



## Para Hills High School Newsletter

### From the Principal... Janette Scott



The first few weeks of term 3 have been very busy with an excellent Year 12 Formal, a productive pupil-free day that involved a whole day of training in restorative practices for 70 staff, and a great Year 9 Camp. Students have been trained in restorative practices as well and sessions are planned for parents and our community partners. Thanks to all staff who managed these programs and students who participated in them so enthusiastically!

Our school has put in an application to become one of the state's Entrepreneurial Schools. This is an area that Sally Stewart has been leading for some years (you might remember our wins in the Venture Dorm and \$20Boss programs) as we are committed to preparing young people to be successful in the complex employment world of today. They definitely need to develop their skills, understandings and capabilities in all areas of academic learning as well as in literacy, numeracy, digital technologies, and STEM, which incorporates problem solving and deep inquiry across disciplines like mathematics, science and technology.

However young people also need to develop entrepreneurial skills and a mindset that includes thinking outside of the box, showing initiative, using creativity, and being able to collaborate and plan with others. Recently, 20 of our students attended the first NASSSA Entrepreneurship Expo.

Sally, Heather Bitter (NASSSA Manager) and the NASSSA Career Development Team coordinated the students to mix with around 15 young entrepreneurs. Guest speaker for the event was David Paterson, who grew up in country South Australia, completed a Business Degree at UniSA, before starting his own software company. His career has seen him specialize in innovation and strategic development for both Australian and global brands, including World Vision. David sent the following message at the end of the day:

*Hi Sally and Heather - Thanks again for having me this morning. I just wanted to quickly drop you a note to say, "well done". I think what you're doing is absolutely wonderful. It's really heartening to see educators having such passion for the kids of the Northern suburbs, and working so hard to help create future options for them. Today's event was really professional. Congratulations.*

If our application is shortlisted, we will get an opportunity to 'pitch' our ideas later in August and a decision will be announced in September.

Your child will get their term 3 Snapshot Report in Week 4. This will help them to improve their learning by focussing on what they need to do. Care Group Teachers will go through the reports with each student; however it is very effective if you go through it too and help them to plan what work they will do extra or differently. Hope to see you for Course Counselling Day on Tuesday the 4th of September.

### DIARY

Gov. Council Meeting..	15/08/18
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### REMINDER TO FAMILIES

**Please advise school of any change in personal information, in particular mobile phone contact and email address. These are the school's main communication methods with families.**

## Outstanding Results Term 2

The effort applied to their studies has paid off for our students during term two. 19% of our grades were A's and 31% were B's. This means that across the whole school 50% of all grades last term were A's and B's. Setting targets and planning are keys to success; remember that "If you fail to plan, then you plan to fail!" Congratulations to the following students who earned outstanding academic results as a result of their efforts during term two.

### Year 8

7 or more A's

CHLOE TAYLOR, JA RULE COWIE, SAVANNAH WILLIAMS, FEI WU, SARA SHARIFI, ANITA AFZALI, JAIME VAN PROOIJEN, MATHUSHA THARUMASELAN, NAO LOHIA, HANNAH SYNNETT, SMRITI ARYAL, BLAKE JOHNS-CHAMBERS

