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2025 Term 2 Week 4

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From the Director of Information and Learning Technologies ELC–12

Concordia College is taking significant steps to integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) into its educational framework, aiming to equip students with the skills needed to thrive in both their academic and professional lives. By collaborating with industry experts, the College has developed a comprehensive AI policy that ensures the safety and empowerment of students, enabling them to harness AI tools to enhance their learning and future careers.

In addition to AI integration, Concordia is making substantial upgrades to its IT infrastructure. Over the past year, the College has revamped its core systems to create a more conducive learning environment. The latest upgrades include state-of-the-art classroom screens that allow teachers to explore innovative teaching methods, further supporting student engagement and success.

The introduction of a new laptop program has been a resounding success, particularly for Year 7 students. By implementing a digital license system, the College ensures that students use their devices responsibly and positively. This program is complemented by new cybersecurity measures that will be rolled out in the coming year, providing an added layer of protection for students' digital activities.

With AI becoming an integral part of daily life, Concordia is reviewing how best to utilise this technology to help students successfully navigate their educational journey and future workforce. The AI policy not only safeguards students but also empowers them to use AI tools to improve their learning and working lives.

These initiatives reflect Concordia College's commitment to staying at the forefront of educational technology. By continually seeking ways to improve and adapt to the evolving needs of its students, the College is fostering a safe, innovative and supportive learning environment for all.

More information about AI at Concordia can be found in two articles on the subject in the Autumn 2025 edition of Concordia Community magazine.

Micheal Bowden
From the Director of Information and Learning Technologies ELC–12

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Canberra Trip 2025

Our recent trip to Canberra was an exciting and highly successful learning experience that brought classroom concepts to life and created lasting memories for students and staff alike. Over four action-packed days, students explored key institutions that shape Australia's government and civic identity, engaging directly with the Central Idea: *"The structure of government and the decisions it makes impact on the fairness of society."*

The St Peters Campus Year 5/6s combined with the St John's Campus Year 6s for the trip, which provided great opportunities to strengthen cross-campus connections. Our itinerary included a tour of **Parliament House**, where we had the opportunity to sit in the House of Representatives and ask questions about how laws are made. We also visited **Government House**, where students learned about the role of the Governor General and the importance of leadership and responsibility in public life. At the **Royal Australian Mint**, students explored the history of currency in Australia and even saw coins being made. These experiences were supported by visits to the **National Electoral Education Centre**, the **Australian War Memorial**, and **Questacon**, providing a rich and diverse overview of Australia's history, science and systems of democracy.

Throughout the week, students demonstrated maturity, teamwork and resilience. They successfully navigated airport procedures with confidence, represented our school with pride and participated fully in all activities with enthusiasm. Many students stepped outside their comfort zones, supporting one another and building stronger friendships and independence along the way.

It was truly rewarding to see our students so engaged in real-world learning experiences, applying their knowledge, asking thoughtful questions and showing curiosity about the world around them. We are incredibly proud of their behaviour, teamwork and positive attitudes throughout the trip.

The Canberra experience not only strengthened their understanding of government and civic responsibility but also helped shape them into more confident, capable and compassionate learners and citizens.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist schools and families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing $90 per student towards those costs under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Matthew Webster
Year 5/6 Teacher - St Peters Campus

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Harmony in the Chapel, Old Concordians' 70+ Reunion and New Student Tech Crew

On Friday 16 May, an enthusiastic audience of parents, students and Old Concordians who commenced at the College 70+ years ago attended our 'Harmony in the Chapel' concert. Guests enjoyed hearing from a range of groups, including String Ensemble, Clarinet Ensemble, Concert Band and more—an extraordinary opportunity to share the gift of music.

Following the concert, our treasured Old Concordians from the Class of 1955 and prior joined us in the Chapel narthex for afternoon tea and it was lovely to see the group spending time together sharing stories and laughs. We hope to see our Old Concordian guests again on Thursday 11 September for the Brown and Gold 60+ lunch!

The newly-formed student Tech Crew also made their first appearance in conjunction with the Harmony in the Chapel performance. This extra-curricular lunchtime club equips students to operate as lighting, sound, multimedia and stagehands across Drama, Music, Chapel and Dance performances. Well done to all involved!

