

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Norwood Secondary College provides a vibrant teaching and learning environment

TERM 2
NUMBER 6
30 April , 2021

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

TERM 1, 2021

Tuesday 4 May

Year 7 Ability Awareness Incursion

Wednesday 5 May

Year 9 Outdoor Rec

Cathedral Ranges Camp departs

Friday 7 May

Year 9 Outdoor Rec

Cathedral Ranges Camp returns

Tuesday 11 May

NAPLAN Testing

Wednesday 12 May

NAPLAN Testing

Thursday 13 May

NAPLAN Testing

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STUDENT CULTURE

The College has held two events this term, during which our students displayed an impressive understanding of positive and enthusiastic behaviour. It was a pleasure to observe how our students, with ages spanning 12 years to 18 years, were able to be involved in a respectful and attentive manner (ANZAC Assembly) and in an enthusiastic and supportive manner (Athletics Sports). Many staff present at these events shared the feeling of pride I had in the maturity and positivity of our students. Both, for quite different reasons offered such an affirming perspective of our student body.



ANZAC ASSEMBLY 2021

With the great fortune of being able to hold an ANZAC commemoration for the entire school, indoors, with everyone seated in our magnificent Gymnasium, we participated in a very poignant Assembly on the Friday prior to ANZAC Day. Our invited guest, Squadron Leader Arthur Icomomou (from the Royal Australian Air Force) led our commemoration and addressed our students. Having had deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan (and receiving 'Commendations' from the Australian Defence Force and the United States Air Force for his leadership in both arenas of conflict) he was able to speak with great insight and authority of the many challenges of war. Sqn Leader Icomomou offered an outline of the Gallipoli campaign and how, even in defeat, it was such a formative event for both the fledgling Australian forces and for the development of such a strong sense of unity with New Zealand. Further, he spoke of how the concept of 'mateship' emerged from the terrible battles of the First World War and became an entrenched and valued attribute for Australians.

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We were reminded of how impressive our students are on such occasions, when we observed a minute's silence. You could have heard a pin drop and the silence and respectful lack of movement lasted the full minute – a very moving occasion.

Many schools run ANZAC commemorations and it is our hope that our young can continue to learn of and appreciate the contribution of servicemen and women in past years and the suffering of all those who have served. Finally, and as the ANZAC Day Commemorative Committee notes:

"We have a legacy of responsibility that the heritage fought at so costly a price should not suffer in our hands; so that the word ANZAC does not so much commemorate an event as a standard of character in action which we must maintain in all circumstances - in peace as in war."

ATHLETICS SPORTS

With a strong turnout of students, the Year 12s rising to the occasion in wonderful fancy dress, many students involving themselves in events and the weather improving during the day, the 2021 Athletics Sports was a great success. A more detailed report follows in this edition, but I would like to note the outstanding organisation done prior and during the day by all staff and, particularly, Mr John Jag who oversaw the event. Thank you to all the House Student Leaders who rallied their teams and ensured each event was well-competed.

Andrew Sloane, College Principal



SENIOR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL NEWS

UNIFORM MATTERS

As the colder weather sets in it is now time to implement a full uniform changeover. Monday, 3 May will be the first day of official winter uniform. The wearing of summer uniform from this date is no longer permitted.



Given that much of Term 2 and 3 was spent in remote learning last year, it is very likely that many hemlines will need adjustments. This applies to both skirts and trousers. Warm black tights, not stockings, should be worn with skirts. Please check the College Website for Uniform Shop hours and online purchasing options.

On another note, students are reminded that undershirts are an optional uniform item. Students not complying with wearing this item correctly will lose the privilege. Undershirts can only be plain white in colour and are not to hang below College shirts.

Furthermore, students are not permitted to wear other non-uniform items of clothing underneath College jackets. Students are encouraged to wear the College jumper for additional warmth. The College jackets can be worn to and from school, at recess and lunch, to and from class, but are not permitted to be worn during class time.

We appreciate your support in upholding uniform standards.

