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NEWSLETTER

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

EXCELLENCE ~ INTEGRITY ~ RESILIENCE ~ RESPECT ~ RESPONSIBILITY

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 16 th September	Free Dress Day & Last Day Term 3
Monday 3 rd October	First Day Term 4 and Year 12 Prac Exams Commence
Monday 17 th October	Last Day Of Classes For Year 12's – Farewell Assembly
Tuesday 18 th October	Year 12 Breakfast
Friday 21 st October	Year 12 Graduation Dinner & Year 7-10 Exams Commence
Tuesday 25 th October	School Council Meeting 7pm
Wednesday 26 th October	Outdoor Ed Murray River Camp Departs & Year 12 Exams Commence
Monday 31 st October	Curriculum Day – No Classes Today
Tuesday 1 st November	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 9 th November	Outdoor Ed Alps Bushwalk Departs
Monday 14 th November	Year 11 Exams Commence
Wednesday 16 th November	Junior Concert Rehearsals
Thursday 17 th November	Junior Concert Rehearsals and Junior Concert 7pm
Tuesday 22 nd November	Year 7 Immunisations / School Council Meeting 7pm
Wednesday 23 rd November	Highvale Art Show
Monday 28 th November	December Program Commences / VCE Headstart Program Commences
Monday 5 th December	2017 Parent Information Night / Year 8 Tasmania Camp Departs
Tuesday 6 th December	2017 Orientation Day

CAREER NEWS



Click the link(s):

[Career News 9th September](#)
[Career News 16th September](#)



Uniform Shop Hours

Tuesdays 8.00am to 11.00am
Wednesdays 1.00pm to 4.00pm

Click [here](#) for Uniform Order Form

Canteen

Canteen Price List click [here](#)

2016 Term Dates

2016 : ~~TERM 1: 28th January – 24th March~~
~~TERM 2: 11th April – 24th June~~
~~TERM 3: 11th July – 16th September~~
TERM 4: 3rd October – 20th December

Student Absence Reporting Hotline

9803 5144 press 1 - Please call before 9am



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Spring Concert

Last week families, students and staff had the privilege of enjoying a professional Spring Concert. Very talented students performed music from a wide range of genres. The hours of practice and rehearsal was very evident in their performances and showmanship.

Highvale Secondary College is very fortunate to have many interested and passionate students, instrumental teachers and support staff.

Debutante Ball

On Friday 9th September, the annual Debutante Ball was held. It was amazing to see the transformation of these young people, from seeing them in school uniform to wearing formal attire, presenting very well-rehearsed dance performances. This is one of the very few occasions in the school life of a student that they have the opportunity to learn how to dress and behave in a very formal manner. Each family should be very proud of their child as was the school. Thank you to the PTSFA for organising this very auspicious occasion.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend parent teacher interviews on Wednesday 14th September even though it was a very wet and dismal night. If you were not able to come, please contact your child's teachers through Compass if you wish to discuss the progress of your child.

VCE Holiday Revision Classes

Over the holidays, many teachers are conducting revision classes for the Year 12 students. Please avail yourself of that time so that you can get as much assistance as possible in gaining confidence and support as the Year 12 VCAA exams period approaches.

Highvale APYF Fiji Tour

15 students and 3 staff are joining 3 staff from Asia Pacific Youth Foundation on a community tour to Fiji. The group flies out tomorrow morning, Saturday 17th September. The group will work on three projects, fresh rainwater collection and storage, assisting a marine biologist with reef maintenance and assisting with the literacy program in the local school. The students will also be giving the children clothes that have been made by the textile students. I wish the group good travel and good health.

I wish all the students and staff a restful holiday. Keep safe.

Heather Carr
Acting Principal

STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

It's not OK to be away-

Obviously all of us at one time or another, need to have a time away from school due to illness or an appointments or another acceptable personal reason, however, when students stay away from school their learning and sometimes their friendships are affected.

We do not encourage parents and guardians sending their children to school if they are unwell, however, sometimes students stay away for reasons that are **unacceptable**, such as –

- staying home with a sibling or parent who is sick
- staying away the whole day even though an appointment is only in the morning or afternoon
- weather conditions (too hot, too cold etc)
- swimming/athletics sports are on at school and they don't want to go
- missed the bus
- not doing homework

Learning can become disjointed and difficult.

Students who stay away or are constantly late to school:

- Miss the introduction of new work
- Fail to complete work
- Miss revision
- Miss homework or assessment explanations
- Fall behind with set work
- Develop disjointed study habits
- Miss important assessments or exams
- May lack confidence
- Are less organised
- Feel left out of class discussions
- Miss notices
- Miss special activities and sporting events
- Can find it difficult to establish friendship groups
- Fail to realise that teachers and students miss them
- Become more anxious

It is important for every student to be at school. Frequent absences do have a major impact on student relationships and learning.

Our students are important to us and we want them to achieve their full potential.

If you are having difficulties with your children coming to school due to circumstances at home or other issues, please contact the school so that we can help.

Mrs Caroline Leavey
Student Wellbeing Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS & Literacy and Numeracy week



What an exciting week it has been. We have been celebrating **Literacy and Numeracy Week** with lots of exciting events taking place around our school.

