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From the College Pastor

Christmas time means Christmas carols, so you can expect to find yourself involuntarily

exposed to Christmas carols performed with varying qualities over the next few weeks as you do your weekly shop, or attend some end-of-year work functions. Embrace it, I say!

Christmas carols that make reference to the Christian faith are some of the most evocative and superbly written hymns in the church's rich history. One of the best, and one worth trying to find lyrics for, is 'Hark! The Herald Angels Sing'. In this brilliantly crafted piece, we have more detail about who Jesus is, and why he came to be born in Bethlehem than you will find in many theological books. "Veiled in flesh the Godhead see" says one of the lines, explaining how God went to extraordinarily drastic measures to reveal himself to us. "Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die" says another, highlighting how Jesus put aside his power and submitted to the will of his Father, becoming a human being born in the shabbiest conditions, just so we might have eternal life. The powerful words reveal an amazing truth, and the music helps to lift us into this incredible spiritual reality.

There are many more deeply poetic passages from the dozens of other brilliant carols. I'd encourage you to attend the Concordia Carol Service in a few weeks' time (Monday 9 December, 7pm in the Chapel), and put on a playlist at home to keep the Christmas cheer going. You will discover that when Christians sing 'Glory to God in the Highest' we 'join the triumph of the skies' with a choir of angels and all the citizens of heaven. In fact, the more you unpack every carol, the more you will appreciate just how great a fuss has been made over the birth of a baby – something that on the surface seems so very ordinary – to the point that this birth now divides history into time 'before' and time 'after'.

God likes hiding his glory in seemingly ordinary packages and I have enjoyed discovering God at work among us here at Concordia this year. Christmas reminds us that God is desperate to reveal himself to all of us and that he requires no special lodgings – a stable, a manger, or our hearts will suit him just fine.

Enjoy the run-up to Christmas and the celebrations of this festive time.

Dale Gosden
College Pastor

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Year 12 Design, Technology and Engineering

It's that time of the year where our Year 12 Design, Technology and Engineering students showcase their talents. When the culture is strong, and the expectations are high, anything is possible. Once again, they did not disappoint. Thank you to all students for your impressive efforts this year and congratulations to our award winners:

- Most Outstanding Product: **Liam 12JLEY**
- Peer Assessed Best Product: **Ebony 12TMCC**
- Resilience: **Curtis 12CFIL**
- Overall Subject Award: **Sterling 12KNIC** and **Amalia 12KNIC**

Shane Beitz
Learning Area Coordinator - Design, Technology and Engineering

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St John's Campus Year 3 Urrbrae Farm Excursion

St John's Campus Year 3 students enjoyed exploring their local community and learning about the classification systems of animals featuring in Australian agriculture, as well as conserving our Indigenous animals at the Urrbrae Farm. Knowledgeable and engaging Year 10 students from Urrbrae High School guided us around the Farm Trails and we were astounded at the range of biodiversity, including mammals, reptiles, water birds, poultry, parrots, marsupials, insects and fish, living right on our doorstep!

Elizabeth Reu and Daniel Halman
Year 3 Teachers

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Year 2-4 Student-Led Conferences at St Peters Campus

We are delighted to share the recent success of our Year 2 and Year 3/4 students from the St Peters Campus, who participated in their Student-led Conferences. These conferences provided a fantastic platform for students to showcase their learning across a variety of curriculum areas.

Student-led Conferences empower students to take ownership of their learning journey. By reflecting on their progress and articulating their achievements and goals, students develop essential communication and self-assessment skills. This process not only boosts their confidence, but also fosters a deeper understanding of their own learning.

The pride and enthusiasm displayed by our students during these conferences was fantastic. It was heartwarming to see them confidently share their work and discuss their learning experiences with their families. These moments of celebration highlight the hard work and dedication of our students and the supportive environment fostered by teachers and parents.

Kathryn Watkins
Year 2 Teacher

Alex Barratt
Year 3/4 Teacher

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Year 10 Drama presents 'Bluebottles' by Caleb Lewis

Year 10 Drama students performed *Bluebottles* by Caleb Lewis on Wednesday 20 November. Through a fast-paced series of vignettes co-written with teenagers in 2019, the play explored the hidden fears and anxieties that shape young people. The irony and black comedy featured in the text resonated with the audience and the ensemble rose to the occasion, covering last-minute absences, and showcased their performance, costume, multimedia and sound design skills. This cohort has been the first to receive SACE Stage 1 credits in Year 10 as the Drama Faculty explores the flexibility of the SACE, and the students demonstrated high-level skills. Congratulations to the Year 10 class!

