

NAVIGATOR COLLEGE

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 19th August
Senior and Middle School
Celebration of Learning.
College OPEN NIGHT.

Friday 21st August
A Night with Navigators
Fundraising Event

Wednesday 27th August
Year 5 Exhibition Night

**WOOLWORTHS
DISPLAY BOARD**
Reception

ABSENTEE SMS
Please advise absentees
via **0416 906 261**
**Please include student's
Name.**

**WEEKLY CANTEEN
SPECIALS**
Muffin Monday \$2.00
Soup Tuesday \$3.00
Hot Chocolate Daily \$2.50

**UNIFORM SHOP
OPENING HOURS**
TUE/WED 8.30 - 10.30am
THU 2.30pm - 4.30pm



ALL PART OF THE PLAN *Stuart Cox*

Over the holidays Kaye and I had the great fortune of travelling and holidaying in Bali. It was to be a time of rest and relaxation and, of course, the inevitable shopping! All started out well, there were warnings of volcanic activity in the area and some flights may have to be changed, however we were able to board our plane with no hesitation. Progressively, as the holiday was concluding, we looked at the homecoming flights and to our dismay our flights were cancelled?? What were we to do? In the busyness of life we needed to return to Australia to begin work and set the administration of the school in place, ready for Term 3. We had suggestions from the airline that we could not return until the 22nd of July. That would not work well for us we thought. After some toing and froing we made a flight for the 17th, hooray! In reflection I look back on these experiences and see God's work, He knew that Kaye and I were not yet rested, we had spent a lot of time with others and that we needed further 'us time'. It is great to look back on what we thought as negative experiences and see God's plan for us. It was meant to happen and we are all the better in relationship and rested for this extra time. Thanks be to God.

The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps. Proverbs 16:9

FROM THE PRINCIPAL *Kaye Mathwin-Cox*

Welcome back. I trust you had an enjoyable holiday with your family and the students are feeling refreshed and energetic, ready for a busy term 3.

During our PD week, (the first week of the student's school holidays) our staff were involved in a range of Professional Development opportunities, from MYP (the IB Middle Years program) training, to Maths and Christian Studies professional development. It was a wonderful opportunity for our staff to build their skills in these areas.

There is a lot planned this term, with Open Night for the Middle and Senior School, (featuring a Junior School display) on the 19th of August. This is a time for them to really celebrate their learning over the past two terms. 'A Night with Navigator' on Friday, the 21st of August is planned to give our parents and friends of Navigator the opportunity to enjoy an evening of entertainment, and we also we have our Year 11 Service Learning trip to North Sumatra later in the term. There is so much to look forward to.

Our new bus arrived on Monday. This bus is a larger bus for the Tumbay Bay run to support the comfort of our students and to enable us to transport our own students on excursions. The Tumbay bus will head off on the Cummins run, giving extra vacant seating on both runs. It won't be long until these changes will occur, so watch this space!

I wish you all every blessing for a positive start to the term.



FROM THE MIDDLE SCHOOL *Andrew Jericho*

Term 3 has begun with great energy in the Middle School. In our progression towards IB MYP accreditation, this term/semester will see the launch of a number of exciting Inter-disciplinary units. One of the wonderful qualities of the IB program is the emphasis on transferring skills and understandings across learning areas. These units will see some interesting connections between subjects and bring a refreshing depth to the learning of our students. Some of these units see collaboration between Art and English, Maths and Hospitality, Science and SOSE. I am particularly looking forward to the integration of movement composition from PE, coupled with communication in Japanese in the Martial Arts unit. These are exciting opportunities for our students to explore the big ideas and concepts that span across subject area and develop the perspective that life is not split into 'subject' compartments, rather a blend of all the knowledge and skill we acquire.

EARLY LEARNING CENTRE - OPENING IN 2016

Navigator College will be opening an Early Learning Centre, which will operate on College grounds, 5 days a week.

The Centre will offer a program structured around play-based learning, incorporating the principals of the Internal Baccalaureate, Primary Years Program. The Program will be delivered by Kelly Freeman, who is a Qualified Early Childhood Teacher. Kelly will specialise in a high quality education practices where the focus will be on the development of the whole child.

The Centre will offer a morning and/or an afternoon session with 18 spaces available in each. The Early Learning Area will also include an outdoor space especially designed for Early Childhood, with a fenced playground and lawn area.

Essentially these Early Learning students will have the opportunity to develop their learning through principles of play and the concept of the International Baccalaureate, Primary Years Program. This will form a strong foundation for learning and aid in a seamless transition into Reception.

Please spread the news to family and friends and encourage them to contact as soon as possible, as spaces are filling fast.

Contact our administration team (ph. 8682 5099) for further information.



YEAR 1 – UNITY OF INQUIRY

The Year Ones have begun a Unit of Inquiry on materials and are investigating properties of these materials. They were set a challenge to make a bridge using only items their group was provided with. The materials that the groups were given included spaghetti and Blu-tac, straws and masking tape, pop sticks and sticky tape and toothpicks and marshmallows. We then discussed the properties of the given materials and worked out why some materials worked better than others!

STAFF PD WEEK ALLOWS OUR TEACHERS TO FURTHER DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS

In Week 10 of Term 3 the teachers at Navigator College spent time in professional development while the students enjoyed their first week of holidays. Various activities were undertaken during the week including a BELS First Aid course, MLATS Maths training, Interdisciplinary unit planning and faculty meetings, a spiritual day with Pastor Fielke from Immanuel College, pastoral care planning and Equip modules essential for delivering a Lutheran education. This week was a great opportunity to collaborate with each other, sharing ideas as well as further developing our skills and knowledge to enable us to be the best educators we can be.



WELCOME TO OUR EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM SPAIN

Navigator College is very pleased to welcome Aitana. She will be attending our College for the duration of her stay, joining the Year 10 students. Aitana is 15 years old and is from a small town in Spain called Arrigorriaga, which is the North of Spain, in the Basque Country. Aitana is staying with The Hoopman family for 11 weeks. This is the second year the Hoopman family have hosted a student from Spain. "It is a lot of fun, and a great way to experience other cultures and make good friends", Fiona Hoopman encourages others families to consider an Exchange Program too.

Please make Aitana feel welcome to our College Community.

