



CALENDAR DATES

Term 4

17th October

First Day of Term

23rd October

Fundraiser at Glenelg

26th October

**Twilight Music
Concert**

6:00pm at UHS

16th December

Last Day of Term

FROM THE PRINCIPAL.....

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I have accepted the position of Principal at Underdale High School for the next 5 years. It promises to be an exciting time, with the \$2.5m STEM funding and the school continuing to build on our recent successes and growth in enrolments. I look forward to working with you all to make our good school great.

REPORTS

Term 3 Reports are being distributed on Friday 30th September. Please ask your child to share it with you. If they did not bring it home, please contact the front office to arrange to pick it up, or they can be collected by your child at the start of next term. There

is also a cyber-safety agreement form for you and your child to read, sign and return the tear off slip to Home Group teachers week 1 of next term.

EXTERNAL REVIEW

The school will be going through an External Review in Week 2 of next term. We are looking forward to this process as it will not only confirm all of the good work we are doing it will also give us direction as we move into the future. Some of your children will be invited to be a part of this review. It is totally non-threatening and they will be in groups of 6 chatting with the review team. If your child is involved they will be receiving a letter early next term. Parents and staff will also be involved, and if you wish to be a part of the process please contact me through my email. david.harriss494@schools.sa.edu.au



PARENTS AND STUDENTS IN STAFF CARPARK

There has been an increasing number of students in the staff carpark, and an increasing number of parents picking students up from the staff carpark. I know the convenience of this is attractive, but I need to stress that this practice needs to stop as it creates safety issues for our students. Please arrange to meet your child at another location for drop-offs and pick-ups.

Liam Bekric

Heart-felt congratulations to Liam Bekric and his family for his wonderful efforts in Rio at the Paralympics. Liam was particularly looking forward to the 100m breaststroke, his pet event, and he did not disappoint. Qualifying for the final, Liam did a personal best to come fourth. At only 15 years of age, Liam has a great future in the pool. Liam, you did yourself and your family proud. Well done!



ABSENCE / LATENESS

If a student is absent or late to school without signing in, a text message is sent home notifying you of this. Please note the lateness category too. Sometimes students will get to school late and if they forget to sign in at Student Services a text message will still be sent. This can lead to some frustration for both parents and the school, so please remind your child to sign in when they arrive late, with an appropriate note from you explaining their absence. We acknowledge at times we have not recorded external courses on our system as accurately as we would like, resulting in text messages being sent when they shouldn't, and we are working on getting this part of our processes tightened.

MICROSOFT 365

DECD has released their Learnlink Microsoft 365 ProPlus. Underdale Staff and Students will soon be able to access all aspects of this package for free. Please see the separate letter attached that will give details about what is in the package and when it is available we will let you know how to access it.

David Harris
Principal

EXTERNAL REVIEW

As part of our continuous school improvement we will be involved in an external school review with a review panel. The purpose of external school reviews is to support schools to raise achievement, sustain high performance and provide quality assurance to build public confidence in government schools.

All government schools will be externally reviewed every four years. The focus of the review is to evaluate school performance. The review panel consists of a review officer and a trained review principal. The review will occur on Week 2 of Term 4.

We will find out the aspects of the school's improvement that have been verified through the review processes as well as the improvements that we need to make in the future.

During the external school review, some students, parents, governing council members and staff will be asked to provide information to the review panel in a number of ways. These include:

- »» individual interviews
- »» group discussions (with students, staff or parents)
- »» meetings (usually governing council, staff meeting)
- »» visits into classrooms.

We appreciate your support and time in helping us with this external school review process.

YARNING CIRCLE

On the 15th of September I had the great pleasure in attending and supporting two of our Aboriginal students, Isabella Kelly Yr.9 and Maria Pastrikos Yr 8 at Thebarton Senior College for a Yarning Circle.

Also attending were students, teachers and ACEO's from Cowandilla Primary, Flinders Park Primary, Torrensville Primary and Lockleys Primary.

WHAT IS A YARNING CIRCLE?

A Yarning Circle is a place where stories and knowledge can be shared. There is an opportunity for inclusion, participation and value of the individual. It can empower the group you belong to by giving a voice to its individuals, in a safe, relaxed and comfortable nurturing environment.

It is applicable to everyone regardless of age, culture or gender. There are no barriers for those with physical, visual, speech, learning or hearing difficulties; all such members have successfully participated in the Yarn.

It was great to see our Aboriginal students being able to share their thoughts with each other and answer questions on a wide range of topics relating to Being Successful Learners at School, in a relaxed and comfortable environment. The program captured the ethos of Aboriginal Yarning Circles.

Isabella and Maria represented themselves and Underdale with such pride and maturity that feedback of the girls from Leadership was exemplary.



