

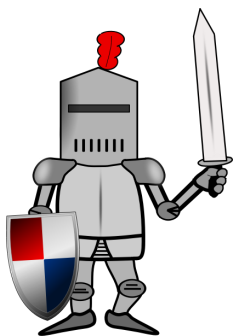
**A child who reads
will be an adult who
thinks**



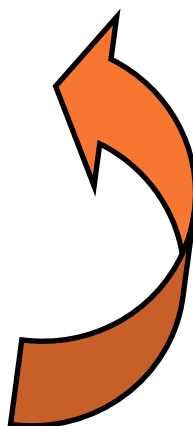
The best thing you can do for your child is read to them, encourage them to read for enjoyment, encourage them to read for learning.

Reading opens the door of knowledge

Change of Guard



As of Wednesday 2nd November, I will have the Positive Climate for Learning portfolio and Mr Luke Ellis will lead the Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting portfolio.



Julie Parker |

Assistant Principal: Senior (11-12)

Curriculum, Assessment, Data and Reporting (7-12)

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School-wide Positive Behaviour Support is an evidence-based framework for Victorian government schools for preventing and responding to student behaviour. It aims to create a positive school climate, a culture of student competence and an open, responsive management system for all school community members.

School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support at Wallan Secondary College is a framework for promoting and explicitly teaching appropriate and positive behaviours. Teaching, modelling and reinforcing positive social behaviour is an important part of a student's educational experience.

Teaching behavioural expectations and acknowledging students for meeting them is a much more positive approach than waiting for misbehaviour to occur before responding.

Key Components

- ***School rules***
- ***A matrix of positively stated expectations***
- ***Explicit teaching of expectations***
- ***Incentives/ rewards for meeting behavioural expectations at classroom and whole school level***

Wallan Secondary College's VALUES

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

RESILIENCE



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School Wide Positive Behaviour Support

**STUDENT
SHOUT OUT**



**KEEP
CALM
AND
WATCH THIS
SPACE!**



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On behalf of our **Environmental Club**, Wallan Secondary has proudly adopted an Eastern Barred Bandicoot.

The Eastern Barred Bandicoot was wiped out in Victoria more than 30 years ago by a combination of foxes and habitat loss, and has only existed in sanctuaries or in captive breeding programs and so was considered 'extinct in the wild'. Due to conservation programs and people like us who are supporting this species of bandicoot, their decline has been successfully reversed and their conservation status is now graded 'Endangered'.

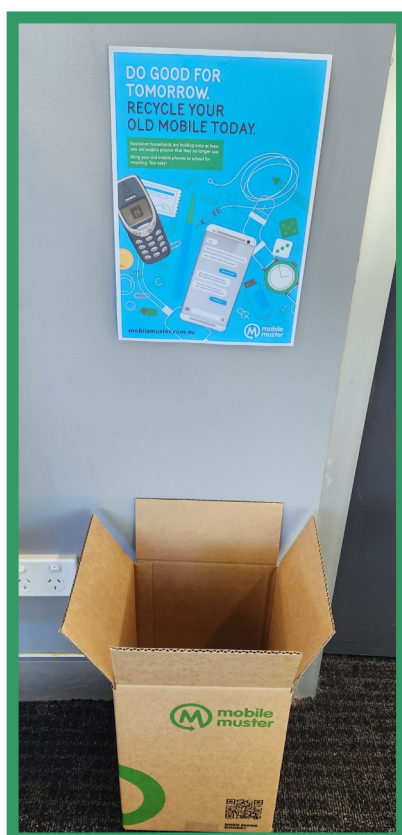
Environmental Club's Media Monday has begun. For the last 2 weeks, students have watched David Attenborough's 'The Year Earth Changed'. Students were stunned to see the impact we as humans have had on wildlife and nature and how during our lockdowns, they were able to begin to repair.

We now compost!

Food technology kitchens and our main staffroom have now been fitted with compost caddies. As we improve our sustainability practices at Wallan, we hope to incorporate compost solutions in the yard for students.

We recycle!

Our canteen is now fitted with a large orange bin for recycling aluminium cans.





