IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 22nd – 23rd September
Middle/Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews

Monday 21st – 25th September
Junior School Swimming.
More information coming home soon.

Tuesday 22nd – 23rd September
Student Led Conferences
Junior School

Monday 21st September – Monday 5th October
Indonesian Service Learning Tour
Year 11 Students

END OF TERM
Friday 25th September
2.00pm Dismissal

WOOLWORTHS DISPLAY BOARD
Japanese

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

WEEKLY CANTEEN SPECIALS
TBA Tuesday
Hot Chocolate Daily $2.50

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

FROM THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Stephen Jude
Navigator College is excited to launch it’s Student Led Conferences in the Junior School next week. On Tuesday the 22nd and Thursday the 23rd of September classrooms will be a buzz with students who are actively and confidently leading their parents through a conversation about their learning. Parents develop a picture of how the student is progressing with their learning from the student’s perspective. Parents have received details about how to book their Student Led Conference (online through the PTO) and are advised to book early. Please contact the office if your require assistance. We look forward to the students developing their communication and reflection skills as they openly share their learning with parents.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaye Mathwin-Cox
It is my pleasure to inform you of the new teaching staff line up for the 2016 year. We welcome to the Navigator College team:

Jamie Fewster, Head of Senior School
Taylar Cox, Middle School Teacher
Emma Miegel, Junior School Teacher
and Alexander Haynes, Junior School Teacher

The above teachers were chosen from a comprehensive list of exceptional applicants. Our policy is to always choose the best applicant for the position, based on the subject offerings and needs of the College. These Teachers met every requirement and were chosen as the best applicant for the position, through a transparent process, following correct protocol and endorsed by the Leadership of the College.

Regretfully we say farewell to Sheree Zacher for twelve months (as she and her family are moving to Japan) and Stuart Cox who will leave Navigator College to become Head of Senior School at Tatachilla Lutheran College, in Adelaide next year. Naomi Woodstock will also be relocating to Adelaide to become Director for the new Early Learning Centre at Redeemer College in the Barossa. In addition, we congratulate Emma Jones on the upcoming birth of a new addition to her family and as such she will be taking Maternity leave in 2016.

We wish all our leaving teachers every blessing in their next new chapters, knowing that they have all been such a valuable asset to the Navigator College Community.

We are re-advertising for a LOTE Japanese Teacher and a Senior School Mathematics Teachers.

ASKING THE RIGHT QUESTION IS THE KEY

James Phillips
I’d encourage you to read an article I posted on the College Blog this week. Questioning is a powerful tool for supporting others on their journey of discovering their identity and building resilience and confidence. Asking the right questions is the key. When we ask the right questions, those we interact with are empowered to take responsibility for identifying their own problems and creating solutions to overcome them. Hit our website or follow the QR code to see my article.
RECEPTIONS’ INQUIRE ABOUT MEASUREMENT

In Mathematics, our Reception classes are currently inquiring into the central idea: ‘space and shape can be measured’. As part of this inquiry the students have explored length, area, capacity and perimeter using a variety of non-standard tools for measurement. The students have had the opportunity to measure the length of a variety of different objects including themselves, their peers and their teachers. They have also used paper squares to determine the area of their foot. The students have additionally inquired into perimeter, by using unifix cubes to measure the perimeter of their foot. Here they are in action!

BUSINESS SEASON: COLLEGE WILL CLOSE ON CATASTROPHIC FIRE DANGER DAYS

As Navigator College has been assessed as a high-risk school, it will close on days when the fire danger index is forecast at 100 or more - Catastrophic (Code Red) level. On these days Navigator College will activate the Bushfire Action Plan. A copy of the Bushfire Action Plan, for your reference, can be requested from the front office.

A CONFIRMATION of the closure will be provided via SMS Message ONLY to the mobile phone of the primary parent/caregiver of each student. This will occur on the day/evening before the Code Red Day is announced (following CFS advice) or on the morning of the CATS day.

If a fire of any description is detected within the College vicinity and in school hours please DO NOT attempt to collect your child, as the College will have in place a very well executed Bushfire Action Plan, making it the safest place at this time for your child to be situated.

We understand that closures may be inconvenient for some families but I am sure you will appreciate that the risk of bushfire is a serious issue for our community and the safety of our children is most important.

LITTLE ATHLETICS CLINIC

On Monday the 14th of September students from years 4, 5, 6 & 7 took part in a ‘Little Athletics” clinic at Ravendale.

It was designed and run by Jess to give the students a taste of athletics and try their hand at field and track events, such as hurdles and shot putt. The students had a great time and learnt some useful techniques such as using the ‘closing the door’ prompt to keep arms in the correct position while jumping over hurdles. The students received a holiday flyer and green wristband.

INDONESIA SERVICE LEARNING

In the past few weeks the Year 11 students who are travelling to Indonesia this year have been fundraising for their sister school, SMA GKPS, and the Margaretha orphanage. They held a successful quiz night and organised a coin line. Between the two, they raised over $1200. The quiz night entertained around 70 people with lots of fun had by all and the coin line was an opportunity for the whole school to be involved. Well done to the Year 11 students and to Susan Hopping for her tireless support towards the Service Learning Tour and raising funds for our sister school.