

## NEWSLETTER ISSUE 1

Friday 18th February 2022

2022 KEY DATES—TERM 1	
Thursday 3rd March	Professional Learning Day—Student Free Day
Friday 4th March	Swimming Carnival
Thursday 10th March	Year 7 Immunisations
Thursday 17th March	<b>KENNY Learning Team Day</b>
Monday 21st to 23rd March	Year 7 Camp 1—Dunlop, Chisholm and Hollows Learning Teams
Wednesday 23rd to 25th March	Year 7 Camp 2—O'Donoghue, Kenny and Frost Learning Teams
Tuesday 29th March	Athletics Carnival
Monday 4th to 6th April	Year 7 Camp 3—Flynn and Monash Learning Teams
Thursday 7th April	Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00pm to 8:00pm
Friday 8th April	Parent Teacher Conferences 9:00am to 2:00pm
Tuesday 26th April	First Day Term 2
Wednesday 4th May	Year 7, 2023 Information Night 6:30pm
Thursday 5th May	<b>DUNLOP Learning Team Day</b>

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### BERWICK COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Berwick College notifies parents by email when newsletters are published. Newsletters are published three times per term. Newsletters can be accessed on the Berwick College website.

Please keep up-to-date with all College news by reading the newsletter, following us on Facebook and contacting the appropriate Home Group Teacher if you have any concerns.



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## Principal's Report

"Berwick College has a great supportive culture, one of growth that embodies our ICARE values—Inquiry, Co-operation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy"...

### A warm welcome back to the 2022 school year for Berwick College.

Our school community has made a strong start to the year, continuing to show the perseverance and resilience evident over the past two years. Thank you to all our staff who have once again demonstrated the priority of building positive relationships to ensure our students have had the best possible start to the academic year. Every single one of us has faced challenges over the past two years; challenges with learning, with lockdown at home or coming out of lockdown and learning to be with lots of people all over again. We have had challenges with illness and watching people we care about struggling with illness. Students and staff have received two RAT kits for testing and we will do all we can to support the wellbeing of all our students to ensure that, as much as possible, learning continues.

Information on vaping, alcohol and anxiety will be available to parents and students through forums this year as we focus on wellbeing, particularly to help address the impact of the last two years. We hope this will help with skill development and to build resilience.

Since we started just four short weeks ago, we have had a very successful year 12 Orientation Day at Federation University, whole school photographs and a whole staff PD on anaphylaxis, mandatory reporting and Child Safe Standards.

Our 2022 College Captains, Shae, Maisie, Elijah and Mitchell, addressed the school community at the online assembly where we formally welcomed 26 new members of staff, 333 new year 7 students, new students in years 8 - 12 and our year 12s who commenced their final year of secondary study. I encouraged students to persevere, to support each other and to make their story a positive story of growth. Berwick College has a great supportive culture, one of growth that embodies our ICARE values - Inquiry, Co-operation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy. When we operate every day under these values our school will flourish.

We reflected on our many successes in 2021 such as:

- Berwick College was recognized as having the **best Koorie Education team in the State** at the Victorian Education Excellence Awards. Our LSOs and Mr Juan Hompart, our Business Manager, were also finalists, which means they are in the top three in the State.
- Our **Dux** for 2021 was Jasmine Colbert and she had an ATAR of 96.65.
- Our 2019 Dux, Rebecca Henderson, competed in the Olympics in Japan last year, racewalking in a 20 km walk along with another past student, Sergei Evglevski, Class of 2015, who competed in the 25m rapid fire pistol shooting event.
- Eight students achieved ATARs above 90
- Scarlett Matulec achieved a perfect score in Media
- 6.26% of Study Scores were above 40

It was exciting for our College Nurse, Mrs Tracey Anastasi, to be recognised for her hard work in ensuring immunisation consent cards were returned for the School Immunisation Program.

We are grateful to the City of Casey for providing this award and cheque to the value of \$1,600 which will help us purchase resources for our Health and Wellbeing Centre and contribute to the Retune student re-engagement program.







## Principal's Report Continued

This week we welcomed back members from our Class of 2021 to present awards and acknowledgments.

Destination Data for our graduates notes some of the following pathways: Bachelor of Commerce, Arts, Business, Computer Science, Criminal Justice, Criminology, Design, Education, Exercise and Sports Science, Health Sciences, Industrial Design, Information Technology, Media, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Photography, Psychology, Science, Screen Media and Social Work. Students have also been accepted into Certificate and Diploma courses, work placements and apprenticeships.



Year 7 ICARE Day was held to build positive connections between staff and students as part of our transition to high school processes. My thanks to Mrs Michelle Lewis, the Junior School Coordinator, Assistant Principal, Mr James Doble, staff from wellbeing and student leaders who helped prepare for and provide support to ensure the day ran smoothly.



## Principal's Report Continued

The Meet the Learning Team afternoon provides our new families with the opportunity to develop a supportive relationship with the Home Group teacher and Learning Team leaders, discuss how their child has settled into the school and ensure communication platforms are accessible. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's Homegroup Teacher if you have any concerns.

Council Election information has been sent to our school community with vacancies for two parents and one DET staff member. I am grateful for the membership and service of all the council members. Together with the staff, parents and students, they play a significant part in building this wonderful school and its culture. I look forward to inducting our new members at our AGM on Tuesday, 15th March.

I am proud that we continue to keep our actions and plans centred on 'improving the learning' for our students - your children, and we will continue to create the best learning opportunities for their future.

Please do not hesitate to contact our College via [berwick.sc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:berwick.sc@education.vic.gov.au) if you have any concerns or queries.

**Ms Kerri Bolch—Principal**



### What will STEAMSpace look like in 2022?

- **What:** STEAMSpace is an after-school program
- **Why:** STEAM provides a space to develop 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills such as the 4Cs- Collaboration, Creativity, Communication and Critical Thinking
- **When:** Monday after school until 4:30pm. We will be starting our first session on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> February
- **Where:** STEAM room: D12/D13
- **Who:** For any student in any year level who enjoys projects with art, building, problem solving and working in a team or alone

**SIGN UPS: Come to A2s (A block) to see Miss Arney anytime this week and next week to sign up!**

Make lightbulbs light up using vegies, food art, make different engineering structures out of given materials, 3D foam paint, VR, AR, merge cubes, escape rooms, drones, make flying structures using 3D printers, scavenger hunt using geocaching, Lego, Arduino, hydroponics, planter boxes, weather balloons, subs in schools and sustainability.

