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### **2020 COURSE INFORMATION EVENING**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 6-9pm

DSC Auditorium and new Learning Centre

Current and prospective parents and students entering Years 8 to 12 in 2020 are invited to attend this evening to learn about course selection for 2020.

New students intending to enrol for 2020, please contact the College by Friday 23/8/2019.

### Principal Team Report



### **WELCOME TO SEMESTER 2**

At our assembly on the first day of term, I spoke to our students about reflecting on the first semester and recognising their successes and areas for improvement. When we are trying to improve in any aspect of our lives a commitment to changing something is required. This is very true for learning and often the change can be a small thing.

When I talk to students about a change that has made a difference to their learning, I get many different answers:

- Organised my locker so I always have the right stuff for each class.
- Complete all my learning tasks as well as I can.
- Practice when my teacher shows me how to do something better.
- Doing my homework during the week.
- Try to get along with people better.

We should all be continually making the small changes, which will help us to become the best person we can be.

At the assembly, we welcomed some new and returning staff:

- Ms Morley
- Ms Lewis
- Ms P Werner
- Mr Wilson
- Ms Mackey

As well as beginning their Semester 2 units, students have been contributing to our community in various ways:

- Year 8 Hands On Learning students ran a free dress day and bake sale to raise money for Longwarry Food Relief. Students from this class also volunteered to set up the Snow Fest event in Warragul.
- As the culmination of their learning in the Broadening Horizons program, the Year 9 Trade Pathways class presented their projects to Flavorite staff.
- Our debating students have been very busy representing DSC both at the Model United Nations Assembly and competing in inter-school debating. Well done to Thalia Mitchell, Xavier Swetman, Lauren Webb and Freya Peck.

### **PLANNING FOR 2020**

Planning for 2020 is well underway.

This is also the time of year when we begin confirmation of student numbers for 2020.

The Course Selection process has begun and students are thinking about their future studies.

We encourage new enrolments to contact the college now, so we can plan successfully for all students learning next year.

We also need to know of any students who won't be with us in 2020 and would appreciate families letting us know as soon as possible.

### **WELL DONE & THANK YOU TO:**

- Teachers who have run Year 12 holiday classes.
- The Year 11 students who participated in the Central Australia Tour. Special thanks to the staff Ms Allen, Mr Axford, Mr Russell and Ms Tyrrell.
- Our Year 10 students had a very successful Work
   Experience week. Thanks to Ms Wales, Mr King,
   Ms Taafe and Ms Downey for your organisation and support of students.
- We had two teams competing in the International Netball Competition for the first time. Thanks to – Ms Buckland, Ms Fanning and Mr Sharpe for your work with these teams.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

8/8 - Celebration Assembly

8/8 - Course Selection Evening

16/8 – Staff Professional Learning Day (student free day).

### Deb Gentle Principal

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." Aristotle.



# Anne Wilson - 50 Years of Service

It is rare that we have an opportunity to acknowledge someone for their work in education over 50 years.

Anne Wilson began as a student teacher at Larnook Teachers College in 1967. She worked in a variety of high schools over the next 15 years: Neerim South, Broadmeadows, Bayswater, Wodonga and Lilydale before starting at Drouin in 1982.

Anne has taught in the areas of Health, Health and Human Development and Food Technology.

For most of her career Anne had been a Leading Teacher initiating and implementing many of the programs, which have benefited student learning at Drouin Secondary College.

As a teacher, Anne always has the highest of expectations for her students. But with that she ensures each student has the support they need to learn and develop in her class. It would not be an exaggeration to say that Anne is an outstanding teacher.

Another outstanding contribution has been Anne's development of our Student Wellbeing Program, which provides exceptional support to our students and families. While Anne has recently stepped back from teaching she continues to work with us as a Student Wellbeing Counsellor.

Anne's work at DSC has made and continues to make a positive impact on generations of students. She has always been and remains passionate about the education and welfare of the young people in our community.

Thank you Anne for your dedication to ensuring Drouin Secondary College students have the best of care and opportunities.



### 'ABOUT YOU' SURVEY

### What is 'About You'?

'About You' is a survey of Victoria's young people, conducted by Colmar Brunton on behalf of the Department of Education and Training. The About You survey takes place in Victorian schools and collects essential information on the health, wellbeing, learning and safety of young people aged 12 to 17.

Government schools with students in Year 7, 8, 10 and 11 are being invited to participate in the survey in 2019. The information collected will assist in the development of programs, resources and services aimed at meeting the needs of young Victorians.

### Who will participate?

All students in Year 7, 8, 10 and 11 are invited to participate in the survey from Drouin Secondary College. This will take place in Week 6 of Term 3.

It is up to you and your child as to whether they take part. Drouin Secondary College will send an information letter, early in Term 3, explaining the background and content of the survey, along with a refusal-of-consent form home with your child, and to your email address. If you do not want your child to be included in the study, you should return the refusal-of-consent form to the school, or opt out via the email address that will be supplied. All responses are voluntary and students can opt out at any time.

For further information, please contact Gillian Davenport at the Department of Education and Training via email AboutYou.Survey@edumail.vic.gov.au

# Sentral Parent Portal

Drouin Secondary College has a Parent-Student portal to provide both parents and students discreet information about each student's progress in our school.

