

Message from the Principal, Lia Tedesco

Welcome to Term 4!

The final term of the year sees our senior secondary students on the home stretch, as they prepare for final exams. We wish them all well as they prepare for their oral and written exams. The final week of classes for all Year 12 students is indicated in the Key Dates section at the end of this newsletter; and the timetable for the Year 12 SACE and IB final exams is also at the end of this newsletter.

We are looking forward to a number of events during the October holidays; please refer to information in this newsletter and in the Key Dates section.

We would like to congratulate one of our teachers of Spanish, Flor Groenen, who is a finalist in the public education awards. Winners will be announced on 4th November. We are very proud of this achievement, and delighted that Flor has been recognised in this way! Please read her citation below:

Flor Groenen Rangel

Senior Spanish Teacher, School of Languages

Cultural immersion proves a resounding success for Flor and her multi-lingual learners.

Flor enhances the academic outcomes as well as the self-esteem and wellbeing of all her students by developing multi-lingual learners who are proud of their linguistic and cultural skills, experiences, and identities. Her exemplary Spanish teaching has resulted in her students not only achieving some of the highest grades in the state but also, as she teaches the International Baccalaureate, some of the highest grades in the world. In 2021, in SACE stage 2 Continuers Spanish, Flor had 53% of A grade students across the state in her class, including 3/5 A+ students. By teaching through the lens of intercultural understanding, Flor ensures that her students have the most contemporary, critical communicative and interpersonal skills well beyond traditional language learning.

Regularly engaging in professional learning, Flor is currently studying towards a Master of Education.

She is also involved in a project being run by the University of South Australia's Research Centre for Languages and Cultures focussed on learning design and assessment. The professional development programs run by Flor have directly contributed to the improvement of achievement results across multiple languages. Flor has supported her colleagues to better understand assessment in the Year 12 IB Diploma course which has had a direct impact on learning outcomes with students.



Congratulations Flor!

Celebration of Achievement

We are looking forward to holding this very special event on Tuesday, 6th December in Elder Hall, University of Adelaide, to acknowledge and celebrate the learning achievements of selected students. Award winners and their parents/carers will receive an invitation via email.

Given the unpredictable nature of Covid restrictions and the risks associated with indoor large gatherings, this year we will be holding this event on the same day for primary and secondary students, but in 2 separate sittings:

- 5.30-6.45pm for primary students and their families
- 7.15-8.30pm for secondary students and their families.

For families and guests invited to both sittings, there will be a 30 minute intermission between the two.

The primary awards presented in 2022 will be:

- ✚ Outstanding Academic Achievement Award (one per class)
- ✚ Merit Award (one per class)
- ✚ 2022 Poster Competition Category A and B Winners

The secondary awards presented in 2022 will be:

- ✚ Year 12 Award of Excellence (one per language)
- ✚ Community Award (one per community sponsor)
- ✚ Outstanding Academic Achievement Award (one per class)
- ✚ 2022 Poster Competition Category C and D Winners

We are very honoured that the Minister for Education, the Hon Blair Boyer MP has accepted an invitation to be the opening speaker at the secondary sitting.

Student Council

A word from Kate Dospisil, Chair, Student Council



After a very slow start in attracting members to join, I am delighted to welcome the following students to our Student Council: **Eve Corso, David Perry, Ritika Sharma & Vani Sharma**

Thank you, Eve, David, Ritika and Vani, for putting yourselves forward. I look forward to getting to know you all by getting more actively with school activities beyond the language classroom and sharing ideas on promoting language learning.

The Student Council provides a unique opportunity for making new friends from other schools who share a passion for learning other languages in a no-stress fun way! It's not too late to join this student group and have a say on end of year celebrations.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please let me know by emailing me at:

Kate.Dospisil264@schools.sa.edu.au

or contacting

Maribel Coffey, Assistant Principal, Public Relations
at MaribelCoffey885@schools.sa.au

Languages Alive!

Fancy immersing yourself in Serbian culture? Or learning about Japanese mascot characters? The world of language and culture will once again come alive in our October School Holiday program – **Languages Alive!** Events will be held at the School of Languages, St Johns Grammar (Belair), Stirling East Primary (Adelaide Hills) and Auburn Primary (Mid-North). Refer to the flyer at the back of this newsletter for further details.

Let's Talk!

The Minister for Education has commissioned our School to expand the metropolitan senior secondary Let's Talk! holiday program. In the October holidays we will be offering this popular program in Clare High School to South Australian Years 7-10 students of French, German, Japanese and Spanish, with the long-term aim of motivating students in country schools to continue with their language studies into the senior years.

