



Meet School Vice-captain - Ada Keilar

My name is Ada Keilar, I am seventeen years old and this my story. I am from a family of six in which I have four siblings and I am the oldest.

Throughout my schooling years I have only been at two schools. The first one was my primary school, Ararat West and the second one Ararat College. At Ararat West Primary School, I was a house captain. Previously at Ararat College I have been involved in the leadership team and have also been a Grampian's House Captain. These experiences have helped me grow and learn about leadership.

Outside of school I love to play netball for Moyston-Willaura football netball club, I also have a job as a casual at K-Hub. Also, outside of school I love to spend time with my friends and family.

In the future I would like to go to university and potentially study teaching. One of my goals is to have a career in teaching and teach primary school students.

As school captain in 2022 I would like to help build and grow the school by improving our attitude towards academics within the school. Being school captain in 2022 will be a great opportunity and I believe it will build my confidence and my leadership skills even more as a person.

Ada Keilar

Thank you to all our student leaders who have shared their stories with us over the last few weeks. Our school is fortunate to have impressive young people as positive role models to represent our school and our community.



A Message from the Principal

Shrine Visit

On Wednesday I had the privilege of accompanying eight of our student leaders whilst they attended the Shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne with a number of our local schools. This was a wonderful experience for our students organised by Ararat Legacy. They participated in a service to honour the sacrifices made by the many brave men and women who served our country. Thank you to Ararat Legacy and Mr Bowles for their organisation of this experience.

Extension of the Schools Rapid Antigen Testing Program

Thank you to everyone for your work in ensuring schools remained safe during Term 1. The Victorian Government has announced it is extending the RAT screening program for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Thank you to all students and families who have played their role in regularly testing – we know that hasn't been easy. This has resulted in COVID-19 cases being picked up at the earliest opportunity, meaning less cases in our school and more time in the classroom for our students.

The testing recommendations will remain the same for the start of next Term. Students and staff are recommended to test at home twice a week. Rapid Antigen Tests will be available for collection at the front office by students or parents at the start of Term 2.

School Holidays

Lastly, I would like to wish all families a restful break over the Term 1 school holidays. I hope everyone is able to enjoy this time and I look forward to seeing all students at the beginning of Term 2, Tuesday, 26 April!

Ellie McDougall

Principal

School Uniform Recycling. Donations Needed!

Schools are always in need of second hand uniform.

If you have items of uniform that your child no longer requires and you would like to donate, we would be most grateful to receive them. Any uniform that is still in good wearable condition will be happily accepted.

If you would like to make a donation please send them to school with your child to deliver to the college office. If you would like to donate items anonymously, please contact the college office 5352 4177 and we will make arrangements for their delivery.

Thank you to those families who have been donating their surplus uniform, your support is greatly appreciated.

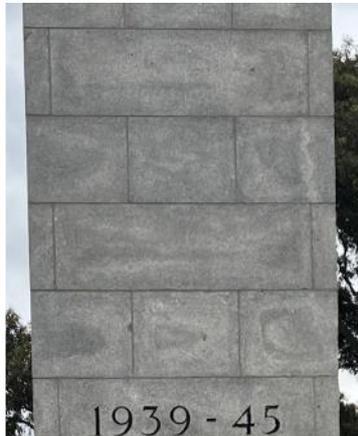
ANZAC Day Commemoration

On Wednesday the Annual ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony for students was held at the shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne. Ararat College students and representatives from the other secondary colleges in the Ararat Legacy Zone, including Avoca Primary school, were in attendance for the 90th Anniversary of this event.

Over 1500 students gathered at the Shrine of Remembrance to honor the sacrifices made by the brave men and woman who have served our country.

The service featured student guest speakers, school bands and choirs along with the attendance of Defence Force cadets forming the guard of honor. The Governor of Victoria, The Honourable Linda Dessau AC was also in attendance and gave a moving address to the large crowd.

This is annual event and Ararat Legacy is pleased to be able to fully fund the trip so students from the Ararat Legacy zone can attend and have the opportunity to be part of the wreath laying ceremony.



Student Leadership Camp

In Week 9, the Ararat College student leadership team embarked on a three day camp in the heart of Melbourne. During this time our student leaders, lead by Mr Krol, engaged in a variety of exciting leadership and team building activities.

On the first day our leaders arrived in Melbourne and quickly settled in before heading to their first activity: an escape room! The students had to work together in groups of mixed year levels to solve puzzles and build their critical thinking and communication skills. Luckily, the students were able to utilise their leadership abilities, work together as a team and escape! Students were then treated to an evening of Ice Skating. This was a lot of fun, and even Mr Krol was seen gliding on the ice!



