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2023 Term 2 Week 4

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## From the Primary School Leader and Primary School Learning Leader

We firmly believe that fostering a strong partnership between parents and teachers is crucial for the success of our young learners. Parents in our school community contribute in different ways including the following:

- **Guest speakers broaden horizons:** Bringing guest speakers into the classroom creates an enriching learning experience that extends beyond the boundaries of textbooks. As a parent, you can play an integral role in connecting our students with experts from various fields. By sharing your professional knowledge, hobbies or unique experiences, you provide real-world context and inspire curiosity. Whether you are a scientist, artist, engineer or community leader, your contribution as a guest speaker broadens our students' horizons and exposes them to a range of career paths and life possibilities.
- **Being involved in your child’s learning:** Talking to your child about what they are learning about and why. This may include staying informed about your child’s learning through the school curriculum dates, Learning Conversations, Three-Way Conferences or Student Led Conferences, Seesaw or Showbie.
- **Parent Support in Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Working Group and deliverables:**

Our College Reconciliation Action Plan outlines specific goals and strategies to strengthen relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and we believe that parent support plays a vital role in achieving these objectives. We encourage parents to join our Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group. This group collaboratively reviews the progress of our RAP and provides valuable input into the implementation of reconciliation initiatives. Your involvement in this group will contribute to creating a supportive and inclusive school community.

- **Class Connector and School Community Events:** COVID-19 has taught us that a sense of connection is very important and reconnecting with families and rebuilding a sense of community is integral. We encourage families to connect with other families through Year Level Class Connector Events and School Community Events.

Benefits of Parent Involvement

Research consistently demonstrates the positive impact of parent involvement on students' academic success and overall wellbeing. By actively participating in your child's education, you:

- Strengthen the parent-teacher partnership, fostering open communication and collaboration
- Reinforce learning concepts, enabling students to grasp new ideas more effectively
- Boost confidence and motivation, demonstrating the importance of education
- Promote social and emotional development by creating a supportive learning environment.
- Instill a sense of responsibility and self-discipline in students, leading to greater independence
- Increase parental awareness of school activities, policies, and curriculum, ensuring alignment between home and school
- Establish a sense of belonging for students, knowing that their parents are invested in their education.

Remember, your involvement doesn't have to be limited to the examples provided. Every contribution, big or small, makes a difference in your child's educational journey. We encourage you to reach out to your child's teacher or the school administration to discuss opportunities for involvement that align with your interests and skills.

We wholeheartedly thank you for your ongoing support, and we look forward to working hand in hand to provide the best educational experience for our students.

**Yoon-Ah Lee**
Primary School Leader - St John's Campus

**Nicolle Jakube**
Primary School Learning Leader - St Peters Campus

Year 1s capturing images on their iPads during a recent excursion

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## Q&A with Courtney Morgan, Year 5 Teacher - St John's Campus

1. Where were you before this and what persuaded you to join Concordia College?

For the past four years, I was teaching in various year levels and coordinating the Yilki House at Encounter Lutheran College. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at Encounter, further developing my love of authentic, inquiry-based teaching and learning. I was ready for my next challenge and was drawn to Concordia as a highly regarded school with an emphasis on innovative teaching and learning.

2. Three words to describe you.

Passionate, curious, perseverant.

3. What is your motivation or inspiration in your role?

The students. Relationships are at the core of everything we do as people working with children, and I am inspired daily by the minds and actions of our students at Concordia College. They are inquisitive, caring, reflective and incredibly open-minded. They inspire me to think deeply and wonder more. This is what learning is all about! I am also very fortunate to have had some wonderful teachers who inspired me to adopt little pieces of their practice and be the best I can be for our students' learning, development and wellbeing.

4. If you had a superpower, what would it be?

As a keen scuba diver, I'd love the ability to breathe underwater! It would save lugging around all the heavy gear and allow me to explore more of the incredible underwater world.

5. Who would you invite to a dinner party of six guests and why? Alternatively, tell us something you might like to share that we could not possibly know?

- Dolores O'Riordan: What an incredible voice! I grew up listening to The Cranberries and some of my earliest memories are singing and dancing to their music. I would have loved to see Dolores live.
- Dr Seuss: For obvious reasons - his creative mind and simple, yet powerful messages and writing craft.
- Yusra Mardini: I only learnt about Yusra's story this year and think she is an incredibly resilient and compassionate person.
- My Puppa, John (Pom): He always made me laugh, even in sad times, with his ridiculous stories. I miss him very much.
- My brother, Sam. He lives interstate and we don't see each other nearly enough.
- My partner, Tom. He makes every day a good day.

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## Q&A with Nicole Jones, Manager of Enrolment Operations ELC-12

1. Where were you before this and what persuaded you to join Concordia College?

Prior to Concordia I worked at SA Ambulance Service. I was persuaded to join Concordia because it is a caring workplace, because of the role and because of the people.

