



Pyramid Hill College

Respect ● Learn ● Community

Pyramid Hill College is a Child Safe School



Newsletter

June 9th, 2023

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MONDAY 12 JUNE

*Kings Birthday
public holiday*



Notes to be returned:

- **Beach Camp - 2-6**
- **Zoo Excursion - F/I**
- **VET Taster Day - Yr 9**
- **Gym - Year 10**

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

Loddon Mallee Region (LMR) Cross Country



Congratulations to Mia Farrar, James Hercott, William Hercott, Rylan Chislett and Matthew Caspani who all represented the College at the LMR cross country on Tuesday in St Arnaud. They were met with cold and wet conditions, however, they all ran extremely well and matched or improved their times from the previous cross country. We are very proud of you all.

Rylan Chislett 14th 14 years boys

William Hercott 30th 14 years boys

Matthew Caspani 43rd 13 years boys

Mia Farrar 17th 16 years girls

James Hercott 32nd 15 years boys

King's Birthday Long Weekend

Students are not required to attend school on Monday 12th June as it is a public holiday known now as the King's Birthday Holiday. We have had a lot of absences with illness over the past few weeks so hopefully all students and staff have a chance to rest and recharge the batteries for the last two weeks of term.

Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)

An Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) service provides education and care for children (generally ages 5 to 12 years) outside of scheduled school hours and during school holidays. OSHC services may also provide education and care to children on student-free days.

Currently there is government funding available to establish an OSCH service. An OSHC service can be flexible in its operation for example it may be for two set mornings or afternoons for the week, it does not have to operate on five days.

Before we apply for funding we need to know if there is a need for this service to operate in Pyramid Hill from 2024 onwards. If you have primary school age children in 2024 could you please fill in the survey attached to this newsletter or follow the link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MKNZKYW> to the electronic version. The survey form needs to be returned by Friday 16th June.

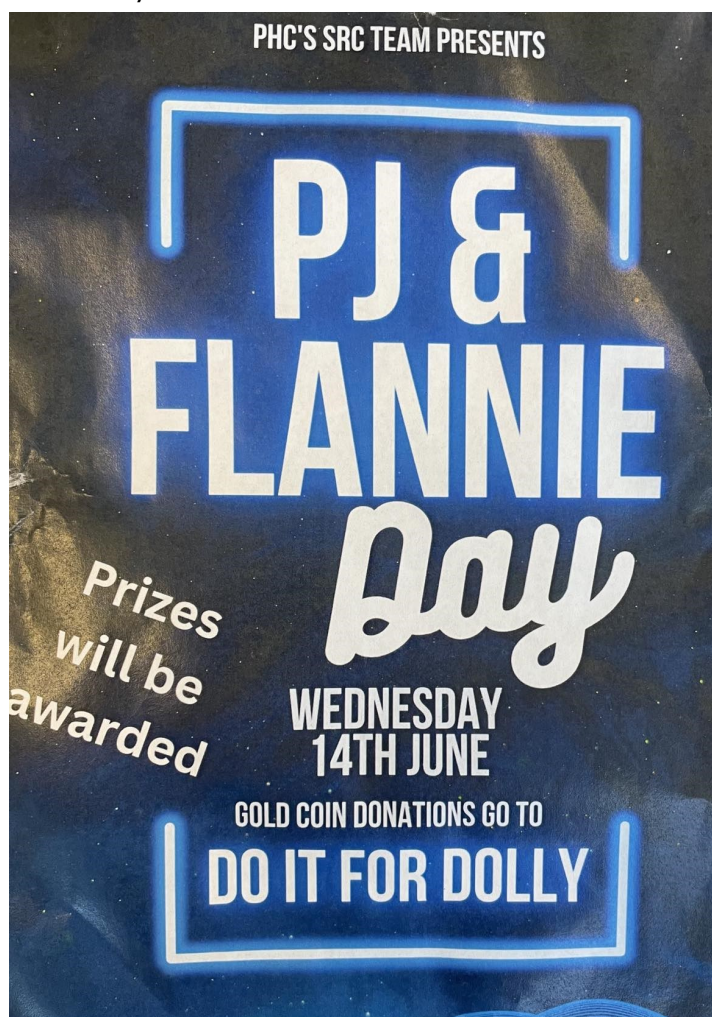
Cybersafety and Consent Education



On Tuesday Allie from Mallee Family Care and Community Legal Service gave presentations to our students on Cybersafety (F-10), sharing of intimate images (7-10) and consent education (9-10). Lots of valuable and important information for students to process, so please ask your student to share with you their learning from the session. Then in the evening we had a great information session with parents to further their knowledge and have discussions around navigating tricky issues in the cyberspace. Thank you to the parents that attended and supported this session. Allie has left some helpful resources for distribution so if any parents would like a copy please contact Joy.

