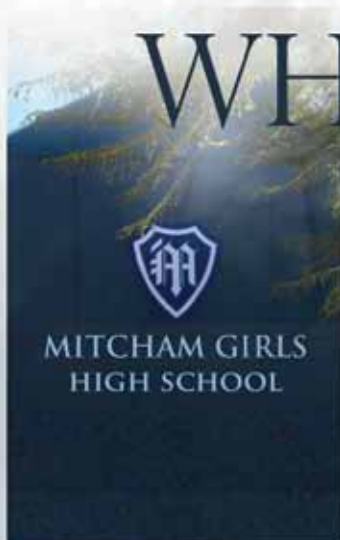


# WHAT, WHEN & WHY

No. 8, Friday 6 December 2013, Term 4



## *From The Principal*

Planning for 2014 has been underway for a while now and there is certainly a lot more to be done so that we can have a smooth start to the year. The timetable is almost finished, classes are being finalised and we are looking at extra support structures we may be able to put in place, especially if the money from the “better schools funding” (better known as Gonski) comes through.

At the time of writing this article the 2012 Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) report had just been released. Approximately 15,000 Australian students aged 15 years from 775 schools were randomly selected to take the test. While the PISA results cannot be attributed directly to any one school they certainly highlight the need for Australian schools to improve in Mathematics, Science and Literacy. There are many reasons why we do not compare favourably with other countries, and a debate about these reasons is outside the scope of this newsletter; the only test results which we can use to assess how the Mitcham students are performing compared to state and national averages are the Year 9 NAPLAN results, conducted in May of each year.

Our NAPLAN results in Numeracy have been slightly above the state average and our Literacy results have been well above state and national averages ever since testing began and we are proud of the achievement of our girls. However, we do not like to rest on our laurels and keep on working hard to improve our results each year. We desperately want to improve in Numeracy. Should the extra funding come in at the beginning of next year, we will certainly provide extra support in the mathematics area.

The Mitcham Girls High School Governing Council Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 3 March at 7:00 pm. At this meeting I will present the Annual Report which will have detailed information about our NAPLAN results. Please put this date in your diary and consider becoming a member of the Governing Council.

This weekend, nine of our Year 8 students will be going to Sydney to compete in the First Lego League Competition, having come first in the ‘Innovative Solutions’ division and second overall in State competition. It will be an amazing experience for these young girls and we wish them all the very best. We also congratulate the team who came first in the ‘Engineering’ division and hope they will continue to be inspired by the science work they do at Mitcham.

On 19 November we farewelled our Year 12 students and it was extremely rewarding for our teachers to reflect on the journey we had “travelled” together over the last five years and the outstanding achievements of these young women. They have been a very positive group of students, whose maturity really came to the fore in Year 12: they never engaged in any bickering with other students; they were inclusive and accepting of others; extremely polite and appreciative and they tried to be the best they could be.

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### ***From the Principal (cont.)***

The Year 12 SACE results will be published on 19 December. It is important to realise that not everyone will achieve very high ATAR scores. Some students will be anxious and a few may even be disappointed with their results. Please encourage your daughter to stay positive as she plans the next phase of her life – there will be many opportunities for her to excel in areas she is passionate about.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all families for their support and for the sacrifices they make in getting their daughter/s to Mitcham. Disruptions in public transport this year have made it even more challenging for our students, but we do hope that travelling will not be such an issue in 2014.

Mitcham will continue to provide the best possible education for girls and our results prove, year after year, that we are an effective school.

May you have a very a restful and peaceful Christmas period.

***Antoinette Jones***

### ***Stage 2 End of Year***

The Stage 2 students had a series of events to celebrate their 'rite of passage' from school to the wider world. The formal farewell assembly by the school took place early in Term 4 where students Nicki Neil and Kelly Harrison took a journey of their years at Mitcham.

This was followed by Celebration Day where costumes were many and varied, teachers also farewelled students more personally and we were very privileged to share in a delicious morning tea arranged by Bek Brown, our Christian Pastoral Support Worker and provided by our very supportive Mitcham Inter-Church Council.

Presentation Night was the next formal event for students, where Siead Ronson and Maggie Aylett presented the Valedictory Speech. This occasion was followed by the most glittering event at the very end, the Year 12 Formal at the Intercontinental, where students were excited, glamorous, elegant and definitely ready to take the next step into their futures.

