

CHANNELS



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Important dates

26th May

Grade 1/2 Fauna Park Excursion

27th May

Grade 5/6 Netball

Whole College Open Day

Deb Ball

3rd June

Grade 2 Melbourne Museum

7th June

Intermediate Boys Football

8th June

Junior Soccer

13th June

Queen's Birthday Holiday

14th June

Pupil Free Day

20th June

7-12 Girls and 10-12 Boys
Netball

23rd June

Year 8 and Senior Basketball

24th June

Last Day Term 2
2:20pm dismissal

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Calendar for further details**

Acting Principal's Report

Todd Woodfine

"Excellence Through Opportunity"

Dear Parents and Friends,

Education Week

This year's Education Week will focus on a special milestone for Victoria, as we mark the 150th anniversary of public education in Victoria. Education Week this year runs from the 23rd – 27th of May and the theme is past, present and future. Education Week is important to our college as it provides us with the opportunity to showcase the quality education we provide and the opportunities available for our students. Furthermore, it is also a chance to celebrate the achievements of our school, whilst further enhancing our positive connections between our students and our local and surrounding communities. There are a variety of fun and engaging activities for our school and community to be involved in, including: Primary Dress Up Parade – Monday 23rd May at 9:10am, Car Show on Friday 27th May 1:00pm – 1:30pm and our Picnic Lunch – Friday 27th May 1:30pm.

Important Dates:

2023 Prep Information Session on Thursday 27th May at 6:30pm. This is an opportunity to come along and hear about our fantastic Prep program, meet our friendly staff and have a tour of our wonderful Prep to 2 classrooms and learning space.

2023 Senior School Certificate Information Evening on Monday 6th June at 6:30pm. Our staff are preparing for the changes to the Senior Secondary Certificate which will be fully integrated in all Victorian schools. The changes combine the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL).

Update on Rapid Antigen Tests

Schools will continue to be provided with the same weekly quantity of RATs for use by students and staff for the remainder of Term 2. However, from Monday 23rd May 2022, it is recommended RATs are used by students and staff when symptomatic. RATs are also required to be used for 5 days if a student or staff member is a close contact of a confirmed case.

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

Therefore, it is no longer recommended that non-symptomatic students or staff conduct RATs twice a week in mainstream schools. Students and staff must continue to notify the Department of Health and their school if they return a positive RAT result.

Thank you for your ongoing support in keeping our school safe.

Todd Woodfine

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7-12 Campus Principal Report

Louise Mellington

What's Been Happening?

We have had much occurring in the 7-12 Campus of our College. Over the past week all students in Years 7 and 9 have been involved in NAPLAN testing. There are students who were absent and there will be some catch-up sessions for those students. Our Year 9 students completed Morrisby Interviews which will give them detailed information on their skills and possible pathways they could pursue. These were conducted online and the students have engaged well with it. In the sporting area we have had Senior Soccer, Senior Girls Football and the Secondary Cross-Country. Well done to all students involved.

Our staff this week had a Professional Practice Day where they worked on programs and planning for our students or visited other schools to look at what other schools are doing. A great opportunity for our staff, including ES staff to engage in professional practice.

Debutante Balls

On Friday 27th May we are holding our Debutante Ball. The students have had a series of trainings and their dancing skills are coming along. We look forward to seeing some photos on our social media and in our next Channels.

2023 Senior School Certificate Information Night

On Monday June 6th at 6:30pm we are holding our Senior School Certificate Information Night for students in Year 9 and 10. With changes to the senior curriculum we encourage parents and students to attend this night in the senior building of our College.

If you were unable to make the night and would like further information please contact Louise Mellington at our College on 5851 2100.

Uniform – your support is needed

The colder weather is upon us and we are seeing an increased wearing of hoodies. Hoodies are not part of our uniform and we require parent support in ensuring that their child comes to school in full school uniform. This includes black shoes. Students wearing hoodies will be asked to remove them. If you require support with this, please contact our College.

Louise Mellington

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Primary Principal's Report

Billy Barnes

Learning is not attained by chance; it must be sought for with ardour and attended to with diligence. On Wednesday the 18th of May, our college was granted a Pupil Free day which was dedicated to professional learning for our teachers. If you were to walk through the college, you would have seen teachers collaborating, questioning, and reviewing their teaching and learning to ensure we are meeting the needs of our students. This Professional Practice Day came at a perfect time as teachers are ready and set to go with the second half of Term 2 – watch this space for some fantastic learning to come.

Education Week - Monday 23rd to Friday 27th May

Week 5 is Education week across Victoria to celebrate 150 years of public education. Education Week is a great opportunity for the community to find out more about Kyabram P-12 College and the many opportunities we offer students to learn, grow and thrive to their full academic and social potential. This year's theme is 'past, present and future'. The timetable of activities we have planned is on our Facebook page and Seesaw.



Events include:

Monday 23rd May - Dress Up Day (No cost) - Dress in anything relating the past, present and future, Parade at 9:10am. Parents welcome to stand along the fence line and around the P-2 building to observe the students showing off their dress up.

Friday 27th May – Car show on the asphalt area, followed by a family picnic on the oval, Join us at the car show from 1:00pm or on the oval for a Family Picnic at 1:30pm.