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Your adopted Eastern Barred Bandicoot's honorary name is

Karora

Adoption Certificate

The Penguin Foundation would like to thank

Wallan Secondary College

For helping to protect Phillip Island's unique natural environment and native wildlife today and for future generations by becoming the official guardian of a wild Eastern Barred Bandicoot at Phillip Island.

DATE 12 October 2022

Penguin Foundation



Eastern Barred Bandicoot

(*Perameles gunnii*)

Fun facts!

The Eastern Barred Bandicoot's scientific name (*Perameles gunnii*) means "Gunn's Pouched badger". This demonstrates how early British explorers attempted to classify Australian fauna into species groups that they were familiar with back at home (i.e. badgers) even though the bandicoot is not related to badgers in any way.



Species Profile

Animalia - Mammalia

WEIGHT: 600 - 800g

LENGTH: 400mm (approximately)

LIFESPAN: 2-3 years.

STATUS: Endangered on mainland Australia.

Eastern Barred Bandicoots

Eastern Barred Bandicoots (*Perameles gunnii*) are a nocturnal insectivorous mammal that once flourished in south-western Victoria's native grasslands and woodlands. They are a small brown-grey mammal with distinctive white bars across their rump. At night, Eastern Barred Bandicoots emerge from nests built in dense tussock grasses and scrub to forage for insects by digging many conical holes into

the ground. They can turn over up to 23kg of soil each night! This behaviour makes them excellent 'ecosystem engineers' which means they play an important role in maintaining the soil structure of their habitats, helping to create healthy and functioning ecosystems.

Habitat

A mixture of grasslands and woodlands provides the highly complex habitat preferred by Eastern Barred Bandicoots. For nesting, the bandicoots use their clawed forepaws to scrape out a depression which they line with grass. These nests are tucked away under tussocks of grass to protect the bandicoots during the day while they sleep.

Diet

Eastern Barred Bandicoots are omnivorous though primarily insectivorous. At night, they use their strong claws and pointed nose to dig for insects and worms, leaving many small cone-shaped holes in the soil. They also may eat orion-grass bulbs and fallen fruits.

Breeding

These marsupials have a very rapid breeding cycle. Gestation is 12.5 days, with one to three young in each litter. Females can produce up to five litters a year! The young stay in their mother's pouch for 55 days before they wean. About 35 days later they disperse to start lives of their own.

Threatened Species

The Eastern Barred Bandicoot was originally found in southern Australia with a distinct sub-species occurring in Tasmania and on mainland Australia in Victoria and South Australia. The mainland sub-species is listed as endangered under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, and is Extinct in the Wild in Victoria meaning that they only occur in managed or fenced populations (Victorian Advisory List of Threatened Species 2020).

Threats

Key threats including predation by the European red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*) and the loss of almost all of its native habitat from human activities has driven Eastern Barred Bandicoot decline.

Island Ark

Island Arks, such as Phillip Island, provide the best long-term opportunity to save this special species from extinction by allowing populations to thrive in the wild. Using islands as threatened species reintroduction sites helps to mitigate the issues of predation by introduced predators, such as foxes, by providing a safe, fox-free area that is protected by a large water barrier.

Securing a brighter future

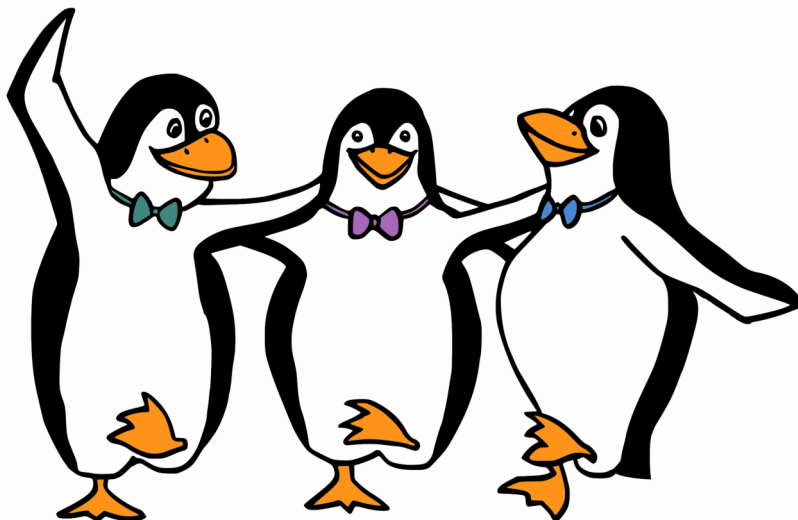
In August 2016, 20 male and female bandicoots were released onto Churchill Island (off Phillip Island) which is fox, cat and rabbit free. In less than two years, the population reached around 120 individuals and has now stabilised. In 2017, 67 male and female bandicoots were translocated to the Summerland Peninsula on Phillip Island where they share their home with Little Penguins, Cape Barren Geese, Swamp Wallabies and other native wildlife, but also feral cats. Despite the presence of cats however, regular monitoring by Phillip Island Nature Parks scientists and volunteers has found this bandicoot population is healthy and going strong. These significant conservation efforts in partnership with several key organisations aim to recover the species and prevent extinction by establishing a Victorian population of 2500 individuals.

