Dear Families and Friends of the SEHS Community

It is hard to believe another year is already over and our students engaged in such an action-packed term! Some special highlights from the past few weeks include:

- The successful official opening of the Creative Arts Centre attended by the Premier, the Honourable Jay Weatherill and Minister for Education and Child Development, the Honourable Susan Close and DECD Chief Executive Tony Harrison. This event was an extraordinary opportunity to showcase our talented students and highlight our innovative programs and successes to further raise the profile of our school. Visitors were highly impressed by the professional event and student involvement.

- Our Year 12 students enjoyed the Year 12 Formal and celebrating their final year with friends and staff at the Intercontinental Hotel on Tuesday 17th November.

- The 8-11 Awards Presentation was the finale of Week 7, where over 100 awards were presented to dedicated and talented students. We are very proud of all award recipients who were acknowledged for their academic excellence, sporting prowess, as well as their successes in competitions and community activities.

- All Year 8 and 9 students presented an engaging and personal My 21st Century Learning Project to their parents and teachers. Once again we were impressed by the creativity, confidence and commitment of our students!

- This year’s SEHS Concert Band Tour entertained community groups in the Riverland with outstanding performances and energy. They were exemplary ambassadors for our school!

- The hosting of 13 students from Ritsumeikan Junior High School in Japan for a two week cultural study tour. These students were supported by host families and buddies from the Year 8 Japanese class, who have improved their language skills and made new, international friendships.

- Outstanding Year 12 SACE results—Our best ever! Please refer to page 7 for more details.

- Our staff and community members have also finalised the reflective Self-Study in preparation for the Council of International Schools Re-accreditation Visit in late February 2016. We thank parents for taking the time to complete surveys and contributing to this improvement process.

Upon reflection 2015 has indeed been another busy, successful year. I would like to thank our school community for their continued support shown to our school throughout 2015. I would also like to acknowledge the diverse contributions of our staff and thank them for their energy and commitment to our students. Unfortunately at the end of each year we bid farewell to staff as they move on - this year is no exception and we say farewell and good luck to the following staff: Lauren Cavanagh, Tim Custance, Sarah Meynell, Suzie Pagnozzi, Roz Petofy, Marin Poljak, Jess Sage, Kalpesh Shah and Ashley Sykes.

I would also like to inform you that I will be leaving Salisbury East High School and undertaking the principal position at Norwood-Morialta High School in 2016. As this was a very late appointment I have not had the opportunity to say goodbye to the community and wish to thank you all for your support over the past four years. I have enjoyed this rewarding leadership experience and know that the school is well-placed to continue to provide the best possible educational experiences for our students and families.

I sincerely wish you all a safe and enjoyable festive season and summer break and hope the new year brings you much happiness and personal success.

Jacqui van Ruiten, Principal
ARTS CENTRE OFFICIAL OPENING
YEAR 8-11 AWARD CEREMONY
After a long anticipated wait the Arts staff of Salisbury East High were very fortunate to celebrate their evening in the new Creative Arts facility on Wednesday 25th November. Students from Years 8-12 delightfully performed in the new spaces with state of the art lighting and sound in the Dance and Music studios.

An exhibition of Visual Art, Design, Photography and Multimedia gave the spaces an additional sense of warmth as the community were able to move from room to room viewing the artwork and relaxing in the café style set-up enjoying their purchases of coffee and sausages from the SEAL-U-Latte Barista van. The students’ performances were exceptional, displaying Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Excellence and Pride and ‘Learning Together and Achieving Together’ as they all contributed to the night’s MAD schedule.

On behalf of the Arts staff and the SEHS staff we say thank you to all who contributed to the success of the evening.

Chris Frahn- Arts Coordinator
What an amazing visit Salisbury East High School experienced with staff and students from Ritsumeikan Junior High School, Japan. We were privileged to host 13 students and their teacher, who experienced an incredible and memorable time being part of our school community. It was a huge success and one that we are extremely proud of.

The 13 students participated in a program which allowed them to gain proficient English skills through many classes including English, Art, Home Ec, Technology, Aboriginal Cultural Studies and PE. Students learnt about Australian culture, families and animals through English; designed a dot painting on Boomerangs in Art; made ANZAC biscuits in Home Economics, learnt Aboriginal dancing, made a die in technology and learnt about Australian sport.

