



## Diary 2022

### December

- 5 9/10 Work Experience
- 7 Year 6 Lunch
- 10 Pyramid Hill Christmas Market
- 12 Presentation Night 6.30-8.30
- 13 Moving Up Day  
Driver Ed Year 9/10
- 14 F-6 Bendigo Trip
- 16 Pool Day - last day for students
- 17 Community Trivia Night at the Memorial Hall

## Principal's News

### Year 10 Dinner



### Reminder

Music Lessons  
Term 4 fees are  
now due and  
payable to the  
office or by direct  
deposit.

**Foundation/Year 7 Transition**  
**MOVING UP DAY**  
**Tuesday, 13th Dec**  
**Foundation & Year 7**  
**9am -3.20pm**

## 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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Our annual Year 10 Dinner was held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at the function room of the Victoria Hotel.

All Year 10 students looked amazing and certainly made themselves, their families and Pyramid Hill College incredibly proud.

The red carpet entrance was spectacular and set the scene beautifully for an evening full of 'Medieval Mystique'.

A huge thank you to Mrs James for coordinating the evening and to all staff who helped out in a myriad of ways. The Pyramid Hill Victoria Hotel did a great job catering for the event and provided an outstanding venue for the night.

It was certainly a very special night as we celebrated the achievements of our fabulous Year 10 students. The students certainly impressed as they reflected on their years at Pyramid Hill College

We wish our amazing 'Class of 2022' all the very best as they move to their VCE school in 2023.

As we say goodbye to our Year 10's we also sadly farewell the Douglass, Ellis and Fidler families. We also thank them all for their significant contribution and support to our Pyramid Hill College Community over many years and wish them all the best for the future.

### Celebratory Events

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December:-** Year 6 Lunch to be held at 12:30pm in the BER at Pyramid Hill College

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December:-** Presentation Evening to be held between 6:30-8:30pm at Pyramid Hill College.

### Moving Up Day

The statewide 'Moving Up Day' for all students will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.



### Dreamseeds

Last Monday our 2023 Year 7 students participated in a Dream Seeds workshop which was delivered by You thrive Victoria and focused on building aspiration, resilience and connections for students. It was delivered by young rural students studying at TAFE and University. Dream Seeds provided a series of fun activities and opportunities for thoughtful discussion about the future. Thank you to NCLLEN for providing this funding for this workshop.

### Booklists

Booklists and the Parent Payments/Policy have been distributed today. It is important that these orders are returned by the due date Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December so that we can ensure delivery on time. Payment is not required for F-6 stationery packs until families collect them on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January.

### Staffing 2023

2023 will see quite a change in our staffing line up. This year we officially farewell our retirees: Mr Halliday, Mrs James, Mrs Kaye and Mrs Talbot and goodness what a loss they will be. We also will be farewelling Mr Guy and Mr Mulvaney who will be taking up positions in other schools.

Recruitment of teaching staff is becoming increasingly difficult and currently we have a number of teaching positions advertised. Whilst we are still finalising staffing for next year we have allocated primary teachers, however this may be subject to change dependent on our success with recruitment.

### Classes 2023

Our primary classes will see a change in structures in 2023.

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| Year F/1   | Mrs Burke              |
| Year 2/3   | Mrs Cain               |
| Year 4/5/6 | Mr O'Connor/Mr Morison |

### Year 10 Dinner



# Pyramid Hill Christmas Market

4pm - 7pm  
Saturday 10 December  
Memorial Hall

Market stalls, Christmas Games, Music, Food Vans, kids craft and more..  
Bring your friends and family!

Want to host a stall?  
contact **Neighbourhood House 54557129**





# Year F-6 News

## Workers of the Week



- Edie Gould:** excellent attitude towards her school work and dance.
- Ronnie Jessop:** wonderful dancing in the presentation dance.
- Athena Wiltshire:** reading 300 nights.
- Olivia Scott:** reading 300 nights.
- Jamison Walters:** showing great leadership.
- Fletcher Cain:** showing great leadership.
- Matt Caspani:** showing great leadership.
- Tyler P:** working hard on his writing and presentation.

## Reading Nights



**300 Nights:** Congratulations to the following students who have read for 300 nights; Cooper Gould, Elsie Poole, Athena Wiltshire, Olivia Scott, Tobias Wiltshire and Ruby Mitchell. A huge effort. Well done.

## Classroom Cup



Congratulations to Year 6 on winning the Classroom Cup for the extra responsibility they have been given this year.

## Bendigo Rewards Excursion

Just a reminder the Bendigo Rewards Excursion note and money is due back on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

## Year 6 Graduation Lunch

The Year 6 students, staff and parents are looking forward to their Graduation lunch on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

## Moving up Day

Moving up day for all students, including our new Foundation students is Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. This is for the whole day. The Foundation students for 2023 will need their lunch, snacks and healthy snack on this day. We look forward to seeing our new students once again.



Maddie has been working hard in Digitech.

## 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.



# Year 7-10 Learning Neighbourhood

## Year 10 Dinner



We had a wonderful night on Thursday celebrating the achievements of our year ten students with their family and significant others. They spoke in a mature and informed manner and should be proud of their achievements at PHC. Thank you to Mrs James and her helpers for creating such an excellent event. We are very proud of the year ten students and wish them the best in their future endeavours beyond PHC.

