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# NEWSLETTER 6

# September 2022



# **From the Principal**

Welcome to the Unley High School Newsletter.

The final week of term has been busy. The Professional Development Day on Monday was a wonderful day with 15 staff providing workshops targeted at our Site Improvement Plan goal of embedding Learning Intentions and Success Criteria into all our classes and curriculum plans. It was a very successful day.

Monday was also an important day for Year 12 students preparing for their Trial Exams which were spread across the remainder of the week. The trial exams are an important step in preparing for the final exams which are only a few weeks away.

The Office of the Minister for Education, Blair Boyer, has again been in touch about the official opening of our new buildings and we have submitted possible new dates for Term 4. I will provide more information about the opening as soon I receive confirmation from the Minister's Office.

Many of you may have heard Minister Boyer and former Minister John Gardner on the radio this morning discussing the State Governments election pledge to ban mobile phones in High Schools. We are aware the Department for Education is looking into how they will manage the process but at this stage this not been shared with schools nor has a timeline been released. Unley High School has had a policy of not using mobile phones in lesson times for several years now but supported access at recess and lunchtime. When we initiated our process student feedback overwhelmingly supported not accessing phones in class time. As soon as I receive information from the Department I will share it with the school community.

Students and families are in the process of choosing courses for 2023 and course selection afternoons are in full swing. This is the first step in creating our next timetable and I would like to thank all the year level teams for their work and the guidance provided through this process.

Our archivist Stephen Murphy has once again provided a wonderful article focussing on the George Cresswell Hall which has been a part of our school for over 50 years. Please enjoy reading about the hall and George Creswell.

Also enjoy reading about the many activities and successful sporting events that have gradually returned to our school program. Lastly, I wish everyone and fantastic long weekend and for students a safe and enjoyable spring holiday break.

Greg Rolton Principal





### The Dance is Back!

On Saturday 10 September, Unley High School students, teachers and family members all came together at the Chian Association of SA Hall to celebrate everything Greek with the annual Greek Spring Dance. It was a relief to everyone that the event could proceed after it was cancelled two years in a row because of COVID-19.

The night began with dinner, consisting of souvlaki, calamari, chips and many other delicious sides. Welcome speeches were made by student leaders, Stella Dracopoulos and Deana Kagelaris (leaders of the student performance), Ourania Ntafillis (member of the Greek Parents' Committee), our Principal, Greg Rolton and Lazaros Gialamas, Unley's Greek language teacher.

Several students dressed up and performed for the guests traditional folk dances from different Greek subcultures. These were the Kalamatiano, Kotsari and Ikariotiko. After this, everyone was encouraged to join the dancing while Matthew Tripodi played the bouzouki with MUSIC 3000 and Polyxeni, who were the very talented band that played live music for the night. As the night came to a close, raffle tickets were handed out to guests. The top prize, a gift basket, was estimated to be worth around \$270.

A massive thank you is given to all who arrived and put all their amazing efforts into making this night a huge success. The performers, MUSIC 3000, the Greek Parents' Committee and all the guests.

Let's make next year's dance even better!

### **Matthew Tripodi**











### **UHS Greek Dance 2022**



This month, after a long 3 year break due to covid, the Unley High School Greek Parents' Committee once again hosted the annual UHS Greek Dance.

This year the event was held at the Chian Association, Rosewater.

The school's Principal Greg Rolton, Languages' Coordinator Karmen Petric and Modern Greek Teacher Lazaros Gialamas celebrated the night with staff, families and friends of the UHS community. Stella Dracopoulos (yr 11) and Deana Kagelaris (yr 10) were our student MC's and they did a great job of presenting the evening's formalities in both English and Greek.

All of the 150 guests were entertained by year 10 student Matthew Tripodi playing bouzouki while a group of 15 students performed traditional dances.

The live band 'Music 3000' created an electric atmosphere and the delicious Greek BBQ buffet was prepared by the Chian Association.

In true Greek spirit the 'kefi' was lively as the festivities carried on throughout the night.

Thank you to the committee members for organising this event. We are also grateful to them and their extended families for donating Greek desserts to share.

A special thank you to all our sponsors for their donations. Your support is very much appreciated!

