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WASM Careers Expo

Fifty Year 10 students attended the WASM Careers Expo. It was well attended, and the students represented the College very well. We hope parents and guardians speak to their children about the opportunities and the networking made available to them. We hope this will support their career pathway research.

I would like to thank Mr. Barrie, Ms Ferreira and Ms Barnott for their support on the day.

Mr. Sherwell

Careers Adviser









A Message from the Principal

WASM Careers Expo

Our Year 10 students attended the WASM Careers Expo at Longerenong College this week. This gave students the opportunity to enquire about a range of different career options. Thank you to Mr. Sherwell for organising this and to Ms Barnott, Mr Barrie and Ms Ferreira for attending.

Colour Run

Unfortunately due to the icy, wet weather, the Colour Run today was postponed. It was definitely disappointing as our VM students worked very hard to put this event together. We look forward to seeing the Colour Run go ahead next term when the weather is looking a little warmer!

Staff Changes

Our Provisional Psychologist from ORT Bethany Coates is finishing her placement this week. We thank her for our time with out students and wish her all the best with her next adventure. Suzannah Tillotson will be completing her placement with us next semester – we look forward to having Suzannah onsite!

It is not a good bye, but see you later to Alison Read who will be taking leave for the remainder of the year. We wish Alison and her family all the best and thank her for her efforts so far this year. Emma Schaper and Nathan Coombes will be joining the team. We look forward to having you both onboard!

Year 10 Ski Camp

Term 3 will start with a bang for Year 10s as they will be attending their Mt Buller Camp the first week of Term 3. We hope you rest up over the holidays so that you're ready for a few days of fun in the snow! We look forward to seeing the photos of you on the slopes and can't wait to hear the stories you'll have when you get back.

Year 10 Work Experience

The fun won't stop for Year 10 students when they return from Mt Buller. The second week of Term 3 will see Year 10s head off to Work Experience. We have students going to a wide range of different work places this year. This will be a great opportunity for students to get a taste of the work place and get a feel for the careers they are interested in. We wish you all the best of luck!

End of Term 2

Today was the last day of Term 2! The year is flying by so fast! I'd like to take this chance to thank all our teacher, parents, guardians and of course our students for such a fantastic term. We've had so many wonderful events and excursions this term. From the Black Ranges Athletics to the Mural Project our students started with Emma Stenhouse. It's been excellent to see so many of our students engaged in a wide range of different programs.

We wish all our students and their families a happy break period and we look forward to seeing you back at school for Term 3!

Emma Henry Acting Principal

School for Student Leadership

On Friday our students at the School for Student Leadership, Gnurad Gundidj campus, presented their community learning project to Ms Henry & Mr Bowles. It was fantastic see our students excelling and we can't wait to see their CLP in action!

Attending Gnurad Gundidj was a fantastic opportunity for our Year 9s this term. We are very grateful to be able to offer this to our students and it's excellent to see them making the most of it.

Students enjoyed their final week at Gnurad Gundidj this week, and we look forward to having them back at school next term!



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.



As we move into colder weather, we would like to remind parents and students that hoodies are unacceptable attire and are not permitted to be worn at school unless it is a specified 'out of uniform day'.

Any student who is wearing a hoodie will be asked to remove it and will be issued with a school polar fleece to wear for the day.

If you need assistance to provide your child with the correct uniform, or you are experiencing financial difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact the college office who will happily assist you.

Work Experience

Dear Parents,

July 17th to 21st, 2023 will be a very busy week for Year 10 students. This week is set aside for the students to participate in their Work Experience. This can be of great assistance to their choice of career path. It may be an enjoyable experience that could leave an indelible mark on their life.

Included in the Industry and Enterprise classes but also outside of class, discussions have been held first thing in Term 2 organizing the arrangements for success of the program.

Work Experience is a fantastic program for Year 10 Students. Great outcomes have come from these experiences, so we appeal to you as parents and guardians, to speak with your child about plans to undertake their placement. Do they require paperwork to be signed and returned? Is there a follow up call needed with the employer to ensure they have what they need for their placement?

With the holidays, and also the Year 10 camp 1st week of Term, these things could occur sooner than later.

Any problems that might occur, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school, SMT or email. I will be more than happy to assist you and your student in any way possible.

We appreciate your support in this area.

Andrew Sherwell Work Experience Coordinator

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If you could try any job for a week what would it be?

Year 7/8 Boys Soccer

Congratulations to our Year 7 and 8 boys who won their soccer game in Horsham with an impressive score of 6 goals to 1.

