



### ***Congratulations to...***

#### **Yu (Rain) Chen**

Yu (Rain) Chen, a Year 11 student, has been chosen to represent South Australia in the *National Maths Summer School* in Canberra next January. She is one of only six from the State to be chosen.

#### **Hannah Crockett-Naini**

Hannah Crockett-Naini, a Year 10 student, won *1st Prize* the Senior Art category of the Australian Greens Makepeace Prize for 2014.

#### **2014 South Australian Young Writer's Awards**

**Laura Jamieson** won 1st Prize for her Year 10 Prose.

#### **Louise Wray**

won 2nd Prize for her Year 12 Poem *Tock Tick Tock Tick Time*.

**Thomas Ogier** won 3rd Prize for his Year 8 Poem *Chip*.

#### **Lottie Croghan**

Lottie Croghan, a Year 8 student, took part in the Education Perfect World Series and was awarded a *Bronze Medal* which ranked her in the top 20% of 20,000 competitors from around the world.

#### **SASTA Oliphant Science Awards**

We had four winners at the SASTA Science Oliphant awards.

#### **Denil Kollakombil**

*1st Prize* for Photography

#### **Jakeya Ahmed**

*2nd Prize* for Photography

#### **Damon Evans**

*3rd Prize* for Photography

#### **James Swift**

*3rd Prize* for Computer Programming/Robotics

#### **Elena Asikas**

Won the Unley High School VET Student of the Year Award

### ***From the Principal...***

Term 3 has been a very busy and productive term with a variety of activities taking place, such as Parent Teacher Interviews, Subject Selection, Multicultural Week, the Year 9 Ski Trip, the Annual Greek Spring Dance and much more.

#### **Subject Selections**

A major Pastoral Care focus this term has been Subject Selection for 2015. Commencing in Week 2, Home Group Teachers spent time in Extended Home Group supporting their students to explore possible subjects for study in 2015. Year 10 and 11 students also had the opportunity to attend a 20 minute interview with their Home Group Teacher and their parents to make their final selections. The Timetable Team is now using students' selections to construct the 2015 Timetable.

#### **Student Achievement**

We have had many opportunities to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students this term. They have taken part in a variety of competitions across the State and our district, winning first, second or third prizes in the following competitions: Mathematics Quiz Night held at Westminster College, Tournament Honours in the Tournament of Minds Competition held at Flinders University, SASTA Oliphant Science Awards, English Writing Competition, Art category of the Australian Greens Makepeace Prize for 2014 and Debating.

We are very proud of their achievements. Congratulations!

#### **Year 12 Students**

Our Year 12 students are almost at the end of their schooling. The next few weeks are very important as they work to finish their last assignments and start preparing for their final exams. During this time they will need your support.

- Please take the time to make sure they are looking after themselves by not skipping meals in favour of studying.
- Please encourage them to take small breaks in between study.
- Remind them not to stay up all night studying prior to their exams.

Research shows that students who have a good night's sleep before exams and eat nutritional food are more alert and hence are better able to cope with the pressure of exams.

#### **Changes in Leadership**

With Susan Cameron taking up a new position within DECD, we have had a number of changes to the Unley High School Leadership Team as we near the end of 2014.

I am pleased to announce that Rob Perkins has won the Deputy Principal position for Semester 2, 2014 with overall responsibility of the Middle School. Trish Colman has won an Assistant Principal's Position for Semester 2, 2014 with overall responsibility of Year 10 and 11. Rheanna Dougherty has won the Arts Coordinator position and Andrew Cawthorne has won the International Student Program Coordinator position for the remainder of 2014.

Congratulations to these staff members.

*Joanne Costa, Principal*

## Year 12 News

### A date for your diary!

A significant event for our senior students is the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony. This will occur on Friday morning 24 October 2014 and Parents/Caregivers are invited to the event. The Ceremony will commence at 9:00am in the George Cresswell Hall and will be followed by a Morning Tea in the Rose Garden at approximately 11:00am.

This notice is to give you plenty of warning so if you need to make arrangements in regard to work or other commitments, you will be able to do so.

Two tickets will be given to your son/daughter. If you wish to apply in writing for extra tickets after this distribution you can, however there is no guarantee there will be any spare tickets as seating is at a premium.

More information about this and other events at the end of the year for Year 12 students will follow in the next few weeks.

*Rheanna Dougherty, Year Level Manager Year 12*

## Makepeace Prize for 2014

**Congratulations to Hannah Crockett-Naini,** winner of the Senior Art category of the Australian Greens Makepeace Prize for 2014.

*"Senator Wright loved your entry – it must have taken a great deal of time and patience; the detail in the piece is simply stunning."*

*Once again, congratulations, and thank you for playing a role in recognising the important role of peacekeepers in our world.*

*Sharon Reid, Adviser for Senator Penny Wright*



## Year 12 Child Studies News

### Visit to NOVITA Children's Services

As part of our study of children with disabilities, our Child Studies Teacher, Ms White, organised an excursion to Novita Children's Services at Regency Park. On arrival, we were warmly welcomed by Anthea Mur, Novita's Community Relations Coordinator. We were split into two groups, and taken on a tour of the facilities. Our group went straight to the Novita Toy and Resources Library, where families can explore the range of facilities and spend time using the various commercial or handmade toys. We learnt that Occupational Therapists are available to assist children with guidance in selection and use of the toys to support their development.

We then went to another area where we were told about the services provided by Novita for families in South Australia. We were informed about different forms of disability, such as mobility, cognition, behaviour, children with Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida, intellectual disabilities and Autism Spectrum Disorder. We found out about the support children are provided with through therapy and the assistance these children are given to attend mainstream schools.

