



From the Principal



Future Schools Alliance

It is my pleasure to announce that Valley View Secondary School has recently become a member of the Future Schools Alliance (FSA).

The FSA is a group of like-minded member schools, committed to significantly improving the lives of young people around the world by transforming our education system.

Based on proven methodologies and supported by the latest research, the FSA provides guidance and professional support to School Leadership Teams on the specifics of HOW to transform existing well functioning schools into unique, future focused learning communities. The collaborative process is guided by current and former Principals, themselves experienced in the implementation of successful innovation in schools, with the aim of genuinely equipping all students for times of exponential change.

Camps

We have had a couple of very successful camps in the past 2 weeks. Week 4 saw Year 8 students venture to Victor Harbor for their annual camp participating in aquatics, hiking and lawn bowling activities. Feedback from the students was very positive as was feedback received from the local community about the students' behaviour. Well done! Thanks to teachers Rob Loiolo, Jess Macdonald, Jess Sparks and Andrew Clarke for their organisation and care of the students.

Year 12 students attended their inaugural camp in week 5, venturing to the Woodhouse Activity Centre at Piccadilly in the Adelaide Hills. Teachers Dani Fattori and Tom Rose superbly organised the camp based on leadership skills and career pathways. Again feedback from the students was positive with all students being challenged by 'Challenge Hill' and Laser Skirmish! We have booked the camp again for 2019 Year 12 students.

Greg Cox

OPEN NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH

6:00 – 7:30 pm

A CULTURE OF HIGH EXPECTATIONS



Newsletter No. 2 March 2018

Diary Dates

Term 1

Tuesday 6 March

Senior Boys Cricket

Friday 9 March

Sports Day Carnival

Monday 12 March

Public Holiday—Adelaide Cup

Tuesday 13 March

Student Free Day

Staff Training & Development Day

Wednesday 14 March

Open Night 6:00pm—7:30pm

Tuesday 20 March

Year 10 Big Day In

Wednesday 21 March

Harmony Day

Finance Meeting 6:00pm

Governing Council Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday 28 March

Santos Sports Day

Reporting Student Absence

If your child is absent from school please contact Valley View Secondary School on 8360 6111 before 9am to let us know a reason for the absence. If your child is marked unexplained for Homegroup and we have not been notified, a text message will be sent to the first Parent/Caregiver's mobile number as recorded in our student database. This text message can only be replied to within 24 hours before the number is deactivated. Please use the student diary for signing students in late or leaving early from school and please contact the front office to complete an Exemption Form if your child/ren will be absent for more than 5 consecutive days.

