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A great year for all

Welcome to the 2021 school year! Before I start my article I would publicly like to congratulate our students on some amazing achievements over the holidays.

- **Jess Baker** was our Dux and received an ATAR score of 94.1 This is a huge achievement for any Year 12 student. Jess's work ethic in 2020 was second to none. She was the epitome of hard work and I was in awe of how she handled Year 12 in a year where everything was uncertain.
- **Sophie Heinrich** was recipient of the Young Australian of the Year Award for 2021. Her role within the school as Prefect and fundraising efforts has seen her act as a role model for our younger students. Sophie has worked tirelessly juggling full time study and her role and I cannot think of anyone else who deserved this accolade more.
- **Lucy Allen, Matilda Palin, and Isis Schulte** won the 2020 Governor's Civics awards for schools. They were awarded this on Proclamation Day at the Old Gum Tree in Glenelg by the Governor of South Australia Heiu Van Le. They also have an invitation to Government House for an afternoon tea in their honour. Isis Schulte was also the first indigenous recipient of this award.
- **Bella Chapman** was selected for the Under 15 Girls State Hockey Team and is now preparing for the National Tournament.

*"We acknowledge the
Narungga People as the
Traditional Owners of this land and
we pay our respects to their Elders
past, present and emerging."*



ON THE COVER

Georgia Bray testing the water pump in the ELC playground on the first day back for 2021.

These achievements show the growth our school has had in the past 5 years. Our students are no longer competing and achieving against the best in Maitland, but achieving prestigious awards amongst the best in South Australia

STUDENT NEWS

I hope that everyone had a good holiday and are excited about coming back to learn. In particular I would like to welcome students, and their families, who are new to Central Yorke School. This is a school which focuses on developing positive relationships between families and staff, and I know that we can work together to provide opportunities for your child(ren) to enjoy success in their studies.

As a B-12 school with a rich culture, we are always developing and amending procedures, your feedback in this process is crucial, so please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns of ideas that can improve what we do. We are all in this together.

Appropriate behaviour: Harassment, physical violence, disrupting others learning, any form of substance abuse cannot be tolerated in a school setting. Teachers and students have a right to learn together to make a difference in a safe supportive environment.

Appearances, Including the ways the grounds, buildings and classrooms are cared for: There seems to be an absence of graffiti and rubbish in our surrounds and the school certainly looks great. It is something I have acknowledged and expect to continue.

Uniform: Students wearing uniform is very important, it sets work apart from the weekend or after school activity. We believe it helps to build identity and pride; it is a discipline that I think helps create a better learning environment. There will be a change to our uniform policy this year which will be communicated to parents in the near future.



"A quote from one of my old principals is that "I have never seen a good looking school get bad results."

Punctuality/Attendance: All students need to be at school and to their lessons on time, continual lateness and/or non-attendance has a dramatic effect on a students' learning. Support from parents here is critical especially in the years where students are reliant on parents to make this happen.

Bullying/Harassment: Our belief at CYS is that all children and staff have the right to come to school, to learn or teach in a harassment free environment. No one has the right to negatively affect another person's learning. We will strongly support this policy across the school. If your child is being harassed, bullied in any way, then we wish to know about it ASAP. As part of our Bullying and Harassment procedures, both parents and students can report bullying online through the "Stymie" website. Just Google "Stymie" and follow the prompts.

STAFFING NEWS

New staff to CYS: We have had a number of new staff join us at Central Yorke School. It has been great to see staff actively pursuing CYS as a place to teach at. They all bring a wealth of knowledge and new ideas that will support and complement existing pedagogies. Please support us in making them and their families welcome to our school and wider communities.

Emily Haydon *English, PE*
Laura Kotz *Year 2/3 & Year 4/5*
Amanda Wheeler *The Learning Hub*

WHO CAN I TALK TO?

Throughout students' schooling, young people can experience a range of experiences, hopefully many more positive than negative. Parents and students sometimes need a staff member to talk to who can assist them in their daily life at school. At Central Yorke School we have a great group of people who can assist you. I would encourage you to contact the relevant staff member with any questions or issues you may have.



