PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Families & School Community,

Last week, three Secondary School Principals visited Henley High School and conducted a thorough review of our school. The particular focus of the review was our improvement and the data sets that provided evidence. Many students, staff and parents were interviewed, as were members of the school’s leadership team. The school will receive a formal report in about six week’s time and this will be published on our website.

I and our Education Director, Jenny Sommers, have been provided with some informal feedback which included the two areas of improvement that were evident, and were also flagged by the school prior to the arrival of the team:

- Keeping our students engaged and challenged throughout their schooling
- Meeting the needs of all students, including those getting a ‘C’ and those aspiring to get A’s.

The panel were most complimentary about the school and particularly noted that there was wholesale acknowledgement of its priorities by students, staff and parents, staff knew the data that was being evaluated, that students and were staff were proud of their school and all felt valued. Quality Teaching and STEM were frequently mentioned. For me, as the Principal, this is powerful and rewarding feedback.

At the beginning of next term, we will be reviewed again, this time by the Council of International Schools; this is our 5 year review. The process will be very similar with a focus again on improvement of our Teaching and Learning as well as Internationalism. We believe we are well positioned to participate in this second review within 10 weeks but will provide feedback to DECD about how this could be avoided in the future, at Henley High School and other CIS accredited schools.

Congratulations to Simon Brooks, one of our Design and Technology teachers who has been awarded the Early Career STEM (Science, Technology, Education and Mathematics) Educator of the Year Award, including $10,000 towards his Professional Development. This is the second Henley High School teacher to be recognised with this prestigious award; Jeremy LeComu was also successful two years ago.

Congratulations also, to our Year 8/9 KO Football team who defeated Sacred Heart for the first time in 15 years. Paul Thomas is justifiably very proud. (See article on page 6)

Thank you to so many in our community who contributed in some way to our successful visit of students from Koishikawa Secondary School in Tokyo – without Homestays this program would not occur. We are currently planning for a visit of students and staff from Malaysia and New Caledonia. Opportunities for our students to travel overseas in 2016 and 2017 have just been posted on our website. Families who might be interested need to familiarise themselves with the processes and timelines which will come out shortly. Please contact the school if unclear.

Finally, as indicated in the recent Sunday Mail, Henley High School is now the 5th largest Secondary School in Adelaide, with 1301 students, 100 International students and 30 students in the Disability Unit. We are certainly at capacity and have submitted a request to the Department to review the capacity of our facilities to accommodate these students. One area of concern is the quality of our Science facilities, particularly as we have a strong STEM focus which is well recognised and highly regarded and our science enrolments have significantly increased as a result. Our recent census data indicates that our students stay at Henley to complete their year 12 – in fact our senior school numbers increase at the beginning of each year. We continue to have a waiting list for students applying for year 8 enrolment.

Liz Schneyder
Principal
TERM DATES
TERM ONE
27th January - 10th April
TERM TWO
27th April - 3rd July
TERM THREE
20th July - 25th September
TERM FOUR
12th October - 11th December

UPCOMING EVENTS
FRIDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER
Caica Cup
WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER AND
THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
An Evening of Dance

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER
Labour Day

STUDENT FREE DAYS
MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER
Whole School Closure Day
TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
Show Day
MONDAY 12TH OCTOBER
First day of Term 4

STUDENT REPORTS
It is highly recommended that all student reports are printed before the student finishes their schooling.
Access to reports via the online portal, after the student has left school will not be available.
Employment applications may require copies of school reports, not having them causes issues and delays in applying for jobs.

