Middle School Swimming Carnival
Anniversaries and Legacies

This year, Australia commemorated the 100th anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli. Over recent years, there has been significant growth in the interest, meaning and ongoing legacy of our ANZAC heritage. It is a critical aspect of our culture and affects the people we are.

Each year, we are provided with insights to the life of people connected in some way to the ANZAC legacy. I don’t subscribe to the view that the only thing we learn from history is that we don’t learn from history. We can learn a lot from history. We have it within us to be compelled to make a difference because of our history and to create a better one for the future.

Another anniversary, which occurred around the same time as ANZAC Day, was that related to the death of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. He was a Lutheran Pastor and theologian executed by the Nazis in 1945. A statue of Dietrich can be found above the Great West Door of Westminster Abbey, along with nine other 20th century martyrs.

Dietrich participated in a conspiracy to overthrow the Third Reich. When the plot failed, Bonhoeffer was imprisoned in the Gestapo basement on Prinz Albrechtsstrasse. Then he was sent to Buchenwald, and then transferred to the Flossenburg Camp. He continued to share his faith with kindness, courage and conviction and he changed the lives of many during this time.

A movie well worth watching regarding the life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer is called Bonhoeffer: Agent of Grace (2000). In it, you can begin to understand the legacy Bonhoeffer gives us through his life. He lived what he preached, was courageous in the face of extreme adversity and true to his core values. He was a great thinker with a great heart. He had a strong commitment to justice. Most significantly, he had an unwavering faith in his God and conviction to share it with others in concrete, authentic and sincere ways.

At Cornerstone, we recognise and value that there is much more to learning than pure academics. Anniversaries, like the ones described above, especially Dietrich Bonhoeffer, also enable us to share and emphasise learning from and to our heart and soul. I am also hopeful and optimistic that our students understand their ability and obligation to live out and leave a legacy of their own.

Mr Craig Fielke
Principal

Middle School Swimming Carnival (cover)
The Middle School Inter-House Swimming Carnival was held at the Mount Barker Mountain Pool on Friday 6 February. The weather was superb - a hot day, so there were many keen participants and lots of positive and encouraging support. The day started with competitive races in age groups and then the hungry students enjoyed a scrumptious sausage sizzle.

In the afternoon, students participated in year levels in a range of activities - volleyball on the lawn, novelty events in the pool and free swimming. The results were close throughout the day both in the swimming events and the volleyball.

Overall results:
1st Battunga - 2nd Naturi - 3rd Moorak - 4th Aroona

Miss Rebecca Weiss
Sports Coordinator
At the Opening Service for this year, Tessa Grant was presented with her award as Dux of Year 12, 2014. The Dux Award is presented to the Year 12 student who attains the highest ATAR (Australian Tertiary Assessment Rank). Tessa gained an ATAR of 98.3. Tessa spoke to the student body, encouraging the students to seek to do their very best and to work hard. She talked about how some people had been surprised when she won subject awards at the end of last year and again when she received the Dux award.

She indicated that people did not necessarily see her as the “typical student” that would receive such an award, but Tessa did not think that winning a Dux award relates to being a particular type of student. Rather than assuming that Dux awards only go to certain types of students, Tessa encouraged all the students to work hard and to see that they too could potentially receive awards in their studies. She saw her success as being the result of hard work and effort, rather than because she was a certain type of student or particularly clever.

We congratulate Tessa on her outstanding result, and wish her well in her studies. Tessa has been accepted into studies for Physiotherapy.

Raife Gehren was presented with the Dux of Year 11, 2014 Award. Based on final results in Year 11, including exam results, Raife was the top Year 11 student last year with an A+ average for his subjects across the year. We congratulate him on this outstanding result and wish him well as he completes Year 12 this year.

Dux Awards 2014

Year 12 Results, 2014
Congratulations to the Year 12s of 2014 on their great results. Of the students planning to complete SACE in 2014, 98% successfully achieved this. As well as Tessa as Dux, other outstanding results were attained by Sam Lamey, Esther Richards, Chelsea Ferber, Stephen Pearce and Emma Spowart.

The average ATAR was 70.44. 19% of grades were As and 70% were As and Bs.

Mrs Julie Sampson
Learning Director
Year 12 Aquatics

Year 12 PE students completed their first SACE Practical during Week 5 of Term 1, with a three day intensive Aquatics Unit held at Murraylands Aquatic Centre, Murray Bridge. Students selected either kayaking or sailing and the warm weather made for perfect conditions to have three days on the water!

The sailing component involved working in pairs and rotating the role of skipper and crew on the 420s. Students were also given the chance to sail solo on the catamarans. The kayakers learnt the basic skills, got comfortable with capsizing, mastered the art of an eskimo rescue and finished off with the challenge of a long distance paddle.

Although tiring, our students were eager to learn and made the most of their time. It is always incredible to see just how much the Year 12s learn and improve in only a few days.

Miss Kayla Chumbley
Physical Education Teacher

Driver Awareness Seminar

On Tuesday 24 February students in Year 10 and 11 were part of a special day where the focus was Driver Awareness. This annual event allows the students to hear from expert presenters from SAPOL and local companies/services deliver up to date and educational information about a range of issues relating to the responsibility of driving safely and the basics of car maintenance.

The College would like to thank the presenters (Adelaide Hills Toyota, Steve Highet Driving School, SAPOL) for their professional presentations and ongoing support of the students.

Mr Andrew Ottens
Moorak House Leader
Year 7 Camp

‘Go for it’ was the theme of the Year 7 camp at Mylor this year and the 154 students who attended the camp certainly took this theme on board. The three days were full of physically and mentally challenging activities where the students had to demonstrate teamwork, determination and consideration of others.

All who attended the camp returned to College tired but with a real sense of achievement. Many students tried new things, conquered fears and more importantly developed new friendships with both other students and their teachers.

The students are to be commended on their behaviour throughout the camp. They participated enthusiastically in activities and worked positively with their camp instructors and the College staff.

Mrs Leanne Filmer
Middle School Wellbeing Leader

Battunga Focus Week

This year Cornerstone College will focus the major fundraising events at school to support the building projects of Habitat for Humanity. Battunga kicked off proceedings by promoting friendship amongst staff and students with the infamous Buddy Buds and the new arrival of Friendly Frogs.

Friday 20 February was delivery day for the recipients of around 90 roses and 450 frogs, with the week culminating at lunchtime in the Plaza.

All in all over $1,200 was raised throughout the week.

Mrs Alysha Green and Ms Kristyn Sickerdick
Battunga House Leaders
At Cornerstone the STRETCH program (STudents Requiring Extension Through CHallenge) was offered to over 70 students from Year 7-10 in 2014. This innovative and exciting program stimulates, extends, enriches and engages young people with high intellectual ability and potential. Unique to Cornerstone College, it is offered to selected students in the form of Year 7/8 STRETCH and Year 9/10 STRETCH.

Students who completed some outstanding extension work through the course of 2014 were presented with their certificates on Thursday 26 February at a special presentation event held in Anakalypsi. The outstanding overall achievement award was presented to Courtney Bishop. She was presented with a certificate and a copy of Dr Karl Kruszelnicki’s “Brain Food.”

Well done to everyone for an amazing year of “STRETCHING.”

Mrs Emma Rieger
Gifted and Talented Coordinator

Lutheran Schools Student Leader Day Program

On Tuesday 3 March, the six College Leaders travelled to Faith Lutheran College in the Barossa for a leadership training day. They were joined by the other Lutheran Schools of South Australia including; Concordia, Endeavour, Faith, Immanuel, St Martin’s, Navigator, Tatachilla and Unity Lutheran Colleges.

The day was filled with leadership strengthening activities and informative discussions followed by a tour of the Faith Lutheran College campus.

It was great to be able to see another Lutheran school and their facilities, including Faith’s Agricultural and Wine Education Centre and the Brenton Langbein Theatre which was absolutely incredible.