Daniel Lynch
Drama Teacher

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Fall of the Berlin Wall

Did you know that Saturday 9 November 2024 marked 35 years since the fall of the Berlin Wall? Do you know what a “Trabant” is? Do you know the meaning of “Ostalgie”, or who said “Mr Gorbachev, tear down this wall!”? These questions and many more were answered by students from both the St John’s Campus and the Concordia Campus as part of a quiz to commemorate the 35th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm of the quiz entrants and the high quality of their answers.

Congratulations to the following quiz winners.

- **Charli 4GW**
- **Lewis 5RG**
- **Jeremy 6JS**
- **Jimmy 6MT**
- **Mia 7VPER**
- **Tahlia 8SFOR**

Aside from the quiz, this special anniversary was celebrated at Languages Club in Week 4. Students watched footage of the fall of the Berlin Wall, took part in a “divided Germany”-themed Kahoot and enjoyed tasty treats such as Lebkuchen and Gummibärchen. Frau Prenzler also showed us photos from her visit to the remnants of the wall just months after it fell, as well as an actual piece of the wall; it was literally a “hands-on” insight into an important historical event!

Judy Harris
German Teacher and Year 11 Leader

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Launchpad and Year 6 Exhibition Learning Showcases

On Tuesday 19 November, the whole College contributed to Launchpad - a learning showcase. It was a wonderful display of the diverse curriculum offerings and learning experiences on offer across all three campuses. From static displays, to roving Drama performances, the variation of student work was a sight to behold. This year, all Learning Areas from the Concordia Campus (Middle and Senior School) were on display, which showed the large range of curriculum offerings. It was also brilliant to include both St John's and St Peters campuses this year with a range of student work. It was a huge undertaking to bring the whole learning community together, so it was fantastic to celebrate all of the pieces exhibited.

Emily Borowicki
Middle School Learning Leader

Primary Years Programme Exhibitions

All are welcome to browse the incredible work of our Year 6 students from their culminating unit, marking the end of their Primary Years Programme journey. See details below.

St John's Campus Year 6 Exhibition

- **Date: Tuesday 26 November**
- **Time: 6.00-7.30pm**
- **Location: Wirrkuta Trruku (Activity Hall), St John's Campus**

St Peters Campus Year 6 Exhibition and Year 5 Student-Led Conference

- **Date: Wednesday 27 November**
- **Time: 6.00-8.00pm**
- **Location: St Peters Campus Library**

We look forward to our students sharing their learning with you at these events.

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Carol Service

Members of the College community are warmly invited to attend our Carol Service.

- **Date: Monday 9 December 2024**
- **Time: 7.00-8.15pm**
- **Location: Concordia College Chapel, 45 Cheltenham Street, Highgate (Concordia Campus)**

Come and celebrate the Advent season as we look to the coming of Christ. This is a wonderful opportunity to give thanks for the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, and for the gifts He has so freely bestowed upon us.

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Ethics Olympiad

Over 360 teams will take part in Middle School Ethics Olympiad competitions throughout the month of November. Under the guidance of Rory Amoy and Lloyd Oppelaar, our two Year 9 teams have worked to develop their understanding of various ethical frameworks. The rigorous competition tests teams on their ability to engage in critical thinking, communicate clearly and use respectful discourse while exploring ethical dilemmas.

One team won the Gold Medal and our other team received an Honourable Mention. Our Gold Medal team has been invited to participate in the International Final, to be held online in February 2025. At this event, the team will compete with students from countries like India, Hong Kong, China, Singapore, New Zealand, Canada and the US, as well as all the regions of Australia.

- Concordia Pink (Gold Medal): Adele, Keziah, Jem and Oliver
- Concordia White (Honourable Mention): Rebecca, Sophie and Zachary

Zoo Photography Competition

Congratulations to the winners of our annual Year 7 zoo photography competition. Our Year 7 students were encouraged to visually capture their zoo experience through the lens, across some specific categories. Our judges included Mr Schoff, Head of Science, and Ms Hogan, Year 7 Leader.

