

From our Principal, Ms Mary-Lou Michael

Dear carers & families,

As we near the end of the year for our senior students, we cannot stress enough the importance of a positive mindset, **optimism**, and **resilience**, when things don't go as planned, and being brave to have the **courage** to ask for help because **knowledge** always comes with perseverance. We encourage all students at Underdale High School to ask for help when they don't understand. Having the confidence to ask for help takes courage, no one has the right answers all the time, and we all learn best from our mistakes. We also learn from others. We encourage students at UHS to work with their peers, collaborate and discuss ideas and questions. We ask all our students to avoid procrastination, the best time to complete work, is now. Also seek to find balance as you prepare for assignments, look after your health, exercise regularly to stay fit, sleep, and eat healthy home prepared meals when you can.

Student Leadership and Student Agency

The OECD Future of Education and Skills 2030, Conceptual Learning Framework, Student Agency, explains that when students are 'agents' in their learning, they are more likely to have learned how to learn. They are also more likely to be engaged and acquire the skills needed to adapt cognitively and emotionally to overcome adversity and to thrive in challenging times. This doesn't mean 'student autonomy' or even



'student choice' on everything. It is not self-interest or isolated to simply whatever a student wants. Student agency in learning is where students are given opportunities to decide on their own procedures, or lead decision making in the co-construction of their own learning and adults are responsive to how they learn.

We do also want our students to be actively involved in school decisions through their leadership structures and classes. Students have recently provided feedback during homegroup on the UHS Policies. Students will also respond and support a process developing our Mission and Values statements. Our student **Learning Area Prefects** have been observing classrooms during Instructional Rounds, and asking students; what they are learning, how do they know, and where do they go for help? They have gathered feedback that they are sharing with teachers. I was fascinated when hearing that students had all met recently and discussed the responses to the question; where do I go for help? Our students observed, "All the students are saying, 'the teacher'! What other question can we ask?" Well of course students can ask their peers for help, they can refer to strategies the teacher may have given them, a word list, a chart or diagram, an external application, such as One Note, a text, internet link, film, or other resource. This is our work as a school as we develop self-regulated and independent learners, we will know we are successful when students know how they can do this for themselves.

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Calendar Dates TERM 4

Week 1

Tuesday 18th October
- Ice Factor Excursion

Week 2

Monday 24th October
- Yr 8 Immunisations - Second Dose
Tuesday 25th October
- Ice Factor Excursion
Wednesday 26th October
- Year 7 Meet & Greet Evening 5pm
Friday 27th October
- Last Day for Year 12's - Dress Up Day!

Week 3

Tuesday 1st November
- Ice Factor Excursion
- Principals Tour - bookings essential
- Governing Council Meeting 6pm
Friday 4th November
- Student Free Day

Week 4

Tuesday 8th November
- Ice Factor Excursion
Wednesday 9th November
- Year 9/10 Football Camp
Thursday 10th November
- Year 9/10 Football Camp
Friday 11th November
- Year 9/10 Football Camp
- Remembrance Day Assembly

Week 5

Friday 18th November
- Year 7-11 Achievement Assembly

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Professional Learning Day – Term 4 - Friday 4th November

Our professional learning day will be held in term 4. Teaching staff and some curriculum support staff will be working at the Education Development Centre to strengthen our curriculum documentation and prepare digital tasks and materials in line with the Australian Curriculum ready for 2023. Our staff will also spend half a day at Lumination located in Thebarton. We are very excited to announced that our Lumination Lab will start to be built in mid-January and should be ready by mid-February for usage by all our students. The Lab will be fitted in our Library which we are re-branding as our Learning Hub. Our Learning Area Prefects will visit the Lab in Thebarton to experience what we will be building in 2023. For more information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eglrHeggMKk&t=80s>

Technology and School Fees at Underdale High School

In the Department for Education our teaching and learning programs are funded by parent school fees. Our school fees are currently less than some local Primary schools. School fees enable us to purchase equipment and resources that support teaching and learning. We have been gradually upgrading the technology throughout the school at Underdale this year. In discussion with the Student Prefects, I recently learnt that our students are still using old textbooks. Students across the state in most secondary sites have access to digital textbooks, which provide a myriad of resources. At our recent Governing Council meeting we discussed the benefits of raising the school fees by \$50.00 to support the move to online textbooks and to further enrich our digital learning environment and support 21st century learning for our students. The Council was in agreeance, so we will proceed to communicate this to our wider school community. If you are at all concerned, please contact the school and I am happy to discuss any questions you have. You will also be invited to our next Governing Council Meeting.

