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## From the Head of College

As we conclude another school year, it's a wonderful opportunity to reflect and celebrate the shared values that make our community at Concordia College so special. This College, with a rich history dating back to 1890 under the guidance of Pastor Wilhelm Peters, is more than just a school; it's a living legacy of a holistic approach to education underpinned by Christian values.

Pastor Peters, our founder, taught us, *"In the pursuit of knowledge, let us never forget the heart of true wisdom: a commitment to serve, a spirit of compassion, and a life lived in accordance with our faith."* These profound words continue to capture the essence of our mission at Concordia College.

In today's world, which can often feel challenging, our College stands as a testament to a different way of life that upholds care, compassion, and community. Here, we are taught to excel academically and grow into individuals who exemplify the Christian spirit of selfless love.

Reminiscent of Mother Teresa's words, *"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love"*, our College embraces and practices this ethos, encouraging us all to find greatness in small acts of love and kindness.

As this school year draws to a close, let us embrace gratitude for the nurturing environment that has allowed us all to learn and grow. The lessons of kindness, compassion, and community we have learned here are invaluable as we apply them in all walks of life.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our dedicated teachers and support staff for their immense dedication throughout the year. My appreciation also goes to our College Leadership Team, Board, and Sub-Committees for their wise guidance and leadership.

A special thank you to our parent community, whose ongoing support and partnership have been instrumental in shaping the lives of our young and vibrant students.

I wish all our students and their families a blessed Christmas season and a restful break. The upcoming 2024 school year is set to be transformative for Concordia College, with some exciting leadership appointments at the College that will enhance our focus on providing dynamic and future-focused learning opportunities for our students.

As I look forward to my seventh year of service at this incredible College, I am filled with excitement for the future.

**Paul Weinert**  
Head of College

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## **Class of 2023 Year 12 Graduation Dinner**

Thursday 23 November saw the final event for our Year 12 cohort, as we celebrated the Graduation Dinner. With parents and caregivers invited along for the first time, Fortiter was packed with positive energy and excitement for a fabulous celebration.

The evening moved from pre-dinner drinks with music provided by our fabulous String Quartet, into a delicious catered dinner, served to the tables by our very accomplished Year 10 and 11 student volunteers.

Following speeches and a sumptuous dinner, the dance floor was the place to be, with parents and students alike finding their groove and busting a move.

It was wonderful to see our students and their families together to celebrate the end of a long learning journey at Concordia, and to share this event in our brilliant new facility, Fortiter.

**Daniel Wood**

Senior School Leader

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## **Year 6 PYP Exhibition 2023**

During Week 7, the Year 6 students from both St Peters and St John's campuses celebrated their learning journey through the presentation of their Exhibition.

The Exhibition is the culmination of the Primary Years Programme experience, engaging students in acquiring knowledge, developing skills, fostering attitudes and inspiring action.

Students inquired into an area of interest that they were personally connected to and passionate about.

They engaged in taking action as a result of their inquiries, including advocacy through artwork, models and music; participation in beach clean ups and running sporting clinics; social entrepreneurship and the design and creation of movies, apps and websites.

Year 6 students' parents and families were shown thought-provoking exhibits, highlighting the Exhibition journey and showcasing the actions the students undertook. Guided by mentors, guest presenters and experts, students effectively communicated their messages.

Our students demonstrated the attributes of the International Baccalaureate Learner Profile and worked towards developing skills such as time and resource management, collaboration and communication.

Many thanks to all involved: students, volunteers, parents, teachers and support staff.

**Rachel Muldoon and Nicolle Jakube**

Primary School Learning Leaders

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## **St Peters Campus Year 2 Zoo Excursion and Zoo Snooze Adventure**

The Year 2 students from our St Peters Campus embarked on an exciting first school camp at the Adelaide Zoo, participating in a Zoo Snooze adventure.

