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From our Principal, Mr David Harriss

Experience success!

It is with great pleasure that I write to you for the first time in 2021.

The start of the year has certainly been hectic for all of our students and staff with 75% of our school out of commission with the building works. I must say that I am very pleased by the manner in which our students and staff have shown resilience and flexibility around the physical spaces in which we have had to hold our classes. The focus has continued to remain on high impact teaching and learning strategies. Last week we were able to re-access the Knowledge corridor, giving us nine modern, high quality teaching spaces back and four offices back. Students and staff have revelled in learning spaces that are full of natural light, spacious and equipped with modern technology. It certainly has whet our appetite for the release of the Courage corridor (Science wing) which will also house our new Student Services centre. By the start of next term, we should have access to the new Creative Arts centre and Canteen, redeveloped Gymnasium and new Human Physical Performance centre, refurbished Automotive centre and new Metalwork shop, and the refurbished Furniture Construction building. It is a very exciting time! Please visit our Facebook page to keep up to date on current developments and photos.



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Calendar Dates

Term 1

Week 7

Monday 8th March
- Public Holiday

Week 8

Monday 15th March
- Year 12 Aquatics

Tuesday 16th March
- Year 12 Aquatics
- Governing Council

Wednesday 17th March
- Year 12 Aquatics

Thursday 18th March
- Year 11 Aquatics

Friday 19th March
- Year 11 Aquatics

Week 9

Monday 22nd March
- Open Day

Tuesday 23rd March
- Principal Tour

Week 10

Monday 29th March
- Principal Tour

Tuesday 30th March
- Principal Tour

Week 11

Friday 9th April
- Last Day of Term 1
- Early Dismissal at 2:10pm



I mentioned our focus on high impact teaching and learning strategies. In 2021, our Site Improvement Plan continues to target increasing student progress and achievement in Reading and Mathematics, and compliments these goals with increasing student progress and achievement in their grades, particularly in the A and B grade bands. Our Reading goal will target students being successful in increasing their vocabulary and comprehension, honing their skills and abilities in not only learning to read texts of increasing complexity, but to continue developing their ability in reading to learn. Our Mathematics goal will target students ability to understand the flexible concept of number (such as 50%, a half and 0.5, whilst looking different, all represent the same number), and their use of Mathematics language to explain to others the maths processes they use to solve problems (this may be you!) Our Grades improvement goal is targeting students' ability to understand what they are learning (and why), how they are doing (and how do they know), how they can improve, and where they can go to for help (this may also be you!) Each newsletter we will give you an update on how we are succeeding in these areas.

2021 is also about preparing to welcome Year 7 students into our family at Underdale High School. This year we have appointed leaders and teachers who have knowledge and experience in a Year 7 setting (either in a Primary School or R-12 School setting). Ms Melitta Kay is our Year 7 Leader and will be working with our feeder Primary Schools to help prepare our school for the Year 7's, and their Year 7's for our school. She will also be working with our Curriculum Team to plan our Junior Secondary Curriculum package. Mr John Katavatis, our Year 8 Leader, has been recruited from Flinders Park Primary school. Tahnee Manual, our Personalised Learning Leader came from Clapham Primary School, Mr Cornel Trifu from a primary School setting on Kangaroo Island and several of our other new appointments in 2021 have had opportunities to teach in a Year 7 setting. We have also appointed four Primary teachers through the Year 7 to High School program who will start in 2022 and get some specialised training this year in preparation (see article in Advertiser Friday 26th March). I believe we are very well prepared for the arrival of the Year 7's and that this combined experience will have a very positive impact on the other year levels in our Junior Secondary cohort.



MS MELITTA KAY
YEAR 7 LEADER



COURAGE 2021 SPORTS DAY CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to Mr Josh Hilditch and his team for another fantastic Sports Day (Josh's first leading the team). As usual, the team spirit and unity that the whole school displayed was evident. Congratulations to Courage for their well deserved victory, however the reality is that everyone was a winner on the day!

All the best until next time!