Underdale High School Staffing

Workforce across the state has been complex to navigate for all of us in 2022. Some staff have had to take extensive leave for a range of reasons, and others have retired. As we settle our staff teams, I thought it timely to share some *new 2022 staff appointments and include the current leadership team, so that all are aware.

- Deputy Principal and Director of Education and School Improvement – Rachel Brennan
- Assistant Principal Senior School (Achievement & Engagement) SACE & Vet – *Claire Meatheringham
- Assistant Principal Middle Years – Whole School Teaching and Learning – Paul Davies
- Year Leader 11-12 (Achievement & Engagement) – *Rod Del Nido
- Year Leader 9-10 (Achievement & Engagement) – Jake Carrick-Smith
- Year Leader 7-8 (Achievement & Engagement) – *Alex Gilmore
- Senior Leader Whole School Literacy, English, Languages and International – *Gail Atkinson
- Senior Leader School Culture and HPE – Josh Hilditch
- Senior Leader Digital Literacies, Daily Organisation and Timetabling – Leisa Westerhof
- VET and Career Pathways Leader – *Belinda Keatley
- Maths Leader – Thamarai Vetrivelu
- Science Leader – Luigi Pilla
- Technologies Leader – Loula Dacolias
- Humanities – Melitta Kay
- Arts – Anna Nahill
- Wellbeing Leaders – Lauren De Bonno and Menas Mena
- Personalised Learning Leader – Tahnee Manual
- SACE & Timetabling support – Ian Groom

New Teachers for Term 4

- Science and Maths: *Priscilla Martinus and *Eric Padman
- English and HASS: *Andrea Selmech and *Cassandra Fenton
- Arts and Technologies Staff: *Mark McLeod, *Jenna English, *Jon Ovan, *Vivianne Wallace and *Lindy Neilson.

Some staff are filling in for short periods whilst permanent UHS staff are on leave and other teachers are supporting us with the development of new curriculum initiatives in Technologies (Media) and the Arts (Dance and Digital Arts). I would like to acknowledge the incredible work staff and students have achieved together over the year despite such adversity, uncertainty, and inconsistency. Thank you all for your work and patience as we learn and work together on our improvement journey.

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Student Success



The success of our students in a variety of ways never ceases to amaze. Our students winning the soccer in the Final recently against Rostrevor was certainly a highlight. Students singing at the Festival Centre for the Festival of Music, was a great moment. Hearing about all our students who have received

university offers is definitely very exciting news. We wish all our year 12s the very best as they use the holidays to finish work and prepare for exams. We know how significantly important this time is for you. Always reach out for support and once again well done, your perseverance will be rewarded.

Yours sincerely
Mary-Lou Michael



ARE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS UP TO DATE?

IF NOT, HEAD OVER TO OUR WEBSITE AND FORWARD YOUR LATEST DETAILS TO US

Our new system for updating details is super easy and available to you 24 hours a day.

Simply head to the 'Stay In Touch' tab on our website and click on the 'Update Student Details' sub heading and follow the prompts.

It's that easy!

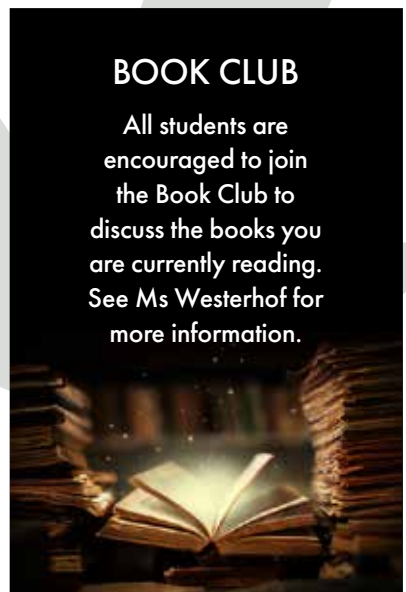
Important Notices

Notice of School Fees for 2023

All parents are invited to attend the next Governing Council Meeting on Tuesday 1st November at 6pm, to discuss the 2023 school fees as per the Materials and Services Notices below.