The Sentral Parent Portal lets you:

- Stay informed with your targeted news feed
- Message your child's teachers
- See what homework your child has due
- Browse school documents and resources
- Track your child's academic progress
- Receive your child's reports electronically
- Book and manage parent / teacher / student meetings
- Be notified of absence, respond to unexplained absences or advise the school in advance of planned absences

If you have not set up access to the portal, please follow the instructions below. You only need to do this once.

- Please log on to the Internet and register for access to our Parent Portal here: https://sentral.drouinsc. vic.edu.au/portal/register
- You must use a valid email address to create your username.
- Once successfully registered you will be prompted to enter your username (email address) and the password you created.
- To see information from the school and to link to your enrolled children, you will need an access key. (If you have not received an email with your access key, please contact our IT department).
- Please note that the access key is case sensitive so copy it into the box provided on screen, exactly as it appears.

The URL for continued access to the portal is: https://sentral.drouinsc.vic.edu.au/portal.Click on the word "Dashboard" and you will see all the information you can access. This includes Timetables, Activity Participation, Wellbeing Records, Attendance, Academic Reports and School Resources.

If you have any problems accessing the portal, please contact Paul Gorton at Drouin Secondary College by phone (56251002) or by email gorton.paul.j@edumail.vic.gov.au.

### SIGN PERMISSION FORMS ONLINE VIA PORTAL

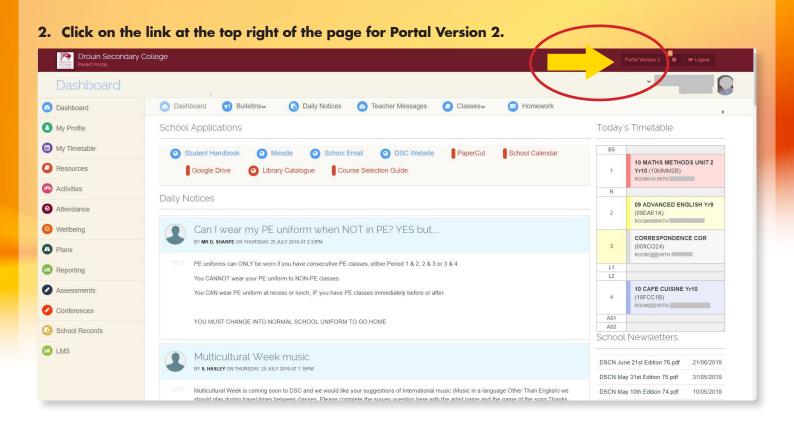
We are doing a trial with selected incursions and excursions where parents can 'sign' permission forms for activities online via the Sentral Parent Portal.

Parents who are registered on the Portal are sent an email to notify them that they have a new Activity Permission Slip waiting to be approved on the parent portal in Sentral.

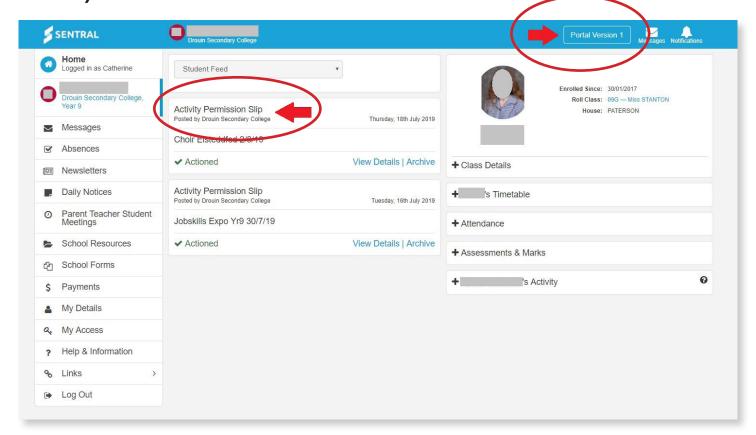
To approve the activity, follow these simple steps:

### 1. Login to the Parent Portal of Sentral





3. At the top of the page you will see "Activity Permission Slip" Click "View Details" and approve the activity.



We hope this saves students, parents and staff time. It will also save us a few thousand sheets of paper each year.

### CAREERS & PATHWAYS NEWS...

### **COURSE SELECTION**



### COURSE INFORMATION EVENING

Years 8 to 12 in 2020 Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 6-9pm Auditorium / New Learning Centre

At Drouin Secondary College, students are offered an individual learning program to suit their personal learning needs.

Current and prospective parents of students entering Years 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 in 2020 are invited to attend this evening

Listen to Year Level presentations and talk to KLD leaders and Careers & Pathways Advisors about subject choices including Early Access, VCE, VCAL & VET. New students intending to enrol for 2020

contact the College by Friday 23/8/2019.

www.drouinsc.vic.edu.au @drouinsc

Course Selection for 2020 is almost upon us. Please set aside Thursday 8th August 6.00pm-9.00pm to attend the information evening. A program will be advertised on Sentral and emailed home as soon as it is finalised. The front office will also be open until 8pm on the night.

The venues at the College will be slightly different to those used in the past. The new Year 7 Learning Centre

and the Auditorium will be where you can hear different Year Level presentations and talk with KLD leaders and Careers & Pathways Advisors about available subject choices.

