

Respect - Responsibility - Excellence

15th March 2024
Term 1 Week 7 Volume 7



### Mackenzie Johnson—Seed2STEM

On Tuesday the 12th of March I attended the first day of an eight-day program called Seed2STEM, a program designed to get more girls interested in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths). This program specifically focuses on engineering. Each term we focus on different industries. This term we were looking at energy.

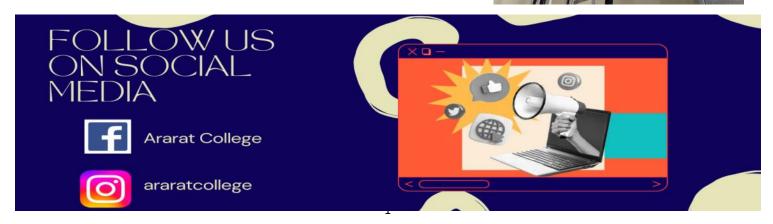
We started the day with a session on Electrical engineering based at Ballarat Tech School. This involved two presenters discussing their pathways into Electrical engineering.

After this, we went on a bus to MPC Kinetic- Golden Plains Wind Farm- Stage 1 at Rokewood. Here MPC are assembling wind turbines, and when this project is complete it will be the largest wind farm in the southern hemisphere.

The photos are of wind turbines. The top photo is of the base of the turbine which is 120 tons of steel. Later this gets filled in with concrete and then covered with dirt. The other photo is taken inside the base of the wind turbine. There is a ladder that goes from the base to the top and is 150 meters tall. To climb it you have to wear a harness. There is also a small lift that can hold only three people inside each turbine.







### **Principal Report**

#### **NAPLAN**

This week our Year 7 and 9 students commenced NAPLAN. At Ararat College the focus of NAPLAN is on personal growth and developing strategies for testing environments that students can use in their senior years and further education pathways. All students have worked exceptionally well throughout the tests this week!

### **Student/ Parent/ Teacher Conferences**

Bookings for our Students/Parent/Teacher Conferences are now open! These can be made through XUNO or by calling our Front Office on 5352 4177.

The Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences are running on:

- Thursday March 21st from 4pm—7pm
- Friday March 22nd from 9am—12.30pm

These conferences are an important opportunity to meet with your child's teachers and discuss their progress so far this year, including celebrating their achievements and setting further goals for progress.

### Ellie McDougall

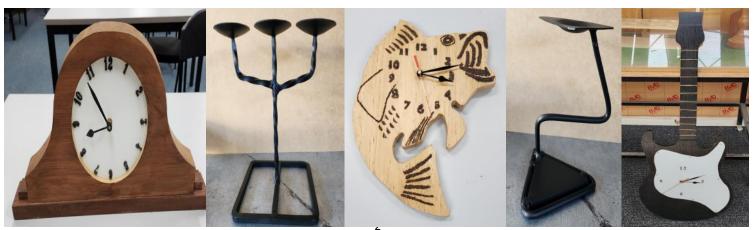
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### Year 10—Technology Class

The Year 10 Freestyle Design class were assigned a task of making clocks. The designs that came out of this class were amazing. The Year 10 Metal class were challenged to make candle holders using brass by welding them together.

The leafy design was work of Charlotte North and it came out looking splendid. Great work, Charlotte! Rhys Jarrett, Ryan Anderson and Riley Ford pushed out some great work themselves.









# LIFEGUARD

Date: Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 April 2024.

Time: 9:00am - 3:30pm (Times may vary)

Location: Ararat Fitness Centre

\*First Aid required before participating. Inhouse course: Wednesday 10 April 9:00am - 2:00pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION

smadex@ararat.vic.gov.au





Season

Training will commence at 4:30pm on Tuesday 12th of March @ Richardson oval, followed by free BBQ and can of soft drink

Mixed league

- Girls u/14
- Boys u/13

Registration fees \$75
Register NOW on Play HQ https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/776d4

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!!

















# COMBINED SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

TOGETHER, WE MADE A DIFFERENCE







WE ARE VERY PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT OUR COMBINED SCHOOL FUNDRAISER RAISED

\$13,735

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## **Backflips Against Bullying**

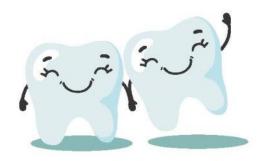
On Tuesday our Year 7 & 8 students attended the Backflips Against Bullying Presentation. They learnt through exciting acrobatic performances and hearing personal stories. This is the first time Ararat College have hosted this presentation and we look forward to seeing the benefits it brings to maintaining our safe and supportive school space.



