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As a member of 'Women On Boards', I thought I would share this with you. Hearing young people complain about school, study and rules concerns me as we are the fortunate ones—free education from every child with no exception. We must remember this and remind our children.

Education is the key to a successful nation.

Australians are being urged not to forget the women and girls of Afghanistan as they grapple with a worsening humanitarian crisis, one year since the dramatic scenes in the country.

Australia for UNHCR, together with UNHCR's Regional Representation in Canberra, said today there are still millions of Afghans who need help from the international community to provide basics like food and shelter. "My plea to Australians is not to forget those people who still need our help, including women and girls," said Australia for UNHCR CEO Trudi Mitchell.

One year ago, **Women on Boards sent a message to our sisters in Afghanistan**, as the country captured the world's attention when the elected government swiftly collapsed a year ago and thousands of people fled to Kabul's airport. We urged members to join us in supporting two charities - UNHCR and Mahboba's Promise - as we sought to do any little bit that we can to reach out to our Afghani sisters in a desperate time of need.

Twelve months on, conflict, human rights abuses, ongoing drought, economic crisis, food insecurity, and natural disasters have continued to wrack the country.

As the attention of the world has shifted elsewhere, organisations such as the UN Refugee Agency - and charities such as Australian aid agency Mahboba's Promise - have continued to focus on humanitarian needs and human rights in Afghanistan, including advocating for women and girls.

"Women and girls must be given the opportunity to participate in all aspects of public life in Afghanistan, including education and employment," said Trudi Mitchell. "Without that participation, there is little chance of achieving lasting stability and economic development in the country."

UNHCR has constructed several resource centres for women in areas of Afghanistan it prioritises for the voluntary return of refugees and conflict-displaced people. These facilities offer computer and coding classes, language training, day-care activities, psycho-social support programs, tailoring training, and space for women-run businesses.

Mahboba's Promise is an Australian non-profit organisation dedicated to helping disadvantaged women and children in Afghanistan founded by Mahboba Rawi, an Afghan refugee and now an Australian citizen.

Despite the current turmoil undergoing in Afghanistan, Mahboba's Promise has remained committed to maintain connections on the ground, further strengthening their direct ties to the community.

The Mahboba's Promise team is currently supporting more than 700 impacted families who have been recently displaced from Panjshir Valley into the Parwan province. People are left without shelter or housed with over a dozen in single room. They do not have access to food and basic necessities and children are impacted the most.

In March and April this year, staff visited Afghanistan to review existing projects on the ground and assist with the implementation of new ones as part of their continual efforts to help disadvantaged women and children in Afghanistan.

WOB is supporting both charities. To donate visit:

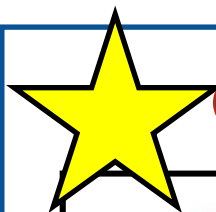
mahbobaspromise.org
www.unhcr.org/en-au/

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Check this out!

Announcement!



We are pleased to announce our partnership with The Fathering Project. Our aim is to support our fathers and father-figures in their journey of parenting, for the benefit of their children.

Use this QR Code to join our Portal and discover:

- Resources
- Updates on our activities
- Fathering Fundamentals
- Fathering Challenges and more!