2. Three words to describe you.

Chocolate, bubbles, family, friends (oops, that's four).

3. What is your motivation or inspiration in your role?

I love helping families and hearing the excitement in their voices when making the decision to accept an offer of an enrolment position at Concordia College.

4. If you had a superpower, what would it be?

I would sprinkle a little bit of kindness over everyone in the world!

5. Who would you invite to a dinner party of six guests and why? Alternatively, tell us something you might like to share that we could not possibly know?

I would invite Travis Boak, Ollie Wines, Ash Barty, Roger Federer, Pink and my best friend Jo!

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## Inaugural String Soiree

On Friday 19 May, our extraordinary String Program was showcased in our first ever String Soiree. Featuring our multi award-winning String Ensemble, Chamber Strings, Cello Ensemble, Heilig Quartet, Harmonie Quartet and Eiheit Quartet, the audience was treated to an array of musical delights, the quality of which is rare in a school setting.

Whilst it's difficult to quantify the learning which occurs in preparing for such events, the exceptional outcomes are more than evident.

Thank you to our ensemble directors Martin Butler, Therese O'Brien, Michael Milton and Stephan Richter. Congratulations to all involved for creating such a special evening of music.

**Mat Noble**
Head of Music Performance ELC-12

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## City of Unley Fish Tank Competition

The City of Unley supports young people to develop concepts into real businesses through its ‘Fish Tank’ program.

The initiative offers mentoring led by local business leaders in practical seminars which help participants shape and refine their entrepreneurial ideas.

The learning culminates in Pitch Night, where ideas are presented before a panel. At the May event, judges included Mayor Michael Hewitson, Lisa Ireland, a Business SA mentor, Sasha Dragovelic, founder of Futurepreneurs Launchpad, and Lachy Pieck, Director of Missy Sippy Co and finalist of Fish Tank 2022. Concordia's **Rory 7LTHO** came second in the 12-17 year old category with his business, *Floppy Ears Dog Bakery*. **Pia 11DWHE** was also a finalist with her business, *Bumper*.

Congratulations to these Concordia students for being part of the program. If anyone is interested in Fish Tank, we encourage you to subscribe to the Council’s Living Young newsletter to find out about future rounds.

Rory pitching at the Fish Tank event

Pia receiving her finalist certificate from the Mayor of the City of Unley, Michael Hewitson

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## St John's Campus and Concordia Campus Mother's Day Celebrations

Our annual St John's Campus and Concordia Campus Mother’s Day celebrations got off to a wonderful start with around 140 students, mothers, grandmothers and special friends gathering at Castello's Cucina, Living Choice for a delicious coffee and breakfast.

Our guest speaker, current parent and vocal teacher Angela Portolesi, shared her insights and journey as she juggled motherhood and her successful career around music. She also shared her endeavours to encourage others to see the best in themselves and recognise that sometimes life’s ‘set backs’ are in fact ‘set ups’ revealing purpose, as well as being a voice of support for those who regularly go unheard.

Guests also enjoyed thoughtful messages from our Head of College, Paul Weinert, and our School Captains, Piper and Jacob, as well as a wonderful performance by the Harmonie String Quartet.

Later in the day, St John’s Campus students enjoyed the Mother’s Day Market Stall, assisted by parent volunteers who enabled them to purchase a special gift for loved ones and friends.

We thank all who attended and contributed to our Mother's Day events - a wonderful

celebration of the love, care, wisdom, beauty and strength of the mothers, grandmothers and special friends in our community.

**Angela Warrick**
Engagement and Events Manager

Head of College Paul Weinert and guest speaker Ang Portolesi
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## Cute Creatures - Sharing the Planet

Animals Anonymous recently visited Year 1 and Year 2 students at the St Peters Campus, supporting our ‘Sharing the Planet' unit about living things and their needs to survive.

During the visit, the students had the opportunity to get up close and personal with a variety of Australian animals, allowing them to observe and learn about their unique characteristics. Through hands-on experience, the students were introduced to concepts such as animal needs, behaviours, adaptations and habitats.

This experience helped us understand that living things are interconnected, and we have a shared responsibility to respect and care for living creatures. Our understanding of living things will be enhanced by the knowledge of the animals we saw and this knowledge will be invaluable as we continue our investigations through the term.

**Kathryn Watkins**
Year 2 Teacher and Inclusive Learning Coordinator

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## Grok Academy – free digital training for school students

The importance of digital skills in Australia cannot be overstated in today’s rapidly evolving world. Do you want to enrich your resume with skills that are in great demand? Do you want to take part in some digital competitions and have fun and challenge yourself along the way? Do you want to learn some cyber security skills?

Grok Academy has a range of free online courses, competitions and activities all aligned to the Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies. Concordia College students who would like to register can progress through the courses at their own pace. By combining a problem-based learning design with instant feedback, Grok Academy can help build students into confident, independent programmers and problem solvers.