We enjoyed a special tour of the zoo after dark, which was quite interesting. The students showed great curiosity, asking many questions about the animals we encountered. As we settled in for the night in our sleeping bags, the distant roars of lions added a unique touch to the experience. We also had an exciting time playing on the adventure playground at the zoo, adding a playful element to our trip.

On the second day of our camp, the students ventured to Bounce, an indoor trampoline park that proved to be a lively and energising experience. Amidst the flips and jumps, the students displayed their aerial acrobatics, fostering teamwork and coordination skills in a playful setting. Later that day, our journey continued with a visit to The Plaster Fun House, where creativity took centre stage. Students had a wonderful time painting their own plaster molds, wrapping up our memorable camp before heading back to school, leaving us with a trove of cherished memories.

**Kathryn Watkins and Lisa Smith**

Year 2 Teachers

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## **St John's Campus Year 3 Camp**

With excitement the Year 3 classes headed off to Nunyara Camp for some fun-filled activities and year-level bonding time. The unseasonal rain kept us inside for some teamwork activities to begin with, but thankfully the skies cleared and the students were able to get outside to do the tree climb, balancing the big seesaw, obstacle courses and shelter building. As well as this, students enjoyed playing on the basketball courts, playing four-way ping-pong, playing card games and watching a movie together. What a wonderful way to end the year! Thank you to all the parents, school and camp staff that made this such a fantastic time.

**Daniel Halman and Elizabeth Reu**

Year 3 Teachers

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## **St Peters Campus ELC 'Sharing the Planet' Inquiry**

This term the children in the ELC have been exploring our 'Sharing the Planet' Unit of Inquiry (UOI). We have been exploring nature and God's creation and using our senses.

For one week of the term, we set off for a UOI walk to the local reserve so that each of us had the opportunity to join in. We used our senses to explore, noting things that we could see, hear, smell and touch.

We also had a visit from the Mitcham Council. To learn about what waste goes into each bin, we enjoyed a game that required us to select which bin different items should be placed in.

We finished off the term with a Teddy Bear's picnic at the Blackwood Oval to enjoy the outdoors.

**Sarah Midson**

ELC Director - St Peters Campus

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## **Lights Up Celebration at Living Choice**

Last Friday at Living Choice Fullarton, Concordia's String Ensemble, Year 9 Choir, Heilig Quartet, and Harmonie Quartet performed brilliantly for hundreds of Living Choice residents, family and friends as part of their annual 'lighting of the tree'.

This was a very special opportunity to connect our two communities through music and community singing. The overwhelmingly positive response from the audience was a testament to the power music can have, and we very much look forward to next year's event.

**Mat Noble**

Head of Music Performance ELC-12

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## **26 Book Challenge Celebration**

We recently celebrated the end of the 2023 26 Book Challenge. Members of our student Book Council spent many hours preparing for festivities – cooking, decorating, preparing bookmarks and much more. The day was a celebration of all things book related. We acknowledged the service of our 15 Book Council members, and we presented certificates to those dedicated bookworms who completed the challenge of reading 26 books in specific categories across

the academic year. All students who participated in the challenge in 2023 were in the draw to win some fantastic book prizes and book vouchers. We sincerely thank the library team, Mel Phillips and the staff at Mostly Books Mitcham for their generous prize donations. During our lunch celebrations, Mel Phillips shared wonderful stories of life working in a public library and driving a mobile library bus.

We pay special thanks to our Year 12 Book Council members who returned to school to be part of the celebrations and thank the following students for their service on Book Council in 2023:

### **Year 8**

- Adele
- Rebecca

### **Year 10**

- Anya
- Jade
- Charlotte H
- Maddi
- Jacob
- Matila
- Alexandra

### **Year 12**

- Jasmine C
- Juliana
- Sophie H
- Eliza
- Tahlia
- Alicia

A special note of thanks must go to our incredible library staff who continue to inspire and excite our students about reading. Every year our Concordia College 26 Book Challenge gets bigger and better and our library team is pivotal to its success. In 2024 we look forward to our fifth annual challenge – it will be our best yet! Stay tuned for *Bookopoly!*

### **Emma Rieger**

Enrichment and Extended Learning

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## **Carol Service**

Members of the College community are warmly invited to attend our Carol Service.