Course Selection Interviews with Careers & Pathways Advisors are welcome for all current Year 9 to 11 students but are compulsory for:

- all current Year 9 students who wish to undertake a VET course in 2020
- all current Year 9 students who plan to take an Early Access VCE subject
- all current Year 10 students
- current Year 11 students who wish to change two or more VCE subjects going into Year 12
- current Year 11 students wishing to change from VCE to VCAL in Year 12

Interviews will be held during the two weeks after Course Selection Evening. You can book a time for an interview on Sentral now. Students will make their course selection online via the Webchoices program that has been in use the past three years.

PLEASE CHECK COURSE INFORMATION CAREFULLY AS SOME SUBJECTS DO ATTRACT A COST. Information about pathways and courses, including any applicable costs, can be found on the DSC Course Selection website http://public.drouinsc.vic.edu.au/cs/.

Please contact the Careers & Pathways staff with any queries.

PLEASE SEE THE BACK PAGE OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR A SCHOOL MAP AND YEAR LEVEL PRESENTATION TIMES AND LOCATIONS.

### **HEAD START**





Congratulations to Chelsea Steel and Brayden Rintoule for commencing their Head Start school based apprenticeships. Chelsea will be undertaking her commercial cookery apprenticeship with Middels in Drouin. Brayden has secured a carpentry apprenticeship with Balfour Constructions in Longwarry. The careers team would like to wish both students the best of luck undertaking their new pathways.

### **INSPIRING YOUNG WOMEN**





Six young ladies from Year 10 attended the Inspiring Young Women event at the Warragul Country Club. They had the opportunity to meet women from the local area and be inspired as they shared their pathways and experiences with the students, including their education, careers and lifestyles. The students were able to ask them questions and some of the girls met with women who work in a career that interests them.

Evenings such as Inspiring Young Women dinners are a great opportunity for young people to view positive role models in the community and to empower them with a 'can-do' attitude.

### **RSA**

Over seventy Year 12 students recently completed their accredited Responsible Service of Alcohol program (RSA). Completing an approved RSA program gives participants the skills and knowledge to contribute to a safe and enjoyable environment in a licensed premise. Participation in this program expands employment opportunities for our students while they continue their studies once they have left DSC. Students can collect their certificates from the Careers Office.

### YEAR 12 VCAL WORK READY PROGRAM

Late in Term 2 our Year 12 VCAL students participated in the Work Ready Program. The students applied for four mock employment vacancies and submitted applications to a mock employer. These applications were sent to local organisations for their feedback. This was provided in written form on the application and returned to the students to revise and resubmit. Students went on to participate in mock interviews. They took this process very seriously, dressing to impress, and there were some very nervous young people waiting their turn.

The aim of the program was to add value to resume and cover letter writing activities that are already in place at the College, provide students with quality real-life feedback from industry and made students aware of the very competitive nature of the job market and the quality of applications employers are seeking.

This program was only possible with the support from local organisations, we are very appreciative of and would like to thank the following people for their time:

Tanarly Hood - Baw Baw Shire

Kathie Olden - Manager Library Services - Northern

Daniel Best - Branch Manager, Warragul Library

Lisa Price - Baw Baw Latrobe LLEN

Steve Roberts - Mas National

Warwick Baum - Mas National

Jenna Rees - HeadStart

Jenny Deppeler - Rotary Drouin

Tim Wills - Rotary Drouin

### 9TTP BROADENING HORIZONS

### 9 TRADE PATHWAYS PROGRAM SHOWS BUSINESS THEY MEAN BUSINESS

The 9TPP students have been working with local business Flavorite in the Broadening Horizons Program. The program is designed to engage students in real world problems of practice and ask them to come up with possible solutions and reasoning behind their selection. The students were working on the issues of grafting tomato plants and possible solutions

to injuries and accuracy. Students were asked to prepare a visual presentation to present to the Flavorite team.

It was a nervous, but excited group of students who stood to deliver their findings to an audience of 40 people. All students did a fantastic presentation and Flavorite were

impressed with their commitment, analysis and presentation. It was a wonderful opportunity to work closely with real life situations and realise the constraints of time and money. Well done to all the 9TPP students who presented and thank you to Flavorite for taking the time to allow DSC students into the business world for a short time.

Gita Walker (9TPP Teacher)





# Year 10 Work Experience

2019 has seen another successful round of Year 10 Work Experience. Students travelled as far as Phillip Island and to the city as well as working in some of our more local towns.

From working in Biomedicine Science labs to working with children, the range of different work places was greater than ever. All students who participated in Work Experience gained a valuable insight into the day to day activities of the work places they were in and developed connections with the staff who supervised them. A number of students performed exceptionally well over the week and were offered apprenticeships or on going part time employment as a result. Congratulations to all students who participated in this exciting opportunity and a huge thank you to all of the businesses and workplaces that took the time to show the students the ropes.









