



CHRISTIES BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES

28 June

Year 12 Formal

2-4 July

Year 9 and 10 Science and Engineering Challenge

5 July

Last day of term 2
Early dismissal 2.20pm

22 July

First day of term 3

2 September

School Closure for Adelaide Show



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

To parents, caregivers, students and community,

With the year almost half over we can look back on many significant achievements over the last few months. This newsletter is packed full of good news stories and I encourage you to read it carefully to explore all the great things that happen within our school.

YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL AND TRANSITIONS

In the last newsletter I wrote about the details of the move of year 7 students into high school. I reiterate that for our school, the move will take place from the commencement of 2022 meaning students currently in year 4 will be the first group to enter high school at year 7.

Currently there is a flurry of activity around supporting students currently in year 7 transitioning to high school next year, with staff from our school and surrounding primary schools in deep discussions about how we can support each child to make a successful and smooth move. It's a time when we begin to plan for the year ahead, so if you are thinking about enrolling for 2020 or know others who are, now is the time to get in touch. It's an exciting time to be part of Christies Beach High School.



F1 IN SCHOOLS

For the first time at our school, teams of year 9 students have entered the world-wide F1 in Schools competition. A number of students in partnership with support teachers are in the midst of designing, building and testing their unique mini F1 cars in our fabulous new STEM facility. The opportunity this program provides enables our students to test their engineering knowledge and skills on the state, national and world stage (we'll see how far they get) against students from many other schools. Keep an eye out for news of how our teams go at the upcoming Royal Adelaide Show in September.

MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRESS

As everyone is aware, the CBHS Middle School facility is currently under construction. Pleasingly I can report that works are well on track for completion before the end of this year, meaning 2020 is going to be an exciting time for year 8 and 9 students. Teachers are about to commence trialling of ways to work in contemporary world class learning space that promote team work, inclusion and visibility, while offering many different options for individual support, small teams and large groups. The progress photo here is just a hint of the work being done.



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MID-YEAR REPORTS

As this newsletter is published, mid-year student achievement reports are being prepared ready for posting to all families to arrive by the end of term. With reports will be student timetables for the term ahead. Please take time to read reports carefully and feel welcome to make direct contact with teachers if further information is required. A priority for us this year is to look deeply at levels of achievement for every student and encourage aspirational targets that set them up well for the next steps in life. The mid-year reporting cycle is a good time to reflect and plan for those short term next steps.

Enjoy the upcoming holiday break, and we look forward to welcoming all students back to school on Monday 22 July.

Graham Clark
Principal

FAREWELL

Farewell to teacher and leader Karen Zilm.

This year longstanding teacher and leader Karen Zilm transferred to Seaview High School. We thank Karen for her 16 years of dedicated service to the students of Christies Beach High School and wish her every success at her new school.

BREAKFAST CLUB

FREE breakfast for students every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

8.00am - 9.00am, 3608 - cereal, toast, fruit, eggs and Milo

Volunteers needed - must have a Department of Human Services (DHS) clearance and be willing to attend Responding to Abuse and Neglect training.

Margaret Rankine
Breakfast Club Coordinator



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

As I write this it is clear that winter has well and truly arrived. The rain has set in and everyone has bunkered down in order to stay warm.

With winter here students may now wish to purchase the new school jumpers. Wearing the school uniform helps the school provide a safe environment for students as well as making cost effective, durable attire available to every student. There have been a number of students not wearing uniform to school which causes unnecessary conflict and stress. Should you need support in providing the correct uniform for your young person please get in contact with us at the school.

Despite the incessant wind chill Student Voice remain vigilant regarding the cooking of the BBQ on Thursday mornings and a team of staff led by Margaret Rankine continue to offer the Breakfast Program on the other 4 days of the week. Starting the day with full bellies makes for a much more productive day. A huge thank you must go to both teams for offering these 2 services for the students at our school.

We were incredibly lucky to have our Open Night early in the term and the weather was perfect for it. We had over 200 people come through and look at the wonderful learning facilities within our school. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive from all corners of the community.

A curriculum review is currently underway in order to fine-tune some areas of our curriculum and structure ready for the 2020 school year. This is a much smaller task than the last review which took place in 2017 but is just as vitally important.

Written reports will occur this term that will summarise the end of semester 1 subjects; where has the time gone! These reports will be posted out in week 10 and will also be uploaded onto Daymap for you to access when this is eventually rolled out to parents. The IT team are working to rectify some coding issues which has slowed this process down. Your patience is very much appreciated. While your child will receive a written report, we invite you to make contact with teachers at any stage of a term if you have questions or queries.