Debbie Scholfield
Aboriginal Community Education Officer





Festival of Music Performance

Congratulations to the Rock Band who successfully auditioned as assisting artists for the Festival of Music. On Sunday September 18, the band performed the song "Shut Up and Dance" to an audience of 2000 and 450 primary students at the Festival Theatre. It was a fantastic experience and their performance was enthusiastically received by the audience.



YEAR 8 ART

In art this term students have been working on collages based on the topic "All about me". Flight Centre at Findon shopping centre have provided out-of-date travel brochures, which have been recycled for the project - linking it with the sustainable aspect of the Australian Curriculum. Several of the artworks have been placed on display at the Findon branch, with staff (left to right) Nicole Miller, Kate Hendry, Monique Gibbons, and Stacey Miller shown with the Collages. Both Stacy and Nicole are ex-students of Underdale High School; and the enthusiasm and support they have given is certainly appreciated. It not only gives the school the opportunity to show the community what we do, but also fill another requirement of the Australian Curriculum in displaying student's artwork. In my opinion it has been a very worthwhile project and one we will endeavour to expand on in future.

Geoff Frogley Art teacher



Year 8 Maths

Monday the 5th of September all year 8's ventured on a mathematical exploration at the show. The students worked in small groups to use different estimation methods to measure the area of specific landmarks at the show. The students were then required to apply mathematical formula to determine distances and areas based on estimation. Students also were required to analyse circular rides and calculate the speed in which they were travelling. Many students used mathematical formula as well as experiencing the ride to help test their hypothesis. The students represented Underdale High School extremely well and had an exciting day out of the classroom applying their mathematical skills in a different context.





YEAR 10 BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

Earlier this term Yr 10 Business & Economics students visited both the Adelaide Supreme Court and Adelaide Magistrates Court to gain an understanding of the South Australian Law System. Here Peter Cavouras the Outreach Education Manager for the law courts explains the roles and procedures of Magistrates Court, with Sanalia Rokonai (Judge) and (Lawyers) Saad Taha (back) & Mary Vassilopoulos (front) dressed for their parts in a mock trial. In addition, Stefan Ek stands in the dock playing the role of the offender. Peter always makes the topic interesting and relevant for students - and for a number of years has taken groups from Underdale High School. As always it is entertaining, very informative, and much appreciated.

Geoff Frogley Business & Economics teacher

Student Voice : Underdale's Got Talent.

Currently we are completing Round 1 with 7 contestants Lawrence, Bronson, Evanz, Cassie, Matthew, Engy and Asma. Judges are Mr Harriss, Ms Moyes, Jimmy and James.

Next week will be the Grand Final on Thursday at lunchtime.

With a \$1.00 entry fee Students and staff are able to be part of the audience.

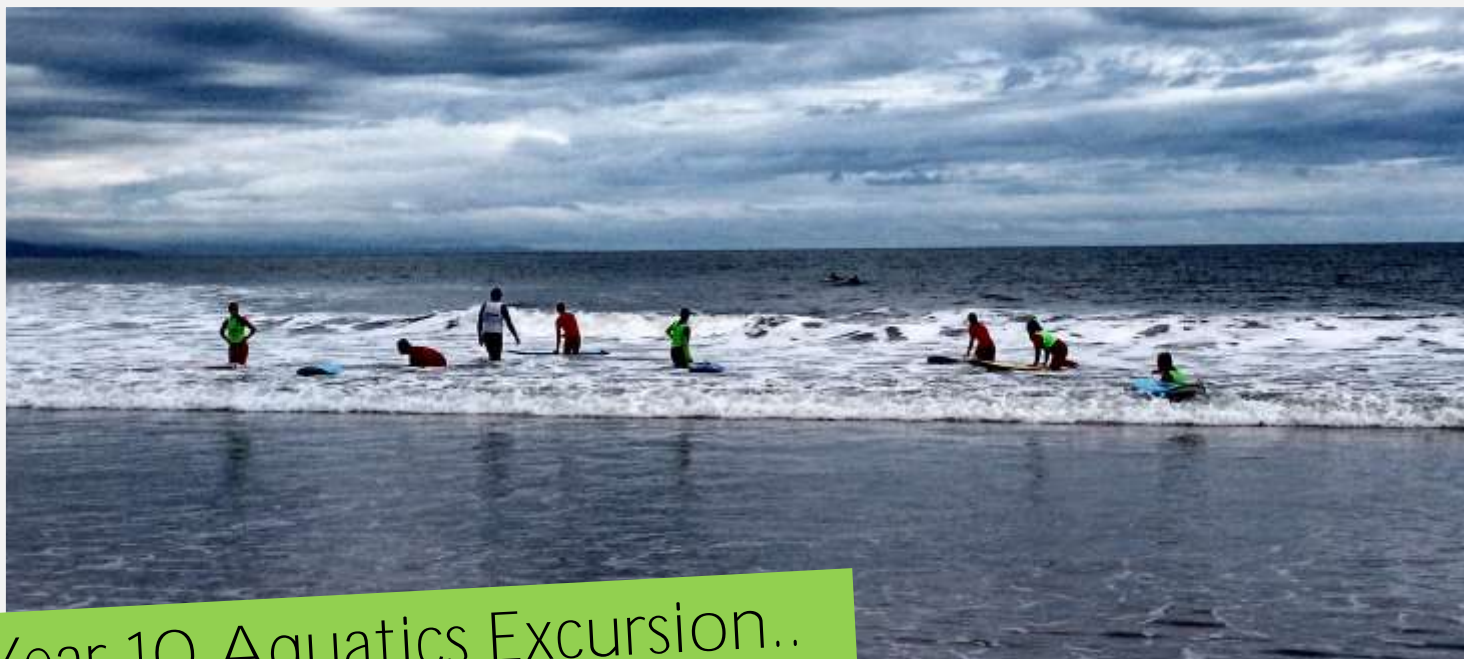
To vote for their favourite contestant they are able to purchase 50c tokens.