- Overall champion and winner of the Media Meerkat Award - **Henry 7RBRO**
- Category: Colourful - **Georgia 7LSCO**
- Category: Eyes - **Mia 7LSCO**
- Category: Babies and families - **Mia 7LSCO**
- Category: Black and white - **Sancho 7RBRO**
- Category: Sleepy - **Sancho 7RBRO**
- Category: Wild - **Asha 7SCHE**
- Category: Free Choice - **Oliver 7RBRO**

CARE@CC

CARE@CC is a group for students in Years 10–12 who have an interest in health-related careers – medicine, paramedicine, nursing, health research and allied health. We meet fortnightly on a rotating lunchtime to hear from inspiring and encouraging speakers. This group is an asset to those who may be unsure of the pathways they wish to pursue. Students get to

hear about a range of careers and specialties that they may not know much about.

Last Friday, we had the privilege of learning from Dr Jennifer Cowie, who shared insights into her remarkable career as a radiologist. Dr Cowie is a Staff Specialist at Benson Radiology, Flinders Medical Centre and a Clinical Associate Lecturer at the University of Adelaide Medical School. Her passionate presentation highlighted the vast opportunities available within the medical field, particularly in radiology, inspiring students to consider this dynamic career pathway.

Dr Cowie was our final guest speaker for 2024. As we look ahead to 2025, we warmly invite members of our Old Concordian community, as well as parents and friends of our College, to consider sharing their expertise during one of our lunchtime sessions. If you are interested in participating, please contact me—we would love to hear from you!

26 Book Challenge

Students who have participated in this year's Bookopoly 26 Book Challenge must submit their reading record sheet to the library circulation desk as soon as possible. They will receive a golden ticket which grants them entry to our special celebration event. This will be held in the library on **Monday 25 November**. Our team of Book Council members are already making plans for our 2026 Book Challenge – great things are coming! Prepare yourself for an adventure!

Emma Rieger
Enrichment and Extended Learning

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Welcoming Bec Murphy, Director of People and Culture

We are thrilled to announce the appointment of Bec Murphy as the new Director of People and Culture ELC-12, commencing in January 2025. Bec joins us from Aerotech Group, where she was People & Culture Manager and previously worked as HR & Projects Manager at Melba's Chocolates. She brings a wealth of experience in HR leadership, cultural change, staff wellbeing initiatives, and holds qualifications in Psychology and Commerce.

Please join us in warmly welcoming Bec to the Concordia community!

Paul Weinert
Head of College

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Year 6 Students Taking Action for PYP Exhibition 2024

As part of the Year 6 Exhibition, our students are busily working on their chosen action that is connected to their area of passion and interest.

Initiatives that are being held in Week 6 are:

• Sporting equipment donation

• Plastic bottle and can collection

• Stationery donation

• Dog toys and bedding donation

Sporting equipment donation

If you have any slightly used and new sporting equipment that you would like to donate, please deliver these to the box provided at the St John's Campus Activity Hall (Wirrkuta Trruku).

These items will be donated to Play It On (a social enterprise that provides funding to assist children from families that are financially challenged, to participate in their chosen sport.)

Riley 6EH

Plastic Bottles

If you have any 10c bottles or cans that you have been collecting and are happy to donate, please bring these and deposit them into the boxes provided in each year level area. Larger collections can be delivered in bags to your child's year level area.

These bottles will be recycled, and proceeds will be donated to the Great Barrier Reef Foundation.

Alicia 6MT

Stationery or Art Supplies Donation

If you have any unwanted stationery or craft supplies (paints, beads, sticky tape, glitter, textas, paper, cardboard, etc.) that you would like to donate, please deliver these to the box located in your year level area.

These supplies will be donated to Puddle Jumpers (a non-profit, non-Government volunteer-based organisation working to support vulnerable children).

Sienna 6MT

Pet Supplies Donation

If you have any slightly used and new pet supplies (toys, leads, blankets/towels for bedding, etc.) that you would like to donate, please deliver these to the box located in your year level.

These supplies will be donated to various organisations who provide dogs to support those in need.

