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"You're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, So... get on your way!"

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go..."

- Dr. Seuss

An open letter from Ms Khazaal to staff



Thank you endlessly to the team who helped around the Year 12 last day today. It was a beautiful day (despite rain), and I was not able to have pulled it off without the team who enabled me to organise and conduct this event. Whether it was being by my side, coordinating and cooking lunch, running events, setting up spaces, conducting administrative duties, supervising students, approving elements or being adults in the student's lives that have been able to provide them with safe and positive learning spaces, you are all cherished.

I am aware that days like this generally disrupt the school but thankfully, the Year 12's understood that this day was put together to enjoy themselves and celebrate their thirteen years of schooling. Needless to say, it was as wholesome as this cohort could be. Hopefully it begins a positive trend of what celebration days should be moving into the future.

It was truly heart-warming to see them celebrate themselves, and you all, for the work that you have done with them over the years. For many of you, we have worked with this cohort closely for the past three years and seeing them farewell today was touching and rewarding. They will be missed and the work that you have done will continue to impact their lives.

Thanking you all abundantly,

The whole College community send our very best wishes to the Year Twelve students as they prepare for life without school.

Julie Parker |

Assistant Principal: Senior (11-12)

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

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In the words of M.A.S.H.

'Good bye,

Farewell,

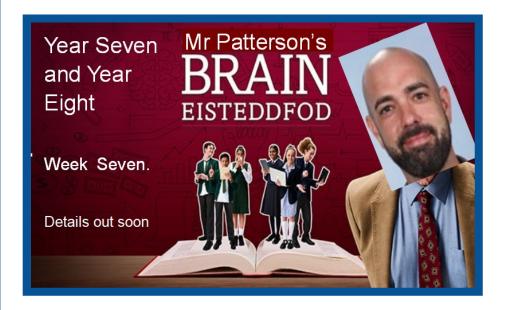
Amen'.



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An **outline** of <u>Curriculum</u>, <u>Assessment</u>, <u>Data and Reporting</u> for Term Four.

Activity	Details
The GOLD Programme	Testing day, Saturday 8 th October 9am-12noon
	Set up for 2023
	Week Six - Tournament of Minds WEEK (8G and 9G)
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VCE Examinations/ SWOTVAC	Last day for Year 12 students 13 th October
	SWOTVAC begins 14 th October
	Examinations begin 26 th October (English)
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Unscored VCE	Students have a 'sign off' sheet to be completed. Once completed, their year has finished and they may leave (following proper protocol).
VCAL	Last day for Year Twelve students 13 th October
	Year Eleven students continue.
End of year dates	Year Ten and Year Eleven last day – 2 nd December
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Faculty Weeks	Technology Week – Week Four
	Arts Week (including Art Exhibition and Spring Concert) – Week Five
Examinations	Years 9-11 – Week 7
GPAs	All GPA data completed by 17 th November – shorter GPA rounds for Term Four
Step Up	Two weeks – Week Eight and Week Nine





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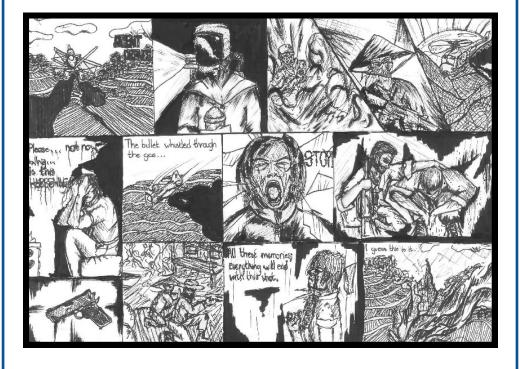


Throughout the year we have been treated with yummy and meaningful cookies—thank you

Pallet Picnic's & Co.

It is wonderful to support a company from the College Community.

This is Anas' (Year 9G) work for his Creative Folio from last term. It is an artwork to show the journey of a Vietnamese War veteran and the struggle of survival.