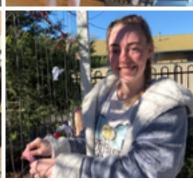




























# Thank you Work Experience Businesses

### Thank you to the employers who hosted our Year 10 Work Experience students:

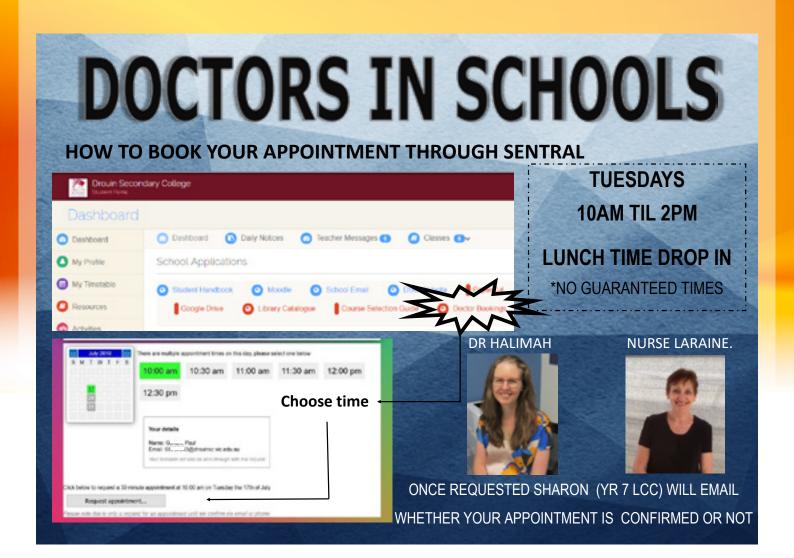
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Heenan Plumbing - Warragul

Henry's Trucks and Trailers P/L - Warragul Hillview Bunyip Aged Care - Bunyip Home Solutions - Warragul Hong Kong Inn - Drouin Horizen Global - Keysborough Horseland Warragul - Warragul Hotmods Welding & Fabrications - Drouin Invermead Dairy - Koo Wee Rup John Morgan Automotive - Garfield Johnny Boys Pizza - Pakenham Kevin Norrie Plumbing - Longwarry KPC Plumbing - Croyden Labertouche Primary School - Labertouche Lang Lang Kindergarten - Lang Lang Lardner & District Primary School - Lardner Latrobe Regional Gallery - Morwell Latrobe Valley Law Courts - Morwell Latrobe Valley Mine Rehabilitation Commissioner - Traralgon Leica Biosystems - Mount Waverley Life of Bikes - Pakenham Lifetime Custom Furniture - Dandenong South Lloyd Street Tyre & Auto Service - Moe Longwarry Pre-School - Longwarry Longwarry Primary School - Longwarry Loose Wire auto electrical - Warragul M & C Wilson - Drouin West M.C.G. Print - Bayswater North Malady Electrical - Warragul Mallit Solutions - Drouin Marcel Veens Agriculture Advisor - Pomona Marshall Machinery Maintenance - Warragul McFarlane Criminal Lawyers - Warragul Melbourne Centre for Nanofabrication - Clayton Middels Restaurant - Drouin Mikes Auto Electrics - Dandenona Millhaven Lodge - Pakenham Miss Franky's - Garfield Monash Health Dandenong Hospital - Dandenong Moorooduc Primary School - Moorooduc Morrow Painting - Warragul MPH Farming P/L - Labertouche Musclefit Gym - Pakenham N.R. McLeish - Drouin Need to Read - Warragul Nunawading Basketball Stadium - Burwood East Oak Street Kindergarten - Drouin On Track Electrical - Warragul P & K Visser Fencing - Pakenham Pakenham Kindergarten - Pakenham Pakenham Produce & Saddlery - Pakenham Palmwell Plumbing - Pakenham Panarama Ridge P/L - Bunyip Platinum Style - Warragul Poowong Consolidated Primary School - Poowong Poowong Pre School - Poowong PPH Electrical - Pakenham Prefab Wall Pty Ltd - Pakenham

Railway Hotel - Warragul Riley Renovations - Drouin Roger Manson Panels - Drouin Royal Hotel Drouin - Drouin Ryders Horse Tours - Labertouche S J Wilson Construction - Drouin Sanity (Pakenham) - Pakenham Select Office Supplies - Warragul Shanes Plumbing & Excavations - Pakenham Shanikas - Berwick Simonds Homes - Traralgon Soul Sisters Café - Longwarry Sparrow Early Learning Centre - Drouin Steam & Riddles - Drouin Struktur Hair - Warragul Stuart Horsburgh - Garfield Sure Constructions - Warragul Target Country - Warragul Teriki Plumbing - Garfield That Vegan Hairdresser - Drouin The Cutting Lounge - Warragul The Farmers Market Café - Nar Nar Goon The Groovy Grooming Van - Warragul The Meating Place - Longwarry The Professional Blind Company - Drouin The Red Gate Christian Ministries - Longwarry The Riding Success Institute - Garfield The Stihl Shop - Drouin The Summit Adventure Camp - Trafalgar The Willow Branch - Drouin Timothy James Fitzpatrick - Moe Traralgon Automotive Group - Traralgon Trevor Wheeler Carpentry - Tynong Tristan Kerr Bricklaying - Garfield True Blue Electrics - Pakenham True Care Home Maintenance - Drouin Tydees Hairdressing - Pakenham Tyler Frizt Electrical - Bunyip Tymensen Building Services - Iona Unique Hair Design - Drouin Vinnies Pakenham - Pakenham Voyage Fitness (Warragul) - Warragul W & J Miller - Warragul W. W. Allan & C. C. Hardy - Matthews -Warraaul Warragul Fuel Injection & Diesel Service P/L - Warragul Warragul Gazette - Warragul Waterford Rise Early Learning Centre -West Gippsland Auto Elec - Pakenham West Gippsland Regional Library Corporation - Warragul Wildlife Coast Cruises - Cowes Wilkin Contracting - Seville Wilson & Lotton - Warragul Woolworths Drouin - Drouin YGP Grain and Hardware Pty Ltd - Warragul

