A Short Story

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming.

Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect himself from the elements and to store his possessions. However one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, the smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened – everything was lost. He was stunned with grief and anger. “God, how could you do this to me?” he cried.

Early the next day however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. “How did you know I was here?” asked the weary man of his rescuers. “We saw your smoke signal,” they replied.

It is easy to get discouraged sometimes when things appear to be going badly. But we shouldn’t lose heart because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember, next time your little hut is burning to the ground, it just may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God! For all the negative things we have to say to ourselves God has a positive answer for it.

Romans 8:28
And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them.

Submitted by: Alicia Baines
GREETINGS FROM ALICE SPRINGS

This week I have been at the National Lutheran Principals Conference and have been invigorated by the learning experiences presented to us. There have been many key speakers and a variety of learning experiences. We have visited Living Waters Lutheran School, Yirarra College and Hermannsberg, places where mission and outreach to the Aboriginal community show our Lutheran heritage and our links to the Indigenous community.

Of great importance to me today has been the emphasis on Service Learning and whilst we are a part of awesome things with our partnership between SMA GKPS School, boarding house and the Margaretha Orphanage, there is still so much we can do locally, nationally and internationally.

Our focus must be on serving as well as learning and alongside it must be integrated with our curriculum and that in itself is our next challenge. As Principal, it is my dream to see all our students, from Reception to Year 12 engaging in learning, from the partnerships we have in North Sumatra to the fundraising we have engaged in to support them.

However it’s more than that. It’s about finding the connections within our current curriculum to make a difference and act upon the many and varied injustices of the world. To ask ourselves: ‘What have we learned about ourselves / about others / about God?’

In our interactions and our learning, we will make our future society such a great place to be. For me, as a leader of staff and students, it is my dream for us all to think critically and to choose wisely, and may God bless us in this pursuit.

SUNSMART POLICY

With this glorious weather starting to appear we can slowly see the chills of winter start to subside. This being the case, as of Monday the 1st of September all students need to bring their hats to school in the event that the UV rating is 3 and above.

As part of our Sunsmart Policy at Navigator College we are committed to wearing hats when the UV reading is 3 or above. Those not wearing a hat will be asked to move to a shaded area of the College and not play during their break time. Middle/Senior School students are allowed to take off their hats in full shade only. We ask that you support us and ensure your child has their hat at the College from now on. Thank you.

God bless
Kaye

Navigator College has a very important event coming up on Friday, the 19th of September 2014, ‘NavFest’. It will be a part of our celebration of 175 years of Lutheran Schools in SA celebrations.

This event will involve a number of different activities and ceremonies, along with the planting of the commemorative tree.

The Canteen will be closed for lunch on this day, however, the students will be offered a very special ‘German’ lunch of Bratwurst in a roll which will be available to purchase via a preorder system. More information will be supplied in the Newsletter in the coming weeks. The Canteen will still be open for Recess orders and Recess purchases as per normal.

Further information about this event will follow in the Newsletter, through the Class Blogs and on the College Website. We look forward to sharing this special occasion with the Navigator College community.

Please also note that due to the 175th LSA staff conference in Adelaide the College will be closed on Friday the 5th of September.
A FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY WITH ANZ
We’ve been given the opportunity to strengthen our support for the Navigator College Incorporated through a referral program with the ANZ Bank. For every drawn home loan referred to ANZ, we will earn an upfront commission. (up to 0.5% of the eligible ANZ loan amount actually approved and drawn).

With this additional income, we hope to continue to grow and benefit the community through Navigator College Incorporated.

To find out more, including terms and conditions, call ANZ Port Lincoln Branch Manager, on (08) 8682 5402. Alternatively, see Liz Smith, our Business Manager for a Referral Form.

2014 HORIZON MAGAZINE COVER COMPETITION
We would like to invite all those budding designers out there to create a cover for our 2014 Navigator Horizon Magazine. The competition is open to all Navigator students from Reception to Year 12.

