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Welcome to our Parent Newsletter. All newsletters are posted on Compass for parents & students. Our aim is to keep parents informed of upcoming events and important dates to remember.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Reading is to the mind
what exercise is to the
body!

From the Principal's Desk

We have indeed had a great start to Term 2 and I hope it continues to be smooth. The year level and program reports within this newsletter outline the wonderful school events and opportunities for our students but also introduces those that are coming up during this term. It is always pleasing when these opportunities are offered and students are encouraged to take them up and achieve their very best. There are many examples where our students have excelled in many different areas so I encourage you to read the reports and celebrate their success.

In the first couple of weeks students have re-engaged with their learning, improved in the way they are wearing their Winter uniform with pride and ensuring they are at school on time.

I thank all parents and carers for your concerted effort to help them.

We have had a number of uniform blitzes and this will continue on occasions throughout the term. Please remember the blazer is compulsory for Terms 2 & 3 and it is critical that everyone is at school by 8:45 am ready for what is really a busy day of learning. Parents/carers continued support to ensure their children are not bringing incorrect clothing items to school helps the College reduce unnecessary conflict between students and staff implementing our school policies before their day begins. We wish for every child to wear the college uniform with pride whilst at school and to and from school, and whilst representing the college in the community.

It was wonderful to see so many families attending our parent/teacher interviews at the end of term one where our staff were able to share the progress of students and set learning goals in order to support students to continue to grow. I hope the guidance and support from teachers will help students to improve and reach their academic potential. Feedback is very important. With a growth mindset, endeavour, guidance and support improvement is indeed possible.

As part of Department Policy, any students who have cold and flu symptoms need to be kept home and have a COVID test prior to returning to school. Results need to be forwarded to: 0428 210 574 before your child returns to school.

The college continues to offer families ways to communicate with classroom and tutor teachers and Year level staff to ensure a successful school year for all students. This can be done via COMPASS email and by visiting or by telephoning the college. As we know when parents/carers are actively involved in conversations with their sons/daughters about their education the outcomes are far more positive. When this is combined in a three-way partnership with teachers the outcomes and opportunities are far better.

IMPORTANT DATES

5 May	Year 7 – 9 Cross Country
11 – 21 May	NAPLAN Year 7 & 9
12 May	VCE Music Concert 7pm
18 May	Year 12 Group Photos
20 May	WRICA Careers Expo Years 10, 11 & 12
24 – 28 May	Dental Van at WCC
3- 10 June	Year 11 & 12 Examination period
7 – 10 June	Year 9 & 10 Examination period
9 – 10 June	Year 7 & 8 Examination period
9 June	General Achievement Test (GAT) VCE students
11 June	Student Free – Assessment Day for Staff
14 June	Public Holiday – Queens Birthday
15 June	Semester 2 starts – new elective classes begin

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Community News

Programs for Headspace Term 2
Festival of fitness & fun flyer
Vic Pathways to post school life flyer

IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

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

Year 7 and 9 cohorts are currently preparing for their NAPLAN tests using the online format and it is important that students try their best to show how they have grown in their knowledge and skills in reading writing and numeracy over the previous two years. Students are reminded to have their fully charged school laptop at school at all times.

Students from years 7 through to 12 are also currently completing the Attitudes to Schools opinion survey in an online format. The college values the input of all students and will once again be using the survey results to ensure that we continue to improve our programs and whole school learning environment. We have always valued student feedback and we encourage our students to continue to provide feedback throughout the school year via the Student Representative Council (SRC) and last term via our teaching and learning surveys called PIVOT. Students are able to give direct feedback to their teachers about the learning occurring in their classrooms which will support the continuation of best practice in teaching in all of our classrooms.

Good luck to all students as they prepare for the examination period during May and June. Home study and homework club is available to all students where our staff are available to individual tutor and support. Students are also reminded to use their AVID strategies when studying and completing their exams.

Leanne Gagatsis - Principal
Creating a Community of High Expectations

**REMINDER - PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF PARKING WHEN PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN
AND NOT BLOCK THE LOCAL NEIGHBOURS DRIVEWAYS AND THE SCHOOL BUSES**

Please ensure your child follows the Mobile Phone Policy for All Schools Students

Victorian schools implemented a mobile phone policy in, 2020. This policy continues in 2021.

It helps focus students' attention on learning in the classroom by providing them with:

- (a) a safe environment to learn without inappropriate mobile phone use (including cyberbullying) or distractions
- (b) 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 via the resources named below. It provides the reason for the 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 and from school, but it will need to be turned off and stored securely away in the school supplied lockers for the entire school day. Parents or carers can still contact their children through the school office in emergencies.

Families are asked to support your child to follow the mobile phone use and to support their children to become safe and responsible technology users.



Attendance / Non Attendance Process – Reminder

Please report all known absences to the Attendance Officer, Ms. Carol Mills by:

- Calling the College on 97414911 and selecting Option 1.
- Texting the College on 0428 210 574
- Emailing the College at attendance@wyndhamcentralsc.vic.gov.au

If your child has been absent please send a note with your child including the student name, tutor class and reason 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.



Privacy Policy

SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT PRIVACY COLLECTION STATEMENT (PRIVACY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS)

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at our school, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child, or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Service Officer, or school-engaged psychologist, the required consent will be obtained.

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us.

School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child, or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interest of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure is allowed or mandated by law

Our school values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx#link6>

Throughout this notice, 'staff' includes Principal Class Officers, Teachers, Student Support Service officers, youth workers, social workers, nurses and any other allied health practitioners and all other staff at our school. This includes employees, agents and service providers of the Department, whether paid or unpaid.

College Information

Road Safety – Keeping students safe

In the interest of student safety and the efficiency of the school buses, please do not park in the yellow painted curb from **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.

Please be mindful of parking when picking up your children and not block the local neighbour's driveways.

Bell Times

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

Homeroom	8.50 – 8.58 am	Break 1	11:30 – 12:00 pm	Session 4	1:52 – 3:04 pm
Movement	8:58 – 9:03 am	Locker	12:00 – 12:05 pm	Detention	3:04 – 3:34 pm
Session 1	9:03 – 10:15 am	Session 3	12:05 – 1:17 pm		
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

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.

Thank you in supporting our students to remain safe by following this policy.

School Nurse

A reminder to ensure all **medical plans** 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. If your child is being tested for COVID 19 please notify the college immediately and a clearance letter from the doctor needs to be sited before the student returns.

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.

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.

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.

Second Hand Uniform

We are asking for your assistance with donations of any items of uniform that your child/children have grown out of or not using anymore. If you can assist, please drop off second hand uniforms to the front office and we will issue to other students within the college as necessary.



YEAR'S 7, 8 & 9 REPORT

The weather seems to have turned chilly very quickly and there is an expectation now that all students are in the winter uniform. We have some exciting news that a warm / weatherproof jacket is to be soon added to our uniform options. More details will follow shortly however I know we all want our students to be dry and warm on their way to and from school over the cold and wet months.