R & LJ Stephens - Poowong North

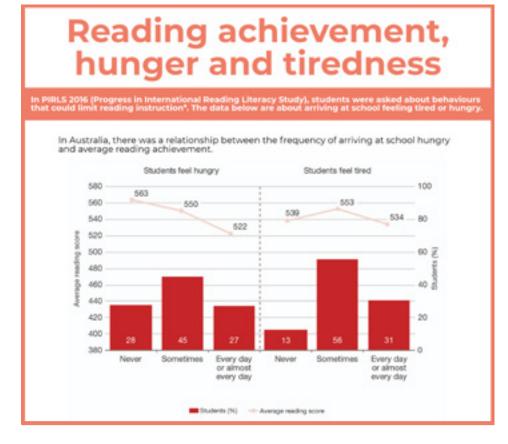


### THE IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP & HEALTHY EATING

A good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast and lunch helps students concentrate at school.

Concentration in turn leads to improved learning.

The graph shows the significant impact that hunger and tiredness have on reading achievement.



#### Source:

ACER. (July 2018) 'Infographic: Reading achievement, hunger and tiredness', Teacher infographic.

# Year 7 Reading & Literacy

As a part of the Accelerated Reader Program for Year 7 students, the DSCN celebrates the reading achievement of students.

Year 7 students have read over four million words from 22 June to 22 July, with the following students successfully completing quizzes:

Lucas Anderson, Tahlia Andrews, Teagan Arthur (2), Connor Bennett, Axle Bern, Nicholas Bourke (2), Mikayla Bremner, Harry Brown (2), Dakota Cobbledick, Jack Cook, Ella Craig (5), Toby Cramer, Rylee Craven, Jazmyn Dalzell (2), Mackenzie Day (4), Oliver Dennis, Holly Easton, Jordan Farrell (2), Henry Ferguson, Forest Firth, Brodey Fitzgerald, Kayla

Frazer (5), Lachlan Hawkes, Angel Leeman, Chase Lewis, Jake MacLeod, Jackson McEwan (2), Harrison Mills (3), Ashden Milner, Miranda Mollison (6), Zachary Moore, Kairi Morton, Hamish Murray, Jasim Najam, Elijah Nicholas, Dean Nikua, Silvia Nunez-Watts, Jemma Pengelly-Hinchcliffe (4), Logan Perry (4), Emily Roberts, Jack Roberts, Tameka Schroen, Tyler Scriven (2), Jesse Smith, Isabella Trenerry (4), William Trott, Rachael Turner (3), Jake Van Den Berghe, Avril Voumard, Bella Walmsley, James Ward (2), Alex Young, William Young

A good way to support students' achievement in reading is to ensure your child gets a good night's sleep and has healthy meals. This aids concentration and memory.

For the Accelerated Reader Program, the target for each semester is to read **at least three books** and successfully complete quizzes on each. Progress can be tracked at https://auhosted1.renlearn.com.au/1458054 using the student's username and password for Moodle.

Thank you for supporting your child's reading.



# Country Bus Travel

### Notice to all Parents and Students

Country buses (this does not include in town bus services) are provided as a free service to eligible students for the **sole purpose** of providing transport between home and school.

Casual travel in the past has caused overcrowding on some buses which creates serious concerns with respect to safety. This year most buses are already running to their capacity so seating is not available.

In accord with Department of Education and Training and
Department of Infrastructure guidelines, no bus passes will
be issued for any reason other than to facilitate short
term emergency housing.

We understand this may cause inconvenience however, in the best interests of student safety, we must follow Department guidelines as closely as possible.

Maureen Hickman Transport Coordinator, Drouin Secondary College



## Parent's Guide to Online Safety

For many young people their online life is an important part of their social identity. They can't just "switch it off". As a parent you can help your child and encourage them to take control of their on-line safety.

The Federal Government's Office of eSafety Commissioner hopes to encourage young people to act responsibly on-line – just as they would offline. Their website has lots of amazing support for both young people & parents. We suggest you explore what they have to offer – maybe start with their *Parents Guide to Online Safety.* 

https://www.esafety.gov.au/ parents/online-safety-guide



# VCE MUSIC

# - Combined Holiday Workshop

On Thursday 11th July, during school holidays, the VCE Music students (and other DSC advanced musicians) participated in a whole day combined schools workshop.

This workshop was initiated by Ben Smith, the music coordinator at Trafalgar High School. Staff attending included myself, Pete (DSC and Trafalgar HS), Ben and Julie from Trafalgar High School and Jayendra from Warragul Regional College.

Students arrived at 9am, undertook revision on written analysis "expressive outcomes" and interpretive skills and then formed groups to create new interpretations

of standards. The whole day workshop culminated in a performance to parents, which was well received and the day concluded at 8pm.

