

From the Principal



OPEN NIGHT

On Wednesday 3 March, VVSS hosted an Open Night for prospective parents. The evening saw over 140 people enter our gates.

As a school community we are exceptionally proud of our 47 students who attended in various capacities to support staff preparation,

organisation and delivery of information to parents including assisting in parent tours. The sense of comradery, leadership, participation and intuition was overwhelmingly evident.

A special acknowledgement goes to Steph Grice (Year 12 House Captain) and Neyon Heard (Year 12) who MC'd the evening with parents commenting on their professionalism and quality of the delivery of their message.

This illustrates the many opportunities where students can use their entrepreneurial, leadership and communication skills to demonstrate school pride and make a difference to their learning environment.



END OF TERM 1 REPORTS

This year, Term 1 reports will be personally handed to students on Friday 12 April at the end of the day with dismissal time remaining the same at 2:05pm.

Any reports not collected on the day will be available for collection from the front office. All reports will be published on DayMap where parents and students will have access to a digital copy.

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Diary Dates

Term 1 2019

Friday 12 April

Last day of Term 1

Early Dismissal 2.05pm

Term 2 2019

Monday 29 April

Student Free Day

Staff Professional Learning

Tuesday 30 April

First day of Term 2

Wednesday 8 May

Parent / Teacher Interviews

2.45pm—7.30pm

Wednesday 8 May—Friday 10 May

Aquatics Year 10 Outdoor Pursuits

Friday 10 May

Year 10/11 Careers & Employment Expo

Wednesday 22 May

Finance Meeting 6.00pm

Governing Council Meeting 7.00pm

Monday 27 May—Friday 31 May

Reconciliation Week

Reporting Student Absence

If your child is absent please contact Valley View Secondary School on 8360 6172 before 9am to provide a brief reason for the absence (eg illness or family). If your child is marked unexplained for Lesson 1 and we have not been notified, a text message will be sent to the first Parent/Caregiver's mobile. If you anticipate that your child will be absent for more than 5 consecutive days an Exemption Form needs to be completed. These can be obtained from the Front Office.

Term Dates—2019

Term 1 29 January—12 April

Term 2 29 April—5 July

Term 3 22 July—27 September

Term 4 14 October—13 December

From the Principal (cont.)

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

We warmly welcome parents to meet with their child's teachers Term 2 on Wednesday 8 May from 2:45pm until 7:30pm.

This year we will be using an on-line platform for booking times. This will avoid potential clashes, cater for families with more than 1 student and will assist with a smooth running schedule.

Information about how to book on-line and other organisation aspects of the evening will be sent home to families at the beginning of Term 2.

Ms Yvette Swaalf

Vacancy—Canteen Manager

Valley View Secondary School Governing Council is seeking applications for a Canteen Manager commencing Term 2 2019.

For a position description and how to apply please contact the school office on 8360 6111.

Applications are to be emailed to yvette.swaalf931@schools.sa.edu.au by close of business Friday 12 April 2019.

Role description – Canteen Manager

Your role

- Manage and run the VVSS canteen on school days to become a viable, successful business
- Provide an opportunity for students to learn and practice their hospitality skills
- Assist student to develop practical small business skills
- Ensure the day to day financial, operational, staffing and marketing management of the canteen is carried out
- Ensure the canteen provides a varied, nutritious menu to the whole community in line with the DfE Healthy Eating Guidelines
- Supervise students employed to assist in the canteen
- Supervise community and student volunteer canteen helpers

ICT Department

We are seeing an alarming increase in pirated content being stored and or distributed by students participating in our Laptop programme. We request that families have a conversation around piracy and distribution of content with their children using school devices and to perhaps check for any collections on devices and how children came into possession of said collections if any are found.

Part of the Laptop agreement that's signed by parents and students states that

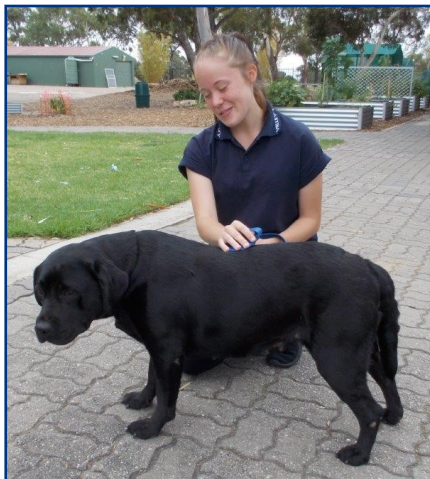
- NO PIRACY or PIRATING SOFTWARE and NO ILLEGAL DOWNLOADS
- Using any YouTube to MP3 converter websites to capture music and videos is Piracy
- Apps/music are appropriately purchased/licensed and do not breach copyright laws (including downloads of music/videos)
- Programs are morally and ethically acceptable and do not promote any form of discrimination
- Programs do not interfere with the functioning of the laptop in regards to speed, storage, battery life or the school network
- Network Games and ad-hoc networks are banned – (tethering of a mobile phone is also considered Ad-hoc)
- Please ask ICT staff if there are any doubts or questions

As pirated content is discovered on student devices, it will be deleted. If students continue to download pirate content or media from the Internet or via shared USB drives take home rights will be revoked and disable USB access at a hardware level to stem this ongoing issue.

