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and reflect with any clarity upon the amount of change as we launched from one national crisis to the next. This year, whatever our plans were at the commencement of the school year, they have been changed enormously by the arrival of COVID-19. The impact of this situation has been significant, and our world today is different because of it.

It is at times like this that we feel exceptionally blessed to be part of an educational institution that is 130 years old and we are grateful to all those who have gone before us. Concordia College has known many times of uncertainty and adversity where the community has needed to rally together to prevail in difficult circumstances. Over the past month we have seen an outpouring of creative energy to support learning and pastoral care remotely. We thank God for the gift of learning and discovery that has led to new and exciting ways of engaging with our students. The tools and resources developed will undoubtedly serve to strengthen our approaches to teaching and learning. Change has always

for our Commencement Service amidst

the backdrop of the devastating fires

which ravaged so many parts of the country.

The changes have happened so guickly that

many people did not get the time to stop

been with us although the pace of change in the last few months has been staggering. While inevitably there will be further challenges in 2020, we can take comfort and confidence in knowing that we can overcome these by working together.

At the heart of our success are our relationships with each other and it has been wonderful to see the caring connections across our community strengthen during this difficult time. While Easter celebrations looked different this year, the message remains a constant that life in Jesus has overcome death and new life will come. Our role in all of this is to keep our focus on selfless love and care of others, particularly the most vulnerable.

Concordia is a deeply spiritual, forward-looking and loving community. Whatever the weeks ahead bring, staying connected will help all of us get through the challenges. While some uncertainties remain, we will work harder than ever to maintain that strong sense of togetherness that is so important during these difficult times and which has characterised the College community for 130 years.

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GIFTED EDUCATION TEACHER

Describe yourself in three words.

Passionate, creative, curious.

Positive, active, cooperative.

What motivates you?

shaped you as a leader.

helped shape me as a leader.

to in your new role?

What are you looking forward

support them again is really exciting.

I have spent the last 16 years of my life

training for and competing in Athletics

Search for Meaning (Victor Frankl).

Tell us about a hobby.

physical activity in my day.

what would it be?

Favourite book?

difference.

What inspired your interest in

I began working in this area over 20 years ago. I attended a conference that shone a light on the unique characteristics and needs (intellectual, emotional and social) of gifted learners. All students deserve appropriate support to become their best selves. I was motivated to learn more.

Which aspect/s of your job are you most passionate about and why?

My favourite part of each day is having conversations with students. I love finding out about their passions, strengths and future dreams. I can advocate for students to find individualised pathways to allow them to realise their goals. I love to spark curiosity, foster creativity and get

What motivates you?

My faith and connecting with people.

What are you looking forward

Firstly, I am looking forward to building relationships with students, staff and families. Concordia has wonderful, passionate staff and outstanding facilities. I am looking forward to finding ways to make the most of these resources, and hopefully utilising the extensive expertise within our Concordia community of parents and old scholars, as mentors.

opportunities around every corner. It was blissful.

If you could have one superpower,

Time travel - as long as I could have a quick exit button

I have always loved "To Kill a Mockingbird" - I find myself returning to it. I am running a 26 Book Challenge at Concordia this year and love learning about new books and authors from our students.

Gifted Education?

students excited about learning.

to in your new role?

Tell us about a hobby.

Travel and photography. For me, the two are inextricably linked. My most recent trip to New Zealand provided picture postcard photo

what would it be?

Favourite book?



turning their attention from daily classes to preparing for final examinations, they gathered with parents, staff, Old Concordians and friends of the College at the Adelaide Town Hall for the 2019 Valedictory Service. In addition to formally commemorating the conclusion of the Year 12s' time at school, the Service provided an opportunity to reflect on the collective school journey, to look ahead to the future, and to acknowledge outstanding contributions to the College through the presentation of Valedictory

t was wonderful to once again have Old Concordians join us to present some of the awards on the night. Mrs Nadine Williams OAM (1957), an author and former award-winning journalist with The Advertiser, presented Community Awards to Ian van Schalkwyk and Jacob Schwarz, and presented an Arts Award to Ella Brock-Fabel. Mr Max Guehrer (2014) – an international beach volleyballer, long-time Concordia volleyball coach, and aspiring Olympian – presented Sports Awards to Luke Bastiras and Annie Green. Principal's Service Awards were also presented on the night to Erin Blake, Tara Edwards, Zoe Fryer, Finnegan Green, Jessica Hyams, Francesca Pearce, Thomas Schilling, Liam Taylor, Alexander Tessari and Lauren Uylaki.

We congratulate each of the award winners and thank all of our Year 12s for their contribution to the College community throughout their time at Concordia. As a College we are proud of the hard work and determination shown and the excellent results achieved by the students in their final year. We wish the Class of 2019 all the very best in their future endeavours.

Commencement 2020

he 2020 school year began with much excitement (and a few nerves) on Tuesday, 28 January, with the Opening Chapel service at the Primary School and an Orientation Day for Middle and Senior School Students. The following day, the Concordia Campus Commencement Service saw students and staff gather to commit the year ahead to God's care; to formally welcome new staff, Student Leaders and House Leaders into their roles; and to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2019. In particular, we congratulated the top IB Diploma Student, **Ella Brock-Fabel**, and the top SACE student and Dux of Concordia College with an ATAR of 99.3, **Rowan Sanun**, on their outstanding achievements.

In his Dux acceptance speech, Rowan thanked his teachers, friends and family, and offered the following advice to the Year 12 Class of 2020.

'It's easy to think at the beginning of the year that you'll cocoon yourself in the bubble that is Year 12. ... But you don't have to give up everything. In Mr Leydon's words, "find a happy medium." Look after yourself, get enough sleep, make time to catch up with friends, and enjoy your time together in Year 12.

- ... Regardless of your approach to Year 12, life has a habit of throwing a curveball at the worst possible time. ... It happens! And if it does, keep things in perspective ... you are not on this road alone, and if you find yourself in that position (as I did), talk to someone. It could be a friend, family member or your teachers
- ... The most important advice I can give you [about Year 12] is to make the most of it.'





