



Mid North  
Christian  
College

Hope in  
the Living  
God

## CHAPEL

### Week 8

#### Primary Chapel

Friday 24 March 9:00am  
Year 6

#### Secondary Chapel

Friday 24 March 1:30pm  
Year 9

### Week 9

#### Primary Chapel

Friday 31 March 9:00am  
Year 4

#### Secondary Chapel

Friday 31 March 1:30pm  
Year 10

### Week 10

#### Combined Easter Chapel

Thursday 6 April 2:10pm

## CALENDAR

### Week 8

#### Foundation Museum Excursion

Friday 24 March

### Week 9

#### Open Day

Monday 27 March  
3:30 - 6:00 PM

#### Primary KESAB visit

Tues 4 - Wed 5 April

#### Year 4 SA Maritime Museum Excursion

Thursday 6 April

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Office Hours Mon to Fri 8:15am to 4pm

# News Term1 Week8



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23 MARCH 2023

Dear Parents and Caregivers

*"... Live in peace with each other. And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else."*

*1 Thessalonians 5:12b-15 NIV*

We are so blessed to belong to this wonderful school community called Mid North Christian College, but like all groups of people that do life together, it can have its challenges at times. I love these verses from the Bible that remind us of ways to live in community in ways that are helpful and healthy for everyone.

We were very grateful this past week to have Graeme and Jocelyne Chirnside join us from Queensland to refresh the staff on main concepts and strategies of the Bridge Builders program and train our Year 2 and 6 students in ways to resolve conflict and build healthy relationships with one another.

The Year 6 students also had training in how to be mediators in the playground so that they can assist our younger students in learning and practicing strategies to deal with everyday problems that may arise in their play and interactions with one another. I look forward to seeing our students grow and develop in this area as they put into practice what they have learned in these lessons.

The Bridge Builders program is a fantastic tool we use in the College to equip young people to deal with the inevitable conflicts that will arise in life just because they are in community with other people.

One thing that I was reminded about last week is that I also need to keep learning and being reminded on how to deal with conflict better, even as an adult. I would love to recommend Jocelyne Chirnside's book "Empowered for Life" to you as it is such an easy read about the principles that Bridge Builders is based on and it has lots of great tips for parents. If you would like to borrow a copy to read, please just let us know. May we also look to God for His help in building and maintaining healthy relationships with one another.

Kind regards,

**Rachel Richardson**  
Principal

## The BRIDGE BUILDERS® Program

A whole school approach to  
Equipping children to be resilient, effective  
communicators and empowered to  
deal with everyday conflict.



# COLLEGE UPDATES

## DEAFNESS FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all the families that contributed towards this fundraiser by purchasing butterfly pins or donating for the butterfly picnic. It has been wonderful to see the pins on school hats around the College, as they remind us to be more aware of those with hearing difficulties or deafness. We have raised \$338 for the Deafness Foundation and this will go towards support of families with hearing challenges.

## VOLUNTEER INDUCTION

We are in the process of improving our volunteer recruitment and induction process.

Thank you to all those who have responded through the online form, spoken to teachers or joined the PCF. We do have a new Volunteer Policy which will be loaded onto the website in coming weeks. All volunteers in the College do need to have a current Working With Children Check, which can be arranged through Reception, and also attend a volunteer induction.

If you are planning to be involved in helping at Sports Day or an excursion even later in the year, please make a time through Reception for a volunteer induction which will take about 15 minutes.

We really appreciate all those who offer to help with events, activities and excursions throughout the year as volunteers play an integral part in supporting and enriching the lives of children and young people at Mid North Christian College.

## BILBY'S BOOK CLUB

Bilby's Book Club catalogues were sent home with the youngest in the family last fortnight.

Orders need to be completed by

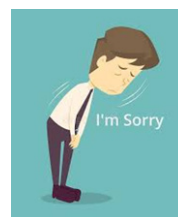
**24 March (Week 8).**

All payments must be made ONLINE.

MNCC will not be accepting cash for orders.



## NEXT STEPS IN BRIDGE BUILDERS



### Apologise:

Look and say the other persons name. Apologise for the action and say "I will not do it again."

### Ignore & don't react:

Don't look at them.  
Think of something good.

Move to a safe place.



