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P-12 College Dates

SEPTEMBER

20th

Prep - 12 Parent Teacher Interviews 3:45pm - 7:15pm

22nd

Term 3 ends 2:30 Finish

OCTOBER

9th

Term 4 commences

12th

Year 7 Immunisations

16th - 20th

Year 11 VCAL Work Experience

20th

Year 12 - Last day

NOVEMBER

1st

Year 12 - Exams begin

7th

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

9th

Year 10 Formal

14th - 17th

Year 11 - Exams

20th

Year 11 > 12 Step up

29th - 1st Dec

Year 10 - Exams



DECEMBER

1st

Year 12 - Valedictory

4th

Year 10 > 11 Step up

22nd

Term 4 ends - 12:30 Finish





From the Principal

I attended the launch of the Wyndham Bay Local Learning Employment Network "Big Industry" strategy at Werribee Park Mansion last week. This is a relationship between schools and local business to create opportunities around employment. apprenticeship, traineeships and school based apprenticeships. Our College, via our Pathways Programs, is very well placed to engage at this level with the WLLEN to provide further opportunities for our students to enter the world of work. Our Council member Mr Dallian D'Cruz is leading this project and will certainly assist our College to build relationships with the employment sector.

CANBERRA EXCURSION

Last week 48 of our Grande 6 students visited the nation's capital, Canberra. This is always a highly engaging camp with students visiting many of Australia's key institutions. Students visited the High Court of Australia, War Memorial, National Gallery, Old Parliament House, The Royal Mint, Indonesian Embassy and Australian Science Museum.

Importantly, students visited Parliament House and were actually able to meet with the honourable Joanne Ryan MP, our local Member for Lalor in the House of Representatives. Ms Ryan is a great supporter of our College and is always willing to provide time to spend with students. Our students met with Joanne on the steps of Parliament House to learn how our Parliament works.

I sincerely thank the following staff for giving their time to provide this experience for students – Mr Michael Lanyon, Ms Candice Nedinis, Ms. Kasey McDonald, Ms. Julie Juncker and Mr. David Holt.

We also had a Grade 4 group of 45 students attend camp at Malmsbury. Students had a very adventurous time experiencing the Giant Swing, Bush Cooking, and Hikes through the bush, and fantastic meals.

Again, I sincerely thank the following staff members, Ms Bryar Kerridge, Mr Tim Bailey, Ms Louisa Robertson, Mr Stuart Koolmees, Ms Nadie Muscat and Ms Rachel Todd for their commitment to supporting students and volunteering to give their time to lead the camp.

INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

As you know, we are developing a very pro-active relationship with our Indian community. We are currently engaged with the Department of Education and Training around developing a direct relationship with schools in India, with a view to gaining an International School accreditation. Last week, we celebrated India Independence Day and with a visit by the Parliamentary Secretary of Education, Ms Judith Grayley MLC, who is extremely interested in and supportive of our work and relationship with our Indian Community. A key platform of this relationship is our teaching of the Hindi Language at both our Primary and Secondary Campuses. We had many parents attend our assembly and morning tea and we thank them for their time and support.

I would like to think Mr Marcel Mahfoud, College Council President, Mr Jon Dainutis Area Manager, South Western Region DET, Mr Jasvinder Sidhu, Mr Amit Parma, Mr Gautam Gupta and Mr Samir Roy Chaudhry India Army Colonel (Retired).



From the Principal

SNOW TRIP

This year the College was able to provide two snow trips to Mount Buller. Our student's enthusiasm has grown over the years and this trip will now form a regular part of the College's program. The students participated in snowboarding and were taught by professional snow sports instructors. One trip experienced a blue-sky day and the second experienced snowstorms and huge falls of snow. Again, our College Physical Education Team have really developed strong student engagement and participation around sport and this will certainly support our Sports Academy Program in 2018. Thank you to Ms Trish O'Neill, Ms Kendall Clarke, Mr Josh Adams, Mr Jaimie Southgate, Mr Taylann Luckman and Mr Andrew Dexter who organised and attended the excursion.

SPORTS FINALS

Our boys Under 14 Rugby Team competed in the State Championships at Clayton yesterday coming third. This is a great achievement and provides a perfect building block for further development as part of the Sports Academy 2018. The team was a credit to the College, actively displaying our values of Respect and Working Together. I certainly thank and appreciate the coaching work of Ms Trish O'Neill. It was great to see and engage with the many parents who attended to support the team and our College.

ATHLETICS

Our Track and Field Team competed in the Inter Schools Competition last week. We won 33 first places, 17 seconds and 13 thirds, giving us a strong team to take to the State Finals next month.