Term two seems to be all about feedback and all students across the school have been able to participate in the annual 'Attitudes to School Survey'. This provides the school with high quality data around our students' thoughts about their teachers and their disposition towards school and learning. We use this data to allocate resources and plan school programs that we believe will improve student's experiences at school.

We are also about to start our year 7 and 9 NAPLAN program and you should have recently received information about this. While we understand not all families and students are on-board with the philosophy behind NAPLAN, it really does give us an invaluable snapshot of where students (and the cohort) sits in terms of their literacy and numeracy levels. It also shows us how students have progressed from years 7 – 9 and we link this back to our teaching and learning classroom programs. We don't want anyone to be anxious or worry about NAPLAN, just to come to school like any other day and do your best.

It was great to see so many students actively enjoying Athletics day, whether they participated in an event or not. Many students supported just by dressing up and encouraging their friends and fellow house-students as they were competing. There was something for everyone on the day from the 800-meter sprint, to the sack races. The year 7 Nutbush flash-mob was a big hit, and certainly got us warmed up and moving at the start of the day. Well done to everyone involved, and how lucky we were to have a sunny Autumn day.

Thanks to all the year 8 families who have returned their camp forms and we are happy to say we've got the numbers to confirm this camp will go ahead mid-July. Keep an eye out for the information packs that will be coming home with your students and we really look forward to getting them outdoors and away from the normal school environment for a few days.

As always stay safe and contact your child's tutor teacher should you have any questions, concerns or feedback.

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

YEAR 7 REPORT

Welcome back to all year 7's for term 2.

I hope all students had a great term break as it is a busy start to the term for our year 7's.

Students participated in the Athletics Carnival last week, and as a surprise to the rest of the College, the year 7's started the day by doing a flash mob for the Nutbush dance. It was a great to start the day and there were many other students that joined in. Well done to all students who joined in and to all students who participated in the athletic events on the day. This week, students will be participating in a Graffiti prevention workshop aimed to inform students of the impact graffiti has on society but also a number of other valuable lessons regarding peer pressure. Also this week we had the Cross Country, as well as NAPLAN testing occurring between the 11th and 21st of May.

Congratulations to following students who have received our Student of the Week award since the last newsletter:

Pam Vichittavong, Alex Ochi, Braydon Almond and January Paw.
Each Student of the Week receives a certificate acknowledging their achievement as well as 1000 Vivo's.



Congratulations must also go to 7E for winning the term 1 class attendance competition, with 7B close behind and 7A third. The three classes have received Vivo's for their efforts. This competition will continue this term. Congratulations also to the many students who had 100% attendance for term 1. Each student received a 100% Attendance certificate at our first assembly of the term as well as being rewarded with 500 Vivo's.

In what will be a busy term, the year 7 staff look forward to continuing to work with all students to become the best they can be. If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to contact me via Compass, or through your child's tutor teacher.

Ashley Rowe - Year 7 Level Leader

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YEAR 8 REPORT

It has been an action packed start to Term 2 for our Year 8 students.

Last Monday we began our work on our Career Action Plans in Tutor time. This has provided our students with a wonderful opportunity to explore their areas of interest and continue to see how these passion areas can direct their learning in the future.

It was awesome to see all the Year 8s participating and engaging at our 2021 Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to all participants and those who will represent the College in the division carnival in the coming weeks.

Students will participate in the Cross Country event for 2021 next Wednesday the 5th of May at Presidents Park in Werribee.

In exciting news, we can confirm that the Year 8 Camp will be going ahead on the July 14th. We have had a great response with expressions of interest and deposits, and we will be finalising all numbers by the end of Week 3. All students have received medical and dietary requirement forms, these are all due to the College as soon as possible. If anyone has any concerns please contact the college and ask to speak to myself or Victoria Webster.



Grant Puxley - Year 8 Level Leader

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YEAR 9 REPORT

Career Action Plan Information evening

Students started working on their career action plans in tutor time. Year 9 students and parents/carers had the opportunity to learn more about Wyndham Central College's Pathways program on Tuesday the 27th of April at an information evening. Students and parents/carers were able to see the different opportunities the students have in Year 10, 11 and 12 and had their questions answered by the wonder Pathways team.

Athletics Day

The Year 9's had a great time at the school Athletics day. The weather turned it on for us and we competed in sunshine for the whole day. We had great participation from the students in both the traditional events like 100m sprint and high jump but also novelty events like the water relay and the gumboot toss. Congratulations to everybody who competed.

Liam Clifford – Year 9 Level Leader

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YEAR'S 10, 11 & 12 REPORT

Exams are coming up for years 10-12 students soon, dates below, and a timetable will be distributed to students shortly. A reminder that students need to spend time preparing for their exams and I encourage all students to commence a revision and study plan. Homework club, on Mondays and Wednesday, can assist students in their preparation for exams.

The GAT Exam is on Wednesday 9th June from 10:00am - 1:15pm in the College gymnasium (compulsory for all students studying a Year 12 subject).

Exam dates:

Year 10: 4th June-10th June

Year 11: 3rd June-10th June

Year 12: 3rd June-10th June

GAT: 9TH June

Please encourage your child to set aside a time each day to complete their homework and study.

Below are some study tips that may assist students:

- Use a school diary for planning
- Create 'to do' lists - don't leave things to the last minute
- Draw up a home work timetable using a calendar to plan activities listing study requirements, SAC's, exams and deadlines for assignments
- List exam dates and other commitments
- List due dates for essays and work backwards to set mini deadlines for each stage
- Prioritise each task to help achieve goals, to avoid being overwhelmed by what has to be done and then rushing at the end
- Maintain a balance between study and recreational activities
- Use a clear flat space for regular homework and study – not a bed or a couch
- Organise your equipment
- Keep your school work in an easily accessible spot
- If possible, choose a space away from distractions, such as television

All Year 10 students are required to undertake one week of compulsory Structured Workplace Learning/Work Experience placement, as part of their studies. This will provide each student with an opportunity to develop an awareness of work-place skills and competencies and support the students studying Industry and Enterprise. The Structured Workplace Learning/Work Experience placement for each student will commence on:

Monday the 10th of May and end on Friday the 14th of May 2021 (week 4 of Term two).

A reminder that in accordance with the department's Mobile Phone Policy issued by the Minister for Education, personal mobile phones must not be used at Wyndham Central College during school hours (8.50am-3.04pm), including break one and two and need to be stored in lockers.

The whole school athletics carnival was held on the 29th April and it was great to see senior students participating in events and cheering on for their houses, well done to all involved.

Please ensure that your son/daughter has the correct school uniform items and if you need any assistance with this or any other concerns then please contact their Tutor Teacher for assistance.

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

YEAR 10 REPORT

WORK EXPERIENCE/ STRUCTURED WORK PLACEMENT

Year 10 students are ready to embark on their Work Experience/ Structured Work Placement next week. We are hoping that they engage in this opportunity and embrace the world of work so that they can gain a better understanding of their chosen field of employment, whilst also completing a key component of the Industry and Enterprise subject. Students who have not organised placement are expected to attend school next week as normal.

