The Heart Condition That will set you Free

What is going on in our inner life can be more important than anything else, because our thoughts and attitudes determine how we live and respond to the circumstances around us. Our life shouldn’t be determined by our circumstances such as where we live, what job we have or who we are in relationship with. Real peace and joy come from God’s Spirit in us, not things or people around us and when your heart is right with God, it’s amazing how peaceful, content and even happy you can be in the midst of difficult situations and turmoil.

Proverbs 12:18 “Some people make cutting remarks, but the words of the wise bring healing.”

The Scripture in Proverbs makes it clear that it’s our responsibility to check our responses. We need to do it often because each day there are countless opportunities for something to creep into our heart that is not pure or pleasing to God.

Checking your attitude and what you speak out of your mouth, whether negative or positive, is a good way to determine what condition your heart is in.

Have you ever heard yourself speak out disappointment, frustration and negative things? You can guarantee your heart is becoming cold and hard if this is happening, but when you speak positive and uplifting things you will find yourself feeling happier and more at peace.

Inspired By Joyce Meyer

Submitted by: Amy Heidenreich
FROM THE PRINCIPAL......

It’s great to be back from Indonesia and I welcome back everyone to Term 4! I hope you have had a refreshing break and managed to spend some time with friends and family.

SERVICE LEARNING TRIP TO INDONESIA

As many of you are well aware I spent the last week of last term and part of the school holidays in Indonesia, undertaking the Service Learning Trip with 14 students Tori Dearman, Jordan Degner, Connor Dickie, Nathan Dunn, Jarrad Ellis, Mikaela Harris, Kaitlin Jacobs, Gerard Meyer, Tamika Rehn, Marlon Retzas, Damon Siviour, Fraser Tonkin, Nicole Winkles and Kirrily Zacher and 4 other staff members.

The students have returned safe and sound with many wonderful stories to tell. It was wonderful to see the amazing growth in these students as they learnt about another community, another culture and, in the meantime blessed the community they visited with their culture, skills and knowledge. I encourage you to speak to these students about their experiences in North Sumatra and, try to make yourselves available to come to Chapel when they present in week 3.

Thank you to our wonderful staff members: Stuart Cox, Sarah Smith, Susan Hopping and proxy staff member, Andre Smith who were also such a valuable a part of this journey. Photographs have been included in this newsletter.

This term we welcome our new student Callum Gudzenous to Navigator College. We also welcome back Elijah and Joseph Woolford. We wish these students and their families every blessing as they join our wonderful Navigator College family.

WELCOME NEW STAFF FOR 2015

It is my pleasure to inform you of the new teaching staff line up for the 2015 year. We welcome to the Navigator College team:

Teaching staff:
Judy Hickey
Albi Meyer
Stacey Wybrew
Emma Dempsey
Peter Fraser
Susie Head
David Hickey
Rhianna Whenan

Additionally, Naomi Woodstock and Kelly Freeman will return from Maternity Leave for 2015.

Regretfully we say goodbye to Pam Treasure, Brenton Borchardt, Zherie Bouwman, Kimberly Hein and Paul Gray who will take up teaching positions in Adelaide next year and Francois and Isabel Pienaar who will move to Ceduna to enable Francois to take up his Principal position at Crossways Lutheran School. In addition, we congratulate Mel Little, Rhiannon Perkins and Gemma Leonard on the upcoming births of their new family additions and as such will not be returning for 2015. We wish all our leaving teachers every blessing in their next new chapters, knowing how much they have all been a blessing to us.

We have yet to clarify our LSO and Office staffing but will keep you informed when we have confirmation.

As we continue to be a growing school our class structure is in a continuous process of change and 2015 is no different. It is such an exciting time in the history of the College. As such we are unable to confirm definite class structures for 2015 until we have finalised enrolments. I would ask that you make an appointment to meet with me if you have any questions or queries.

TWILIGHT MARKETS

The Twilight Markets are fast approaching (Friday the 14th of November) and we are looking for it to be an even bigger and brighter event than last year! Our Fundraising team and our Class Carers have been working hard to bring about a fantastic community fundraiser that promises to be loads of fun with rides, show bags, food stalls and much, much more. The teachers and Class Carers have been asking for parent helpers on the stalls as well as help up to and on the day. If you are able to spare any time we would certainly appreciate extra hands as there is so much to do. If you are able to offer any extra assistance please let either your Class Carers or Teacher know and we will gladly put you to work! This event is one of only two major fundraisers and we would love to see as many families as possible joining us, particularly for the opportunity for us to gather together in fun and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there!

God bless
Kaye

BUSHFIRE SEASON

Term One and Term Four are times when we all need to be aware of the possibility of a bushfire. The safety of our children in the bushfire danger season is our first priority. As Navigator College has been assessed as a high-risk school, it will close on days when the fire danger index is forecast at 100 or more - Catastrophic (Code Red) level.

On these days Navigator College will activate the Bushfire Action Plan. A copy of the Bushfire Action Plan, for your reference, can be requested from the Front Office.