The theme this year is the Navigator Journey. The design can be in any medium, photography, collage, drawing, sculpture or a mixture. We would like it to be A4 sized (portrait). For further details, see your Home Group teacher.

Entries can be delivered to Student Services and the closing date is THIS FRIDAY the 29th of August. The winning entrants will have their design on the front cover as an inspirational introduction to our fantastic 2014 Navigator magazine.

Horizon Magazine Committee

2014 MAGAZINE SPONSORSHIP
Navigator College will be publishing its 2014 College Magazine later this year, which will be an overview of College’s activities and events throughout the year. In order to offset the printing costs, we are asking local businesses and organisations to sponsor our 2014 Magazine. The following two sponsorship options are available: $110 for a business size advertisement in the magazine and $330 for a 1/3 page advertisement. All adverts are GST inclusive and a receipt will also be issued for taxation purposes. Please contact the College Front Office if you are interested in advertising in our 2014 Horizon College Magazine. Local businesses will be contacted via a letter in the near future. If you have a business ‘contact’ who might be interested please let us know. Thank you in anticipation.

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LOST PROPERTY
Just a reminder to check lost property when your child/ren have misplaced any items whilst at the College. Currently, the lost property is overflowing and we would love to return these items to the rightful owners.

Thank you
Student Services
STAFFING NEWS
We regretfully announce that Jess Trudgen has resigned as a Year 4/5 Classroom Teacher, for personal reasons.
We thank Jess for her service to our College and to the parents and students of the Year 4/5 class. She has been a fabulous teacher who has worked tirelessly to obtain the best outcomes for her students. We wish her every blessing as she moves back to Adelaide.
The Navigator College Community respectfully asks that you give Jess the space and privacy to ensure her personal situation remains a private matter.
We are pleased to announce that Miss Kim Hein will be replacing Jess as the Year 4/5 Classroom Teacher. Kim will spend the next 2 weeks working alongside Jess to ensure a smooth transition.

SHOE BOXES
Please return your Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes by this Friday morning. They will be picked up from the College, ready for delivery in the afternoon.

EXHIBITION
Our PYP Exhibition is fast approaching and will be held on Thursday the 11th of September at 6.30pm. Please see the flyer over the page. This is a fabulous showcase of the amazing learning the Year 5 students have conducted throughout their PYP journey. I encourage all members of the College community to attend and gain an insight into this culminating event in the life of an IB PYP student.

READING WORKSHOP
I’d like to draw your attention to our Parent Reading and Coffee morning which will be held on Tuesday the 2nd September from 8.45 – 9.30am. Learning to read is one of the important milestones in a child’s life. This then becomes a foundation for further inquiry. We are pleased to support the parents of our College by providing some helpful tips to ensure your child gets the most out of their time spent reading.

Steve Jude
Head of Junior School

LEARNING TO READ COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday, 2nd of Sept
8:45-9:30am
Multipurpose Room

Junior school staff and parents who attended Margaret Menner’s reading workshop were so inspired by her workshop that we would like some more families to learn how your child can become a life-long reader. Come and escape the cold with a coffee and warm your hearts as you discover some of the key elements to supporting successful reading at home.

Please note: There will be no Junior school classroom reading on this morning so you can attend this session. To register your interest, please call the front office to RSVP.

Even if your child is already an excellent reader you will still find this valuable!

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EXHIBITION
Year 5 IB PYP

How the world works

People convert energy in a variety of ways to make sustainable choices.

We have investigated, discovered and learnt. We invite family and friends, along with the wider community to come along so we can share our learning journey with you.

Please RSVP to the front office or dmoseby@navigator.sa.edu.au before Monday 8th Sep.

Thursday, 11th September at 6.30pm
Ravendale Sporting Complex
Our Year 1 students are currently inquiring into, ‘Places around the world have features that make them unique and people visit them for a variety of reasons.’ To tune the students in to this unit, the teachers planned an exciting provocation that had the Year 1’s boarding a simulated flight, with a special boarding ticket to take them on a ‘round the world trip.’ The students had to decide the important belongings to take on their journey and experienced what it would be like to board a plane flight (air hostess and flight tracker included). When the students arrived at their destinations, they were exposed to a collection of features from many different places around the world. They observed historical icons/features, flags, traditional clothing and artefacts specific to particular places. As part of their reflections, they hypothesised about where these places were and gave reasons to justify their thinking.

