

NEWSLETTER ISSUE 5

Friday 2nd June 2023

2023 KEY DATES—TERM 2 & 3		
Friday 2nd June	Year 10 English and Maths Exams	
Sunday 4th June	Dance Academy Choreographic Competition (9am—1pm) PAC	
Monday 5th June	Year 11 Exam week	
Thursday 8th June	Year 12 Formal 6:30pm	
Friday 9th June	Assessment & Reporting Day—Student Free Day	
Monday 12th June	King's Birthday—Public Holiday—Student Free Day	
Tuesday 13th June	End of Semester Music Concert 1	
Wednesday 14th June	End of Semester Music Concert 2	
Thursday 15th June	General Achievement Test (GAT)	
Monday 19th June to Thursday 29th June	Dance Academy New York Tour	
Tuesday 20th June	College Council Public Meeting (2022 Annual Report) 6pm –7pm. Bookings essential via email: Berwick.sc@education.vic.gov.au or 8768 1002	
Thursday 22nd June	Frost Learning Team Day	
Friday 23rd June	Final Day Term 2	
Monday 10th July	First Day Term 3	
Tuesday 1st August	Course Counselling year 9 into year 10, 2024	
Wednesday 2nd August	Professional Learning Day—Student Free Day	
Thursday 3rd August	Course Counselling year 10 into year 11, 2024	
Thursday 14th September	Professional Practice Day—Student Free Day Parent Teacher Conferences 4:30pm to 8:00pm	
Friday 15th September	Parent Teacher Conferences 9:00am to 2:30pm Final Day Term 3 TABLE OF CONTENTS	

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BERWICK COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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



"We continue to collaborate with and involve all members of our school community in the pursuit of the best learning and wellbeing outcomes for students."

Secondary school provides unique opportunities for young people to participate in outstanding events, rich learning experiences and a broad set of co-curricular offerings. In this newsletter we include articles on outdoor education activities, Dance assessment night and the VET Community students raising over \$240 for the Cancer Council through providing a Biggest Morning Tea for staff. Students have been acknowledged in their Learning Teams for

outstanding attendance and upholding the College's ICARE values.

Strong connections with our wider community

We have partnered with The Rotary Club of Berwick since 1996 to provide the opportunity to our year 11 students, staff and families to participate in our Presentation Balls. We are very grateful for the many years of support and for the funds we have received from Rotary, which have supported the upgrades to the Senior Centre and Performing Arts; built the staircase from C Block to A Block, and contributed to the permanent shade structure over our assembly area. More recently the funds were used to furnish our new sick bay and provide the table in the Health and Wellbeing Centre. These events are inclusive, dignified and a fantastic way of bringing our community together. My thanks to Coordinators, Ms Natasha Rallis and Ms Lauren Hutchinson, staff who supported behind the scenes and to members of the Rotary Club of Berwick who gave their time so generously



Our Koorie students joined our staff and the wider football community in the 'Long Walk to the G'. Our College has a strong commitment to inclusion and over the years, our Koorie Education Team has provided many learning experiences for students on reconciliation and Indigenous issues for National Reconciliation Week.

From further afield, our visit from our sister school in SMA LOKON St Nikolaus Tomohon, Indonesia was brief but a wonderful cultural experience for our language students, creating lifelong memories that would not have happened without our dedicated LOTE Domain.





Next term our talented students will join more than 200 schools and 3,000 students to perform in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular. I was pleased to receive an email to say that four of our students have been selected to perform in the Victorian State School Spectacular: **Regan Gay** has been selected as a Principal Dancer, **Stefan Jarosz-Setiawan** as Rehearsal Stage Manager, **Hunter van der Ent** in the orchestra on flute and **Ethan Gallagher** in percussion, joining a number of year 7 Dance Academy students who have been attending regular rehearsals for this special event.

Student learning

We continue to collaborate with and involve all members of our school community in the pursuit of the best learning and wellbeing outcomes for students. We are almost halfway through the year; a good time to reflect on what we are doing, and our progress towards our goals, whether academic, social or personal. Year 10 students completed their Maths and English exams today and year 11 students are preparing for their exams next week.

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Student learning Continued...

We encourage all students to give their best effort in their studies and revision, stay well rested, eat well and manage their time effectively. Our dedicated teachers have been providing guidance and support throughout the year, ensuring our students are well-prepared for these assessments. We wish all our Year 10 and 11 students the very best of luck and remind them to reach out to their teachers or the wellbeing team if they require any assistance during this period.

The year 11 and 12 vocational major (VM) students are currently undertaking valuable work experience for two weeks. Planning is already underway for course counselling early next term and our Careers team and expert staff will provide guidance to students in their choice of subjects into the senior years to maximise the pathways available.

