

Principal's Welcome



Tricia Richman

Important Dates

Pupil Free Day / Mabo Day
Monday 3 June

Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
Tuesday 4 to Wednesday 5 June

**Olympian Nick Timmings
Year 7/8 Presentation**
Thursday 6 June

King's Birthday Public Holiday
Monday 10 June

Stage 1 Exams (UniSA)
Tuesday 11 to Friday 14 June

Year 10 Cuttlefish Kayaking
Tuesday 11 June

Year 10/11 IPP Information Session
Tuesday 11 June (theatre) 5pm

Stage 1 & 2 Bushwalking Camp
Wednesday 12 to Friday 14 June

Year 7-12 Girl's Knockout Football
Thursday 13 June (Whyalla)

Clontarf Year 10/11 Camp
Wednesday 19 to Friday 21 June

Year 10-12 ACE Expo (Port Augusta)
Wednesday 19 June

Finance & Governing Council
Wednesday 19 June

Year 7-10 Boy's Knockout Football
Thursday 20 June (Whyalla)

VET Block Week
Monday 24 to Friday 28 June

Year 8 Urban Experience Camp
Monday 24 to Thursday 27 June

Year 12 Formal
Friday 28 June

Dear parents and caregivers,

Welcome to the first newsletter for term 2.

Highlights during the first half of this term have included our house madness activities morning, Do it For Dolly awareness day, our career expo and various camps including the SAASTA power cup.

A personal highlight for me would have to be last week when I attended a presentation at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre for year 11 student Sofie when she received her Dame Roma Mitchell Scholarship. I was so proud and very honoured to see Sofie on stage representing the college with such pride. Sofie was absolutely amazing and when speaking to the Department for Education CE Martin Westwell, both her responses and interaction were fantastic.

This story, along with so many others are featured on our Facebook page and I encourage all families to have a look at the many amazing things that happen at the college on a daily basis.

Last week the college was notified that we have been nominated for the 2024 SA Child Protection Awards Regional Impact section. This is in recognition for the work we do for our children and young people in care. We are delighted to have received the nomination and to be recognised for this work. Watch this space to see how we go!

This term we farewell SSO's Keli Eldridge and Liz Barnard-Brown. We wish Liz all the very best in her retirement. We have also farewelled ASETO's Tayla Abinett-Cartwright and Chiquita Liddell. We wish Chicky all the very best for her new adventure with Shooting Stars and Tayla for her new role in Port Augusta.

Today also marks the final day for our placement teachers. It has been fantastic to have them all as part of the college team and I am very excited that some will be returning to us soon.

Deputy Principal Christina Nicholas and I are really excited to announce that Ms Jenna Macdonald has won the Leader Band B4 Alternative Curriculum leader position. Jenna has a wealth of curriculum knowledge and experience and is going to add strength and experience to our leadership team. We feel very fortunate to have her with us. Jenna is the current Principal at Melrose Primary School, so her start date will be Monday 24 June. She will however be attending our PD day on Monday, so staff will all get to meet her then.

I am also pleased to announce that there are 15 students who are currently sitting at 100% attendance. Those students, who are listed on the next page have each been awarded a \$10 voucher which can be redeemed at the school canteen.

The year 12 senior hoodies arrived last week. For any family still wishing to order one, this can be done via the portal <https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/whyalla.../> which closes on Wednesday 5 June. It should be noted that limited sizes are available.

It should also be noted that it is a pupil free day next Monday 3 June. Students do not come to school on this day and staff will be involved in a PD day which is being run by Connected Self.

Also, our year 11 and 12 students have the option of studying from home on Tuesday 4 June. This information was emailed to families earlier this week.

My quote for this newsletter is:

"You never lose, you either win or learn."

NAIDOC Week
Monday 1 to Friday 5 July

Last Day of Term 2
Friday 5 July (2.30pm dismissal)

Health Science Camp
Tuesday 2 to Friday 5 July

Stage 2 Exams
Monday 22 to Friday 26 July

Year 11/12 Outdoor Ed Snorkelling
Thursday 4 July (Point Lowly)

Sports Day
Monday 26 (pm) and Tuesday 27 August

College Updates

SAASTA Power Cup

Congratulations to our SAASTA Power Cup students who have done the college proud in Adelaide this week. They not only made the top 5 for the road safety video, but also went on to win the best banner design and both our boys and girls made the grand finals meaning they played on Adelaide Oval! We lost the grand finals but this is another great achievement for our academy. We are very proud of the students who attended! See our Facebook page next week for more photos.



Dame Roma Mitchell 2024 Scholarship

On Wednesday 22 May year 11 student Sofie attended the Adelaide Entertainment Centre with Senior Leader Aboriginal Education Mitch Jackman and Principal Tricia Richman (both pictured) along with her family to receive a scholarship. Sofie's hard work over the past 2 years has been testament to her winning this scholarship. Both the college and her family are incredibly proud of her, and we are all very excited to see what's next! 🎉



HOUSE MADNESS DAY



100% Attendance

\$10
Canteen Voucher

limited item

Students listed below can see canteen staff to find out how to redeem their voucher.

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| Liam Laurie 7A | Jarrad John Moore-Crofts 10B |
| Xavier Todd 7C | William Dawson 7A |
| Shelby Forsyth 7D | Ruby Stringer 7B |
| Amelia Parker 7D | Makenzie Schroeder 7B |
| Dion Cardy-Watson 7E | Kodhyn Searle 9C |
| Emma Dawson 7F | Elysia Parker 12 |
| Paityn Connor-Grantham 8A | Jack Stringer 12 |
| Carly Marie Rennie 8A | |