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From the Director of Staff Administration

As we gather input from students about their subject preferences and feedback from teachers regarding their future aspirations, we are embarking on a recruitment drive across all campuses. Recruitment is a significant process that goes beyond merely filling a vacancy with a qualified teacher.

In our recruitment process, we establish specific criteria to guide the selection process and interviews. Key factors include alignment with the College's culture and values, and ensuring that candidates possess both expertise and a passionate, positive attitude towards teaching and learning.

While it is essential that all teachers are qualified and meet compliance requirements, there is much more to consider. We all remember the teachers who made a lasting impact on us – what made them stand out? Did every student have the same experience with them? Not necessarily.

Conversely, we have also encountered teachers who did not leave a positive impression. Was it due to a lack of subject knowledge, excessive strictness, insufficient discipline, or an unstructured classroom environment... or was the teacher not a good match for us?

There is no single combination of attributes that defines the 'perfect' teacher who is universally valued and aligns with College needs. However, we do know that a strong cultural fit, genuine passion for teaching, and subject expertise are crucial factors. Given our diverse student body, it is important to have a similarly diverse teaching staff. This diversity ensures that every student will have a range of experiences, ideally positive, and some exceptionally enriching.

Vera White

Director of Staff Administration

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Book Week 2024: Reading is Magic

Our inaugural whole-College Book Week Assembly was truly extraordinary. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make the day a celebration of reading, literature and community connections. Across each of the three library branches there were a number of events and activities for children to participate in during Book Week.

At St John's Campus there were magic shows, competitions, scavenger hunts, kahoot quizzes and boxes to break into. Students also could do craft activities related to some of the shortlisted books and had fun having photos taken in a themed photo frame.

At the Concordia Campus, our resident magician, Mr Shrowder, wowed us with his slight of hand, and students participated in escape rooms, scavenger hunts, book swaps with hot chocolate, virtual reality experiences and book trivia competitions.

At St Peters Campus, students celebrated shortlisted books with activities including making and playing with gymnastic ribbons - enjoying twirling, spiralling, rolling and spinning - and creating chalk drawings as well as hearing from visiting authors Sally Heinrich, Tania Ingram and Mike Lucas.

Happy reading!

Hajnalka Molloy

Learning Resources Manager

Nolene Thiele

Resource Manager - St John's Campus

Nicolle Jakube

Primary School Learning Leader - St Peters Campus

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Australian String Quartet Workshops

On Tuesday 27 August, we were fortunate to be visited by the Australian String Quartet (ASQ), who ran workshops with our string students. During the first session, each member of the Quartet worked with a different small ensemble; our Heilig String Quartet, Animato String Quartet, Cello Ensemble and Piano Trio.

At the start of the second session, the ASQ gave a short performance of sections from the first movement of the Greig String Quartet. It was an incredible experience for our string students to be able to witness these professional players up close! The students were then able to ask some questions before the ASQ sat in with our top String Ensemble and rehearsed them through sections of Holst's St Paul's Suite.

This was a truly extraordinary experience for our students! Thank you to the Australian String Quartet for taking the time out of their busy schedule to come and visit us.

Kellie Rich

Head of Music Performance ELC-12

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Welcoming Grandparents and Special Friends

Our recent Grandparents Days at St Peters and St John's campuses were truly heartwarming. Over three days, we witnessed the joy and excitement that filled the air as our students and their grandparents shared special moments together. The smiles, laughter and cherished memories created during these five events are a testament to the strong bonds and wonderful experiences that make our College community so extraordinary.

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The Scientific Bubble Show Visits the ELC

The ELC children at St John's Campus were immersed into a world of wonder and curiosity during the visit we had from Bubble-ologist Marty McBubble and his Scientific Bubble Show.

This interactive spectacular explored scientific principles and concepts about soap bubbles including flexibility, transparency and the properties of solids, liquids and gases. Children were in awe of his bubbly experiments, in particular having the opportunity to see what it is like to go inside a bubble!

Alice Pridham

ELC Teacher

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Enrichment and Extended Learning News

Gold Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

At our recent Assembly we acknowledged the incredible work **Macy (12CFIL)** has done to complete a Gold Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. Very few students achieve this award while still at school. Since beginning the Award in Year 9, Macy has achieved her Bronze and Silver Awards, and, with incredible motivation, self-discipline, and focus, has completed the Gold level halfway through Year 12.