Programming competitions are available to students and teachers from all over the world.

Competitions run over five weeks, with upwards of eight problems per week. More than 150,000 students have taken part in Grok Cyber Security Challenges – students can put themselves in the shoes of real-world hackers and cyber security specialists!

There are courses suitable for students from Year 3 – Year 10. We offer a Coding Club at lunchtime on a Friday. Students on the secondary campus can come to the Club and work on Grok Academy courses or undertake modules and competitions in their own time.

Please contact Mr Smart to find out how to access this exciting opportunity.

**Matt Smart**
Learning Area Coordinator Digital Technologies

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## Walk My Way Australian Lutheran World Service Fundraiser

Walk My Way is a charity event run by Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS) and on Thursday 11 May Concordia chose to host our own. Across all year levels, 60 students and teachers walked 18km from Bridgewater to Beaumont - a part of the Women's Pioneer Track - to support the people of Turkiye and Syria as they recover from the recent devastating earthquakes in February.

Each participant helped to support the cause by raising money from around the community. As a school, we raised a total of $17,416. ALWS was able to use the money to provide necessities like food, water and shelter. ALWS works with many people worldwide to help them not only survive but to thrive. They help them build a life and provide them with the skills and resources they need, sharing the gifts and love of God in their work.

The track walked was originally used by the women of Hahndorf who would walk to the city in order to sell their goods at the market. On the way back, they would carry bricks to aid the construction of Hahndorf.

Although a rainy week led up to the event, the day of the walk turned out to be beautiful and sunny. The walk consisted of many amazing views such as looking over Mt Osmond and walking through Cleland Conservation Park.

"*I was able to reconnect with friends from many year levels.*" – **Lincoln 10COHA**

"*Such an unforgettable experience, I would love to do it again.*" – **Sophie 10COHA**

"*It made me aware of the struggles and hardships that the women who had to walk this every day faced.*" – **Ely 10COHA**

We would like to thank the community for taking action to help these people in great need and supporting us in the Walk My Way challenge!

**Lexi 10RSOM** and **Maddie 10COHA**

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## Legal Studies Students Interview Lawyers

On Monday 22 May the Year 12 Legal Studies students had the privilege of having the following members from the community come to the College to be interviewed in relation to the students' Inquiry Task.

- **Mark Minarelli**
  Fox Tucker Lawyers
  Solicitor
- **Victoria Taylor-Adams**
  Fox Tucker Lawyers
  Solicitor
- **Michelle Fernando**
  Senior Lecturer
  University of South Australia
- **Rob Chalmers**
  Lecturer
  Flinders University Law School
- **Samantha Kontra**
  Associate Lecturer
  Flinders University Law School
- **Brendan Grigg**
  Lecturer
  Flinders University Law School
- **Melissa Yule**
  Adelta Legal
  Solicitor
- **Ian White**
  Deputy Coroner
  Courts SA
- **Ruth Beach**
  Lawyer & Mediator

To be able to have these people in one room at the one time was an exciting experience and I know the students gained an immeasurable amount of knowledge and insight from their expertise as they answered questions relating to the legal issues the students were investigating.

I wish to thank all the guest speakers this year and look forward to many more that will come into the Year 12 Legal Studies classes over the coming year. Legal Studies is a subject that Concordia students study with great interest and passion. It allows for honest discussion about contemporary legal issues that occur on a daily basis.

**Rick Sommariva**
Legal Studies Teacher

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## Gifted Awareness Week

The 2023 Gifted Awareness Week theme is *The Diverse Faces of Giftedness*. The focus of the week is on gifted individuals finding their own tribe to support their social and emotional health and intellectual engagement. Gifted individuals range from mildly gifted to profoundly gifted and include socioeconomic, cultural and ethnic diversity as well as those with a disability and many whose giftedness remains masked.

At Concordia College we seek to provide students with many opportunities to “find their tribe” with a diverse range of clubs and extra-curricular opportunities.

Within the last three weeks alone, we have offered a range of activities that foster enrichment, extension, leadership, service and teamwork. Below is just a small sample of what has occurred:

- Rostrum Voice of Youth Public Speaking competition (a national public speaking competition)
- Debating competitions
- Senior Ethics Olympiad
- Pedal Prix
- Generations in Jazz – a jazz festival / competition held in Mt Gambier, bringing together young jazz musicians from all over Australia.
- ‘Walk my way’ – a walk to raise awareness and funds for the work of Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS)
- Year 7 and Year 9 da Vinci Decathlon – an academic competition featuring 10 subject areas
- Students entering pieces in the Young Writers Award of SA and registering entries for the Oliphant Science Awards
- Duke of Edinburgh’s International Award completions
- Careers Expo
- a wide variety of sport and music events
- individual subject opportunities – visiting speakers and excursions to universities.

Our aim is to match student passions with opportunities – to help our students thrive.

