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Why the Pope is Important for Catholics

Prayer

Faithful God,

You guide us on the path of life and your goodness is our constant companion.

Be with our new Shepherd, Pope Leo XIV,

in his service of the Church. Fill him with the power of your Spirit, the peace of your presence and the compassion of Christ. May he walk with you, in wisdom and humility, and lead us, together with all God's people,

to embody your love for the world.

It has been an exciting time recently for the worldwide Catholic Church. The election by the Cardinals of a new Pope has been the cause of much joy. Pope Leo XIV is the second Pope – after Pope Francis – from the Americas. Unlike Jorge Mario Bergoglio, however, the 69-year-old Robert Francis Prevost is from the northern part of the continent, though he spent many years as a missionary in Peru before being elected head of the Augustinians (an order of Catholic priests) for two consecutive terms. In 2015, he was appointed Bishop of Chiclayo in Peru by Pope Francis and in 2023 he was made a cardinal. Like Pope Francis before him, Pope Leo is known to share some of the same priorities, particularly when it comes to the environment and outreach to migrants and the poor.

For Catholic students and families, the Pope is like the captain of a massive global team with over a billion members! The Pope represents a direct link to Jesus Christ through succession from the apostle of Jesus, Saint Peter, whom Jesus named as the foundation and first leader of His Church. As the Vicar of Christ and successor to Peter, the Pope serves as the ultimate earthly authority on matters of faith and morals. Catholics believe Jesus gave Peter "the keys to the kingdom of heaven"– making him the first Pope. Since then, each new Pope continues this unbroken chain connecting today's Church back to Jesus's time.

The Pope helps Catholics understand their faith by explaining important teachings. When Catholics around the world have different opinions about beliefs or practices, the Pope helps everyone stay united. He's also seen as being protected from teaching errors about faith by the Holy Spirit. Catholics believe the Pope is guided by the Holy Spirit, especially when defining doctrine, ensuring the Church maintains Christ's teachings through the centuries.

Amen.

Congratulations Father Michael

This Friday, the 23rd May, Father Michael will celebrate 50 years of priesthood, an amazing achievement. The occasion will be marked by Mass at 9.30am on Friday and an 11am Mass on Sunday. Father Michael continues to be a great servant of the parish and a great supporter of both Sacred Heart schools and we wish him all the best for this milestone celebration.





Always be responsible, always be respectful and always be your best.

Term 2 Key Dates

Wednesday 28th May Woka Wola Market Day College Tours - 12pm & 1:30pm

Monday 9th June King's Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday 17th June GAT Student Free Day

Friday 20th June Sacred Heart Feast Day

Friday 4th July End of Term

Term 3 Key Dates

Monday 21st July Students Return - Term 3

The Value of Service

We can be very proud of the 20 student leaders who assisted in the annual fundraiser "Cuppa for Cancer" that was held at the Mulwala Water Ski Club last week. The event, which is conducted annually by Friends in Common, was a tremendous success with approximately \$13,500 being raised. Our students assisted by serving morning tea and selling tickets for the very popular spinning wheel. Staff member Jane Morriss was instrumental in coordinating the cooking and icing of 300 cupcakes which were served at the event. Margie Duncan and Jordyn Elliott also assisted, organising and supporting the students as they provided great service to a very worthy cause. A big thank you to everyone involved.





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We are currently fundraising to support students attending the **Red Earth Immersion in Cape York**, where they will have the opportunity to learn about and engage with Indigenous culture and communities. This program offers valuable learning beyond the classroom and helps build understanding and respect for Australia's First Nations peoples.

To help support our participants, we are running a **raffle fundraiser**—and we'd love your support!

Tickets are just \$5 each and all proceeds go directly towards supporting students participating in the immersion.