After the information session, we were shown the pool, the gym, and the role of aquatic therapy in providing physical and emotional support for children with disabilities was explained. We were informed about the camps Novita provides, and the state wide services to support children and families with disabilities, wherever they live.

We then moved to the technical rooms where we were shown how specialised wheelchairs are made for individual clients, as well as orthotics (splints) to assist children with their mobility.

After a very informative 1.5 hour tour, we thanked the people who showed us around and had a group photo taken with Anthea. We all feel privileged to have had the opportunity to see first-hand the services this important community organisation has to offer young people and the support and care provided for them to reach their potential.

*Daphne White, Home Economics Teacher*

*Year 12 Child Studies class with Anthea Mur, at Novita Children's Services, Regency Park*



## English News

### Debating Update

It has been my absolute pleasure to attend the last few rounds of the Debating Competition. Our Year 10 team's performance was outstanding.



In Round 4, Unley High School defeated Cardijn College by convincing the audience that Scotland should be an independent country. The winning streak continued in Round 5 when Unley High School defeated Pulteney Grammar in a short preparation debate where they had to argue that atheism should be taught in schools. The team's undefeated five Rounds meant that they qualified for the Quarter Finals, which they went on to win against St John's Grammar School, convincing the adjudicator that the Stolen Generation should not be awarded financial compensation. Isaac Thiele- Swift was awarded 'Debater of the Match' for his excellent rebuttal as third speaker.

Last night the team went on to win their Semi Final against Glenunga International High School by proving that older drivers should be subject to compulsory medical and driving tests. They have now qualified for the Grand Final to be held in The House of Assembly Chamber Parliament House on Saturday 20 September 2014. They will be debating against Pulteney Grammar School and proving that the UN must intervene in Syria.

We wish the team all the best as they attempt to match their Grand Final win last year in Year 9.

*Sue Wendt, Debating Coordinator*

### 2014 South Australian Young Writer's Award Winners

Every year the South Australian Young Writer's Award competition is held to recognise outstanding student work in both poetry and prose writing across the state.

The English Learning Area is very happy to announce that Unley High School had a number of students awarded this year.

Congratulations to Ayla Hoffman and Angus Santostefano who received a Certificate of Commendation for Year 11 Prose and Year 12 Poetry, to Louise Wray who won 3rd Prize for Year 12 Poetry, to Thomas Ogier who won 3rd Prize for Year 8 Poetry, and to Laura Jamieson who won 1st Prize for Year 10 Prose.

We are very proud of all our winners and the high quality of writing our students here at Unley High School continue to produce.

*James Harous, English Teacher*

#### *Chip*

*I am small  
Unnoticed  
Innocent,  
I am there for the taking,  
There to be disposed of,  
For another one to take my place.  
In a bag I lie  
Cramped and confined  
In this dark prison.  
Light  
Bursts, blinding  
Hot, hot sun,  
My family is taken  
Removed and crushed,  
Then grounded in someone's mouth.  
I am left at the bottom  
Hidden from the killer  
Praying I'm not next.  
I am abused  
Treated badly  
And discarded,  
As a child I was with one with the  
others  
Then taken, scrubbed and sliced.  
Removed from my family  
Isolated and alone  
I lie in this bag,  
A meal for the birds.*

*by Thomas Ogier*

#### *Tock Tick Tock Tick Time*

*Minutes hours seconds or freckles past a hair  
You could float away with them  
Instead you hurry and scurry and waste air  
I am Perpetual so do not condemn  
Me to anything but Infinity*

*Being confined to a clock face belittles my supremacy  
A pathetic attempt at caging your fate.  
Counting your years left only leads to bankruptcy  
As it is not me that has an expiration date.*

*Is there something that frightens you about indulging in a moment?  
Don't tell me you're afraid to live in a world where I am absent.  
Does it scare you to hold on to something intangible?  
Try to pause and taste me on your tongue.  
Breathe me in these words.*

*Shout my name to the heavens and cry, 'Carpe diem!'  
by Louise Wray*



## Tournament of Minds

It is with great excitement that we announce that Unley High School competed in the Tournament of Minds competition again this year, with two teams consisting of Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 students. We congratulate both teams for their outstanding effort, with special commendations to the Maths Engineering Team who were awarded Tournament Honours for placing in the Top 10 percent in their category. Below, we hear from two students who can share their experiences with the school community about what it was like to be involved in this program.

Cassie Fenton – Tournament of Minds Facilitator

*Tournament of Minds is a creative, problem solving competition that commences in Term 2 and runs through Term 3. It starts off for all our teams in Spontaneous Practice where we all must approach the challenge in the most original, creative but logical way possible. At first we were all a bit shaky as most of us didn't know each other that well (with only a few of us having past experience in the competition). However, as we practiced more, we all became better and our responses definitely improved. In week 3 of Term 3, we started on our Long Term Challenge for the Applied Technology category. In order to solve our challenge we needed to not only 'create' a new piece of technology, answer questions about the consequences and benefits of this technology, build everything that needed to be built and write our script, but also include this in a ten minute play. It's a fair bit of work but everyone put their heads together and we all got there in the end. On Tournament Day, all the teams did amazing jobs and it was very enjoyable to be finally presenting our finished products and cheering the other Unley team on. Being in Tournament of Minds, not only do you make friends with people you didn't know before, but it also teaches you to work together in a team and problem solve, but you have fun even when things don't always go to plan. It's definitely something worth doing in the future and I wish I could keep doing it!*

Danielle Stafford – Year 10 – Applied Technology Team

*The Maths Engineering Team consisted of four Year 8's, and three Year 9's. The team started training for Tournament Day from the first meeting. We were grouped into a team and would practice a Spontaneous Challenge each week. The team would have minutes to solve a puzzle, riddle, set of events or story. We figured out roles, improved on our weaknesses, watched the team grow and the people in it grow closer. Every challenge was new and different, and the team had a great time working each and every one out.*