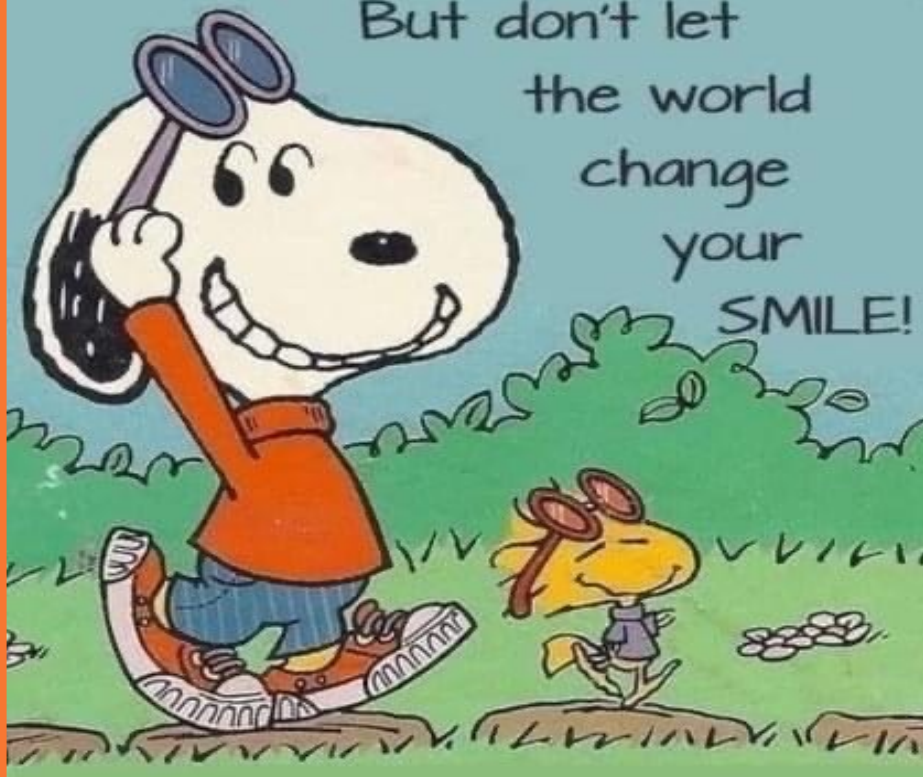
Dear Families,

After feedback we have postponed our Fathering Project Launch to 24/8 at 6:30pm and moved to an online platform. Please join Rodney Eade for discussions to support your child in an online space

Look forward to seeing you

Please use the QR code attached or email ashlee.walker@education.vic.gov.au

Let your SMILE
change the world...
But don't let
the world
change
your
SMILE!





WSC will be hosting the Mathematical Association of Victoria's (MAV) Maths Games Day on the 10th of November.

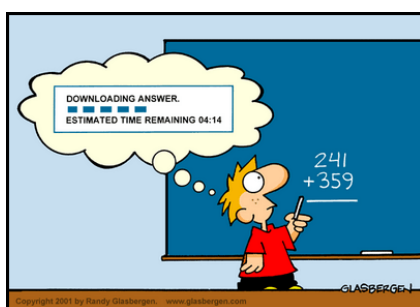
Maths Games Day is an opportunity for students to:

- develop their mathematical talents and thinking skills in a setting where maths is regarded as fun and worthwhile
- work with like-minded students from a diverse range of schools
- participate in mathematical activities without the usual class room pressures
- win prizes and rewards
- get excited about maths!

Maths Games Days are a very effective vehicle for getting young people – particularly in the middle years of schooling – enthused about maths. Problem solving and mathematical games address the Victorian Curriculum proficiency strands.

Teams of 4 students (maximum 2 teams per school) compete for a variety of prizes including individual prizes for creativity, contribution to group work, and lucky door prizes. The participants are drawn from those who have a keen interest in mathematics and who can operate as a team. Lateral thinking wins the day.

Teachers also have an opportunity to meet colleagues from other schools, attend a professional learning activity and to inspect displays of teaching resources.



YEAR TEN PASSION PROJECT



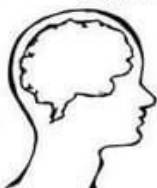
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PROBLEM-SOLVERS



THEY CULTIVATE COOL,
GEEKY INTERESTS



THEY VIEW MISTAKES
AS LEARNING
OPPORTUNITIES



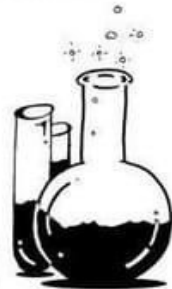
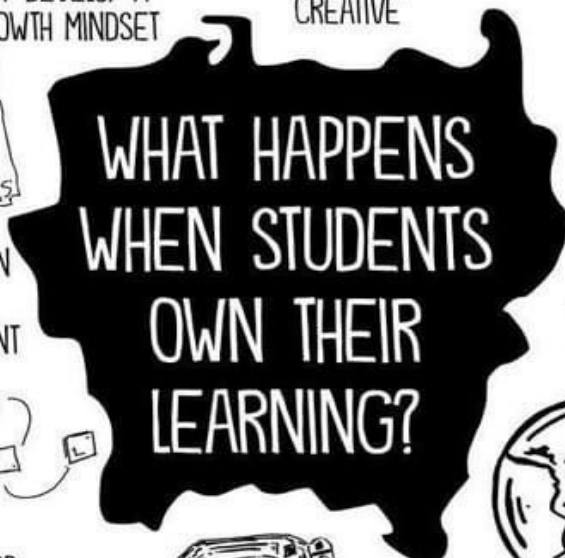
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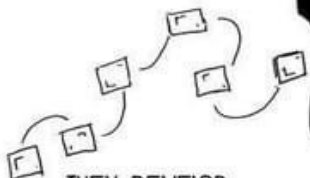
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MANAGEMENT



