, Full consent, Partial consent & Limited consent and the areas covered within them. Any forms not returned to the school, it will be assumed NO consent is given. Please return the forms to dl.1035.info@schools.sa.edu.au or drop them into Reception as soon as possible.

Link here - Media Consent Form

Connect to the portal or watch the

Community Update

### **GFG Foundation Student Programme**

We had guest speakers from GFG present about an opportunity for students to apply to participate in the GFG Foundation student programme. The GFG Foundation programme focuses on supporting students, to reach their potential and strengthen industries and local communities by boosting skills and employment prospects. The Foundation runs an after-school programme in areas that GFG Alliance has a significant

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https://author.csiro.au/en/education/Programs/GFG-Foundation-Students



This term our first 2 groups of 20, year 10 students have had the opportunity to apply to participate in Youth Opportunities. Through the delivery of world-class evidence-based personal leadership programs, Youth Opportunities provides a unique interception of socialemotional learning, enterprise skill development, and positive mental health outcomes. Combined with our wrap-around support services, the programs reduce barriers that hold young people back from achieving their potential. Along with valuable learning and experiences

the students who graduate from the program are rewarded with 20 SACE credits. We are excited to see the growth these students make throughout the program.



# Young Women LEAD (Lead. Empower and Develop)

Facilitated group sessions helping young women (aged 15 -25) to build resilience, grow confidence, nurture wellbeing and develop life skills in a relaxed and supportive environment.

Want more infol



Contact Cass on 0458 050 272 or email cward@cccsa.org.au to register your interest or for further enquiries.

15/03/2024

Workforce Australa Local Jobs is funded by the Australian Government Department of Employment and Workplace Relations



## Young Women Lead

For the second year running, our female year 10 students have the opportunity to participate in Centacare's Young women LEAD Program.

The program supports students to build resilience, grow confidence, nurture wellbeing and develop life skill, along with gaining 10 SACE credits for completion.

## **Sammy D Foundation**

Year 9s and 10s participated in a presentation and workshops held by the Sammy D foundation who delivered their prevention programs that work towards changing the attitudes of young people on the impacts of bullying, and violence and alcohol fuelled violence.





Bullying Prevention Education Violence Prevention Education

Alcohol and Other Drugs Education Challenging Societies Conceptions of Manhood and Masculinity





Upcoming Events NAPLAN - 13-25 March World Down Syndrome Awareness Day and Harmony Daycoloured socks day- 21 March Learning Conversations Evening - 26 March 5:30-7:30pm Good Friday - 29 March & Easter Monday - 1 April House Madness Morning, House colours & Red food day-Tuesday April 2



IT'S WORLD DOWN SYNDRO



As a part of the year 9 program at Whyalla Secondary College, students have the opportunity to participate in a 4-day Adventure Camp Experience in Port Lincoln. This camp supports the development of relationships, team building, personal growth and inclusion through a variety of educational and recreational activities. Therefore, all students are strongly encouraged to attend.

#### Dates:

Camp 1 - Care Groups A, B & F: Tuesday 2 April - Friday 5 April (Tuesday-Friday, Week 10, Term 1) Camp 2 - Care Groups C, D & E: Monday 8 April - Thursday 11 April (Monday-Thursday, Week 11, Term 1)

### Activities:

Throughout the week students will partake in a variety of activities. Activities will consist of aquatics including surfing, stand up paddle boarding, kayaking, snorkelling, sand boarding, Glen Forest animal park, orienteering and Xtreme Kites & Paddle beach activities. Back at camp students will have the chance to play sports, watch movies and participate in a range of games organised by the teachers.

#### Food:

All meals will be provided, except for a packed lunch which is required on the first day of each camp. If there are any specific food requirements/allergies please include these on your child's medical form.

### Total Cost:

The cost will be \$285 for each student. This fee covers accommodation, food, transport and activities.