**Emma Rieger**
Enrichment and Extended Learning

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## Novar Music Instrumental Tuition at St Peters Campus

Novar Music offers one-on-one instrumental music lessons to children and adults at Concordia St Peters Campus during* and after school hours. We offer lessons on piano, guitar, trumpet

and voice, and we have lesson times available for an immediate start.

Visit www.novarmusic.com or email enquiries@novarmusic.com to enrol today!

**lessons during school hours only available to students attending Concordia College St Peters Campus.*

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## Year 4 Visiting Artist and Exhibition

Our Year 4 students recently worked with visiting local artist Jane Ruggiero, emulating her style to create self-portraits. As with Jane's portraits, the students' drawings express their individuality and acknowledge life is not always bright and easy, as represented by the darker side of the face. Jane was delighted to return for a celebration of the students' wonderful artworks in an exhibition for family and friends during Week 2. There was a lovely buzz in the courtyard as students proudly shared their creative work.

**Nancy Wells**
Visual Arts Teacher - St John's Campus

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## Year 11 Legal Studies Update

Mr Anthony Mennillo is a Claims and Legal Advisor for the Medical Insurance Australia Group. He discussed the benefits and difficulties of being a defence barrister in a court room, presenting a High Court appeal and the challenges associated with being a legal advisor to doctors.

Mark Koolmatrie is a Tribal man of southern South Australia. Mark facilitates cultural and heritage tours walking through tranquil Australian bush environments, waterways of the Coorong and lower lakes of South Australia. His experience includes working in education and youth, men's health, drug and alcohol counselling, lecturing at TAFE SA, coaching and broadcasting football and cultural heritage management.

Mark is a Munkanboli or a clever person who is a man of wisdom and knowledge. Mark is an elder of the Ngarrindjeri people.

Mark discussed:

- Laws that have shaped the Ngarrindjeri people
- Implications of the Commonwealth Constitution on these peoples
- 1937 Assimilation Policy
- The Stolen Generation
- the U.N. Declaration

**Rick Sommariva**
Legal Studies Teacher

Mark speaking to students during a Legal Studies class

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## Harmony in the Chapel (and all that jazz)

On Friday 12 May, all the students who attended Generations in Jazz presented a delightful program of music in the Chapel. The concert featured highlights from their performances in Mt Gambier.

The audience, which included 150 students from St John's Campus as well as parents and Old Concordians (who began at the College 70+ years ago) was treated to music shared by Big Band 1, Big Band 2 as well as Mattson, McKenzie, and Prelude Jazz Choirs.

It was a joyful occasion for all who were able to attend, and a further testament to the intense hard work of these music students and their ensemble directors.

**Mat Noble**
Head of Music Performance ELC-12

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## Pedal Prix Tailem Bend Six-Hour Race

On Saturday 20 May, five teams from the College participated in the six-hour Pedal Prix race at Tailem Bend Raceway and competed against 160 teams from a range of community groups and schools. Our five teams and over 40 students involved across the day worked tirelessly to complete many laps on a technical 2.8km track with multiple hill climbs and high-speed corners, reaching speeds in excess of 45km/h.

All our teams competed strongly, contesting multiple top 10 positions throughout the race at different times. Race dramas throughout the day included a couple of flat tyres and loose debris getting caught up under our trikes slowing some of our teams down. Competitive racing also led to some roll overs reducing our time out on the track.

Overall all our teams represented the College well throughout the entire day and we achieved some good results to cap off the second race of the season. Thank you to the staff and parents who assisted in a range of roles over the day and in preparation for the race. Our next race is scheduled in Adelaide on Sunday 18 June.

Results

| Team and Category | Position in Category | Laps |
|---|---|---|
| Shockwave (S2) | 18th / 38 | 65 |
| Raptor (S2) | 11th / 38 | 69 |
| Matrix (S3) | 27th / 38 | 64 |
| Concorde (S3) | 13th / 38 | 78 |
| Veloci (S3) | 10th / 38 | 80 |

**Matthew Smart**
Pedal Prix Coordinator

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## Year 5 and Year 11 Walk My Way

On Tuesday 23 May, the Year 11s and the St John's Campus Year 5s began their day by walking laps of the oval in support of Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS). This cross-campus "mini Walk my Way" event is now in its fourth year at Concordia, and it was pleasing to see the students from the two year levels interacting with each other while enjoying a healthy and relaxed start to the day. At the same time, they were raising money for a very worthy cause.

The students are raising money to help support the education of children in refugee camps and in countries affected by natural disasters, particularly Syria and Turkiye. It costs just $26 to educate a child in one of these countries for one year, providing them with hope, purpose and a reprieve from the trauma that they have experienced.

We are aiming to raise $1,000 through our mini event, to add to over $17,000 raised through the official Concordia College Walk my Way event in Week 2. Please follow the link below if you would like to donate.