Maya 6JS

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Stage 1 Drama presents 'Metropolis Now'

The Stage 1 Drama class presented their original work, 'Metropolis Now', written in collaboration with their teacher and Drama Coordinator, Aldo Longobardi, over two nights in the Drama Centre last week. Taking inspiration from the musical, 'RENT' and the opera, 'La Boheme', the play centred around a group of artists struggling to survive and thrive in a society dominated by corporate greed, social division, artificial intelligence and terminal illness. The characters discover their ultimate power and rebellion is remaining hopeful and authentic in a society that all-too-often perpetuates fear.

The students gave a committed performance, balancing comedy, pathos and sincerity in a show that truly moved our audiences to consider perspectives of the challenges of our own time.

Aldo Longobardi
Drama Coordinator

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Farewell Morning Tea for Kate Wood, ELC Director

For many years, Kate Wood has nurtured young minds in our St John's Campus Early Learning Centre. As she prepares for retirement at the end of the 2024 school year, we invite community members to join us for morning tea - an opportunity to say farewell to Kate and to thank her for her invaluable contribution to the College.

- **Date: Tuesday 26 November**
- **Time: 8.30-10.00am**
- **Location: Under the verandah outside the Year 1 and 2 building at St John's Campus**

We hope to see you there!

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Remembrance Day Commemorations

To commemorate Remembrance Day 2024, **Eamonn 10JMCP**, **James 11ALON**, **Edward 2TS** and **Johanna 1IR** represented Concordia at the Remembrance Day service and lunch at the Naval, Military and Air Force Club.

Meanwhile, Concordia Campus students marked this sombre occasion at our annual Remembrance Day service in the College Chapel. We were grateful to once again have Old Concordian and retired serviceman Ken Semmler OAM (1962) involved in this service. As always, staff and students were moved by the Last Post following a minute of silence, played beautifully again this year by **Marco 10JROB**.

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Term 1 2025 Commencement

To commence the new school year, all students in ELC to Year 6 and continuing students in Years 8 to 11 will begin Term 1 on Thursday 30 January.

Year 7 and Year 12 students, along with new students in Years 8 to 11, will have an orientation day the day prior, on Wednesday 29 January.

We are looking forward with excitement and anticipation to another extraordinary year in 2025!

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St Peters Campus Year 2 Update

This term, our Year 2 students have been engaged in exciting and creative learning!

In Mathematics, we've explored fractions, time and shapes through hands-on investigations, fostering a deeper understanding of these concepts. In our unit of inquiry, we've been investigating how technologies have changed our lives, sparking curiosity and lively discussions.

During Readers' and Writers' Workshops, students have been exploring persuasive writing, learning how to express their opinions clearly and confidently. We've also delved into poetic devices, experimenting with imagery, rhyme and rhythm to craft creative pieces.

A highlight of the term was our recent AFL Max camp, where students had a fantastic time building teamwork, resilience and physical skills in a fun and engaging environment.

Additionally, we had the privilege of sharing our learning with families during Student-Led Conferences. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to reflect on their progress and proudly showcase their work.

It's been a term full of discovery, and we're so proud of the students' growth and enthusiasm!

Kathryn Watkins
Year 2 Teacher

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12 Days of Giving for Lutheran Care is on Now

This week and next, Concordia College is supporting Lutheran Care's Christmas Hamper Appeal again this year, with the 12 Days of Giving.

Families are asked to donate as they are able from the list of much-needed items below.

- Day 1: Cans of tinned fruit
- Day 2: Cups/packs of instant noodles
- Day 3: Packs of pasta
- Day 4: Jars of pasta sauce
- Day 5: Cans of protein
- Day 6: Hot drink items
- Day 7: Boxes of cereal
- Day 8: Cans of spaghetti and baked beans
- Day 9: Hygiene products
- Day 10: Sweet treats
- Day 11: Spreads
- Day 12: Long-life milk

Items can be brought to students' Home Classrooms.

We ask families to consider how they might be able to support this worthy cause and make Christmas a little brighter for those in need.

Thank you!

Mark Rathjen
College Chaplain

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St Peters Has Got Talent Delivers an Impressive Showcase

Last Friday, St Peters Campus came alive with incredible performances at St Peters Has Got Talent. The event highlighted a wide range of talents, with five standout acts captivating the audience. These included a clarinet solo, a Harry Potter-themed presentation, gymnastics routines, dance performances and a paino piece.

