



# The Wyndham WAY

*Respect, Co-Operation & Excellence*

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Welcome to our Parent Newsletter.

Our aim is to keep parents informed of upcoming events and important dates to remember.

24<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The future of the world,  
is in my classroom today!

### From the Principal's Desk

This week marks the end of formal classes for our year 12 students, and more significantly, the end of their school days. We look forward to sharing this time with them at the celebration breakfast, graduation assembly and the Valedictory dinner.

Whilst it is sad to say goodbye to these students who have given so much to our school community, academically, musically, through their sporting achievements, their leadership and mentoring of younger students, and their daily contributions for six years at Wyndham Central College, I can't help but be enthusiastic and optimistic about their future endeavors as we reflect on their achievements and growth as young adults.

In particular, I would like to take the opportunity to thank our school captains; Krushnadevsinh Ravalji (Kano), Lauren Cooper, Sabrina Wearne and Angela Field for their leadership and representation of the student body. I could not have asked the student body to elect more appropriately qualified young adults to successfully undertake the roles and responsibilities of our College School Captain role.

As members of our College community the Year 12 students have been provided with knowledge and skills required to sustain their future lives. I would like to thank on behalf of School Council, the Principal executive team and our year 12 students the following leaders, teachers and support personnel. Firstly our year 12 Year Level Leader Ms Marie Milkovic, the year 12 tutor teacher team, Ms Kathy Karlovic – Pathways leader, the Year 12 teachers and educational support staff, and our Senior Years Assistant Principal Bryan Woollard, for their outstanding educational leadership, dedication, hard work and the copious amounts of time and effort in providing the Year 12 students with the guidance and self-motivation skills necessary to successfully complete their final year of secondary education.

On behalf of the community, I wish the Year 12 cohort good health and academic success, both in approaching exams and in future studies and careers. I am proud to be leading the college and am confident that the year 12 students have the capacity to make a positive difference in their own lives, our local community and to society.

**Leanne Gagatsis – Principal**  
**Creating a Community of High Expectations**

### IMPORTANT DATES

October 26	Year 12 Celebration Day
October 27	Year 12 Valedictory
November 1	Year 12 VCAA Exams start
November 6	Student Free Day
November 7	Public Holiday (Melbourne Cup)
November 8 – 15	Year 10 & Year 11 Exams
November 16 – 17	VCE/VCAL 2018 Enrolment Interviews
November 20 – December 1	Year 11 & 12 2018 Step Up Program
November 23 – 29	Year 7, 8 & 9 Exams
December 4 – 5	Year 8, 9 & 10 2018 Enrolment Interviews
December 6 – 19	Year 8, 9 & 10 2018 Step Up Program

## IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

Be at school on time, in uniform and ready to learn

## **Students on school premises Before School & After School**

*Please see below an extract from Wyndham Central College's Supervision and Duty of Care Policy*

Students will be supervised for a minimum of 10 minutes before and after school. This supervision will include the following:

- Monitoring of entry or exit points and/or designated pick up and drop off areas
- Supervision of the arrival and departure of school contract buses

At Wyndham Central College supervision at the beginning of the school day will commence at **8.30am**. This supervision will include **Buses Location 1 and Buses Location 2**.

Supervision at the end of the school day will be provided until **3.20pm for all students**. This supervision will include **Buses Location 1, Buses Location 2, Shaw's Road near the Gate Location 7 each until 3.20**.

**DET – Detention Duty until 3.40.**

**Other supervision may be required if students are needed for CAT/SAC resits until 4.15.**

If a parent, guardian and/or carer (or other authorised person) drops off or otherwise arranges for a student to be on the school premises before supervision commences at the beginning of the day, the Principal or via the Assistant Principals or the Year Level Leading Teachers will, as soon as practicable, follow up with the parent, guardian and/or carer to:

- advise of the supervision arrangements before school, and
- request that the parent, guardian or carer make alternate arrangements.

If a parent, guardian and/or carer (or other authorised person) has failed to collect the student after school, the next steps may include some or all of the following:

- Attempting to contact the parents, guardians or carers
- Attempting to contact the emergency contacts
- Contacting the Victoria Police and/or the Department of Human Services (Child Protection) to arrange for the supervision, care and protection of the student

## **School Nurse**

A reminder to ensure all medical plans for your children are up to date. Please feel free to contact Catherine on 9741 1911 to discuss medical needs.

If students are unwell at school they are required to attend First Aid and the school nurse will then contact the family if it is deemed necessary. If your child calls you directly please tell them to go to the nurse for medical attention.

## **Thunderstorm Asthma**

From October to December each year there is a high pollen count which students and parents need to be aware of, if they suffer from hayfever or asthma. With last year's Thunderstorm asthma epidemic, it is important to be aware of warnings, taking regular preventative medication and able to have easy access to anti-histamines and reliever medication.

Please ensure you have returned the student's Asthma or Allergy Action Plans to the school. If the student requires any medication that is not currently in the school sickbay, please submit medication to the front office along with completed consent form. Please contact the school nurse for additional information.

## **Buses**

In the interest of student safety and the efficiency of the school buses, please do not park in the yellow painted kerb sections on the road (alongside the basketball courts) at the College during the hours of **8.45am - 9.15am and at 2.45pm-3:15pm**.

The school buses are experiencing increased difficulties turning at the end of the road delaying the service and the pickup of students, increasing the risk to student safety and the damage to motor vehicles. Thank you.



### **Crossing Supervisor**

In the interest of student safety and the efficiency of the school buses, the College has a Crossing Supervisor in the bus service road (Market Road Extension) near the College basketball courts. The supervisor will be responsible for controlling the traffic and supervising the crossing of students.

### **School Gates**

The school day commences at 8.50am with tutor time and all students are expected to be in class at this time with all necessary equipment for Sessions 1 & 2.

**The school gates are closed at 8.45am** to facilitate students arriving to class on time. Students must report to the administration area, after 8:45 am, to obtain a late pass. Consequences for lateness may apply. Your child should have a note to explain a known lateness.