Dan Murphy's Pasadena
Davroe Newton
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Highgate Pharmacy
Kaz Hair Brighton
Kopsaftis Family
La Crema St Marys
Michaloudakis Family
Needle Nook Highgate
Ntafillis Family
Pierikos Society of SA Inc
The Men's Den Barbershop Highgate

Ourania Ntafillis Chairperson, UHS Greek Parents' Committee



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### The Medieval Fair

As part of the Year 8 History Curriculum, students have been learning about Medieval Europe.

So far, students have learned about the way a medieval society operates, including the societal and hierarchical structures, crime and punishment, and how people lived.

In Week 4, Ms Mosca and Ms Daniel's students were given the opportunity to attend the Medieval Fair, organised by Mr Steve Bettess. Even though rain had turned beautiful Lyndoch into a muddy mess, all students (and costume-clad staff) found the experience to be incredibly rewarding and informative.

Students were split into groups and moved around to different stations, engaging with stallholders, and learning about how a medieval society operated. Highlights included the sword fighting, where students were shown how to yield and operate a (foam) weapon, and the butcher who showed students how meat was prepared in medieval times. We were also shown how a spoon was made, and how the many items we now have were crafted by incredibly talented people, like blacksmiths. This experience helps to build historical knowledge and understanding,

and the interactions students had on the day help to build students' inquiry skills.

**Ms Daniel English and HASS teacher** 

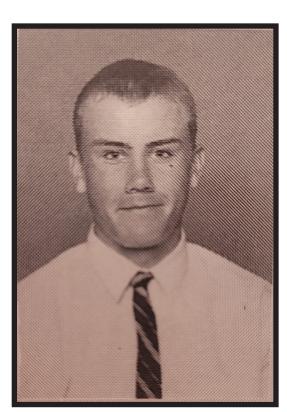












### **Bali Bombing 20th Anniversary**

The anniversary of the Bali Bombing lies close to the hearts of the Unley High School community.

October 12 will be the 20th anniversary of the 2002 Bali bombings, in which Unley High School lost a much-loved former student, Josh Deegan.

Among many other qualities, Josh was a talented sportsperson. In 1997 he was a member of Unley's Open Boys Football and Open Boys Baseball teams. He played for the Sturt Football Club's Reserves team in the season leading up to the tragedy.

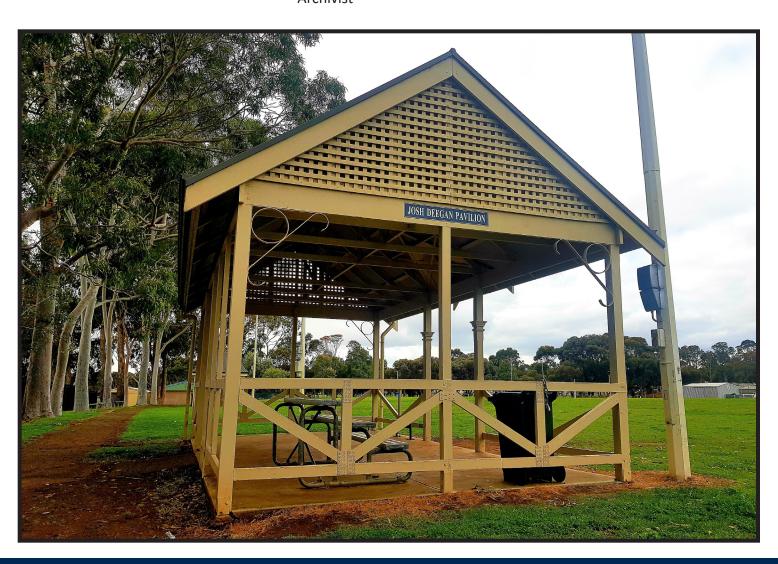
Josh's father, Brian, had worked for the school and helped build the pavilions on the school oval. One of these pavilions (pictured) was named in Josh's memory.

Josh was just 22 and has also been remembered by the Sturt Football Club and in the creation of the Josh Deegan Foundation.

He was among 202 people killed in the terror attacks, 88 of whom were Australian.

Unley High School extends its continuing sympathies to Josh's family and friends on this sad anniversary.