- Date: Monday 11 December 2023
- Time: 7.00-8.15pm
- Location: Concordia College Chapel, 45 Cheltenham Street, Highgate (Concordia Campus)

Come and celebrate the Advent season as we look to the coming of Christ. This is a wonderful opportunity to give thanks for the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, and for the gifts He has so freely bestowed upon us.

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## **The Athlete's Foot School Rewards Programme**

This year, Concordia continued to be part of the The Athlete's Foot at Burnside's School Rewards programme. Five dollars from every pair of shoes purchased by Concordia families is returned to the College.

In 2023 we have received \$1,560 - an incredible result!

Thank you to all Concordia families involved and to The Athlete's Foot.

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## **SA Middle School Ethics Olympiad**

The Ethics Olympiad is a collaborative event which encourages students to analyse and discuss real-life, interesting ethical issues. An Ethics Olympiad differs from debating in that students are not assigned opposing views. Instead, they deeply examine the perspectives and counter arguments to communicate a nuanced position on what they believe is right. They succeed by showing that they have thought more carefully, deeply, and perceptively about the cases in question.

Two Middle School Concordia teams comprising of Year 8 and 9 students Adele, Sophie, Kenzie, Oliver, Zachary, Laura, Sherry, Eamonn, Emma and Mariette, competed in the 2023 Middle School Ethics Olympiad in November. We acknowledge them for their thoughtful development of ethical awareness, critical-thinking skills, presenting their arguments respectfully, showing enthusiasm for civic engagement and discourse, and their appreciation for diverse points of view. Special acknowledgement and congratulations to the Year 8 team (Adele, Sophie, Kenzie, Oliver and Zach) for placing fourth overall out of 11 teams in the competition.

### **Scarlett Lucero**

Humanities Coordinator

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## Australian Geography Competition

The annual Australian Geography Competition is a national contest for secondary school students, designed to assess their geographical knowledge and skills. Our Year 10 Geography students participated in the 2023 competition, showcasing their excellence. Congratulations to the following students for their achievement at the national level:

- Distinction: **Jack 10ALON, Lexi 10RSOM**
- High Distinction: **Jacob 10RSOM**

### **Scarlett Lucero**

Humanities Coordinator

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## 'Future of Food' Incursion

In Weeks 6 and 7 of Term 4, Year 9 Humanities students participated in an incursion titled 'Future of Food', presented by Post-Dining. The 80-minute incursion took place in The Suaviter and students were able to engage with a range of sustainable and innovative strategies being implemented to address concerns around food security and food waste. Students were immersed in a range of future scenarios, where they were encouraged to reimagine their relationship with food and to develop strategies for a sustainable future. They even had an opportunity to taste some 'future foods', including cricket corn chips, freeze-dried ice-cream, and camel mettwurst!

### **Rory Amoy**

Year 9 Humanities Teacher

**Scarlett Lucero**  
Humanities Coordinator

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## **St Peters Campus Year 3-6 Surf Life Saving**

On Thursday 30 November and Friday 1 December, Year 3/4 and 5/6 students from St Peters Campus attended Surf Safety lessons at Brighton Beach.

Over the two days, students learned about surf awareness and participated in aquatic rescue operations, as well as engaging in games such as 'flags' to improve fitness.

Our students really enjoyed their two days at the beach and learned so much about how to make good choices in the ocean and how to keep safe.

**Darrin Warren**  
Year 3/4 Teacher - St Peters Campus

**Nick Kriewaldt**  
Year 5/6 Teacher - St Peters Campus

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## **Year 11 Awards**

At the Year 11 Assembly in Week 6, a number of students were recognised for outstanding achievement, and service to the College.

