God’s Mighty Hand

*Through his power all things were made- things in heaven and on earth, things seen and unseen.*

Colossians 1:16

With one decision, history began. Existence became measurable.

Out of nothing came light.

Out of light came day. Then came sky…and earth.

And on this earth? A mighty hand went to work.

Canyons were carved. Oceans were dug. Mountains erupted out of flat lands. Stars were flung. A universe sparkled.

Look to the canyons to see the creator’s splendour. Touch the flowers and see his delicacy. Listen to the thunder and hear his power….

Today you will encounter God’s creation. When you see the beauty around you, let each detail remind you to lift your head in praise. Express your appreciation for God’s creation. Encourage others to see the beauty of his creation.

Max Lucado
I love entering the staff room at lunch time to hear the banter that permeates the room. Generally the discussion revolves around personal commentary about an upcoming event or something that occurred on the weekend. Often however, it is about some wonderful success a student has achieved or an exciting occurrence in the classroom. It is in these times of sharing that you, or I as Acting Principal, see the what a wonderful place we work within. The positive nature of our College is such an inspiration to us all as members of staff but more so this becomes infectious across the College. Many times when I stand at the front gate this is evident, either through the smiles or the anecdotal conversations that happen as the parents and students pass through to begin their day at school. How wonderful is this College?

The Department for Education and Child Development has confirmed the introduction of an additional school bus service for the Endeavour Heights Stage 2 Residential Development. This service caters for those families who live five kilometres or more from the nearest public school. Applications for eligible families to travel on this service are being taken now from your child’s school. Pick up points include: Falcon Court, Cockatoo Road, Lorikeet Court, Swallow Drive, Thornbill Road, Tattler Road and Panoramic Drive. Confirmation of a starting time for the service will be confirmed following enrolment. Any enquiries to be made via email kirsty.aird766@schools.sa.edu.au or via Port Lincoln Primary School on 86821544 between the hours 8.30am till 3.30pm Thursdays and 11.00am till 3.00pm Fridays.

Stuart Cox,
Acting Principal

If you are needing some ideas / inspiration for your Night of Nights outfit, the photo board on the left may be of interest to you. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please note the Homework Centre is for MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY

Can parents please make sure they come to the Homework Centre to collect Middle School Students unless there is a note in the diary.

The Homework Centre closes at 4.30pm sharp and we ask that parents please collect your child/ren by 4.30pm.

**After School Care & Vacation Care Parent Information Night**
Tuesday 10th June 7-8pm
College Resource Centre
With the recent College photos occurring yesterday, I paused to think about the significance of photos. The annual College photos capture the moment regarding the physical appearance of our students. This is then recorded forever. We take photos at home to capture such moments as birthdays, celebrations, significant events and memorable occasions. We also capture milestones in development, whether it be losing a first tooth or learning to ride a bike, gaining our licence and first car. These images are then a record of what happened in that moment and in the future they serve to trigger further memories of the occasion. A photo is such a wonderful keepsake for these reasons.

How do we capture the development of other attributes of our students? How about their moral compass? Or their spiritual development? What about academically? What evidence is there of the learner profile attributes in your students? How do we know if they are being openminded, caring, an inquirer, a thinker, knowledgeable, principled, a communicator, reflective, balanced and a risk taker?

What about the Lutheran values? As a Lutheran College, our Lifelong Qualities for Learners detail that we value love, justice, compassion, forgiveness, service, humility, courage, hope, quality and appreciation.

How do we capture the development of these attributes in our students?

Families also have values that they subscribe to. What evidence is there that your children are developing the family values you have been developing in them? How do you develop these effectively in your children? How do you assess and capture this?

Many of these elements are captured in your child’s report each term. Teachers spend time teaching, reinforcing and assessing many of these attributes. Our College Behaviour Management Policy, which focuses on developing a culture of respect, communication, safety and active learning, continues to create an environment where the development of these attributes flourishes. I encourage you to look for evidence of some of these attributes in your child’s report this term.

As we take joy in capturing and then viewing photos of our children, may we take steps to capture not only the physical development of our student but also their emotional, spiritual, moral and academic development.

Have a great week!

Stephen Jude
Head of Junior School
Navigator College is very excited to present a FREE reading workshop for parents:

**Date:** Monday 30th June  
**Time:** 7:00 - 8:30pm  
**Where:** Navigator College Multipurpose room  
**For:** Parents looking to support their Junior School aged children to read at home

**Helping Children To Read – Workshop**
Come along to this fun and engaging workshop to learn the best way you can help your child with home reading.

- Learn the difference between reading and decoding.
- Learn how to set your child up for success by using a book introduction.
- Learn how to have your child read ‘just right’ books so they can improve as readers.
- Learn how you can use ‘Pause, Prompt, Praise’ to help your child.

How children learn to read has changed since we went to school, so come along and have a fun time learning ways you can make reading more enjoyable for your child.