Donate to Walk My Way  (opens an external website in a new window)

**Judy Harris**
Year 11 Leader

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## Royal Geographical Society of South Australia Awards Evening

On Thursday 11 May, the Royal Geographical Society of South Australia held their Annual

Awards ceremony in the Mortlock wing of the State Library. Two former Concordia students were presented with Awards by the Governor of South Australia, Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, and her husband, Mr Rod Bunton.

Elijah (Class of 2022) was presented with two awards:

- The John Lewis Medal for Excellence in Secondary School Geography for obtaining equal top highest marks in SACE Stage 2 Geography
- The SA Geographers' Fieldwork Award, highlighting outstanding success in an individual inquiry-based task which has a distinct focus on fieldwork and data collection. It was presented by the Geography Teachers' Association of SA.

Jack (Class of 2021) was presented with an Award from The Royal Geographical Society for Top First Year Geography student at the University of Adelaide.

Congratulations - we are proud of you both.

**Fiona Greig**
Senior School Learning Leader

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## Staff and Students visit St Stephen's Lutheran Church

On Sunday 14 May, Dr Barnabas Smith and Pastor Dale Gosden arranged for a Concordia String Ensemble to provide beautiful music for the service held at St Stephen's Lutheran Church, Adelaide. This was greatly appreciated by the congregation, as were the testimonial speeches by **Georgina 11KSTA** and **Alicia 12KNIC** about living out their faith as young people in Australia today. We are grateful for our relationship with local congregations and look forward to more opportunities like this in the future.

**Dale Gosden**
College Pastor

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## Year 11 Steps to Success Day

On Wednesday 10 May, the Year 11s participated in *Steps to Success Day*. In the morning, students attended presentations on setting oneself up for success, and organisation and time management. These sessions were led by Sam Ghamrawi, Founder and speaker of Sekseed Projects, who is highly regarded in his field. A range of Old Concordians also spoke about their Senior School experiences and post-school pathways, providing tips about how to achieve success in Senior School and the different options available to students following Year 12.

In the afternoon, students took part in one elective designed to promote relaxation techniques

and another elective activity focusing on fitness and/or leisure. Relaxation electives included:

- yoga
- music for relaxation
- walking
- meditation
- mindful colouring.

Fitness and leisure activities included:

- volleyball
- netball
- weights training
- games and puzzles
- karaoke
- cooking.

Students enjoyed the opportunity to 'switch off' from their daily routine, try new activities and relax with their peers, and the efforts of staff to organise and lead these activities are greatly appreciated.

The program for this day was developed to respond to issues commonly identified as challenges for Year 11s in their transition to the Senior School. We are looking forward to the opportunity to build on this day, supporting the students to develop schedules and strategies that assist them to study more effectively and foster their wellbeing through leading a balanced life.

**Judy Harris**
Year 11 Leader

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## St Peters Campus JAM Band Incursion

The JAM (Just Add Music) band visited our campus recently and it was an absolutely amazing experience for the children!

With high-energy music and engaging props, this talented group of musicians managed to capture everyone's attention and get the kids dancing, clapping and singing along.

They played a variety of songs, from old classics to new hits, and every single one was an instant hit with the audience.

The children were simply mesmerised and could not get enough of the fun and interactive tunes.

It was wonderful to see the kids so excited and engaged, and we are ever-grateful to the JAM

band for visiting our school and making such a positive impact on our students.

**Nicolle Jakube**
Primary School Learning Leader - St Peters Campus

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## Year 12 Chemistry Excursion

Our Stage 2 Chemistry students recently had the opportunity to see some of what they have been learning about in class put into action at Flinders University in an Analytical Chemistry workshop. We have been studying how complex mixtures can be separated using chromatography and the excursion enabled students to make the connections between the theory and the applications. Our demonstrator, Paris, is in her final year of her Chemistry degree. She showed us how to separate the components of Kool-Aid using column chromatography as well as separating and then combining the two ingredients of glow sticks that make them glow. Finally, we investigated some of the chemical components of wine using a gas chromatogram, and the applications of atomic absorption spectroscopy were also demonstrated. The excursion was a great way to consolidate our classroom learning and to ask questions about career pathways for budding chemists.

**Dr Catherine O'Halloran**
Science Coordinator

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## Year 12 SA Law Society Mock Trial Competition - Round 3

The SA Law Society Mock Trial Competition third round was to be held at Concordia College on Tuesday 23 May.

A Mock Trial is a simulated court case in which the participating student teams contest a fictional legal matter in a mock Court.

The trials combine facts, principles and procedure with appropriate subtle theatrics. It is one of the aims of the Society that the Competition be as harmonious and constructive as possible. The assistance and cooperation of all participants is necessary to achieve this purpose.

The Competition aims to bring the legal profession into closer communication with teachers and students in secondary schools, to remove some of the mystique surrounding the law and the legal profession and to give students a better understanding of how the South Australian legal system operates. The Competition encourages students to express themselves and to present an argument in a forum based on our adversarial legal system.

