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Principals Report

Year 10 and 11 Exams - 16th November to 23rd November

Year 10 and 11 students are reminded that the end of year exam period continues this week and will run up to Thursday November 23rd. Throughout this time students are only required at school when they have an exam and are expected to arrive at the exam venue fifteen minutes before the commencement of their exam in appropriate, neat casual wear which includes enclosed footwear (no thongs).

Headstart Program - 27th November to 8th December

The Headstart period is a vital part of student preparation for 2018 and therefore important that you attend school during these weeks as it will set you up for a successful start to the following year. The two weeks of headstart will run until Friday December 8th.

Study Skills

With Year 10 and 11 students currently undertaking their end of year exams, we have prepared three tips to assist with the study process.

<u>Gather Materials</u> - Do you have any notes, textbooks, past tests or reading that you think will be relevant to your end of year exams. These will help jog your memory of the content covered and by reading passages from these you may be reminded of the areas of the course that you are less familiar with or require additional help with.

Make a Plan - The exams are fast approaching which means that you have limited to left to study for them, so you need to make the most of it, divide up your study time amongst the subjects that you have and decide if you need to spend more time working on one subject over another.

<u>Create Study Notes</u> - Create a set of summary notes that summarise your learning of the subject, paying more attention to the content that you are less farmiliar with and target them to the content specifically covered in the exams.



Year 11 student Alyssa Kupa in the College library

Vern Hilditch *Principal*

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Calendar

Thursday November 16th - November 23rd Year 10 and 11 Exams

Friday November 24th

Wodonga Gold Cup -Public Holiday (School Closed)

Monday November 27th to December 8th

2018 Headstart Program

Term Dates

Term 2

18th April - 30th June

Term 3

17th July - 22nd September

Term 4

9th October - 22nd December

Coordinators

Year 10

Tim Lamb
Cynthia McFarland
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VCAL Student Refurbishes Belvoir Bikes

Year 10 student Coby Smart has been working to restore bikes for Belvoir's cycling program. Coby has been working on this project as part of his VCAL skills development with Brendan Washington from Washington Cycles Wodonga.

When Coby started this project, he hoped to learn some new skills but come out on the other side with so much more. "By completing this project I have developed a strong set of skills that will make me more employable once I graduate from the College", said Coby.

The refurbished bikes were donated to the Belvoir Special School for use as part of the bike education program, aiming to get the students out and about. With Brendan and Coby delivering the bikes last Thursday, the students have already taken them out for a spin onto the purpose-built track at the school.

PE teacher Ross Haywood from Belvoir Special School said "The donated bikes will help the school teach the students the valuable skill of being able to ride a bike safely, as they get older this will help them gain some extra independence."

"The skill of riding a bike allows the students to learn independently at their own pace and focus on only what they are doing." Said Ross. "Especially whilst the weather is nice during terms one and four, when we like to get the students outdoors".



Sarah Kilner VCAL Teacher

Georgy Award Recipient



"A big congratulations to Charlotte Kay for her recent Music Theatre award. Charlotte received the "Georgy" award for "Best Junior Supporting Performance", playing Mrs Potts in the Bytesize Productions version of "Beauty and the Beast". The Georgy awards night was held in Shepparton on Saturday the 11th of November and recognises outstanding performances in Music Theatre in Victoria. Well done Charlotte!"

> **Geoff Haymes Music Coordinator**

Jarrod Redcliffe



Year 12 VCAL student Jarrod Redcliffe has received a place in the Inclusion AFL Australian Team. Jarrod has continued to excel in his AFL, arranging extra work placement with the North East AFL body to help run clinics around Albury-Wodonga, as well as representing Wodonga at the All Australian Inclusion Carnival and more recently being

named as one of the All Australian of the Year in the Inclusion AFL Team.

Jarrod has been an inspiration and significant role model for outstanding success and achievement within his VCAL studies over the last two years. We wish Jarrod all the best with his future endeavours.

> Sarah Maybury VCAL Teacher

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