Service Awards.





ur ELC children said they felt a sense of excitement, nervousness and happiness when they had an opportunity to 'be the teacher' and share their learning with the parents and grandparents at their Student-Led Conferences in Term 4. The conferences are an important communication and reporting tool in the IB Primary Years Programme, giving students a chance to build confidence and to take responsibility for the process and progress of their learning. We were very proud of the children, all of whom did a great job of exploring how the process of investigation leads to new discoveries and then sharing what they had learnt with their loved ones.

The transition into a new school year is an exciting time filled with fresh opportunities and challenges, and we seek to do all we can to ensure the process is as smooth as possible.

In the first few weeks of Term 1 our Primary School students focussed on getting 'off to a good start' through collaborative and team-building activities designed to facilitate the development of positive relationships and create a great platform on which to build throughout 2020. There were plenty of fun and engaging activities to help students adapt to new routines and experience a sense of belonging. For example, the Year 6s took part in an 'Amazing Race' around the campus, the Year 5s took photos depicting aspects of the IB Learner Profile for use as classroom posters, and the ELC students used a visual schedule to learn about daily activities and role-played scenarios for positive interactions with peers. Students were also involved in designing their learning environments to best suit the learning needs of their class as well as taking ownership of their learning by agreeing on shared principles to create a classroom culture that is beneficial for all. We trust it truly has been a great start for our students and we look forward to seeing them flourish this year!

Puppet Shows

ome wonderful guests have visited our Primary School German classes in recent years to help give students an insight into various aspects of German life and culture. In Term 4, we were delighted to welcome the Carrousel Theatre company, who performed a bilingual show for our students in Years 1 to 4 called *Aladdin und die Wunderlampe* (Aladdin and the Magic Lamp) in the Punch and Judy style of theatre using traditional German puppets. The show was highly entertaining and included links to German language lessons across all of these year levels and the subsequent question time gave some great insights into the art of German puppetry.

Earlier in Term 4, the Year 2s enjoyed a puppet show called Up the Creek as part of their Sharing the Planet unit with the Central Idea that 'People can make choices to support the sustainability of the earth's resources'. The message about conserving water and maintaining the cleanliness of our waterways came across loud and clear







Connected Unley

people's lives or just make their day!' - Ohmeah Palmer

Murtoa Showcase

I hat do Roman aqueducts, Chinese paper armour, Greek water clocks, the Stroop effect and the perfect macaron all have in common? They were all the focus of student projects and displays at the 2019 Murtoa Showcase! Once again, the Year 7 projects were many and varied, outlining scientific and innovative solutions to problems found in the ancient world as part of their study of ancient civilisations in Humanities and Science. Parents, staff and students enjoyed browsing the exhibition and hearing from students about their chosen area of interest.

Later in the day the Year 8s showcased a wide variety of scientific inquiries through their Science Fair, and guests were intrigued by many of the experiments. A particularly unique project involved an investigation into molecular spaghetti, which refers to the reaction between a gelling agent (sodium alginate) and a hardening agent (calcium lactate) which is formed into an edible look-alike to spaghetti - certainly not something you come across every day!

Well done to all involved in what was a fantastic display of student learning!











Service as Action

rom bread tags to wheelchairs and bake sales to backpacks, our Year 8s used simple materials to make a difference in the lives of others in Term 4. As part of the Service as Action component within the Year 8 Pastoral Care program, two Home Classes worked collaboratively to run a circus-themed bake sale fundraiser with some delicious food on offer and a free balloon animal for each customer. Some students even helped 'theme' the event by donning clown outfits! In the end, over \$250 was raised for Backpacks 4 SA Kids, a charity that provides practical items and resources to help children and young people during times of dislocation from home and routine care. A fantastic effort for a great cause!

Meanwhile, two other Home Classes committed to collecting as many bread tags as possible to donate to Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs, an organisation that sells the tags to a recycler in Robe, with proceeds funding the purchase of wheelchairs for people who need them in South Africa. The recycled tags are then used to create colourful objects like doorknobs and bowls which are made available for people to purchase. It takes around 1,870 bread tags to make a bowl, and at the end of Term 4 the Year 8s had collected around 7,500 tags - a number which is set to grow as we hope to continue the initiative in the future.

Students Teaching Students

Year 7 students had an opportunity to teach aspects of what they had learned in German classes to their Year 4 counterparts late in Term 3, sharing their knowledge through tiny books they had created. The Year 4s then had a go at making their own tiny books, resulting in a fantastic mini library. A wonderful cross-campus learning activity!









Olympic Change-Makers

Two of our budding athletes were selected to take part in the 2019 Australian Olympic Change-Maker State Forum, enjoying an opportunity to chat with Olympians and other young people keen to lead and make a positive difference in their school or community. Marco Els and Jessie Keech were among 1,027 students selected from across Australia and they had this to say about their experience:

'I found it to be a great program, providing me with an opportunity to meet Olympians and discuss their experiences with them. It was also great to meet other students doing similar things to me within different sports. It also made me extremely excited about the upcoming Olympics.' - Jessie

'The Olympic Change-Maker day allowed us to meet and talk to past and present Olympians. They shared with us their journeys, triumphs, and challenges. We also met with students from all over South Australia and had the chance to exchange stories about how we've had an impact on our communities. I found the day [to be] extremely beneficial and motivating.' - Marco

SACE Art Show

Congratulations to Ben Gu, Angus McFeat and Paige McMahon from the Class of 2019 whose Year 12 major artworks were chosen to appear in the 2020 SACE Art Show at Adelaide's Light Square Gallery from Tuesday, 17 March to Friday, 17 April. It is amazing to have three students' artworks chosen from one school - a wonderful public recognition of the hard work, creativity and skill invested by our students to produce such striking pieces!