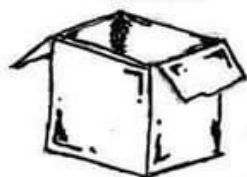
THEY LEARN
TO EXPERIMENT



THEY DEVELOP
ITERATIVE
THINKING



THEY ARE READY
FOR THE GLOBAL
CREATIVE ECONOMY



THEY LEARN TO
THINK OUTSIDE
THE BOX



THEY BECOME
EXPLORERS



THEY BECOME
SYSTEMS THINKERS



THEY ARE
SELF-DIRECTED



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CountyCourt VICTORIA

On Monday 8th August, the **Year 11 Legal Studies** class participated in a Q&A session with Judge Ellis and Judge Chambers of the County Court of Victoria. The students are currently studying the topic of *Sanctions* in *Unit 2 Legal Studies*, where students investigate key concepts in the determination of a criminal case, including the institutions that enforce criminal law, and the purposes and types of sanctions and approaches to sentencing.

Judge Ellis provided an important insight to the role of a judge in a criminal case, the role of the jury in a criminal trial and the purposes of sentencing. Judge Ellis also explained how she became a lawyer with following her passion for studying *Legal Studies* and *Politics* at secondary school and Judge Ellis reinforced to the students that even if you don't get the ATAR to get into the top law degrees in Victoria, there are other pathways to start a career in law.



**Staff showing
support for
Red Nose
Day**

RED NOSE DAY



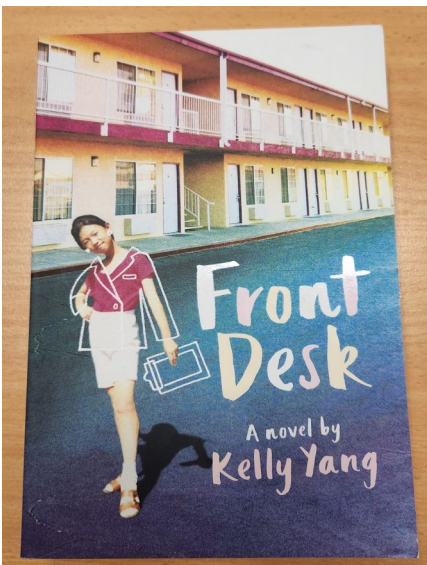
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Congratulations to Olivia Carman for being this weeks winner!! Olivia has been recognised for her efforts in classes this week. She has chosen 'Ripley's Wild Animals' . Fantastic work Olivia! Look out for next weeks winner.



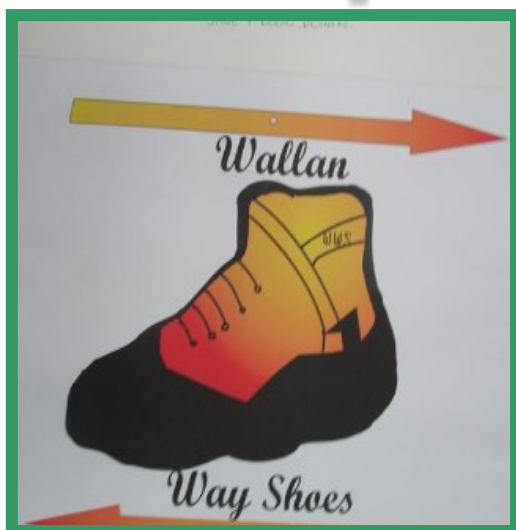
A big congratulations to Max Newman, our book winner for last week. Max has been rewarded for his efforts towards his study and his consistent display of our school values. Well done Max! Hope you enjoy 'Front Desk'.



Congratulations Hayden Walker who is this weeks winner for the One Book Per Week. Well done Hayden!!



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ThinkUKnow Australia is an education program led by the Australian Federal Police, delivered nationally in partnership with law enforcement and industry to prevent online child sexual exploitation.

Dear Parents/Guardians

On Wednesday 20th July, we welcomed Constable Ryan Coleman who presented the **ThinkUKnow** program to the Junior School students. Constable Coleman spoke to the students about the causes, impacts and the current legislation in relation to bullying & cyber bullying.