On Monday the Year 8 students had a visit from the author of 'Market Blues', Kirsty Murray, who discussed her book and writing with the students.

Monday was also the day for the start of 'The Great Book Swap'. Heaps of students lined up at the Library doors, waiting for them to open at 1.10. When the doors opened the students rushed in to lay claim to the books they wanted to buy. We had a wonderful range of books for sale at very low prices - \$1.00 and \$2.00. All of the books had been donated by Highvale students and staff. An enormous thank you to all the donors. 'The Great Book Swap' raised quite a bit of money for The Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

On Tuesday Year 7 students had a visit from Archimede Fusillo, the author of 'The Dons'. He talked to the students about his books and being an author.

Tuesday was also 'The Mad Hatter's Sausage Sizzle and Cake Stall'. This was very well attended by students and staff. The Library Monitors - Josh Tran, Shannon O'Connell, Adele Wawra, Sahra, Saynab Broumand, Natalie Phillips, Jacinta Thomas, Alethea Vassiliadis, Ella Daffy, Elyssa Pude, Chandelle Plevier, Juntao Mai, Chloe Kuoch and Elise Gordon did a fantastic job preparing, cooking and serving everyone who queued up for a sausage, cake and drink and cleaning up afterwards. Jenny Lin, Angel Le and Anthea Wu helped to look after the Library during lunch time.



On Thursday we showed episodes of 'Shaun the Sheep' in the library. There was freshly made popcorn for all our movie viewers.

Friday was **DRESS UP DAY**. Lots of students and staff members dressed up. The theme this year was '**READ IT, THEN WATCH IT**'. We saw a great variety of costumes from many books that have been successfully adapted to film or television.



The Literacy and Numeracy Week activities raised money for '**The Indigenous Literacy Foundation**', a charity that aims to improve literacy levels for Indigenous children in remote communities in Australia and instil a lifelong love of books and reading.

Mrs Johnson, Ms Mangan and Ms Marshall



STUDENT ATTENDANCE CHECKS

All Parents are encouraged to regularly check students Unexplained Absences in COMPASS to ensure all absences are recorded according to the Department of Education regulations.

1. Log into COMPASS and click onto your child's Attendance Tab.
2. Click on the Unexplained Tab.
3. Any unexplained absences will appear here with the date and period to be approved.
4. You can click in the boxes on the left side of the page and select the dates to record your approval with the appropriate reason for the absence.
5. If your child has attended a school related activity and missed their scheduled class and not been flagged in an event or has been accidentally marked incorrectly could you please email the school to have this amended in their absence records.
6. Parents can enter approvals for upcoming absences prior to the event in advance such as Family Holidays, Medical appointments etc in the Notes and Approvals Tab to the left of the Unexplained Tab.

Please see the screen shot example on where to locate the tabs for this process:-

The screenshot displays the COMPASS Student Attendance Manager interface for a Year 8 student. The navigation menu includes Dashboard, Schedule, Personal, Learning Tasks, Attendance, and Reports. The Attendance tab is active, showing sub-tabs for Summary, Notes/Approvals, Unexplained, Approvals/Overseas, Enrolments, and Full Record. The Unexplained tab is selected, displaying a list of unexplained absences. The list includes columns for Activity Name, Start, Finish, Pd, Location, Staff, and Status. The status for all listed activities is 'Late'. There are buttons for 'Explain with Note/Approval' and 'Explain with School Activity' above the list. A search bar and a 'Print Unexplained Letter' button are also visible. The page footer indicates 'Page 1 of 2' and 'Items 20'.

Activity Name	Start	Finish	Pd	Location	Staff	Status
LO414E	06/09/2018 11:55 AM	06/09/2018 12:54 PM	4	H5	CFN	Late
HU433E	06/09/2018 10:55 AM	06/09/2018 11:54 AM	3	R11	BSI	Not Present
HU433E	06/09/2018 09:30 AM	06/09/2018 10:29 AM	2	R11	BSI	Late
TS423E	05/09/2018 02:55 PM	05/09/2018 02:54 PM	5	S8	BHU	Not Present
PO835G	05/09/2018 11:55 AM	05/09/2018 12:54 PM	4	CC	ASC	Not Present
MA804G	05/09/2018 10:55 AM	05/09/2018 11:54 AM	3	R3	ADC	Not Present
MA804G	05/09/2018 09:30 AM	05/09/2018 10:29 AM	2	R3	ADC	Not Present
HU427D	05/09/2018 08:30 AM	05/09/2018 09:29 AM	1	R13	T&A SMK	Not Present
LO414E	16/08/2018 08:30 AM	16/08/2018 09:29 AM	1	H5	CFN	Not Present
EN805G	24/06/2018 10:55 AM	24/06/2018 11:54 AM	3	R3	GGG TSC	Not Present
EN805G	24/06/2018 09:30 AM	24/06/2018 10:29 AM	2	R3	GGG NKA	Not Present
EN811A	24/06/2018 08:30 AM	24/06/2018 09:29 AM	1	H3	CGA KFM	Not Present
MA812A	17/06/2018 02:55 PM	17/06/2018 02:54 PM	5	R7	SBO	Late
SC802H	06/06/2018 09:30 AM	06/06/2018 10:29 AM	2	S7	BBR	Late
AT441A	06/06/2018 08:30 AM	06/06/2018 09:29 AM	1	A6	HFA	Not Present
MA812A	31/05/2018 02:55 PM	31/05/2018 02:54 PM	5	S9	SBO	Late
MA812A	27/05/2018 11:55 AM	27/05/2018 12:54 PM	4	R7	SBO	Late
SC802H	18/05/2018 02:55 PM	18/05/2018 02:54 PM	5	S8	BBR DKO	Not Present
PGE7	18/05/2018 11:55 AM	18/05/2018 12:54 PM	4	H12	SA AHM	Not Present
LO413E	18/05/2018 10:55 AM	18/05/2018 11:54 AM	3	H5	CFN	Not Present