WRICA Expo



Year 10s will also have the opportunity to attend the WRICA (Wyndham & Hobson Bay Region Incorporated Careers Association) excursion on the Thursday 20th May where they will interact with various employment groups and discover career and pathway options. Excursion forms will be distributed Monday 17th to be signed and returned ASAP.

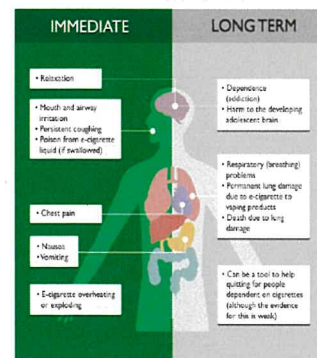
EXAMS

Year 10 Exams are coming up fast! Students are encouraged to start preparing by reviewing previous work from each subject; creating study cards, and checking in with their teachers to clarify any areas of concern. Please note the dates on your calendar – Monday 7th- Thursday 10th June, 2021.



VAPING

Year 10 students were educated about the impacts of vaping at a recent assembly. It is illegal for people under the age of 18 to purchase/use e-cigarettes and e-cigarette products. Students were also informed of the various toxic ingredients found in e-cigarettes such as pesticides, heavy metals, vitamin E acetate and other cutting agents such as formaldehyde, and the detrimental impact these ingredients have on the body. Further information about vaping can be found at our Student Services Centre.



A FINAL REMINDER:

Please ensure students are attending the college in full school uniform. Non-uniform items such as hoodies and Kathmandu jackets will be confiscated and students in the wrong pants/shoes will be sent home.

Amber Galvin – Year 10 Level Leader

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YEAR 11 REPORT

Welcome to the third newsletter for the year, time has moved very quickly since the last report and I look forward to sharing what the Year 11's have been doing.

We hold regular assemblies on a Monday morning. In our first week back, we held an assembly to remind students of expectations for the term. We expect all students to be at school on time, in full school uniform ready to learn. I reminded students to hand in their outstanding work and/or holiday homework. Ms Karlovic joined this assembly where she spoke to the students about the MIPS program and what the next few weeks in tutor time will look like. Student have the opportunity to sign up to an Individual Careers Interview. This starts next Monday and will run for three weeks, so any student who has not signed up, still can, please see Ms Sandlant.

We also spent this assembly signing up to the athletics carnival. It was great to see so many Year 11 students participating in Athletics carnival last week, dressing up in their house colours and joining in on all the fun!

Lastly, we celebrated Year 11 student awards. Teachers nominated students in their class who had outstanding academic achievement and another student for an endeavours award. The endeavour award recognises a student who is up to date with all their work, tries their best in every lesson and acts on feedback. Congratulations to all students who received an award. There are some photos below of multiple award winners.

Well Done!



Attendance at school every day is very important. Students, parents and carers are reminded that, Year 11 students must maintain attendance above 90%. For an absence to be approved, the absence must be accompanied by a medical certificate, or other relevant documentation. The documentation must be brought to the Senior School office the next day the student attends school.

This term Year 11 students will be participating in the Attitude to School Survey. This is an important survey the Department of Education requires us to do, to gather important feedback from students. The survey is very familiar to students, they are required to do it every year. The Year 11 Team are eager to see the results of this survey and use the information the plan improvement initiatives based on the results.

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to any Year 11 information, please feel free to contact myself or your child's tutor teacher.

Rebecca Sandlant - Year 11 Level Leader

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YEAR 12 REPORT

Welcome back to Term 2 for all students, Parents and Careers. There are a lot of things on this term, which I think will pass us by very quickly.

WRICA

On Thursday 20th May the Year 12 students will be going to Werribee Racecourse to attend the Wyndham and Hobsons Bay Region Incorporated Careers Association (WRICA). Students will have the opportunity to speak to university and TAFE vendors, as well as employers about their career options and pathways for next year. A great opportunity for all students when faced with some big decisions.

Exams

All Year 12 students will be sitting their mid-year exams from Thursday 3rd June to Thursday 10th June. All students are required to attend their exams, be prepared and be early. Students are only required at school for their exam time, and are expected to be home studying for their upcoming exams. The exam timetable will be sent to all parents and students closer to the date.

GAT

On Wednesday 9th June, all Students completing a Unit 3 and 4 subject are required to sit the General Achievement Test (GAT). The GAT is a General Knowledge Test and is imperative students complete it as part of their overall assessments. I will be holding an assembly that will further go over the requirements of the GAT and how students can prepare better for this.

Unit 3

A reminder that the Unit 3 results cut off will be soon after the mid-year exams. Which means, anyone who has any work or SACs that are outstanding, will receive an N for that subject and will be at risk for their VCE. It is imperative that students who have failed a SAC or who have received an N for a subject in the Term 1 reports, to follow this up with their teacher and find out what they need to do to pass.

ELEVATE

Our second Elevate presentation will be on 24th May. The topic will be 'Ace your exams'. A presentation that will lead into the mid-year exams and help support the student's knowledge and strategies for the best outcomes. Elevate has been a large part of the senior school and the students are able to take away some excellent information that is presented by some of Victoria's most successful students, and what worked for them.

Year 12 Photo Day

Our senior school photos will be held on Tuesday 18th May. Please be sure all students are on time and dressed in correct school uniform.

Uniform

Students have been given their Year 12 Jackets and they look great. A big thank you to Holly, Chelsea and Janae who organized and designed the jackets for the Year 12 cohort, as without them we would not have the jackets.

Chad Cook - Year 12 Level Leader

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Teaching & Learning REPORT

It is very hard to believe how quickly 2021 is moving. We have had a smooth start to the term with students commencing their studies enthusiastically in what is a busy Term 2.

NAPLAN ONLINE 2021 Year 7 and 9

All Year 7 and 9 students will be participating in the NAPLAN Online tests from 11th- 21st May. We wish them all the best as they navigate their way through the Writing, Reading, Language Convention and Numeracy tests from 14th May – 24th May. Teachers have been working with the students to ensure that they feel prepared for NAPLAN and that they have had the opportunity to practice for the tests and use the online platform.

The NAPLAN tests provide valuable additional information about students' strengths and areas for improvement; this is important information in assisting teachers to develop teaching and learning plans and programs to maximise learning for your child. Please encourage your child to complete the NAPLAN tests to the best of their ability.

Year 9 NAPLAN certificates of achievement

A new feature of the NAPLAN assessment is being launched this year, with the award of Year 9 Certificates of Achievement. The new certificates aim to celebrate and recognise the importance of both excellence and learning growth.

Beginning in 2021, Year 9 students who achieve outstanding results or who significantly improve their results in NAPLAN tests will receive a NAPLAN Certificate of Achievement.

The certificates will be awarded for two categories of achievement:

- Category one: the achievement of excellence through getting a result in the top band for reading or numeracy, or both.
- Category two: the achievement of outstanding learning growth through improvement by two or more bands between the NAPLAN Year 7 and Year 9 tests for reading or numeracy, or both.