**You don’t want to miss this exciting learning opportunity!**

The workshop will be run by Margaret Menner. Margaret has worked in education for over 29 years as a Teacher, a Reading Recovery Teacher and a Literacy Consultant. In addition, she has lectured at several Universities and published many books on Literacy. Margaret has worked in New York and Hong Kong as a Literacy Consultant. She has worked predominately in South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia and intermittently in other Australian states. Margaret currently manages and consults for Advance Teacher Training.

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**FROM THE PYP COORDINATOR……..**

From the moment the students step foot in Navigator College they are immersed in a social learning world. Through classroom learning experiences, guest speaker visits, excursions and play time, the students have many opportunities to acquire, develop and refine social skills. The following table outlines six social skills that make up part of the Primary Years Programme (PYP).

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<td>Accepting responsibility</td>
<td>Taking on and completing tasks in an appropriate manner; being willing to assume a share of the responsibility.</td>
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<td>Respecting others</td>
<td>Listening sensitively to others; making decisions based on fairness and equality; recognising that others’ beliefs, viewpoints, religions, and ideas many differ from one’s own; stating one’s opinion without hurting others.</td>
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<td>Cooperating</td>
<td>Working cooperatively in a group; being courteous to others; sharing materials; taking turns.</td>
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<td>Resolving conflict</td>
<td>Listening to carefully others; compromising; reacting reasonable to the situation; accepting responsibility appropriately; being fair.</td>
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<td>Group decision making</td>
<td>Listening to others; discussing ideas; asking questions; working towards and obtaining consensus.</td>
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<td>Adopting a variety of group roles</td>
<td>Understanding what behaviour is appropriate in a given situation and acting accordingly; being a leader in some circumstances, a follower in others.</td>
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These set of social skills are selected by the teachers to include in certain inquiry units and are explicitly taught to the students. Over a student’s PYP journey (from Reception through to Year 5) it is hoped that they will have an opportunity for each type of social skill to be developed. I encourage you to have a discussion with your child about their social skills. Questions to ask:

- Why are social skills important?
- What learning experiences have helped you to develop your social skills?
- Which social skill do you feel that you are strongest in? Why?
- Which social skill do you find challenging? Why?

Enjoy your conversations!

Gemma Leonard
PYP Coordinator

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME

On Wednesday, 21 May 2014, Navigator College students celebrated National Simultaneous Story Time. A number of classes had great enjoyment sharing the story ‘Too Many Elephants in This House’ written by Ursula Dubosarsky and illustrated by Andrew Joyner with thousands of children around Australia. This year an estimated 430,000 children in more than 2500 locations were involved in the event which encourages young Australians to read and enjoy books.

Sensei Parenta’s reception class experienced the story in Japanese as this was the first time that SBS Radio has made available audio versions in 13 different languages, Japanese being one of them. The Year 4/5’s explored the AUSLAN video version and incorporated the experience into their unit of inquiry about communication in which one of their lines of inquiry explores the concept of how to communicate effectively. Other classes shared the story on the SMART board as each year ALIA, the Australian Library and Information Association, provides schools with an online version, which is available exclusively for the duration of the event.

Uta Ennecking-McQuillan, Teacher Librarian
KINDNESS – A CHARACTER STRENGTH INSPIRED BY GOD

Ephesians 4:32 - Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

What is Kindness? Other words and ideas we associate with kindness are generosity, nurturance, care, compassion, doing favors and good deeds for others, helping them, and taking care of them. I for one recognise that I am blessed every day by the kindness that is shown to me by the people I have in my life. Whether it be from my friends, family, work colleagues and of course my students, my day is often made through the simple act of someone’s encouragement or the sharing of a few kind words. In reflecting this week on the character strength of Kindness, I came across this quote from Sam Levenson which I think sums up the importance of kindness both for the nurturing of our own soul and of course in caring for the people around us.
I encourage you all to read and reflect on this quote and the above Bible verse and think about the acts of kindness that are shown to you on a daily basis, and of course think about how you can show kindness towards someone else… what can you do to make their day?

“For Attractive lips, speak words of kindness.
For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people.
For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.
For beautiful hair, let a child run their fingers through it once a day.
For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone.
People, more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed, and redeemed. Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you will find one at the end of each of your arms.
As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself and the other for helping others.”
Sam Levenson

Don’t forget!!

All students in the Middle School should have a drink bottle filled with water ready at the start of each day. This water bottle should be brought into the classroom and kept on their desk throughout the day. Thank you to those parents who have encouraged their child(ren) to get themselves organised; it’s great to see a lot more drink bottles around the place!

Congratulations to Isabella Wright, our Middle School College Captain, who has successfully moved through to the State Final round of a Public Speaking Competition. She attended her heat in Adelaide on Sunday where she confidently presented her prepared and short notice speech. We wish Isabella all the best for the next stage of this competition.