An excellent day of fun and learning was had by the Drouin VCE music students, whose excellent behaviour and work ethic was noted by other staff.

Yolette Stewart
VCE Music Teacher



# YEAR 7 SCIENCE - Abby Dix

Abby has taken her studies of Earth and Space in Year 7 to the next level spending time over her holidays using the knowledge she gained to craft a model of the solar system.

She described her fascination with the topic learnt during Year 7 Science, "The reason I made this is because when we were learning about space and the solar system I was really fascinated about how it all works and throughout the holidays I would look at the Sun and the Moon in the sky and I would think about how far away it is but how close it really looked."



# Central Australia Tour 2019

This year, 44 students and 4 staff headed off for the annual Year 11 Central Australia Tour.

**Day 1:** We all arrived at school at 5am on Sunday 23rd June, to head off on our outback adventure. After a long day on the bus, we finally arrived at Renmark, some of us only just making it there. Everyone was eager to get off the bus and set up the tents.

Day 2: The day started with a brisk minus seven degrees! Too cold for most of us! Then a delicious breakfast and another full day's bus travel on our way to Wilpena Pound, stopping off at Burra for morning tea and Pekina for lunch. We set up our tents and enjoyed games around the fire before going off to bed.

**Day 3:** Yay! No bus travel today, but we went hiking on the St Mary Peak trail. It was an eventful day with a lost phone that wasn't really lost, a hurt knee, plenty of huge blisters and a few grumpy moments. Huge day of walking all round!

**Day 4:** Up early again and back on the bus for another long day, we headed for Coober Pedy, via Port Augusta and Woomera, arriving as the sun set across the stony desert. We toured the town and visited Umoona's original opal mine. We spent the night underground in a bunkhouse living like some of the locals do. It was a warm and cosy night.

**Day 5:** More bus travel as we make our way to Uluru. We stopped at the South Australia/Northern Territory border so Mrs Allen could take yet another photo. We enjoyed our afternoon at Sunset Strip, watching the ever changing colours of Uluru as the sun set on Day 5.

**Day 6:** Today we got up early to watch the sunrise over Uluru, and the red in the rock come to life. We toured around Uluru-Kata Tjuta cultural centre. We did a lap of Uluru whist listening to "Raining On The Rock" by John Williamson - thanks for getting that stuck in our heads Leonard (our trusty bus driver). Up close and personal, we explored indigenous rock paintings and marveled at the size of the massive rock.

**Day 7:** We took a stroll in the Valley of the Winds at Kata Tjuta. Quickly setting up camp at Kings Creek Station, we then headed off to Kings Canyon to complete the rim walk. Most campers enjoyed spectacular views from the top.

**Day 8:** Our adventure continues as we make our way towards Alice Springs. We stopped off on the way to have a camel ride. An experience that most of the campers enjoyed. In Alice Springs, once we had our tents set up, we got to have some retail therapy. Mainly stocking up on food - especially lollies. That night, we celebrated Andy's birthday.

Day 9: We enjoyed our morning exploring Alice Springs
Desert Park. The group attended a birds of prey show,
where we witnessed birds in free flight. Then we made our
way by bus to Simpsons Gap and Standley Chasm, huge
natural rock formations. Just out of town we visited the Old
Telegraph Station, learning the history of the station and the
town. More time for shopping this afternoon before enjoying
the outstanding sunset from Anzac Hill.

**Day 10:** We headed to Alice Springs Airport for our long journey home to Drouin. After saying goodbye to our wonderful bus driver, Leonard and our amazing cook, Pete. Everyone, exhausted and looking forward to their own beds, got on the plane to depart to Melbourne. Arriving back at DSC at 6:30pm we dragged ourselves and our bags off the bus and all went home for a good sleep.

Huge thanks to Balfour Coaches, our driver Leonard and our cook Pete. Thanks to Mr Axford, Mrs Allen, Mr Russell and Melissa for taking all 44 of us out on this outback adventure. We would highly recommend it for next year's Year 11s.

