

## TERM 3 2016

### Study Tour to Spain

The inaugural School of Languages Spanish Study Tour was held from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> of April this year.

27 students from the School of Languages, Open Access College, Nuriootpa, Glossop and Waikerie High Schools took part in a three week intensive language and culture course in the cities of Salamanca, Seville and Granada, with weekend excursions to Madrid, Cádiz and Jerez.

Students engaged in 4 hours of Spanish study every morning and two hours of cultural activities each evening. Cultural activities included museums, cathedrals, city tours, historical walks, Spanish cinema and much more.

Highlights for the students were La Alhambra in Granada, Plaza de España in Seville, the Ieronimus Tower in Salamanca and the Picasso exhibition in the Reina Sofía Museum of Modern Art.



*Study Tour group at the Ieronimus Tower in Salamanca*

Such was the success of the tour, the School of Languages will be travelling to Spain again in 2017. Next year we will be studying in Salamanca and Granada and travelling to Madrid and Seville as weekend tours.



*Some of our students enjoying themselves at Plaza de España in Seville.*

Next year the School of Languages will also be going to Verona, Italy. Students will be studying for 3 weeks in the school 'LinguaIT' in beautiful Verona, with side trips to Venice, Florence, Assisi and Rome. This tour will take place at the same time as the Spanish tour: week 11 Term 1 and the first term holidays (April 8<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>).

At the same time, we will also be going to France for a 3 week study tour. Students will be studying French at the Alliance Française in Rouen while touring the greater Normandy area. They will also have the privilege of participating in the Anzac Day dawn service at Villers-Bretonneux, and of course see the iconic sights of Paris!

We will also be holding our first Asian Study Tour in 2017, with students travelling to Korea in the first 3 weeks of January. Students will spend 2 weeks in Seoul engaging in an intensive language course and one week in Gimhae staying in homestays with our sister-school partners from Gimhae Foreign Language High School.

If you are interested in any of these tours, please contact Ben Anderson on 8301 4800 or email: [ben.anderson511@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:ben.anderson511@schools.sa.edu.au).

### Rescheduled and cancelled classes

Please note the following changes for Term 3:

- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July: OLSH Persian class relocated to Adelaide High School
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September, Thomas More classes relocated to School of Languages
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September: OLSH Persian class relocated to Adelaide High School.

### Languages Alive! event

In October the School of Languages will be running a school holiday program for Reception to Year 7 students where they can discover and learn about a new culture and language!

Children can choose to attend for one day or two, and will select from 8 different workshops where they can engage in activities such as learning how to use chopsticks, writing in Chinese calligraphy, dancing Bollywood or Flamenco style, playing traditional French or Korean sports, learning the ancient art of origami, and more. In addition, they will experience a number of different languages including Korean, French, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, and Japanese.

When: 11-12 October, 9.30am-3.30pm.

Cost: \$25 per child per day.

Where: School of Languages, 255 Torrens Road, West Croydon

Tickets are on sale now through

[www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive](http://www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive)

### Public Seminar

We held a very well attended Public Seminar on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Professor Nick Evans, our guest speaker from the Australian National University in Canberra, provided an interesting and thoughtful perspective on language loss in relation to Indigenous Languages.

One of the slides in his powerpoint included a quote from Joshua Fishman (1982): *“Only if each collectively contributes its own thread to the tapestry of world history, and only if each is accepted and respected for making its own contribution, can nationalities finally also be ruled by a sense of reciprocity, learning and benefitting from each other’s contributions as well.”*



### Professor Tony Liddicoat guest lecture and farewell

Professor Tony Liddicoat, from the University of South Australia, will be guest speaker at a public lecture to be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, at 4:30pm, at the Magill campus of the University of South Australia (Room H1-44). The title of his lecture will be: *Language, culture, learning: The changing face of language education.*

This event will also be a farewell for Tony, who leaves for the United Kingdom later this year. For further details, please contact our Front Office.

### Personnel News

In Term 2, we welcomed Denise Arab to the school, as a teacher of French; and we farewellled Giselle Blanchard.

We were also delighted to welcome student teachers:

- Laura Sunderland, French, from the University of Adelaide
- Georgallis Tsampikos, Italian, from the University of SA

We also welcomed Nick Formichella to our School Council, as parent representative for Italian; and two student representatives: Matteo Formichella and Emma Guthberlet.

### Principal’s Awards

A number of our students have been recognised by their teachers for Outstanding Academic Achievement, Outstanding Improvement or Exceptional Enthusiasm, for their effort in Term 2. They received a Principal’s Award during the last lesson of term.

