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There's hope ahead

KELVIN GRIVELL | PRINCIPAL

Leading staff devotion on Monday, I spoke to the team about the joys of surviving last weekend. What a wintry whack that was!

Apart from that, I primarily spoke about the recent winter solstice and the darkest days being difficult to navigate. It can be so tricky thriving personally and collectively when the sun rises so late and then sets before we're ready. Life can be like that too, can't it?

We all love it when the sun is shining and the skies are blue, but what about when life is gloomy and skies are grey? How do we find a way forward, see the light at the end of the tunnel and view today and tomorrow looking to a new horizon?

Given it's our theme for 2023, it's timely to remind us that it all comes back to hope. It renews, inspires, refreshes and reminds us that tomorrow is still there. What a relief and what a joy!

As we come to the half way mark of the year, I invite you to reflect upon the days behind us and to give thanks. The good, the bad and the ugly. More importantly, I challenge you, and me, to look to what lies ahead. With hope. What might be? What is possible? What will our kids be able to overcome and achieve, socially, emotionally and academically, to enable them to be their best?

Although you all deserve a break and a deep breath, I look forward to what comes next in Term 3 as we reset and launch into the second half of the year.

Kelvin



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Thursday 6 July

■ Office Closed until 17/06

Monday 17 July

■ Front Office Reopens

Friday 21 July

 College Shop Open, 9.00am-3.00pm

TERM 3 | WEEK 1

Monday 24 July

Term 3 Opening Shine, 9.00am

Tuesday 25 July

■ National Tree Day for Schools

■ Wednesday 26 July

■ Year 7/8 Boys State Football

Thursday 27 July

- College Photo Day F-12
- Year 12 Retreat, Yankalilla (depart after photos)

Friday 28 July

- Year 12 Retreat
- Senior Music Excursion to Tabor

■ TERM 3 | WEEK 2

Monday 31 July

Extra-Curricular Photo Day

Tuesday 1 August

Year 10 Immunisations Dose 2

Wednesday 2 August

- Subject Selection & Careers Expo
 - Foundation Parent Info Session 2

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DEVOTION

The Mountain

SUSIE LUSH | MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL TEACHER

If the mountain seems too big today then climb a hill instead; If morning brings you sadness it's okay to stay in bed. If the day ahead feels heavy and your plans feel like a curse, There's no shame in rearranging, don't make yourself feel worse. If a shower stings like needles and a bath feels like you'll drown; If you haven't washed your hair for days, don't throw away your crown! A day is not a lifetime. A rest is not defeat. Don't think of it as failure, Just a quiet, kind retreat. It's okay to take a moment From an anxious, fractured mind. The world will not stop turning While you get realigned! The mountain will still be there When you want to try again You can climb it in your own time, Just love yourself till then!

Laura Ding-Edwards



This poem reminds us to be kind to ourselves. My old perfectionist self would have trouble accepting this advice, but now I find it reassuring. Life is busy and life can be hard. It is ok to not always be ok. Let's be honest, we all have days where we struggle, that's part of being human. It is usually when I am at the very end of my capacity to give that I cry out to God for strength. I should have learned by now to draw on His strength from the beginning.

These holidays I am looking forward to rest; both physically and mentally. I hope that if you are able to enjoy a holiday break that you feel replenished and restored and remember that 'it's ok to take a moment!'

Susie

College Shop Opening Hours

Opening hours during Term time:

- Monday: 8.30am 9.30am
- Tuesday & Thursday: 8.30am 9.30am and 2.30pm 3.30pm

School Holidays Opening Hours

Open on the final Friday of each school holiday period from 9.00am until 3.00pm.

■ Friday 14th July: 9.00am – 3.00pm

For more information about the College Shop, including Uniform Guidelines, visit: www.encounter.sa.edu.au/college-shop

School Holiday Administration Opening Hours

Week 1 of Holidays (Student Free Week)

- Open, Monday 3rd July until Wednesday 5th July, 9.00am to 3.00pm.
- Closed, Thursday 6th and Friday 7th July.