Macy said, "I started the Duke of Ed award under the influence of my Pop who was born in England and knew all about the award. I felt like it was a wholesome way to extend my learning and connect with him."

The Gold Award has a section called the residential project. When she was in Year 11, Macy won a scholarship to complete a two-week Film Studies course at Oxford University in England. During this time, she lived with and learned from students all over the world. She made connections with students from Lebanon, Botswana, Nigeria, Cyprus, Brazil, Canada and Indonesia - to name a few. Macy studied topics like: An Introduction to the Screenplay and Screenwriting, Practical Filmmaking and Editing. She was mentored by experts from Oxford and shared the products of her creative journey with students and staff at the end of her residential project. Macy describes her experience as life-changing.

In addition to the Gold Residential Project, the Gold Award, like the Bronze and Silver, had four main categories: Skills, Physical Recreation, Voluntary Service and Adventurous Journey. For the adventurous journey component of the award, Macy travelled overseas with a group of peers and lived with a host family for a German exchange. Macy needed to use initiative and resilience to navigate a completely new setting, in a different language. She immersed herself in the experience and made the most of all opportunities offered to her.

In September, Macy will be invited to a special reception at Adelaide Town Hall with the Governor of South Australia who will personally congratulate her on this incredible effort. Congratulations, Macy.

CARE@CC (Community of advocates for respect and empathy.)

CARE@CC is a lunchtime group for students in Years 10-12 interested in health careers.

We recently welcomed Dr Andrew Killcross, who shared snapshots of his career, illustrating the diverse and rewarding pathways available in the medical field. He described the challenges of working in large hospitals in Manchester as a fresh graduate, followed by his experience serving rural and remote communities in Australia, where he worked both as a GP and with the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Port Augusta.

Dr Killcross now works in Aboriginal Health and continues to serve as a General Practitioner, with a special interest in mental health and youth health. We are very grateful to him for spending a lunchtime with us.

Please contact Emma Rieger if you would be able to share some of your own experiences in a health-related profession with our students.

Emma Rieger

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Reception Chick Hatching Experience

The Reception students at St Peters Campus have been buzzing with excitement as they've had the unique opportunity to witness the process of chicks hatching! Over the past week and a half, our classroom has transformed into a hatchery, where tiny eggs have been wobbling and cracking open to reveal our fluffy new friends.

Each day, the Receptions have eagerly documented their observations, noting little changes and milestones. From the first cracks in the eggshell to the moment the chicks took their first steps, the students have been fascinated by the process.

In addition to watching the chicks grow in confidence and curiosity, the students have been learning valuable lessons about how to care for our little chicks. They've been discovering what the chicks need to feel safe and protected, ensuring that our tiny visitors are comfortable and well-cared for. Using each chick's unique features, the children have also been affectionately

naming each new addition to the brood.

It's been heartwarming to see the children's faces light up with joy as they cuddle and interact with the chicks.

Laura Bengler

Reception Teacher - St Peters Campus

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CommuniTea - Friday 13 September

☒ Join Us for CommuniTea ☒

CommuniTea - our premier community event for 2024 - will be a springtime celebration filled with fun, friends and unforgettable memories! Our upcoming community event promises to be a spectacular celebration for all ages.

- **Date: Friday 13 September**
 - **Time: 3.30-7.00pm**
 - **Location: Concordia College Main Oval, Winchester Street Highgate**
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☒ Highlights

- Live music
- Food trucks with a plethora of cuisines (see list below)
- Sip and savour at our CommuniTea bar
- Games and amusements for the whole family (see list below)

☒ Affordable Amusement Passes

For just \$23, enjoy unlimited access to our amazing amusements - there's something for everyone.

- Bungee Race Challenge
- Tiki Obstacle Course
- Arena IPS
- Minions Jumpy Castle
- Plai Space
- Petting Zoo
- Climbing Wall
- Face Painting

☒ Food and Drink Stalls

Delicious food and drinks will be available to suit a range of tastes.