**Come and join in the fun!**

*EVERYTHING THAT NOW EXISTS WAS ONCE IMAGINED*



# Maths After School Help Sessions & Chess Club

## CHESS CLUB

Any students interested in chess? We will be getting those chess boards out on a WEDNESDAY lunchtime in the Library! We will see how much interest we get and then go from there with tournaments. Come on down!

## MATHS AFTER-SCHOOL HELP SESSIONS

Maths After-school Help Sessions have started back up. Students can come along if they would like a scheduled, quiet space to complete their Maths Homework or unfinished class work. Maths teachers will be available to assist with any questions students have. Sessions will run every Tuesday in A13 from 3.20-4.30pm. All year levels are welcome.

## Stadium Extension Proposal Reminder

The Edwin Flack Reserve is on the southern boundary of our College and our College Council has had committee and school members meeting regularly regarding the enhancement of this reserve. In the year 2000, our past students and staff were a part of welcoming the Olympic Torch relay through the reserve.

Items 25, 27 and 28 of the Edwin Flack Master Plan note our proposed future Stadium extension. Our Principal, Ms Kerri Bolch, has been seeking financial support from the Department of Education and Training and the government to help provide this resource for our school and the local community.

The College has flat and vacant land adjacent to the existing stadium and infrastructure is already in place to support this extension with minimum impact on our lovely school environment.

The stadium extension would provide opportunities for physical and social activities and health benefits to our College community and local population.

We have a strong partnership with the City of Casey and the proposal is strongly endorsed by Basketball Victoria and our local sporting clubs.

The stadium extension is part of the Casey Basketball Association Master Plan which has over 700 domestic teams, over 6,500 participants and 1 million annual visitors.

Berwick Basketball Club President, Mr Matthew Loukas, has written a letter of support as this would provide sufficient indoor courts in the Berwick area for the anticipated growth over the next 10 years.

The extension would also include an additional purpose built Dance Studio on the mezzanine level for our growing numbers of Dance Academy students.

Although this extension could cost around \$8 million or more, our College Council believes the seamless and planned integration of sport and education is an invaluable investment in the health and wellbeing of future generations of young people and the wider community.

Ms Bolch will continue to raise the needs of the community with members of parliament and if our parents could also do the same, we may see our plans come to fruition in the near future.



# From the College Nurse



## IMMUNISATION DATES

- Year 7** Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup> - HPV and Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping cough booster
- Year 10** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Meningococcal Vaccine.
- Year 7** Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October.- HPV and Diphtheria , Tetanus and Whooping cough booster



## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

## Buses replacing trains - Cranbourne and Pakenham lines

Weekday Disruption Dates	Limits
From 9pm Wednesday 9 March to last service Monday 21 March	Dandenong to Pakenham
Night time Disruption Dates	Limits
Sunday 27 February to Thursday 3 March, 8.30pm to last service each night	Caulfield to Westall
Sunday 6 March to Tuesday 8 March, 8.30pm to last service each night	
Sunday 13 March to Monday 14 March, 8.15pm to last service each night	Caulfield to Dandenong/Pakenham
Sunday 20 March to Monday 21 March, 8.15pm to last service each night	
Tuesday 22 March to Thursday 24 March, 8.30pm to last service each night	Caulfield to Westall



# Landing Patterns at Berwick College

What is your morning landing pattern, right after you get to work? Is it getting the same car park? A coffee on the way to work? Checking emails as soon as you arrive? It is highly likely that this same pattern of events remains consistent daily, weekly and yearly. Now imagine that you are blocked from completing one or two of these things on any particular morning. Often it can make us feel uneasy, nervous or even ill-prepared for the day ahead. It is the same experience for your child at school.

Remote learning highlighted the need for staff and students to adapt to a changing world. It was a valuable time as it demanded schools reflect on the value of routine, the development of productive learning environments and the teaching of 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills which would allow students access to learning.

On the back of this, our College has begun to deliver a new process to students which will address each of these areas. At Berwick College, students will begin a new morning routine in homegroup called a 'Landing Pattern'. This is largely driven by Berwick College's belief that as educators we have an obligation to prepare students with the practical skills and behaviours they will need outside of school, in a workplace and beyond.

## What is a Landing Pattern?

A landing pattern is a set series of behaviours that are typically performed in regular, successive order which allows an individual the opportunity to settle into an environment or prepare for a task. In essence, students at Berwick College are developing a series of specific morning routines which will act to develop 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills while concurrently allowing a more established preparedness for their day.

## Why are routines important?

Routines are well documented in their benefits for an individual. It has been suggested that:

- A routine helps to simplify a complex environment and inform students exactly what to expect.
- Routines help to create smoother transitions between activities and therefore allow fewer opportunities for disruptions to occur.
- When students are expected to complete routine tasks, they have the opportunity to learn greater responsibility and more self-management skills.
- Creating predictable scenarios through routine allows your mind to adjust by knowing what is going to happen, therefore, alleviating anxiety over the unknown.
- Routine helps alleviate stress. Creating routines will allow you to set times for specific tasks and allow you to set times for fun.