Week 2 of Holidays

Closed, Monday 10th until Friday 14th July.

Week 3 of Holidays

Open, Monday 17th until Friday 21st July,
 9.00am until 3.00pm.





MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Learning Opportunities

PENNY MCKENZIE | HEAD OF MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL

I write this week from frosty Canberra, on camp with our wonderful Year 11 students, where we are visiting many sites of importance to our political and social history. What a privilege it is to continue to offer these experiences for our students. Camps can be, and are, fun but also can be difficult, uncomfortable and disruptive. We firmly believe that providing these opportunities for our students mean they can develop resilience and capacity as they work through situations they would not ordinarily experience in their day to day lives. It genuinely is wonderful to see the students work together and spend time with them over the week.

This week is also the beginning of Semester 2, and the end of Term 2. I would like to congratulate the Senior School students for their exemplary exam preparation and conduct. These exams are a terrific opportunity to share their learning and also set goals for the following semester and years ahead.



As the week and term draws to a close, I wish you all a restful break from the routines of school over the next three weeks. Term 3 brings our annual Subject and Careers Expo, along with subject counselling in the first half of the term. I look forward to seeing you all then.

Blessings for your week.

Penny

SAVE THE DATE! 2023 Subject Selection & Careers Expo

Term 3 | Week 2 Wednesday 2nd August 2023

All Middle and Senior School students and their parents are invited to our 2023 Subject Selection & Careers Expo at the College on Wednesday 2nd August from 5.30pm – 8.00pm.

Information will be provided that has been tailored to each year level, with sessions running throughout the evening in the Senior School Plaza as follows:

- 5.30 pm Years 8 & 9 in 2024
- 6.00 pm Year 10 in 2024
- 6.30 pm Year 11 in 2024
- 7.00 pm Year 12 in 2024



The expo will be set up in the Kondole and open from 6.00pm until 8.00pm. Refer to the exhibitor list on the following page for further details.





MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS









SAVE THE DATE!

Encounter Careers Expo Wednesday 2nd August 6-8pm in the Kondole











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STAFF NEWS

Introducing... Liz Bentley

Hi, I'm Liz Bentley and I'm a Drama, English and Research Project teacher in the Middle and Senior School at Encounter.

What drew you to Encounter Lutheran College?

The strong sense of community, and the reputation the College has in the area. Also, I have many friends who worked here before me, and they all love working here.

What were you doing before coming to Encounter?

Teaching at Tatachilla Lutheran College for 12 years – a range of teaching and leadership roles.

What were your first impressions of Encounter Lutheran College? The kindness and generosity of everyone here – staff and students. Everyone went out of their way to make me feel welcomed.

What is the favourite thing about your job? Working alongside students and helping them to unlock their creativity and capabilities.

What is your greatest accomplishment?

My two children - Olivia (18) and Julian (15).

What is your favourite place that you have ever lived?

My husband and I taught in Jakarta for two years when we were first married. That was an incredible city to live and work in. The thing that struck me most was the accepting way that all faiths were celebrated alongside each other in this Muslim country.

What is your favourite animal? Dogs! Currently we are overwhelmed with love for our new Jack Russell puppy, Rufus.



What are some words of wisdom you would like to pass on to our students? Go into the world and do well, but most importantly go into the world and do good.

What is your favourite Bible verse? Phillipians 4: 6-7

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus".

Welcome to the Family!

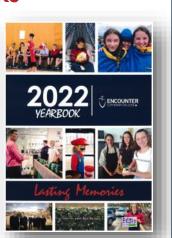
We're excited to be welcoming the following new staff to the Encounter family:

PATRINA GRACE commences as the Events & Marketing Officer in Term 3. She is a seasoned education events and marketing specialist and brings a depth of experience to this role.