The **ThinkUKnow** program aims to:

- ◆ Raise awareness and to deliver education about preventing online child sexual exploitation
- ◆ Provide a broad understanding of the types of things that young people SEE, SAY and DO online.

Below are further resources for parents/guardians to access about this program and how to start the conversation with your son/daughter about how to be safe online and how to use online devices appropriately.

Constable Coleman also spoke to the students about the importance of being responsible online through connecting with their friends & peers on social media and the issues that can arise when children/adults are irresponsible online. Constable Coleman discussed the causes and the impacts that bullying/cyber-bullying can have on a person/family and friends, the current legislation around bullying, for example *Brodie's Law* and how students can respond to bullying/cyber bullying in a responsible manner.

The following is from our school policy on Anti Bullying:

Wallan Secondary College will provide a positive culture where bullying is not accepted, and in so doing, all will have the right of respect from others, the right to learn or to teach, and a right to feel safe and secure in their school environment.

In response to this incursion, we would like to remind our school community that Junior School students have access to the online *Incident Reports*, which are accessible on Microsoft Teams for students to complete, if they're or a peer is being bullied at school. This can also be completed at home with the help of a parent/guardian. Students are encouraged to speak to a member of the Junior School team, their Ready2Learn teacher, a staff member at WSC and their parents/guardians regarding issues of bullying/cyber bullying. We also encourage families to seek support from the Victoria Police if their son/daughter is being bullied.

Lastly, I would like to share some helpful resources from the *E-Safety Commissioner* to support, parents & guardians with speaking to your son and/or daughter around:

- The Big Issues, for example, cyber bullying, explicit content, time online and online gaming.
- Skills and advice, for example, online safety basics, having a family technology agreement and how to have hard-to-have conversations with your child.
- Assistance if your child is being bullied online and how to report this.



Jake McDonald

Leading Teacher: Junior School Engagement and Wellbeing

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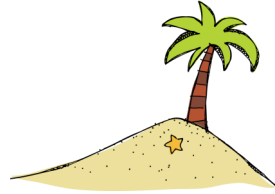
VCE



Identity and Belonging. (Aiga is a Samoan word for family.)

My Home.

My Aiga.



My culture goes beyond myself and extends with my family.

We all share the same roots, but are each different like branches on a canopy.

Our values, traditions and respect is what makes us a strong foundation.

Our passion and culture is our unification.

From looking after the cousins,

And the familiar smell of Sapasui and Kalo wafting up my nose,

These are the familiar moments

I will remember as I grow.

Watching over the younger ones,

As the elders watch over me,

Before getting called inside

And helping to prepare the celebrations feast.

Although when my sisters and I disagree,

These are the raw moments I will remember

And these are the values

That make up my personality.

And eventually when I get older and become 'mature'...

I will always be sure...

Of My Home. My Aiga.



