



### From the Principal



Welcome to the Term 4 newsletter. Last week we farewelled the graduating class of 2024 and we celebrate Year 7 to 11 Awards this Friday. As usual the school year has flown by quickly with Christmas holidays just a few weeks away.

I have talked about our desire to upgrade the middle school facilities, especially the 500 block, which was a leading design a quarter of a century ago but is now tired and needing attention. While the State Government has not been able to support the school in our quest the Unley High School Governing Council is supporting the re-introduction of the school building fund to help raise the funds. We encourage all parents and friends to consider making a donation. The benefit of making a donation is the Building Fund is registered with the taxation department and therefore all donations are tax deductible. Details and a link is provided on the Building Fund page in this newsletter.

Recently I have been invited to two award ceremonies where Unley High School students and staff have received some amazing awards.

### SASTA Oliphant Awards

Defence Science & Technology's Secondary School Prize, Yrs. 11-12	
• 1 <sup>st</sup> Unley High School	
Crystal Investigation, Yr 7-8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1<sup>st</sup> Umar Mateen</li><li>• Highly Commended Yiyi Wang</li></ul>	Multimedia, Yr 7-8 1 <sup>st</sup> Isaac Khoo (The Science Behind Pork Crackling)
Crystal Investigation, Yr 9-10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> Usman Mateen</li><li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Bastien Alexander-Backe</li></ul>	Photography, Yr 11-12 Highly Commended Karina Heinson (Order from Chaos)
Crystal Investigation, Yr 11-12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1<sup>st</sup> Nahima Khatun, Nagma Khatun</li><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> Rabya Khatun, Mariah Kollakombil</li></ul>	

### Rotary Club of Unley – Teacher Awards

Specialist Maths Teacher Ashleigh Miller nominated by Lachlan Pfitzner

Congratulations to all.

A calendar reminder that next Monday 25 November is the final student free day for 2024. The majority of our staff will be completing the Youth Mental Health First Aid training program which will support all students in our school. The remaining staff, many of them new and starting in 2025 will complete the course next year making all staff qualified.

Thank you to the students and teachers who have contributed to the newsletter. Please enjoy reading about the SVC News, Outdoor Education camps, book week and sports updates.

Regards

**Greg Rolton**  
Principal



## Last Whole SVC meeting for 2024

On Wednesday, October 23 the Student Voice Council came together for the last whole SVC meeting for the year.

These meetings are held each term and are crucial for collaboration between the 4 SVC Action Groups. The Term 4 meeting was a complete success. We were pleased to note that a large number of the SVC members was in attendance, and the participation from all year levels and teams was outstanding. As is tradition with the SVC, all activities and team building games were organised by the Prefect Team. The meeting was held in the large gym which provided a perfect venue for ball games.

It included a reflection on the achievements of the year and goal setting for 2025 for each of the SVC Action Groups.

Congratulations to the newly elected 2025 Prefect Team, including:

- Head Prefects: Lachie and Karina
- Deputy Head Prefects: Aditi and Thiyasha
- Secretary: Maya
- Treasurers: Will and Amy

This was the first whole SVC meeting that the new prefects had organised and chaired, and they did it fabulously. We look forward to their leadership in the year to come.







## Furniture Construction

Year 12 Furniture (Materials Solutions) brings together 5 years of learning in Design and Technology.

Students are given the task to investigate, design and manufacture an item of furniture suitable for an indoor or outdoor setting.

Students use the design process to come up with an idea which is developed into a product. They research various elements and techniques and look to apply them. Students then produce a drawing using a CAD program to gain insight into what it might look like before they begin manufacturing.

While this looks like a monumental task at the beginning of the course and is often met with 'How are we supposed to do that?', at the end of the year it is a delight to see the pride the students have in what they have achieved and they are all very quick to make sure they take their pride and joy home.

**Greg Waldeck**  
Design and Technology Teacher



Sam



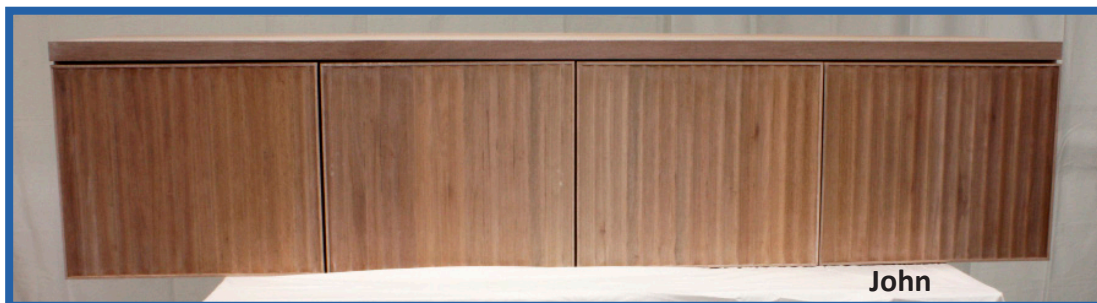
Stathis



Harry



Cooper



John



Oscar



Alex





## Outdoor Education - Kayaking

Our Stage 1 Outdoor Education class ventured to Ral Ral Creek (near Paringa) for their 3-day kayak camp.