Badges were presented to the 2024 Action Leaders, and certificates were presented to three Year 11 students who achieved the highest grade in a Stage 2 subject:

- **Frederik 11DWHE** – German Continuers
- **Luke 11EBAB** – Activating Identities and Futures
- **Sean 11EBAB** – Music Performance Ensemble

Additionally, **Victoria 11DWHE** was presented with the Lutheran Women of SA & NT Encouragement Award. This is an annual award that is presented to a student who demonstrates outstanding commitment to their studies and faith, and actively serves their community. Victoria epitomises all of the qualities recognised by this award. She willingly assists at Chapel services, including special occasions such as the All Saints' Day service. She is a humble leader, who serves both the College community and the wider community, including through initiatives such as Walk my Way. Victoria served within her congregation for the service component of her Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. She is a supportive friend and committed student, who displays loyalty, initiative and reliability in all areas of College life, and this award is richly deserved.

## **Judy Harris**

Year 11 Leader

Stage 2 Subject Award winners Luke, Frederik and Sean holding their certificates.

The Year 11 students elected as Year 12 Action Leaders for 2024.

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## **Hearts Filled With Love**

Navigating farewells and embarking on a new day, especially during the early school moments, can be a big thing for our youngest students. We trust that the love heart gifts made by Concordia Campus staff and students, meant to adorn the school bags of our new students, will serve as a concrete reminder that they are cherished deeply and that a parent's love is constant. May they grasp onto their heart "filled with love" as they dive into the day's activities. Each heart will be accompanied by the following poem.

*To hang on your school bag, snug and neat,  
This little heart is a love-filled treat.  
Mum and Dad's hug, inside it's found,  
Hold it tight when you're feeling down.  
Take it off your bag, hold it near,  
When you miss them, don't shed a tear.  
Feel their love, so warm and true,  
This little heart is just for you!*

## **Hajnalka Molloy**

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## **St Peters Campus Kelly Sports - Register now for Term 1, 2024**

Kelly Sports is running one-hour programmes once a week in Term 1 for St Peters Campus students in Reception to Year 2. This multi-sport programme will focus on four sports:

- Athletics
- Cricket
- Teeball
- Tennis

Children will build skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment.

[Download a flyer](#) for more information or visit [www.kellysports.com.au](http://www.kellysports.com.au) to register.

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## Novar Music - Instrumental Lessons at St Peters Campus 2024

Novar Music is offering instrumental lessons in piano, guitar, singing and music theory at our St Peters Campus in 2024. Enrolments for these lessons are now open.

To find out more, [visit novarmusic.com](http://novarmusic.com)

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## Stage 1 Industry and Entrepreneurial Solutions

The Stage 1 Industry and Entrepreneurial Solutions course concluded with an impressive showcase where each student presented their product to a panel of industry experts. The students' innovative designs and prototyping stages, utilising cutting-edge technologies, demonstrated exceptional skill and creativity.

We extend our gratitude to Pepe Velasquez, Ben Branford, and Rob Wood for generously dedicating their time to share their knowledge and expertise with the students. Their 'real-world' feedback proved to be invaluable.

Special congratulations to **Liam 11SKLE**, whose 'Clip'N'Spray' earned him the 'most marketable product', which was awarded by the judges. Additionally, **Sterling 11RAMO** was recognised for his product 'The MeasureMate Pro' as the most well-developed idea. The success of these students reflects the high standard of work and dedication displayed throughout the course.

### James Divitkos

Design, Technology & Engineering Teacher

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## Australian History Competition

The Australian History Competition provides students with an opportunity to be challenged. Participants must demonstrate their knowledge and skills, their ability to interpret historical sources and show the crucial skill of seeing different points of view. Our Year 8 and 10 students participated in the 2023 Competition. We are delighted to recognise their outstanding achievements.

