Dear Parents and Caregivers

‘In a breakfast of Bacon and Eggs it can be said that the chicken is involved but the pig is committed.’ This is a quote I have remembered for many years, one I heard at a training and development I was participating in. I am not sure when I heard this or who I first heard it from but it is one of things that stick in your memory for a very long time. Why share this with you? Well learning is a process that involves engagement in what you are doing, attention to what you are learning and an overall commitment to being successful (being the pig). Learning is not a process where you can sit on the sidelines and just contribute the occasional egg.

The teaching staff at Henley are committed to developing Quality teaching experiences that engage students in their learning and have spent a large part of the past 4 years designing and refining learning activities and programs that are aimed at providing the best outcomes for modern learners. Each year we see changes in the students who come in to the school and their approaches to and preferences for learning. One constant in the modern classroom is the impact that the distraction caused by the use of electronic devices can have on a carefully designed learning activity. Mobile phones and access to programs like Skype are proving to be a distraction for students, particularly in the Middle School where the students are less skilled at prioritising what they should be paying attention to. The easy option in this case and one that is often promoted in the media is a ban on mobile phones in school and blocking access to these messaging programs. The downside of this approach is that banning them can deny student access to technologies which can provide excellent learning experiences that are unable to be achieved effectively in other ways; for example communicating with students from an international school in languages classes, taking photos of your experiment in science or your steps in preparing a meal in home economics so that you can critically evaluate your processes and results.

We feel that students need to become good ‘digital citizens’ and learn when it is appropriate to access these technologies and when it is not. Over the next weeks you will no doubt here about the ‘off and away’ rule that will be enforced in years 8 and 9 where the teachers will only allow the students to have their mobile phones out of their locker when they are specifically being used in a learning activity. We will also be enforcing a no Skype rule as this is being used inappropriately by some students during lesson time which is distracting them from their learning. As you can imagine implementing these for over 500 students is a difficult task and so we ask that you support the development of responsible ‘digital citizens’ by modelling this behaviour for the students in your care. Please do not message your child during lesson time and expect that they can respond as this will only lead to conflict in the classroom, contacting Student Services is the best way to get urgent messages to your child, other communication can wait until break time or when school finishes. We thank you for your help on this.

Last week we had the opportunity to have our first whole school assembly for the year, getting 1350 students seated into the hall is an interesting logistical exercise. At this assembly we were able to celebrate the achievement of the 2015 Dux, Kendall Jenner, welcome our new international students and present our 2016 Prefects with their very smart looking red blazers, congratulations to Olivia Coppick, Georgia Doecke, Alex Linz, Leon Mccalla, Natasha Woodall, Jackson White and Tina Zeng. We were also able to present the 2016 Student Executive to the student body. The Student Executive was chosen through a rigorous application process in 2015. This process proved to be much more difficult than anyone thought it would be due to the high quality of the applicants who applied. The purpose of the Student Executive is to be the representative body of the students at Henley, they are the ones who convey student opinions and concerns directly to the Principal on behalf of their peers, and they also are able to provide feedback on policy or process decision making that impacts on students. Congratulations to Amy Edgar Barcelo, Cameron Egger, Ruby Hickman, Kai Neagle, Trinity Tytler Kelly, Blake Robertson and Naomi Wang who are the Student Executive for 2016.

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The Governing Council serves much the same purpose for the parent body as the Student Executive does for the student body. They are the representative voice for Henley HS parents and carers, provide advice and input into policy and process decision making and can play an important role in representing the whole school to the government of the day on important issues that affect the school. On Wednesday night, this week, Henley HS conducted its AGM where we formed the Governing Council for 2016. We would like to sincerely thank the returning parent members Helen Atkinson, Diana Bradley, Peter Evans, Roddy Higgins, Rohan Smith, Dean Stevens, Kylie Stevens and Julie Westmacott and warmly welcome new members Chris Jones, Michele Akeroyd, Ken Burns and Kerry Phillis. We would also like to congratulate Peter Evans on once again being voted in as the Governing Council Chair.

Anthony van Ruiten
Principal

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LAPTOP PAYMENTS

Please be reminded that all outstanding laptop payments are due by the end of term 1, Friday 15th April unless other arrangements have been made.

Any queries relating to payments should be directed to the Finance Office on 8355 7000.

All other laptop queries can be directed to Nat Harrison via email nat.harrison@henleyhs.sa.edu.au.

