

Term 4

Message from the Principal, Lia Tedesco

I recently spoke at the United Nations International Day of Sign Languages at the University of South Australia, about our Auslan program and the Auslan curriculum.

Auslan is the visual language of Australia's Deaf community, and has its own grammar and vocabulary. We currently offer Auslan R – 10; and from next year we will also offer it at SACE Continuers level. Interested adults can also enrol in these full year courses.

Adults who are looking for short courses, workshops or one to one tuition may be interested in courses offered by Sign Language Australia. Sign Language Australia is a Deaf owned and run business, with part of the profits supporting access to Auslan for deaf babies, children and teens to encourage bilingualism. Visit their website for further information: www.signlanguageaustralia.com

We recently welcomed teachers from our sister school, the Australian Independent School in Jakarta, Indonesia. They enjoyed visiting our Indonesian classes and meeting with our teachers of Indonesian to share teaching programs and resources; and timed their visit to also attend the state conference for Teachers of Indonesian. They are pictured below with myself and Co-Ordinator, Andrea Corston.



Our study tour to Korea left on Thursday 27th September, and returns on Friday 12th October – we wish all travellers a safe and successful study tour!

There are a number of other events to look forward to during the October school holidays and during Term 4 – please find details below in this newsletter.

Public Seminar

We are pleased to be hosting our annual Public Seminar in Term 4, on Monday 22nd October, at the Education Development Centre, Milner St, Hindmarsh, from 6:00 – 8:00pm.

Professor Gillian Wigglesworth from the University of Melbourne will be presenting "*The Languages of Indigenous Children Living Remotely*".

For further information, refer to the flyer attached to this newsletter. All members of our school community, and the broader public, are invited. There will be light refreshments. The event is free, and RSVP is not required.

Languages Alive!

Our school holiday program, Languages Alive! will be held over five days in four locations during the October school holidays. Primary-aged students can join us on:

- Wednesday 3rd October at the School of Languages
- Thursday 4th October at Modbury R – 7 School
- Monday 8th October at Auburn Primary School
- Wednesday 10th October at the School of Languages
- Thursday 11th October at Nairne Primary School.

The cost is \$30 per child per day. Refer to the flyer on the next page, for further information and to buy tickets visit – www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive

LANGUAGES ALIVE!

Discover new cultures with our school holiday language program for kids.

The workshops, held across 4 locations, are hands-on opportunities for children to enjoy exploring new cultures and languages.

A range of workshops will be held at each location, with fun activities exploring languages such as French, Chinese, Japanese, Italian and Indonesian.



Who:

Primary students (R-7)

When:

October school holidays

Cost:

\$30 per day

Where:

School of Languages
(West Croydon)

October 3 & 10

Modbury School P-7
October 4

Auburn Primary School
October 8

Nairne School P-7
October 11

Register online
www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive



Class Relocations and Cancellations

Please note that the following classes will be relocated:

- **Monday 3rd December:** all classes held at Adelaide High School will be relocated to the School of Languages

and the following classes will be cancelled:

- **Monday 29th October:** all classes held at Modbury R – 7 School.

Invitation to our Celebration of Achievement

**To all students and their families
Bonython Hall, Adelaide University
North Terrace, Adelaide
Tuesday 20th November at 6:30pm**

Our annual celebration of student achievement will be held in Bonython Hall, Adelaide University, with a 6:30pm start. This is a very important occasion attended by students and their families, School Principals, Community leaders and representatives from key educational bodies.

Students who have been recommended for awards will be notified personally in writing and their families will receive official invitations to the ceremony. All members of our school community are invited to attend and take part in this celebration. We hope you will be able to join with us and celebrate in the success of our students in 2018. No classes will be held that afternoon/evening.

OzAsia Festival

The OzAsia Festival is Australia's leading international arts festival engaging with Asia. Held over three weeks in spring, the annual OzAsia Festival program showcases the very best in contemporary dance, theatre, music, film, literature, food and culture from across Asia today.

Last years' festival attracted over 190,000 people and its' expansive and innovative program attracted critical acclaim and praise across local and national media.

This year the Festival dates are from 25th October to the 11th November, with the Moon Lantern Parade to be held on Saturday 27th October at Elder Park from 3:00pm. For program details visit www.ozasiafestival.com.au

Year 12 Examinations

Most of our Year 12 students will sit their final exams within the next few weeks. Students will be provided with the details regarding the date, time and venue for their oral and written exams.

SACE students being examined at schools that are not their contact school are to carry with them their Examination Attendance Slip and photo identification, (eg driver's licence or a school card with photo).

The written exam timetable for Year 12 SACE and IB students was provided in the Term 3 newsletter. For a copy, please visit our school website, or contact our school.

Year 12 SACE students must be aware that it is not possible to catch up with a missed written and/or oral exam. Students who do not attend their scheduled exam(s) will need to present a doctor's certificate using the SACE Board's proforma; or receive a zero mark for this part of the exam. A doctor's certificate stating that a student was 'unable to attend the exam due to a medical condition' will not be sufficient.

Enrolling for 2019

Our 2019 promotional information is being distributed to all schools and community groups, together with enrolment forms. Enrolment information is also available on our school web site, and can be discussed with a School of Languages enrolment officer on 8301 4800.

Re-enrolment of students in Reception – Year 9

We have mailed out with Term 3 reports re-enrolment information to all students currently enrolled in Reception to Year 9. These students will be automatically re-enrolled for the next year level, unless we are advised otherwise by **Friday 16 November (Week 5)**.

