



# Pyramid Hill College

Respect ● Learn ● Community

Pyramid Hill College is a Child Safe School



**Newsletter**  
March 31st, 2023

**Diary 2023**

**April**  
 5 Fete 3-6pm  
 6 Last day of Term One  
 Finish at 2.30pm  
 24 First day Term Two  
 25 Anzac Day — No School  
 26 Parent/student/teacher Interviews

## Principal's News

### Assembly

We held our first term assembly last Friday which included the induction of student leaders and a range of presentations. Congratulations to all the elected student leaders and we look forward to working with them this year. Thank you to our strong contingent of parents and members of the community who joined with us to celebrate our students' leadership, art and sporting achievements.

**Don't forget**  
**Daylight Saving finishes**  
**this Sunday, 2nd April**

**Pyramid Hill College**  
is a "Child Safe" School.  
We are committed to the  
safety, participation and  
empowerment of all children.

**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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### Student Leadership Team

**School Captains:** Mia Farrar and Maria Umali

**Community Captains:** Rose Bone, Zac Manton, Jeff Pacala and Jasmine Twigg

### Sports Captains:

**Terrick:** Blake Gibson and James Hercott      **Loddon:** James Bojo and Ellesha Fergusson

**Year Six Leadership Team:** Tristan Broad, Thomas Hercott, Tyler Manton, Ruby Mitchell, Charlotte Pickles and Emily Watkins

**SRC:** Jasmine Twigg, Jeff Pacala, Rose Bone, Jasper Mutugi, Cecily Farrar, Jed Stewart, Dempsey Lee, Eloise Walters, Sophie Twigg, Xanthe Farrar, Charlotte Pickles, Sasha Lobb, Tia Gould

### Staffing

Sadly, Ms Elizabeth Gloster will be leaving us at the end of term to take up a teaching position at Murrayville P-12 College. We thank Elizabeth for her commitment to the students at Pyramid Hill College and wish her and Amelia well in the future.

## Year F-6 News

### Frogs in the F/I Room

The Year F/I room were very lucky to have some green visitors in their room on Wednesday. Amelia and her Dad, Sean brought in some Green Tree frogs and a baby bearded dragon to show us for Show and Tell. The students were very excited to see them and to get to hold them. We didn't pick up the lizard because he was a bit grumpy, puffing himself up and hissing at us, so we just looked at him. Sean and Amelia were very knowledgeable about how to keep them and where they were found.



The students in Year F/I learnt lots about these animals and made posters about the frogs.



### Diaries

It is extremely important and an expectation that all students in the primary section of the school bring their diary every day. They are needed to log in reading and to check if reading is being done at home each night. The diaries are for any communication a teacher may need to relay home or parents need to send to school. In some classes the students spelling words are put in to them for practise.

### Good Friday Appeal

Just a reminder if you are interested in collecting for the Good Friday appeal for the Royal Children's Hospital on Good Friday morning, please contact Mrs Burke. We assemble at the Hotel at 9.00am.



### Fete

Our Pyramid Hill Fete is rapidly approaching on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. We urge you to all come along and share in the festivities. The students and staff are very busy organising their activities for the event. This will be a great time for our school community to come together, to enjoy meeting others and to celebrate that we are able to once again hold fun events. Could all families ensure that they have returned the RSVP slip that was attached to the Fete Information letter that was distributed yesterday. Also raffle books need to be returned.

### Bendigo Excursion "Are We There Yet?"

Thank you to those students who have returned their note and money for the Bendigo Excursion. A reminder that this note is due back next term on 1st May 2023.

### Goodbye and Good Luck

We are very sad to say goodbye to Amelia and Ms Elizabeth Gloster from our school this term. Amelia has settled into the Year F/I room well and we will really miss her happy, smiling face every day. I am not sure who is going to remove the many millipedes who crawl in the door because Amelia has taken it upon herself to be the bug catcher in our room. We hope you enjoy your new school Amelia.



### **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.

If you have any further questions, contact Kelly Gould via email: [kelly.gould2@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:kelly.gould2@education.vic.gov.au)

# HANDS ON LEARNING

A program supported by Save the Children

## Year 7-10 Learning Neighbourhood



This week, the Hands On Learning students had a visit from Michelle. We continued making the Neighbourhood House Garden Beds, and we were able to finish constructing the second Garden Bed. Some students worked on the HOL signs, the seats for eating lunch near the playground as well as cooking lunch for everyone. After lunch, some students went to the Kindergarten to mow the lawn.



We also made Ms Gloster a going away present.