Twice each year, the Concordia Campus community rallies behind a very worthy cause - providing hot, nutritious meals to patrons of the Mary Magdalene Drop-in Centre, an Anglican-run soup kitchen in the Adelaide CBD. With over 40 litres of homemade soup, donations of tinned fruit, and additional food items such as chicken and ice cream purchased with money donated by Concordia families, representatives from the Senior School prepared and served meals to over 100 people on Saturday, 22 February. School Captain Josh Martin shared the following reflection on the opportunity

'It was such an eye-opening experience. Everyone worked together really well, and we loved having the opportunity to help those in need. We made some great friends right from the word "go" and







he show was officially opened by Old Concordian Bonnie Coleman-Sleep (1968), a Kokatha Aboriginal woman from the west coast of South Australia who talked about the links of culture, art, spirituality and nature which connected with the title of the show "formae naturalis".

A number of awards were presented on the night and all recipients are commended for their achievements

Art Awards

- + Excellence Award Visual Art Art: **Angus McFeat**
- + Excellence Award Visual Art Design: Tom McCann
- Encouragement Awards Visual Art:Dante Afnan, Bella Speedy and Ben Gu
- Worldstrides Excellence Awards for Ambassadorship on the Europe Art Trip: Jacob Schwarz and Olivia Gleeson







The Concordia Art Acquisition Award for 2019 was presented to **Ben Gu** for his painting "17-10-2000" that is about the importance of family.

'The meaning of family is different around the world. In Western cultures, family is more of a group of individuals and each of the family members is more independent. However, in Chinese culture, where I come from, family is always a whole and it is the biggest part of people's lives.'

Design and Technology Awards

- Most Outstanding Product: Jackson Rees
- + Peer Assessed Best Product: Gus Goddard
- + Encouragement Award: Sophie Treloar
- + Overall Subject Award: Jackson Rees

Media Awards

- + Subject Award: Zac Steele
- + Encouragement Awards:
 Angus Haskard and
 Samantha Long



Jackson Ree

- + Subject Award: Harrison Oke
- Encouragement Award:Sebastian Lucey

The Year 11 Food and Hospitality students, under the expert direction of Ms Hannah Rosie, did a fantastic job of catering for the event, and music provided by String Quartet 2 added to the wonderful atmosphere.

Thanks to all who attended and supported the event, and to our sponsors: Eckersley's Art & Craft; Worldstrides; Australian Timbers; Resource Furniture; Workplace Commercial Furniture; Pro AV Solutions; and Diamonds Camera, Video & Digital.



outh Australian artist and arts educator James 'Jimmy' Dodd has exhibited his work around Australia and as far afield as Seattle, USA and Osaka, Japan. In Term 1 students from Years 7 to 12 benefitted greatly from his time at Concordia as an Artist-in-Residence. Jimmy has had an extensive career, and most recently he has been developing kinetic sculptures and painting processes that utilise technology in exciting ways which have provided some innovative hands-on experiences in Science,

Kinetic Art

His painting mill, a method of painting via an electronic control pad connected to two paint pens/brushes suspended from a spinning hand drill drive shaft that is attached to a beam and able to move in multiple directions, provided stimulus for the Year 9 students' creativity. Jimmy also helped Year 9s, 10s and 11s to build drawing bots, which can be programmed to 'dance' and create some amazing abstract art. Robotic in Art also came into play through the creation of ground gropers and kinetic sculptures by the Year 11 students, and the Year 12s have responded to Jimmy's work in various art forms

Inspired by the kinetic art works of Swiss sculptor Jean Tinguely, a focus of the residency was the creation of two larger-scale kinetic sculptures by the Year 10 students. The final projects – a stylised moving dragon and a sculpture that uses solar power to move laser cut discs which create their own light and movement dependant on the sun – are striking in appearance and contain many moving parts.

The idea of art meeting movement and technology aiding in art making was central to the residency and some of the pieces completed during this time will remain on display as a celebration of Jimmy's workshops at Concordia. The students were clearly engaged in exploring such a new direction in their art and we thank Jimmy for sharing his time and expertise with us.







ith the 2019 House Shield awarded to Winchester, the other three Houses were keen to stave off the defending champions at the annual Concordia Campus Swimming Carnival late in Term 4, with students in Years 7 to 10 enjoying the first chance to earn points in the 2020 House Competition. In perfect weather, there was plenty of colour and enthusiasm as students were excited to participate in both novelty and championship events. The new House Captains did a great job of encouraging participation and building team spirit and all students represented the College with dignity, pride and excellent sportsmanship.

Despite the best efforts of Cheltenham, Highgate and Malvern, Winchester pulled away to an early 66-point lead and also achieved five of the six new records set on the day thanks to excellent swims by Olivia Quilley, Lachlan Bell, Samuel Kemp, Hana Ireland and Damon Turczynowicz. Well done also to Malvern competitor Kate Strutton who put in a very strong freestyle swim and set a new record.

Malvern's **Louisa Beaumont** won the 50m Freestyle Championship race, involving the fastest female swimmers of each House, while **Jaden Tape McGlashan** won the boys' race for Winchester.

In the end, Winchester prevailed after a wonderful day of competition.

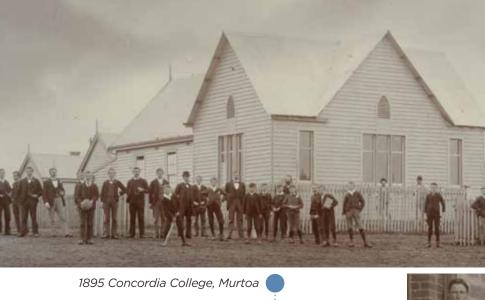
Final Results

Winchester 771 Malvern 590 Highgate 475 Cheltenham 440



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1948 Girls Hostel, Wattle Street





Network Installed







Pastor Wilhelm

Friedrich Wilhelm Peters Director 1890-1901 Hoffmann

Established

First student -

Rev Dr Carl

Director 1903-1939

Move to Adelaide

The first years of the 20th century

were challenging for the fledgling

followed by the move to Adelaide,

1903 - The Rev Dr Carl Graebner,

College. However, with a new director,

1900

The College experienced many dark days during this decade. Legislation during World War I threatened the very existence of Lutheran schools, Concordia entered a fresh stage in its and the Spanish influenza epidemic disrupted schooling for a large part

who became the second director of **1912** - The first class of twelve Concordia, actively served in several areas beyond his official role. He was an influential spokesperson in support : men became known as the 'Twelve of Lutheran schools during World War I and was also one of the founders

1905 - Concordia College, Malvern was opened on 22 February.