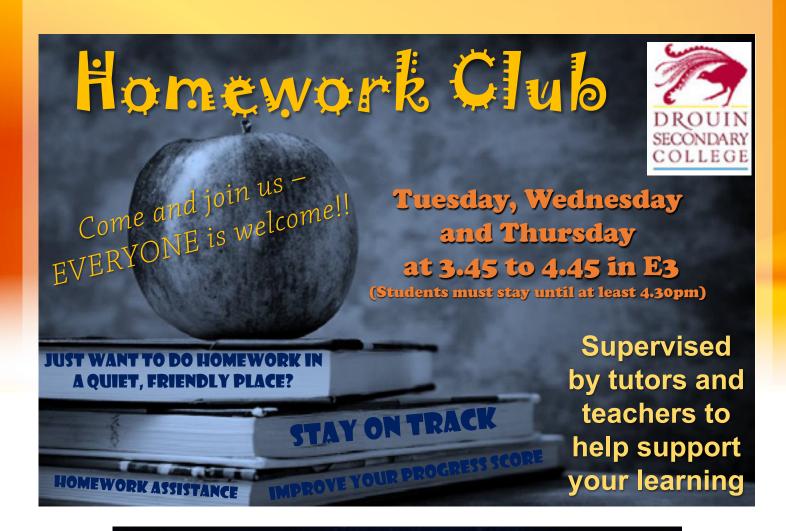
By Ruby Kelly

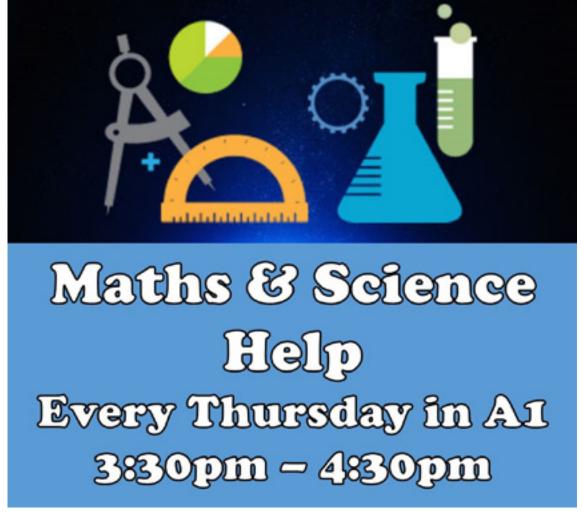












# FOOD STUDIES NEWS

A new semester has begun, which means 9 new classes of students completing Food subjects, as well as our continuing Year 11 VCE, VCAL and Hospitality students. We are committed to reducing our waste in our kitchens, so please remember to have a clean container each week to take food home in. ARCC awards are given each time you remember.

As course selection is coming up, don't forget to consider one of our Food Studies classes for 2020. Cooking is a skill for life and each of our subjects, all the way through to the end of Year 12, help prepare you for this. Feel free to come and see us to have a chat about what we do at Course Selection Evening on Thursday 8th August.



## NAPLAN 500

Congratulations to all Year 7 and 9 students who participated in NAPLAN this year and our staff administrators, IT and everyone who pitched in to make the time run smoothly. In a school our size there is a lot of planning and organizing.

After being one of the first schools to complete NAPLAN online in 2018, Drouin Secondary College again used the online platform for NAPLAN in 2019. Most students enjoy the online tests which are more interesting, able to adjust to the level at which the student is working, and have many items such as a calculator and ruler built in. Our students were organised and worked to the best of their ability. We are eagerly awaiting their results.

In the lead up to NAPLAN, Drouin Secondary College conducts an online competition which we call NAPLAN 500. Students can get their brains working ahead of the testing days. Students who completed the 100, 250 and 500 level questions had their name placed into a hat in the hope of winning a voucher.

### The winners were...

NAPLAN 500 - Jacinta Susac Year 9



Above: NAPLAN 250 - Ellie Moore Year 9 (with Curriculum Leader Mrs Daldry)



Left: NAPLAN 100 - Emily Jans Year 7 (with friend Amelia Morrison)

# Out and About with Leos...

Over the last few months Drouin Secondary College Leos have been very busy representing the Club at Lions Club Dinners, helping out at the Longwarry Food Relief, visiting Baptcare - Amberlea Aged Care, setting up at Snowfest in Warragul, running the Free Dress day for the College with a Bake Sale and running a Bunnings BBQ on a Saturday.

The Club has 33 members from last semester (8HOL and Senior Leos) and an additional 20 will join the club from the Duke of Edinburgh class. The club is very active in the community and we are often sought to help set up and run events. The recent activities have raised \$1000 to donate to Ward 17 PTSD at the Austin Hospital and \$2000 for the Longwarry Food Relief Fund. Students and families have been amazing offering help, food and time to support different fundraisers. Upcoming events include Daffodil Day, visits to Amberlea and Longwarry Food Relief, Clean Up Drouin Day and the Lions Club Garden Expo in October.

Any student can join the club and help out in the community, making the world a better place. Well done Leos.

### Gita Walker (Leo Coordinator)









### **School Attendance** Did you know?



Your child's attendance is on or above 95%
They are likely to be a "Star Performer" as well as an excellent attendee. They will almost certainly achieve the best grades for their ability and have real opportunity in further education and the world of work.



#### Your child's attendance is 90 - 94%.

"Green for go" for good attendance. They are likely to achieve grades that will give them real opportunities for continuing their studies and their future in the world of work.



#### Your child's attendance is at 85 - 89%

"Amber Take Care!" They will be missing up to 20 days each year and this will make it difficult for them to achieve at their best level educationally.



#### Your child's attendance is 80-85 %

"Red light - Be alert!" They are missing so much school that it will be very difficult for them to keep in touch with lessons or schoolwork.



#### Your child's attendance is below 80%

"At Risk - immediate action needed!" They are missing so much time from school that it will be almost impossible for them to keep in touch with lessons or schoolwork.







#### STUDENT GYM CARD PASS

\$65 for two months Must be between 16-18 years and provide a student card to be eligible

### **FREE 2 CARD PASSES**

(avail from bernie walsh)

### **MARTIAL ARTS SESSION AND FITNESS CLASS VALUED @ \$32**

to students 16yrs and over Arrive 10 mins prior to session to sign paperwork, T&C's apply

> 45 Main South Road, Drouin Phone: 5625 2857

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### **BUNYIP FIRES**

### BENEFIT CONCERT

### SAT. 3 AUGUST 1PM - 4PM

**FEATURING:** 

The Dusty Millers

The Swamp Dogs &

The Maryknoll Fire Choir

Followed by a good old fashioned arvo tea!