As always, take care.

Kirri Minnican
Deputy Principal

CANTEEN NEWS

Have you checked out the new range of healthy options at the canteen yet?

Salads, sushi, cold rolls, baguettes, wraps, sandwiches, dip and sticks. A selection from the range will be available daily or if you specifically want something on a certain day it can be pre-ordered the day before. Orders need to be placed prior to 2.00pm for the next day.

Check out the website for selections and prices. Just choose CBHS from the drop down school menus tab.

<https://rorys.com.au/menus/christies-beach/>

Bev
Canteen Manager



RSL ANZAC YOUTH VIGIL IN THE SOUTH

On the evening of Wednesday 24 April, 2 of our students, Shauna Shields and Nekita Adriaens, represented our school at the ANZAC Youth Vigil in the South.

They were accompanied by a small group of other supportive students who braved the cold night to pay our respects to Australian soldiers who had fallen at the Battle of Gallipoli and other World War I conflicts. Shauna and Nekita demonstrated the school values of respect and inclusion with their impeccable behaviour at this formal event. Christies Beach High School thanks the RSL and community members for allowing us to participate and we hope to continue this partnership over the coming years. Lest we forget.

Liam Mawford
Curriculum Leader

KINDY COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Each Wednesday after lunch a group of year 10 and year 11 students attend one of the local kindergartens for the Community Connections project. The kindergarten kids took us on a fun and crazy adventure. With loud voices and antics on the bus, because they wanted to go home before dropping us back to school, to play outside, we joined in and went down the slide, even though we probably shouldn't have. Building stick huts and being trapped on the back of the mini bikes was great fun.

Being involved with so many 3 and 4 year olds has been great fun and we made so many great memories with the children. Such as helping them read books, making Mother's Day cups, painting and drawing, unwrapping a huge 'pass the parcel' at Easter, playing chasey, hide and seek, playing in the sand pit, building, dancing and singing.

When we got there, we were greeted by a welcome song in the traditional Kurna language and we have made many new young friends and hope to be working with them again in the future.

Sharni and Tahlia
Students



RECONCILIATION WEEK

Reconciliation Week was celebrated between Monday 27 May and Monday 3 June. The theme for this year was 'Grounded in Truth, Walk Together With Courage'. We had numerous events at Christies Beach High School over the week to recognise this important part of Australia's calendar.

The daily Wellbeing lesson gave a chance for all students to undertake some activities to appreciate what reconciliation means to so many people. There was the opportunity to play Indigenous games, watch TED Talks, try Indigenous art and listen to and analyse music by Aboriginal artists just to name a few. It was great to see so many classes participating and to hear the positive feedback from around the school.

On Monday 27 May, all year 8, year 9 and some of the Inclusive Education Centre students went to Hopgood Theatre to attend the Blackscreen, BBQ and panel discussion. The Blackscreen is a series of short films by Indigenous film makers from the local area and around Australia, showcasing their stories to the wider community. This was followed by a BBQ and some activities in the foyer of the theatre during the lunch interval. After lunch, a panel discussion was held with 6 community people, discussing Reconciliation in Australia. Congratulations to Jasmin Fraser and Amelia Roe (students) who were part of this panel, and to Kelly Roe (ASETO Christies Beach High School) for being a co-host. It was great to have 3 members of our school selected to be part of this community event.

On Tuesday, we had the launch of the Work About Centre - Southern Branch in the Performing Arts Centre at CBHS. The Work About Centre is an organisation that assists Aboriginal students with training and skills to be ready to undertake further study or employment. Our school was proud to host this event which had key people from the department and a variety of other organisations, all committed to achieving better outcomes for Aboriginal students.

Wednesday was the day the school community came together to recognise reconciliation. We held an assembly before some activities took place in the courtyard during the lunch break.

The assembly was powerful and well received by both students and staff. We had 6 people, staff and students, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal, share their thoughts on what reconciliation means to them and sharing the message that everyone is responsible for reconciliation. We then had guest speaker Uncle Russell Milera share his stories of growing up on the Raukkan mission and showing art work from family members, one in particular that closely relates to reconciliation. His passion about what reconciliation means was well received by all, his message being that it is about finding your own identity and what you want to get out of life, not trying to be someone else. He shared more stories at lunch before heading to the Flexible Learning Program to keep spreading his message of reconciliation. It was a massive effort from Uncle Russell to spend most of the day with us and we thank him for being willing to do so.