Students displayed a high level of self-reliance, perseverance and teamwork to complete their journey together. Students also had the opportunity to practise and improve their kayak skills, navigation, leadership and campcraft.

We were grateful to have lovely warm weather, fantastic instructors and reliable equipment from Canoe the Riverland. We observed varied and interesting wildlife in their homes, such as Whistling Kites, Cormorants, lizards, Brown Bitterns, Darters and Pelicans.

Students benefited greatly from their time away from everyday life by connecting with the environment and each other.

**Angie Treloar**  
Outdoor Education Teacher







## Outdoor Education - Bushwalking

On their Deep Creek bushwalk in week 2, students were challenged to apply qualities they have been learning during their semester of yr10 Outdoor Education.

It was pleasing to see students display great resilience, teamwork, communication and leadership during their camp, where they were required to carry everything they needed for this 3-day journey.

Students were treated to perfect weather conditions and glorious views, and were lucky to experience the varied wildlife, which included many encounters with Western Grey kangaroos and their joeys, Superb Fairy Wrens, Shingleback lizards and some inquisitive foxes, as well as Wedge-tailed Eagles, frogs and some tiny crabs at Deep Creek Cove.

The students had a great time and displayed positive attitudes during their time away, connecting with the environment and their peers.

**Angie Treloar**

**Outdoor Education Teacher**







## Book Week Activity

In Term 3, our Year 8 students had the exciting opportunity to visit Mitcham Primary School to engage with their younger peers in a meaningful and creative way. As part of this collaborative project, Year 8 students conducted interviews with Year 2 children to gather insights into their interests and reading preferences. This hands-on research formed the foundation for a unique and imaginative assignment: creating picture books based on this year's Book Week theme, Reading is Magic. From writing the stories to illustrating them, our Year 8 students embraced the challenge of creating engaging, age-appropriate books and worked hard to ensure each 'buddy' received a personalised picture book to keep.

In Week 4 of Term 3, Year 8 students returned to Mitcham Primary School to share the books they had created. The interactions between the Year 8 students and the Year 2 children highlighted that the project had a powerful impact, not only fostering stronger connections between the students, but also contributing to the literacy development for all students involved.

As part of the next stage of the project, our Year 8 students will reflect on the creative process through the creation of a Writer's Statement. This will allow them to justify their creative choices, explaining how they tailored their stories to meet the needs and interests of their intended audience. The Writer's Statement will also give students the opportunity to reflect on how this project helped them grow as writers and communicators.

The picture books will soon be sent home with the Year 8 students involved to share with families. We are incredibly proud of our Year 8 students for their dedication and creativity, and we look forward to seeing how this project continues to inspire both our students and the young learners at Mitcham Primary School.

**Shannyn Daniel & Laura Webb**  
English and HaSS Teachers







## Sports update

Congratulations to Year 11 student Jade who was successful at the 2024 SA All Schools Athletics Championships.

Jade won the U18 womens 200m and 400m sprints at Mile End Athletics stadium on 26 and 27 October, representing Unley High School.

Jade will go on to compete in the Australian All Schools Athletics Championships in Brisbane in December. The National All Schools is a prestigious event, with only athletes who came first or second for their State, eligible to compete.

**Good luck Jade!**

Congratulations to Year 8 student Dakar who has been selected to represent South Australia in soccer at the Singa Cup in Singapore.

Dakar flew to Singapore to play several games against teams from a number of Asian countries.

He has also been selected to represent South Australia in Futsal and will be playing in the national tournament in Melbourne against other State teams in January.

Year 10 student Lavinia from will also be going to Singapore to represent South Australia in the women's competition.

**All the best to Dakar and Lavinia!**







## Sports Update

We are excited to announce that yesterday our Year 7/8 soccer team triumphed in the Division 1 Statewide final, bringing home the silverware from a competitive 24-team tournament that took place over the winter months. The last time we won this trophy for this age group was 34 years ago in 1990!

This remarkable achievement adds to their already impressive record, as they also secured the Year 7/8 futsal trophy earlier this year. Winning two major titles in a single year is an extraordinary and rare feat, and it speaks volumes about the team's dedication, talent, and teamwork. We also believe that for this age group, this has never been done!

A massive well done to Coach Nick, whose leadership and guidance have been instrumental in these victories, and to every single player who gave their all. We also want to acknowledge and thank all the staff, students, and parents who supported the team throughout this journey – your encouragement made a real difference.

Congratulations once again to everyone involved in this outstanding success! We look forward to watching this group grow and have even more success in years to come.

**Ryan Miller**  
Sports Manager







## Sports Update

The sports team would like to acknowledge some excellent results from events in recent weeks.

The Year 9/10 Girls Knock Out basketballers won the silver medal for Division 2 at the State Basketball Centre last Tuesday. The event had 25 teams who entered! Due to injuries the team had only 7 mostly year 8 players on the day!

Well done Lacey, Phoebe, Bec, Abbie, Quinn, Clancy, Kitty, Addi and Jett

**Coach – Chelsea**

**Staff – Narelle Burns**



On Friday 15 November we had one team head to West Lakes to compete in the Team Triathlon Championships. The three boys were outstanding, finishing in 3rd place to earn a spot on the podium. Again, these three boys are very talented in their own disciplines and hopefully can do even better next year. Well done to Miles, Taylor and Evan.