Re-enrolment of students in Years 10 and 11

This process took place in class in Term 3 Week 6. Students who indicated that they intend to continue studying with us in 2019 will receive a Letter of Acknowledgement with their Term 3 reports, and a Confirmation of Re-enrolment letter with their Term 4 reports.

Please note that any outstanding subject fees must be paid in order for the re-enrolment to be approved.

Farewell to Carmen Vasquez

We sadly farewelled Carmen Vasquez at the end of Term 3. Carmen has been a member of our Spanish teaching staff for almost 20 years. She has been very highly regarded by the hundreds of students she has taught, who have appreciated her dedication, commitment and support. She has also been an inspiring leader and mentor for teachers of Spanish in our school and state wide. We will miss you Carmen, and we wish you all the best in your retirement.

Term 4 Staff Changes

In Term 4 we will welcome Meriam Guirgus, who will be teaching Arabic in weeks 1 – 4 while Salwa Tawadrous is on leave; and Sarou Theav who will teach Khmer in weeks 1 – 5 while Lean Hor So is on leave.

Noelia Carvajal Balbin and Lorena Pineda Gonzalez will teach Carmen Vasquez's classes in Term 4.

Adelaide University's Head Start Program

The HeadStart Program aims to immerse high school students into university studies and provide a further challenge. It has been developed for gifted and exceptionally motivated secondary students, and provides a fully funded scholarship.

How does it work?

Participants study up to 4 University courses while still in Year 12, and are able to receive credit towards their university studies. They enrol in, and attend, classes and undertake assessment the same as a standard University student. Successful completion of the Headstart Scholarship Program contributes to the SACE and ATAR.

For further information visit:

<https://www.adelaide.edu.au/headstart/>

2019 Subject Charges

Please note that School Council has approved the following subject charges for 2019 for S.A. students:

- Yrs R – 10: \$125
- Yrs 11 – 12: \$150
- Adult students (enrolled in an adult re-entry school): \$150
- Other adult students: \$350

For full fee paying international students from government schools the following subject fees apply:

- Yrs R – 7: \$630
- Yrs 8 -10: \$760
- Yrs 11 – 12: \$840

For full fee paying international students from non government schools the following subject fees apply:

- Yrs R – 7: \$1050
- Yrs 8 -10: \$1150
- Yrs 11 – 12: \$1250

For students from non government schools enrolling in an IB course the subject fee is \$1500.

Year 12 Vacation School

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

A range of students from Government, Catholic and Independent schools around the state participated in these workshops. The sessions focused 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 2019! We wish all students the best of luck in their exams!

Key Dates For Term 4

October School Holidays

- **Wednesday 3rd October:** Languages Alive! at the School of Languages
- **Thursday 4th October:** Languages Alive! at Modbury R – 7 School
- **Monday 8th October:** Languages Alive! at Auburn Primary School
- **Wednesday 10th October:** Languages Alive! at the School of Languages
- **Thursday 11th October:** Languages Alive! at Nairne Primary School.

Week 1

- **Monday 15th October**, Term 4 begins
- School Council meeting – **Tuesday 16th October, 7pm**

Final week of classes for SACE Stage 2 courses in:

- Arabic Continuers
- Bosnian Continuers
- Chinese Beginners
- German Beginners
- Hindi Continuers
- Khmer Continuers
- Korean Background
- Korean Beginners
- Korean Continuers
- Persian Continuers
- Polish Continuers
- Punjabi Continuers
- Serbian Continuers

Week 2

- **Public Seminar** – Education Development Centre, Milner St, Hindmarsh, **Monday 22nd October, 6:00 – 8:00pm**

Final week of classes for SACE Stage 2 courses in:

- Indonesian Beginners
- Spanish Beginners

Final week of classes for Year 12 IB courses in:

- Spanish ab initio
- Spanish B

Week 3

- **Monday 29th October:** All classes at Modbury R – 7 School cancelled

Final week of classes for SACE Stage 2 courses in:

- Chinese Continuers
- French Beginners
- Indonesian Continuers
- Italian Beginners
- Italian Continuers
- Spanish Continuers
- Vietnamese Background
- Vietnamese Continuers

Week 3 (cont)

Final week of classes for Year 12 IB courses in:

- German B
- Indonesian ab initio
- Indonesian B
- Japanese ab initio
- Japanese B

Week 4

Final week of classes for SACE Stage 2 courses in:

- Chinese Background
- French Continuers
- German Continuers
- Japanese Background
- Japanese Continuers
- Language and Culture (Dinka, Nepali)

Week 5

- End of year written exams for Year 11 students

Week 6

- **Celebration of Achievement** – Bonython Hall – **Tuesday 20th November, 6:30pm**. All classes cancelled in order for students to attend the School's Celebration of Achievement
- End of year oral exams for Year 11 students (except for Tuesday classes which will be held in week 7)

Week 7

- School Council meeting – **Tuesday 27th November, 7pm**
- **Wednesday 28th November:** all classes held at Playford International College cancelled
- Marked exam papers returned to Year 11 students
- Assessment period 4 ends **1st December**
- End of Semester 2 for SACE Stage 1 students

Final week of classes for:

- all Year 11 students
- all students of Australian Indigenous Languages

Week 8

Final week of classes for R – 10 students

- **Monday 3rd December:** All classes at Adelaide High School relocated to the School of Languages

Week 9

Final week for teaching staff

Week 10

Term 4 reports sent to students and schools.

2019

Classes in all teaching centres commence the week beginning Monday 4th February.