Performers represented a variety of ages, demonstrating the depth of skill and confidence across the campus. The presentations ranged from stunning round-off backflips and splits to

expressive musical and theatrical pieces, showcasing the diversity of talent at St Peters Campus.

Judging this year's competition was no easy task. The panel included two student representatives, Charlotte and Nevada, the Head of College, Mr Weinert, and Ms Wilson, Campus Principal. After careful deliberation, Halle was crowned the winner for an impressive gymnastics routine that combined complex moves with precision and style.

As a surprise finale, the staff performed a flash mob to NSYNC's Bye Bye Bye. The unexpected performance had the students cheering and dancing along, adding an unforgettable finish to the 2024 show.

A special thanks to our Student Leaders Charlotte and Nevada who initiated this event and worked behind the scenes to bring it to life. Their dedication ensured the event was a resounding success and created a fantastic experience for our community.

Congratulations to Halle and all the participants for their outstanding performances. We can't wait for next year's show!

Bronwyn Wilson
Principal - St Peters Campus

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Pedal Prix 2025 Student Registrations

Each year, Concordia College competes in the Australian HPV (Human Powered Vehicles) series, better known as Pedal Prix.

Students wishing to be involved in the 2025 Pedal Prix program are encouraged to register by **Friday 6 December**. See details below.

What is involved in Pedal Prix 2025?

Pedal Prix is an extra-curricular activity that involves teams of students from Years 7-12 working together to keep specially designed trikes cycling around closed circuit tracks during a range of timed events. Teams are categorised into age groups and compete against many schools from around Australia in five exciting races across Terms 1-3. The College raced five teams in 2024, with much success, achieving podium positions and top 10 results across various categories.

Students will be involved in fitness and track training sessions leading up to these races. Students will learn about personal fitness and work closely with students from all year levels to achieve common goals as a team. Pedal Prix is a whole community activity that requires support and assistance from parents and school staff throughout the season.

Information and Registration Details

More information about our Pedal Prix program can be found in our 2025 Information Booklet or at our Concordia Racing Pedal Prix website.

To register to be involved in 2025, please complete our online registration form by **Friday 6 December**.

Season Dates

- Round 1 | 8-Hour | Saturday 29 March | McNamara Park, Mount Gambier (Not compulsory for riders to attend)
- Round 2 | 6-Hour | Saturday 17 May | The Bend Raceway, Tailem Bend
- Round 3 | 6-Hour | Sunday 15 June | Victoria Park, Adelaide
- Round 4 | 8-Hour | Saturday 2 August | The Bend Raceway, Tailem Bend
- Round 6 | 24-Hour | Friday 19 - Sunday 21 September | Sturt Reserve, Murray Bridge

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact me at ccpedalprix@concordia.sa.edu.au

Matthew Smart
Pedal Prix Coordinator

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Youth Governor's Leadership Foundation Graduation

I had the delight of attending the Graduation Ceremony for one of our Year 10 students **Claire 10SSCH**, following her participation in the Youth Governor's Leadership Foundation program. The program seeks to help teenagers develop into confident, resilient and empowered young people who act to make a change in their community. Through the program, Claire has been able to work with her peers, allowing her to be self-aware and confident in her leadership skills.

Students apply their learnings through a 12-week community action project, working in small, diverse teams to progress a challenge for a not-for-profit organisation. CanDo 4 Kids was the Charity that Claire chose to support through the Loud Shirt day with the Year 10s where $136 was raised

Well done, Claire!

Laura Austin
Year 10 Leader

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Year 10 Camp

Year 10 Camp was definitely one of the best ones yet, filled with heaps of action, adventure and fun! I really enjoyed how many activities there were and that I was able to try new things. Due to the challenging activities, I was able to persevere through nerves, and encourage others to do the same and to try something new. I loved the feeling of being out in nature for the whole day, being disconnected from my phone and social media, and just bonding with my friends and classmates. My highlights from camp would have to be abseiling over the ocean, surfing with my friends and the feeling of achievement when looking back at the large, steep hill I had just climbed down on the hike.

Lila 10VNAR

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School TV New Edition: Confidence and Motivation

Building confidence and motivation in young people is essential for their overall wellbeing and is a key aspect of their development. These qualities can have a lasting impact on their success and happiness. Confidence helps children believe in their abilities and face challenges with a positive attitude, while motivation drives their desire to learn, explore and achieve their goals.