### **Bike storage at school**

Please note that although the school bike racks are locked during the day it is still important that all bikes are locked to the racks with a bike lock or padlock and chain. This message has been communicated to all students however we would appreciate it if you could remind your son/daughter of this requirement. A bike helmet is also a legal requirement. Please note: Skateboards and scooters are not allowed in the school grounds.

### **Environmental duty**

To assist our school community in being aware of their environment all year levels are responsible for certain areas within the College and also take part in an environmental program to help reduce litter. Could you please encourage your child to be environmentally conscious within the community and use the rubbish bins provided.

### **School Lawyer Reminder**

This is a reminder about Monique, the school lawyer, who can provide legal advice to students and families. Monique can help students with criminal matters, questions about going to court, fines (myki and public transport fines), legal issues about family violence, questions about employment law (like being discriminated against, bullied or underpaid at work), tenancy/housing matters as well as debt/consumer law issues. Students are encouraged to visit her in Student Services. Everything the students tell the school lawyer is private and confidential. She can be contacted on 0428 099 694 or by email at: [monique@westjustice.org.au](mailto:monique@westjustice.org.au)



It is astonishing how quickly the year goes. At the Year 12 Graduation Assembly, the Year 7 students handed out cards to our Year 12s students to wish them well in their up and coming exams and futures.

Before we know it, step up will be upon us and the academic year will be over. It is therefore a good time to refocus your child for the last term, so they can achieve all of their learning for their current year level.

Exams begin on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and finish on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. This is only approximately 4 weeks away. Please use your child's wall planner to plan their revision sessions at home. Our AVID system and Cornell notes provide excellent resources to assist when revising for the exams. If your child is unusually anxious at this time reassure them they just need to put in the work and do their best and good results usually follow.

It is now time for summer uniform at Wyndham Central College. Please note that the PE jacket is not part of the daily uniform unless your child has sport on that day. Many students are wearing this jacket in preference to the blazer. The blazer is a compulsory item for students and it is not acceptable to replace this with the PE jacket. Your Year Level Leader will ask the child to remove the PE jacket if worn at the incorrect times.

As the days get lighter and summer approaches please still ensure your child gets the necessary rest and sleep in preparation for each school day and optimum health. It is important that each day your child learns for their future so one day they are the ones receiving the Year 12 cards and celebrating their achievements.

**Yvonne Harvey - Assistant Principal – Year 7 & 8**

## **YEAR 7 REPORT**

Year 7s have been busy in all their classes and working hard on a range of Tutor Time topics. The current focus is Ethical Capabilities with students undertaking sessions in ASD Awareness, Bullying, Social Media, Resilience, Connectedness and Friendship Qualities.

Students are also completing CATs in all subjects and working towards completing all outstanding work. I encourage you to have conversations with your students and ensure that they are aware of any outstanding tasks. In addition, I remind parents and carers that students should be completing homework on a regular basis. Reviewing Cornell Notes, writing question and summaries is also part of the regular homework that students are expected to complete.

Our assemblies have been a wonderful opportunity for students to speak in front of large groups, with students reading, presenting and performing. Some highlights since the last newsletter have included the Spanish Immersion Class presenting a play and the orchestra giving a performance of a number of pieces of music.

As we move towards the end of year and approach exams, I encourage students to maintain momentum, to attend regularly and to ensure that they are trying their best in all classes. I look forward to our next assembly where a number of students will be presented with VIVO redemptions from the points they have earned in recognition of their commitment to the college's values.

**Brad Smallman - Year 7 Level Leader**

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## **YEAR 8 REPORT**

Welcome back to all students for a busy term 4. I hope all students had a restful break and time to unwind from term 3, and are ready to finish off the year striving for their best.

Congratulations must go to 8E for winning the attendance competition for term 3 and also all those students whose attendance was 100% for the term. In order to achieve their full potential, it is important for students to be at school, on time and ready for learning each day.

Congratulations must also go to the following students who achieved the following merit badges at the end of term 3:

Bronze Merit: Jeremiah Fuatimau, Kane O'Connor-Capewell, Sharni Arenas, Edward Cousins, Reuben Johnny, Emin Alatovic, Nay Bei Heh and Htee Ka Baw Joy.

Silver Merit: Lachlan Kennedy, Chelsea Veal, Nge Dah Lue Wah, Alyshah Mistero, Stephen Ryan, Jakob Mouat and Rhys Balcombe.

Gold Merit: Breeana Hanson, Joshua Pesti

Double Gold Merit: Anastasia Chatzigiannis

Coming up later in the term will be the end of semester exams. This is a good opportunity for students to demonstrate how much they have grown and progressed this year.

I look forward to continuing to work with your children to help them become the best they can be.

**Ashley Rowe- Year 8 Level Leader**

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## YEAR'S 9 & 10 REPORT

I trust all families had a restful break. Term 4 is a full term, as students complete their 2017 studies and prepare to transition into 2018.

Examinations commence for Year 10 students on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November and for Year 9 students on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. In preparation for the examination period, all students should be revising and catching up on any overdue work. An examination timetable for students, along with a letter outlining Term 4 important dates, will be issued to students in the coming weeks. Please ensure that your child is familiar with the times that their exams occur. All students should already be participating in a regular homework pattern as a matter of normal work habits, however leading up to examinations periods, the focus should be on constructive revision and preparation for their examinations. Students are expected to attend all exams in full school uniform.

Parents play a vital role in supporting their child by providing a quiet work place for study and revision and encouraging your child to work to their potential.

**STUDY TIPS:** Please refer to the following link for studying tips and study resources.  
<http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/studying-training/studying-tips-resources/top-10-study-tips>.

I urge all students to work with their families and teachers to achieve the best possible outcomes as they move to the end of the 2017 academic year and prepare for a smooth transition to 2018.

**Connie Faranda – Assistant Principal – Year 9 & 10**

### YEAR 9 REPORT

Welcome all to a very full Term 4 for all our students here at WCC with two important dates in particular I would like you to be aware of. Firstly our exam period will commence in Week 7 (23<sup>rd</sup> November), and then our Step-Up Program will be in full swing starting Week 9 (6<sup>th</sup> of December).

