



Pyramid Hill College

Respect ● Learn ● Community

Pyramid Hill College is a Child Safe School



Newsletter
August 25th, 2023

Diary 2023

September

- 1 Father's/Grandfather's/Special Person's Day Breakfast
- 1 Father's Day stall - SRC
- 11 Sandhurst Div Aths
- 12 School Council meeting
- 14 SRC Disco
- 15 Last day of Term 3
- early dismissal 2.30pm

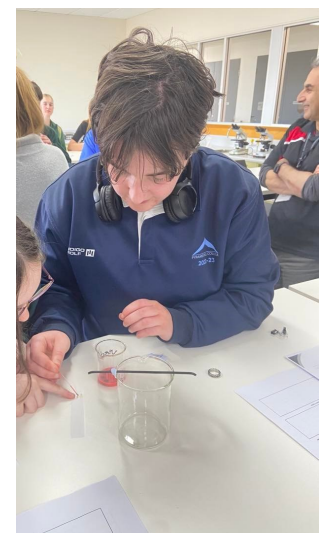
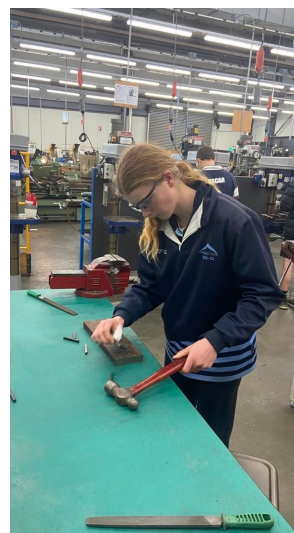
Principal's News

Year 9/10 Bendigo TAFE Experience Day



Friday, 1st September

Our Annual Father's Day breakfast is fast approaching. Please invite Dad, Grandad, or special person to join us on Friday, 1st September at 8.30 am



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.)

On Wednesday the Year 9/10 students had an informative day out as they headed to Bendigo TAFE to explore the opportunities available. The students enjoyed a wide range of taster sessions ranging from Plumbing, Electrical, Agriculture, Horticulture, Engineering, Building, Animal Care, Bricklaying, Hair and Beauty and Cookery and Bakery.

Students were given the choice of a tour of the Bendigo Art Gallery, War Museum or Hoffmann Engineering. All three sessions were incredibly interesting with a great deal of learning occurring. Thanks to Angela Poxon from the NCCLLEN for organising this excursion, your effort has been greatly appreciated.

Father's/Grandfathers/Special Friends Day

On Friday 1st September we welcome all our dads, grandpas and special friends to our school breakfast. The event will start at 8:30am. We always look forward to this celebration.

Hats

As we follow the Anti Cancer 'Sunsmart' policy, all students are now required to wear a school summer hat when they are outside.



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Fiona Moon, Principal.

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

How to complete the Parent/Carer/Guardian survey

When parents/caregivers/guardians access the survey link, you will be prompted to select your school and will then be required to enter a PIN in order to start the survey. The survey link and PIN are below:

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

School PIN – 507963

Health Bones Week

To promote Healthy Bones Week Northern District Community Health will be holding a fun event on Wednesday 30th August. The event will include the provision of tandem bikes, fruit required to make smoothies, mini golf, connect 4, corn hole and mini basketball arcade.

Pre School Visit

We had some very special visitors to PHC this week. We thank the Pyramid Hill Pre School for visiting us in Book Week and we were very excited to see all the students dressed up. The Pre School students were happy to listen to our Year 7 students read stories to them in the library. Thank you to the staff and parents/carers who assisted with the excursion.



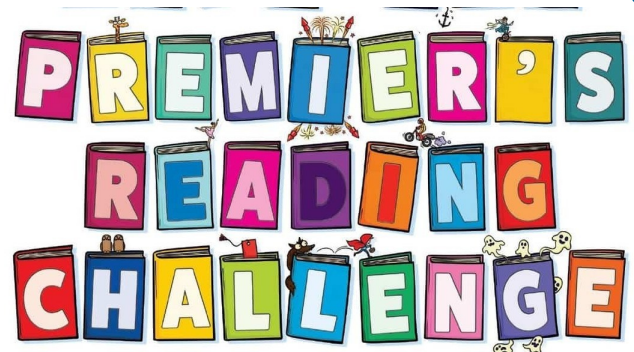
SRC Update

Father's Day is fast approaching, which means the Father's Day stall will be happening on **Friday 1st September**. Students can bring along \$10 to shop at the stall.



Disco

SRC disco date is one to keep in the calendar. The team will have more information out next week. The excitement is building!