HARRY GEATER-JOHNSON commences at the end of Term 2 as the Middle & Senior School specialist art teacher. As well as being a highly-skilled teacher she is a talented exhibiting artist.

2022 Yearbooks

The College has a few spare copies of the 2022 College Yearbook remaining. If you have not yet received your copy or would like an additional one, please pick one up from the Front Office.





We're Growing!

Encounter Lutheran College is about to commence an \$8m building program with two major projects which will continue to transform how we support our learners at Encounter.

Although there will be a necessary short-term impact to some vegetation fronting Adelaide Road as we clear the site for our new Early Learning Centre, our ultimate legacy is primarily focused on supporting young people and ensuring that our planet is in the best shape possible for their future.

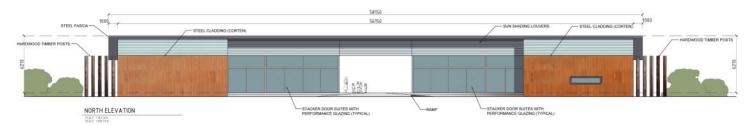
At the same time, we've already begun the second phase of a major tree-planting project along the natural creek that runs diagonally through Block 69. Within 12 months we will plant **4,200 trees** as part of our commitment to the environment. What a legacy that will be!

If you would like to support our regeneration project on Block 69 and offer your time to plant trees and assist with their ongoing care, we invite all members of our community to join Encounter's "Friends of the Block" Facebook Group.



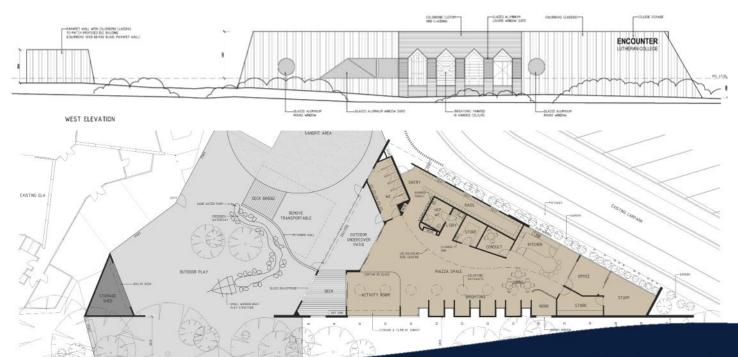
STAGE 11: BLOCK 69 MIDDLE YEARS CENTRE

Architect's impression of Encounter's new Middle Years Centre on Block 69, consisting of a Science Studio, Food Studio, Art Studio, Design Studio, Media Studio, Forum, external decks and toilets.



STAGE 12: NEW EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

Architect's impression of Encounter's new Early Learning Centre fronting Adelaide Road.



College Community National Tree Day



Wednesday 9th August 2023

National Tree Day is coming up across Australia at the end of July, but at Encounter, we'll be holding a very special community day on Wednesday 9th August, where we'll be taking a delivery of 3,000 trees to be planted on Block 69.

Each class will have an opportunity to plant trees across the day, and families are invited to join us for this very occasion!

Times for each year level will be communicated closer to the date, but we're also looking for about 20 parents who might like to commit to spending the whole day (or half a day) with us to assist with the plantings.

If you're able to assist, please contact Leah Reid via leah.reid@encounter.sa.edu.au or join our Facebook Group for further details www.facebook.com/groups/encounterfriendsoftheblock



We're also delighted that the team from **Northpoint Toyota** have donated an additional 100 trees and will join our Year 7 students on Tuesday 25th July for some further tree planting on Block 69.



VET Success Stories – Arie Minenko (Year 12)

At Encounter Lutheran College we have many students who incorporate Vocational Education and Training (VET) into their SACE studies. Doing allows students to gain the skills necessary for work in the industry areas in which they plan to be employed once they graduate, while also gaining SACE credits for this training.