CANTEEN

Our school has a large, well-equipped canteen to provide healthy and nutritious food for staff and students at recess and lunch times. We follow the Right Bite Education Program and offer a varied menu. No foods are fried or deep fried and ALL items sold are low in fat and salt content.

The Staff in the Canteen are willing to assist any Students who may have allergy problems and with advice can arrange, through ordering to accommodate these.

EFTPOS is available to use, there is a minimum spend of $5.

Please do not hesitate to contact the canteen on 8355 7040 if you require any further information.

ATTENTION STUDENTS

800m and 1500m Events for Sports Day
Week 6
Tuesday Lesson 1 – 1500m
Thursday Lesson 2 – 800m
Students must go to their lesson first and then they will meet at the hall.
HOMESTAYS WANTED FOR STUDY TOURS

Due to the growth and diversity of our International Program we are constantly looking for families to host students from various countries.

As a local family hosting an international student, you will have the chance to:

- learn about other cultures, customs and traditions
- make lifelong friendships with your student and their family
- participate in activities and meet other host families
- explore fun things to see and do in South Australia

Homestay families are paid approximately $250 per week to host a student.

Our International Student Program depends on the warm hospitality of the Henley High School community. If you are willing to host students or are interested in more information please contact Mandy Matz, via email mandy.matz@henleyhs.sa.edu.au or phone 8355 7007.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the International Office during school hours on 8355 7007.

Thank you for your continued support.

Naomi Bond
Assistant Principal, International and Languages

REFLECTIONS OF A HOMESTAY

"Being a homestay family is an enriching experience. You share the joy of seeing these young people gain confidence in their use of the English language and develop new skills during their time at our school. You develop long lasting friendships, learn about other cultures and share your's with them.

We have had students from various countries for a few weeks through to a full school year. Together we have baked a cake, watched a movie, made sushi, gone shopping, sightseeing, holidaying, camping and a host of other experiences.

If you have a spare room and a bed, with time in your family, for a new young friend, give it a go."

Homestay Family
MIDDLE SCHOOL SAUSAGE SIZZLE

On Tuesday, the 16th of February, almost 400 Middle School students and parents attended a Sausage Sizzle in the Middle School courtyard. The barbecue, cooked by our amazing staff, gave parents the opportunity to meet their child’s Mentor Teacher and Sub School Manager. Feedback from the parents on the night was extremely positive. The Mentor teachers appreciated the opportunity to meet parents so early in the school year and commence these important relationships. Thank you all of the teachers who helped cook 60 kilograms of sausages and to all of the Mentors who hosted information sessions for the parents. We hope to continue developing positive relationships with our students and parents / caregivers throughout the year.

Jade Ambler
Middle School Coordinator

OPEN DAY
Wednesday 23rd March

Principal’s address followed by guided tours at 9.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm, 3.45pm, 4.45pm & 6pm

All welcome. No RSVP necessary. For more information please refer to our website www.henleyhs.sa.edu.au or call Henley High School on 8355 7000.
MEET THE STAFF
Each Newsletter we will introduce you to a few of the Henley High School Staff Members

SONYA ARNOLD
Position: Mathematics Coordinator
How long have you worked at HHS: 3 years
Number of years teaching: 3 Years at Secondary Level and 10 Years at Tertiary Level
Previous experience/ schools: 10 Years as a Course Coordinator and Academic in the School of Engineering and Computer Science at UniSA.
Describe what you do: I Coordinate the Mathematics faculty at Henley. This includes curriculum development and the setting of our course structures and sequences. I also work on making sure all students are receiving Quality Teaching in maths based on current best practices.
What subjects do you teach: Middle school maths and science as well as Stage 1 and 2 Maths Studies
Why did you choose to teach in this area: I love maths. I think this comes from my enjoyment of puzzles and riddles as a child. Maths is a subject that opens up so many exciting career opportunities and provides students with the skills to make a real difference in the world.
The job opportunities for students studying STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subjects are numerous and international. That's pretty amazing.
Career aspirations: At the moment I love my current role but I'm open to any opportunity that allows me to be involved in education of secondary students.
Tell us 3 non work facts about you: I love Haighs Chocolate, doing yoga and reading.