Bandicoot guardians contribute to securing a brighter future for these critically endangered marsupials by supporting these population recovery efforts on Phillip Island

Eastern Barred Bandicoot Conservation Partners

- Phillip Island Nature Parks
- Eastern Barred Bandicoot Recovery Team

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penguinfoundation.org.au





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2022 SPRING CONCERT

W E D N E S D A Y
2 N D N O V E M B E R

W S C A U D I T O R I U M
F R E E E N T R Y

7 : 0 0 P M

*Any students who would like to
perform on the night, please
see or TEAMS message Ms.Stals
or Mr.S by October 28th*



*Musical training is a more potent instrument
than any other, because rhythm and harmony
find their way into the inward places of the
soul.*

Year 10 Hospitality Catering

During Week Two students from Ms Cahill's Hospitality class catered for a VET Cluster meeting, where teachers from the community came to Wallan Secondary College.

Students successfully made them lunch, which consisted of Eggplant parmigiana rolls and meatball rice salad.

Students also supplied the staff with hot coffees and drinks.

Well done to all students involved.

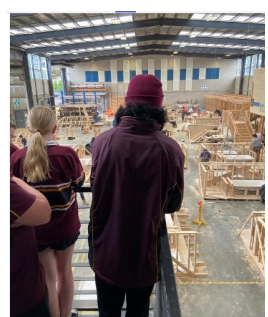


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James Kelly

On Friday the Year Nine students went to Melbourne Polytechnic for a **'Build Your Future'** program. We started our day by being taken to the bricklaying facility and were shown some cool things there. We were then taken to the program, where we met heaps of really clever people in **civil and construction jobs** from the Metro line to building companies; this was super informative. We were then taken to the Tech. room where we had access to some amazing machines, some students made chess pieces with high powered water and incredible 3D printing machines.

It was a really fun and a good experience; I personally benefited a lot out from it and hope the school gets more opportunities like this.