*It wasn't all minute mysteries of course. The Long Term Challenge consisted of six weeks to figure out, solve and create our own solution to the challenge, then devise a creative way to express it in a play script format. We were told to solve a distribution problem, planning and building a working model device to distribute set amounts to set locations on a map. We were given the opportunity to plan the device, working with each other's ideas, improving and modifying, until we were happy with a design. We could then assemble the machine, using wood, plastic, piping and all the necessary tools. Only one thing felt better than watching the project move from planning, to testing, to a finished creation and that was presenting it on Tournament Day, in front of an audience and judges.*

*Tournament Day was as much of an adventure as the preparation had been. The team was given a Spontaneous Challenge, which we scrambled to solve. The practice had been well worth it. The Long Term was the highlight. We put on costumes, moved our device on stage, and presented it in the most creative sense we could imagine. Our model was reviewed and judged. It was added to the score from our Spontaneous Challenge and the competition had come to a close. The team strived and were nothing but happy about the amazing day and the weeks before it. It was really an amazing adventure.*

Tyler Rock – Year 9 – Maths Engineering Team

### Year 8 Student wins Bronze medal in English Championships

One of our Year 8 students Lottie Croghan took part in the Education Perfect World Series this year and was awarded a Bronze medal which ranked her in the top 20% of 20,000 competitors from around the world.

Between the 28 July and 7 August 2014, students were tested on their English skills, including grammar, reading comprehension and knowledge of literary texts.

Competitors from 800 schools answered over 4 million questions in just 10 days and Lottie scored in excess of 1,000 points to earn her medal. Well done!

Sue Wendt, English Coordinator





## International Student Program News

We farewell three International Students this term and wish them well in the future. We hope they have enjoyed their experience at Unley High School as much as we have enjoyed having them with us! Ms Marta Alterio has returned to Italy, Mr Yao (Ian) Yin to China and Ms Shiori Takada has returned to Japan.

This term we have welcomed 17 new students to study at Unley High School. They come from China, Japan, Germany and Denmark. We hope they have a wonderful Australian and school experience while they are here.

In week 6 we celebrated Multi-Cultural Week. Some of our International Students performed at the multicultural assembly on Monday 25 August 2014. At recess time on Friday 29 August 2014 students showcased traditional costumes from around the world and at lunchtime our fabulous Multi-Cultural Food Fair was held in the Rose Garden. We were able to enjoy food from 15 different cultures. It was a great way to end a very successful week.

*Andrew Cawthorne, Coordinator International Student Program*



## Science News

### National Science Week - A sublime food experience

Week 5 was National Science Week. This year the theme was feeding the world and to mark the occasion Unley High School staff and students participated in a number of food related activities. The week started with a daily quiz in the bulletin and Home Groups from across the school competed against each other to answer a range of general Science related questions. Congratulations goes to Home Group 8.410 who gave the most correct responses over the course of the week.

On Friday 15 August 2014 the Science Learning Area moved to the Rose Garden area in the Middle School during lunch where students sampled some sublime icecream creations which were frozen using dry ice. The bubbling frothy mix was quite a sight. The cold refreshing treat, with a slightly carbonated flavor, was ideal for those students who dared to jump on the Rowing Machines nearby and attempt to row for their food. Apart from keeping active, students learnt about the energy requirements of food production. As the sweat beaded on their foreheads they began to get a sense of how some foods are not necessarily as efficient as others as they were challenged to produce just 1/10th of the energy that goes into the production of their chosen food prize. The most popular choice, the can of Cola, required the greatest effort as students needed to output 330kJ or 80 calories of energy on the Rowing Machine to get this prize.

All in all, it was a great day full of fun and scientific learning. Many thanks to all who participated and made the National Science Week activities a great success.

*Reuben Harwood, Maths/Science Teacher and Matthew Polmear, Science Teacher*



## Arts News

Unley High School has a passionate and active Performing Arts community. Outside of school our students participate in a range of artistic endeavours.

We would like to acknowledge some of the fantastic works our students have been involved in recently.

On Sunday 31 August 2014, Year 12 student Austin Zilm performed solo Oboe, doubling on the Cor Anglais (English Horn), for the Gala Concert showcasing the Adelaide Youth Orchestra at the Adelaide Town Hall. Two movements from Dvorak's Symphony No. 9, featuring the well-known Going Home melody, was played with glorious phrasing and intense expression by Austin. The Adelaide Youth Orchestra is the premier training orchestra for Adelaide's aspiring musicians.

Year 10 students Emily Downing and Heather Koufopoulos were members of the ensemble in the Adelaide Youth Theatre's brilliant production of *Hairspray*, performed at The Arts Theatre in August 2014.

Year 11 student Connor O'Neill is a cast member in Urban Myth Theatre Company's 2014 production of *Out of the Boot*, running from the 15 -17 September 2014 at The Goodwood Institute Theatre. Sadly, due to a lack of funding, Urban Myth Theatre will likely close its doors, making *Out of the Boot* its final production.

A Year 8 student, Zoe Muller and her Year 12 sister Jasmin were cast members in the Stirling Players' 2014 production of *Inheritance*, which has been nominated for Best Amateur Show (Drama) in the Australian Theatre Guild's 2013/2014 Curtain Call Awards. Well done to Zoe, Jasmin and all members of the Stirling Players who were involved in the production.

Year 11 student Annabel Bramley will play the title role in Theatre Bugs' upcoming production of *Peter Pan*. Fellow Year 9 students Gracie Henderson and Kayla Olman are also members of the ensemble. The production is on at The Odeon Theatre on the 2 and 3 October 2014. Tickets are available through [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com).