Catching up with and meeting some of the other Lutheran Schools’ student leaders was very valuable as we were able to gain inspiration and swap ideas.

College Leaders
Athletics Carnival

The annual Inter-House Athletics Carnival was held on Friday 6 March. The weather was excellent and the program was very full with some close results both on the track and in the field events. Morella Oval looked brilliant - the brightly coloured house areas each with their own theme, created a very positive atmosphere throughout the day. The first event for the day, ‘The House Lap’ was again lots of fun and a success, with most staff and students completing at least one lap - it was a great way to warm-up and earn some valuable house points.

Throughout the day, students participated enthusiastically and pushed themselves to win events and break records. There was lots of encouragement and support from the spectators. The results were close during the day, but Naturi finished strong and took out the Athletics Shield for 2015.

Final Scores:
1st: Naturi - 2474
2nd: Battunga – 2465
3rd: Aroona - 2449
4th: Moorak – 2353

Congratulations to the following students who broke records on the day:
Bradley Hilton: U/12 Boys 1500m, U/12 Boys 100m, U/12 Boys 200m
Daniel Zander: U/13 Boys 1500m, U/13 Boys 400m, U/13 Boys High Jump
Julian Jones: U/13 Boys 100m, U/13 Boys 200m
Alicia Harford: U/13 Girls 1500m
Claran Scales: U/12 Boys Triple Jump
Jack Schoell: U/13 Boys Triple Jump
Zane Olenich: U/15 Boys Triple Jump
Emily Nitschke: U/12 Girls Hurdles
Hannah Rodert: U/13 Girls Hurdles
Thomas Roberts: U/13 Boys Hurdles
Riley Hordacre: U/13 Boys Discus
Jake Bilsborow: U/13 Boys Long Jump
Olivia Snell: U/12 Girls 100m
Bethia Holton: U/13 Girls 100m
Lauren Hogan: U/13 Girls Shot Put
Abby Naughton: U/13 Girls Javelin
Blake Dunow: U/12 Boys Shot Put
Zabian Parker-Boers: U/13 Boys Shot Put
Ella Callaghan: U/13 Girls 400m
Isaac Lyons: U/12 Boys High Jump
Troy Parker-Boers: U/16 Boys Shot Put
Reagan McNeillie: U/12 Girls High Jump
Amelia Martin: U/13 Girls High Jump
Naturi: U/13 Girls 4 x 100m Relay

Moorak: U/13 Boys 4 x 100m Relay
Battunga: House Lap

Well done to the following students who received the House Award - an award based on participation and house spirit:
Aroona: Laura Cummings and Samantha Brown
Battunga: Sebastian Brook and Georgia Lamshed
Moorak: Hannah Rodert and Charlie Weeks
Naturi: Ashleigh Day and Sarah Dickinson

Miss Bec Weiss
Sports Co-ordinator
On Monday 2 March, 24 of the College’s best swimmers from Years 8-12 competed at the Marion Aquatics Centre in the C Grade SSSASA State School Swimming Championships.

Cornerstone competed against eight other city and country schools from around the state. In total, Cornerstone achieved 28 first places, 13 second places, and 12 third places.

Overall the team came second which is the highest ever achievement for the College.

Mrs Ali Hodgson and Mr Mike Litchfield
Accompanying Teachers

Year 11 Sweet Treats

ALWS Awareness Day

On Thursday 26 March, 13 Year 9 students attended the annual ALWS Awareness Day at St Marks. This day is held every year to educate students about the different aspects of aid organisations and in particular, the work that ALWS do around the world.

Ms Kayla Chumbley
ALWS Team
Danke schön to all who contributed to the success of German Day this year. A great time was had by all who participated. Some highlights: Miss Rodert’s whip cracking demonstration, the Hammerschmidt dance, the new event: soccer goal shooting as well as the food, such as Bienenstich and pretzels.

Mrs Ingrid Synwoldt
German Teacher

Around the College - Special Timetable Day

Wednesday 11 March, 2015
On Friday 27 March (note that 27 is one short of the second perfect number) Raife Gehren, Savannah Liebelt, Dylan Stephenson, Mr John and Mr McDonald attended a Mathscraft Session at Prince Alfred College. Here we tackled a variety of problems in consultation with mathematicians from various institutions from SA and around Australia. There were students from seven schools across Adelaide in attendance.

The problems were interesting and challenging. It was great to brainstorm ideas about how to solve these problems. Some of the solutions to these problems were very creative and it was amazing to see how smart and elegant some of the work was. We were so engaged that we continued to try and solve some of the problems in the car on the way back and long afterwards.

A little unusual to be going on a mathematics excursion - but we all enjoyed ourselves immensely.

Raife Gehren, Savannah Liebelt and Dylan Stephenson
In December 2014 it was my privilege to accompany four of Cornerstone’s finest Year 11 students on the ALWS Student Learning and Service Tour of Cambodia.

Throughout 2014 the Cornerstone community were involved in fund-raising to support the work of ALWS (Australian Lutheran World Service) in Cambodia. ALWS provide funding to an organisation called Life With Dignity (LWD) who work in rural areas of Cambodia. The purpose of the Student Tour was to learn about how the money raised is being used by LWD. We got to see a number of support projects in action and to talk to the people who are making those things happen. We also met some of the villagers who are benefitting from the support of LWD.

We were accompanied on the trip by a group of Year 11 and 12 students and teachers from Redeemer Lutheran School in Brisbane, whom we met in Singapore. Our entourage then flew to Phnom Penh, the capital of Cambodia, before heading north by bus to tour a number of rural villages in the Kampong Chhnang province.

I was so impressed by the enthusiasm and maturity displayed by the four students during the experience. We covered more than 500km through urban and rural landscapes, survived chaotic traffic and a creek crossing that threatened to rip the back end off the bus. We travelled on planes, buses, boats, tuctucs, elephants, scooters, tractors and did a lot of walking. The students showed a constant desire to learn about Cambodian culture, meet the people of Cambodia and experience how the funds raised for ALWS are making very real, life-changing impacts on the lives of those people.

Mr Tony Egan
ALWS Team

Late in Term 1 the Year 12 Outdoor Education class completed a four day kayaking expedition in the Coorong and Lower Lakes. They experienced some fantastic weather and a beautiful coastal environment.
Anzac Day Service

The first day of Term 2 this year fell just two days after the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings, providing our College the opportunity to remember the significance of the occasion for all Australians and New Zealanders.

Lead in its entirety by students, the half hour ANZAC Commemoration Service included students placing a paper poppy they had made onto the wall of our inbarendi building, providing an appropriate symbolic backdrop for all that was to follow. The main feature of the service was the reading of letters (by students), originally written by Australian service men and women in war-torn Gallipoli.

A further highlight was the raising of the Australian flag, conducted by several Defence Force cadets belonging to Cornerstone.

Pastor Albert Gast
### Hills Colour Fest

The inaugural Hills Colour Fest was held on the final day of Term 1 and what an event it was! Entirely planned, organised and run by a Year 12 Christian Living class, the event was a wonderful reflection of their hard work and dedication.

The event brought together the community and raised over $2,000 for Backpacks 4 SA Kids, a charity which provides clothes and personal supplies to children placed in emergency care.

The weather was perfect for the 250 participants who followed a 3.4km trail through the College and the Laratinga Trail while being splashed with coloured powder.

**Ms Kayla Chumbley**  
Christian Living Teacher

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### 107th Birthday Celebration

On Friday 10 April, eight Middle School House Leaders along with Mrs Filmer and Mr Pearce went to St Pauls Lutheran retirement home to celebrate Doris West’s 107th birthday. Doris is the second oldest surviving World War 1 widow.
Open Boys **Knockout Cricket**

After moving through the second round with a comprehensive victory over Heathfield High, Cornerstone found themselves in the final of the Open Boys Knockout Cricket tournament.