COLLEGE REDEVELOPMENT

We are continuing to work with our architects Gray Puck Sand to determine use of space across both campuses. Linked to this planning is a developing relationship with Wyndham Council to consider a Kindergarten to be located at Callistemon Campus and shared Sports facilities at Deloraine Campus. We will also explore a relationship with Gymnastics Victoria to provide community and college access to this sport. At next meeting of Council, I will provide a "Draft Sports / Community Precinct Plan".

David Smillie
College Principal



Year 8 HAP History Competition

Congratulations to the Year 8 High Achievers class who participated in the Australian History Competition. Students completed the 45 minute test on historical sources with great focus, determination and effort. It was highly pleasing to see these students challenge themselves and compete against other history students across the country.

Congratulations to Shane Brown for recording the highest score for the College!

Ms. Kirkpatrick and Ms. Redzep



VET Hospitality

We had Gabriele Gate (chef) come in a speak to the VET Hospitality students on the 11th August. He spoke to the students about being a chef and his life in France and Australia.

He was very inspiring and offered the students an insight to what it takes to be a chef. He demonstrated some simple piping techniques and ways to make your desserts more appealing. The students made him some afternoon tea that was to die for.







Sports Science At The Grange

Sport Science at The Grange pursues the sporting ability of students through an academic lens. The program builds the capacities of students as they participate in and around sporting environments in a variety of different roles. Our Student Athletes will receive specialised physical and theoretical training in their area of choice – Rugby, Volleyball, Soccer and Netball.

Rugby

The Grange's Rugby stream within the Sports Science program has a strong partnership with NRL Victoria and Victoria Rugby Union to facilitate high level coaching sessions and industry related theory. Student Athletes will become faster, stronger and more tactically advanced players through specialised training programs. ONLY AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 20 STUDENTS FROM YR 9 IN 2018.

Volleyball

The Grange's Volleyball stream within the Sports Science program has a strong partnership with Volleyball Victoria to facilitate high level coaching sessions and industry related theory. Student Athletes will become more technically and tactically advanced players through specialised training programs. ONLY AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 20 STUDENTS FROM YR 9 IN 2018.

Soccer

The Grange's Soccer stream within the Sports Science program has strong partnerships with Football Federation Vic and Futsal Vic to facilitate high level coaching sessions and industry related theory. Student Athletes will become faster, more skilled and tactically advanced players through specialised training programs specific to their needs. ONLY AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 20 STUDENTS FROM YR 9 IN 2018.

Netball

The Grange's Netball stream within the Sports Science program has a strong partnership with Netball Victoria and also local community teams to facilitate high level coaching sessions and industry related theory. Student Athletes will become more technically and tactically advanced players through specialised training programs. ONLY AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 20 STUDENTS FROM YR 9 IN 2018.

Athlete Development Program

The Grange's Athlete Development Program within Sports Science is designed to build the overall physical capacities of athletes. Student Athletes will participate in specialised strength and conditioning training to become faster, stronger more powerful athletes. They will work with Sport Scientists, Exercise Physiologists and Personal Trainers to develop individualised training programs that specifically target and build upon their strengths and weaknesses. ONLY AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 20 STUDENTS FROM YR 7/8, 9/10 AND 11/12 IN 2018.

All student athletes will undergo state of the art fitness testing at Victoria University as well as the opportunity to use the Biomechanics Laboratory to participate in various movement patterns for analysis. Through our partnership with VU this program is free of charge and a fantastic opportunity for The Grange student athletes to experience and learn about biomechanics and analysis.

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT OFFICE. APPLICATIONS ARE DUE FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER AND SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED MID TERM 4, 2017.

Please contact our Admissions Officer Ms Anita Knight or Mr Rocco Giovanniello our Sports Science Leader on 9748 9166 for more information.

Year 9 Health Day

On Tuesday 29th August all Year 9's attended the annual Health Day at The Grange P-12 College. This involved students rotating through 6 different presentations over the course of the day.

There was a wonderful array of presenters on the day and these included both school-based and community professionals passionate about presenting information to our students. Such topics included in the presentations included:

- Mental Health- covering information about Mental Health and Mental Illness and services provided at Headspace Werribee.
- Youth Health Nurse- covering youth health issues including sexual health information, mental health information and accessing GP services including Medicare and confidentiality.

