FROM THE PRINCIPAL…….

RECENT CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Our School Assembly on Wednesday 18th May was a great celebration highlighting how well many of our students are doing in their learning programs. Students in each year level were recognised by subject teachers for their outstanding work ethic, participation in learning and excellent behaviour. Students with outstanding school attendance records were also publically recognised and congratulated. As you are fully aware students need to attend school regularly to reach their full potential. Research has shown that there is a far greater chance of students becoming early school leavers as a result of irregular attendance and engagement in learning. We need to continue to work together in partnership to help students understand the importance of being at school to ensure continuity of learning and a sense of achievement. We must account for the whereabouts of our students daily and we seek your support in providing the school with explanations for absences. Please contact the Home Group teacher if you wish to discuss your child’s attendance.

REPORT COLLECTION AND PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

In the first week of this term we held a Term 1 Student Report Collection evening. We were really pleased how this evening went as many conversations were held between parents and teachers about their child’s report. Our teachers were available in the school gymnasium and a great many parents took the opportunity to discuss their child’s progress with subject teachers. Thank you to those parents who were able to take advantage of this opportunity. We were pleased with the evening and hope you continue to keep in contact with us about your child’s learning.

GOVERNING COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Our school’s Governing Council wishes to acknowledge and congratulate the following student for achieving high standards in his personal area of interest. Liam Bekric, a year 10 student, has been selected to participate in the Rio De Janeiro Paralympics in swimming. We wish him all the best in the upcoming months with his training program. In week 7, Student Voice are organising a casual day to raise funds to support our Paralympians.
**Year 11 Exams**

Year 11 Exams will be held in Week 8 this term. Students who have not completed the PLP or have not gained a “C” for the compulsory Literacy and Numeracy subjects will be required at school during the lessons where they do not have exams to gain a satisfactory level of completion of the required work. Details of the exam schedule and catch up sessions will be emailed to all Year 11 Students and Parents of Year 11’s with email addresses registered at the school.

**NAPLAN**

The National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy Testing for students in year 9 took place in Week 2, from Tuesday 10th to Thursday 12th May. In term 3 we will receive the results and forward them to you for all year 9 students. These tests involve long periods of concentration and we were very impressed with the responsible and cooperative attitude and behaviour our year 9 students displayed.

**HOW CAN UNIFORM SUPPORT LEARNING?**

As the thermometers take a sudden dive and we all start to pull on an extra layer of cover, it is time to dig out or perhaps replace school jumpers, windcheaters and rain jackets, and check that long pants still fit those ever-growing legs. Our uniform policy is developed and regularly revised by a group of students, parents and teachers, with the aim of providing an affordable range of items in which students can be comfortable, safe and free to focus on their learning. Uniform creates a sense of belonging and pride in the school which contributes to a settled, focused learning environment. Students and parents have regular opportunities to give feedback to the uniform committee to ensure our policy is responsive and inclusive.

Please be reminded that jumpers, windcheaters, dresses and skirts are special school items that can be bought through the school uniform shop, while white shirts, grey pants and plain, black rain jackets can be purchased from any generic uniform provider, such a department stores.

**Electronic Device In-class Policy**

The Governing Council recently supported the school with some slight changes to our Electronic Devices Policy. Whilst appreciating the role of electronic devices as an effective teaching tool, we also acknowledge that at times they can be misused and a distraction from the learning environment. The changes to the policy in essence say that, all electronic devises should be turned off before entering the classroom (Phones, tablets, laptops etc) until such a time as required by the teacher, or as negotiated by the student with the teacher. The teacher managing the learning environment may confiscate the item if it is being used without permission or inappropriately, to be returned according to the guidelines in the policy. To view the policy in detail, please go to the Underdale High School website or follow the link below.

STUDENT VOICE COUNCIL

The Student Voice Council (SVC), are meeting three times a term with a number of students representing student voice on a number of school committees.

At each meeting SVC representatives share any suggestions raised by the student body and this is followed up with School Leadership. It is also important that not only student voice members but also the staff members and students around the school raise any issues that they think would further improve the school.

This year the Student Voice Council will be collaborating with the Governing Council, School Leadership and the student body to focus on achieving the following goals:

- Improving the reputation of Underdale High School and increase community involvement; a goal that we have already began to work on. On our Open Day, several student voice representatives, were involved in guiding the tours around the school. Parents were very engaged and impressed with our school.
- Promoting & Keeping UHS beautiful and giving our full support to improving the facilities of our school e.g. more outside : cover, seats, bins, etc.
- Achieving a target of $1500 with our fundraisers.
- Keeping Underdale Beautiful (KUB) is an environmental protection program initiated by Ms Marwitz in 2014. Through the KUB program, our garden beds around the oval and technology classrooms have been thriving with beautiful flowers and herbs. This year, we intend to continue to support this program.

We are looking forward to working with every student on those goals this year!

Please contact us or any other members of the Student Voice Council if you have any ideas or questions.

Jiayi Litten - School Captain and Fatemeh Askari – School Vice-Captain

Upcoming Fundraising Events: for the Paralympics in celebrating and supporting Liam Bekric’s selection for swimming.

- Non Uniform Day with a Sports/ Olympic Theme Gold Coin Donation
  When: Thursday 9th June (week 6)
- Hot Dog Sale at lunchtime (costs announced closer to the event)
  When: Thursday 7th July (week 10)

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES

Where: Office between Rm 14 & 16

Donations of UHS uniform items are greatly appreciated

The uniform working party –
Jemma, Eleni, Melinda & Jasmine are very busy getting organised for the opening on 14th June - Week 7

All items are washed & will be individually priced

Opening times for this term are: Tuesday Lunch & Tuesday 3.15 – 4pm
Year 9 Greek Excursion

On Tuesday 18th of May, the Greek language class went on an excursion to the Central Market and Festival Theatre foyer. At the Central Market the students had to complete activities that related to the food topic we were studying in class. These activities challenged their thinking because some had to be completed in Greek.