As we approach the end of first semester, teachers are finalising assessments and preparing the newly formatted reports. All students should be making sure they get their work finished and submitted so their achievement is recognised and recorded. **Ms Kerri Bolch—Principal**

College Council Report

The most recent meeting of the Berwick College Council was at the College on Tuesday, 16 May 2023.

The College Council is the governing body of the school. It is responsible for developing and maintaining policies that assist and direct the operations of the school.

It is my pleasure to introduce our 2023 College Council Members:

Parent Members:

- Mr Simon Hall Vice President (Term End March 2025)
- Ms Narelle Lowe (Term End March 2025)
- Mr Tim Shambrook (Term End March 2025)
- Mr Ken Sellers Treasurer (Term End March 2024)
- Ms Sharron Pitchford (Term End March 2025)
- Mr Clint Leask (Term End March 2024)

Community Members:

- Mr Phil Wightman President (Term End March 2024)
- Mrs Lesley Brennan (Term End March 2024)
- Dr Laurence Bull (Term End March 2024)

Student Members:

- Emma Guthrie
- Teaghan Glassenbury

The meeting agenda followed the standard format and contents.

This included a report from the principal about the key activities and achievements since the last meeting, reports from the council's sub committees (Policy and Planning, Facilities and Finance) and from student members.

Highlights of the meeting included the following:

- Council was advised about a number of staff members who are also qualified in trades. Also that they regularly give their own time to carry out maintenance at the College. This was acknowledged by council members who agreed to write to the individuals in recognition and gratitude.
- The student member reported that a Student Congress had been formed and proposals will be provided from the student body for consideration.
- The 2022 Annual Report was presented which included a number of achievements by the College during 2022. The report was endorsed by Council.

Parents are welcome to attend the next College Council meeting on Tuesday, 20 June, from 6:00pm – 7:00pm in the Library to hear the presentation of this report and to ask any questions.

If you have any questions about the above or are interested in the work of council, please contact the College Council President at phil.wightman@education.vic.gov.au



VET Community Services

The 2023 VET Community Services class hosted a Biggest Morning Tea on Thursday 25th May to raise money for the Australian Cancer Council. This important community organisation provides much needed support and advice to members of the community, and their loved ones, throughout their cancer journey. Students did a great job planning the event and decorating the staffroom for the occasion, and provided a beautiful spread of tasty treats for the Berwick Staff.

Students raised \$242 for this worthy cause. An excellent outcome and a reflection of the class's hard work! A big congratulations to our community minded VET students. **Mrs Lentowicz**







Outdoor Environmental Studies

Year 11 Outdoor and Environmental Studies Caving and Kayaking

On Monday and Tuesday of week 5, each of our two year 11 OES classes headed out for a day of Caving and White Water Kayaking. Part 1 of the day took place at Brittania Creek Caves where the students challenged themselves by squeezing through the numerous routes throughout the cave system. Part 2 was where the students kayaked down the Yarra River testing their skills against the flow of moving water.

Throughout the day students were able to link the content they have been learning in class to the environments they were in and the activities they were doing. Many thanks to Ms Zoe Mason and MsGrace Bickerton for their help on the days! Miss Brittany Richards and Mr Jack Soroczynski.













Outdoor Environmental Studies

Year 12 Outdoor and Environmental Studies Phillip Island Excursion

On Wednesday, 17th May, our two year 12 OES classes headed down to Phillip island for a curriculum enhancement excursion. These students visited numerous locations around the island making connections between real world examples and class content to enhance their learning. This excursion was also for the students to link their answers in their SAC post excursion to the location. That day was a great day out for real world learning.

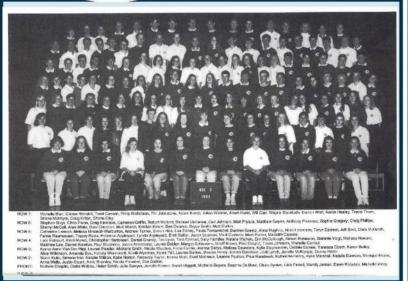
Miss Brittany Richards and Mr Jack Soroczynski





Berwick College 30 year Reunion Saturday, 15th July-6:30pm

D'Angelo Estate Vineyard, Officer Cost \$40 catering, drinks at bar prices Contact: 8768 1000 for booking details





Koorie Education

The Berwick College Koorie Group attended the Koorie Youth Summit on March 31st at Willum Warrain. Students gathered for a Welcome to Country and a performance by the Small Ant Brothers. We were privileged with a performance by Alice Skye, a Wergaia / Wemba Wemba storyteller and recipient of Victoria's Best Pop Act in 2021. Students participated in a Sand Art project and even tested their braves with the Funky Farms reptiles. Everyone was pleased to go home with a show bag containing many goodies from t-shirts to pens, to pins. Special thanks to VCAA and Headspace for their contributions, and to Mrs Hanley, Jemma and Courtney for organising and running this event for our students!