In preparation for the exam period, can you please be sure to be checking work planners, student workbooks, and any outstanding tasks that need to be completed for optimum success. Students require strong support at school and at home to reach their full potential.

Step-Up involves students beginning their full Year 10 Program, with the purpose of a positive start to the Senior Years, before we have our end of year break. You will be receiving your student's classroom information regarding their electives and home group confirmations for next year to further prepare them for their transition into Year 10.

Parent/ teacher Goal Setting is also being conducted from the 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December. The interview takes approximately 15 minutes, and are essential in preparing students for 2018 with students creating positive goal setting as they move into Year 10.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or if any assistance is required.

**Chad Cook - Year 9 Level Leader**

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### YEAR 10 REPORT

Welcome back to Term 4 2017!

Reflecting back on Term 3 our Year Ten Students achieved many successes within the College and in our local community. During the term they attended the 'Keys Please' presentation, spent the day at Deakin University and completed their second week of work experience. Each event was a great success and gave students the opportunities to learn new life skills that will become increasingly important as they enter their chosen pathway and become independent young adults.

Despite it being a very short term for our Year 10's, we have lots of activities and events coming up. We have an upcoming Celebratory Assembly in Week 4. Students will be running the assembly which will include musical performances, cultural performances, awards and plenty of other activities to acknowledge the growth and the journey that has occurred throughout this year.

Students will be undertaking a Study Skills Unit in their Tutorial time to ensure they are preparing for the upcoming exams, with the vision for students to practice these skills at home. Examples of study skills that are effective for revision include lotus diagrams, cue cards and trigger words. Have the conversation with your child about which study skills technique is best for each of their subjects and ask to see their revision. Give them time and space to revise uninterrupted and privately and test them on key words and vocabulary that are subject specific. Ensure there is minimal time spent on social media and 'on their phones' and encourage early nights and a nutritious diet over the exam period.

It's great to see that many of the Year 10 students already asking teachers for exam advice and starting to revise for their exams.

After the exam period, students will be required to attend a re-enrolment interview with their tutor teachers for 2018 and the STEP UP program into Year 11 later on in the term in Weeks 6, 7 and 8. This is an extremely important time of the year to ensure transition into the Senior Years goes smoothly.

You will receive information regarding these events very soon.

Finally, it was great to see so many parents at the Parent Teacher Days at the end of last term. The reports that were sent home have allowed students to reflect on their current progress and ask questions on what they need to do to achieve their greatest potential for each subject.

If you haven't seen your student's report please contact the school and we can provide a copy.

Together we can support your child to achieve their potential by working together and communicating regularly on issues surrounding their academic progress and their wellbeing.

#### **Jennifer Stevenson & Scott Lynch – Acting Year 10 Level Leaders**

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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

On 11 September through to the 15 September, Year 10 students went to work experience at different companies to gain the knowledge and experience of the working lifestyle and learn new work related skills that would be needed in the future at work.

I completed my work experience at the Pacific Werribee Center Management Reception and had been given multiple jobs such as data entry, money budgeting and balancing, answering the phone and emailing companies and other co-workers. At first, it was very overwhelming and I was nervous but my supervisor helped me get through one thing and stayed with me on one task until I felt comfortable. By the end of the week, I had made friends with the staff and I felt comfortable and welcomed every time I walked into the office.

By Keely-Shayla Teariki, 10 B

#### **DEAKIN EXPERIENCE**

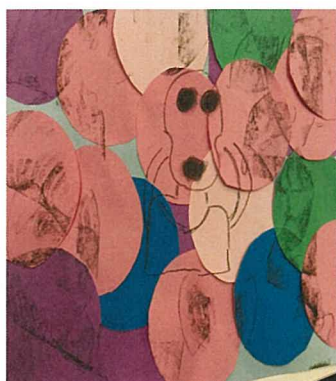
On the 7th of September the year 10 students went to Deakin University, Waurn Ponds Campus to experience what it would be like to go to university.

We had to pick two activities to do throughout the day; the activities were law, engineering, art and architecture.

Everyone had a lot of fun throughout the day and the experience made many people more excited to go to University.

By Kiana Strong, 10B





Examples of student art work. Students were given a brief to re-create famous art work from various eras in art using many different art materials.

## YEAR'S 11 & 12 REPORT

### Senior Years report

On the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November, the College will be conducting compulsory Parent enrolment interviews with Tutor Teachers for all current Years 10 and 11 students. These interviews will ensure a successful transition into 2018 and further information will be provided.

Please note that compulsory Step Up classes will commence for Year 12 (2018) students on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. During this time students will attend a University excursion to get a feel for University life and attend a sample of student lectures. Valuable holiday homework will also be distributed during the Step Up classes which will need to be submitted for assessment on their return next year.

### Year 12 students

I hope that all Year 12 students will achieve their personal best in regards to their exams and/or their results in all of their subject areas and we wish them good luck.

I wish the class of 2017 well with their future endeavours in education, training and employment and if assistance is ever needed then please don't hesitate to contact the College. Regardless of what your endeavours may be, the future is yours to make the best of and to make a difference in. Please be aware of what great opportunities there are for the taking and good luck!

### Year 11 End of Year Examinations

All Year 11 students will sit their end of year examinations from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November until Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

**VCAL classes will operate as normal and students are expected to be in attendance at all classes until 15<sup>th</sup> November.**

**VET classes and Work-placement will continue as normal.**

Students will only be required to attend school to sit their timetabled exams and are to remain home for exam study at all other times.

**Any student who is absent during an exam must produce a medical certificate on their return to school to be able to re-sit the exam for a grade.**

As the year draws to a close for our current Senior Years students, I would like to thank all of the 2017 Year 11 and 12 students and their parents for their co-operation and support throughout the year.