SCHOOL CONTACTS 2021

PRINCIPAL

Grant Keleher R-12

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Dave Love *Head of Point Pearce Campus*

Mel Richards *Head of the Early Years*

Scott Moore *Secondary 7-12*

Chelsea Schmidt *Primary R-6*

LEADERSHIP

Shayla Vince *Secondary Coordinator*

Linda Bubner *Primary Coordinator*

BUSINESS MANAGER

Fiona-Lee Buttfield

WELLBEING LEADERS

Jaynelle Le Fuevre

Will Baker

It's really exciting to see our school going from strength to strength and there is a new level of enthusiasm that seems to be buzzing in the corridors. I really appreciate that fact that parents entrust us with the care of their most prized possession. Our mantra this year is for us to push our students to achieve even more than they thought possible. If you do see where we can improve please make a time and come in to have a cuppa and a chat with me over it. If you see where we are going really well, spread the word to everyone and celebrate your child's successes.

I hope 2021 is a great year for all of our staff and students.

Grant Keleher



YMCA Junior Parliament Residential Camp



BY
RHYS HEINRICH
&
NICHOLAS
HEINRICH

On the first Monday of the Christmas holidays, we arrived at the Nunyara Conference Centre in Belair to begin our 3 day YMCA Junior Parliament Residential Camp. The first activity we participated in as soon as we were signed in and said goodbye to Mum and Sophie, were a few “get to know you” games which were good as these were the people we would be living and working with for the next 3 days.

After this we learnt the basics of parliament, leadership skills and voted the leaders of our side of Parliament, the Government. In the afternoon we regrouped and made paper-mache pots and planted succulents as gifts to bring home and during recreation time, we played ping pong with some new friends we made. At the end of the

day, we had a team meeting to discuss our motions for parliament, had tea and went to bed. Nicholas joined the Science and Technology Committee and Rhys joined the Arts and Culture Committee.

Day two started with free time followed by planning our motions with our teams. Nicholas chose the motion of Futureproofing Through STEM Motion and Rhys chose Increasing Awareness of Culture Through Education and Art Motion. After this, we had more practice on what to say in Parliament. Following lunch was a practice entrance debate about how we should build a wall on the SA-Victorian border and SA should become a republic. Before we went to bed, we got together with our side (the Government) and



"An enjoyable experience and one we would ... recommend to others"

discussed every teams topic and our plan for tomorrow. We then went to bed after a quick wrap up of the day.

The last day was the big day of Parliament. We packed our rooms and bags, put on our suits and headed to the Chapel for the Mock House of Assembly at the Conference Centre complete with a throne, the Australian, South Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags. Due to Covid-19 we were unable to visit Parliament House in the city as we had done last year. Here we both spoke while debating our topics and voted whether they passed – Nicholas’ didn’t pass but Rhys’ did. At the end of the day, we were presented with Certificates of Attendance, said our goodbyes to new and old friends and headed for home.

“Junior Parliament provides a forum for young South Australians to express their views in a safe and supported environment. It’s all about personal development, youth empowerment and connecting politicians and decision makers with youth voices and opinions”.

It was an enjoyable experience and one we would both participate in again and recommend to others.



Sophie Heinrich, Maitland Young Citizen of the Year Award 2021



BY TIM TUCK

Each year the Maitland Progress Association invites the community to recognise local people who contribute to the betterment of our town and district.

Last year the association accepted nominations for a Young Citizen of the Year and the inaugural title was won by CYS student Lynarha Newchurch.

This year's recipient was Sophie Heinrich who was nominated for her contributions to school music, vacation swimming, and for raising over \$1000 for child cancer patients.

Sophie's award was presented at the Australia Day Breakfast on January 26 by CYS old scholar Nicole Hams (nee Koenders) who also delivered an inspirational and motivational

message based on the classic poem 'Desiderata' and the Dr Suess book 'Oh the places You'll Go'.