This learning experience has motivated the students to learn about different places around the world and why people visit them. From here, they have been enthusiastically exploring world maps and developing their geographical knowledge and their atlas/map reading skills. The students have also excitedly discovered places on maps where they have been on holidays. This provocation has sparked curiosity amongst the students to learn more about their world and I’m looking forward to seeing where this inquiry unit goes next.

Gemma Leonard
PYP Coordinator
The Navigator College Community is Internationally Minded!

Developing a sense of International Mindedness in our students is one of the fundamental principles of both the PYP and MYP frameworks. Our world today has become increasingly interconnected with advancements in technology and transportation allowing more people than ever before to work in, visit and explore this amazing world we live in. In order to best equip our students for their future, we endeavour to present global perspectives in each of our units of work to help students recognise the benefits and responsibilities that come with being a member of this global community.

There are many ways that parents can help nurture and develop their child’s sense of International Mindedness. Some methods you could try at home include:

- Discussing and explaining world news events (appropriate to your child’s age and maturity level)
- Exploring world maps to locate places of significance or places that are in the news
- Participating in different cultural celebrations within our local community
- Supporting a sense of respect for cultural and racial difference by clarifying misconceptions and modelling open-mindedness

Of course one fantastic way to develop our international mindedness is to travel and explore this wonderful world we live in.

In celebration of the level of International Mindedness that already exists in our Navigator College community, we are planning on putting together a photographic display which acknowledges all of the ways our students and College families have gone about building a sense of International Mindedness. We are asking any interested students and families to bring in photographs of themselves in a place or with people that in some way shows the building of a sense of International Mindedness. This might include a photo of your child interacting with the recent Muroto visitors to Port Lincoln, or maybe a photo of your family visiting a traditional marketplace in Indonesia. Along with the photo we would appreciate some information about when and where it was taken as well as a short statement about why you believe International Mindedness is important.

If you choose to be involved in our display, please bring in your photograph with the attached note to the Students Services Office by Thursday next week, 4th of September. Alternatively, a digital version of your photograph and explanation may be emailed to: ssmith@navigator.sa.edu.au.

Thank you in anticipation,

Gemma Leonard and Sarah Smith
PYP & MYP Curriculum Coordinators

Sarah Smith exploring the history of Berlin first-hand during a European holiday in 2007.
The Navigator College Community is Internationally Minded!

RETURN SLIP

Name(s): ___________________________ Year Level(s): ____________________

Description of photo (including location): _______________________________________
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Why is a sense of international mindedness important?
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Please return this slip with your photograph to the Student Services Office via the class office box. Alternatively, please email this information along with a digital copy of your photograph to ssmith@navigator.sa.edu.au

Please note: as photographs will be used in a display they will not be able to be returned.

Thank you for being involved in this celebration of our community’s sense of International Mindedness! 😊
WHERE DO YOU FIND THE ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS? … …. "GOOGLE?"

A speaker’s son at a recent educational conference made this statement to his Dad. “Google is everything!”

The World Wide Web and search engines such as Google and Bing have provided us access to an inconceivable amount of information in the click of a mouse. These search engines find answers to your questions. The results are instantaneous.

But does the instantaneous answer rob us of the rich learning that happens when we grapple with a question, explore the different perspectives and ideas around it or undertake a journey of discovery. This is inquiry learning and this is at the heart of what we strive to do at Navigator College.

The speaker tells the story of a man walking through a supermarket with his son, when his son asked a rich question of inquiry. An opportunity presented to go on an adventure to ‘Find out’. Sadly, the father simply pulled out his phone, Googled the question and said “here’s your answer”. Inquiry finished. Learning finished.

