Beginning with Hope

Welcome back! At the start of Term 3 we find ourselves with everything before us. In this second half of the year lie opportunities to seize, joys to share, struggles to overcome, moments to celebrate and in the midst of everything, God is with us. Thinking through all the activities that we will encounter over the next months we can be overwhelmed or filled with hope.

As we begin the new term I am filled with joy, peace and hope for the potential we can achieve as we work together. This reminds me of Romans 8:24:

“For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.’

Now we wait patiently for the good things that God has planned for us, which God reminds us in Romans 8:28:

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.’

Let us be joyful as we work together and hope for the many beautiful things that will happen throughout this Term.

Submitted by: Jenni Morel
A very warm welcome back to you all. I trust you enjoyed a restful, relaxing school holiday break, spending time with your family and are ready for a fabulous, fun and exciting Term Three! As I write this from the Principal’s office chair, I am conscious of the privilege it is to serve this Community in Kaye and Stuart’s absence. Kaye and Stuart send their regards from Vietnam and Indonesia, where they are spending some well-earned long service leave time, mixing holidaying with learning first hand about our Year 11 Service Trip to Indonesia later in the term. I look forward to continuing to lead the College professionally and passionately.

WELCOME

This term we welcome a number of new students. In Reception Kushari Batuthanne Hithamillage, Colby Doyle, Sachi Fuller, Scarlett Hedger, Libby Hoopman, Joseph McGee, Kye Oestmann, Georgia Phillips, Sasha Ralph, Ella Simpson, Shanaye White, Geordy Wynne, in Year 1 Eythyn Harrison, Year 2 Ari Ralph, Year 7 Drue Mueller, and in Year 8 Kaitlin Noble. Staff wish these students and their families every blessing as they begin their time at Navigator College.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEEK

In the first week of the student’s school holidays our staff continued their commitment to life long learning by attending Professional Development training. We spent time gaining knowledge and understanding in Christian Studies, Lutheran Theology, International Mindedness, Australian Curriculum as well as First Aid. It was an intensive week but we certainly enjoyed the collegiality that comes with learning together and we look forward to implementing some of this learning in the classroom.

PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION VISIT

Navigator College is currently at the Pre Authorisation stage of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program (PYP). Our Primary Staff have been working intensively over the last 4 years to develop the Primary Years Program, hoping to be an authorized IB, PYP School. On the 9th and 10th of August, Navigator College welcomes a visit from Peter Adam who will conduct a series of interviews and review our documentation as part of the authorisation visit. We thank the staff for their dedication and commitment to the Primary Years Program and look forward to the results of Peter’s visit.

LUTHERAN SCHOOL STAFF CONFERENCE

On Friday the 2nd of September our Navigator College staff will be attending the Lutheran Schools Association (SA/NT/WA) Annual Staff Conference. The staff will have the opportunity to worship and network with teachers from Lutheran Schools throughout our region. The Primary Staff will be attending Concordia College, Highgate, while the Secondary Staff will attend Immanuel, Cornerstone or Concordia College. We look forward to learning much from this excellent program offered to us by our system. Please note this is an advance notice as this day will be a Pupil Free day for all our students.

EXTRA CURRICULAR DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

Last term the staff organised a number of extra-curricular lunchtime activities. This term the staff have arranged another collection of interesting activities that the students can elect to be involved in during their lunch times. Next week a ‘come and try’ session will be offered to enable the students to experience a ‘taste’ of these activities. From there the activities will be offered each week. We look forward to a high participation rate from our students.

Steve Jude, Acting Principal

NAVIGATOR NIGHT OF NIGHTS

The ‘Navigator Night of Nights’ is fast approaching and will be held on Saturday the 4th of August at 7.30pm at the Port Lincoln Hotel ‘Ballroom’. Tickets are on sale NOW from our front office. Cost is $45 per person which includes a complimentary drink on arrival, Luxury ‘Tapas’ style platters and Adelaide Band, ‘Silver Hair’.

SRC FUNDRAISER

The SRC Fundraiser held at the end of last term was a test of the student leader’s and staff member’s organisation and teamwork. It was a great success and experience with the total amount of $520 raised. For me it was a great and rewarding way to end the Semester, working together with fellow students to the benefit of the College community. I also enjoyed having a warm and comfy day in my tigger onesie. Thanks to everyone for supporting the SRC on this day.

Chelsea Boots, Middle School College Captain

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photographs will be held on Thursday the 2nd of August. Official winter uniform will need to be worn on this day. Each student was given a named envelope on Monday regarding school photos. Every student MUST return the envelope – whether or not an order is being placed. Envelopes are to be returned to the school with the correct payment enclosed, prior to Thursday the 2nd of August. Family envelopes are available from the front office. More information will follow next week.

IMMUNISATIONS

The second visit for Year 8 and 9 vaccinations will be held next Tuesday the 24th of July. All Year 8’s and some Year 9’s who missed the last round will need to be seen. If you have any questions regarding this please phone Aaron Price, Environmental Health Officer at the City of Port Lincoln office on 86212320.

CANTEEN NEWS

Due to the consistent lack of lunch orders being received on Monday each week, the Canteen will now be closed on Mondays. (This will be reviewed each term).

Ian and Di Schmidt, Canteen

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB CATALOGUES (YEARS R -7)

The Term 3 Book Club catalogues are currently available through your child’s class teacher. The purchases made through this scheme give our school rewards that can be exchanged for books for our library. All orders need to be returned by Thursday 26th of July (Week 2).

Annette Mesecke & Uta Enneking-McQuillan