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During the last week of term, approximately 90 year 7 students went to Allambee Camp. For many of these students it was the first camp they had been on since 2019! So there was a lot of trepidation going into this camp. Despite the nerves, the students had a great time and participated in seven different rotation activities like the Dangle Duo, Flying Fox, Low Ropes, Giant Swing the Billy Carts, Geocaching and an Initiative Teamwork Course. Students also went on a 6km night walk (lucky we had gum boots!), and we had a trivia night!

These activities had all students facing their fears and showing resilience. Some students did activities that the never thought they would've had the courage to do. One student was afraid of heights and conquered their fear by going to the very top of the giant swing!! "If I'm gonna try it – I'm gonna go the full way up!" The staff saw this kind of determination all around the activities by many students. We are so proud of the resilience that was showed over those three days.



Students ready to pull the rope and get the swing to its full height!

Pak Allen flying high on the Giant Swing!

Mr Murphy helping a student through the Dangle Duo.







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Production 2022 Awards!

Each year the production team decides on awards for students involved in the show! We are so proud of every cast member for their involvement – and this year was very difficult to choose who got each award. The talent that we have at Wallan Secondary College is unreal and we are so looking forward to announcing the show for 2023.

For the 2022 season of Beauty and the Beast the awards were given as follows:

Best on Stage (Wednesday): Thomas Starkey Best on Stage (Thursday): Cooper Lane Best on Stage (Friday): Aamani Ocean

Best on Stage (Saturday): Dylan Barrett (The Beast/Prince)
Most Improved Cast Member: Jayde Waddell (Narator/Ensemble)
Most Dedicated Cast Member: Ava Lutter (Ensemble/Wolf)
Most Resilient Cast Member: Makenna Davidson (Belle)
Most Supportive Cast Member: Sean Holt (Gaston)

Best Singer: Alyssa Carydakis (Madame De La Grande Bouche)

Best Actor: Cooper Price (Cogsworth)

Chelsea Rowe, Alyssa Carydakis.

Best Ensemble Member: Chelsea Rowe (Ensemble/Wolf)

Pictured below left to right: Jayde Waddell, Makenna Davidson, Sean Holt,











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SHABEYOUR PASSION

Year Ten Passion Projects 2022



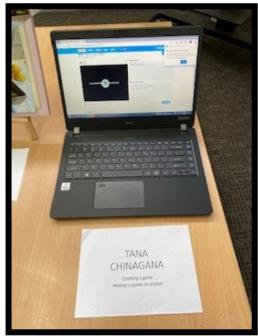








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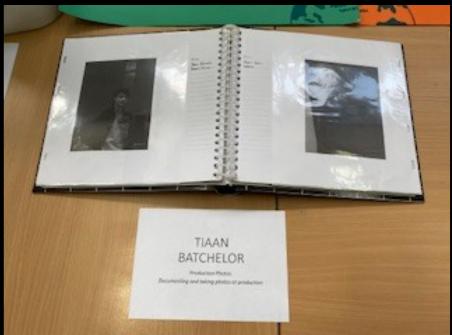


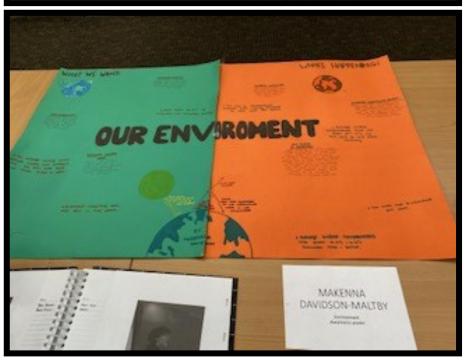




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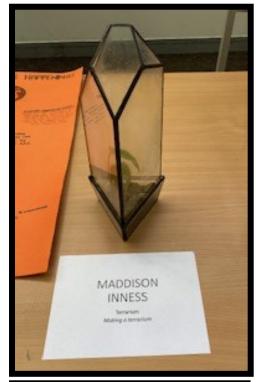