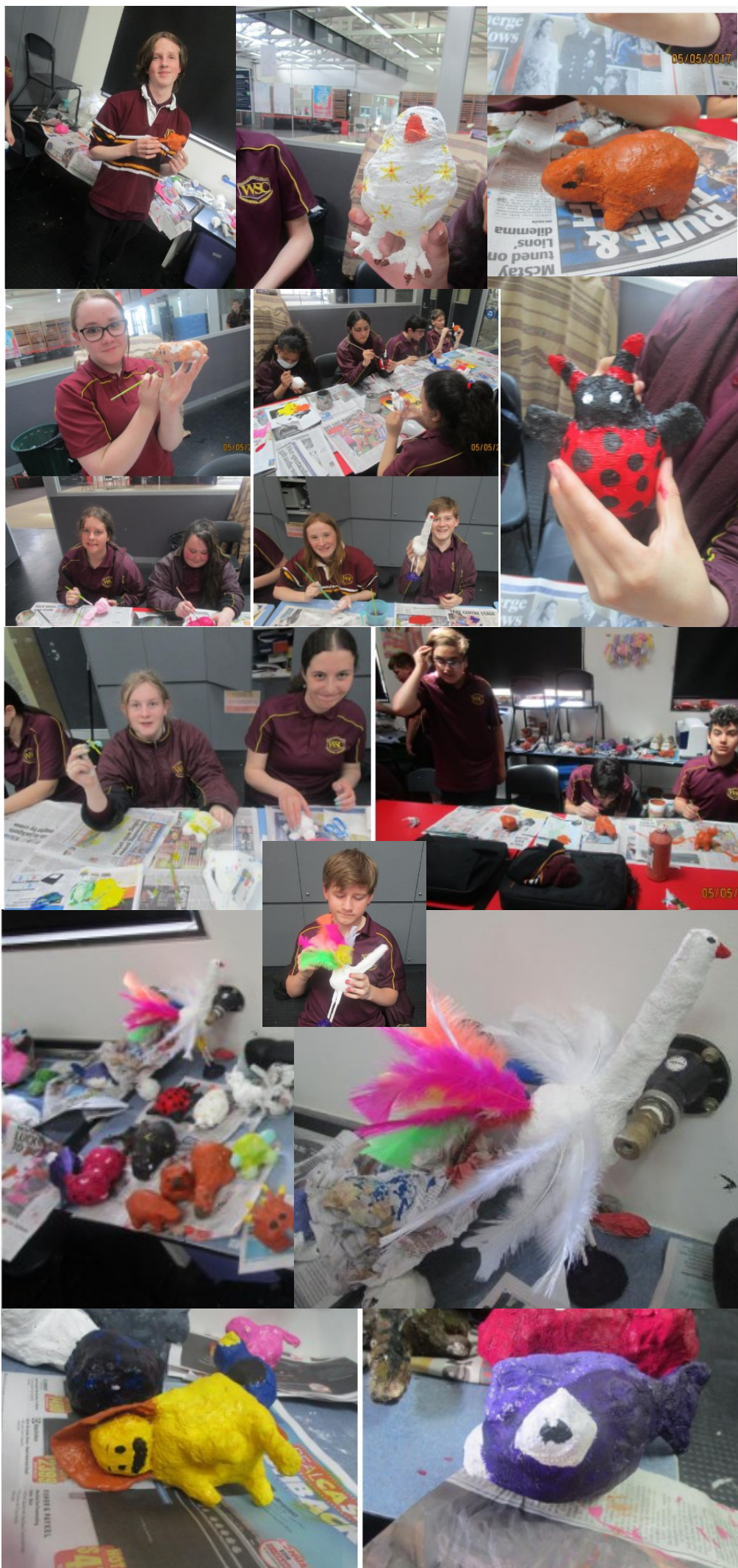
YEAR 8 TEXTILES - ROLLING WILD INSPIRED FAT ANIMAL MODROC SCULPTURES



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Wallan Secondary College presents

THE 2022 ART & TECH SHOW

**V BUILDING FOYER FROM 5:30
PM NOVEMBER 2ND**

**Spring Concert starts at
7:30 PM!**



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ART WEEK ACTIVITIES

TERM 4, WEEK 5

WEDNESDAY

GET WISE WITH MR
WALTERS IN A3 - MOVIE
TRIVIA!

THURSDAY

MURALLING WITH MS
COLLINS AND MS
MEUELLER

AND

GET DRAMATIC AND
DANCE WITH MS DAYNES
IN D BLOCK

FRIDAY

SING UP A STORM WITH
MS STALS IN T5 -
KAREOKE!

SCAVENGER HUNT ALL WEEK!

QUESTIONS WILL RELATE TO EACH DAYS ACTIVITES - SEE MS
MAUD FOR BOOKLET TO GET INVOLVED! PRIZES TO BE WON!!!



*Jess enjoying
mindfulness
colouring-in.*

*It soothes the
soul.*



Canine Comprehension



Calmer classrooms and happier homes.

School Programs & individual tutoring with the encouragement of a highly trained therapy dog.

