**Principal’s Report**

Welcome to all of our new students and families. Also we welcome back to Ms Lili Liang, one of our permanent teachers who has spent the last 2 years teaching in China, and welcome to Mr Kingsley Watchman who has been permanently appointed to the school. So far this year we have enrolled more than 127 new students from many countries including Afghanistan, Nepal, Sudan, China and Vietnam.

At our recent Annual General Meeting we thanked Mr Craig Auricht for his leadership and support as our Governing Council Chairperson for the past 4 years. Craig’s commitment to promoting and working closely with the school and local community ensured a range of school improvement initiatives were completed, such as the undercover walkways, the ICT Hub and the relocation of the Resource Centre. Mr Mohsen Abdel-Mesih, Youth Bicultural Worker and Project Officer from the Australian Refugee Association (ARA) was elected as our new Governing Council chairperson. We look forward to working closely with Mohsen and continuing our school improvement journey, as we work towards our Council of International Schools (CIS) re-accreditation and the Education Department’s External School Review in Term 4.

The school’s 5 year Strategic Directions (2018-2022), which focus on ASSoI striving to provide a World Class New Arrivals Program Education, were outlined at our first Governing Council meeting in March this year. The school’s priorities of Teaching and Engagement for Learning and Life, Wellbeing for Learning and Life, and Partnerships for Learning and Life were outlined. As part of the focus on curriculum, literacy and numeracy skill development, improving assessment and reporting processes, and implementing inclusive and effective pedagogies were discussed. In the area of student wellbeing Restorative Justice, Trauma Informed Practice implementation and strengthening community partnerships were highlighted.

Restorative Justice training was provided to all staff in 2017 and is now being implemented across the school with members of the student leadership team also being trained each term. This model is being used to help students sort out problems and to provide opportunities for students to become confident global citizens. As teachers we are committed to building on our learning, monitoring student progress and to maintaining high standards.

As Principal, part of my role is to provide high quality leadership and to ensure there is achievement growth for every student. At Adelaide Secondary School of English, staff are committed to working collaboratively to ensure students have the skills to become lifelong learners. We strive to maintain a safe, supportive, challenging learning environment to provide opportunities for students to become confident global citizens. As teachers we are committed to building on our learning, monitoring student progress and to maintaining high standards.

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**Term 1, 2018**

On 9th March ZONTA Adelaide donated 10 tickets to the International Women’s Day Breakfast, which was held at the Convention Centre from 7:00am in the morning. The following students attended with Ms Giannini & Ms Natt:

- Amair from Eritrea (class 24)
- Amrutha from Nepal (class 26)
- Blessing from Guinea (class 19)
- Halima from Afghanistan (class 11)
- Meena from Nepal (class 24)
- Mounite from Myanmar (class 2)
- Rebecca from Tanzania (class 24)

The girls were all very excited to attend and had to get up very early to meet in the city. As you can see from the photos they all looked lovely in their national costumes or special clothes and had lots of comments from the other guests. Over 2,500 mainly women guests attended the breakfast and listened to some very interesting Women, including Senator Penny Wong, who spoke to all of us. It was a great event and we would love to attend again in the future. Thank You to ZONTA Adelaide for the tickets.

**Ms Natt**

**MOTHERS’ MEETING**

On Wednesday 28th of March, our school hosted another successful Mothers’ Meeting, supported by the Department for Education’s Parents in Education (PiE) initiative. The program aims to involve mothers (and caregivers) from a range of cultures in our school community, providing them with a forum to discuss community and school-based issues. As part of the day’s programme, parents enjoyed lunch, asked questions and discussed a range of school and community related topics with our Principal, Community Partnerships Coordinator and Community Liaisons Officers (Bushta Rashid, Jam Ali and Bala Bhattachary). The next PiE meeting will be held next term (Week 8).

**Mr Parkin**

**Clean Up Australia Day**

On Friday 24th March, classes 1, 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 18, 24, 27 and 35 participated in the Clean Up Australia’s school and community clean up. Classes 13 and 27 did a fantastic job cleaning up in our local community, concentrating on the streets around our local suburb (West Croydon). Other classes who cleaned up our yard and oval also did an amazing job and worked very hard to make our school a more environmentally friendly, clean and tidy place to learn. Well done!

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- Respect
- Responsibility
- Resilience

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Open Music Class
On March 26th, Class 23, opened up their music classroom to the Principal and several teachers to peer share some of the work they have been doing. The lesson culminated with a musical performance with Abraham on the drum kit, Esdras on the bass guitar, Boaz on the electric piano, Banafshe on the xylophone, Lay on the glockenspiels, Ahmad on the djembe drum, Diab on the tambourine, Zeina on a percussion instrument, Ghoroud and Monira dancing with the castanets. The students successfully learnt and entertained everyone with the music.

Physical Education (PE)
This term, we had over 150 students learn how to be safe at the beach and take part in beach activities as part of the water safety curriculum at Glenelg. We also had junior students compete in the beach volleyball carnival against other schools. Luckily we had good weather for all of the days at the beach.
In week 8, 40 students participated in the athletics carnival where they raced and jumped against students from different schools. This was such a great experience for the students and we found out we had some very fast athletes.
In week 11 we host a boys and girls handball carnival.

Work Studies
Classes 12 and 41 this term as part of their Work Studies Group Project worked in the Peace Garden removing old existing plants, preparing the area for a new watering system and plants. While working, the focus for students was on; working together, communicating and developing transferable workplace skills. The students worked hard and have created a space which once completed will provide enjoyment for all students.

Indigenous Art Mural
This Term 1, classes 5, 23 and 37 worked with two Indigenous Artists Raylene and Sam Snow to create a mural. Working together they designed and painted a large mural that is now displayed on the wall between the staff room and the ICT Hub. The theme of the mural is Community and it is about things, activities and places that bring us together. The Mural uses imagery and art styles from Australian Aboriginal Culture. All students worked really well with the visiting artists to create a mural that looks fantastic in our school.

Sanaa Art Workshop
In week 7 our class (26) and class 18 went to Carclew House to take part in an art workshop for the Sanaa Festival.
When we got to Carclew we met Joanne who is a visiting artist from Kenya. We made bags from recycled materials. We used old pants, shirts, shorts and other materials like plastic bottle tops. We painted our bags with different colours, feathers, pom poms and other decorations.
We enjoyed learning how to make our own bags and decorating them. We liked being creative and using our own ideas. We also really liked learning how to make something with old materials.
We all had an exciting day at the art workshop, it was interesting for everyone. It was really fun as we all made amazing and beautiful bags. Our bags will be in the Sanaa Festival fashion show for everyone to see!