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Welcome to our Parent Newsletter.

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

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

4th February 2020

Develop a passion for learning – If you do, you will never cease to grow.

From the Principal's Desk

I warmly welcome back current staff, students, families and members of our Wyndham Central College community and I extend an especially warm welcome to our new students and families from years 7-12 who have joined the College for the first time this year. It has been a pleasure to meet and welcome our new Year 7 cohort and their families. The students have settled in very well and are feeling very comfortable in their new school and in their tutor groups, and we look forward to working with students and families during their next six years at the college.

IMPORTANT DATES

14th February	Swimming Carnival – whole school
18th February	Year 11 & 12 Parent Information Night – 7pm
25th February	School Photos
26th February	Year 7 Meet & Greet BBQ - 5:30pm - 7pm
2 nd March	School Photos (Catch Up)
9th March	Public Holiday – Labour Day
10th March	Athletics Carnival
12th March	Parent Information Session on Compass - 6pm
12th March	Parent Information Session on Cyber Bullying – 7pm
17th March	Grade 5 & 6 Parent Information Session – 7pm
20th March	Student Free Day – Professional Learning for Staff
23rd March	Year 7 Immunisations – Round 1
27th March	Last day of Term 2 – 2pm finish

New Staff

Once again the college student population has grown as we are a school of choice by many in the Wyndham community. We welcome back our existing staff and we also must welcome many talented new teachers and educational support staff into the school. We welcome:

In the English faculty: Phoebe Harrowfield, Tyler Martin, Amelia Schulz, Jamile Saleh, Isaac Duffy, Naomi Dadon,

Chris Kodikara

In the Science faculty: Arwa Kassar, Claudia Esquivel (Spanish Immersion Teacher), Rekha Phulara

In the Technology faculty: Colleen Brown (Foods), Ian O'Meara (Wood)

In the Languages faculty: Ewan Slater (Spanish), Lucia Andres Martinez (language assistant)

In the Humanities faculty: Shamaine Ng In the Mathematics faculty: Smitha Thomas

In the Health and Physical Education faculty: Koya Mayner

Finally, we welcome back from leave Ms Laura Newton (Year 8 Year level leader)

❖ Assistant Principal's Report
❖ Administration Requirements

COMPASS for parents & students Newsletter Content

All newsletters are posted on

- Important dates
- Principal's Report
- Administration Requirements

I extend my best wishes to the entire college community for a successful 2020 and in particular to our year 12 cohort who will be completing their final units of their VCE or senior VCAL certificate and who are preparing for their pathway to University, TAFE or Employment.

IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

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

School Captains

Congratulations to our 2020 captains Charlotte Dumangas and Baily Veal and our Vice Captains Maggie Ung and Bevienne Salvo. Mr Woollard our student leaders Assistant Principal, Mr Cook our SRC support leader and I are very excited to be working closely with our Student Representative Council, School leaders and in particular our School Captains in 2020.

2020 Priorities

2020 is the final year of our current 4 year strategic plan. I am delighted to say we are well on track to meet our vision and the goals and targets set for the four years.

As this is now our last year of our current plan, in 2020 the college will be undergoing a review period. During terms two and three the college community will be analysing our current position and planning our next four year plan, 2021 – 2024. Staff, students and families will be invited to have input as to the future direction for Wyndham Central College. More information will be provided to the community in coming weeks.

As we complete our current plan the college will continue to focus on implementing AVID strategies when delivering the Victorian Curriculum 7-10, VCE, VIP and VCAL programs forming the foundation of our daily work and this will continue to be enhanced with our focus on student leadership and student voice and the delivery of our programs such as Enrichment, STEM and Spanish Immersion. We will continue to ensure a safe environment for everyone with a renewed focus on our 'school wide positive behaviours' policy that supports student engagement, wellbeing and inclusion. We will continue to expand on student opportunities and increase our break time clubs and student projects as our 'interact club' begins. We look forward to sharing with our community these opportunities and sharing with you our student success.

Compass

Parents/Guardians are always encouraged to be an active partner with the college and to take up many opportunities over the coming year designed to support your children with their learning. A reminder that our Compass system will provide updates regularly. To support our communication strategies could all parents please update any address, telephone and email details that may have changed over January. This can be done via our front office or via Compass. If you need your Compass login details for 2020 please contact the college on 9741 4911 and speak to our tech support team.