1906 Classroom Scene

theological students graduated on : 12 December 1912. The twelve young

1914 - With the introduction of

Below: 1926 Opening of the Lecture Hall



Great Depression

1930





1940

: At the beginning of the decade

War II and the drought conditions.

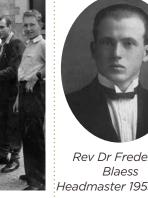
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the war years made for unforgettable

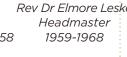
times, and the community mourned

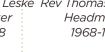
the deaths in action of several Old

1942 Moving to Flinders Street



eadmaster 1953-1958













1970

Below: 1970 Georg Memorial Library





1980

Brew-Bevan

Principal 1989-1993





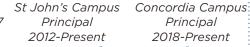
Acting Principal

1994-1995



2003-2005 Restructuring





Principal 2018-Present

2017 Nautilus Centre

2010-2020

Amalagamation

: Lutheran Primary School offically

amalgamated in 2016 to became one

school with two connected campuses

and two Principals. The decade was also

characterised by a period of expansion

2010 - Murtoa was opened, providing a

facility for the Middle School, Media and

1890

Concordia's beginnings at Murtoa in the Victorian Wimmera district were very modest. Pastor Wilhelm Peters persuaded members of the parish to fund a school building project to support his program for the training history. of teachers.

In the first year just two young men were enrolled. 1894 - The name 'Concordia College'

was officially adopted

1896 - Student numbers had risen to thirty, and the curriculum included of the Myrtle Bank Soldiers Home. courses for those intending to become Lutheran pastors.

Twelve Apostles

1910

Corps was formed.

in the 1920s. Student numbers rose to ninety-nine when girls entered the College, and several essential building projects were completed - a headmaster's residence, a

gymnasium and a lecture hall.

Girls at Concordia

1920

1923 - Mrs Agnes Dorsch was the first woman appointed to the academic staff. She taught both 1938 - Twenty students and three secondary and theological seminary students.

1927 - The first girls, a group of 19, compulsory military training, a Cadet | were enrolled at Concordia. Fifteen boarders filled the girls hostel in Cheltenham Street to capacity.

There were significant developments Student numbers fell slightly during the Great Depression and fewer girls were enrolled. Despite budget restrictions, there were several successes and reasons to celebrate.

> 1937 - The First XVIII were undefeated premiers in the Student Football Association, and repeated this success in 1938.

staff took part in a concert tour of South Australia to promote the College. The program included choir selections, humorous items and gymnastics displays with clown acts.

1942 - In April the army took possession of Concordia's grounds and buildings for use as a convalescent depot. Teaching continued in Excelsion Hall behind Bethlehem Lutheran

Church, Flinders Street, until the

campus was handed back to the

College late in June.

Collegians.

1942 Lessons at Flinders Street 1938 Concert Tour Group in Minyip, Victoria

enrolments suffered because of World more day students, many of them children of immigrant and refugee families from European countries. courses to suit individual abilities. The first Aboriginal students were

Time of Changes

1950

enrolled - Audrey Cobby (later known as Ngingali Cullen) in 1954 and Richard Le Bois in 1955. **1952** - St John's Lutheran Primary

School was dedicated on 10 February. The building cost about £3000, and consisted of a steel frame with walls of compressed wheat stubble straw coated with cement. It was completed mainly by volunteers.

1952 Opening of St John's Lutheran Primary School

The student population now included During these years the curriculum was broadened for the first three year : developments and new initiatives levels so that students were offered

1960

1960 - A new uniform for girls was introduced in the College colours of brown and gold rather than navy blue. Music appreciation classes were

1963 - The Concordia Old Collegians Association was formed, replacing the Old Boys and Old Girls

introduced for all students.

There were a number of significant during the 1970s. Commonwealth Government grants enabled the College to proceed with building a much-needed library as well as a

Mathematics Centre. Although enrolments were steadily rising, boarder numbers were facilities was changing.

1978 - Boys no longer boarded on campus and girls now boarded at the hostel in Cheltenham Street.

Students from this era have fond memories of the lively musicals performed to packed and appreciative : celebrations and special events to audiences. Others will remember that it mark Concordia's centenary. The the close of the decade marked the end of a long-standing tradition of boarding for both boys and girls.

1983 - Staff and students performed Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Mikado* in dwindling and the need for boarding the Arts Theatre. Mr Peter Schmidt broke new ground with the formation : headmaster, the Rev Dr Elmore Leske, of a twelve-piece orchestra.

> **1984** - A network of computers was installed to enable students to study and practise computer skills.

whole College community attended opening and dedication of the Chapel St John's Lutheran Primary School. and Music Centre was undoubtedly the most significant.

1990

At the beginning of this decade the

: The history of the College, *Concordia* : - 100 Years, researched and : written by old collegian and former was launched at the Centenary Dinner and Ball in September 1990.

1999 - The opening and dedication of the long-awaited Sports and Recreation Centre.

Significant developments include the :Concordia College and St John's restructuring of the College to form a Middle School and a Senior School, and a growing collaboration with

2000

2005 - Concordia welcomed the first Year 7 students.

A combined school council with St John's Lutheran Primary School was formed

2016 - The Hub was opened, housing 2006 - Yangadlitya, the new resource centre, was opened

student services, administration, a Year 12 common room and classrooms 2017 - The Nautilus Centre, for Science,

and redevelopment

Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM), was opened.