Nicole's message was that no matter where we go and what we do in life we will find people to learn from and people to give to; an apt message for the occasion.

Thank you to Progress for their organisation of the event and to the Lions Club of Maitland for their support in recognising community contributions.

Congratulations to both Sophie, and to Steve Thomas (Maitland Citizen of the Year) for winning the awards.



"I will encourage more young people to become involved in the community"

In accepting her award, Sophie said:

Thankyou for my award. I'm very honoured to be the recipient of the Young Citizen of Maitland Award. Over the past year I have volunteered early mornings at Black Point Vacs swim, led the Yorke Peninsula Concert Band as their captain and put my hand up for many leadership roles at school to grow confidence and voice the opinions and ideas of my peers.

But the most rewarding role that I undertook was cutting off 35cm of my hair and raising over \$1000 for child cancer patients.

This seemed appropriate to give a child something that I had and took for granted, so that they could feel themselves again. I'm proud of this as I have inspired others in our community to do exactly as I have done. I have wanted to make a difference and become more involved in the community by volunteering my time and stepping out of my comfort zone as without volunteers, events don't run.

In my role as young citizen of Maitland, I will encourage more young people to become more involved in the community, whether it be volunteering at events, sport, school or doing something to make a huge change in someone's life. It's all recognized and appreciated by someone and is rewarding knowing you have done a good thing.



Governor's Civics Award for Schools 2020

The Governor's Civics Awards for Schools program provides the opportunity for young South Australians to develop their capacity and awareness in the area of active and informed citizenship in a multicultural and democratic society. The awards aim to highlight the importance of civics and citizenship education in the South Australian historical context and be a conduit for quality student engagement and learning in these areas.

In 2020, CYS teachers Maddie Stewart and Lauren Smith worked with students to develop a written response to the inquiry question "Is there one individual or a group from the 20th century that made a significant

contribution to the development of South Australian democracy and society?"

On Proclamation Day, Lucy Allen, Matilda Palin, and Isis Schulte were announced as awardees for 2020 in a special ceremony at the Old Gum tree at Glenelg. The girls will be officially presented with their awards at Government House later this year.

Congratulations to all three students for an outstanding effort and a huge thank you to their teachers Maddie and Lauren for their encouragement, guidance and support.



LUCY ALLEN



MATILDA PALIN



ISIS SCHULTE



"The students essays were judged on the use of relevant data, the use of appropriate terms, originality, engagement with audience, and the identification and reflection on viewpoints."



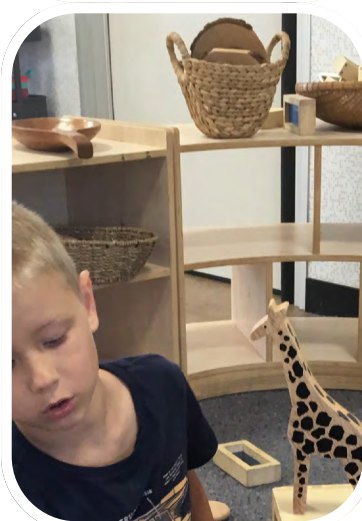


ELC First Day Back 2021

Welcome to our 2021 Early Learning Centre families. Wednesday was a first day for many children in the Early Learning Centre. We had a fantastic day with lots of excited children eager to start Kindy and Rural Care. Some were skipping through the door with the biggest smiles on their faces. Some had a few tears but that is to be expected as many of our new Kindy starters only had one pre-entry session. Our first day included getting to know each other, learning new routines, singing new songs, exploring the environment and most importantly... playing and having fun!

By Kerry Richardson (ELC Teacher)









Reception First Day at School 2021

We welcomed six new reception students to Mrs Webb's R/1 class at the start of this year. Congratulations to Aysha, George, Max, Jordan, Alex, and Hamish for making such a terrific start to your primary education and thank you to all the year ones for being such wonderful role models!