Stephen Murphy Archivist







### **Book Week**

Unley High School staff joined together to celebrate all things literacy and library during Week 5, Term 3 for Book Week. This year's theme was "Dreaming with Eyes Open" and the UHS community were invited to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book, film or TV show. We had a fantastic response with students from Year 7 through to Year 12 dressing up, with funds raised going to support the Smith Family's Literacy Programs.

Lots of prizes were won, with special mentions going to "Sandy and Danny" from Grease, the Year 9 "Scooby Doo Gang," and the Year 12 "Inbetweeners". Staff from all faculties got into the spirit of the event, dressing as characters from Frankenstein, Of Mice and Men, Madeline, Charlotte's Web and Macbeth. We can't wait to do it all again next

year!

Kerryn Langman, Rita Costi and Kathryn Morrish



























### **Interstate Swimming**



In August, Year 7 student Lincoln Adcock competed in the School Sport Australia Swimming Championships held in Brisbane.

Lincoln showed great sportsmanship and was an active team member swimming in eight individual events and two team relay events.

Lincoln swam Personal Best times in all of his Multi Class events, taking many seconds off his times in some of the events. His best performance was 3rd place in the 100m Breaststroke event in which he won a bronze medal for himself and South Australia. This is Lincoln's first Medal at a national event.

### **Congratulations Lincoln!**

Event	Time swam	Personal best by	Place
100m			
Breaststroke	1:46:40	-17:59 seconds	3 <sup>rd</sup> bronze medal
Multi Class			
100m Freestyle	1:19:65	-15:37 seconds	7 <sup>th</sup>
Multi Class			
100m Backstroke	1:39:33	-32:37 seconds	6 <sup>th</sup>
Multi Class			
50m Breast	0:47:59	-0:46 seconds	6 <sup>th</sup>
Multi Class			
50m Butterfly	0:39:69	-0:2:89 seconds	5 <sup>th</sup>
Multi Class			
50m Backstroke	0:44:27	-0:39 seconds	7 <sup>th</sup>
Multi Class			
50m Freestyle	0:33:20	-1:14seconds	8 <sup>th</sup>
Multi Class			
50m Backstroke	0:43:54		20 <sup>th</sup>
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### **LINK News**

Unley High School is proud of our inclusion of students living with a disability in all subject areas. An example of this collaborative approach has been enjoyed by Olivia during her Health and Physical Education lessons. The class were refining their ball skills and the game was inclusive, allowing all students to participate. Olivia's teacher, Sara Chapple, made adaptations to her lessons with the use of a large lightweight ball that could be easily kicked by Olivia.

Her mobility was assisted with the use of her 'Grillo' walker. This specialised walking frame supports Olivia and enables her to run or walk with support, enabling full use of her legs to kick the ball and score goals for her team.

Catina Cacas LINK Teacher



### **Maths News**



### **Financial Maths Challenge**

We are pleased to announce that Lawrence Hart from Year 7 came second in South Australia in this year's ESSI Financial Maths Challenge. The challenge consists of an online financial literacy game which requires students to make a series of decisions that impact their financial situation. It was run as part of our Financial Maths Club that organised a team of seven students to participate. Our club focuses on allowing students to explore and learn a range of basic financial management concepts through case studies and an online stock market game.

Phillip Choo
Science and Maths Teacher





### **Pedal Prix Update**

The Unley High School Pedal Prix team "MACH 2" spent much of their weekend at Murray Bridge preparing and racing in the AHPVSS Murray Bridge 24 hour Pedal Prix.

It would be an understatement to suggest that these students outperformed even their own expectations by finishing second against some very established and well-funded schools. In addition, Justin Evans completed the fastest lap of all teams racing in S2 category on lap 490 of the 24 hour event with a time of 2:00.520min.

After racing for nearly 500 laps (over 850km) the UHS team finished 2nd out of 39 teams in the S2 category and 30th out of all 136 teams combined. The team managed to secure the 2nd place by a margin of 28 laps and the fastest lap for the category. What an effort! This would not have been possible without the efforts of each and every rider in the team.

The team benefitted from coaching support by former UHS Pedal Prix rider and student Katie Niven along with significant support from their parent(s) and caregivers and other pedal prix schools.

Particular thanks should go to both Westbourne Park Primary School and Norwood International High School for their material and technical support throughout the season.