**** Reminder — students need to finish reading their books for the Premiers' Reading Challenge by Wednesday 6th September.**

Completed book lists should be sent in to the office or emailed to

Mrs McKinnon before this date.

nola.mckinnon@education.vic.gov.au

Year 7-10 Learning Neighbourhood

Year 9/10 Melbourne Camp

On the designated departure time of 8:30, all students boarded the bus, preparing themselves for the upcoming 3-hour drive. Anticipating a week filled with enjoyment, our destination was Melbourne. Our first stop was Clip and Climb, an ideal venue to challenge our climbing skills. Following that, we spent approximately an hour at The Lume. The remainder of the day consisted of shopping, settling into our accommodation, and then participating in an ice-skating activity at the O'Brien skate house. The second day was packed with various locations to explore. We immersed ourselves in the realm of music at Abelton and the Music Vault, and also indulged in a thrilling go-karting and laser tag experience at Karting Madness. In addition, we also found time for a bit of shopping at South wharf. On the 2nd last day, our itinerary included visits to Victoria Market and two esteemed universities, RMIT and Swinburne. This allowed us to discover the educational opportunities available for potential students. We concluded the day by participating in a game of bowling and arcade games at Archie Bros, an opportunity that left us entertained. Lastly, on the final day, we visited the Louis Dreyfus company. We then embarked on the lengthy return to Bendigo, making a quick trip to Thales. The amazing visit taught us about the utilization of vehicles within the military. Overall Melbourne camp was amazing and a great opportunity to learn great things.

Rose Bone Year 10



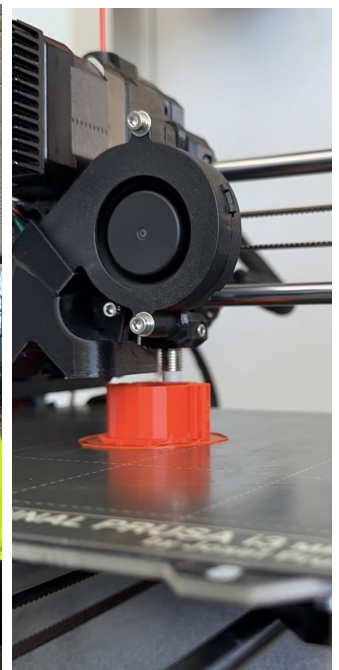
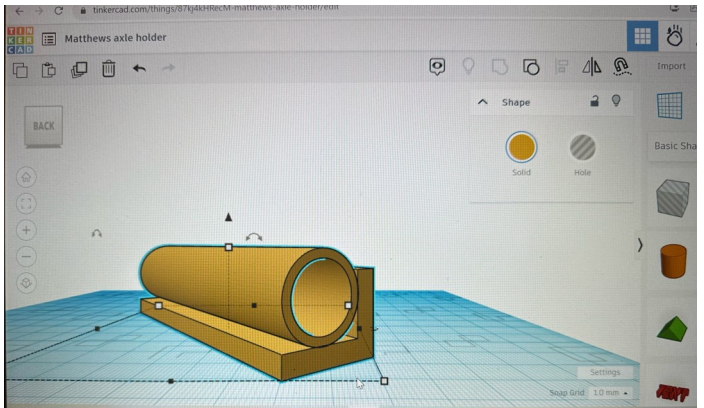
Loddon Mallee Region Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Siri Harrison, Cooper Gould and Harry Goodes who have made it through to the LMR carnival. Siri will compete in the 13 girls shot put, Cooper in the 13 boys triple jump and Harry in the 16 boys triple jump and 100m sprint. The carnival will be held in Bendigo on Friday October 5th; notes will be distributed closer to the date.

Year 7/8 Science

Students in Year 7 and 8 have begun learning how to use TinkerCAD which is a 3D modelling program used to design, modelling and construct 3D items.

Students are using the 3D printers to make components for either their mouse trap, car racers or trebuchets in Science. Families and community members are encouraged to talk with students about their designs to help them explore ways that they can create mouse trap powered cars that will move the furthest distance or the affect of the design of a trebuchet on the distance that it can propel the projectile.



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PYRAMID HILL ROAD TRIP
SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST

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Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

Sorry EVENT CANCELLED

Year F-6 News

Workers of the Week



Ronnie Jessop: always being a positive, helpful student who enjoys school.

Maddie Leerson: great effort with her reading and writing.

Jasper Mutugi: staying on task with his sea animals project.

Tia Gould: great work on her sea animal project.

Ruby Mitchell: having a positive attitude towards her school work.

Alexander Ross: settling into our school routines well.

Mr Morison: helping Ronnie get his aeroplane out of the tree.

Reading Awards



200 Nights: Lucy Scott, Athena Wiltshire, Thomas Hercott, Isabella Kunde, Elsie Poole, Ruby Mitchell.

150 Nights:

Ruby Roberts, Hayley Simmons, Kerenza Archbold.

100 Nights: Ronnie Jessop, Charlotte Pickles.

Classroom Cup



Congratulations to the Year F/I class on winning this week's Classroom Cup.

Coliban Water

We were very lucky to have John and Rebecca from Coliban Water visit us on Monday. The year F-3 students learnt about how to be a water hero and conserve our water. The year 4-6 students learnt about "Flushed"- what goes down the sewer and how this water is treated to be reused, watering sporting fields and gardens. We would like to thank John and Rebecca for their presentations.