When: Thursday 13 October 2022 (10am -3.30pm)

Venue: Clare High School, 6 Elliott Street, CLARE

Cost: FREE for all students!

Year 12 Vacation School

In the October school holidays, we will once again be holding the annual **School of Languages Vacation School program** for all SA students enrolled in a SACE Stage 2 Continuers course in Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese and Spanish. This program is FREE for all students enrolled with the School of Languages or attending a government day school.

Tickets available at:

<https://www.ticketebo.com.au/vacationschool>

WHEN: Wednesday 5th October 2022, from 9am-3.30pm

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

The key objective of the day is **EXAM PREPARATION**. The day will be divided into a series of exam preparation workshops including:

- Conversation and Discussion
- Reading and Responding
- Listening and Responding
- Writing in the target language

The day will also cover:

- Language structures suitable for each section of the exam
- Marking criteria
- Past examiners' reports
- Exam tips

2022 School of Languages Poster Competition

This year the School of Languages invited students to show their appreciation for languages and cultures by designing a poster around the theme:

Languages: connecting hearts and minds

Here are our winning entries:

CATEGORY A WINNERS



Mitashki Gupta, Year 3 Hindi student



Annika Singhal, Year 1 Hindi student

CATEGORY B WINNERS



Ayla Delgadinho, Year 6, Spanish student

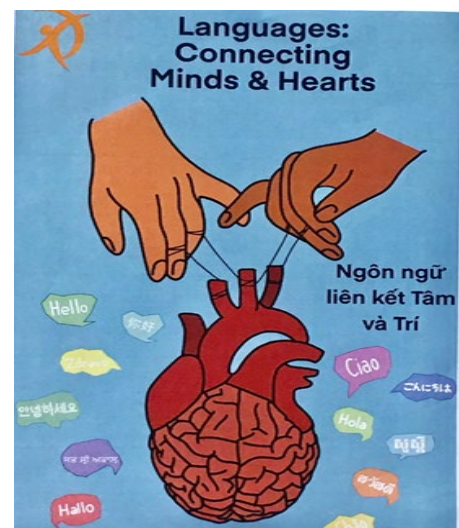


Alisa Brown, Year 5, Japanese student

CATEGORY C WINNERS



Anjali Mauryah, Year 9, Hindi student



Thu Anh Hoang Tran, Year 8, Vietnamese student

MEET A FEW OF OUR WINNERS:



Ayla Delgado
Year 6, Spanish
student



Mitashki Gupta
Year 3, Hindi
student

Year 12 Examinations

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

The updated timetable is provided in this newsletter and on the SACE Board website.

All students of Year 12 IB have their last lesson for the year in Week 10 of Term 3.

Students who have Year 12 SACE exams during the school holidays and in Term 4 Week 1 also have their last lesson for the year in Week 10 Term 3. This applies to:

- Japanese Beginners
- Indonesian Beginners
- French Beginners
- Korean Continuers
- Korean Beginners
- Italian Beginners
- Auslan Continuers
- Bosnian Continuers
- Croatian Continuers
- Hindi Continuers
- Khmer Continuers
- Persian Continuers
- Polish Continuers
- Punjabi Continuers
- Serbian Continuers

Final lessons for students of other courses are provided in the Key Dates section of this newsletter.

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 2023

Our 2023 promotional information is being distributed to all schools and community groups, together with enrolment forms. Enrolment information is also on our school web site.

Re-enrolment of students, Reception-Year 9

We distributed a letter outlining our re-enrolment process for 2023 to all students currently enrolled in Reception to Year 9 in Term 3 Week 9 in class. If your student was absent in Week 9, this information will be posted home. These students will be automatically re-enrolled for the next year level, unless we are advised otherwise by **Friday 11 November (Week 5)**.

Re-enrolment of students, Years 10 and 11

We sent parents/carers of all students currently enrolled in Years 10 and 11 an SMS in Term 3 Week 1 with a link to our website where there is information outlining our re-enrolment process for 2023. This process took place in Term 3 Week 6. Students who intend to continue studying with us in 2023 received a Letter of Acknowledgement in Term 3 Week 9 in class, and will receive a Confirmation of Re-enrolment letter in Term 4 Week 6/7 in class. If your student is absent in the relevant weeks, this information will be posted home.

Our digital global connections with Korean High Schools still going strong after 6 years!

Our Year 11/12 Korean students have continued to improve their language skills and make new friends with students from Gimhae Foreign Language High School and Miryang High School in South Korea through our Global Class Connections program (previously known as sister-schools). Students are in regular contact through online Teams meetings; sharing stories, photos, and videos about their daily life in each country.