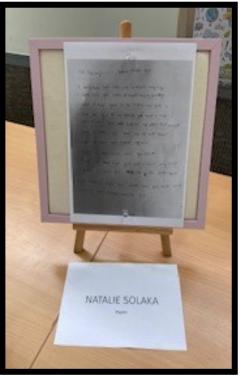


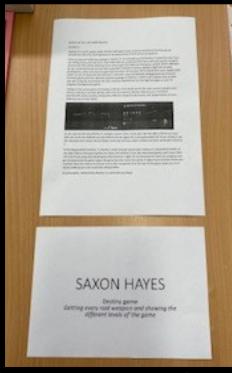




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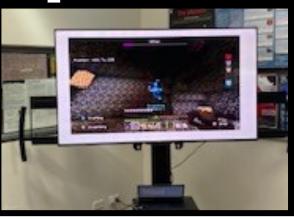












Great work Year Ten!



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TRIBES: YEAR 11

Complementing the current Skills for Life Programme, Year Eleven (11) students will trial the 'Tribes' in the last few weeks of 2022.

- * Attentive Listening
 - * Mutual Respect
 - * No Put-downs
 - * Right to Pass

TRIBES - to assure the healthy development of every child so that each has the knowledge, skills and resiliency to be successful in a rapidly changing world.

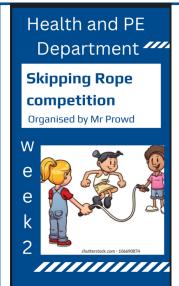
Students work together to learn how to cope with a fast changing, high tech and competitive world.

- Emphasis is placed on working in groups with the sense of community -
- the students learn to work together on meaningful goals, tasks and challenges.
- The strength of the process evolves out of the special quality time that is spent to build inclusion whenever the groups come together.
- Students are taught to get along when working in groups; they need to be taught the motivation to get along.





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Thank you to all students who participated in the skipping rope competition! It was so great to see so many students spending their lunchtime being active.

Congratulations to <u>Arman</u>
<u>Sasmaz from 8C</u> for winning the competition!





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Road Smart Year Ten



Road Smart is a road safety education and training program designed to build on the existing road knowledge, skills and behaviours of Year 10 (or equivalent) students. The program aims to help lay down the foundations for safe driving among young drivers.



Jash Singh has been completing work experience at Woolworths in Wallan. He has been involved in stacking shelves, freezers, tidying areas and assisting customers find products. His supervisor is very happy with his work ethic, ability to follow instructions and punctuality.

Jash has enjoyed his time within Woolworths and would like to continue in a part time manner whilst continuing his education.







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VET GRADUATION AT ASSUMPTION COLLEGE



CONGRATULATIONS

KALAVATI GOVENDER

MICHAEL MASON

AIMEE SCOTT

ALISHA SIMS



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Over the course of ten days and a graduation, I spent my time with the Zoos Victoria Youth Leadership program. A group of 30 students across Victoria met up with the passion of science and the environment. It was an experience that I'm so glad I took and would remember for hopefully a very long time. With making friends, meeting people who love and want to share their passion, going places that I wouldn't normally get the chance to go to and, being filled with so much information about the environment and conservation; I would most certainly recommend others to do this program to learn and become a leader in conservation.

Conservation is protecting the wildlife and environment. Ensuring that the environment is clean and healthy and that there is a well maintain population of all forms of wildlife, animals and plants included. Zoos Victoria is all about this, committed in fighting against wildlife extinction.

Our mission over the ten days were to learn about how we can become leaders within conservation and science as well as, how we can influence schools across this state to reduce plastics within school grounds. After learning about what the Zoos Victoria has been able to achieve and their future goals. After over hundreds of people completing the survey on soft-plastics and nude food. We came up with a proposition for school canteens. Plastic Tax. Just like in the supermarkets, were they made it so you pay around a range of 15cents for a plastic bag or you can bring your own reusable bags for your groceries. Plastic tax has the same idea within the canteen, there still can be a plastic option to use for your food, but will cost more. And if you were to bring your own container for the canteen food, it will be cheaper because you wouldn't be paying for any of the extra plastic.