- Paella Bar
 - Staazi & Co
 - Sookii La La
 - El Guaco Taco (Mexican)
 - Wafflestix
 - Hokey Pokey Ice Cream
 - Soft Drinks Stall
 - Old Concordians' Association Bar
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We are looking forward to an extraordinary event. Bring your friends and family and be part of an incredible community experience.

We hope to see you there!

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Year 2 St Peters Campus Students Visit Year 8 Drama

On Wednesday 21 August, our Year 2 and Year 3 students from St Peters Campus had the exciting opportunity to visit the Drama Centre at Concordia Campus, Highgate. During their visit, they were treated to a series of performances by the Year 8 Drama students, who had thoughtfully written and produced original plays specifically tailored for our younger audience.

These plays showcased not only the creativity of the Year 8 students but also their ability to incorporate theatrical techniques. The performances drew inspiration from Slingsby Theatre, a renowned Adelaide-based company celebrated for its innovative use of shadow puppetry and intricate miniature sets. Our students were captivated by the unique storytelling methods, which brought the narratives to life in an enchanting and unforgettable way.

In addition to enjoying the performances, our students gained valuable insights into the world of drama and the creative process behind it. This experience not only entertained but also inspired our young learners, leaving a lasting impression of the magic that can be created on stage.

Kathryn Watkins

Year 2 Teacher

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Year 10 History - World War II, Living Connections

With the recent passing of Tom Pritchard, Australia's last "Rat of Tobruk", Year 10 students were encouraged to go home and talk to parents, caregivers and older relatives about their family connections with World War II. Students were asked to record their at-home discussions in writing and were also asked if they could bring into class a family artefact that was symbolic

of the War. The intention is to maintain our connections and memories of World War II in a living way. Year 10 students shared personal stories of prisoners of war, post-war migration and mateship. There were stories and images of courage in a Spitfire, connections with past Concordia pupils in Papua New Guinea and great grandfathers defending the Kokoda Track, family members defending Switzerland and Singapore, and family members that did not come home from the War. There was an original piece of the Berlin Wall which was obtained at the site when the wall came down.

This time was 30 minutes well spent. It reminded us of the importance of keeping our living connections with World War II and its consequences. Thanks to the students and parents who contributed.

Year 10 History Teachers

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Student-Free Days - Thursday 5 and Friday 6 September

A reminder that Thursday 5 and Friday 6 September are student-free days for Reception to Year 12 students as staff will be engaged in Professional Development sessions.

Please note ELC opening times remain unchanged on these days.

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St Peters Campus Year 3/4 Update

As we reach the halfway mark of Term 3, it's a wonderful time to reflect on the exciting learning experiences we've enjoyed in Year 3/4 at our St Peters Campus. From engaging author visits and dynamic drama performances to fascinating Olympic stories, our students have been buzzing with curiosity and inspiration.

Author Visit

We were delighted to welcome Tania Ingram, the acclaimed author of the popular book series Jinny & Cooper and Aggie Flea. Tania's visit was a highlight, as she shared her passion for storytelling and captivated our students with insights into her creative process. Her engaging talk offered valuable tips on narrative writing and provided practical advice on developing characters and crafting compelling plots. Our budding writers left the session inspired and eager to apply their new skills!

Drama Visit

Our Year 3 students recently had the chance to visit the Concordia Campus for a special Middle School drama performance. The Year 8 students created and performed original plays specifically designed for our group. Inspired by the renowned Adelaide company Slingsby

Theatre, known for its captivating shadow puppetry and miniature sets, the performances featured imaginative storytelling techniques. Following the show, our students had the opportunity to experiment with shadow puppetry themselves. It was a fun and memorable experience that also helped strengthen our school community across campuses.

Olympic Visit

We were also thrilled to have Andrea Chaplin, an accomplished fencer, visit us to share her incredible experiences from the 1984 and 1988 Olympics. Andrea's stories about the pride and thrill of representing her country, along with her rigorous training and competition experiences, were truly inspiring. Her visit highlighted the dedication and perseverance required for Olympic success and encouraged our students to set ambitious goals and pursue their passions with determination.

As always, we are grateful for these enriching experiences and the continued support of our school community. These moments not only enhance our students' education but also foster a love of learning and exploration.