- Secondary School Health Promotion Nurse covering prevention of risk taking activities around alcohol and safe partying.
- School Lawyer at WEstjustice covering youth specific laws and information about family violence and accessing the School Lawyer service.
- Sexual Diversity and Youth Services- understanding sexual diversity as well as information about Youth Services at Wyndham and programs available to young people.
- Mindfulness- covering information about the different types of mindfulness and how mindfulness can help lessen distractions and improve concentration.

The Year 9's all enjoyed the day and the evaluations from the day demonstrated that students' knowledge increased as well as their awareness of community and local health organisations. I look forward to running this day again in 2018!

Michelle Hynson

Secondary School Health Promotion Nurse

Supportive Friends Mentor Program

This term, the Year 10 & 11 Supportive Friends have been working with a group of Year 7 & 8 students as their mentors at school. They have engaged in fun lunchtime activities and established great bonds. This support has been beneficial for all students as it gives them a chance to learn from the senior students and find new ways to manage challenges they face.

This program will continue into Term 4 and we look forward to seeing the friendships between students grow.









Meet best selling author Fleur Ferris



Meet best selling author Fleur Ferris

Where: Deloraine Library

When: Lunchtime Thursday 21st September 2017

Fleur talks on writing her best selling books:

"RISK"," BLACK" & "WRECK".

As a former police officer & paramedic, Fleur's novels are inspired by true stories.

ES Week Luncheon

For Education Support Week, 2nd Year hospitality students cooked a lunch for ES staff on the 18th August.

Overall the students did so well, with so much positive feedback of the quality of the food and the event, it was a great success.







7 TIPS FOR MANAGING EXAM STRESS

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Stay organised with to-do lists and study timetables



Give them time off chores and non-urgent family stuff

Take regular study breaks



Encourage them to keep doing the activities they did before exams

Have a dedicated study space



Help them set up a study space and make sure the rest of the family understands

Have a long term goal



Chat with them about what they want to do after exams finish

Get as much sleep as possible



Remind them to go to bed at a regular time each night

Remember your health - eat well and stay active



Go on study break walks with them and try to cook wholesome meals

Talk to the people around you



Make a time to chat to them and let them vent



Scriptum 2017

Need help with your writing? Can't express yourself with the written word? In Year 7 and 8? Then *Scriptum* is for you!!!

Year 7 and 8 students are invited to attend *Scriptum*. This FREE weekly drop-in workshop will be held in M8 during Homework Club. Each week we will learn new strategies to strengthen your writing skills.

Come along and join the writing revolution!!!

WHAT: FREE writing workshops

WHERE: M8

WHEN: During Homework Club Tuesday 3-4pm



William Angliss Institute Excursion

On the 6th September VET Hospitality (2nd Year) students went to William Angliss Institute in Melbourne to see the campus and the courses they offer.

We walked around to the different areas of the campus. We had a delicious 3 course lunch at the restaurant on campus.

The restaurant is run by the students in training.



STEM Night

Thank you to all the students, families and staff that attended the STEM night on Thursday the 24th of August.

A fun and exciting night was had by all. There were over 200 parents and students who attended, as well as many staff and student helpers who were very enthusiastic and helped make the night the success it was. Testament to this was the 'Slime Station' which had a queue of people lined up the whole time and used up over 6 litres of PVA glue over the 2 hours!!

Other highlights were the Icy Pole Stick Weight challenge and Marshmallow and Spaghetti Tower challenge which resulted in some thought-provoking structures!! Our Maths problem based challenges were also engaging and enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to all the students who won a prize by submitting their STEM night passport. The recipients loved the excellent STEM based prizes we found!

Overall it was a fantastic evening that showcased the wonderful staff, program and facilities we have at The Grange P-12 College.

I look forward to STEM night 2018 and hope to see you all there.

Nicky Dean Leading Teacher – Science













Foundation Farm Excursion



On Friday 25th of August the Foundation students attended an excursion at the Animal Land Children's Farm in Diggers Rest.

Students participated in a range of exciting farm experiences including tractor rides and feeding the lambs, goats and ducks. The staff at the farm introduced us to many of the farm animals, Burger the bull, Bacon the pig and Pippa the cow, just to name a few.

Students were all given a turn to milk the cow. We were then shown how the milk can be made into butter. At lunchtime each student was given the opportunity to taste some of the butter on a cracker.



The fun continued with rides on Ginger the pony and the chance to hold and pat some of the baby animals. The students loved getting up close with the farm animals, a fun day was had by all.

It was a quiet bus ride home as exhaustion set in after a big day at the farm. We would like to thank all of the parent helpers who assisted us on the day.





STEM News

This term in STEM students are learning about biology. We are dividing our time between plants, animals and humans.

