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COLLEGE CALENDAR 2019	
1 August	Middle and Senior School Information Evening /
	Careers Information Night
8/9 August	Year 11 Outdoor Ed Ski Trip
13 August	Curriculum Day
21-23 August	College Production
2 September	Year 7 2020 Information Evening
6 September	Debutante Ball
11-13 September	Year 8 Howqua Camp
19/20 September	Parent/Teacher Interviews / End of Term
Please Note: all dates and times are subject to change	

# **ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Welcome to Term 3. I hope that you all had a restful break and are ready for a busy term.

## **Learning Focus**

Teachers have been focussing on Writing Across the Curriculum and Student Voice and Agency. Professional Learning time this term has been allocated for teacher collaboration to continue developing curriculum unit plans and Common Assessments.

This term our teachers will again participate in the Lilydale Network Shared Practice professional development, sharing best practice with other schools, including our feeder primary schools, on Assessment and Student Voice.

At the end of last term, Semester Reports were posted on Compass. Continuous reporting is an opportunity for students and parents to receive ongoing feedback on students' progress.

All students are now completing reflections on their reports, exams in their SELF classes and refining their Career Action Plans.

#### Voice of 8

Last week students in Year 8 participated in the Voice of 8 Program, which has been designed by students and facilitated by teachers. This program enhances student voice and agency, with students choosing which areas they want to focus on and designing projects based on these. Projects included Drama, Creative Writing, Film Making, Music, Steam (Science Technology Arts, Maths and Sport) and Gardening and Building. The positive engagement throughout the day is a reflection of the excellent planning by both teachers and students. This program will continue throughout Semester 2 and student forums will provide feedback and opportunities for future planning.

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#### **Music Camp**

From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July to Wednesday 17<sup>TH</sup> July, students involved in the Music Program attended the Music Camp at the Oasis Centre in Mt Evelyn. Students participated in workshops and rehearsals and were treated to performances by special guests. Feedback from the students is that it was an enjoyable and productive camp where students developed their performance skills. Thank you to our dedicated staff led by Mr Ferre for their work to ensure that the camp was an enjoyable experience.

#### Year 10 Formal

The Year 10 Formal was held at The RACV Club on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July. The theme was "Winter Wonderland." Thank you and well done to the Formal Committee for its hard work and planning under the guidance of Ms Kinder and Ms Gaudion, who ensured that a wonderful night was had by all. The students looked amazing and the Formal Committee did an exceptional job in decorating the room.

#### **Industry Tours**

Year 10 students who are interested in finding out more about industry are currently involved in industry tours, where they visit various TAFE colleges to gain an understanding of the offerings available.

# **Careers Information Night for Middle and Senior School 2020 Middle and Senior School Information Evening**

The Middle School and Senior School Information Night will be held on Thursday August 1st for current Year 8, 9 and 10 students. All students and their families are invited to attend. There will be formal presentations in the Performing Arts Centre, followed by an expo where students can gain more information about subject offerings and pathways.

Course counselling sessions will be held in the following week for students, accompanied by their parents.

# Course Selections are due on the 16th August.

We look forward to seeing you on the night as we continue your student's education journey together.

#### **Student Success**

Congratulations to Michael Stephens in Year 10 who won first prize at the Bravado Film Festival for his film on youth and alcohol. Michael beat a strong field to claim first prize. He has a passion for media and has a bright future in this field. His short film can be viewed on YouTube. <a href="http://youtube.be/rjm2mEfulfU">http://youtube.be/rjm2mEfulfU</a>



#### **Farewell Ms Gaudion**

I take this opportunity to farewell Ms Michelle Gaudion who is going on Family Leave.

Ms Gaudion has been an inspirational leader for both students and staff at Middle School. Her passion for supporting young people is always impressive. We wish Ms Gaudion and her family well at this exciting time.

We welcome Ms Emma Steeper as Middle School Learning Leader for Semester 2. Ms Steeper has settled in very well to this role.

We look forward to a great term.

Isabella Phillips, Acting Principal.





# MIDDLE SCHOOL JAPANESE EXCURSION

Students who are studying Japanese this year went to Eastland in the last week of Term 2 to discover where Japanese language and culture is evident in the community. Much to their delight, Japanese was everywhere! Students were asked to complete a treasure hunt of activities which saw them locating and writing Japanese, plus spotting aspects of Japanese culture in the stores. All students interviewed a local Japanese resident in the community in Japanese which was a real confidence booster for many of our students. The class then tried a range of Japanese food for lunch; of course using chopsticks! A great day was had by all and we hope this will inspire our students to continue to put effort into their language learning.

















Michelle Pezzimenti.

# **SPORT REPORT**

Welcome back to Term 3. This term, the College will be competing in Hockey, Basketball and Table Tennis in the Yarra Group Interschool Sports for Years 7 - 10. Intermediate Sports will be held on Friday July 26, Year 8 on Wednesday August 7 and Year 7 on Friday August 30.

Congratulations and good luck to the following teams playing in their respective Eastern Metropolitan Region Sports Competitions:

Junior Boys Netball July 29, Senior Girls Table Tennis August 2, Year 7 Girls Netball August 7 and Year 8 Girls

Badminton August 16.

Congratulations to Bella Theophanous—Maddison who recently went to Canberra to swim at the Australian Institute of Sport as part of the Metro East Swimming Team. She gained a few state times, personal bests and got a gold for her 100m backstroke.

Sonya Tamos, Sport Co-ordinator.





# SCHOOL PRODUCTION - "Fractured"

This year's whole school production, FRACTURED, is nearly upon us. Students have been busily rehearsing and learning lines since last term, and the performances are approaching fast.