Cornerstone faced a strong opponent in the final in Marryatville High. The final was played on a turf wicket at Park 25 and with a small amount of rain over night, captain **Tyler Aitchison** won the toss and elected to bowl first. Opening bowlers **Ryan McEachern** and **Austin Abraham** built up the pressure early with disciplined bowling spells, before **Edward Reudiger** came into the attack and struck first ball! He then ripped through Marryatville’s top order giving Cornerstone the upper hand with Marryatville reeling at 6/50. Edward finished his 7 overs with the outstanding figures of 4/15. Marryatville were then able to put together a strong partnership and finished their 35 overs at 9/140.

Cornerstone had the task in front of them to chase down a good target on a pitch that was moving around a bit and against strong bowlers. The top order provided a solid start to Cornerstone’s innings making their way to 2/53 off the first 15 overs. **Sam Liersch** and **Tyler Aitchison** then combined for a match-winning partnership of 73, before Sam fell with the score at 130 in the 30th over, leaving only 10 runs to get off the last 5 overs. Sam batted beautifully to finish with a very well put together innings of 65. Tyler then hit a boundary back over the opening bowlers head to score the winning runs for Cornerstone with 4 overs left. Tyler finished 35 not out.

It was a fantastic team effort over the three games and the Cornerstone boys all played well and chipped in at various times to help the team. Congratulations boys and well deserved!

Mr Rhett Fielke
Coach

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Open Girls **Knockout Football**

Twenty four enthusiastic and excited senior girls took to the field for two games of knockout AFL football on Wednesday 13 May. For a wet and windy day, the girls displayed a sensational level of skill and perseverance, moving the ball with confidence and applying scoreboard pressure all day.

The first game against Heathfield resulted in a convincing win.

Unfortunately the girls were unable to proceed to round 2, going down to Birdwood by 8 points. **Talisha Adcock** and **Courtney Jaensch** were dangerous in the forward lines, and **Lucy Northcott** and **Georgina Hollsten** made their presence felt with fierce tackling and silky skills. Congratulations to all players for their positive and encouraging attitude all day.

**Best:** Lucy Northcott, Georgia Hollsten, Niamh Montague, Alex Edwards, Rhiannon West, Charlotte Turner

Mr Anthony Janus and Miss Kayla Chumbley
Open Girls Coaches
On Wednesday 8 April, Cornerstone competed in the SSSSA B Grade Athletics Championships which was held at SANTOS Stadium. The weather conditions were very good and the standard of the competition was high. The students performed extremely well and should be congratulated for their positive attitude and excellent efforts. Both the Boys and Girls competed in Division 1. The Girls finished 2nd and the Boys finished 3rd.

Overall, with the Girls and Boys scores combined, Cornerstone finished 2nd. This fantastic result means that Cornerstone may be moved to compete in the A Grade, Division 2 next year. Well done to all competitors and thank you to the many students who willingly filled events during the day. Also, thanks to the staff who assisted with coaching the students before the event and for their support on the actual day of competition.

Ms Rebecca Weiss  
Sports Coordinator

On Thursday 9 April, 26 Year 7 students represented Cornerstone at the Barker District SAPSASA Athletics competition held at Oakbank Area School.

The weather was perfect for competition and the students were eager to perform in their respective events. The Cornerstone students took to their track and field events, representing our College beautifully. The team were strong competitors and achieved some excellent individual results, with many students returning to school with ribbons.

Congratulations to Bradley Hilton who won the overall male best competitor for the day! Thank you to all those parents who came along to help officiate and support students on the day.

Mr Matthew Vince and Miss Stephanie Rodert  
Year 7 Teachers
On Wednesday 4 May, four teachers and four assistant leaders left the grounds of Cornerstone and headed by bus up to the Mount Remarkable National Park to embark on the Year 10 Outdoor Education Bushwalking Expedition. The students were divided into four different walking groups and over the following three days walked approximately 30km up mountains, down mountains and through some beautiful gorges, all the while carrying their personal camping and survival supplies on their backs. The students all showed great determination, developed stronger friendships and learnt camping and navigational skills. Overall they should be very proud of what they achieved.

Mrs Ali Hodgson and Mrs Danielle Bradley Outdoor Education Teachers

First Aid

On 28 May all Year 10s completed Applying First Aid (formerly Senior First Aid) as part of their Personal Learning Plan. Over two days students learnt how to deal with medical emergencies and perform CPR.

Senior Vocal Ensemble

On Monday 11 May, the Senior Vocal Ensemble visited St Paul’s Lutheran Homes and performed to 50 highly appreciative and encouraging residents.
Grandparents’ and Special Friends Day

Grandparents’ Day is always such a special day on our school calendar. It is a privilege to witness the loving connection between grandchild and grandparent.

We were blessed to have around 250 Grandparents and Special Friends join us, as the Year 8s hosted an entertaining morning of songs, skits, presentations and sharing of their life at Cornerstone. Well done to the Year 8s who put on a very enjoyable event. And thanks to all the Grandparents and Special Friends who joined us; we really value your connection with the College.

Ms Stephanie Noon
Marketing Manager

Year 11 Drama Production

In Week 2, Mr Braid’s Year 11 Drama class presented ‘Dimboola’ in Atelier Theatre.

Audience members were treated to a night of 1970s Aussie humour as they witnessed the events of a country wedding reception. Dimboola, written by Jack Hibberd is a comedy of manners, whereby characters say and do as they please and all social etiquette is thrown out the window.

Well done to all student performers involved and a special thanks to James Bretag (Year 10 techie) and Jemma Hadley (Year 10 actor) for their talented contributions.

Mr Matthew Braid
Drama Teacher
In late May 158 Year 8 students experienced the very first Year 8 Activities week. The theme of the week was looking after self, looking after others and looking after the community. Students participated in a range of activities that included: an overnight camp, high ropes course, Indigenous activities, city challenge, ALWS session, Sonya Ryan session, Cyber Safety session and a Healthy Habit research session. On Friday they were required to create a presentation on what they had learnt during the week and present it to another Core Group.

Mr Matthew Pearce
Middle School Learning Leader
Cornerstone College acknowledges the importance of our students being aware and involved in this week. We had a number of activities, devotions and discussions during Home Group to explore this significant week. You may have noticed our trees wrapped with symbolic ribbons.

There were daily reflections and Chapel on National Sorry Day. Year 8 students had an Indigenous experience during their camp time at Rocky Creek. The discussions for art works were based on the issues related to Country and spirituality. We also had Indigenous visitors come into the College to speak with our Year 9 Art students.

This year we shared our plans for the week with ‘Reconciliation National Reconciliation Week Australia’ who provided the College with badges and temporary tattoos which was a great addition.

Cornerstone College aims to continue to acknowledge the traditional owners of Country throughout Australia and recognise their traditional connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to them and their cultures; and to elders both past and present.

Ms Jacinta Smart
Moorak House Leader

On Wednesday 3 June, 15 keen Middle School House Leaders travelled to the Adelaide Convention Centre to participate in Altitude Day hosted by YLead. The purpose of the day was to

- Inspire dreams
- Unlock potential and
- Empower leaders

The day began with a few activities where we interacted with students from various other schools from around the state. This was followed by three presentations by guest speakers. The guest speakers were Lucas Lovell (Young Explorer), Barnaby Howarth (Stroke Survivor and Footballer) and Rowie McEvoy (Passionate Health and Fitness Professional).

It is hoped that our Middle School House Leaders felt inspired by the speakers and all of YLead team members and will take away ideas and thoughts that they can implement in their lives both as leaders and as young adults into the future.

Mrs Leanne Filmer
Middle School Wellbeing Leader
Business Breakfast

On Friday 1 May we had the pleasure of hosting a breakfast for some of our local business community. We were blessed with a beautiful crisp and sunny morning. Our guests enjoyed a light breakfast while getting up close and personal with some local creatures!

