

# CHANNELS



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## Important dates

**8th March**

Years 7-12 Badminton

**14th March**

Labour Day Holiday

**16th March**

Parent Teacher Interviews  
Student's dismissed at 1:30pm

**18th March**

Secondary School Photos

**21st March**

Primary School Photos

**22nd March**

Year 7 Immunisation Dose 1

**23rd March**

Bullying No Way! Day  
Gold coin donation

**24th March**

Loddon Mallee Secondary Bowls

**28th-30th March**

Year 7 Camp

**31st March**

Studio Art Gallery Excursion

**4th April**

Junior Tennis  
Intermediate/Senior Tennis

**5th April**

PUPIL FREE DAY

## Acting Principal's Report

**Kate Whitford**

*"Excellence Through Opportunity"*

Dear Parents and Friends,

### Parent teacher Interviews

As I had indicated in the last newsletter, we have postponed our parent teacher interviews until Week 7, on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March, and had hoped that the COVID measures may be relaxed enough to have face to face parent teacher interviews. At this stage it is likely these opportunities to catch up will be online via WebEx. Students will be dismissed at 1:30pm on this day so all families have enough time allocated to discuss their child's start to the year. Bookings will be available on compass next week.

### School Council Elections

Nominations for school council have now closed. Thank you to those who considered joining the Kyabram P-12 College Council to advocate on behalf of all families. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup> where our key task will be to fill the executive positions. Our focus over the past few years has been developing and overseeing the Building Project, supporting the policy implementation in the school and supporting decision making across the college from Prep through to Year 12.

### Outdoor Learning Areas - Shade Grade

Last year the school applied for two \$25,000 grants to create outdoor learning spaces with shade. The school recently received notification that we were successful with our application. The project will involve installing a shade structure outside the 10-12 building, a shade between the Mod 5 portables in the primary and a stand-alone shade near the primary toilets/Library. Eventually this area will complement the new Canteen and have tables and seating.

### COVID-19 Update

Our case numbers have varied considerably over the recent week with a couple of days of low cases and then a spike of seventeen students last Monday. We also received news of positive cases on our Year 10 Outdoor Ed camp. We worked with the Education Department and the Health Department and all parents have been contacted. We cannot emphasise enough the importance of continuing to regularly administer the Rapid Antigen Tests twice a week. The next allocation of these tests for each student will arrive next week.

**"Kyabram P-12 College  
is a Child-Safe School"**

## Thank you

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the Kyabram P-12 Community for the positive start to the school year despite the disruptions, restrictions, inconvenience and stress of Rapid Antigen testing and the ongoing worry of catching Covid 19. Our families have adhered to the testing and 7 day isolation rulings, while staff have gone above and beyond to cover staff absences as they or family members are affected. Despite these challenges our collective efforts have kept the school open, allowing our students time back with friends and back in the classroom. Something many of them have not experienced for consecutive weeks for over 2 years. What a great result.

## Congratulations Jack

Congratulations to past student Jack Norris, who recently received his Year 12 Australian Politics award from local member Peter Walsh. (Are you eyeing off the Prime Ministers seat Jack?)



*Kate Whitford*

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# Business Managers Report

Jan Prior

## Kyabram Charities Raffle



Our College is proud to be partnering with the Kyabram Charities Raffle Committee. Funds raised from this group will be shared with Henley Friends, Kyabram Guides, Kyabram Town Hall, K.C.L.C. and Kyabram P-12 College.

Funds raised for our college will be used to upgrade and improve the playground facilities and we are aiming to install new fitness stations which will be available for student and community use.

Great prizes are on offer including: \$5,200 to spend on your choice of a ride on mower; groceries; furniture; electrical goods; or a holiday. Ticket price is \$2 and will be drawn on July 31<sup>st</sup> 2022.

Tickets are now on sale at our College Office and parents can also purchase tickets online by the QKR App. Getting started to download the App is easy either by iphone, ipad or on android. The college also uses QKR for a range of options including daily online canteen ordering. If you need any help or would like further information please contact our Office Team.

## Canteen Volunteers – We Need You!



Great News! Volunteers can now help us out again in our canteens across the College. We would like to invite our Mums, Dads, Grandparents and friends to help us out. This is a great way to be involved in the school without being in a classroom. Our canteens are friendly and welcoming and your children will love to see you there. No previous experience is necessary and you can choose to help on the days that suit you.

Times available in the Primary Canteen are 12noon till 2:30pm and in the Secondary Canteen 10:45am – 12noon or 1:00pm – 2:15pm.