Compass also holds important information and school policies. Please find in Compass and also attached to this newsletter the most up to date information as provided by the Victorian Government and Department of Education on the implementation of the state wide Mobile Phone Policy and in particular the most up to date processes re: the Coronavirus. At the time of writing this newsletter the most up to date advice is:

The Commonwealth's Chief Medical Officer and Victoria's Chief Health Officer have recommended a stronger precautionary approach to managing coronavirus for travellers returned from mainland China (not including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) from the 1 February 2020.

This recommendation is that parents/guardians/carers should ensure that any student returning from mainland China (not including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) who was in mainland China on or after 1 February 2020 is isolated at home and should not attend school until 14 days after they were last in mainland China.

This recommendation does not apply retrospectively. It applies only to students who were in mainland China on or after 1 February 2020.

Prior to the 1st of February, the existing advice remains that parents/guardians/carers of students should ensure that any student is isolated at home and should not attend school for 14 days:

- following exposure to any confirmed novel coronavirus case; or
- after leaving Hubei Province.

This same advice applies to any impacted staff.

Please contact the college if you have any questions or would like support in determining next steps for students.

School Council members

Parents have the opportunity to contribute to the school via the school council and council sub-committees. Our current School Council comprises of the following members;

President

Mr Anthony Monaghan Mr Matthew Rasmussen

Vice President Acting - Treasurer

Mr Matthew Rasmussen

Secretary

Ms Netta Ferlazzo

Elected WCC staff Representatives: Mr Byran Woollard, Ms Connie Faranda, Mr Ashley Rowe, and Mr Alex De-Leon Elected Student Representatives: Ms Charlotte Dumangos and Mr Rhys Balcombe Our School Captains also attend our meetings a non-voting members.

Elected Parent Representatives: Mr Prem Sadineedi, Mr Ross Preston, Ms Christine Smith, Mr Darren Clifford,

Ms Charlotte Hughes

Community reps: Ms Megan Taylor

The School council plays a key role in the governance of the school and supports the principal to provide the best possible educational outcomes for students. Some key functions are; to set the broad direction and vision of the school, develop long term planning documents, develop and review school policy, maintain the grounds and buildings and raise funds for school related purposes, and most importantly report to the school community and create interest in the school.

Our parent representatives are available at school functions and via email if at any time you would like to discuss or share your ideas on any of the items listed above, or for just a chat about what the council is currently working on. During this term there will be an opportunity for parents, staff and students to nominate to join council. Please consider if you would like to be a part of a future school council as a parent or student representative.

Ready to learn

Our Uniform Policy is available on the school website and in student planners. The expectation for 2020 is that all students will come to school in full school uniform, which includes the blazer and tie, and should 'wear the uniform with pride' in line with our Schoolwide Positive Behaviours Matrix. Please refer to the policy to ensure you and your children are aware of expectations and appropriate combinations of items. Parents will be informed when uniforms do not meet the expected standard via our student management system, tutor teachers and Year level leaders.

Student AVID binders, Laptops and e-books, or text books are a daily school requirement. Please ensure your children are at school on time with their equipment and in uniform. This will help all students achieve their very best. Our tutor teachers, year level leaders, attendance officer and student support services are available to families if you require assistance with any of the above.

I am looking forward to leading the Wyndham Central College community in 2020. We value your input, feedback and suggestions as we work together to continue to create a great school community for all students as they continue on their educational journey.

Leanne Gagatsis - Principal Creating a Community of High Expectations

NEW MOBILE PHONE POLICY for all State Schools in 2020

As you may be aware, Victorian government schools will be required to implement a new mobile phone policy from Term 1, 2020.

This new policy will help focus students' attention on learning in the classroom by providing them with:

- a safe environment to learn without inappropriate mobile phone use (including cyberbullying) or distractions
- greater opportunities for social interaction and physical activity during recess and lunchtimes

The use of technology is important, but the risks and benefits from its use needs to be carefully managed. A summary of research articles is available here. (Electronic version link). It provides the reason for the new policy, including concerns about the impact of overuse of mobile phones on thinking and learning, health and wellbeing.

Students will still be able to bring a mobile phone to school, but it will need to be turned off and stored securely away during the school day. Parents or carers can still contact their children through the school office in emergencies.

The new mobile phone policy allows for a small number of exceptions. Exceptions are only available where the use of a mobile phone is an essential tool for a student in managing a health condition. Exceptions applications can be made to the Principal in writing and must include supporting documentation.

Families are encouraged to continue conversations about mobile phone use and to support their children to become safe and responsible technology users. A range of resources are available for families to support these conversations, including the eSafety Commissioner's 7 Tips for Managing Screen Time, Online Safety: A guide for parents and carers, and Screen Smart Parent Tour and the Department of Education and Training's Bully Stoppers webpage. (Electronic version link).