Students were taken on a field trip and experienced the sights of Adelaide including Botanical Gardens, Rundle Mall and China Town. The students also had the pleasure of getting up close and personal with a koala at Cleland Wildlife Park, patting many of the other native animals and the experience of canoeing at West Lakes Shore.

Japanese and Australian culture became strongly entwined when our own students became buddies to our friends. Throughout the year, our students who have undertaken our newly introduced Japanese language subject, were able to proudly show off their newly learnt Japanese which was accepted in high regard. Students were able to celebrate their newly formed friendship when they visited Bounce and had an amazing time.

For the first time, our Farewell Ceremony was successfully celebrated during the evening where we were privileged to be entertained by our own concert band. Following our traditional BBQ, the Japanese students shared with us dance and games and a very tearful farewell when they presented to their homestay families and buddies letters of sincere gratitude.

Much appreciation goes to our staff for taking the time in teaching our international students the Australian way of learning; it is something that will remain with them.

Many friendships have been made with long lasting memories, and we look forward to the return of many more students from Ritsumeikan Junior High School in 2016.

Paula Horskins - International Coordinator
Riverland and Bushfire Tours

This year has been a very busy one for the Concert Band. They have performed at 100-Year Anzac Celebrations; The Balakalava Eisteddfod; Showtime and then finished the year with a tour of the Riverland from the 1st-4th December. The band stayed at Renmark High School and played at all of the schools in Renmark. They also played in towns travelling to and from Renmark, and played nine gigs that week. The audiences loved them and Dylan Rout now has a “fan club” in the Riverland. As the leader it was great to hear their performances improve every time, as by the end of the week they had ‘practised’ for up to nine hours!

Just before we left for The Riverland, the band discussed performing in the Mid North Bushfire affected towns and so after returning to Adelaide and having a break we went out on Tuesday the 8th and played three schools in the Mid North affected areas, Hamley Bridge, Wasleys and Mallala where they again captivated their audiences and entertained excellently.

It was a great tour to end a busy year that ended with some very tired, but happy and more musically experienced students, who I am very proud of.

Edgell Zajac - Music Teacher
2015 SACE RESULTS

Congratulations to our Year 12 graduates with their outstanding SACE results. We are very proud of the impressive 2015 results and the wonderful individual achievements of our students that reflect their hard work, energy and commitment. In fact this year 94% achieved their SACE, which is our best result!

We would like to especially acknowledge Angel Duran who achieved our highest ATAR score with an impressive 99.0, along with Kenneth Jacks (98.25), Karishma Lal (92.1) and Casey Mead (91.95). Once again Aaron Lloyd achieved another Merit Certificate for his excellent work in Performance Special Study (in Music). Congratulations!

Overall 23% of our students achieved outstanding results.

These impressive results are a testimony to the fantastic opportunities and diverse learning programs available to our students and the commitment of our teachers.
Congratulations Cody!

Cody Lucas is in the SEAL program and recently won an Aboriginal School Based Traineeship with QANTAS. Cody will take on a RAMPS role with QANTAS at Adelaide Airport beginning in January. The ATS1 Support Team worked closely with Maxima to secure an interview for Cody, but as it is Cody’s dream to become a Commercial Pilot, QANTAS were so impressed that they offered him the position within 24 hours of interviewing. If you are an Aboriginal Family and have a child in Year 10 next year who is interested in applying for a School Based Traineeship or Apprenticeship please see Ruby or Scott.

Beautiful ‘Flower pot sculptures’ brighten the new Creative Arts Centre.

Year 10 Visual Art Students

In semester 2 of this year the year 10 Visual Art students designed and created flower pot sculptures in the style of contemporary Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama. All flower pots are now on display in the brightly coloured cabinets of the new Creative Arts Centre.

DEVON CLOTHING UNIFORM SHOP MODBURY

CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

LAST TRADING DAY: SAT DEC 19TH
WE WILL RE OPEN: MONDAY JAN 4TH
9AM – 12 NOON
9AM

THE MANAGEMENT & STAFF WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND THEIR BEST WISHES FOR A SAFE & HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS.

Changes to Adelaide Metro public transport across metropolitan Adelaide.

On January 26 2016, the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) and service providers will be making changes to Adelaide Metro public transport services in the metropolitan area. Some dedicated and regular bus services will be affected and therefore it is important that students obtain information regarding these changes from the Adelaide Metro website at www.adelaidemetro.com.au from early January 2016.

Get further Information from the Adelaide Metro InfoLink 1300 311 108 or Adelaide Metro InfoCentres in the city.