Jackie Harris, Senior School Principal



JUNIOR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL NEWS

NAPLAN

Students in Year 7 and 9 will complete NAPLAN testing on May 11, 12 and 13. The NAPLAN test results provides information on how your child is progressing against national standards. This data will add to the suite of data our staff currently use to differentiate the curriculum to meet the learning needs of every child and ensure all students are being appropriately challenged.



NAPLAN does not replace, but rather complements, assessments run by your child's teachers throughout the year.

NAPLAN also provides the College with data that details the educational growth of each student and the cohort from Year 7 to Year 9. In 2017, 2018 and 2019 Norwood Secondary College had the highest NAPLAN Year 7 – 9 Relative Growth results in a number of areas out of all the State Secondary Schools in the Outer East Region. We are very proud of this achievement and eagerly await the 2021 data.

The data is more powerful when there is a high level of participation from each cohort involved. We ask that you encourage your child to participate to the best of their ability.

YEAR 9 NAPLAN CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT

A new feature of the NAPLAN assessment is being launched this year, with the award of Year 9 Certificates of Achievement. The new certificates aim to celebrate and recognise the importance of both excellence and learning growth.

Beginning in 2021, Year 9 students who achieve outstanding results or who significantly improve their results in NAPLAN tests will receive a NAPLAN Certificate of Achievement.

The certificates will be awarded for two categories of achievement:

- Category 1: The achievement of excellence through getting a result in the top band for reading or numeracy, or both.
- Category 2: The achievement of outstanding learning growth through improve by two or more bands between the NAPLAN Year 7 and Year 9 tests for reading or numeracy, or both.

For more information about the new certificate and measures for learning growth, refer to [Year 9 NAPLAN certificates of achievement](#) on the Department's website.

Kris Johnson, Junior School Principal

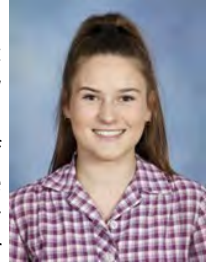


PREFECT NEWS



ANZAC Day

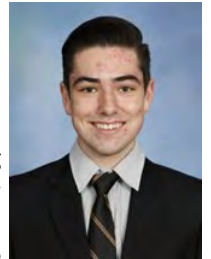
ANZAC day, 25 April marks the Anniversary of the first landing in Gallipoli where 16,000 Australian and New Zealand army troops, became known as the ANZACS, setting foot in the Turkish battle fields unaware of what was to come. In commemoration of the 106th Anniversary, as a school, we conducted our annual Anzac Assembly on Friday, 23 April. To honour the men and women who fought, aided and guided those involved in war, we were fortunate enough to have an Australian Defence Force Air squadron Leader come to the assembly and speak about the importance of ANZAC day and why it should be remembered. Squadron Leader Arthur Iconomou grew up in Sydney with his family and in 2008 he joined the Royal Australian Air Force. When addressing the school community, we learnt that Arthur is passionate about staying active in ways such as playing rugby, surfing, snowboarding, diving, competing in triathlons and travelling. At the Assembly, the students of Norwood honoured the fallen, those who have served their country and those still involved in conflict overseas. As a mark of respect we observed a minute's silence as a bugler played the 'Last Post' whilst the Australian flag was lowered to half-mast.



Many of the Year 12 Student Leaders and Prefect Team attended the Anzac Day Dawn Service at the Ringwood Clock Tower on Sunday, 25 April. Although it was a cold, early morning, many came to pay their respects. The service included, speeches, wreath laying and a minute silence. 'Lest We Forget' - **Ashleigh K, SRC Prefect**