**Bryan Woollard - Assistant Principal – Years 11 & 12**

### YEAR 11 REPORT

Tutor Time:

This term's focus is on developing study skills. This is great timing with students having exams shortly. Students will learn a variety of different study skills that they can apply to all their different subjects. Developing these skills will also help for a successful Year 12 next year.

Satisfactory Completion of Year 11

It is important to remind students and guardians that there are clear guidelines in place in regards to VCE promotion. In order for students to progress from Year 11 to Year 12 they must satisfactorily complete at least nine units including the two units of English. If you have any concerns about your child's progression you can contact your child's tutor teacher or Miss Sandlant.

**Rebecca Sandlant – Year 11 Level Leader**

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### YEAR 12 REPORT

The Year 12 Valedictory Dinner will be held this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, at Ultima Function Centre. All tickets should have been distributed. The students are extremely excited to attend the event and I look forward to seeing you all there and celebrating your child's achievements.

The last day of Year 12 classes was Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October. Students took part in a celebratory breakfast on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October from 7:30am-9:00 am at the College and after 9am headed off on an excursion to Funfields.

Please be aware that Year 12 exams will begin on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. All students have copies of the exam timetable, although more are available at the College if needed. Students are required to be at each exam at least 15 minutes prior to the exam starting time. This allows time to find their seat allocation, line up and be seated in the exam room. If a student is absent from an exam it is really important that either Mr Woollard or Mrs Milkovic are contacted as soon as possible.

Remember that preparation is key with exams and that the more effort you put in, the better results you will receive. Revision should be in full swing by now and it is important to note that although students are not in classes they are able to contact their teachers if additional help is required.

It has been a pleasure working with such intelligent and hardworking young adults and they will definitely be missed by all of us at Wyndham Central College. I would like to wish the Graduating class of 2017 the best of luck with their exams and future endeavours.

Wherever their journey takes them, may they be living the life of their dreams!

**Marie Milkovic – Year 12 Level Leader**

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## CAREER NEWS

Please find attached the College Career Newsletter for October 2017.

## SPORTS REPORT

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of September, the Western Metropolitan Regional Athletics was held at Aberfeldie Athletics Track. With many competitors set out to represent Wyndham Central College, we had one standout performer Atelaite Angakehe in Year 9, who came home with a silver medal, just missing out on first prize in the Girls 15 year old discus throw.

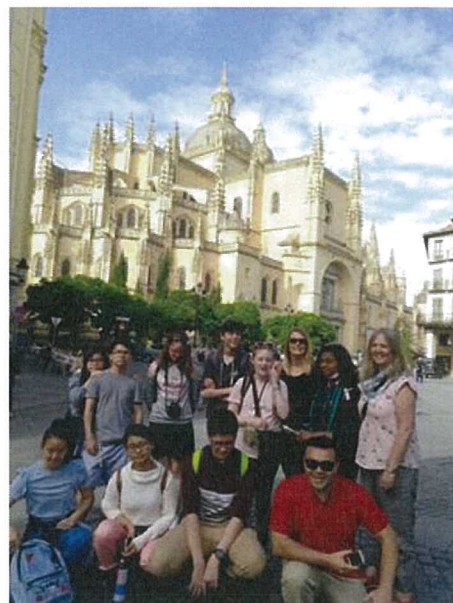
That's a wrap for this years' carnival events, there will be more information on 2018's carnivals next year.

**Yours in Sport - Rebecca Sandlant & Angie Gogos - Sports Co-ordinators**

## LOTE REPORT

During the September holidays WCC students and three teachers enjoyed two weeks in Spain. The students had a great time doing the activities that our sister school Gredos San Diego organised which included hiking, swimming, kayaking, cooking, site seeing, Madrid city experience, Toledo city experience, Segovia experience and visiting the Prada museum, and the Royal palace. We all went to watch a football game live Real Madrid Vs [español](#) at the Real Madrid stadium. The students experienced life in a Spanish school and tasted authentic Spanish food. Below are some pictures of the trip.

The LOTE faculty is now in the process of getting ready for the Spain tour 2018 and the Japanese tour in 2019. If you are interested in your child participating in any of the tours in the future don't hesitate to contact the school to find out how your child can get involved. It is the experience of a life time!!





## SRC REPORT

Throughout Term 4, the Student Representative Council has continued to work within the college to support student voice.

The college participated in 'House Colour's Day'. This initiative is aimed at fostering school spirit and encouraging connectedness within the college. Competitions took place pitting Green, Red, Yellow and Blue house against each other. Dodgeball, Downball, Karaoke, Best Dressed competition are all examples of the competitions.

Finally, the SRC would also like to wish the current year 12s good luck on their upcoming exams and look forward to their own exams later on in the term.

### Scott Lynch – SRC Leader

We would like to wish the year 12's a very safe break until the exams. We ask in courtesy of the year 12's to respect their study time and their exams. We are profoundly grateful at the participation that students put in towards the Colors Day event, due to donations going towards a charity. Apologies to students who wished to participate in intended events on the day, however due to weather conditions events resulted in a clash. Wyndham Central College will be looking towards enhancing this event.

The 11C AVID class dressed in a hip hop theme, this was a success because the AVID class matched uniforms. In the future for colors day, there will be spot prizes awarded to participants.

Year 11 SRC REPS

## STUDENT NEWS

### World Challenge Expedition

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2017, Kiana Strong 10B, Matthew Strutton 10C, Laura Yeoman 10B, Lisa McAuliffe 11A, Rhys Rankin 11A and Mr. Woollard are travelling to Vietnam for one month to participate in a World Challenge expedition with two other schools. Throughout this month, we will be trekking in the Vietnam jungle, travelling from the north of Vietnam to the south, living in a local village and helping them fix their sanitation system. We will also be socialising with the locals, eating Vietnamese cuisines and seeing the beautiful sights of Vietnam. This will be a great experience for us to open our eyes to different cultures and ways of life. We are all very excited for this amazing opportunity.

Kiana Strong, 10B



## **Inaugural Wyndham Central College and Werribee Rotary High Tea Spectacular**

A wonderful afternoon was had by all on Sunday 22nd October as Wyndham Central College in partnership with Werribee Rotary Club hosted a High Tea Spectacular in the College gymnasium.