Amazing prizes up for grabs include:

1st Prize: YMGCR Stay and Play Package – Valued at \$784
2nd Prize: \$500 Stock and Barrel (Sebel) Voucher
3rd Prize: 2 x \$100 Vouchers to Mulwala Water Ski Club
4th Prize: \$100 Dining Voucher to Yarrawonga Hotel

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our generous sponsors— Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Club Resort, The Sebel Yarrawonga, Mulwala Water Ski Club, and the Yarrawonga Hotel—for donating these incredible prizes. Your support is making a real difference in helping our students engage in this meaningful educational and cultural opportunity.

Tickets are available from the school office or through participating students.

Thank you



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The College completed the last of the house carnivals last week with the running of the Cross Country at The Common. In perfect conditions, Fatima (Red) House narrowly prevailed to win its second shield of the year.

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Next Wednesday, we have the much anticipated Year 9 Market Day which the students are very excited about.

Raffle tickets are now available for the major fundraiser for the Cape York Immersion. A big thank you to our sponsors the Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Club Resort, The Sebel, Mulwala Water Ski Club and the Yarrawonga Hotel.

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Enrolment Information

The College held its Year 7 enrolment information session last week. The presentation can be viewed by using this <u>link.</u>

Scheduled tours are running on Monday 26th of May at 11.30, Wednesday 28th May at 12pm and 1.30pm. Enrolment forms are due back to the College by Friday 20th of June.



Year 9 Students Explore Local Industry in Woka Wala Painted 2022 'This painting represents the river flowing in my county. Bull shorks are often found in my river. Our people are

'This painting represents the river flowing in my county. Bull sharks are often found in my river. Our people are looking for food like kangaroo. The circle symbolizes our campsites.'

Gooniyandi Country.



Artist: Kiara James

Girls Footy Carnival: A Day of Team Spirit, Skill and a Big Win for Our Year 8s!

Our school's girls footy teams had an incredible day out at this year's interschool footy carnival, with students from the senior, intermediate and junior levels showcasing their skills, sportsmanship and school pride. It was a day filled with action-packed games, fierce competition and unforgettable moments—and one that ended on a high note with a major victory for our junior team.

Our senior girls brought intensity and leadership to the carnival, going head-to-head with some strong opposition. Their experience on the field was clear in the way they worked together, supported one another and stayed composed under pressure. Though the scoreboard didn't always go their way, their determination and positive attitude were a standout of the day.

The intermediate team showed enormous promise, playing with real grit and heart throughout the carnival. They came together as a tight-knit group, improving with each match and challenging every team they faced. Their effort and team-first mentality did not go unnoticed.

The highlight of the carnival was undoubtedly the performance of our Year 8 girls, who were crowned champions of the junior competition! They played with skill, confidence and incredible teamwork, going undefeated through the day and finishing on top. Every player brought their best to the field and their energy and enthusiasm lifted the whole team.

Year 8 Boys Crowned Champions at Junior School Football Carnival

A massive congratulations to our Year 8 boys, who were crowned champions of the Junior School Football Carnival after an incredible display of talent, teamwork and determination. The boys went undefeated throughout the day, showing outstanding skill and spirit that made them the team to beat.

From the very first game, the team played with intensity and focus. Their pressure around the contest, clean ball movement and relentless work ethic set them apart from the competition.

A special moment in the carnival came from Darcy Fasoli, who lit up the forward line with a spectacular goal that had the crowd on their feet. It was a moment of individual brilliance that captured the excitement of the day and gave the team a huge boost in momentum.

In the midfield, Mac Hargreaves and Nick Robinson were simply dominant. Their work rate, composure and ability to win the ball in tight and then break into space gave the team control in every match. The duo consistently drove the ball forward, setting up scoring opportunities and keeping the opposition under pressure.

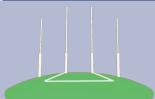
The entire team contributed to the carnival win, playing unselfish footy and supporting each other from start to finish. Their sportsmanship and the way they represented our school, both on and off the field, was just as impressive as their performance.

This championship win is a well-deserved reward for all the hard work the boys have put in and it's a clear sign of a strong future ahead for our school's football program.

Well done to the Year 8 boys-you've made us proud!

