

### From the Principal



Welcome to the July newsletter.

Students and teachers are heading into a much earned winter break. When we return next term students will be met with a ranges of changes to their school day.

Firstly, the Education Department Policy of 'Phones off and away' begins in earnest from day one in Term 3. If a phone is brought to school, it must be kept in the locker and not accessed till after school. This means all lockers need a secure lock. Also, the canteen will no longer accept payment by swiping mobile phones. Please bring either cash or card for purchasing at the canteen. We recommend a debit card.

The Middle School 400 block renovation will be in full swing. All classes have already moved out and the building compound will spring up over the holidays. This renovation will not be on the same scale as the new three story building so there will only be minor disruption to usual spaces in the yard. The reason for the renovation this year is because we now have the classroom space to house all decanted classes.

Semester One reports for Years 7 to 11 are published on the last day of Term. Parents can access the reports by logging into the parent portal of Daymap. Year 12 Ongoing Reports are also published at the same time.

A reminder that Online Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Wednesday 16 August, Week 3 of Term 3. Parents will receive booking information in Week 1 of Term 3 in preparation for this Student Free day.

Lastly, a reminder that the community consultation period for the Multisport Pitch proposed for Unley High School is still open. I encourage all parents to go online and provide their feedback. The website provides comprehensive information about the pitch and its construction.

[www.multisportpitch.com.au](http://www.multisportpitch.com.au)

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable mid-winter break.

Regards Greg Rolton  
Principal



Unley High School Concert Band





# UNLEY HIGH SCHOOL



## Year 12 Formal

On Friday June 9, Unley High School's Senior students attended one of the most awaited events of the year - The Year 12 Formal! Organised by the Formal Committee, this year's theme was the Secret Garden.

The gorgeous venue was beautifully decorated with green foliage and a dazzling (and very expensive!) array of fairy lights. In-keeping with the garden theme, everyone even received a posy of flowers to take home and forever remember the night. It was lovely to see so many people adorned not only with their corsage flowers, but the flowers from their table too! The decorations looked absolutely lovely all put together. It was great to see everyone out of school uniform, even the teachers, and all certainly dressed to the nines. Everyone's dresses, suits and jewellery absolutely sparkled under the lights, with all of us looking very grown up indeed!

With the night MC'd by our wonderful girls, Ellie Saies and Lola Payne, we heard lovely words from them as well as some excellent speeches from our prominent school leaders, including Year Level Leader Mr Emmett Wood, Principal Greg Rolton, and our very own Chester De Candia. As well as these entertaining and endearing speeches that reminded us of what a wonderful school community we have, we also had lots of fun seeing who won all the awards for our grade. Our best dressed winners Lucy, Manny, Lily and Seb looked especially wonderful. Another highlight of the night was playing the "never have I ever" bingo game, which had everyone sharing maybe a few more secrets with their table group than they expected. The photo booths set up were also an especially lovely touch that were very popular in helping everyone capture memories of the night. As the event was drawing to a close, the dance floor was the place to be as we sang and danced (shout out to Mason for his MJ moves) to our favourite songs. The dance floor was a perfect way to end the night, and such a lovely memory for us all to look back on for the rest of our lives.

Lastly, we owe a big thank you to the student formal committee and teachers involved (especially Mr Wood!) for making the night so special.

Holly and Ariana.







# UNLEY HIGH SCHOOL



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## SEMESTER ONE MUSIC PERFORMANCES

Congratulations to the Concert Band and Year 11 students Chloe Molineux (vocalist) and Yoyo Chan (pianist) for their fabulous performances at the whole school assembly in the George Creswell Hall on 31 May. The students' poise, focus, playing and performance etiquette reflected the great work and learning they do in Music.

The Concert Band presented two pieces which constituted the first assessment task for both the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Music Performance – Ensemble students:

- The Great Escape – Elmer Bernstein, arranged by Johnnie Vinson
- Superstition – Stevie Wonder, arranged by Paul Murtha



## Year 11 Soiree

Congratulations to the Year 11 Music students, Drumline and Jazz Combo for their fabulous performances at the recent Year 11 Soiree held in the Performing Arts Centre on 7 June.