We highly value being a part of such a strong and vibrant community in the Adelaide Hills and thank those who joined us for this special breakfast.

Ms Stephanie Noon
Marketing Manager

From the ‘clippings’ Archives

A Case of Conspiracy

In Term 1 the Year 10 Science classes took a journey into the world of the forensic scientist when the presentation, “A Case of Conspiracy” visited the school. Through a series of interactive displays and activities, students discovered how forensic evidence is gathered, how it is analysed and how the results of these analyses are compiled to provide a detailed picture of the events leading up to a crime. The presentation showed students how the methods and experiments that they are using each day in the school laboratory are developed and applied in the real world. By examining and interpreting evidence found at the “crime scene”, students worked on building a case against one of the “suspects” in a “real crime” and so solved the case. A few students showed themselves to be real super-sleuths with what could be a promising career in this area of Science.

Mr Tony Egan
Science Teacher
After entering Cornerstone as a young adolescent in Year 7, students are ready for the Journey program in Year 9 to prepare them for their passage into Senior School. The year-long program challenges them physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually in a very experiential program. It is just one of the many ways Cornerstone understands the changing needs of our students as they progress from Year 7 to Year 12.

The Journey is a rite of passage from Middle School to Senior School.
In this edition of clippings we share with you some of the recent happenings from our LEAH Primary sister schools:

**ST MARK’S LUTHERAN**

The beginning of a new school year is always exciting. In 2015 St Mark’s welcomed another 54 Foundation students. These students have now settled into school life and are certainly enjoying the recently refurbished multi-purpose junior primary teaching space. We have had many visitors come to St Mark’s during this semester. Our students were left aghast by the sheer enormity of a monster truck and the extraordinary cost of running these mean looking machines. The Metropolitan Fire Service also paid our Foundation students a visit. Our students loved having a close up look at the fire truck but were even more excited when the firehose was turned on!

Our twilight Sports Day is always a wonderful opportunity for our students to demonstrate their sportsmanship. It was lovely to see so many parents, grandparents and friends cheer on students and then sample the delicious barbeque tea, coffee and sweets provided by our Parents & Friends. This year we also saw our Year 6 students take on the challenge of Pedal Prix again in their first race achieved 17th position in our class after starting from a grid position of 177 with 183 competitors. Our students completed 105 laps and covered a total distance of 142 km!

This semester St Mark’s hosted ALWS Awareness Day. This event allowed students to learn about the issues and challenges that face refugees on a daily basis worldwide. We were blessed to have teachers and support staff serve porridge for morning tea and steamed rice for lunch - the staple diet of those living in camps. It was an experience that we know has influenced and shaped how our students view refugees seeking sanctuary in Australia.

At St Mark’s we value the connection we have with Cornerstone College. In Term 1 our junior primary classes were blessed by visiting Year 12 Cornerstone students. The Service Program provided students from the college the opportunity to support junior primary students in their writing and reading.

A school year is made up of so many defining moments. This semester there was none more moving than our Stations of the Cross. On Maundy Thursday this year our community of 350 students, 35 staff and parents gathered to reflect on Jesus’ journey to Calvary. In silence our students moved from one station to the other where they paused and prayed. At our final station - the cross - and to the echo of iron nails falling into a steel bucket we thanked God for the sacrifice of His son and the forgiveness of our sins.

Mrs Loredana Saracini
Deputy Principal

**ST MICHAEL’S LUTHERAN**

Year 4s help celebrate 107th Birthday in Hahndorf

Year 4 students recently attended the birthday celebrations of Mrs Doris West’s 107th birthday. These students also visited Mrs West 5 years ago when it was her 102nd birthday. The students made gifts, cards and sang ‘Happy Birthday’ while performing for her.

Foundation students visit the MFS

In term 2 the Foundation students transdisciplinary theme for their learning was ‘how we organise ourselves’. Their Central Idea was ‘People take on different roles in the communities to which they belong.’ To support them in their understanding the Foundations went on an excursion to the Adelaide Metropolitan Fire Station. They met and chatted with several MFS employees and all students had a turn of the ‘big’ hose.

Mrs Loredana Saracini
Deputy Principal
LOBETHAL LUTHERAN  
Curiosity and Nature  
Children at Lobethal Lutheran School have been very curious this semester, curious about lots of things. In fact it has been a whole school emphasis with our unit plans as we further develop and implement our 5Cs – Curiosity, Challenge, Collaboration, Creativity and Confidence. Curiosity fits very neatly into our Inquiry Learning approach to learning, asking a big question and seeing where this leads us as we find out more and more about the topic at hand.

For example, Year 6/7s asked the big question about ‘Have All Australians Experienced Democracy in the Same Way?’ and various students researched their own special interest topics of White Australia Policy, Women’s Vote and Immigrants’ Rights. Our R/1/2 classes asked the big question about ‘What Was Life Like in the Past?’ and found out about clothes, school and toys. Our Year 3/4 class asked the big question about ‘How do we Keep Things Warm?’ and found out all about insulation qualities of materials.

All this and more was presented to parents and friends at a special Curiosity Showcase last week where we opened the school up to families, viewing their children’s work and displays, and children had the opportunity to explain to visitors about what they had been learning about.

The children have also enjoyed the opportunity to use our garden area in the back of the oval as a learning and play area. Their inquisitive and imaginative nature have seen new and energetic games being played, cubbies being built using natural materials, risks being taken, cooperative relationships being formed and great social mixing between the age levels.

Staff too are embarking on a learning journey as they find out more about Nature Play. Our aim is then to use and change other outdoor areas of the school so that children can find their own exciting activities to take up and materials to use.

Mr Craig Lieschke  
Principal

SPRING HEAD LUTHERAN  
It’s been a busy start to 2015 at Spring Head. Our year started with a week of swimming at Woodside pool, our senior students took part in ALWS Awareness Day and we had an exciting sports day with the Yabbies winning by the narrowest of margins.

The Mount Pleasant Show was a wonderful fundraiser for our school and our students had terrific success with their entries from our vegetable garden, winning a number of awards, including 6 first places. Our school has also had a presence at the Mount Pleasant Farmers’ Market, where our students were invited to sell chicken feed from their business, the Old School Grain Store.

Spring Head TV was launched in Term 1, with students reporting on activities around the school, excursions and visits from a number of groups including Footsteps Dance Studio, Animals Anonymous and Jonas Tandoh, who presented Ghana Beat My Drum. Our computer lab was upgraded in Term 1, and Stage 2 of our nature play area, an outdoor classroom, was completed in Term 2.

Our school has been actively involved in the community, hosting a number of visits from local kindergartens, and having our students visiting regularly at Restvale Homes in Lobethal. The Stormbirds program was introduced, supporting students who had been affected by the Sampson Flat bushfires, and our school took part in joint activities with other local primary schools through the Come Out parade and preparing for the Hills Music Festival which will be hosted by Spring Head at the end of Term 2. Our interactions outside of school have extended to overseas, where we have begun corresponding with two other Spring Head primary schools – in Hull, and Stoke-on-Trent, UK.

Mr Andrew Boesch  
Principal
Above and Beyond

We have had the pleasure of some old scholars visit the College this year at assemblies. They share their achievements to motivate, encourage and inspire our current students to work towards their full potential in preparation for life beyond Cornerstone. Here are their reflections:

MIKARLA DOECKE (2007)

Mikarla worked and travelled overseas after Year 12, including some time in Germany visiting her German Exchange family from Year 11. She moved back to Adelaide and undertook a three year International Studies degree at the University of Adelaide. During her time at university she also travelled to Tanzania in Africa for a volunteer trip working in an orphanage. She now works for the South Australian government, for the Department of Communities and Social Inclusion.