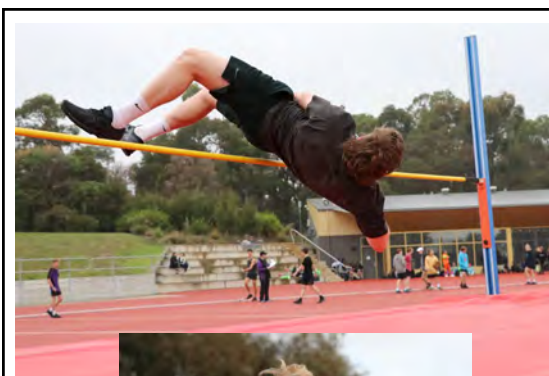
WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2

I hope you had a relaxing Easter break and enjoyed a little bit of chocolate during that time. Everyone deserved a holiday after such a huge first term, in readiness for a massive Term 2. All year levels have a number of events to look forward to. After missing out, due to the snap COVID lockdown in February, Year 7 students will finally get to head off to Camp Adanac for a day trip in June, to enjoy all of the activities they had been looking forward to. Year 8 have a wellbeing workshop coming up, which will be a great opportunity for Year 8 students to work together to maintain optimal health and wellbeing.



City Experience is one of the major events on the Year 9 calendar and is definitely something to look forward to for this cohort. Year 9 students get the opportunity to explore Melbourne, specialising in a stream of their choosing (which include, but are not limited to, foods, sports and science). Meanwhile, it is certainly going to be a busy term for Year 10 as well! Rehearsals will be underway very soon for the Presentation Ball (with the addition of a group of Year 11 students who are able to participate despite missing out on last year's event). As well as this, planning for Work Experience is ongoing in preparation for the final week of term, where students get a taste of life in a workplace.

The Year 11 Central Australia tour is fast approaching, and excitement amongst the Year 11s will most certainly be building. This trip will be a great way to explore Australia's Outback and develop new bonds between the year level through an unforgettable experience. For the Year 12s, planning of our Formal is well underway, in order to be ready for the event closer to the end of term. While there is certainly a lot to be organised for this in the coming weeks, students can look forward to a fun evening with our peers and teachers, enjoying a nice meal and taking a step back after an extremely busy, SAC-filled second term!



PREFECT NEWS

SPORTS WRAP - ATHLETICS' CARNIVAL

On Tuesday, 27 April, Ringwood Athletics Track was filled with a sea of students donning their house colours, ever keen for Norwood's House Athletics Carnival. It was a fantastic day and especially great to see such strong support and comradery among students on both the track and field.

For Year 7s, their first Athletics' Carnival was approached with much enthusiasm. The new cohort have been preparing hard in their PE lessons and were impressive in all events.

The Year 12s dominated the "Best Dressed" event again with a set of cowboys, wrestlers and even Mario and Luigi making an appearance. It was great to see so many give a range of events a go to set an example for their younger peers.

The day saw an impressive 6 records broken by Brodie S (Long Jump and 100m), Alicia P (800m and 1500m), Ry C (110m hurdles) and Haylee L (Javelin).

A special congratulations go out to the age group champions:

13 Year Female: Halle G	13 Year Male: Oskar J
14 Year Female: Milly S	14 Year Male: Mitchell L
15 Year Female: Layla K	15 Year Male: Lachlan C
16 Year Female: Matilda B	16 Year Male: Brodie S
17 Year Female: Alicia P	17 Year Male: Jacob C
20 Year Female: Olivia K	20 Year Male: Connor B

The conclusion of our day saw Yarra House emerge victorious on 1794 points – 3 wins from 3 carnivals... what a team! A huge thank you to the House Captains and staff who assisted throughout the day and in preparation for the event. A big thank you also to Mr Jag for his coordination of another great carnival.

SENIOR GIRLS' CRICKET

Monday, 26 April...what a day! A 7am start saw Norwood's Senior Girls' Cricket Team on the bus to Wangaratta and ready to play by 11am. After a quick stop in Yea for brekkie, we were ready to take the field against Wodonga in the State Quarter Final. Our personalised team caps (kindly bought by Mr Wilson), had finally arrived and were put to good use by the team. After losing the toss, we took to the bat and accumulated a solid 159 runs for only 2 wickets. Maddie did a brilliant job with 77 (not out) alongside Jaclyn who was bowled on 46. Lily also held her own, scoring 17 runs, not out.