Our school policy and fact sheets were made available to all parents at the College Step Up interviews in December and are currently available on Compass or via the front office and the college Assistant Principals and Year Level Leaders.

Leanne Gagatsis Principal

Annual privacy reminder

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found on our website https://wyndhamcentralsc-vic.compass.education/Communicate/SchoolResources.aspx

For more information about privacy, see: Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents.

Secondary School vaccinations in 2020

The Secondary School Vaccine Program offers free vaccines to Year 7 and 10 students. These vaccines provide protection against:

- Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) one dose for year 7 students
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV) two doses for year 7 students
- Meningococcal A,C,W,Y one dose for year 10 students

Parents/guardians of year 7 and 10 students should look out for the vaccine consent card booklet coming home from school with your child. You need to read the information, complete and return the card regardless of whether your child is being vaccinated at school.

The Wyndham Central Secondary College School Council immunisation service may contact you about the Secondary School Vaccine Program. Schools are authorised to provide basic parent/guardian contact details to local councils for this purpose. Contact the school by 28 February 2020 if you do not want your contact details given to the Wyndham Council immunisation service.

To learn more about the Secondary School Vaccine Program, the vaccines, the diseases they protect against, or how you can prepare your child for vaccination, go to betterhealth.vic.gov.au

Additionally, the Commonwealth government is funding vaccinations for all children under 20 years of age who missed any scheduled vaccines, including a catch up program for Meningococcal ACWY vaccine for adolescents aged 15-19 years of age who have not already received the vaccine in school. If students have missed vaccines, either in childhood or adolescence, and require catch-up vaccines, they should speak with their immunisation provider. (ie. local council or GP).

College Information

Road Safety

In the interest of student safety and the efficiency of the school buses, please do not park in the yellow painted curb **2.45pm-3:15pm.** The school buses experience difficulties turning at the end of the road which delay the service and the pickup of students. This increases the risk to student safety and the damage to motor vehicles. Your support is greatly appreciated in keeping students safe.

Bell Times

Reminder of School Bell times and the importance of students being in class on time.

	8.50 – 8.58 am 8:58 – 9:03 am	Break 1 Locker	11:30 – 12:00 pm 12:00 – 12:05 pm	Session 4 Detention	1:52 – 3:04 pm 3:04 – 3:34 pm
Session 1	9:03 – 10:15 am	Session 3	12:05 – 1:17 pm	2000	5.5 · 5.5 · p
Movement	10:15 - 10:18 am	Break 2	1:17 - 1:47 pm		
Session 2	10:18 - 11:30 am	Locker	1:47 - 1:52 pm		

Reminder – tutor time attendance is compulsory – during this time students receive all relevant class/school information.

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 yard duty supervision at the beginning of the school day will commence at **8.30am**. This supervision will include **Buses Location 1 and Buses Location 2**.

Yard duty supervision at the end of the school day will be provided until 3.30pm for all students. This supervision will include Buses Location 1, Buses Location 2, Shaw's Road near the Gate Location 7 each until 3.30pm.

DET - Detention Duty until 3.40pm.

Supervision is provided if students are needed for CAT/SAC resits until 4.15pm.

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.

Attendance / Non Attendance Process

Please report all known absences to the Attendance Officer, Ms. Carol Mills by calling the College on 97414911 and selecting Option 1. If your child has been absent please send a note with your child within three working days to explain his/her absence. For further information please see the Attendance Policy on Compass or the Department of Education parent website.

Same-day notification of unexplained student absences

Fact sheet for parents/carers from the Department of Education

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

- 1. Online: log the absence directly using your school's IT platform Compass
- 2. **Telephone:** the school's Attendance Officer, Mrs. Carol Mills on 9741 4911 (Option 1 for attendance) and let her know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.
- 3. **Email:** your child's tutor teacher, via Compass and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?

Schools need to know when and why a child is absent and you need to know if your child isn't at school.

From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

What is your responsibility?

You are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day or you must provide an explanation for their absence. You should let the school know in advance of any upcoming absences or let them know in the morning if your child won't be at school. In order for schools to implement the same day notification requirement, it's essential that you provide the school with your most up-to-date contact details.

Generally one notification will be sent per family. Should there be circumstances that require both parents and carers to be notified, please contact the school to make the necessary arrangements.

What is the school's responsibility?

The school must notify you of an unexplained absence in relation to your child as soon as practicable on the same day.