## What does the Landing Pattern look like at Berwick College?

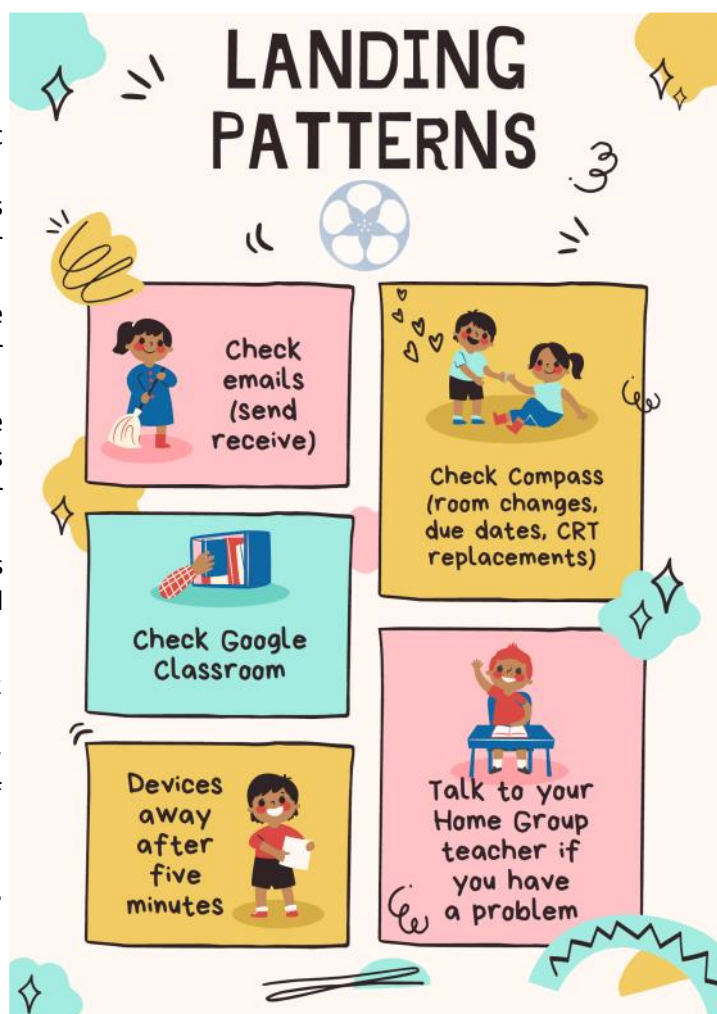
Landing Patterns will specifically take place every morning in homegroup, with an expected time of around 5 minutes.

When a student gets to class, it is expected that the teacher will begin with 'Good Morning students, please open your devices and begin your landing patterns.'

At this point students will:

1. **Check emails (send, receive)**
2. **Check Compass (room changes? due dates? CRT?)**
3. **Check Google Classroom (if applicable).**

If you have any questions or would like to know more about landing patterns, please contact Mr Vaughan Chaplin or Mr Gavin Watson.



# Year 12 Orientation Day

On February 2nd, the year 12 cohort and senior school leaders went to Federation University in order to gain a better insight into how year 12 will operate. Students were made aware of how study scores and ATARs were calculated, and the different pathways offered, including VET courses, traineeships, university and so on. Meanwhile Miss Pyke and Miss Loiacono ensured the cohort was well informed regarding self care and the importance of nutrition and sleep.

Following their helpful lectures, Mr Kaplon and Miss Duncan spoke about the numerous study styles and techniques available that students could adopt to assist them in their studies. They also spoke on the importance of time management, particularly as year 12 can be fast paced with several assignments and SACs occurring at any given time.

Year 12 students were also given the opportunity to hear from career counsellors from Federation University who provided further insight into career paths and fields available should students choose to complete tertiary studies.

Following the day, year 12 students were excited to be finishing their last year of schooling and were looking forward to seeing how the year would play out.





# Library News

WELCOME BACK to both old and new students and staff. We hope that in 2022 we can assist you with all your Library requirements; you only have to ask and we will do our very best to attend to your needs.

The Library is open from 8.30 am before school, at lunchtimes and after school until 4 pm which gives students time for researching, printing, photocopying, studying, preparing presentations/homework, borrowing, reading and playing games. Students are also welcome to just come in and relax on our comfortable furniture, chatting with friends and enjoying the air conditioning on a hot day.

Our year started a little slowly due to some flooding during the heavy downpour in Week One. It was all hands on deck with many helpers rushing in as we frantically rescued the books from becoming soaked. Luckily we saved the majority of the collection but we were closed for a week to dry everything out. We are now back to normal services and we look forward to meeting all of our new year 7 classes in the coming weeks for their library orientation sessions. We've been so excited to see our new students embracing reading and we can't wait to see the results of the Year 7 English borrowing challenge 'Game of Loans' we're running this semester! Stay tuned to see which class will be crowned the winners!

We still have a large number of books overdue from last year. We hope that you will keep a look out at home to see if you can find any library books and return them as soon as possible. We understand that your books may have been lost or damaged so if this is the case, please contact Library staff to let us know.

We hope to start running some of our lunchtime activities soon with Chess Club starting this week. We plan to hold a chess tournament later in the year with trophies and a shield for our chess champions! We will announce some more lunchtime activities as soon as we finalise which days they can be run.

Our very popular Dungeons and Dragons group continues to meet on Mondays after school. This group has been meeting regularly for a while now and are as enthusiastic as ever!! If you are interested in joining the group please come and talk to library staff or Mr Darley-Collis or Mr Allen.

We look forward to a wonderful year of enjoying all the library has to offer with all of our staff and students!



# Frost Falcons Learning Team



## WELCOME TO THE FROST LEARNING TEAM

Welcome back to school to all of our Frost students and families! A big welcome to our new year 7 Frost Falcons and to many of our other new year 8 - 11 students who have joined the team over the past few weeks – we have loved getting to know you.

We hope that you have all settled in well and we look forward to seeing you participate in the wonderful and varied opportunities that the College has to offer you. It was lovely to meet our new Frost parents during the 'Meet the Learning Team' evening. If you missed this opportunity, please make sure that you contact your child's home group teacher. The home group teachers for 2022 are:

## HOME GROUP TEACHERS FOR 2022

- **Frost 1:** Mr Lachlan Curnow - [Lachlan.Curnow@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Lachlan.Curnow@education.vic.gov.au)
- **Frost 2:** Mr Rodney Park - [Rodney.Park@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Rodney.Park@education.vic.gov.au)
- **Frost 3:** Ms Taylah Quinn – [Taylah.Quinn@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Taylah.Quinn@education.vic.gov.au)
- **Frost 4:** Ms Lauren Varadi – [Lauren.Varadi@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Lauren.Varadi@education.vic.gov.au)
- **Frost 5:** Mr Jack Bennett – [Jack.Bennett@berwickcollege.vic.edu.au](mailto:Jack.Bennett@berwickcollege.vic.edu.au)
- **Frost 6:** Mr Jesse Ramirez – [Jesse.Ramirez@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Jesse.Ramirez@education.vic.gov.au)
- **Frost 7:** Ms Danica Vitalich – [Danica.Vitalich@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Danica.Vitalich@education.vic.gov.au)
- **Frost 8:** Ms Robyn O'Shannessy- [Robyn.OShannessy@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Robyn.OShannessy@education.vic.gov.au)



A huge focus for all Learning Teams in 2022 is **attendance**. If your son or daughter is absent, it is important that you log on to Compass and put through the reason for their absence. An SMS text message is sent if your child is absent and no contact with the school has been made. Through Compass you can also monitor your child's attendance to individual periods, as well as see if they are arriving late to class. Also, if your child is going to be away for a period of time, please notify your home group teacher so that arrangements can be made to support your child to stay up-to-date.