On the second day the students attended the Halogen Youth Conference for young leaders. Here, they listened to influential speakers such as cricketer Damien Fleming, swimmer Cate Campbell and actor/author Matt Edmund. The main take away from this conference was that anyone can be a leader, and that our personal experiences shape who we are as leaders. It was great to hear from a variety of individuals, all who had different leadership styles and backgrounds. Later that evening, the students were treated to an Italian feast on Lygon Street before heading to the Queen Victorian Night Market to explore all that Melbourne has to offer!

On the final day of the camp, the student leaders split into groups and raced around the Melbourne CBD for a scavenger hunt! This was a fantastic chance for the students to work in mixed year level groups and build connections and skills to further their leadership potential. They all did a remarkable job and the pictures tell a great story of their journey along the way.



A huge thank you to the staff who organised, supported and encouraged our young leaders on this camp: Ms Taylah Jamieson, Mrs Tricia Ruthven, Ms Catherine West, Mr Geoff Sawyer and Mr Ben Krol. We couldn't have done it without you!

If any students are interested in joining our growing student leadership team, please contact Mr Krol.

VCE Studio Arts Excursion

Our VCE Studio Arts class visited Ararat's TAMA gallery on Wednesday 30th March to participate in a workshop talk held by two exhibiting artists Carole Wilson and Tim Craker. The exhibition is titled 'Pages from a lockdown diary' and features a range of mixed media and assemblage artworks made by the artists from random materials including old maps, aluminium cans, wine cork wires and bread tags.



The Artists were very generous with their time and spoke to the students about their art-making process and where they find inspiration. Both Artist's had different styles and processes but they both agreed that you just have to get started, don't put it off just get your ideas out there! The students returned to school feeling very inspired and I can't wait to see what they produce in their folios.

I would like to thank Katy Mitchell at TAMA Gallery in Ararat for organising the experience for our students. I also encourage everyone to go and visit the Gallery whenever you get a chance. We are very lucky in Ararat to have such an impressive and professional gallery space that is free to access. This exhibition is showing until June.

-Mel Murnane



Culture on Court Excursion

A small group of our First Nations students jumped on a bus to Melbourne Park this week for 'Culture on Court', a program held by Anglicare and Buldau Yiooghen. The day began with a smoking ceremony to cleanse us of any bad energy so we could have a great day and some cultural dancing from a First Nations dance troupe. Students then enjoyed a sausage sizzle put on by local firefighters, an Aboriginal dance workshop and a variety of tennis activities. It was great for students to meet and mix with other First Nations students from other schools and connect with Aboriginal elders and other mentors including members of the Fire and Police service. Thank you to Toni Chegwin from the Proactive Policing Unit for organising transport on the day for the schools in the area and David Law from Anglicare and Kellie Hunter from Buldau Yiooghen for running the event. A great day for all.



Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT's)

Free Rapid Antigen Tests have been made available by the Victorian Government to all school students for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Parents are welcome to call into the college office during office hours 8.15am to 4.30pm to collect the fortnightly allocation for their children.

Anime Club

Throughout Term 1, our club has been focusing on food in Anime. We have looked at popular foods that are seen frequently in anime's that we watch and we have also had discussions on how food in anime has changed over time. We have looked at traditional Japanese flavours and how anime becoming more popular in western culture has changed these traditional flavours to be more to our tastes. At the end of the term we all got together to have lunch and experience some of these foods. A list of some of the different foods we have discussed and explored this term have been:

- Mochi (a traditional Japanese sweet)
- A variety of Japanese soda flavours
- Pocky (a popular sweet)
- Ramen
- Tonkatsu
- A variety of sweet and savoury steamed breads



Katrina Pace



/HEADSTART APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS

The Head Start Central Highlands team would like to congratulate Ararat College Student James Jennings who is undertaking a Head Start School Based Apprenticeship.

Our team will provide James with continuous support during his Head Start Apprenticeship.

A Head Start Apprenticeship combines work, TAFE and school – earn while you learn.

If you would like get a Head Start and be a part of this program or require further information about Head Start Apprenticeships and Traineeships, please contact our team via email head.start.SWV@education.vic.gov.au or speak to your career's teacher.



*James Jennings
Plumbing*

A C Reads

These new novels are both movie tie-ins suitable for younger readers.