Debutante Ball

Thank you to all those who have responded; at this stage we have eight potential couples so the 2023 PHC Debutante Ball will proceed and the date will be Friday 20th October. There has been a note distributed via students with estimated costs and information regarding this event earlier this term. Parents do need to read this note so that they are aware of costs and conditions. If you have not seen this note please contact Joy and she will email it to you.



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

Ruby Roberts: being very brave when she broke her arm.

Amelia Stevens: trying really hard with all her work even when she wasn't well.

Lucy Scott: always helping others and doing her best in all subjects.

Brady Gilmore: consistently focussing on his tasks.



Workers of the Week

Maddie Leerson: being a valued member of our class who always helps others and does her best in all classes.

Jett Mitchell: putting in a super effort to learn to read and write.

Hayley Simmons: persevering and progressing with her reading and writing.

Athena Wiltshire: great use of money and applying super skills.

Zeb Gould: great use of money and applying super skills.

Xanthe Farrar: making a good start when focussing on area in maths.

Samer Mohamed: great research skills.



Classroom Cup - last week



Year 4/5/6: winners of the Classroom Cup last week.

Classroom Cup



Year F/: winners of the Classroom Cup this week.

Reading Nights

100 Nights: Hayley Simmons, Sasha Lobb.

50 Nights: Charlotte Pickles



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

Camp Information

Following the news that the Bogong Outdoor School's camp was unable to run in the last week of term we have been actively pursuing alternative snow camp options. Unfortunately, we were unable to find a suitable camp that was cost appropriate (camps were approximately \$1000 more than the price of the Bogong camp), therefore we have decided to postpone the Snow Camp unit 2024. Students will instead participate in a city-based camp to Melbourne, mid-way through term three. The camp will offer a variety of activities that will cater for all learners in Year nine and ten and will include visits to educational institutions. Please note that Year 10 students will participate in an Adventure Camp later this year as a part of their Duke of Edinburgh award. Further information regarding the camp will be distributed prior to the end of term two. If you have any questions regarding the camp, please contact the College on 54557377.

Year 10 Kerang Gym Visit

Permission forms have been distributed for the Year 10 gym visit, if students could please return them ASAP.

Push-Up Challenge

The College is completing the Push-Up Challenge again this year. The challenge aims to raise awareness, engage, educate and raise funds for mental health. Students, staff and community members are all encouraged to sign up at the link below. You don't need to complete push ups, you can do different forms of exercise such as squats, sit ups etc.

<https://www.thepushupchallenge.com.au/fundraisers/pyramidhillcollege2023>

**Term 2 Music Lessons
are now due and
payable to the office or
by direct deposit.**



Junior Golf Clinics

The Pyramid Hill Golf Club commenced their junior program last week, thank you to all of the participants and helpers who attended. The program continues this Sunday and any 5-16 year old who is interested in participating is welcome to come along. The sessions run from 10:00am – 11:00am and the meeting point is at the Pyramid Hill Golf Clubhouse.