## 2022 CAPTAINS

A big congratulations to our Learning Team Captains of 2022, **Tarran Frost** and **Chloe Dawson**, who will play an invaluable part in making sure the students in our learning team feel supported and a part of our community. We are thrilled to be working with them this year and have no doubt they will make amazing contributions to our team.



## YEAR 7 - ICARE DAY

ICARE day is aligned with our College values - Inquiry, Cooperation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy. Our year 7s had an amazing day. We started the day together as a Learning Team, discussing our team and College values. Year 7 students along with Learning Team Captains completed many games and team building activities. Well done to our year 7 home groups on working so cohesively and enthusiastically participating in such a great day!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Swimming Carnival – Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> March
- Kenny Day – Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March
- Year 7 Camp (Frost) – Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March
- Athletics Day – Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March
- Parent Teacher Conferences – Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> April (4-8pm) and Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> April (9-2pm)

We look forward to a great year in Frost for 2022!

Ms Leah Green & Ms Lauren Varadi

**Frost Student Learning Leaders**





# Flynn Phoenix Learning Team



We would like to welcome back all our returning Flynn families to another academic year. We trust that everyone had a restful break and is looking forward to 2022. While we have managed to pick up right where we left off, it has been great to see students quickly return to their routines.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new year 7 students! We are excited to see you all develop as individuals and help you on your learning journey. We understand that for all students, starting a new school year can seem overwhelming at times, but we ask you to remember that you have a fantastic support network here at school and asking for help can often fix a problem or concern quickly. **If you need help, ask!**

Welcome to our new team members this year Ms Pouzet (FL5 Year 10), Ms Song (FL6 Year 8), Ms Healey (FL3 Year 7), Ms Kaur (FL2 Year 10), Ms Duncan (FL4 Year 11), Mr Nettleingham and Mr Newby (FL7 Year 8), Ms Janssen (FL 8 Year 9) Ms Sari (FL1 Year 7).

I would like to welcome Ms Kristen Healey to the role of Assistant Student Learning Leader. It is fantastic to have her in this role and she will be an asset in supporting staff and students.

Already, our College has provided students with a number of notable experiences. Year 7 ICARE day was held on the 9/2 and was a whole day event. The day was targeted at having the year 7 students get to know one another, feel a connection within the learning team and understand who Rev. John Flynn was and the way he demonstrated qualities of Inquiry, Co-Operation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy. Students then participated in a tug of war competition against other learning teams and finished the day with a motivational speaker. Thank you to our Flynn Captains and our Junior School Leader, Ms Michelle Lewis, for all their efforts on the day.



The Meet the Learning Team evening was held on the 10/2 at the College for all new and existing students and parents to officially meet their child's homegroup teacher, set goals and check in with how their child has settled into the College. We had a pleasing number of students and parents attend the event and it was lovely to put some names and faces together! We would also like to remind you that the homegroup teacher is the first point of check in for you and your child. Your child's homegroup teacher will then be able to connect you with the required support or even problem solve with you.

We would like to remind students and parents that Berwick College has many opportunities that reflect the individuality of your child. Students are encouraged to listen to the daily announcements, check Compass and the daily bulletin and read posters up around the school. Asking questions of teachers is also recommended.

We would also like to welcome our 2022 Flynn Learning Team Captains, **Emma Guthrie** and **Matthew Shambrook**.

On behalf of Kristen and myself, we would like to wish everyone a successful year and we look forward to supporting all students in Flynn.

**Go Flynn Phoenix!**

**Mr Vaughan Chaplin and Ms Kristen Healey**  
Flynn Learning Leaders



## Dunlop Diggers Learning Team

We would like to extend a warm greeting for the new students and families to the Dunlop Learning Team while also welcoming back those in years 8-11. We hope that this year will be a fruitful one with much learning and minimal interruptions.

We hope that you have all been able to settle in, meet up with or make new friends, attend your classes and forge connections with your teachers, as well as participate in some of the wonderful opportunities here at the College so far.

We enjoyed meeting many new parents and carers during our 'Meet the Learning Team' evening. If you were unable to attend and require any information, please ensure that you contact your child's Homegroup Teacher whose details can be found below:

- DU1 – Year 11: Mr Brendan Allen – [Brendan.Allen@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Brendan.Allen@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU2 – Year 10: Mr Zach Darley-Collis – [Zach.Darley-Collis@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Zach.Darley-Collis@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU3 – Year 07: Mr Alex Maddison – [Alexander.Maddison@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Alexander.Maddison@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU4 – Year 10: Ms Paula Hayes – [Paula.Hayes@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Paula.Hayes@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU5 – Year 07: Ms Emmalene Clarkson – [Emmalene.Clarkson@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Emmalene.Clarkson@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU6 – Year 08: Ms Ingrid Mirtile – [Ingrid.Mirtile@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Ingrid.Mirtile@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU7 – Year 08: Mr Jake Uhlenberg – [Jake.Uhlenberg@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Jake.Uhlenberg@education.vic.gov.au)
- DU8 – Year 09: Ms Rhiannon Plew – [Rhiannon.Plew@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Rhiannon.Plew@education.vic.gov.au)

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We are very proud of the way our new year 07 students have been settling in and getting involved in College activities, including ICARE Day wherein their support for one another was on full display through their interactions but also in their development of a team chant.

*One, Two, Three, Four,  
You will be no more  
Five, Six, Seven, Eight,  
You will suffer a Midas fate.*

**Miss Rebecca Hann and Mr Jake Uhlenberg**





# Hollows Hawks Learning Team



Welcome back to all Hollows students and parents, and a warm welcome to all students and parents who are new to the Hollows Learning Team. We hope that you have all settled in well and we look forward to seeing you participate in the varied opportunities that the College has to offer you.