**Staff - Teng Chua**



In Week 3, our middle school Knock Out Badminton girls finished third in the state, displaying the great depth in badminton that we have here at Unley High School. Well done Aania, Emily, Andina, XinYing, Amaya and Buvena.

**Coaches- Joshua and Kabir**

**Staff- Tom Buckerfield**







## Stories from the Archive

### Mr Woodward's impact on our school

In the last issue we thanked former teacher Glen Woodward for his generous donation to our Archive of more than 500 items from his years at Unley between 1959 and 1985. These items now form the Glen Woodward Collection within the Unley High School Archive. In this issue, we look at all too briefly at his contribution and legacy.

Glen landed at Unley as a young teacher in late 1959 to teach Geography. He taught junior boys, still at Kyre Avenue. It seems Glen regarded the old campus, where Unley High School had been since 1915, as a bit of an "antique".

Almost immediately his ideas had an impact. It was he who encouraged senior students who were wanting a voice to start the student newspaper, "The Unley Eye". By most measures,

the "Eye" was a massive success, even if controversial at times! At its height the newspaper, costing a few pence or (after 1966) cents, had a circulation of 1200, with 30 mailed to subscribers. Sometimes it would even publish students' interviews with big celebrities. Once the newspaper itself made the front page of "The Advertiser". The "Eye" gained such a standing, old scholars from the time still remember it today. Glen soon made his mark in other ways. In the 1960's he and colleague Graham Smith authored a book, "Australia: A Social Study" which, as the title suggests, was a Social Studies text. Going through several editions, it remained for many years a well-used text for students to Third Year (Year 10) level.

Then in 1968, Glen and colleague Sid Eberhard launched another innovation – a camp for Matriculation (Year 12) students. It was held at Tatachilla in Adelaide's far south, designed to allow socialising and promote thought-provoking discussion. The annual Matric camp at Tatachilla became another Unley institution.

Perhaps the biggest innovation of which Glen was part came in his appointment in the early 1970's as Student Counsellor. Part of the role was vocational guidance. He set up a Careers Room where students could find information about tertiary courses and employment. An important element of Glen's work as Student Counsellor was to make the first Asian and international students feel welcome at the school.

Today that small careers room is the Science Store in the middle wing of the main building. Glen's office was adjacent. In this role he said he was only doing what every teacher would do if they had time.

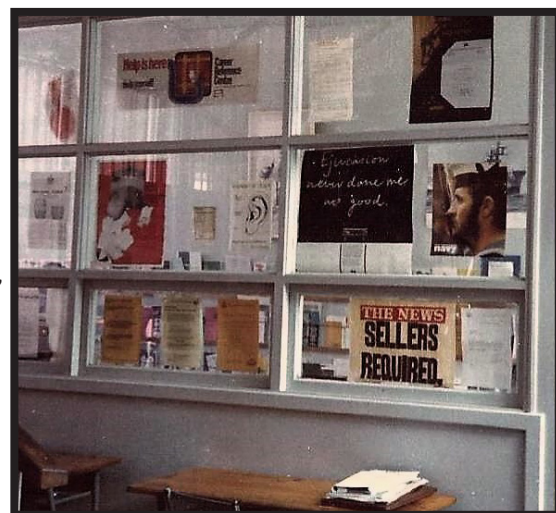
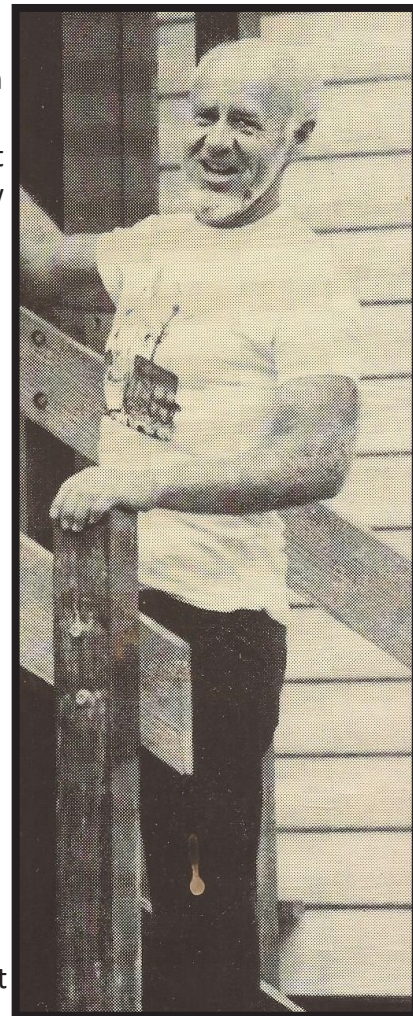
There was much else also in his quarter-century at Unley, but sadly no space here to elaborate.

The significance of Glen Woodward's contribution and legacy hard to overstate. What stood out was his energy, cheerful disposition and commitment to the students and to the school. Without doubt Glen, known and loved by generations of students as "Mr Woodward", is one of the legends of Unley High School!

