



## Upcoming Dates

December

Thurs 7th  
Year 4/8 Graduation

Fri 8th  
Colour run  
GTAC Incursion

Mon 11th-13th  
Step up Week Begins  
Yr 3/4 Anglesea Camp

Fri 15th  
End of Year Assembly  
Early Finish

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## From the Principal

### New uniform ordering process for 2024

We'd like to welcome Noone as the school's new sole uniform provider. This means that as of now the school will no longer be able to accept any more uniform orders. All uniform orders are required to be made directly with Noone either online or via their in-store service at Bendigo, from mid-January 2024. We'll have specific details to share next week on the full available uniform suit, pricelist and step-by-step instructions on how to order.

Please know that the college will still accept donations of second-hand uniforms, with our wonderful parent association members selling this on a regular basis. More details to come...

### Lions Youth of the Year

The annual Lions Youth of the Year competition took place on Tuesday evening with a record number of students taking part. The event was terrific once again and we were very impressed with the standard of each speech. Students spoke on a number of interesting topics and were put on the spot with two impromptu questions that they had 2 minutes to answer. The first was—"Volunteerism is on the decline. What would you do to encourage your peers to volunteer?" The second question was "We have had two significant flood events in your time. What do you think are contributing factors to this?"

Maybe have a try at answering these questions yourself, and then imagine being 17 years of age and answering these in front of a large audience with no notice of the topics. Pretty daunting...

### Want to Become a Lion?

Speaking of Lions and of volunteerism... Have you thought of volunteering with the East Loddon Lions Club? If you haven't, then hopefully you are now that I have raised it!

Our local Lions do a tremendous job for the local community and those who live within it. They run competitions such as the one I mentioned above, and they also run a couple of key things within the wider community. Volunteering is known to have a tremendously positive impact on those who take part in it, and what a better way to get involved than to join our local Lions. The Lions currently have 6 members and would love to

increase this number. For further details, please make contact with Jo Guthrie at [eastloddon.vic@lions.org.au](mailto:eastloddon.vic@lions.org.au)

### Step-Up Week Core Subject Staffing

The following page contains a list of core subject teachers for step-up week that will also be in place for the 2024 school year.

### Displaying Flu-Like Symptoms?

The college has had a small number of confirmed covid-19 cases this week and I would like to remind families of the need to keep students at home if they are displaying flu-like symptoms such as a runny nose, cough or aches and pains. Although we are not mandated to report specific cases, I wanted to be upfront with families as we move towards a busy festive season.

### Stage 2 Building Works

AW Nicholson will begin preliminary works for the stage 2 building program this coming Tuesday, with temp fencing being erected at the college and representatives of their building firm being present onsite from then onwards. Demolition work will begin asap after the completion of the school year, with the Art, Tech and associated spaces being demolished before the beginning of the 2024 school year.

### End of Year Dates For The Calendar

- Step Up Week—Mon 11th to Thurs 14th Dec (This sees all year levels step-up to their 2024 year level)
- Presentation Assembly—Friday 15th Dec
- Student's Last Day—Friday 15th Dec
- Student Free Curriculum Day—Mon 18th Dec
- Student Free Curriculum Day—Tues 19th Dec
- Student Free Staff Professional Practice Day—Wed 20th Dec

### This Week's Photo

This week's photo was taken on Tuesday night at the Youth of the Year competition. All students did an outstanding job at this event!

Steve Leed—College Principal

## More Ag in Middle Years

Exciting changes are coming to the Middle Years curriculum for next year! In an effort to provide a more structured program, the 5/6 classes will now have two Science lessons and one Agriculture lesson. Previously, teachers would try to incorporate aspects of Agriculture into their Science lessons, but this new approach will allow students to delve deeper into the important subject.

Another change is that the Year 8 Community subject will be replaced by a semester of Agriculture in the Technology rotation. This will give students the chance to experience different Technology options before choosing electives in Year 9. It's a fantastic way for students to explore various Technology pathways and make more informed decisions about future studies.

Introducing Agriculture as a separate subject and incorporating it into the Technology rotation will provide students with a well-rounded education that prepares them for the changing world. In addition to its importance as an industry, Agriculture teaches valuable skills such as problem-solving, critical thinking, and practical application of knowledge.

We are confident that these changes will enhance the learning experience for our students and provide them with a solid foundation in important subjects. We look forward to implementing these updates and seeing the positive impact they have on our students' education.