I particularly invited Mikarla to speak as she spent 6 months working on Christmas Island at the immigration centres there. There are three centres on Christmas Island, one for families, women and children, and one for single adult males. Mikarla worked in the centre with the males. At any given time there were approximately 2,000 in the centre from all across the globe, from Sri Lanka, Iran, Afghanistan, Sudan and many other places. Her job at the centre was to search and store people’s property for safe keeping when they arrived at the island, to give them clothes and other supplies and to help facilitate the transfers of people to the Australian mainland.

Mikarla’s interest in this area was sparked by her independent research internship with the Australian Refugee Association during University. It’s such a controversial part of Australia’s politics, so it was quite interesting to be a part of it first-hand.

What were some of the challenges of working on Christmas Island?

There were many challenges in this work. Mikarla indicated at times it was hard staying positive whilst working under a lot of pressure. They worked 12 hour shifts, 5 or 6 days a week, in hot weather, and were constantly run off our feet. Sometimes when facing her own physical challenges, she tried to take a step back and think about what all the asylum seekers were going through. It was also hard at the times that she really wanted to help everyone, but there was so many people coming through it was impossible. They also had to follow any directives given by the government regardless of their own thoughts on a circumstance.

I asked Mikarla what she learnt from this experience. She said:

1. How lucky we are to live in a free country.

2. It reinforced that I shouldn’t base my opinions only on what I hear through the media. When we were working on Christmas Island and watching the news up there what was being reported was completely different to what was actually happening.

3. The importance of making the most of every opportunity.

Mikarla gave one very powerful piece of advice for students. “I’ve got one piece of practical advice that has helped shaped me and give me many of my great opportunities. If you’re looking for exciting opportunities in your career and just life in general I think a great way to do that is to volunteer. I truly believe volunteering opens your eyes up to many and varied experiences you probably would never get otherwise and it can also lead to career opportunities.”

Mikarla indicated that before she worked on Christmas Island she volunteered at the Inverbrackie Centre helping kids with their homework after school. “I probably would have never considered working on Christmas Island if it weren’t for my experience volunteering with asylum seekers in my own backyard,” she said.

“So if there is an area you think you might be interested in but don’t yet have the skill set to get paid employment, put your name forward to volunteer. It only has to be for an hour or two a week but I think it’s the best decision you’ll make. Even if you don’t get anything out of it, the people you’re helping certainly will.”

We thank Mikarla for sharing her experience. Our students have amazing opportunities available to them, and we encourage every one of them to consider what their future could be and to grab every opportunity that comes their way. Mikarla’s story also shows that you need to persevere and put in effort, that these opportunities don’t general just accidentally happen.

Mrs Julie Sampson
Learning Director

MELISSA KEOGH (2009)

What year did you graduate from Cornerstone?

2009.

What career path have you taken?

I’m a journalist at The Courier newspaper.

Have you done any special study or training for this?

I completed a Bachelor of Journalism and a Bachelor of Arts (Creative Writing) at UniSA. Throughout my four years of study I also undertook internships at a number of newspapers and magazines across Adelaide and Sydney. In my last year of uni I got a job working at a newspaper in Renmark, in the Riverland. I was dropped in the deep end from day one and found myself immersed in situations I never thought I’d be, from attending car accidents to visiting major wineries. Country towns are great training grounds for young jourons and it was one of my most worthwhile experiences so far.

I’m a journalist at The Courier newspaper.
What do you hope to be doing in five years’ time?
I’ll definitely stick to journalism. I still have a huge amount to learn at The Courier and I’m picking up new skills every day.

What advice would you give to school leavers?
Don’t believe anyone who says your career aspirations are impossible or that no jobs will ever come about. It’s all about being in the right spot at the right time and making your own luck. Also, do as much work experience as you can.

Anything else you’d like to share?
As a journalist, no two days are ever the same and in the short time I’ve been at The Courier I’ve already attended a bank robbery, house fires, flown 2,500ft above ground in a powered hang glider and spent time with victims of the Sampson Flat Bushfire, including burnt koalas and kangaroos. I meet people from all walks of life every day.

Old Scholars - if you’d like to come to an assembly and share your story with current Cornerstone students we’d love to see you. Your insights and real life experiences are invaluable.

Please contact the College on 8398 6000 if you’d like to get involved.

HAYDEN CONLAY (2012)
Since leaving school in 2012 I never liked the idea of slotting into ‘the status quo’ and going to university, so I took off overseas for two years, I spent my time in Canada and America where I worked for two summers at a Camp America Summer Camp, working and travelling in-between. These gap years gave me a good chance to explore what opportunities are out there in the world, and it was during this time that I started to realise and see various Australians in American Colleges on scholarships playing American football. Being a passionate athlete and sport enthusiast myself I had to look into and research this more. Australians have a great track record of playing American football as the ‘Punter’ (kicking) position as we come from that natural Australian football background which the Americans love as they come from soccer backgrounds and can’t kick the ball out of their hands very well. After digging a bit deeper into this avenue in 2013/2014 I decided to pursue it myself as the idea of playing a sport full time whilst obtaining a fully paid for degree in a country on the other side of the world seemed very appealing to me.

The process was bigger than I ever imagined, after nearly 18 months of working with kicking coaches, recruiting agencies, sitting SAT tests, applying for visas, and athletic associations (NCAA) it finally all came together and paid off.

I obtained a full ride international athletic scholarship at ASA College in New York City (worth $30,000 a semester) where I will be on a year by year contract. I will start as their Punter as of Fall 2015.

College sports in America are absolutely huge and are hard to compare to anything back in Australia.

I will be living on campus in New York City and the scholarship will include all my tuition, food, accommodation, insurances and sporting needs.

I will be studying a course on Health Technology and should be heading over to the States at the end of July.

Ultimately I hope to play and study at ASA College for a year or two and hopefully prove myself enough to be able to transfer into a larger school to finish off my degree. (continued over)
Australia doesn’t have a lot to offer in regards to athletes who want to keep pursuing their sport post-school. It’s basically club sports and university or find sponsorship and try and go pro in your sport. Whereas America offers a great opportunity to combine your sport into an elite level while studying. For any serious athletes out there who want to pursue their sport without having to worry about finance and missing out on going to uni - this is a great pathway I urge you to explore.

My career goal is to ultimately be a strength and conditioning coach for an elite sporting club - preferably an AFL club. I see this opportunity hopefully giving me a bit of an edge having the life experience component of studying abroad and the experience of playing elite sport at a collegian level. In five years I would like to be back in Australia and starting my dream career living on the Gold Coast working for the Gold Coasts Suns as their Head Strength and Conditioning Coach.

My advice to anyone about to finish school is don’t panic. We have so many external factors around us that we feel pressure from telling us to ‘choose how we want to spend the rest of our lives’, ‘what do you want to do?’, ‘what do you want to study?’. I think the most important question is ‘who do I want to be?’ For me the answer was I wanted to be happy with what I was doing and I struggled to see happiness for me to finish school and go straight to university. Teachers, parents telling us to ‘study hard’, go to uni get a degree, get a job work hard for 50 years and ‘she’ll be right’. I know first hand it gets quite over-whelming. Fact is, that if you aren’t happy throughout the process - that will never work. You need to find happiness in yourself before you can be happy with what you’re doing. One of my favourite quotes is “If you do what you love, you will never work a day in your life”. If you are feeling stressed and not sure what you’re going to do when you leave school and feel like you need to go to uni ‘just because’ then I urge you to just relax, take a step back, life is a big journey and don’t rush your decisions - explore your options and do what makes you happy. I’m so grateful for the fact that I decided to go overseas and take some gap years to explore the world and explore my opportunities. Unless you know exactly what you want to do, I strongly suggest that you look into doing the same. There are so many amazing working holiday programs out there all over the world that will seriously do a 180 on you and open your eyes to a greater world.

There were many times throughout the 18 or so months I was pursing this college option that I just wanted to give up. It was all getting too hard, too many set backs. But I stayed the course - and my biggest advice to anyone is that if you are passionate about something and want something bad enough - don’t give up, stay the course. Because nothing worthwhile in life ever came easy, if it were easy, everyone would do it.