Underdale High School - 0965 Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2023			
Notice of Charges for Years 7 - 12			
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)	
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$30.00	
	Text Book Hire / EBook Access	\$10.00	
	Photocopied Material	\$100.00	
	SUBTOTAL (ZSPRE)	\$240.00	
	Total	\$240.00	
Essential items that are provided for the student	Essential items	\$10.00	
	Water (bottle Specific)	\$0.00	
	Water (bottle Specific)	\$0.00	
	SUBTOTAL (ZS7AT)	\$10.00	
	Total	\$10.00	
Materials and services that are provided by the school for the student to promote or use the materials or the ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Outdoor Information Technology	\$150.00	
	Access to Machinery	\$50.00	
	Access to Equipment	\$60.00	
	Art/Craft/Subject Supplies and Services	\$220.00	
	Art (bottle Specific)	\$0.00	
	Art (bottle Specific)	\$0.00	
	SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$480.00	
	Total	\$480.00	
	Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$60.00
		SUBTOTAL (ZACL)	\$60.00
Total		\$60.00	
Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)		\$760.00	

New Book Suggestions!!
We would love to see more ideas and recommendations about topics we should have in the resource centre. Please come talk to us!



BOOK CLUB

All students are encouraged to join the Book Club to discuss the books you are currently reading. See Ms Westerhof for more information.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Year 12 Students - Provisional University Offers

We the Underdale High School staff are extremely proud and excited to announce that a number of our Year 12 students have received provisional offers from The University of Adelaide and Flinders University based on their Year 11 performance. These offers are an acknowledgement of their outstanding academic performance over their time with us at Underdale.

Courses offered include a diverse range of specialities including but not limited to:

Bachelor of Health and Medical Sciences;

Bachelor of Information Technology

Bachelor of Psychology

Bachelor of Computer Science

Bachelor of Psychological Sciences

Bachelor of Engineering

Bachelor of Creative Arts



** Not all students who received an offer could be present for this photo.*

Underdale staff wish all students the best for what we are certain will be very bright futures.



Inshaal Khan - Australian National University Offer

Further to these offers we would like to congratulate Inshaal Khan on receiving an offer to study a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours at the nation's most prestigious university - The Australian National University.

Inshaal has worked incredibly hard, and we are all very proud of her and hope she is equally as proud of herself.

HIGHLIGHTS

Her Tech Path

21 September - Year 7 and 8 girls participated in a presentation by Her Tech Path. Her Tech Path's primary role is to connect students, especially young women, with careers in technology and to broaden all students understanding that these careers involve a lot more than programming and software design. Our facilitator for the day were Jennifer May, Prue Candy and Yuka Scholz. This session included a number of interactive quizzes. It was especially exciting to welcome past staff member Yuka Scholz back to Underdale High School inspiring the next generation of Tech specialists



HIGHLIGHTS

Street Smart High

Students from the year 11 and 12 auto class attended the RAA Street Smart High presentation on September 28th at the Adel Ent Centre. Students witnessed a simulated crash and how the emergency services work to save lives after motor vehicle accidents. There were also a range of guest speakers who have experienced various forms of trauma caused by motor vehicle accidents. The guest speakers were inspirational as they shared some very powerful messages. The key take away message was; we all have choices but we can not choose the consequence.

Yesterday the year 12 and 11 auto class went to the entertainment centre for street smart high, a presentation showing the effects of being in or causing a crash. We were shown just what happens after a crash, how the car is cut open to relieve a person trapped inside and how quick the first responders are to try and save someone in a crash. We also heard stories for crash survivors such as Holly Scott and Charles Brice who had horrific damage done to their bodies because of crashes. They also had guests such as Melissa McGuinness and Michael Holbrook who tragically had there sons taken away from them and how that effected there lives. All this was very depressing however a fun game of 6v6 wheelchair basketball, which I was lucky enough to take part in and score, lightened the mood. Overall, a very fun day that was very educational on the effects of a car crash and being unsafe on the road.

Chaz Thomas



Dance Excursion

On Tuesday 23rd of August, our inaugural year 9/10 dance class went to visit Australian Dance Theatre (ADT) in rehearsal at the Odeon Theatre, Norwood. The students were taken around the theatre on a tour and learnt about the history of ADT, the theatre and the many employment opportunities available in the Arts both on and off-stage in Adelaide. Following the tour, we met with the new Artistic Director, Daniel Riley who spoke to the students about their latest work 'Savage' and shared his creative process and what the new work was about. Students then watched the dancers in rehearsal, and were in awe of their talent and discipline.



HIGHLIGHTS

Science Alive Excursion

5 August - Year 10 to 12 Science students of Underdale High School attended the Women in STEM seminar at Science Alive.

The seminar provided our young women of Underdale High School the opportunity to hear from leaders in the Scientific community, such as the Chief Scientist of South Australia, Professor Caroline McMillen and the Governor of South Australia, Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC.



Year 7 to 9 Science students of Underdale High School also attended Science Alive's STEM Day Out. It gave our students a chance to engage within STEM fields in a hands-on way. Students were able to engage with young early-career scientists and engineers in a variety of workshops and interactive experiences.