After completing this program, I want bring and share what I have learnt to students of Wallan Secondary Collage. I aim for this school to reduce the soft-plastic usage in the canteen and change the way of thinking of how we bring food to school. I am aware that the plastic tax would be huge step for WSC. One day, I hope our school can bring on the plastic tax but for the moment I have one little proposal. To replace the plastic cutlery with wooden and biodegradable cutlery. This may be small, but it will have a huge impact.

For students who are interested in learning about the environment and what to help make an impact on the sustainability of WSC, Miss Cook and myself will be starting up an Environmental Club to make a difference to our school and the local community.





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With our efforts to improve sustainability at Wallan I am proud to announce that we are now recognised as an eco-school. This accreditation is internationally recognised and adds us to about 59,000 schools also participating in engaging the youth of today to protect the planet of tomorrow

Rebecca Cook

Science Learning Area Leader

Classroom Teacher | Science | Psychology

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International Certificate of Participation

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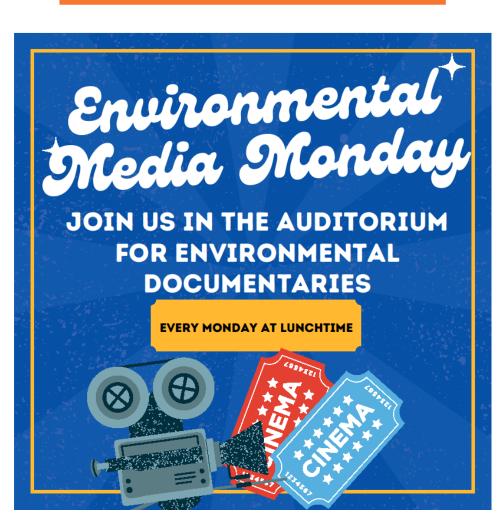
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For commitment towards Education for Sustainable Development by continuously improving the sustainability performance of the school and the wider community.











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REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!

Email Miss Cook to join: Rebecca.Cook@education.vic.gov.au

Look out for announcements of our first meeting!

By providing a space and an outlet for students who are passionate about caring for the environment, our new club is dedicated to educating and helping students and the local community understand the environment and our role in it.



* empty

* crush

* recycle

Bins to place our cans in are coming soon!



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WHAT TO TELL MYSELF WHEN I'M FEELING DISCOURAGED

- 1. This is tough. But so am I.
- I may not be able to control this situation.
 But I am in charge of how I respond.
- 3. I haven't figured this out...yet.
- This challenge is here to teach me something.
- 5. All I need to do is take it one step at a time. Breathe And do the next right thing.



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CAPES4KIDS

Are you or would you like to be a sewer? Do you enjoy learning new skills? Do you enjoy being charitable and giving back? Join us for our Wednesday lunch time club 'Cape 4 Kids' T3

You will learn how to use a sewing machine and use those skills to sew a cape to donate to a sick child in order to brighten their day.

Call out for fabric donations – if you would like to donate fabric please reach out.

Do you have old pillow covers or doonas that you no longer need?

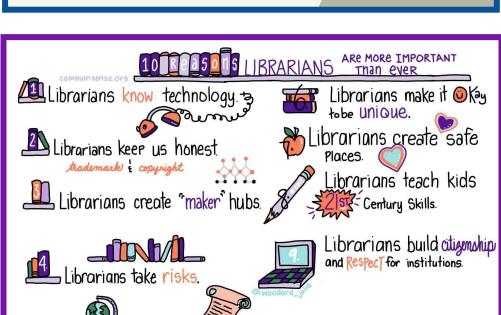


Librarians keep us grounded.



Librarians are the

hampions of equity.