FOR SALE SECOND HAND TRACTOR
Henley High School is selling our old tractor for $6,000.00 or best offer.
It is a “275 Case International” tractor (approx. 20 years old) and has worked 1454 hours.
The school has the original operators manual, a disposal checklist for hazards and safety operating procedures.
Henley High School has mainly used it for towing a small trailer around the school and collection of bins. It can have a mower attachment connected to it however the school no longer has the mower attachment. The tractor may be useful for a boat owner.
Inspection is welcome by arrangement, please phone the school on 8355 7000 to make a viewing time.
If you are interested in purchasing the tractor from the school please forward your offer in writing to admin@henleyhs.sa.edu.au by Friday 11th September.
MATERIAL AND SERVICES CHARGES (MSC) AND LAPTOP PAYMENTS

Please note that all MSC and laptop payments are due to be paid to the school unless you have an instalment plan that has been negotiated with the school.

Henley High School has an approved Debt Recovery Policy that will apply in cases where payments are outstanding and no agreement has been made with the school.

Payments can either be made online through the school website www.henleyhs.sa.edu.au, the Finance Office on 8355 7008 or Student Services either in person or phone 8355 7014 / 8355 7015.

Any queries relating to payments should be directed to the Finance Office on 8355 7008.

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

Jane O’Callaghan
Business Manager

REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES

To report a Student absence, we ask that Parents/ Caregivers do so by one of the following methods -

Online via our school website, in the top right hand corner in red “Student Absences: To report online, click here”

OR

Please call 83557014 or 83557015.

Please do not report a student absence by emailing the following addresses - attendance_a or attendance_b.

These are only to be used when responding to an email you have received from the school advising you that your child has been away unexplained.

If you advise us by using the abovementioned emails, it will not reach student services, it will go to the sub school managers who will not always read them on the day of the absence as they are teaching all day or possibly absent.

When you are notifying us of a student coming in late or leaving early the student must sign in/out at student services before they leave the school grounds or go to class, otherwise we cannot presume they are at school and an email will be sent home with an unexplained absence.

Chris Gardner
Manager Student Services

STUDENT WORK AT THE ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW

Make sure you keep an eye out in the Godyer Pavillion for work submitted by our Students at the 2015 Royal Adelaide Show.
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY

Sunday 2nd August was a day to celebrate our friendships with the International students at Henley High School. The Supported Learning Centre hosted a morning tea, on Friday 31st July, serving freshly baked banana bread and hot chocolate drinks. Miss Asche’s International students presented gifts of Haiku (friendship notes) for our students. The students played Monopoly, AFL Snakes and Ladders, Uno and Ten Pin Bowling. The students also made loom bands together. The students and staff enjoyed our morning of celebration as part of our interactive and inclusive curriculum at Henley High School.

Natalie Reppenhagen
Teacher-Supported Learning Centre

Photos by Jacie Davis
YEAR 9 URRBRAE WETLAND EXCURSION

On Thursday 13th of August, two year 9 classes from Mitchell went to the Urrbrae Wetlands for a science excursion.

When we arrived we went into a classroom and looked at different types of macro-invertebrates that were in the wetlands. We then split into our two science classes, one class went on a tour of the wetlands and the other went out into the different rivers and caught various macro-invertebrates.

When the groups caught the macro-invertebrates we had to go back into the classroom and look at it in the microscope because they were too small to see. We had to find out which insect was which on this chart that was given to each group.

The group that went on the tour of the wetlands went with a teacher, who talked about the different rivers in the wetlands. We got a bottle full of water from each river to find out how clear the water in the river was, how much oxygen the water held and how much salt the water contained.

The highlight was studying the different macro-invertebrates under the microscope and seeing the heartbeat of some of them.

Bailey Capel and Sabrina Scuteri
Year 9 Students

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to encourage students to read more books, improve literacy levels and to enjoy the experience of reading. The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September. This year we have ten students who have successfully completed the challenge, some of whom have now completed the challenge every year since primary school. All students will be awarded a certificate from the Premier’s Reading Challenge office at a later date. Well done and congratulations to the following students:

**Year 8**
- Toby Evans
- Greta Hutchinson
- Aiesha Kong
- Emily Murray
- Jack Stevens
- Georgia Psarakis
- Thomas Stevens