Student Tech Crew

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Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad (OzCLO) 2025

In Term 1, 16 students from Years 9, 10 and 12, represented Concordia in the Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad (OzCLO). The competition is designed for students who are interested in Languages and Maths or Computing, and who really enjoy solving puzzles and cracking codes.

This year, Concordia students joined 2,692 students from 93 schools across Australia in the first round of the competition. Our students worked intensively in their teams over a period of

two hours, to solve a range of challenging language analysis problems. The standard of the competition is very high. To receive a Gold award, students must achieve in the top 8% nationally, for a Silver award they must achieve in the top 25% and for a Bronze award they must achieve in the top 50%. An Honourable Mention is given to a team that achieves full marks for a problem.

Congratulations to our two senior and two junior teams who performed very well, achieving one Silver, two Bronze and one Honourable Mention overall.

Junior Teams

- **Sophia (9JMCP)** - Honourable Mention
- **Justin (10RCRO)** - Honourable Mention
- **Kenzie (10JROB)** - Honourable Mention
- **Jacob (9NSHR)** - Honourable Mention

- **Erin (10JDIV)** - Bronze
- **Adele (10RCRO)** - Bronze
- **Paige (10BWHA)** - Bronze
- **Sophie (10JDIV)** - Bronze

Senior Teams

- **Sophie (12CHEL)** - Bronze
- **Kelsey (12CFIL)** - Bronze
- **Angelina (12CHEL)** - Bronze
- **Lexi (12CFIL)** - Bronze

- **Jacob (12CHEL)** - Silver
- **Joshua (12TMCC)** - Silver
- **Lachlan (12CHEL)** - Silver
- **Tom (12TMCC)** - Silver

Mrs Trish Prenzler
Acting Languages Coordinator

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Enrichment and Extended Learning News

Rostrum Voice of Youth 2025 Success

Four students from Years 9 to 11 recently represented Concordia in the South Australian heats of the Rostrum Voice of Youth public speaking competition, held at Immanuel College. This year's event attracted 178 entrants from 36 schools across the Northern Territory, regional South Australia and metropolitan Adelaide.

Rostrum Voice of Youth is a national competition that offers secondary students a valuable opportunity to develop their public speaking skills, gain confidence and express their views on a range of topics. The students had to present prepared speeches of up to eight minutes and they also had to present three-minute short-notice speeches, given just 15 minutes to prepare. Congratulations to our incredible representatives—**Keziah (10RCRO)**, **Claire (11RAMO)**, **Sophia (9ALAM)** and **Eva (9ALAM)**.

A special congratulations to Sophia and Eva who have progressed to the semifinals!

Students Progress to the State Final of the Brain Bee Competition

Round 1 of the 2025 Australia–New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge (ABBC) was a tremendous success, with nearly 3,000 students from across Australia and New Zealand taking part. This year, we are proud to announce a record number of nine Year 10 students from our school have qualified for the State Final—a remarkable achievement.

To earn their place in the next stage, our students have answered more than 12,000 questions on the brain, demonstrating outstanding knowledge and dedication. The State Final, to be held in August, will feature both individual and team-based competitions. Our students are among the top performers in South Australia, and we wish them all the best as they prepare to represent our school at this prestigious event.

Congratulations to: **Keziah (10RCRO)**, **Paige (10BWHA)**, **Paris (10BWHA)**, **Sophie (10JDIV)**, **Adele (10RCRO)**, **Oliver (10BWHA)**, **Rebecca (10DLYN)**, **Zachary (10DLYN)** and **Elizabeth (10JDIV)**.

CARE@CC

We've been fortunate to hear from several fascinating speakers in recent weeks as part of CARE@CC — our Community of Advocates for Respect and Empathy. This group, made up of students from Years 9 to 12, brings together those with an interest in health-related careers and a passion for understanding the experiences of others.

We welcomed Dr Claire Rowe, a GP with decades of experience in rural health, who shared valuable insights into life as a country doctor. We also heard from a student who spoke about the challenges of receiving a diabetes diagnosis, and another who offered a powerful account of adapting to life with a guide dog. She also bravely shared her personal journey through cancer treatment and a bone marrow transplant. Each speaker has offered our students a deeper understanding of resilience, compassion and the many pathways within health and care. Their stories leave a lasting impact.