Alexandra Barratt

Year 3/4 Teacher

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Final Results from ABODA Festival 2024

Our final results are in from the recent 2024 ABODA Festival. We are proud of our talented Music students for the following extraordinary achievements:

- **Chamber Strings:** Intermediate String Ensemble - Silver
- **String Ensemble:** Advanced String Ensemble - Gold
- **Orchestra:** Open Orchestra – Gold and Section Winner
- **Big Band 2:** Novice Big Band - Gold
- **Big Band 1:** Advanced Stage Band – Silver
- **Concert Band:** Advanced Concert Band – Gold and Section Winner

We commend the students and band directors involved for their outstanding efforts. Well done!

Kellie Rich

Head of Music Performance ELC-12

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St Peters Campus Uniform Update

As part of our journey as Concordia College, we began transitioning our uniform in January 2023 following our amalgamation. This two-year process will conclude in January 2025, at

which point all students at our St Peters Campus (Blackwood) will be required to wear the Concordia College uniform. Please note that St Peters Lutheran School pieces will no longer be acceptable after this date.

To assist with your uniform needs, our School Shop is open during the following times, offering both new and secondhand items for purchase. [Click here to view the price list and uniform requirements.](#)

Note: ELC to Year 2 students at St Peters Campus can wear sports uniform until they reach Year 3. The formal uniform is currently optional in these year levels.

Thank you for your attention to this important transition.

School Shop Opening Times

- Monday: 8am - 4pm
- Wednesday: 12.30pm - 4pm
- Thursday: 12.30pm - 6.15pm
- Friday: **Closed** (Terms 2 and 3)

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Dunkin' Homelessness for Unley Salvos

This term our Concordia Campus has been working together to raise money for The Salvation Army, Unley, to support their Red Shield Appeal. We had numerous teams of students accept the challenge of sleeping rough in their backyards for a night to help those struggling in our local community.

On Monday 19 August, our campus came together in the Quad to celebrate each fundraising target we achieved through our annual "Ice Bucket Challenge". We had over 20 teachers dunked with ice-cold water, with all other teachers and students eagerly watching on. Our Student Leadership team and Middle School Student Leaders also took on the challenge to see who could raise the most money. It was an exciting competition, with the totals often only a few dollars apart. However, in the end, our Middle School Student Leaders came out on top, maintaining their undefeated streak and leaving us to face the ice-cold water!

With Funk Band providing live music and muffins being sold by Forum to raise further money, it was an incredible lunchtime where the community came together to support such an important cause.

We are proud to say we have raised over \$7,000! We therefore would like to thank everyone who took on this challenge and those who supported us in reaching this incredible fundraising achievement. We are thankful too for the on ongoing partnership with Unley Salvos. In particular, we acknowledge Alice Edge and Colin Sampson who shared their work with our students to help us understand the great need that exists in our wider community.

Georgina Archibald

College Captain

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St Peters Campus Year 1 Update

There have been many exciting learning opportunities in Year 1 at St Peters Campus recently. Here are some highlights.

Science Week

Students in Year 1 were challenged and excited to learn about sustainability during Science Week. Students learnt about the waste created by fast fashion. To help combat this waste we learnt how to plait and made friendship bracelets for each other out of scraps of fabric. Student wore them with pride and thought of many of ways fabric scraps could be utilised.

We learnt about worm farms through reading and visiting our own school worm farm.

We made gifts for our families out of paper clay. This was an exercise in fine motor skills as well as reading a procedure text.

We revisited our knowledge on the bin system so we could be good models of recycling.

Finally, we were amazed and disappointed when we made a timeline that represented the decomposition rates of familiar items. Plastic bottles, lolly wrappers, even sticky tape made us cringe and rethink how we want to use things in the future.

Book Week

We were so grateful for the amazing Book Week events that took place between all the Concordia campuses. Mrs Molloy delighted students with engaging activities based on the Book Week shortlists. Students twizzled and twirled with “Gymnastica Fantastica”, made a horsey craft to celebrate ‘If I Were a Horse’ and enjoyed a sing along with “Five Little Ducks.”

Students thoroughly enjoyed meeting author and illustrator Sally Heinrich. They bubbled with questions and burst with pride at helping her create some characters.

