



## Upcoming Dates

### NOVEMBER

Nov 15th

Valedictory Dinner

Thurs 23-24th

P-2 Sleepover

Mon 27th

Yr 5/6 Canberra Camp

### DECEMBER

Fri 8th

Activities Day Colour Run

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## From the Principal

### Year 12's Are Almost There!!!

Our wonderful year 12 students are almost finished their schooling, with the final VCE exam taking place on Monday. Some of our students have already sat their last exam, but as a collective, the entire group will have their final day and Valedictory Dinner this coming Wednesday. The year 12 cohort have been a wonderful group and have set a terrific standard for all other students. Mrs Krahe has once again provided an enormous amount of support to our year 12's throughout the year and also through our current exam period, as have all other college staff. We wish all of our year 12's the very best for their futures and are sure to see them all return for our end of year assembly on December 15th.

### Year 12 'Shenanigans'

Our current year 12 tradition sees year 12 students have a celebration day on their final day of school. This year, our year 12's will celebrate their end of schooling on Wednesday 15th November. Our year 12 students will likely have a 'slippery-dip' set-up on the central lawn and I want to make it clear that this is for year 12 use only. Other students are encouraged to watch on from behind our bus fencing, but are certainly not to take part themselves.

### 2022 College Magazines

As embarrassing as this is to say... the 2022 college magazines have finally arrived back from the printers! There have been numerous, unavoidable hold-ups with last years magazine and we apologise for this. Those who ordered these magazines will have them distributed via students tomorrow. Thanks are extended to all for your patience.

### Special Person's Day—Thankyou!

A big thankyou is extended to all who were able to attend the P-4 sub-school's Special Person's Day last Friday. There was such a great feel in the multi-purpose room at the beginning of the day and it was so nice to see our young students taking such pride in showing their special person around the college. Days such as this really highlight the positive connection between the college and the wider college community.

### Policy Updates—College Council

College council have once again begun the process of ratifying policies, and will continue to do so at each of their monthly meetings. The most recent policies to be reviewed and approved were -

- School Bus Policy
- Administration of Medication Policy
- Attendance Policy, and
- Complaints Policy

These policies will be added to the college website shortly.

### Student Numbers in 2024

The large number of our college families would likely be unaware that the college has recently had a student-cap implemented by the Department of Education, meaning that our student numbers can not increase past 275 unless a student is within our identified catchment area. The college is currently at capacity with regards to this new student cap, and for this reason it is more important than usual that we know of any students who may be leaving the college at the end of the current school year. I respectfully ask

The exploration of Greek and Latin roots can benefit your child's spelling and understanding of new vocabulary.

Greek and Latin roots serve as the building blocks of many English words and especially academic words. Unlocking them is really cool.

Greek and Latin roots are like linguistic puzzle pieces that can unlock a treasure trove of words and their meanings.

The Latin root "spec" means "to look" or "to see." When your child understands this root, they not only learn words like "inspect," "spectacle," and "aspect" but also discover that "spectacle" can lead to "spectacular." By grasping the root "spec," your child can appreciate that "spectacular" means "in a way that is worth looking at".

The Latin root "dict" means "to say" or "to speak." Your child can quickly grasp words like "dictionary" and "dictator". By exploring this root, they can understand that "prediction" means "a statement made before," or that "contradict" means "to say something against."

The word "mortgage" comes from Latin "mort" (meaning "death") and "gage" (meaning "pledge"). When you combine these, you get a "death pledge." This might sound morbid, but it refers to a financial agreement where you're pledging your property as collateral, which could be taken by the lender if you fail to repay your debt. So, in a way, a mortgage is a commitment with high stakes.

Learning about Greek and Latin roots is a dynamic way to broaden language skills, ignite curiosity, and empower students with tools that will serve them well in all subjects.

## Assistant Principal's news



### The poppies blow....

There has been a little bit of confusion amongst our year 7 and 8 cohort as they await the release of elective blocks for 2024. We are very close to doing this but at this stage **have not asked students to make choices**. The reason for this is that we have been finalising staffing appointments and also staff workloads for 2024. We also need to consider what subjects it is possible to run with our reduced facilities. Some students have been asked what subjects they would be interested in studying as a precursor to the blocks /options being constructed. This is because we are adding some classes to the elective blocks as our student numbers at year 9 and 10 will

increase significantly next year. In short, don't stress yet. The electives are so important for our students and we ask that they choose carefully. Choose a range of subjects and also be prepared to not be given your first choice, particularly if you are in year 9, as precedence is given to year 10s. Anyway— COMING SOON— elective offerings.