Silver Streak

The 2019 school year ended with a flurry of silver medals won by our Year 6 and 7 School Sport SA knockout teams in softball, tennis and cricket. All three teams put in a commendable effort throughout their respective competitions, and while the gold medals were elusive, we are certainly proud of each of the students involved.

Basketball Champions

After winning through the first round of the statewide SSSA Year 8/9 knockout basketball competition, our Middle A bovs' team continued its winning form and progressed to the Grand Final day. Consistently strong performances saw them win all remaining games of the six-team round-robin competition and finish as the knockout champions against the best basketball schools in the state. An incredible effort!

Statewide Tournaments

Concordia was well represented in the Adelaide South East district teams for the School Sport SA statewide Year 6/7 cricket, tennis and swimming tournaments in Term 1. Not only were we very proud of all of our students who were selected to represent

> the Adelaide South East district, but we were delighted that the boys' tennis, girls' tennis and girls' cricket district teams all won gold! Congratulations to Marshall Hudson. Ari Lewis-Kellv and Fraser Wenceslaus (Tennis -Division 1), Asha Bianchi and Phoebe Nobbs (Tennis - Division

Well done also to Lachlan Bird and **Leon Ridley** for finishing fifth in Division

on these outstanding results.

3), and Rosie Tennant (Cricket)

1 boys' cricket and to Aden Khouri, Oliver Eyers, Archie Eyers, Jack Bell, Joseph Corbett, Louis Aberline and Joseph Menz for being selected in the Adelaide South East district swim team. Unfortunately, the statewide swimming tournament was unable to go ahead due to the COVID-19 situation, but all students selected are commended for their fantastic efforts.



Volleyball Set for

Success

fter our Senior boys' and girls' teams walked away from the national competition with silver medals in 2018, it was exciting to see ongoing development in 2019. Of particular note were the efforts of the Senior A and B girls' teams in the IGSSA competition in 2019, both of which won the premiership in their respective grades in Term 4. An outstanding achievement!

At the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup in December, the boys embraced the challenge of competing in a tough Division 1, while the girls also stepped up to Division 2 (after competing one tier lower in 2018) and finished just one win shy of the gold medal match. In an interesting turn of events, one of the teams that won through to the gold medal match was ineligible for an official medal placing, so the girls took to the court and finished with a silver medal, a brilliant effort on the national stage! We can't wait to see what exciting moments the remainder of the 2020 season will serve up as the Concordia volleyball program continues to develop.





St John's Campus

here was a wonderful community spirit at the St John's Campus Sports Day as parents, grandparents, siblings and friends gathered to cheer on our students on Friday, 6 March. In addition, our St John's Campus House Cantains



who provided great support throughout the morning.

As is tradition, Mr Paech awarded the first points of the day to the team he thought had the best 'team rap', with Winchester taking top spot early as a result. The sprints followed, drawing a lot of cheering from spectators and students on either side of the track. Soon, the crowds dispersed across the oval as students took part in a variety of tabloid events, from traditional events like high jump, long jump and shot put for the older students through to novelty events like the sack race and egg and spoon race for the younger students.

The relays provided much excitement, as did the final event - the novelty relay involving staff, parents and House Captains -

but despite the high level of noise just moments before, the crowd became silent as they waited for the results to be announced. After five straight wins by Highgate House, there was a humungous roar from the red tent when it was announced that Winchester had claimed first place in 2020, the feeling of elation evident in the students' celebrations and the energetic reprise of their team rap. Well done to all students for their excellent efforts and sportsmanship, and congratulations to Winchester!

Final Results

Winchester	1005
Highgate	998
Malvern	912
Cheltenham	850

Concordia Campus

atering for 900 students and involving over 100 staff, the Concordia Campus Sports
Day is no small feat each year and the 2020 instalment on Thursday, 12 March was no different - it was a wonderful success with students taking advantage of favourable weather conditions throughout the day.

Students from all four Houses competed valiantly – with athleticism, sportsmanship, camaraderie and team spirit well and truly on display. From the intensity of the 'novelty' tug of war event and the fun of the tunnel ball relay through the traditional field

events to the electric excitement of the final relays, the race for the Bartel Cup was on.

Six records fell, among them the U13 Girls Hurdles and U13 Boys Discus and Javelin, which had stood for 34, 32 and 26 years respectively. Congratulations to each of the new record holders: Gabriella Byrne (400m), Amalia Oliver (Javelin), Sari Eldridge (100m), Asha Bianchi (Hurdles), and Ronan Morris (Discus and Javelin).

In the end, Winchester

In the end, Winchester continued their run of success in recent years by winning the day ahead of Malvern, Highgate and

Cheltenham, but all Houses had their share of Age Level Champions and all students involved are commended for their efforts.

Final Results

Winchester 2733 Malvern 2360 Highgate 2174



It is such an amazing opportunity for the boys to go on this nearly two-year journey, culminating in the trip of a lifetime... I know my son made lifelong friends and that his relationships deepened with the students, the adults and the group

Mylor Adventure

program.' - Parent

of locals who were involved in the

Having completed their Year 6 Exhibition in Term 3 and then looking ahead to the transition to secondary school, the Year 6 students headed off on their camp in Term 4. The camp centred around the theme of taking on challenges, which they did beautifully while growing in confidence and self-belief during this time at Mylor. Working collaboratively to complete various tasks, they enjoyed their time away tackling activities like the giant swing and the challenge course. A wonderful time spent together at the end of their Primary School journey.