This means that Navigator College will CLOSE when the bushfire weather is forecast at Catastrophic (Code Red) level.

A CONFIRMATION of the closure will be provided via SMS Message ONLY to the mobile phone of the primary parent/caregiver of each student. This will occur on the day/evening before the Code Red Day is announced (following CFS advice) or on the morning of the CATS day.
GENERAL NEWS

CHURCH PICNIC
Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church invites all the members of the Navigator College community to join them for a brief service and picnic on the Navigator College grounds. Fun and games for the young. Please bring along a chair and lunch to share. From 10:00am Sunday 19th October. We look forward to having you all join us.
Ben Mogg
Pastor, Lutheran Church

Instrumental Music Afternoon
We are planning an afternoon performance for instrumental students to show their families what they have achieved on Sunday the 2nd of November (end of Week 3) from 1.30pm to 4pm in the Multipurpose room. Hopefully a Sunday afternoon timeslot will allow our home stay students and their families to be part of this event.
It is not compulsory for all students to perform especially as some beginners may not feel ready, but they are encouraged to come along and listen to the other students and hopefully this will inspire them in their studies. Other performance groups within the school such as the Junior Choir and College Band will also be invited to showcase their skills.
Tea and coffee will be provided and a small plate of afternoon tea to share would be appreciated. Looking forward to sharing your child’s musical achievements...
Annette Mesecke & Instrumental Teachers

HOMESTAY PROGRAM
Navigator College is offering a Homestay Program for students who cannot commute to the College daily. The Homestay Program involves families in Port Lincoln who are willing to board students during the school term. Some of these students will require board for five days per week, others seven days per week. The host family will receive payment from the family of the boarding student, according to the guidelines set out by Navigator College. If you are interested please contact Mark Thiel on 86842012 or the College on 86825099.

NUT ALLERGIES
We have several children and adults in the school who have a severe allergy to nuts and nut products. For some of these people, contact with nut products can cause a potentially life threatening reaction. We therefore seek your assistance in minimising the risk of exposure of these people to nut products whilst at school. We are asking that you avoid giving your child nut based products or products containing nuts (including Nutella) whilst they are at school and that you ensure that any food sent to school to be shared (for example birthday cakes) are free from these products. Thank you in anticipation for considering the safety and welfare of all our students.

SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP
Thank you to the year 3-7 students who have registered to take part in the Lower Eyre Swimming carnival in week 3. Consent forms have been sent out this week and need to be returned ASAP. If there are any students still wishing to register, please see Miss Pearson to do so. Parents are welcome to come along and watch their children swim in events. Thanks, Carlyn

Join us for Playgroup
Navigator Lil Gators Playgroup welcomes you to join them Wednesday mornings from 9.00am till 10.30am at the College Resource Centre.

Lil Gators Playgroup Term 4
Dates and Themes
15th October: Alphabet
29th October: Plants
19th November: Cooking
10th December: Circus
24th November: Different Cultures
9th December: The World
2nd December: Christmas
16th December: No Playgroup

Primary Schools Swimming Championship
Events start at 10am and concludes at 2.30pm.
Students in Year 3 - 7 are eligible to enter.
Nominate now for your school’s representative swim team. Registration deadline is Monday 20th October.

Port Lincoln Pool
Friday 31st October 2014

Navigator College
WHAT A REFRESHING BREAK

It is wonderful to take time to recharge the batteries in readiness for another busy term. Holidays are often the time to be able to complete some of those tasks that you have been putting off each year. Or they are the time when you allow yourself the time to rejoice in other pursuits that you don’t normally get the time to pursue. I trust that all members of our school community were able to have a refreshing break. This term is going to be a very busy term. I suggest that as a community we all do what we can to ensure we finish the year well.

SWIMMING

Junior School Swimming begins next week. Students in Reception to Year 5 were notified of their swimming time at the beginning of this week. Please see your class teacher if you have any questions.

Swimming times are as follows:

- Year 4/5: 12.00 – 12.45pm
- Year 2/3: 12.45 – 1.30pm
- Year 1: 1.30 – 2.15pm
- Reception: 2.15 – 3.00pm

Students to be picked up from the Leisure Centre

Steve Jude
Head of Junior School

FROM THE PYP COORDINATOR......

It’s only week one and already there is a hype of activity happening in our Junior School classrooms. Most classes are part way through their fifth unit of inquiry. It is at this stage of the year when the students are refining their inquiry skills and really shine as they have had opportunities to acquire and practise many elements of the Primary Years Programme. Here is a snippet of what is going on at each year level.

Receptions: The inquisitive minds in Reception are learning about how plants can help people and other living things. They have been inquiring into many different types of plants, the parts of plants and what they provide for us and other living things.

Year 1: These students are just beginning their final unit about how human action impacts on animals and their survival. This week the students have been asked to bring in a stuffed toy animal to assist with their inquiry. Watch this space as I know the teachers have something interesting planned for these toys.