A popular activity this term has been the preparation and exchange of Cultural Mystery boxes. Our students treated their South Korean friends to a range of Australian delights such as Vegemite and

Tim Tams which they will sample in the next Teams meeting! We are also looking forward to receiving culture boxes from our Korean friends and talking about the Korean delicacies in term 4.

Many thanks to Parky Anderson, one of our highly expert Korean teachers for her tireless efforts and commitment in organizing these valuable and engaging learning experiences for her students. They take learning Korean beyond the 4 walls of the Australian classroom into an authentic Korean setting!



OzAsia Festival

The OzAsia Festival is well-known for bringing extraordinary performances and events to Adelaide – and 2022 is no different. There will be dance, theatre, music, film, exhibitions, installations, comedy, visual arts, free events, food, talks, workshops and masterclasses.

Explore the program to discover the freshest and boldest contemporary arts celebrating the collaboration between Asia and Australia and highlighting amazing Asian-Australian artists. The program includes a number of world premieres, exclusive performances, and award winning artists.

Read more in the full program:
<https://www.ozasiafestival.com.au>

Of particular interest for our students and their families are:

- Moon Lantern Trail, from 20 – 23 October, free event at Pinky Flat on the River Torrens
- Lucky Dumpling Market, includes food stalls and free entertainment, at Elder Park, from 20 October to 13 November
- Pendulum visual arts exhibition, free entry at Nexus Arts from 13 October – 18 November
- Batik exhibition (and other art and music exhibitions), Festival Theatre Foyer, free entry, 20 October – 6 November
- Chinese Music Day, free event at Elder Hall on 23 October
- The Rat Catcher of Angkor Watt, free event, at Festival Plaza and Lucky Dumpling Market from 28 – 30 October
- Bubble Tea Garden, free entry, at Festival Plaza, from 5 – 6 November
- AnimeGo! on 30th October in the Banquet Room at the Festival Centre (\$12 online and \$15 at door)

Book early!

Key Dates For Term 4

OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

- **Tuesday 4th October:**
Languages Alive! at the School of Languages
- **Wednesday 5th October:**
Languages Alive! At the School of Languages
Vacation School (for Year 12 students) at the School of Languages
- **Thursday 6th October:**
Languages Alive! at St John's Grammar, Belair
- **Friday 7th October:**
Languages Alive! at Stirling East Primary
- **Thursday 13th October**
Let's Talk! at Clare High School
- **Friday 14th October:**
Languages Alive! at Auburn Primary School

Week 1

Monday 17th October: Term 4 begins

Final lessons for the following Year 12 classes:

- Chinese Beginners
- German Beginners
- Spanish Beginners
- Indonesian Background

Thursday 20th October: OzAsia Festival commences; and Moon Lantern Trail and Lucky Dumpling Market open

Sunday 23rd October: Last day of Moon Lantern Trail

Week 2

Tuesday 25th October: School Council meeting on Teams, at 7:00pm

Week 3

Final week of classes for the Year 12 Arabic Continuers class

Sunday 6th November: Last day of OzAsia Festival

Week 4

Final lessons for the following Year 12 classes:

- Chinese Continuers
- Chinese Background
- French Continuers
- Indonesian Continuers
- Spanish Continuers
- German Continuers
- Italian Continuers
- Japanese Continuers
- Vietnamese Continuers
- Vietnamese Background

Week 5

Monday 14th November: Parent Information Session at Henley Beach Primary School, at 4:45pm

End of year oral exams for Year 11 students

Week 6

Tuesday 22nd November, Final School Council meeting and dinner

End of year written exams for Year 11 students

Week 7

Final week of classes for:

- all Year 11 students
- all students of Pitjantjatjara

Marked exam papers returned to Year 11 students
End of Semester 2

Week 8

Tuesday 6th December at Elder Hall: Celebration of Achievement

Final week of classes for R – 10 students

Week 9

Final week for teaching staff

Week 10

Term 4 reports sent to students and schools

2022

YEAR 12 SACE and IB EXTERNAL WRITTEN EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

IB exams are denoted in **orange text**

All other exams are SACE.

