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Navigator College is leaving footprints...

Footprints

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed He was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from His life. For each scene He noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonging to Him and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of His life flashed before Him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of His life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times of His life.

This really bothered Him and He questioned the LORD about it. LORD you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me.

The LORD replied, my precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you! During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.

Carolyn Carty, 1963

As a child I remember my Aunty Lisa cross stitching this inspirational poem. I would sit and watch in awe, as she completed each intricate stitch, hoping that I would one day be as clever and crafty as her. Each time I visited, she had completed more and more, and I looked forward to the day when it was finally finished.

I have come across a few variations of this poem over the years, although the message in the poem is the same. I carried a small version of this poem in my wallet for a large part of my life, to remind me that the Lord will always be here for me, in good times and in bad. Sometimes it is easy to forget that God will be beside us each and every day, offering His unconditional love, guidance and wisdom; helping us to become the best version of ourselves.

There are many people, including God, who have left footprints in my life and in my heart. Who has left footprints in your life, and in your heart? As a teacher, I only hope that I can inspire my students to be the best version of themselves. I hope that they grow to reach their full potential, to strive and achieve and leave their own set of footprints on others' lives. What footprints are you leaving behind wherever you go?

Submitted by: Elise Kimber
ENROLMENTS FOR 2012
Letters have recently been sent out asking prospective parents to arrange a time for an interview for their child/ren to begin at Navigator College in 2012. So far we have had an excellent response with classes beginning to fill fast and it looks like we will have full classes and/or waiting lists at some year levels. If you know of anyone who is interested in sending their child/ren to Navigator College in 2012 please strongly encourage them to fill in an enrolment form and make an appointment with me as soon as possible to ensure a position at the College.

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER
Term 2 Fees are now overdue. Please settle these as soon as possible and, if you have any queries, please contact Liz Smith.

CANTEEN NEWS
Due to the McCain food supplier deleting the Pizza Pocket from their range, they will no longer be available from the canteen.

COUNTRY CARNIVAL - TABLE TENNIS
Congratulations to Claire Myers on a fantastic effort competing in her first major tournament, held in Adelaide on the June long weekend.

CITY WEEK 2011
In its second year City Week was another great success. This week takes the Year Nine group to experience Adelaide, stretching their belief in themselves and each other and allowing them to taste many aspects of learning in the classroom of the CBD. The Students engaged in a variety of activities over the week. Some of the highlights were

- The Amazing race, which is not only a race around the city and to 3 corners of the metro area, but it is a test of teamwork, planning and communication. The 5 teams used public transport to produce evidence of reaching the locations of Glenelg, Port Adelaide, Tea Tree Plaza, The Hindmarsh Entertainment Centre and three locations within the city. The teams were well planned and the competition was tight, however the winners set a new race record arriving back at the finish in an amazing 4.5 hours. All teams raced exceptionally well.
- The Magistrates court, Parliament House and the Museum. Mr Peter Treloar provided the group with a tour of the Legislative council and the House of Commons where we were fortunate enough to view question time in Parliament. This was a very interesting perspective and one which stirred up student ideas on positive and respectful communication.
- The CSIRO Education Centre, and Art Gallery. The students were fully engaged with these sessions and gave all of us a new appreciation for these places. The day finished with water sampling around the city and touring the SA Water 6 Star energy rated building.

The Year Nine group showed their resilience, engaging well with the day’s activities, yet having energy for the nights too, experiencing the new SA Aquatic centre and Ten pin Bowling.

Congratulations to all students who attended. Their behaviour and courtesy throughout the trip was admirable. Their energy and engagement in all activities was excellent and their growth as a group is something we look forward to enjoying throughout the year. Thank you to all parents for supporting this trip. We hope it has been beneficial to your children.

For more information on City Week please refer to the blog.

Andrew Jericho.