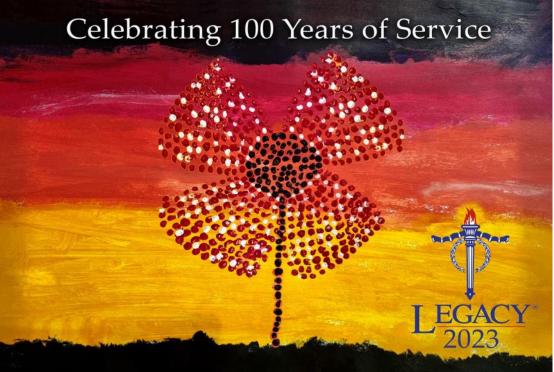


### Legacy Multimedia Artworks and Awards







Both Charlotte North and Charlotte Johnstone created these posters for Legacy 'celebrating 100 years of Service in Australia. This a photo of Charlotte North accepting her award at presentation night with Di Radford from Ararat Legacy.

# Principal's Report

#### Transition Day– Year 7

Last week we welcomed our 2024 Year 7 students and provided them with a taste of what to expect as they make their transition into Secondary School next year! A big thankyou to all staff involved in organising the day and also to those that assisted or supported the students. The students also met their buddies on Tuesday and completed some activities with them. The buddies will be a wonderful support for the Year 7's throughout their transition, providing support and enabling them to feel more comfortable at Ararat College. We are really looking forward to welcoming all the Year 7 students and their families into our school community at the beginning of 2024.

#### **Presentation Night**

Last Thursday we held our annual Presentation night at the Town Hall. It was great to finish the year celebrating the successes and accomplishments of our students. The most rewarding part of working in education for all staff is being able to see students achieve excellence and experience their own personal growth - these are both very individual measures for every students, and we aim to recognize this with a variety of awards and scholarships that are tightly linked to our values.

#### 2023 School Year Recap

We have had a very exciting year this year, some highlights include Year 8 camp to Queensland and the Year 10 camp to Mount Bulla. We were also thrilled to have received government funding of \$4.6 million to update and modernise our school! We are very proud of our Year 12 students that have completed their Senior Secondary Certificates this year, proving the importance of our motto of "Nothing without effort". Congratulations to all students for their determination and dedication throughout the school year!

#### Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

I would like to thank all families and the wider school community for their continued support throughout this year. I continue to be overwhelmed and grateful for the wonderful people we have within and around our school and I couldn't be prouder.

Over this holiday break please ensure you take the time to have a break with your family to celebrate Christmas and the move into 2024. Remember to take some time to slow down and look after each other! Stress and anxiety can slowly accumulate so be aware to recharge those batteries, focus on the GEM principals (Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness) and get some much– needed love, laughter and fun into your lives.

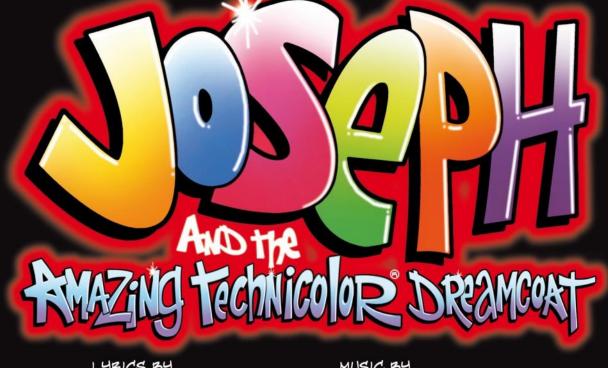
I wish you all a safe and relaxing break and look forward to seeing everyone in the new year.

#### Ellie McDougall - Principal

# ARARAT REGIONAL THEATRE SOCIETY

(Formerly Ararat Musical Comedy Society)

# Will hold Auditions for



TIM RICE AN ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

- When: Friday 2 February, 2024 from 7:15pm Saturday 3 February, 2024 from 10:00am (Sunday 4 February, Tuesday 6 February 2024 if required)
- Where: Scout Hall, 1 Queen street, Ararat

Contact: Leanne McCready 0439048813 to book a time

Rehearsals start Thursday 8 February 2024

# Year 9 Camp– Anglesea

Earlier in December our Year 9 students ventured to Anglesea for their camp. Over the three days the students were given an opportunity to participate in a number of great activities. They started off with surfing, followed by some fun on the high ropes course. They also went for a bike ride and had a go at raft building which showed the students creative sides. Overall it was a great experience and the camp was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the students!