### Year 12 final classes

Year 12 students of the following courses will have their final lesson in Week 10 of Term 3:

Beginners Courses:

- German Beginners
- Chinese Beginners
- Indonesian Beginners
- Italian Beginners
- Spanish Beginners

Continuers Courses:

- Arabic Continuers
- Bosnian Continuers'
- Hindi Continuers
- Khmer Continuers
- Polish Continuers
- Portuguese Continuers
- Punjabi Continuers
- Serbian Continuers

Background Speakers Courses

- Korean Background
- Persian Background

Year 12 students of other courses will finish during the course of Term 4, a week prior to their written exam. Dates for their final lessons will be provided in the Term 4 newsletter.

Dates for the external Year 12 written exams for both SACE and IB are provided in this newsletter.

### Scholarship opportunity

St Andrew's College, a residential College within the University of Sydney, has recently expanded its Scholarships program. Any Year 12 students who are interested in studying at universities in the Sydney metropolitan area next year are encouraged to apply. For further information visit

[standrewscollege.edu.au/st-andrews-scholars/](http://standrewscollege.edu.au/st-andrews-scholars/)

Applications will close **on 22 July 2016**.

### Vacation School 2016

In the July School holidays, we ran our annual Vacation School for Stage 2 students and teachers of Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese and Spanish at Stage 2 Continuers Level.

A range of students from Government, Catholic and Independent schools around the state participated in these workshops, which helped to prepare students for their end of year exams. The sessions focussed on preparation for conversation and discussion, reading and responding, listening and responding,

and writing in the target language. In addition, students discussed language structures suitable for each section of the exam, marking criteria, past examiners' reports, and teacher advice.

The feedback was very positive and we look forward to another successful Vacation School in 2017! We wish all students the best of luck in their exams!

### OzAsia Festival 2016

Presented by the Adelaide Festival Centre, this unique event in the South Australian arts calendar is being held from **17<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October**, with the very popular Moon Lantern Festival taking place in Elder Park on the opening day, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

This year will be the 10th anniversary of the Festival. The program will feature a rich and diverse range of performances including music, dance, theatre, visual art, film, food and free events. The program will be available soon at [www.ozasiafestival.com.au](http://www.ozasiafestival.com.au)

### Opinion Surveys

In Term 3, students learning Arabic, German, Hindi, Persian, Pitjantjatjara, Polish and Spanish will be surveyed during class, to gain their views on areas for school improvement.

All parents will be surveyed through a link to be sent via SMS in Week 4 of Term 3. We urge you to take the time to respond to these surveys, as they provide a valuable means through which we can identify areas for ongoing improvement.

### Parent Volunteers

To make it easier for parents and guardians to volunteer their time, the Department for Education and Child Development has updated its criminal history screening policy and procedures. As a result, parents and guardians who volunteer to directly support their child in the classroom will no longer require a screening.

As has always been the case, a screening is not needed to attend single events or activities. Screenings are just one measure used to help keep children safe. Everyone who works with children plays a part in child protection, including watching out for inappropriate behaviour. Find out more about relevant history screening and keeping children safe at [www.decd.sa.gov.au](http://www.decd.sa.gov.au).

## 2016 Year 12 SACE Public Examinations in Languages

Most of our Stage 2 students will sit for their final exams in early Term 4. The SACE Board Subject Outlines, which outline course content and the structure of the externally assessed examinations, are available on the SACE web site: [www.sace.sa.edu.au](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au). Past exam papers are also available on the same web site for some languages.

Following you will find a timetable for the SACE written examinations. Times for oral examinations are not yet available and will be advised at a later date.

