



Semper Fidelis

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On the cover:
Graduating class of 2023

From the Principal



Graduation and Valedictory Dinner

The Graduation Mass and Valedictory Dinner was held on Thursday 17th December, commencing at 5pm with Mass. We were very grateful to Father Michael who presided over Mass and gave a great homily about having a go, not giving up and following your dreams. We also welcomed Executive Director of Catholic Education Sandhurst, Mr Paul Desmond, who joined us for this important event.

Paul, who is in the final weeks of his nine year tenure, was very complimentary towards our student leaders who played a prominent role on the evening. We wish our graduates all the best as they embark on the next stage of their journey. Many of our students have early entry for numerous courses and this reflected their dedication over the past two years. All of our applied learners have pathways into further education or employment.

Headstart Commences

On Tuesday, November the 21st, the College rolled over all classes onto the 2024 timetable. The Headstart program has commenced in a positive fashion with students getting a step up on their learning programs for next year. The program will run until the last day of school which is Friday, 8th of December. This has been a considerable undertaking for the College. I would like to thank the hard work of the timetable team consisting of Fleur Linehan, Karen Kaine, Ashley Wheaton and Jenny Loughnan for their hard work in having the timetable ready to allow Headstart to commence effectively. Reports for Semester 2 assessment are being collated and will be distributed once they have been checked.

Organisation for last day of Term

The last day of term for students is this Friday, the 8th of December. Students are asked to wear full college uniform on this day as we will be celebrating our end of year Mass in the Multi Purpose Building commencing at 10am. Our awards ceremony will follow directly after Mass. All families are invited to attend our final formal ceremony of the year and I would once again like to pass on our gratitude to the many clubs and associations that continue to generously support the College. Their ongoing support is greatly appreciated.

Following the award ceremonies there will be a full school dance practice. Students will be dismissed at 1.30pm at the beginning of lunch. Students who are travelling by bus or need to stay until the end of the day are asked to report to the library for period 5.

Lew Nagle



*A Short Christmas Blessing
May the blessing of joy abide within you;
May the blessing of peace rest upon you;
May the blessing of love flow out through you;
May all the blessings of the Lord be yours
at Christmas and in the new year.*



NEWSLETTER CHRISTMAS EDITION

Students have been practicing and learning several dances over the past 3 weeks for the upcoming annual end-of-year dance. Margie Duncan and I have been enjoying seeing all the students pick up the dance steps quickly and having fun with their peers. Students have learnt the following progressive dances and are now at the stage of fine-tuning these: Barn Dance, Glengarry, Pride Of Erin, Evening 3 Step, Heel and Toe, Mambo and Samba.

Pictured right: Lenny and Keira



Learning and Teaching

The College again has a subscription for our Year 11 and 12 students to Edrolo which students began accessing for their 2024 studies during Head Start.

What is Edrolo?

Edrolo is a comprehensive, online, interactive video and exam simulation resource for Year 11 and 12 students. It is an incredibly valuable tool for our VCE students.

How do our students and teachers use Edrolo?

We use Edrolo as a teaching and learning tool to further enhance what our teachers and students are doing day-to-day.

Our teachers direct and guide students to use of Edrolo in a range of ways across the year, including:

- holiday homework;
- pre-class work;
- post-class consolidation;
- assessment preparation; and
- exam revision.

Parents and guardians can find out more by going to: <https://edrolo.com.au/parents/>

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the College.



Fleur Linehan

Deputy Principal Learning and Professional Practice

**Grade 6 Orientation Day:
Tuesday 12th December See attached
details.**

Canteen
The canteen will remain open on
Friday for Recess and the first
half of lunch with limited
options available.

Sacred Heart College will close for the holidays on Wednesday the 20th December.

The office will reopen on the 23rd January.

Students return to school on:

Year 7: Wednesday 31st January - First day back and Day 1 of camp

Year 11 and 12: Wednesday 31st January 2024

Year 8, 9 and 10: Thursday 1st February



Parish Mass Times

Mass times (Yarrawonga & Cobram)

Upon Fr Junjun's arrival in our parish, he will also be looking after Cobram Parish.

Thus, this means there would be adjustments in our mass times. Upon Fr Junjun's conversation with some of our parishioners as well as with Fr John and few parishioners in Cobram, these would be the Sunday mass times for both Churches.

Sacred Heart Yarrawonga

5:00 pm Saturday & 9:00 am Sunday

St Joseph's Cobram

6:30 pm Saturday & 11:00 am Sunday

As for Tungamah and for Katamatite masses, as well as weekday masses in both parishes, it will be discussed when Fr Junjun arrives officially in the parish.

A reminder to students who are missing anything including clothes, drink bottles, books, hats and lunch boxes. Please check the Lost Property box before Friday. Any items that are not claimed will be donated to St Yinnies.

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iVET Schools Excellence Awards 2023

This year I am pleased to announce Reese Sanderson has been selected as one of eight deserving winners from across the country in the iVET Schools Excellence Awards. As a teacher, I nominated Reese for this award for her commitment to her studies, positive placement feedback from industry professionals as well as her can-do attitude. Reese's nomination required a student application;

I believe I'm a deserving candidate for this excellence award, having consistently demonstrated exceptional dedication and time management between year eleven studies, university coursework, my role as a Personal Care Assistant, and my commitment to playing netball at my local club. My ultimate goal is to positively impact people's lives through a career in paramedicine and nursing.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish all graduates 12 of Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance and Certificate III in Health Services every success in the future.

Jordynn

Allied Health



Final Day Reminders: Friday, 8th December

Parents are invited to join SHCY staff and students for the Whole school Mass and Awards Ceremony at 10am. Students are required to attend in full uniform.

Canteen will remain open during Recess and Lunch with limited options.

Students will be dismissed at 1.30pm. Supervision will be provided for bus travellers. Buses will run at normal times.

SHCY Formal will take place in the MPB from 6pm to 9pm. Parents will be required to pick up their child at the conclusion of the event and ensure all relevant permissions are updated on PAM.

SPORTS ROUND UP

The last few weeks have seen some great success with four Year 7 boys heading down to MSAC in Melbourne to compete in the State Table Tennis competition, the team consisting of, Theo, Harrison, Tyler, and Jackson. They competed well all day, having the best time against larger schools.

In other news, Year 8s have started their new Ultimate Frisbee unit, while Year 9 and 10s begin their Volleyball units.

We are so excited and cant wait for the Swimming and Athletics Carnivals which will be held in Term 1.

Stay safe and happy holidays, everyone!!



Staff vs
Students
Volleyball
and the
Table Tennis
Team

