Students Travel to Indonesia to Teach English and Support Orphanage!

September 21st saw the return of Navigator College to SMA1 GKPS, Soroldi Raya, North Sumatra - a journey of life filled with personal growth and optimism. Seventeen Year 11 students embarked on a two week journey to Indonesia to assist in the teaching of English. The trip had a goal to involve students to serve an international community but at the same time impact all the participants to reflect on their personal outlook to life.

Each year the community of Indonesia give so much of themselves and openly invite our community into a joint relationship of faith, aspiration and cultural sharing that one cannot help but be absorbed into.

Our connection with the GKPS school, the boarding house, the Margartha Orphanage and the Bishop, as well as the affiliated Lutheran Board for Mission sends all who attend on a journey that is hard to forget.

The students presented their experiences at a Chapel last Friday. It was wonderful to hear the students share their own experiences of this amazing Service to the Indonesian community.

FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Head of Junior School - Stephen Jude

The Junior School launched their very first student led conferences in the final week of last term. Students enthusiastically and confidently shared elements of their learning journey with their parents. As effective communicators, the students highlighted some of their “growing points” where they have shined and honestly shared some of their “grow points”, where they feel they can develop as a learner. Through this process, the students developed ownership over their learning and the process of reporting to parents. Many thanks to all who embraced this new way of conducting parent teacher interviews.

From the Year 4/5 Classes

The Year 4/5 students are currently investigating how people use scientific processes to challenge, investigate and clarify ideas. We went to the lab where Mrs Wilton showed us a very cool apparatus made of special glass. In it she heated some solid ice. We could check the temperature with a thermometer. We saw the ice melt and turn into liquid water then to steam, a gas (it looked like a cloud in the tube) The temperature was 100 degrees. When it went through the cold tube it turned back into water drops. This is called condensation. In class we have looked at different materials and why they are solid, liquid or gas. It depends on their atoms and how they are arranged. Solids are packed together and don’t move much (like Year 12 students at lunch), liquids have weak bonds to hold them but can slide over each other so liquids can flow, and gases have atoms with lots of energy which move fast so they are hard to contain (like the reception students!)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Kaye Mathwin-Cox

Last Friday during Chapel, our 2016 Year 12 Prefects were publicly announced and awarded their ties, badges and certificates. The Year 12 Prefects for 2016 are, Asha O’Brien, Demi Smith, Nicholas Constantinopulos and Samuel Farmer.

Their roles begin this term as they take over from the current prefects who will now focus on their last weeks of Year 12 study. We wish our new leaders every blessing as they begin their student leadership positions and represent the school as shining examples of Navigator College.

Last term and through the holidays I was one of the privileged staff who travelled to Indonesia to visit our partnership School and Orphanage in North Sumatra. The learning that evolves from this experience as students serve God through service to others is wonderful to witness, as they build in maturity and understanding of empathy and care towards those less fortunate than themselves. It is a true blessing to witness.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 23rd October
Year 12 Last Day - Farewell
Twilight Markets - 5pm to 8pm
Friday 30th October
LEP Primary Schools Swimming Carnival

LIL’GATORS PLAYGROUP

Wednesday
9.00am - 10.30am

SAVE THE DATE

Monday 23rd November
Free Parenting workshop run by one of Australia’s most respected parenting speakers, authors and researchers, Dr. Justin Coulson. We invite the Port Lincoln Community to come along and hear him speak.

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As IB learners we strive to be:

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KNOWLEDGEABLE
THINKERS
COMMUNICATORS
PRINCIPLED
OPEN-MINDED
CARING
RISK-TAKERS
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