Emma Rieger
Enrichment and Extended Learning

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STEM Wind Tunnel Back in Action

We're excited to announce that Concordia's STEM wind tunnel is back in action! After some much-needed repairs, the tunnel is once again up and running—thanks to the generous efforts of volunteer Brian Pagenstecher. Brian, who was one of the original builders of the tunnel alongside Shaun Clamp, kindly offered his time and expertise to restore this valuable piece of STEM equipment.

Our Year 10 STEM students are now making use of the wind tunnel in their latest project. Each student is designing and testing three balsa wood glider prototypes, with the goal of achieving the longest possible flight time of their final laser-cut design. The wind tunnel is helping them measure the lift each design produces, providing real-world data to guide improvements and boost performance.

It's inspiring to see past and present efforts come together—Brian and Shaun's original work is now supporting a new generation of students exploring the science of flight.

We're incredibly grateful to Brian for his support and look forward to seeing where our students' gliders will take them—literally and figuratively!

Jonathan Carpenter
Middle and Senior School Teacher

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Reception Students from St Peters Campus Attend DreamBig Festival

In Week 2, the St Peters Campus Reception students embarked on a thrilling adventure to the DreamBig Festival, a celebration of creativity and storytelling. The day was filled with awe and inspiration as they experienced two captivating performances that sparked their curiosity and imagination.

The first performance, *Glow and Tell*, blended storytelling, lights and drawing to create an immersive artistic experience. The children were mesmerised by the way light and shadows brought stories to life, igniting their own creative ideas. Following this, they enjoyed *Imagine*, a heartwarming play based on Alison Lester's beloved book. The performance transported them to a world of possibility, reinforcing the power of imagination in shaping experiences and stories.

Between these wonderful performances, the students embarked on a Scavenger Hunt, exploring the Festival and Riverfront precinct. This adventure encouraged them to observe, discover and engage with their surroundings in a new and exciting way.

The visit to DreamBig Festival was an incredible provocation for our 'How We Express Ourselves' Unit of Inquiry, where we are exploring the concept of imagination. Through these experiences, the children embraced creativity, storytelling and the joy of discovering new worlds. We can't wait to see how their imaginations continue to flourish as they reflect on and

apply these learnings in the classroom!

Laura Benger
Reception Teacher - St Peters Campus

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Important Reminder: School Zone Speed Limits

The safety of our students, staff and families is our highest priority. A reminder that the speed limit around our school campuses is strictly 25 km/h whenever children are present. This limit is in place to protect children, who may be crossing roads or walking to and from school.

Unfortunately, we have received several complaints about vehicles speeding in the surrounding streets, which is of great concern. In response, the College has contacted SAPOL to request increased police presence and enforcement of speed limits in these areas. Students of driving age have also been reminded of these important safety requirements. We ask for your full cooperation in observing all road rules to help keep our school community safe.

Thank you.

Sally Staggs
Manager Risk and Operations ELC–Year 12

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Tasting Australia Excursion

On Tuesday of Week 2, the Cookery in Hospitality students spent the day at Tasting Australia with top Adelaide chef Emma McCaskill, who runs our VET course. The morning began with a scavenger hunt through the Central Market, where students met local producers and learned more about South Australia's food scene. They were treated to lunch by Kirby Shearing from Mount Gambier's *Elementary by Soul Co.*, who showcased regional hospitality at its best. This year's festival curator, Kane Pollard, also gave the class a behind-the-scenes tour. As a long-time Tasting Australia organiser and one of this year's featured stars, Emma helped guide students through the experience while sharing stories and insights from her industry background. Students came away with full stomachs and a better understanding of what's possible in the food and hospitality industry.

Hannah Rosie
Food Design Teacher

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Year 5 Living Library at St John's Campus

In our current Unit of Inquiry, the students have been exploring how businesses are created and how they respond to the changing needs and wants of a community. As part of this unit, our Year 5 students recently took part in a wonderful real-world learning experience, a Living Library with small business owners from our local community. To deepen their understanding, students had the chance to “check out” a living book, by listening to and asking questions of real business owners who shared their journeys, challenges and motivations.