On Saturday 20 May, our Koorie students and team attended the Long Walk to the G. Students began the afternoon in their Long Walk Hoodies, participating in activities at Alexandria Gardens, before joining Michael Long's walk to the MCG for the Dreamtime Game between Richmond and Essendon. Students were given the opportunity to walk a lap of the MCG on the ground before shaking hands with many players. Students and staff enjoyed that game from almost front row seats, but were sadly let down by a last minute score change, costing the Tigers the game... Thank you to Billy, Carrie, Jemma and Zach for attending this event and making it possible, and to Claire and Courtney for organising.













Dance Academy

Assessment Night

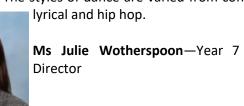
The students just performed in the annual assessment night last Wednesday, showcasing their amazing work they have done this year. The students showed their learnt group dances and the VET students their amazing solos.

Own Choreographic Competition

We are looking forward to seeing the talent of our students' choreography this Sunday.

We have a variety of solos, duos, trios and groups being performed. The styles of dance are varied from contemporary to

Ms Julie Wotherspoon—Year 7 to 9 Dance





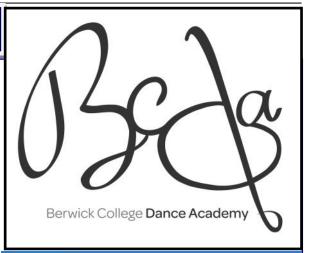












Berwick Berwick College Dance Academy

The Berwick College Dance Academy (BCDA) is a full-time academic and dance program, which will link students educational pursuits with their performing arts interests.



Dance Exposure

Full Academic Timetable

Whilst completing Academy classes students will also study a range of core subjects that include Mathematics, English, Humanities, Physical Education, Science and LOTE. In Years 8 & 9 students can also show from the control of the





Are you interested?

Contact enrolments@berwickcollege.vic.edu.a or 8768 1000 for further information

itions are available for all year level rom Years 7 to 12, including VCE and VET Dance.

see our website that outlines the enrolment process and required documentation.







Vocational Major Excursion

On Tuesday the 16th of May, our three Year 12 VM classes ventured into South Yarra to Rush Escape Rooms as part of Personal Development Skills, and to the Australian Music Vault to complete a Literacy task. The day began at Berwick train station where students were allocated into groups from 1-10 and given work sheets with various maps and tasks.

Groups 1-5 began the day visiting Rush Escape Rooms in South Yarra. The students were required to work in groups to use their problem solving skills, communication and team work to escape! During this time groups 6-10 made their way to the Australian Music Vault where students completed a literacy booklet covering the history and meaning of hip hop music, then formulated their very own hip hop/rap song.

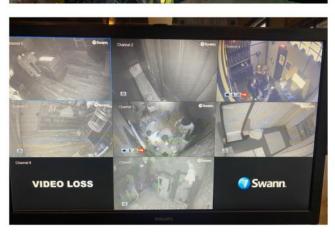
After groups 1-5 had completed the escape room and groups 6-10 finished their visit it was time for the groups to rotate activities. Students had time to purchase and eat lunch through the day before returning to Berwick around 3 pm. It was a fun and entertaining day, enjoyed by all the staff and students.

A big thank you to the Rush Escape Rooms staff and all the students who participated excellently throughout the

Mr Brent Hobba, Ms Corinne Duhau and Mr Vaughan Chaplin











School Wide Positive Behaviour

Celebrating Positive Behaviour

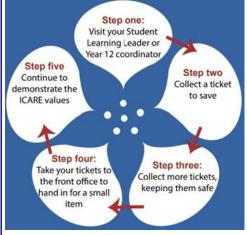
As we reach the midpoint of Term 2, we are thrilled to take a moment to celebrate and acknowledge the incredible achievements of our students in demonstrating positive behaviour and upholding our school values. Since the beginning of this year, we have witnessed numerous acts of inquiry, cooperation, achievement, resilience and empathy, and we are immensely proud of each and every one of our students who have contributed to creating a positive and inclusive school culture.



At Berwick College, we believe in the power of positive reinforcement. Our teachers and staff have been actively observing and documenting instances where students have exhibited exceptional behaviour in line with our school ICARE values. Whether it be showing kindness to peers, displaying respect to teachers and staff, or taking ownership of their own learning, these acts have not gone unnoticed.