This week I want to highlight how one of our Year 12 students, Arie Minenko, is using his training to help him achieve his SACE. Last year Arie fulfilled the compulsory requirements of his SACE, including his literacy and numeracy credits, and completed his Year 12 Research Project. This meant that he could focus on beginning his post-school qualification during Year 12. Arie secured a School Based Traineeship with BCS Electrical where he works 2 days a week as part of the practical component of his Cert III in Electrotechnology. He also attends school for 2 days each week and attends TAFE on one day to complete his training as part of his Cert III. When at school, Arie is studying English and Essential Maths. On the days he is at work with BCS Electrical, he is working alongside fully qualified electricians applying his training.

Students who combine VET with school must balance their schoolwork with their training, but because Arie's training counts as Stage 2 SACE credits, he is able to study a reduced number of subjects and will still achieve his SACE. It's so exciting that Arie will leave school with both his SACE and a qualification he can use to start his career.

If you are interested in completing VET as part of your Year 11 or 12 SACE journey, please make an appointment to speak with Mrs O'Donnell.



Consent2Go launches in Term 3

Over the past 12 months, Encounter has been exploring ways to further streamline the efficiency of our parent interactions, reduce unnecessary use of paper, increase the security of our online data, and enhance communication with our families.

On this journey, we have so far implemented a secure Single Sign On method for our Parent Lounge and SEQTA systems, with further enhancements of the Encounter App to be launched throughout Term 3.

The next phase of this rollout is the introduction of Consent2Go, Encounter's new camps and excursions system. The Consent2Go App provides parents and caregivers with a paperless consent system, up-to-date event information, and an easy way to review and update student information.

The benefits of Consent2Go include:

- Paperless consent for your child to attend excursions and events
- View event information and requirements at any time
- Book events into your personal calendar
- The ability to capture detailed student medical information and provide staff with evidence-based information in the event of an emergency.

A welcome email was sent from Consent2Go on 31st May with a link to check and update student profiles emailed to all parents/ caregivers. If you did not receive a Welcome email and believe you should have, please contact Lauren McKee via email at lauren.mckee@encounter.sa.edu.au

Thank you to all families who have already updated their student profiles.

Student profiles in Consent2Go were initially populated with basic information only, and parents and guardians are required to complete a profile update to ensure student profiles are accurate and complete.

Any information that has already been provided to the College will be reviewed and updated if required, and all current Medical Action Plans remain valid.

Trial events have taken place throughout Term 2, with the whole College adopting Consent2Go for excursions and camps from Term 3 2023.

From Term 3, there will be no more paper-based consent forms, with Consent2Go being the only method for providing your consent for your child to take part in excursions, events and camps.



Semester 1 School Reports

Semester 1 Reports are now available for all students in Years F-12.

Reports can be accessed via SEQTA using the following link: https://engage.encounter.sa.edu.au/

 If you have previously logged into SEQTA to access your reports, please use the same username and password as in previous years. If you are new to the College in 2023, please use the same email address and password that you used last term for your Parent/Teacher Interview bookings, select the bottom button: "Login with Parent Email" to login.

If you experience any difficulties with logging in, please email encounter.ict@encounter.sa.edu.au



2023 College Photo Day

School photography day is coming up soon. This year, Encounter Lutheran College will be using a new photography company, Advanced Life Photography. Due to our College's growth, an additional Photo Day has just been added for extra-curricular groups.

Term 3, Week 1 – Thursday 27th July Main College Photo Day

- Individual Student Portrait Photos
- Sibling Photos
- Year 12 Group Photo (before departing for their retreat)
- F-12 Home Groups and Year level photos

Term 3, Week 2 – Monday 31st July Extra-curricular Photo Day

- Catch-up Student Portrait Photos
- College Captains and Student Leaders
- Extra-curricular Photos

ORDERING

One of the benefits of Advanced Life
Photography is that all group and portrait
photographs can now be purchased online by
following the link and order code details below.
If you would prefer to pay via cash or use a
traditional ordering envelope, these are
available to collect from the Front Office and will
need to be returned with your payment to the
photographer on school photo day.