Congratulations to Anton (year 7), Taylor and Cameron (year 8), Miles, Will, Elijah, Justin and Dylan (year 9).

Category S2. (Click on column headers to sort table)											
Pos	Num	Cat	Cat Pos	Team Name	<b>Vehicle Name</b>	Laps	<b>Total Time</b>	Diff	<b>Best Time</b>	Best Lap	Best Speed
18	44	S2	1	Pembroke School	Phoenix	520	24:02:04.269		2:09.034	518	47.708
30	147	S2	2	Unley High School	MACH 2	498	24:01:18.291	22 Laps	2:00.520	490	51.079
46	92	S2	3	Temple Christian College	Bullet Bill	470	24:00:45.512	50 Laps	2:17.436	60	44.792
47	7	S2	4	Norwood International High School	Astro	470	24:01:51.708	50 Laps	2:20.573	453	43.792
54	225	S2	5	Hills Christian Community School	HILLS #1	460	24:01:20.753	60 Laps	2:28.052	397	41.580
56	242	S2	6	Walford Anglican School for Girls	Beyonce (F)	456	24:01:38.755	64 Laps	2:18.338	35	44.500
60	36	S2	7	Holy Trinity Lutheran College	Tempest	446	24:02:47.549	74 Laps	2:28.812	12	41.368
64	125	S2	8	Modbury High School	Lynx	440	24:00:31.574	80 Laps	2:28.548	116	41.441
66	98	S2	9	Unity College	Road Runner	439	24:01:34.253	81 Laps	2:30.131	428	41.004
74	183	S2	10	St Martins Lutheran College	Carbonated	430	24:00:40.500	90 Laps	2:22.167	427	43.301
75	40	S2	11	Kings Baptist Grammar School	Jai	429	24:01:25.817	91 Laps	2:25.220	386	42.391
80	143	S2	12	Seaview High School	Gonzo (X)	419	24:01:48.540	101 Laps	2:18.792	407	44.354
81	122	S2	13	St Josephs College Mildura	Virtuous	419	24:02:39.465	101 Laps	2:31.200	81	40.714
82	63	S2	14	Pembroke School	Radar	418	24:01:37.839	102 Laps	2:21.433	415	43.526
84	6	S2	15	Norwood International High School	Team Protege	416	24:01:54.942	104 Laps	2:25.100	390	42.426









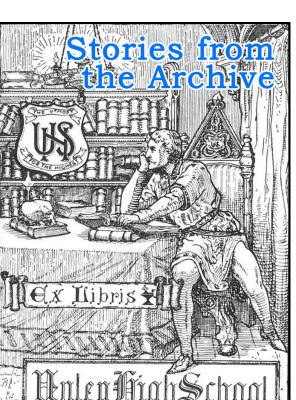












### **George Cresswell Hall has turned 50**

With everything happening in recent times, one anniversary slipped past – the George Cresswell Hall's 50th birthday.

As you can imagine, its arrival was a momentous event, worthy of comparison with other great events of the time.

The Editorial to the 1970 Yearbook began: "Last year had scientific and international importance as the 'Year of the Moon'. This year we may, perhaps, be pardoned for being a little more parochial in referring to the 'Year of the Hall'. For after many years of planning, saving, negotiations, scrap drives, bottle collections, square dances, non-uniform days and class photo sales the Unley High School Hall is a reality."

Who was George Creswell? He was school Council president for more than 25 years - from 1936 to 1962. His children attended the school. School historian Craig Campbell wrote: "Trained in the law, Creswell was a great asset to the school as a negotiator. Ted Smith [deputy principal] remembered his determination and persistence in achieving council goals. Eventually he would be a crucial player in shifting the school to Netherby, and both the school library and assembly hall to come would be named after him."

Before the George Creswell Hall, assemblies of course would be held outdoors, often in the central quadrangle, then a spacious empty space. There was a platform, where the bike enclosure is now.

Some school events needed to be held in local theatres, such as the

Vogue Theatre, which was very near the old school site on Kyre Avenue. In 1965, the demolition of two other local theatres made the need for a hall more pressing.

In 1967 the student newsletter the Unley Eye parodied an Anglican hymn:

And did those feet in times gone by
Stand upon asphalt cold and damp,
Shivering in the icy quad,
Fearing rheumatism and cramp?
We will not tire and stop to rest,
Nor will our tools fall from our hands,
Till we have built an Assembly Hall
In Unley's green and pleasant lands.