YEAR 12 REVISION



Wk 1: 13 - 15 Apr, Wk 2: 20 - 22 Apr
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UPDATING EMAILS / ADDRESS / MOBILE PHONE

For any changes to your personal details please either email the school at dl.0965.info@schools.sa.edu.au, or contact the front office on 8301 8000.

This assists the school to contact you in the event of an emergency and helps us keep you updated on all events and news.

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Join us at our Open Day

Monday 22nd March
4.00pm - 7.00pm



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COVID CHECK-IN

As of Monday 8th February all Metropolitan Schools have been given a QR Code.

On arrival to the school, all visitors must check into the front office and scan the QR Code.

Year 7 to HS 2022

At Underdale High School we are very excited to be preparing for our Year 7 students to be joining us in 2022. We have successfully recruited several experienced primary school teachers who have a Year 7 teaching background to come to UHS to teach our Year 7s. Our students and transition team have begun our visits to your child's primary school to talk to them about high school and answer any questions they may have. Finally, our \$20 million building works are progressing well and will be completed later this year ready for your child's orientation visits to our site in Term 4. Please join us at the upcoming Open Day, March 22nd 4pm-7pm to explore our facilities upgrade so far and meet our Principal, David Harriss.

Lee Knight
Deputy Principal

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SPORTS DAY

On Tuesday 23rd February, Underdale High School's annual Sports Day carnival was held at SA Athletics Stadium. The weather was perfect for a day of track and field events, as students competed throughout the day to earn points for their house. The day began with students competing in team events to earn some early points for their houses and then followed by track and field events commencing in the middle part of the day. The day concluded with plenty of noise with the tug of war battles and relay races as each house pushed themselves to earn important points before the conclusion of the carnival. Well done to all students who participated on the day and a big thank you to all staff who assisted with officiating events and helped with the running of the carnival. **Congratulations** to **COURAGE** for taking out this year's championship!

RESULTS

Spirit Award:

RESILIENCE – 131 POINTS

COURAGE – 30 POINTS

OPTIMISM – 21 POINTS

Middle School Trophy:

COURAGE – 1140 POINTS

OPTIMISM – 1028 POINTS

RESILIENCE – 849 POINTS

Senior School Trophy:

OPTIMISM – 653 POINTS

COURAGE – 602 POINTS

RESILIENCE – 581 POINTS

Overall Championship:

COURAGE – 1742 POINTS

OPTIMISM – 1681 POINTS

RESILIENCE – 1430 POINTS

Year Level Champions

Congratulations to the following students who accumulated the most points in the year level in boys and girls competitions to win the Sports Day Champion Medals:

Year 8 – Armani Abed & Indie De Jong

Year 9 – Kaitlin Potter & Jonah Sydeham-Cheer

Year 10 – Emily Todd & Matthew Barone

Year 11 – Chelsea Robinson & Judd Panozzo

Year 12 – Aaliyah Falco & Mikeson Latona

New Records

Alusine Jalloh – Year 12 Boys Javelin – 28m

Milos Karanovic – Year 12 Boys High Jump – 1.84 ½ cm



SPORTS DAY

HOUSE Captains & Leaders

Thank you to all house captains, team managers and our very enthusiastic house leaders on organising their houses on the day.

RESILIENCE

House Captains by Year Level:

- Year 8 - Kaitlin Davern & James Gatis
- Year 9 - Phoenix Mihailov & Chantelle Hunter
- Year 10 - Fortune Adefabi & Sophie Herczeg
- Year 11 - Mannat Khosa & Aldous Ergina
- Year 12 - Sachin Kunwar & Theodora Kasimidou

Team Manager: Anthony Gatis

House Leader: Ms Videon/Woolford



OPTIMISM

House Captains by Year Level:

- Year 8 - Armani Abed & Cooper Farrelly
- Year 9 - Lara Wilson & Nick Ianella
- Year 10 - Jessica Corns & Roman Safi
- Year 11 - Mohadeseh Morad Ali & Khairullah Tayeeb
- Year 12 - Jasmine Reusch & Abulfazl Morad Ali
- Year 12 VC - Jovana Hinic & Isaac Lannan

