PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

I am delighted to inform our community that our large state-funded building project has now officially commenced! These are indeed exciting times and we all look forward to observing the changing landscape of our school as old buildings are demolished and a new Creative Arts Centre emerges. These new facilities, along with the attractive outdoor learning spaces and refurbishment of classrooms, will support the expansion of our innovative Arts, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and Home Economics programs. The recent positive media attention of this project, coupled with the successful Open School events have created overwhelming interest in our school. The Governing Council would like to acknowledge the support of all students who have been amazing ambassadors in these events. Based on this affirming interest we will be conducting school tours for interested families on the first Friday of every month from 9:15am. Interested families are invited to contact the school on 8258 2070 to register.

Outcome of the Council of International Schools visit
Last term our school participated in an external review, as part of our commitment to the Council of International Schools accreditation process and reflection on our practices to improve student outcomes. We are pleased we have received confirmation that “Salisbury East High School has been granted candidate status for CIS reaccreditation” in late February 2016. The report has made the following commendations and recognised the school’s strengths to be:

- “The high level of support that exists for the school and the shared commitment to school improvement”
- The active contribution of the Governing Council
- The management structure and distribution of effective leadership across the school
- The emphasis that is placed upon knowing each student as an individual and the provision of differentiated pathways designed to suit the needs of each student
- The dedication and commitment to the school and its students demonstrated by the teaching and support staff.”

This process has also identified some areas for further improvement as site priorities for the next 18 months. The full report will be published on our website in the near future.

NEWS & EVENTS

Important Dates

Term 2:

- 6 June  Student Free Day
  (front-office closed)
- 9 June  Public Holiday
  (Queen’s Birthday holiday)
- 13 June  It’s Showtime
- 17 June  Governing Council 6.30pm
- 16-20 June  Year 10/11 Exams
- 23 June  Semester 2 begins

Student Free Day - Friday 6th June

On Friday 6th June we will have a Student Free/Professional Learning Day. Students will not be required to attend school on this day as all staff will be involved in professional learning and working with colleagues from the Northern Adelaide State Secondary Schools Alliance (including Fremont-Elizabeth City HS, Parafield Gardens HS, Para Hills HS, Craigmore HS, Salisbury HS, Gawler and District College, Kaurna Plains, Paralowie R-12 School and Para West Adult Campus). This valuable partnership enables our schools to collaborate, combine resources and maximise learning opportunities for our students (through VET programs, student leadership and professional development for staff).

Jacqui van Ruiten
Principal
AWARD WINNERS

Academic Excellence

Amy Hancock 1203
Kellie Murfitt 1205

Outstanding Achievement

Molly Taylor 802
Brady Harris 901
Mark Monis 902
Tenille Thompson 1001
Brittnee Howson 1005
Alesksandra Ivkovic 1102
Kenneth Jacks 1104
Nakia Love 1203
Tomas Howson 1205

Liara Daly 803
Justin Heath 901
Paige Johnston 905
Anthony Knevitt 1002
Brooke Schlaikier 1005
Casey Mead 1103
Karishma Lal 1105
Tamika Skewes 1203

Tayla Kerr 803
Uyen Lam 902
Angela Philp 905
Luke Kim 1004
Macaleah Watkins 1005
Angel Duran 1104
Liam Jagielski 1202
Rebekah Berry 1204

Lockheed Martin @ SEHS

STEM Partnerships

Salisbury East has been in partnership with Lockheed Martin since 2011. LM are a global defense, security and Advanced Technology company who employ over 100,000 people worldwide. In Australia, they are located at Mawson Lakes.

Over 5 consecutive weeks, Engineers from LM will be visiting Year 9 students during their Maths class to do an activity around “Aerospace Engineering”. Students will experience first-hand what it’s like to problem solve and use Mathematics flexibly in an Engineering context.

The task was to work as a team to design and build a framework that will support a craft to be launched into space in accordance with a number of specifications such as height, cost-efficiency and strength.

Activities like this increase knowledge of STEM-related pathways and contextualise our Maths, Science and Technology courses.

Whats coming up in STEM...

Year 9
- AURECON BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION (See Ms Moses)
Year 8
- HOLDEN CRUZE (SCALEXTRIC) ASSEMBLY CHALLENGE (See Ms Blesing)
Year 8 – 12
- SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE (See Mr Cowin or Mr Sykes)
Year 8 – 12
- DIRT TV COMPETITION (See Ms Riley)
Year 10
- ROBOTICS SEMESTER 2 (See Ms Riley)
On 21st of May, 22 Year 8 students went on a Chinese Excursion with Ms Chen and Ms Petofy.

Their first stop was the Confucius Institute at the University of Adelaide. Before the Taichi (Kongfu) Workshop, students were introduced to a serial collection of traditional Chinese Art, which includes paper cutting, Beijing Opera, silk products and so on.

Later, the teacher from the institute gave a brief introduction about the history and culture of Taichi. Many students were amazed by the types of Kongfu that ancient Chinese created and how philosophy of life is embedded in the culture. The most exciting part is the real experience in learning Taichi. Students were given specially made Taichi uniforms to put on so they all looked very professional immediately. The movement in this particular type of martial arts is generally very smooth and slow so our students quickly mastered the 26 basic movements and were able to play along with the instructor. At the end of the workshop, the Confucius Institute complimented our students for their great enthusiasm and engagement in the workshop.

Another highlight of the day was the authentic Chinese lunch at Kychow restaurant. Learning how to use chopsticks and follow the table manners in Chinese culture is definitely something very interesting and new to our students. Students also conducted a cultural research task in Chinatown, which provided a unique opportunity for them to have a closer look at how Chinese are living in Australian society. Students were able to apply what they have learned at school into a real life situation. It was a very rewarding day for our Year 8 students. They came back to school with more curiosity and interest in learning the language and culture.

Joyce Chen (LOTE/ESL teacher)
Year 9 Reward Excursion

At Salisbury East High School we have high expectations of all of our students and believe that it is important to recognise and reward those students who continue to strive for excellence. On May 19th, 20 Year 9 students, who displayed excellent academic results and/or perfect attendance for Term 1, were selected to spend a day in the City of Adelaide with Mr Janicki and Ms Vue.

We caught the bus to the Adelaide Zoo where we spent the morning exploring the Zoo and all of the wonderful exhibits. After ensuring that we had not left anyone behind, or gained any extra ‘students’, we made our way to Rundle Mall to enjoy the many cultural delights. Whilst the day was relaxing and fun, it was also a great opportunity for these students to experience the city in a different way and spend some time with their peers in a different environment.

Congratulations to these students and we look forward to the next Year 9 Reward Excursion.

Mr Janicki (Year 9 Coordinator) and Ms Vue (9.01 Home Group Teacher)