



Upcoming Dates

SEPTEMBER

2nd P-12 Athletics

15th College Production

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Respect

Responsibility

Resilience

Relationships

From the Principal

VALE Beth Cameron

East Loddon P-12 College would like to acknowledge the recent passing of Mrs Beth Cameron. Beth was the wife of former teacher Mr Andrew Cameron, who taught at East Loddon up until the end of 2019. Our thoughts and prayers are extended to Andy, as well as Beth and Andy's beautiful children Max, Tabby and Adi.

Curriculum Day—Postponed

The curriculum day that was to be held this coming Monday will now not go ahead as was originally planned. Classes will run as per normal this coming Monday for all year levels at the college.

Positive Mental Health and Wellbeing

Thanks are extended to all within the college community for their efforts with our recent lockdown and associated remote and flexible learning. We very much appreciate what our families have done in order to get through this. There is no doubt that these periods of lockdown cause stress and concern for the large majority of us, with a 'juggling-act' often required with work, home-schooling and a few other things thrown in as well!

Please know that we as a school are here to support our students and families as much as we can. Our college wellbeing team are more than happy to touch base with families who would like to have a chat and we are able to offer numbers and contacts to services beyond the college if these are required. I worry at times that people see the word 'wellbeing' and think of this as a negative. Wellbeing to me is about positive mental health and ensuring that we are looking after ourselves, taking note of sleeping and eating patterns, as well as our level of self-care.

Please know that reaching out to a trusted friend, family member or member of the college is a really positive step forward. This can be a daunting thing to do, but it is well worth it!

Let's make sure that we are supporting each other as much as we possibly can during these times and not make others feel that they are being judged or criticised for their endeavours to help.

In short—if you think that we can help, then please have the courage to let us know. We are in this together and we as a school are here to support you.

Jacinta Allan MP Visiting the College

Myself, Mr Wilkinson and College Council president Mr Richard Hicks were due to meet with MP Jacinta Allan recently at the college. Although this meeting couldn't take place due to the lockdown restrictions in place, a new meeting date has been set and we hope to be able to confirm this shortly.

Respectful Relationships (RR) - Term 3

This term we will be focussing on 'strengths' with our P-4 classes looking at 'Strengths vs Talents' and our 5—12 classes looking deeper into 'Character Strengths'. Research in the field of positive psychology emphasises the importance of identifying and using individual strengths, and we would love for all students and staff to see the many strengths and positive qualities that they have.

Dogympics...

A special shout-out goes to Ruby and Zali C for the terrific 'Dogympics' video they put together during our most recent lockdown. The girls showed a great deal of initiative and creativity with their video, with staff and students really enjoying it! Well done girls!

The link to the video can be found in the 'Presentation Assembly' Team on Microsoft Teams.

This Week's Photo

We were very excited today to see the arrival of a crane and large 'cherry-picker' on our building site. Staff and students enjoyed watching the preparations take place for further works that will occur tomorrow and Monday.

A 60-tonne crane will arrive tomorrow along with all concrete tilt-panels (weighing between 6 and 7 tonne each). These will be put in place by the end of the day in readiness for the steel beams and structures that will be put in place on Monday.

We are very much looking forward to the completion of this structural work on Monday and cannot wait to see the external structure of our capital works project. How exciting!!!

I hope you have a terrific weekend.

Regards,

Steve Leed—College Principal

Curriculum Day postponed see above notification.

Assistant Principal's news

Literacy & Numeracy

Over the next week or two, students in years three to ten will sit an On Demand reading test in one of their English classes.

This test takes about twenty-five minutes and, most years, are conducted early in the year and then again early Semester 2, like now.

This test is adaptive and provides teachers with an estimated Victorian Curriculum level.

Adaptive means that the test is different for each student. If a student gets three questions correct then they will move to a higher level. If they get two of the three questions incorrect then they will move to a lower levelled set of questions.

The multiple choice questions test students ability to read for information, for comprehension and for interpretation.

Of course, thirty questions cannot accurately assess all aspects of a student's reading. Teachers use the estimated level produced to help gauge if a student has progressed since the last test and to compare this level to other reading evidence and data that the teacher has collected.

This Semester teachers will publish student results on Compass for parents to see.

Sally Fleming

Literacy Learning Specialist



Birthday drive by for Will Stringer. Happy 18th

There's no doubting this fact: Teaching is more fun at school than at home, or from home at least. I really found it tricky during lockdown this time, to keep my enthusiasm high. It's a funny feeling when you are trying to think of ways of keeping (in my case) a group of year 12's motivated, when my own motivation was starting to wane. I take my hat off to my students who showed up to every remote teams meeting with big smiles, albeit sometimes unkempt hair and usually dressed in pyjamas. I will say this on behalf of all year 12 teachers; 'our kids really do go harder when the going gets tough'. I am really proud of them and as parents, you should all give them the ruffle of the hair tonight and say 'well done champ'. In fact to students of all levels, pat them on the back and say 'awesome work'. The last year and a bit really have been a massive team effort and has required each others

support in so many ways. In a similar vein, thanks to all parents who have joined and supported us in this experience.

I went for a Sunday drive during lockdown and came across an impromptu drive by of the Stringer property. It was Will's 18th birthday and some clever person arranged a bunch of cars to drive in a physically distanced way past his front gate, so that everyone who was available could wish him happy birthday. I couldn't stop smiling. It was such a lovely and simple gesture. Happy birthday Will.

Its all action back at school. We have had trucks a plenty arrive today and we believe before the end of next week the structure frame/shell will be up and out of the ground. This is pretty amazing after such a long wait. In typical fashion, the building gods are about to unleash a bunch of rain I'd say over the next few days, which hopefully doesn't

impair progress. Early in the week I was so happy not to be here when the news came that all power had been interrupted. That sounds cold, just writing it.

