

Pelican's **Progress**

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Keep Informed -Important **Diary Dates**

SEPTEMBER

5th Yr 9 Industry Tour- Wellington shire

> **Gipps Reg Athletics** Yr 10 Wellbeing Day

7th Yr 7/8 Interschool Basketball

8th Motosafe Ride day

13th Yr 8 Broadening Horizons presentations

14th R U OK Day **Activities Day** 15th

Yr 12 English exams

Last day of term. Finish 2.20pm

UNIFORM SHOP—is open on Wednesday's from 12.30 -2.00pm **BEAT MATHS** - after school Mondays in the library

"80% of success is showing up" Failure to notify the school by 9.30am of

your child being away, will result in a text

being sent home

Please call the Hotline 51825522-press 1

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Community work







Drills and Skills

Student Focus Group



PRINCIPALS REPORT

As term 3 continues to quickly draw to a close, planning for 2024 has well and truly started, while we continue to support our students with their learning. Our senior students are completing coursework and outcomes from unit 4 classes and starting exam preparations. There are weekly exam revision lectures being run to prepare them for the VCE exams which commence on Tuesday October 24th with the English exam. As this is typically a stressful time of year for year 12 students, there have been regular morning tea and shared lunches run with special guest speakers to talk to the students about their wellbeing and the road ahead. Please continue to support each other and seek assistance if needed.

Primary School visits & 2024 Year 7 Parent Information Evening

It has been great to once again visit our feeder primary schools and meet next year's year 7 students. They asked many thoughtful questions about high school and shared what they are excited about and nervous about. More great questions were asked at the 2024 Year 7 Parent Information evening held in the College library on Wednesday 23rd of August. I loved hearing from current year 7 students Indy and Steph about their experiences of high school and hopefully the grade 6 students felt less nervous. The extensive transition program set to start in term 4 will further allay these fears (getting lost being the most common worry) and prepare them for high school in 2024.

Old Melbourne Gaol excursion

On Tuesday 22nd of August, our Devon North Campus students travelled to Melbourne to visit the Old Melbourne Gaol and State Library of Victoria. They had been learning about Australian icons so were able to see first hand where some of these characters ended their lives. They also visited the State Library to see Ned Kelly's famous armour on display. Many students stepped out of their comfort zones in Melbourne and enjoyed the experience.

Clay Target Shoot against Maffra SC



On Friday 25th of August, Eva Hirt organised a Clay Target Shooting competition against Maffra Secondary College. 28 enthusiastic students attended and the competition was close all day, ending in a tie. Individual gold medal winners were Max and Jianna. Several other students recorded PB results, while almost all students returned very happy with their performance.

Year 9 Industry Tours



This term, our year 9 students have been attending industry tour visits to various organisations. These have included the Loy Yang power station and RAAF base East Sale. On Tuesday 29th of August, I had the pleasure of driving six students to the Glenmaggie Weir to have a tour with Southern Rural Water. Students learned about the various career options in the organisation and how the water was allocated to farmers in the Macalister Irrigation District (MID). were treated to a tour through the weir wall and back over the top. Nat was chosen to open one of the gates and release water into the Macalister River. We also paid a visit to Hussey's Spinach farm.

Uniform update

The uniform committee recently met to discuss two issues with the current uniform. Production of the current sky blue polo tops has ceased, so a decision was made to adopt a new polo top as part of the uniform. Students will soon be able to purchase the new navy blue polo top with sky blue accents. The student leaders have also been advocating for new shorts, with the current shorts being uncomfortable for many students. If was decided that new shorts (more comfortable material, a zip pocket as well as traditional pockets) would replace the current shorts. Once the new shorts are in stock, the cur-

Progress Reports and Parent Student Teacher Conferences

rent shorts will be offered at a discounted price.

The next cycle of progress reports will be available on Wednesday 13th September, for discussion at the Parent Student Teacher Conferences on Thursday 14th September. Please get onto Compass and make a booking to speak with your child's teachers. If you need to re-set your Compass password or are unable to book appointments on Compass, please contact Robyn or Jenna at the front office. We look forward to continuing to work with you to support your child with their learning.

End of term Activities Day

Activities have been finalised for the fun end-of-term activities day on Friday 15th September. Year 12 students will use the day to sit a practice English exam under exam conditions (3 hours) in the Hothouse.

Year 7-11 students can sign up for half and whole day activities at the front office. Choices include:

Movie & Popcorn @ Regent Theatre \$5
Computer Games
Multi-Sports
Cooking in the Canteen \$5
Pruning Fruit Trees @ James Street Campus
Art & Craft (whole day)
Shooting (whole day) \$30

Nathan Wallace Assistant Principal



Sign up today to get "free" money for YSC, just by shopping in Yarram and surrounds.

Download the In Tarra App on you phone, as above, shop at one of the below stores, and sign your points to YSC. Each month, depending on the points scored, we receive money which is donated by local businesses. Get behind your local businesses

Shops involved are:

196 Fish and Chips, Yarram Coffee Palace, Artichoke Books, Yarram Foodworks, Yarram Automotive, Commercial Hotel, Yarram Bakery Café, Yarram Betta Electrical, Yarram Bargain Centre, Yarram Plaza Hot bread, Jack River Produce, Yarram Fresh flowers, Victoria Hotel, Alberton, Café Aga, Port Albert General Store, Wildfish

When you sign in you go to Points it will bring up a QR code when you pick YSC and scan your phone at the counter of the shop. Easy and it doesn't cost you anything (apart from what you've purchased!!)