Congratulations to all of the Stage 2 students from all of us at Mitcham.

***Sue Howlett***  
*SACE Coordinator*

### ***Presentation Night 2013***

The 2013 Presentation Night was held at the Capri Theatre on Wednesday 19 November. We proudly awarded prizes to Year 8 to 11, All-round winners and to the Major Award winners (listed on page 4).

Thank you to all members of our school and the wider community who assisted, sponsored awards and attended the successful evening.

***Meredith Arnold***  
*Arts Coordinator*



# *Presentation Night*



# *Formal*



## ***Award Winners 2013***

### **Subject Excellence Awards**

Biology	Kimberly Lai
Business & Enterprise	Sarah Hutchesson Webb
Chemistry	Min Kang
Classical Studies	Rose Harvey
Community Studies	Ashley Fradd
Dance	Cassie Harwood (Year 11)
Drama	Rose Harvey
English as a Second Language	Min Kang
English Communications	Kimberly Lai
English Studies	Rainbow Lochert
Food and Hospitality	Nicole Lahiff
Health	Taylor McKenzie
Information Processing and Publishing	Dana Kretschmer
Mathematical Applications	Nicole Lahiff
Mathematics Studies	Taylor Kang
Mathematical Methods	Mia Neale
Photography	Leah Woodward
Physical Education	Eliza Zuill
Physics	Min Kang
Psychology	Tadila Barrett
Research Project 1	Chelsea Hayes
Research Project 2	Sri Lekshmi Chandramohan
Specialist Mathematics	Min Kang
Visual Art Studies ART	Kahlia Clarke
Visual Art Studies DESIGN	Shae Jelly
Vocational Education and Training	Georgia Smith
Women's Studies	Abby Smith

### **Major Award Recipients**

Long Tan - Year 10	Nicola Sulley-Beales
Long Tan - Year 12	Siead Ronson
Zonta Scholarship - Stage 1 (2014)	Alira McKenzie-Williams
Zonta Scholarship - Stage 2 (2014)	Kelsey Jones
Dantalis Award	Mia Neale
Hughes and Loveday Sports Award	Kelly Harrison
Old Scholars' History and Classical Studies Award	Melissa Halls (UHS)
Rotary Performing Arts Award	Mia Neale
Rotary Community Studies Award	Emma Donovan
Mitcham Inter-Church Council Commitment to Study Award	Felistance Mwenda
Leading Ambassador Award	Gabriela Gomez Manjarrez
CIS Internationalism Award	Nibir Chowdhury
Elliott Citizenship Award	Kimberly Lai
Caltex Medal	Siead Ronson
Millhouse Award (DUX)	Kimberly Lai

### **Contribution to the SRC**

Kelei Apech  
Elenor Jones-Gray  
Kimberly Lai  
Noormah Baig  
Gabriela Gomez Manjarrez

### **Year Level Prizes**

Year 8 Bank SA Prize	Hibra Shujaat
Year 9 Champion Education Prize	Carly Barrett
Year 10 City of Mitcham / Margaret Ward Prize	Nicola Sulley-Beales
Year 11 KW Stationery Wholesalers Prize	Nina Ash-Clarke

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO MITCHELL !**

### **2013 COLLYER CUP WINNER**

The Collyer Cup is awarded to the House that accumulates the most points in House events. The overall tally incorporates results from Sport Day, Swimming Carnival, lunchtime House Sport competitions, as well as points from the Premier's Reading Challenge.

As you know, this year FRASER won the Swimming Carnival and FRASER won Sports Day but both by very small margins. However, it was MITCHELL who dominated the lunchtime House Sport competition with SPENCE in 2nd place.

The final results are:	MITCHELL	1,708 points
	FRASER	1,642 points
	SPENCE	1,578 points

Congratulations to Siead Ronson, Mitchell House Captain, the Mitchell Year 8, 9, 10 and 11 Vice Captains and, of course, all of the Mitchell students who participated in the House activities this year.