\*With acknowledgements to Craig Campbell's histories of Unley High School, "State High School: Unley" (1985) and "Unley High School: One hundred years of public education" (2010).

Photos: Mr Woodward on the steps to one of the old temporary building classrooms, and his Careers Room.

**Stephen Murphy**  
Archivist







## Donations to the Archive

### Donation from Bill Smith

Another very generous donation has been received from another legend of Unley High School, W.F. (Bill) Smith, a member of staff from 1970 to 1990.

Mr Smith has donated 13 copies of the school magazine, from 1970 to 1982, numerous photos of classes of which he was class teacher as well as other items.

A much respected physics teacher, indeed a Special Senior Master, Mr Smith is remembered today at the school with a plaque now part of a display in Student Services.

Our photo also shows Mr Smith, on the left, as he appeared in the 1970 school magazine. The photo was captioned with the following (note, Tatachilla was the Matriculation or Year 12 camp) -

“Came to Unley from beautiful downtown rural Urrbrae after a harrowing trek across the school paddock in the summer of 1970.

Quiet and much given to physics – dry sense of humour.

His name has rapidly become synonymous with Tatachilla 1970.

When subjected to ultra-violet light in the presence of a beat band of ‘x’ decibels will gyrate in not-so-simple harmonic motion for the entire evening.”

In the 1970’s among the student body (of whom I was one), Mr Smith became famous for his handlebar moustache and Mustang car!

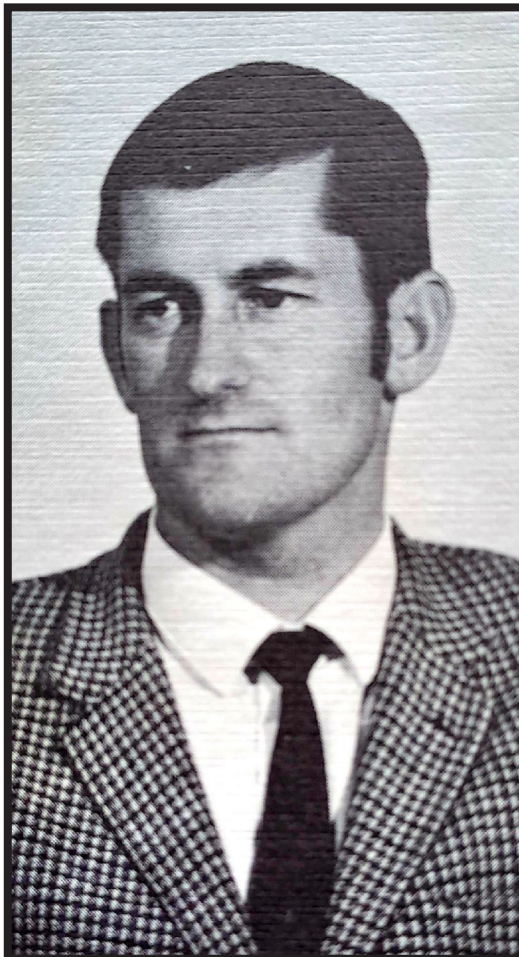
The school was pleased to welcome Bill and Bev Smith on a visit on Friday, October 25.

Pictured are Mr Smith at left in 1970, top right at a Sports Day; and the plaque now displayed in Student Services.

Another big donation

Many thanks also to Mr Graeme Allen for his kind donation of 20 issues of the Unley High School Magazine from between 1937 and 1945.

**Stephen Murphy**  
Archivist







## Chicken Club

After our success at the Royal Adelaide Show the students farewelled the "Showgirls" who have now gone to their forever homes and are free-ranging and enjoying life out of the spotlight.

**Unley**HighSchool



**Chicken Club**



The club has been busy. We incubated and hatched 11 chicks at the end of last term. We had a 100% success rate in this hatching. Students were monitoring the eggs progress through monitoring weight loss and candling the eggs to see the developing chick. Many students have started their own flock at home and are enjoying the benefits of owning and looking after chickens. At the beginning of this term we were able to look after three baby goslings who were rejected by their mother. They were very weak but with warmth,



fluids, nutrition and special attention from our club members they are now happily reintegrated with some adult geese. To finish off the year the club is currently incubating some Belgian D'uccle eggs, hopefully it will be as successful a hatch as the last. These eggs should hatch on the 20th November. We are hoping to grow these ones up to enter into next year's Royal show.



MC Fi





## Unley High School Building Fund

As our school continues to grow, we are committed to providing our students with the best possible learning environment. To achieve this, Governing Council have reactivated the Unley High Building Fund and are seeking tax deductible donations from our school community.

The Building Fund supports vital projects like upgrades and renovations to enhance classrooms and learning spaces, improve sporting facilities, and more - ensuring our school remains a place where students thrive. Contributions to this fund are tax deductible, making it a meaningful way to give back while also receiving financial benefits.

