Dear parents,

HCCS has a vision that every student will be a lifelong learner and grow into flourishing citizens of the world. I appreciate the initiative of the SRC, staff and Year 6 girls with the reduction of waste at Verdun and the success of the Nude Food Project.

I also appreciate the support from parents who have invested in the NUDE FOOD initiative to change children’s ‘hearts and minds’ with the future of the planet. Well done everyone and the report from SRC follows.

Kind Regards,

Chris Riemann
(Principal)

In Term 3, a team of girls from Year 6 (Molly, Grace, Caitlin and Stephanie) worked with SRC to launch a Nude Food initiative. Throughout the term, parents, the SRC and the Year 6 girls provided information to families about packaging for lunchboxes that can help to reduce landfill.

The Year 4 classes did a whole school bin audit to see how much waste was going into our green bins in the yard. The SRC asked each class to participate in a class bin audit to see how much plastic waste we were using each day. Classes then worked on Nude Food activities and it was incredible to see so many classes getting involved in the initiative even before the official launch in Week 7.

In Week 7, SRC launched Nude Food Week and a Less to Landfill Challenge! ELC to Year 7 focused on minimizing food and packaging waste, which was the main component of school waste that has to go to landfill. All classes were given the challenge of fitting an entire class’s daily landfill waste into a mini bin (the size of your hand), which was weighed in our Round 2 audit and compared to our results from Week 3. The results showed a massive reduction in plastic waste.

The ELC was kind enough to collect rubbish from around the yard each week, which was also weighed. There was a 3.9kg reduction in waste around the whole school, which was just wonderful. (continued on page 5)

Colleen O'Rourke (SRC and Year 4 teacher)
**Prayer & Praise Points**

- praise God for the delightful Student Led Conferences
- pray for the German Exchange students
- pray for the Year 9 Mission Trip next week
- pray for all those participating in sporting finals
- pray for Mrs Boucaut's recovery from illness

**HCCS Enrolments and Withdrawals for 2018/19**

For **ALL new students** attending or hoping to attend the School in 2018/2019, please **check that you have submitted your enrolment application forms** as classes are filling up fast! This includes families that are already part of the School applying for new family members.

When families enrol at HCCS they agree to provide **a term’s notice if they intend to leave.**

We have a number of 2017 classes with students on waiting lists and families desperate to join the HCCS community.

If your children will attend another school in 2018 we would appreciate knowing as soon as possible. Thank you!

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**SPRING MUSIC CONCERT**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Wednesday 25th October 7pm in the HALL**

**All CLASSES from Year 3 to Year 6** will be performing, as well as the **Orchestra, Band, Flute Ensemble** and **Choir.**

The children are rehearsing for the Concert this term to get their performance pieces up to standard and will be really excited to present them to you at our fabulous Spring Concert. Please pop the date in your diary now!

Catherine Fraser (Music Teacher)

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**GERMANY DAY**

(Deutscher Tag)

This Friday, September 15th

Students can **dress up** either in **National German Costume** or **German Flag colours** (black, red and gold/yellow). There will be German games during lunch time and a special **German Assembly** at 2.30pm. Parents, are most welcome to join us in the Hall.

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**HCCS NETBALL CLUB**

**CONGRATULATIONS U11 DIV2**

on a GREAT SEASON!

RUNNERS – **UP**

What a wonderful winter season we have had at HCCS Verdun netball. On Saturday morning out team of U11s competed in the **Grand Final** against Lobethal Lutheran.

Despite giving their very best efforts, we did not win the coveted premiership, but we came very close and gave our best. **This team has worked so hard all year and continue to develop into amazing netballers!**

As one parent commented, “We’ve had such a great year, had so much fun, and a few goals isn’t going to change that outcome”. Wise words!

We look forward to celebrating with all players and coaches of HCCS Verdun Netball, this Saturday morning at out end of year presentations in the Beaumont Building at 10am.

HCCS is very grateful to ALL THE PARENTS who coached, managed, cheered and supported the students through the Winter season.

Sarah Barter (Club President)
Welcome German Exchange Students

There are 18 students visiting from Dresden Christian School in Germany, ranging from Years 9 – 12. They arrived at 10.30pm on Saturday night to meet their Host Families who were very excited to meet them. They enjoyed a tour of Silvio Aypponi’s Sculpture Studio on Sunday followed by an early tea in the Balhannah Park to welcome them. We look forward to getting to know them over the next 3 weeks. Thank you host Families!

Student Secondary Voice (SSV) and Primary students from the Student Representative Council (SRC)

In Week 5, the SSV and the SRC leadership groups came together at the Oakbank Campus to share what they have achieved and their plans for the future. This was a great opportunity for the junior leadership students to be mentored by the senior leadership group. The SSV ran a team building game with the big idea: ‘don’t keep looking back but look to the future’. We had giant sticks we had to hold with one hand, then drop them and capture the one the person next to us had dropped with the opposite hand. It was a lot of fun with a great moral about leading with the future in mind.

We shared ideas and learned so much from one another. For example: SRC learned that the SSV have suggestion boxes in their classes which they take to meetings. The SRC loved this idea and will be adopting it this term. The SSV looked at how we run Operation Christmas Child. A great afternoon of leadership.