Gracie Henderson was also a member of the ensemble in The Gilbert and Sullivan Society of South Australia's 2014 production of *Oliver!* This outstanding production has also been nominated for a Curtain Call award for Best Amateur Musical.

We are delighted that our Year 12 student, Louisa Stocco, has been chosen to perform as Harmony in the South Australian Children's Entertainers production of *The Fairies*. Harmony, Rhapsody and Elf will be performing daily at 11:30am at the Royal Adelaide Show, and touring regionally.

The Year 11 Semi-Formal was entertained by a performance from rock band Where the Wild Things Are with Year 11 students Josh Batic (guitar and lead vocals), Yani Shafeeg (guitar and vocals), Pat MacDonald (bass guitar) and Year 10 student Jake 'The Windmill' White. They performed an energetic dance set with rock classics, modern hits and a debut performance of an original song. The group will also be performing at the Student Voice Assembly in Week 10.

Finally, Year 12 Music student Kristy Kyriacou organised a Charity Concert – *Concert at the Cressie*. The concert featured a wide range of student groups including *Strange Brew*, *All Year Round*, *Last March of the Ents*, *Short Alternative*, *Youngblood* and the Senior Vocal Ensemble. The concert took place on 21 September 2014 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at Unley High School in the George Cresswell Hall. Entry was only a \$2.00 minimum donation and all proceeds were donated to the Childhood Cancer Association.

Congratulations to all these students on their personal commitment and their outstanding achievement in the Arts.

*Amelia Simmons, Drama Teacher*





### MY EXPERIENCE IN 'INHERITANCE'

by Zoe Muller

*It's 1938. In the Mallee country, 18 year old twin sisters, Dibs and Girlie Myrtle, must decide the future of their family farm 'Allandale'. One girl must stay and look after mum and the farm, the other is free to go. Duty or freedom. Which will it be? Heads or tails. They flip a coin... Forward to the year 2000 and the family gathers to celebrate Dibs and Girlie's eightieth birthdays. These have been heartbreak years in the bush and cracks in the family are beginning to show. All have a claim to the land, but which claim will prevail and who will lose out? A powerful family drama by Hannie Rayson dealing with the divisions between the city and the bush, black and white, and duty and freedom.*

My sister Jasmin and I were chosen to play the parts of Girlie's granddaughters Ashleigh and Brianna Delaney and also Girlie and Dibs as 14 and 18 years old in The Stirling Players' recent amateur theatre show 'Inheritance'. We were very nervous but excited to receive those roles. We started with a read through where everyone got to know each other. I could tell just by that read through that the group of actors in this show were very talented and that this would be a great show.

I was very surprised with how quickly the show was put together. No time was wasted, scripts were down within six weeks and with only twelve members in the cast, there were a lot of lines to learn! Blocking was down within the first three weeks and the rest of the time was spent perfecting the show. The rehearsal process was intense with three rehearsals per week for three months with only a short Christmas break. Closer to opening, rehearsals were longer with each Sunday rehearsal being nine hours and then tech rehearsal every night of the week before opening!

By opening night we knew the show backwards!! The feeling backstage was incredible, everyone was excited but very calm which really helped me prepare. I did not expect to walk on stage to see a full house looking directly at me. Opening night went faultlessly so did the other two shows that weekend.



Ashley and Brianna Delaney with dad Lyle Delaney (Pete Davies).



My biggest surprise with adult theatre was the way they were all silent side-stage during the show. Even whispering wasn't accepted and we had to almost tiptoe about because the softest noise can be heard during a quiet scene. I have definitely learnt a lot about being silent back stage and will know to apply it to all future shows. Costume changes were frantic. My biggest challenge was having to change into a different era costume within four lines! I had two dressers there in OP, one doing my hair, the other doing my shoes and socks while I did my dress. I will never complain about any type of quick (one song) costume changes again because compared to the time I had, those costume changes are long!

To refresh our memory, we had rehearsals on the Thursday prior to the weekend shows. Instead of doing the show again we sat in a circle and said our lines, no acting or characterisation. It was quite funny hearing Pete's long dramatic monologue with absolutely no anger or characterization. Over the next two weekends the shows went just as smoothly. The finale and last bows came and everyone was sad to finish what was a fantastic show.

A few weeks ago we were told that 'Inheritance' has been nominated for 'Best Drama' in the amateur category for the ATG Curtain Call Awards 2014. We were happy enough just to be in an amateur theatre show but being nominated for Best Drama just took it to a whole new level. We are all looking forward to a reunion at the awards night on August the 16th!

The Stirling Players, cast and crew of 'Inheritance' were so friendly and welcoming and I have learnt so much from them, as well as from the Director Geoff Brittain. I feel privileged to have been part of this show, it was an amazing experience, one I'll never forget.



Brianna Delaney with dad, Lyle Delaney.



## Design News

Past Scholar, Madeline Little (2012) has been showing off her talents on the fashion runway! After finishing school Maddy began her own label, Madeline The Label. She has recently showcased her work in a small runway show as a guest designer for an Adelaide based Fashion Design competition that she enters and designs for every year.

Maddy has also recently been accepted as a finalist for the Adelaide Fashion Festivals Emerging Designer's Competition. This is a huge show at the end of the Fashion Festival in October. It allows Maddy to rub shoulders with well-known designers at a VIP invite only launch. Some of Adelaide's most influential fashion people are invited to attend. She will have some of her designs photographed in the South Australian magazine, *Aspire*, and to add to the mix a few online interviews too!

We are all so pleased for Madeline and her successes and wish her all the very best with her ventures.