COURTNEY PURL (NEE LIEBELT 2002)
Married at Golding Winery, Lobethal on October 4, 2014.
Bridesmaids: Susan Jury, Tahlia Holbrook (nee deVries), Sarah Heinze (nee Prest) and Ashleigh Liebelt.
Honeymoon: Mauritius.

HANNAH SIERP (2011) & BEN HAGE (2011)
Married on 18 April, 2015 at a garden wedding in Stirling. Guests then enjoyed an after-party in the Barn in Blakiston. So much fun!
SAMANTHA DE WIT (2009)
My name is Samantha de Wit and I graduated from Cornerstone College in 2009. In 2010 I began a Bachelor of Behavioural Science, majoring in Psychology and Sociology at Flinders University. I completed my degree then subsequently took a year off. In 2014 I began an honours degree at the University of South Australia. I obtained first class honours for my thesis titled “the commodification of sleep during commercial air travel”. I was offered a Scholarship and I am now (as of the beginning of 2015) undertaking a PhD by research at the Hawke Research Institute (UniSA).

MICHAEL HILL (FORMERLY TANNER 2004)

LAUREN TURNER (NEE CROCKER 2008)
Cameron and I got married on 1 November, 2014 at Thomas Hill House in Mt Crawford Forest Lenswood. Myself and bridesmaids, Hannah Webb, Di Jones and old scholar and Maid of Honor Lyndsey Edmunds arrived by horseback which was a dream come true. Since leaving Cornerstone I’ve gained a degree in Nursing and have recently moved to Darwin on my first posting to work as a Nurse in the Australian Regular Army. Cameron gained a Bachelor of Civil Aviation and is working full time at TJM - 4WD Accessories whilst awaiting a contract with the Air Force to become an air traffic controller. Life is great, we’re living the dream but Cornerstone will always be my strong foundation and hold a very special place in my heart.

KARL SMITH (1998)
Sadly my wife Sarah Smith lost her 5 year battle to cancer in November 2014. A beautiful funeral service occurred with about 500 people attendance. I have had amazing support by family, friends, church and work, and hoping to rebuild in 2015.

Attention Old Scholars
We would love to receive photos of weddings, engagements, births or any other information to put in our future editions of ‘clippings’.

Please send them via post to:
‘Old Scholars at Cornerstone’
PO Box 820, Mt Barker, 5251

or email them to the College at:
oldscholars@cornerstone.sa.edu.au

DAMIAN STOKES (2009)
After completing Year 12 I travelled around the world for 6 months before returning to Australia to work at Hamilton Island for 8 months. I returned to Mount Barker and worked for Flight Centre, Murray Bridge for 12 months (obtaining my Certificate III in Tourism Retail Travel Sales). I then transferred to England and worked for Flight Centre, London for 6 months, before landing a fantastic job working as Cabin Crew for Emirates based in Dubai. I trained for 3 months at the “Aviation College, Dubai”, topped my class and received an Excellence Customer Service Award for 2014. I am certified to work with Boeing 777 and A380 aircraft. I have been with Emirates for 18 months, travelled to every continent and loving it.

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The following Old Scholar updates are extracts from the Cornerstone College 5, 10 and 20 Year Reunion booklet (Classes of 2010, 2005 and 1995) and were current as at June 2015:

CLASS OF 2010

CHRISTINE ALLEN
In 2011 I completed Certificates 2, 3 and 4 in Business Administration, allowing me to progress up the career ladder, going from part-time retail and hospitality jobs to full-time jobs in office administration, including positions such as Medical Receptionist, Medical Administrative Coordinator and Personal Assistant. I am currently working in Adelaide in corporate education program management.

In September 2012 I moved in with my partner, and just over a year later we bought our first house in October 2013. We are now looking at building our dream house within a year or two from now and will subsequently be turning our current home into our first investment property.

My partner and I got engaged in January 2015 while on holiday in Queensland, and in March 2016 I get to marry the man of my dreams on a relative’s property, a rose farm, in Scott Creek SA.

BRETT GEUE
Hmm, what have I been up to since graduation? ‘Thinks furiously..........’ I’ve hopped around different degrees at uni (the University of Adelaide) for the last few years, from Pharmaceutical Engineering to Science and Health Science, and I hope if everything goes well, to graduate with a degree in Psychological Science at the end of 2016. My uni time has been stilted at times courtesy of having 6 surgical operations from 2011-2014, so that has made things a little awkward at times but we persevere. I have been busy playing tennis and winning seasons in summer for the HTA (Hills Tennis Association) and in winter for Tennis SA, and I also went skydiving back in 2013 for a 21st birthday treat. Hopefully my 10 year reunion story is more interesting........

JACOB SHEARER
I started studying a combined electronic engineering/physics degree at Adelaide Uni in 2011 and added a maths degree in 2012. I completed a summer research project at the Defence Science and Technology Organisation over the 2012/2013 summer and have been working there as a part time contractor since. I was also part of the Hills CLW leadership team for 2012-2014. Mid 2014 I was chosen as one of the scholars for the pilot program of the New Colombo Plan Scholarship and therefore am currently in Japan on exchange studying at the University of Tokyo and hopefully completing an internship at a Japanese company before coming back to Adelaide to do my last year of study in 2016. At this stage I don’t have any concrete plans for after I graduate.

EMILY MAHOMET
Since leaving school I attended an American Summer Camp in Pennsylvania for 3 months during my gap year. I spent the American summer teaching 600 kids from 6-16 years old how to waterski and wakeboard as well as being a boat driver. I had the privilege of meeting hundreds of people from all over the world in which I have since travelled to the UK to visit them all. I then studied my Bachelor of Registered Nursing for 3 years at university working in the areas of renal dialysis, orthopaedics and palliative care, before finishing last year. I am currently on my graduate year at the Royal Adelaide Hospital in Intensive Care which is a great learning experience and very busy. After this I will be working on a medical ward until the end of January 2016.

TEAGAN (STANBURY) & JAMIE MUNYARD
Since graduating from Cornerstone, together we have travelled to America & Canada, have gained an interest in camping, kayaking and travel, have purchased a unit, got engaged in 2012 and were married on 1st of February 2014. Jamie is currently working at Optus as assistant manager, while Teagan is a transport manager at a local construction company.

REBECCA CURTIS
After finishing at Cornerstone in 2010, I went to uni and completed a Bachelor of Education (Primary). I was lucky enough to be able to participate in a student exchange during my time at uni, completing 6 months of my degree in Worcester, UK. I finished my degree at the end of 2014. I’m currently working as a Year 2 teacher at Good Shepherd Lutheran College in Palmerston, Northern Territory. Living in Darwin is definitely not what I expected to be doing this year but I am loving every minute of it.

CAMERON SEIDEL
Since graduating from Cornerstone I’ve been studying at the University of Adelaide. Over this and next year I’m completing a pure mathematics major as well as honours in electrical and electronic engineering to finish my double degree program. Complimentary to that, I’ve undertaken two summer research scholarship projects at the university. I’ve continued in the sport of fencing which I started in year 8, and even won a state medal. I’ve continued to be involved with the Spring Head, Woodside and Lobethal Lutheran Youth (SHWALLY) including during 2012 and last year, two-week trips to Malaysia to connect with Lutheran youth and their mission projects over there, both fantastic experiences. I’ve also been quite involved with Lutheran Students and Friends. Between all that I’ve taken up the challenging and rewarding work of teaching – both some high school students privately in addition to first year computer science practical supervision at uni:

SARA GRAY
Since graduating from Cornerstone College I studied Social Work at the University of South Australia, Magill Campus. I have since graduated and I am now on the hunt for work in the field. I have volunteered on a number of camps with people whom have disabilities and people in foster care, and I look forward to more opportunities to volunteer both locally and internationally.