For more information about the new certificate and measures for learning growth, refer to Year 9 NAPLAN certificates of achievement on the Department's website. <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/naplancert.aspx>

Exams

Exams will be occurring again this year in semester 1 and 2. It is important for students to be prepared and to develop the skills needed to undertake exams in their senior secondary years and beyond. Year 7 and 8 students will have exams in English, Mathematics, Science and Humanities only. Years 9-12, exams will have exams in all of their subjects. Families will receive an exam timetable for their child in subsequent correspondence.

Exams will be held as during the following period:

- Year 12 Exams: 3rd June – 10th June
- Year 11 Exams: 3rd June - 10th June
- Year 10 Exams: 4th June- 10th June
- Year 9 Exams: 7th June – 10th June
- Year 8 Exams: 9th June- 10th June
- Year 7 Exams: 9th June- 10th June

Students will work on revising the Semester 1 work in the weeks leading into exams. It is important for student success that students develop good work and study habits. All students are expected to develop a homework and homestudy plan so that they revise on a regular basis and review knowledge and skills learned. Part of the homestudy program to support your child's learning must include the Cornell note taking system.

The study timetable should be reviewed in the weeks leading to exams to ensure that it provides your child with the opportunity to be well prepared for the exams ahead. This will allow your child to experience success and build confidence in their learning.

Cornell Notes

Students are expected to continue to use the Cornell Note taking format and complete all steps of the note taking system. Completion of Cornell notes must be part of your child's regular homework and home study program.

Cornell notes are a proven focused note taking method for students to improve learning. When all steps of the note taking system are completed, students are guaranteed to increase their knowledge and raise their grades in any given class.

The Cornell note taking system includes:

- Topic, date and Essential Question at the top of the notes
- Notes in the right-hand side with key words circled and important information underlined
- Questions relating to the notes in the left-hand column
- A summary at the end of the notes

Students are expected to use the Cornell Note system and complete all steps using the 10- 24-7 method. That is, review and revise their notes 10 minutes or the night after they first receive the notes. Complete questions related to the notes 24 hours later and write a summary of the notes seven days later. The completion of Cornell notes must be part of your child's regular homework program. Parents can support their child by encouraging them to use the repetition strategies and review notes regularly as this will help them prepare for, and improve, their test and exam results.

Homework club

A reminder that Homework club continues on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:20pm to 4:20pm in the Monash Building. Homework Club is supported by teachers and tutors at the College and is a valuable way for students to access additional support.

Connie Faranda – Assistant Principal – Teaching & Learning



Please find attached Careers News



The Wyndham Central College Student Representative Council has begun work on numerous projects. Initiatives such as SRC Suggestions Box, Leadership Conferences and Multicultural Week have been undertaken or are at the planning stage. These will all build upon our college motto: Creating a Community of High Expectations.

On Wednesday the 28th of April, our four school captains, Holly, Chelsea, Aaron and Toni all attended the Youth Leadership Conference held in the Melbourne CBD. Our school captains were fantastic on the day and had numerous opportunities to build relationships with their peers from other schools. They also worked and built connections with our Advance students from WCC. Big thanks goes to Mr Bernardi and all staff and students involved in the day.

If you are interested in sharing your voice please do not hesitate to approach one of your SRC reps or pop into our weekly meetings held in the Latrobe Common Area, Break 1 on Wednesdays.

Scott Lynch & SRC Members

SPORTS REPORT

Welcome back to Term 2, it has already been a busy start to the Term!

I am proud to announce that Wyndham Central College will be continuing the afterschool sports program, free of charge in Term 2. Students will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of afterschool sports. There is a detailed flyer that went out to all students at the beginning of the Term. It will also be attached to this newsletter. It's an amazing opportunity and I encourage all students to put in an application form. There are still spaces in all activities, so please see me (Ms. Sandlant) to be involved.

Athletics Carnival

The Wyndham Central College Athletics Carnival was held last week. The amazing weather provided students with a fantastic opportunity to participate in all the traditional athletic events, as well as have a bit of fun with the novelty events. District Athletics will take place in Term 3. Students who have made the WCC team will be informed later in the Term.

House scores were

Red: 831

Yellow: 819

Green: 781

Blue 609

Congratulations to Red house who won the day overall! It was close all day, with many changes to first place over the day.



Cross Country

A reminder that Cross Country was held this Wednesday, for the Year 7, 8 and 9 students at Presidents Park. More information will follow shortly.

Sporting Teams

This term we have had Year 7 Boys Football (It's great to have an AFL team back at WCC), and Senior Girls Netball, there will be Soccer, Badminton and Senior Basketball taking place this term also. Students need to make sure they listen to teacher's announcement about training/try out sessions. I would like to thank the teachers for volunteering their time to take these sports. Without their support this can't happen.

I have introduced "Student Sports Awards" to the program. Coaches have the opportunity to recognise a student per sport, who has displayed outstanding sporting skills, demonstrated excellent teamwork or leadership or for great cooperation.

Congratulations to the following students who will be presented awards at Year Level Assemblies –

Senior Boys Volleyball: Jordan Moala, Leadership

Senior Girls Volleyball: Pa Meh Pa Meh, Sporting Excellence and Leadership

Intermediate Girls Volleyball: Achilles Ngaue, Sporting Excellence

Year 7 Girls Netball: Amalani Fauonuku 7K, Sporting excellence

Swimming Champions:

Year 7 Boys Swimming: Mathew Mai

Year 9 Girls Swimming: Ashley Shellhorn

Year 12 Girls Swimming: Holly Darcy

Congratulations to all students!!!!



Please have a read below of the teacher reports from the sports that participated late last term and early this term

Year 7 Girls Netball

On Tuesday 23rd March, our Year 7 Girls Netball team represented the college in the Wyndham Division competition. The following students were part of the team Khloe Rakich 7D, Bailey Walker 7A, Amalani Fauonulea 7K, Jasleen Kalyanchoe 7A, Marie Lomu 7L Lara Mitchell 7D, Sienna Harvey 7A and Hailey Franks 7L. All the students played extremely well and did the college proud with great sportsmanship and persistent. A standout performance on the day was from Lani who played in goal attack all day but keep pressure on the other team's the whole way up the court, often forcing the other team to lose possession of the ball. It was so good to be back coaching interschool sport again and these year 7 girls will only be stronger and more determined next year! Well done girls!!!

Ms Stevenson



Year 7 Boys Football

On Tuesday the 27th of April, 18 Year 7 Boys participated in an AFL round robin against The Grange Secondary College and Truganina P-9 College. Despite having no bench and playing back to back games, the boys tried tirelessly in their first game against Truganina P-9 College and were able to overcome a half time deficit to win by a goal. In the second game, the team faced a talented Grange Secondary College, it was clearly evident that the lack of bench rotations was taking a toll, as the boys put up a fantastic fight in the first half but unfortunately succumb to fatigue in the second half and were unable to reflect their first game comeback performance. Throughout the entire day, the team demonstrated great sportsmanship, endeavour and respect for their team mates, competition and the umpires. The school community should be very proud of the effort from the 18 individuals as they demonstrated a great willingness to compete and be successful.

It was fantastic to see year 7 AFL back at the College and we eagerly await the opportunity to play again next year.