This year's piece is a little different (though it normally is), as it is not one continuous piece, but a number of smaller plays that are connected together. Each actor is involved in one of these pieces. Due to this, we have one massive cast, made up of around sixty students. The pieces are twisted versions of well-known fairy tales, from Goldilocks, Henny Penny, Little Red Riding Hood, and more.

Performances are being held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, starting at 7pm, in the Performing Arts Centre. Tickets are \$5 dollars each, and will be available from the office soon, or at the door.

The cast and crew hope to see you there.

Peter McKenzie, Production Co-ordinator.

# **VOICE OF 8**

On Friday July 19th, Year 8 students participated in the Voice of 8. Students spent a day engaging in a learning area of their choice. These included:

- Filmmaking
- Gardening & Building
- Music
- Sport
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths)
- Theatre & Creative Writing

Students were given responsibility to plan and design the activities they participated in during the day. All of the groups were able to accomplish amazing things, such as filming and editing a documentary, beautifying the school with indigenous plants, adding to and improving the school production and creating optical illusions.

Students celebrated the day with a barbecue lunch and by sharing their experiences from the day in the Performing Arts Centre.

Jeremy Ng.









# **VOICE OF 8** (continued)....













# **MUSIC CAMP**

Last week was the week of the world-famous LHC Music Camp, held up at Oasis Camp in Mt Evelyn. It was a packed few days of music, rehearsals, quality food and all-round fun.

All students had a great time, participating in multiple rehearsals and performances, simultaneously honing their individual skills and working together to make their bands sound amazing.

We had a crew of African Drummers attend on the first night for a performance which everyone participated in, and also held the annual LHC RockWiz Quiz with the fantastic Jeremy Ng MC'ing and entertaining the masses.

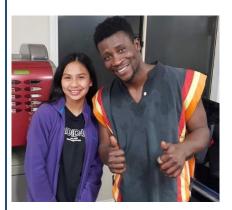
Thank you to all of the students and staff that came along for their hard work and dedication!















Chris Ferre, Music Co-ordinator.

The Lilydale Heights SRC would like to thank Bakers Delight Ringwood Square for their support and sponsorship of our Breakfast Club every Tuesday morning.





# RAISING HAPPY KIDS

## A FREE INTERACTIVE COMMUNITY SESSION EXPLORING:

- What is positive mental health and how can adults support children to be mentally healthy?
- What community supports are available to families?
- How to effectively and positively manage adult/child conflict.

THURSDAY 1ST AUGUST
6.30PM - 8PM

Register online at: https://raisinghappykidssession.eventbrite.com.au

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

COLDSTREAM SCHOOL

Further information contact Amy.Taylor@yarraranges.vic.gov.au









# Feeling Safe: For Secondary School Students

#### Get the facts

This fact sheet has been designed to give you the facts about child abuse. It includes advice on what to do if you have been abused, are being abused, or are at risk of being abused. This fact sheet also provides you with advice if you know someone who has been abused, or is at risk of being abused.



# What are your rights?

- Everyone has the right to feel safe and be protected from abuse.
- No one is allowed to threaten you, hurt you, or touch you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or afraid.
- This includes all adults, other teenagers and children - it includes everyone from family members, coaches, teachers, to friends and strangers.
- Every relationship should be respectful.
- No one should ever involve you in sexual activity without your consent, and no one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid.
- You don't have to deal with abuse on your own. Talk to a trusted adult. Teachers and other adults at your school can support you to get help.

### What is child abuse?

- Child abuse includes physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional or psychological harm, neglect, and family violence.
- Child abuse can also include grooming. This is behaviour where an adult tries to establish a relationship or other emotional connection with a child, to prepare them for a sexual relationship.
- Child abuse does not have to involve physical contact or force. It can include:
  - controlling a child through threats
- exposing a child to sexual material and sexual acts
- exposing a child to family violence.
- Child abuse can be perpetrated by any member of a community or a family member. Abuse can impact anyone and it is never the victim's fault.

For more information on sexual abuse and sexual assault visit Youth Central: http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/know-yourrights/sexual-assault.

## What should I do if I have been abused or I feel unsafe?

- You should talk to an adult you trust.
- If you have been abused, or feel unsafe or threatened in any way you don't have to deal with this on your own.
- Abuse is never your fault and you should tell a trusted adult so you can get the help and support you need to feel safe and protected. Talking to someone won't get you in trouble.
- You can tell a teacher or any adult at your school. They will be able to help you.

# What should I do if I think someone I know has been abused or is unsafe?

- You should talk to an adult you trust. Any staff member at your school will be able to help.
- You can also help your friend by encouraging them to tell a trusted adult.

# What if my friend doesn't want to tell an adult?

- You should still tell an adult you trust on your friend's behalf.
- Even if your friend has specifically asked you not to tell an adult, you still should. It is more important to make sure that your friend is helped and feels protected.



# What will happen if I tell an adult at the school that I feel unsafe, or that I know someone who is unsafe?

- You will be helped.
- Teachers and other adults at your school must listen to your concerns and help you.
- The information will not be shared with the person who is making you feel unsafe.
- Information will only be shared with people who can support and protect you.
- In some cases the people helping you are required by law to tell the police, the Department of Health and Human Services' Child Protection services and/or your family to prevent any further abuse, or risk of abuse.

# What if I don't feel like I can talk to anyone at my school?

- You should still find a trusted adult to talk to.
- Abuse or feeling uncomfortable is too big to deal with on your own.

# There are many people who can support you to feel safe and protected. You can:

- contact eHeadspace for advice online visit: www.eheadspace.org.au/
  - Call 1800 650 890
- contact KidsHelp Line: https://kidshelpline.com. au/teens/ (24 hour web chat) Call 1800 55 1800
- Call or visit your local police station or call 000.
- Talk to your doctor, psychologist, social worker, welfare officer, or another trusted adult.