2 EASY WAYS TO PURCHASE

- 1. Visa, MasterCard or PayPal
- 2. Cash complete the envelope and return it to the photographer on photo day

Or visit: www.advancedlife.com.au and enter online order code: HTY 4HN WBE

Online orders - do not require an envelope returned to your school.

Sibling Photos - Don't forget to pre-order your sibling photos online up to 24 hours before photo day. If you miss the online order deadline, you can submit a completed sibling order envelope first thing in the morning of the day of photography.

SCHEDULE - Thursday 27th July

- 8.00am Sibling/Family Photos advancedlife
- 8.30am Year 12 Group Photo
- 8.45am Year 12 Coorong
- 8.50am Year 12 Granite
- 8.55am Year 12 Rosetta
- 9.00am Year 12 Yilki
- 9.05am Year 11 Coorong
- 9.10am Year 11 Granite
- 9.15am Year 11 Rosetta
- 9.20am Year 11 Yilki
- 9.30am Foundation Auricht & Williams
- 10.00am Year 1 Roberts, Brinkman & Frahn
- 10.30am Year 2 Knowles & Vaughn
- 11.00am Year 3 Fincham, McCartney & Pilla
- 11.45pm Year 4 Haynes & Hewitt
- 12.05pm Year 5 Norsworthy & Riggs
- 12.25pm Year 6 Hambour, Koop & Wolverton
- 12.50pm Year 7 Parsons
- 1.00pm Year 7 Kings
- 1.55pm Year 7 Deps
- 2.05pm Year 8 Waitpinga
- 2.15pm Year 8 Heysen
- 2.25pm Year 8 Petrel
- 2.35pm Year 9 Chiton
- 2.45pm Year 9 Knights
- 2.55pm Year 10 Boomer
- 3.05pm Year 10 Tunkalilla

SCHEDULE - Monday 31st July

(Exact timeslots to be advised)

- College Captains and Prefects
- Junior School Captains
- Junior House and College Captains
- High School Musical Cast and Crew
- Middle/Senior School Vocal Group
- Middle School Band
- Senior School Band
- Shine Band
- Junior School Rhythmix Choir
- Junior School Eco-Committee
- Basketball Development Program: Year 5/6 Boys
- Basketball Development Program: Year 5/6 Girls
- Basketball Development Program: Year 7/8 Boys
- Basketball Development Program: Year 7/8 Girls
- Basketball Development Program: Year 9/10 Boys
- Basketball Development Program: Year 9/10 Girls
- Basketball Intensive Training Program: Senior Boys
- Basketball Intensive Training Program: Senior Girls
- Netball Program: Development Training Squad
- Netball Program: Intensive Training Squad





school photographs are coming up soon



Please note: Traditional, Composite or High-Resolution Virtual Group format is chosen by your school. Sibling photos, if available, can also be ordered online and must be ordered prior to your photo day. A late fee will apply for photos purchased after ordering has closed.

how to order

order online

Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal.

STEP 1

Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

STEP 2

Enter your school code:

HTY 4HN WBE

in the 'order and download' box. This will take you to your school's secure online ordering site.



STEP 3

Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and procedures. During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sibling photos, if available.

cash/envelope ordering

Your school prefers orders to be placed online. However, if you are unable to order online, please complete your order using the order envelope provided.

STEP 1

Complete a separate order envelope for each individual child's package/s ordered. If ordering for more than one child, payment should be enclosed in the envelope of the eldest child and this should be indicated on the envelope of the other child/children (the envelope that does not have cash enclosed).

STEP 2

Enclose exact cash payment in one envelope for the package/s you are ordering. Payment for more than one child should be in the eldest child's envelope and marked at the bottom of the envelope in the space provided.

STEP 3

Return your completed envelope/s, with correct cash payment, to our photographers on the day.