Last week in Learning Team assemblies, we recognised and celebrated the students who have consistently demonstrated outstanding behaviour thus far in Term 1 and 2. They have truly exemplified our school values, serving as role models for their peers and contributing to the positive atmosphere we strive to maintain. It is with great pleasure that we announce the students with the highest number of recognitions:

Chisholm	Dunlop	Flynn	Frost
Blake Beattie	Marley Hodgetts	Torah Frost	Maddie Glassenbury
Hamed Rakin	Kris Shrestha	Bailey Gemmell	Tamsin Kruger
Nevaeh Andrews	Eden Skues	Skye Oravec	Melissa Ford
Joshua Kirton	Summer Jabke	Rania Rejith	Rayna Joby
Bronty Knight	Hamish Mitchell	Vaibhavi Wandhekar	Ariel Levy
Olivia Peeters	Summer Kelly	Taylah Pataki	James Allott
Harrison Phillips			
Hollows	Kenny	Monash	O'Donoghue
Koby Baxter	Kaitlyn Bellamy	Tayte Royakkers	Taya Birkett
Wyatt Kent	Jaz Bissell	Bailey Shaw	Ted Burns
Amelia Wilkin	Ava Coleman	Chloe Lesina	Max Marotta
Anine Van Der Merwe	Kaelan Haselden	Rafael Oshana	Dallin Seppings
Xavier Hobson	Koby Meehl	Cameron Williams	Carla Webb
Ava Jones	Stuart Black		Sobia Saadi
Sebastian Leone	Vismai Kothamasi		Riley Nason
			Cooper Collins
			Isabelle Harper



Congratulations to these exceptional individuals for their unwavering commitment to our school values.

Your dedication and positive attitude have not only earned you the respect of your teachers and peers but also serve as an inspiration to us all.

School Wide Positive Behaviour continued...

To express our gratitude and appreciation, we organised a special reward for these outstanding students last Thursday. They were treated to a well-deserved pizza lunch, where they enjoyed a delicious meal while sharing stories and creating lasting memories with their peers and teachers. This lunch not only serves as a token of our appreciation but also reinforces the importance of positive behaviour and its impact on our school community.









As we continue through Term 2, let us all be inspired by the remarkable achievements of our students and reaffirm our commitment to fostering a positive and respectful learning environment. Together, we can empower our students to make a lasting difference in the world.

A reminder to all students to follow the steps if you have been awarded with a green chronicle by a teacher/staff member. **School Wide Positive Behaviour Team**

Year 12 Chemistry

The Year 12 Chemistry students concluded their studies in Unit 3 and successfully participated in student-led revision sessions.

The students devised innovative and captivating approaches to showcase their knowledge to the class, utilising methods such as PowerPoint presentations, interactive verbal revision lessons, and creative cartoon presentations.

It is commendable that all the students put forth great effort in their contributions.

Ms Pinya Senevirathne



Dunlop Diggers Learning Team

We hope all Dunlop students and families are doing well as we reach the midway point of Term 2. It's an exciting time as we finalise assessments and gear up for exams for our year 10s and 11s. We wanted to share some important updates and information with you in this newsletter.



CELEBRATING SUCCESS

A special round of applause goes out to **Kayla Rhodes** and **Koby White** who have achieved 100% attendance in Term 1. Your commitment to showing up every day, ready to learn and contribute, is truly commendable. Keep up the fantastic work and continue to inspire others with your dedication and perseverance.





We would also like to recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of

those students who have received the highest number of green chronicle posts so far this year for exemplifying our school ICARE values. Through your actions, you have demonstrated a deep understanding of the values we hold dear in Dunlop and at Berwick College. Your positive influence and commitment to our shared values are truly inspiring.

- Marley Hodgetts
- Summer Jabke
- Summer Kelly
- Hamish Mitchell
- Kris Shrestha
- Eden Skues

All the students above were treated to a Pizza lunch last Thursday to celebrate and acknowledge their hard work. Keep up the good work!

ATTENDANCE

Since we have returned to Term 2 there has been an increase in the number of unexplained absences in Dunlop. If your child is ill, absent or on holiday, can you please let the College know either through Compass or via our attendance officer.

UNIFORM

Winter has definitely arrived! We are seeing an increase in non-school uniform such as hoodies and tracksuit pants. It is important that we continue to keep up uniform standards, to ensure connection to school and student safety.

If your child will be out of uniform, please send them with a note detailing the item of uniform and how long it will take to correct.

Ms Rebecca Kosach — Dunlop Learning Team Leader 8768 1012 **Ms Devi Aruna** — Dunlop Learning Team Assistant 8768 1035





MATHS AFTER-SCHOOL HELP SESSIONS—Tuesdays—A13

Maths After-school Help Sessions are available. 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.