#### **Zone Sport Results**

Congratulations to all girls who participated in Zone Sport over the last two terms and in competitions that took place throughout the year. Final placings for Terms 3/4 are as follows:

##### Year 8/9 Volleyball

Mitcham Blue (coached by Mr Crilley)	6th position
Mitcham Red (coached by Mr Wise)	8th position

##### Open Volleyball

Mitcham (coached by Mr Finos)	3rd position
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##### Year 8/9 Badminton

Mitcham Navy (coached by Miss Parsons)	7th position
Mitcham Green (coached by Mr Bambrough)	8th position

Overall, the school won two premierships and had high finishes in every season. Thanks also to the teachers and students who took time to both coach and umpire Mitcham teams. Without your help it is impossible to enter teams into the competition and I trust you will consider helping out again next year.

Something to think about over the Christmas break is Zone Sport in Term 1 2014. The sign-up meetings will occur early in Term 1 (weeks 1 and 2) and the sports on offer are:

Tuesday	Thursday
Year 8/9 and Open Volleyball	Open Indoor Soccer

##### Wednesday

Year 8/9 and Open Tennis
Year 8/9 and Open Basketball

**Georgina Sulley-Beales**  
*Sports Assistant*



## ***Science News***

On Sunday 17 November, nineteen students from the Year 8 SHIP Science class competed in the FIRST Lego League tournament at Prince Alfred College.

Many hours and lunchtimes were spent preparing for the tournament, with the two teams first having to build and then program an autonomous robot to complete missions on a themed playing table. They also had to complete a research project into the theme of 'Nature's Fury', identify a problem relating to their chosen natural disaster and develop an innovative solution.



Both teams should be extremely proud of their efforts on the day, with Team Rumble winning the 'Future Engineers' award and Team Blaze winning the 'Innovation' award.

Team Blaze came second overall and has been invited to compete in the national tournament in Sydney next weekend.

Congratulations to all girls involved and good luck to Team Blaze!

***Emma Langhans***  
*Science Teacher*

## ***Christian Pastoral Support***

This year has gone quicker than ever and I can hardly believe that we said good bye to our Year 12s a few weeks ago! What a fabulous Presentation Night. It was wonderful to be able to celebrate the end of a wonderful chapter in the lives of these girls. If you have a daughter who has just graduated then I congratulate you and wish you and them all the very best that life has to offer!

2013 has been full of highs – and thankfully not too many lows. I am very grateful to the volunteers who come into school week after week to support our students from non-English speaking backgrounds. Without you we could not offer this program! If you would like to know more about how you can volunteer for this program in 2014 please contact me ([rebekah.brown659@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:rebekah.brown659@schools.sa.edu.au)).

I am also very thankful to the Mitcham Inter-Church Council who do a wonderful job of supporting me in my role and the support they offer our school community. They will be selling candles at the upcoming Mitcham Carols by the Creek at 6:00pm on Sunday 8 December, so come along and support them.

I felt very proud to drop off two big bags full of beautiful gifts for people who will be struggling to make ends meet this Christmas. Thank you to everyone who has donated gifts of food or toys. They are being distributed to the Magdalene Centre in the city as well as the Welcome Centre at Bowden.

Both organisations do an amazing job at supporting people in need. Whether it be our city's homeless people, or families who are struggling financially or newly arrived refugees – know that your gifts of hope will be received gratefully!

I wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas. May it be a time for your family to slow down and spend some quality time together. I look forward to seeing you again in the New Year!!!

***Bek Brown***  
*Christian Pastoral Support Worker*

## English News

### Premier's Reading Challenge 2013

This year, we have had 140 participants, from Year 8 through to Year 12, which is an increase from 2012. Special thanks to the Year 8 and 9 English teachers who have supported participation through their lessons. Congratulations to 8.09 who had the highest number of participants in Year 8, and 9.20 with the highest number of participants in Year 9. Students who haven't participated before, or perhaps missed a year, can still join in next year and progress through the medals and certificates until the end of high school.

This year we've had six students take up the Challenge for the first time, and ten students have achieved the highest award currently available: Reader for Life 10 Years. A new award will continue to be given each year until students have completed the maximum of 14 years. After Year 9, the twelve books to be read are all free choice at the student's level of reading ability, including books in a language other than English. Points towards the Collyer Cup are also awarded to the school Houses.