All in all, Book Week is an invitation to engage with literacy and have lots of fun doing it, and I believe the Year 1 students at St Peters Campus achieved both.

The Science of Weather and Sustainability

Students have been exploring weather and asking questions about sustainability. We wondered if the wind was powerful enough to create energy, so on a really windy day we went outside and felt how the wind can lift up fabric and light objects and toss them about.

We wondered about clouds and the water cycle and asked if clouds stop evaporation. We

conducted a fun experiment with shaving cream and coloured water to find an answer.

Some students had been on holidays and when they came back they told us it was so hot where they visited that they got to swim. We asked, 'how could that be? Isn't it winter all over Australia?' We learnt about different climatic zones and looked at the imaginary line of the equator.

We are really good wonderers...

Learning Measurement Through Play

Students looked at the time it took for a year and unpacked months, days, hours and minutes. They also simulated how many years they had been on the earth by walking around a sun. Each birthday was one passage around the sun. We discussed all of these everyday events in terms of measurement and how we used different units to measure and account for different things.

Students represented weeks and months of the years through larger and smaller items. They created a column graph that represented the heights of their friends using pipes and cylinders.

Great learning, engaged students!

Olivia Livingston

Year 1 Teacher

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Champions Cup and World Vision Non-Uniform Day

In celebration of the Concordia Champions Cup Grand Finals (at Concordia Campus), and in aid of our community projects sponsored through World Vision, Concordia Campus will host a non-uniform day on **Wednesday 4 September**. Concordia sponsors children in Bangladesh and Burundi. All students on all three campuses are invited to wear non-uniform clothing and donate \$2.00 to World Vision.

Students:

- Wear non-uniform clothing for a \$2.00 donation (all campuses)
- At Concordia Campus **only**, there will be a sausage sizzle and soft drinks available for purchase at lunchtime
- EFTPOS available

Please adhere to the non-uniform day clothing requirements below:

- Covered-in shoes for practical subjects, including Science, PE, Food Design and Design Technology
- Long hair must be able to be tied up for the subjects listed above

- No inappropriate slogans
- No bare midriffs
- Remember Concordia is a workplace - shorts and tops need to be appropriate i.e. not too short or brief
- Students must change into full PE uniform for PE classes.

We look forward to a great day of fun and friendly competition and community spirit, all while raising funds for World Vision.

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Year 5/6 Book Week Author Visit at St Peters Campus

Book week began with an author visit to St Peters Campus. Author Mike Lucas spent time with our Year 5/6 class reading his poetry. He also ran a poetry writer's workshop, teaching the students poetic devices including metre, assonance, alliteration, simile, metaphor and onomatopoeia.

Matthew Webster

Year 5/6 Teacher - St Peters Campus

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National Child Protection Week

Next week, from Sunday 1 to Saturday 7 September, is National Child Protection Week - an initiative that aims to promote "a safe and supported life for every child, now and into the future". The theme for this year's National Child Protection Week is '*Every child in every community needs a fair go*' and '*Every conversation matters*'.

Student safety is of utmost importance to Concordia College, and we encourage families to have regular conversations about personal safety, and to encourage an atmosphere of openness and honesty.

Some tips for talking to children about personal safety can be found in the [attached flyer](#) from the National Association for Prevention of Child abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN).

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Reception Mud Day

What a wonderful day it was as the Reception students from St Peters and St John's campuses came together for a belated celebration of International Mud Day at the St Peters Campus in Week 4! This special day was all about getting our hands dirty, exploring nature and letting creativity run wild in the great outdoors.

The children eagerly dove into the fun, playing with water and mud and engaging with the scrub and nature play space. From water course construction to excavation sites and animal washing stations, their creativity knew no bounds.

The joy didn't stop there! The children splashed in puddles, painted themselves with mud, and turned pots, pans, kettles and utensils into exciting tools for their mud-filled adventures. It was a delight to see the children's enthusiasm as they explored, collaborated and played, and made new friends!

International Mud Day was a fantastic opportunity for our Reception students to connect with nature, engage in hands-on learning, and enjoy some messy fun. It was a day full of imagination, teamwork, and the simple joy of getting a little muddy.