O'Donoghue Otellas Learning Team

The cancellation of home group sessions for the remainder of the school year has been a difficult decision, due to ongoing challenges in education at the moment.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to all the home group teachers who have dedicated their time and efforts in creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for our students. Their commitment to fostering positive relationships, providing guidance, and promoting a sense of belonging is appreciated.

We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to the students who recently received attendance awards at our Learning Team Assembly. Your consistent presence and commitment to your education deserve recognition. Your attendance not only demonstrates your dedication to learning but also contributes to the positive atmosphere within our school. Well done on this significant achievement!



As we enter the colder months, we would like to remind all students of the importance of wearing the proper school uniform. With temperatures dropping, it is crucial for students to dress appropriately to stay warm and comfortable throughout the day. Wearing the correct uniform also fosters a sense of unity and pride within our school community. We kindly ask all students and parents to ensure that uniforms are worn according to our school's uniform policy.

Mr Jesse Nugent and Ms Isabella Sawatzky

O'Donoghue Student Learning Leader & Assistant Student Learning Leader





Mighty Monash Learning Team

We hope this newsletter finds you well as we approach the final stretch of Semester 1. We would like to remind you of a change in our timetable which took effect this week and will remain in place for the rest of the school year. We kindly ask for your understanding and support during this time. Our dedicated staff will continue to provide the necessary support and guidance to our students.



With only three weeks remaining for this term, it is crucial for our students to maintain

their focus and make the most of their time in preparation for their upcoming assessments. Encourage your children to set aside dedicated study hours, create revision plans, and seek assistance from their teachers whenever necessary. By staying committed and organised, they will be well-equipped to achieve their full potential in their assessments and end the year on a positive note.

In addition to the timetable update, we would like to take a moment to remind everyone about our school uniform policy. As we transition into cooler weather, we kindly request that students refrain from wearing jumpers with hoods. While we understand the appeal and comfort of such clothing, it is important to maintain a professional appearance and adhere to our uniform guidelines.

Furthermore, we would like to highlight the outstanding achievements of our Monash Learning Team students in various sporting events. Our learning team has been proudly represented by our talented athletes in Cross Country, Athletics, and Swimming competitions this year. Their dedication, hard work, and exemplary sportsmanship have brought us great pride and success. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the participants, as well as the teachers who have supported them throughout their journey.



As the semester draws to a close, let us continue to support and encourage our students, providing them with the necessary guidance and motivation to excel academically and socially. We appreciate your cooperation during this time of timetable adjustment, and we are confident that together, we will navigate these changes successfully.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Daniel Coco—Monash Student Learning Leader

Flynn Phoenix Learning Team

Flynn, we are already more than halfway through the term!

Our year 7-9 students participated in the school Cross Country on Thursday, 4th of May. It was great to see so many of our students participating and representing the mighty Flynn Phoenix. Overall Flynn ended up finishing in second place, which was a fantastic effort!

We would also like to congratulate our Flynn students on being nominated to represent their home groups for our student Congress. Students have had the opportunity to raise important issues and effect change within the school as a part of the college's commitment to

student voice and agency. The following students have been selected by their peers to represent the Flynn Learning Team at future meetings:

- FL1 Jensen Mosert
- FL2 Emma Hunter
- FL3 Allegra Volange
- FL4 Mia Mercuri
- FL5 Steve Fernando
- FL6 Stephanie Dickson
- FL7 Sienna Greenway & Somayah Saadi
- FL8 Ben Booth

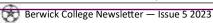




Finally, thank you to our Flynn Homegroup teachers Ms Foster, Ms McGregor, Mr Nettleingham, Ms Pouzet, Ms Janssen, Mr Ellix and Ms Song. Thank you for being such great advocates for the Flynn Learning Team and always putting our students first.

Mr Vaughan Chaplin & Mr Dustin Cunningham

Flynn Student Learning Leader and Assistant Student Learning Leader







Chisholm Chargers Learning Team

Greetings, Chisholm students and parents! Can you believe it? We've officially passed the halfway mark of the term, and it's time to celebrate all the incredible achievements and milestones we've reached together. So grab a cup of tea, sit back, and let's dive into the latest news from the Chisholm Learning Team.



Firstly, let's recognise and applaud the outstanding commitment shown by our students in Term 1. We are thrilled to present the EPIC awards to the following individuals who achieved 100% attendance throughout the term: **Ella Papas, Erin Langeveld, and Katie Langeveld**. Your dedication and perseverance are truly commendable, and we applaud your remarkable achievement.