The Year 11 students each presented 2 pieces of solo repertoire to their peers, families and invited guests. The soloists' performances were of an incredibly high standard and were the realisation of some very long-term goals. The levels of musicianship and technique demonstrated reflected the students' dedication, persistence, critical analysis skills and courage. Learning an instrument and performing to a high standard takes years of individual practice, resilience and determination, so I hope the Year 11 music students will acknowledge their individual achievements and feel encouraged and supported to continue their learning journeys into Stage 2 Music in 2024.

**The Drumline**, our school's premier percussion ensemble directed by **Mr Ryan Grunwald** (Private Music Instructor) also performed 3 pieces:

- Breakaway – David A Hopgood
- Desert Sunrise - Alex Stopa
- Festival Of The New Sun - Alan Keown

These repertoire choices treated the audience to a masterclass in the diversity of percussion instruments and both the excitement and beauty of them in combinations. The Year 9 and 11 percussionists performed on a massive array of instruments including snare drums, tom toms, floor tom, xylophone, vibraphone, glockenspiel, malletkat (keyboard percussion synthesiser – timpani and marimba functions), drumkit, wind chimes, triangle, cymbals, woodblocks, tone blocks and more!





Mr Grunwald and I would like to acknowledge and thank Mr Tim Robinson, a senior Maths teacher at Unley High School for his regular involvement and performances with this ensemble. He has shared with us that he enjoys playing in ensemble, and his focus, performance skills and experience were evident at this concert.

The final group to perform at the soiree was the **Jazz Combo**, a Year 9-12 ensemble, led and directed by Year 10 Peter Morrison. This music ensemble is a recent brainchild of some of our senior music students who wanted to develop their knowledge and skills in improvisation and the jazz genre. Peter, a highly skilled young jazz musician offered his expertise to the group, arranging charts and leading the weekly lunchtime rehearses in 2023. Their soiree performance was a tribute to Peter's vision, and the groups' respect for him and their collective goals.

The Jazz Combo performed:

- Mr Clean – Freddy Hubbard, arranged by Peter Morrison with improvised solos performed by
- Piano – Mason Gayther-Moore
- Trumpet – Xavier Heard
- Bass – Chloe Molineux
- Autumn Leaves – Joseph Kosma, arranged by Peter Morrison with improvised solos performed by
- Tenor saxophone – Jad Rachid
- Alto saxophone – Peter Morrison

The recent Concert Band and Drumline performances constituted assessment tasks for the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Music Performance – Ensemble students.

Great individual and ensemble preparation by the students and musical directors ensured our ensembles performed at a high standard for these assessments. I wish to thank all the Year 7 to Year 12 performers who contributed to that collaborative achievement.

The senior students also completed individual part tests following their ensemble's performance which verify their ability to play their assigned parts independently, accurately and with control of instrumental technique.

The high standards our ensembles have attained in more recent performances mean our SACE music students have every opportunity to achieve in the higher SACE grade bands individually. This marks the achievement of a long-term goal for the UHS Music team and ensemble directors, and sets Unley amongst the highest standard DfE secondary music programs in the state.

Congratulations to every music student, music teacher and musical director that has contributed to that goal. We hope to share links to the recordings of these musical performances very soon.

