



Respect

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Upcoming Dates

11 & 12 P-6 Swimming

13th Prep Day off

7/8 & 9/10 Swimming

14th P-6 Swimming

15th P-12 Swimming Carnival

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From the Principal

Last week, the college held it's first P-12 assembly in which our student leaders spoke. The picture above shows these fine young students who will work hard to ensure that our student body is well-represented throughout the year. From L—R we have Stephen Verley, Jessica Demeo (senior sub-school captains), Gemma Maxted, Josh Diss (middle years captains), Angus Addlem, Emma Hay and Kyen Maxted (junior school captains). SRC leaders have now been finalised, along with house captains and bus captains. A student Investiture ceremony later in the term will see all of our leaders receive their badges in a formal setting.

The current college building works are to be completed by the end of next week, with builders still on-track to have our college operations back to 'normal' by the beginning of week 4. All building contractors have commented on the way in which they have found our students to be respectful and friendly, which is a real credit to our school and families.

Please ensure that you stay up-to-date with Mr Young's communication regarding the college swimming sports next Friday. Another great day should be ahead of us and all family members are invited to come and cheer on our students! This year there is one major change that should give us a little more time at the pool. All buses will travel straight to and

from the pool, rather than travel via the college. Please read Mr Wilkinson's section of the newsletter for more info on this.

In regards to the upcoming swimming sports, it would be appreciated if all parents and guardians could have a chat with their children regarding the frequent application of sunscreen. I encourage all students to bring sunscreen along on the day and we will have sunscreen available for all who require it. It is important that all students and spectators actually apply it frequently and that we all wear hats and swim-tops/rashies. Sunglasses may also be another item to consider for sports day, but please understand that we take no responsibility for lost or damaged glasses.

Thanks are extended again to our wonderful volunteers who have assisted with the P-6 Swimming Program this week. It is not too late to pop your name down for next week if you wish? Please make contact with our college office, Mr Smith or Mr Young if you are able to assist.

I will be in attendance at a Victorian Principal's Association State Council meeting next Wednesday and Thursday, but look forward to seeing you all at our Friday sports day in Mitiamo.

Regards, Steve Leed

P-12 Swimming Carnival 15th February Student's arriving at 9am

Literacy & Numeracy

Did you know that parent engagement is so helpful that it can amount to the equivalent of two-three years of schooling? Prof. John Hattie's research shows that sharing goals, reading together and showing enthusiasm for learning can have a significant impact—no matter whether a parent felt that they were 'good' at English or Maths themselves.

Three-a-Day approach

You can do three simple things daily:

- Talk about learning
- Share learning experiences (e.g. reading, making something using shapes/blocks)
- Encourage learning through positive, honest feedback

You are not expected to teach the curriculum to your child but your impact is still significant. Please contact the College if you would like further advice about how to take the three-a-day approach.

Further information is available at <https://bit.ly/2BosGfs>



Assistant Principal's news

Deb Practice started last Friday night. The students were awesome, but its fair to say, none can dance

Bus captains have been arranged and we have seating plans in place on all buses. These are slightly negotiable at the start of each year, but given most buses are close to capacity, there is not a great deal of choices about seats. Please reinforce with your children the need to just 'stay in seats', and behave.

This year for the first time bus-

es will go directly to the swimming pool on P12 SWIM CAR-NIVAL DAY. This will allow all students to arrive at approximately 9am and events can start earlier and finish later. We will also start the bus trips home from the pool. At this stage pick up times will be as per usual. I will consult with the bus companies about drop off times, which will be similar but not the same as usual.

Notes will come home about any changes to drop off times.

Please join with us at the pool next Friday. We will have the usual BBQ with sausages. These are free but if you would like to donate a gold coin or more to the SRC, then feel free. We have our fingers crossed for more hot weather for sports day.

Sports Update

2019 House Captains

	Evans	Laird	Long	Shaw
Senior	<i>Sophie Hay</i>	<i>Jasmine Lawry</i>	<i>Chelsea Hicks</i>	<i>Tameka Bickford</i>
	<i>Nathan Davis</i>	<i>Rylee Gallagher</i>	<i>Jess Demeo</i>	<i>Stephen Verley</i>
Middle	<i>Libby Clymo</i>	<i>Keira Lawry</i>	<i>Sam Hicks</i>	<i>Bridget Verley</i>
	<i>Georgia Mangan</i>	<i>Jaxon Addlem</i>	<i>Steph Demeo</i>	<i>Noah Condliffe</i>
Junior	<i>Ava Rudkins</i>	<i>Allira James</i>	<i>Georgia Pascoe</i>	<i>Emily Diss</i>
	<i>Jake Smith</i>	<i>Angus Weeks</i>	<i>Alex Lister</i>	<i>Logan Wilson</i>



Sub-School Updates

Junior

300 Night Reading Challenge

Encouraging your child to read every night can dramatically accelerate their learning. This year we are encouraging students to read for 300 nights, with a special reward for students who can achieve this!