Another group of students deserves a special mention for their exceptional effort in Term 1. They have received the highest number of Green Chronicle entries, which highlights their consistent positive contributions to our learning community. Congratulations to **Hamed Rakin**, **Blake Beattie**, **Olivia Peeters**, **Nevaeh Andrews**, **Harrison Phillips**, **Joshua Kirton**, **and Bronty Knight!** Your enthusiasm and active participation are truly inspiring to us all.

We would like to take a moment to remind all Chisholm students of the importance of wearing the full uniform. We are here to support you, but we cannot accept poor uniform without valid reasons. With the semester well underway, now is the perfect time to ensure that you have all the necessary uniform components.

Please remember that there will be consequences for those who do not comply. So, let's all work together to maintain the professionalism and pride of our school community.

We've noticed some students inquiring about subject changes for Semester 2. If you are considering changing subjects, it's crucial to stay updated with Compass announcements and follow the designated procedure.

Remember, planning and communication are key to a smooth transition. Make sure you reach out to Mr Bowen via email or seek assistance from Ms Courtney Moran, who will be on-site to help with any requests, concerns, or questions while Mr Bowen is on leave. We are here to support you throughout your academic journey, so don't hesitate to reach out when needed.

In terms of attendance, we are delighted to announce that the Chisholm Learning Team had the highest average attendance in Term 1. This achievement reflects the commitment and dedication of our students, and we couldn't be prouder. Keep up the fantastic work, and let's continue setting realistic attendance goals for the rest of the year.

As we approach the end of the semester, let's take a moment to reflect on the great start we've had in Term 2. With your positive attitude and determination, there's no doubt that we'll charge through to the finish line successfully. Remember, the Chisholm Learning Team is here to support you every step of the way.

Thank you all for your continuous efforts and for making Chisholm a thriving and vibrant learning community. Let's keep up the momentum and make the second half of the term even more remarkable. Enjoy the journey, embrace the challenges, and let's make this a term to remember!

Warm regards,

The Chisholm Learning Team—Mr Daniel Bowen and Ms Courtney Moran





Library News

Game of Loans

Our year 7 students have once again commenced the library's Game of Loans competition. We were a bit late running the library orientation sessions for the year 7s this year, due to preparations for an early start to NAPLAN. All students should have now attended an orientation session where they received a special bookmark. Each time they borrow and read a library book they bring their bookmark in to have a hole punched. The students who have read the most books by the end of Book Week (August 25th) will be invited to a party, hosted by the library. Individual students will also win prizes. Good luck everyone!



Last year's winners of our Game of Loans competition

WIN! WIN! \$5 Canteen voucher!

We are again running a competition to reward our students who are using our collection of eBooks and audiobooks. We will have a prize for one lucky reader **every week!** Just borrow a book from Wheeler's ePlatform for your chance to win!

Congratulations to Lithara Alwis Samarakoon who is our first winner for this term!

We now have more students than ever using ePlatform but we would love to see even more of our students and staff enjoying the wide variety of eBooks and audiobooks. Look for the icon on the Berwick College Library homepage or download the ePlatform app to your device. You will have 24/7 access to thousands of books and will never again have to worry about having an overdue loan. You can choose dyslexic friendly settings or just change the font size and spacing as well as background

colours to ensure that you have the setting that suits you best for every book. There is also a new feature that will read the text on the screen aloud, and you can even translate the book into another language!

We highly recommend that you have a look to see the wonderful selection of books on offer. Students use their regular school username and password, or use the password Library1. Staff - log in with your staff code and regular password. If you have any issues, please contact library staff for help.

Overdue library books and resources

We have a large number of overdue library books and magazines so we are asking for your help to try to find them and return them to the library. You may have received a notification on Compass to say that your child has an overdue book, or perhaps an iPad or charger, or you may have just noticed a book, magazine, charger or iPad lying around home. Whatever the case, we would be very grateful if you could please help your child locate and return their overdue item as soon as possible.

Pre-Loved Audio Book Giveaway

We are clearing out some audio books that we no longer require. The books are available as CDs and include some very popular titles such as *Looking for Alibrandi, Lockie Leonard, Girl Underground, Whale Rider* and a collection of Roald Dahl's most popular stories. All you need is a CD player for hours of enjoyment as you listen to wonderful stories from famous authors. Please contact library staff if you are interested in taking some of these books to enjoy at home.

Dungeons and Dragons

For D and D fans we are happy to announce that Dungeons and Dragons sessions will now be run every Wednesday in the library from 3.30-5pm. Just come along after school on Wednesdays if you would like to join in on the adventure.

