

# **Pyramid Hill College**



Respect 🔵 Learn

Community

Pyramid Hill College is a Child Safe School

Principal's News

## Newsletter May 5th, 2022

## **Diary 2022**

#### May

Mothers' Day Breakfast
 I,II,I2 Naplan
 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
 Harmony Day
 NCD Cross Country
 Student Free Day
 Student Free Day
 Calder Winter Sports Yr 4-6
 June

 School Photos
 Filipino Independence Day Activities
 Public Holiday
 Circus Challenge Incursion
 VET Taster Day - Year 9



## 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.)

#### Pyramid Hill College

Kelly Street, Pyramid Hill, 3575

#### Tel: 5455 7377 -

Email: pyramid.hill.co@edumail.vic.gov.au Website: www.pyramidhillc.vic.edu.au



#### Mother's Day Breakfast

We look forward to seeing all our special visitors on Tuesday. We understand that not all mums and grandmas are able to come so we are really welcoming of any significant person including grandpas, neighbours or friends who would like to come along to our breakfast. We are very fortunate this year to have our local health promotions ladies who will be attending and introducing the work that they do. Please come along and all visitors will receive a lucky door prize that will be drawn at 9am. Today we had a very successful Mother's Day stall with students very excited with their purchases. Thanks to the SRC and Mrs Cain for organising the stall and the Year 7-10 students for the impressive gift wrapping.

I hope that all our mothers, grandmothers and special friends have a lovely Mother's Day on Sunday.

#### Curriculum Days

Please be reminded of our student free days on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. All College staff will be participating in training for the Berry Street Educational Model. This training provides strategies for teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement of students with complex, unmet learning needs and to successfully improve all students' self-regulation, relationships, wellbeing, growth and academic achievement. Year 10 students will still be required to attend VET at the NCTTC on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Halls Gap Camp

Last week our Year 2-6 student headed off for a four day camp. The food was delicious and plentiful, activities were exciting and challenging and all participants were well behaved and great company; so was a perfect recipe for a great experience. Thanks to Mr O'Connor, Mr McCann and Mrs Cain for being so willing to attend. Thank you to Mrs Burke for organising the camp.



#### SSV Secondary Golf

Today Blake Gibson and Jed Stewart represented the school in a tournament in Kerang. The boys had a good day out and enjoyed the competition. Special thanks to Steven Gibson who provided transport and supervision which enabled the boys to attend.

#### **NAPLAN**

Next week our year 3,5,7 & 9 students will participate in the NAPLAN. We encourage all students to do their best and to not feel pressured in any way. Please find the NAPLAN timetable on page 4.

#### Student/Parent/Staff Conferences

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences will be held on Wednesday II<sup>th</sup> May. Please mark this date on the calendar as it is important to take this opportunity to meet the teachers, celebrate student achievements and to share any concerns or areas for improvement. Receiving feedback is an important part of the learning cycle and promotes a growth mindset. We encourage all families to book in using the online booking system or by contacting the office. Details are as follows:

http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/2vqw3





#### Hands on Learning

HoL has continued this term and there are many projects in progress at the school. The bike track that is being built on the edges of the back oval is developing rapidly and looks great. We are about halfway through renovating the primary chairs and the new wooden structure that is outside the textiles room is nearly ready to be concreted in. We have distributed some of the wooden trays to staff and these will continue over the term. We also have chooks, seedlings and potatoes in the agricultural area. Mr Roberts will catch up with students on waiting lists next week to talk about their involvement in the program. Next week we will be visiting Billabong Organics, notes for this will be distributed shortly.

#### Duke of Edinburgh Award

Students in year 10 will commence the Duke of Ed award this term. In completing the award, students will learn a new skill, complete community work, participate in a physical activity and complete an overnight journey. The award is heavily based around student voice and will further develop leadership skills within the students.

#### Year 9&10 Melbourne Camp (Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June)

The itinerary has nearly been finalised and should be distributed over the next week or so detailing the year 9 and 10 camp. It promises to be an exciting week and will be a mixture of activities for the students. If students or parents have any questions they should contact Mr Roberts.