Football Outreach Vanuatu

n the October school holiday break last year, a group of Concordia students and staff ventured into new territory on the College's fifth Football Outreach Vanuatu trip. Previous trips had been only to Efate island, which is home to the nation's capital, Port Vila, but this time Espiritu Santo (the largest of Vanuatu's 85 islands) was added to the itinerary so the team could help AFL Vanuatu spread the sport into new areas. The trip, which also incorporated 18 months of preparatory fundraising as well as football and leadership skill development, saw students 'creating' a new football field - albeit with temporary bamboo goal posts - coaching the U15 National Squad, officiating games, playing an exhibition game and running Pikinini Kik coaching sessions in schools and in the

community. A wonderful, unique service-learning opportunity

and an unforgettable experience for all involved.

School Sleepover



In November, the Year 2 students experienced an exciting night

away from home at their year level sleepover. Before watching

a movie, which was a real highlight of the evening for many, the

their parents what they had been learning in Physical Education

lessons and they also shared what they had learned on the topic

of wellbeing and had planned how they would balance these to

ensure they had an enjoyable time - and they did a superb job!

of wellbeing. In the lead up, students had inquired into five aspects

students took part in a skipping demonstration to share with

Canberra Trip

Touring the national capital to learn about Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy, the Year 7s enjoyed visiting a range of interesting locations and were highly engaged throughout the action-packed program.

'The Year 7 Canberra trip was filled with educational, enjoyable, memorable moments and events. It featured visits to significant locations such as Parliament House, the Australian War Memorial, the Royal Australian Mint and Canberra's Deep Space Centre. My favourite part of the trip was the Australian War Memorial. This is because of the interesting, emotive and intriguing stories that it offered.' - Styliana Kokkoni

Victor Harbor Camp

Our Year 8s spent four days getting to know their peers and embracing some challenging outdoor activities at Victor Harbor early in Term 1, a great summer start to the new school year! Bodyboarding and kayaking led to many memorable moments, and the bike ride. Flying Kiwi (rope swing) and shelter building were also popular activities. Working together in 'tribes' helped generate opportunities for interaction across the cohort and instilled a sense of belonging in Home Class groups. Year 8 student Matilda Schwarz summarised the camp in the following way.

'This camp was a great way to get to know new people, make new friends and to talk to different people. Over this camp I made lots of new memories and it is a time I will never forget."

Woodhouse Camp

Woodhouse Activity Centre in the Adelaide Hills was the perfect venue for our Year 4 camp with a focus on resilience and team building. The students had a great time building friendships and developing new skills and the chance to take on Challenge Hill was a real highlight of their time away.

Murray River Camp

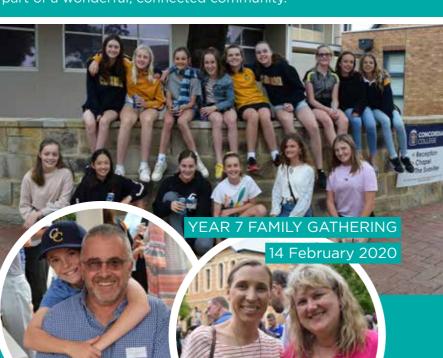
The Year 5 students were greeted with beautiful weather and many friendly faces as they bonded over a range of different activities such as kayaking, raft building, water testing, orienteering and team building during their camp on the Murray River. Each night was spent watching movies and enjoying each other's company. Whilst they all came back a little more tired than when they had begun, they appreciated the fun times and many memories shared.

















Spotlight on the President Matt Bruening (2016)

Favourite memory from your school days? Being a member of leadership groups and the school leadership team in Year 12. I learnt so many important lessons and built so many lasting friendships during that time that are still going strong today.

Funniest memory from your school days? Definitely being a part of the Debating team and our Wednesday night debates. Too many ridiculous rivalries formed, hilarious (and sometimes nonsensical) rebuttals and moments of brilliance by Nick Finch. Watching Mr Finch cringe, laugh and (on rare occasions) cheer in the corner made it all worthwhile.

Favourite subject? My favourite subject was Psychology. It was very enjoyable learning about how we as humans engage socially and the different cognitive factors that regulate our behaviour. I'm still applying many of the concepts I learnt in Psychology today, especially selling techniques!

Favourite teacher? Mrs Budd! She was a fantastic teacher and a great friend to the IB Psychology students and was always there during the most stressful times of Year 11 and 12.

Best pieces of advice? Get involved in extra-curricular activities. Everyone is a fool when they try something for the first time, but the different activities Concordia offers may prove to be some of the best sources of friends, experiences and personal growth you could hope for during high school.

How do you keep in touch with other Old Concordians? Like us on Facebook and subscribe to our newsletter; the Old



Concordians' Association always has a range of amazing events, exciting interest groups or unique opportunities to take advantage of and be a part of!

What's so good about the Old Concordians' Association? The

Old Concordians' Association is such an important part of Concordia. Being a student at Concordia may end after Year 12, but you will always be an important and valued member of the College community. The Association functions to maintain that bond, provide valuable support and opportunities for Old Concordians, and facilitate those irreplaceable lifetime connections between you, your fellow students and the College.

The Suaviter Gallery Installation

o celebrate 100 years of the Old Concordians' Association, and as a tribute to our rich history, we are upgrading The Suaviter and installing a gallery showcasing photos and archival items collected over the years.

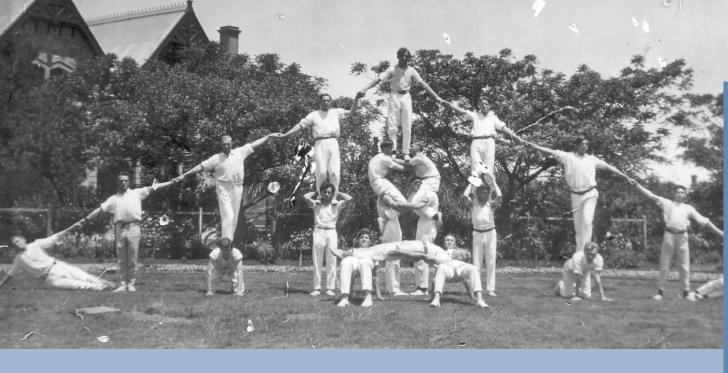
The Suaviter served as the College Chapel from 1927 to 1990, and since then has been utilised for reunions and events, parent dinners, year level meetings, many other functions and even wedding receptions – it is a very busy place! With some minor structural changes and the instalment of a gallery on the walls, we believe we can create a space where students can learn about the important history of their school, and Old Concordians, families and visitors can view the wonderful images collected over so many years while they attend events or College tours.