As a Community we need to learn how to immerse ourselves in the big questions, in the unknown. To value the experience gained from different ways of finding out, to get comfortable with pausing in that place of the unknown.

My son Josiah, who is nearly 3, often comes to me with the question “Daddy fix it?” He’s looking for me to solve his problem, reassemble the toy, come up with a way to make what he wants out of LEGO.

BUT the best learning isn’t when I Google the answer, give him the solution, or assemble the project for him. The best learning is when I help him discover the solution and he fixes it for himself. Supporting him as he trials some ideas, modelling the kind of thinking I would use, but letting him find the answer.

Inquiry is about being comfortable holding a question without an answer while you explore. Exploring can look very diverse: talking to people, trialing a hands on model, conducting a survey, doing experimentation, ringing a business, building a prototype, collaborating with others, using design software and more….as well as searching the web. Inquiry is rich in learning. Inquiring minds immerse themselves in the issues and stay in the question a while.

My charge this week:

*How can you help your child discover another way to ‘find out’ before they reach for the Google tool bar?*

Andrew Jericho
Head of Middle School

PUBLIC SPEAKING STATE WINNER – MIDDLE SCHOOL

Congratulations to Navigator College Year 9 student Isabella Wright, who will represent SA in the national finals of the 2014 Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award. Isabella is one of two representatives who were chosen by the judges at the State finals in Adelaide on Friday night. She prepared and presented a speech on the benefits of volunteering and an impromptu two-minute speech after five minutes of preparation. Isabella will travel to Townsville for the national finals in November. She was presented with her award by the president of Adelaide Legacy, Keith Bleechmore.
UNDERSTANDING WHO WE ARE, RETAINING HERITAGE

This week, I have been fortunate enough to attend a conference in Alice Springs. Apart from this being my first visit to ‘The Alice’, it has been a time to investigate and analyse my understanding of Navigator College and why it exists. Those of us who have been a part of the College since its inception would understand why the College was placed here in Port Lincoln and it is an important attribute to share with the staff, students and parents. It is similar to identity. Understanding who we are gives us a sense of purpose and allows us to be a part of something, a belonging to a community.

During my conference, I was challenged by a presentation by Dr. Dan White on the Key Performance Indicators (KPI) of spiritual leaders in schools. I was challenged because Dr White discussed the increasing divide between the spiritual and the secular worlds and where the school exists in this divide. Of these 7 KPIs, two resonated with me. The first one was ‘read the sign of the times’. In this ever changing world, we can see the change in our society, our increased focus to individuality and less about community. What struck a chord most of all was the term ‘honour the covenant of tradition’. In others words, change little things but don’t lose sight of the tradition, don’t lose sight of our Lutheran heritage. The second was to ‘maintain the balance’. Change things within the spiritual celebration but don’t lose sight of the essence of who we are. Find the things that are a non-negotiable, and retain them, but allow yourself to mould the other parts of liturgy to engage people.

Over the course of this Term, we have seen the Year 12 students supporting our Friday liturgy. We have seen some changes to the method of delivery and some variations on the biblical stories but, under the guidance of Pastor Ben, the Year 12 students have maintained the tradition of what it is to be Lutheran. I don’t think I could ever sing the praises of our Year 12 students more than I have recently. They have been leaders of the College in every sense of the word.

Another wise thing I had the privilege to hear was 4 indigenous community leaders speak of their personal experiences of their journey through life. It was at the beginning when we had the welcome to country, I was most moved. The speaker welcomed us and recognised the past and present custodians of the land but also recognised the settlers to this land in the mix. This combination of acknowledgement was so inclusive, community building and so unexpected. Alice Springs is truly a multicultural community, and they acknowledged that to build community, everyone needs to be valued and resources need to be shared. A large part of understanding who we are is acknowledging who we have been.

I would like to continue introducing my staff. This week we acknowledge Mr Brenton Borchardt.