**Year 9**
- Yiannoulla Kitsi

**Year 10**
- Wei Teh
- Enayah Kong

Congratulations to all students!
HHS YEAR 8/9 KO FOOTBALL FINAL 2015

Henley High School 13:10 (88) defeated Sacred Heart 6:4 (40)

Goal Kickers: Rankine 4, Ellis 3, Capel 2, Lukosius 2, Liguoro, Hillard 1 each

This day for so long had belonged to the Sacred Heart teams, winning an incredible 15 titles in a row and after coming agonisingly close on occasions, particularly in 2014, the appetite for a Henley win was stronger than ever. Having a fit and healthy squad to choose from we knew that our chances pre-game were very favourable.

Kicking with the aid of what was arguably a 3 goal breeze, the Sacred Heart team hit the scoreboard very quickly into the match with 2 majors before the Henley team hit back. Some great defensive action in tackle pressure and zone clearing spoils saw Henley rebound the ball with a balance of speed and composure inside attacking areas to put the pressure back on the opposition. If not for inaccurate kicking the Henley team could have taken respite into quarter time with a larger buffer. Eight shots on goal for 3:5 (23) led Sacred Hearts 3:1 (19) at the break.

The team were addressed to not ‘hope’ for a 3 goal breeze to put a bigger gap between the teams but to work as before with run and carry, executing skill with great efficiency to make it a 6 goal quarter. What a response! After posting 6:1 in the second quarter and holding Sacred Heart to a solitary 1 point, a changing of the guard was looking potential. Half time scores Henley 9:6 (60) leading Sacred Heart 3:2 (20).

The third quarter, also known as the premiership quarter, and a quarter where a team fighting to retain their crown will throw everything at the opposition. Our objective was to play defensive football to limit their scoring shots to 3 for the quarter, and to rebound to have 3 or 4 shots into the breeze of our own. Sacred Heart gave an effort of what was expected, but through our boys determination and mature mindset to defend first and then attack, we held Sacred Heart to 2:1 for the quarter whilst points 2:2 of our own to see ¾ time scores at 11:8 (74) leading Sacred Heart 5:3 (33).

Heading into the breeze and after a draining chase of the game for Sacred Heart, our boys were placed in a great position to finish the game strongly and really enjoy the last quarter whilst remaining focussed and ensuring that all involved would remember the entire match, not just a 3 quarter effort. The Henley team added 2:2 in the final term with the opposition adding 1 straight goal.

As much as we could rave about Izak Rankine’s goal haul that was exciting to watch, Jack Lukosius’s selfless leadership, where he moved himself to effect the play showed great maturity. While Jackson Mead’s balanced game as a midfielder/defender was best on ground and James Bailey at full back, his game defined as simply outstanding, it was impacts by all players in an area that we identified of winning the hard ball that were the highlights of the game for us. Adrian Corso, Deacon Braun, Callum Park, Kelsey Liguoro, Cooper Horsenell, Zane Williams, Tex Dowdell, Luke Edwards, Riley Davis, Matthew Bray, Alex Vishnich, Sam Chambers, Patrick Hillard, Beau Nunan, Bailey Capel, and Adam Stringer, like Jack, Izak, James and Jackson, put their team first to ensure they would be in the team to be named Champions of the State.

Congratulations must be given to Sacred Heart on their outstanding run of success and also in the humility they showed in their first defeat in a long time. A truly remarkable rivalry between these two schools at Year 8/9 KO Football.

Finally, a huge congratulations to the Henley High School Year 8/9 squad - all 30 boys that played a part in the KO Campaign should be commended on their attitude and endeavour to be the best team possible.

Paul Thomas
SPRESS Curriculum Coordinator
ALEX HAYDON

Year 8 Specialist Sport student Alex Haydon is one of 84 young Australian Athletes who will be travelling to Apia, Samoa in September to represent Australia at the Youth Commonwealth Games.

Alex has already shown outstanding results in her career so far, being ranked number 1 for her age group in Australia after her national title win in 2014.