HANDS ON LEARNING



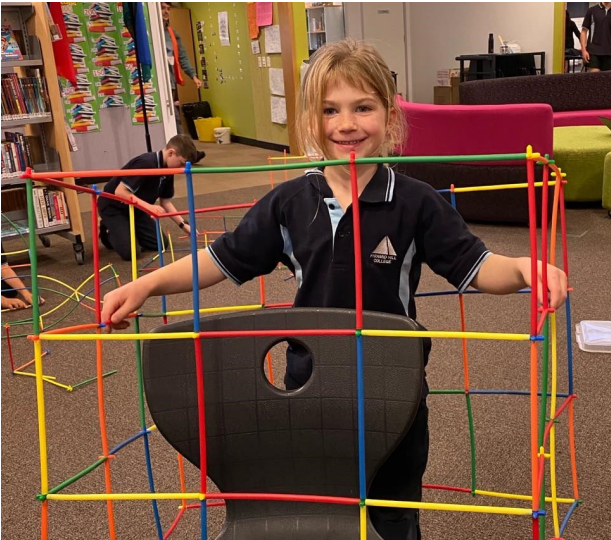
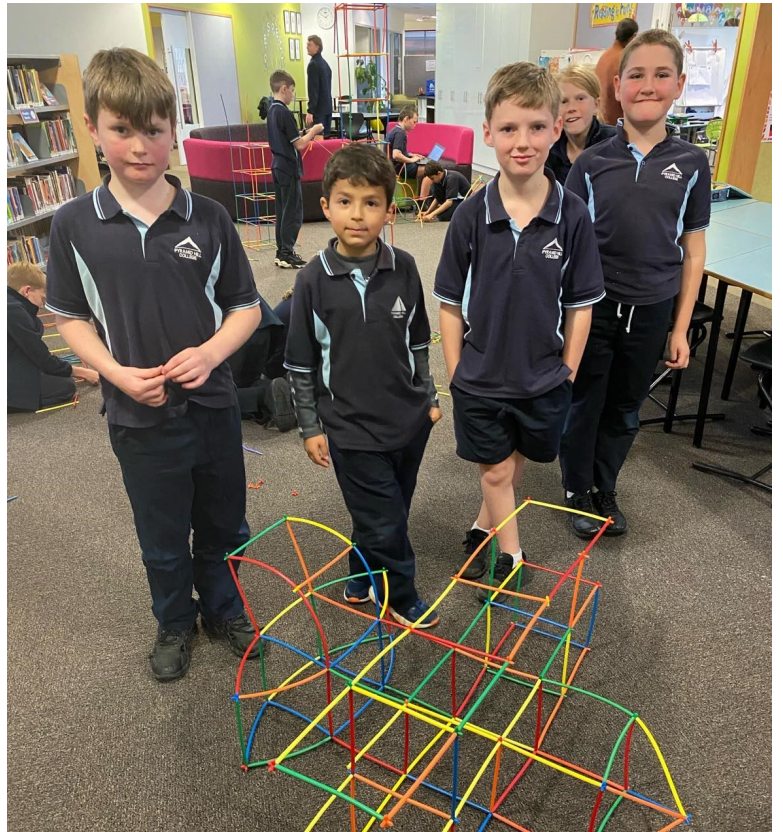
A program supported by Save the Children

Today in Hands on Learning William H, Cohan and Kayde worked hard on the Ga Ga ball pit and got some more sides up, while William K and Jamison started work on the new shoe box. Brady and Cooper continued working on the new mud kitchen. In cooking Kayde and Helen crushed up eggs and made everyone sausages and egg sandwiches. After lunch Brady, Kayde and Cohan went to the kindergarten and raked up leaves and cleaned up.

By Brady and Kayde



Art & Rainy Days





Understanding Toddlers

This workshop will give parents and carers of toddlers the opportunity to share ideas and experiences with others.

We will discuss toddler development and the joys and challenges this stage brings to your family.

Discussion will also focus on parenting strategies you may use for this age group.

✓ Strategies

✓ Support

✓ Understanding

Workshop Details:

Location: Pyramid Hill College, in the BER
97 – 101 Kelly St, Pyramid Hill

Date: Thursday 22nd June, 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Arrival: 6:45pm

Register at www.catholiccarevic.org.au/register
or with the QR code above.

This is a FREE single session workshop only delivered by CatholicCare's Regional Parenting Team.

Early registration is encouraged.

Your local contact is Julie Kerr: 0438 336 991

Hosted by:



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Register:

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KID'S NIGHT

AT THE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

FUN FOR ALL STUDENTS IN FOUNDATION -YEAR 12

TIME: 3:30-5pm

**Every Monday, starting on the
5th June**

Activities include:

- Card/Board games
- Access to the Library
- Quiet space for homework
- Snacks
- Computers for use
- Nintendo Switch*
- Free WI-FI

**CLEO THE COMMUNITY CAR would be free for anyone
needing a ride home***

*Bookings are required the Friday before each Monday

To book call 5455 7129 or email phnh@bigpond.com

Please state child/ren name/s and parents/guardians phone number

Or fill out a form with mentioned details and give to Jasmine at PHC