Careers Education/VET News

Junior Careers—National Careers Week

Monday the 15th of May – Friday the 19th May 2023 Berwick College celebrated National Careers Week with a range of activities and games held in the library for all students to promote pathways and explore career options and opportunities. Some year 7 and year 8 students celebrated the week by participating in art activities in class, decorating leaves to form part of a Berwick College Careers Family Tree. Each leaf highlighted the student's name and various pathway they are interested in. This display is available for all teachers and students to view opposite the library entrance, and it was an enjoyable process for all those involved to create together.

On Thursday, 25 May 2023, Debbie Deriboklou who is the Senior Job, Skills and Pathways Officer from the Department of Education visited the Junior Careers Office where she met some year 8 students. The students were engaged in a careers activity and discussed their career interests with Debbie.

It was a fun week shared by all those involved, and we thank Debbie for visiting our school.









Ms Corinne Duhau and Ms Narelle Mills

Junior Careers Team

Key Contacts for the Careers & VET offices for 2023

VET (Vocational Education and Training)

Amanda Komen – 8768 1060 – VET/VASS Coordinator Amy Crawley – 8768 1073 – VET/VASS Administration Careers – Senior students

Karen Crawley – 8768 1058 – Careers/VET Leader Carly Lentowicz – 8768 1059 – Senior students – Careers teacher Madeleine Collins – 8768 1015 – Work Experience Coordinator

Careers - Junior students

Corinne Duhau – 8768 5002 – Junior students – Careers teacher

Narelle Mills – 8768 5002 – Junior students - Careers classroom support/administration

Year 11 Exam Schedule

Year 11 Exams – Monday, 5th June to Thursday, 8th June – Leisure Centre

Year 11 VCE students are not required to attend year 11 classes during the exam period. Year 11 students undertaking a year 12 subject can attend those classes whenever possible. The combined year 11 Theatre Studies.01 and year 12 Theatre Studies.01 will run this week.

Year 10 students completing a year 11 subject will attend their normal classes throughout this week but on the date of the exam, they will attend the allocated session and inform their usual teacher that they will be absent due to the exam. Year 11 classes with six or more year 10 students will continue to run as normal: BIO.01, BIO.02 and PSY.02. Year 11 classes with five or less year 10 students will not run and year 10 students may work in the senior school centre.

	Monday 5th June		
Session starting at 9:15	Session starting at 11:15	Session starting at 13:35	
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	
English exam 09:15 - 11:25 (2h 10mins)		Accounting exam 13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins) Art Creative Practice – Photomedia exam 13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins) Health & Human Development exam	
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Year 11 Vocational Major (VM) studen		in the timetable on Monday will not be running	
Carrier starting at 0.45	Tuesday 6th June	C	
Session starting at 9:15	Session starting at 11:15	Session starting at 13:35	
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	
Art exam	Maths Methods exam 1	Environmental Science exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)	11:15 - 12:25 (1h 10mins)	13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
Chemistry exam	Modern History exam	Food Studies exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)	11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)	13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
Philosophy exam 09:15 – 10:45 (1h 30mins)	Textiles exam 11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)	Literature exam 13:35 – 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
Wood exam			
09:15 – 10:45 (1h 30mins)			
Year 11 VM students on Wor	k Placement / VET classes in the tim	etable on Tuesday will not be running	
	Wednesday 7th June		
Session starting at 9:15	Session starting at 11:15	Session starting at 13:35	
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	
Applied Computing exam	Legal Studies exam	Biology exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)	11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)	13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
Physical Education exam	Media exam	Outdoor & Environmental Studies exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)	11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)	13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
VCE Basketball exam		Physics exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)		13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
Visual Communication Design exam			
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)			
VM VET o	classes in the timetable on Wednesd	ay <u>will</u> be running	
	Thursday 8th June		
Session starting at 9:15	Session starting at 11:15	Session starting at 13:35	
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	
Maths Methods exam 2	Foundation Maths exam	Business Management exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)	11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)	13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
Psychology exam	General Maths exam	Specialist Maths exam	
09:15 - 10:45 (1h 30mins)	11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)	13:35 - 15:05 (1h 30mins)	
	Specialist Maths exam		
	11:15 - 12:45 (1h 30mins)		
Year 11 VM students on Worl	k Placement / VET classes in the time	etable on Thursday will not be running	

City of Casey Winter Teenage School Holiday Program

The City of Casey's Winter 2023 Teenage School Holiday Program is now open for bookings. We have plenty of activities lined up, including indoor rock climbing, paintball, roller skating, mini golf and ten pin bowling, the cinemas, and an online art workshop!

The Winter Teenage School Program will run from Monday, 26 June to Friday, 7 July, offering fun, ageappropriate activities at reasonable prices for young people aged 10 - 17 years.

