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We acknowledge and pay respect to the peoples of the Yorta Yorta Nation, including the eight clan groups, as the traditional and ongoing custodians of the land on which we gather today and we recognise that it continues to be sacred to them. We Hail them: As guardians of the earth and of all things that grow and breed in the soil; As trustees of the waters – the seas, the streams and rivers, the ponds and the lakes and the rich variety of life in those waters.

Commitment to Child Safety

Sacred Heart College Yarrawonga is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students at the College.

As a Catholic school, we are entrusted with the holistic education of the child, in partnership with parents, guardians and caregivers who are the primary educators of their children. Sacred Heart College will implement the Child Safe Standards to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students at the College and promote an organisational culture that manages the risk of child abuse and neglect.

Child Safe Standards

All schools in Australia are mandated to comply with the eight Child Safe Standards.

The standards are in place to keep your children safe. In order for us at Sacred Heart College to comply, it is imperative that we know who is on site between 8.30am and 3:30pm, the reason for their visit and how long they will be on site for. As such, any visitor to our school (including parents, volunteers and trades people), must enter via the front Administration Office and sign in and cannot simply enter any of the learning areas before doing so. Please do not be offended if a staff member asks you the reason for your visit or if you have signed in. This is for the safety of all children. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the College.

Prayer

Thank you, Lord, for all of your blessings in my life. Thank you for surrounding me with wonderful friends, family members and neighbors. Thank you for giving us the gift of your beautiful world and all the skies, mountains and lakes. Thank you for the thrill of celebrations and the enrichment of music. Thank you for all of the animals and creatures that you made. Thank you for giving us the promise of eternity and everlasting life. When I am down or depressed, please remind me of all of the many reasons why I should be thankful and guide my spirit toward your happiness.

Amen

From the Principal Mr Lew Nagle

Enrolment Period

The 2022 enrolment period is well underway. The College has conducted five tours in the last three weeks which have been well subscribed by families. The tours visited classes around the College looking at students undertaking their elective rotations, bike education, VET Health classes and working in the garden. Enrolment forms for Year 7 are due to be returned on Friday June 4 and interviews will commence from Monday June 7. Families were very interested in the new library and administration building which is taking shape as can be seen in the photos below.



Parent Teacher Interviews

Interviews were conducted last Thursday, May 20 at the College from 12-6pm. It was great to welcome parents back to the College to check in on the progress of their child face to face. The interviews were well attended and thank you to everyone for following the procedures that were put in place to conduct the interviews safely.

Successful City Camp

Well done to all of our Year 11 students and staff on a fantastic urban camp in inner Melbourne recently. The students had a great time visiting key landmarks, building sites and university as well as participating in the Amazing Race which involved students navigating their way around the city. Thanks to Mr Geary for his organization of the camp and Mr Byrne and Miss James for assisting. Please read the attached full report from Mia McCully.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Baxter Droop on winning the A Grade Club Championship at the Yarrowonga Mulwala Golf Club by two shots from Jay-Ar Martin. Baxter set up his win with a magnificent 70 off the stick in the opening round which was played in terribly windy conditions. We wish Baxter all the best as he starts his career as a trainee in the golf industry.

Interschool Online Chess Tournament

Last week we had two teams compete in an online Interschool Chess tournament hosted by Gippsland Grammar school. The competition was like what we would normally find at a State Titles, and needless to say, it was tough!

12 teams from all over Victoria competed on the day. Each person played seven games scoring one point for a win, half for a draw and zero for a loss. Harry Trewin was our top ranking player and scored 5.5 out of seven possible points. Our senior team finished 4th with 18.5 points (the winning school scored 22.5 points). The junior team came a very credible 8th with 14 points.

Congratulations to all of the students who had a go, even when their opponent was ranked two times higher and when a slip of the mouse pad can be a fatal move!

Cooper Ridley was the top performing student in the junior team with 4.5 points!!