The aim of the afternoon tea was to raise funds to support the development of the RoCan Cancer Wellness Centre for the West and health and wellbeing programs for Wyndham Central College. Approximately 120 people attended the enjoyed a six course high tea including savory delights and sweet temptations. There were spot prizes, raffle tickets, silent auctions and the spring flowers and vegetable baskets that filled the gymnasium with an explosion of colour. This set the mood for the entertainment including musical performances by the Wyndham Central College students and guest speakers.

The High Tea Spectacular provided Wyndham Central College students with the opportunity to be active and contributing members of their community. In addition it provided students with a unique opportunity to participate in an authentic curriculum experience. Students worked with their teachers to prepare and facilitate a successful high tea. Year 10 VCD students under the direction of Ms Tania Taylor were given the brief to prepare the flyer and billboard to advertise the High Tea. Congratulation to Kianna Ledesma who designed the winning graphic design. The Visual Art students, with the encouragement of Ms Tayla Clayton and Ms Tania Taylor prepared artwork that they offered for sale to raise funds for the cause. Thank you to the following students who prepared artwork which was sold on the day:

- Vasilios Tsakouleris
- Kahli Krepp
- Rosaline Taulapapa
- Sanya Gupta
- Atitcha Sudampanthorn

Mrs Chloe Todman and Ms Kate Whitten worked tirelessly with a group of dedicated students from year 7- 11 to prepare the food alongside the ladies from Rotary. Students showed a great deal of initiative and competence as they served the food and tea and coffee on the day. Thank you to the following students:

Braelyn Gallas	Phoebe Edwards
Chelsea Nash	Balana Moran
Kahli Krepp	Neen Neen Way
Kayla Shute	Julie Nyi
Jake Horan	Ruby Barrow-Marks
Leanne Pham	Hanna Haile
Taylah Alexander	Nabila Naskar
Nevada Hancock	Stephanie Okely
Maggie Ung	Zeituna Hussein
Priscilla Goh	Ler Dah Paw Kunoo
Harini Chandra	Hassan Hussein
Madeline Kakska	

Under the inspirational direction of Sue Butcher, Arts Faculty Leader, students entertained guests. Thank you to:

- Vocalist Madeline Kakska who was accompanied by Beulah Vergara performing, I See the Light
- Vocalists Jayde Lowery and Shenae Hartigan who performed That's Life and Smash

The VCAL students under the diligent supervision of Mr Allan Bernardi prepared the potted plants from Werribee Historical Orchard and decorated the potted flowers that gave colour and a spectacular presence to the gym that impressed guests as they stepped into the spring colour.

Thank you to Werribee Rotary and Lyn Fava, in particular, who worked closely with our college for a successful inaugural High Tea.



### **Rotary Year 10 Creative Expression Competition.**

This year for the second year running Werribee Rotary offered a Creative Expression competition open to students in Year 10. The theme for the creative expression competition was: "How can you make a difference and help strengthen our community?" Sixteen Year 10 Wyndham Central College students entered the competition. Prizes of \$150 were awarded to three of the students for their outstanding work.

Congratulations to:

- Leo Sun who produced poem
- Damanpreet Kaur who presented a pictorial representation or drawing
- Chloe Smith for her essay



On Tuesday 17th October the students were invited to join the Rotarians with their families for dinner. The students presented their work to the Werribee Rotary and they were presented with a certificate and a \$150 cheque. Thank you to Werribee Rotary for providing this opportunity for students to improve their creative expression and public speaking and presentation skills.



## CLUBS

### Maths Homework Club

The Maths homework club operates each Wednesday from 3:10pm to 4:10pm in M10. All students are welcome to attend and obtain assistance with their maths homework. A number of teachers will be available to assist students. Please see table below - Leigh Smith - Maths Faculty

### Science Homework Club

The Science Homework Club for Years 7 - 10 will run every Wednesday from 3:10pm – 4:10pm in the Science Centre. Please see table below - Shalika Sharma - Science Faculty

### Games/ Chess Club

Games/Chess Club will run for students in the Deakin Building every Thursday during lunchtime - Scott Lynch

Day	Subject	Time	Room	Year Level
<b>Monday</b>	Math	3:10 – 4:00	M9 & M10	7-11
	Math	3:10 – 4:00	M10	12
	English	3:10 – 4:00	M14	7-12
<b>Wednesday</b>	Math	3:10 – 4:00	M10	12
	Science	3:10 – 4:00	M12	7-10

## BREAKFAST CLUB

### **Wyndham Central College Breakfast Club**

Introducing the Wyndham Central Breakfast Club  
Thursdays between 7.50am- 8.30am at T1

**All students are welcome**

Foods that will be provided:

- Toast – butter, vegemite, jam and honey
- Crumpets – butter, vegemite, jam and honey
- Pancakes - butter, vegemite, jam and honey
- Cereals
- Fruit

We look forward to seeing students at Breakfast Club!  
No costs to students – Sponsored by LET'S FEED  
Scott Lynch – Breakfast Club Co-ordinator



**Let's Feed**

## ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

### 2018 ARRANGMENTS - CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND

The Victorian state government has once again offered extra funding to families who hold a Centrelink pension card or a Health Care card. \$225 towards the costs associated with camps, excursions and sporting events. These funds will be paid directly to the college and can only be used for the afore mentioned events.

The process has changed slightly this year. If you were in receipt of CSEF funds in 2017 there will be **NO** requirement to reapply unless you have a child who is starting Wyndham Central College for the first time in 2018. In this case please come to the office complete a form and present your card for copying we will submit your application which is validated by Centrelink directly A copy of your Health Care Card showing the card number must be submitted with all new applications.

#### **Eligibility Date**

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2018) or term two (16 April 2018).

### SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL SHOP

Please find attached information regarding the Sustainable School Shop (SSS).

Please note that once families receive their booklists for 2018, unwanted books can be sold via the SSS for 2018.