Concordia's team consisted of **Tahlia 12JLEY**, **Juliana 12JLEY**, **Kosta 12CFIN**, **Andrew**

**12CFIN**, **Rachel 12TMCC**, **Sophie HROS** and **Dylan 12HROS**. Again, we would like to thank Old Concordian and barrister Brittany Armstrong (2010) for her invaluable assistance in preparing for the mock trial. The team defeated St Aloysius College by forfeit. We will wait to see if we have made it to the finals.

**Rick Sommariva**
Legal Studies Teacher

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## MFS Road Awareness Presentation

On Tuesday 16 May, the Year 11 cohort attended the Metropolitan Fire Service's RAP (Road Awareness Program) presentation. The two-hour presentation helped students to understand the risks that driving can pose to drivers, passengers and pedestrians alike. Through a series of video presentations, discussion, statistics and an interactive scenario, the students gained an appreciation of the severe consequences that can flow from taking seemingly "minor" risks on the road.

Students and teachers were particularly moved by a speech by Kym Inglis, who lost his wife as well as two daughters and a friend of one of his daughters in a motor vehicle accident in 2010. Whilst it is confronting, the presentation provides invaluable life lessons to the students. Only 35% of students identified as responsible road users prior to the presentation, but after the presentation, 100% of students committed to being responsible road users in future.

Further information regarding the program can be found on the MFS website.

**Judy Harris**
Year 11 Leader

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## Year 10 Careers Expo

On Friday 12 May, our Year 10 students attended the South Australian Careers and Employment Expo at the Adelaide Showgrounds. The Expo was a great opportunity for students to learn about different career options and talk to industry experts.

Over 120 training organisations and employers were represented at the Expo, giving students a wide range of options to explore. Students had the chance to speak with representatives from a variety of industries, including healthcare, education, defence, business, and government. They also had the opportunity to learn about different training options, such as apprenticeships, traineeships and university degrees.

The Expo was a valuable experience for students as it helped them to start thinking about their future careers. It also gave them the opportunity to learn more about the different career and

study options available to them.

We would like to thank the South Australian Careers and Employment Expo for organising such a valuable event.

**Lloyd Oppelaar**
Futures Coordinator

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## Educators SA Volunteers' Service Awards

Concordia congratulates three of our staff who were recognised last Thursday 18 May for their volunteer service at an Educators SA Volunteers' Service Ceremony as part of National Volunteer Week. The Honourable Nat Cook, Minister for Human Services, gave awards to the following staff for their years of service.

- **Fiona Greig** - Geography Teachers Association of SA Inc - Five+ Years of service
- **Judy Harris** - South Australian German Teachers Association - Five+ Years of service
- **Trish Prenzler** - South Australian German Teachers Association - 20+ Years of service
- **Rick Sommariva** - Legal Education Teachers Association of South Australia - 30+ Years of service

Concordia is blessed to have amazing staff who model the College's ethos of service both at our school and in the broader community. Well done to these staff on receiving these awards.

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## Old Concordians' 70+ Reunion

On Friday 12 May we were proud to welcome Old Concordians from the Class of 1953 and prior (who started at the College 70+ years ago) to the College for 'Harmony in the Chapel', a showcase of Concordia’s incredible musical talent. After the concert the group gathered for afternoon tea and a chance to share memories and plenty of laughs. Our newest '70+' members (Class of 1953) were well represented on the day. It was wonderful to see you all!

**Sue Spry**
Alumni Manager

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## Concordia Campus Sports Results

## Boys' Sport

### Basketball

**Friday 12 May**

- Year 7A defeated St Paul's: 38-20. Best players: Levi.
- Year 7 Gold defeated St Paul's: 32-12.
- Year 7 Navy lost to Cabra: 10-26.

**Saturday 13 May**

- Senior A lost to Pembroke: 46-52. Best players: Paddy, Ronan and Alex S.
- Senior B defeated Pembroke: 49-45. Best players: Leon, Jackson and Michael.
- Senior C lost to Pembroke: 28-36. Best players: Fred, Leo and Lachie C.
- Middle A defeated Pembroke: 103-38. Best players: Luca, Oscar, Jake and Heath.
- Middle B defeated Pembroke: 86-15.
- Middle C defeated Pembroke: 35-29.

**Friday 19 May**

- Year 7A drew with St Paul's: 36-36. Best players: Luke and Christian.
- Year 7 Gold defeated St Peter's Blue: 17-16.
- Year 7 Navy defeated CBC 40-30. Best players: Samuel and Mitchell.

### Soccer

**Saturday 13 May**

- Open A lost to Prince Alfred College: 1-0.
- Open B lost to St Michael's: 4-1.
- Middle A2 defeated Pembroke: 6-3.
- Middle B2 defeated Pembroke: 7-3.
- Middle B (3) lost to Woodcroft: 6-2.
- Year 7 A2 defeated Pembroke: 6-3. Best players: Alessandro, Christian and Jamie.