This year, Homegroup is set up so students are in their year level each morning. We would like to extend a warm welcome and thank our Hollows Homegroup teachers for a smooth start to the year.

- HO2 Yr 7 Ms Deana Mihalos [Deana.Mihalos@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Deana.Mihalos@education.vic.gov.au)
- HO6 Yr 7 Mr Dylan Amante [Dylan.Amante@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Dylan.Amante@education.vic.gov.au)
- HO3 Yr 8 Ms Marnie Platt [Marnie.Platt@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Marnie.Platt@education.vic.gov.au)
- HO5 Yr 9 Ms Geni Nikolopoulos [Geni.Nikolopoulos@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Geni.Nikolopoulos@education.vic.gov.au)
- HO7 Yr 9 Ms Phillipa Foot [Phillipa.Foot@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Phillipa.Foot@education.vic.gov.au)
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- HO8 Yr 10 Ms Tori Hinde [Victoria.Hinde@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Victoria.Hinde@education.vic.gov.au)
- HO11 Yr 11 Ms Jannelle Graham [Jannelle.Graham@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Jannelle.Graham@education.vic.gov.au)

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ICARE day is aligned with our College values regarding Inquiry, Cooperation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy. Our year 7s had an amazing day. We started the day together as a Learning Team, discussing our team and College values. Year 7 students along with Learning Team Captains completed many games and team building activities. It was great to see our Hollows students having fun and connecting with each other.



## MEET THE LEARNING TEAM EVENING

Last week we had the 'Meet the Learning Team' evening which was a fantastic evening to meet the families of our year 7s and new students who have joined Berwick College. Each Homegroup teacher discussed our College values, explained the structure and purpose of Learning Teams and provided information about our communication platforms and all the opportunities for students on offer at our College.

## HOLLOW'S CAPTAINS

Our Hollows Captains for 2022, **Lilly Adamson** and **Hayley Brown**, will set an excellent example for the rest of our Learning Team.

We would like to congratulate both students on their election as Learning Team Captains. We have created an extended leadership team, with some exciting ideas for the year.



## ATTENDANCE

A reminder that absences must be logged on Compass on the day that your child is away. If you have an issue logging in to Compass please don't hesitate to contact us.

**Student Learning Leader** Mr Kevin McCall [Kevin.McCall@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Kevin.McCall@education.vic.gov.au)

**Assistant Student Learning Leader** Miss Marnie Platt [Marnie.Platt@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Marnie.Platt@education.vic.gov.au)

# O'Donoghue Otellas Learning Team



Welcome back to all of our O'Donoghue families and an extra warm welcome to our new families. First term is well and truly under way with the first few weeks flying by. We have welcomed our new year 7 students and they have all made a fantastic start to the College. They seem to be fitting in perfectly. They had ICARE Day on Wednesday the 9th. This was a day for building team spirit and having some fun together as a group. In March (23rd-25th) we will be venturing down to Phillip Island with the Year 7s for their first secondary school camp, which we know they are all looking forward to.

We welcome a few new faces to our Learning Team this year. Welcome to Mr Dustin Cunningham (OD1), Mr Cameron McKenzie (OD4) and Ms Laura Nash (OD6) who will be working closely with those Home Groups.

Congratulations to **Charlie Cosgrove** and **Molly Pittard** who are our Student Learning Team Captains for 2022. They will have an important role in the O'Donoghue team, meeting regularly with other student leaders and working towards having a greater say in our school community. It is very exciting to have students new to the leadership group and we look forward to working with them this year.



Our Home Group teachers are looking forward to building positive relationships throughout the year with all parents and carers involved in O'Donoghue.

On Thursday, 10th of February we had "Meet the Learning Team evening". This was an opportunity for all of our year 7 students, parents and carers and any student who is new to the school to meet their child's home-group teacher and team.

Our Home group details and contact emails are as follows:

- OD1 – Mr Dustin Cunningham [Dustin.Cunningham@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Dustin.Cunningham@education.vic.gov.au)
- OD2 – Ms Simone King - [Simone.King3@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Simone.King3@education.vic.gov.au)
- OD3 - Mr Shannan Davey - [Shannan.Davey@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Shannan.Davey@education.vic.gov.au)
- OD4 - Mr Cameron McKenzie [Cameron.McKenzie@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Cameron.McKenzie@education.vic.gov.au)
- OD5 - Mr Gerard Leonard - [Gerard.Leonard@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Gerard.Leonard@education.vic.gov.au)
- OD6 – Ms Laura Nash – [Laura.Nash@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Laura.Nash@education.vic.gov.au)
- OD 7 - TBC
- OD 8 – Mr Joshua Weber [Joshua.Weber@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Joshua.Weber@education.vic.gov.au)



At the end of last year, we wished Ms Bree Villella well as she has moved interstate for 2022. We also wish Mr Armistead well at his new school and Mr Hannagan well in a new role at the College.

There are many activities for O'Donoghue students to get involved in during Term 1 this year including the whole school Swimming Carnival on the 4th March, Home Group competitions, interschool sport and lunchtime games in the Leisure Centre.



Please feel free to contact either of us at any stage throughout the year. We are looking forward to a big year for the O'Donoghue Otellas!

**Mr Jesse Nugent and Mr Josh Weber**





# Mighty Monash Learning Team



Welcome back to all of our Monash families, and a special welcome to our new families. We are super excited to welcome Mr Daniel Coco our new Learning Team Leader into Monash this year. We're also excited about our year level Home Groups, supported by a bunch of new Home Group teachers: Ms Devi Aruna (MO1), Ms Amanda Tait (MO2), Mr Stefan Maksic (MO6), Ms Irena Arney (MO7) and Ms Elisa Michienzi (MO8).



Congratulations to **Ally Mitchell** and **Truman Byrne**, our 2022 Learning Team Captains!

Monash has got off to a great start with students enthusiastically meeting each other, achieving in the classroom and looking ahead to a year that is sure to hold a range of new opportunities. We have enjoyed visiting classrooms and seeing our students engaging with learning, growing friendships and supporting each other to do their best.

Our Year 7 ICARE Day helped us introduce our new year 7s to the Monash Learning Team, developing teamwork and strengthening relationships. They learnt about Sir John Monash, met our Learning Team Captains, built card towers, and competed against the other learning teams in a few events, coming second in the chant off!