Fostering these traits involves creating an environment that encourages children to take risks, learn from their mistakes and celebrate their achievements. Confidence is built when children feel capable and valued, while motivation is fuelled by the belief that their efforts will lead to growth and success. By actively supporting both, we can help young people thrive in the academic, social and personal areas of their life.

By offering positive reinforcement, setting realistic expectations, and celebrating their efforts, we can model a positive mindset that can go a long way in helping young people develop both confidence and motivation. Nurturing these qualities will help them grow into self-assured individuals who believe in their ability to succeed, setting the foundation for a fulfilling future.

In this edition of SchoolTV, discover how to provide opportunities for autonomy and support your child in persevering through challenges.

Read the Edition (opens an external website in a new window)
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Inter-school Chess

Chess at Concordia is thriving this year, with strong attendance from both Middle School and Senior School students at Chess Club each week. As well as the social games and some mini

tournaments, many students also enjoy the challenge of Library Technician Scott Jasper's weekly chess puzzles.

In addition to Chess Club, we fielded three teams in the inter-school Division 2 competition this year. The students performed strongly, often playing older and more experienced players. With 35 teams in the Division, Concordia Gold finished seventh on 32 points, only 2.5 points behind fourth place. It was a particularly close competition this year, with 19 teams scoring between 26 and 29 points. Concordia Silver (27 points) and Concordia Blue (26.5 points) performed very creditably, particularly given that Concordia Silver's players, as Year 7s, were all taking part in the Secondary School competition for the first time.

At the conclusion of the season, **Bill 11DWHE** was awarded a trophy by the South Australian Junior Chess League for receiving 10.5 points out of a possible 16; a very impressive achievement, particularly given that he played Board 1 most weeks.

We look forward to another successful year in 2025, and encourage other students to join us, whether at Chess Club, as part of the inter-school competition, or both.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Gaskin and Scott Jasper for their support of Chess this year.

Judy Harris
Inter-School Chess Coordinator

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St John's Campus School Sport SA Success

Primary School School Sport SA Representation

Congratulations to the following students who recently competed in the State Carnival for the Adelaide South East district. Both the girls' AFL and cricket teams won the State Championship - an extraordinary effort!

- AFL – **Zoey 6JS**, **Maya 6JS**, **Annabel 6MT**
- Cricket – **Chloe 6EH**, **Olivia 6EH**, **Zoey 6JS**, **Tilly 6EH**

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Year 9/10 Knockout Basketball Championships

In the statewide Year 9/10 Knockout Basketball competition, our girls played a strong basketball school in the semifinals and came out of the gates firing. They held a seven-point lead at halftime and a two-point lead going into the final quarter. Unfortunately, the opposition gained the lead in the last eight minutes and finished as 10-point winners. It was an absolutely amazing effort by the girls and they played some of the best basketball we've seen them play

all year.

Our boys' team played Sacred Heart in the semifinals. It was point-for-point in the first three quarters where no team could run away with the lead. Concordia managed to get control of the game in the last quarter and finish as 10-point winners. In the grand final, it was evident that we had saved our best game for last, with amazing three-point shooting from the whole team and brilliant teamwork. Over the course of the game we kept extending our lead and eventually finished with a 25-point win! Last year, the 9/10 boys lost the state championship by one point, so it was an incredible effort to win their way back into the championship game and walk away with the gold on this occasion.

The teams were brilliantly coached by Laura Hodges (9/10 girls), James Adcock (9/10 boys), Tom Sutton (assistant).

Kristopher Nicola
Supervisor

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Cricket Century

Congratulations to **Leon 11RAMO** on scoring a century against Blackfriars Priory School in our 1st XI cricket match on Saturday 16 November - an extraordinary achievement! Concordia went on to win the match 5/176 to 8/107.

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Student Achievements

Congratulations to **Owen 4GW**, who recently received the Tom Gilchrist Award for Monday Cub Scouts, for the 2nd Adelaide Scout Group. He received the award for his amazing achievements, leading his patrol and giving every new challenge a try. Well done, Owen!

The College wishes **Nina 6MT** all the very best as she prepares to represent South Australia at the Australian Figure Skating Championships 2024, to be held in Melbourne, having recently won the state championship. Well done, Nina!