Laura Bengner
Reception Teacher

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Parent Prayer Breakfast

It was lovely to start the day on Wednesday 21 August with parents and caregivers from across our three campuses attending our Parent Prayer Breakfast. Thanks to all who came along for this special time of fellowship and prayer.

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Concordia in Concert 'Endless Possibilities'

Concordia in Concert, our annual music showcase, is coming up on **Friday 20 September** in our Fortiter Gymnasium, Concordia Campus.

All are welcome to attend for an evening of extraordinary music featuring Concordia's finest voices and ensembles.

[Book your tickets online](#) or scan the QR code below to avoid missing out.

We hope to see you there!

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Music Notes

Adelaide Eisteddfod Results

Jude (11DWHE) competed in two different categories at the Adelaide Eisteddfod for 2024. Back in May, Jude competed in Section S301 – 25 Years and under, Any Bowed String Instrument (Unaccompanied) Solo, and finished in second place. On Wednesday 21 August, Jude also competed in the Concerto Section, which is for people 27 years and under, on any solo instrument and orchestra. He was one of six finalists and finished off by winning this competition by playing three movements of Camille Saint-Saëns' 3rd Violin Concerto.

Marco (10JROB) also competed in two different categories of the Adelaide Eisteddfod for 2024. On Saturday 24 August, in Section B506/B509 - 17 years and under Any Brass Instrument Solo, Marco was awarded first place by playing the first movement of Joseph Haydn's Trumpet Concerto. Back in July, Marco also competed in Section RW939 – 25 Years and Under Wind and Brass Solo, finishing in third place.

Sean (9NSHR), competing in Section P225 – 18 Years and Under Classical Sonata (One Movement) Piano Solo, received an Honourable Mention.

Well done to these students on these outstanding achievements.

Martin Butler receives Don Burrows Award

Recently, Martin Butler, Director of our String Ensemble, was presented with a Don Burrows Award from the Association of Heads of Music in Non-Government Schools (AHOMINGS), in recognition of long service for music tutors in independent schools.

We are very fortunate to have Martin working with our strings students and we congratulate him on receiving this award, which is certainly well deserved. You can read the citation for Martin's Award below.

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SchoolTV Special Report

In today's world, where distractions are abundant and the pressure to excel is high, guiding children to develop healthy study habits is more important than ever. As students aspire to achieve academic success, the cornerstone of that achievement lies not just in their intelligence or drive, but in the study habits they cultivate.

It's essential for students to recognise that good study habits aren't merely about spending extra hours hitting the books. It's more about quality over quantity and having a more balanced approach. Emphasising the value of a routine is essential. Consistent study times establish a sense of structure and discipline, turning studying into a natural part of their daily routine rather than a burdensome task.

Additionally, how students approach their study sessions is equally important. Taking regular breaks is a crucial part of this process in maintaining focus and preventing burnout.

Maintaining a healthy lifestyle that includes sufficient sleep, a balanced diet, and consistent physical activity are indispensable elements that will significantly impact your child's ability to study effectively. Fostering these healthy habits is one of the most valuable gifts we can offer children, paving the way for a lifetime of learning and achievement.

This Special Report will help you support your young person as they embark on studying for exams.

[Read the Special Report \(opens an external website in a new window\)](#)

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Friendology

This term, the St Peters Campus has launched our *Friendology* program in classes! The students are learning friendship skills that will help them navigate the important relationships in their lives both in and out of the school setting. The whole-school language helps students, staff and parents to give consistent messaging when friendship issues arise. 'Friendship fires', 'mean on purpose', 'talk it out' and 'closer and stronger' are all words and phrases used at our campus to build a common understanding of what it means to be a great friend.

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal - St Peters Campus

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Daughters and Dads Cricket

Daughters and Dads Cricket is running at Concordia College again in Term 4.

This nine-week program helps participants build closer relationships through sport - a combination of cricket skill development and a focus on wellbeing. Through participation in the program, girls aged 5-12 years will develop bravery, resilience, persistence and positivity.

- **Where: Concordia College**
- **Dates: Sunday afternoons from 20 October to 8 December**
- **Time: 12.00-1.30pm**
- **Cost: \$130 per daughter and dad pair**

[Download a flyer](#) for more information, or [click here](#) to register online.