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Outdoor Education – Year 10 Whitewater Rafting

Our Year 10 Outdoor Factor of stadents had the opportunity to go Whitewater Rathers and learn about the river environment and the bound of the beautiful of the will be the control of the beautiful of the will be the control of the beautiful of the will be the control of the will be the control of the group enjoyed a picnic lunch on the overbank and the day was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The students were well behaved and represented the sellege in an outstanding manner. Congratulations to Nathan Soszynski and Marcus Stefanile for getting the award of navigating the rapids the best!





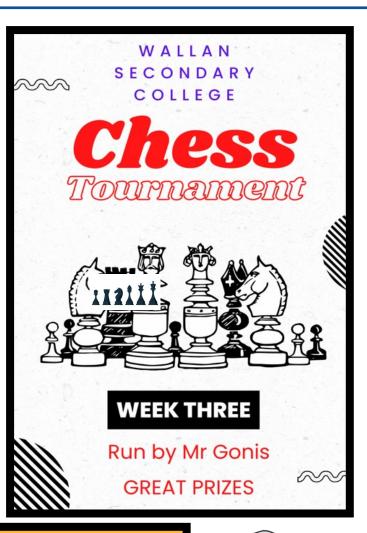
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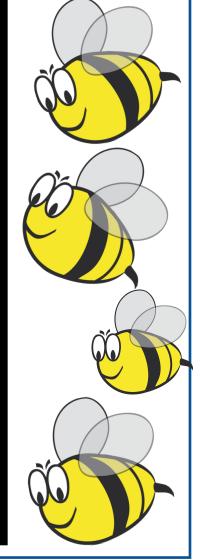
SPELLING BEE

WEEK SIX



REGISTRATION FORMS AND MORE DETAILS COMING SOON.

ORGANISED BY MS BAKER





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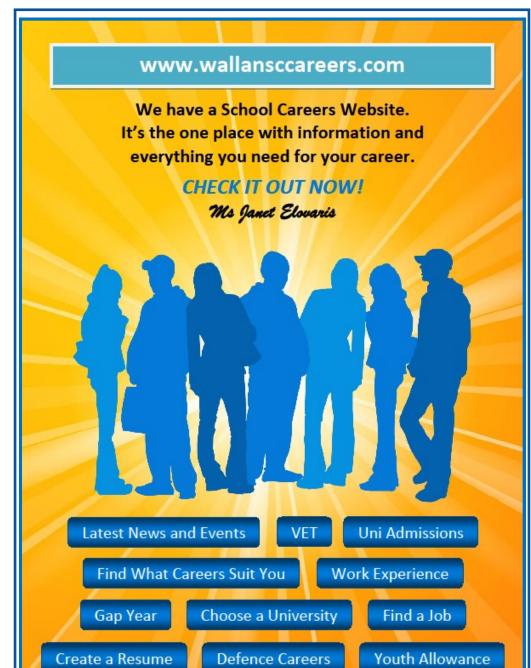
YEAR SIGHT

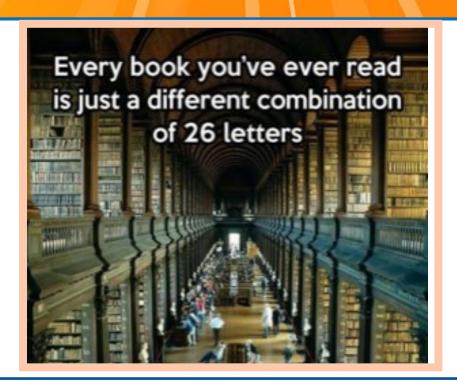
Year 8 maths have been working hard to create packaging for a chocolate company. They have created nets, and then turned those nets into real life 3D shapes. The students have focused on measurement and geometric principles and ideas and engaged in productive problem solving. Including, how to find total surface area and volume on a composite 3-Dimension shape. The students' were working collaboratively and creatively.





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THE BEST WAY TO PREDICT THE FUTURE IS TO CREATE IT



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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