In final notes, on the sporting scene.... LVFNL is back this weekend but BFNL is not. Bendigo Juniors will though so I wish all of our kids the best in their return matches. I noted last time that our staff had begun a tennis team. East Lobbin. I am so happy to report that we remain undefeated. So far we have been washed out twice and covid restrictions have cancelled the other game. Next week Leedy and I, Mrs Hocking and Mrs Milroy will line up. This will end in tears right?

I will finish sadly with condolences to the Cameron family. It is with much sadness to our school community, that Beth passed away on Sunday. Our thoughts are with you all Andy.



Sub-School Updates

Junior

Well done, P-4 families!

Another lockdown and another reason to be proud of, and grateful for our East Loddon families. With such a diverse range of family structures, job requirements and external commitments—supporting your children's learning is no mean feat, and we recognise the sacrifices made by families at this time.

As much as we do not want more lockdowns, we do feel that we are all getting better with each one! We are incredibly grateful for the positive



way in which our families have handled this challenge.

Feedback, please!

We are always striving to learn and, should we find ourselves learning from home again, we will continue to try to make things better. If you do have any feedback regarding the remote learning process, please share this with one of your child's teachers or Jackson Clayton. We can only make meaningful improvements with your feedback!



Middle

Thank you to all students, parents, and staff for their work over the remote learning period! I have heard many stories of students doing amazing things. I hope all students, parents, and staff were glad to all return to school yesterday - I know that I was!

Just a reminder that all students aged 12 or older must wear a face mask at all times indoors and outdoor when at school unless a lawful exemption applies. Well done to the following students who

achieved some incredible Math Pathways results recently during Remote Learning: Alex L (467%), Darcie S (467%), Ewan R (300%), Sarah D (267%), Paige S (267%), Angus A (233%). I am sure that there will be more great results now that classes have completed tests at school.

Hopefully, this term, we can run some of our key events even if these have to be modified. Please remember to contact subject teachers or myself if you have any concerns.

Senior

Well done & THANK

YOU to to all the parents/guardians, siblings, grandparents and staff that have been assisting during our recent lockdown.

I sincerely appreciate all your efforts to maintain communication and to support students throughout this crazy time. Pictured is students from our online Year 12 HHD class (sorry Alicia) concentrating and preparing for their recent SAC.



ADF Long Tan Award nominations: Our Year 10 & 12 students are being asked to self nominate by providing information about themselves relating to key criteria. The nominations are only brief and enable students an opportunity to comment on their contribution to school, community and family/personal life. **These are due by July 30th.**

General Achievement Test GAT: The VCAA have set

the new date of **Thursday 12th of August 10am-1:15pm**. This will take place at the Lions Den across the road from our school.

Morrisby Interviews: once I have the new dates for interviews I will let students, parents and staff know asap.

Y12 VTAC registrations open: this Monday 2nd of August. I will assist students and parents with this exciting process. I encourage parents & students to read through the information on the compass post on Monday.

Year 10/11 VCE/VCAL/VET subject information sessions will take place on Wednesday August 11th throughout the day eg period 3-6. Students received information about this event today and it was also posted on compass today. The VCE/VCAL/VET subject handbook will be available for students within the next week.

Back to school tip: try and find space/time to exercise each day and at the end of the day identify 3 positive things that have happened.

AROUND ELP SPORTS

Great job to everyone staying active during our remote learning period, lots of creative ideas despite limited resources for some!

Interschool sport update:

Currently, all interschool sport events and competitions are postponed until further notice.

School Sport Victoria will look to postpone and reschedule impacted interschool sport events. Where this is not possible, events may be cancelled.

Watch this space!

School Sport Victoria's Virtual Cross Country:

School Sport Victoria's Virtual Cross Country is currently on and schools and students are encouraged to get out and give it a go.

Victorian primary and secondary students can take part in any way they would like - they can run or walk. Every metre run by a student will earn virtual points for their school.

For full details, please visit the **School Sport Victoria Virtual Cross Country** page.

Year 9/10 Moggs
Creek Camp
Payment Plan

Year 9 /10 Moggs Creek Camp Payment Plan		Pd.
Payment Schedule	Date Due	
Deposit (only if unpaid from the booklist)	Friday 30th July – Term 3, Wk. 3	
2 nd Payment	Friday 17th September – Term 3, Wk. 10	
3 rd Payment	Friday 29th October – Term 4, Wk. 4	
Final Payment	Friday 19th November – Term 4, Wk. 7	
TOTAL		

Canteen

2021 JULY/ AUGUST	
Fri 30th	Cheryl Green Natalie Rose
Mon 2nd	Ebony Lawry Amanda Moronis
Tues 3rd	Rachel Hay
Wed 4th	Kia Hooke Hayley Fawcett
Thurs 5th	Sue Pickles
Fri 6th	Sue Pickles
Mon 9th	Bree Hocking
Tues 10th	Sue Pickles
Wed 11th	Nicky Lawry Sam Ellis
Thurs 12th	Sue Pickles
Fri 13th	Kristie Cullinan Lisa Twigg





Tokyo Olympics 2021

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BADMINTON	BASEBALL	SOFTBALL
BASKETBALL	BOXING	CANOEING
CYCLING	EQUESTRIAN	FENCING
FIELD	HOCKEY	FOOTBALL
GOLF	GYMNASTICS	HANDBALL
KARATE	PENTATHLON	ROWING
SAILING	SURFING	TAEKWONDO
TENNIS	TRIATHLON	VOLLEYBALL
WEIGHTLIFTING	WRESTLING	CLIMBING



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