We were lucky enough to welcome a diverse group of guests, including a crochet maker, a fitness studio owner, a cake maker, a restaurant owner, a lawyer, and a plumber. Each offered unique insights into what it takes to run a business, adapt to customer needs and solve problems creatively.

A huge thank you to our visiting business owners for inspiring our Year 5 learners and helping bring the world of business to life!

Mel Pisano
Year 5 Teacher – St John's Campus

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Join us for a Concordia Parent Prayer Breakfast on Thursday 12 June

Concordia College is greatly enriched by the faith of our families, parents, students and staff. We would like to invite parents and caregivers from all three campuses to a Prayer Breakfast to provide an opportunity for people to get to know each other better and gain a greater understanding of the spiritual life of our school.

As well as enjoying each other’s company, we will also hear from staff involved in the ministry of the school, including music, chaplaincy, youth ministry and Christian Studies. There will also be time for parents to ask questions and – most importantly – pray together! We hope that this will be a time of connections and encouragement that both builds up our community and strengthens our faith.

Key Details

- Date: Thursday 12 June
- Time: 7.30-8.45am
- Venue: The Suaviter, Concordia Campus
- Coffee and breakfast will be provided for guests.
- This is a free event.

Bookings

If you would like to attend, please click here to book online.

We hope you will be able to join us.

Kind regards

Dale Gosden
College Pastor

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'Behind the Curtain' Theatre Design

Stage 1 Theatre Design and Technology students have been working with industry professionals during Term 2 to develop their major design products. After a class study of a text, students undertook a design workshop with the State Theatre Company's Ailsa Paterson.

The major learning experience was Adelaide Festival Centre's *Behind the Curtain*, a day of workshops at Her Majesty's Theatre, where students practically explored arts careers in areas such as those listed below, and heard from a range of industry professionals:

- costume construction
- set model design
- prop construction
- outdoor event planning
- marketing and producing.

Students will now return to the classroom inspired to generate their own products for assessment!

Daniel Lynch
Drama Teacher

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Developing Literacy Skills in Year 1 at St Peters Campus

Developing literacy skills in Year 1 at St Peters Campus is an exciting and enjoyable experience! Students are actively building their reading, writing, handwriting and communication skills through engaging activities that make learning fun.

One highlight of our literacy journey is reading personalised books written by Ms Livingston, which inspire a love for storytelling and comprehension. Students also participate in creative activities to master tricky words, helping them grow in confidence as writers.

Handwriting is another important focus, with students taking the time to develop beautiful penmanship that makes them proud. Through dedication and practice, they are refining their writing skills while expressing their ideas with clarity and creativity.

We love seeing our Year 1 students flourish as they explore the world of literacy!

Olivia Livingston
Year 1 Teacher – St Peters Campus

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Year 11 Steps to Success Day

On Tuesday of Week 4, the Year 11 students took part in the annual Steps to Success Day. The program began with a road accident prevention presentation from the Metropolitan Fire Service. The presentation was a powerful reminder of the responsibility of all road users to keep themselves and others safe. With many of the students currently on their L plates or having recently obtained their P plates, the presentation was very relevant to this particular age group.

The students then attended two sessions on setting oneself up for success, and organisation and time management. These sessions were led by Sam Ghamrawi, Founder and Speaker of Sekseed Projects. They were engaging and practical, providing the students with strategies that can be implemented immediately.

The students were also encouraged to think about what 'success' means to them. Through practical examples, students reflected on the fact that being successful is not determined only by money and prestige; it is also determined by happiness, health, social connections and leading a balanced lifestyle.

To complete the day, students took part in two elective activities—one focused on relaxation and one focused on leisure and social connections. The beautiful weather provided perfect conditions for outdoor electives such as walking, netball and basketball, whilst other students enjoyed indoor pursuits including pilates, music, candle decorating, reading, mindful colouring, games, cooking, weights training and badminton.

Thank you to all of the staff whose efforts made the day possible. We hope that all Year 11 students have gained new ideas that will help them to succeed in their future studies and beyond.

Judy Harris
Year 11 Leader

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Pedal Prix Race 2 — Tailem Bend

On Saturday 17 May, five Concordia Pedal Prix teams competed in the six-hour race at Tailem

Bend Raceway. Competing against 165 teams from around Australia, riders reached speeds of more than 50km/h and faced challenging wet conditions throughout the race. For many of our Year 7 riders, this was their first experience of racing, creating a great sense of excitement and atmosphere in our team area.