**Saturday 20 May**

- Open A defeated St Paul's: 3-1. Best players: Luke, Tom and Sam. Goals: Lachie 1 and Luke 2.
- Open B lost to Scotch: 0-3.
- Middle A2 lost to Gleeson 9-1 BP: Tom, Archie and Sien. Goal: Andrew.
- Middle B2 lost to Gleeson: 1-4. Best players: Archie, Mackenzie and Isaac.
- Middle B (3) - Bye.
- Year 7 A2 defeated Gleeson: 7-1. Best players: Mackenzie, Christian and Xavier. Goals: Xavier 3, Ollie H 2 and Jacob.

## Girls' Sport

Football

**Friday 12 May**

- Senior A lost to Scotch. Best players: Hayley, Ruby, Paige, Sari, Gemma and Winnie.
- Middle A lost to Scotch. Best players: Lola and Mia M.
- Middle B defeated Scotch. Best players: Halle and Grace.

**Friday 19 May**

- Senior A defeated Westminster: 44-23. Best players: Piper K, Gemma, Winnie, Ashleigh, Hayley and Piper D.
- Middle A defeated Westminster: 47-7. Best players: Matilda H, Eva M and Mia M.
- Middle B defeated Westminster Kate and Lola.

Netball

**Saturday 13 May**

- Senior A lost to Scotch. Best players: Grace.
- Senior B lost to Scotch. Best players: Olivia.
- Inter A lost to Scotch: 32-54. Best players: Sophie and Penelope.
- Inter B lost to Scotch: 21-40. Best players: Suzie and Phoebe.
- Year 9A defeated Scotch: 46-36.
- Year 9B defeated Scotch: 26-12.
- Year 8A defeated Scotch: 54-35. Best players: Rebecca, Annabelle and Sophie B.
- Year 8B lost to Scotch: 18-27. Best players: Kate and Lexi.
- Year 7A defeated Scotch: 50-27. Best players: Elise, Lily and Anna.
- Year 7B defeated Scotch: 25-21. Best players: Emma, Ruby and Taylor.

**Saturday 20 May**

- Senior A - Forfeit.
- Senior B lost to Westminster. Best players: Amalia and Issy S.
- Inter A lost to Westminster: 45-49. Best players: Winnie and Holly.
- Inter B lost to Westminster. Best players: Aden and Ruby M.
- Senior C Navy defeated Seymour: 33-18. Best players: Indi Z and Victoria.
- Senior C Gold lost to Immanuel: 12-23. Best players: Matilda and Emily.
- Year 9A lost to Westminster: 31-37.
- Year 9B defeated Westminster: 32-29.
- Year 9 Navy defeated Immanuel: 18-17. Best players: Lila, Ruby and Cate.
- Year 9 Gold lost to Westminster: 7-11. Best players: Olivia T, Scarlett and Emily B.
- Year 8A defeated Westminster: 32-19. Best players: Rebecca and Zoe.
- Year 8B defeated Westminster: 25-13. Best players: Evelyn and Eva.
- Year 8 Navy defeated Immanuel: 29-14. Best players: Lani and Amelie.
- Year 7A defeated Westminster: 34-24. Best players: Elise, Lily and Sienna.
- Year 7B defeated Westminster: 72-1. Best players: Emma, Amalia and Amelia.
- Year 7 Navy defeated Immanuel: 18-17. Best players: Lilah H and Isla P.
- Year 7 Gold lost to Westminster: 12-37. Best players: Jessica and Daisy.

Soccer

**Wednesday 10 May**

- Premier League lost to Scotch.
- Div 1 lost to Westminster: 1-7.

**Wednesday 17 May**

- Premier League lost to Wilderness: 1-5.
- Div 1 defeated Mercedes: 3-1.

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## Student Achievements

Congratulations to **Ky 10VNAR** who has been selected to represent South Australia in the 15 and Under state volleyball squad. We wish him all the best for the upcoming national competition in June.

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### Diary Dates

St John's Campus

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| May | |
| Tues 30 - Fri 2 June | Year 6 Canberra Camp |
| June | |
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| Friday 2 | Year 2 Class Connector Coffee Catch-up, 9.30-10.30am at Hello Neighbour, King William Rd |
| Tuesday 6 | Reception Class Connector Parent Coffee Morning, 9-10am at Natures Providore, Duthy St |
| Wednesday 7 | P&F Meeting, 6pm in YBR, Concordia Campus |
| Monday 12 | King's Birthday Public Holiday |