Schools will let you know either by your school's online communications app, SMS, phone call or email. If you can't be reached because the school does not have your correct contact details (i.e. changed phone number, SMS/email failure notification received etc.), the school will attempt to make contact with any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school. Where possible, this contact will be made on the same day of the unexplained absence.

Where can I learn more about the process for managing student absences?

Ask your school for a copy of the *Attendance Policy* which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences.

School Nurse

A reminder to ensure all <u>medical plans</u> for your children are up to date. Please feel free to contact Ms. Claudia Jara, the School Nurse on 97414911 to discuss any 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 First Aid for medical attention.

School Gates

The school gates are closed at 8.50 am to facilitate students arriving to class on time. Students must report to the administration area after 8:50 am, to obtain a late pass. Consequences for lateness may apply. Your child should have a note to explain a known lateness. Thank you to adhering to school policy.

Bike storage at school

It is important that all bikes are locked onto 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 picking up rubbish in 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. As a further support please be aware of the amount of packaging being brought to school when preparing student lunches.

Emergency Management Plan

The Wyndham Central College Emergency Management Plan is tested regularly to ensure the safety of all students, staff and school visitors in the event of an emergency situation. As part of this plan we conduct four emergency drills per year, two lock down drills and two fire drills and students are made aware of when a drill is about to commence.



Happy new year to all and we trust that you and your families had a relaxing break over the summer holidays. A warm welcome to all new families to Wyndham Central College. We have had nearly 270 students join us in year 7 plus a whole host of new enrolments at years 8 and 9. We look forward to working in partnership with you to enable your children to achieve success, should you wish to discuss anything about your child your first point of contact is their tutor teacher. Teachers can be contacted via phone or email.

All year 7 families are invited to a 'Meet and Greet' BBQ that will be held on February 26 between 5.30pm and 7pm. Tutor teachers will be in attendance this night so it's a great opportunity to come and say hello to the team who will be working with your children throughout the year. Around this time we will be also offering a non-cost excursion for all year 7s to Eastern Beach in Geelong as part of our transition program. This is a great opportunity for the students to make some new friends and participate in team building activities. Information will come home to you shortly about these activities.

Unfortunately as we know with the advances in technology that are upon us the world is not as safe as it once was. We regularly run education programs with our students around how to protect themselves in the online environment, but we thought it was important that you as parents have access to this information as well. On March 12 at 7pm we will be having a free parent-education evening called 'Cyber Safety for Parents'. This is being run by an outside organisation who have expertise and professional knowledge in this area. Preceding this at 6pm will be a hands-on information session on Compass, for those who would like to use it but don't know how. Your child will be bring home further information on this evening in the coming weeks.

On behalf of the middle years team I'd like to again welcome you to 2020, and we look forward to working with you to help your children achieve excellence.

Megan Taylor - Assistant Principal - Years 7, 8 & 9

YEAR'S 10, 11 & 12 REPORT

I hope that all students and their families have had a wonderful holiday and are ready for the new school year. I look forward to working with and supporting all Years 10, 11 and 12 years students and their families in working towards the completion of a successful secondary school education.

It is with high expectations, the building of a partnership between the college and families, with two-way communication, which will see the fruition of every student's hopes and inspirations.

I encourage you to please make contact with the college if you have any concerns so that they can be dealt with in a timely manner.

Year 11/12 Parent/Carer information evening

This is a reminder that there is a Parent/Carer Information Evening on Tuesday 18th February from 7.00pm-8pm, in the College Auditorium.

During the evening, there will be valuable presentations by the Leading teachers discussing college requirements, future pathways information and past students will also be present to offer some advice to our students.

All students were given a College planner (diary) at the commencement of this year and I encourage all parents to look through this planner and support your child to use it for writing in important dates and homework. Please also use and check the planner for two way communication, between home and the school.

Bryan Woollard - Assistant Principal - Years 10, 11 & 12



Welcome to the 2020 school year. I hope that all families have enjoyed a restful break and that all students are ready for a successful 2020 academic year.

AVID and AVID Binders

Wyndham Central College is committed to the successful implementation of AVID Schoolwide. AVID Schoolwide ensures consistency and research based teaching and learning strategies for all students in all classes. In Years 7 -10 all students are supported in developing their organisational skills using the AVID Binder.