If you would like to follow Maddy on Instagram [@madeline\\_the\\_label](https://www.instagram.com/madeline_the_label) Take a look, her work is exceptional. She also has her show on youtube:

look <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rBsbgQti0tA>

You can purchase Maddy's designs on [etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com)



Rheanna Dougherty, Arts Coordinator

## Greek News

### The Unley High School Greek Spring Dance

The Unley High School Greek Spring Dance was held on Saturday 30 August 2014 in Term 3. This annual event was organised by the Unley High School Greek Parents Committee, along with the unwavering support from many teachers and students at the school. This year it was held at the Cyprus Community of SA Inc. Throughout the term, a group of students from all year levels practised a number of traditional Greek dances each week. On the night, the students performed these dances in front of a crowd of over 150 people. Shortly after the performances and dinner, which everybody thought were both fantastic, the night was spent with even more dancing, eating and having a good time with family and friends alike. We can't wait for next year's dance!



By Viki Ntafillis, 9.505

The Greek Parents' Committee would like to sincerely thank the Sponsors who assisted them to create a night to remember!

*Arbonne*

*Bakery on O'Connell Café - 44 O'Connell Street, Nth Adelaide*

*Balthazar Café Pasadena - Pasadena Green Shopping Centre*

*Blackwood Café*

*Bruce's Meat Mitcham - Shop 4 Mitcham Square 119 Belair Rd*

*Chemmart Pasadena - Pasadena Green Shopping Centre*

*Dan Murphy's Pasadena - Pasadena Green Shopping Centre*

*Davroe Hair Wellness*

*Eyes & Vision Optometrists - 50 Unley Shopping Centre*

*Greek Orthodox Community of SA Inc - Adelaide SA*

*Hellenic Travel - 119 Hindley Street, Adelaide*

*HGP Conveyancing - Level 6, 117 King William Street, Adelaide*

*Hilton Adelaide*

*NAK Haircare - 21 Kiley Court, St Marys*

*Norwood Greek Seniors' Group*

*Patio Coffee - 678 South Rd Glandore SA 5037*

*Pieriko Society of SA Inc - 94 Henley Beach Road, Mile End*

*RADIO ENA - 255 Waymouth Street, Adelaide*

*RCR Accountants Norwood*

*Level 1, 125B The Parade, Norwood*

*Rosewater Meat Store - 77 Grand Junction Road, Rosewater*

*Royal Copenhagen Henley Square - 253 Seaview Road*

*The Wash - 255 Unley Road, Malvern*

*Unique Cleaning Products*



## Mathematics News

### More fantastic news from the Maths Learning Area!

Recently our school has taken part in a number of Mathematical Competitions and activities.

The first was the annual Maths Quiz Night organized by the Maths Association of South Australia. It was held in early August at the Australian Maths and Science School. We entered five teams from Years 8 to 11. They competed against numerous schools, mainly from the private sector.

We are pleased to announce that one team from Year 10 was the winner of the *Best Mathematics* category in the Middle School division.



The team members were Sophie, Alastair, Jack and Johnson. They were required to answer both short answer and challenging maths-related questions over a restricted time frame. Well done to all teams, but in particular the above mentioned group.

Also, in August the famous Australian Maths Competition was conducted in our school. All Year 8 students took part, together with a further thirteen from other year levels. We are in the process of analyzing the results and will be able to shortly publicise a list of winners.

In another exciting announcement, one of our Year 11 students, Yu (Rain) Chen, has been chosen to represent South Australia in the National Maths Summer School in Canberra next January. She is one of only six from the State who will spend two weeks at a national university attending lectures and workshops related to Mathematical problem solving and learning new processes and concepts. She was chosen as a worthy candidate due to her high aptitude in Mathematics and dedicated approach to her studies.

Again well done. Congratulations and appreciation go to all of our participants in various activities.

*Peter Stone, Coordinator Mathematics*

## Library News

### Book Week

Each year schools and public libraries across Australia spend a week celebrating books, Australian authors and illustrators.

Classroom teachers and teacher librarians develop activities, offer competitions and tell stories relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading.

Chinese and EALD students enjoyed hearing author Alison Lloyd speak in the library as part of the celebrations. Alison led the students in acting out stories from ancient China using some wonderful costumes.



Our Senior Vocal group performed at lunchtime.



Students enjoyed hearing Mr Steve Bettess, one of our English Teachers, play his guitar during one lunchtime.



*Jenny Brisbane, Teacher Librarian*



## Year 9 Ski Trip News



Our week-long Ski Trip for 2014 began with our massive 14 hour bus trip from Unley High School to Falls Creek on the Saturday Night 3 August 2014. This year saw more snow at Falls Creek than any year in the last decade and our students were only beginning to be spoiled, for the weather was absolutely perfect.

After lugging our gear 400 metres through snow to the lodge, Nic Danell is to be commended for providing relief to Dakota in this respect, our students survived the 'organised chaos' of eating lunch, getting fitted for equipment and clothing, collecting ski passes and getting changed for their first lesson at 3:00pm. What followed on the flattest slope on the mountain was 'absolute carnage' and could not even remotely be referred to as skiing. Upon return to the lodge for dinner we had 85 excited students and some sore bodies already.

As each day progressed with lessons and supervised ski time, the students skiing ability improved at a very quick rate because the conditions were perfect - sunny skies and perfect snow. They developed so well to Intermediate Standard that we were able to spend our last morning on the Intermediate Slope of 'Ruined Castle' as a group. Each night through the week was routine with beautiful food for dinner, a meeting to narrate the best 'stacks' and events from the day and finally preparation of new ski groups for the next morning. Each day involved getting organised with a 7:00am Breakfast, Boots, Skis, Pants, Jacket, Lift Ticket, Helmet, meeting with their group and heading up to the slopes by 8:30am.

It is a wonderful experience for those that can go and they learn to ski and live in an environment that is so foreign to most. They learn to organise themselves and interact for a week with 85 other students in a close environment. Many students making friends that last well beyond the trip into their future life.