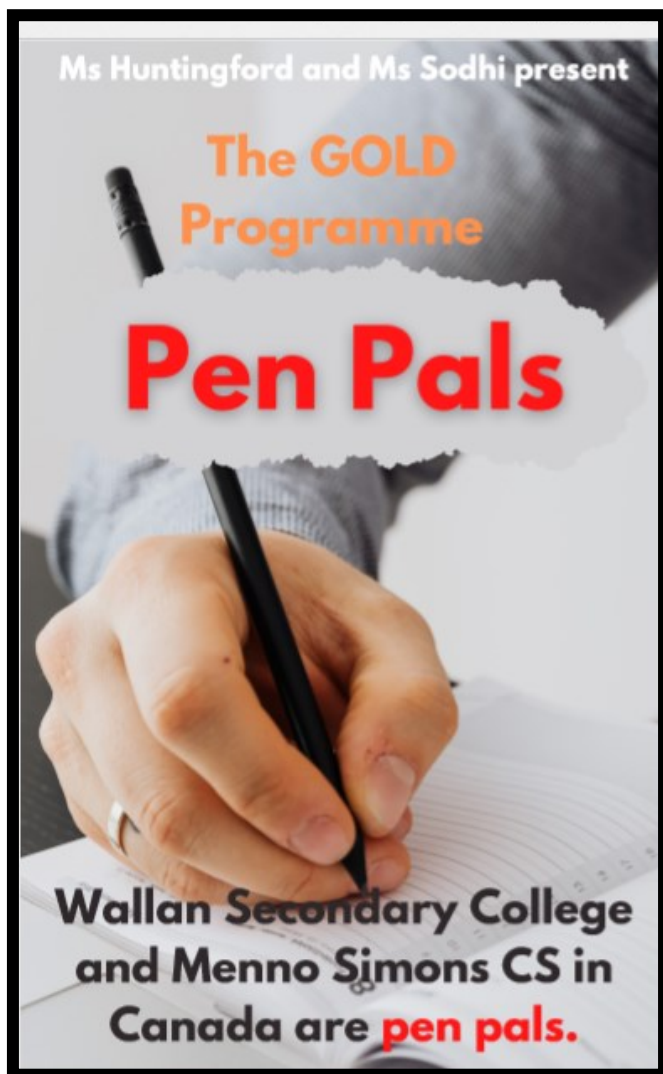
We encourage young people who struggle to engage positively with their world. Our tutor and therapy dog teams support your kid's emotional and intellectual growth, enabling them to socialise, collaborate and learn confidently.



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It has started!

8G and 9G
have written
to their peers
in Canada.

Very exciting!

It is great to
make new
friends
across the
globe simply
by writing a
letter.

Things that can **DIMINISH** a child's sense of wonder:

- Not having enough opportunity to play outside.
- Excessive screen time.
- Adults constantly dictating the child's play time in an attempt to educate.
- Having too many manufactured toys that don't stimulate creativity.
- A hectic lifestyle, packed with structured activities and instant gratification.

Things that can **BOOST** a child's sense of wonder:

- Ample time to explore nature hands-on.
- Not having a particular plan or agenda when playing outside.
- Adults acting as "co-discoverers" who encourage the child's inquisitiveness.
- Open-ended "toys" found in nature; sticks, rocks, leaves, nuts, water, mud.
- A slow lifestyle that allows the child to become bored.





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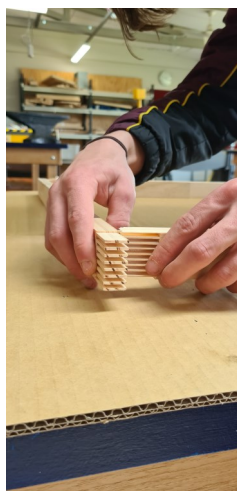
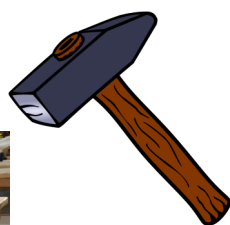
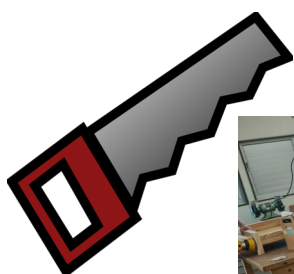
**SAT-SUN
5TH & 6TH
NOVEMBER
OPEN DAILY
9AM-5PM**



Come and see the entries from
Wallan Secondary College.
Mrs Munro leads a fabulous team of
students who knit, crochet and sew.



***Year 11s busy manufacturing
their products in the
workshop. All of their products
needed to be made for
someone else or for the
community.***





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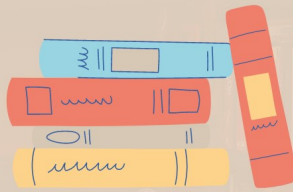
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OPEN BOOK CLUB

It's a book club where you read what you want! And you don't have to talk!