**Vicki Holland**

**UHS Music Teacher, Concert Band Director, and Coordinator of Visual and Performing Arts**







## Year 12 Drama

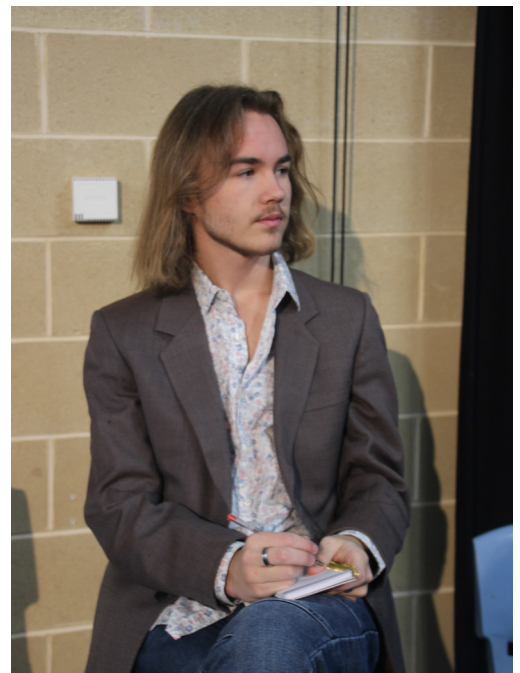


### Bravo! Bravo!

Congratulations to our Year 12 Drama Students on your riveting performance of "Who is the Real Inspector Hound" last night. The characters were each personified and portrayed with a great degree of skill. Congratulations also go to Mel Geddie for her direction, belief and persistence amidst some unforeseen student adversity. Thanks also to Nic Hurcombe for his cameo performance and Rob Zurich for assistance with props.

The audience really enjoyed the performance and left our school beaming with pride.

**Ms Holland**







## Year 8 English

Four of our Year 8 English classes are engaging in an exciting project with Mitcham Primary School. Over the past few weeks, our students have visited their 'buddies' at Mitcham, where they have interviewed them and read to them. Over the next six weeks, our students will be making picture books for their buddies and in Book Week next term, they will return to present the children with their books. In doing this, our students are learning about writing for specific purposes, and for specific audiences, as well as the language and stylistic features of picture books. This has worked in well with the low-stakes writing we have been doing and the 100-word stories students have created as part of their Term 1 assessment.