It was also great to meet some of our Monash parents at the Meet the Learning Team afternoon. We value the connection our Monash staff form with parents and families as we work together to help our students achieve their best during their time at the College. For all students and parents, a reminder that our Home Group teachers are a great resource for you in regard to any school issues that relate to your child. Don't hesitate to get in touch with them using the contact details below:

- Monash 1- Ms Devi Aruna [sankardevi.arunagirinathan@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sankardevi.arunagirinathan@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 2 – Ms Amanda Tait [amanda.tait@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:amanda.tait@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 3- Ms Rebekah Hirst [Rebekah.hirst2@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Rebekah.hirst2@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 4- Ms Dewi Mulia [Dewi.Mulia@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Dewi.Mulia@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 5- Mr Chris Pentland [Chris.Pentland@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Chris.Pentland@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 6- Mr Stefan Maksic [stefan.maksic@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:stefan.maksic@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 7- Ms Irena Arney [irena.arney@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:irena.arney@education.vic.gov.au)
- Monash 8- Ms Elisa Michienzi [EMichienzi@berwickcollege.vic.edu.au](mailto:EMichienzi@berwickcollege.vic.edu.au)

We look forward to a great year in Monash in 2022!

**Mr Daniel Coco & Ms Rebekah Hirst**—Monash Student Learning Leaders



# Chisholm Chargers Learning Team



A big welcome back to all our Chisholm Chargers, and a very warm welcome to our new families! We look forward to 2022, with a keen focus on demonstrating our ICARE values and building positive relationships.

There has been bit of staff movement in Chisholm this year, including myself as the new Chisholm Student Learning Leader and Mr Ryley Hannagan as the Assistant Student Learning Leader.

## OUR YEAR 7s

Our year 7 class, CH6 have settled nicely into the College and we were excited to witness their enthusiasm to be part of our learning team and working together for the ICARE Day on Wednesday, 9th of February, where they participated in various team building exercises.

Our year 7 home group CH6 did a fantastic job starting our house banner, which we should be seeing at any Learning Team event in the near future. They also did some fantastic work on developing some personal SMART goals 'bunting' which will be proudly displayed in their homegroup room.

We wish all of these students success in achieving their goals!

It was also fantastic to welcome our new students and their parents to the College during Meet the Learning Team evening. We would like to thank all of the wonderful staff, students and parents who were involved, it was lovely to meet you all and have a chat.



## OUR LEARNING TEAM CAPTAINS

A big congratulations to our Learning Team Captains of 2022, **Shaya Hennessy and Callum Black** who will play an invaluable part in making sure the students in our learning team feel supported and a part of our community. We are thrilled to be working with them this year and have no doubt they will make amazing contributions to our team.



## OUR HOMEGROUP TEACHERS

Our home group teachers exist to support our students and are your first contact for any concerns or queries.

Our home group teachers for 2022 are:

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| • Chisholm 1 Ms Brittany Richards  | <a href="mailto:Brittany.Richards@education.vic.gov.au">Brittany.Richards@education.vic.gov.au</a>   |
| • Chisholm 2 Mr Ryley Hannagan     | <a href="mailto:Ryley.Hannagan@education.vic.gov.au">Ryley.Hannagan@education.vic.gov.au</a>         |
| • Chisholm 3 Ms Stephanie Merchant | <a href="mailto:Stephanie.Merchant@education.vic.gov.au">Stephanie.Merchant@education.vic.gov.au</a> |
| • Chisholm 4 Ms Bree Villella      | <a href="mailto:Bree.villella@education.vic.gov.au">Bree.villella@education.vic.gov.au</a>           |
| • Chisholm 5 Ms Dimitra Mete       | <a href="mailto:Dimitra.mete@education.vic.gov.au">Dimitra.mete@education.vic.gov.au</a>             |
| • Chisholm 6 Ms Kristen Robinson   | <a href="mailto:Kristen.Robinson@education.vic.gov.au">Kristen.Robinson@education.vic.gov.au</a>     |
| • Chisholm 7 Ms Sasha Lanyon       | <a href="mailto:Sasha.Lanyon@education.vic.gov.au">Sasha.Lanyon@education.vic.gov.au</a>             |
| • Chisholm 8 Mr Ryan McMahon       | <a href="mailto:Ryan.McMahon@education.vic.gov.au">Ryan.McMahon@education.vic.gov.au</a>             |

We look forward to a great 2022 working with our Chisholm Chargers!

**Mr Daniel Bowen**, Chisholm Student Learning Leader

**Mr Ryley Hannagan**, Chisholm Assistant Student Learning Leader



# Kenny Kangas Learning Team



**KENNY**  
KANGAS

## WELCOME TO 2022 KENNY LEARNING TEAM AND FAMILIES

Welcome back to Berwick College for the 2022 school year and a big welcome to our new students and families joining the school community. We hope that everyone had a safe and relaxing holiday over the summer months and that you have all settled in well into the new year.

We look forward to seeing you participate in the wonderful and varied opportunities the College has to offer you. Kenny Learning team is happy to welcome a few new faces this year. Welcome to Ms Carolyn Bates, who is our new Assistant Student Learning Leader. We are also welcoming Mr Daniel Leane as one of our homegroup teachers.

## HOME GROUP TEACHERS

**Student Learning Leader: Melissa Zuccolo; [melissa.zuccolo@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:melissa.zuccolo@education.vic.gov.au)**

The Home Group teachers for 2022 are:

- Kenny 1- Mrs Carolyn Bates [carolyn.bates@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:carolyn.bates@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 2- Mr Julian Walton [julian.walton@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:julian.walton@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 3- Mr Michael Couche [michael.couche@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:michael.couche@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 4- Mr Daniel Leane [daniel.leane@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:daniel.leane@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 5- Mr Brent Hobba [brent.hobba@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:brent.hobba@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 6- Ms Michelle Berwick [michelle.berwick@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:michelle.berwick@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 7- Ms Annalise Occhietti [annalise.occhietti@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:annalise.occhietti@education.vic.gov.au)
- Kenny 8- Mr Mitchell Wood [mitchell.wood@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:mitchell.wood@education.vic.gov.au)



This year we are looking forward to equipping, encouraging and celebrating our students who want to use the skills and passions they have to benefit our school and our community.