Mrs O’Rourke (SRC)

Year 11 English

Year 11 English students enjoyed a lesson of descriptive writing at Nepenthe Winery amongst the gum trees, rolling hills and creative art work of Colleen Duffy. Students focused on descriptive writing techniques such as imagery, alliteration and personification whilst lapping up the sunshine and relaxed atmosphere.
Teachers will be displaying their new ‘hair dos’ at DEVOTIONS in WEEK 10. Ms Nicholls, Mr Carter, Mr Grant, Mr Wishart, Mr Taylor and Mr Lloyd will all SHAVE their hair!

The following teachers will either cut or colour their hair: Mrs Shepherd (Silver+Purple), Mrs Harvey (Cut/Pink Hair), Mrs Boucaut (Pink), Miss Phillips (Cut), Mrs Kelly (Red), Miss Mayne (Colour) and Mr Riemann (Purple).

To sponsor your teacher / staff member:
Head to Mrs Zecchin’s ‘Go fund me’ page https://www.gofundme.com/jzp75-help-support-jasmin-and-her-family
Click ‘Donate’. In the comments section write #hccscrazyhair* If you donate anonymously your comments will be hidden.
**Guest Speaker Jessica Donovan**

HCCS is grateful to Jessica Donovan, a Naturopath specializing in health and nutrition for kids (and mums too), who presented to the School at Assembly last week. She talked about the difference between fresh natural foods and processed packaged foods. Here are some of the things we covered so that families can chat further ‘around the dinner table’.

**NATURAL FOODS include:**
- Vegetables and salads
- Fresh fruit
- Wholegrains such as oats and rice
- Nuts and seeds
- Eggs and dairy
- Fish, chicken and meat

**NATURAL FOODS make you:**
- Feel good and healthy
- Your tummies feel light and satisfied
- Grow in a healthy way
- Be as strong and fast as you can be

**PACKAGED FOODS include:**
- Biscuits and shapes
- Chips
- Many Muesli bars
- Other snack foods
- Many breakfast cereals
- Chocolates and lollies

**PACKAGED FOODS make you:**
- Fell slow and sluggish
- Your tummies feel heavy and sore
- Have crazy energy
- Feel grumpy and tired

For inspiration, recipes, tools and resources to nourish your kids and boost their health, HCCS families are welcome to visit www.energeticmama.com

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**Year 6 ‘Acts of Service’**

Here at HCCS, we love doing things to help the community. In Week 9, the Year 6s will be going to a Nursing Home as part of our ‘Acts of Service’.

To prepare for this, Mr Hammat and Miss K have chosen to teach us how to sew and are also teaching us to sing songs in our newly formed **YEAR 6 CHOIR**. We will be singing our 2 songs, ‘What A Wonderful World’ and ‘Oh, Happy Day’ to the nursing home residents and also giving them a bookmark which we have sewed for them.

In **SEWING** with Miss K, we have been learning lots of techniques to make our bookmarks. The first thing we learnt was how to do a **running stitch** in order to sew on images to our bookmarks. We also learnt how to **blanket stitch** which goes around the edges of the bookmark to make it look even better. We have made a practice bookmark so that the next one we make for the nursing home residents is even better. The blanket stitch is quite simple, but the running stitch can be found a little harder because if you are sewing letters on the bookmark to create a word, it can be hard getting to the next letter without undoing the stitch from the fabric. **Joab**

So far, everyone has made very good bookmarks for the nursing home residents and it’s good to learn a new skill. **Georgia**
**2017 DATES TO REMEMBER**

**SEPTEMBER**

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**Happy Birthday**

We hope all these people enjoy their birthdays this week: Georgia Clinton, Matt Dannenberg, Hamish Douglas, Lucy Douglas, Caleb Griggs, Will Harvey, Mia Havriluk, Bella Johns, Bowen Kelly, Henry Lovell, Mason Oertel, Ruby McBeath, Harry McCusker, Georgia Provis, Ethan Sunners, Charlotte Teagle and Rocco Virgara.

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

HCCS is participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program until **Tuesday 19th September**.

Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. When the Sticker Sheet is complete, you can drop it into Collection Box here at School. We will also accept the stickers by themselves.

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**HCCS SUMMER BASKETBALL**

The season starts in Week 2 of Term 4. Forms have gone home to children who are interested and need to be back to school by Friday, September 22. For more information please contact Belinda Trigg by phone 0407609664 or email: triggy1@adam.com.au

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**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Congratulations** to Rachel (Year 7) for achieving a wonderful result at the recent **State Gymnastics Championships**.

She came **1st** on beam, **1st** on vault, **3rd** on bars, **6th** on floor which resulted in her becoming **1st overall in Under 12 Level 5**. Well done Rachel. What a wonderful achievement!

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**Community News**

State Swim Mt Barker **SWIM VAC 2017 Classes** for Seahorse, Penguin, Seal, Starfish, Marlin, Dolphin, Kingfish and Superfish. Week long intensive swimming programme for the **School Holidays**. Times are 9am, 9.30am, 10am and 10.30am. Call State Swim Mt Barker on 8391 1213

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**STUDENT ABSENCE**

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