Our lunch time activities included a BBQ cooked by our South Australian Aboriginal Sports Training Academy students that everyone was keen to get into on such a wintry day. Our Aboriginal Education team also made a pledge, which staff and students signed if they were in support of reconciliation at our school. We had over 250 signatures by the end of the week.

Reconciliation Week isn't about just acknowledging the past during this particular week, but continuing the momentum so it becomes part of our school culture. We thank everyone for being involved and hope to keep hearing positive stories of reconciliation in our school community.

Chris Flavel

Senior Leader Aboriginal Education and SAATA



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ENGLISH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (SAETA) 2019 CONFERENCE

On Saturday 4 May, a group of 5 English teachers attended the SAETA 2019 Conference.

This provided our English faculty with important learning around innovating our classroom practise and building links with other English teachers across the state. Vanessa Ingram, our Year 8 Leader, presented a workshop on the 'Power of Poetry', which was met with rave reviews by attendees. Congratulations to Vanessa on representing the importance and potential of learning English and literature and representing Christies Beach High School as a place of innovative practise.

Liam Mawford
Curriculum Leader

NEW FLEXIBLE LEARNING PROGRAM SPACE

There has been an exciting move for the Christies Beach High School Flexible Learning Programs.

Three of our current programs (Young Mum's, Senior Program on-site and the Senior Program at TafeSA) have moved from our current spaces into a larger, shared area at Noarlunga TafeSA. This has given staff and students a fantastic opportunity to work more closely together, share lessons and also participate in a range of group wellbeing activities.

Late last year the Flexible Learning Program students were given the opportunity to be involved in some consultations to share their thoughts about a new learning space, which has now shaped the design of our new area. The space includes 3 large classrooms, office and meeting areas and a large shared recreation room when the students participate in their art, science and music lessons as well as listening to guest speakers and participating in other community events.

Lucie Walker
Assistant Principal Flexible Learning Program



LOST PROPERTY

From time to time students misplace personal items and often these are handed in to Student Services.

There is rather a large collection of items currently held in Student Services waiting to be claimed. Anything not claimed by Friday 5 July 2019 will be disposed of or donated to charity.

David Beltrame
Business Manager

BORROWING UNIFORMS

Students that have left items at Student Services to borrow uniforms please exchange items by Friday 5 July 2019 or they will be disposed of or donated to charity.

David Beltrame
Business Manager



Tahlia Weaver, Jacob Gallacher, Sharni Bowden, Talara McHugh, David Atie, Kynan Dowsey, Trae Wibrow and Mr Duke



Trae Wibrow



Kynan Dowsey



Jacob Gallacher

YEAR 11 OUTDOOR RECREATION: SURFING ADVENTURES

During term 1, the year 11 Outdoor Recreation classes participated in a series of surfing sessions at the Port Noarlunga Aquatic Centre.

Skills students developed included:

- identifying hazards at the beach, such as rip currents
- appropriate selection of equipment including surfboard and wetsuit
- wave negotiation and paddling a surfboard
- learning to 'pop' to your feet and ride waves (every surfer's dream).

Each class attended for 3 full days. Students demonstrated great listening skills, a willingness to have a go and cooperation. What a great opportunity for Christies Beach High School students to learn about their local surf break and how to keep safe when they use the beach over the summer break.

As one student said "I am frothing, I look forward to next year, that was so much fun".

During term 3 students are looking forward to hiking experiences in the Onkaparinga Gorge and further developing their aquatic skills.

Michael Duke
Outdoor Recreation Teacher



Tahlia Weaver



David Atie



Sharni Bowden

YEAR 12 OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Year 12 Outdoor Education students along with Mr Lee and Mrs Monteodorisio, headed to the South Coast for their first camp of the year.

The camp's objective was to allow students to engage in a range of outdoor activities, sustainable practices, team work, and leadership. Students met at school at 7.00am Wednesday 8 May before driving to Middleton Beach for their first surfing lesson. Students surfed for 3 hours in excellent conditions for beginner surfers. Many students managed to stand up on the surfboard for the first time and experienced the thrill of riding a wave to the beach. After the surf, students packed up their equipment before heading to Deep Creek Conservation Park.

At this stage the weather turned, the rain arrived, but no one complained, students put on their rain coats and set up their tents in preparation for a cold, wet, and windy night. That night, we experienced wind gusts of over 40kmh and heavy rain battered the campsite but we managed to make it through unscathed.