Year 8

- Distinction: **Finn 8DLAN, Yolanna 8NBRO, Sophia 8LSCO, Paris 8DLAN, James**

**8LBRO, Eva 8LSCO, Sean 8DLAN, Elijah 8KSPA, Elizabeth 8LSCO, Neeka 8LSCO, Nicholas 8DLAN.**

- High Distinction: **Ethan 8LBON, Keziah 8NBRO, Erin 8LBON**

Year 10

- Distinction: **Joshua 10VNAR, Sophie 10COHA, Fergus 10JDIV**
- High Distinction: **Jack 10JDIV, Charlie 10JDIV**

We congratulate **Jack 10JDIV** and **Charlie 10JDIV**, who achieved a High Distinction and secured the highest score in the State for Year 10. This achievement earned them the title of State Champions for South Australia and a medallion.

Congratulations to all the participants!

**Scarlett Lucero**

Humanities Coordinator

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## **Stationery Ordering Reminder**

A reminder that stationery orders for Reception to Year 12 students in 2024 are now open through Campion. For free home delivery, orders need to be placed by **Wednesday 13 December**.

Please refer to the email sent to parents and caregivers on Tuesday 21 November for more information, including details for how to place an order.

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## **Welcoming New Students in Year 4**

The Year 4 classes have been privileged to welcome many new students this year. Some of these students who have joined us speak English as their second (or third) language. Mrs Graham has been a great support for these students.

One student has great enthusiasm for reading cookbooks and had the opportunity to cook for his class. He and his class teacher created some fruit iceblocks to share with the class. He had to write up the shopping list, give instructions in English to the supporting teacher, and then explain to the class what was in the treats.

They were very well received by all his classmates.

**Anita Ruggiero**

Year 4 Teacher

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## **St John's Lutheran Church Christmas Tree Festival**

St John's Lutheran Church is hosting their Christmas Tree Festival - a creative celebration on Friday 8, Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 December at 15 Marlborough Street, Malvern. Entry is free.

[Download a flyer](#) for more information.

All welcome!

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## **Blackwood Christmas Tree Festival**

Community members are warmly invited to the Blackwood Christmas Tree Festival.

- Date: Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 December
- Time: 10.00am - 4.00pm
- Location: Tiwu Kumangka, Young Street, Blackwood
- Cost: Entry is by gold coin donation

There will be a Santa visit, giving tree, children's activities, Christmas trees for sale and a Christmas tree wonderland.

Proceeds go to local charities.

[Download a flyer](#) or visit [blackwoodactiongroup.org.au](http://blackwoodactiongroup.org.au)

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## **Old Concordian News**

The Class of 2013 met on Friday 24 November to celebrate 10 years since graduating from Concordia. As you can see from the smiling faces, it was a really enjoyable evening of catching up, sharing stories and lots of laughs!

On Friday 1 December, the Class of 2018 got together for their 5 Year Reunion. It was fantastic to catch up and hear the interesting and diverse paths the cohort have taken since leaving Concordia. We wish them well on their exciting journeys!

**Sue Kleinig**

Alumni Manager

Class of 2013 10 Year Reunion

Class of 2018 5 Year Reunion

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## **Year 11 RAA Car Maintenance Course**

On Monday of Week 8, a group of Year 11 students took part in a car maintenance course presented by RAA staff. Topics covered included checking fluid levels of cars, checking tyre pressure and tread, changing tyres, and points to consider when purchasing a car. The students were given many practical tips, and also had the opportunity to look under the bonnet of an electric vehicle and learn about additional safety considerations that apply to electric vehicles.

**Judy Harris**

Year 11 Leader

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## **Lost Property Reminder**

A reminder for Middle and Senior School students to please check at SSO if you have lost any items recently.

Items that remain unclaimed until Tuesday 12 December will be donated to charity.

