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CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS

All schools rely very heavily on volunteers. We could not function without such an incredibly dedicated team of supporters who assist us in a wide variety of ways. We were pleased to be able to say thank you, even if only in a small way, at our "Volunteers Happy Hour" last Friday evening. A classic example of a selfless volunteer is Theo Modra, who has served on College Council since the days of the Steering Committee. Theo has also taken on the task of being our chief photographer and has provided us with a selection of high quality action photos from across all walks of school life. The class-carers are another group of dedicated people who have made a huge contribution to the quality of care and support that we are able to provide for our families. The amazing talents of our Twilight Markets and Night of Nights organizers, our College Council and Sub-committee members, the ladies who help in the Library and the list goes on. From all of us at Navigator College, we thank you for giving so much of yourselves for the sake of our school community. May you all continue to be richly blessed through your dedicated service.

MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOL STUDENTS GET A HEAD-START TO 2017 AND TRANSFER INTO NEXT YEAR'S TIMETABLE.

What an amazing experience for our Middle and Senior School students to have the opportunity to get a head start on the 2017 school year. Our 2017 Year 12's have added a critical 2 weeks teacher contact time to their academic year, not to mention the opportunity to fully utilise the extended Christmas break to prep projects, read texts and generally start on work that would normally start at the beginning of Term 1. For all students, it means that the beginning of Term 1, 2017 will be a smooth start into the normal routines that can sometimes take a few days/weeks to settle into, enabling students to maximise their learning time. With Step-Up we are also excited to welcome the new Year 10's to the Senior School. This term the current Year 10/11 students have been spending time in Home Group preparing for the new Year 10's, thinking of ways that they can welcome them and really demonstrate the wonderful Senior School environment that we have.

YEAR 5 STUDENTS TREATED TO A SPECIAL LUNCH PREPARED BY THE YEAR 10'S.

Year 10 Design students had the opportunity to create a table setting, menu presentation and a two or three course meal service to celebrate a special occasion of regional or global significance. The design challenge extended to the selection of appropriately themed table centrepieces, menu layout and folded serviettes. Guests for the event were a selection of Year 5 students who were able to apply their open minded and risk taker learner attributes when trying new and exciting dishes from celebrations such as the Oktoberfest, Baconfest (Canada), Australia Day and a traditional 3 course wedding menu.



AN EVENTFUL AFTERNOON TO CELEBRATE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

The service projects in the Middle School continue to be fruitful in Term 4. The small groups working together are having a wonderful effect, bringing the Middle School community together as one, as well as extending appreciation into the wider community. On Friday 25th November some of these student groups created a fantastic events and celebration afternoon. The afternoon included holding a students vs staff cricket match, sharing a sausage sizzle and cupcakes as well as other team games and activities. Throughout the afternoon the students had the opportunity to add their finger print as a contribution to a piece of artwork one group was creating for the Middle School. The students also had the chance to use, for the first time, our recently purchased Pedal Prix cars which has stirred a great deal of excitement for this 2017 venture.



YEAR 9 SOLO CAMP

Each year the Navigator Year 9's undertake a solo night experience as a rite of passage into Senior School. During this experience the two gender groups venture into local National Parks engaging in some bonding activities as well as being charged with the challenge of creating their own shelter from simple resources and seeing the night out solo. Both the group time in the lead up, and the overnight camping were great experiences for the 2016 Year 9's. This group are to be commended, particularly on their identity as young men and women and we wish them all the best as they move into Senior School.



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IMPORTANT DATES END OF YEAR SERVICE

Junior School
12 noon – Cluster 1, 15th Dec

Middle School
1.30pm – Cluster 1, 15th Dec

Senior School
7.30pm - Nautilus Theatre
Tuesday 6th Dec

6.00pm - Pre Service Function
Yr 12 Students and Families

END OF TERM 4 FINISH

Senior School - WED 14th DEC 3.10pm

Middle School
(including 2016 Yr 9's) - THU 15th DEC 3.10pm

Junior School - THU 15th DEC 3.10pm

TERM DATES 2017

Term 1 - 1st February to 13th April
Term 2 - 1st May to 30th June
Term 3 - 24th July to 29th Sept
Term 4 - 16th October to 14th Dec

UNIFORM SHOP

Tues and Wed 8.30 - 10.30am
Thurs 2.30 - 4.30pm

Start of year 2017:
Normal opening times from the 16th of January.



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