Mr Brown

Intermediate Girls Netball

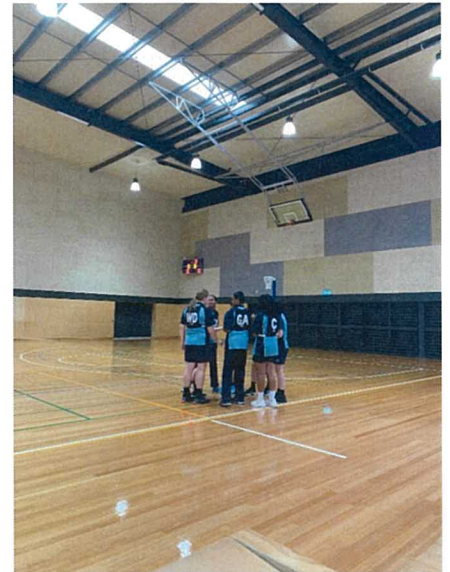
On the 30th of March, 8 intermediate girls (year 9 and 10) went to Eagle Stadium and played netball against other schools around the area.

We had Gabriella and Sophie running their hearts out in Centre. Jamie-Lee and Arakson on the wings, either bringing the ball down or stopping the opposition from doing so. Kaylan and Ekram were our star shooters that got all of the points for our team. And lastly, but not least, we had Levanah and Evie as our strong defenders who put an immense amount of pressure on the oppositions shooters.

The girls played and won 3 games in a row!

They made it to the semi-final against Manor Lakes, but unfortunately fell short and lost. Well done girls! I am very proud with how you played and your sportsmanship. Congratulations.

Ms Barbante



Yours in Sport - Rebecca Sandlant - Sports Co-ordinator

STEM NEWS

In the Robotics space, students have been completing a coding and programming unit.

This year students have been researching and looking at recent enhancement in the technology and automation.

The Year 10 Robotics students attended the Wyndham Technology School on Thursday 22nd April and completed a Humanoids in Society program. Students experienced a real industry problem. They explored identified and implemented their skills using digital technologies.

The program consisted of the following outcomes.

- Understand the basics of a robotic system
- Investigate the use of image, speech & movement in a program
- Identify multiple creative approaches to problem solving
- Understand the laws of robotics
- Learn to complete a challenge as a team

Students had a great day completing the program.



Year 10 Robotics Students participating at the Humanoids in Society Program at Wyndham Technology School.

On behalf of the STEM teachers Andre Bernardi Nigel Keyi and Steve Eadie the Year 10 Robotics teacher for organising the excursion and we thank Ifradh Mohamed for his guidance with the Humanoids in Society program. We also look forward to planning another excursion in the foreseeable future.



Year 10 Robotics photo at the Wyndham Technology School

Nigel Keyi – STEM Co-ordinator & Andre Bernardi - Applied Learning Coordinator

VIP UPDATE

Wyndham Central College VIP Update.

In the Applied Learning space, as a part of the VIP program VIP students have been completing Work Related Skills Modules. These modules have enabled students to understand more regarding occupational health and safety skills along with specific work certificates and requirements in the work place.

This year VIP students have been given a unique opportunity to complete a Short Course in Traffic Management. On Monday 15th March students completed a theory component and Friday 19th March students complete the practical component. The course gave students a certificate they can use to gain casual employment as a road sign operator.



Year 12 VIP Student Group Photo.

Year 12 VIP Students completing the practical component of Traffic Management

Andre Bernardi. Applied Learning Coordinator & Pina Siragusano Year 12 VIP Tutor Teacher

CLUBS

All students are welcome to attend **Homework Club** on Mondays & Wednesdays from 3:20pm - 4:20pm in the rooms below. Students will be able to access assistance from teachers in most subject areas.

Homework Club

**Every Monday
& Wednesday
3:10pm – 4:30pm**

**Monash Building
M9 – M14**

- ❖ Get one-on-one help from your teachers
- ❖ Improve your marks
- ❖ Gain more confidence
- ❖ Strive for excellence
- ❖ Receive VIVO's for attendance



**In
T1**

BREAKFAST CLUB

Every Tuesday and Thursday

Tuesdays & Thursdays between 7:40am - 8.20am at T1

Warm cheese toasties, cereals, hot Milo, juices, fresh fruit
& friendly vibes

Everybody is very welcome

Colleen Brown – Breakfast Club Co-ordinator

We look forward to seeing students at Breakfast Club!
No costs to students – Sponsored by LET'S FEED



ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

ADMINISTRATION OPENING HOURS

Wyndham Central College Administration is open:

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

College phone number – 9741 4911

College email – wyndham.central.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Please contact the administration office for any queries/assistance

STATEMENTS

Statements have been sent via post. Please be aware that payment plans are available. If you wish to discuss this option, please call 9741 4911 to make an appointment.

CAMPS SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

Please remember if your financial circumstances have changed and you now have a Health Care Card you are may be entitled to the Victorian State Government funding to families of \$225 that can be used 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 these types of events/activities.

Eligibility Criteria

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) application forms are available to:

- a parent/carer who holds either a Centrelink Health Care Card, a Pensioner Concession Card, or a Veterans Affairs Gold Card; or
- a temporary foster carer; or
- a parent/carer of a student who is 16 years or older and who holds a valid concession card (such as a Youth Allowance Health Care Card or Disability Support Pension Card).

To be eligible for these funds in 2021 you must complete the application form (available from the administration office) and attach a copy of your eligible card which must be current as of the 27th January 2021.

Families who applied at our college for this in 2020 will NOT need to complete a new form as it will be an automatic process.

A new application will only be required in the following situations:

- If a family has a change to their financial situation and are now eligible
- If you are a new family to Wyndham Central College and are eligible
- If you are an existing family who has a new child starting in 2021

All applications are validated by CentreLink and if there is a discrepancy, families will be required to contact CentreLink directly.

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 Michelle Guse our Assistant Business Manager 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.