Maitland Campus First Day at School 2021

We started the first day back for 2021 with a full house in the PAC. There were lots of parents too, many of whom stayed for morning tea, courtesy of our hard-working Parents and Friends group. Lessons commenced with pastoral care sessions for home groups with the first semester timetable beginning after recess.



School & Community Notices

IMMUNISATIONS – YR 8 & YR 10

The SA School Immunisation Program will be offered at Central Yorke School by Country Health Connect, Community Health Minlaton.

All Year 8 Students – 2 separate visits to administer:

- A two dose course of Gardasil 9 (human papillomavirus (HPV)) vaccine
- One dose of Boostrix (diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough) vaccine

Year 10 Students – 2 separate visits to administer:

- A two dose course of Bexsero (meningococcal B) vaccine
- One dose of Nimenrix (meningococcal ACWY) vaccine

Immunisation consent packs have been sent home with all Year 8 and 10 students. It is important that you read the information contained in the packs before you give consent for your child to be vaccinated at school. If you have any questions about this program, please contact Country Health Connect, Community Health Minlaton.

All parents/ legal guardians are required to complete, sign and return the Consent Cards, even if you do not consent for the student to be vaccinated at school. Please return forms ASAP.

If you do not receive an Immunisation Consent pack from your child please ask at Student Services office.

If you do not want your child to be vaccinated at school, please contact Country Health Connect, Community Health Minlaton, to arrange for your child to receive the vaccines free. If you go to your local doctor for the vaccination, they will need to order the vaccine in and may change a consultation fee.

Remember to keep your child's School Immunisation Program records in a safe place as they may be required for future employment or travel.

You can find out more about the SA School Immunisation Program at SA Health:

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↓ Frequently Asked Questions

School Immunisation Program

Immunisation delivery is an essential service and should continue under the COVID-19 pandemic. See the [Ministry of Health's guidance on COVID-19 for school \(PDF\)](#) for further information.

Protection provided by some vaccines will decline over time and booster doses may be needed to ensure high levels of protection are maintained (for example [diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis \(DTaP\)](#)). A booster dose given in high school will provide protection over a longer period of time. Vaccines such as the [Japanese encephalitis \(JEV\)](#) vaccine are more effective if delivered at a specific age. Meningococcal vaccines are also recommended for students in senior high school years due to their increased risk of meningococcal disease.

Vaccines delivered through the school program are made available at no cost under the [National Immunisation Program](#). Fully trained and qualified vaccination teams visit all high schools in South Australia to deliver the program.

Eligibility

To be eligible to receive free vaccines under the School Immunisation Program, your child must be enrolled in Years 8 or 10. Home-schooled and correspondence school students are also eligible to receive the recommended vaccines free.



School Immunisation Program: Frequently asked questions for parents


What if my child is home-schooled?

Home-schooled children can access the free vaccines. Information will be provided by the schools using the normal communication mechanisms. Alternatively, parents can contact their [local General Practitioner](#) or [SA Health's Immunisation Team](#).

When will I receive information about the vaccines offered at school?

Information is generally made available during the first few weeks of term 1. All students in Years 8 and 10 will be given an information pack to take home to their parents.

The information pack provides details about the relevant vaccines, the benefits of



What if my child is at school but is absent on the day of vaccination?
What if I have given consent for my child but they are absent on vaccination day?
What happens on vaccination day?
Will my child be supervised after the vaccination?
Where can I get more information about this school?



Invites
our school community
to the

2021 CYS SCHOOL LEADERS

Induction CEREMONY

For the induction and presentation of

CYS Prefects
Primary Leaders
The Student Representative Council
House Captains
Concert Band & Choir Captains
The SAASTA Team
The Central Yorke Football Academy
School Bus Monitors

On Wednesday, February 17 2021
Commencing 9.30am
in the CYS Performing Arts Centre.
Concluding 10.30am,
followed by morning tea.