After the Youth Games, Alex will return to Australia for a one week training camp in Queensland before attempting to win her third age group National Title in Cairns.

We would like to take this opportunity to recognise the success that Alex has had so far and wish her all the best for her upcoming competitions. We cannot wait to hear about her achievements when she returns.

Jarrod Gillings
Athlete Support Manager

RYAN BAILEY

2015 Australian BMX National Championships.

Ryan Bailey is a year 11 student who competed in the 2015 Australian BMX National Championships on the 2nd of May this year.

The event was held in Brisbane at the Sleeman Sports complex. Sleemen Sports complex is home to a new state of the art BMX Supercross Track, which features two start ramps (5m and 8m with an 18/28°) sloping angle.

Ryan had a very successful time away making it to the Semi-finals in U16’s, ranking him amongst the top 15 of the country for his age group. We would like to congratulate Ryan for his achievements.

Jarrod Gillings
Athlete Support Manager

HOCKEY

Congratulations to the Open Boys, 8/9 Boys and Open Mixed Teams who were successful in winning the State Championships this week.

Well done to the Open Girls and 8/9 Girls who finished 3rd. Fantastic effort by all!

Full story in the week 8 Newsletter.
EXPERIENCING BEIJING

On the 13th of July, a group of eight, year 10 Henley High Students along with Ms Dolman and Mr McNamara left the Adelaide Airport for Beijing. We were a part of the Beijing International Education Exchange program which involved over 20 countries travelling to the Beijing Niulanshan International no.1 High School for a 10 day program of intercultural exchange.

During our trip we visited schools, a university and lots of the most popular tourist sites in the country. This included a very tiring but rewarding trek along the Great Wall of China, visiting Tiananmen Square, walking though the beautiful Forbidden City and visiting the famous site of the 2008 Olympics including the Birds nest and Water cube. During excursions we ate at restaurants with traditional Chinese Cuisine such as Peking Duck, served in its various ways. This was definitely a unique experience!

We had lessons at the school on different aspects of Chinese life, both modern and ancient. We learnt about and tried traditional art forms and writing, tried to learn the language and learnt about the changes to the country. It was all very interesting and at times, very challenging.

Perhaps the best part of the trip was being given the opportunity to meet with and make friends with hundreds of students from all around the world. All of us made friends with people we will never forget and we hope to see them again, one day. Shared apps are great for keeping our conversations going and who knows, we may have made life long friends!

The trip helped put the world into perspective for all of us. Learning about other cultures and teaching our own, helped us better understand the world around us. Everybody who took part in the trip had an unforgettable time. We are very thankful to the Beijing International Education Exchange organisers and the Beijing Municipal Commission of Education sponsors who made this all possible. We highly recommend this trip to any other students who may get the opportunity to participate in the future, as it was a once in a lifetime experience that we will never forget!

Alice Murphy
Year 10 Student
Henley High School presents

An Evening of Dance

Wednesday the 23rd and Thursday the 24th of September, 2015
7.00pm

The Parks Community Theatre
46 Cowan Street, Angle Park

Tickets:
Adults $10
Student and Concession $5

Tickets available to purchase from Student Services

Featuring Year 8-12 Dance and SSP Dance students
Welcome to Australia, the Hon. John Trainer OAM, Mayor of the City of West Torrens and the Hon. Paul Caica, Member for Colton invite

Our Community

Saturday 19th September
11am—3pm
with formalities at 12:00pm
@ the Reedbeds Community Centre
19 Fitch Road, FULHAM

DRINKS & SAUSAGE SANDWICHES ARE... FREE!

Heaps of activities to do!
- Face Painting
- Bouncy Castle
- Sports

There will be loads of entertainment and EVERYONE is welcome!
Come along, bring a friend, a smile and a chair!

RSVP: 8353 1111 or colton@parliament.sa.gov.au

Check out the event on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/WelcometoAustraliaSA