#### The Dusty Millers & Sam Lemann

Lisa Miller, Tracey Miller & Loretta Miller

http://dustymillers.com.au/ https://www.facebook.com/TheDustyMillers/

#### The Swamp Dogs - local band

https://www.theswampdogs.rocks/ https://www.facebook.com/thaswampdogs/

The Maryknoll Fire Choir - directed by the talented

Clancye Milne Clancye Milne - Home

https://www.facebook.com/The-Maryknoll-Fire-Choir-815740385181990/

### **FUNCTION ROOM GUMBUYA WORLD**

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#### GENEROUSIY SUPPORTED BY









\$10 single \$20 Family (4)

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#### ALL PROCEEDS GO TO:

People affected by recent Bunyip State Park fires, in collaboration with the Bushfire Recovery Group, Tonimbuk

ALMOST SOLD OUT Donations can still be made via trybooking

### Olivia's Place

### LIGHTHOUSE APPEAL

Help light the way for young families in troubled waters

newborn baby's life when you felt completely overwhelmed?

overwhelmed. But we need your help to do it.

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### Daffodil Day Fundraiser Lunch - Book Now

We are having Nibbles followed by 3 course Lunch including:

Italian style mix antipasto | Homemade Italian Lasagna with side salad | Homemade Italian Tiramisu'

A Raffle will be included on the day, variety of activities, Cancer Council Merchandise will be available.

When: Sunday 18 August 2019

Where: Drouin Recreation Reserve, Sinclair St Drouin

Tickets \$50 per person

RSVP: 10th August for catering purposes - bookings are essential, | Drinks at bar prices

Booking contact: Ornella Utano Momento Magico Flowers | Phone 5625 5398 | Mobile 0411 292 637



**GLEN BROWN** 0417 339 230

### **COLLEGE DATES**

WEEK 4		
Monday	05/08	Fed Uni Incursion LG
		WGTTA Open Day
		Year 11 Course Selection Assembly Moondah
Tuesday	06/08	DOVE Parent Meeting 6-7pm
	07/00	SSVG Netball Senior & Inter Boys & Girls
Wednesday	07/08	STEM Sisters
Thursday	08/08	Semester 1 Celebration Assembly 9am
F. I	00/00	Course Selection Evening - 6pm - 9pm
Friday	09/08	Year 12 OED Mt Baw Baw
WEEK 5		
Monday	12/08	Fed Uni Incursion LG
Tuesday	13/08	8/9 PE Dojo Factory Excursion
Wednesday	14/08	Debating Team
		Gippsland Chess Competition
		College Council
Thursday	15/08	Year 12 English Incursion - CWTC
Friday	16/08	Student Free Day
WEEK 6		
Monday	19/08	State AFL Quarter & Semi Finals Senior Boys
Tuesday	20/08	8/9 PE Dojo Factory Excursion
Wednesday	21/08	Leo's District Governer Dinner
Thursday	22/08	Year 12 OED Skiing
	_	VCAL Numeracy ATO Visit
Friday	23/08	Senior Leo's Daffodil Day
		Year 8 Aboriginal For a Day Year 9 First Aid
WEEK 7		icai / Filai / Na
Sunday	25/08	Japanese Speech Contest
Monday	26/08	Year 10 The Pitch Excursion
Tuesday	27/08	8/9 PE Dojo Factory Excursion
,		Year 10 The Pitch Excursion
Thursday	29/08	Science in a Suitcase
		Year 12 Ag Excursion
Friday	30/08	Year 11 Formal
		Year 9 Japanese Restaurant Excursion

WEEK 8		
Monday	02/09	Multicultural Week Starts
		Year 12 OED Snow Shoeing
Tuesday	03/09	Holocaust Museum Excursion
Thursday	05/09	Year 7 Immunisations
Friday	06/09	8H RSPCA Excursion
		Multicultural Week Concludes
WEEK 8		
Sunday	08/09	VCE HTAV Student Lecture
Monday	09/09	2020 College Captain Election Assembly
Tuesday	10/09	STEM Sisters
Thursday	12/09	College Council 7.30pm
WEEK 9		
Monday	16/09	Year 9 Outdoor Ed Camp Departs
Thursday	19/09	Last day for VCAL formal classes
		Parent Teacher Student Meeting
		Evening
		Year 9 Outdoor Ed Camp returns
Friday	20/09	Practice English Exam
		Parent Teacher Student Meetings
		Last Day of Term 3
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Monday	07/10	First Day of Term 4

### **DATE REMINDERS**

Course Selection Evening
Thursday 8 August - 6pm - 9pm

Student Free Day
Friday 16 August
(Please note: School buses will
not run on this day.)

### **2019 TERM DATES**

Term 3: 15 July to 20 September 2019
Term 4: 7 October to 20 December 2019

**Uniform Shop Normal Trading Hours** 

Thursdays – 10am – 6pm

The first Saturday of each month – 9.30am – 12.30pm

Contact Hours: 8.15am – 4.30pm

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