Both the Year 8 Boys and Girls Hume Football Carnival will take place in Wangaratta on Wednesday 25th June.







Congratulations to Loreto on a well-earned win and well done to every student who gave their all out on the course!

- Scarlett Kennedy, 13, Loreto House 15:48.00
 Taylor Lewis, 13, Fatima House 14:13.00
- Joc Maxted, 14, Fatima House 13:52.00 Isabel Bruce, 14, Fatima House 15:40.00
- Maya Issac, 15, Loreto House 17:10.00
- Jackson Maxted, 15, Fatima House 13:56.00
- Nikki Baston-Dow, 16, Loreto House 27:06.00
- Cameron Stephens, 16, Mercy House 17:10.00
- Kiera Freeman, 17, Fatima House 16:20.00
- Blair Strawhorn, 17, Loreto House 15:57.00
- Heleena Shaw, 18, Fatima
 House 15:14.00
 Damon Thomas, 18, Loreto

House 14:24.00

Cross Country Day 2025: A Scenic Run, Team Spirit and a One-Point Victory for Loreto!

This year's School Cross Country Day was an unforgettable mix of sunshine, spirited competition and spectacular scenery, as students laced up their runners and hit the track in one of the most anticipated events on the school calendar.

The event began at the Yarrawonga Football Club, with students gathering in house colours and full voice, ready to take on the challenging course. The route led runners through the beautiful Yarrawonga Common, offering a unique blend of bushland trails, open grasslands and sweeping lake views that made the run as enjoyable as it was competitive.

From the first age group to the final finishers, the effort on display was outstanding. Whether students were running to win, earn house points or simply to give it their best shot, the encouragement along the way and the energy at the finish line showed just how special the day was for our school community.

As the results came in and the final points were tallied, the atmosphere was electric. In what can only be described as a cross country classic, Loreto (Yellow) claimed victory over Fatima (Red) by just 1 point—a result that had students and staff on the edge of their seats.

Loreto celebrated with passion and pride, while Fatima showed immense grace and spirit in what was the closest finish in recent memory. The narrow margin was a true reflection of the fierce but friendly rivalry and the incredible efforts of students in both houses.

Beyond the competition, the day was a celebration of fitness, friendship and the great outdoors, something that made it more than just a race. A big thank you goes to the PE staff and all the volunteers who helped make the event run smoothly.









National Big Science Competition

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"In every living thing, there is something that reflects the power of evolution and the beauty of life.





Seven Year 9/10 students recently took part in the Big Science Competition, an international event open to students in Years 7 to 10. The 50-minute online challenge tested their science knowledge, critical thinking and problem-solving skills through engaging, real-world scenarios.

Congratulations to **Bailey, Sam, Tyler, Dana, Nikki, Charlotte and Zack**, we're so proud of their enthusiasm and effort in entering this competition!

Unit 1 Biology

Our Unit I Biology students have been exploring the structure and function of body systems. As part of their learning, they completed a rat dissection to observe and identify key internal organs and systems in action. This hands-on activity helped deepen their understanding of how the body's components work together. Well done to the class for their diligence in what was a unique learning experience.

Unit 1 Psychology

Unit 1 Psychology students have been exploring how the brain influences mental processes and behaviour as part of their study on brain function. To deepen their understanding of brain structures, students engaged in a hands-on activity by examining and dissecting a sheep's brain.

Careers Day

On Thursday 8th May, Year 10 students attended the Careers Day Out in Shepparton.

Students were able to meet industry experts, ask questions, participate in workshops, demonstrations and explore a career that already interested them, or open their minds to a new career path. Thank you to all the staff who made this day possible.

Ms Casey, Ms Trewarne, Ms Dodd and Ms O'More.







Homework Club

Year 7 -10 Every **Wednesday** in the Library Open from **3:10pm - 4:45pm**

STUDENTS MUST SIGN IN AND OUT

Year 10 - 12 Every Tuesday & Wednesday in the Senior Study Open from **3:10pm - 5pm**

START Building Great Habits

Homework club is a **FREE** program to help your child with their homework, catch up if they are behind or help them get ahead. Completing homework or reviewing work is an important skill.