By Jamison



### Bicycle Education

Bike education continued this week for Year 7-10 students and we rode around town and visited the tennis courts. Thank you to Vaughan for allowing us to use the courts. Year 7, 8 and 9 students also rode out to the Hill earlier in the week. The program has now concluded, students are encouraged to pick up their bikes and helmets prior to the holidays. Thank you to parents/family members for organising bikes and helmets and to Mr McCann and Miss Fox for helping deliver the program.

### Snow Camp (Year Nine and Year Ten students)

Forms will be distributed next week for the snow camp. The forms will contain an equipment list, itinerary and information regarding cost, accommodation and food.

### Fete

Thank you to everyone for their efforts in organising the fete for next week. The SRC, Mrs Cain and College Community have been very busy and there has been lots of donations. The students are very excited and we are lucky to have an event like this, it should be an excellent day/night.

### Auskick (AFL for 5-12 year olds)

Auskick will be starting up during the first week of term two (Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup>). We will be having a "Meet the Coaches" session on Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> for those who would like to come and see what Auskick is all about or to just practise their skills. We were fortunate to have so many helpers last year, we hope to see many students and parents/family members attend the sessions to support the Auskickers. Participants will need to be registered by a parent/guardian on the link below.

Location: Mitchell Park

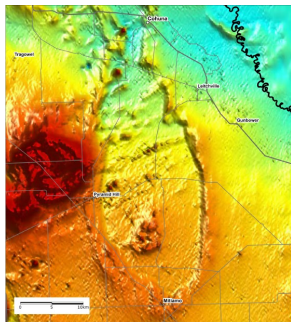
Time: 4:00pm – 4:45pm

Start date: Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup> (Weekly on Thursday during term two)

## GEOLOGY ROCKS TALK WITH A ROCK EXPERT

Two geologists Rodney Boucher and James Sorahan visited Pyramid Hill College to talk with the Year 7, 9 and 10 students about fossils, extinctions and evolution.

We found out that Pyramid Hill was formed when molten magma cooled deep below the surface of the Earth. Over a long time cooled from molten magma deep beneath the surface erosion exposed the granite. The granite in Pyramid Hill formed in a ring shaped pattern that heads towards the Murray River. We also learnt about lots of whacky fossils and what scientists think they may have looked like.



**SIGN-UP TODAY**

Sign up: <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/d5f203>

Coaches: Luke Roberts and Bryden Morison

## SRC Update

Our Pyramid Hill College Easter Fete will soon be here. Hopefully Mega Basket Raffle tickets are selling well. If you missed out of would like more, please contact the office. Thank you to those families who have placed their donations for the Mega Basket Raffle into the Office. Baskets are looking good. Please see below for class basket donations to help make this a successful raffle. Thank you.

### Year P/1 - Basket 1—Easter Madness

Suggested items: Easter Eggs, Easter nick knacks, chocolates of all sorts.

### Year 2/3 - Basket 2—Road Trip

Suggested items: All the things to take on a road trip (great for holidays), small games, snacks, maps, binoculars, card games etc.

### Year 4/5/6 - Basket 3 Pantry Filler

Suggested items: Any item you might like to find in the pantry, sauce, tinned food, chips, biscuits, cereal etc.

### Year 7 and 8- Basket 4 'T'

Suggested items: All items that might begin with 'T'. Tim tams, tic tocs, toilet paper, tennis balls, tie etc

### Year 9 and PHC Staff Basket 5 - Beach Bonanza

Suggested items—all things beach, towel, sunscreen, hat, sunnies, etc

### Year 10 - Basket 6 - Mexican

Suggested items: All things Mexican, Taco sachet or box, tortillas, three bean mix, sombrero etc

## School Fete

Wednesday,

April 5th

3pm - 6pm

Heaps of Stalls



**Wednesday 5th April**  
**3pm—6pm**

**Movie and BBQ**  
**Dinner at 6:30pm**  
**Dinner \$8 per person**  
**Or**  
**\$25 per family**  
**Can be paid for at the school office, please order by Friday 31st March.**

## Pyramid Hill College Easter Fete

*Shark Obstacle Course*  
*Tex Bucking Bull*  
*Year level stalls*  
*Great food and drinks*  
*Entertainment for all*  
*Community Stalls*  
*Games*  
*Fun for everyone*

*Easter Hat Parade 4pm*  
*Easter Egg Hunt 6pm*  
*Mega Basket Raffle Drawn*

*Unlimited Shark Obstacle Course and Tex \$12*  
*Wristbands can be purchased from the office.*

*Everyone welcome!*

**BULOKE  
LODDON**

### 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](mailto:l2p@ncllen.org.au)

## 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.