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

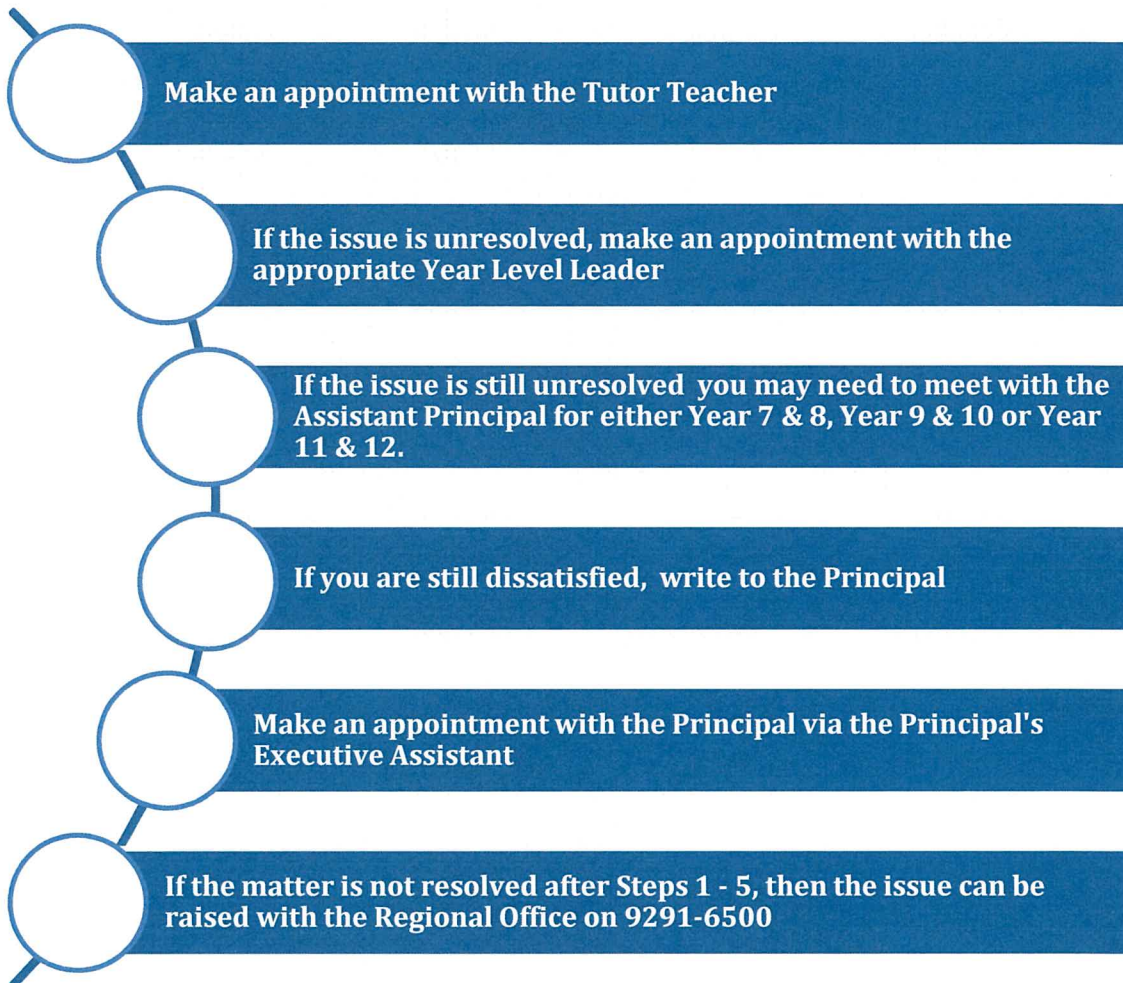
Programs for Headspace Term 2

Festival of fitness & fun flyer

Vic Pathways to post school life flyer

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 Career News

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The Wyndham Central College Career Newsletter will be published weekly to keep students informed of events relating to their career pathways. It will include information regarding tertiary pathways – University & TAFE – as well as employment/industry pathways. The Careers Centre, in the Monash Building, is a resource centre for our students with current institutional handbooks and brochures at their disposal. Students are invited to visit, browse and question. An open door policy exists to ensure students make informed decisions about future pathways. Initial Year 12 Pathways Meetings are currently taking place to assist students with the momentous decisions facing them this year. Year 10 Pathways Meetings with a qualified Careers Practitioner have commenced. Parents/guardians are welcome to take advantage of the services provided. Appointments can be made to discuss the future pathways of their children. The Years 7 Careers Program has commenced this term and will be implemented during tutor time. The Year 8 to 11 Careers Programs commenced this week. Letters went out outlining the programs.

Important Dates

- Year 8 – 11 Pathways Program to commence Week 2, Term 2
- Introductory Parent Information Evening for Year 9, 10 & 11 Parents:
Tuesday 27th April – Year 9 Parents 6pm, Year 10 Parents 7pm & Year 11 Parents 6.30pm
EAL Year 9 – 11 Parents 6pm – 7pm
Letters went out last term
- WRICA Careers Expo for Year 10, 11 & 12 Students: Mid May. Dates & Times TBC
- Jobs Expo for Year 7 & 8 Students: Wednesday 26th May, Sessions 2 & 3
- Melbourne Career Expo: Friday 23rd July – Year 12 Students attending

University – Early Entry Programs (Year 12)

Australia National University

Applications are now open for the direct early entry program and will close Monday 24 May.

Selection is based on Year 11 academic results and meeting the service and co-curricular requirements

www.anu.edu.au

University of New England

Applications are now open for the direct early entry program and will close Friday 17 September. Selection will be based on a recommendation from your school

www.une.edu.au

La Trobe University

Applications are now open for the La Trobe Aspire Early Admissions Program. Selection will be based on a statement about your history of volunteering or leadership. Successful applicants will be guaranteed entry into their desired course with a guaranteed ATAR

www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire

Charles Sturt University



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Applications for the Charles Sturt Advantage Program will open Monday 3 May. Selection will be based on a statement about your soft skills and your Year 11 grades. Successful applicants will be guaranteed entry into their desired course with a guaranteed ATAR

<https://bit.ly/2UmOlgt>

Victoria University

Applications are now open for the VU Guaranteed program (for selected schools).

Selection is based on how you answer 4 questions, <https://bit.ly/2Kw3ND6>

Upcoming Career Events

VCE and Careers Expo 2021

One of the biggest events on the calendar!

Students and families are invited to attend the annual VCE and Careers Expo.

Over four days you can attend seminars on topics including:

- VCE subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development
- Tertiary courses
- Careers
- Employment opportunities
- Gap year options

You can speak directly to organisations with:

- Information and resources for the VCE
- Information about tertiary study, university, TAFE and training courses
- Career advice
- Study advice
- Employment advice and opportunities
- Apprenticeship and traineeship advice
- International exchange and gap year programs

Information:

Dates: Thursday 29 – Saturday 1 May

Venue: Caulfield Racecourse, Caulfield

For information and to purchase tickets, visit www.vceandcareers.com.au

The HSC and Careers Expo will be held in June.



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Careers in STEM

Careers with STEM YouTube Channel

From live webinar recordings to interviews with incredible STEM peeps killing it in their careers, our YouTube channel is where the best STEM videos live.

Why not give Netflix a break this weekend and binge on these videos instead! <https://bit.ly/2QYlcth>

Careers with STEM Job Kits

The Careers with STEM Job Kits are free downloadable 8-page e-mags which offer a complete introduction to individual STEM careers. Discover what a specific STEM job is all about, meet real people working in that job and find out what you can do right now to set your career on the right path.

Download the following amazing job kits via <https://bit.ly/3nqf61W>

- Construction project design
- Design engineer
- Robotics and automation engineer
- Future cities shaper
- Future scientist
- Space and Defence specialist
- Data scientist
- Machine learning engineer
- Software engineer

TAFE or Trades versus University

University not for you?

Enrolling in a three-year bachelor's degree isn't the only way to land an awesome career in STEM!