During week five the year 3-4s were paid a visit by Josh from Reptile Encounters. Josh brought a few of his animal friends with him to teach us about life cycles. We got to learn about each animal and we even got to touch them. These are some of the creatures that we met:



Matilda and some tree frogs

Year 6 Canberra Camp

Students from our school will soon be undertaking (or have recently undertaken), an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



Fred and Kanishk hold a Saltwater Crocodile



Jamal and a bettong



Oscar and a Red-tailed Black Cockatoo

Grade 1 Incursion

Flying rings of smoke shooting through the air! Static electricity making hair stand on its end and making balloons stick onto heads! Table tennis and beach balls literally floating before our eyes!

The Grade 1's all enjoyed a visit from Mad About Science. Fun was had by all.











Kinder Visits

n August, young children from The Grange Kinder and Bluebird Kinder visited Foundation and Year One classes at the Callistemon campus. There, they experienced their first taste of school as they listened to story books and participated in craft and other hands-on learning activities.

Having older Foundation or Year One students as role models reassured them as they practised their best listening and reading to a story. All primary students proved to be caring and collaborative role models during the activities, sharing materials and showing their younger buddies what to do. We look forward to seeing these familiar faces in Foundation next year.



Grade 4 Camp





In August, the Grade 4's went to DOXA Malmsberry camp. While we were there we did lots of activities, such as the giant swing, climbing tower, archery and the amazing Ga Ga Pit. Those 3 days were the most exciting days of our lives.

by Kavya and Scarlett. 4C





WMR AFL

On Thursday the 24th August a team of twenty two students travelled to Newcomb Football ground to compete in the Western Metropolitan Region AFL Finals.

The Metropolitan finals is Round Robin Event against the best teams from surrounding division. Unfortunately we were without three of our stronger players due to state representative duties and injury, so it was always going to be a tough assignment.

Our fixture had us come up against Torquay, Barwon heads and Geelong. Unfortunately we come away without a win but we were very competitive in all three games and only lost by a couple goals. Special mentions go to Jai L who was our captain on the day, he displayed great leadership skills and worked extremely hard in the middle for the entire competition. In only his second game of football Matt M was exceptional also with his speed and ability to find the ball.

As a whole, I would like to congratulate all of the boys and girls who contributed the The Grange Grade 6 Football team and making it to the Metropolitan Finals, you should all be very proud of your achievements!

James Marmo
PE teacher

District Athletics

On Wednesday 13th September The Grange Callistemon Campus had over 70 students represent our school at the District Athletics Competition.

What started as a cold, wet and windy morning turned into a great day that produced some incredible performances by our boys and girls.

This year we also set 5 new Division records -

Joseph M (200m), Mat M (100m), Miracle C (Shot Put), Shukurani M (Long Jump) and Johvarn M (Shot Put).

We also had six out of eight relay teams make it through to the next stage with two setting Division records.

A big thank you to the parents/friends who took the time and effort to come along and play a role on the day, your assistance makes the day run much smoother and all your help is much appreciated.

It was fantastic to see so much parent support at the track, it would be great to have you back on the 13th September to cheer on the students at VUT Athletics track for the Division athletics.

Adam Clarke
PE Coordinator

Indian Independence Day celebrations at Callistemon campus

Indian Independence Day (15 August) was celebrated on 17 August at Callistemon Campus in a special assembly as a part of Hindi program and to gain an understanding of Indian culture and the days important to India.

Apart from students, staff and an impressive number of parents, the occasion was graced by the presence of Member of Parliament, Ms Judith Graley (Parliamentary Secretary to the Honourable James Merlino, Deputy Premier and Minister of Education), leaders of Indian community, members of Education Department and College Principal David Smillie.

Campus Principal Meredith Clencie greeted and welcomed the audience in Hindi and Ms Judith Graley discussed the importance of language learning and embracing diverse cultures while addressing the audience.

A group of about 60 students enthralled the audience with their patriotic songs and dance performances. Indian flags made by P-2 students during their Hindi sessions were being waved around the hall as students proudly went dressed in traditional costumes and sang songs of nationalism.

The program culminated with singing national anthems of India and Australia. Parents and guests were treated with Indian snacks for morning tea soon after.

A huge thank you to all students, staff and parents for making it a successful celebration!























Community News



Engaging Wyndham Families

Supports local families who may have a child with some challenging behaviours, a child who may not want to be going to school or families who don't know where to get information and help for their family with children aged 5-13 We can come to your home, school or community centre to provide short term help and support.

Contact Chris or Jolene at the Wyndham Super Clinic 9216 7777