Mr Craig Raines
ICT Manager

Wellbeing Corner

Labs'n'Life



Labs 'n Life purpose is to encourage young people to make positive life decisions through active participation in the obedience training of Labrador Retrievers to work as assistance dogs within the community.

The workshops have been developed for students with the purpose of providing an opportunity for young learners to build their understanding and life skills around; knowledge, confidence, respect, trustworthiness, caring/responsible attitudes, and socialisation.

Commencement of the program was on Tuesday 12 February, and staff and students have had a positive response so far with lots of smiles, laughter and puppy cuddles.

The sessions are run by a Labs'n Life instructor under the supervision of Valley View Secondary School staff and the group

will continue to run until the end of the Term with potential to continue into Term 2.

Thank you all for your ongoing support and for the staff that are out there with our students each week.

Mr Jamie Maniero
Student Wellbeing Leader



HOOPS 4 Life

The HOOPS 4 Life Program promotes the wellbeing of children and young people by inspiring, engaging and empowering them through the game of basketball. The program is designed to educate young people (as well as the broader community) on the skills that can be developed through basketball (HOOPS).

Through their involvement in the program participants will learn how to develop, enhance and maintain:

- Effective communication skills
- Problem solving & decision making skills
- Motivation, habits, conditions & attitudes.
- Goal setting skills
- Emotional control

The program will run on Friday afternoon's from 1.30 pm until 3.00pm for Term 1 and 2.

HOOPS4LIFE will be on site at Valley View Secondary School and students will be guided by a fully qualified instructor and coach, Tony More.

Mr Jamie Maniero
Student Wellbeing Leader



CURRICULUM FOCUS: HPE

Sports Day

Being new to Valley View Secondary School has given me the opportunity to witness many things in a different light to what I have seen at previous schools both here and overseas. In so many ways it was awesome to witness students turn up in their Red, Blue, Green & Yellow House colours and fully engage in the tabloid framework which provided all students the opportunity to participate. So many competed with passion to do their best for self fulfilment and for the benefit of House teams they represented. I have reflected as to what it actually was that impressed me so much.

I must thank all of the staff from school the commitment by both teaching and support staff sets a standard, many schools could only dream of. Some arrived at 6:30am to assist in setting up all the stations, others coordinated lunch for all staff, others took photographs to capture magnificent moments. Some staff even took the initiative to build a spreadsheet to collate scores as the day went on. Everyone committed for the whole day and I was so impressed. Thank you so much.

In the late 1800's, Baron Pierre de Coubertin used the concept of Olympism to describe the plan of educational reform that he hoped would be sparked by the rejuvenation of the Olympic games in 1896. From the outset, the concept of Olympism was an educational Philosophy that sought to integrate academic study, aesthetic education, moral education and physical education.

The first principle of the Olympic Charter reads:

"To educate young people through sport in a spirit of better understanding between each other and of friendship, thereby helping to build a better and more peaceful world"

The Olympic Creed reads:

"The most significant thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part. Just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well"

The Global Goals of the IOC reads:

- Better understanding of the world
- Appreciation & respect for a multi-cultural world
- Ability to be both a leader & a cooperative member of a working group
- To persevere at tasks despite obstacles and setbacks

Personal Goals sought by the IOC read:

QUALITIES

INDICATORS

Competent

*Sufficient skills to participate in games satisfactorily.
Understands & can execute strategies. Appropriate to complexity of play.
Knowledgeable games player*

Literate

*Understands and values rules, rituals, & traditions of sport.
Distinguishes between good & bad sport practices.
More able participant.
More discerning consumer as fan or spectator.*

Enthusiastic

*Participates & behaves in ways that preserve, protect & enhance sport culture.
Participate in further developing sport.
Is involved in any role.*

So, on this weekend following Sports Day the principle of Olympism is as important today as it was over 100 years ago, and our students displayed many of the qualities demanded by Baron Pierre De Coubertin. To witness students competing against each other, shaking hands at the finish line, cheering the last runners over the line were truly rewarding. We had students assisting in measuring and recording, others filling in to compete in new events. Students of differing races working alongside each other searching for more opportunities to participate and excel. I sit back and reflect what a great day it was, and I have every confidence that the philosophy of Olympism is as relevant today as it was in the 1890's.