Begins May 3rd 2022



## Year F-6 News

#### Halls Gap Camp

The Halls Gap Camp for the years 2-6 last week was a great success with the students and staff returning on Friday raving about the accommodation, activities and the food.

There were some very brave students tackling the high ropes and abseiling down the rock face. There proved to be some gourmet bush cooking chefs, cooking damper, chocolate bananas and potatoes over the coals.

The walk to Venus Bar on Thursday afternoon was incredible, followed by a visit to the ice cream shop.

Friday morning saw the students and staff enjoy a stroll around the Halls Gap Zoo, enjoying the animals.

The verdict on the camp food was excellent.

Thank you to Mrs Cain, Mr McCann and Mr O Connor for accompanying the students on camp. Thank you also to Peter Miller for driving the bus.

Once again it is always good to hear what "great kids we have", interested and well- mannered.





#### Mother's Day Breakfast

We hope to see all Mum's, Grandmother's and special people on Tuesday  $10^{th}$  May for the Mother's Day Breakfast. Please wear a splash of pink.

We wish all Mum's a Happy Mother's day on Sunday. I hope you all have a great day.

#### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of May. We hope to see all parents to show them the great things their students are achieving.

#### Welcome Mrs Mann

We would like to welcome Mrs Jean Mann to our school. Jean will be teaching in the Foundation/one room on Thursdays.

#### Lost Property

We have had many students and parents asking about lost property. It is essential that all clothing is named. It is easy to return a jumper if it has a name clearly marked on it.



#### **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 2 September 2022.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit:

#### www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Students, please see Mrs McKinnon to register you and to get a reading record sheet to log all the books you have read.

# NAPLAN 2022 TIMETABLE: 5/5/22

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday II <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Catch-Up
9.30am: Reading	9.30am: Writing	9.30am: Language	9.10am: Numeracy	17/5/2022
Year 7: KG CI	Year 7: EF CI	Conventions	Year 7: WM SCI	9.30am:
Year 9: TJ MP Room	Year 9: BJ MP Room	Year 3: RC 23 Room Year 5: RC 23 Room	Year 9: TJ MP Room	Catch-Up
9.45: Writing	9.30am: Reading	Year 7: SMc CI		18/5/2022
Year 5: NO 23 Room	Year 3: RC 23 Room	Year 9: LR MP Room	II.30am: Catch-Up	9.30am:
Year 3: NO 23 Room	Year 5: RC 23 Room		•	Catch-Up
	II.30am: Catch-Up	II.30am: Numeracy		
	Writing (if required)	Year 3: NO 23 Room		
	Year 3: Staff and Room TBC	Year 5: NO 23 Room		
	Year 5: Staff and Room	II.30am: Catch-Up		
	ТВС	Writing (if required)		
		Year 7: Staff and Room		
	II.30am: Catch-Up	ТВС		
	Reading (if required)	Year 9: Staff and Room		
	Year 7: Staff and Room	ТВС		
	ТВС			
	Year 9: Staff and Room			
	ТВС			

The Shrine of Remembrance Trustees and

Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Committee & Progress Assoc

are pleased to invite you to

# CHANGED FOREVER LEGACIES OF CONFLICT

A SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE TOURING EXHIBITION

Exhibition opening 6:00 – 8:00pm 20 May, 2022 Foor talk and early viewing 5:00pm

Finger food provided

RSVP for catering 17 May, 2022 By email: pyramidhillpress@gmail.com in person: at the Neighbourhood House By phone: 5455 7129









shrine.org.au/changedforever





20 May – 26 June 2022 Open Wed, Thurs & Sun 11:00am – 03:00pm Fri 01:00pm – 04:00pm Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Kelly Street, Pyramid Hill

# you are invited to The PHC Mother's Day Breakfast



8:15 - 9:15 am BER Building 8:15-8:45am - Breakfast 8:45 -9:00 am - Enjoy a cuppa and an introduction to our Community Health Promotion Officers

Lucky Door Prizes drawn at 9:00 am (Winners must be in attendance) Tuesday May 10, 2022