There are loads of alternative pathways that equip grads with the immediate skills needed to score a job, <https://careerswithstem.com.au/vetcourses/>

Victoria Police

Recruitment Video

Interested in a career with Victoria Police? They have developed a 20-minute information video for prospective applicants. The video covers recruitment information for the following four employment areas:

- Police Officer
- Protective Services Officer
- Police Custody Officer



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- Victorian Public Servant

Access the video via <https://bit.ly/3tWsH3M>

Resources Website

For all resources that are available to assist students in their preparation to apply to Victoria Police, please visit the resources page via www.police.vic.gov.au/police-officer-resources

On the page students can:

- Watch tutorials
- Download information flyers
- Watch the fitness test video
- Download the free Police Fitness App
- Listen to the Victoria Police Recruitment Podcast series

Information Sessions

For career information sessions dates, visit

www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions

Year13 Careers Expo

Finding your dream job has never been easier.

The Year13 Expo lets you find a career you're genuinely passionate about without even having to get out of bed.

The Expo will run between 17 – 21 May.

For information and to register your place, go to <https://year13.com.au/expo/year13-expo-2021>

National Security Careers

Do you have what it takes to work in intelligence?

The Australian Signals Directorate (ASD) defends Australia from global threats and advances the national interest by providing foreign signals intelligence, cyber security and offensive cyber operations, as directed by the Australian Government.

You can work for ASD through university or apprenticeship pathways:

Apprenticeship

Year 12 students can apply for the Australian Government Digital Apprenticeship program between 17 May – 28 June for the 2022 intake.

For information on careers and entry pathways, visit www.asd.gov.au/careers



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Upcoming Career Events

Deakin University – Discover Deakin

Deakin University is hosting the following online seminars for prospective students in May. The seminars will showcase courses at the University.

4	Science
5	Environment
10	Criminology
11	Engineering
12	Arts (Humanities)
17	Business Analytics
19	International Studies
24	Health Sciences
25	Nutrition and Dietetics
26	Psychology
27	Nursing and Midwifery
31	Exercise and Sport Science

More events will run during June. For information and to RSVP, visit <https://bit.ly/2Phjwfa>

JMC Academy – Sound Engineering

JMC Academy are offering free audio and sound engineering mentoring sessions to Year 9 -12 students in May. For information and to register, visit <https://bit.ly/3aGVtxv>

Monash University - information Evenings

Monash staff will be running information evenings for prospective students living in regional areas. For information and to register visit www.monash.edu/information-evenings

The following are dates for May:

11	Mildura
20	Albury
25	Bendigo
26	Shepparton

Monash University – Inside Monash

Monash University is running a series of information evenings for prospective students focussed on courses and study areas. For information and to register visit www.monash.edu/inside-monash



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The following are dates for May:

4	Architecture
4	Pharmacy, pharmaceutical science Bachelor of Arts and Vertical Master's program
5	Be the designer the world needs
6	Fine art and curation
13	Public health, nutrition, health sciences
19	OT, physiotherapy, paramedicine
11	Media Communication
13	Engineer your future
20	Where can IT take me?
26	Advanced science degrees
27	Psychology, radiography, radiation science

Torrens University

Torrens University is running an open day on their Melbourne campus on Saturday 8 May. Students who can't attend can participate in a virtual open day, www.torrens.edu.au/whats-on/open-day/

Australia National University

Book a study consultation: book a 30-minute phone call or video conference to discuss your study options with Australia National University course adviser Clara Hill, <https://bit.ly/3tVOOHY>

Collarts – Open Day

Collarts is a creative media college located in the Melbourne area. The institute is running an online open day on Saturday 8 May. You will be able to listen to detailed information sessions and ask teachers and student advisers questions via Live Chat.

For information and to register, visit www.collarts.edu.au/open-day

JMC Academy – Open Day



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JMC Academy is a creative media college located in the Melbourne area. The institute is running an open day on Saturday 15 May.

You will be able to tour the Park Street campus, participate in information sessions, watch live events and demos, and speak to course advisers.

For information and to register, visit www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days

Australian Catholic University – Get Course Advice

Option 1: Book a 30-minute phone call or video conference to discuss your study options with an Australian Catholic University course adviser, <https://bit.ly/2QYwkYq>

Option 2: Book a guided campus tour with a course adviser. This is an excellent way to combine a tour of the campus you are interested in and also get advice on the courses you are interested in, <https://bit.ly/32rlywe>

University of Wollongong (UOW)

Chat with a current UOW student and ask any questions you have about life at Wollongong.

Use the drop-down filters on this webpage and find the best student to help you -

www.uow.edu.au/study/ask-a-student/

Charles Sturt University

Medicine Information Evening: prospective students can participate in a virtual information evening about the undergraduate medicine program at Charles Sturt University. The event will run on Tuesday 4 May.

Book via <https://engage.csu.edu.au/medicine-info-nights>

Book a study consultation: book a 30-minute phone call or video conference to discuss your study options with a Charles Sturt University course adviser, <https://study.csu.edu.au/contact-us/consult>

Medicine and Dentistry

Year 12 students planning to apply for medicine and/or dentistry for the 2022 intake may be required to sit the UCAT ANZ test. Applications are now open to register for the test - www.ucat.edu.au

The following companies are running webinars and preparation programs in May:

National Institute of Education, www.nie.edu.au

MedEntry, www.medentry.edu.au

RMIT University – Discover What's Next

RMIT University is running the following online information sessions for prospective students in May.



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These are events not to be missed as you will receive up to date information for the 2022 intake and you will have the opportunity to ask questions about courses.

5	Art
6	Fashion
11	Architecture
13	Design
18	Game Design
20	Social Science
25	Communication
27	Media

For information and to register for sessions, go to www.rmit.edu.au/events

The University of Melbourne

The University of Melbourne is hosting the following Meet Melbourne online seminars for prospective students in April and May. The seminars will showcase courses at the University.

April

28	IT at Melbourne: explore your majors
29	Bachelor of Agriculture
29	Bachelor of Arts

May

3	Bachelor of Commerce
3	Education and teaching
4	Bachelor of Fine Arts
4	Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
5	Bachelor of Biomedicine
5	Bachelor of Design
6	Bachelor of Music

To RSVP, visit <https://bit.ly/3egroGe>

Meet Melbourne Shepparton: Prospective students and families are invited to participate in this on campus information session about The University of Melbourne.

Information: Wednesday 5 May, 6.30 – 8pm, Shepparton campus, <https://bit.ly/3dTQ9Jp>



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

Headspace is a free, National organisation supporting and improving young people's mental health and wellbeing. The service is available for 12-25 year olds and provides individual, group and other community programs.

Headspace Werribee has many groups for young people currently running this term. It is located at Shop 13, 5 Duncans Road, Werribee, about a 5minute walk from the Werribee station. The Groups are either running face to face or online and registering for the programs is by calling Headspace Werribee on 80012366.

Programs Include:

- **Art Mob** Tuesdays 4-5PM – running in person @ headspace, this is an art group for First Nations young people. The group's predominant focus is peer support and connection. Ages 12-25.
- **Meet Up** Wednesday afternoons (usually 4-5PM but depending on the activity) – running alternately between Zoom drop ins and community based activities. Runs in conjunction with the Laverton Youth Foundation. Ages 15-25.
- **ninjaART** Thursday 4-5PM – currently running on Zoom, an art group for all young people again mostly focusing on peer support and connection. Ages 12-25.