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Prices range from FREE to \$39.50

- Fully supervised with FREE transport
- Places are limited and fill up fast, so get in while you can!

For bookings https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/holidays





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Contact the City of Casey

NRS: 133 677 (National Relay Service)
TIS: 131 450 (Translating and Interpreter Services)

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ART **FOR IMPACT**

CASEY YOUTH PORTRAIT COMPETITION

Are you a young creative with a passion for environmental causes?

Create a portrait of someone that inspires you to be a sustainability hero. You can win a \$500 voucher and the opportunity to curate your own exhibition!



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Detox your Home is coming to Berwick!

Saturday 24 June 2023 9.00am to 3.00pm Akoonah Park, 2 Cardinia Street Berwick

Safely dispose of unwanted household chemicals at a free Detox your Home event, without harming your health or the environment.

Household chemicals such as bleach, pesticides, weed killers, cleaning products, cosmetics, and cooking oil should never be put in your rubbish bins or poured down the drain.

Detox your Home events are drive-through and contactless.

Why dispose of household chemicals?

Household chemicals can be dangerous. They may harm your family and pets, add extra fuel to a house fire, release toxic fumes and pollute the environment.

Disposing of these items responsibly will:

- reduce the risk of poisoning, keeping your family, friends and pets safe
- keep toxic chemicals out of waterways, and
- minimise environmental pollution and fire hazards.

What happens to the chemicals?

Qualified chemists sort the chemicals, placing them in sealed drums to be transported to a specialist waste treatment plant. The majority of chemicals collected at Detox your Home events are recycled or used for suitable purposes, such as producing energy. Any chemicals that cannot be repurposed are safely disposed of after being treated.





ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES. ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE

Includes interactions with kangaroos, pythons, feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

Winter Holiday Program

Week 1: Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th, Thursday 29th, Friday 30th June Week 2: Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th, Thursday 6th, Friday 7th July Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 10:00am start - 3:00pm finish







Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park 550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au Open daily between 10am and 4pm. Keeper Club runs from 10:00am-3:00pm



Detox your Home accepts:

Acids and alkalis

Aerosol cans

Ammonia based cleaners

Anti-freeze, coolant

Car body filler

Car care products and waxes

Cooking oil

Cosmetics, nail polish and remover Detergents, bleach, disinfectants and

drain cleaner

Fertilisers

Fire extinguishers

Floor-care products and waxes

Fuels: petrol, diesel, kerosene, other

Glues: water-based and solvents

Hand sanitiser Herbicides and weed killers

Insect spray and pesticides incl. rat poison

Oven cleaner

Pool chemicals

Solvents

Thinners, turps and paint stripper

Transmission fluid

Wood preservatives and finishes

And other items found at home with



For a full list of chemicals accepted, visit: www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/acceptedit

For safety reasons we can't accept containers of more than 20 litres or 20 kilograms. Please bring chemicals in their original packaging or in disposable containers that will not be returned to you.

Detox your Home does not accept:

Ammunition or firearms

Asbestos

Batteries: car and household varieties

Chemicals used by businesses

Farm chemicals

Fluorescent light bulbs, compact fluorescent lamps and tubes

Motor oil

Paint*

* Household paint can be dropped at no charge at any Paintback location. For details see Paintback.com.au/find-location

For information on where to dispose of the above products, contact your local council.



Berwick Event

To register for this event, simply scan the QR code or visit sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome

You can also call 1300 363 744.

Events are held at locations around Victoria.





Community News

Priority Primary Care Centre

Narre Warren

Supporting Casey Hospital

For urgent, non-emergency care



Priority Primary Care Centres provide free urgent medical treatment, when you can't see your GP.



Our doctors can treat conditions such as cuts requiring stitches, sprains, minor burns, rashes, ear nose and throat infections, other infections, and gastroenteritis.

Patients experiencing emergency or life-threatening conditions should call Triple Zero (000).

Pre-booked and walk-in appointments available

Opening hours and online bookings:

www.narregatemedicalcentre.com.au/priority-primary-care-centres

Call us on: (03) 9771 2020

Visit us at: 60 Victor Crescent, Narre Warren









Youth Counselling

· Individual counselling for young people aged 13 - 25

Parent Support Sessions

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

AND COUNSELLING

· Adolescent parenting skills, strategies and mental health information

We are a free and confidential service that

addition to face to face counselling.

provides ongoing support by appointment. We

offer telehealth (phone and video) services in

Parent Assisted Therapy

• Support for young people aged 10 - 12 with the participation of their parent or guardian

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support

For more information or to request a service: Call 9792 7279 to speak to an intake worker or Text 0417 347 909 with your name and number