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This Father's Day, Elevate His Coffee Experience!

Introducing our sleek new Glass Coffee Cup with a versatile lid—perfect for travelling or doubling as a coaster. Whether he's on the go or enjoying a quiet moment at home, this is the gift that brings warmth and style to his day.

Buy yours today for just \$15.00 and give the perfect blend of form and function!

Head to the School Shop ([click here for opening times](#)).

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Planning a move? Please let us know!

Considering a move to another school is a significant decision. We value your family being part of our community. As a College, we will always seek to work with you for positive connection. If you are uncertain about continuing at Concordia next year, in the first instance, we invite you to reach out and arrange a time to discuss your situation with the Principal of your child's campus – Paul Bannister (St John's Campus, Highgate), Bronwyn Wilson (St Peters Campus, Blackwood) and Penny McKenzie (Concordia Campus, Highgate) - or our Director of Community Relations, Jodie Escott. We hope that through this conversation, we gain a clearer appreciation of your family's specific needs and considerations.

If you do make a decision to leave Concordia, please be aware that in line with the Enrolment Policy – if your child is leaving the College at the end of 2024, we require one full term's notice to avoid penalties. We understand that this may not always be possible, but sincerely appreciate your assistance with future planning. Withdrawal notification for 2024 should be received **no later than close of business Friday 27 September 2024** and should be sent to the Principal of the relevant campus and our Enrolments office:

- [Paul Bannister, Principal ELC to Year 6 \(St John's Campus, Highgate\)](#)
- [Bronwyn Wilson, Principal ELC to Year 6 \(St Peters Campus, Blackwood\)](#)
- [Penny McKenzie, Principal Year 7 to Year 12 \(Concordia Campus, Highgate\)](#)

Please also email all information to enrolments@concordia.sa.edu.au

If notification is not received by close of business **Friday 27 September 2024**, a full term's tuition will be payable.

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Volleyball and Basketball Success

Concordia basketball and volleyball teams have recently achieved some extraordinary results,

including:

- a third consecutive championship win by our Middle A boys' basketball team
- a second consecutive grand final appearance for our Open A1 boys' basketball team
- our Open boys' team winning gold in Division 1 at the Volleyball SA Schools Cup
- our girls' team earning a bronze medal in the Honours division (the highest division of the competition) at the Volleyball SA Schools Cup.

A big congratulations to all of the teams and coaches involved. Go CC!

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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: **Closed** (Terms 2 and 3)

(Closed on Public Holidays)

Uniform Orders

Email orders are also welcome and purchases may be collected from The School Shop during opening hours. Please email schoolshop@concordia.sa.edu.au and include:

- your child's name and year level
- size
- your contact details

The School Shop staff will contact you for payment and advise when your order is available to collect. 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.

Father's Day Gift Idea

Introducing our sleek new Glass Coffee Cup with a versatile lid—perfect for travelling or doubling as a coaster. Whether he's on the go or enjoying a quiet moment at home, this is the gift that brings warmth and style to his day.

Buy yours today for \$15.00 and give the perfect blend of form and function!

Head to the School Shop ([click here for opening times](#)).

ELC Items - In Stock Now

Stock of the following items for ELC students is limited, so please email your order to: schoolshop@concordia.sa.edu.au and we will ensure your request is prioritised.

- Beanies
- Long Sleeve Polo Shirts

PE Polo Shirt

The old style gold and navy PE polo shirts are now discontinued and students are required to have the new navy PE polo shirt.

Umbrellas

The following items are now available in The School Shop:

- Golf umbrellas - \$38 each
- Fold-up umbrellas - \$28 each

Secondhand Clothing

Stock Wanted – now is the time to clear out the wardrobes!

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 3 Menu

Our CC Café Term 3 menu is here! [Download a copy of the menu](#) to see what is on offer this term.

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Public Notices & Events

- **International Sports Camps** are running school holiday coaching camps for boys and girls aged 5 to 15 years in several sports: netball, football, basketball and soccer. [Download a flyer](#) for more information.
- **Code Camp** is running school holiday programs in the October holidays, including new screen-free 'Get Crafty' camps. [Visit their website](#) for more information.

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