6 A's

STERLING HANSEN, EMILY INCE

5 A's

JIYA MEDHE

4 A's

LUCY ROSENBERG, LATESHA DEN DUNNEN, BRIANNA JOHNSON, MITCHELL TILLEY, AHMAD ALLOUCHE

### Year 9

6 or more A's

JOSHUA UNDERWOOD, KATIE REDMAN

5 A's

CHLOE MANNING, OSCAR FEDDERN, TAMIKA PAGE

4 A's

ANNABEL WILLIAMS, ABBEY HASTINGS, MOLINA LOHIA, KAYLA SCALES

### Year 10

6 A's

BENJAMIN WAKEFIELD, TIMOTHY UNG

5 A's

HELENA MADRONIO, SAYED MORTAZA HAIDARY

4 A's

JACQUELINE JAMAL, JANIELAH ROSELL, MICHELLE STOWARD, CHLOE DUCKWORTH

### Year 11

6 or more A's

JARROD WARD-GALE, LORRAINE DIBBEN, CALEB HOLME

5 A's

JAZMYN WISE, ANDREA OLUIC, CHAISHANA SINGSATHORN, DAMIEN WILLIAMS

### Year 12

3 A's

LATISHA WRAY, ENASS JAMAL, SOHRAB AKRAMI, XIANYI XIAN,

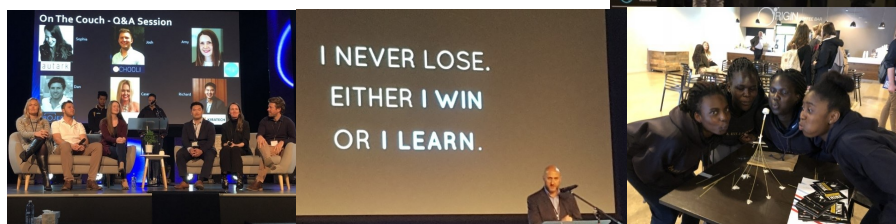
JAI HARNAS, STEFAN OLUIC, SAMANTHA GLOUFTSIS, MADDISON SCOTT WINEN

## NASSSA Entrepreneurial Expo

The Expo was recently hosted at the Victory Church. Below is the link to the video of the key note speaker - David Paterson, who in previous lives worked for World Vision and has recently written the honours degree in Innovation for UniSA. His presentation was followed by a Q&A session of 6 young SA entrepreneurs on the couch. After these presentations we had a break and then students went into workshops. It was a fantastic event and the energy was electric. NASSSA Career Development Team is committed to hosting a similar event next year.

Link: <https://vimeo.com/278588507>

Password: entrepreneurday1



## UNIT Netball

At the end of last term, students in the unit attended a netball carnival held at the Port Adelaide Recreation Centre. Para Hills entered 5 teams on the day: 1xA, 2xB and 2xC and was the biggest cohort of colour throughout the stadium. Teams cheered for each other when they weren't playing and the sportsmanship showed by all our students was excellent.

Students had been learning the rules of netball during PE lessons and certainly demonstrated all they had learned on the day.

### Outcomes for the day:

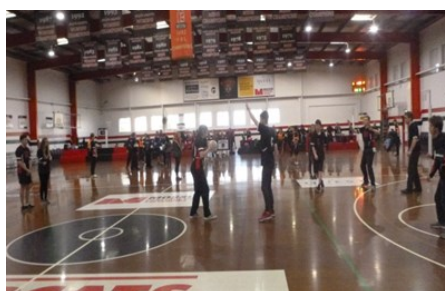
A – 1<sup>st</sup>

B1 – 1<sup>st</sup>

B2 – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Division C did not have finishing positions.

Well done Para Hills Disability Unit.





## African Drumming Performance

On Tuesday 3rd July, all of the Unit students took part in an African drumming workshop, run by the company African Beat. Three performers visited the school and bought several different African instruments to play. They performed a range of traditional African drumming pieces, whilst teaching students about African culture and way of life. All of the students and staff members had the opportunity to play the instruments, dance and sing, and it was a wonderful chance for students to learn about a different culture whilst gaining performance skills and working as a team. The students were extremely responsive and respectful, and everyone had a fantastic time. What a great end to term 2!

**Nikki Alder**  
**Unit Teacher**



## UNIT Soccer

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August the Unit travelled to Rostrevor College to participate in 7 a side World Cup Soccer Tournament. 14 students were selected to represent Para Hills on the day but only 12 attended. Our countries were Japan and Italy, they played each other in the first match of the day. The boys played out a fierce one all draw, before they went on to remain undefeated. This set up a grand final show down.

Rostrevor students provided entertaining commentary throughout the grand final. Scores were even at half time which kept the crowd interested in the second half. An unfortunate penalty given by the umpire put Italy in front with only minutes to go. Japan panicked and a turn over was caused which Italy capitalised on scoring another goal putting the result out of reach for Japan.

The boys played in great spirits all day and were gracious in victory and defeat. Italy bought the cup back to school with great pride.