## Assistant Principal News

### 2023 Step-Up Week and 2024 Staffing Allocations

Year/	English	Maths	Science	Humanities
<b>Prep/1</b>	Louise Hocking	Louise Hocking	Louise Hocking	Louise Hocking
<b>1/2</b>	Dianne Lavell	Dianne Lavell	Dianne Lavell	Dianne Lavell
<b>3/4a</b>	Tamika Colville	Tamika Colville	Shaun Allen	Harry
<b>3/4b</b>	William Lee	William Lee	Sandy Lister	Dianne Lavell
<b>5/6a</b>	Sally Fleming / Tamika Colville	Shaun Allen	Shaun Allen	Brooke Smyth
<b>5/6b</b>	Brooke Smyth	Brooke Smyth	Rachel Warren	Brooke Smyth
<b>7</b>	Kate Ellis	Geoff Adcock	Kelly Pay	Brooke Smyth
<b>8</b>	Sally Fleming	Kate Ellis	Kelly Pay	Geoff Adcock
<b>9a</b>	Sally Fleming	Rebecca Johns	Rachel Warren	Harry
<b>9b</b>	Neil Aurisch	Kelly Pay	Shaun Allen	Danida Ferres
<b>10</b>	Harry Bennewith	Paul Gregg	Rachel Warren	Shane Rudkins / Phil Britton
<b>10 VM</b>	Sarah Krahe	Paul Gregg	VM PD – Sarah Krahe	VM WRS – Lisa Mitchell
<b>11/12 VM</b>	Eamon Smith	Eamon Smith	VM PD – Eamon Smith	VM WRS – Eamon Smith
<b>11</b>	<b>VCE English</b> Phil Britton <b>VCE English Literature</b> Harry Bennewith	<b>Maths Methods</b> Paul Gregg <b>General Maths</b> Geoff Adcock	<b>Chemistry</b> Rachel Warren <b>Psychology</b> Lisa Mitchell <b>Agriculture</b> Paula Maxted	<b>History</b> Shane Rudkins <b>Business Management</b> Kate Ellis
<b>12</b>	<b>VCE English</b> Harry Bennewith <b>VCE English Language</b> Kathryn McDiven	<b>Specialist Maths</b> Paul Gregg <b>General Maths</b> Scott Wilkinson <b>Maths Methods</b> Rebecca Johns	<b>Psychology</b> Kathryn McDiven <b>Biology</b> Rachel Warren <b>Agriculture</b> Paula Maxted <b>Physics</b> Kelly Pay	<b>History</b> Phil Britton <b>Legal</b> Shane Rudkins

**\*\* Year 9 and 10 electives will be shared with students on Monday upon their return from camp \*\***



# Sub-School Updates

## Junior

### 2024 CLASSROOM TEACHERS

We would like to formally announce the teachers for the P4 classes for 2024.

Prep/1—Mrs. Hocking

1/2—Ms. Lavell

3/4—Ms. Colville & Mr. Lee

Students will find out which class they are in during step up week (next week!). Mrs. Lister will continue to assist classes and run Literacy Intervention for students across our sub-school.

### ANGLESEA CAMP

Grade 3/4 students are off to Anglesea next week. This is a reminder to families to please get to school by **7.15am for a 7.30am departure**. Students are expected back at school by 4.30 pm on Wednesday. Please check Compass for updates on the day. Packing lists were distributed to students last week. As always, please email if you have any queries!

### STEP UP WEEK

Step up week is next week! This will look slightly different in the P4 area with some staff and students away on camp. We will have our Kinder students attending some days of our step up week also.

### 300 NIGHTS OF READING

Well done to our P4 legends who have read 300 nights this year! Students who have reached this milestone will be invited to a lunch tomorrow (8th of December). Students who are invited to this do not need to bring anything. We are all excited to celebrate! Well done again!

### UPCOMING DATES

300 Nights of Reading Lunch—8th December

P4 Classroom Parties—8th December

Classroom KK—15th December (last day)

Presentation Assembly—15th December

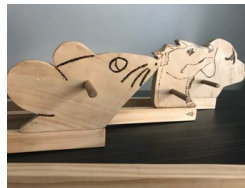
## Moggs Camp



## Middle

The Year 7 Community class have been busy designing and creating wooden hobby animals to donate to Children's Charities for Christmas. Our Junior school students took them for a quick test drive!

Well done Year 7! Great work!



## Senior

### Y9&10 Advance Camp

Our students have been exploring the Great Ocean Road and beautiful Moggs Creek. We've been given plenty of compliments from Go Ride a Wave and Go Rats. They're loving our students, their positive attitude, persistence and motivation. Students have participated in surf sessions, ocean kayaking, stand up paddle up boarding, bike riding and an amazing race. Today we are off to find seals and dolphins at Queenscliff. How lucky are we?

Students return to school Friday at 5pm, parents are welcome to arrive then too. However, students will then assist with pack up before departing.

Y12 results out Monday: interviews will take place with Y12 students Monday. If you need a reminder of the time or to change your time please let me know.

Congrats Amy and Jackson: these two wowed the crowds at the Lions Youth of the Year.



## SRC NEWS

Tomorrow will see a celebration day of all things 2023, with a whole school activities day, featuring class parties, a colour run, movie and more.

Students can attend in casual clothing and will also need a change of clothes for the colour run (white preferred but any clothes that may potentially stain are fine).

Classes will also hold a class party on the day and many will also have Kris Kringles running (although some may have another date for this, as discussed with your child/ren's teachers). Please speak with your child/ren's home group teachers for more information on this if unsure of what is required (i.e. a plate to share, date for KK gifts, etc).

SRC Committee



## Canteen

Fri 8th	Chevron Heath Kristie Cullinan	2023 Dec/Jan	
Mon 11th	Anna Osborne	Term 1 Mon 29th	Student Free
Tues 2th	Sue Pickles	Tues 30th	Sue P
Wed 13th	Karen Pascoe	Wed 31th	Penny Cockerell
Thurs 14th	Sue Pickles	Feb Thurs 1st	Sue P
Fri 15th	Presentation Assembly No Canteen	Fri 2nd	Wendy Murphy