## Year 11 & 12 Physics—Luna Park

Our Year 11 and 12 Physics students travelled to Luna Park on the 4th of March to complete an investigation task on the forces involved in theme park rides. Mr Barrie was very impressed with the students positive mindset as all of them got on as many rides as possible (some being quite scary)! The highlight of the day was all of the students getting on the Scenic Tour Rollercoaster together and all surviving!









# World Oral Health Day - 20th March 2024

World Oral Health Day aims to empower people with the knowledge, tools and confidence to secure good oral health. This year, join Toothie on a transformative journey where looking after

your teeth leads to better health overall.



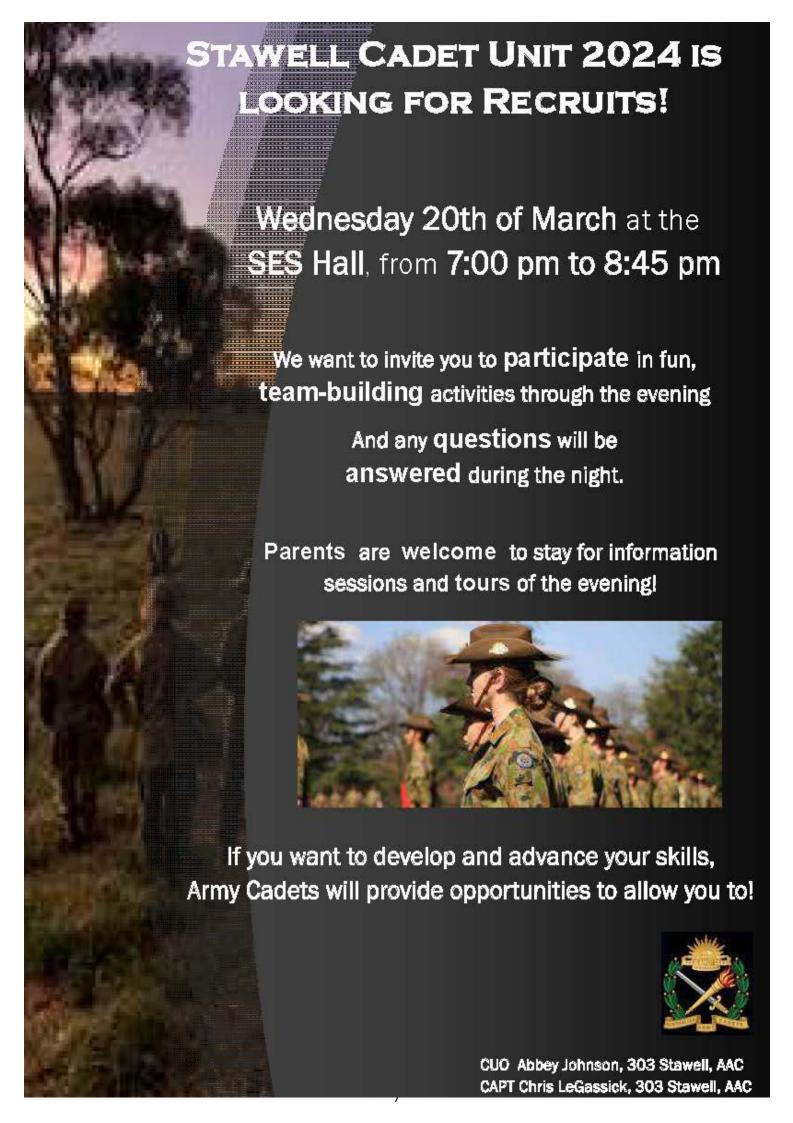


You may be eligible for free or subsidised dental



### **Ararat Dentists**

East Grampians Health Service Dental Service - 5252 9327 Ararat Dental - 5352 1024 Barkly St Dental - 5352 2779



Term 1 2024				
March	Monday	18	NAPLAN— Year 7 & 9 Girls in STEM	
	Tuesday	19	NAPLAN– Year 7 & 9 Girls in STEM	
	Wednesday	20	NAPLAN- Year 7 & 9	
	Thursday	21	NAPLAN— Year 7 & 9 Parent Teacher Interviews 4pm—7pm	
	Friday	22	NAPLAN— Year 7 & 9 GWR Swimming Parent Teacher Interviews 9am— 12.30pm— No school for students	
	Monday	25		
	Tuesday	26	VCE Media 'Just a Farmer'	
	Wednesday	27	Year 10—HHD Aradale Year 7 Information Night 2025	
	Thursday	28	Aradale Excursion— Year 10 HHD End of Term 1	
	Friday	29	Good Friday	

Term 2 2024				
April	Monday	15	Term 2 Commences	
	Tuesday	16		
	Wednesday	17	OED Camp- VCE Year 11/12	
	Thursday	18	OED Camp- VCE Year 11/12	
	Friday	19	OED Camp— VCE Year 11/12	







**YEAR 7 2025 INFORMATION & OPEN NIGHT** 









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