Full results for each player, every round and final standings can be found here:

<https://tornelo.com/chess/orgs/ku/events/gippsland-interschool--2/summary>



Parent Teacher Interviews

It was great to see so many students and parents attend the interviews held last Thursday the 20th of May and engage in productive conversations about student learning and progress and achievements and learning goals. Please note that parents at any stage can contact their child's Learning Advisor if they have any questions or concerns about their learning progress. If you would like to provide feedback on the format of the Parent Teacher interview day please contact me at the College.

Fleur Linehan

Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching

Science in the Great Outdoors

This year's Mercy Value, "Care for our common home," is easy to relate to RE, but the same can be said about our Science Curriculum. In the last few weeks, our students have spent some time outdoors studying the importance of our ecosystems.

Year 9 Science – Chinaman's Island

The Year 9 Science classes went on an excursion to Chinaman's Island to learn about the interactions between living and non-living things in our local environment. They collected a lot of evidence, including photographs and soil and water samples, to help them explain the importance of the relationships they discovered. Through this unit, we have also discussed the influence natural disasters and human actions have on our natural world with the hopeful intention of creating informed and responsible citizens.



Unit 1 Biology – Winton Wetlands Excursion

As part of their Unit 1 Biology classes, students visited the Winton Wetlands, near Benalla, to spend time with a senior restorative ecologist and conducted fieldwork in one of the



southern hemisphere's largest ephemeral ecosystems. During the experience, the budding biologists collected field data, using transect lines, quadrat sampling, and evaluated physical and chemical water quality. The purpose of the trip was to learn about the importance of interrelationships in our ecosystem and how species adapt to a changing environment. It is important that the wetlands be restored, and students learned about the projects and techniques ecologists are using to return the wetlands to natural balance after decades of being used as a water storage area, formerly known as Lake Mokoan.



Sacred Heart College Student Pathways

Over the past few years Sacred Heart College has had great success in partnering with local businesses in providing students with opportunities to attend work placements as part of their VCE / VET / VCAL pathway.

As a result, the College has assisted in facilitating employment opportunities to many of our students as an exit strategy to their formal schooling. This has included full time employment, traineeships and apprenticeships.

Over the past few years many of our students have undertaken a variety of Traineeships, School Based Apprenticeships, TAFE courses or weekly work placements in various industries as part of their schooling.

Below is a list of some of these, which could not be possible without the ongoing support of many local businesses for which the College is grateful.

| Industry | Business |
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| Automotive - Mechanic and Diesel | Toyota, Pigdons, Judd & Sons, MTA, Yarrawonga Brake & Clutch |
| Plumbing | AXT, Coulters, Kennedys |
| Electrical | B.E.C, Purtle Electrics |
| Carpentry | Kennedys, YMH, Atwood Builders, Hadar Homes |
| Welding and Fabricating | STI Engineering |
| Fitness | Focus Gym |
| Floristry | Blooms of Yarrawonga |
| Retail & Hospitality | Yarrawonga Bakery, Smoko Shed |
| Nursing | Woods Point |
| Education | Sacred Heart Primary |

Below are some photos of our 2021 students at their work placements.

