during Refugee Week the school recognises the great achievements of students in the Achievement Assembly held on Tuesday 21st June. Susan Cameron, Executive Director, Learning Improvement, in the Department of Education was the invited guest at this assembly and spoke passionately to students about the importance of their education and the difference that it will make to their future lives. She also reflected on the great contributions that refugees and migrants make to the Australian community.

Everyday at school we see evidence of how all of our student give back to the school community, whether is it through the work they do in SRC, performing at assemblies with choir, singing and dance performances, making the school beautiful through their work in the gardening club, and the fantastic construction and landscaping work that the students do in Target Work. Students through their Community Service work, are always looking for ways to show their generous spirits. Recently, Classes 36 and 38 have made personal and class donations to the Syrian Refugee Crisis, money raised through their efforts to wash staff cars. Another class, Class 35 raised money for the Cancer Society by making and selling cup-cakes and Class 7 raised funds for the School’s fitness stations through a community barbeque.

Students are also given the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and Leadership Awards are presented each term to deserving students. They are acknowledged and congratulated for this.

Yazan Almasri (Class 40) was nominated by Emily Robinson for the maturity, responsibility, generosity and leadership that he shows throughout both the school and in the wider community. When Yazan arrived from Syria at the beginning of the year, he knew very little about Adelaide and the opportunities that were available to him. He often asked about places to go and things to do and about how he and his family could meet other people, as they didn’t know any other Syrians in Adelaide. With the recent influx of Syrian arrivals, Yazan has been very busy at school helping the new students and the teachers. He is often seen in the front office in the mornings chatting to groups of new students to make them feel welcome, and he regularly asks if it’s ok for him to come late to home group so that he can take the students to where they need to go. Yazan has been helping with interpreting for new students and lots of them come to him for help. He has also spent time on weekends at AMRC helping to translate for newly arrived families.

It was very appropriate that two Leadership Awards were presented during Refugee Week to two students of refugee background. Both Uwezo and Yazan have shown how their enthusiasm and leadership inspires others and benefits both their own cultural groups, their local communities as well as the school community. In the short time that they have lived in Australia, their efforts have also contributed to a more harmonious and peaceful society for us all to live in and they are acknowledged and congratulated for this.

Julie Presser
Principal

Mr Wayne Sachs from the Rotary Club of Glenelg presenting a cheque of $520 to Class 7 at the Student Achievement Assembly.

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As part of refugee week we travelled to St Ignatius College to participate in the annual friendship cup. Due to the wet weather we played indoor soccer this year alternating between girls and boys games. The games were tightly contested and were played in good spirits. After the games we shared lunch together and students were able to share their stories with the students of St Ignatius College. It was a great day despite the weather and one we look forward to each year.

Mr Ellenbrook
Volunteer Work and Donations

A big thank you to Mrs Wendy Medley who kindly donated four bags full of stationery and teaching resources to the Adelaide Secondary School of English. Class 7 students were very happy to have their photo taken with the donated resources.

Thirteen students from Class 7 volunteered with the Rotary Club of Glenelg to sell sausages and collect funds for the school on Saturday, 21st May. In total, the students raised $531. This money will help fund a new fitness station that is going to be built on our school oval. Once again, a big thank you to the Rotary Club of Glenelg for their time and support.

On Monday, 30th May, Class 6 and 16 went on an excursion to the South Australian Museum and the Art Gallery of South Australia to learn about the art and culture. Students took keen interest in the Aboriginal Art and asked questions about different artefacts.

Cyberbullying

Class 15 studied the effects of Cyberbullying. Students created posters of different strategies to stop cyberbullying.

CUPCAKE Day!!

For our community service, the students of class 35 baked 348 yummy cupcakes for the students and teachers of our school. That was a whole lot of work but a whole lot of fun as well!!

As a result we raised $302 for the Cancer Council, which does such excellent work fighting cancer.

On the 25th May, Sergeant Graham Holt of the Australian Army visited the school with a large Mack truck. It was not only an opportunity for students to have a look, sit in the truck and take some photos but also to get some information brochures and ask questions about part time and full time jobs in the Army. All the students who visited found it fun and useful. Ms Amy Broham

Students from different classes enjoy gardening activities in the Garden Club every week on Thursday.

Morialta Conservation Park

Classes 27, 29, 31 and 37 went on an adventurous excursion this term to the Morialta Conservation Park. We went on a rigorous hike through the beautiful bushland, motivating each other to climb up the steep track. Students enjoyed seeing many koalas and birds and a wonderful array of wildflowers which are blooming in the winter. We were especially excited to see two waterfalls which were flowing profusely after strong winter rains.

Mr Coats

This excursion that we went on was the best excursion I have ever been on. I felt good because I had seen a new place in Adelaide and I was with my friend too. I would like to go back to that place again because it was a wonderful place and in the forest you do not hear any sounds like cars, motorbikes or shouting you just hear the singing of birds, water and wind. I enjoyed my day as much as I can imagine. I also learnt about how to find my way around this beautiful park. Mohammad Fathi (class 31)