Apart from ski highlights the students were able to see the fireworks show and some ski performances on Thursday night. The wind was too strong for night skiing this year but this was outweighed due to the exceptional daytime weather. We had our traditional snowball fight whilst waiting for the group photo and there were some outstanding snow statues created by hordes of students at the top of Ruined Castle.

It is always a very special week and this year was no exception with some wonderfully positive feedback about our students from the workers on the mountain and the general public on holidays. As always all the staff were extremely proud of our students and thankful for the experience we got to share.

Notification and invitations for the 2015 ski trip will occur midway through Term 4.

*Wayne Beaumont, English Teacher*





## Rowing News

### Matthew Draper Cup 2014

On Sunday 24 August 2014, the Unley High School Rowing Club in conjunction with its AGM held the 35th running of the Matthew Draper Cup. This event sees rowers of mixed ability, age and gender racing against one another in crews of five (including Coxswain). Rowers go head-to-head over a distance of 300m on the River Torrens. The winner is the Rower or Coxswain who remains undefeated over the course of the event. For the first time in the events history the Matthew Draper Cup was won by a Coxswain. I am very pleased to announce Harry Bridge as the winner of the 2014 Matthew Draper Cup. Harry did a fantastic job in steering his crews to victory throughout the day and is a very deserving winner of the event.

Congratulations Harry!



### Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The Rowing Club also held its AGM on Sunday 24 August 2014. This is an important meeting for a number of reasons and this year was no different. Firstly, I am very pleased to announce that Anita Hughes was nominated for Honorary Life Membership of the Unley High School Rowing Club. This nomination was due reward for Anita's eleven years of service to the Rowing Club in her capacity as Rowing Coordinator. Her continued support as a Committee member and her role in establishing the Special Interest Rowing Program at Unley High School is commendable. Anita graciously accepted this nomination and we are very proud to add Anita Hughes to the list of Life Members of the Unley High School Rowing Club.

Secondly, the election of a number of new Committee members occurred. The Committees' role in contributing to the direction of the Rowing Club is vital to the continued and on-going success of the Unley High School Rowing Club. Congratulations and thanks must go to the following individuals for dedicating their time in support of Rowing at Unley High School. Similarly, I would like to thank the out-going members of this Committee for their dedication and hard work and wish them a well deserved rest!

Peter Zilm (President)	Chris Ford	Jodie Bowering	David Rowe
Michael Correll (Secretary)	Anita Hughes	Mark Size	James Cursley
Robin Ward (Treasurer)	Kim Stretch	Graham Boyce	Simon Grayling
Di Stevens (Treasurer)	Renata Zilm	Jenny Boyce	Rebecca Lannan
Chris Ward	Casey Freeman	Ian Ogier	Joshua Whitwell

### Row4Gold

The South Australian Sports Institute (SASI) in conjunction with the Rowing Australia State Talent Pathway Coordinator, Christine MacLaren, are looking for males and females aged 16-25 years who are tall with long arms and legs and competitive at any sport or physical activity at a State Representative level. If you meet all criteria, consideration will be given on an individual basis.

If you think this is you then please make contact with Christine directly by emailing [row4gold.sa.gov.au](mailto:row4gold.sa.gov.au) or telephone 7424 7738.

Alternatively, feel free to make contact with Joshua Whitwell at Unley High School and he will forward your contact details – [joshua.whitwell@uhs.sa.edu.au](mailto:joshua.whitwell@uhs.sa.edu.au) or telephone 0401 121 217



## Rowing News Continued

### Former UHS Exchange Students Making Waves In German Rowing

I recently received news of the success of two former Unley High School Exchange Students Calina Schanze and Gregory Schalteger. Both Calina and Greg have returned to their native Germany and are experiencing great success competing with the German National Rowing Team. The Unley High School Rowing Club is proud to have been able to play a role in their development and wish them every success for the future.

#### Gregory Schalteger

Greg first began rowing during his yearlong Exchange Program at Unley High School between 2011 and 2012, initially in the Schoolboy First IV and then the Schoolboy First VIII. During this time Greg met Calina who was able to provide him with more information on continuing with his rowing upon his return to Germany.

Since returning to Germany, Greg has established himself as a competent Lightweight Rower with many successes at domestic and national level. He was selected as a spare for the U23 Lightweight Four at the most recent U23 World Rowing Championships held in Varese, Italy.

In the next season Greg hopes to again make the German U23 National Team. We wish Greg every success for the future and have no doubt that he will have a very successful career in rowing ahead of him.



#### Calina Schanze

Calina came to Unley High School with considerable rowing experience. During her time at Unley High School Calina represented Unley High School at the Australian National Rowing Championships and was successful in winning the U17 Women's Double Scull. Calina was a fantastic contributor to the Senior Girls Squad and provided a great example for our girls to aspire to. Equally, Calina's time spent rowing at Unley High School taught her that there is so much more to rowing than winning. The comradely from fellow Unley High School Rowers was like nothing that she had ever experience before and credits with helping to make her a more well-rounded rower.

Most recently Calina has returned to Germany and was an integral member of the Junior Women's Eight that won Gold at the recent Junior World Rowing Championships held in Hamburg, Germany. Amazingly, the regatta venue where Calina competed was a short 45km from her home. Calina competed in the stroke seat (second from the left). Congratulations Calina on your success and we wish you the bet of luck as you move towards the U23 Competition.