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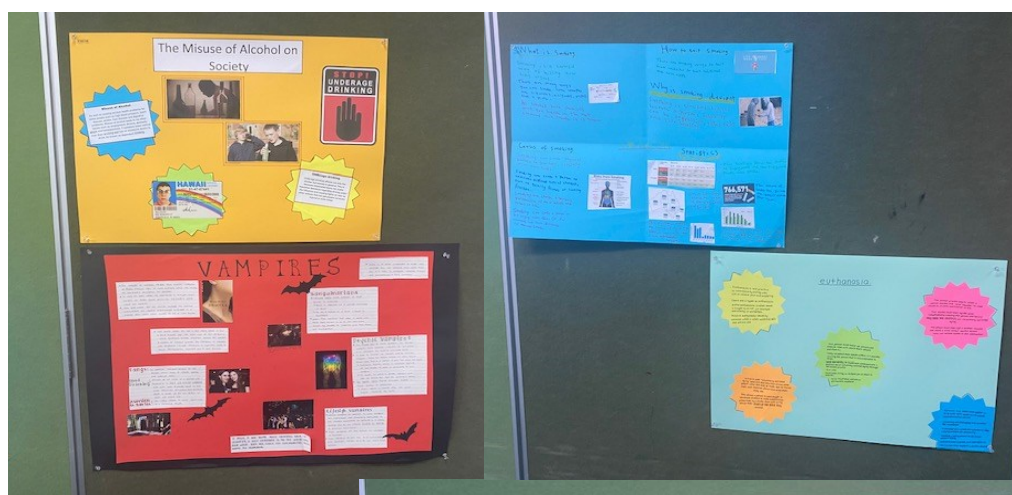
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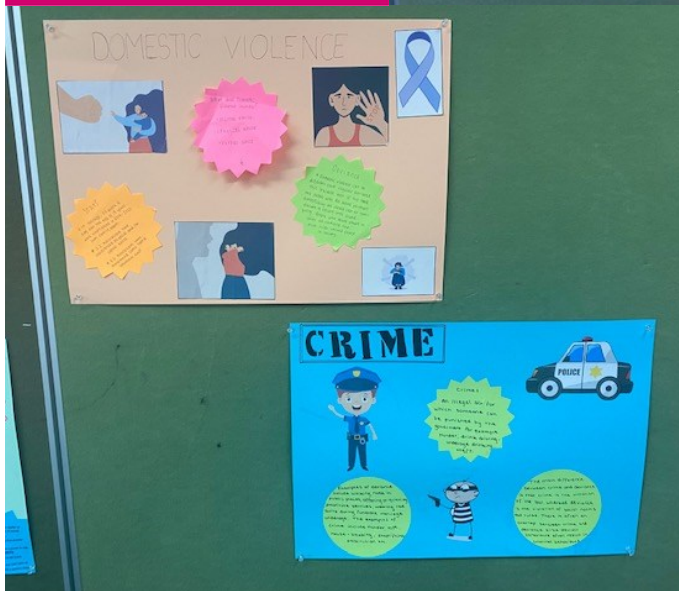
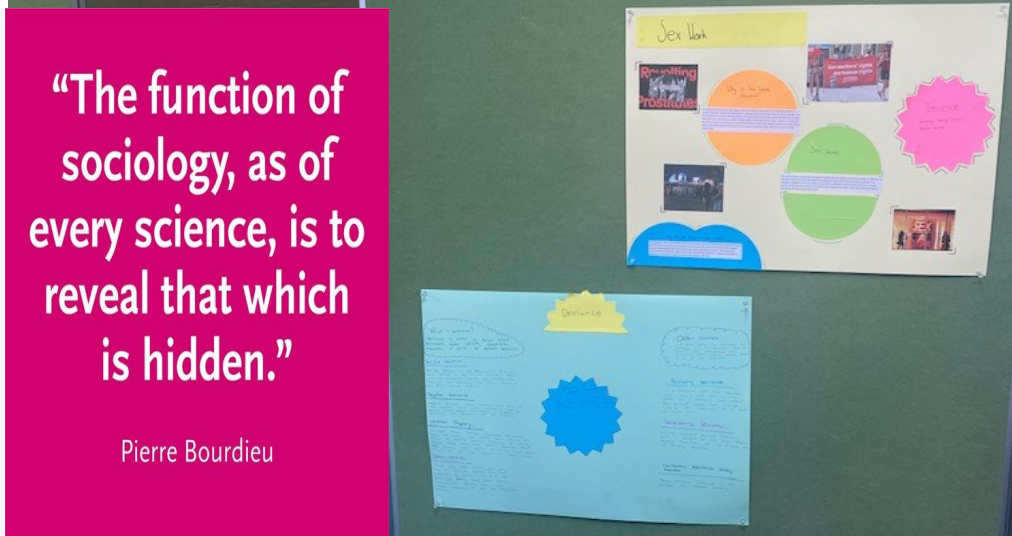
UNIT 1/2

SOCIOLOGY



“The function of sociology, as of every science, is to reveal that which is hidden.”

Pierre Bourdieu



MassMedia
Immigration
UrbanStudies
TheoryCultureFamily
CommunityGlobalization
SocialHistory
Sociology
PoliticsClassInequality
EducationSocietyPeople
ReligionGenderLaborSocialHistory
Development
Economics



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Cup Rescue

A project by 8G and 9G
(The GOLD Programme)





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Competition
Match the
baby photo
with the staff
member.

August 11, 2022

BUSINESS

VICTORIA MARKET EXCURSION



On Thursday the 11th of August, the Year 10 Business Management class ventured to the Victoria Market to survey vendors about supply chain and inflation issues. Students were able to freely seek out vendors to interview to gain insight into how these issues are affecting their businesses.

