

Senior News

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Principals Report

Year 10 and 11 Awards Presentation Assembly

This Friday December 8th, the achievements of the 2017 Year 10 and 11 students will be recognised in a formal awards presentation assembly. The event will begin at 11:00am in Galvin Hall. Parents and the College community are invited to attend and celebrate in their success. After the assembly, parents are invited to accompany their students to a BBQ lunch in the courtyard.

Subject fees for essential educational items

These are items or services that are essential to support the course of instruction in the standard curriculum program that parents and guardians are responsible for, (i.e. exams, subject revision, online subscriptions, text books and other paper based college learning materials that students take ownership) (DET Policy). The cost for each selected subject is included in the school portal.

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. Please note, students return to school in 2018 on Tuesday 30th January.

School Portal

If you have never accessed the school portal formally known as the parent portal (or not logged on in the past six months) you will receive an SMS during Headstart with your username and password which will allow you to access the school portal. For those parents who have accessed the school portal within the last six months you will not receive an SMS and can continue to use your current login details.

We recommend that you change your password every six months for security purposes. If you have forgotten your password, you can contact the office to have the password reset which will be sent via SMS to the contact mobile number we have recorded for you.



New students welcomed to their headstart for 2018

Vern Hilditch
Principal

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**Monday 4th
December 2017**

Calendar

Friday December 8th
Year 10 & 11 Awards
Presentation Day

Monday December 11th
Student Progress
Interviews

Tuesday January 30th
Students Return to
School

Term Dates

Term 4 2017
9th October - 8th
December

Term 1 2018
29th January - 30th
March

Term 2 2018
16th April - 29th June

House Leaders

Gawungwa (Yellow)
Chris North
Simon Webb

Wagarra (Blue)
Brydie Hind
Lachlan Pinder

Wanamurra (Red)
Mark Smit
Cynthia McFarland

Nangwiya (Green)
Naomi Wattie
Sarah Maybury

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Burraja Cultural Program

Over the course of a six week period, student's from the Koori Graduate Program class have been participating in a local Burraja cultural program. The program aims to educate students about the local aboriginal history and significance of our region.

The first week of the program saw the students visit the Burraja centre at Gateway Lakes on the border where they learnt how rope was made by hand using the resources of the land, putting their knowledge into practice by making a length and testing its strength.

A highlight of the program was a trip to Mount Pilot, where the students were given a guided tour of the site and learnt about the cultural significance of the area, admiring the region from the lookout point.

Year 12 Student Tasmin Fischer said, "The program has been a great experience, learning lots about aboriginal culture has been really interesting and I have gone to places that I have never been to before".

The Burraja cultural program is just one of the events that the group of student have been involved in throughout the year with a tournament of indigenous game Marngrook and running a cultural day at Bandiana Primary School were amongst the highlights of the Graduate Program student's time in the class.



National Disability Insurance Scheme

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) has arrived in Wodonga.

As of April 1 2017, people in the Wodonga area are able to register as participants (clients) in the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a government funded program designed to support people under the age of 65 who have a permanent or significant disability with the reasonable and necessary supports they need to lead an ordinary.

These supports may include:

- Developing independent living skills
- Employment
- Further Education
- Community engagement
- Improved wellbeing

To access the NDIS, people must register to be a participant in the program. This can be done by calling the National Disability Insurance Agency on 1800 800 110

For further support with an NDIS application please contact the Inclusion Coordinator on 60437500 and for more information visit:

<http://www.wssc.vic.edu.au/?p=27416>

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