Canteen Volunteers will need to be double vaccinated please. Please call the office on 5851 2100 and we can provide you with more information. Our canteen menus are available on our college website for both Primary and Secondary Campus' and our QKR App for ordering is going 'gang busters'. Check it out when you get a chance for quick and easy ordering of student lunches.

*Jan Prior*

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# Primary Principal's Report

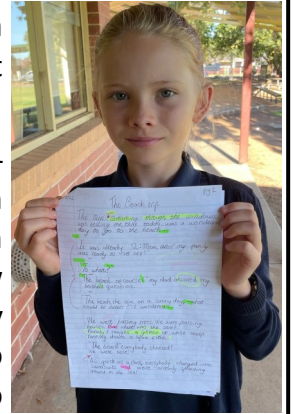
Todd Woodfine

Term 1 is a critical time for the re-engagement of students, the re-establishment of school routines and undertaking the steps necessary to prepare for and complete a successful school year.

I would like to thank all of our college community in the outstanding work and support that you have provided our students throughout this term. It has once again, been a challenging start to the year, however, we have continued to work collaboratively to provide the best educational opportunities for all of our students.

Our Monday afternoon assembly has received positive recognition from staff and students and I am always proud to hear the large number of students receiving School Value Awards, Shout-outs and Certificates. It is fantastic to observe our students displaying our college values in our classrooms and out in the yard.

I also had the pleasure of announcing our first Academic Achievement Award to Victoria Yarygin. Victoria achieved three years ahead of her expected level in a Cold Write recount about her holidays. Congratulations Victoria.



It is also vital for our students to have the opportunity to be involved in a range of extra-curricular activities. We have had students participate in our swimming education program in Kyabram, as well as a group of students compete in the inter school swimming carnival in Echuca. Tuesday we celebrated Shrove Tuesday where some of our classes cooked up a few batches of pancakes. Today, our students competed at Lawn Bowls in Rochester where they were successful and will now compete in Regionals. Our primary campus were also involved in the Clean-up Australia Day Event in and around our community. We have also had a large number of students walking and running around our school oval on Wednesday mornings before school in our Little Laps Club. Next Tuesday our Indigenous students will participate in a smoke ceremony held in our Indigenous Garden at our college.

My appreciation goes out to all of our staff and students for their organisation and participation in these engaging events.

Todd Woodfine

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## Values Awards

Congratulations to the Weekly Award and Shout Out Award winners.

### Religious Instruction

Special Religious Instruction (SRI) is offered during a 30 minute class one day per week during lunchtime. This program is run by volunteer instructors from our community for our Prep – Year 6 students. If you would like your child to take part in this program please collect a form from the Primary Office.



**Sports, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Canteen and Canteen Order Leaders**

**Monday 21st February**



**Monday 1st March**

# Performing Arts

Sue Meeking  
Costumes

Many thanks to those who have contributed to caring for our wardrobe over the past year such as Ros Handford, Sally Canny, Brooke Cleveland, Kayla Coombs, Patti Harrison, Cheryl Child and Heather McLennan. I am always grateful for anyone who can volunteer to mend or wash the well-loved costumes to keep them in circulation. If you have time to thread elastic, replace a button or tack together a hole we would love to hear from you. We can send a few pieces or more! [Susan.meeking@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Susan.meeking@education.vic.gov.au)

## Violin: Come Try!

Our Grade 3/4 students will again be offered the opportunity to learn violin for a semester at no cost. They will be loaned a violin to use.

There is no obligation to continue into the paid program but if your child succeeds whilst learning music it may 'open a door' for them and give them an unexpected opportunity and life skill. Lessons at our school are extremely well priced. \$150 per semester. Any enquiries can be made to Sue Meeking 0417721624.

# Primary Sport

Sarah Mangan and Kaitlyn Souter  
Campaspe Swimming Report by Ruby T

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 21 Grade 3-6 students travelled by mini bus to Echuca to compete in the Campaspe Swimming competition. We all tried our best, but at the end of the day we had quite a few thirds and a second place. I would like to give a big thanks to Mrs Mangan for organising this opportunity. I would like to thank Mr Ross for driving us there and supervising. Thanks to Kelsey for judging. Finally thank you to all the students who put their hand up to represent the school.

## Little Laps Club

Wednesday mornings has seen students racing to the oval from 8:35am onwards to complete as many laps of the oval as they can before 9am. This school activity is preparing students for the upcoming school wide cross country event.

A special mention to the following students for their outstanding effort over the past three weeks - Addi Howard, Zoe Mangan, Amelia Parsons, Chelsea Braithwaite, Zavier Parsons, Cooper Rodriquez, Byron Chapman and Flynn Burrows.