RSVP

Jaynelle Le Feuvre [Student Well-Being Leader]
Jaynelle.LeFeuvre457@schools.sa.edu.au
or call the school on 8832 2613

2021 Music Opportunities

Central Yorke School has a long tradition of providing high quality music programs at all year levels with equitable access for all who wish to be involved.

In 2021, as we embrace the new 'Covid-Normal', we hope to continue and expand that tradition and (fingers crossed!) will also be able to showcase our students' skills and talents both at school and in the local community.

2021 MUSIC PROGRAMS

2021 music programs include:

R-6 CLASSROOM MUSIC

Delivered as part of the Performing Arts (music and drama) program. (Tim Tuck)

FESTIVAL CHOIR

This long running program is timetabled for years 4-7 students on Wednesday mornings from 10-11am. The choir will perform at the Adelaide Festival of Music in Term 3. (Debbie Schwartz)

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TUITION

Students from years 5-12 have the opportunity to learn a band instrument in small-group tuition. Instruments include flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet and trombone. Instrumental tuition is free and students without their own instruments may hire them through the school. (Debbie Schwartz)

MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND

Middle School Band is offered as an elective choice for students in years 7 through 9. (Tim Tuck)

SENIOR CONCERT BAND

The YP Combined Schools Concert Band meets each Wednesday after school in the PAC for rehearsals from 3.30 to 5pm. The band draws musicians from schools across the Yorke Peninsula and performs at community events throughout the year. (Debbie Schwartz & Tim Tuck)

SENIOR VOCAL ENSEMBLE

The Senior Vocal Ensemble is open to vocalists in Years 7-12. This year the ensemble will include students from other schools and will rehearse after concert band on Wednesdays from 5pm to 5.30pm. (Debbie Schwartz)

Students interested in being part of any of the music programs can register their interest with Mr Tuck, Mrs Schwartz, or their class teacher.

MUSIC CAPTAIN APPLICATIONS

Applications for Music Captains are now open. Written expressions of interest need to be to Mr Tuck or Mrs Schwartz by the end of Week 2. Positions include:

- Festival Choir (6-7)
- Vocal ensemble (9-12)
- Concert band (10-12)



DEBBIE SCHWARTZ



TIM TUCK

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CYS MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

SO YOU WANT TO MAKE

MUSIC

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, FESTIVAL CHOIR,
MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND, YP CONCERT BAND,
SENIOR VOCAL ENSEMBLE

PLAYING & SINGING 2021

5-12 INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone,
Trumpet, Trombone

4-7 FESTIVAL CHOIR

MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND

7-12 SENIOR VOCAL ENSEMBLE

YP CONCERT BAND

Music Captain Applications

Applications for Music Captains are open. Written expressions of interest need to be Mr Tuck or Mrs Schwartz by the end of Week 2.

Positions include:

Festival Choir (6-7)
Vocal Ensemble (9-12)
Concert Band (10-12)

APPLY TO BE A
MUSIC CAPTAIN
SEE MRS SCHWARTZ
FOR DETAILS

↓ Congratulations to Bella Chapman on her selection in the Under 15 Girls State Hockey Team. This is a fantastic achievement and we wish Bella all the best as she prepares for the National Tournament to be held in Bathurst, NSW.



↑ Sharks captains Matilda and George with the 2020 House Competition shield.



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↑ First Day Back, 2011



Calendar

JANUARY

WEEK 1

26 Australia Day Holiday

27 First Day Back, Term 1, 2021

FEBRUARY

WEEK 2

2 Meet the Teacher - Maitland Campus

WEEK 4

15-16 7/8 Aquatics Camp

16 National Apology Day

17 SRC Induction

Meet the Teacher - Point Pearce Campus

19 Splash Carnival

WEEK 5

26 Triple Jump & Javelin Day

MARCH

WEEK 6

1-2 SRC Leadership Conference

2 SAASTA visit

3 School Photos

4 Long Run Day

5 R-12 Sports Day

8 Adelaide Cup Holiday

WEEK 9

24 Secondary Interschool Sportsday at Moonta

25 Primary Interschool Sportsday at Yorketown