Debra Gale
Student Attendance Manager

ART NEWS – Royal Melbourne Show

Royal Melbourne Show 2016

If you are visiting this year's Royal Melbourne Show, you might like to visit the Arts and Craft Pavilion to have a look at some of our students work from Highvale Secondary College.

Below is a list of what you can look for;

SCH57 Drawing with thread "Busy Bees".

SCH59 Felting "Love Macaroons" by 2 students.

SCH68 Casual wear Childs dress floral blue and brown collared dress with buttons.

SCH68 Casual wear Pink spotted reversible pinafore with buttons.

SCH74 Soft Toy "Pink Owl Cushion".

SCH74 Soft Toy "Buckskin Horse".

We would like to wish all entrants well in this competition.

Wendy De Wolde

Wanted – Small 'broken' electrical appliances

Wanted SMALL electrical appliances that are NOT working anymore are needed for year 12 physics students to deconstruct and examine the electric motor inside. Appliances suitable are: hairdryers, hand beaters or whisks, hand held drills & similar tradesman's tools. So if any small appliance in your house (or family/friend/neighbour) stops working, please don't throw it out, send it to school for Mrs BOGOS

PLEASE NOTE:

NO DVD players, NO amplifiers, NO portable cd players/radios, NO sound equipment, NO computer equipment (including modems etc) NO LARGE items.

If unsure, contact Mrs Bogos via email and ask.

Uniforms For Sale / Community News

If you wish to place an advertisement to sell your child's uniform, the cost to place an ad in one fortnightly newsletter is \$10. You are required to **produce your own advertisement and email it** to the school no later than 3pm on the Thursday prior to the newsletter publication. Payment is required before publication.

Uniform News

In 2017 we will be introducing a new Sport Polo Shirt and Shorts.

There will a 2 year changeover period where students may wear the current sport uniform until 2019 then the new uniform will be compulsory for all students.

During Term 4 we will be selling the current uniform at discount prices :

Current Sport Polo - \$25

Current Sport Short - \$21

Also available :

Old style Sport Spray Jacket - size L / XL / XXL only - \$50

Old style Green Jumper - size 24 / 26 / 28 / 30 / 32 only - \$40

TUTORING NEWS

Tutoring will re commence in the first week of Term 4 and finish on the 11th November. As students begin to prepare for their upcoming Exams, we recommend that all senior school students take full advantage of this free after school program.

REFER TO THE COMPASS NEWSFEED FOR THE SUBJECT/TUTOR ROSTER

MON-THURS

3.00 - 4.30PM

IN THE VCE CENTRE

FREE

TUTORING

FOR ALL STUDENTS IN YEARS 10 TO 12

DEVELOP GOOD STUDY HABITS

ASK PAST HIGH ACHIEVING STUDENTS
FOR VCE TIPS AND ADVICE

IMPROVE YOUR GRADES AND CONFIDENCE

RECEIVE ASSISTANCE WITH HOMEWORK
OR UPCOMING SAC/EXAM PREPARATION

EVERYONE WELCOME

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

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CAMELOT RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Medieval Festival & 40th Reunion



Saturday 5th November 2016

11am-4pm

(Reunion 4pm-6pm)

- ☆ RIDES ☆ ENTERTAINMENT ☆ YUMMY FOOD ☆ STALLS ☆
- ☆ RAFFLES ☆ SILENT AUCTIONS ☆
- ☆ MEDIEVAL RE-ENACTMENT GROUP & TROUBADOURS ☆

EVERYONE WELCOME

— CELEBRATING 40 YEARS —



Glen Waverley Uniting Church
cnr Kingsway and Bogong Ave, Glen Waverley



Saturday October 15 8:30am - 2:00pm

Grand Fete

Collectables,
Asian Food, Drinks,
Pick a \$2 box,
Pre-loved clothes,
Pre-loved books,

Trash and Treasure,
Face painting, Plants,
Hamburgers,
Sausage Sizzle,
Fresh Fairy Floss,

Silent
Auction with
an amazing
range of
goods

Craft,
Devonshire
Teas, Jams,
Jewellery,
Animal farm,
Billy carts,
Cakes