Peter is thrilled that Grandpa Jack is coming to live with his family. That is, until Grandpa Jack moves right into Peter's room. Peter wants his room back, and that leaves him no choice - he declares war!

Peter devises one outrageous plot after another, trying to make Grandpa surrender the room. And though the pranks escalate, Grandpa Jack is tougher than he looks. Rather than give in, he plans to get even. They used to be such great pals ... Now Peter is wondering - has their war gone too far ?

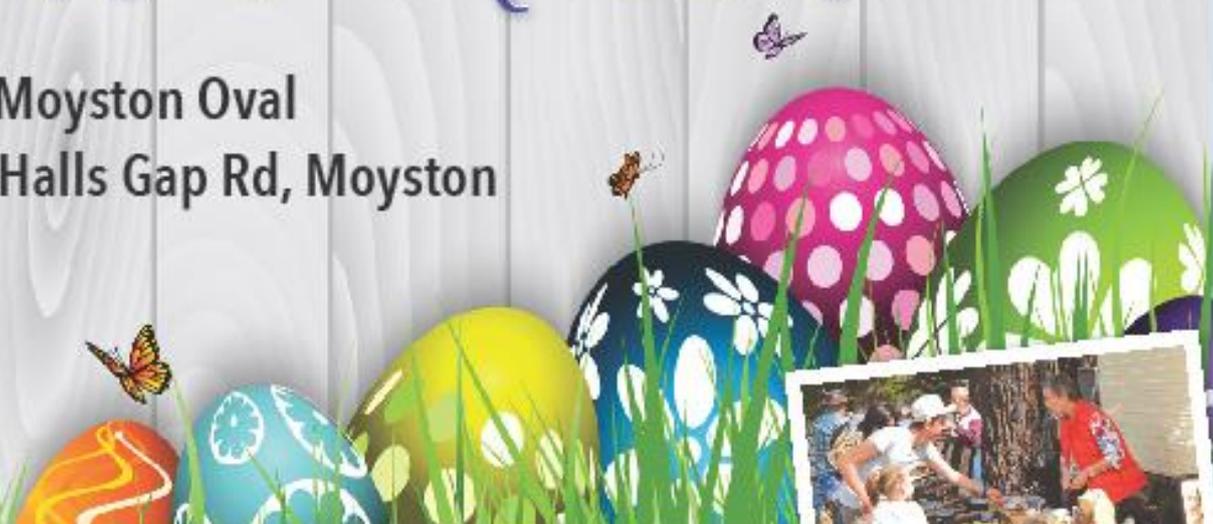
The Willoughbys - Timothy; his twin brothers Barnaby A and Barnaby B; and their little sister Jane - are old-fashioned children who adore old-fashioned adventures. Unfortunately, the Willoughby parents are not very fond of their children, and the siblings are not too keen on their parents either. Little do the Willoughby kids know that their neglectful mother and father are hatching an evil plan to get rid of them ! Not to worry - these resourceful adventurers have a few plans of their own. But they have no idea what lies ahead in their quest to do away with their ghastly parents and live happily ever after.



9-2pm Easter Saturday
April 16, 2022

Moyston Easter Market

At the Moyston Oval
Ararat-Halls Gap Rd, Moyston



- Longest Football Kicking Comp for men, women & kids - starts 11.30am
- Live Music by Ararat Duo SOFT
- Raffle - WIN a tandem trailer of wood
- Market Stalls: arts & crafts by local artists, homemade goodies, pre-loved treasures looking for new homes and more!
- Devonshire Tea & Gourmet BBQ
- Vintage Car Display
- Easter Egg Trail



Ararat Rural City



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Term 2 2022

Week 1	Monday	25	ANZAC Day Public holiday
April	Tuesday	26	First day of Term 2
	Wednesday	27	
	Thursday	28	
	Friday	29	
Week 2	Monday	2	
May	Tuesday	3	
	Wednesday	4	
	Thursday	5	
	Friday	6	State School Spec Rehearsal
Week 3	Monday	9	
	Tuesday	10	
	Wednesday	11	
	Thursday	12	
	Friday	13	
Week 4	Monday	16	National Careers Week
	Tuesday	17	
	Wednesday	18	
	Thursday	19	
	Friday	20	
Week 5	Monday	16	Education Week
	Tuesday	17	
	Wednesday	18	
	Thursday	19	
	Friday	20	

Ararat College is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.

Ararat College acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the country throughout Victoria. We pay our respects to them, their culture and their Elders past, present and emerging.