# Activity Day– Halls Gap Zoo

Last week we held a couple of Activity Days for the Year 7 - 9 students to finish Term 4. The students went to the Cinema to see 'Wonka' followed by an afternoon at the outdoor pool. On Friday the students headed to Halls Gap Zoo which was a fantastic day out in the sunshine. The students were able to bond and socialise with other year levels and reflect on 2023. A massive thank you to all staff that helped to organise the activities and also to those that attended. It was a wonderful few days!

















Ararat Rural City

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

#### **ALL JANUARY!**

- Free NGV Kids on Tour take home craft bags available daily at Ararat Gallery TAMA.
- Self-guided NGV Kids on Tour Creation Station - every day in Ararat Gallery TAMA foyer.
- Explore Gum San Chinese Heritage Centre, open 7 days a week during the holidays.
- Complete the SPOTTO hunt at Alex Gardens! Collect at the Visitor Information Centre, or download the PDF from Council's website to play.
- Enjoy FREE ENTRY at Ararat, Willaura and Lake Bolac outdoor pools all holidays!!

#### 25 – 29 DEC

- Ararat Library, Ararat Gallery TAMA, the Ararat Visitor Information Centre and Ararat Fitness Centre are all open during Xmas week! on (modified hours)
- Visit www.ararat.vic.gov.au for more information.

#### 1 – 5 JAN

- Thurs 4/1 @ 3pm extended Lego free play at Ararat Library\*
- Visit the Library between 10am -1pm to beat the heat and borrow your favourite book!

#### 8 – 12 JAN

- Mon 8/1 @ 2pm Movie Monday at the Ararat Library
- Mon 8/1 Fri 12/1 AFC Intensive Swim program at Lake Bolac Outdoor Pool\*
- Tues 9/1, Wed 10/1, Thurs 11/1 @ 10am - NGV Kids on Tour 'Drop In sessions' at Ararat Gallery TAMA
- Wed 10/1 @ 3pm Fan building craft session at Ararat Library
- Wed 10/1 Active Play for all ages (various times) at the Ararat Fitness Centre
- Thurs 11/1 
   Bpm Extended Lego free play at Ararat Library\*

\*BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

PLEASE VISIT WWW.ARARAT.VIC.GOV.AU/VISITOR/EVENTS OR CALL 5355 0200 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND BOOKING LINKS!



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM CONTINUED...

#### 15 – 19 JAN

Ararat Rural

- Mon 15/1 @ 2pm Movie Monday at the Ararat Library
- Mon 15/1 Fri 19/1 AFC Intensive Swim program at Willaura Outdoor pool\*
- Tues 16/1, Wed 17/1, Thurs 18/1
   10am-12noon NGV Kids on Tour
   'Drop In Sessions' at Ararat Gallery
   TAMA
- Tues 16/1 @ 5-7pm Pool party at the Ararat Fitness Centre!
- Wed 17/1 @ 2pm NGV Kids on Tour Beading Workshop at Ararat Gallery TAMA
- Thurs 18/1 @ 3pm Extended Lego free play at Ararat Library\*
- Fri 19/1 @ 3pm Flower Lei craft session at Ararat Library

### 22 – 26 JAN

- Mon 22/1 @ 2pm Movie Monday at the Ararat Library
- Mon 22/1 Thurs 25/1 AFC Intensive Swim Program at Ararat Fitness Centre\*
- Tues 23/1, Wed 24/1, Thurs 25/1

   10am NGV Kids on Tour 'Drop In Sessions' at Ararat Gallery TAMA
- Wed 24/1 
   2pm NGV Kids on Tour Beading Workshop at Ararat Gallery TAMA
- Thurs 25/1 
   Bpm Extended Lego free play at Ararat Library\*

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#### Year 7- Respect & Responsibility and Excellence Awards

Berg	Willow	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Bulger	Ruby	Respect & Responsibility	
Camilleri	Olivia	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Coleman	Saxson	Excellence	
Fitzpatrick	Peter	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Harris	Amity	Respect & Responsibility	
Ibbeson	Stephanie	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Jackson	Ruby	Respect & Responsibility	
Jarrett	April	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Jones	Bella	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Mace	Makayla	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Mellors	Wilhelm	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Murphy	Diesel	Respect & Responsibility	
O'Donnell	Lilli	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Purnell	Richard	Respect & Responsibility	
Rickard	Willow	Respect & Responsibility	
Sewastenko	Roguen	Respect & Responsibility	
Smith	Justin	Respect & Responsibility	