## Sport News

The winter sport season has finished with Unley High School having a number of very successful seasons. Our Soccer teams had many wins with the Year 8 boys doing particularly well being undefeated. We had a girls Soccer team entered in the Southern Zone competition which was fantastic as it's been a couple of years since we have had the numbers to fill a female team. The Year 8/9 Football team also had a strong season with many more wins than losses and our Open Football boys won the Southern Zone competition to be Grand Finalists against Concordia College in a great final game. Our Netballers also did very well with one of our Open teams winning the Southern Zone competition and one of Year 8/9 teams winning the Catholic School Girls competition in their respective divisions. Our Basketball boys also had a very strong season with both the Year 8/9 teams and the Open teams winning over 80% of their games. Overall it's been a great winter season with a high level of weekly participation.

Our summer mid-week season is already underway with girls Basketball, girls Volleyball and girls and boys Indoor Soccer. Early results are looking very positive! The Saturday morning summer season will start up in Term 4.

We have also continued in our Knockout competitions. Our Open Soccer boys won their third game in the opening groups round against Adelaide High School to advance them into the next stage of the competition. This is the furthest the Open Knockout Soccer team has progressed in a few years. Unfortunately they were knocked out at this stage by St Michael's College who were very strong. Thank you to staff member Joe Rosmini for coaching these boys. Sadly both the Year 8/9 and Year 10 boys Soccer teams were knocked out in their third round games by Adelaide High School and Cardijn College respectively, but again they had a very successful campaign going as far as they did. Both our Open girls and Open boys Basketball teams won their minor round games to progress through to the finals in Week 4. Both teams played really well with the boys finishing 3rd in the State and the girls 5th in the State. Currently we have the Year 8/9 boys Knockout team competing in their competition and so far they have won two games against Wirreanda Secondary School and Cardijn College. Their third round game will be against Sacred Heart in Week 10. Also this term we had some Knockout Indoor Soccer, Badminton and girls Hockey. The mixed Badminton team were defeated in a very close game against Seaview High School. The Year 8/9 boys Indoor Soccer team were very unlucky finishing equal first in the minor rounds but ending up being eliminated on goal difference. This year was the first time Unley High School has entered into the Year 8/9 girls Knockout Hockey and the girls did a fantastic job to end up 3rd in the State. Still to come in Knockout is more Basketball, Softball, Volleyball and Super 8's Cricket.

We have had a few Carnivals and Secondary School Sport events this term. We had a team entered into the Mixed Touch SA competition where we finished third overall. In the Orienteering Relay Championships our a girl's team came second in their division with our German exchange student, Laura van der Buchwald, recording a very quick time to be the fastest individual senior girl. Year 10 and 11 girl's Football teams played in a 9-a-side Carnival and had a great day. Both teams did really well with the Year 10 team coming third overall. For the first time this year a mixed Netball Carnival was on offer and Unley High School entered three teams from Years 10 and 11. All did really well considering most of the boys hadn't played too much Netball before and Netball specialty school, Blackwood High School, had entered a few teams.



Congratulations go to Jacob Earl who played in the State Indoor Cricket Championships during the July holidays where South Australia came third. This is a great achievement by Jacob. Currently we have Stephanie O'Hara, Jaimee Wittervan, Taj Heald and Cameron Hancock playing in the U18 State Touch teams in Queensland so we wish them luck in those competitions.

*Anna Henderson, Sports Coordinator*



## Health & Physical Education News

Dance is a Stage 1 and Stage 2 subject offered to Unley High School students through the Mitcham Alliance. The course is taught at Mitcham Girls High School and this year, Unley High School Year 10 student Nathan Turtur is studying Stage 1 Dance while Year 11 student, Alice Fittock is studying Stage 2 Dance.

Nathan and Alice recently performed at the Odeon Theatre in the Mitcham Girls High School annual dance performance where they both performed brilliantly.

Alice will be performing during the upcoming school holidays in the production of *A Frozen tale... The Ballet*, for the South Australians Childrens Ballet Company. For more information, go to [www.sacbc.com](http://www.sacbc.com)

*Jenny Hall, Health & Physical Education Teacher*



## CPSW News

### 40 hour famine

In Week 4 of Term 3, 40 people from Unley High School participated in the 40 Hour Famine. It began at 8:50pm on Wednesday evening and finished up at 12:50pm on Friday with a celebration lunch in the George Cresswell Hall.

Hannah from Year 10, as a Committee member and 40 Hour Famine participant, designed and printed some really cool signs for students who took part, to wear around their necks to bring more awareness to the cause of the Famine.



This year money raised is going to Rwanda, in remembrance of the 20 Year Anniversary of the Genocide that happened in 1994 where around 1 million people died within a 100 day period causing massive ripple effects for years to come. So a big thank you to our Committee members:

Cai O-Loughlin, Jakob Millard, Hannah Crockett-Naini, Miranda Stocco, Taelah Rowlands, Sharee Griwshaw, Tyler Meade, Holly Bradshaw.

These students helped run the events, raise money and raise awareness throughout the 40 Hour Famine Campaign.

Special Congratualtions to the following students who have raised over \$200 individually:

Louise Wray, Year 12	\$202.00
Taelah Rowlands, Year 10	\$249.00
Coral Bryce, Year 8	\$270.90
Cai O-Loughlin, Year 10	\$345.75
Ailsa Stevens, Year 9	\$358.50

It has been a fantastic effort by all who have been involved, raising \$4400 so far from donations, a BBQ in the yard, selling drinks and a casual clothes day (thankyou Student Voice)!

Thank you for all your support, particularly the support of the families of the students who took part.

*Jodi Quast, Christian Pastoral Support Worker*

*Jodi.quast@uhs.sa.edu.au or 8272 1455 Mon-Thurs*

### Tabletennis Competition

Throughout Week 4-9 of Term 3, an intense and exciting Table Tennis Competition was run at lunch times in the George Cresswell Hall. Elena Asikas, Mr Pappas and myself ran the Competition with the support of Student Voice and other interested students. Over 100 students participated with eight students making the Final on the last Wednesday in Week 9.