Luke Phillips doing welding and fabrication at STI Engineering



Lachlan Bray doing carpentry at Attwood Builders



Max Saxton taking a PE class at Sacred Heart Primary



Ben Rainey doing electrical at BEC Electrical



Oscar Elliott doing plumbing at AXT Plumbing



Beau Cummins as a diesel mechanic at Judd & Sons

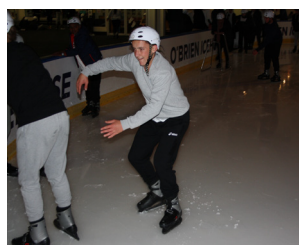


Year 11 CBD Camp

Year 11s started their Melbourne CBD Camp experience bright and early on Wednesday the 12th of May at 6:30am, loading on the bus, excited for the coming days. When we hit the big city our first stop was the University of Melbourne where we were welcomed by past Sacred Heart students, Jack Kennedy, Alex Byrne and Maddi McInness who are currently studying there. We then had the opportunity to tour around the Campus and get a glimpse of how life may look following our time at school in the coming years. For those not interested in attending university, they had the chance to visit one of Melbourne's many large scale construction sites to gain insight into possible career options. We then visited our accommodation at CYC on Collins Street where we settled in before our next adventure. We then split off into two groups led by Mr Geary and Miss James and Mr Byrne and Mrs Kris Geary as we paid a visit to the Big Issue Classroom where we learnt that a large percentage of Australians are sleeping rough and do not have access to many of the things we take for granted, which was a real eye opener. Within the classroom we completed activities and heard from people who have experienced homelessness and received help from the people at the Big Issue. After this, we were free to roam the city and trial some public transport that we don't have back home before meeting back at the accommodation where burgers and chips were served up for dinner. That evening, we walked to Crown Metropol and played arcade games, laser tag and ten pin bowling where Mr Byrne came out on top. The next day, we woke up bright and early and had bacon and eggs for breakfast. We walked to Federation Square and met the Great Race staff who let us roam free around the city, completing a number of tasks to earn points in groups of six. The challenges included being proposed to on a tram, eating Tim Tams and Vegemite, doing the Nut Bush at Flinders Street Station and even taking a trip to Chinatown to eat anchovies. Some teams even returned sporting temporary face tattoos after opening the secret challenge in an attempt to come out on top. Teams were left disappointed when "The Barbz" (Liam, Jess, Jess, Joel, Riley and Bella) took home the victory sporting the green and blue great race medals. We went shopping after the 'Great Race', spending up big in the city.

That night, we treated ourselves to souvlaki and chips at Stalactites on Lonsdale. Our waiter was an actual magician, the owner, who could carry 35 plates on one arm. We went ice skating after dinner where a range of skills were on display. Ethan Lay was voted most improved, Steph was the most injury prone, Jyda was only able to stay upright with the help of a skating frame and Harry was easily the fastest of the group. It had been a huge couple of days. Before heading home on Friday morning we were split into two groups, where some chose to spend some more cash at the Queen Victoria Market, splurging on coffee, jewellery, oversized jumpers and hotdogs. The other group was busy doing backflips, front flips and everything in between at Bounce, Essendon Fields.

Overall, as a year level we had so much fun and grew closer together. A big thank you to Mr Geary for organising and Mr Byrne, Miss James and Mrs Geary who all came along to help.





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KEY DATES



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| Wed 26th May | O & M Girls AFL and O & M Junior Boys AFL |
| Friday 28th May | Live4Life Year 8 Year 11 Biology Winton Wetlands excursion |
| Mon 31st May to Friday 4th June | Unit 1 VCE/VET Exams |
| Tuesday 1st June | Live4Life Year 8 |
| Thursday 3rd, Friday 4th June | Year 10 Unit 1 exams O & M Cross Country |
| Friday 4th June | Live4Life Year 8 |
| Wednesday 9th June | GAT exam |
| Monday 14th June | Queen's Birthday holiday |
| Wednesday 16th June | Hume Cross Country |
| Tuesday 22nd June | O & M Junior Sports Day |
| Thursday 24th June | O & M Senior Sports Day |
| Friday 25th June | Sacred Heart Day Mass End of Term 2 |
| Monday 12th July | Term 3 begins |
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Peer Support Group

Parents and carers of children aged 0-6 living with developmental concerns

- Meet and talk to other parents and carers, in a supportive environment
 - Get together to have a cuppa and a chat
 - Meet new people
- Support and exchange ideas with others

When: 10.30am- 11.30am every second Tuesday
(from July 13, 2021)

Where: Country Women's Assoc. Yarrawonga & Border Branch
21 Hovell St, Yarrawonga

*Please note: this group will not run during school holidays

Please contact us if you are planning to bring along little ones so we can make sure there are toys and books available.

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