IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 16th October
2016 Prefect Presentation

Friday 23rd October
Year 12 last day of school

Friday 23rd October
TWILIGHT MARKETS
5.00 – 8.00pm

Friday 30th October
LEP Primary School
Swimming Carnival

WOOLWORTHS DISPLAY BOARD
Year 8 Focus

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

WEEKLY CANTEEN SPECIALS
Hot Chocolate Daily $2.50

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

WELCOME HOME
A husband arrived home from work and found the washing machine spewing out suds, the refrigerator on the fritz, and crushed cereal nuggets scattered in every room. His three-year-old had the chicken pox, his eight- and ten-year-old boys complained of upset stomachs, and the baby was covered head to toe with melted chocolate chips. In the middle of this disaster scene was his wife, who managed a weary smile and muttered, “Welcome home.”

There’s no question that life can be chaotic. Sometimes we’re so busy, tired, and stressed that we feel we don’t have time to pray. Yet these are the days we need to be talking with the Lord most of all. When you pray—for yourselves and others in need—you can’t help feeling a sense of God’s love for you and your family. You’re reminded of His awesome power and how capable He is of handling your situation. You begin to feel the joy, hope, and peace that are always available in the Lord.

Present your requests to God. And the peace of God…will guard your hearts and your minds.
Philippians 4:6-7
http://www.oneplace.com/ministries/family-talk/read/devotionals

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Kaye Mathwin-Cox

Welcome back! I trust your holiday break was a time for our students to rest, recharge and prepare themselves for our very busy Term 4.

The last week of term 3 and the first week of the holidays saw 17 Year 11 students and 4 adult staff embark upon our yearly expedition to North Sumatra. It was yet again an awesome experience for all involved as we all energetically taught English to the students of our partnership school in Permatang Raya as well as serving the Margaretha Orphanage in Siantar. The students presented themselves exceptionally well and I was proud to be part of the Navigator College student and staff cohort. The students will be presenting their experiences at a Chapel in the near future, which I encourage all of you to attend. It is certainly wonderful to hear the students share their own experiences of this amazing Service to the Indonesian community. A full report (with photo gallery) will be included in next week’s Port Lincoln Times Tuesday edition of the Newsletter.

Parents and friends of Navigator are always welcome to join us for Chapel each week. This week we will be announcing and presenting the 2016 Year 12 prefects their ties, certificates and badges as this term marks the beginning of their tenure as student leaders of the College.

Further to our announcement last term with regard to 2016 staffing, we have now engaged another two teachers to the Navigator College team:

Chris Jantke  SS Mathematics Teacher
Maria Callisto  MS/SS Japanese Teacher

As we continue to be a growing school our class structure is in a continuous process of change and 2016 is no different. It is such an exciting time in the history of the College. As such we are unable to confirm definite class structures for 2016 until we have finalised enrolments. I would ask that you make an appointment to meet with me if you have any questions or queries. Please also see the following page for information regarding class placements requests.

FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL Stuart Cox

Welcome to term 4. This term is filled with anxiety and stress as the year 12 students enter the last phase of their secondary study, however it is not all doom and gloom. We can rejoice in the fact that the effort the students have put in to their study will pay off. Their adventure into tertiary study or employment begins and brings with it further trepidation. We know that with the cloak of God we can face the world challenges and the upcoming exams with confidence. We wish all our Year 12 students every success in their exams and pray that they stay healthy and revise well to do the best they can.

As you would have read a contingent of our Year 11 students have returned from Indonesia and although a little tired they have grown through their adventure. As with all students it is now time that we all engage in our studies in this, a very short term but we celebrate the opportunity to go to school and all the benefits schooling gives us.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL: CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2016

We are now at the stage where we begin to consider class placements for 2016. There are many factors that go into placing your child in a specific class. We believe that a happy child learns and therefore I make my decision after discussion with your child’s past and future teachers, based on their social group as well as general gender and group dynamics. It is my belief that if your child is (socially) happy and content, learning naturally occurs. Ordinarily if your child is surrounded by others that make him / her feel safe, he / she is then able to work at school. Of course in all classes at times there are incidents that may result in a clash of personalities. However, the more socially secure child can usually manage the situation easier than the one who feels less confident.

Looking at classes for next year, the social factor is very high on the list, but other factors such as class numbers, gender and siblings need also be considered. If you have any reasonable requests regarding your child’s placement in a class, please make an appointment to see me no later than Monday the 16th of November. Please note: teachers will NOT be deciding on class allocations as it is a Leadership team decision. If you have concerns regarding any staff, I ask that you speak only to me, as unfortunately teacher requests cannot be considered. Our focus is the child and their needs when organising placements. I thank you in advance for your careful consider with this matter.

ONE OF AUSTRALIA’S MOST RESPECTED PARENTING SPEAKERS TO VISIT NAVIGATOR COLLEGE

Dr Justin Coulson is one of Australia’s most respected parenting speakers, authors, and researchers. He is the founder and owner of ‘Happy Families’, an Honorary Fellow at the University of Wollongong, and a Senior Associate at the Positive Psychology Institute.

Dr Coulson writes a weekly parenting advice column as well as opinion editorials for Sydney’s Daily Telegraph, appears regularly on The Project and Studio 10 (TV), and he is the parenting expert at kidspot.com.au – Australia’s #1 parenting website.

We are extremely excited to announce that Dr Coulson will be visiting the College on Monday the 23rd of November for the day to speak with our students and then run a free Parent Workshop (open to the entire community) that evening at 7pm. Please keep the date free and we will supply more information closer to the date. Visit his website and find out more about his successes and how valuable this workshop will be for you! www.justincoulson.com

We are very excited about the Southern Cross Twilight Markets and are crossing our fingers for fine weather. Thank you to the parents who have helped to coordinate the class stands during the past weeks and those who have helped prepare for the event. Our Fundraising Committee are working tirelessly to ensure the event is successful.

We would like to make you aware of a few “house keeping” notes that you need to be conscious of on the night.

Parent/Caregiver Supervision
Whilst the Twilight Markets are a College event, the duty of care for school age students is the responsibility of their families. All school age students are to be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Parking
Parking will be available, as normal for a school day – with exception of the Basketball courts. Extra parking is available over at the Ravendale Oval parking grounds.

Volunteers
Thank you to those people who are already rostered on various stands. We are also looking for volunteers to provide support for the general set up on Friday, from 1-3pm. We welcome anyone who is able to assist during this time. Again, many thanks to anyone who is helping in any way! We look forward to seeing everyone on the night.