## OUR YEAR 7s

We have officially welcomed our new year 7 students to the College. They have made a wonderful start to the term and have settled into the rhythm of high school life, including finding their classrooms and learning about their different subjects. On Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> the year 7 students eagerly participated in our ICARE Day. They were able to demonstrate our College values and work together as a team – it was fantastic to see! In March, we will head to Phillip Island for the Year 7 Camp, which is very exciting!



# Kenny Kangas



**KENNY**  
K A N G A S

## 2022 CAPTAINS

Here in Kenny, we are always looking to work together and support each other as we are a team.

Our Captains are **Josh Blyth, Blake Van Gerrevink, Felicity Terry and Mila Valtchanova.**



## KENNY DAY

We are very excited to announce that Kenny Day is fast approaching and will be on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> of March, Week 8 of Term 1 this year! We will be continuing to support the CFA and the work they do in combating the bushfires as well as the RSPCA Bushfire Appeal.



As we are named after Elizabeth Kenny, our goal is to support and care for all those in need and as such, we will be raising money by selling food and drinks at lunch time to the whole school. Additionally, students can wear an item of red clothing on the day and we will be having an inter Learning Team Competition for points. It's been great to see Kenny students volunteer to help out on the day already!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Swimming Carnival – Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> March
- Kenny Day – Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March
- Year 7 Camp (Kenny) – Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March
- Athletics Day – Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March
- Parent Teacher Conferences – Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> April (4-8pm) and Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> April (9-2pm)

We hope you have a great start to the term – if you need anything, please let us know.

**Ms Melissa Zuccolo and Ms Carolyn Bates**  
Kenny Learning Team



## INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

We want to thank parents and students for the great job they have done in keeping our school as safe as possible by following important COVIDSafe measures such as mask wearing, physical distancing, ventilation, getting vaccinated and rapid antigen testing. This has meant that our school has remained open and our students in class. This is a fantastic outcome and a testament to the hard work of parents, carers, students and school staff.

### Rapid antigen tests

To keep schools as safe as possible, the Victorian Government has extended the COVIDSafe measures introduced for the beginning of Term 1. This includes extending the availability of free rapid antigen tests (RAT) for screening until the end of term. It is anticipated an additional 24 million RATs will be provided to schools and early childhood settings to continue to support early detection and prevent infection, for use at home.

The need for this program will continue to be monitored, and may end earlier based on health advice. This is great news and will mean we're able to continue identifying COVID-19 cases as early as possible, reducing the impact on our school and individuals.

Department of Health modelling indicates that in the first two weeks of school returning, the program has already prevented more than 21,000 cases in schools alone. Their modelling indicates, assuming a 75 per cent compliance rate with screening of students, that by continuing RAT screening in schools for the full 10 weeks of Term 1, we will prevent:

- 61,000 COVID-19 infections in children aged 5 to 17
- more than 150,000 COVID-19 infections in the overall community (on average 15,000 per week over 10 weeks, or more than 2,100 per day)
- around 400 hospital admissions.

The department will continue to supply RATs to our school for your use.

Twice-a-week testing continues to be strongly recommended for both students and staff.

Testing will be conducted at home, and students and staff must report any positive result. There is no requirement to report a negative result.

### Vaccination

Vaccination is another key component to protect students and staff in school settings. Vaccinations for children aged 5 to 11 are open and third dose vaccinations for 16 to 17 year olds are now available. There are lots of convenient options to access vaccinations. These include state-wide vaccination hubs, your local GP or pharmacy.

You can book your appointment in a few different ways, including:

- online: [coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine](https://coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine)
- by phone: 1800 675 398 (Coronavirus Hotline)
- In person: talk to your local pharmacy, doctor, or attend a state-wide vaccination hub.
- using the COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Finder - COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Finder | Australian Government Department of Health

In addition, schools provide a trusted place among the community to access vaccination, particularly for families who may experience language or social barriers. Following successful implementation of school pop-up clinics at the commencement of Term 1, more than 230 schools across Victoria are currently hosting mini-vaccination clinics led by GPs and pharmacists. Many of these clinics will also make vaccinations available the broader school community, inclusive of families of students and school staff.

### Ventilation

Improving ventilation is one of the most effective measures to keep education settings safe. 51,000 air purifiers were delivered to schools by Term 1, 2022 to support COVIDSafe settings in schools.

Up to an additional 60,000 air purifiers will be rolled out to schools ahead of winter to supplement natural and mechanical ventilation during the cooler months. The winter allocation will provide enough purifiers to cover all classrooms, in government schools and low-fee non-government schools based on current enrolments. This includes general purpose classrooms and other specialist classrooms such as art and science rooms.

**Mask rules** will remain the same, with students in Grade 3 and above required to wear masks – although they will not be required outdoors.

On behalf of the school, I would like to thank you again for your continued support in helping your child to complete the rapid antigen tests and other COVID Safe measures. As a result of these efforts our school can continue providing a safe environment for students and staff.

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During Term1 year 12 students will be participating in a post-secondary careers transition session, which includes completing a Career Action Plan (CAP) via a Webex online meeting after school. Within the CAP, the students will be researching courses, training or employment requirements to support their applications to either the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC - for those students applying to university or TAFE), the Police Force, Defence Force, Apprenticeship or workplace.

All students are required to join the year 12 Careers Education Google Classroom at the start of the year to support their transition. Please ensure your son or daughter has joined this classroom.

During Term 1, year 11 students will complete their Career Action Plan (CAP) in class to support their in-school and post-school pathways related to their preferred career choices. The students will use the Berwick College Careers page, supported by Career Tools, to research their preferred subjects and the occupations that relate to their favourite subject areas. This included investigating the role and responsibilities, personal requirements and education and training pathways related to their chosen occupation/s. These sessions support students with their choices at course counselling later in the year regarding programs and subjects.

Year 10 students will complete their Career Action Plan during class time during Term 2. Whilst completing their Career Action Plan students begin to set goals and then clarify actions related to occupations they have identified using the Berwick College Careers page/Career Tools, including an initial investigation into education and training pathways. These sessions support students with their choices at course counselling later in the year regarding programs and subjects.