All teams competed well, riding consistent lap times and avoiding the slips and turns of the fast corners in wet conditions. Teams worked together to assist with changeover and communicate to riders out on the track, with great improvements seen in the duration of riding sessions. With clean racing, valuable experience was gained from the race day in preparation for future races.

The highlight for the day was our senior team, Costa, chasing down a podium third position in the final 90 minutes of the race. A rollover on the back corner in the final hour put the team at risk of losing their top three position; however, in a highly competitive category these senior students performed consistently, chasing down 10 positions across the day and holding off a close fourth position. This is a remarkable result for our school, producing our best race result at this track ever.

Thank you to all the staff and parents for their support of the program across many areas. We look forward to racing in Adelaide on Sunday 15 June 15 in the next six-hour event.

Results

Team	Category Position	Total Laps
Costa (S3)	3rd	82
Raptor (S3)	34th	60
Concorde (S2)	15th	60
Veloci (S2)	17th	58
Shockwave (S2)	28th	51

Matthew Smart
Pedal Prix Coordinator

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Annual Appeal 2025

The support of our community is making a real difference at Concordia College.

Thanks to generous donations from our community, Concordia College continues to thrive. Support from our community has enabled vital projects that benefit both current and future students—proof that when many people come together, even small contributions can create lasting change. Our students now enjoy exceptional, state-of-the-art facilities such as Wirrkuta Trruku and The Treehouse at St John's Campus, as well as the remarkable ELC–Year 12 Fortiter Gymnasium. In addition, donations have funded student scholarships and enabled important College upgrades—all of which directly contribute to the wellbeing and growth of our children.

We are deeply grateful for the ongoing commitment shown to our community and very pleased to present two new projects that will be supported by this year's annual appeal. Please take a moment to help us by giving to Concordia College today.

Paul Weinert
Head of College

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Year 9 Geography Excursion to Cleland National Park

The Year 9 cohort recently went to Cleland National Park. We took the buses up the winding roads of the Adelaide Hills into the park. It was a cold day with the rain clouds drizzling on us the whole time we were present, but our anticipation of seeing kangaroos and koalas did not falter. We went to learn about biomes and how the climate affects both the flora and fauna.

We got to draw up BOLTSS (Border, Orientation, Legend, Title, Scale, and Source) maps of the aviary and dingo enclosures. This was both a fun and difficult activity as by this time, the rain was really pouring, making the papers quite wet. Nevertheless, it was still an enjoyable and educational experience. While gazing upon the kangaroos we wrote how the human intervention has had a negative and positive impact on the fauna and flora. All in all, the excursion was a riveting experience with many interesting aspects. Alas the wombat escaped our sights as it hid away from the rainy weather.

Thank you to the teachers and incredible workers at Cleland National Park for making the trip possible.

Darcy (9MSMA)

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Concordia P&F Quiz Night – Don't miss out... join the fun!

A reminder that our Concordia P&F Quiz Night - a night of brain-teasing fun - is coming up on Saturday 31 May. See details below.

- **Date: Saturday, 31 May 2025**
- **Time: Doors open at 5:30pm**
- **Location: Wirrkuta Trruku (SJC Activity Hall)**
- **Tickets: $40 per person**
- **Theme: Bring a school subject to life! (Fancy dress optional)**
- **Tables: 8–10 people**
- **Food: BYO to share**
- **Drinks: Bar available, strictly no BYO drinks**
- **Please note: this event is for adults**

Book Your Tickets Today

There are currently 32 tables booked. If you haven't yet booked onto a table, either...

- **Register as a Table Captain** - email Angela Warrick (Engagement and Events Manager) to claim your table and start gathering your friends to join the fun
- **Book onto one of our shared year level tables** listed below
    - St Peters Campus
    - St John's Campus ELC and Reception
    - St John's Campus Years 1–6
    - Years 7–12

- **Contact Angela Warrick** if you are happy to be placed on a table with space available and make some new friends

Book Now (opens an external website in a new window)

Did you know?