## Introducing - student social workers

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves. We are Ashley Kaguongo and Sharon Minjire and we will be working alongside Emma Ramke and Delia Krcmarov as student social workers over the next 2 school terms. We are currently undertaking our Master of Social Work at UNISA. Our goal is to provide children with the support they need to be successful through promoting social and emotional wellbeing. We shall strive to create a fun and varied learning environment to encourage students to overcome challenges and reach their goals. We are looking forward to getting to know the school community and learning as much as we can throughout our time at Para Hills High School. If you have any questions throughout our time here please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you, **Ashley and Sharon**





Year 12 Formal

Congratulations Class of 2018. On the 27th of July 2018, Para Hills High School's Year 12 students, celebrated their high school achievements at the Hilton Hotel in Adelaide.



Class of 2018

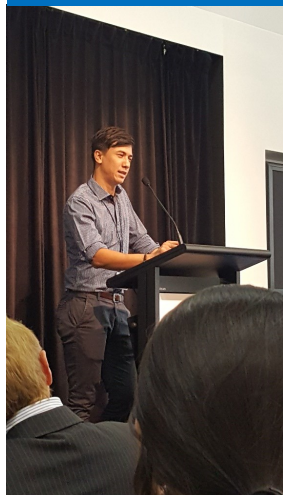


Year 12 Formal Photographs





## Where are they now?



**Bez presenting at a Student Invention Summit the Cognito Foundation hosted.**

Bez Mohammadi graduated from Para Hills High School in 2014. Since then he has been studying Innovation at the University of Adelaide. Whilst there Bez joined a club whose focus was on social enterprise.

Bez with fellow student Kosta Cantaselis, decided to develop a not-for-profit organisation 'Cognito Foundation' focusing on driving community - based social entrepreneurship and improving education in society. Their vision is to enable everyone, regardless of socioeconomic status, to have access to quality education and for businesses with social good to empower communities.

Bez recently returned to Para Hills High School to run a workshop with a

group of students who expressed interest in entrepreneurship. Bez, Kosta and two other team members recently won a national Hackathon challenge resulting in them winning a trip to France to participate in the international ActinSpace challenge which they also won. The hackathon is an intense 24-hour challenge for computer programmers and designers to create, design and trial solutions to presented problems. Bez's team developed and pitched the idea of an unhackable drone. A part of their prize package was a zero gravity flight.

We wish Bez and his team all the best for the international competition and look forward to working with Cognito Foundation in the future.



**Bez working with potential entrepreneurs of the future at Para Hills High.**

## Restorative Works

On Friday 27 July, whilst our students had a day off and the year 12s busied themselves ready for the Formal, the teaching and SSO staff undertook a training day with Restorative Works. Restorative Practice recognises that the ability to manage relationships is central to lifelong learning and success. It encourages self-reflection, creates the space to be heard and challenges negative behaviour in the context of its impact on others. This process cultivates the capacity to build and maintain significant relationships.

As a central practice framework, it ensures our practice is explicit and fair, whilst developing accountability and self-awareness. Last week students in years 8 to 11 undertook a single lesson session, with our year 12's booked in for a lesson in a few weeks' time.

A positive session was also run for parents on Wednesday 1 August, and whilst the turnout was modest, all found the presentation engaging and educational. A second parent night is being negotiated with the Restorative Works team for later in the term for those who missed the first. Keep an eye on your emails and newsletters for more information as it comes to hand.



## Students Explore STEM Careers

From the 16-20<sup>th</sup> of July, Year 8 students Nao Lohia and Jiya Medhe, participated in the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) STEM Explorer program. More than 100 students were invited to participate in the program which included a week-long camp at Mylor, which focussed on exploring careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

While on the camp students visited a range of South Australian educational institutions and organisations such as the new Natural Resource Management Water Testing, Cleland Wildlife Park, Flinders University and the University of South Australia. Students got to try their hands at water quality testing and building their own interactive games, discovered how Olympic torches work and presented a group project to South Australian Education Minister, John Gardner.

Students also met and engaged with leading scientists, technologists and engineers and learnt about their research. They also discovered a whole range of new career opportunities.