The AVID Binder is compulsory for all students in Years 7- 10 and for the AVID Elective students at Years 11 and 12. All students were provided with the AVID Binder Pack and supported to organise their binder on day one. Students are expected to take their AVID Binder to all classes. It is stored in their lockers during break times. Parents have a vital role in ensuring that their child maintains a well organised Binder. Parents can check their child's binder and support their child to maintain a well organised Binder so they are ready to learn.



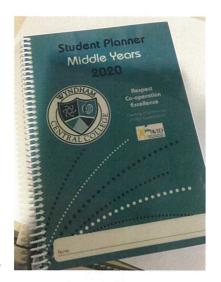
College Planner

All teachers are ready to deliver a well- planned, exciting, real and relevant curriculum in all classes that incorporate the WICOR (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organisation and Reading) Strategies. WICOR is a set of research based best teaching and learning practices to support your child to achieve their potential.

The College Planner is an organisational tool. Students are expected to take the College Planner to all classes. Students in Years 7- 10 students will keep the College Planner in their AVID Binder. Teachers will support students to use the College Planner to develop their organisational skills. Students will write their homework in their planner each day. In addition, they will write dues dates for upcoming assignments, CATS (Common Assessment Tasks) or SACS (School Assessed Coursework). Students will add important dates, exams or other events in their College Planner.

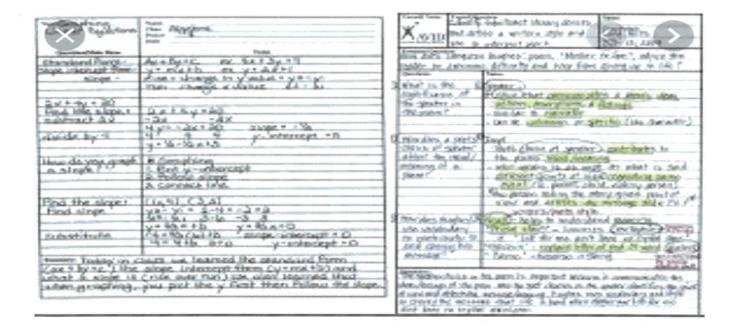
If a student needs to leave class, for example, to go to the bathroom, they will be required have a note from their class teacher in their Planner and have their Planner with them at all times.

Parents are encouraged to use the College Planner as a Communication tool with the College.



Cornell Notes

Students are expected to continue to use the Cornell Note taking format and complete all steps of the note taking system. Teachers will support this process in class regularly. However, the completion of Cornell notes must be part of your child's regular homework and home study program. Parents please have a look at your child's work and encourage and support your child to interact with and review notes regularly, as this will help your child to prepare for, and improve their test and exam results and therefore promote greater confidence in their learning.



Homework Club

Homework club will be running again in 2020. Homework Club is held on Monday and Wednesday night from 3:20 pm to 4:00 pm in the AVID Centre. Homework Club will commence this Monday 3rd February. It is an opportunity for students to receive extra support with all areas of their learning with expert teachers available to clarify misconceptions. Homework Club is for all students, Years 7-12, and we encourage all students to take the opportunity to seek extra assistance from teachers or to work collaboratively after school in a supportive learning environment. Please refer to the Homework Policy at the end of the Newsletter.

WYNDHAM CENTRAL COLLEGE HOMEWORK CLUB

WHEN: Monday and Wednesdays 3:20 pm- 4:00 pm

WHERE: AVID Centre

WHY: Get help with your homework so you feel more

confident



We look forward to working with you and your child to ensure a successful and productive 2020.

Connie Faranda - Assistant Principal - Teaching & Learning

Tutor Teachers 2020

Please find below the list of Tutor teachers for 2020

Tutor Group (2020)	Tutor Teacher	
Assistant Principal Years 7 -9	Megan Taylor	
Yr 7 Year Level Leader Yr Level Assistant	Ashley Rowe Alan Nilsen	
7A	Peta Hills	
7B	Sue Butcher	
7C	Alex De Leon	
7D	Rekha Phulara	
7E	Alex Mejia	
7F	Janine Smith	
7G	Phoebe Harrowfield	
7H	Gabriel Hensby- Robinson	
7J	Andreas Nilsen	
7K	Nicole Smith	
7L	7L Clarah Chiripanhura	
Year 7 ES Assistant	Sharon Hamilton	

Yr 8 Year Level Leader Yr Level Assistant	Laura Newton		
8A	Kate Whitten		
8B	Stephen Stellini		
8C	Claudia Esquivel		
8D	Troy West		
8E	Jessie Damjanovski		
8F	Amelia Schulz		
8G	Arwa Kassar		
8H	Colleen Brown		
8J	Jamile Saleh		
8K	Fiona Wu		
Year 8 ES Assistant	Sharon Hamilton		