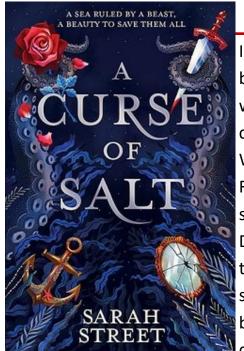
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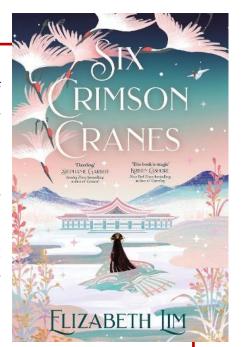
These new novels, perfect for fans of fantasy fiction, are now available in the library.



In a kingdom that fears the sea, Ria Lucroy longs to be brave. Bodies are washing ashore and everyone knows who's to blame. Legends of the Heartless King shroud the continent in fear; they call him a pirate, a monster, a god. When his mercenaries raid her father's merchant ship, Ria's family is faced with a horrifying demand. They will spare his life, in exchange for one of his daughters. Determined to save her sisters, Ria launches herself into the world of pirates. Face-to-face with the Heartless King, she finds he is far more than the stories told - he is bound to the seas by a centuries-old curse. As their chemistry blooms into something more, Ria must battle

men and monsters alike, only to discover that some curses aren't so easy to break ...

Shiori'anma, the only princess of Kiata, has a secret. Forbidden magic runs in her veins. And on the morning of her betrothal ceremony, Shiori loses control. At first, her mistake seems like a stroke of luck, forestalling the wedding she never wanted, but it also catches the attention of Raikama, her stepmother. A sorceress in her own right, Raikama banishes the young princess, turning her brothers into cranes, and warning Shiori that she must speak of it to no one: for with every word that escapes her lips, one of her brothers will die. Penniless, voiceless, and alone, Shiori searches for her brothers, and uncovers a dark conspiracy to seize the throne. Only Shiori can set the



kingdom to rights, but to do so she must place her trust in a paper bird, a mercurial dragon, and the very boy she fought so hard not to marry. And she must embrace the magic she's been taught all her life to contain - no matter what it costs.

Year 9 Wood and Turning

Year 9 students have completed their Semester 1 wood work projects. George, Mikhiiia and Zavier are pictured with their bread/storage boxes, and Kal Harris is pictured with his salt and pepper shakers which are shaped like a soft drink bottle and a can.

It's fantastic to see such excellent work coming out of the Year 9 Wood and Turning class. Keep it up!

Mr. Reynolds Technology









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.



Agriculture Trial at School Farm

This term the students in Agriculture and Environmental studies have been working closely with some external partners to learn more about the diversity of agricultural careers. Extension roles cover researchers who conduct trials on products and crops, advisors to farmers and industry and people who roll out agricultural innovation. This area of Agriculture is expansive and people who are qualified are in high demand.

Ararat College was very fortunate to be the recipient of a grant through the Secondary Schools Agriculture Fund for equipment which incorporated a handheld spray boom, safety gear and equipment courtesy of Trial Supplies. Thank you to Jane and Nerissa from CGLLEN for putting in the application for the grant and facilitating the whole process.

Greg from Trial Supplies outlined what their company does, the role of a researcher and how to set up a trial. Ms Read had reached out to Nutrien in Ararat for a small donation of seed and fertiliser to facilitate the trial. Thank you to Duncan Thomas and the Nutrien team for making this happen. The trial was set up with 5 treatment plots which were replicated twice to reduce error. We planted the equivalent of 4 kg radish and 25 kg oats per hectare. This trial was developed around fertiliser application rates and whether different fertilisers gave differing responses.

Our aims were to find out:

- 1. Which fertiliser give the best growth or biomass?
- 2. Do certain rates of fertiliser potentially damage crops?

Trial plots were then measured and pegged.

Plot 1 Control No fertiliser

Plot 2 100kg Urea per hectare

Plot 3 100kg monoammonium phosphate

(MAP) per hectare

Plot 4 200kg Urea per hectare

Plot 5 200kg of MAP per hectare

Greg then demonstrated how the handheld boom spray was operated and students were able to calibrate using water, a special water







sensitive paper and an app called snapcard. Greg was also very generous in lending the school a remote camera so that we could monitor the trial remotely.

Our trial concluded on 21st June when Greg returned to the farm and the students were able to measure the growth of all plots both visually and by taking measurements of height and weight. The trial results supported our aims with MAP at 200 kg per hectare being the most productive. Overall, this was a very valuable and informative exercise on how our students can work collaboratively with industry representatives. Students also came away with a certificate that they can put in their resumes to show that they have undertaken a research trial.

Term 3 2023			
July	Monday	10	
	Tuesday	11	Year 10s leave for Snow Camp
	Wednesday	12	Hearing Bus Budja
	Thursday	13	
	Friday	14	Year 10s return from Snow Camp
	Monday	17	Year 10 Work Experience Week
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Happy Holidays



THANKYOU ALL FOR A FANTASTIC TERM TWO!

Ararat College