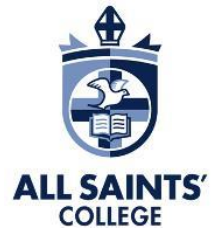




Heads, Hearts and Hands Service Learning Program



Years 8 - 12 Gen-Connect “Connecting the Community”

Overview

The Gen-Connect program, invites residents from our two local Amana Living communities and the RAAFA Village to All Saints' Parish to work alongside our students to increase the digital literacy and social connectedness of the residents at these communities.

Gen-Connect will enable older adults to learn about technology in a stress free and inclusive environment.

Gen-Connect Outcomes:

- Increased social connections – to family, other residents and the wider community (including intergenerational connections)
- Increased independence – access to information and services
- Increased digital literacy – gaining new ICT knowledge and skills relevant to individual goals

The program will continue to strengthen the relationship between the communities of All Saints' College, Amana Living, the Anglican Parish of Bull Creek-Leeming and the RAAFA Village.

This program, run through the College, will rotate around one-on-one tech training sessions which aim to provide members of our partner communities with an opportunity to work on their own device (or loan iPad), ask more specific questions and work on their individual technology goals.

One-on-one tech training sessions will run for one hour and will be delivered by All Saints' College students. These students will work in pairs with one resident across a six-week period (the duration of the program).

Timing

Monday afternoon 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Curriculum Links:

General Capabilities:

Personal and Social Capability

- Contribute to civil society - plan, implement and evaluate ways of contributing to civil society at local, national, regional and global levels.

Engagement with All Saints' College Four Pillars of Service Learning

Intentional Learning:

- To build connections within local communities
- To develop the capacity of College students to actively engage in matters of social responsibility to grow our community to be one of compassion, courage and care.

Meaningful Service:

The Service available through this program is through the students' role in encouraging and guiding residents in the use of technology that they may be unfamiliar with. Students are also able to make a positive difference to the lives of elderly community members by demonstrating that they are valued, as students' volunteer time to foster connections with the residents and get to know their individual traits and qualities.

Diversity:

The diversity of this program comes from providing students with the opportunity to connect with the elderly, to make meaningful relationships through the development of empathy and recognising the needs of the residents with whom they interact. Furthermore, students are able to see their passion for technology as an area which can be translated into a meaningful service and positive good for the wider community.

Partnership:

This program is a part of our ongoing partnership with Amana Living, the Anglican Parish of Bull Creek-Leeming and RAAFA Village.