Mini-Mars Mission Excursion - Student Reflections

Mikayla: "Some activities we participated in were role-playing as Astronauts. They split us into two groups. I was in the astronaut's group. They made us put on NASA suits, boots, a backpack, and astronaut helmets."

Bailey: "It was very informative, and the activities were fun. Having people talking in my ear was kind of funny and overall quite fun."

Ethan: "I really loved the mini mars mission because of how fun it was and because of the things that we learned about mars and minerals"

Kristiana: "I liked the way we had to communicate between the space control and astronauts. I also liked that in the space command control there were lots of different roles to take on and that they had a big screen so that we could see what the astronauts were doing. I learned that there are lots of different types of roles to take on as someone who works in the space profession."



Australian Space Discovery Centre Excursion

On Thursday August 4, 22 Year 7 Science students participated in the Operation: Eyes on Earth workshop at the Australian Space Discovery Centre. Students discovered what it takes to build an earth observation satellite mission through taking part in an interactive design thinking workshop. They collaborated in teams to complete challenges and tasks across 6 mission planning phases. The session provided students with a platform to commence the Andy Thomas Space Foundation Mars Challenge.



SPORTS UPDATE

Football Academy Partnership Announcement UHS Football Academy X FK Beograd

Underdale High School Football Academy and FK Beograd are excited to announce their football partnership for the 2022/23 season.

The focus of the partnership is to develop and expose young players to elite standards through shared resources, programs and knowledge.

Underdale and Beograd are committed to providing the best opportunities for players and students in the western suburbs of Adelaide and are looking forward to delivering a high standard partnership both on and off the pitch.



UHS Football Academy and Fulham United FC Women & Girls

UHS Football Academy and Fulham United FC Women & Girls are delighted to announce their football partnership for Season 2022/23.

Promoting and encouraging both beginner and advanced female footballers is at the forefront of the alliance, championing participation and excellence in the world game.

Through shared resources, programs and knowledge, UHS Football Academy and Fulham United FC are keen to expose their young women to the benefits of football both on and off the pitch.



9/10 STATE KO CHAMPIONS!!

15 September - 2-1 Extra Time victory over Rostrevor College.

With minimal recovery after the Semi Final, the boys engaged in a tense battle with Rostrevor in the Grand Final.

Nil all at both half and full time, Mr Hilditch's All Whites came to life in extra time with another quality finish from Ali M and shortly after, Amlani T.

A nery last 5 minutes saw Rostrevor peg one back but it was Underdale who secured their 12th State school title and 1st in the Year 9/10 category.

Thank you to Mr Ward, Miss Ladas and old scholars near and far who supported us on the day.



SPORTS UPDATE

Our Open Girls storm into the State KO Semi Final with a 31 August - 13-1 victory over Victor Harbour High



Year 7/8 State Futsal Finals:

30 August - BOYS STATE CHAMPS!!

GIRLS TOP 6!

Our Underdale boys have won the inaugural 7/8 State Futsal Finals- the first piece of silverware for the school this year!

After a tight group stage, the boys progressed into the final with a 4-2 W over Glenunga International.

The Final was an emphatic 11-2 victory over the ever-present Henley High.

Our girls played some crisp, thoughtful Futsal throughout the day and never gave up. They secured top 6 in the State.

Congrats to the 7/8 Academy teachers, Mr. Del Nido and Mr. DK and thank you to Mr. Ward, Miss Ladas and Mr. Hilditch for their coaching on the day.



Year 10 Officials at SAPSASA Carnival:

23 August - Our Year 10 Football students are putting their Referee credentials into action this week as they officiate the Year 6 Metro SAPSASA Football Carnival.

Our boys and girls are learning to independently manage games, players, coaches and spectators in wintery conditions.

All are doing a fantastic job, representing and promoting the Academy with aplomb.



Year 9/10 Girls KO QF:

16 August - Our girls bowed out of the State KO competition with a galant performance against western foe Henley High.

Despite creating numerous chances, Mr Morris' team couldn't match the clinical efforts at the other end.

Well done to the team for their courage and resilience in playing with heart til the final whistle.

Thank you also to Ruby and Freja for their most excellent officiating.



Open Boys KO Quarter Finals:

9 August - Blue skies were the highlight of the day as our Open Boys crashed out of the State KO competition.

Despite a 4-1 win over hosts Gleeson College, a late 1-2 loss to Roma Mitchell ended our campaign as Roma had also beaten Gleeson in the earlier fixture.

Thank you to Mr.DK and Mr.Del Nido for their efforts with the senior boys.