# PRIMARY NEWS

## BRIDGE BUILDERS

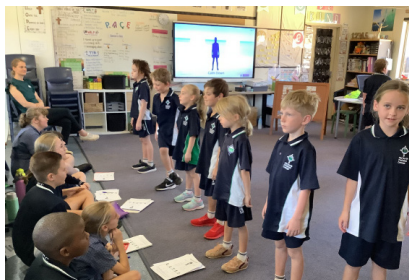
Last Thursday and Friday, the Year 2 and Year 6 students had the opportunity to learn and practice some new skills. Here are a couple of comments from our Year 6 students:

I learned how to help younger students play together, resolve conflict and be a mediator. I will be able to help them make friends on the playground. One strategy that I learned was to help them calm down by counting to 10 slowly before trying to help them resolve the conflict.

Kori Tee

I learned how to work and encourage younger students. I can also encourage them to be leaders. One strategy that I learned was to hold my folder flat so that it looks like I am open to hearing from them.

Filip Doroga





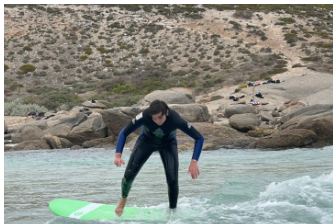
# SECONDARY NEWS

## SURF CAMP - BERRY BAY

The Year 11 and 12 Outdoor Education Class travelled to picturesque Berry Bay on a 3 day surfing camp. We set up camp at Corny Point for the first time and every student was able to stand up and catch a wave! We look forward to continuing to improve our surfing skills next year.

John Pop

**Year 4, Year 11/12 Outdoor Education Teacher, NAPLAN & AHSS Coordinator**



## HARMONY DAY

On Tuesday 21 March, the Primary school students celebrated Harmony Day by wearing orange or wearing cultural clothing. Harmony Day is all about celebrating the amazing cultures that make up our country. Australia is one of the most multicultural countries in the world – from the rich culture of our First Nation peoples to the 49% of Australians who were born overseas or have a parent who was.



Students raised money for Meals on Wheels here in Port Pirie and we were able to raise \$101 to donate to them. Thank you to everyone who participated and got involved with the activities at lunch.

Megan Footer

**Year 5 teacher & SRC Coordinator**

# SECONDARY NEWS

## INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY



On Friday 10 March, I was able to attend the International Women's Day Lunch hosted by Soroptimist International.

This year the speaker was Sue Scarman, Mayor of Northern Areas Council, who talked about her experience volunteering in areas such as tourism, business, and local government in the Southern Flinders Ranges. She discussed how she stepped into leadership because of those around her asking for her guidance and pushing her towards these positions.

I learnt a lot from her speech and how she said that she always expected to be welcomed, and that women and men should both be proud of their accomplishments and that we can all achieve whatever we put our minds to, regardless of gender.



Neesa Marwick  
Year 12

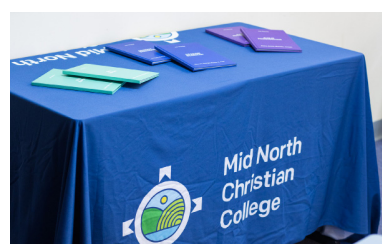
## BRIDGING AGES LIFE BOOKS PROJECT

In 2022, the Year 9 English students again participated in the Bridging Ages Life Books project, which was pioneered in 2021. This involved the students, working in small groups, interviewing an older person about their life and then using the information to write the life story of that person.



The books were published in hard-covered copies and presented to the clients at a special Morning Tea at the College on Thursday 9 March. Mrs Richardson spoke briefly about the value of the program in telling people's stories and Max Polden spoke on behalf of the students. It was great to catch up with our three visitors

and their spouses and to witness their pleasure in the books written about them.



Annette Burgan  
Teacher





# COLLEGE NOTICES

## MNCC SOCIAL MEDIA

If you would like to see updates from MNCC find us on:

**Facebook:**

@MidNorthChristianCollege

**Instagram:**

@mncc\_portpirie

**Website:**

[www.midnorthcc.sa.edu.au](http://www.midnorthcc.sa.edu.au)

## VISITORS TOILETS

Parents and Caregivers are reminded that student toilets are for the exclusive use of College students. Should you need to use a toilet whilst on the College grounds, you are welcome to use the Disabled Toilets.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

## WANTED: RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

We are looking for some of the following recyclable materials for our KESAB visit in Week 10.