Congratulations to **Ellie 7VPER**, who competed at Claire Interschool Horse Show on Thursday and Friday of Week 2, Term 4. Over the course of both the days she did Hacking and Showjumping. She came second in her three respective showjumping classes and won two championships in the hack ring. This was, overall, a very successful two days!

Owen 4GW with the Tom Gilchrist Award

Nina 6MT with her figure skating medal

Ellie 7VPER with her ribbons at the Claire Interschool Horse Show

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Term Time Opening Hours

General trading – no appointment required.

- Monday: 8am - 4pm
- Wednesday: 12.30pm - 4pm
- Thursday: 12.30pm - 6.15pm
- Friday: 2.30 - 4.30pm (Terms 1 and 4)

  (Closed on Public Holidays)

The School Shop will be closed from Tuesday 10 December and will reopen on Wednesday 22 January 2025.

Exchanges, top-up purchases and collection of orders can be made during Holiday Opening as seen below.

Holiday Opening Hours - January 2025

- Wednesday 22 January: 8.00am - 4.00pm
- Thursday 23 January: 12.30 - 6.15pm
- Friday 24 January: 12.30 – 4.00pm
- Monday 27 January: **Closed** (Public Holiday)
- Tuesday 28 January: 8.30am - 5.30pm

- Wednesday 29 January: 8.00am - 4.00pm
- Thursday 30 January: 12.30 - 6.15pm (Term time hours resume)

Senior School Jumpers - Order Now for 2025

2025 Pre-Order Seniors Jumpers

Students in Years 10–12 will require a grey Seniors Jumper. To assist us with our ordering, please pre-order by Friday 29 November for availability in Term 1 2025. No payment or commitment is required until your jumper is available in 2025.

Poly/cotton Seniors Jumpers

Students who are unable to wear the wool/nylon Seniors Jumper are now able to order the poly/cotton alternative. These jumpers are available by special order only. Please place your order or indicate your interest by Friday 29 November for availability in Term 1 2025. We have size samples available in The School Shop. No payment is required until your jumper is ready to collect in 2025.

Uniform Orders

Email orders are also welcome and purchases may be collected from The School Shop during opening hours. Please email schoolshop@concordia.sa.edu.au and include:

- your child's name and year level
- size
- your contact details

The School Shop staff will contact you for payment and advise when your order is available to collect. 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.

Glass Coffee Cups Now Available

Introducing our sleek new Glass Coffee Cup with a versatile lid—perfect for travelling or doubling as a coaster. Buy yours today for $15.00 - the perfect blend of form and function!

Head to the School Shop (click here for opening times).

ELC Items - In Stock Now

Stock of the following items for ELC students is limited, so please email your order to: schoolshop@concordia.sa.edu.au and we will ensure your request is prioritised.

- Beanies
- Long Sleeve Polo Shirts

PE Polo Shirt

The old style gold and navy PE polo shirts are now discontinued and students are required to have the new navy PE polo shirt.

Umbrellas

The following items are now available in The School Shop:

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

Secondhand Clothing

Stock Wanted – now is the time to clear out the wardrobes!

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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CC Café Term 4 Menu

Our CC Café Term 4 menu is here! Download a copy of the menu to see what is on offer this term.

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Public Notices & Events

- **The Innovative Dietician**, a local Blackwood business, is running a free webinar on

nutrition for kids at 10am on Friday 22 November via Zoom. Please download the attached poster for more information.

- **Minda** is running a big Christmas fundraiser - the Community Christmas Carols and Markets on Saturday 7 December from 12-7pm. The event will feature live music and entertainment, Christmas carols, over 50 market stalls, raffle prizes, food trucks, rides and amusements, face painting, a petting zoo, and a visit from Santa and Mrs Claus. The money raised from this event will help create experiences and memories for people supported by Minda, an organisation which supports people with intellectual disability in South Australia. All are welcome. Download a flyer for more information.
- **Code Camp** is running fun-filled summer holiday programs near Concordia. Download a flyer and use the coupon code to receive $25 off the registration price. This summer, as a little holiday treat, they're also rolling out tons of free activities for Aussie kids—from live online lessons to trivia parties and activity packs. Download a flyer for more information about these activities.
- **Head for the Hills** is running school holiday mountain biking activities, in addition to their ongoing programs. Visit their website for more information about these holiday activities.

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