- **New Old Concordian Quiz Masters — The Weekly Fifty**
  Our Quiz Masters are Old Concordians from the Class of 2013. Enjoy cleverly crafted questions with a local twist—stay tuned for some Concordia trivia too!
- **Optional Fancy Dress — Bring a School Subject to Life**
  We love a good themed event, but please note that fancy dress is optional, so if dress-ups and props aren't you're thing, we'd still love to see you there!
- **Be In It To Win it! — Raffle, Wine Wall and Live Auction**
  Enjoy our raffle, wine wall ($25 per bottle) and live auction, featuring five extraordinary items.

Live Auction Items

Click here to see full details of the items up for auction.

See You There

Bring your brains, team spirit and sense of humour - we can't wait to see you there!

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St Peters Campus Reception Students Visit Hewett Sports Ground

Last week, the St Peters Campus Reception and Year 1 students enjoyed a local walk to the Hewett Sports Ground. It was a great opportunity to get out into our community and explore the spaces close to our school.

As we walked, the children were full of energy and curiosity. They noticed lots of interesting

things in the local reserve—trees, birds and even some colourful flowers. Games of “I Spy” made the walk even more engaging, with students spotting all sorts of natural and man-made features along the way.

Many children shared personal stories and connections to the places we passed, which helped build a sense of familiarity and belonging. It was lovely to hear them talk about streets they knew or places they had visited with their families.

At the sports ground, the children enjoyed playing on different playground equipment and making the most of the large oval. Using the soccer and football goals was a highlight for many. It was a fun change of scenery and a chance to be active in a new environment.

Throughout the walk, our students demonstrated principled behaviour and respect for neighbouring homes and shared spaces. Their thoughtful actions reflected our school values and made us incredibly proud.

This walk has also been a great way to prepare for our upcoming excursion to the Blackwood Library. It gave us a chance to practise walking safely as a group and being responsible in a community setting.

There were lots of requests to return to the playground again soon—always a good sign! Many children asked if we could visit again next week! Their excitement showed just how much they valued the experience, and it’s clear that spending time in our local spaces helps build both joyful memories and a stronger connection to our community.

Laura Benger
Reception Teacher - St Peters Campus

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Year 10 School Immunisation Program

Immunisation Information for Parents/Appointed Legal Guardians of Year 10 Students

The SA 2025 School Immunisation Program (first visit for Year 10 students) will be delivered by **Eastern Health Authority on Friday 30 May**.

All Year 10 students will be offered:

- 2 doses of the meningococcal B vaccine at 2 separate visits (8 weeks apart)
- 1 dose of the meningococcal ACWY vaccine

Immunisation Consent packs have been provided to all Year 10 students at the commencement of the school year, including information about the vaccines on offer. If you did not receive an Immunisation Consent pack, please contact the school office direct so this pack can be provided to you.

We would encourage all parents/appointed legal guardians to read the information supplied in the packs before providing consent for your child to be vaccinated at school. Additional, further information and videos are available at www.health.gov.au/news/school-based-vaccinations-for-teens if required.

If you have provided consent to participate in the immunisation program and any information has changed, in particular in relation to your child's medical condition or you wish to withdraw consent, please directly notify your school immunisation provider, Eastern Health Authority, as soon as possible prior to the date of immunisation.

Tips for the day of immunisation:

- encourage your child eat prior to the immunisations and drink plenty of water throughout the day; and
- wear sports uniforms to allow for easy access to the upper arm.

If you have any further questions about the program, please directly contact your school immunisation provider **Eastern Health Authority on 8132 3600 or via email at eha@eha.sa.gov.au**

Please note: School Immunisation Program records will be available on MyGov within 24 hours of the school visit.

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Class of 1975 50 Year Reunion

The Class of 1975 met at the College to celebrate their 50 Year Reunion on Friday 2 May and enjoyed a delicious meal and a lot of stories and laughs! Special thanks to those that travelled from overseas and interstate to be there.

Old Concordian Mark Janetzki sported some heritage Concordia uniform items, including a blazer that belonged to his father, Rev John Janetzki (1947). John was a member of the inaugural Concordia baseball team, which began in 1952, and the embroidery of the word 'Baseball' on the pocket of his blazer indicates he was the best Concordia baseball player that year. John is bottom left in the photo from the 1952 Brown and Gold.