Homework club gives students an opportunity to review, practice and develop skills. Supportive environment.

One to one or small group support.

Providing valuable guidance and tutoring from experienced educators.









YEAR 11 - TAKE ON MELBOURNE: 2025 CITY CAMP

From Wednesday 7th to Friday 9th of May, our Year 11 students embarked on an unforgettable journey to Melbourne for the annual City Camp. The three-day experience was packed with educational enrichment, personal growth and plenty of fun.

Day One began with tailored university experiences for both VCE and VCE Vocational Major students. VCE students explored life as a university student with a guided tour of the University of Melbourne, while VCE VM students visited the Victoria University City Campus to learn about a range of hands-on vocational programs.

After settling into their accommodation at CYC in Collins Street, students enjoyed a guided tour of the MCG and the Australian Sports Museum. The day concluded with a spinetingling night-time ghost tour at the historic Old Melbourne Gaol.

Day Two focused on the theme of Service. Students began with a reflective visit to the Shrine of Remembrance, contemplating the concept of Service to Country. In the afternoon, the emphasis shifted to Service to Others with a meaningful and thought-provoking visit to the Salvation Army. Students represented the school with maturity, respect and an enthusiastic willingness to engage. The excitement continued later that day with the Great Race, a high-energy competition where teams solved clues and raced to iconic Melbourne landmarks. The evening wrapped up with a fun-filled visit to a bowling alley, complete with Laser Tag and Arcade Games, offering a well-earned break

and a chance to unwind together. Day Three saw students complete the final leg of the Great Race before making their way to the Queen Victoria Market. There, they explored the many stalls and delighted in a variety of delicious treats, bringing the camp to a flavourful

close.

This year's City Urban Camp was a tremendous success, offering students a perfect balance of learning, cultural engagement and team-building adventures. It was a memorable experience that broadened horizons and strengthened connections.

I would like to offer my gratitude and thanks to our Year 11 Learning Advisors, Miss Fleur Linehan and Miss Renee Shannon for accompanying the students on their camp, along with Ms Margie Duncan from our Learning Support Team who also joined us on the trip.









Great new reads in the Library #5

Harry Styles: A graphic biography by Filippo Zambello 2025

Beautifully illustrated graphic biography focuses on the values that makes Harry so inspirational to so many people. He fearlessly showcases these strengths through his music, performances and fashion - from the Vogue cover to showing his vulnerability on stage.

On gallant wings by Helen Edwards 2025

Ava lives in Darwin with her mum and her brother, Fred. Her dad is a pilot and off fighting the war. Fred has just enlisted and because he and Ava have always bred and raced pigeons, wants to join the squadron that trains pigeons to send encoded messages. Fred is of training in Townsville when the Japanese bomb Darwin. The devastation and the internment of local Japanese families follows. Based on real events.

Wandering wild by Lynette Noni 2025

Zander Rune is a Hollywood superstar who is widely loved, until he crashes his car and is charged with drink driving. He has sullied his reputation and now the major movie producers think he is too much trouble. Charlie and Ember are best friends. Ember is Zander's biggest fan, but Charlie can't stand him as her mother was killed by a drink driver. A competition to go into the wilderness with a reality tv program sees Charlie and Zander faces very real survival challenges.

Silverborn by Jessica Townsend 2025

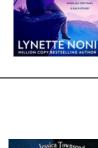
The highly anticipated fourth book in the award-winning Nevermoor series from one of Australia's best-selling and most loved authors. In the magical city of Nevermoor, long-buried secrets are coming to light, and Morrigan Crow's life is about to turn upside down. When Morrigan is invited into Nevermoor's wealthy Silver District, she

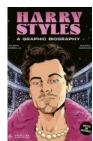
Embroiled in suspicion and danger, Morrigan leaps headfirst into a murder investigation, while also grappling with her ever-growing Wundersmith powers.