The upgrade will take place while The Suaviter's usual gatherings have been cancelled in accordance with Government recommendations during Term 2.

We are asking Old Concordians and community members who are able to support this upgrade with a tax-deductible donation towards the installation of the gallery.

To donate, please visit the College website (www.concordia.sa.edu.au/community/giving-to-concordia/) or contact the Alumni Manager, Sue Spry (alumni@concordia.sa.edu.au).





The Old Concordians' Association turns 100!

2020 is a very special year for the Old Concordians - we are celebrating 100 years of our alumni association!

he origins of the Old Concordians' Association can be traced back to 1920 when a Concordia College Old Boys' Association was formed. A few years after the first girls were enrolled at Concordia in 1927, a Concordia Old Girls' Association was also established. In 1963 the two groups were formally combined. There are over 8,000 Old Concordians living in Australia and overseas and together we make up a dynamic, widespread community.

We have rescheduled events planned for the first half of the year and, if restrictions are lifted, still plan to make 2020 a year of celebrations and thanksgiving for our wonderful history, and the blessing our College and alumni association have been to so many over the years.

Please see planned dates for reunions and events on the following page. Old Concordians will be notified via email and Facebook @OldConcordiansAssociation if there are any further date changes. If you would like to know more you can call the Alumni Manager, Sue Spry, on 08 8291 9339.

Our Living Heritage
Concordia Archives

The Heritage Centre is home to a wide range of artefacts and memorabilia, which provide insights into the College's rich history. We would particularly welcome donations of the following items:

- + Old uniforms, hats, bags and badges (pre-1970)
- + Photos of Concordia students and events
- + Autograph books (pre-1960)
- + Trophies, medals and certificates
- Souvenirs of special events

For information, please contact the Alumni Manager, Sue Spry (alumni@concordia.sa.edu.au).



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Diary Dates

70+ Reunion / Harmony in the Chapel

Concordia College Chapel Enjoy the concert followed by afternoon tea in the Chapel Narthex.

RSVP to Sue Spry, Alumni Manager Free Event

Old Concordians' 60+ Lunch

Thursday 17 September 2020, 12-3pm

The Suaviter, Concordia College Tickets: \$25, includes three-course lunch Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHENC

Old Concordians' - Canberra Reunion

Friday 18 September 2020, 6-8pm

The Howling Moon, Rex Hotel Rooftop Bar, 150 Northbourne Ave, Braddon, ACT Tickets: \$30, includes drink on arrival and grazing table Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHHWQ

Business Breakfast

Tuesday 22 September 2020, 7.30-9am

Guest Speaker: The Hon Rev Dr Lynn Arnold AO Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHBKJ

Old Concordians' Eyre Peninsula Reunion

Saturday 17 October 2020, 6.30-9.30pm

Ceduna Foreshore Hotel, 32 O'Loughlin Terrace, Ceduna SA

Tickets: \$40. includes drink on arrival and threecourse meal. Bar available.

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHGPN

Old Concordians' Centenary Dinner

Friday 23 October 2020, 6.30-9.30pm

The Suaviter, Concordia College Tickets: \$40, includes drink on arrival and threecourse meal. BYO drinks and bar available. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHEMT

Class of 1980 - 40 Year Reunion

Friday 23 October 2020, 6.30-9.30pm

The Suaviter, Concordia College Incorporated in the Centenary Dinner, get your class group together!

Tickets: \$40, includes drink on arrival and threecourse meal. BYO drinks and bar available. Bookings: www.trvbooking.com/BHEMT

Class of 1970 - 50 Year Reunion

Friday 23 October 2020, 6.30-9.30pm

The Suaviter, Concordia College Incorporated in the Centenary Dinner, get your class group together!

Tickets: \$40, includes drink on arrival and three-course meal. BYO drinks and bar available. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHEMT

Old Concordians' Sydney Reunion

Friday 30 October 2020, 7-9pm

The Oaks Hotel, 118 Military Road, Neutral Bay, NSW Tickets: \$30, includes drink on arrival and grazing table. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHCKI

Class of 2000 - 20 Year Reunion

Friday 6 November 2020, 6-8pm

Art Courtyard, Concordia College Tickets: \$30 adults, children free - picnic style dinner. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHENH

Class of 2010 - 10 Year Reunion

Friday 20 November 2020, 6pm

Edinburgh Hotel - Cocktail Garden Tickets: \$20, includes drink on arrival and canapes. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHENQ

Class of 2015 - 5 Year Reunion

Friday 4 December 2020, 6pm

Edinburgh Hotel - Cocktail Garden Tickets: \$20, includes drink on arrival and canapes. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BHGII

Partners are welcome to attend all events.





Concordia. Here are some of the recent

news snippets we have received from

the Old Concordian community.

Robert Gates (1957) spent around 30 years working for Sodexo, a multi-national French company, mainly in Asia. He was the Chief Electrical Engineer for the Asia Pacific; however, in his role he worked in most parts of the world with the exclusion of North America. In 2015. Rob retired and returned to South Australia, settling at Jamestown, where he raised his son Nicholas. He extends an invitation to Old Concordians to visit his museum established in the historic Jamestown Railway Station, which he is slowly renovating.

The photo was taken at a market in the city of Pune, the IT centre for India. Rob was based in Pune for four months in 2015.