## Work Experience

Work experience for year nine and ten students is next week, we wish the students the best as they go out into the work force. Students will have received an information pack with a diary, employer form, evaluation form and general information sheet. Thank you to Barb Bear for her efforts in organising placements for students and thank you to the employers for allowing our students to have this valuable learning experience.

## Hands on Learning

Next week in HoL we will be having a celebration day to recognise the achievements of the group. An information note will be sent out early next week regarding the day. The year in HoL is coming to an end and we are looking at confirming the starting team for next year. Over the next two weeks, students who are currently in the program will be interviewed about their intentions for next year. Furthermore, we are advertising expression of interest forms for next year. If a student from years five to eight is interested in completing HoL for next year they should complete an expression of interest form from the office. Those requiring more information can contact Mr Roberts.

What is HOL?

Hands on Learning is a practical school program that builds wellbeing and engagement by creating opportunities for students to discover their talents and experience success through significant and authentic hands-on projects. It runs from 11am – 3:20pm every Thursday during the school's terms.

## Driver Education

Driver Education forms for year nine and ten students have been distributed, students should return them ASAP. If they are unable to send the forms back due to being on work experience they should send in the completed forms with a sibling (if possible) or contact Mr Roberts.

## MATES mentors & students Bendigo trip Breakout Room and The Zone

Year 9 and 10 students and mentors got together on Sunday 27th November to test their team skills and escape successfully within a time limit from the Espionage room, Finders Keepers room, Wands and Wizards room and Murder Hotel room. After lunch they went to The Zone to do some wild driving on the Go Karts. Jason, James, Zac, Harry, James and Jasmine showed off their driving skills with a few crashes and mishaps around the corners. Laser tagging teams had fun dodging mentors like Jason, Angie, Deanne and Sally. The winning Blue team; Jason, James, Jasmine, Mia F and Allarah earned the most points. Thanks to the North Central LLEN and Northern District Community Health ENGAGE! Program for funding the MATES day out and to Molly Meadows from the NCLLEN for entertaining everyone on the bus with Trivia questions. Also big thanks to Jo Mason for driving the bus and getting us there and back safely.



## Lost Property

We have a large number of unnamed school jackets that are sitting in our lost property box. Many of these jackets are size 16 and are in very good condition. We have asked our students if they belong to them but no one is claiming them. I urge parents to please check their students jacket supply at home and if they are missing one please come in and collect one.



# FLOOD RECOVERY NEWSLETTER



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## Business and primary producer support

### **Vic Government Business Relief Service**

Support from local business relief advisers to guide business owners through the available Commonwealth, state and local supports. Call 13 22 15.

### **Vic Government Small Business Immediate Flood Relief Program**

A one-off payment of \$5000 for eligible businesses, to assist with costs such as clean-up, safety inspections, repairs, the hiring of equipment and purchase of stock. <https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/small-business-immediate-flood-relief-program>

### **Business and Community Sport Flood Recovery Grants**

A grant of up to \$50,000 for eligible businesses, not-for-profit and community sport and active recreation organisations

<https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/business-and-community-sport-flood-recovery-grants>

### **Aust Government Disaster Recovery Payment**

A lump sum payment (\$1000 per adult, \$400 per child under 16) to help with major damage to properties and assets or who those have been seriously injured.

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/victorian-floods-october-2022-australian-government-disaster-recovery-payment>

### **Aust Government Disaster Recovery Allowance**

Income support payments to employees, primary producers and sole traders who can demonstrate they experienced a loss of income as a result of the floods.

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/victorian-floods-october-2022-disaster-recovery-allowance>

### **Clean-up program during the Victorian floods**

Available for everyone affected by the floods.

<https://www.vic.gov.au/2022-floods-clean-up-program>

### **Vic Government Primary Producer Recovery Grants**

Up to \$75,000 grants to cover the cost of recovery

<https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/farm-management/emergency-management/floods/flood-advice-and-support>

## Business and primary producer support cont...

### **Vic Government Rural Landholder Grant**

If you do not meet the eligibility requirements for the \$75,000 Flood Recovery Grant, but operate a smaller scale Primary Production Enterprise, you may be eligible for a Rural Landholder Grant of up to \$25,000.

<https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/Victorian-Rural-Landholder-Grants>

### **Vic Government Primary Producer Concessional Loan**

Up to \$250,000 to restore or replace damaged equipment and infrastructure, or to cover short-term business expenses.

<https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/farm-management/emergency-management/floods/flood-advice-and-support>

### **Vic Government Primary Producer Transport Subsidies**

Up to \$15,000 to support transport of emergency fodder, stock drinking water and movement of livestock.

<https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/farm-management/emergency-management/floods/flood-advice-and-support>

## Bridgewater river scanning

On 26 October 2022, after significant flooding, Maritime Safety Victoria declared that all persons and vessels were prohibited from entering or remaining in the waters of the Loddon River from the Laanecoorie Reservoir wall to the Flour Mill Weir at Bridgewater (excluding relevant emergency services/Council persons and/or vessels).

On 23 November 2022, Total Hydrographic were engaged to undertake a Multibeam Survey and Hazard Detection of Bridgewater Ski Zone and Swimming hole.

The river re-opened on 24 November 2022, once the safety assessments were completed. Loddon Shire staff will now use the results of the survey to install buoys to mark out the ski zone and slalom course.

**FLOOD RECOVERY HOTLINE 1800 560 760**