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## **St Peters Campus Reception and Year 1 Excursion and Stay Up Late Experience**

Last Thursday was a very busy, fun-filled day for the St Peters Campus Receptions and Year 1s. Along with the much-anticipated Stay Up Late Night in the evening, we arranged to visit the brand-new community library, Tiwu Kumangka, in the daytime.

After learning of our intention to visit, the staff at Tiwu Kumangka invited us to be a part of their annual Christmas project where children were asked to make Christmas crafts to decorate their community bus. These decorations would be enjoyed by the members of the community that use the bus. The children were keen to be a blessing and encourage other people. They put in their best effort in making the decorations beautiful and then willingly gave them to the library staff. We look forward to sharing a photo of community bus users enjoying our decorations when we receive it!

The Reception and Year 1 children also had a great Stay Up Late Night. Nature Play SA ran a mini festival session where children could experience cubby building, making their own water runs, potion making, nature painting and loose parts play. It was interesting to see, particularly with the cubby building, how the children's skills and understanding had grown over time as it was the second time some of the Year 1 children had done these activities. Following the Nature Play SA session, we enjoyed pizza for dinner and had ice blocks and fruit for dessert. Then, we watched a movie while waiting for parents to pick the children up. Needless to say, there were a lot of tired but very happy children.

**Marion Nam, Trevor Burmeister and Laura Benger**  
St Peters Campus Teachers

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## **Christmas at St John's Lutheran Church, Unley**

St John's Lutheran Church, Unley is holding four services over Christmas. All welcome!

- Sunday 17 December: Lessons and Carols
- Sunday 24 December: Christmas Eve
- Monday 25 December: Christmas Day
- Sunday 31 December: New Years Eve

[Download a flyer](#) for more information.

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## **Christmas at St Peters Lutheran Church, Blackwood**

Members of the community are invited to attend Christmas services at St Peters Lutheran Church, Blackwood. All welcome!

- Sunday 24 December: Christmas Eve, 7.30pm - Nativity and Carols
- Monday 25 December: Christmas Day, 9.00am - Holy Communion

[Visit their website](#) to find out more.

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## **LLL School Banking to cease in 2024**

The LLL has issued a notice advising that they will be discontinuing their School Banking program in 2024.



[Read the notice from the LLL](#) for full details.

The dedicated team at LLL is ready to assist with any queries or concerns. If you would like to speak to someone at LLL, please phone 1800 556 457.

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## City of Unley Living Young eNews

The December edition of the City of Unley's Living Young eNewsletter is out now, with plenty of Christmas content and school holiday ideas for young people. This edition includes:

- Clarence Park Community Centre's 40 Year celebration (all ages event with free ice-cream, petting zoo, entertainment, door prize and more)
- Information about various Carols/Christmas celebration events and an outdoor cinema showing the film '*A Boy Called Christmas*'
- School Holiday workshops for those interested in art and cooking

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## Concordia Campus Sports Results

Boys' Sport

Cricket

### Saturday 25 November

- Middle B1 lost to Sacred Heart: 10/83-9/84. Best players: Xavier 12, Elliott 2 wickets, Luke 2 wickets, Christian 12\*.

Tennis

### Friday 24 November

- Year 7 lost to St Ignatius: 2/13-4/18. Winner: Finn.

### Saturday 25 November

- Middle B1 defeated St Peters: 6/48-6/456. Winners: Jack, Ethan, Finn, Isaac and Mike.

Volleyball

### Friday 24 November

- Middle A1 lost to Pulteney: 0-2. Best players: Ollie D, Cooper and Tom D.
- Middle B1 lost to Pulteney: 1-2. Best players: Innes and Sien.
- Middle A2 lost to Immanuel: 0-3. Best players: James T and Aiden.
- Middle B2 defeated Immanuel: 2-1. Best players: Damian, Zach and Coby.
- Middle C Navy defeated Glenunga: 3-0. Best players: Will, Mackenzie and Roxley.
- Middle C Gold lost to Glenunga: 0-3. Best player: Jamie.