Thanks to all who attended—we hope you had a wonderful night!

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Maths and Mother's Day in Year 1 at St Peters Campus

Year 1 students at St Peters Campus are engaging in dynamic, hands-on Maths activities that make learning fun and interactive! They are exploring key mathematical concepts such as part-part-whole, problem solving, and strategies like counting on, doubles and adding 10.

One example of this approach is using dominoes to quickly recognise groups and apply

strategies like counting on or doubles. These activities not only challenge students but also encourage discussions about numbers, helping them build strong foundational skills.

We made our Mother's Day activity meaningful to our learning as well as a wonderful thought! Giving the gift of a plant not only ties into our inquiry topic on living things but also allowed students to explore the different parts of plants as they transferred them into beautifully decorated pots. Adding our fun love notes made the gifts even more special and personal for our mothers.

Olivia Livingston and Nicolle Jakube
Year 1 Teachers

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Open Boys Knockout Football

On Thursday 15 May, our Open Boys competed in the Knockout Football competition against Nazareth and Unley, at Unley High School. A slightly overcast day made conditions perfect for football, and our boys were pumped. We had a slow start in our first game, against Nazareth, only kicking one goal to their five by quarter time. The nerves settled in and the boys played a much better brand of footy after that. We finished the game two goals ahead, thanks to a five-goal final quarter. **Jack (12CRID)** was a standout after half time, kicking eight goals for the match.

With only a 15-minute turnaround between our games, it was straight back into our second game, this time against Unley High School. Once again, we started slowly and were goalless at half time, with Unley kicking six goals. We outscored them in the second half, but it wasn't enough.

The boys were fantastic in both games, playing solid football and working really well together as a team. Their attitude and effort, particularly when they were down, reflected true Concordia values.

Full results can be seen below.

Concordia v Nazareth

- 10.3 (63) v 8.2 (50)
- Goal Scorers - **Jack (12CRID)** 8, **Argon (11EBAB)** 1, **Archie (11EBAB)** 1
- Best Players – **Ronan (12CRID)**, **Jack (12CRID)**, **Ollie (11RAMO)**, **Archie (11EBAB)**, **Jake (12KNIC)**

Concordia v Unley HS

- 6.7 (43) v 9.6 (60)
- Goal Scorers: **Jack (12CRID)** 3, **Ollie (11RAMO)** 1, **Cooper (11EBAB)** 1, **Jacob**

(12CRID) 1
- Best Players – **Archie (11EBAB)**, **Luca (11RGOG)**, **Ronan (12CRID)**, **Jett (11RGOG)**, **Ollie (11RAMO)**

Nathan Shrowder
Head Coach

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Diary Dates

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The School Shop

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

(Closed on Public Holidays)

Friday Opening Hours

We are pleased to announce that our Friday opening hours will now continue as regular Term Time Opening Hours.

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.

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 2 Menu

Download a copy of the CC Café menu for Term 2 to see what is on offer.

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Public Notices & Events

- **The Lady George Kindy** on Highgate Street is holding a 70th birthday celebration on Sunday 1 June (1-4pm) for community members who attended Lady George. Download a flyer for more information.
- **Adelaide Hills Tigers Rugby League Club** is keen to hear from interested players. Everyone is welcome and junior teams are available. Download a flyer for more information.
- **Prime Football** is running a Tuesday afternoon soccer training program and a school holiday program in the mid-year holidays. Download a flyer for the after-school program and holiday program for more information. To find out more about Prime Football, click here.
- **Adelaide University Rugby Club** is running a 'Come and Try' day for junior rugby players and a family day BBQ on Saturday 24 May at Waite Oval, Urrbrae. Download a Come and Try flyer, family day brochure and family day menu for more information.
- **Illumina Voices** is presenting a concert season by POPular demand... POP CLASSICS! The show features fabulous repertoire by Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons plus iconic Beatles songs, as well as tunes by Sting, Adele, Coldplay and more. The concerts will be held on Sunday 18 May and Sunday 25 May at 2.30pm at St Peters Lutheran Church, Blackwood. Tickets are $30 for adults, $10 for students and $28 for concession. Download a flyer for more information or book online at illumina.org.au

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