After a quick break and pep talk from Mr Wilson, we went on to field. An impressive bowling line up saw Wodonga kept to only 83 runs. Some epic bowling from Ella saw an almost hat trick and both Lily and Haylee took brilliant catches. A run out from Elise and a wicket to Lily, Jaclyn and Maddie each, saw Wodonga's state level batters scrambling for singles.

With a win on our backs and after our traditional Macca's stop on the way home, we arrived back at Norwood at 5.30pm. A massive thank you to Miss Glare, who drove our bus the whole 7 hours, and to Mr Wilson, who continues to be the supportive, encouraging and committed coach we all met in Year 7. We look forward to the State Semi-Final (and hopefully Grand-Final) to be held in Term 4!

Jaclyn B and Alicia P, Year 12 Sport Prefects







STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

BREAKFAST CLUB

We will be running Breakfast Club on Wednesdays and Fridays throughout Term 2, with donations we have received from 'Foodbank'. Come down to the Wellbeing Pod at 8am for a chat with some of the members of the Wellbeing Committee and Student Wellbeing Team and enjoy some delicious food!



YEAR 9 – MAROONDAH YOUTH SERVICES

Ash and Rachelle from Maroondah Youth Services held a presentation for our Year 9 students last week during Mentoring, with a focus on PERMAH. The PERMAH framework covers positive emotion, engagement, relationships, meaning, accomplishment and health. Ash and Rachelle were both engaging and informative with their presentation to the students, and were able to involve the students in some hands-on activities. Maroondah Youth will be out presenting to our other year levels over the coming terms, and we are very grateful for the support that they provide to the NSC community.



Check out all of what they do at

<http://www.maroondahyouth.com.au/Home> or @maroondahyouth on Instagram.

MAROONDAH YOUTH AWARDS

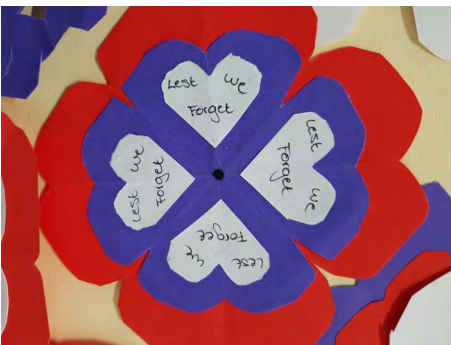
On Wednesday, 21 April, the Maroondah Youth Awards were held at Karralyka Centre (and also streamed live), where we had a number of students presented with awards. Check out the Norwood Secondary nominees below, and have a look at:

<http://www.maroondahyouth.com.au/Celebrating-young-people/Maroondah-Youth-Awards-2021> for a complete list of nominees and their individual write-ups:

- Ella S (Creativity)
- Naureen M (Creativity)
- Charlotte P (Leadership)
- Ebony B (Leadership)
- Rica P (Leadership)
- Rin Te L (Leadership)

Jacki Landy, Annie Hearne and Chayna Dight-Stone
Student Wellbeing Team





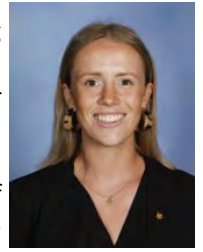
YEAR 7 NEWS

Congratulations to our Year 7 students on completing their first term at Norwood. We are proud of all students and appreciate the ongoing support of our Parent community.

On Wednesday, 31 March we celebrated the end of term with a Pancake Breakfast. It was great to see so many families, primary school principals, and teachers in attendance. The morning had a great atmosphere and was a positive way to finish Term 1.

We also celebrated the end of term at our assembly by presenting our Year 7 Ambassadors with their badges and awarding our Year 7 students who received the top GPA for their mentor group in Term 1.