### 2018 ARRANGMENTS FOR CENTREPAY OR PAYMENT PLANS

Wyndham Central College offers Payment Plans or CentrePay options for families. If you currently have a CentrePay plan in place there is nothing more you need to do as this will continue. If you would like to discuss Payment Plan options please feel free to call us on 9741 4911 and make an appointment to discuss your needs with the Business Manager.

### VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

For the safety of staff and students, all visitors to the school must report to the front office (including parents) and log into Compass. In case of an emergency, we need to be aware of who is on site.

### STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

If your child needs to leave school early for an appointment, parents are required to send their child with a note in their planner advising the reason and time they need to leave. The student must take the note to their Year Level administration office in the morning to receive an early leaver's pass. This pass can then be shown to the teacher at the time they are leaving class and then also to the front office when they exit the school.

### THE COLLEGE NOW OFFERS BPAY

Pay family payments online fast. Just enter the BPAY Biller Code, your reference number, the amount and the payment date, and you're done.

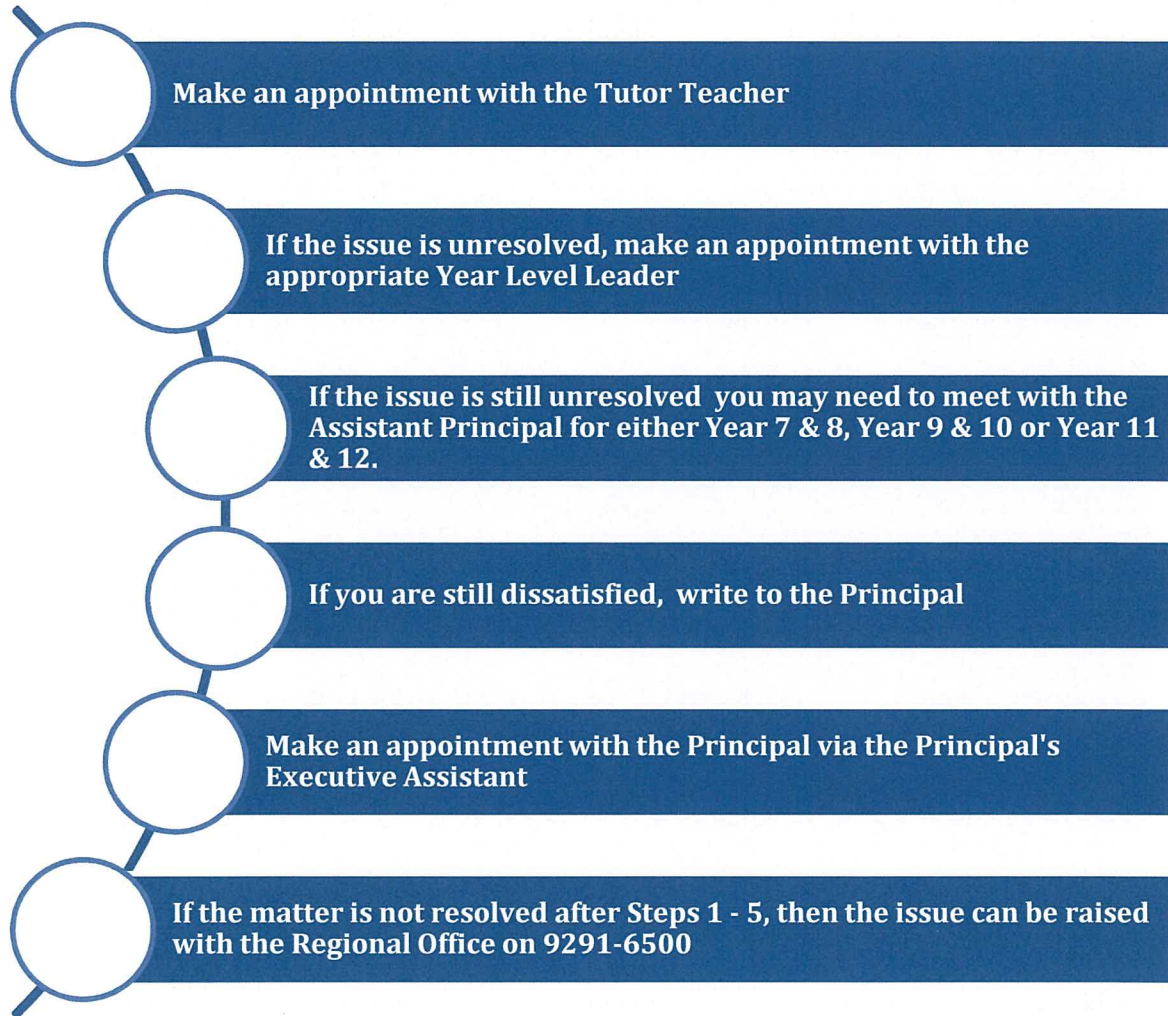
If you require a payment to be allocated to a particular item you will need to send an email to the college with your request before you make payment.

Biller code and reference numbers now appear on your family statements.





## **COMMUNICATION/GRIEVANCE PROCESS**





## Wyndham Central College Career News

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### **This is the last edition of Careers Newsletter for 2017 - It is mainly directed at Year 12 students.**

Good luck as you progress to higher levels at school, or for Year 12's, on to University, TAFE, an Apprenticeship or Traineeship, or to Employment. Remember that you are likely to have several careers throughout your working life so be prepared to gain further education throughout your lifetime.

This is a condensed version of the newsletter. The full edition can be found on the College website via the Careers link.

### **YEAR 12 NEWS...**

#### **REMINDER...**

- **YEAR 12 VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE (VTAC)** - timely applications closed on 28 September. Applications can still be made, but now cost \$103

### **YEAR 12 AND VTAC...**

- Late **course applications** can still be made, but now cost \$103 (till 3 November, 5pm). After that applications cost \$134 (till 8 December). The payment **deadline** for most applicants is **18 December (4pm)**.
- Course **preference changes** can be made till 12 noon 20 December, except for the period 4 – 19 November.  
They can also be made **between Offer Rounds** in January and February
- The **first Offer Round** of courses will be on 16 January, the second on 2 February.
- You are advised to **accept your first offer of a tertiary place**.  
Most applicants will only receive one offer.  
**Accepting an offer does not stop you from receiving a later offer** for a course higher in your preference list.