GRANT REEVES
Position: SSO in the Lyn Wright Supported Learning Centre (SLC)
How long have you worked at HHS: This will be my 5th year
Number of years with DECD: I started working for DECD as an SSO in Oct 2007
Previous experience/ schools: North Haven and West Lakes Shore Primary Schools working with students providing 1:1 support.
In a previous life I was a motor mechanic, a LMVD and the regional sales rep for an well known international company.
Describe what you do: I have the good fortune to be able to work with a group of very special students in the Supported Learning Centre (SLC).
My role changes daily as the need arises from supporting students on sporting events and excursions to assisting them in the classroom.
Supporting teachers in implementing new strategies developed in the unit through consultation with support agencies to aid in the education of students with special needs.
Career aspirations: I have just completed my CERT IV in Education Support. My ambition is to further my knowledge and ability to support children with intellectual and/or physical disabilities (obviously at Henley High ), by continuing to study new technology and the positive impact on students with special needs.
I have a lifelong commitment to this challenge as I have a son who has Autism and have seen the benefits technology (coupled with quality support) has provided him.
Tell us 3 non work facts about you: Having played for several local football clubs I have a love of Aussie Rules. I am a Power Crows supporter. I'll only know who I really barrack for when the Crows and Power meet in a Grand Final.
I love documentaries about the origins of life, universe, animals, major historical events that shaped the world and the many alternate theories on these topics.
I love milk, milk chocolate and eating Milo and Horlicks straight from my own personal tin/jar, and Chocolate Tiny Teddies.
**JYE DODD**

Congratulations to Jye Dodd on his EAA Continuing School Scholarship! Jye was proactive and sought his own Scholarship through Engineering Aid Australia! Jye is part of the IAESS [Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School] alumni which were granted an award for continuing through to year 12. Jye has some great opportunities ahead and we wish him all the best in his journey towards an Engineering Degree in the near future! Keep up the great work Jye!

Tash Farrier
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Manager

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**IZAK RANKINE**

You may have seen last year that Izak Rankine was in the top 5 out of 1500 students from Australia in the AIME’s Got Game competition. With thousands of votes cast only 5 were chosen and Henley High School’s Izak Rankine was one of them! What does this mean? Well on the 5th of February the AIME [Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience] anthem went live!

Tune into facebook.com/aimementoring.com to see Izak’s music video debut!

Or click on “watch the video”

Congratulations Izak!!

Tash Farrier
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Manager
HOWARD MUTTON AWARD

Since the early 80’s, Secondary School Sport South Australia (SSSSA) has awarded a trophy each year to a Metropolitan and Country Secondary School gaining the greatest aggregate of points for outstanding PARTICIPATION and ACHIEVEMENTS in Sport in SSSSA’s Inter-School Programs. The award is named after the late Howard Mutton who was a pioneer for the cause of Physical Education in South Australian schools during the 1960’s, 70’s and 80’s. He was chief superintendent of Physical Education and at his prime played Sheffield Shield Cricket for SA.

The following criteria, each of equal value, are used:
1. Involvement and Success in Local Zone Sport.
2. Involvement and Success in State Championships.
3. Involvement and Success in State-wide Knockout Competitions

In 2015, Henley High School entered and successfully competed in a wide range of sporting competitions against many secondary schools throughout South Australia. The following achievements were amongst the highlights of an outstanding year of sport at Henley High School:

- 10 State-wide Knockout Championships (In A1 Boys Athletics, Yr 10 Boys Basketball, 8/9 Boys Football, 8/9 Boys Hockey, Open Boys Hockey, Open Mixed Hockey, Open Boys Cricket, Open Boys Team Triathlon, Yr 10 Boys Soccer and Yr 8/9 Girls Indoor Soccer)
- 4 Western Zone Weekly sport premierships, and 6 zone carnival wins including Hockey, Basketball, Lawn Bowls and Netball.
- Fantastic results in both ‘A’ grade SSSSA Interschool Swimming (5th overall) and Track & Field championships (5th overall)
- A large number of students in SSSSA State teams and in SSSSA representative teams

Due to this outstanding participation and our levels of success, Henley High has again been named as the winner of the prestigious Metropolitan Howard Mutton Award for 2015. This is the fourth year in a row Henley High has won this award and it is a credit to the students involved, the staff who assist and the support from our outstanding community.

We congratulate all of our students and staff who have been an integral part of our successful involvement in School Sport in recent years.

James Treagus
Manager – Sport & Major Events

SPECIALIST SPORT PROGRAM

The Specialist Sport Program at Henley High School has been established to assist talented student athletes to further develop their level of performance and knowledge. The program includes:

- Specialised Coaches
- Coaching and officiating certificates
- Analysis of performance

Applications for the program open on Monday 1st February and close on Friday 1st April for Students commencing Year 8 in 2017. Please refer to our website below for details.

