



Pyramid Hill College

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Principal's News

Welcome Back

I hope everyone has had a restful and happy Easter break. There is a real buzz around the school yard at the moment as winter weekend sport has started and students are super excited and have lots to be talking about. This term will be 9 weeks in length so before we know it the term will be over.

ANZAC Day

A large number of students, families and staff were in attendance at the local ANZAC Day services at Mologa and Pyramid Hill on Tuesday. Pyramid Hill College students were given the opportunity to lay wreaths and present readings at the services. Pyramid Hill College would like to thank the community volunteers for the time and effort placed into the organisation of the ANZAC Day services.

This week students have been learning of the history and traditions behind ANZAC Day. They have enjoyed making ANZAC biscuits and creating artwork depicting the symbolism of ANZAC.



Pyramid Hill College Values

Respect:

We are respectful of self, others and the environment. (we are thoughtful of our words and actions.)

Learn:

We are learners who strive for excellence. (We challenge ourselves to do our best.)

Community:

We are community minded and embrace diversity. (We foster a sense of community and belonging for all.)

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Curriculum Days – Student Free

Please be reminded that all staff will be undertaking Berry Street training in Kerang on the Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th May. Students are not required to attend Pyramid Hill College on these dates. Year 10 students attending VET sessions on a Thursday at Charlton will still be required to attend their classes.

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Student Attitude Survey

Over the next few weeks we will be running the annual student attitude to school survey. A parent letter will be emailed out on Compass next week. If you wish to have your child opt out of doing the survey, please let me know via email.



Hapkido

We are very excited that Northern District Community Health Service will be sponsoring six free Hapkido sessions for secondary students starting on Monday 1st May. There is a maximum of twelve participants per session. If you wish to enrol your student in this activity please do so asap as places are filling fast. This is a great opportunity for students to participate in a fun after school activity and to learn a life preserving skill of self defence. Details for registration are on the advertisement below.



Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Challenge is now open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development.

- Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers.
- Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

It is not a competition; but personal challenge for children to read a set number of books **by 8 September 2023.**

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

Students, please see Mrs McKinnon to register you and to get a reading record sheet to log all the books you have read.

Year F-6 News

Workers of the Week - Last Week

Maddie Leerson: great work at the fete selling drinks.

Athena Wiltshire: great effort completing tasks.

Isabella Kunde: applying feedback to her debating speech.

Ruby Roberts: excellent holiday writing and reading.

Nevaeh Golding: great and interesting handwriting.



Classroom Cup



Congratulations to Year 2/3 on winning the Classroom Cup.

50 Reading Nights

Congratulations to the following students for Reading 50 nights.

Maddie Leerson, Libby Martin, Ruby Roberts, Lucy Scott, Hayley Simmons, Amelia Stevens, Kirk Ceballos, Tia Gould, Jasper Mutugi, Olivia Scott, Max Twigg, Athena Wiltshire, Tobias Wiltshire, Lilly Broad, Tristian Broad, Harry Broad, Xanthe Farrar, Harry Cain, Brady Gilmore, Thomas Hercott, Isabella Kunde, Sasha Lobb, Tyler Manton, Ruby Mitchell, Matt Policarpio, Elsie Poole, Kayde Roberts, Emily Watkins.



Good Friday Appeal

Thank you to those students, staff and parents who gave their time to collect for the Good Friday Appeal. We contributed to the \$2,500 that was collected by the town of Pyramid Hill. Thank you to Paul and Cathy from the Victoria Hotel for coordinating the day.

Pie Warmer

The pie warmer is back on for the next two terms so please bring your food wrapped in foil or heat proof containers with your name on them. Please put them in the basket in the BER in the morning, ready to go in the pie warmer.

Ordering food from the Café and Coffee Bank.

Just a reminder that our school follows the traffic light program so no fried food, soft drink and sugary drinks are to be ordered. The last day of each term is a free choice day.