## School Fun Run

We have commenced our fundraising for our school Fun Run. The "Splash and Dash" colour run community event will now be held in Term 4 due to current guidelines. Fundraising and prize orders will all happen this term. We will then keep a record of the students that have fundraised and they will be able to participate in the event in Term 4 at no charge. People wishing to participate that don't fundraise will be charged a small fee to join in.

All funds raised will go towards increasing Physical Activity opportunities amongst our students. This will be done by purchasing equipment for students to borrow at lunch and recess, subsidising sporting events, engaging in a variety of experts to help deliver different ways of being physically active and more!



# 7-12 Campus Principal Report

Louise Mellington

## Welcome

Our students continue to engage in their learning and it is great to see some great learning activities in our College. We have had a busy few weeks with teachers attending professional development, guest speakers coming into our College, the Campaspe Swimming in Echuca, the Tongala Industry Day, our VCAL student project work around the College and the Outdoor Education Surf Camp.

## Uniform

As the mornings become cooler, could parents please ensure that their children are coming to school wearing the school jumper or jacket. Hoodies are not permitted unless the student is a Year 12 student, who have their own Year 12 hoodie.

## Homework and set tasks

Thank you to those parents who support us in ensuring that our students keep up-to-date with tasks set for them to complete in and out of class. A number of students have overdue work tasks and I encourage parents to work with their child in ensuring that work tasks are up to date before parent-teacher interviews in Week 7. Work is placed on Compass for students who are remote learning due to them either being in isolation or having COVID. Students are expected to complete this work but if this is not possible please contact the relevant year level coordinator

## Tongala Industry Day 2

As a follow-up from the presentations which occurred at the school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February, the Tongala Industry Day occurred on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February. The day, a partnership between Kyabram P-12 College, Campaspe Shire Council, Shepparton Industry Training Hub, and major sponsors Greenham's abattoir saw students from Years 10, 11 and 12 travel to Tongala to do work place visits and tours at the key local employers of Greenham's abattoir, SLTEC Fertilizers (Sustainable Liquid Technology), Tyler's farm (dairy industry, supported by Dairy Australia and Murray Dairy) and the Campaspe Shire Depot.

The students got a lot from the day as they learned about current and future entry level skilled career opportunities for young people, training opportunities and workforce needs in the area. The students also benefited from hearing from employees, their insights about their jobs and the pathways they followed to get to where they are now. It was also great to hear advice from these employees which the students could use to guide their future plans.

It was great to see the students reassess their options about what their future may hold and how local employers can help them achieve their goals.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all of the workplaces for their generosity in time that they volunteered in both the day itself, but also in the lead-up to the event. Equally, the support of both the Campaspe Shire Council and the Shepparton Industry Training Hub were instrumental in making the day the success it has been.

If other workplaces are interested in taking part in future events like this please contact Mitch Coombs at [Mitchell.Coombs@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Mitchell.Coombs@education.vic.gov.au).

*Louise Mellington*

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# Introducing our College Captains.....

## Al Rafael Tesoro

My name is Al Rafael Tesoro, but my mates call me AR. I enjoy cooking, drawing, and watching Netflix during my free time. If I ever get the chance to, I love travelling, especially the times when I go back to the Philippines, which is where I originally came from. When I was in prep, I wanted to be a primary school teacher, just like my mum used to be. Now, after Year 12, I would like to go into the healthcare industry, either through nursing or medicine. However, I may take gap year beforehand to go travelling and save up some money. Some of my best memories in Ky P-12 were created during my time in the school productions. My favourite role that I played was Doody from 'Grease' in 2021. As one of your college captains, I would like to ensure that I represent not only our school, but its students as well. We've all had a tough time for the past few years together, and so my final message is for everyone to make the most of the current situation, and also to move forward by being positive and optimistic in life.

## Miller Griffiths

Hey my name is Miller Griffiths and I'm one of your 2022 college captains. Some of my interests include exercising, playing sport and listening to music. In prep, I wanted to be a professional AFL player, and now, even coming to the end of year 12, I would still like to study something in the sport industry. My best memory from Kyabram P-12 would have to be hearing my name being called out to be one of your college captains for 2022. This being said, my hopes and aspirations for this year are continuing to be a good role model for students to look up to and to keep doing the best I can in all of my subjects. My message to the students of Kyabram P-12 College is to inspire other students to put their hand up for a leadership role in the future and getting out of their comfort zones.

