

Respect - Responsibility - Excellence

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WELDWEBACK

All students returned to school on Monday after what we hope was a relaxing and fun filled Easter break. We're very glad to be back at school, and it's excellent to see students from all year levels applying themselves to their work on the first day of term! Students are pictured working hard in Year 9 2D Art, Year 7 Maths and VCE Physics.











A Message from the Principal

Welcome Back to Term 2

We are very excited to welcome students and staff back to school this term! We hope that you have all enjoyed your holidays and had some time to spend with you family and friends. We look forward to a productive term!

Term 2 Staffing Changes

This term Mrs. McDougall will be on much deserved long service leave. Congratulations Mrs Murnane will be taking up the role of Acting Assistant Principal – Senior School and Mr Dalziel who will be taking on the responsibilities of Acting Senior School Leader for the term. A big thanks to all teachers who have stepped up to the plate this term, and we wish Mrs. McDougall a relaxing and enjoyable time!

We would also like to welcome Kira Stapleton and Tania Dawson to our team! Kira will be taking on the role of Teacher Aide and Tania is our new Food Technology Kitchen Assistant.



ANZAC Day Service

As ANZAC day was a public holiday, we commemorated ANZAC Day with a whole school assembly on Monday. Students and staff observed a minute silence for our fallen WWI soldiers. Lest We Forget.

Congratulations Mr. Kimber!

Congratulations are in order for Mr. Kimber and his family who welcomed a new baby over the holidays. Cam and Maddy welcomed baby Noah on Good Friday

School For Student Leadership

Today we wave farewell to our Year 9 students, Gigi Kumnick, Kiah Arch, Siobhan Hughan, Rhys Jarrett & Daemon Savoia who will be attending the School for Student Leadership. They will be based at the Gnurad Gundidj Campus in Glenormiston for the next 8 weeks! We look forward to hearing about their amazing adventures and wish them Goodluck with this opportunity.

Student Attitude to School Survey

Over the coming weeks our students will be completing their annual Attitudes to School Survey. This DET survey allows us as a school to gain an understanding of our students' perceptions and experiences at school.

ANZAC Day Ceremony

Our school commemorated ANZAC Day with a service on Monday the 24th of April. ANZAC is remembered each year on the 25th of April, however students and staff will be enjoying a public holiday on the 25th. Our School Captains led the Remembrance Service which included The Last Post, the Lest We Forget poem and both the Australian and New Zealand National Anthems.







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.

AC Reads

These novels have recently been shortlisted in the Children's Book Council Book of the Year Awards for Younger Readers, and are now available in the library.



Shelby and her best friend Davy live quiet low-tech lives in a closed community that is made up of exactly three hundred and fifty kind, ethical people living on exactly seven hundred hectares. When they climb through a hole in the perimeter fence to venture into the surrounding jungle, what they find is more astonishing than anything they could have imagined. And when Shelby realises the terrible danger that is unfolding, it will take all of her daring and determination to ensure the past does not repeat itself. Intriguing, absorbing and spine-tinglingly good, The Raven's Song is a brilliant novel by two esteemed writers at the height of their powers.

Sometimes Xavier wakes up feeling hopeless. Every new doctor ... this will fix it. Removing him from school ... this will fix it. The therapy group ... this will fix it. And his dad moving out. Maybe, this will fix it.

His daily affirmations seem to be helping, yet the black dog never really goes away. But Xavier has a plan. Enlisting the help of best friend Aster, he tries to convince his dad to turn the family hogget farm into a therapy retreat for the group session kids. But he is up against decades of tradition, his parents who are on a



"break," and the spectre of the black dog. Can Xavier learn to cherish the moments in between the struggles — the moments in the meantime?



East Grampians Health Service Residents' Support Group

MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday May 11

Book Club

The Next Chapter

Astor Cinema

6.30pm: Wine and Savouries

7.30pm: Movie

Tickets: \$25 includes wine, savouries and door prize entry.

Tickets: CAS Footwear

Barkly Street Ararat

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Term 2 2023			
May	Monday	1	Senior Boys Netball
	Tuesday	2	
	Wednesday	3	Year 10 Agriculture and Environmental Science Excursion
	Thursday	4	
	Friday	5	
	Monday	8	Year 7 Smile Squad
	Tuesday	9	
	Wednesday	10	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
	Thursday	11	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
	Friday	12	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
	Monday	15	
	Tuesday	16	
	Wednesday	17	
	Thursday	18	
	Friday	19	
	Monday	22	Year 7 Smile Squad Catch Up
	Tuesday	23	
	Wednesday	24	

Food Bank

In order to support families during these difficult times, small packs of groceries consisting of mainly dry goods and canned food, (fruit, casseroles, soups etc.) are now available to families 'on request' to the front office or the administrative team. Please do not hesitate to make contact if you require assistance, or if you know of a family who may benefit from a little extra help. Please be assured that all enquiries are treated with complete confidentiality.

We are deeply grateful to Foodbank Victoria for their support across our Government Schools during these 'unprecedented' times and encourage families to access resources if needed.