DAVID SADAUASKAS
After finishing up at Cornerstone College in 2010, I went straight out to university. I’d figured that if I were to have a gap year I would likely never go back to study! I began my Bachelor of Physiotherapy at the University of South Australia in 2011 and have never looked back since. Graduating at the end of 2014 I decided I would explore South East Asia by backpacking through five countries in two months; an experience I’ll never forget, the travel bug has well and truly been caught – next stops: New Zealand and Japan! Needless to say, I am happy to be back on Australian soil and working full time as a physiotherapist in the Riverland. I work in a private clinic, several hospitals and aged care facilities and also run exercise classes and one on one rehab sessions. It’s been flat out, but I’ve loved every moment. Thankyou Cornerstone!

GEMMA PFEIFFER
After leaving Cornerstone I studied Paramedic Science at Flinders University, and graduated in 2013. During my time studying I became a
volunteer and training mentor for SA Ambulance in the Country Regional Response Team, travelling across the state to provide regional coverage for country ambulance stations. In 2015 I started a Paramedic Internship with SA Ambulance and am currently working in metropolitan Adelaide. I still live in the beautiful Adelaide Hills and am lucky enough to still catch up with some other Cornerstone Old Scholars.

CAITLIN RICE
After school, and after a few gap years, I re-did year 12 and bumped my marks up enough to get into uni. I was doing psychology but it wasn’t for me, now I’m waiting to get into NIDA or TAFE for a costume degree. My life now consists of harnessing my hording skills into collecting figurines, games and autographs, cosplay, Comic Con, PlayStation, anime, everything Si-fi and fantasy and above all else, Doctor Who. High school wasn’t a great time for me because I didn’t know where I fit in, but now I have learned that you don’t have to, and I’m happy with the person I am now, quirks and all, I wouldn’t change a thing and I look forward to seeing everyone again for the next reunion :)

ROCHELLE CALDERWOOD
It’s hard to believe it has been 5 years since I’ve finished high school! During the last few years I’ve done so many exciting things! I’ve started piano teaching, I’ve taken up the cello, I had the opportunity to travel to Sri Lanka and Singapore with my family, and even climbed the Sydney Harbour Bridge at sunset :) I am also happy to say that December 2014 marked the end of my 4 year course at Flinders University - graduating with a Bachelor of Speech Pathology. My uni course provided me with many exciting opportunities, which included spending 3 months in Alice Springs on placement. Since graduation I’ve been through the interesting process of job hunting - it has been alot more difficult than I anticipated! I have recently accepted a short term contract in Mt Gambier working at the community health clinic - which includes providing outreach services to Kingston, Millicent and Robe, with children and adults. I absolutely love it! I’m looking forward to finding out what the next few years have in store for me!

JOSHUA RODGERS
In 2011 I started my journey with Great Southern Rail (GSR), a company responsible for the operation of the Ghan, Indian Pacific and Overland interstate rail services. It is here where I grew as a person exponentially and took on various roles such as bar work, concierge, house keeping, food and drink waiting. Whilst employed at GSR I made life-long friends here, travelled to most major cities of Australia, witnessed some spectacular Australian landscape and created memories that will last a lifetime. In 2014 I made the bold move of returning to study, I began my Registered Nursing (RN) degree last year and haven’t looked back. I have enjoyed the various challenges university has posed and look forward to practising as a RN in the near future. I have chosen nursing as a career path as I have always had a passion for people and find caring for others to be extremely rewarding.

ALISSA HAMPTON
After a gap year I commenced a Bachelor of Science Veterinary Bioscience at Adelaide University, Roseworthy campus. After graduating with the Roseworthy Old Collegians Association (ROCA) Prize for the highest cumulative GPA in the class I am now undertaking the first year of a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), hoping to graduate as a qualified vet in 2017.

LAURA DAENKE
After finishing year 12 in 2010 I moved to Canberra to study a bachelor in Heritage, Museums and Conservation. After 3 years of study I graduated from my degree specialising in object conservation. I am currently working at the National Archives of Australia in the preservation laboratory. Here I repair documents that are requested for viewing by the general public and prepare paper objects for exhibition in Australia’s museums and galleries. I am also working at a private conservation business that does a lot of restoration work. On a weekly basis I am restoring very interesting and beautiful objects such as paintings, gilded frames and ceramics. In between study and work I have been lucky enough to travel overseas several times. I will be moving back to Adelaide in July to be with my family and continue following my conservation dream. I would like to give a shout out to all my Cornerstone friends who have been so supportive while I have been in Canberra!

JOSH SCHUBERT
Since graduating in 2010 I completed my carpentry apprenticeship as well as doing my builders licence and a business course and I was fortunate to be able to work on new cornerstone college buildings. I now run my own carpentry business as well as contract work building shearing sheds and various other work. I also partner with my cousin in an agronomy business. Since high school I’ve developed a passion for the country and showing off its beauty through a bit of my own photography on the side. I still love my footy at Lobey tigers and spending time with all the lads. Don’t mind going out in the kayak for a bit of fishing from time to time and spending afternoon runs on a dirt road with the man upstairs.

ANTHEA MARSHALL
Since leaving school I have completed a Bachelor of Architectural Studies at the University of Adelaide and have commenced my Masters of Architecture this year. I will start an internship at Russell & Yelland in the second semester of this year. I have continued to enjoy musical pursuits, singing in the annual Carols by Glowstick event held by Trinity Mount Barker in Inbarendi. Travel has been of interest to me in the last 5 years, with trips to Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Fiji and New Zealand, and the occasional hike through Tasmania.

AMY NORSWORTHY
Since graduating in 2010 I went straight to University where I completed a Bachelor of Education (Primary R-7) at Uni SA at Magil. During that time I went on the Habitat for Humanity trip to the Philippines as a youth leader after going on the same trip as a student in Year 11 at Cornerstone. I have also been involved in youth work helping with the leadership of my local youth group, Christian Life Weeks and the team leader of the Hills Green Team at Schoolies festival which have all helped me to get where I am now. After finishing my degree I was lucky enough to be offered a job teaching Year 10 students at Crossways Lutheran School and am now living in Ceduna and am really enjoying my new adventure.

MORGAN GEORG
After leaving school I moved to Surfers Paradise to live and work by the beach as my gap year. I then returned to Adelaide to commence a Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning at UniSA which I will complete by the end of this year. Throughout my degree I also partook in a semester abroad and studied at San Diego State University. I am excited to be returning to the United States this July for some further study in Chicago and New York. Travel is something I am very passionate about. In the last few years I have travelled to Vietnam with family; Cambodia, Laos...
and Thailand solo; as-well as Mexico and the United States with my partner Ross. While studying I also work as a manager at the Great Eastern Hotel in Littlehampton and have been there for over 4 years now.

SIMONE THOMAS
After leaving Cornerstone to complete high school in Mount Gambier I returned to Adelaide and briefly studied at Adelaide University. I now am a Practice Manager and Chiropractic Assistant for two Chiropractors and am very passionate about the benefits of Chiropractic Care. Outside of my work life my family has grown bigger with even more siblings including identical twins. As I now live with my partner Mathew, I borrow the youngest 3 children as often as I can for sleepovers and an excuse to watch children’s movies!

SU-SIM LIM
Since leaving Cornerstone in 2010 I moved to Adelaide to study a Bachelor of Education and a Bachelor of Science (majoring in Chemistry and Biology) at Flinders University. Whilst at Uni I thoroughly enjoyed being part of ES (the Evangelical Student group), mentoring at Westminster School, teaching swimming and playing a few different sports. At Uni I also met Brad and we’re getting married in December. I am now teaching Junior Maths and Science and Year 11 Chemistry at John Pirie Secondary School in Port Pirie. Looking back I very much appreciate the support and encouragement from staff at Cornerstone during my schooling and for your part in showing me the importance of faith in Christ.