## Olivia Cartwright

Outside of school you will find me playing lawn bowls, either locally, or interstate. I also enjoy spending time with family and friends and listening to music. When I was in prep back in 2010, I had a dream of becoming a primary school teacher, fast forward to 2022, and I still more than ever want to go to university and study a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education in order to become a primary school teacher. My best memory here at Kyabram P-12 College would be all the school camps we got to go on in primary school, leaving school at 6:30am and traveling 2hrs if not more. The main one would be the 5-6 trip to Canberra, when we arrived and left the accommodation, we had a theme song which was Proud Mary, Tina Turner. This would get all students and teachers singing and dancing and some teachers even dancing down the aisle. These experiences were by far the best. This year College Captain, I hope to provide a safe space, where all students feel comfortable to speak to either of the 4 Captains about anything. I also hope that I can represent the College in and out of school to the best of my abilities while demonstrating our school values. My message to all Ky P-12 students, would be to have fun and enjoy every moment, step outside your comfort zone and do things you would never normally do, regardless of what other people think.

## Stevie Child

Hey, I'm Stevie Child and I'm one of your college captains for 2022. A little bit about me: I work for Woolworths, I enjoy exercising, spending time with my friends and love the company of my Great Danes. When I was in prep, I aspired to be a meteorologist as I had passion for the weather and found it fascinating. Since then, I have acquired the dream to study geology and travel Australia's mining industry. When I leave school, I plan to do a gap year and then go to university. My best memory from Ky P-12 was getting 2021 Physics and Psychology Dux and being chosen as school captain. This year, I hope to not only achieve my dreams, but help others learn how to achieve theirs. I hope to make 2022 a fun year after the past tough years we have had and look forward to working with everyone to start this year fresh and kick some goals.



## Kyabram P-12 – Secondary School

Photo Day 2022

Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March

### To Order Photos:

Go to [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au) and click "Order Photos". Enter your child's personalised shootkey and follow the prompts.

**Order your School Photos before midnight 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Late Orders can be accepted after 26<sup>th</sup> March by contacting **03 5482 3190**. All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

**Family Photos** – Please order online prior to photo day with the unique shootkey on the Family form. These are available from the school office. One shootkey per family.



**msp**  
photography

03 5482 3190  
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[www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au)

## Kyabram P-12 - Primary School

Photo Day 2022

Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> March

### To Order Photos:

Go to [www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au) and click "Order Photos". Enter your child's personalised shootkey and follow the prompts.

**Order your School Photos before midnight 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Late Orders can be accepted after 29<sup>th</sup> March by contacting **03 5482 3190**. All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

**Family Photos** – Please order online prior to photo day with the unique shootkey on the Family form. These are available from the school office. One shootkey per family.



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# Community News

**KYABRAM**



**JUNIOR FOOTBALL  
GROUP INC.**

Come & Try/ Information Night

We are holding a night for all players to come and kick start the season. A bit of fun with a few drills and a BBQ tea to follow.

When: Friday 4th March

Time: 5.30pm

Where: Kyabram Recreation Reserve

This is not compulsory but a chance for all players to meet friends and for any new families to meet our Committee and fellow families.

We look forward to seeing players, both new and returning.

Any questions, please contact Brooke on 0400 869 147.



**KYABRAM DISTRICT  
HEALTH SERVICE**



**ALDARA  
YENARA  
LEADING THE WAY**

**ALDARA YENARA ABORIGINAL  
CORPORATION ARE COMING TO KYABRAM!**

**FREE  
COMMUNITY  
BBQ**



**SUNDAY MARCH 20TH, 2022 @ 6:30PM  
75 LAKE ROAD, KYABRAM  
(BBQ AREA IN FRONT OF THE KYABRAM FAUNA PARK)**

Graham will be hosting and answering any questions you may have about the services AYAAC will be offering when they settle in on the KDHS site. The BBQ is a family friendly event so bring the kids. Sausages, chicken steaks in bread and cold drinks provided and palyground available for kids to play!

**RSVP: Simone Guinan on 0466446303  
By Wednesday 16th March.**

## Sacramental Program 2022

**Reconciliation, Confirmation &**

**First Eucharist**

### Information Evening

An information evening for **parents only** will be held to inform you of the Sacramental Program 2022 dates and process on:

**Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.30 pm**

**in St Augustine's Church, Kyabram**

This program is for Baptised children over the age of 7.

If your child is not baptised please contact Alma Limbrick as a separate program will take place.

Please contact Alma at the Parish Office Thursdays on 5852 1026 or on mobile 0417 184 527 if you have any queries.