Everyone agreed that the camp was a great experience and they would recommend students follow the NYSF so they can participate in future camps and other great science opportunities.

The Program is a collaborative initiative between the [South Australian Department of Education](https://www.facebook.com/NYSFoz/) and the NYSF. Visit here for more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/NYSFoz/>



## Ice Factor

On the 2 August 2018, the Para Hills High School Ice Factor team were hosted by his Excellency the honourable Mr Hieu Van Le and Mrs Le at Government House. The students were acknowledged by His Excellency for their contributions to Ice Factor program and Mr Le spoke about the importance of Respect, Integrity, Responsibility, work ethic and being a team player. The students were very impressed with the Governor supporting the Ice Factor initiative and his astounding home and the wonderful stories that go hand in hand with South Australia's iconic landmark. All in all it was a very pleasant experience in a fantastic setting. Thank you to Mel Rossi, Marie Shaw QC, Cameron Love, Koen Irlam, Fatima Hashimi, Alen Medak, Joshua Norman, Brandon Gilbert and Jordan Lawrence.



**Mr Massinis  
Ice Factor Manager**

## Future Career Pathways

During the last week of Term 2, Year 10 students attended Flinders University Enrichment Program. Students identified a preferred stream of workshops for the day and participated in hands-on experiences, highlighting opportunities at university and future career pathways.

Term 3 is an important one for senior school students as they start planning their futures. Over the coming weeks students will be investigating, exploring and having conversations about their preferred future pathways in preparation for Course Counselling Day on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. This week Year 10 students have been having 1:1 conversations with UniSA ambassadors who have used student results from their Career Match survey to support them to select SACE subjects and explore career pathways. Our year 11 students attended Flinders University Open Day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August, gaining insight into degrees available and experiencing new technologies and environments. Year 12 students will be invited to attend Transition Planning meetings on Course Counselling day with their Parents/Guardians to discuss and plan their next chapter. Year 12 students are also very close to the finish line, with about 10 weeks of classes remaining before exams and final assignments are submitted. It is never too late to apply more effort and ask for extra assistance.

Term 3 Snapshot Reports will be distributed soon to all students via DayMap. These are a great indicator of how each student is achieving in their subjects and a tool to assist with continual improvement.

## RAH helps PHHS

Recently a couple of our VET students appeared in The Advertiser newspaper showcasing how equipment from the old Royal Adelaide Hospital has helped schools, charities and the wider community. As a school we were very fortunate to receive approximately \$30,000 worth of equipment from the old RAH. Along with glass door fridges that are in Home Economics kitchen, we also received furniture and storage solutions for mainstream and Disabilit Unit. Our Certificate III Individual Support (Ageing) VET course received 2 hospital beds and ancillary equipment to assist students develop their skills.



**Sally Stewart**  
VET coordinator / Teacher

## VET APPLICATIONS FOR 2019 NOW

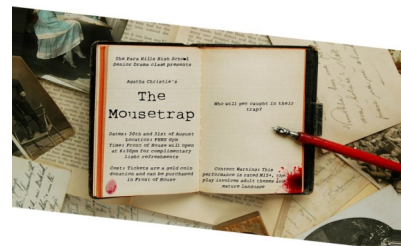
Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 can apply now to complete a VET course in 2019. NASSSA VET brochures have been distributed and instructions on how to complete the application form have been given.

Application forms are due back to Mrs Stewart by the end of Week 5 please. Late applications will not receive the same consideration as those submitted by Week 5.

All VET applications must include a Unique Student Identifier (USI). Everyone who studies must now have an identifier. Students can create their USI via [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au).

## Senior Drama Performance: Agatha Christie's 'Mouse Trap'

Newlyweds Giles and Mollie Ralston recently inherited the Great Hall of Monkswell Manor which they have renovated and opened as a Guest House. The Ralston's, along with their housemaids, are expecting eight guests to arrive - with a snowstorm expecting to hit, and a murderer on the loose, what could possibly go wrong? Set in England in the early 1950's Agatha Christie's 'Mouse Trap' is a murder mystery play that is sure to have the audience guessing in suspense. Please come along and support our senior Drama students.