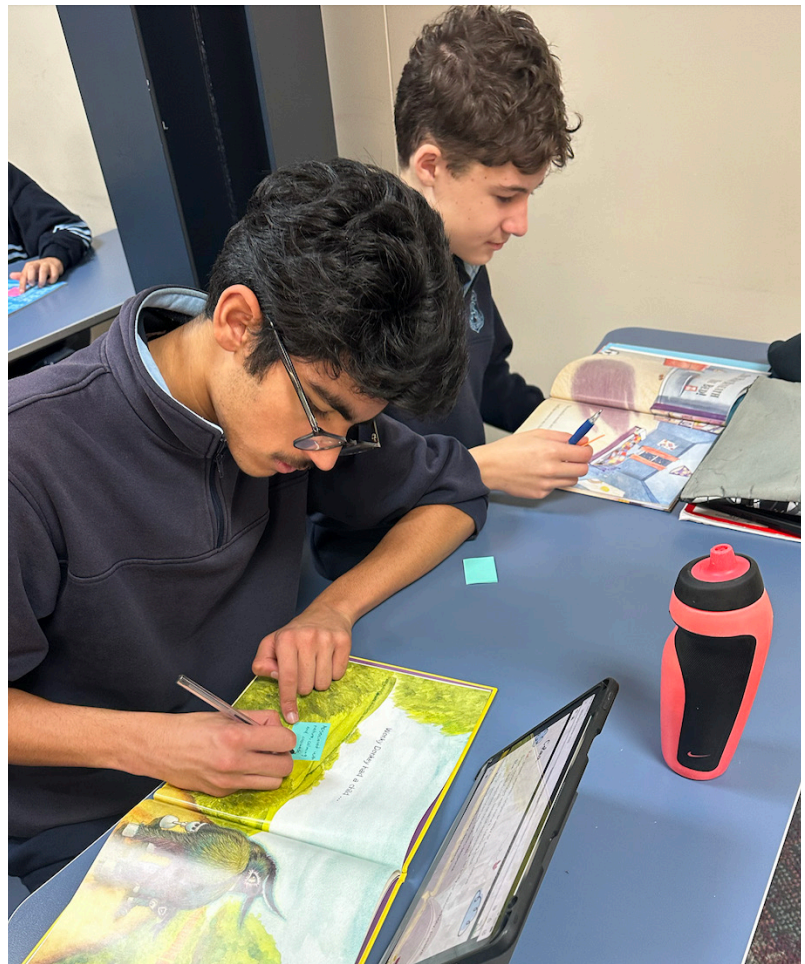
**Shannyn Daniel**  
English Teacher



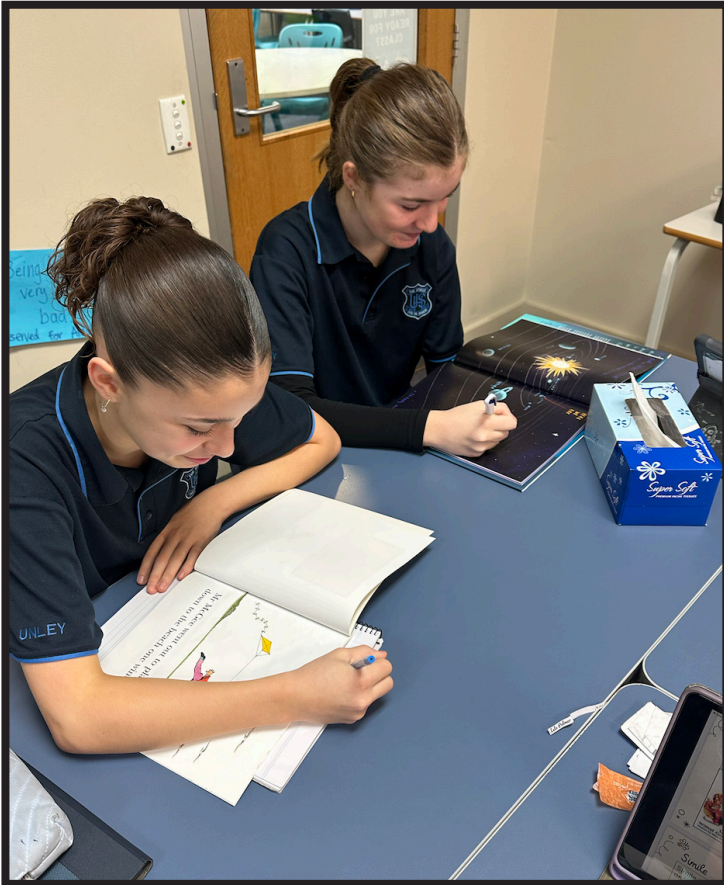
The skyline of New York was stained red as the sun set on the settlement of man. The taint humans had left on the world was like a scar, an ugly permanent blemish on the surface of our Mother Earth. As I walked through the streets of downtown, the sky started to cry. Humans. Such fragile beings, like a tower of cards. You can get rid of one, and it all comes crashing down. The change was long in waiting. Humans lust for power and leverage. Corruption threatening to collapse society. A chain reaction. All it takes is one bullet.

The man sits uncomfortably, folded, in his suffocating room, countless books surrounding him like a stone fortress. He stares into his note book for hours, with no promise of an end. The sound of a pencil breaking haunts the poor man. The sound of graphite scraping against paper is all he knows. Nothing more, nothing less, the stench of sweat and something rotting plagues the room. Always. The sound of a faulty fan motor stabs through the scribbling of the pencil. He had a strange feeling this hour, not of the usual grumbling hunger, but something staring at him. Endlessly.