For more information please visit our website
http://www.henleyhs.sa.edu.au/section/programs/specialist-sports-program/program-entry
SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2015

On Tuesday 23rd February over 500 students made their way to the State Aquatic Centre at Marion for our Swimming Carnival for 2016. Once again staff and students were impressed with the facilities and it is a bit of a buzz being in the marshalling areas used by Olympians past and present.

This year the program was full, with four novelty events being run in between the more traditional events. Points were allocated to every swimmer in all events, and three shields were up for grabs: Middle School, Senior School and Overall. The atmosphere in the centre was excellent with the crowd in House colours cheering on the competitors, and the team chants were an absolute highlight! Competition was tight early but as the day went on, the stronger Houses started to impose themselves on the results. In the end there was a clear winner.

The results were as follows:

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<td>Mawson: 258 points</td>
<td>Florey: 362 points</td>
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<td>Lowitja: 238.5 points</td>
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<td>Florey: 227 points</td>
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There were also some stand-out performances by individuals. Congratulations to the winners by age group:

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<td>Aiesha Kong (Oliphant)</td>
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All in all the day was a great success and congratulations must go to the students who attended. The atmosphere was great, the competition standard high and enjoyment had by all. Thanks also must go to the staff who helped out on the day and assisted in the smooth running of the carnival. Attention now shifts to the A Grade Inter-School Carnival on March 9th where we take on the strongest Independent schools in the State and hope to repeat our fantastic result of last year where we finished 5th in the State.

James Treagus
Manager – Sport & Major Events
YEAR 8 SPECIALIST SPORT INDUCTION DAY

On Friday 12th February, 56 students took part in year 8 SSP Induction day held at the newly developed Mega Adventure Park at West Beach. The purpose of the day was for students to get to know each other better, build on their communication and leadership skills and above all have fun!

Students participated in self-discovery activities on the Mega wall where they were challenged to partake in different high rope ‘runs’. Students also were involved in beach activities during the day.

A big thank you to the staff at Mega Adventure Park and all SSP teachers involved.

Jarrod Gillings
Athlete Support Manager
**JESSE ELLIS**

Year 9 Henley High School student Jesse Ellis was selected in the Under 15’s Surf Life Saving State Team. He competed in Torquay from the 8th to 10th January. Jesse came 1st in the individual flags, 2nd in the sprint, 1st in the beach relay, 1st in medley and obstacle relays in the pool.

On the 12th to 14th January Jesse also competed in the National Canoe Sprint Championships held at West Lakes. This is an Oceania Olympic selection event for Rio 2016. This meant there were athletes from NZ, Japan, Samoa, Canada, Germany and France. Jesse was 1st in the Under 16 K2 200m.

He also competed in the Canoe SA State Sprint Championships on the 30th and 31st Jan. He came 1st in the Under 16 K1 1000m, K1 500m and the K1 200m. He also came 1st in the K2 500m and K2 200m.

He is now off to National Titles for Kayaking in Perth on the 4th - 6th March 2016. Good luck Jesse!

Jarrod Gillings  
Athlete Support Manager

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**JARRAD DRIZNERS**

The 2016 Cycling Australia Track National Championships were held on Wednesday 3rd February to Saturday 6th February at Adelaide Super-Drome.

Year 11 student, Jarrad Drizners competed at this event with great results. Jarrad hopes to go to the world championships in 2017 after next years National Championships.

Jarrad's National Championships Results 2016

- 2nd Mens U19 Team Pursuit Final
- 3rd U19 30km Madison Final
- 5th Open Men 4000m Team Pursuit Qualification
- 6th Mens U19 10km Scratch Race Final
- 8th Mens U19 3000m Individual Pursuit Qualification

Jarrod Gillings  
Athlete Support Manager
Henley High School Performing Arts/STEM Tour

October school holidays 2016

- 13 day educational and cultural tour of New York, Los Angeles and Anaheim.
- 3 star, shared hotel accommodation
- Tours guided by Latitude Group Travel

**Attention ALL students**

Come and join the team on this great adventure!

Expressions of interest please contact: Tania Madigan
tania.madigan@henleyhs.sa.edu.au
ATTENTION:
Yr10 AND Yr11 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE TEAM?

Contact - Shannon.Lim@henleyhs.sa.edu.au