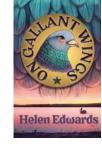
discovers a world of extravagance and a family mystery she's eager to unravel.

Visit the Library to borrow any of these books.

Discover more in the Library catalogue <u>https://library.shcy.vic.edu.au/#!dashboard</u>

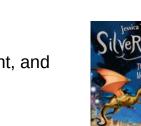












SORA sweet reads is now live and available to all students!

This year's program has more than 100 ebooks and audiobooks. Every title is free and always available – no matter how many students are reading or listening at once.

Follow this link to see the title list: https://soraapp.com/library/ceosand/campaign-sora-sweetreads-10404/titles

All titles are displayed in SORA in a special Sweet Reads curation on your Explore tab on your SORA homepage. Simply login and borrow a title to keep on your bookshelf for as long as you wish. We have also had a boost to the All-Access Comics and Magazine collection in SORA. Go to the google hamburger menu and look for the SORA icon. Offer finishes 28 th August 2025.





Student Arrivals and Early Departures

To help maintain a focused and uninterrupted learning environment, we kindly ask that parents communicate any early pickup plans with their child before the school day begins.

We understand that unexpected situations can arise. If an early pickup becomes necessary during the day, please contact the school office at your earliest convenience so we can make arrangements with minimal classroom disruption.

Additionally, if a student arrives late to school, they **must sign in at the office** before heading to class. This ensures accurate attendance and helps us keep all students safe and accounted for.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our school day run smoothly!

Monday 9th June

Reminder that Monday 9th June is a Public Holiday for the King's Birthday. Enjoy a long weekend with family and friends.

Before and after school supervision:

Please note that supervision for students commences at 8.30am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and 8.40am on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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Always be responsible, always be respectful and always be your best.

Parents or students can contact Claire on her school email to make an order and we will arrange delivery locally; claire.connell@shcy.vic.edu.au

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Practical Tips for Parents to Prepare for the Social Media Ban

With the upcoming social media ban, it's important to have conversations with your child about what this will look like, and how you can work together to the navigate the changes (we all know change can be scary!)

The below link provides practical tips for managing the transition, tips for having meaningful conversations about social media and alternative platform suggestions.

<u>Parent Handout</u>

Yarrawonga Mulwala Artist Association (YMAA) presents

EXPRESS JURSEL (Unleash your creativity and

show who you are!)

Who can enter:

 Yarrawonga College P-12 Yarrawonga Sacred Heart Primary & College Mulwala Public School

Categories:

Prep-Grade 2 Grade 3-Grade 6 Year 7-Year 9 Year 10- Year 12

Awards:

Best in Show Encouragement Awards Certificate for all participants!

Grand Opening: 3 PM, Saturday 28 June 2025

Important Dates:

Entry Form Due: 5 PM, Friday 20 June 2025 Artwork Delivery: 21-27 June 2025 Competition Runs: 28 June -12 July 2025 Artwork Collection: Sunday 13 July 2025

Entry is free

How to Enter:

Entry forms available at schools or Yarrawonga Art Gallery (26 Hovell St, Open Wed-Mon, 10 AM-3 PM)

Submit to: PO Box 97, Yarrawonga Vic, 3730 or Email: ymaa.inc@gmail.com

Or fill out the online digital entry form



Contact: Wendy 0421 593 621 Afsheen 0409 369 699

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\$20 PER ADULT \$50 PER FAMILY - FREE STUBBY HOLDER & KEYRING PRESENTATION & FREE BBQ: SUN 25TH MAY 12.00PM

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Screen Time Reset - With Pat Noonan For Parents & Teens 13th & 20th May 6pm - Yarrawonga

Understanding your child's emotions -With Brenda Spilva 3rd June 6pm - Yarrawonga

Young Men's Program - With Pat Noonan For Parents & Teens 16th & 23rd June 6pm - Yarrawonga

For more information or to secure your session please book at brendaspilva.com/wellbeinghub