

Principal's Report from Mr Coffey

Welcome Back

Welcome, especially to our new families for the 2020 school year. I trust everyone had a restful break and a chance to do the things they enjoy. We welcome some new students to our school community and encourage them to make the most of the opportunities the College provides.

We are extremely fortunate to be able to retain our highly professional workforce and have also been in a position to recruit one new teacher, Mr. Benjamin Phillips who is replacing Miss Appledore while she is on Family Leave. We are set to have another successful year with our 114 students and dedicated staff.

Mobile Phone Policy

In accordance with the Department's Mobile Phone Policy issued by the Minister for Education, personal mobile phones must not be used at school during school hours, including lunchtime and recess, from the start of term 1, 2020.

Our school procedure to support the Student Mobile Phone Policy requires that students "surrender" their mobile phone immediately on arrival to school and collect their phone at the end of the school day. In order to model the appropriate use of mobile phones all staff have been instructed not to use mobile phones for any reason during their classes and to use them only in either the social staff room or the staff work area when they are not on duty.

Keeping Cool

A refrigerator for students to keep their recess and lunch in is available just inside the junior building, all year round.

Sincerely Grateful

On behalf of all of the staff and students of our school I would like to thank everyone, especially Veronica and Denis Huff for the time and effort in preparing the grounds prior to the commencement of school this week.

Visitors to the School

All parents, carers, contractors and visitors to the school, irrespective of reason, need to come to the general office to sign in or deliver goods. For safety and security purposes we need to know who is on school grounds at all times.

Camps and Excursions Payment

Many thanks to our families who pay in full for the Essential Learning Items and Optional items each year. We strive to keep the costs down for our families by providing text books, software licences etc. at no cost. Unfortunately at the end of last year we still had around \$5,000 in unpaid fees. In order to avoid this situation this year all school excursions and camps will need to be fully paid before the student participates.

School Council/Parents & Friends

The next School Council Meeting will be Monday the 10th of February at 7:30pm and Parents & Friends will meet on Tuesday the 4th of February at 10:00 am.

Calendar Term 1 2020

February

Week 2

Tue 4th Parents & Friends meeting at 10am
Wed 5 VET starts

Week 3

Mon 10 School Council
Fri 14 R-P12 Swim Sports

Week 4

Fri 21 SM Cluster Swim @ Hopetoun (Jnr)
Yr 12 study day

Week 5

Mon 24 Vaccinations Yr 7 & 10
Tues 25 Pancake day

March

Week 6

Tue 3 LD Swim @ Horsham

Week 7

Mon 9 Labour day holiday

Week 8

Fri 20 School photo day
GWR Swim @ Horsham

Junior Swimming 2020

Swimming lessons will be from Tuesday – Friday for week 2 and 3. Please remember to bring:

- Bathers
- Rashie
- Towel
- Goggles/swimming caps, etc.
- Drink bottle

If you don't have a pool membership, please organise payment of \$20 with Miss Newton or Mrs Gregory.

Please also let us know if you would kindly like to volunteer to help out with the swimming program.

The swimming timetable is as follows:

Week 2 swimming timetable

| Monday 2 nd Feb | Tuesday 4 th Feb | Wednesday 5 th Feb | Thursday 6 th Feb | Friday 7 th Feb |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| No swimming | 11:45am-1pm | 11:45am-1pm | 11:45am-1pm | 2pm-3:15pm All junior classes |
| | Grade 4/5/6 | 1 & 2/3 | Prep/1 & 4 | |
| | 2pm-3:15pm | 2pm-3:15pm | 2pm-3:15pm | |
| | Prep/1 & 2/3 | 4/5/6 | Grade 2/3 & 5/6 | |

Week 3 swimming timetable

| Monday 10 th Feb | Tuesday 11 th Feb | Wednesday 12 th Feb | Thursday 13 th Feb | Friday 14 th Feb |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| No swimming | 10:00am-11:00am | 11:45am-1pm | 11:45am-1pm | All day P-12 College Swimming Sports |
| | Grade 4/5/6 | 1 & 2/3 | Prep/1 & 4 | |
| | 11:45am – 1pm | 2pm-3:15pm | 2pm-3:15pm | |
| | Prep/1 & 2/3 | Grade 4 & 5/6 | Grade 2/3 & 5/6 | |

Talk Time Topics

This year the whole junior building is working together to do talk time. Each fortnight there will be a topic given in the Newsletter and on Class Dojo with specific details.