**Cleonikki Kefalas**  
Drama Teacher

## Year 11 & 12 SACE & IB 2018 AEC SPRING Revision Program

From **\$99**  
Full Program.\*



MON 1 - FRI 5 OCT, &/OR MON 8 - FRI 12 OCT  
(Repeat Programs in week 2)  
Classes will be running on Mon 1 Oct (Labour Day)

"For the best results in Year 12, these seminars are the way to go!" Paul

"The seminar did live up to my expectations, in fact, it exceeded my expectations." Steven H.

"I only wish I had done this before." A. Kyriazopoulos

"This was by far the most helpful and productive way I could have spent my school holidays. Well worth the money spent and I highly recommend it to all." Abbey H.

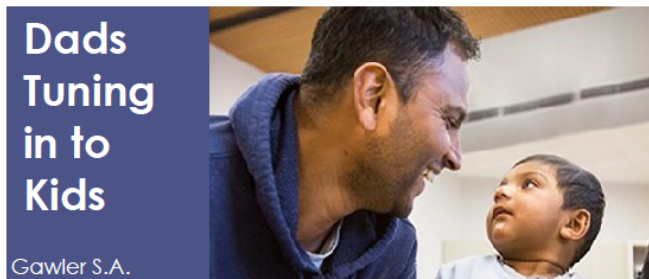
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## Dads Tuning in to Kids

Gawler S.A.

### Dads!

Would you like to learn how to help your child manage feelings such as worry, frustration, and anger?

### Dads Tuning in to Kids

Is a positive, friendly, & relaxed seven session group program for Dads who have children aged 0 to 8 years



### When: Term 3

Tuesdays

7th August to 18th September

### Time:

6.45pm Pizza & Catch Up  
7.00pm to 9.00pm (7 Sessions)

### Where:

Gawler & District College B-12  
Children's Centre  
Gate 6—69 Barnett Road,  
EVANSTON

### Cost:

Free  
Dinner Provided

\* Sorry, No Childcare Available \*

### Limited Spaces - Bookings Essential

To Register Call Kim on 0408 192 143 or 8522 3626



Gawler and District College B-12  
Children's Centre  
for Early Childhood  
Development and Parenting



## Student Exchange Program

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation that is registered with all state and territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. Students can find out more about our exchange programs to over 25 countries, listen to former exchange students share their experience and learn about our scholarships and discounts on offer in 2018.

Please note that the deadline for [Scholarship](#) and [Early Bird Discount](#) applications is 31st October for programs departing between April 2019 - September 2019.

Please be aware that we now offer 14 partial scholarships each year for semester and year applicants. See our website for more information.

*"You come back a different person, with so much more confidence & you feel that you can conquer the world"* **Jessica, Semester Program to Italy.**

### FREE LIVE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION

Hear from our very experienced, Senior staff, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

**Thursday, 16th August at 7.30pm**

Register now

Visit [www.studentexchange.org.nz](http://www.studentexchange.org.nz)

or call 0800 440 079 for more information



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## Community Corner

### Northern Districts Baseball Club

Northern Districts Baseball Club has been supporting the development of youth interested in the great game of baseball for the last 50 years and we support the inclusion of boys and girls from age 5 through to 17 in our Junior program. We have 2 Junior Coordinators myself and Bridget O'Meara (email: [bridget1036@live.com.au](mailto:bridget1036@live.com.au)) and we are both very keen to welcome new players and their families to our club. See flyer for more information.

## Snapshot Reports

Students will received their Snapshot Report on Wednesday the 15th of August.

This report helps students to focus on areas of improvement and keep parents informed of their progress.

Term 3 Snapshot Reports will be published to DayMap on the Wednesday morning.

## Finance Reminders

Thank you to parents and care-givers who have paid their school fees for 2018.

The due date for school fees was the end of term 1. A reminder notice will be sent out to all families with overdue fees.

School card applications need to be made every year.

**Heather Long**  
Business Manager

## Disability Parking

Please be mindful that the disability car park is for Permit Holders only.

It is not available for students' pick-up or drop off.

## Cheerio's Netball Club