Fete

The Fete was a huge success and I would like to thank the students, teachers and especially Mrs Cain and her band of helpers, the SRC students for the tremendous amount of time they put into this day to make it a great way to end the term. Thank you to the community for their support also.

Diaries & Reading at home

Once again this term diaries need to be brought to school each day and reading at home is completed each day as part of the homework expectations.

F-6 Bendigo Excursion

Thank you to those students who have returned their notes and money for the Bendigo Excursion. Permission forms are due back Monday 1st May 2023.

Parent/ Teacher Interviews

Thank you to those parents who came along to Parent/ Teacher interviews on Wednesday. It is great to celebrate our student's achievements and support those who need extra help. If you were unable to attend the interview, please make an appointment with your child's teacher, they are more than happy to do this.

Loddon Shire Mental Health Competition

Once again, the Foundation to year 6 students are participating in the Loddon Shire Mental Health Competition. The Year F-3 students will participate in a colour- in competition and the Year 4-5 students will construct a piece of art for the competition. For the teachers to enter the students art work parents need to sign an entry form. An entry form will be sent home in the next week, can parents please sign the form and return it to school.

Mother's Day Breakfast

Tuesday 9th May - 8.30am onwards

Head Lice

Please keep checking your children's hair and make sure that long hair is tied back - especially when at school.

HANDS ON LEARNING

A program supported by Save the Children



In the morning for HOL, we built bikes for our first task, thanks to the hard work that every one put in we completed all 8. In the afternoon, we worked on a range of tasks, some people worked on the playground benches, we had to plane the boards to make them smooth, others worked on the Neighbourhood House garden beds which included sanding and preparing to vanish the garden beds. Some worked on the chalk board for the Primary kids by sanding it smooth so that it was all level .

By Cooper



Indonesian Student Exchange

Pyramid Hill College are seeking host families for 10 Indonesian students on exchange again this year. Students will be aged between 15 and 17, years, with six girls and four boys keen to experience life as part of our community in Pyramid Hill.

Two staff members (one male, one female) will also be seeking hosts.

The exchange will take place from 29th July - 12th August 2023.

If your family are interested in hosting, please let Joy know in the office.

Year 7-10 Learning Neighbourhood

Welcome Back

We hope you had a great Easter and a restful break over the holidays. We are set for an exciting term two with many excursions, sporting events and activities happening.

NCD Cross Country (Year 7-10 students)

The NCD Cross Country will be held in St Arnaud on Friday 5th May. Expression of interest forms are in homerooms, interested students should place their name on these forms. Boys in year nine and ten will run 5km, every other age group (including girls) at the College will run 3km. Notes will be distributed shortly for those who have signed up.

Year 9/10 Snow Camp

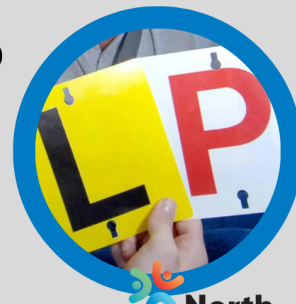
Expression of interest forms for the year nine and ten snow camp have been distributed. Thank you to the students who have returned their forms, students interested in going are encouraged to return these forms as soon as possible.

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Need help getting your P's?

The TAC L2P program helps young learner drivers (16-21) with limited access to supervising driver or vehicle to get on the road with trained mentors available to help them obtain the 120 hours necessary to get their licence.



For more information about this FREE program contact the North Central LLEN on 03 5491 1144 or email l2p@ncllen.org.au

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School Vision Statement

The Pyramid Hill College community is committed to providing an inclusive, caring and rigorous learning environment that engages our students and challenges them to reach their full potential; academically, socially, emotionally, physically and creatively.

Students are empowered to demonstrate and value knowledge and skills that will support them, as life-long learners, to participate in and contribute to a wider community. We promote a positive school culture that ensures staff, students and parents feel valued, have meaningful opportunities to contribute to the school and can effectively engage in the learning journey.