The purpose of talk time is to build our speaking and listening skills, it is not to have a brilliant presentation of 'stuff'. It is up to your child to bring in what they think is appropriate and please note the children are not marked, it is only for their developmental skills and to help with their public speaking.

All students should bring something physical in to show the class and manage their preparation time effectively. All topics should take no more than half an hour to prepare over the course of two weeks and are designed for the students to do independently. Talk time can be presented on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday. All talk time items should have their names on them. Do not bring any valuable items in, instead feel free to bring a photograph of the item, as we cannot guarantee the safety of them. Students are expected to talk about the items/topics they have brought in, in detail.

Talk Time Topic – Week 2 - 3

This fortnight students are creating an identity box. This is a box that contains things that explain who they are.

Criteria points:

Maximum of 5 objects in their box.

Shoebox size

Nothing live

No food objects

Leadership Positions 2020

All leadership positions for senior and junior school will be posted in the newsletter next week.



VCAL & Duke of Edinburgh

Stay tuned for fortnightly updates for VCAL & Duke of Edinburgh.

Sports Tops

A sports top order will be sent on Friday 14th February for those wishing to order. Sample sizes are available to try on in the office. Payment of \$35.00 must be made with the order.

Please contact the office if you have any queries.

Foods Classes

Foods classes for Junior school have started the cost is \$70 per student for the semester. Money to be paid to the office.

Senior classes cost is \$5.00 per week and money to be paid on the day.

Students are reminded to bring a container to the lessons.



Rainbow P-12 School Uniform Shop

Thank you to those who purchased uniform from school on Tuesday. We will be placing an order for more polo shirts next week as we have run out of some sizes. If your child requires any new polo shirts please contact the office to place your order. Orders will close at the end of Monday 3rd of February. Thank you to those parents who have already placed orders.

The school uniform shop will be open by appointment, please contact the office to arrange this.

Once a term we will also be open for a day - dates to be confirmed.

Pricelist

Junior short sleeve polos (sizes 4-16) \$25

Senior short sleeve polos (sizes S-XXL) \$30

Junior long sleeve polos (sizes 6,8-16) \$30

Senior long sleeve polos (only one size L available) \$35

Junior polar fleece jackets (sizes 4-16) \$30

Senior polar fleece jacket (sizes S-XL) \$35

Skorts (sizes 4-14) \$20

Junior grey shorts (sizes 4-16) \$15

Junior grey trousers (sizes 4-10, 14) \$20

Junior track pants navy (sizes 4-14) \$20

Rugby tops junior sizes N/A

Rugby tops senior (sizes L/XXL) \$85

Junior dresses (sizes 4,6, 10-16) \$20

Senior dresses (sizes 8-16) \$60

Senior winter skirts (sizes 10-16) \$50

Senior navy shorts (sizes 4-18) \$30

Senior grey shorts (sizes 10, 14-XXL) \$20

Senior navy pants (sizes 10-14) \$45

Senior grey pants (sizes 10-16,M-XL) \$30





Term 1

February

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|--------|--------------------------|
| Mon 3 | G. O'Halloran |
| Wed 5 | K. Preston |
| Fri 7 | R. Keller, R. Clugston |
| Mon 10 | B. Eckermann |
| Wed 12 | E. Ey |
| Fri 14 | Swimming sports |
| Mon 17 | E. Staples |
| Wed 19 | C. Cocks |
| Fri 21 | C. Fisher/ K. Weir |
| Mon 24 | S. Smith |
| Wed 26 | D. Camilleri |
| Fri 28 | T. Tregenza, S. Gelligen |

Canteen 2020

The canteen is open on
Monday, Wednesday and Fridays

Canteen Emergency Workers

Kim Kajewski 0448352251

Debbie Lowe 0488115973

Lauren Heinrch 0459363319

(Wed & Frid only)

Please contact the above emergency workers if you are

Coming next week

A full Term 1 canteen roster will be published in the newsletter next week. Please check when you are rostered on and arrange a swap or replacement if you are unable to attend.

Canteen Roster 2019

Below is the Canteen roster form. Please fill in and return to the college by Friday 15th February.

Canteen Roster Preference 2020

Name.....Phone Number.....

Have you worked on Canteen before? YES/NO

Please circle any day that you are unable to work.

Monday

Wednesday

Friday

Name of any parent you would prefer to be rostered on with

I will be choosing to pay a canteen emergency worker at \$20 per day,
so I have no preference which day I am rostered on.

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I would like to become an emergency worker.

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