

## Pyramid Hill College



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Pyramid Hill College is a Child Safe School

**Newsletter** June 23rd, 2023

Diary 2023 July 10 Start of Term 3

## Reports available on Compass



Wishing you all a happy and safe holidays. We look forward to seeing you all back on July 10th.

## 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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## **Principal's News**

Learn

#### Term Two Concludes



What a busy term we have had with many sporting events, incursions, excursions and lots of learning. Today we have had a fun filled day with Laser Tag, Mini Golf, Mini Table Tennis and a number of other fun activities. Thanks to the NDCH, VicHealth and Future Healthy who funded the day. The holidays have now arrived and I thank all students, parents and staff for their efforts this tem. I hope that you are able to enjoy a little 'down' time over the next two weeks. Enjoy the break!

#### **Reports**

Semester one reports will be available on Compass from 2:30pm on Friday 23rd June. We will be holding student/parent/teacher conferences on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Further information and bookings will be communicated on Compass.

#### <u>Term 3</u>

We look forward to welcoming our students and staff return to school on Monday  $10^{\rm th}\,July$  .



On Wednesday St Patrick's School hosted the club final of the Lions Club Public Speaking Competition. Prior to this Pyramid Hill College and St Patrick's School had conducted their own finals to come up with two winners to be their representatives at the Club Final.

Congratulations to the students who were the school winners: Year 3/4: Svea Apostle and Ize Pantig (St Patrick's School) and Olivia Scott and Harry Cain (Pyramid Hill College). Year 5/6: Reece Fernandez and Jores Correa (St Patrick's School) and Elsie Poole and Thomas Hercott (Pyramid Hill College).

The four finalists presented their speeches and all gave very engaging presentations. The Year 3/4 topic was 'lf you woke up as a giant .....'. The students used their imaginations and creativity to come up with very interesting speeches. The Year 5/6 topic was based on 'A Guiness Book Record'. The

students had researched well and came up with many interesting facts

The judges, Rhonda Martin and James Carroll had a very difficult task in selecting a winner and runner up for each section. Congratulations to all finalists for their effort and presentation with their speech. A huge congratulations to our winners: Year 3/4 - Olivia Scott (Pyramid Hill College) and Year 5/6 -Thomas Hercott Pyramid Hill College. Runners Up: Year 3/4 -Ize Pantig and Year 5/6—Elsie Poole.

Thomas and Olivia will now have the opportunity to represent Pyramid Hill at the District Level of the Lions Club Public Speaking Competition. The details of this event have not been released yet.

Thank you to everyone who supported our students in this competition. Thank you to the Lions Club for their organisation and to the judges Jim and Rhonda, thank you for your time and valuable contribution.



## Year 7-10 Learning Neighbourhood

#### Term Two Holidays

Well done to everyone for their efforts during term two. Please ensure students and parents/guardians reflect on the achievements in reports and look at areas of improvement as goals moving into term three. Have a safe and enjoyable break.

#### **Students of the Fortnight**

Congratulations to the students listed below for being our students of the fortnight.

William Hercott – For organising and completing the College's Ga Ga pit.

Gillian Pacala – For being a supportive friend within class.

Dempsey Lee – For a consistent approach to her classwork and homework.

James Hercott - For an excellent approach towards activities in class.

James Bojo - For having an excellent work ethic in class.

Michaella Reganit – For an increased contribution to class discussions.

#### Well Done Judd

Congratulations to Judd Chislett on his recent win in his motorcycle championships. The resilience and determination that Judd has shown to get back on the motorbike is enormous, we are very proud of you Judd!

#### **Auskick**

Auskick will not run during the holidays, it will commence again on Thursday July  $13^{th}$ . Thank you to all of the participants, assistants and parents/guardians who have attended over the term.

#### Push Up Challenge



Thank you to everyone who took part in the push up challenge in different shapes and forms. Your contribution has gone a long way to promoting mental health and wellbeing.

#### Junior Golf Program

The golf clubs junior program continued on the weekend and the skills of the juniors are rapidly improving. There will be another session on Sunday at 10am and this will be followed by a BBQ for the participants. The junior program will then have a break for the school holidays with some junior tournament dates/family days to be announced for next term

#### Year 10 Kerang Gym Visit







## Year F-6 News

#### Workers of the Week

**Olivia Scott:** sensational effort on her speech and great success.

Tyler Manton: great effort writing his speech.

**Charlotte Pickles:** great effort in writing her speech and confidence in presenting.

Kerenza Archbold: improvement in her handwriting.



#### **Reading Awards**

**100 Nights:** Ruby Roberts, Hayley Simmons, Kerenza Archbold, Libby Martin.



#### Classroom Cup

Year F/I class were winners of the Classroom Cup.



#### <u>Holidays</u>

I hope everyone has a great holiday and returns to school rested for next term. Please take the time to read the reports with your children so they can make goals for their learning next term and Parent Teacher interviews early next term.



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.

## **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.

# HANDSONLEARNING



A program supported by Save the Children

Yesterday was our final HOL session for the semester. The team made some final alterations to the frame of the GaGa and had to have a test run at the end of the day. Thanks to all HOL team members who contributed to this project over the last year and a bit, the students have loved using it. During the day, we went to the Neighbourhood House and made some modifications to the garden beds to strengthen the sides as well as allow drainage holes. Thanks to all students that have participated in HOL this semester and we look forward to welcoming some new HOL students next term.