Brenton shares the Year 9 Home Class with Fiona Parenta, and he is the Mathematics Coordinator in the Middle and Senior School at Navigator College. His background is in Agricultural Science and he teaches a range of Maths and Science subjects from Year 8 to Year 12. In addition to teaching, Brenton has had experience in the Agricultural Business sector; namely Agronomy, Finance and Insurance. Navigator College has been blessed to have Brenton on staff because he brings to the school a wealth of non-teaching experiences, and a real compassion for student learning. Brenton originally comes from Mannum, but has lived in Cummins for the last 12 years. His wife, Natalie is also a teacher. Together they have a 5 year old son, Elliott, and all of whom are a welcome addition to our community.

Stuart Cox
Head of Senior School
On Friday the 29th of August it’s Middle/Senior School Coffee and Cake Day at Navigator!

Please support the Year 10 Visual Art and Art/Design classes to raise funds for a tranquil water feature for the new Reflection/Devotion Space, situated between Cluster 1 and 3. Your choice of a hot drink and cupcake will be available at lunchtime at the Resource Centre. Order now through your home-group!
Book Week was enjoyed by all with the flop zone in the Library, online stories held in the Computer Room and craft activities in the Library.
Toilet Training Workshop

Wednesday 3rd September 9:30am – 11:30am

Are you beginning to think about toilet training with your child, or is your child having trouble with toilet training?

There are many aspects to consider when helping your child to start using the toilet!

Presented by Jordan Roach (Occupational Therapist) & Angela Kenny (Dietitian)

This workshop will cover:
- Tips and ideas to encourage pre-toileting skills
- Strategies to begin approaching toilet training with your child
- Routines around toilet training
- Strategies to encourage and motivate children to use the toilet
- Making the toileting environment appropriate for toilet training (including using appropriate equipment and clothing)
- What is a normal bowel habit?
- Dietary strategies to maintain bowel health
- Strategies for including fibre in meals and snacks for children
- Frequent problems that arise when toilet training

Morning Tea Provided

Including opportunity to network and share ideas with other parents who are approaching or working through toilet training

Crèche & Transport available

Please advise when booking if required

No cost for workshop

This workshop is part of the Allied Health in Children’s Centre Program.

Bookings Required

Contact Sonia by Friday 28th August

Sonia Regan—Community Development Coordinator
Kirton Point Children’s Centre
Ph. 8682 5969
COMMUNITY NOTICES

EYRE PENINSULA

Be Refreshed

WHEN: From 3pm Monday 29th September through to 3pm Friday 3rd October 2014.
WHERE: Trinity Haven, Tumby Bay
WHO: High School Teenagers, Year 8-12
COST: The camp is $100 per person for the week. This includes all accommodation, food, study and activities. If there is more than one person attending from your family, the cost is reduced to $85 per person (i.e. $170 for 2 people). If the cost prevents you from coming, please get in touch with us.
WHY COME TO CHRISTIAN LIFE WEEK?
• To enjoy a week of fun, fellowship and study.
• Time to learn new things about yourselves, our friends and God.
• Make new and catch up with old friends.
• Learn new songs and new ways to use your gifts to praise God.
• Come along! Know that you are NOT alone! Living the Christian way is good, wholesome, practical and FUN as you make your way through life.
• It’s an informal week of good fun with interesting studies and plenty of games.

If you would like more details and enrolment forms, go to the front office, see Kiriely Zacher, or contact the following:
Kira Kennedy on 0481 354 177 (kira.kennedy@live.com.au) or Sally Zacher on 0427 515 495 (zacher@eyeonline.com)

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UNDER 12’s & 14’s BOYS AND GIRLS 4-5.30PM
UNDER 16’s & 18’s BOYS AND GIRLS 5.30-7PM
ALL NEW PLAYERS WELCOME –COME AND HAVE A GO!
More details - Charmaine Otto 0429 842058
Carly Thomson 0428 842094

Tasman Basketball Club
Junior/Senior Registration Night
Wednesday 10th September
4 to 5.30pm
EFM Basketball Stadium
EFTPOS facilities will be available.
Come and register for the upcoming season.
Contact Kylie James on 0427 645 489 or email kylie.james@mga.com for enquires.