In the morning students packed up the campsite and prepared breakfast in the rain. All students demonstrated impressive team work to ensure the site was ready for the next group of campers.

The class returned to Middleton Beach and students and staff reluctantly put soaking wet wetsuits on in preparation for the next surfing lesson. To our surprise, the water was warmer than the air temperature and everyone had more fun than expected. All students managed to stand up on their boards with some students managing to cut across the face of the wave.

The class returned to school at 2.00pm very tired after a big couple of days. Students once again demonstrated exceptional team work and organisation to pack up the camping equipment. Overall the experience was positive, and the staff and students enjoyed themselves.

Matthew Lee
Outdoor Education Teacher



THE FLU AND YOU HELP STOP THE SPREAD AT HOME, WORK AND SCHOOL!

In Australia, seasonal flu of varying severity occurs every year, usually between May and September.

One of the most effective ways to protect you, your friends and family from influenza (the flu) from school or work is to practise good personal hygiene.

Students with influenza and influenza like illnesses should be excluded until well (at least 5 days) to reduce the risk of transmitting infection to others.

Parents/caregivers are also reminded it is not too late to have a flu injection. To receive the vaccine contact your doctor, local council, community health centre or Aboriginal health centre to arrange an appointment. Those not eligible for free vaccines can also access flu vaccine through approved pharmacies.

For more information visit <https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au>



OPEN BOYS FOOTBALL ROUND 1

Thursday 16 March was a momentous occasion for Christies Beach High School. It was the first time the famous school guernsey was worn in the Open Boys Football competition in over a decade.

A rigorous pre-season and intense selection process meant we were able to put a strong team out on the park to take on local rivals Seaford Secondary College. The boys were pumped to play with mates they normally wouldn't at club level, and the feel around the group was they wanted success.

A beautiful day greeted us as we made the lengthy 3-minute drive down Beach Road to our fortress of Bice Oval. Captain Bailey Short and Vice-Captain Josh passed on the pre-game speech to Jonty Wall-Murphy, who lifted the boys with a motivating message. Bailey Short and Clinton Calyun pushed forward multiple times in the first quarter to set up our forwards with ease. Zak Short and Seth Edwards presented well as key targets with Matt Yanima and Isaac Binning providing good roving at ground level.

Matt D chased and tackled as if he had played footy his whole life and the defenders were standing tall to keep the opposition goalless in the first half. Jayke Baxter was getting first hands on the ball and gathered possessions all over the oval. Trae Wibrow stood out after half time, relishing the midfield role and playing with younger brother, Declan.

It was great to see the game played in positive spirits from both teams, with some of our players willing to play a quarter for Seaford due to their short numbers, and the last quarter turning into a bit more fun when the scoreboard was irrelevant.

We now move to round 2 against Tatachilla Lutheran College. If the boys bring the same intensity and skill level, there is no reason we can't progress through further into the competition. A big thanks to the support staff who helped out, and to the Christies Beach Football Club for being super accommodating for us.

Chris Flavel
Health and Physical Education Teacher



OPEN BOYS FOOTBALL ROUND 2

Tuesday 4 June saw Christies Beach High School play their Round 2 football game against Tatachilla Lutheran College. The boys knew this was going to be a step up from the first game and were ready to go from the first bounce.

The first 5 minutes saw the ball move back and forth with neither team being able to score. Eventually, a nice passage down the far wing resulted in Zak Short kicking a long goal to have Christies Beach on the scoreboard first. Both teams had opportunities and the quarter time score was 2.0 to 3.0 in Tatachilla's favour.

Christies Beach had a lot of the play in the second quarter through immense pressure around the ball. Josh was clean off half back and Bailey Short and Clinton Calyun continued to find the ball at will in the midfield. We were able to win the quarter and even up the scoreboard at half time.

Tatachilla grinded their way to a small lead throughout the third quarter with some skilful play going forward. Our defence was able to hold up well, leaving us needing 2 goals to hit the front in the last quarter for a comeback win. The 3 quarter time huddle had the boys confident they could pull this off.

Christies Beach flew out the blocks early with a goal on the board in the first 2 minutes from Isaac Binning, giving the boys some much needed confidence and momentum. Unfortunately, Tatachilla put 2 on the board instantly giving them a match winning lead. Trae Wibrow kicked a nice goal from 50m to give us some late hope however we couldn't snatch back the lead.