Exams in **blue text** denote an electronic examination

Date	Time	Language	Level	Length of exam
Wk 2 of Holidays Wednesday 12 October	1:30pm	Japanese	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
Wk 2 of Holidays Friday 14 October	9:00am	Indonesian	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
T4 Wk 1 Monday 17 October	1:30pm	French	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30pm	Korean	Continuers	2 hrs 50 min + 10 min reading
T4 Wk 1 Tuesday 18 October	9:00am	Korean	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	9:00am	Italian	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
T4 Wk 1 Wednesday 19 October	10:00am	Auslan	Continuers	2 hrs + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Bosnian	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Croatian	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Hindi	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Khmer	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Persian	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Polish	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Punjabi	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30 pm	Serbian	Continuers	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
T4 Wk 2 Monday 24 October	1:30pm	Chinese	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
T4 Wk 2 Tuesday 25 October	Afternoon session	German B HL	Paper 1 –writing	1hr 30m
		Japanese B HL	Paper 2 - Reading comprehension	1hr
	Afternoon session	German B SL	Paper 1 –writing	1hr 15m
		Japanese B SL	Paper 2 - Reading comprehension	1hr
T4 Wk 2 Wednesday 26 October	Morning session	German B HL	Paper 2 - Listening comprehension	1 hr
	Morning session	German B SL	Paper 2 - Listening comprehension	45 min
T4 Wk 2 Wednesday 26 October	9:00am	German	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading
	1:30pm	Spanish	Beginners	2 hr 30 min + 10 min reading

T4 Wk 2 Thursday 27 October	2:30pm	Indonesian	Background	2hr + 15 min reading
T4 Wk 3 Tuesday 1 November	Afternoon session	Spanish B HL	Paper 1 -Writing Paper 2 - Reading comprehension	1hr 30m 1hr
	Afternoon session	Spanish B SL	Paper 1 – Writing Paper 2 - Reading comprehension	1hr 15m 1hr
	Afternoon session	Spanish ab initio SL	Paper 1 -Writing Paper 2 - Reading comprehension	45 min 1hr
T4 Wk 3 Wednesday 2 November	Morning session	Spanish B HL	Paper 2 - Listening comprehension	1hr
	Morning session	Spanish B SL	Paper 2 - Listening comprehension	45 min
	Morning session	Spanish ab initio SL	Paper 2 - Listening comprehension	45 min
T4 Wk 5 Monday 14 November	11:15am	Arabic	Continuers	2hr + 15 min reading
	1:30pm	Chinese	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Chinese	Background	130min
	1:30pm	French	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Indonesian	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Spanish	Continuers	130min
T4 Wk 5 Tuesday 15 November	1:30pm	German	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Italian	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Japanese	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Vietnamese	Continuers	130min
	1:30pm	Vietnamese	Background	130min

{ Let's talk! }

Intensive oral language program in the school holidays

Great opportunity to speak in language!

Improve your speaking skills through engaging language/cultural experiences. All programs delivered by expert, highly proficient presenters. Groups capped at 12 students so get in early!



Limited places available!

Register online at

<https://www.ticketebo.com.au/letstalk>

Registrations close 10 October 2022



The program will offer intensive, interactive language learning experiences for SA Yrs 7-10 language students in a range of languages.

When/Languages:

Thursday 13 October 2022
(10.00am - 3.30pm)

Oral languages programs for French, German, Japanese & Spanish.

Venue:

Clare High School, 6 Elliott Street, CLARE.

Transport to Clare High School will be available through your day school.

Cost:

FREE for all students!



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

Languages Alive!

Experience the delights
of other languages and cultures



**Languages Alive! is a program
of engaging and interactive
language and cultural
experiences for R-6 students**

Delivered by highly proficient speakers
of the relevant language, the program
will run during the October school
holidays in metropolitan and country
locations.

Workshops will explore a range
of languages including Chinese, French,
German, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese,
Serbian and Spanish.

● **Who**
Reception to Year 6

● **When**
October 2022

● **Where**

School of Languages	4 & 5 Oct
St John's Grammar (Junior Campus R-6)	6 Oct
Stirling East Primary School	7 Oct
Auburn Primary School	14 Oct

● **Cost**
\$10 per day
School card/Healthcare card holders
FREE

Register online by 29 September
www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive



Vacation School 2022

for year 12 Language Students

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bonjour

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Wednesday 5 October 2022 9:00am – 3:30pm

Chinese

Italian

French

Japanese

German

Spanish

Indonesian

*(All Languages are offered at
Continuers level)*



Venue:

School of Languages 255
Torrens Road, West
Croydon



Focus:

A focus on the SACE
Board Subject Outline
and preparation for the
Year 12 exam

Opportunities for
conversation and
discussion in the target
language



Registration fee:

\$60 for students from
Independent and
Catholic schools

Free of charge for:

- students currently enrolled at the School of Languages
- students from Government schools
- teachers



Contact:

Teresa Matthews for further information about the program on

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Please note that teachers are welcome to accompany students

Places are limited and cannot be guaranteed

Register now at:
ticketbo.com.au/vacationschool