Students were able to learn that Covid "positively affected some businesses and negatively affected others regarding supply chains". Students were also interested to learn that "large businesses such as Kmart and Target gain preference on supply and stock so it can be hard for smaller businesses to have enough to sell".

Overall, it was a great day out at the market. Students enjoyed "being able to walk around freely and to get out of Wallan". We are looking forward to our next excursion to learn about marketing businesses.



Miss Khazaal
Year 10 Business
Management
Teacher



Year 12 learning about sustainable packaging drank hot chocolates from the cups and then ate them after. Cups are made from wheat and are 100% edible/biodegradable.



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A huge thank you from Jade and I for supporting our students in the café so far this year. We appreciate you popping in, ordering take aways, sending students and your donations.

These donations will go towards the students being able to go on a dining experience at William Angliss.

On Tuesday the 9th of August the Year 10 Outdoor Education Class had the amazing opportunity to go White Water Rafting on the Yarra River at Wonga Park near Warrandyte. The students worked in groups to navigate small white-water rapids in two person Sports Rafts. Despite the cool conditions the sun was out and the water level fantastic for fun bouncy rapids. The Outdoor Ed class picked up the skills quickly and everyone had a great time in this beautiful river environment.



Year 7 Drama

After half of the cohort completed drama during semester one, we now welcome 7B, 7D, and 7E into our classrooms! Our first unit of work is on emotions and improvisation. Students learn about different emotions and they can be used to transform characters through the expressive skills – voice, movement and facial expressions! Students completed an Emotion Wheel to show the intensity of emotions.



Hunter – 7E

Skyla – 7D

Georgia – 7B

Students also completed an improvised alphabet conversation!

“Afternoon Bianca.

Bianca, what are you doing?

Cutting fruit.

Did you know that tomatoes are a fruit?

Everything that has seeds is a fruit.

Fruits are getting expensive these days.

Good thing we own a farm.

How are we going to get rid of pests?

I will call pest control.

Justin is an expert pest controller

Killing the pests will increase of stock.

Love your thinking, Bianca

My husband can also help

Not unless he has a shift.

Or I could call my dad

People love his pests skills.

Quick, we got to get rid of them now.

Ready when you are.

See you there, sis

Talk to you soon, bye.”

Ishaan, Aniq and Mitch 7B

Get Excited!



Year Nine students are going to town!

Save the Date

Year Nine City Experience
Parent Information Session
Monday 22nd August
5:30pm
Auditorium





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ANNUAL WINTER COATDRIVE

OFF
YOUR BACK



Featured are volunteers Cooper Price, James Kelly, Kayla Tanner, Isabella Burr (absent: Talah Collett).

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED!

20+ years ago a small but like minded group of enthusiastic mums and a dad got together to start a winter coat collection drive simply called OFF YOUR BACK.

The idea was that no money would ever change hands and only a viral email would be sent on June 1st each year to announce the yearly coat drive. The email directed people to take their much needed pre-loved coats to the Salvation Army to support those in need.

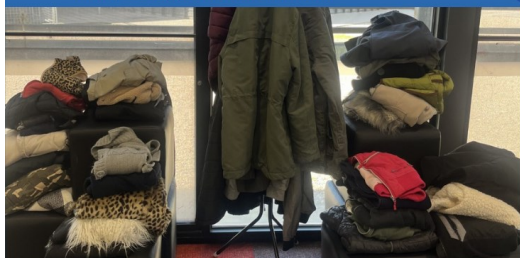
Now, each winter we call out to our community to support their fellow Victorians in need by bringing their old pre-loved coats to drop off points around Melbourne.

To date over 150,000 coats have been collected and distributed to those in need and the original group of friends now rarely meet having fallen into their annual tasks and thanks to setting up the annual OFF YOUR BACK coat drive so simply but so impactfully.

Unlike most not-for-profit committees, the OFF YOUR BACK committee and volunteers all agree that we all just 'get on with it' - there are no long meetings or budget reports, everyone just simply turns up with garbage bags of pre-loved coats after putting out the call for donations to their individual networks and communities, while feeling good about seeing much loved items going on to another life with people who really need them.

We are extremely proud of all those who donated coats and jackets to this cause and we look forward to doing it again!

Sarah Khazaal



Constructive Mess

Year Twelve students learning about the effects of online actions and how they can hurt people.

This was done in 'Skills for Life' session on Wednesday afternoon.





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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



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YEAR 8 TEXTILES