## Girls' Sport

### Basketball

#### **Monday 20 November**

- Middle C1 lost to Seymour: 18-27. Best players: Annie and Sydney H.
- Middle C2 defeated Pembroke: 24-8. Best players: Harriet, Grace and Elsie.

#### **Wednesday 22 November**

- Middle A won two out of three matches in a round robin tournament vs Westminster, Immanuel and Seymour. Best players: Poppy, Silvi and Amber.
- Middle B won two out of four matches in a round robin tournament vs Westminster, Immanuel and Seymour. Best players: Kate and Lily.

### Tennis

#### **Saturday 25 November**

- Div 2 defeated Pembroke: 7-2.

### Volleyball

#### **Saturday 25 November**

- Senior A1 defeated Pembroke: 2-0.
- Senior A2 defeated Pembroke: 3-0.
- Middle A defeated Pembroke: 3-0.
- Middle B defeated Woodcroft: 3-0.
- Middle C1 lost to Pulteney: 1-2.
- Middle C2 defeated St Peter's: 3-0.
- Middle C3 defeated Pembroke: 2-1.
- Middle C4 defeated St Peter's: 3-0.

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## **Student Achievements**

Congratulations to **Lincoln 10COHA** on being the 2023 recipient of the Muriel Matters Award. The award is named in honour of Muriel Matters (1877-1969), an Australian-born suffragist,

lecturer, journalist and educator. The award is given to a student who shows initiative and commitment to the democratic process, and who exhibits selflessness and personal challenge in taking action to make the world a better place. Lincoln is a member of the Unley Council Living Young Reference Group, is a Middle School Leader and is a member of the Youth Commissioner Patrol for Scouting South Australia. He was recently selected to be one of eight Youth Ambassadors to represent Scouts Australia. These Youth Ambassadors were selected from across the country for their exceptional talent, leadership experiences, community involvement, and commitment to Scouting values. [Read more on the Scouts Australia website.](#)

Concordia congratulates **Nina 5RG**, who recently competed in the 2023 Australian Figure Skating Championships in Erina, NSW. Nina was the youngest member of the state team and placed 10th out of 28 competitors - a fantastic effort!

Congratulations to **Xavier 3ER**, who recently competed in the Southeast Asian Mathematical Olympiad and received a Bronze medal in Year 3 in the Australia region - one of only two students to receive an award in this division. Xavier has now been invited by the Olympiad organiser to go to Singapore Exhibition Centre for the advanced mathematics SEAMOX 2024 competition in 2024. We wish him all the very best for this competition.

We also congratulate **Xavier 3ER** and his brother **Jayden 1MR** on competing in the Summit PAMA Global Mathematics Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Association competition. Both boys finished as third runner up in their age group.

**Lincoln 10COHA** with his Muriel Matters award and representing Scouts SA.

**Nina 5RG** with her certificate from the Australian Figure Skating Championships

**Xavier 3ER** with his Bronze certificate from the Southeast Asian Mathematical Olympiad.

**Xavier 3ER** and **Jayden 1MR** with their 3<sup>rd</sup> runner up certificates from the Summit PAMA Global Mathematics Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Association competition.

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## Diary Dates

To view upcoming diary dates, please refer to the [Events Calendar](#) on our website.

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## The School Shop

Term Time Opening Hours

**General trading – no appointment required.**

- Monday: 8am - 4pm
- Wednesday: 12.30pm - 4pm
- Thursday: 12.30pm - 6.15pm
- Friday: 2.30 - 4.30pm (Term 4 - additional hours)

(Closed on Public Holidays)

**The School Shop will be closed from Monday 11 December and will reopen on Friday 19 January.**

Exchanges, top up purchases and collection of orders can be made during Holiday Opening as seen below.