CLASS OF 2005

CATHARINE MILLS
The last 10 years I have spent traveling, studying and working around the world. I graduated from Adelaide Medical School in 2011. I have delivered babies in India, cared for children in Ecuador, swam in the Galapagos with turtles, climbed the Eiffel tower and adventured through Bulgaria with my wonderful partner Gueorgui. I can’t wait to see what the next 10 years brings.

THOMAS MCLEAN
Moved down the hill after school and studied Chemical Engineering at Adelaide Uni. Found it all a bit dry but finished it off before completing a Diploma of Teaching. I’m now in my fourth year of teaching Chemistry, Physics and Maths at Christian Brothers’ College in the city. I bought a place at Lower Mitcham a few years back and am slowing making it habitable. Back in the hills most weekends upmiring local footy and enjoy catching up with people from Cornerstone. Try to get back to the family farm when I can, usually in the school holidays.

RANDALL GALE
After leaving school I worked on the family farm for a year until picking up an apprenticeship in carpentry. During my apprenticeship I was building residential houses in Strathalbyn and holiday houses in Kangaroo Island. During that period I played various sports for local clubs and enjoyed the odd overseas holiday to Vanuatu, Thailand, Europe and the UK. After completing my apprenticeship I continued to work with the same company full time and did further study in Building. In 2012 I married my beautiful partner Madeline Barnett in Port Elliot and had a fantastic day and honeymoon in Fiji. We have settled in Strathalbyn, living in a house we renovated and we both work locally. We are enjoying life on some property with our pets and enjoying get away on holidays. I’m living my ITYT dream.

KIMBERLEY HAND
Since graduating high school I went on to study a Certificate III in Captive Animals and have since successfully gained employment at Cletland Wildlife Park South Australia at Mt Lofty where I have now worked for the last 4 years. I work in two main areas of the park where I am responsible for the care of birds or of the mammals in the park. Three years ago I bought my own house a small 3 bedroom place with a big backyard for my ever increasing number of animals :) and moved out.

NATHAN SCHUBERT
I got straight into the work force. I had an interview for my Audio Visual traineeship with Staging Connections the day after I got back from Schoolies! I worked for 5 years on many concerts, conferences and major events including the Clipso 500 and the Christmas Pageant. I eventually become Operations Manager for Staging Connections at the Hilton International Hotel. Just over 4 years ago applied for a job at Network Ten and became the Studio Operations Manager here in Adelaide. Not long after leaving Cornerstone, I came back to do some casual work in the new Theatre. A couple of months later, I started dating my future wife. 2 years later, we got married at St Michaels with a bridal party full of Ex Cornerstone students. We have been married for 5 years and live in our house in Nairne. We are currently building our dream house in Littlehampton.

JAKE EVANS
Since finishing up at Cornerstone College in 2005, I have completed a Bachelor of Business Administration (with minors in Sports Management and Accounting) at University of South Australia (completed in 2011) and began a career in Conveyancing. This has taken me from Victor Harbor to Adelaide, and I am now based at Somerton Park, working for RW Morgan Conveyancers as a Registered Conveyancer. I enjoy travelling, beginning with a six week trip to Europe in 2006 with Emily Pethick (class of 2006). In 2011 I met my partner Amanda, and we have since travelled to America and Asia. Currently we are residing in Underdale and I am playing footy for the local team.

LAUREN JOHNSON
After leaving Cornerstone and not being sure what I wanted to do, I got a job at Jarrett Motor Company as a receptionist and I am still working there today in an Admin role. Working there has allowed me to do a bit of travelling and I have been to New Zealand twice, have done a cruise around Fiji, a Contiki tour of North America for 5 weeks and am currently planning on returning to the USA for another holiday. I still play netball locally and was president of my club for a couple years. I am a member of the Adelaide Thunderbirds and love watching the games. I’ve recently moved to Bridgewater by myself and enjoy the independence that it has given me.

BELINDA ROHDE (CANDY)
After finishing school I studied at Flinders University to become a Primary School teacher. I graduated from this in 2010 and moved to Whyalla to teach in a JP class. Beginning of 2012 I moved to Narrung to teach at Raukkan Aboriginal School. In September 2012 I married Kym Rohde. We moved to Morgan in 2013, where I taught for the year. 2014 was a busy year for us where we had our first child ‘Owen Jackson’ in May and bought a house in August. We are looking forward to welcoming our second child in October 2015.

TEGAN HOWARD (SALDANHA)
After school I studied a Bachelor of Performing Arts at Tabor Adelaide, majoring in dance and music. I married Ben Howard in February 2009. I work as the Chaplain at St Michael’s Lutheran Primary School, and teach dance at Dance Fusion in Hahndorf. Ben and I bought a house in Mt Barker in 2010,
and then built a house in Strathalbyn in 2012, where we currently live. Our daughter Kaylie was born in November 2014, so I am currently on leave from work.

CLASS OF 1995

CATHERINE NIELD
After relocating to Melbourne in my early 20’s I studied a Bachelor of Biological Science degree with Honours in Botany. This led to a career in ecology through which I met my husband Ben. We have travelled overseas quite a bit and lived in several regional cities before finally settled down in Melbourne after recently having our first child Elliot. I have returned part time to my job in threatened species management with the Victorian government.

SCOTT SKINNER
In the last twenty years since leaving school my life has had many high points including running my own franchise business for the last ten years. But without a doubt the biggest highlights have been meeting and then marrying my wife Tracy in August 2003, the birth of our son Joshua in August 2008 and the birth of our daughter Sarah in April 2011.

AMANDA BYRNE
I have studied for my diploma in accounting, and have been working as an accountant since leaving Cornerstone College. I met my partner Brian in 2009, and his two daughters came to live with us in around 2011. We travelled over to see his family in Holland in 2013, where he proposed in Paris at the top of the Eiffel Tower. We decided to extend our family, and our son was born in 2014.

From 1995 to 1999 Chapel was held in the Green Shed - now the maintenance shed. Everyone took their chair from homegroup and walked down to the shed for Chapel. Rows were marked for each homegroup (those from Art or Science rooms were at the back as they had stools). The shed was also the gym.

At the beginning of each year, the whole school would bus to Lobethal Lutheran Church for the Opening Worship Service. This continued until Inbarendi was built. The last year this took place was 1999 with 600 students plus all staff.

Celebrating 25 Years

Old Scholars Reunion

On Saturday 13 June we had the pleasure of hosting a joint reunion for the Classes of 1995, 2005 and 2010, to celebrate their 20, 10 and 5 reunions respectively. Over 100 Old Scholars joined us at the Mt Barker Golf Club for hours of reminiscing, laughter and reflections. The room was buzzing as the old school cohorts reconnected.

A special guest on the night was founding Principal, Mr Mal Wegener who shared a few very interesting stories about the earliest days when a whistle was used to signal the change of lesson. A number of other founding and long serving staff also attended to add to the richness of rekindled connections during the evening.

Ms Stephanie Noon
Marketing Manager
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Saturday, 8 August 2015
at The Stirling Hotel ‘Deck Room’
52 Mount Barker Road, Stirling
7:00pm to 12:00 midnight

$30 per head, includes drink on arrival, nibbles, hot finger food, dessert platter and tea/coffee

Payment and RSVP:
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25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
Cornerstone College
1990 - 2015

Celebration

Diary Dates 2015

Saturday 25 - Year 12 Formal
Friday 9 - Golf Classic
Friday 30 - Food & Fun Fest
Saturday 8 - Cornerstone College 25 Year Anniversary Celebration
Thursday 26 - Year 11/12 Closing Celebration
Friday 11 - Music Cabaret
Friday 25 - Summit to School
Thursday 3 - Year 7-10 Closing Service

Friday 30 October 2015
6.00-9.00pm
Cornerstone College Plaza

Come and enjoy an evening of fun filled entertainment, stalls, great food and company.