Yr 9 Year Level Leader Yr Level Assistant	Scott Lynch Beau Lepp			
9A	Caitlin Barbante			
9B	Anne Vlahos			
9C	Ewan Slater			
9D	Beau Lepp			
9E	Jay Nagan			
9F	Isaac Duffy			
9G	Helen Gilmore			
9Н	Emily Bellin			
9J	Ian O'Meara			
9S	Nigel Keyi			
Year 9 ES Assistant	Ange Whitfield			

Assistant Principal Yr 10- 12	Bryan Woollard
Yr 10 Year Level Leader Yr Level Assistant	Grace Hawke Tran Vo
10A	Smitha Thomas
10B	Kim Silva
10C	Ray Sherriff
10D	Tania Howe
10E	Naomi Dadon
10F	Meridith Thompson
10G	Jessica Pine
10S	Stacey Jamieson
Year 10 ES Assistant	Ange Whitfield

Yr 11 Year Level Leader Yr Level Assistant	Chad Cook Mark O' Callaghan		
11A	Eunice Liew		
11B	Michelle Shen		
11C	Del Cutter		
11D	Andre Bernardi		
11E	Shalika Sharma		
11F	Angie Gogos		
11G	Pina Siragusano		
Year 11 ES Assistant	Heidi Mcdowell		

Yr 12 Year Level Leader Yr Level Assistant	Rebecca Sandlant Angie Chan
12A	Sharon Bumpstead
12B	Tayla Clayton
12C	John Cutter
12V	Angie Chan
12D	Allan Bernardi
12E	Amanda Chivers
12F	Anita Herbert
Year 12 ES Assistant	Heidi Mcdowell



ADMINISTRAION OPENING HOURS

Wyndham Central College Administration is open:

- Monday to Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
- Friday 8:30 am 3:30 pm

College phone number – 9741 4911 - Please see/call the administration office for any queries/assistance

CAMPS SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

Camps Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) application forms are available to any family who holds a CentreLink Card and has not applied for this money previously at Wyndham Central College. To be eligible for these funds in 2020 you must complete the CSEF form and attach a copy of your health card which must be current as of the 28th January 2020. If you do not have a CSEF form, they are available at the College office.

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

If you have recently changed your contact details, please update them either through Compass or at the school, to ensure we can work together to support your child.

CAN WE ASSIST YOU WITH A PAYMENT PLAN?

In some cases families may require a little assistance to meet the financial obligations of education, even though at Wyndham Central College we endeavor to keep the costs associated with education down to a minimum. If we can help you please feel free to call us on 9741 4911 to find a suitably agreeable time to make an appointment with the Business Manager Netta Ferlazzo to discuss how we could assist.

SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL SHOP

Please note that once families receive their booklists, unwanted books can be sold via the SSS. There will also be an opportunity to purchase some text books on this website as soon as we are able to furnish them with the correct ISBN coding. Please see flyer attached.

THE COLLEGE 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; this code is found on the your family statement.

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.

A reminder to parents, when making a BPAY payment, could you please notify the College either by phone or email as soon as the payment has been made if there is a specific item you would like this payment to be allocated towards.



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

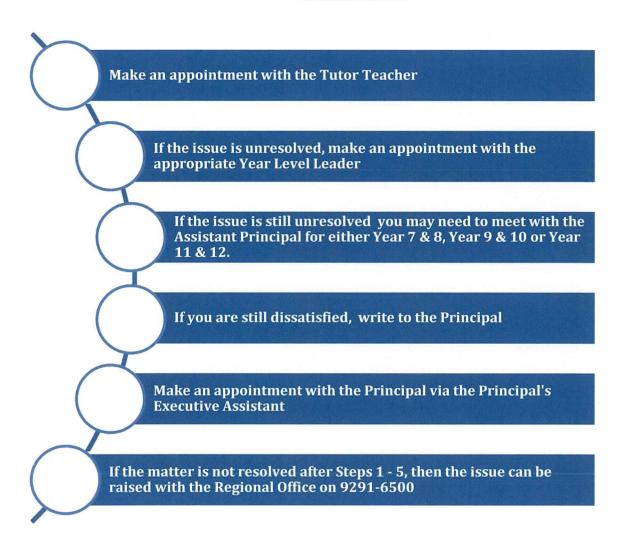
If your child needs to leave school early for an appointment, parents are required to send their child with a note in their planner advising the reason and time they need to leave. The student must take the note to their Year Level administration office in the morning to receive an early leaver's pass.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

CANTEEN MENU

Please find attached the latest Canteen menu.