### SACE EXTERNAL WRITTEN EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Date	Time	Language	Level	Length of exam
<b>T4 Wk 1 Monday 17 October</b>	1:30pm	German	Beginners	2 hrs 30 min
<b>T4 Wk 1 Tuesday 18 October</b>	1:30pm	Chinese	Beginners	2 hrs 30 min
<b>T4 Wk 1 Wednesday 19 October</b>	9:00am	Indonesian	Beginners	2 hrs 30 min
<b>T4 Wk 1 Wednesday 19 October</b>	1:30 pm	Arabic	Continuers	2 hrs
	1:30pm	Bosnian	Continuers	2hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Hindi	Continuers	2 hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Italian	Beginners	2 hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Khmer	Continuers	2 hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Korean	Background	2 hrs
	1:30pm	Persian	Background	2 hrs 50 min
	1:30pm	Polish	Continuers	2 hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Portuguese	Continuers	2 hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Punjabi	Continuers	2 hrs 30 min
	1:30pm	Serbian	Continuers	2 hrs 30 min
1:30pm	Spanish	Beginners	2 hrs 30 min	
<b>T4 Wk 1 Thursday 20 October</b>	1:30pm	French	Beginners	2 hr 30 min
<b>T4 Wk 2 Tuesday 25 October</b>	9:00am	Japanese	Beginners	2 hr 30 min
<b>T4 Wk 3 Monday 31 October</b>	11:15am	Japanese	Background	2 hrs
<b>T4 Wk 4 Wednesday 9 November</b>	9:00am	Chinese	Background	3 hrs
	9:00am	Chinese	Continuers	3hrs
	9:00am	French	Continuers	3hrs
	9:00am	Indonesian	Continuers	3hrs
<b>T4 Wk 4 Friday 11 November</b>	1:30pm	Italian	Continuers	3 hrs
	1:30pm	Japanese	Continuers	3 hrs
	1:30pm	Spanish	Continuers	3 hrs
<b>T4 Wk 5 Friday 18 November</b>	1:30pm	German	Continuers	3 hrs
	1:30pm	Vietnamese	Background	3 hrs
	1:30pm	Vietnamese	Continuers	3 hrs

## IB EXTERNAL WRITTEN EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Please note that exact times are yet to be confirmed.

DATE	MORNING	Length of exam	AFTERNOON	Length of exam
<b>T4 Wk3 Friday 4 November</b>			German B HL paper 1 German B SL paper 1	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Indonesian B HL paper 1 Indonesian B SL paper 1	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Indonesian ab initio paper 1	1hr 30 min
			Italian B HL paper 2 Italian B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Japanese B HL paper 2 Japanese B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
<b>T4 Wk4 Monday 7 November</b>			German B HL paper 2 German B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Indonesian B HL paper 2 Indonesian B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Indonesian ab initio paper 2	1hr
			Italian B HL paper 2 Italian B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Japanese B HL paper 2 Japanese B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
<b>T4, Wk4 Thursday 10 November</b>	Spanish B HL paper 1	1hr 30 min		
	Spanish B SL paper 1	1hr 30 min		
	Spanish ab initio paper 1	1hr 30 min		
<b>T4, Wk4 Friday 11 November</b>			Spanish B HL paper 2 Spanish B SL paper 2	1hr 30 min 1hr 30 min
			Spanish ab initio paper 2	1 hr
<b>T4, Wk5 Thursday 17 November</b>			French ab initio paper 1	1 hr 30 min
<b>T4, Wk5 Friday 18 November</b>			French ab initio paper 2	1 hr
<b>T4, Wk6 Monday 21 November</b>	Chinese (Mandarin) ab initio paper 1	1 hr 30 min		
<b>T4, Wk6 Tuesday 22 November</b>			Chinese (Mandarin) ab initio paper 2	1 hr

## Key Dates For Term 3

### WEEK 1

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

Persian classes at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College relocated to Adelaide High School

Year 12 midyear exams are returned to students

### WEEK 2

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

Professor Tony Liddicoat Guest lecture and farewell at the Magill campus of UniSA at 4:30pm.

### WEEK 3

Student surveys for students of Arabic, German, Hindi, Persian, Pitjantjatjara, Polish and Spanish.

### WEEK 4

Parent surveys conducted this week, via SMS link

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

School Council meeting, 7pm, School of Languages

### WEEK 5

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

Staff Conference Day

### WEEK 6

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

School Closure Day

### WEEK 7

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

Thomas More classes relocated to School of Languages

Assessment Period 3 ends

### WEEK 8

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

OZaSIA Festival begins, with the Moon Lantern Parade at Elder Park

### WEEK 9

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

Persian classes at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College relocated to Adelaide High School

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

School Council meeting, 7pm, School of Languages

### WEEK 10

Last week of classes for Year 12 students of:

Beginners Courses:

- German Beginners
- Chinese Beginners
- Indonesian Beginners
- Italian Beginners
- Spanish Beginners

Continuers Courses:

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- Bosnian Continuers'
- Hindi Continuers
- Khmer Continuers
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**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

OzAsia Festival ends.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS: 2<sup>nd</sup> October –16<sup>th</sup> October**

Term 3 reports mailed to students and schools.

Term 4 newsletter distributed via SMS.

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

Languages Alive! Event at the School of Languages