#### Year 8- Respect & Responsibility and Excellence Awards

Belcher	Patterson	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Clark	Ella	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Dawson	Molly	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Dowsett	Hannah	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Drayton	Jasper	Respect & Responsibility	
Hart	Liana	Respect & Responsibility	
Johnson	Mackenzie	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Kennedy	Emma	Respect & Responsibility	
Kerss	Sam	Respect & Responsibility	
Merrick	Acacia	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Purnell	Mary	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Richards	Shontai	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Robertson	Charlotte	Respect & Responsibility	
Stacey	Harry	Respect & Responsibility	
Townsend	Alyssa	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Wilson	Emilee	Respect & Responsibility	

#### Year 9- Respect & Responsibility and Excellence Awards

Arch	Kiah	Excellence	
Burton	Jamie-Lee	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Cepanec	Sabre	Respect & Responsibility	
Dowsett	Caitlyn	Excellence	
Evans	Harry	Excellence	
Gardiner	Mia	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Herbert	Kobe	Excellence	
Jackson	Lily	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Jarrett	Rhys	Respect & Responsibility	
Johnstone	Charlotte	Respect & Responsibility	
Jose	Chelsea	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Kumnick	Giaan	Respect & Responsibility	
McAdie	Stella	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Savoia	Daemon	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Sewastenko	Mikhiia	Respect & Responsibility	
Starick	Zabina	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence

#### Year 10- Respect & Responsibility and Excellence Awards

Arch	Abigail	Respect & Responsibility	
Belcher	Harrison	Excellence	
Coleman	Chloe	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Ettles	Jacinta	Respect & Responsibility	
Farrington	Eliza	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Jantzen	Dylan	Respect & Responsibility	
Knight	Aylah	Respect & Responsibility	
Mangelsdorf	A'Leaha	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
McAdie	Ryan	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
McKinnis	Giovanni	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Reynolds	Audrey	Respect & Responsibility	
Robinson	Connor	Respect & Responsibility	
Starick	Maxwell	Respect & Responsibility	
Toner	Patrick	Respect & Responsibility	

### **Presentation Night Awards**

#### Year 11- Respect & Responsibility and Excellence Awards

Evans	Ruby	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Giovanniello	Leah	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Herbert	Jed	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Jones	Ashlyn	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Keilar	Milly	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Latronico	Isabella	Respect & Responsibility	
Low	David	Respect & Responsibility	
Powell	Jacob	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Sheffield	Mia	Respect & Responsibility	
Sherwell	Monique	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Sherwell	Olivia	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Townsend	Sophie-Jade	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence

#### Year 12- Respect & Responsibility and Excellence Awards

Brasser	Chloe	Respect & Responsibility	
Giovanniello	Michael	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Goranovic	Gorica	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Jerram	Marcus	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Morrison	Miranda	Respect & Responsibility	
Shanmugalingm	Meenu	Respect & Responsibility	Excellence
Taylor	Laeticia	Respect & Responsibility	



## Ararat College Student of the Year Award

The Ararat College Student of the Year Award is awarded to a student who consistently demonstrates behaviors in line with our school values. They are inclusive of all and celebrate diversity, they take pride in themselves and their physical and social community, and they show kindness to their peers.

They are accountable for their our own actions and resolve differences in constructive ways that contribute positivity to our community.

This student aspires to exceed their potential, they challenge themselves to be continuously improving and embrace opportunities.

Massive congratulations to Marcus Jerram.

#### The following students received nominations:



Marcus Jerram

Peter Fltzpatrick



Willow Berg

A'leaha Manglesdorf

Leah Giovanniello

Lane Jackson

			Term 4 2023
December	Monday	18	
	Tuesday	19	
	Wednesday	20	End of Term 4
	Thursday	21	
	Friday	22	
	Monday	25	Christmas Day-
	Tuesday	26	Boxing Day
	Wednesday	27	
	Thursday	28	
	Friday	29	
			Term 1 2024
January	Monday	29	School Office is closed. Phone enquires only
	Tuesday	30	School Office is open for enquiries & payments
	Wednesday	31	Year 7 & 12 students commence
February	Thursday	1	All students commence
	Friday	2	

# Canteen ~ Volunteers Wanted!

We are currently looking for Volunteers to help out in our school canteen for 2024.

Please email Mel to express your interest -

Melissa.Fiegert@education.vic.gov.au