Sam Deed



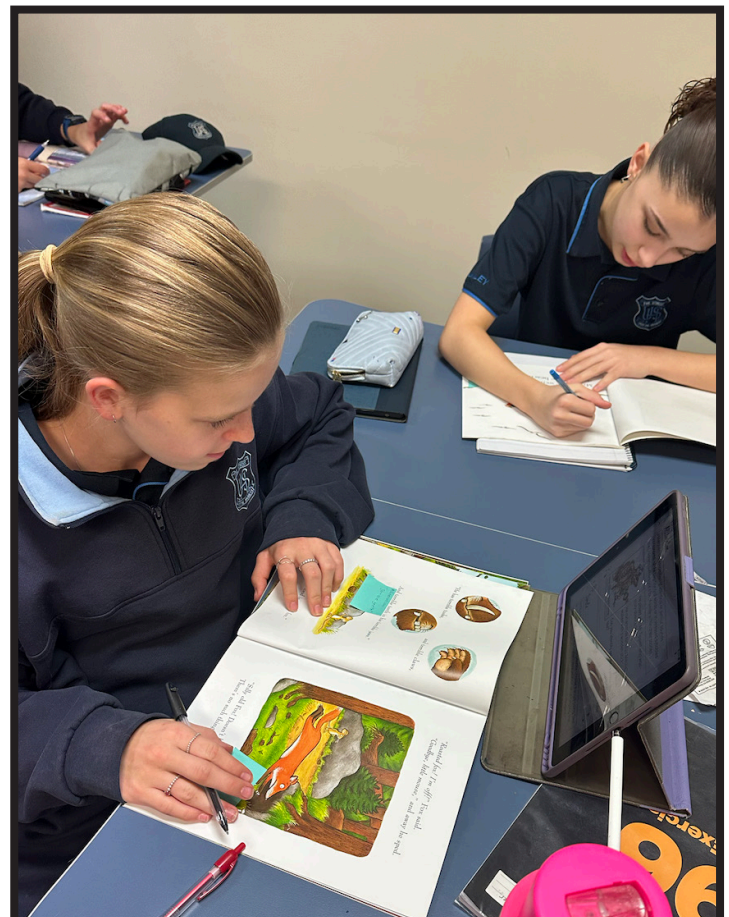
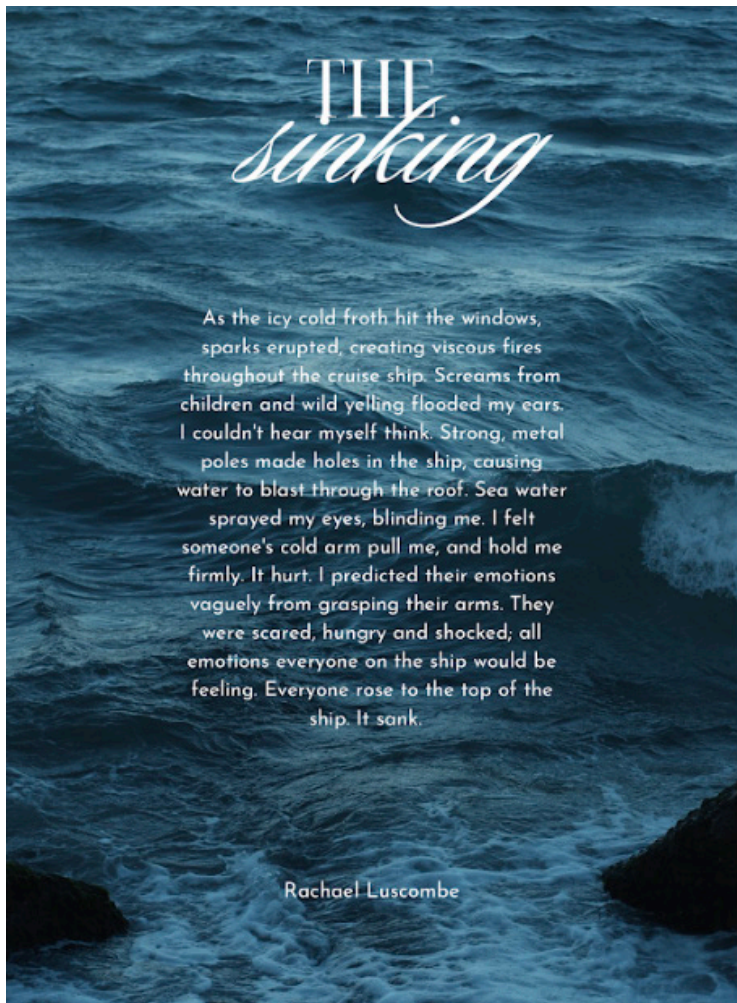