- Newspaper
- Paper
- Sheets/cotton material

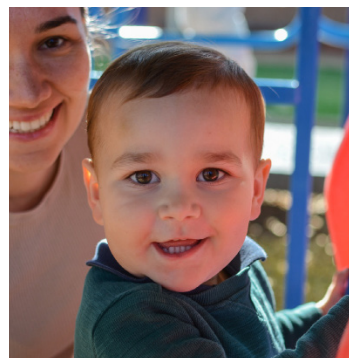
Please drop these to Mrs Corrina Ingle in P1.

## LETTERS SENT HOME

- College Open Day flyer
- SACSA Secondary Athletics Carnival
- Year 6 - Bridge Builders
- Open Day letter
- Stage 1&2 Outdoor Ed Kayak Camp
- MNCC Soccer Important Information
- Year 10 – New Laptops

## MID NORTH MINIS

Our Mid North Minis and Parents/Carers have been enjoying some sunshine in our Nature Play area!



## COLLEGE OPEN DAY



Mid North  
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**OPEN DAY**  
**Mon 27 March, 3:30-6pm**

**If you've been looking for a high quality and nurturing environment for your child, our Open Day at Mid North Christian College is the perfect opportunity!**  
**MNCC offers bus services for our students reaching across the whole Mid North Region.**

Barista Coffee \* BBQ \* Jumping Castle \* Science Experiments \* Guided Tours \* Aviation Displays \* Art & Technology Displays

**Register at our website:**  
**[Midnorthcc.sa.edu.au](http://Midnorthcc.sa.edu.au)**



# COMMUNITY NOTICES



**Club:** Port Pirie & District Hockey Association

**Venue:** Hockey Complex 145 Wandearah Road Port Pirie SA, 5540

**Program Start Date:** 06-03-2023.

**Time:** 4.30pm-5.15pm

**No. OF Weeks:** 8 weeks

**Price:** Online registration \$35.00

Please go to the link below to register.

[Term 1 Hookin2Hockey - Port Pirie & District Hockey Association - revolutioniseSPORT](#)

**COORDINATOR NAME:** Darren Coe

**COORDINATOR EMAIL:** juniorppdha@gmail.com

**COORDINATOR MOBILE:** 0430 731 992



Australian Red Cross - Port Pirie Office  
are seeking volunteers for their  
Telephone Support and Transport  
programs. Please contact the  
Volunteer Engagement Officer,  
Ebony, on 0460 624 835



**Australian  
Red Cross**





# COMMUNITY NOTICES



**Port Pirie  
Scout Group**

**Come & Try  
Scouting**

For Youth age  
5 to 11 years old

Meeting Monday  
evenings from 6pm

Pt Pirie Scout Hall,  
Mary Elie Street

For more info contact:  
Janet McCulloch  
gl.ptpirie@sa.scouts.com.au



## PRIVATE MUSIC TUITION

Are you interested in learning piano, guitar or vocals? Wendy Palmer would like to invite you to contact her for private music tuition. Whether you are a complete beginner or you're wanting to improve beyond your current level, please contact Wendy for more information on 0439 164 899

PORT PIRIE REGIONAL  
LIBRARY

**Leggo Club**

**Ages 5-12  
Every Thursday  
Term 1, 2023  
3:30 - 4:30pm**

**Bookings Essential  
Ph: 8632 1649**

\*Hand Hygiene and Physical Distancing applies\*

## YOUTH PORT PIRIE AND MID NORTH REGION

**THIS FRIDAY 24 March**

**Limitless Youth**

6-8pm @ Mid North Christian College Sportsfest! Fun, food and friendly competition!



**THIS FRIDAY 24 March**

**Rocky River Youth**

5:30-7:30pm Wirrabara Nursery  
Bushwalk, games and BBQ dinner!



## MELROSE EASTER CAMP

Youth Camp for Grades 7 - 12 held over the Easter long-week-end at Willochra Campsite. Come along and join us from Friday 7 April until Monday 10 April for some fun, music and Biblical teaching.

All food, resources and accommodation included in costs. Standard Registration closes this Sunday 26 March.

Register at [brushfire.com/sua/camp/548832](https://brushfire.com/sua/camp/548832)

See what it's all about:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=DPd3ebhTXXI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DPd3ebhTXXI)



**Worship • Word • Games • Creative, Musical, Physical and Fun Workshops • Food • Shared dorms & more!!**