The final score was Tatachilla 6.9-45 to Christies Beach 5.3-33. It was a credit to both teams the way the game was played, with a very fair and even game across the board. Well done to our team who played together for the first time in years. Hopefully this is the first of many to come.

Chris Flavel
Health and Physical Education Teacher



PLAYGROUND VISIT

Inclusive Education Centre (IEC) 1 and 2 were lucky enough to travel to the Jubilee playground on Tuesday 21 May.

The students enjoyed climbing, swinging, running, rolling, crawling, hiding, sliding, laughing and experimenting. The water play and swings were a big hit. We were treated to a sausage sizzle which all students thoroughly enjoyed. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to get out into the community, socialise and enjoy a beautiful sunny day. Special thanks to Ben Hughes our IEC senior mentor who helped to keep everyone safe while having fun.

Claire Tavender
Teacher
IEC5

On Tuesday 21 May Inclusive Education Centre 1 and 2 went to the Jubilee playground. I was able to go and help out. I helped with Jayden, Jonesy and Ryan. I helped by keeping the students safe and playing with them. My favourite part of going was getting to spend time with the younger students. Now I am looking forward to helping out in their classrooms when I can.

Ben Hughes
Student
IEC5



Ryan Jones



Shaun Bain



Tim Villamin

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION CENTRE (IEC)

IEC3 was excited to welcome Shauna and Jeszaly, 2 fantastic year 12 students, to our classroom.

They helped us make pancakes, which were delicious, shared in our personal projects, taught us how to write their names and played with "BOB" our dancing class robot. All of the students had an amazing time with lots of laughter, encouragement and fun. We look forward to welcoming them back to IEC3 soon.

Sandie Palamountain
Teacher IEC3



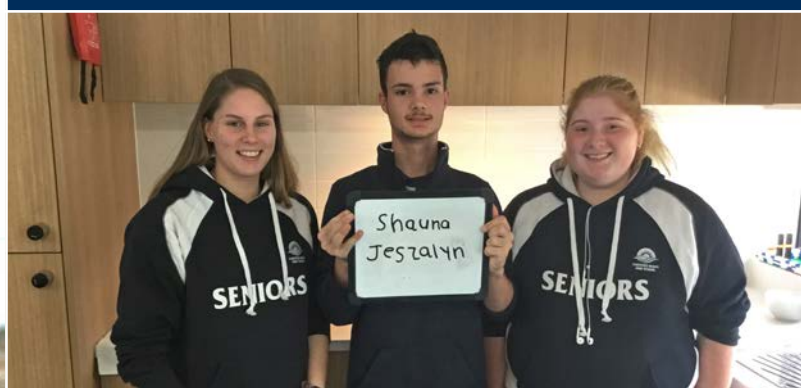
Ashley



Kira and Shauna



Kaleb and Shauna



Shauna, Ashley, Jeszaly

CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT NEWS

So far this year, the Conservation and Land Management (CLM) class have been out-and-about exploring our local area, with visits to the Onkaparinga Gorge, Christie Creek and the Onkaparinga River mouth.