## Cramped Apartment

Mika Richter

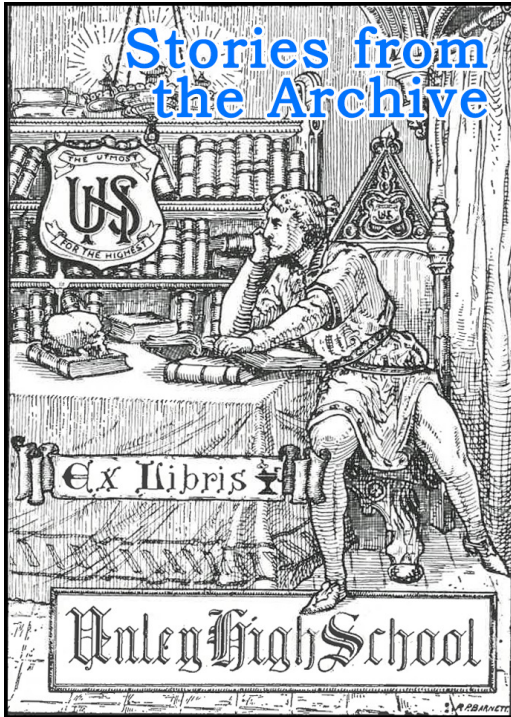
The man sits inside his compact apartment. Books are strewn across the floor, filling up half the room. The pungent smell of sweat lingers in the foul air, making the apartment even more uncomfortable. The moldy blanket itches the bottom of his legs, keeping him from focusing on his artwork. Loneliness fills the room, as he painstakingly etches the piece of paper. He whispers under his breath, "How did I end up like this?" Meanwhile, in the apartment above him, a woman sits. She, too, is drawing a picture. "How did I end up like this?" she whispers. . .







## Stories from the Archive



George Cresswell Hall – snapshots across 50 years

For the last in our short series of “then and now” photos, we’re going back exactly 50 years – to 1973.

During that year someone had the brilliant idea of taking a photo of a school assembly in the George Cresswell Hall from the stage. It was a time when such things were permitted.

Among other places, the photo was published across the two centre pages of the 1973 Yearbook. (See photo)

We can see a few differences between the Hall’s interior in 1973 and 2023... for example, the back wall has changed, there’s now an air conditioning system below the ceiling and the lighting is different.

Unley High School had waited for decades for its own Hall, and it was used constantly.

Assemblies in our then new Hall were much more frequent but shorter and less formal. In a time before the internet, they were a key means to routinely disseminate information to the whole school.

It seems some of the original four-seat sets, which everyone was sitting on in the 1973 photo, are still there today, re-upholstered from a mustard colour to blue.



1973 was the last year classes at Unley were named by their streams – for example, 1A, 2B, 3C, etc., state public high school then consisting of First to Fifth Year.

Sitting in the front row on the left in the “then” photo are some super bright kids from 3A. I was in 3C, three rows back. The following year classes were named by year level and room number, for example, 417.