Good Luck in the Finals

We would like to wish everyone good luck in the football, netball and baseball finals. We would also like to wish our two super coaches Mr Morison and Mr Roberts good luck on the weekend. We will be barracking loud for you all.

Camps & Excursions

The Year 2-6 camp is fast approaching and a medical form was sent home this week. Could this form and money please be returned by 13th September.

The Year F/I students were given a note and medical form this week with what is required for the Zoo Excursion and how the day will go. The students are so excited about the camp and excursion. Please return the medical form by the due date.

Father's Day Breakfast

Pyramid Hill College's annual Father's Day Breakfast will be held on Friday 1st September, from 8.30am. We are inviting our Dads, Grandfathers and special friends. Anyone can come in place of a Dad. We have had Mums come along in the past and dads come to the Mother's Day Breakfast. We hope to see you on Friday.

Hats

Hats must be worn at recess and lunch time and during outside activities. Please check with your child that they have a hat to wear at school. Hats can be purchased from the office.

Year 5/6 Science & Technology

Year 4/5/6 students have been working on a cross curricular task this term between Science and Technology.

In Science students have been exploring electricity and have used their knowledge to begin designing items for the houses that they are constructing in Technology that light up or spin.

In this activity, students became young architects and builders and put on their thinking caps as they delve into the world of design and construction. Guided by their imagination and ingenuity, students will first conceptualize their dream houses, considering every detail from layout and colour schemes to special features that make their houses unique.

But the adventure doesn't stop there! Armed with cardboard, glue, sticky tape and scissors, our young visionaries brought their architectural visions to life. Through cutting, folding, and assembling, they turned ordinary cardboard into extraordinary dwellings.

Some photos of the work in progress: Tommy's combustion stove, Tyler P's fan that spins, Charlotte's bespoke fireplace, and a fridge-freezer constructed by Ruby, Elsie and Isabella.



HANDS ON LEARNING

A program supported by Save the Children

For HOL this week, students worked on a range of tasks such as some maintenance work on the GaGa pit which included topping up the sand and continuing to put pool noodles onto the top of the fence, cleaning the fish tank and fixing things around the school. Michaela and Tyler cooked chicken wings and rice for everyone for lunch this week, Cohan and Riley cleaned out the grade 4/5/6 fish tank, Jamison fixed the floor box in the year 7/8 room and William and Kayde worked on the Neighbourhood House Garden Bed.



15TH ANNIVERSARY



CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF
BRIDGEWATER ON LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL
~ EST. 1870 ~

IT'S OUR BELATED 150TH BIRTHDAY

WE'RE INVITING ALL PAST AND PRESENT STUDENTS, FAMILIES,
TEACHERS AND THE COMMUNITY TO HELP US CELEBRATE
AND TAKE A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE!

SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2023
BRIDGEWATER ON LODDON PRIMARY SCHOOL
10:00 AM - 2:00PM

CLASS PHOTO - MEMORABILIA - LUNCH - KEEPSAKES - BIRTHDAY CAKE



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Hands on Learning - GaGa Pit maintenance



AGES
6-12

NONDIES COHUNA CRICKET

School Holiday Program

ONLY
\$20

WED 27TH SEP

FROM 2PM TILL 4PM.

WED 4TH OCT

FROM 2PM TILL 4PM.

A fun opportunity for kids to get out, play and make new friends!

WHERE:
COHUNA REC
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REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE
FOR EITHER (OR BOTH) DAYS VIA
THE QR CODE OR OUR WEBSITE

REGISTER HERE

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

GAMES, BASIC CRICKET SKILLS AND EXERCISES PLUS
A **FREE HAT** FOR EVERYONE THAT PARTICIPATES.

ALL YOU NEED TO BRING IS A DRINK BOTTLE AND
YOUR OWN CRICKET BAT (IF YOU WISH),
EVERYTHING ELSE WILL BE SUPPLIED.



NONDIES COHUNA CRICKET CLUB



23/24 SEASON JUNIOR TEAMS

- Under 17s** - Friday Nights
- Under 15s** - Tuesday Nights
- Under 13s** - Saturday Mornings
- Youth Girls (Under 15s)** - Friday Nights & Sunday Mornings
- Blasters (5-10s)** - Thursday Nights

TAKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Our juniors are ran by our Head of Junior Cricket Chris Cain and his dedicated committee.

- ✓ Family friendly environment
- ✓ All ages & skill levels welcomed
- ✓ A great team sport
- ✓ Fun games & trial matches



WE ARE NOW TAKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR ALL JUNIOR TEAMS FOR THE UPCOMING 23/24 SEASON.

Please scan the QR code or head to our website (juniors or membership pages) to fill out the expressions of interest form.

Questions? Get in touch with Chris Cain on 0438 390 088.