Year 2/3s: In Year 2/3 the students are also beginning their final unit. They will be inquiring into how changes in technology impact peoples’ lives. In Week 2 they will attend at camp that involves a visit to the Koppio Museum where they will get the chance to be ‘historians’ and explore how technology has changed over time.

Year 4/5s: These students are part way through a unit where they have been learning about the different factors that influence trade. They have been playing trading games in their classrooms to explore all the different ways that trade can be affected.

I encourage you to keep chatting with your child about their units of inquiry.

Gemma Leonard
PYP Coordinator
Who can argue that our world is not changing at an incredible rate? It is a privilege and a challenge to be educating the children of today, to thrive in a world that will be completely different by the time they enter it. The students in Year 6 in 2014, will enter the work place or University in 2021. They are likely to exit University and begin their career around 2025. The challenge for schools is to equip students to be active contributors to a community life that may look very different to the world today.

This is where I am excited about the teaching and learning that happens at Navigator College. The Middle School IB MYP Program places the learner at the centre of what we do. It’s about them, the learner, not the information. The information will be out dated in 2025. We actually need to foster a student’s ability to continue learning. Our students will not arrive after Year 12 with all the knowledge, nor after a university degree or apprenticeship. We must from a young age equip them with the ability to thrive in change. Their lives will see a multitude of it.

The greatest good we can do is equip them to not just handle change, but thrive in it. The MYP program at Navigator College equips the learner to be able to adapt, to be flexible, resilient and purposeful. We strive to empower our students to be creative, using their gifts and their uniqueness to make sense of the world around them and solution innovative pathways forward. Children naturally have inquiring minds, imaginations that may well be reality in the near future. We strive to help children’s curiosity and desire to learn, to flourish, for these qualities will be the ones that shape the future.

I congratulate you as parents, students and teachers for engaging in an education that does not place individuals into boxes and feed them the same information, rather one that equips their mind and body to thrive on the change they will experience, continuing to learn such that they become far more creative, compassionate, skillful and knowledgeable than we can imagine.

Encourage someone to stir up their creativity and imagination to solve their challenges of today. You will be helping them see that they can navigate a changing and challenging future.

HAPPENING IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL
OUTSTANDING REPRESENTATIVE ABBEY WILKINS

Champion Interschool Mount
Congratulations goes to Abbey Wilkins from Year 7, who represented Navigator College in the recent Interschool Pony Club Competition held at the Yallunda Flat Show. Abbey competed exceptionally well throughout the day despite windy conditions to win Champion Interschool Mount on her pony Will. Her outstanding efforts earned Navigator College “The most successful School Trophy”. Congratulations Abbey!

Andrew Jericho
Head of Middle School
WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

I trust all of our students have had a restful break from school and our Year 12’s have continued the process of learning to conclude the year, with the knowledge that they have done the best they can. The official completion day for Year 12 structured lessons is Friday 24th of October and the time of SWAT VAC begins in preparation for exams. Although structured lessons will conclude, the College and teachers will be available for student consultation until the exams begin.

Over the holidays I had the great fortune to, once again, travel to Indonesia with our Year 11 students on the service learning trip, to rekindle our relationship with SMA GKPS Sondi Raya. The trip was a fantastic success and made ever so more pleasurable by the attitudes of the students. Our arrival was marked by the fanfare of a marching band and the lining of the school entry by the school community. We were humbled by the experience and began a host of events that would continue to humble our delegation.

A school day at SMA GKPS begins at 7.30 with a greeting handshake to all the students. Whilst this challenged most of our students with the early morning start they rose to the challenge with grace and acceptance. Our students then worked in 2hr blocks of time teaching English to students their own age. These classes were sometimes 35-40 students in number which again challenged our participants. There will be a presentation by our Service Learning participants in week 3 of this term which will share their experiences.

Stuart Cox
Head of Senior School

“Very eye opening. Seeing the differences in our cultures was a shock, but I loved every second of it. Very rewarding.” Connor

“The experience was very unique and has changed the way I value my belongings. I enjoyed all of the trip.” Gerard.

“Service Learning is a trip of a lifetime where you develop relationships with a different culture and become grateful and understand how lucky you are.” Jarrad

“The service learning trip was an amazing experience and something you would do only rarely. I realised how lucky we are as a country compared to the places we visited. It was a real eye-opener and an experience I will never forget.” Mikaela
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Where?
St Joseph's School
Port Lincoln

When?
November 3rd
Session 1: 12noon - 3pm
Session 2: 3.30pm - 6.30pm
Time with God isn’t spent, it’s invested.

Friday 24th to Sunday 26th October 2014
At Trinity Haven Tumby Bay

Cost: Weekend $85.00
Saturday only $45.00 (includes Dinner)

Contacts for details & registration forms:
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Invite a friend or family member to enjoy a weekend of great food, laughter, fellowship and retreat
Breastfed babies welcome

The weekend begins at 7.00pm Friday (supper included).
Saturday attendees register from 8.30am
Conclusion will be at 2.00pm Sunday.