The hall was opened on December 11, 1970. Its arrival changed Unley High forever.

Campbell wrote: "From 1970 there was the clatter and a bang as students, having been given permission, sat on slightly padded seats, and the principal approached the dreaded microphone. Would the amplification be too soft, too loud, or even work at all at this assembly?"

The Hall quickly became a very important place within the school.

"The George Creswell Hall began to assume its own aura. The whole school stood on the command of Ben Evans while School Councillors, Principal, deputies and guests, some in academic gowns, made their way onto the stage."

Over the last 50 years the GCH has been tweaked and modified. For one, the front entrance area is not original. It changed the way the school operated and it's hosted every imaginable school activity, from lunchtime badminton, to stage productions, to state examinations, to class photos, to countless assemblies. Some of those original slightly padded seats, re-upholstered from a mustard colour to blue, are still there.

The George Creswell Hall is in the memories of many thousands of ex-Unley students. Without it, Unley High would not be Unley High.

**Stephen Murphy** 

**Archivist** 

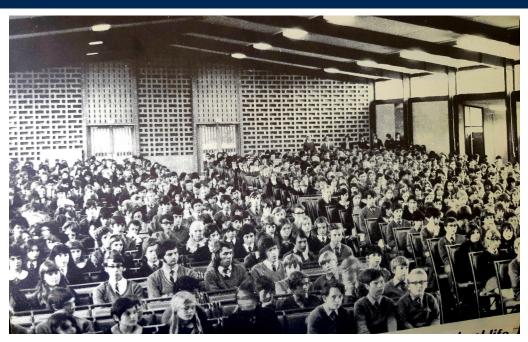




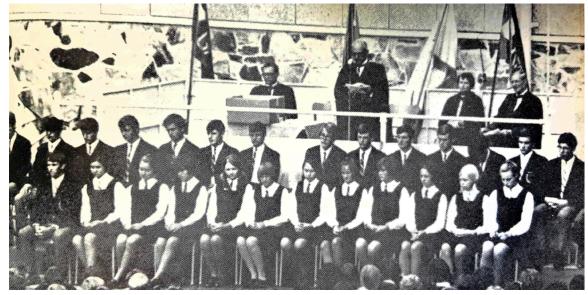
The Hall packed for an assembly in its first year of life - 1971.



The plaque commemorating the opening at the Hall's front entrance.







Before the GCH, in the central quadrangle, a formal assembly with the school leaders on the platform and prefect body facing the students.





### **Donations to the Archive**

### **Recent Acquisition**

The school has always been proud of its distinctive blazer. In the past, many students including prefects would routinely wear them. Wearing the blazer fostered pride in the uniform and in the school.

Recently we received the donation of another blazer. As our photo shows, this one clearly belonged to a Prefect in 1969. Interestingly, this one doesn't feature any light blue trim although it does have school buttons.

The donor, Myrtle Kennett, has no connection with the school but we are still delighted to have it and thank her very much for it.

We have now 12 blazers in our collection. More are always welcome. Three are currently exhibited in our displays around the school.



### An Appeal

Rather than a story about an acquisition, this is an appeal! The Archive has very few copies of our school Yearbook from the 1970's. Sadly, we have no copies at all from 1978 or 1979, or from 1981.

If old scholars or anyone else from the school community is able to donate Yearbooks from any of these years, we would be eternally grateful!

Stephen Murphy Archivist





### **EXEMPTION PROCESS**

Please be aware if planning a holiday where it is necessary for your child to miss school for 4 days or longer, it is a Department for Education requirement that an Application for Exemption from School be submitted and approved by the Principal at least 2 weeks prior to the period of absence.

It is also the responsibility of the student to arrange with their teachers how to ensure any missed school work is completed whilst absent.

Please contact Student Services for the required form.

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dl.0797.studentservices@schools.sa.edu.au

### **FINANCE NEWS**

The Department for Education has outlined a process for schools to determine Materials & Services Charges each year, which complies with Section 129 of the Education and Children's Services Act 2019 and the Materials and Services Charges Instructions. This process is known as the watermark process.