Team Manager: Yesha Mana

House Leader: Mr Daddow



COURAGE

House Captains by Year Level:

- Year 8 - Indie De Jong & Nick De Felise
- Year 9 - Rykiah Welsh & Kaitlin Potter
- Year 10 - Peter Panagiotidis & Kayla Sulisty
- Year 11 - Gioia Haycroft & Will Hunton
- Year 12 - Alice Sua & Safa Gadir

Team Manager: Sini Pangiotidis

House Leader: Mr Savvas



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April 12, 13, 14

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The SA Camp, Marion features a three day coaching program for ages 5-15 from an experienced coaching panel with special guest coaches also attending

Special guests: Tilly Garrett
Laura Johns, Richard Douglas
and many more!



Join the Squad!



Demons want you! Under 14 boys born 2007, spots still available in teams! Come and join one of the junior squads here at the Demon Dome!

Location: Lockleys Football Club

Merlinde Fardone - Lockleys Junior President 0423348449

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What's new in the Library

Interesting Facts Display

Come and see our interesting facts display. Read all about Nicola Tesla a Serbian-American inventor, electrical engineer, mechanical engineer, and futurist best known for his contributions to the design of the modern alternating current (AC) electricity supply system.



Library Book Challenge Competition

Don't forget to join the competition. All entry forms are located at the library service desk.

Ms Rowberry's Art Class Display of Pop Art

Pop Art is a movement that emerged in the mid-20th century in which artists incorporated commonplace objects such as comic strips, soup cans, newspapers, and more into their work. Come and see this fantastic display here in the library.



The Premier's Reading Challenge

Join the Underdale High School Reading Challenge, entry forms available from the library.



UHS Book Club Forum

All students are invited to join the UHS Book Club online to discuss the books you are currently reading.



YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL



Parent Update Week 5, Term 1 – 2021

Preparing for year 7 in high school in 2022

This year marks the start of a new phase for our education system, as we finalise our preparations to welcome your year 6 or year 7 child to high school in 2022.

Schools are working incredibly hard to ensure they are prepared for the move of year 7 to high school. As a department, we are making sure that your school has all the support they need to make this transition smooth and successful for you and your child.

This is a special year for students

It is a unique year, as year 6 and year 7 students will for the first and only time end their primary school journey together.

We want your child to have a positive experience in their final year of primary school. We understand the importance of rites of passage, such as graduation ceremonies, and our primary schools will do their very best to make this a memorable occasion for both year 6 and year 7 students.

Enrolling in high school for 2022

This year, families of year 6 and year 7 students will both be applying for and enrolling in high school through the department's statewide transition process.

You will receive details from your primary school early this year about how to apply for and enrol in your local public high school, so I encourage you to keep an eye out for this key information.

If you are unsure of which high school zone you live in, you can use the 'Find a school' tool on the department's website at www.education.sa.gov.au

Engaging with your new school

There may be opportunities for you to connect with your child's new high school before next year.

Schools will generally have open days, information sessions or principal tours for prospective families to learn about the unique programs, systems and offerings of the high school.

As the situation with COVID-19 continues to change, schools will operate in line with the latest SA Health advice, which may mean alternate and innovative ways to engage. This might include activities such as virtual tours and online webinars. I encourage you to explore how to engage with your local high school by visiting their website or social media pages, or contacting the school directly.

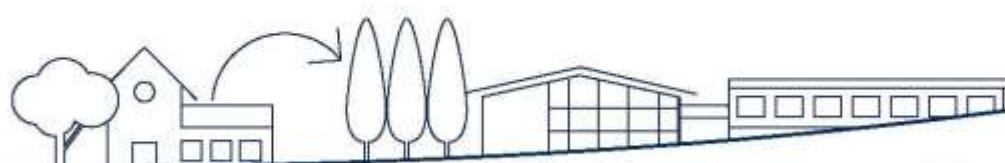
We are working together

The move of year 7 to high school is a big change for you and your child. 2021 is going to be a busy year of preparation by our public education system and schools across the state. As a parent, you can feel confident in knowing that we are working together at every level to make the move a success.

Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: Year7toHS@sa.gov.au





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