Please note: You must enclose exact correct payment, as change is not available. Credit card payments can only be made online and we no longer accept cheques. There is a separate envelope for sibling photo orders, should your school choose to offer sibling photos.

School photographs will be returned approximately 6 weeks after the day of photography. Please note this delivery timeframe is dependent on proofing and additional photography days at your school.

IMPORTANT - "not for publication" students

If you have instructed your school that your child's image is "not for publication" (sometimes called "do not publish" or "not for media release" instructions), the school will ensure that your child is not presented to our photographers on photo day and school photographs will not be available for purchase. If you wish to change your instruction, then you must notify your school, so they change their records and identify your child as able to be photographed for school photography purposes. All students presented to our photographers by your school on photo day will be photographed, their images will appear in school photography packages with their fellow students and these packages will be available to purchase by all families.



NEWS FROM THE NEST

Book Week Dress-up Day

Friday 25th August

Dress up as your favourite book character

* Recycled / environmentallyfriendly creative costumes encouraged!







Borgas Shield House Update



Borgas Shield House Points Update as at the end of Term 2,

• Granite = 84

 \cdot Coorong = 76

Rosetta = 76

. Yilki = 68



SPORT SNAPSHOTS

Cross Country State Championship Results

On a freezing, blustery, and wet Thursday morning three students represented Encounter at the Cross Country State Championship at Oakbank Racecourse. The conditions were challenging, and all three students prepared in a determined fashion hoping for personal best achievements.



Hudson Egan completed his 3 km in 12:44.11, Grace Rogers placed 8th in the 15-year-old girls with a time of 12:58.27, and the standout performer on the day was Charlie Ellis, who won his 13-year-old boys event in a time of 10:40.78.

Great Southern Netball Grand Final

Students from Encounter and Tatachilla Lutheran College had a massive weekend in mid-June to bring Great Southern Netball Association a grand final win for U15.



Chanel Pedler played every minute of the finals as Goal Shooter and was pivotal to their success.

Basketball State Representative



Encounter Lutheran College wants to congratulates our SA Country U16 Girls State Team representative, Ruby Stockley.

She is off to Perth next week to compete in the U16 Australian National Championships.

Ruby has been a long serving member of the Encounter Basketball Family, and know that she will represent her, her family and the college proud. Goodluck Ruby!

Equestrian Australian National Championships



Congratulations to Ella-Rose Evans in Year 8 who has qualified for the Equestrian Australian National Championships to be held in September.



COMMUNITY NEWS



EMBRACE: KIDS

Students, families and parents are invited to a free screening of EMBRACE: KIDS at the Victa Cinema on Friday 21st July at 5.30pm.

Body-image advocate Taryn Brumfitt is a bestselling author and speaker, and the film director behind break-out documentary EMBRACE (2016). This time she's talking to school-aged kids and famous friends about body image, bullying, gender identity, advocacy, representation and more.

Featuring Taryn's network of well-known celebrity friends including Celeste Barber, Jameela Jamil, Electric Fields, along with Chico the family dog, EMBRACE: KIDS brings together a vibrant collection of stories and voices to entertain and inspire kids and parents alike, showing us that the first step in changing the world, is changing your own mind.

Join us at the Victa Cinema on the 21st of July from 5:30pm for a free movie night and to hear from an awesome expert panel after the screening.

For more information please contact City of Victor Harbor's Youth Development Officer – Dan Western, dwestern@victor.sa.gov.au.

Ponate supplies to the RSPCA



We gratefully accept:

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- Towels
- Dog beds
- Dog food
- · Collars/harnesses
- Dog toys
- Flea / worm treatments



Things we can't accept:

- · Open pet food
- · Anything with stuffing
- · Anything with buttons
- · Partially used products
- · Dirty litter trays

Donations can be taken to the front office and left in the box provided. All donations are greatly appreciated, and will be taken to the RSPCA shelter in Lonsdale.



Organised by year 9 community project students Leila, Matilda and Fen