We invite you to join us in shaping the future of Unley High School by making a donation. Every contribution brings us closer to our goals and enables us to provide *The Utmost for the Highest.*

To donate to the Unley High School Building Fund please click on the link below:

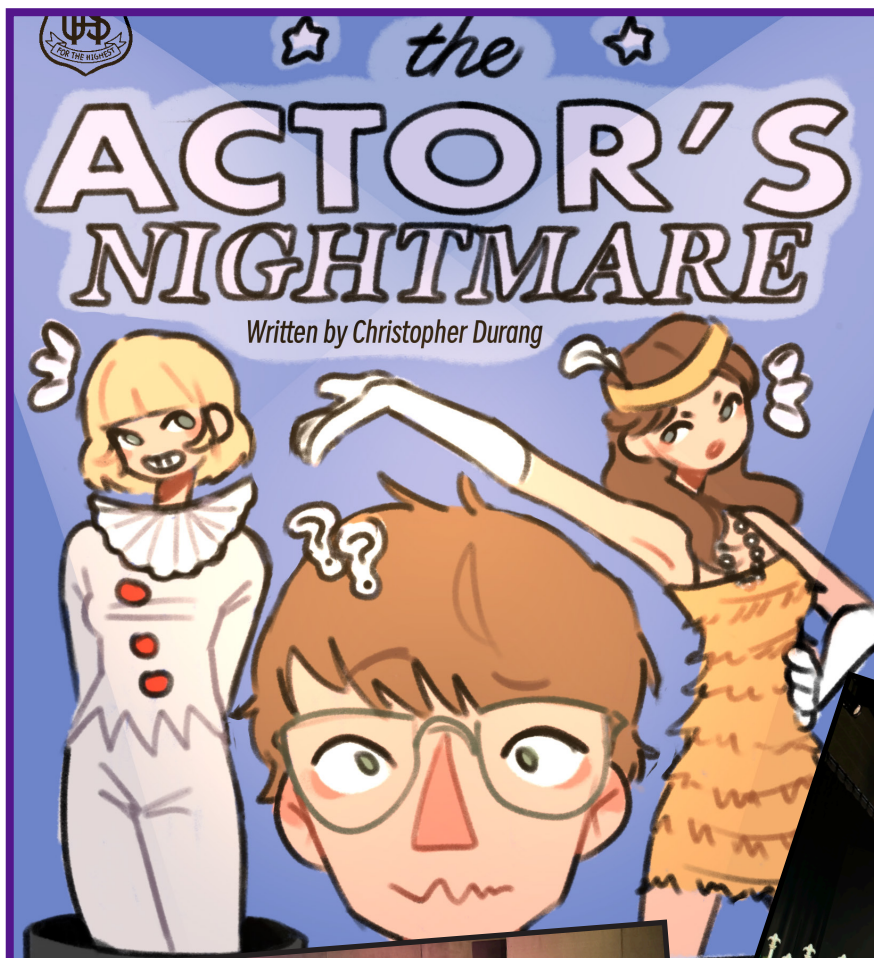
<https://unleyhighschool.snapforms.com.au/form/building-fund-donation>







## Stage 1 Drama – The Actor's Nightmare



Unley High School's Stage 1 Drama class recently captivated the audience with their performance of *The Actor's Nightmare*, a hilarious comedy by Christopher Durang. Held on Monday, 18 November, the play delivered laughter and suspense, as the talented cast brought this theatrical nightmare to life. The story follows George Spelvin, an unfortunate character thrust onto the stage with no idea who he's supposed to be, what his lines are, or even why he's there. Through a case of mistaken identity, George found himself struggling through scenes he never rehearsed, in a role he never auditioned for. As George scrambled to keep up, the audience was treated to a whirlwind tour of theater's greatest hits, including a blend of Noël Coward's *Private Lives*, a mash-up of Beckett's absurdist works, and scenes from *Hamlet* and *A Man for All Seasons*, each scene twisted in unexpected and humorous ways. The result was a clever, chaotic comedy that portrayed every performer's worst nightmare—yet delighted the audience from start to finish. Congratulations to our Stage 1 Drama students for a fantastic performance that left everyone eagerly awaiting their next production!

**Kimberly Mullan - Drama Teacher**



# SVC Newsletter

Keep up with the latest from the UHS Student Voice Council!

Term 3 2024



## In this issue:

- SVC Newsletter continues
- Overview of Term 3
- BTN phone ban follow up story
- NAIDOC Week
- Multicultural lunch
- Arbor Day tree planting
- Students vs teachers trivia week
- Curriculum & learning reading initiative
- Twilight market
- Student intranet access
- Intrahouse competition update
- Wellbeing initiative in collaboration with LINK students and staff
- Prefect handover & farewell from 2024 Prefects



## SVC Newsletter

Written by Yoyo, Prefect

Welcome to the third edition of the 2024 Student Voice Council (SVC) Newsletter.

This newsletter aims to showcase the achievements of the SVC and to share initiatives and ongoing projects with the school community.

This will be the last of the Newsletters from the 2024 Prefect and will be handed over to the 2025 Prefects!

We thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and would love to hear your suggestions or feedback! The link for the SVC suggestion box is:  
<https://forms.gle/NjiGeUXx1qQVWQ9u9>

The SVC Newsletter is now also available through the Student Intranet at:

<https://sites.google.com/schools.sa.edu.au/uhssvc/student-links/svc-newsletter>





## Term 3 Whole SVC Meeting

Written by *Lawrence, Community Connections and School Promotion action team member*

On Wednesday, August 14th, the Student Voice Council came together for a whole SVC meeting. These meetings are held each term and are crucial for collaboration between the 4 SVC Action Groups.