### **I'M IN YEAR 12 - WHERE CAN I GET ASSISTANCE DURING 'CHANGE OF PREFERENCE' PERIOD?**

The period after Year 12's receive their ATAR is known as **Change of Preference (COP)** - Friday 15 December till 12 noon on Wednesday 20 December. During this time tertiary institutions run **information sessions, COP Expos**, offer **phone assistance**, and will help you in any way they can. You can also obtain **assistance at school**. These institutions are offering the following (see online for more details).

**NOTE:** Some institutions will have phone contact available on **Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 December** as well as week days.

- **Australian Catholic University – Hotline:** 1300 ASK ACU (1300 275 228), including 12 noon - 4pm Sat 16 December  
**Information Sessions:** Melbourne 12 noon – 3pm, Monday 18 December  
Ballarat 4-6pm, Monday 18 December





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- **Box Hill Institute – Hotline:** 1300 BOX HILL (1300 269 445)
- **Charles Sturt University – Hotline:** 1800 334 733
- **Chisholm – Hotline:** 1300 244 746
- **Deakin University – Hotline:** 1800 693 888; COP events: 11am-2pm, Sunday 17 December (Burwood); 4-7pm, Monday 18 December (Geelong Waterfront)  
See also [www.deakin.edu.au/choose](http://www.deakin.edu.au/choose)
- **Federation University - Hotline:** 1800 333 864
- **Holmesglen – Hotline:** 1300 693 888
- **Kangan – Hotline:** 13 8233
- **La Trobe – Hotline:** 1300 135 045
- **Melbourne Polytechnic – Hotline:** 9269 1200
- **Monash – COP Expo:** 3-7pm, Monday 18 December, Building H, Caulfield campus, 900 Dandenong Rd, Caulfield East  
**COP Hotline:** 1800 MONASH (1800 666 274)  
Or see [www.monash.edu/cop](http://www.monash.edu/cop)
- **RMIT – Hotline:** 9925 2260  
Visit Info Corner, 330 Swanston St, Melbourne (Cnr. La Trobe St)  
**COP Expo:** 3-6pm, Monday 18 December (City campus)  
[www.rmit.edu.au/school-leaver](http://www.rmit.edu.au/school-leaver)
- **Swinburne – Hotline:** 1300 SWINBURNE  
**COP Expo:** 11am-4pm, Monday 18 December  
**Live Chat** via [www.swinburne.edu.au/choose](http://www.swinburne.edu.au/choose)
- **University of Melbourne – Hotline:** 13 MELB (13 6352)  
**COP Day:** Mon 18 December  
See: <http://coursesearch.unimelb.edu.au/change-of-preference/>
- **Victoria – Hotline:** 1300 VIC UNI (1300 842 864)
- **William Angliss – Hotline:** 1300 ANGLISS (1300 264 547)

### MORE SCHOLARSHIP NEWS...

Year 12's are encouraged **to apply for scholarships** on the VTAC website (**the deadline has been extended to 12 noon on Monday 16 October**). However, as previously noted, it is wise to look out for others such as:

- **AusNet Services Women in Power Engineering scholarships** – these support women to achieve tertiary qualifications in power engineering, preparing them for careers in the energy industry. They are valued at \$10,000 per year and include a mentoring program.  
See: [www.deakin.edu.au/ausnet-services-women-in-power-engineering-scholarship](http://www.deakin.edu.au/ausnet-services-women-in-power-engineering-scholarship)
- The **Global Science and Technology Program** aims to recognise and support high achieving students who would like to conduct part of their studies overseas. Successful applicants will receive a \$3,000 scholarship to assist with travel and will participate in the Deakin Global Citizenship Program. See: [www.deakin.edu.au/sebe/global](http://www.deakin.edu.au/sebe/global)
- The **IGNITED Scholarship** aims to ignite women's interest in **areas traditionally dominated by men**. Each scholarship is valued at \$5,000 pa. See: [www.deakin.edu.au/ignited-scholarship](http://www.deakin.edu.au/ignited-scholarship)



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- **Monash Asylum Seekers Scholarship** – Applications for the 2018 scholarship are open and close on Wednesday 20 December. This scholarship enables asylum seekers in Australia to gain a Monash education.

**Benefits:**

- Full tuition fees paid for the duration of the degree
- \$5,000 yearly allowance

**Eligibility:** based on need; must be an international student and holder of a Bridging Visa A or E

**Submit an application form from:** [www.monash.edu/study/fees-scholarships/scholarships/find-a-scholarship/monash-asylum-seekers-scholarship-4094](http://www.monash.edu/study/fees-scholarships/scholarships/find-a-scholarship/monash-asylum-seekers-scholarship-4094)

- Other **Monash scholarships** – **Merit scholarships** are awarded based on academic achievement and have financial and academic benefits including membership of some of Monash's exclusive mentoring and leadership programs.
- **Equity scholarships** are for those who identify as Indigenous Australian or who are experiencing financial hardship or disadvantage. Applicants submit an application through VTAC (new closing date: 12noon, 16 Oct).

### CHANGES TO DOCTOR OF MEDICINE (MD) AT MONASH...

This year there are only two VTAC Codes for this course rather than three. Students who apply for the CSP will also be automatically considered for a Bonded Medical Place (BMP) which now means there is no separate VTAC code for BMP. Applicants should note that deferrals will not be allowed except in exceptional circumstances.

See: [www.monash.edu.au/medicine](http://www.monash.edu.au/medicine).

### I'M IN YEAR 12 - WHAT IF I DO NOT GET A HIGH ENOUGH ATAR TO GET INTO MY DESIRED COURSE?

Many pathways and programs exist to assist in getting to where you want to go.