Term Dates—2018

Term 1 29th January—13th April

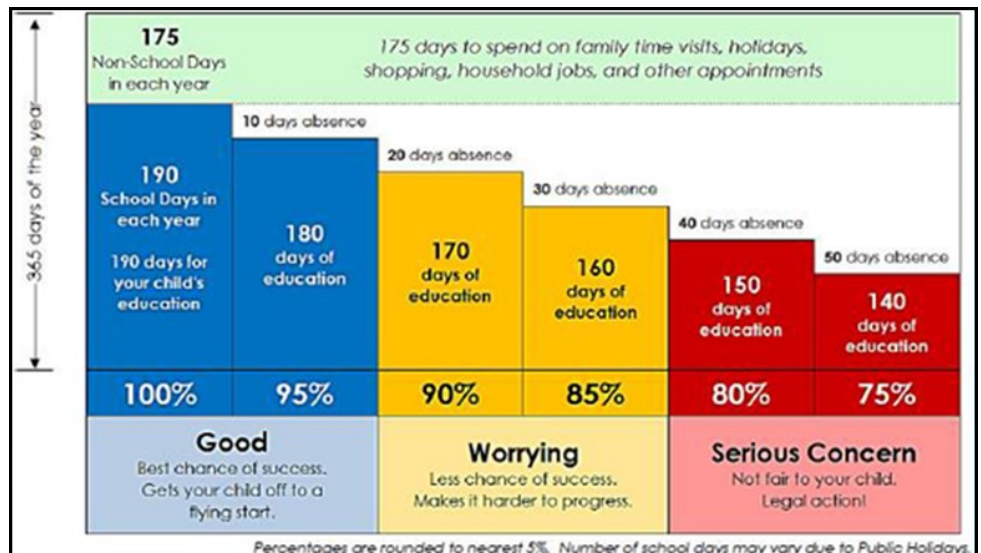
Term 2 30th April—6th July

Term 3 23rd July—28th September

Term 4 15th October—14th December

Attendance and Lateness

Attendance and lateness still is a concern for some of our students. DECD have a target of 95% attendance across the board for all students. Valley View Secondary School has only been at 85% for the past 3 years. The chart below indicates the impact absence has on students and so support in getting your child to school each day is appreciated.



Year 8 Camp



We went to Toc H Camp at Victor Harbor on Monday, February 19th until Wednesday the 21st. While at Victor Harbor we did aquatics on the first day and half of the second day. On the second day we also went for a hike around Granite Island and looked at the scenic view. On the final day we learnt how to play lawn bowls and explored the recreational area of the beach side. While we were participating in these activities we made many new friends amongst our year level, we spoke to people who we wouldn't normally have spoken to and were involved in many new activities and developing new skills. We returned back to school and have continued to develop the friendships that we started on the camp.

Dylan Taylor and Tazlyn Young
Year 8 Students



Year 12 Retreat



Late last year, students gave us some great feedback and suggested a way to improve their schooling was to have a Year 12 Retreat. In week 5 most students studying Year 12 headed off to Woodside Activity Centre to develop some valuable skills. The two day camp consisted of sessions based on team building and leadership as well as career development. Students also worked in teams for activities including 'Challenge Hill' and Laser Skirmish. The camp was such a great success a booking has already be made for the 2019 Year 12 cohort. I would like thank all the students who came along and participated. Many Woodhouse staff spoke highly of our students in the way they conducted themselves throughout the camp.

Ms Danielle Fattori
Year 12 Co-ordinator



**COME & TRY - KICK & CATCH NIGHT
FOR ALL AGES FROM U10s to U18s & SENIORS
THURS 15TH MARCH @ 6:30PM**

**@ MODBURY OVAL
Hazel Grove, Ridgehaven**

**FEMALE
FOOTY
@ MFC**

**NEW
PLAYERS
WELCOME
TO BRING A
FRIEND**

**MODBURY
HAWKS**
est. 1862



**For more information contact Julie 0417 841 965
or Paul 0417 845 730 www.modburyhawks.org.au**



Could \$500 help you with high-school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

- laptops & tablets
- specialist subjects
- uniforms & shoes
- books & supplies
- sports fees & gear
- camp & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, be at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.



Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

Contact
Michelle Macarthy
your local Saver Plus
Coordinator
Phone
0409 986 245
Email
Michelle.Macarthy@thesmithfamily.com.au
Web
www.saverplus.org.au

TRUST • RESPECT • UNITY

TRU

TAEKWONDO

A division of Chung Do Kwan Taekwondo SA

Are you looking for an activity for your family that is fun, develops fitness, strength, self-esteem and social skills, and will not cost you a fortune?

Then come and check out TRU Taekwondo.

We are a family owned and operated club in Golden Grove, with fully qualified instructors we pride ourselves on providing an environment that teaches the traditional skills/art of Taekwondo, while developing confidence, strength and self-defence skills.

We offer 2 FREE lessons to see if you like the sport, and we have special start-up packages to help you get started.

For more info ring 0407 722 730, checkout us out on Facebook or have a look at our website (trutaekwondo.com.au).



Government of South Australia
Department for Education and
Child Development

International Education Services

Department for Education and Child Development
T/A South Australian Government Schools CRICOS Provider Number: 00018A