#### Certificate

Subin	Kim	08.05
Catherine	Synnot	08.07
Jaymee	Langrehr	09.15
Tarmia	Klass	09.16
Amelia	Smith	09.20
Nobuhle	Dube	11.33

#### Silver

Cody	Thompson	08.06
Indiana	Piggin	08.08
Pei Yi	Tang	08.08
Danielle	Hughes	08.09
Amalee	Saunders	08.09
Tuba	Chandio	09.14
Meghann	Bird	09.16

#### Champion

Isabel	Lean	08.06
Isabelle	Cother	08.07
Emily	Lupton	08.07
Tori	McDonald	08.07
Iesha	Mitton	08.07
Chloe	Thewlis	08.07
Victoria	Freeborn	08.08
Zali	Craig	08.09
Maya	Linsner	08.09
Danika	Thomas	08.09
Amandi	Hiyare Hewage	09.14
Rebecca	Stevens	09.15
Caitlin	Bahr	09.21
Kelsey	Jones	09.21
Samantha	Morey	09.21

#### Bronze

Daryl	Cabaya	08.05
Megan	Osborne	08.07
Hibra	Shujaat	08.09
Tsz Yin	Au	09.14
Mashal	Durrani	09.14

#### Gold

Janelle	Freson	08.06
Charlotte	Anderson	08.06
Amelia	Denton	08.06
Amber	Askin	08.07
Chelsea	Hayes	08.08
Phoebe	Wright	08.08
Olivia	Smallacombe	08.09
Imogen	Murphy	09.15
Charlotte	Upton	09.15
Ina	Young	09.15
Carly	Barrett	09.20
Gabriela	Urban	09.20
Jasmin	Hendrie	09.21
Yuxin	Liu	09.21

#### Legend

Aiyana	Rivera	08.05
Isabella	Condello	08.06
Elizabeth	Crago	08.06
Caitlyn	Lang	08.06
Paris	Anderson	08.07
Georgia	Parish	08.06
Sophie	Crago	08.07
Kathryn	Jackson	08.08
Jordan	Hatswell	08.10
Kristen	MacKenzie	08.10
Stephanie	Clark	09.20
Naomi	Steiner	09.20
Jordana	Fogg	10.23

**Premier's Reading Challenge 2013**

**Hall of Fame**

Emma	Batten	08.05
Abbigail	McArthur	08.05
Freshta	Mohammad	08.05
Jennifer	Quach	08.05
Sumbul	Syed	08.05
Michelle	Taylor	08.06
Chloe	Ballans	08.07
Brianna	Benfell	08.07
Isabella	Dalle-Molle	08.07
Bonny	Winton	08.07
Brianna	Fantis	08.09
Britney	MacKay	08.09
Kaitlyn	Tucker	09.14
Amy	Spedding	09.15
Lily	Atkinson	09.20
Shayna	Parker	09.20
Rae	Sampson	09.20
Mikayla	Bunn	09.21
Isabelle	Entwistle	09.21
Claire	Matthew	09.21
Alison	McDonald	10.45
Emma	Donovan	12.03

**Reader For Life 8**

Aisha	McKay	08.06
Madeline	Williams	08.06
Emma	Catt	08.09
Yovani	Pillay	08.09
Charlotte	Thomson	08.09
Imogen	Deller-Evans	08:10
Samantha	Ellis	08:10
Natasha	Howes	08:10
Lauren	Rowley	08:10
Freda	White	08:10
Caitlin	MacKinnon	09.15
Jaymie	Ward	09.15
Chloe	Brealey	09.16
Shae	Mellors	09.16
Rebecca	Ballans	09.20
Wendy	Shirra	09.20
Kiera	Simcock	09.20
Tiffany	Szabo	09.20
Kaitlin	Chadwick	09.21
Stephanie	Trickey	09.21
Holly	Smith	11.30

**Reader for Life 9**

Sophie	Mulders	08.06
Deanna	Norman	08.06
Celine	Phang	08.06
Jordan	Davis	08.07
Caitlin	Preece	08.07
Jasmina	Belicevska	08.08
Jamie	Chang	08.08
Sarah	Lee	08.08
Madeline	Weber	08.08
Kendall	West	08.08
Esther	Burnett	08.09
Zeneb	Hassan	08.09
Daria	Shanta	08.09
Megan	Wittwer	08.09
Indigo	Roberts	08.10
Tayla	Smith	08.10
Holly	Couprie	08.10
Maddison	Schmidt	09.15
Abbey	Taylor	09.15
Daisy	Barlow	09.16
Isobel	Green	09.16
Indiana	Murray	09.20
Caitlin	Heath	12.04
Nicole	Lahiff	12.04