**Stephen Murphy**  
Archivist







## Donations to the Archive

### Significant new items received

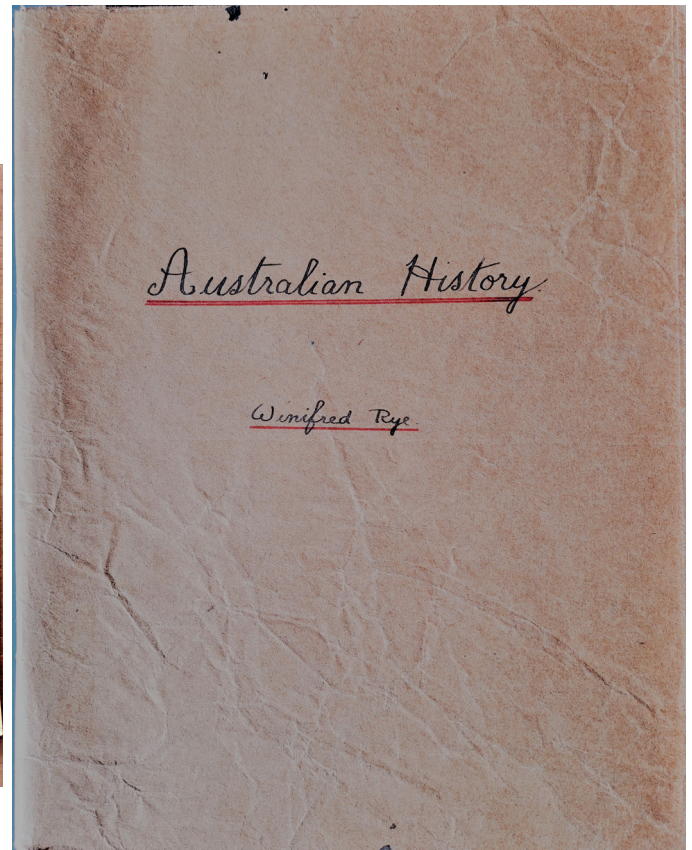
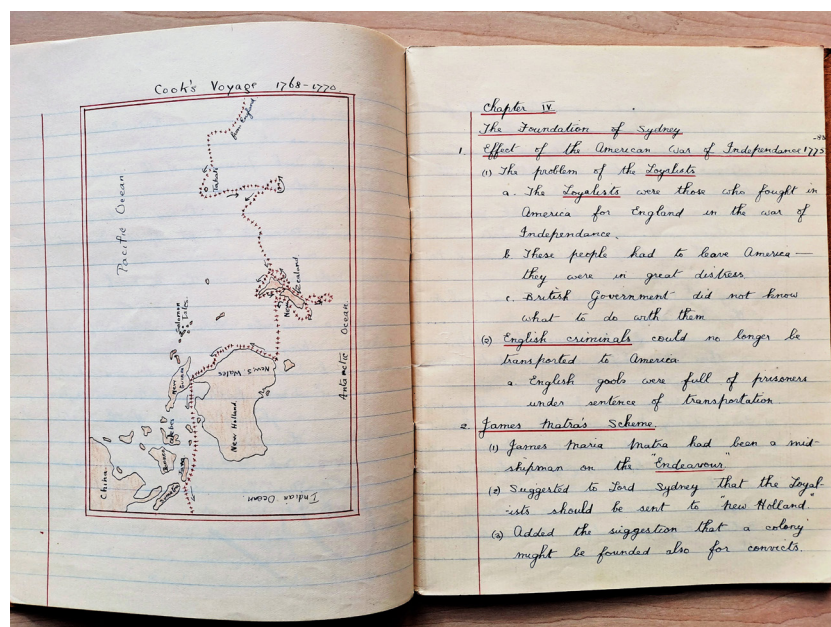
The Unley High School Archive has received wonderful new donations in recent weeks.

Thank you to Kathleen Brockhoff for the donation of three more Boyd family items to the Unley High School Archive. They are:

- An Australian History exercise book which belonged to Winifred Rye (who became Winifred Boyd). The date she neatly wrote on the first page is "28.3.28"
- A 220-page 1964 edition Keats text book, which belonged to Winifred's son, Ian Boyd.
- A pair of spiked running shoes (blue of course!) probably worn by Winifred's daughter Helen Boyd during her time at Unley. This is the first pair of shoes donated to the Archive.

Copies of the 1989 and 2000 Yearbooks also have been gratefully received from former School Council chair, Chris Halbert.