Announcement will be made for the Judges - UHS Got Talent for 2016 Winner Audience's Favourite Performance

We thanks everyone for supporting our event and money raised will be going towards UHS facilities.

UHS Got Talent Committee- Jerry, Achie, Michael, Koby





Year 10 Aquatics Excursion..

Tuesday September 20th saw the year 10's attend the Port Noarlunga Aquatic Centre...where a "Unique and Exciting Environment" was promised, and certainly delivered as all students would attest to. The weather looked threatening but thank goodness failed to deliver. All students were offered the opportunity to participate in a morning activity, taste some local cuisine for lunch break, followed up with an afternoon activity with a hint of spring warmth. The array of activities offered by the ever popular and extremely well organised crew from Noarlunga included; kayaking, windsurfing, surfing, fishing, body boarding, wave skiing and reef walks. All wetsuits, PFD's and equipment were provided for the students. With trepidation most students attempted at least 1 activity that involved getting a "little bit wet". Most embarked on a foreign experience that I am sure will enable them to remember they have attempted some Aussie summer activity whilst attending Underdale High Aquatics. A great day was had by all.

Sue Weidemann - SSO





Rugby 7's

Well done to our Teams who competed in the Rugby 7's tournament on September 7th. The students competed in great spirit and fun was had by all. Our under 18 boys team took out second place over all and our under 16 girls took and second and third place overall. Special thanks to Mr Savvas and Mr Cirjak who coached the teams, along with Carl who took these great photos on the day!



TWILIGHT MUSIC CONCERT

WEDNESDAY 26TH OCTOBER

6:00PM for 6.30PM Start in the canteen quadrangle

Performances by:
Year Level Bands
The Rock Band
And Various
soloists/student groups

The concert is gold coin donation— food and drinks (non-alcoholic) available for purchase.
Bring a chair and
enjoy the entertainment

UNIFORM SHOP

OPEN MONDAYS 8:15AM - 9:15AM AND WEDNESDAYS 2.15PM - 3.15PM
DURING SCHOOL TERM ONLY

UNIFORM SHOP CONTACT DETAILS:

EMAIL: UNDERDALE@DEVONCLOTHING.COM.AU

PHONE: 0403 339 804 (DURING SHOP HOURS ONLY)

ONLINE ORDERING AVAILABLE THROUGH THE SCHOOL WEBSITE OR BY USING THE FOLLOWING LINK:

[HTTP://ONLINESHOP.DEVONCLOTHING.COM.AU/UNDERDALEHS](http://ONLINESHOP.DEVONCLOTHING.COM.AU/UNDERDALEHS)

BUILDING FUND

A Building Fund has been established to provide funds to assist in maintaining existing school buildings or to contribute to the construction or acquisition of new buildings on the school site in the future.

Donors can make income tax deductible donations to the fund. Any contribution to our Building Fund will be most appreciated. Please contact the school on 83018000.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES

WE HAVE BEEN SELLING A NUMBER OF ITEMS AND FUNDRAISING IS GOING TO UHS STUDENT RESOURCES.

ANY ENQUIRIES OR DONATIONS TO MS DANIEL Debbie.daniel152@schools.sa.edu.au

EVERY TUESDAY AT LUNCH AND AFTER SCHOOL IN ROOMS 14 AND 16. ALL ITEMS ARE WASHED AND PRICED INDIVIDUALLY.