The Term 3 meeting was a complete success. We are pleased to note that almost all of SVC was in attendance, and the participation from all year levels and teams was outstanding. As is tradition with the SVC, icebreaker activities were organised by the Prefect Team, a part of the meetings that is always a rewarding experience for the students.

This term, the meeting included some time for each Action Group to summarise the activities and initiatives they put in place in the past 10 weeks, as well as their short term and long term goals.

This was also notably the last whole SVC meeting that would be chaired by the 2024 Prefect Team. We could not thank them enough for the duty they have done to the school, and we excitedly anticipate the new prefects.



*SVC students participating in activities*



## BTN phone ban follow up story

Written by *Amani, Head Prefect*

On Monday 12th August, the head prefects, Amani Nunan and Leelu Isaacs were interviewed by Behind The News High (BTN) about the phone ban and how it has played out for our school. Last year, the girls alongside the 2023 head prefects were interviewed when the ban first came into effect. Amani and Leelu expressed their concerns as well as their beliefs on the positive effects this will have on our school. This year, BTN High came back on the 1-year anniversary of this ban to hear how it has worked for our school. Leelu and Amani spoke about the positive impact on students' well-being, the decrease in cyber-bullying and the decrease in distractions during class.

To see the story, you can find it here:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0\\_3NDIO\\_bhc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0_3NDIO_bhc)



*Head Prefects' feature on BTN*



## NADIOC Week

Written by *Punsisi, Treasurer & Akshita, Deputy Head Prefect*

This term the Community Connections and School Promotion action group organised activities for NAIDOC Week to celebrate this year's theme of "Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud and Proud!"



2024 NADIOC Week theme

Unley High School celebrated NAIDOC week in Week 2 Term 3 as NAIDOC week was in the school holidays. Activities included quizzes on aboriginal history, sport, and art/culture, as well as some word searches and colouring activities in the library during lunch. An aboriginal game called 'Buroinjin', a ball game that was played by the Kabi Kabi people in southern Queensland, was additionally held on the Hockey Pitch during lunchtime for students to come and play.



Library activities from 2024 NADIOC Week



## Multicultural Lunch

Written by *Punsisi, Treasurer & Akshita, Deputy Head Prefect*

The Community Connections and School Promotion action team in collaboration with international students are hosting a Multicultural Lunch on Friday of Week 9 in the hall.

The lunch will showcase cuisine from various cultures represented within our school, including Chinese, Japanese, Indian, Sri Lankan, Australian, etc. Stalls will be run by students and the food provided at a very affordable price. Music from various countries will be playing in the background. We hope many staff and students will support this event by coming to the hall and purchasing food.

**SVC Community Connections Action Team in collaboration with international students bring you**

**Multicultural Lunch!**

With food stalls in the GC Hall!

There will be food available from Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Indian, Australian and Sri Lankan cuisines at affordable prices!

Cash/Card accepted



## Arbor Day tree planting

Written by *Lachie, Deputy Leader of Environment and Facilities action team*

On the 30th of August, students from the Environment and Facilities Action group were involved in planting two native eucalyptus trees on school grounds. These trees will grow to be at least 20 metres tall, and will provide shade, cover for birds, and provide flowers for pollinators. The purchase of the trees was funded by gift cards provided by the Mitcham council as part of their previous Arbor Day celebrations, an annual event which encourages the expansion of Adelaide's green canopy. The trees were purchased from the State Flora Nursery situated in Belair National Park, which specialises in growing and selling Australian native plant species.

The Environment and Facilities Action group are extremely proud of this contribution to Adelaide's green canopy, and hope that it inspires both more planting within Unley High School, but also within the greater Adelaide region.



*Tree planting activity*



## Students vs teachers trivia week

Written by *Yoyo, Prefect*

In Week 7 of Term 3, the Prefects ran a Student Vs Teacher Trivia Week, with a different action team group participating each day. There were questions from various difficulty levels with different themes: general knowledge, science, maths, history, music and sports.

Students and teachers taking part in the competition were supported and cheered on by their colleagues and peers. Teachers led the way throughout the week with students winning once. Bad luck to students, and a well done to everyone who participated!

	Teachers	Students
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>4.5</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>27.5</b>





## Curriculum & Learning Action Team reading initiative

Written by Gemma, Secretary

On Wednesday of week 8, the Curriculum and Learning Action Team held a reading session with Colonel Light Gardens Primary School. 15 year 5 students were paired with 15 Unley SVC students, where they were able to read to their partners and then discuss the book.

The session was held on Teams, and we encountered several technical difficulties throughout, but everyone was very flexible and we were able to complete the session.



Reading session on Teams with primary students



## Twilight market

Written by Yoyo, Prefect

On Friday 13th of September, the Prefects and Music Captains organised a twilight market and a music soiree. The Twilight Market was held under the COLA with 9 student run stalls. These stalls included a coffee cart, gifts, crafts, a raffle stall, and food. The Prefect Team ran the raffle stall to raise fund for SVC initiatives and the IB students ran a bake sale where all the proceeds go towards Food Bank.