**Stephen Murphy**  
Archivist







## Rowing News

During the recently held 2021/22 Rowing SA Awards breakfast, Felicity Cox (year 10) was recognised as the 2023 South Australian Champion Junior Female (U19).

This award is presented to the individual who has shown outstanding performances throughout the Rowing SA season.

I am pleased to inform you that Eleanor Nettlefold (year 10) secured the runner-up position, while Georgie Twelftree (year 10) was equal third.

I am also delighted to announce that Unley High School has been awarded 3rd place in the Club Women's Premiership, the highest performing schoolgirls' program in the state. This recognition is a reflection of the collective efforts of all our girls from year 8 and above.





## Unley High School Greek Spring Dance

Tickets for the Unley High School Greek Spring Dance are now on sale and can be purchased via trybooking, just head to the following link <https://www.trybooking.com/CIRMG>

Last year's event was a resounding success and we want to make this year's even bigger and better! The evening will feature:

- Live music performed by Music 3000
- Student music & dance performances
- A wide variety of Greek food & desserts
- Door and raffle prizes
- Plenty of kefi (fun!)

When: Saturday, September 16th

Where: Chian Association Hall, 73 Grand Junction Road, Rosewater

Adult (18+): \$25

Kids (5-17): \$15

Tickets include entry and the chance to win the door prize!

Get in early and organise a table before they're gone! We hope to see you there!



**GREEK DANCE 2023**  **UnleyHighSchool**

**SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER, 7PM**  
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**ROSEWATER**

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Registration close 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Key objective of all sessions is to improve proficiency through engaging and differentiated language/cultural experiences. Given that the focus of all sessions will be on the oral use of the target language, groups are capped at 12 students.

*Note: Students will be able to register for either 1 or 2 days as the program for each day will be different.*

Each day runs from 9.30am (Registration/Sign-in)–3:30pm (Finish). Three sessions of 75 minutes duration will be offered by highly proficient speakers of Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese & Spanish.

## VENUE:

School of Languages:  
255 Torrens Road, West Croydon SA 5008

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\$10 per day  
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Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023



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# JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS



**MON 10th & TUE 11th**  
9am - 3pm | St Clair

**WED 12th & THU 13th**  
9am - 3pm | Springbank

**MON 17th & TUE 18th**  
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### Diary Dates

#### Term 2 2023

**7 July** **Last Day Term 2 - early dismissal** **2:30pm**

23-28 July Year 9 Ski Trip

#### Term 3 2023

|                     |  |                |
|---------------------|--|----------------|
| <b>24 July</b>      | <b>Term 3 commences</b>                                    | <b>9:00am</b>  |
| 27 July             | Year 10 Immunisations                                      |                |
| 15 August           | Governing Council meeting                                  | 7:00pm         |
| <b>16 August</b>    | <b>Parent Teacher Interviews (no scheduled classes)</b>    | 11:00 - 7:00pm |
| 22 August           | Parent Voice meeting                                       | 6:00pm         |
| 29 August           | Year 10 into 11 Course Counselling day                     |                |
| 31 Aug - 5 Sept     | Spring Rowing Camp   |                |
| <b>4 September</b>  | <b>School Closure Day</b>                                  |                |
| 5 September         | Year 11 into 12 Course Counselling day                     |                |
| 12 September        | Governing Council meeting                                  | 7:00pm         |
| 13 September        | Year 7 Immunisations                                       |                |
| 14 September        | Year 8 Immunisations                                       |                |
| 22 September        | Extra Curricular photo day                                 |                |
| <b>25 September</b> | <b>Student Free Day for staff Professional Development</b> |                |
| 26 - 29 Sept        | Year 12 Trial exams  |                |
| <b>29 September</b> | <b>Last Day Term 3 (early dismissal)</b>                   | <b>2:30pm</b>  |

For all student absences please contact: [dl.0797.absences@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0797.absences@schools.sa.edu.au)

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