COMMUNICATION/GRIEVANCE PROCESS

If you have something you wish to communicate with the College, this process will support each party to achieve a successful outcome.



Wyndham Central College

HOMEWORK POLICY

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline to students, parents/carers and school staff Wyndham Central College's expectations for homework and at-home learning.

SCOPE

This policy applies to students in all year levels and to staff responsible for setting homework.

POLICY

Wyndham Central College expects students to further develop and consolidate their independent learning skills by completing homework tasks. Homework has a positive effect on learning and is an important part of reinforcing the concepts that are introduced in class. It also plays a significant role in building work ethic, self-discipline and responsibility.

Teachers at Wyndham Central College are encouraged to exercise their discretion in assigning tasks that are appropriate for their students. Homework assigned across different learning areas will be coordinated by Year Level coordinators to avoid unreasonable workloads for students.

Years 7 to 9

Homework tasks at these year levels may include daily independent reading, extended classwork, Cornell note completion of questions and summaries, projects, essays, exercises and research.

Generally, students will be expected to spend between 45 to 90 minutes per day on homework tasks. Some tasks may be assigned to be completed during weekends and on the school holidays.

Years 10 to 12

Generally, students can expect homework tasks in these year levels to increase to take into account the expected level of independence and initiative of students.

At Year 11 and Year 12, students are expected to spend an increased amount of time completing homework tasks in preparation for VCE and VCAL.

Students can expect to spend between 1 to 3 hours of homework per weeknight, and further study on weekends during assessment periods.

Subject	7	8	9	10
Science	40 min per week	40 min per week	50 min per week	60 min per week
HUMS	40 min	40 min	50 min	60 min
English	40 min	40 min	50 min	60 min
Maths	40 min	40 min	50 min	60 min
HAPE	40 min	40 min	50 min	60 min
Electives	30 min each	30 min each	40 min each	50 min each

Shared expectations and responsibilities

Homework is a shared responsibility between the school, teachers, students and their parents/carers. In order to get the most out of homework tasks, it is important that everyone understands their obligations and responsibilities.

Wyndham Central College will support students by:

- fostering lifelong learning and connecting families with the learning of their children, as part of a comprehensive and balanced curriculum within Victorian schools
- ensuring the school's homework policy is relevant to the needs of students
- advising parents/carers of homework expectations at the beginning of the school year and provide them with a copy of the homework policy
- ensuring students use the Student Planners to provide a regular communication between parents and the school.

It is expected that teachers will:

- equip students with the skills to solve problems
- encourage real-life problem solving, logical thinking, creativity and imagination
- set varied, challenging and meaningful tasks related to class work to suit the students' learning needs
- give students enough time to complete homework, considering home obligations and extracurricular activities
- assess homework and provide timely and practical feedback and support
- Provide resources for task on Compass
- help students develop organisational and time-management skills
- ensure parents/carers are aware of the school's homework policy
- develop strategies within the school to support parents/carers becoming active partners in homework
- offer a wide range of opportunities for families to engage in their children's learning.

It is expected that students will take responsibility for their own learning by:

- writing homework tasks in their Student Planner
- being aware of the school's homework policy
- discussing with their parents/carers homework expectations
- accepting responsibility for the completion of homework tasks within set time frames

- following up on comments made by teachers
- seeking assistance when difficulties arise
- organising their time to manage home obligations, participation in physical activity and sports, recreational and cultural activities and part-time employment.

It is expected that parents/carers will support their children by:

- developing a positive and productive approach to homework
- ensuring there is a balance between the time spent on homework and recreational activities
- reading to them, talking with them and involving them in learning opportunities during everyday household routines and physical activity
- talking to teachers about any concerns they have about the homework
- attending the school events, productions or displays their child is involved in
- regularly checking and signing the Student Planner
- discussing homework with their child in their first language, if English is not the main language spoken at home, and linking it to previous experiences
- linking homework and other learning activities to the families' culture, history and language, linking with relevant services, clubs, associations and community
- ensuring there is a quiet study area for students to complete their homework tasks.