Term 4 SEASON

Starting October 3rd

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Thursday GAME NIGHT

Register via PlayHQ.com search-Yarram Basketball Association

For questions or queries contact us via Facebook - Yarram Basketball or at YarramBasketballAssociation@outlook.com

BROADENING HORIZONS

Dear parents and carers,

I'm writing to invite you to attend your child's presentation of their Broadening Horizons project. Broadening Horizons is a program where YSC students engage with workers from various industries to tackle some of the problems they face. This year, we've been pleased to welcome the CFA, Forestry, Parks Victoria, and Star of the South. Students have worked to identify an industry problem, and then asked themselves how they might do something about it. They come up with a possible solution, design a prototype to demonstrate their solution, and also plan to present their work to the industry partners, and hopefully you! We'd love if you could make it to the Hothouse by 1.35 on Wednesday, the 13th of September. After students present their work, you'll be free to look at student prototypes, ask questions, and meet with our industry partners. Tea, coffee and light refreshments will also be on offer.

We hope to see you there!

Yours sincerely,

Hamish Clark

Humanities Leader





Parents & Carers

MAKING CONNECTIONS & SUPPORTING YOUR CHILDREN

Building your relationships and connections with your children is key to helping them feel loved, safe and secure. Feeling genuine connection also has many positive impacts on our mental health, some benefits include:

HELP DEGREASE CHANCES OF ANXIETY & DEPRESSION

FEELING SUPPORTED

BUILDS TEAMWORK AND COOPERATION



Organise a family games night.

Really listen and be there, without judgement - look at them when they are talking to you.



Talk about what went well in their day and what they are looking forward to the next day.

Plan a family outing or one on one date with your child/ren - keep in mind their interests.

Schedule family time - this could be having dinner together at the table.



TALK & LISTEN. BE THERE. FEEL CONNECTED

• Talk to someone – and really

• Find ways to collaborate

· Talk or phone instead of

• Play with your kids

emailing

• Join a team or club

· Plan a social event with work

Examples:

listen

remotely)

colleagues

Examples:

 Go for a gentle stroll at lunchtime

DO WHAT YOU CAN, ENJOY WHAT YOU DO. MOVE YOUR MOOD

- Join a sports team
- Organise a shared lunch (even Break up long periods of
- if it has to be a "virtual lunch")
 Reconnect with an old friend sitting
- Eat lunch with colleagues Have walking meetings Take a yoga, Pilates or Tai (virtually whilst working
 - Chi class
 - lift

- Use the stairs instead of the
- Do some gardening
- Try some stretches



EMBRACE NEW EXPERIENCES, SEE OPPORTUNITIES, SURPRISE YOURSELF

Examples:

- Take a course
- · Learn an instrument or language
- Visit a public art space
- Add to your work knowledge · Organise lunchtime workshops
- Set a goal and work towards
- achieving it Take on a new task or help
- · Get to know your colleagues more
- Join a book club
- · Listen to a podcast or read a journal article



Your time, your words, your presence

Examples:

- Compliment someone Help a colleague with their work
- Share your ideas or feedback
- Get involved with a charity
- Express gratitude thank someone
- Make someone a cup of
- Support a friend or
- whānau member Do the dishes for someone
- Perform a random act of kindness for a colleague, friend or even a stranger



THE SIMPLE THINGS THAT

Examples:

- Keep a beautiful object near your desk
- Plan to look up at the night
- Notice signs of the season changing
- Practise gratitude
- Try mindfulness meditation
- Sit quietly in a garden or park
- · Listen to your favourite music
- Take a break from digital devices
- Single-task do one thing at



For ages 16-25!



Certificate II Public Safety & Firefighting

The Future Proof Project is seeking expressions of interest for a free course delivered by Protective and Safety Services, a Registered Training Organization.

What you will learn!

Operate Communication Sys Close and Equipment Prepare, Maintain and Test Response Equipment Operate Breathing Apparatus Respond to Urban Fire Work in a Team Prevent Injury

The course requires a 10-day commitment and will be delivered in Morwell, with accommodation and transportation provided

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST HERE

By contacting either Sam or Makenzie from GELLEN (Gippsland East Local Learning & Employment Network).

Youth Project Coordinator Sam Smith

0491298774 or sam@gellen.org.au



5153 1745 or makenzie@gellen.org.au















EXPRESSION OF

8-25 year olds who have caring roles and responsibilities for a family member, friend or loved one with mental health challenges

Wellways and Satellite Foundation invite you to have your say about a new family and carer-based service in your region. You will be paid \$175 for your participation in this 90 minute consultation, either online or in person at a hub of your region.



For more information, contact:

Rowena Jonas Project Lead Wellways Australia wellways.org rjonas@wellways.org Georgia Radford Community Engagement Satellite Foundation satellitefoundation.org.au georgia@satellitefoundation.org.au

Please note to be eligible

At Satellite we use the term mental health challenges as an umbrella term for a range of challenges that affect children, young people and their family. This can be diagnosed or undiagnosed mental illnesses, challenges with substance use, family violence, separation of families, or anything that a family deems is challenging to their mental health and wellbeing.

Applications need to be in by 5pm, August 18th







<u>Table Tennis Program in</u> Welshpool

Welshpool Memorial Hall 49 Main Street. Welshpool

(South Gippsland Hwy

Opposite Welshpool CFA)

Every Wednesday

6:30pm - 8:30pm

(School Holidays too)

\$2 per person

All equipment provided.

Everyone is welcomed.







Netball Victoria is hosting a Boys Only -Come and Play Day!

Friday 22 September 2023 10.00am to 2.00pm Agnes Brereton, Breed Street, Traralgon

Ages: 12 to 17yrs

Cost: Free (no membership required)

Register: https://forms.gle/wJP1qDyMJSPHYt2p6

This event welcomes new participants willing to have a great day out learning something new, along with players

who compete locally!