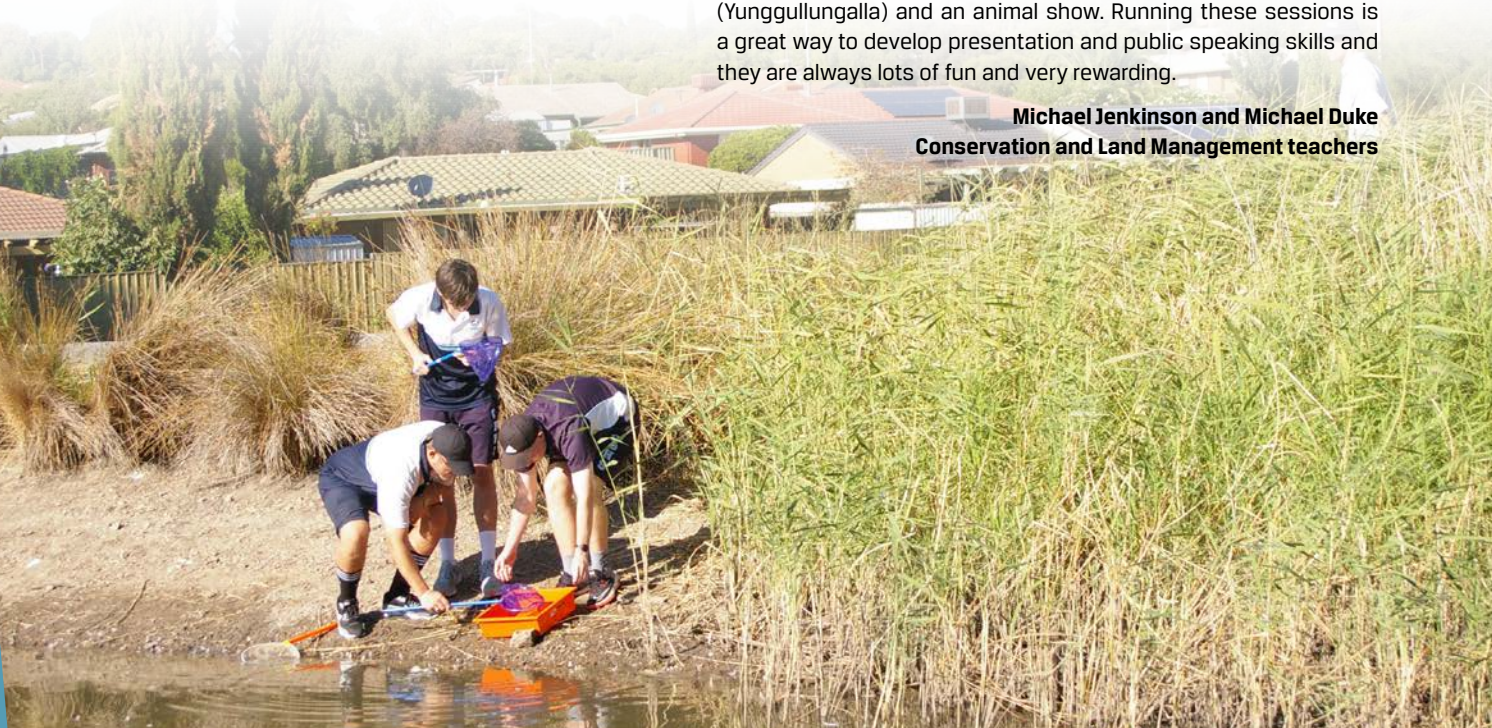
The excursions provided examples of some of the issues impacting our natural resources and were a great opportunity to get out in the real world and see it for ourselves. The students all had a great time and had good things to say about their experiences.

Throughout term 2, the Conservation and Land Management class focused on the gardens and animals at school when they hosted a number of primary school visits.

These visits enable conservation students to showcase their newly acquired skills and teach a younger generation about the environment.

The activities are all student lead and include planting and propagation, tours of the Aboriginal medicinal garden (Yunggullungalla) and an animal show. Running these sessions is a great way to develop presentation and public speaking skills and they are always lots of fun and very rewarding.

Michael Jenkinson and Michael Duke
Conservation and Land Management teachers



"The Onkaparinga River mouth was my favourite excursion because we got to explore and fly drones. There were fish, crabs and macroinvertebrates." - Bailey

"It was my first time seeing a shark egg and it was really cool at Port Noarlunga beach. All 3 excursions were amazing. I learnt about water testing and how to do it at Christie Creek. The Onkaparinga Gorge view was great." - Jaz

"All excursions were great and we saw lots of animals and kangaroos and learnt about shark eggs as well as sea anemones. Basically, the highlight was the animals, it's always the animals." - Becky



Shark Egg



DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Centre at Christies Beach High School has been a hub of activity in term 2.

Students have been participating in a number of learning experiences. These have included coding, 3D modelling, furnishing and outdoor construction classes from year 8 to year 12. One real aim of the courses is to provide students with an opportunity to develop skills that are transferable into the future workforce environment. Consistent expectations of students have included the use of Protective Personal Equipment (PPE) when necessary, risk analysis of practical activities and cooperation and respect for fellow workers.

Some of the highlights so far this year have included:

- students developing skills in the wood shop, to independently construct outdoor chairs and drone landing pads
- students using programs such as Microsoft Publisher to design business cards and iMovie to make promotional videos
- students using Edison robots to understand the principles of code
- students collaboratively working in groups to complete design challenges such as bridge building
- students being exposed to laser cutting as a tool to design and develop balsa wood gliders
- year 8 students developing skills in drone operation.

We look forward to continuing the innovative work and supporting the original design ideas that Christies Beach High School students are developing.

Michael Duke
Design and Technology Teacher



Graham Heard-Gates



Trae Wibrow



Zyiane Walker