Also available for Young People, Parents and Careers is an online Headspace National Group Chats Led by professionals, these chats bring young people, friends and family together and explore topics that are important to the community.

unrequited love (young people) Sunday 2 May, 7-8pm AEST

<https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/group-chat/unrequited-love/>

supporting your young people with school stress (family and friends)

Thursday 6 May, 7-8pm AEST

<https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/group-chat/supporting-young-people-with-school-stress/>

time management skills (young people) Tuesday 11 May, 7-8pm AEST

<https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/group-chat/time-management-skills/>

how to impress in job interviews (young people)

<https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/group-chat/study-support-and-tips/>

Wednesday 19 May, 7-8pm AEST

How to stop avoiding (young people)

<https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/group-chat/how-to-stop-avoiding/>

Sunday 30 May, 7-8pm AEST

weekly peer-led chats

Navigating Relationships

<https://headspace.org.au/ehespace/spaces/community/105803/>

Every Monday at 6–10pm AEST

qheadspace:

<https://headspace.org.au/ehespace/spaces/community/372936>

every Tuesday at 6–10pm AEST

General coping:

<https://headspace.org.au/ehespace/spaces/community/80192>

every Wednesday 6–10pm AEST

Yarnspace:

<https://headspace.org.au/ehespace/spaces/community/673335>

second Thursdays 6-10pm AEST

Supporting others:

<https://headspace.org.au/ehespace/spaces/community/673332>

fortnightly Thursdays 6-10pm AEST



WYNDHAM CENTRAL COLLEGE

FESTIVAL OF FITNESS AND FUN

Wyndham Central College is excited to announce to students the “Fitness and Fun” program for Term 2. As it was last term, these opportunities will be delivered at no cost to students and will run over five (5) weeks. There are limited spots for the activities and each will be allocated on a “first come, first serve” basis. Although students who missed out last Term will have priority. Students must also nominate a preference for sports if there is more than one sport they would like to participate in. Students will be able to get a healthy afternoon snack before they start their classes.

Term 2 classes start the week beginning Monday 10th of May - Thursday 13th May.

In Term 2 2021, the activities we will offer are:

Boxing Fit: Boxing itself is very much an expression of self-discipline, humility and class as much as it is a sport based around combat. Learning how to box as an adolescent is rewarding on multiple platforms. It provides the social advantages of diverse community interaction, self-respect and self-confidence whilst gently challenging independence and can help develop personal and physical growth through small goals and deadlines. It’s a sport that one can learn at varying paces and stages throughout life and that presents physical and psychological goal points to work toward.

Monday nights: 3:30pm - 4:30pm in the WCC Gym

Capped at 20 students

Fitness Classes: Students will walk to In Balance Fitness Centre where they will “taste” a few different exercise classes. Students will have a chance to do Body attack, Pilates, Athletic Training, PUMP and a HIT classes. Students can be dropped off at the venue or walk with a staff member from school,

Tuesday nights: 3:30pm - 4:30pm at Inbalance Fitness Centre

First 20 students

Dance Club: Students will meet at the gym for a 1 hour session of dance club. Students will be taken by a qualified instructor from the Nikki Visaj Movement Dance school and exposed to different types of dance with the emphasis of fun and learning new dance skills!

Tuesday nights: 3:30-4:30pm- WCC GYM

First 20 students

Circus Fit Classes: Build Strength, Fitness and Confidence. Circus Fit Studio creates a fun dynamic and specialised fitness environment and are holding lessons in the Wyndham Central College Gym. Students will participate in a dynamic, fun, unique and safe learning environment. They offer a wide

range of programs that foster a positive attitude towards fitness and instil lifelong benefits, such as personal fitness and enhanced self-confidence.

Wednesday nights: 3:30pm - 4:30pm in the WCC GYM

First 25 students

Walking Club: Want a group of like-minded people to get out and walk with? Join Mr Lanciana as you briskly walk and take in Wyndham's nature and get some exercise. Students will leave WCC at 3:30pm and get back at 4:30pm.

Wednesday nights: 3:15pm - 4:15pm

Capped at 20 students

Tennis Lessons: At Werribee Tennis Club where students will learn the skills of Tennis.

Thursday nights: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

First 20 students

Soccer Club: At WCC GYM. Students will participate in a round robin competition, dinner will be provided

Thursday nights: 3:15-6:00pm

First 40 students

To book your class, please complete the slip below and return to the office or to Ms Sandlant ASAP. Please remember spaces are limited and it is "first in, best dressed".

Student name: _____ Tutor Group: _____

Please write your preference number (**starting from 1, if you don't want to do the sport, please leave it blank**) next to the activities you would like to participate in starting Monday 10th May.

Class	Preference 1 = activity would like to do most, leave blank if you don't want to do	Please tick here if you signed up last time but missed out
Fitness Classes - Tuesday 3:30pm-4:30pm		
Tennis Lessons - Thursday 3:30pm-4:30pm		
Dance Club- Tuesday 3:30-4:30		
Circus Fit - Wednesday 3:30pm-4:30pm		
Walking Club - Wednesday 3:30pm-4:30pm		
Boxing Fit - Monday 3:30pm-4:30pm		
Soccer Club- Thursdays 3:15-6:00pm		

I understand that my child needs to **attend all five (5) weeks** of the activity program. Any absences need to be notified to Rebecca Sandlant as soon as possible by calling the college on 9741 4911. Failure to attend may result in my child's place being lost. I am aware that it my responsibility to organise pick up of my child from the venue.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Signature: _____

Office Notes: date and time received _____



Vic - Pathways to Post School Life

A session for young people in Years 10-12 and their families

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) and the Department of Education and Training (DET), Victoria would like parents/carers of young Victorians with a disability in Years 10-12 to attend a virtual information session.

This is a session for parents/carers of young people with a disability on building skills and paving a pathway to post school life. The DET and the NDIA will discuss a range of career planning and pathways tools, NDIS-funded supports and other assistance to help young people to build skills to prepare for their transition, and support them in achieving education, training, employment and other goals, post-school.

Sessions are offered over multiple dates to allow flexibility for attendees, and will be delivered via video-conference using Microsoft Teams. Registrations will close three business days before the event. If you would like to attend, please register via Eventbrite. Two business days prior to the event, login details (including the MS Teams link to join the session) will be sent from events@ndis.gov.au to the email address you provide at registration.

For any enquiries regarding this session, please contact events@ndis.gov.au. Please include the session name in the subject line.

Where: Virtual Information Sessions via Microsoft Teams

Dates & Times:

Tuesday 11 May 2021	7.00pm – 8.30pm (AEST)
Wednesday 12 May 2021	10.30am – 12.00pm (AEST)
Tuesday 18 May 2021	10.30am – 12.00pm (AEST)
Thursday 20 May 2021	7.00pm – 8.30pm (AEST)

RSVP: Please register via Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/vic-pathways-to-post-school-life-a-session-for-students-in-years-10-12-tickets-147913698855>

Additional information: Accessibility is important to us. If you have any accessibility requirements please let us know when you register for your chosen session. Please note - we need a minimum of five (5) business days' notice to book Auslan interpreters and live captioning services.