Year 9 students will complete their Career Action Plan during Term 3. During these sessions students will complete a Career Action Plan which includes goal setting and clarifying actions related to occupations they have identified using the Berwick College Careers page/Career Tools, including an initial investigation into education and training pathways. These sessions support students with their choices at course counselling later in the year regarding programs and subjects.

### What is My Career Insights – Morrisby Profiling?

My Career Insights is a program for all year 9 students in Victorian Government Secondary Schools. My Career Insights helps students to discover, develop and drive their career planning. It is a unique opportunity for students to learn more about their strengths and abilities, while exploring potential career options – giving them the confidence to start taking control of their future. This is an ideal time for students to take a moment to reflect on who they are, and what they might want from a career. It is a time for self-discovery and an opportunity to think about their strengths and find new ones.

Please watch this space and/or communication home for more information about the Morrisby Program for year 9 students.



# Careers Education/ VET News



## Year 10 – Game of Life classes (Semester 1) and Work Experience (Monday 4/4 to Friday 8/4/22)

An integral part of the year 10 Game of Life classes is for students to undertake a short block of work experience to gain an understanding of the world of work. A reminder to all year 10 Game of Life students/parents/carers that Work Experience is taking place in the final week of Term 1 on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> of April until Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> of April. Work Experience forms are due by the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. Please ensure that all forms are signed before handing them in to Megan in the Careers office in the Senior School building. If you have any enquiries please

speak to the Game of Life teacher or email Ms Megan Boce at [Megan.Boce@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Megan.Boce@education.vic.gov.au)

Note, if students do not undertake Work Experience they are expected to attend school and take part in their regular classes.

## Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) – Years 10, 11 and 12.

Welcome back to all students for the 2022 school year. Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) is a major requirement for students in the Applied Learning Programs in years 10, 11, and 12 for the 2022 year and moving forward. It provides a great opportunity for young people to connect with Industry, develop additional skills centred on Employability Skills, and allows a student at least one day a week to connect with external employers. SWL is about pathways and career decisions linking to their school subjects. It is also a fantastic way for young people to bring skills and knowledge back into Berwick College.

There are minimum requirements placed around SWL for everyone's safety.

Students, parents, and employers must complete relevant SWL agreement forms, travel forms, COVID-19 forms and Safe at Work Certificates and then return this information prior to any commencement of SWL in any workplace.

All forms/information can be collected from Mr Gary Brittle, SWL Coordinator/Careers Advisor in the Careers office located in the Senior School Building at the College. Please ensure all areas of the forms are completed and then returned to Mr Brittle only. If you have any questions relating to SWL or work placement Mr Brittle can be contacted on 8768 1087.

## VET (Vocational Education and Training)

Our students have started VET for 2022, both internally at Berwick College as well as externally with other providers. We wish our VET students all the best with their chosen courses!

### VET at Berwick College for Years 10, 11 and 12 students

Approximately 280 students have elected to undertake a Vocational Education Course at our school or another Technical Educational setting this year. Students are currently undertaking the following 1 or 2 year courses:

- At Berwick College  
Applied Fashion Design and Technology, Automotive, Community Services, Construction Pathways, Dance, Electrotechnology, Outdoor Recreation, Small Business and Visual Arts.
- Off Campus at another school or TAFE institution  
Animal Studies, Beauty, Computer Assembly Repair, Early Childhood Education and Care, Engineering, Equine, Furniture Making, Health Services, Heavy and Light Rail Fundamentals, Information Technology, Kitchen Operations (Patisserie), Make Up, Plumbing, Retail Operations, Salon Assistant (Hairdressing) and Sport and Recreation.

The benefits of undertaking a VET program whilst at school are:

- They assist students to become 'job ready' thereby increasing their employment prospects.
- They form part of recognised pathways to further education and training.
- Upon successful completion, students receive a nationally accredited qualification.
- A necessity within the Applied Learning Program for years 11 and 12 that contributes to units of credit required to obtain an Intermediate and/or Senior Certificate.

### Attendance

If your son or daughter is unable to attend their external VET course off campus, please ensure you contact our school (Ms Amanda Komen on 8768 1059) to advise of their absence as well as contacting the institution directly (the class teacher).

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### Uniform and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Please ensure your child wears full school uniform to all VET courses at Berwick College or off campus. This includes bringing along Personal Protective Equipment such as boots or overalls for classes such as Construction Pathways or Automotive.

Any VET queries, please contact Ms Laura Germano on 8768 1073, Ms Amanda Komen on 8768 1059 or Ms Karen Crawley on 8768 1058.

### **Key Contacts for the Careers & VET office for 2022**

#### VET (Vocational Education and Training)

Laura Germano – 8768 1073 – Administration - VET/VASS

Amanda Komen – 8768 1059 – Administration - VET Attendance & Finance

#### Careers/Structured Work Placement (SWL)/Work Experience (Game of Life)

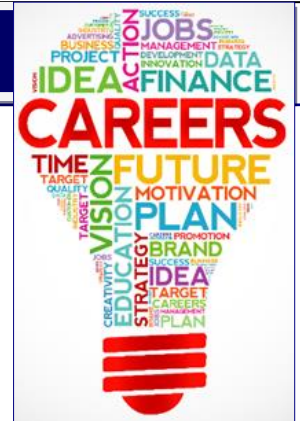
Gary Brittle – 8768 1087 (Careers/Structured Workplace Learning)

Megan Boce – 8768 1060 (Work Experience)

Narelle Mills – 8768 1058 (Careers)

Corinne Duhau – 8768 1058 (Careers/VCAL)

Karen Crawley – 8768 1058 (Careers/VET Leader)



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Girls U16's (Born 2007 & 2008) 7.30pm - 8.30pm

### **Wednesday 2nd March 2022**

Boys U14's (Born 2009 & 2010) 5.30pm - 7.00pm

Girls U14's (Born 2009 & 2010) 7.30pm - 8.30pm

### **Thursday 3rd March 2022**

Boys U12's (Born 2011 & 2012) 5.30pm - 7.00pm

Girls U12's (Born 2011 & 2012) 7.30pm - 8.30pm

### **Friday 4th March 2022**

Boys U10's (Born 2013 & 2014) 5.30pm - 7.00pm

Girls U10's (Born 2013 & 2014) 7.30pm - 8.30pm

**\*\*All existing members MUST wear club uniform and each child must bring a basketball & drink bottle\*\***

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