The soiree was held in the George Cresswell Hall following the market with a number of musical items performed by students for their final Stage 2 assessment task.

The night was successful and lively, attracting a range of staff, students and their family members. A huge thank you to everyone who supported these two events!



Student ran stalls



Prefect raffle stall

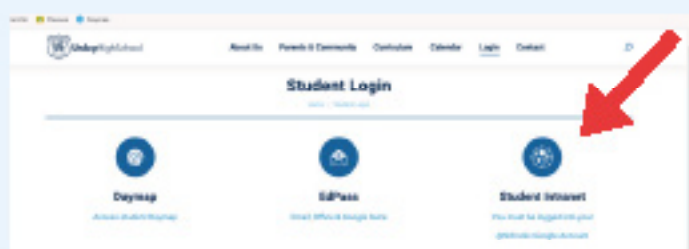


## Student intranet access

Written by Yoyo, Prefect

We have received feedback regarding how to access the Student Intranet.

1. The Student Intranet can be found via the Unley High School website in Student Login.



2. Once you enter the Student Intranet, there is a range of links you can access. Under 'Student Links' you can find all the SVC related links such as the Clubs Hub, Comps Hub, SVC Newsletters and the Suggestion Box.



## Intrahouse competition update

Written by Punsisi, SVC Treasurer

This year with the hope of increasing student involvement and house culture at our school, the intrahouse competitions which included academic and sport activities have been organised and results contributed towards the house points.

HOUSE:	POINTS	PLACING
Vincent	218	1st Place
Gillard	155	2nd Place
Halbert	111	3rd Place
O'Donoghue	106	4th Place
Smart	71	5th Place

*Final placings for house points*



*Intrahouse Netball Tournament*

Academic activities included the STEM escape room and the World Environmental Day. In week 6, house captains in collaboration with the Prefect Team helped to organise and run a Netball and badminton tournament for junior and senior year levels. The event was a success, with many students participating across all activities. Huge thanks to Mr Buckerfield, the House Captains and Prefects for their support.



*House Captains Punsisi and Addison*





## Wellbeing Action Team initiative with LINK students

Written by Yoyo, Prefect

The Student Wellbeing action team in collaboration with the LINK students are organising a RC car tournament in Week 9. The tournament will be held on the new hockey pitch, and aims to promote inclusivity in our school community. Everyone is invited to watch and participate!

Each year level will be participating on their specific days:

**Monday:** Year 11s and 12s

**Tuesday:** Year 7s

**Wednesday:** Year 8s

**Thursday:** Year 9s

**Friday:** Year 10s



RC Car Tournament

## RC CAR TOURNAMENT

Where: Hockey pitch When: Week 9

**You and all your friends are invited to participate in the ultimate rc car competition in week 9**

**The week involves all inclusive RC track racing designed by the link students in collaboration with the wellbeing action team.**



**Mon: 11 & 12's**  
**Tues: 7's**  
**Wed: 8's**  
**Thurs: 9's**  
**Fri: 10's**

RC Car tournament poster



## 2025 Prefect Team handover

Written by Yoyo, Prefect

On Wednesday, the 4th of September, six Year 11 SVC members contended for the places of Head Prefects for 2025. This was a three-part equally weighted vote completed between the teachers, Year 11 cohort and SVC students who gathered in the GCH to hear the speeches each candidate delivered. All candidates spoke well and shared their interests and vision for the role confidently.

Members of the 2025 Prefect Team are as follows:

- **Head Prefects:** Lachlan and Karina
- **Deputy Prefects:** Theisha and Aditi
- **Prefects:** Amy, Will and Maya

Unley High School will be in great hands with this amazing team of Prefects!

All the best for a very productive 2025!!!



Prefect Handover





## Farewell from the 2024 Prefects

Written by 2024 Prefects

Term 3 is concluding, and Term 4 is just around the corner, signifying the bittersweet time when the 2024 Prefects will be completing their final student leadership responsibilities and handing over to the 2025 Prefects Team. Looking back on this year, this lovely Prefect Team has focussed on strengthening the sense of community within the school and has successfully organised many intra-school activities. I couldn't have asked for a better team to work with, as they kindly welcomed me into SVC earlier this year :) Next year's prefects are sure to continue the legacy of the SVC newsletter, and will write the next edition.

Best of luck to everyone in 2025, as I know you will be in great hands!

• *Yoyo, Prefect*

It's been an honour to work with all of the lovely girls in the Prefect team to help improve the school and introduce fun activities for the students to participate in. I would like to thank all of the students and teachers who have supported us along the way, as many of the things we have achieved would not have been possible without them. As we come to the end of our time, I would like to wish the next year Prefect team the best of luck. I know they will do well. :)

• *Akshita, Deputy Head Prefect*

As it is coming to the end of my year as a deputy head prefect, I'd like to thank everyone for their support, especially Ms Petric and my fellow prefects, and I'm very fortunate to leave the school in the hands of next year's very capable prefect team.

• *Maya, Deputy Head Prefect*

Unley HS has been such a memorable place to spend high school. Thank you so much to the teachers, students, and everyone who has made it so special, and something to remember forever.