Where: R1

Time: Lunch time
(after first 10 minutes)



NAACP
Please don't bring food into
the library

Every book you've ever read
is just a different combination
of 26 letters

Tech. Week

Students came to a workshop at lunch time during technology week and hand crafted personalised key rings and school bag tags.

Students followed the design process by creating a design, selecting a piece of wood, and used a wood burning tool to burn their design into the wood. They gave their tags a quick sand and added wire to attach to their keys or bag. The results were fantastic!





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BEST. EXCURSION. EVER.

HEROES DAY

REACH

Reach invites up to 400 Year 9 students from schools across Melbourne & Sydney to take part in the greatest school excursion OF ALL TIME.



We build Heroes Day like a high energy music festival, but we design the content to get Year 9 students thinking about who they are now and how they want to be remembered. All while in a super fun environment and at a really pivotal time in their development.

And we get some awesome outcomes:

- We reframe the way challenges are perceived and faced
- We build social and emotional skills
- We increase self-awareness
- We help them develop meaningful connections with each other

And we motivate them to make positive life choices.

VCAL students made pancakes for Financial Literacy, after working out the total cost of the ingredients.



VCAL Donut Drive Fundraising



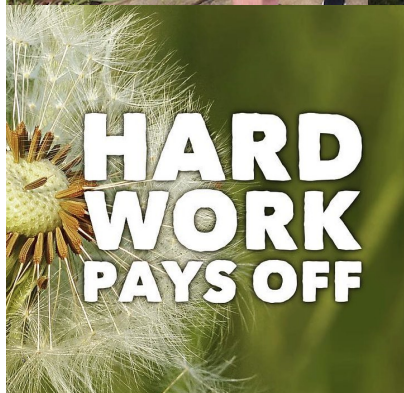


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VCE Examinations

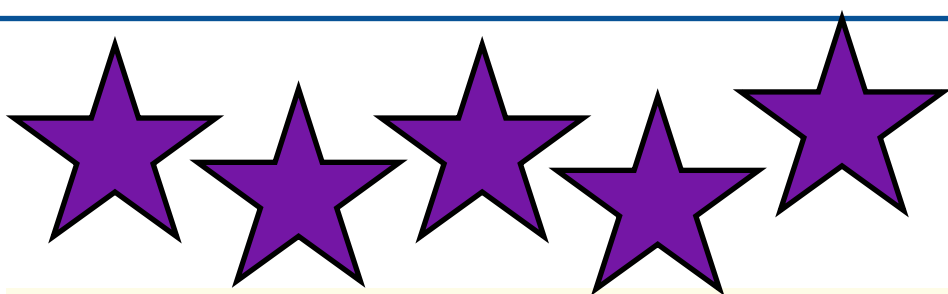




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BookWitch Cafe presents



Enjoy light refreshments while you sample a variety of books and genres, with other book lovers.

WSC BOOK TASTING

Friday 18th November in the library during
lunchtime

Library will be closed to everyone without a book tasting reservation.

RSVP to Miss Lisa Brookes via TEAMS before Friday 11th November



Decorating Biscuits





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Tech Week



YUM!

Students in Year 9 have been looking at Thermodynamics, the study of the relations between heat, work, temperature, and energy. They were guided through the engineering process, using their knowledge of conduction, convection and radiation to design, build and test a solar oven, with the aim of being able to melt chocolate.





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We have a School Careers Website.
It's the one place with information and
everything you need for your career.

CHECK IT OUT NOW!

Ms Janet Elovaris



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Tournament of Minds

An International educational program 'challenging the world' to develop creative problem solving skills.

Tournament of Minds (TOM) is a program for all primary and secondary students providing the opportunity to solve authentic, open-ended challenges that foster creative, divergent thinking whilst developing collaborative enterprise, excellence and teamwork.

NOVEMBER 7TH– NOVEMBER 11TH

8G AND 9G

(THE GOLD PROGRAMME)

TOURNAMENT OF MINDS (IN-HOUSE)

IN PREPARATION TO JOIN THE
NATIONAL COMPETITION IN 2023