Tomorrow is not remembrance day but it is our remembrance day service as we will not be here on Saturday. Usually Ian Anderson joins us to do the ode and unfortunately this will not be possible tomorrow due to his unavailability. We will miss not having you there Ick. The service will be short , approxi-

mately ten minutes. It will begin at the start of recess and we hope to have everyone seated on the central lawn by 10:55 so that we can share a minute of silent reflection at 11am. Please join us if you wish, all welcome. The assembly will be conducted by our middle school captains Ava Rudkins and Kyen Maxted. A short poem will be read by Junior captains Ned Wickham and Piper Hooke. Please ensure you child has a school hat tomorrow as it will be hot on the lawn, even though the assembly will be approximately ten minutes in length.

Have a great week next week

Wilko

## Sub-School Updates

### Junior

#### ANGLESEA

For our Grade 3/4 students, our camp is coming up! Students have their lists ready, have picked students they want to bunk with and have been asking tonnes of questions! There is a buzz and we love it. Our payment due date is the **24th of November**. Full payment for this camp is expected by this date. If for any reason, you are unable to make this due date, please contact that school as soon as you are able to.

#### SLEEPOVER

For our younger students, our sleepover is an event to look forward to! Students in Grade 1 & 2 will sleep over on the **23rd of November** and have a night full of activities. We understand

that students will be feeling anxious about this sleepover, and are welcome to ask as many questions they need. A session will be held next week where students can ask questions we have. This is one of the best events for our younger students to gain independence and have the opportunity to have a night away from home. If your child is feeling nervous, please don't hesitate to talk to Ms Colville or Mr Lee.

#### WELCOME PREPS OF 2024!

Next Week, we will have some fresh faces in the school! Our future Preps will be coming in on Monday to have a Literacy session. We can't wait to see our new students and are so excited to see them! Please make them feel very welcome.

### Senior

**Y11 Fit 2 Drive program:** is happening at school tomorrow from home-group time into period 3. We are extremely fortunate to receive funding for this event from Northen District Community Health and LLEN.

#### Electives information out soon:

Apologies for the delay. I am just waiting on some important staffing information to then help decide which electives can run in which blocks. In addition we are also working on adding some new electives (exciting). Once this information is finalised it will be shared with current Y8&Y9 students.

**Year 10 & 11 practice exams:** Students are provided with this opportunity to assist them in preparing for their Year 12 VCE exams. It is an ef-

fective way to develop study habits, learn about a variety of revision techniques and consolidate their understanding of topics covered to date. Exams will take place in students' regular classroom, class time and with their subject teacher supervising. Please refer to the back page for the exam timetable. If students are unwell during an exam they need to contact their subject teacher to make arrangements for a 'catch up exam'. Ideally this would occur by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> of November.

**Y11 last day is officially Wed 29th of Nov and** then they return for Step Up Week Dec 11th-15th. If students complete their exams prior to this date and have employment they may seek permission to finish sooner.

## AROUND ELP SPORTS

#### Sports 2023

With all school sports now wrapped up for the year we are now looking at planning dates for next year.

It was great to see our students participate in a range of team sports and learn new skills.

#### Swimming Dates 2024

We are finalising our dates for 2024 swimming program. Permission forms will be coming out before the end term, forms can also be completed on Compass.

*"Don't be afraid of failure. This is the way to succeed."* -  
LeBron James

## Yr 10/11 Exam Timetable

Year 10	Date / time
Humanities	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> of November period 6
Science	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> of November period 6
English	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> of November period 3 & 4
Maths	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> of November period 4
Year 11	
Vis Com & Design	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> of November period 3 & 4
Psychology	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> of November period 5 & 6
Chemistry	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> of November period 5 & 6
Ag & Hort	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> of November period 1&2
Maths Methods	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> of November period 1 & 2 & Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> of November period 3 & 4
General Maths	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> of November period 3 & 4
English Language	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> of November period 1&2
English	
Physics	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> of November period 3 & 4
Biology	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> of November period 3 & 4
Accounting VLN	Practice exam dates TBC with external staff

## Canteen

Fri 10th	Chevron Heath Shan Ralphs	2023 NOV	
Mon 13th	Anna Osborne	Mon 20th	Brian Duffy Heidi Ferguson
Tues 14th	Sue Pickles	Tues 21st	Sue Pickles
Wed 15th	Karolyn Campbell Sharon Hughes	Wed 22nd	Kylie Addlem
Thurs 16th	Sue Pickles	Thurs 23rd	Sue Pickles
Fri 17th	Wendy Murphy Kristy Noonan	Fri 24th	Miranda Smith Chevron Heath