Support for students, parents and carers

Teachers at Wyndham Central College understand that students have different learning styles and interests, and may approach learning activities and homework differently. If you are concerned that your child may not understand the homework tasks that have been set for him or her, or is spending a long period of time completing their homework, we encourage you to speak to your child's Tutor Teacher

Students who may benefit from support completing their homework tasks are encouraged to attend Homework Club every Monday and Wednesday from 3:20 pm- 4:00 pm in the AVID Centre

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- School Policy and Advisory Guide:
 - o Homework Guidelines
 - o Homework Expectations

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy was last reviewed on January 2020 and is scheduled for review on January 2022

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Wyndham Central Cafe by



Breakfast

Egg & Bacon Muffin 3.0 Ham & Cheese Toastie 3.0 Ham, Cheese & Tomato Toastie 3.5 Fresh Yoghurt 3.5 v Hash Brown (Oven Baked) 1.2 v

Recess Selection

Toasted Bacon & Egg on Wholemeal Roll 3.5

Cheese & Spinach Roll 3.5

Assorted Dim Sims and Dumplings 1.2

Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap (Warm) 5.0

Homemade Pizza Slice 2.7

Traveller Beef Pie (Salt Reduce) 3.7

Nacho with Salsa, Sour Cream, Tasty Cheese 4.0 v

Chicken Burger w Lettuce, Mayo 5.0

Chicken Schnitzel Sub w Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo 5.5

Veg Sub w Cos Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion, Mayo 5.0 v

Angus Beef Burger with Cheese, Tomato Sauce 4.5

Hot Dog with Topping (optional) from 3.7

Noddles Assorted Flavours 3.0

Falafel Bites 3for 3.0 GF Vegan

Sweet Potato Rosti Bites 3for 3.0GF Vegan

Lunch Selection

Homemade Pasta of the Day 5.0 v Traveller Beef Pie (Salt Reduce) 3.7 Chicken Burger w Lettuce, Mayo 5.0 Chicken Schnitzel Sub w Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo 5.5 Chicken Parmagina Sub with Sauce & Cheese 5.5 Pork Riblett Sub with Lettuce & BBQ Sauce 5.5 Angus Beef Burger with Cheese, Tomato Sauce 5.0 Assorted Dim Sims and Dumplings 1.2 Homemade Pizza Slice 2.7 Tasty Meatball Sub with Sauce & Cheese 5.0 Hot Dog with Topping (optional) from 3.7 Noddles Assorted Flavours 3.0 Veg Sub w Cos Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion, Mayo 5.0 v Vegetarian Quiche Slice 3.5 v Meals available at different times: Scallop Potato's, Shepherds Pie, Chana Dal, Pumpkin Soup, Vegan Pasta, Fried Rice, Thai Chicken

Wednesday & Thursday Sushi Special Term 1 & 4 2 Rolls from 6.0

Green Curry, Thai Chicken Red Curry, Roast Vegies

Chicken Teriyaki, California, Tuna & Avocado.

Cold Deli Selection

Fruit Salad with Yoghurt 4.5

Garden Salad with Italian Dressing 4.5

Add Chicken Breast 5.0

Coleslaw 4.5

Yoghurt with Berries 4.5

Jelly 1.5

From The Bakery

Assorted Gourmet Pies 4.0
Sausage Roll 3.0
Assorted Muffins 4.0
Assorted Slices 3.7
Vegetable Pastie 4.0 v
Cheese & Vegemite Pinwheel 1.5 v

Sandwiches

Made to order
Assorted Breads
Salad with Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber Red Onion 3.5 v
Salad add Ham 4.0
Salad add Chicken 4.0
Salad add Cheese 4.0 v
Egg & Lettuce 4.0
Tuna with Tomato & Red Onion 4.0
Chicken Lettuce & Mayo 4.0
Chicken with Avocado & Cheese 5.0
Ham Cheese & Tomato 4.0
Cheese & Tomato 3.5 v
Add .50 for Rolls or Wraps
Add 1.00 for Focaccia

Drinks

250ml Coke-no sugar, Sprite 2.0
390ml Coke no sugar, Sprite 3.5
500ml Ice Tea Varieties 3.7
750ml Pump Flavoured Water 4.0
600ml Water 2.5
PowerAde Varieties 4.0
300ml Oak Milk Flavoured 3.0
250ml Mini Shakes Flavoured 3.0
500ml Ice Break 4.0
600ml Oak Flavoured 4.0
Harvey Fresh Juice Varieties from 3.0

Ice Creams

Assorted Paddle Pops 2.0
Mini Callippo 1.5
Icy Twist 1.7
Frozen Yoghurt-Gluten Free 2.5

Snacks Options

Koala Popcorn Flavours 2.0
Delites 1.0
Red Rock Deli Chips 2.5
Assorted Muffins 4.0
Assorted Slices 3.5