ICAS Tests

Well done to those students who have participated in the ICAS tests that have been held in the past couple of weeks. So far students have sat the Computer Skills and Science tests, with Writing and Spelling coming up in the next few weeks. Good luck to all students involved.
Name: Matthew Marschall  
Role: Middle School College Captain  
Interests: Football, tennis, camping  
Passion: Football and sport  

Greatest Achievement:  
Beating my Dad in a fight. Pinned him to the ground.  

Most significant Role Model:  
Uncle Shaun (a good lad) and my brother Joseph.  

Why did you choose to be involved as a student leader?  
I thought it would be fun and a good experience.  

What would you like 2014 Student Leadership to be remembered for?  
For doing something unique in 2014 and bringing the College closer together.  

What have you learned about leadership?  
You have to be responsible, and at times take a back seat and encourage others to come out of their shells and have input and participate.  

What is your most memorable experience at Navigator College?  
No doubt City Week.  

What advice would you give to a student thinking about getting involved in leadership?  
Do not hesitate, give it a go because you might like it.  

How does getting involved in student leadership complement your studies or aspirations?  
It teaches you a few things about the importance of schooling, helps your public speaking and School Captain doesn’t look too shabby on a resume.  

Future Aspirations:  
In the future I plan on doing something I love … but I don’t have a clue what it might be yet.

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Name: Isabella Mary Wright  
Role: Middle School College Captain  
Interests: Public speaking, hockey, basketball, dancing, bushwalking and travelling.  
Passion: Dancing  

Greatest Achievement:  
Being chosen to compete in the state finals for public speaking twice. Also being Middle School College Captain.  

Why do you choose to be involved as a student leader?  
Navigator College is the best College I have ever been to. I love the values that it is built on and the freedom and independence it give the students. I wanted to give something back to the College that has given me so much.  

What would you like 2014 Student Leadership to be remembered for?  
Hopefully it will be remembered for the year that the SRC made College more enjoyable for all.  

What have you learned about leadership?  
I have learnt that being a student leader rewards you with qualities that are very valuable in life. I don’t know what sort of person I would be without the opportunities that I have had at this College.  

What is your most memorable experience at Navigator College?  
My most memorable experience was going on the Canberra trip in Year 6. Even now I refer to that week as one of the best of my life. The independence we had and the places we saw were amazing.  

What advice would you give to a student thinking about getting involved in leadership?  
Some advice I would give to a person thinking about getting involved in student leadership is to really embrace the opportunity if you are given it. You will get so much out of it. Through being a student leader you gain so many skills that are useful for study and life. It teaches you that if you are willing to work hard and help others, life will take you anywhere.  

Future Aspirations:  
To graduate from university with a degree in Journalism or Law. In 10 years I see myself living in Adelaide working as a journalist or lawyer.
UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE SENIOR SCHOOL

The end of the first semester is a busy one for the entire College community and the following are just some of the things going on in the Senior School.

Senior School Celebration of Learning
Next Wednesday 11th of June the Senior School will have their Celebration of Learning at the Ravendale Complex. All students will be attending and notes have gone home to parents to confirm the number of attendees. A $5 charge will apply at the door to cover the cost of catering, which will be supplied by our Food and Hospitality students. Between 7.00pm and 8:30pm the students will be displaying some of the outstanding work being done throughout the Senior School. There will also be some performance pieces throughout the night including presentations of research projects, dance and drama routines. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to see the exciting, diverse and progressive learning happening across the Senior School and I look forward to seeing you there.

Year 11 Exams
The Year 11 mid-year exams will be held at the College in Week 8, 16th to the 20th of June. Students will be issued a timetable which will indicate both exam and work completion times, attendance at both is mandatory. At times when the students do not have either a work completion or exam they will not be required at the College, however, a room will be made available for study should they prefer to stay. While many of these exams do not contribute to the Stage 1 SACE grade for this semester, they are an invaluable tool in subject selection planning for Stage 2 and will help to guide our recommendations for SACE Stage 2 subjects in 2015. I wish all our Year 11’s the best of luck in Week 8.

Year 10 Work Experience
In Week 10 of this term, 23rd to the 27th of June the Year 10 students will be attending their work experience placements. Many students have this organised and are well prepared to get out into the community and learn more about a profession of interest. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to learn more about the workplace and to feel more comfortable and clear about what life after school may look like. We thank those members of the Port Lincoln and wider community who volunteer time and effort to help our students to understand more about the workplace and we would welcome anyone interested in getting involved in this to contact Francois Pienaar or James Phillips at the College.

Nathan Wohling
Acting Head of Senior School

FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL......
During Week 4 the Year 10 cohort embarked on the annual Bush Walking Camp filled with nervous anticipation. We were fortunate enough to be blessed with some amazing weather for the week, often ending our long walking days by dipping feet in the water and watching the sunset. Mealtimes always provided some entertainment followed by some intense games of spotlight and camp fire talks. We did encounter some rain on our journey but not enough to dampen the spirits of the students who were very well behaved throughout the entire trip. We arrived back at the College in dying need of a shower but with high spirits. A big thank you to all staff for making the camp possible.

Greg Maxfield, Teacher