• *Leelu, Head Prefect*

Being involved with SVC for the past 5 years has truly been the highlight of my high school experience. I've made such incredible connections within the school community and lasting memories I will never forget. Watching everyone grow and become confident leaders is a proud moment I reflect deeply upon. This year, being apart of the prefect team and working with an amazing group of girls has made this experience so much more enjoyable. With that being said I wish you all the best of luck for your high school journey.

• *Punsisi, Treasurer*

Being a part of the prefect team this year has been an incredible experience that I will never forget. I have loved working with people from all over the school, and building connections with the school community. It has been super rewarding to see how much we have made happen this year, and it wouldn't have been possible without the amazing support of the teachers and all of SVC. I am sure the 2025 prefects will do a great job next year and I look forward to seeing what they come up with :)

• *Gemma, Secretary*

To the Unley High School community, which I call 'home': I'd like to personally thank each and every one of you who have supported me as the Head Prefect and who believed in me to make a change. Without you, no change would have occurred. My experience with UHS has truly left a special mark on my heart and I will never forget the impact this school has had on me. As I move forward in life and leave this school, I know wholeheartedly that with next year's prefect team, my work will not be undone. I wish you all the best for the years to come, thank you for being such a big part of my schooling years!

• *Amani, Head Prefect*





**SVC Prefect Team 2024**

Coordinator: Ms Karmen Petric  
Head Prefects: Leelu, Amani  
Deputy Head Prefects: Maya, Akshita  
Secretary: Gemma  
Treasurer: Punsisi  
Prefect: Yoyo

**SVC Action Team Leaders 2024****Environment & Facilities:**

Maya (L), Leelu (L), Lachlan (D), Theisha (D),  
Tahera (S), Luci (J), Matilda (J)

**Curriculum & Learning:**

Gemma (L), Karina (D/S), Amy (D/S), Ning (J)

**Student Wellbeing:**

Amani (L), Yoyo (L), Maya (D), Eliana (S), Ari (J)

**Events & Community Connections:**

Akshita (L), Punsisi (L), Kevin (D), Will (S),  
William (J)

Key: Leader (L), Deputy Leader (D), Secretary (S), Junior Deputy (J)







# STURT LIONS FC

WE ARE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR GIRLS  
U13, U14, U15, & U16

ALL INCLUSIVE REDUCED FEES OF \$500!

TOP-TIER COACHING STAFF

DEDICATED GOALKEEPER COACH

# JOIN NOW!

Contact: [membership@sturtlions.com.au](mailto:membership@sturtlions.com.au)  
for more details



# HOLIDAY SWIM

ENROLMENTS OPEN  
NOW

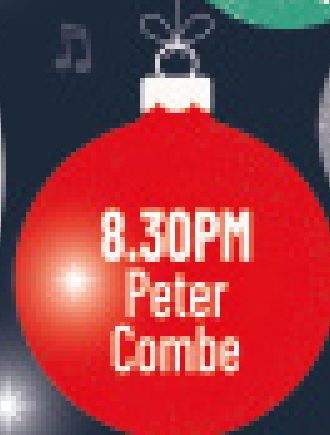
Swim  
SURVIVE

GET IN QUICK!

Holiday  
Swim

[WWW.HOLIDAYSWIM.COM.AU](http://WWW.HOLIDAYSWIM.COM.AU)





CITY OF  
MITCHAM

FREE EVENT • FESTIVITIES 5-7PM

Christmas markets • Silent disco  
Food stalls • Food vans • Craft activities  
Nativity scene • Carols singing  
**FATHER CHRISTMAS!**

**SAT 30 NOV 2024 5PM-9PM**  
**KINGSWOOD OVAL, BELAIR ROAD, KINGSWOOD**

GOLD PLUS  
PARTNER



Flinders  
University

SILVER  
PARTNERS

THE TURNER GROUP



regis agedcare







# Australia Day Celebrations

**Thursday 23 January 2025**  
**5pm to 8pm**

Soldiers Memorial Gardens, Hawthorn  
154 Belair Road, Hawthorn

**FREE EVENT – EVERYONE WELCOME**

Food stalls	Story time
Live Music	Face Painter
Kids Activities	Citizenship Ceremony
Citizen of the Year Awards	Community Grants Presentation

[www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/australia-day](http://www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/australia-day)





### Diary Dates

#### Term 4 2024

22 Nov	<b>Year 7-11 Awards Assembly</b>	
<b>25 Nov</b>	<b>Student Free Day for Staff Professional Development</b>	
26-28 Nov	Year 11 Exams	
27 Nov	Year 6 Transition Family Information Session	6:00pm
27 Nov	Senior Art Exhibition - Gallery One Mitcham	6:00pm
<b>29 Nov</b>	<b>Last day for Year 10 &amp; Year 11 students</b>	
3 Dec	Governing Council meeting	6:30pm
5-6 Dec	Year 6 Transition Days	
9-13 Dec	Activities Week	
<b>13 Dec</b>	<b>Last Day Term 4 (early dismissal)</b>	<b>12:30pm</b>



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.



**Government  
of South Australia**

Department for Education