Approval for the attached "Notice" has been given by the Department for Education and we now wish to inform our school community of the Governing Council meeting at which the charge is set to be formally approved.

The Governing Council meeting will be held in the Unley High School Lower STEM area on Tuesday 8 November commencing at 7.00pm. Parents/caregivers are invited to attend to have an opportunity to discuss the fees before the decision is made. If you are unable to attend the Governing Council meeting, parents/caregivers are welcome to express their views in writing, addressed to the Chairperson of Unley High School Governing Council.

Unley High School Governing Council has determined that the 2023 Materials & Services Charge will be \$880 plus subject fees (see next pages). If you have any queries in regard to the charge, further information is available from the Business Leader, Elissa O'Connor on 8394 5400 or via email <a href="mailto:elissa.oconnor313@schools.sa.edu.au">elissa.oconnor313@schools.sa.edu.au</a>.



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Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2023  Notice of Charges for Years 7 - 12				
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Printed and electronic materials	Workbooks	\$0.00		
related to the educational program	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$67.00		
and which are provided for the	Photocopied Material	\$65.00		
student	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$132.00		
Stationery items that are provided	Stationery Items	\$0.00		
or the student	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00		
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00		
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$0.00		
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the	Access to Student Information Technology	\$278.00		
student to consume or use the	Access to Machinery	\$0.00		
materials or take ownership of a	Access to Equipment	\$55.00		
inished article produced by the student with the materials	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$380.00		
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00		
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student	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$35.00		
	rge (excluding Subject Charges)	\$880.00		

Education and Children's Services Act 2019 Section 129



# Unley High School - 0797 Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2023 Notice of Charges for Years 7 - 12

These subject charges are in addition to the M&S Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Subject Description	Amount	Charge per
Special Interest Rowing (year 7)	\$450.00	Year
Special Interest Rowing (year 8)	\$500.00	Year
French Bilingual (year 8)	\$200.00	Year
Rowing (year 9)	\$500.00	Year
French Bilingual/binational (year 9)	\$200.00	Year
Rowing A (year 10)	\$250.00	Semester
Rowing B (year 10)	\$250.00	Semester
Cafe & Barista Skills (year 10)	\$100.00	Semester
Outdoor Education (year 10)	\$250.00	Semester
Stage 1 Outdoor Education A (year 11)	\$300.00	Semester
Stage 2 Outdoor Education B (year 11)	\$300.00	Semester
Stage 2 Food & Hospitality Studies (year 12)	\$100.00	Year
Stage 2 Outdoor Education (year 12)	\$450.00	Year
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# **HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

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- English and Math
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- Exam Preparation
- Scholarships
- Projects







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**SOCCER HOLIDAY CLINIC** 

- FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER
- (S) 8.30AM 3PM
- **O WOMEN'S MEMORIAL PLAYING**

**FIELDS** 

















# School Holiday Exclusive Deal

From 1st October 2022 to 16th October 2022 with the purchase of an adult or concession ticket 1 child may travel free on any LinkSA route service



- Barossa Valley
- Murraylands
- Fleurieu
- Adelaide Hills

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### **Diary Dates**

Term 4

17 Oct	First Day Term 4	
25 Oct	Year 8 Immunisations	
31 Oct - 4 Nov	Year 10 Work Experience week	
7 - 17 Nov	Year 12 Exams	
8 Nov	Unley High School Governing Council meeting	7:00pm
15 Nov	Parent Voice meeting	6:00pm
18 Nov	Year 12 Graduation Ceremony	9:00am
25 Nov	Year 7 - 11 Awards Assembly	
29 Nov - 1 Dec	Year 11 Exams	
30 Nov	Year 6 Parent Information Evening	6:00pm
2 Dec	Last Day of term for Year 10 & 11	
6 Dec	Unley High School Governing Council meeting	7:00pm
8 - 9 Dec	Year 6 Transition Days	
16 Dec	Last Day Term 4 - early dismissal	12:30pm



Parents of Year 12 Students
Save the Date for our Year 12 Graduation
Ceremony
Friday morning on 18 November, 2022.

The Graduation Ceremony will be held in the George Cresswell Hall and runs for two hours.

As part of our ongoing commitment to the environment, all Newsletters are published on our school website. Hard copies are no longer issued to students unless specifically requested.



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