School Holiday Opening Hours - January 2024

- Friday 19 January: 8.30am - 5.30pm
- Monday 22 January: 8.30am - 5.30pm
- Tuesday 23 January: 8.30am - 5.30pm
- Wednesday 24 January: 12.30 - 4.00pm
- Thursday 25 January: 12.30 - 6.15pm
- Friday 26 January: Closed - Public Holiday
- Monday 29 January: 8.00am - 4.00pm
- Tuesday 30 January: 8.00am - 4.00pm (**Start of Term 1, 2024**)
- Wednesday 31 January: 12.30 - 4.00pm (Term time hours resume)

Jumper Logos

Formal blue jumpers are required to have the embroidered College logo. Jumpers washed, depilled and in immaculate condition will be accepted for embroidery at The School Shop until Friday 8 December. This will be the last opportunity to add embroidery.

Uniform Appointments

Students who are new to the College or transitioning into Reception and Year 7 in 2024 are invited to make a uniform fitting appointment for the purchase of their formal uniform and other required items.

## PE Polo Shirt

The old style gold and navy PE polo shirts will be discontinued and students are required to have the new navy PE polo shirt at the start of 2024. We recommend you place your order before the end of this term, ready for collection during January school holiday opening times.

## PE Socks

The CC Sport Socks with the logo are required to be worn by all students from Reception to Year 12 with their PE uniform. Students in Years 7-12 are also required to wear the CC Sport Socks with their formal summer uniform.

## Uniform Orders

Phone 08 8291 9302 or email your order to [schoolshop@concordia.sa.edu.au](mailto:schoolshop@concordia.sa.edu.au)

Our staff will contact you for payment and let you know when your order is ready for collection.

Students in Years 7-12 are emailed to advise when their orders are ready to be collected. For students in ELC-Year 6, email advice is sent to parents/caregivers.

## Secondhand Clothing

If you have uniforms you no longer need, they may be donated or sold on consignment in The School Shop ([click to download a secondhand uniforms consignment form](#)).

Please note:

- Blazers and winter skirts/pinafores must be dry cleaned with a receipt attached.
- Jumpers must be washed using a wool wash detergent.
- All other items must be in good condition, stains removed, washed and ironed ready for sale.
- Summer hats must be hand washed.
- Any uniform items in need of repair e.g. broken zips, seams unstitched, missing buttons, etc. must be repaired prior to acceptance for sale. Buttons are sold in The School Shop.
- Garments presented on hangers are preferred.
- Old logo and discontinued styles – uniforms with the old school logo and discontinued styles are no longer saleable in The School Shop but can be dropped off for overseas charity donation.

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## CC Café Term 4 Menu

Our CC Café Term 4 menu is here! Download a copy of the menu to see what is on offer this term.

- [Brief Menu with Price List](#)
- [Full Menu](#)

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## Public Notices & Events

- **Glen Osmond Baptist Church** is hosting Carols on the Oval at Glen Osmond Primary School on Christmas Eve from 5pm-7.30pm, with lots of family-friendly activities on offer. [Download a flyer](#) for more information.
- **Royal Surf Life Saving South Australia's Holiday Swim** course is running this summer, with online enrolments closing soon. [Download a flyer](#) for more information.
- **Helen Rice Tennis School** is running Grand Slam Tennis clinics over the school holidays at Denman Tennis Club. [Download a flyer](#) for more information.
- **Mitcham SA Rotary Bookshop** are having a big half price sale up until Sunday 31 December. [Download a flyer](#) for more information.
- **The City of Unley** is asking for people to vote on ideas shortlisted by the Community Panels that they would like Council to consider supporting to increase the tree canopy on private land. [Visit the Your Say City of Unley website](#) for more information.
- **LinkSA** is offering a school holiday special from 16 December 2023 to 28 January 2024. When you buy one adult ticket, a child aged 5-14 years travels free. [Download a flyer](#) and scan the QR code for more information.

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