Swimming Program

Thanks to the parents who are volunteering to help our children to learn to swim. Don't forget to mark Friday 15th February on your calendar so that you are able to join us for the Swimming Sports at the Mitiamo Pool.

Middle

Captain's Report



This week, the Year 5, 6 and 8's have been going up to the Mitiamo pool throughout the week to practice and prepare for the swimming carnival. The swimming carnival will take place on **Friday the 16th** so if the parents could make it that would be great. The Year 7's are currently at Rubicon camp and we have heard from teachers that they are having a wonderful time. From Josh and Gemma.

Senior

Congratulations to our newly appointed Bus Captains and House Captains. It is fantastic to see so many students taking up these leadership opportunities to contribute in the school community.

Pictured is our SRC leaders learning about Sunsmart awareness and the UV index.

Our Year 12 students are looking smart in their new rugby tops. Well done to the students for designing and ordering these.

Compass Reminder

Remember to keep an eye out on Compass for additional news items.

Grade	Student of the Week	You Can Do It Award
Prep	Ned Wickham	Layla Hare
1	Neko Straub	Penny Balic
2	Zali Cullen	Lucas Smith
3	Darcie Scott	Haylie Orwin
4	Logan Wilson	Emma Hay

Compass



Please ensure you have downloaded the Compass app for iPhone or Android and are able to access your parent account to receive further news and class reports.

Middle Years Summary Newsletter

Early next week we will send home a longer newsletter to Year 5-8 students. This will contain some key information for 2019 and will be especially useful for new parents.

Year 12 students have also been busy getting organised to start the Prep Buddy Program. We met with our Prep buddies this morning and will continue to meet with these students each Monday morning to assist with reading during our home group time.



AROUND ELP SRC Report

This year our executive team consists of Macey M (president), Jasmine L (secretary) and Rylee G (treasurer). Our executives met for the first time this week to discuss their roles and the year ahead. We are excited for a big year and to meet

SPORTS

Swimming sport results

Swimming Program

continues next week:

P-6 Program = Mon, Tues, Thur and Fri next Week

7-10 Swimming Program = Wed Period 3-6 Week 3 and Tuesday Week 4

Check the session times on the newsletter calendar.

Students to bring bathers, swim top/rash vest, sunscreen, towel etc (and goggles if required)

Swimming Carnival:

Friday 15th February

Bus runs to take students straight to the pool

Swimming Carnival Program will be sent out on Compass this Friday.



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR STAFF

The first voices you will generally hear when you call the college in 2019 will be those of Jenny Cutting and Nathan Twigg.

Jenny is our Administration Officer and has worked at our college for 22 years as both an Integration Aide and in Administration. Nathan has joined the college this year in the role of Business Manager, after working in accounting for the past 6 years and receiving his CPA. Nathan is also a former student who is relishing the chance to work in the community that he loves.

Canteen Roster

		2019 FEBRUARY	
Fri 1st	Belinda Clymo Bree Hocking		
Mon 11th	Karen Pascoe	Mon 15th	Leanne Welsh
Tues 12th	Sue Pickles	Tues 16th	Michelle Diss
Wed 13th	Bec Cullen	Wed 17th	Sue Pickles
Thurs 13th	Sue Pickles	Thurs 18th	Sue Pickles
Fri 14th	Swimming Sports	Fri 19th	Louise Hocking Cheryl Green

Calendar

Mon 11th	Tues 12th	Wednes 13th	Thurs 14th	Fri 15th
P-6 Swimming	P-6 Swimming	Prep Day Off 7/8 & 9/10 Swimming	P-6 Swimming	P-12 Swimming Carnival Student's arriving 9am
Mon 18th	Tues 19th	Wednes 20th	Thurs 21th	Fri 22th
	7/8 & 9/10 Swimming	Prep Day Off Curriculum day *Student Free day *		
Mon 25th	Tues 26th	Wednes 27th	Thurs 28th	Fri 1st MARCH
	Year 7 & 10 Immunisation	Prep Day Off SH Division Tennis Primary		SH Division Swimming
Mon 4th	Tues 5th	Wed 6th	Thurs 7th	Fri 8th
				SH Division Swimming Primary