**Suggestions:**

- Complete a **Diploma of Tertiary Studies at Monash University** in either business, education or nursing (ATAR 50+) **OR** a Diploma of Higher Education (ATAR 65+)  
Indigenous pathways - See: [www.study.monash/how-to-apply/indigenous-student-applications](http://www.study.monash/how-to-apply/indigenous-student-applications)
- Complete a course at **Monash College** in Art & Design, Arts (Human Behaviour or Psychology streams), Business or Commerce, Engineering or Science; search Courses on VTAC website
- Complete a course at **Deakin College** in Commerce, Computing, Engineering, Health Sciences, Management, Media and Communication or Science
- Complete a **UniLink Diploma at Swinburne** (Arts and Communications, Business, Design, Engineering, Health Science, IT, Science)
- Complete a **Diploma at La Trobe Melbourne** in Biosciences, Business, Engineering, Health Sciences, IT or Mass Media Communications
- Complete a **Tertiary Preparation Course at RMIT** in engineering or science
- Consider studying a **related university course** with a lower ATAR  
**If you do well** you MAY be able to transfer to your desired course later





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- Start with a **VET (TAFE) course** in a related field  
Two years of VET often equals one at university
- Complete a **Tertiary Studies Diploma** at **Melbourne Polytechnic** (Preston)
- **Complete a Certificate IV in Liberal Arts** – a pathway into a range of degrees.  
**Swinburne and Victoria Universities** have this Certificate
- Consider a **country/rural campus**. ATAR's are often lower, usually due to lower demand, most have accommodation (apply ASAP)
- For **nursing** consider first completing **Division 2** at TAFE or a private provider- eg. Box Hill, Chisholm, Federation, Goulburn Ovens, Holmesglen, RMIT or Swinburne
- **ACU** has certificate/diploma courses that can lead to degrees (through ACUcom)  
See:  
[http://www.acu.edu.au/courses/2014/other\\_courses/vocational\\_education\\_training\\_vet/](http://www.acu.edu.au/courses/2014/other_courses/vocational_education_training_vet/)
- Complete a **Victoria University Foundations@VU** alternative entry to higher education and diploma studies course - a 13 week course designed to build academic skills needed for tertiary study.  
See: [www.vu.edu.au/courses/foundations-at-vu-jyac](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/foundations-at-vu-jyac)
- Complete a 2-year **Associate Degree**:  
Want to study at university but not sure you will meet the entry requirements for a bachelor's degree?  
Several universities offer these (eg RMIT).

### **YEAR 12: RESULTS and DECEMBER CHANGE OF PREFERENCE.**

1. VCE Results and ATARS available online from **7am FRIDAY, 15 DECEMBER, 2017**
2. VCE results and ATARS received in the mail by **WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017.**
3. Mrs. Karlovic, the Pathways & Transitions Leader, will be available to students from Friday 15 December, in the Careers Office, from 10am to 4pm for assistance/counselling during results and Change of Preference Time. Each student is entitled to an appointment to assist with decision making regarding pathways, VTAC preference changes, etc. Appointments can be made prior to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December as well as on the Friday morning via a telephone call to the College. Students can also make their way to the Careers Office to arrange an appointment or make a booking whilst attending the Year 12 Pathways Morning Tea (see below). Parents are also welcome to attend/make bookings. Every student is encouraged to take the time to have a meeting with Mrs Karlovic, in the Careers Office, during this crucial time.
4. **RESULTS/CHANGE of PREFERENCE/PATHWAYS MORNING TEA**

**DATE: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**TIME: 10am – 12.30pm**

**LOCATION: Student Services Centre, Outside the Careers Office**



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**All Year 12 Students are invited to a morning tea to wind down after the rigours of Year 12 and to discuss their Results/Change of Preferences/Pathway Options.**

**Biscuits, donuts, coffee & tea will be available.**

**Students will also be able to book appointments with Mrs Karlovic during this time to discuss results, preference changes and pathway options.**

5. Refer to the ABC of Applying 2018, pages 24-25, for further information regarding accessing of results.
6. VU Portfolio Early Entry Offer Program (EEOP) & RMIT SNAP Program Students will be notified early December. Please see me so we can then discuss your preferences, depending on the outcome.

**Please use the services provided by the College.**

**Good Luck!**

Mrs Kathy Karlovic  
Pathways & Transitions Leader  
Tel: 9741 4911 Ext.924/925



## Buy and Sell

Second-hand **Textbooks**

Second-hand **Uniforms**



### Simply

- Register on the Sustainable School Shop website  
- [www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

### Second-hand textbook & uniform trading systems

- List Wanted & For Sale Ads (Browsers tell each other what they require and what they have to sell).
- The school's book and uniform lists are loaded into the system to make the Ad listing process easy, fast and accurate.
- Our Ad Matching service shows you
  - Exactly the right items to buy
  - Who has the most items you need
  - The cheapest items
- Assistance is provided to accurately price items.
- Buyers contact Sellers, and arrange where and when to transact.
- Excellent email and telephone helplines are provided:  
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### Cost

- Browse and search the for sale ads for free
- Single items can be advertised for \$1.50
- Annual subscriptions \$21.95 (includes Ad Matching)

### Also Buy & Sell

- Calculators
- Sporting items
- Musical items
- Electronics & DVD's
- Stationery

### Pricing Guide

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|-------------|-----|
| • Like New  | 70% |
| • Excellent | 60% |
| • Very Good | 50% |
| • Good      | 40% |

[www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

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### Helpful tips

- Be patient items transact all year round
- Peak trading times: Textbooks: Nov-Mar Uniforms: Change of season; end of year and year start
- Listing Wanted and For Sale Ads gets results
- Our unique Ad Matching Service shows you who to transact with, and will save you lots of time
- Be realistic when pricing items
- Telephoning sellers provides a quicker response as many people do not regularly check their emails
- Pre-arrange who to transact with if your items are still being used and write the availability date in your Ad
- Respect other browsers and remember to Delist your Ads promptly when no longer needed
- Meet somewhere convenient to transact, don't make special trips and just fit it in to your normal activities