Priscilla Smith, Head of Year 7
Adam Given, Year 7 Coordinator



YEAR 8 NEWS

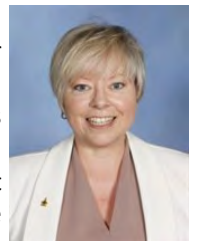
POPPIES

In mentoring class, we focused on commemorating our ANZAC soldiers. Each student was able to choose a colour for this commemoration. The red poppies represent our past soldiers and the sacrifice they made. The purple poppies represent all the animals that served in all wars. The white poppies represent the families who lost loved ones and our ongoing commitment to peace. Some students wrote beautiful sentiments on their poppies, dedicating this to unknown and known soldiers and family members. We are now exhibiting this outside the Year 8 office and we are exceptionally proud of the way our students embraced this project.

BUILDING AND MAINTAINING WELLBEING IN YEAR 8

Our students next week will be part of an educational program through Maroondah Youth Services, to focus on growth mindset. All students will be involved and as a cohort, students will all be able to engage in this presentation in their mentoring classes.

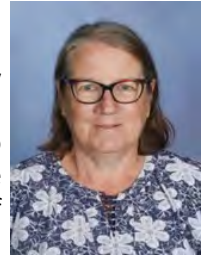
Alison Ward, Head of Year 8
Daniel Cole, Year 8 Coordinator



GEOGRAPHY NEWS

YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY FIELDWORK

Late in Term 1, Year 9 students studying Geography undertook a fieldtrip to the Yarra Ranges National Park. The aim of the day was to collect primary data to compare the use management of the visited sites. The first stop was at Redwood Forest, just out of Warburton. This forest of Californian Redwoods, planted in the 1930s, provided students with a unique experience of walking under the tall redwoods.



The other two stops at the Rainforest Gallery and Mt Donna Buang gave the students the opportunity to investigate an Australia forest environment. Students enjoyed the day with the favourite location being the Redwood Forest and for the second group, climbing the lookout tower at Mt Donna Buang. Many photos were taken at the Redwood Forest, I would like to thank the students for their excellent behaviour and the teachers that accompanied the classes.

Susan Marshallsea, Geography Teacher



SCIENCE NEWS

YEAR 9 SCIENCE FORENSICS INCURSION

Year 9 students are currently studying Forensic Science and on Wednesday, 21 April they had the opportunity to attend an incursion run by Education Interactive. The workshop was presented by Nacho Rubio who recreated a mock crime scene for the students to solve. A variety of evidence were found at the crime scene which students analysed before coming to the conclusion as to who the perpetrator was.



The feedback from both staff and students about the event was very positive, the incursion gave students an opportunity to use the tools that are used by Forensic Scientists and they also got an insight on the types of evidence that can be found at a crime scene. Students critically evaluated and analysed the evidence that was presented to them and solved the crime.

The Science faculty is grateful to Education Interactive which allows us to provide opportunities of excellence to our students.

Shalini Singh, Head of Science

MUSIC NEWS

MUSIC CALENDAR

TERM 2

JUNIOR BAND 8am Mondays in D7

JAZZ NIGHT REHEARSALS

Commence every Thursday
(6.30pm-8.30pm in D7)
starting 29 April

JAZZ NIGHT

SATURDAY, 29 MAY
7pm - 9.30pm
Performing Arts Centre

VCE SOIREE

WEDNESDAY, 2 JUNE
6pm in D7

TERM 3

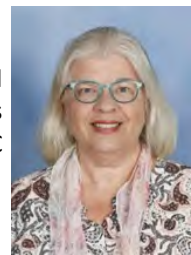
MUSIC CAMP

MONDAY, 19 JULY TO
WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY



JUNIOR BAND REHEARSALS WITH MR WERRETT

Junior Band rehearsals have started for all Junior Band 2020 and new Junior Band members 2021. Yes, 8am is early, and yes, you are all fabulous! Thank you to NSC parents for getting your children here on time.