**Reader for Life 10**

Thithi	Ngo	08.05
Tara	Lamont	08.09
Taylah	Evans	09.15
Kaitlan	Sharpe	09.15
Emily	Cribb	09.20
Abby	Mills	09.20
Amy	Skingsley	09.20
Morgan	Wilson	09.20
Alicia	Murphy	09.21
Sarah	Sammut	09.21
Chantelle	Clark	12.01

**Deborah Dodd**  
*Librarian*



## **English News** *(cont.)*

### **Spring Poetry Festival**

In October, two of our students, Bethany Peartree (Year 8) and Katherine Boeck (Year10) were invited to the launch of the Spring Poetry Festival Anthology for 2013, produced by the South Australian English Teachers' Association. This anthology showcases the best entries submitted for the Spring Poetry Festival competition. Bethany and Katherine were successful in having their poems included and, in addition, Katherine received the SA Writers' Centre Encouragement Award. Congratulations to both Bethany Peartree and Katherine Boeck.

#### **Thirteen Years of Dedication** *by Katherine Boeck*

Pink tights, bun nets and perfect thighs,  
Eyelashes like the black wings of a raven about to take flight  
Pony-legged ballerinas,  
Watch how they judge  
'Oh that Grande Battement was so turned in,  
she has absolutely no technique at all'  
They all look so hungry

#### **Untitled 1**

we're only angels  
misbehaving beautifully  
tearing up our halos  
and swapping them  
for terrible smiles  
when it's too late

#### **Untitled 2** *by Bethany Peartree*

we see what we want to believe  
death spreads its wings  
and though we have an inkling  
all we see is a butterfly  
only knowing

**Caroline Bamford**  
*English Teacher*

## **Whole School News**

### **Music**

Congratulations to Amber Foy (Year 10) who came second in the Australian Children's Music Foundation Songwriting Competition with her song 'Reliability'. Amber won a generous prize together with \$500 worth of equipment for the school. Her song can be viewed on [www.acmf.com.au](http://www.acmf.com.au).

### **Remembrance Day**

We were chosen to represent Mitcham Girls at a Remembrance Day conference. We were chosen to participate because we are all associated with the Australian Army Cadets and the school thought that we would appreciate this opportunity.

The breakfast at the Adelaide Convention Centre was amazing. Dr Gill Hicks was an excellent speaker and she was very open about her personal experience and how she was a soldier in her own battle and how someone came to her, with their war. Dr Hicks was very detailed with her story-telling and she moved us all. She has proven to all of the people she has ever come in contact with, that she is going to make her life count. While in the train, with her legs gone, she made the life changing decision to not accept death and to later start a charity called Making A Difference for Peace (MAD). She believes that everyone has strength in them and that everyone can make a difference. We all really appreciated the opportunity that we had to respect the fallen and admire Gill's work.

We are all grateful for the school choosing us to represent Mitcham, and we recommend that all girls at our school have the opportunity we had.

**Alex Howard (10.43), Alira McKenzie-Williams (10.45),  
Hanna Woodlock (10.43), Charleigh-Jayne Henley (11.38)**

## ***Finance News***

### ***Materials and Services Charge for 2014***

The following are the results of a poll conducted by the Mitcham Girls High School Council. The poll has been conducted in accordance with Education Act 1972 and the Materials and Services Charges Administrative Instructions and Guidelines issued in October 2013.

Number of persons liable for the charge: 615  
Number of families polled: 536

Results of the poll: For: 59  
Against: 16

The Principal, Antoinette Jones, has approved the Prescribed Sum of \$625.00 Materials and Services Charge for 2014.

### ***Finance Office - Holiday Open Times***

The Finance Office staff will be available from Monday 20 January 2014 (8:00am to 2:00pm each day) to assist parents with Materials and Services Charge payments, time payment contracts and School Card applications.

