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Monday 6th to Friday 10th June
Yr 9 City Week Camp.

Monday 13th June
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 14th June
Class Carers meeting 2pm
Building and Facilities meeting 7.30pm

Tuesday 21st June
Yr 4/5 Celebration of Learning
Pastoral Care meeting 2pm
College Council meeting 7.30pm

Monday 27th June - Friday 1st July
Year 10 exams

Friday 1st July
Last day Term 2 (normal dismissal time)
Dress up Casual Day
Parent Catch up. All Welcome
Drinks at Boston Hotel after school.

Monday 25th July
Start of Term 3

Tuesday 26th July
Finance Committee meeting 11.30am
Fundraising Committee meeting 2pm

“Music soothes the savage beast”


Last week in Devotion I shared some of my favourite songs and linked them to passages from the Bible. These were songs from modern bands with sometimes, an age old message hidden within. Some are staring us straight in the face and we never make the connection. “Sometimes I feel like saying, Lord I just don’t care. But you’ve got the love I need to see me through” (Florence and the Machine, You’ve got the Love).

I say quite confidently, that we find comfort and solace from slipping away and tuning into an artist who speaks true to us. Otherwise said more poetically by Australian artists, “Paint the colour that connects with me and speaks my language” (Bliss ‘n’ Eso, Reflections). Furthermore, famous orchestral composer, Leopold Stokowski once said, “A painter paints pictures on canvas. But musicians paint their pictures on silence.” We always liken musicians to artists because their creations enrich our lives. They help to guide our thoughts and emotions and remind us that no matter how we’re feeling we can always turn to an artist of a particular genre and they will confirm that how we are feeling is normal.

19th century poet and philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche said, “Without music life would be a mistake”. I also spoke about some of my influences and heroes that I’d had in my life. Musicians are often referred to as idols, speak to any tween or teen about Justin Bieber for confirmation on that, but to steer away from “false idols”, I draw your attention to the everyday heroes. “There goes my hero, he’s ordinary” (Foo Fighters, My Hero). Who are the everyday people that helped to shape who you are?

I spoke about some teachers from my school days, as they were my inspiration to become a teacher from the age of ten. But who were yours - Teachers, neighbours, parents? I had the most fortunate opportunity to thank my inspiring teacher after I’d realised the impression that he had left after I graduated from University. Who are the people that you may thank or more importantly, might thank you?

What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding. (I Corinthians 14:15)

Submitted by: Lachlan Toogood
NOTES AND NEWS

PARENTING SEMINAR
I would like to encourage parents to accept the invitation from the St Joseph’s school to attend the Parenting Seminar on Tuesday the 14th of June. The Seminar named “Parenting Children for Success At School” will cover topics such as:
♦ Strengthen your child’s identity/confidence
♦ How emotional well being influences learning
♦ Making homework a part of your child’s life
♦ Inspiring your child to reach for high standards
♦ The importance of sport and hobbies
♦ Moderating television and electronic games

The seminar presenter “Joseph Driessen” is a leading educator in boy’s and girl’s education, based in New Zealand, with over 25 years experience in senior school management. He is described as entertaining and inspiring.

When: Tuesday, 14th June 7.00pm - 9.30pm
St Joseph’s School Performing Arts Centre
Entry $10 per person

WEBSITE UPDATE and THANK YOU
A huge thank you must go to Theo Modra for his expert photography skills and the amazing photos he took of the students and staff here at Navigator College on May the 17th. These photos will be used in a number of published documents, including handbooks, prospectuses and wall displays around the college.

We have also used a number of the photos on the website. I encourage everyone to have a look at www.navigator.sa.edu.au and see the new photos that have been placed on various pages. We are still in the process of constructing the parent portal on the website and thank parents for their patience. In the mean time you can still access the blogs through the direct address link (obtainable from the class teacher). It is also great to see parents using the Events Calendar and the Absence Notice from the website, both very user friendly and hopefully making it easier to notify the front office.

SAPSASA NEWS
This past week, two of our Yr 7 students represented the Eyre Peninsula in Adelaide in their respective sports. Adman Schmidt captained the SAPSASA football team to a 5th place in Division One. Ellie Cooper was a part of the SAPASASA netball team that took out the whole competition. Ellie was chosen to go on to a development camp with the Adelaide Thunderbirds during the school holidays. Congratulations to you both on a tremendous week.

Rowan Miegel, SAPSASA Co-ordinator

SRC CASUAL DAY
At a recent SRC meeting the students decided to run a casual day on the last day of term. Individual Classes will decide on the Colour scheme they will be dressed in. The cost is a gold coin donation which will go towards SRC projects. We look forward to seeing all the innovative ideas!

FAITH AND FAMILY
Faith Family is a magazine produced by the Christian churches of South Australia to help parents and caregivers promote Christianity within the family context. If you would like a copy please call into the College front office.

Mark Thiel, Chaplain

CANTEEN NEWS
There are a few new items available from the Canteen:
LOL Drinks (new): $2.50
P-Chee (Apple, Peach, Mango)
Straz-Bri (Apple, Strawberry)
Uda-Man (Apple, Mandarin)
(Go-Mango has been deleted.)
Grainwaves-Sour Cream and Chives $1.50

Please note: Macaroni Cheese is not available at present.

Thank you. Di Schmidt, Canteen Manager

Community News

Ecumenical Church Service
This service will be held on Sunday the 12th of June at the Catholic Church, Port Lincoln.

ALL WELCOME