Max Guehrer (2014), a keen volleyballer during his time at Concordia, was selected to represent Australia at three Junior World Championships while he was a student. After graduating, he made one more Junior World Championships trip before moving on to the Senior stage. Max has continued to travel the world, competing in over 20 countries so far. In 2019 he had his most successful year to date, winning a medal on the world tour and beating some of the best teams in the world, and he was the captain of the Australian 4-a-side men's beach volleyball team in Qatar at the inaugural World Beach Games. A long-time Concordia volleyball coach, Max has coached the Senior Girls to two IGSSA premiership wins over the last two years and they have since gone on to win medals at the national school championships held in December. Max is also pushing to qualify the Australian Men's team for the Olympics, something they haven't done since 2008!

Mentoring and Work Experience

A big thank you to the Old Concordians who provide career mentoring to current students and work experience to Year 11 students, and to those who come into the school to mentor small groups. Contributing in this way is incredibly valuable to the lives of our students.

If you can help as a mentor or provide work experience, please contact the Alumni Manager, Sue Spry (alumni@concordia.sa.edu.au).



Volunteering

In December 2019 our Year 9 volunteers were presented with Volunteer Appreciation Certificates signed by the Minister for Volunteering in recognition of their assistance at Old Concordian events during the year. Well done!

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Interest Groups

Soccer Club

Established in 2018, the Old Concordians' Soccer Club is an up and coming club within the local soccer community, attracting a substantial following on game days and on multiple social media platforms. Our home ground is situated in the picturesque South Adelaide Parklands. We currently have two men's teams competing in the Collegiate Soccer League and over 40 players registered. Our men's first team ran a very successful inaugural campaign in 2019, finishing third in the league with some of best defensive records across the entire competition. In addition to this, the first team has produced excellent results in the League Cup. More than just trophies and awards, the Club has focussed on fostering a warm, inclusive and welcoming culture that allows for player development and the building of community while promoting support and love of the game. Led by the dedicated and passionate Club committee, these values of respect and teamwork are highlighted and celebrated by all who represent the Old Concordians' Soccer Club.

The Club is looking to expand, so if you wish to express interest as a player or sponsor please contact us at concordiaocfootball@gmail.com or find us on Facebook @OldConcordiansSoccer.

Alternatively, you can contact Club President, Cameron Basnec (2015), at cbasnec@gmail.com.

Pedal Prix

In 2019 a new Human Powered Vehicle (HPV) team started with approval and support from the Old Concordians' Association.

It has been a busy time over the past five months – purchasing a new trike, getting sponsors, arranging a new team and lots of fitness training. The team has been training at the Edwardstown velodrome, with riders trying to beat each other's times!

Our team of nine riders is looking forward to its first competition and to sharing the same pit space as the Concordia College Pedal Prix student teams in the future.

We are always looking for new riders. If you like cycling, then this might be for you. For more information please contact Derek Harris on 0408 825 618 or find us on Facebook @OldConcordiansHPVRacing.

Cricket Club

The Concordia Old Collegians
Cricket Club has had a successful
season so far, with some finals yet to
come. At the time of writing, our A
Grade and C Grade teams look to be
heading for the finals. Additionally,
our Tuesday night T20 team had
a successful season and made it
through to the semi-final of the
knockout competition.

This season has seen several longterm players reach milestones. These include **Peter Strelan** (1982) 150 games, **Matt Schmidt** (1994) 200 games, **Troy Pincin** (1999) 200 games and **Tim Kupke** (1999) 150 games. We welcome all new Old Concordians to come and play in any of our teams, which range from highly competitive to more social. Preseason trainings start in September, with the season starting in October. For more information, contact the Club President, Tim Kupke, on 0400 017 580 or timkupke@hotmail.com. You can find results on our website www.concordiacricket.com.au or visit our Facebook page to follow our highlights!

Keep in Touch

We love staying in touch with our Old Concordians of all ages, both near and far, so please do get in touch to share key milestones and exciting news or simply to update your contact details. To update your details, visit our website (www.concordia.sa.edu. au/community/old-concordians/update-your-details/) or email Sue Spry, Alumni Manager (alumni@concordia.sa.edu.au).

To stay up to date with the latest Old Concordians' Association news and events, visit our Facebook page to get connected.

Wedding

James Spinkston (2011) and Christine Kim on 14 December 2019, in Cancun, Mexico.

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Births

Rami Rasheed (2007) and Zeina Rasheed, a daughter Ruby Mia on 10 March 2020.

In Memoriam

Concordia has learnt of the following deaths in our community. We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of these Old Concordians.

Kohlhagen, Rita (1940) on 22 June 2019

Janetzki, Rev Lionel (1940) on 6 August 2019

Stoward, Isabel (Perrott 1945) on 6 September 2019

Frahn, Dennis (1965) on 7 October 2019

Koch, Lorna (Kassulke 1938) on 28 November 2019

Kupke, Darrell (1951) on 9 January 2020

Hampel, Rev Neil AM (1949) on 1 March 2020

Gasparatos, Judith (Lehmann 1961) on 12 March 2020

Freund, Roland (1952) on 9 April 2020

Strelan, Dr John (1948) on 25 April 2020

Schirmer, Lita (1950) on 3 May 2020





Id Concordians have been involved in quite a few events and reunions since October 2019. We are always thrilled to see the popularity of these events, which provide a wonderful opportunity for those attending to reconnect with each other and Concordia.

Please check the Diary Dates on page 26 for a list of upcoming reunions and events - we hope to see you at one or more of them in 2020.

- + Class of 1968 (1B), Saturday 5 October 2019, Buckingham Arms Hotel
- + Past Staff Reunion, Friday 18 October 2019, Concordia College
- + Business Breakfast, Tuesday 22 October 2019, Concordia College
- + Class of 1999 20 Year Reunion, Friday 8 November 2019, Concordia College
- + Class of 2009 10 Year Reunion, Friday 29 November 2019, Concordia College
- + Class of 2014 5 Year Reunion, Tuesday 3 December 2019, Concordia College
- + Class of 1994 Reunion, Saturday 4 January, The Cathedral Hotel
- + Welcome to the Old Concordians' Association, Thursday 20 February 2020, Concordia College

























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