Payments can be made by:

- a) Cheque payable to Mitcham Girls High School
- b) EFTPOS (in person or credit card over the phone or by returning the slip provided)
- c) Direct payment through any bank to the school Bank SA account using either the Invoice number, Family Code or Student's ED ID number as identification
- d) Cash
- e) On line internet banking direct or through Bizgate (instruction will be provided with your invoice).

### ***Instalments***

Parents/Caregivers who require the option of paying by instalments, due to genuine financial hardship, will need to register and sign the appropriate contract which will be available from the Finance Office as from Monday 20 January 2014.

All fees are to be paid in full by the end of Term 2 (4 July 2014).

***Susan King***  
*Business Manager*

**Flinders University News**

Flinders University has several useful sessions coming up in December and January for Year 12s thinking about results and getting into their preferred course. Students are encouraged to attend and discuss their SATAC application in more detail with University staff.

Please encourage any Year 12 students applying for University in 2014 to register and attend one of their sessions listed below.

- Monday 23 December 2013 | City Drop-in Session 1: 2:00pm-6:00pm. Hetzel Lecture Theatre, State Library, North Terrace, Adelaide (enter via main glass foyer and follow the signs). Register now.
- Thursday 4 January 2014 | On Campus Presentation & Drop-in: 4:00pm-7:00pm. Health Sciences Lecture Theatre Complex, Flinders University, Bedford Park. Register now.
- Friday 3 January 2014 | City Drop-in Session 2: 2:00pm-6:00pm. Hetzel Lecture Theatre, State Library, North Terrace, Adelaide (enter via main glass foyer and follow the signs). Register now.
- Monday 6 January 2014 | City Drop-in Session 3: 10:00am-4:00pm. Ground Floor Foyer, Flinders University Victoria Square, 182 Victoria Square Adelaide. Register now.

Discover more at Flinders Live on campus before results are released.

In addition to change of preference sessions, they will be holding Flinders Live- Explore Your Future on campus for Year 12s and parents on Tuesday 10 December at 4:30pm-7:00pm.

Students and parents/caregivers will benefit from the opportunity to:

- Experience the lively Flinders atmosphere with other Year 12s and familiarise themselves with the campus, facilities and services before Uni commences.
- Find out the next steps after Year 12 results are released, the SATAC offer round process, orientation and enrolment at a tailored session for school leavers run by current Flinders students.
- Discover how parents can better support their child through the transition process, learn the Uni lingo and discuss 'Uni myths' in a tailored session for parents/caregivers.
- Take a tour and hear from current Flinders students about their experience and tips for transitioning from High School to University.
- Enjoy the live entertainment, music and a free bite to eat and drink.

**\$5,000 Student Access Scholarships**

When it comes to achieving a healthy balance between study and life, Flinders is here. Whatever your daughter's career dream might be, Flinders Uni wants to help them achieve it.

In 2014 Flinders University is offering 110 \$5,000 Student Access scholarships designed to cover day-to-day student expenses while – all backed up by a friendly university environment with world-class teaching and facilities, plenty of support and a lifestyle that's second to none.

If your daughter meets one or more of the following, she could be eligible:

- Completing Year 12 in a regional or rural location;
- Using a VET qualification to transition to Flinders; and
- Requiring financial assistance.

Applications will open on-line in the coming weeks. Students can contact the university to register their interest and keep updated as further information is released.

## **VET / Tertiary News** (cont.)

Congratulations to Jasmine Armfield (Year 11) who was awarded the Outstanding VET student of her Hospitality course (partial Cert III Hospitality).

### **Torrens University Australia Open Day**

Date: Saturday 14 December

Time: 10:30am - 1:30pm

Location: Torrens University Australia, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide

#### Information Sessions

- 11:30am - 12:00pm MBA and Postgraduate Study Information Session
- 12:30 - 1:00pm Bachelor of Commerce Information Session

Register to attend: [www.tua.edu.au/OpenDay](http://www.tua.edu.au/OpenDay)

Torrens University is excited to announce that all students who enrol in a Bachelor of Commerce program in January 2014 will receive a 100% inaugural scholarship. You can still apply direct to Torrens and find out if you have been admitted before Christmas. For further information visit [www.tua.edu.au/Scholarships](http://www.tua.edu.au/Scholarships).