After lunch we caught the tram back to North Terrace where we visited the Festival Theatre Foyer. There we saw a free exhibition of life size replicas of statues and friezes from the Parthenon on Acropolis hill, which is in residence for 100 days.

The students, Mrs Pyromallis and I had an enjoyable day!

Marina Profiris
On the 13\textsuperscript{th} of May students from Underdale High School participated in a Physics excursion to launch rockets. This was the culmination of many months of theory, practical calculations and various permissions from leading South Australian bodies. Many local councils were involved as well as the Civil Aviation Authority. Underdale High School’s proximity to the Adelaide airport meant that launching was not possible from this site. Many sites were taken into consideration with the ideal location being the Clipsal 500 Race track due to the wide open spaces and the lack of air traffic through this area. The Adelaide City Council granted special dispensation giving Underdale High School a special permit for the day. Conditions could not have been better with clear skies and a lack of wind.

The maximum allowable height of the Rockets was 50 metres. The Civil Aviation Safety Authority enabled the diversion of air traffic around the track whilst the rockets were launched. Some rockets could attain a maximum height of 1000 m so to reduce the maximum height the students performed a problem solving activity to place specific plasticine weights inside the rocket. This was a direct application of Newton’s three laws. The resulting video footage provided some interesting outcomes that made great discussion points.

After the rocket launches, the students walked to the University of Adelaide to a 3-D visualisation laboratory. This was followed by 3 guest speakers; (Peter Veitch/Paul Jackson and Andree Mackinnon) world leaders in their field of physics i.e. the discovery of Gravity Waves and also the discovery of the Hick’s Bosson particle. Lunch followed and was in the University hub. The day concluded with the famous physics experiment by Huygens (wave propagation) that took place on the University footbridge. The excursion was a great success having many learning outcomes. A special thanks goes to the Adelaide City Council, Civil Aviation Authority, University of Adelaide as well as the staff from Underdale High School who made this possible.

ENVIRONMENT
GREEN TEAM
Recently four members of our new Green Team visited Bunnings Warehouse Mile End. Again, Bunnings Warehouse had offered to support our gardening efforts and very generously donated a range of established native plants. These have now been planted in our garden beds which as a result have clearly recovered from looking a little tired. We like to acknowledge Bunnings generosity with a big Thank you!

KUB TEAM
KEEP UNDERDALE BEAUTIFUL
Students from Ms Bag’s Year 8 class and also some Year 9 students, form our KUB team this year. When rostered on for a week, KUB team students are looking after our yard areas and collecting all recyclables (bottles, cans, cardboard containers). Most students at Underdale are using our collecting stations when disposing of empty drink containers, supporting our KUB team. We are proud of the fact that we send only a very few overlooked recyclables to landfill, while at the same time pursuing the goal to have a litter free school. All of our students can be congratulated on their environmental attitudes, not just paying lip service to being environmentally responsible.
Ingeborg Marwitz

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
Jimmy O’Connor in Year 11 recently took part in the Golden Gavel School’s Auction Idol competition for 2016. Each student conducts an auction for a property of their choice in their internal school heat. The highest point scorer becomes school representative and subsequently goes on to participate in the State School Auction Idol heats where the top 6 compete in the final. The competition encourages young people in their public speaking abilities by giving them the opportunity to present themselves in a different context. This year, 48 participants from across the state participated and Jimmy was one of two public school students selected for the final. He performed very well, demonstrating his keen sense of humour and natural confidence. "The preparation required to perform in front of an audience was quite intensive," said Jimmy, "but it taught me a lot about the real estate industry and auctioneering in particular." Although he didn’t take out the top prize, he received excellent feedback from his mentor, Con Papas from Tanner Real Estate; "It was an absolute pleasure coaching Jimmy over the last few weeks, a young man always eager to learn and apply his skills in becoming the best auctioneer he could be! He is an enormously talented individual...exuding a natural, unassuming confidence and humility to be admired! It was great seeing him mature into 1 of the top 6 young High School Auctioneers across South Australia!" Congratulations Jimmy on your excellent representation of Underdale High School.

JIMMY O’CONNOR
On Tuesday 10\textsuperscript{th} May, Underdale High School Girls played in the 5-A-Side football knockout competition. The team included: Ana Lekic, Maddie Caldow, Tiarna Kelly, Manamen Sumaoro, Erin Murphy, Angela Scriva, Serena Swithenbank, Mulky Abdi and Zahara Abdulwahab. Their first game was against Islamic College and unfortunately they lost 4 – 2, with Tiarna and Manamen both scoring one goal each.

Next they played against Henley High and Underdale won 3 - 0, with Manamen scoring 2 goals and Ana one.

The final game for the round was against St George College and the girls had a convincing win, 11—0. Unfortunately the girls lost in the final 3 – 4 with Ana, Manamen and Tiarna each scoring one goal. Well done to all the girls for their outstanding efforts and they have now qualified for the State Finals. Congratulations!!!
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.

THE NEW 2016/17 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE COMING SOON

We're very excited to be fundraising with Entertainment™ this year. You can order your NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Book or Digital Membership from us today, and 20% of the proceeds contribute towards our school fundraising projects.

Pre-order yours ONLINE today and receive an extra $170 in bonus vouchers that you can start using straight away.

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Books will be available for collection from the front office in April.

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Call us now for an appointment!
Marleston Community Dental Clinic Phone: 7501 6700

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Mondays 8.30-9.30am
and
Wednesdays 2.15-3.15pm