Open Day - Tours

To celebrate Education Week, we have an Open Day on Friday 27th May. We invite all parents, extended family, and community members into the school to see the quality programs we have to offer and the quality work our students are producing. Tours will run at 9:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, or 12:30pm. Please contact the office to book a tour, or you can book a tour of our primary campus using the link on our Facebook page.

NAPLAN Testing

Thank you to all staff, students, and parents of Grade 3 and 5 students for your work and support throughout the NAPLAN testing this week and last week.

Road Safety starts with you!

Road safety is the responsibility of us all, drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. Our community and in fact our country has a strong car culture but slowly people are realising that this cannot be the only way to travel. Everyday all car users become pedestrians at some point. This may be when you leave your car in a car park and head to shops, schools or parks. You may need to walk through car parks or crossroads in arriving at your destination. Therefore, it is important to not only teach our children of the skills needed to navigate through these different terrains but to also remember that as drivers of vehicles, no matter what the size, pedestrians and cyclists need to be our concern. Vehicles are always going to be larger than a bike, motor bike or pedestrian and requires a great deal of responsibility when being used. Speed is a major factor when driving and can determine the fate of any impact. It also important to ensure as pedestrians we are using the safest points when crossing the road. Our crossing ladies always arrive early and leave when everyone else has travelled home, please cross the road at these points and follow their instructions.

Please mind your speed as you drive. Watch for pedestrians, cyclists and motorbikes, never assume, always act defensively.



P-12 Sports Report

Sarah Mangan, Kaitlyn Souter, Kelsey O'Neill

Senior Soccer - 9th May

Well done to our Senior Boys Soccer team who won two out of four games. Best players were Aidan, Parmdeep and Liam. Special mention to Steven for saving 20 goals for the day! Great day at Moama.



Senior Girls Footy - 16th May

The senior girls played at Lancaster. The girls gave it their best effort and pushed through the rain. Best players on were Charlie, Chelsea and Libby .

Sporting Schools

Our Netball sporting schools program has began. We are so excited about the turn out for this and are hoping all students are loving it. We would like to thank our coaches for P-2 program; Sharee, Zerlina and Jemma and our 3-6 coaches; Kelsey, Jemma and Jess.



Just a reminder that Prep-2 are on Monday and Grade 3-6 are on Thursday, straight after school. If it is wet weather all parents will receive a email from Kelsey that day letting them know if it will be moved to the College hall or postponed.

7-12 Cross Country - 17th May

We had a team of 11 secondary students attend the Division Cross Country in Echuca. These students pushed through some challenging and chilly conditions to come away with some great results, we had some top 10 finishes and nearly all students qualified for the next stage of competition! Well done to all involved and thankyou to Kelsey for organising the day.



Primary Cross Country

Yesterday, we had a large group of students from Grade 3-6 represent our school at the Division Cross Country in Echuca. All students did a fantastic job representing our school and demonstrating our values. Congratulations to Zanna C, Madi S, Cooper H, Cooper R and Jaz S for making to the next stage. Thank you to Mrs Mangan, Ms Souter and Kelsey for your work and assisting on the day.



Student Clubs Day

Carlie Whitford

The Primary students started their first Student Club Day last Friday. All club leaders did extremely well and showed great leadership skills when running their clubs, by directing and helping other students learn new skills and form new friendships. All students involved had a great time, and we are looking forward to seeing some more fun and collaboration in the future Student Club Days.



Primary Values Awards

Congratulations to the Weekly Award and Shout Out Award winners.



Monday 9th May



Monday 16th May

GV Croquet Association Performance Monday 9th May

Claire Warren

Jack, Lily and Renee performed at the GV Croquet Association AGM at Hurley's on Monday 9th May. Each student performed two pieces to a very appreciative audience.



*Rainbow Day snaps
from Mrs Brennan's
class!*



Year 11 Geography Fieldwork

Rowena Morris – VCE Geography teacher

As part of VCE Geography, students are required to complete real-life fieldwork on a current geographic issue or process. On the 5th May, the Year 11 Geography class ventured to Myrtleford to participate in a fieldwork investigation into the environmental responses to the 2019-2020 Black Summer bushfires.

We were lucky enough to be joined on the day by four representatives from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) who were actively and directly involved in the immediate and longer term responses to the bushfires in the Buffalo Valley region around Myrtleford. Students were able to listen to and ask questions of Ben Johnson, who is the Recovery Coordinator for the Hume Region, Ben Merritt, who is the Community Partnership Support Officer for the Ovens District, Simon Gough who is involved in mobilising resources and support during and after fire events, and Gavin Melgaard who led the rescue and recovery of threatened species during the bushfire recovery process. We were also fortunate to be joined by James O'Shea, a first year graduate with DELWP, who provided insights into exciting and important career pathways in the Geography discipline.

During the day students collected authentic, professional level geographic data, interviewed experts and members of the local community about their experiences, and gorged on some of the best burgers you can find in Victoria. Back at school, the class are now collating their data and writing up a detailed report about their findings, using a range of digital technologies to map and analyse their fieldwork data.

A huge thank you to the DELWP team for generously donating their time and knowledge to support the day, to our bus driver from Walters for his patience and flexibility with our frequent and often dusty and bumpy route changes, and the to the community of Myrtleford for sharing their experiences with the class.