Torrens is also offering one-on-one counselling session to students who would like further information on the Bachelor of Commerce program. To make an appointment please email [kelvin.yeoh@tua.edu.au](mailto:kelvin.yeoh@tua.edu.au) or call 08 8113 7814.

### **University of South Australia (UniSA)**

Key Dates	19 December	Year 12 results released
	6 January	Change of Preference deadline
	16 January	Main January offer round
	4 February	Minor February offer round
	24-28 February	Orientation Week
	3 March	Uni commences

#### Preference Information Event

When: Monday 23 December, 3.00pm – 7.00pm

Where: Brookman Building, City East Campus

UniSA's Preference Information Event will provide students with a final chance to ask staff, students and lecturers questions and get any last minute advice on all programs and pathways prior to the change of preference deadline.

#### UniSA Preferred: Guaranteed Entry

If students have an ATAR for their first preference that is above or equal to the UniSA preferred score, and they meet the prerequisites, they will be guaranteed an offer during the main offer round on 16 January.

#### Bonus Points

A reminder for students to use our on-line calculator to find out how many bonus points they may be eligible for with UniSA. Remember students on School Card, Youth Allowance and/or Health Care Card must apply for bonus points through MGHS by Friday 13 December 2013. Once students receive their Year 12 results, they can also call our Future Student Enquiries team on 8302 2376 to find out their adjusted ATAR with UniSA bonus points.

View Year 12 Results release video and SATAC offers release video on <http://www.unisa.edu.au>.

**Jill Olifent**  
Counsellor / VET Coordinator



## 2013 Yearbook

The 2013 Yearbook will be distributed in early 2014. Families will be notified of the release date by email, MGHS App and on the website.

### MITCHAM GIRLS SCHOOL UNIFORM

IS AVAILABLE FROM THE FOLLOWING 2 LOCATIONS:

## MITCHAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

PH: 0409 178 994

### Trading Hours During School Terms Only

Terms 1, 2, 3 & 4      Thursdays 8:00am – 1:30pm

### EXTENDED HOURS FOR BACK TO SCHOOL PERIOD

Tuesday      21 January 2014      8:30am – 3:00pm

Thursday      23 January 2014      8:30am – 3:00pm

## UNIFORM MANAGEMENT SERVICES

109 Rundle Street, KENT TOWN

PH: 08 8363 5255

### Trading Hours

Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm

*Closed 20 December 2013 & re-Open 6 January 2014*

**JANUARY 2014 – WE ARE ALSO OPEN EVERY SATURDAY 9:00am – 12noon**

### UNIFORM MANAGEMENT SERVICES

would like to take this opportunity to thank all teachers,  
parents and students for all your continued support in the Year 2013 &  
would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas & a Prosperous New Year.

**\*\* Please remember that the blue skirt will not be an item of uniform as from 2014 \*\***

## Diary Dates

<b>December</b>	6	WWW published on website	
	9	Year 8/9 Community Service Day	
	10 & 11	Year 8/9 Activity Day	
	11	<b>END OF TERM 4</b> Reports distributed	2:20pm
	12	Year 12 Orientation Day (Year 11s 2013)	
<b>January 2014</b>	27	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	
	28	Term 1 Begins	
<b>February</b>	3	Year 8/9 Parent Evening	5:30 – 6:30pm
	6	School Photos: Years 8-12	
	10 – 14	Year 8 Camps	
	10	SACE Day (Unley Town Hall)	
	10	Governing Council	7:00pm
	19	Swimming Carnival	
	21	WWW published on website	
	26	Year 8 Parent BBQ Evening	6:00 – 7:00pm
<b>March</b>	3 – 4	Year 10 Aquatics	
	3	Governing Council AGM	7:00pm
	5 – 7	Year 12 Aquatics	
	7	International Women’s Day	
	10	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	
	17	Governing Council	7:00pm
	21	Harmony Day	
	25	Melinda Tankard: Student Workshops	
	26	Melinda Tankard: Student Workshops	
	26	Melinda Tankard: Parent Workshop	7:00pm
	28	WWW published on website	
<b>April</b>	4	Sports Day	
	9	Year 10 Risky Business	
	11	<b>END OF TERM 1</b> Reports distributed	3:10pm