Nick Joy
HPE Coordinator

CURRICULUM FOCUS: HPE cont

House Winners

1st	Red	564 points
2nd	Yellow	560 points
3rd	Blue	490 points
4th	Green	413 points

Individual Year Level Winners

8M	Davide Lioi	Red	9M	Tyler Latham	Red
8F	Zahra Hussaini	Red	9F	Jewell McNulty	Blue
10M	Callum Malson	Blue	11/12	Tyra Pix	Yellow
10F	Shayla Kalaba	Yellow	11/12	Tyler Grainger-Balding	Green

Relay

Girls	1st	Yellow
	2nd	Red
	3rd	Blue
	4th	Green

Boys	1st	Yellow
	2nd	Red
	3rd	Blue
	4th	Green



CURRICULUM FOCUS: HPE cont

Santos Day

Santos Day was held on 27 March 2019 and is well-known for being one of the biggest athletics carnivals in the state with 16 schools competing in 2 group levels on the day. With over 15 events on the day to compete in and year 8 -12 levels in most category's it's a very big event for our students and one that is usually relished. Our Valley View Secondary School team was keen to compete as always, this year was going to present a big challenge. With a team of about 29 athletes we managed to cover most events and the students were prepared for a tough day.

We had some early successes in the day with Kiara Ramsay & Melissa Bromell winning both the 100 & 200m for the year 8 girls and a 100m win for Jewel McNulty. Other great performances on the day include; 1st in 200m Saliha Kalaba and 2nd in 800m, Karly Kinsele 2nd in 200m and Harry Doelu 2nd in hurdles. Outstanding efforts on the day go to Callum Malson with 1st in 1500m, 2nd in 3000m and 3rd in 800m. Tyler Grainger-Balding with a 1st in shot put and a 3rd in discus.

These were the outstanding performances on the day so a great effort by all. Overall best performance was the year 10 girls who came 3rd on the day. All students had a great time and are keen to go again next year.

Special thanks to Ms Murad, Ms Horskins and Ms Mitchell who helped out all day with duties.

Mr Claude Miller
PE Teacher



Events

International Women's Day Breakfast

Frances Bedford – State MP for Florey
celebrates the
1st Florey International Women's Day Breakfast
at
Valley View Secondary School

Several Valley View staff and students as well as a number of local Principals and local high school and primary school students celebrated International Women's Day in style with a delicious breakfast catered for by our Stage 2 students. The buffet style hot breakfast and Barista made latte and hot chocolates were prepared by our Food and Hospitality students whilst the invited guests listened to Frances explain how South Australian Women worked to win equality and why voting is so important.

International Women's Day is an important event, celebrated world-wide on 8 March. First celebrated in 1914, it is now used to look back at the many important milestones in the fight for equality for women – and talk about the things that still need to be achieved.

This year is the Quasquicentenary in South Australia of Dual Suffrage for Women – the right to vote and the right to stand for election. We can be rightly proud our State was the first place in the world to extend these democratic rights to women.

Every year events are held all over the state. Frances decided to hold a local breakfast so students in our local area can learn about suffrage and equality, hear what it meant 125 years ago and what it means to women and girls today.



From Our School Captains



Stephanie Grice

Hi, we are Valley View Secondary Schools school captains for 2019, Stephanie Grice and Tyra Pix. Our job within the school is to talk to students about any queries they have and then take them to the teachers, help our fellow students and teachers if they need it, MC assemblies and help out at Open Nights. The first casual day will be on the 3rd of April, week 10. The purpose of the casual day is to help raise money for the Year 12 formal at the end of the year. To wear casual clothes, you must bring a gold coin donation and there will be many more casual days to come so students don't have to worry.

Casual Day Dates

3 April

31 June

22 May

18 September



Tyra Pix

If you have any questions, whether they're about casual day or just general inquiries about the school, feel free to come find us at recess and lunchtime (we're usually in the library) and we will take your questions and ideas to your head of house, Ms Anzellotti (**blue**), Mr Rose (**red**), Ms Jackman (**yellow**) and Ms Archer (**green**).

The Corruption Web

I, a young self published author in Year 11, have written a climactic third and final book to The Refuge Conquest trilogy. The third book, titled The Corruption Web, concludes the adventures of Duncan and Hannah, which began in the first two books of the trilogy. You can find all three books for sale on <https://www.amazon.com/> by searching The Refuge Conquest. The three books in the trilogy (in order) are The Refuge Conquest, The Taken Sanctuary and The Corruption Web.

I am currently working on two other novels; the first of which will not be published for at least several months. You can find more information on my official writing account @therefugeconquestofficial on Instagram.

Though it may seem clichéd, it is true that if you put your mind to something you're passionate about, you can achieve anything!

I am also hoping to work on a new secret in the near future.



Nathan Welke
Year 11 student