*The final 8 included:* Blake Patterson - Year 10, Praharsha Maharjan - Year 8, Joseph Zhao - Year 9, Phoebe Kempson - Year 12, Nick Endenburg - Year 10, Kaleb Watson-Tran - Year 9, Sam Dimitrou - Year 10 and Daniel Yii - Year 9.

Phoebe, Praharsha, Blake and Nick made the Semi-Finals.

Blake and Nick fought it out for top spot, with Blake Patterson of 10.815 winning in 2 sets! Congratulations to Blake!!



Thankyou to all who helped run a great competition and for all that came along for moral support. Here's hoping there will be another competition again soon!

*Jodi Quast, Christian Pastoral Support Worker  
and Mr Chris Pappas, Mathematics Teacher*

## Home Group 9.331 News

### Fundraiser for RSPCA Community Care Project

Students in Home Group 9.331 raised \$120 for the RSPCA recently when they held a *Cup Cake Day* on Thursday 4 September 2014.

We would like to thank Katerina Pantelis for organising this Fundraiser. Thank you to Anna Tsimogiannis, Anh Bui, Loren Adlington and Paree Vitigliano for selling the Cup Cakes at lunchtime. We also thank all the students in 9.331 for providing Cup Cakes for this worthy cause.

Thanks to everyone for your support.

*Ellie Daly and Sarah Tallura*

## VET News

Congratulations to Leon Morris who started his Plumbing Apprenticeship a few weeks ago and is doing really well. Congratulations also to Jake Morris who has begun a Roof Plumbing Apprenticeship. Both Leon and Jake have really excelled in their work experience, to the point that the employers have offered them both Apprenticeships.

Chris Bogdan has also started his Plumbing Apprenticeship and his employer's feedback really positive.

Keep up the good work and congratulations to these students on their success.

*Toby Watts, VET Coordinator*

## Canteen Thank you's

Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers from 23 June to 12th September 2014. We really do appreciate your time and enjoy your conversation.

Trudie Cain	Robin Ward	Carla Davison	Jenny Boyce	Anna Chin	Liz Key
Leonie Rowe	Meredith Hough	Deb Gentry	Merrilyn Fietz	Nikki Stevens	Marion Plane
Jan Hardwick	Donna Jones	Kathryn Ireland	Kathryn Ganley	Faith Ting	Amanda Crockett
Geraldine Sweeney					

*Cheers Helen, Elaine and Liz*

## Community News



### Schoolies Festival Information Evening

Thanks to funding support from the City of Mitcham, we invite parents of Year 12 students to attend a FREE Q & A evening about Schoolies Festival, Victor Harbor.

The organisers of Schoolies Festival, Encounter Youth will explain first hand available support services, laws regarding alcohol and hints and tips as a parent of a 'schoolie'

**Monday 27 October 2014, 6:30pm-7:30pm**

**City of Mitcham Civic Centre**  
131 Belair Rd, Torrens Park or

**Tuesday 28 October 2014 - 6:30pm-7:30pm,**

**Blackwood Community Centre**  
4 Young St, Blackwood

Bookings are essential and can be made by either phoning Ph: 8372 8869 or email [youth@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au](mailto:youth@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au) by 5:00pm Wednesday 22 October 2014.

## MITCHAM POOL ACTION GROUP



# A POOL FOR MITCHAM



**7.30pm**

**Monday 13 October 2014**

**Hawthorn Community Centre**  
**(ie Mitcham 50s Plus Club)**  
**5 Frimley Grove, Hawthorn**

**RSVP: [Terry.kent@bigpond.com](mailto:Terry.kent@bigpond.com)**  
**or 0433-427-000**

*YOUR ATTENDANCE MATTERS!*





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## Term 4 2014

<b>October 13</b>	<b>First Day Term 4</b>	
<b>October 21</b>	Principal's Tour	9:00am to 10:30am
<b>October 24</b>	<b>YEAR 12 GRADUATION CEREMONY</b> - George Cresswell Hall	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>October 24</b>	Parent Graduation Evening	7:00pm
<b>October 27-31</b>	Year 10 Work Experience/Challenge	
<b>October 27</b>	Parent Voice Meeting	6:30pm to 8:00pm
<b>October 28</b>	Fundraising & Event's Management Committee Meeting	5:30pm
<b>October 28</b>	Unley High School Council Meeting	7:00pm
<b>November 3-19</b>	<b>YEAR 12 EXAMS</b>	
<b>November 18</b>	Year 7 'Getting to know you'	2:00pm to 3:00pm
<b>November 18</b>	Year 7 Parent Information Evening - George Cresswell Hall	6:30pm to 8:00pm
<b>November 21</b>	<b>Year 8-11 Awards Ceremony</b> - George Cresswell Hall	<b>9:00am to 10:30am</b>
<b>November 21</b>	Year 12 Art Exhibition - UHS Foyer Gallery	6:00pm
<b>November 25</b>	Parent Voice Meeting	6:30pm to 8:00pm
<b>December 1-5</b>	Basketball Championships - Canberra	
<b>December 2</b>	Fundraising & Events Management Committee Meeting	5:30pm
<b>December 2</b>	Unley High School Council Meeting	7:00pm
<b>December 8-10</b>	<b>Year 9 Presentations</b>	
<b>December 9</b>	<b>Year 8 Showcase</b>	
<b>December 12</b>	<b>LAST DAY TERM - EARLY DISMISSAL</b>	<b>12:30pm</b>

## STRATEGIC PLAN

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## DECD 2014-17 Strategic Plan

The Department for Education and Child Development's new Strategic Plan 2014-2017 outlines how our public education system will become even stronger over the next four years.

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