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| Tuesday 13 | Year 2 Class Connector Coffee Catch-up, 9.30-10.30am at Hello Neighbour, King William Rd |
| Thursday 15 | Class Connector Meeting, 9-10am at This Fine Day, Mitcham<br>Year 2 Class Connector Mums' Dinner, 7-9pm at Dolly, Unley Rd |
| Sunday 18 | Year 2 and Year 5 School Service with St John's Lutheran Church, 10am in the Chapel |
| Thursday 29 | Year 2 Class Connector Dads' Bowling, 7pm at King Pin, Norwood |
| Friday 30 | Year 2 Class Connector Coffee Catch-up, 9.30-10.30am at Hello Neighbour, King William Rd<br>Term 2 concludes, 1pm<br>Year 6 Class Connector Mums' Dinner, 6.30-9.30pm at the Cremorne Hotel, Unley Rd |

St Peters Campus

June

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| Sunday 4 | ELC-Year 6 Community Service at St Peters Lutheran Church Blackwood at 10am |
| Wednesday 7 | College Tour \| St Peters Campus, 9.15am (sign in from 9am)<br>P&F Meeting, 6pm in YBR, Concordia Campus |
| Monday 12 | King's Birthday Public Holiday |
| Thursday 15 | Class Connector Meeting, 9-10am at This Fine Day, Mitcham |
| Wednesday 21 | College Tour \| St Peters Campus, 9.15am (sign in from 9am) |
| Friday 30 | Term 2 concludes, 1pm<br>Reception Class Connector After-school Play, 1pm |

Concordia Campus

May

Mon 29 May - Thur 1 June Year 9 Camp

June

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| Wednesday 7 | P&F Meeting, 6pm in YBR, Concordia Campus |
| Thursday 8 | Senior Vocal Cabaret |
| Monday 12 | King's Birthday Public Holiday |
| Thursday 15 | Parent Prayer Breakfast, 7.30am in The Suaviter |
| Friday 16 | Concordia Campus non-uniform day |
| Sunday 18 | Pedal Prix - Adelaide |
| Mon 19 - Fri 23 | MYP Personal Project Showcase |
| Tuesday 20 | Year 11 Study Day |
| Wed 21 - Tues 27 | Year 11 Examinations |
| Thursday 22 | College Tour \| Concordia Campus, 9.15am (sign in from 9am) |
| Mon 26 - Fri 30 | Year 10 Work Experience |
| Wednesday 28 | Year 11 Special Program |
| Thursday 29 | Year 11 Exam Return Day |
| Thurs 29 - Fri 20 | Year 12 Retreat |
| Friday 30 | Term 2 concludes, 1pm |

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## The School Shop

**General trading – no appointment required.**

- Mondays: 8am - 4pm
- Wednesdays: 12.30pm - 4pm
- Thursdays: 12.30pm - 6.15pm

Public Holidays - Closed

New Umbrellas

The following items are now available in The School Shop:

- Golf umbrellas - $38 each
- Fold-up umbrellas - $28 each

Uniform Orders

Students in Years 7-12 are emailed to advise when their orders are ready to be collected. For students in ELC-Year 6, email advice is sent to parents/caregivers.

Naming Uniforms

Iron-on garment labels are available for $3 per 10 labels. Please ensure you clearly label all uniform items with the student's surname. Position labels on the inside back neck for tops and dresses and on the inside back of the waistband for pants and skirts. If using markers for labelling, please be aware names fade during washing and will need to be checked and relabelled regularly.

The School Shop staff can be contacted on the direct phone line during opening hours – **8291 9302**.

Secondhand Clothing

If you have uniforms you no longer need, they may be donated or sold on consignment in The School Shop (click to download a secondhand uniforms consignment form).

Please note:

- Blazers and winter skirts/pinafores must be dry cleaned with a receipt attached.
- Jumpers must be washed using a wool wash detergent.
- All other items must be in good condition, stains removed, washed and ironed ready for sale.
- Summer hats must be hand washed.
- Any uniform items in need of repair e.g. broken zips, seams unstitched, missing buttons, etc. must be repaired prior to acceptance for sale. Buttons are sold in The School Shop.
- Garments presented on hangers are preferred.

- Old logo and discontinued styles – uniforms with the old school logo and discontinued styles are no longer saleable in The School Shop but can be dropped off for overseas charity donation.

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Public Notices & Events

- **Adelaide Hills Tigers Rugby League Club** are currently calling for potential rugby players to register their interest. Junior boys and girls training is on Wednesday nights from 5.30-6.30pm at Callington Oval. Download a flyer for more information.
- **International Sports Camps** are running three-day holiday coaching camps for Junior Stars (ages 5-11) and Senior Champions (ages 12-15). Book now to secure a 35% discount. Download a flyer for more information.
- **Adelaide Women's Healthcare Collborative** is promoting an online webinar for parents of children aged 8-18 years. The two webinars focus on building resilience in our children and young people, educating and empowering parents to be proactive in establishing a positive eating environment and providing practical strategies to foster body acceptance and appreciation. Download their webinar flyer and promotional flyer for more information.
- The **Blackwood Reconciliation Group** is having a Reconciliation Walk on Sunday 28 May, starting at 11.30am at the Blackwood roundabout. All welcome. There will also be a sausage sizzle afterwards and two coffee vans.

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