OPEN NIGHT

For the first time, the Music Block was "open" on Open Night and we had a very successful evening showing off our fabulous String Ensemble led by Mrs Sue Laity; Percussion display assisted by Mr Wallace and featuring a number of soloists: Saina D - Clarinet, Rachael S - Voice, Keira B and Lucinda D - Trumpet and Caleb S - French horn.

Ambassadors: Tahlia W (Music Captain) and Lily J. Congratulations also to the Chorale for performing an upbeat Torres Strait Islander song in the Gym – directed by Ms Ellyce Calder.

Jo Dema, Music Coordinator



The Norwood SC Music students and staff cannot wait to welcome you to our first BIG night of Music for 2021

NORWOOD SECONDARY COLLEGE 2021



Cancelled in 2020, but **WE ARE BACK!**

Featuring David Farrell's fab **Plan B Big Band**

With our Senior Singers and Ensembles

Enjoy Jazz and Rock hits such as:

*Almost Like Being in Love, Sway, Jailhouse Rock, Come Rain or Come Shine,
L-O-V-E, This madness called love and MORE!*

Date: Saturday, 29 May

Venue: Performing Arts Centre Norwood SC

Time: 7pm-9.30pm

BYO: Supper hamper/refreshments

Table bookings available

Tickets available from May 8 via TryBooking

(A booking link will be advertised on the NSC website shortly)

Tickets: \$10 flat rate per seat. Performers - free

Note: This is a reduced cost for Adult tickets from previous years - No other concessions

Funds raised going towards a new trumpet and clarinet

LIBRARY NEWS

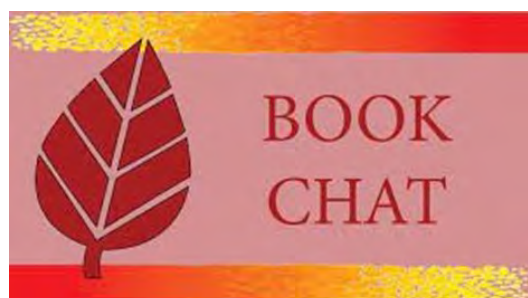
Welcome back for another great term at Norwood! It has been wonderful to see so many bright faces in the Library for our first week back and so many students reading and borrowing. Our popular Book Chats program will be starting up against this term, with snacks provided, so be sure to bring along your favourite book recommendations to the Library every second Thursday at recess. The dates for this term are:

- April 29
- May 13
- May 27
- June 10
- June 24

And just a reminder that books borrowed for holiday reading are now overdue, and need to be brought back to the library so they can be read and enjoyed by other students!

If you have any questions or if we can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to contact us at Library@norwood.vic.edu.au

Lucy Napthali and Kerri Jones, the Library Team



TERM DATES 2021

Term 1

27 January (Teachers Only) to 1 April 2021

Thursday, 28 January 2021

Years 7, 10 - 12

Friday, 29 January 2021

Years 8 - 9

Term 2

19 April to 25 June 2021

Term 3

12 July to 17 September 2021

Term 4

4 October to 17 December 2021

GENERAL OFFICE NEWS

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUNDING (CSEF)

Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding is again available in 2021. We encourage all families holding a valid means tested concession card to apply now. An application form is available via the link, applications will be accepted until the last day of Term 2.



The CSEF payment cannot be used towards voluntary school charges, books, stationery, school uniforms, Music lessons, etc. Each time you wish to use your CSEF for an event, please print out the excursion form from Compass Education and write "pay with CSEF". If you have any questions, please call the General Office on 9871 0400.

<https://www.norwood.vic.edu.au/community/>

Jane Arnold, Business Manager

UNIFORM SHOP

SHOP HOURS:

MONDAYS 8.30AM-11.30AM
THURSDAYS 1.30PM - 4.30PM



DOBSONS ONLINE (CLICK AND COLLECT):

Please visit: www.dobsons.com.au

Navigate to **SHOP** in toolbar

Click - Norwood Secondary College Logo

DELIVER TO HOME OR OFFICE:

Metro Melbourne: Within 24 - 72 hours - \$10 Flat Rate

Jenny McKenzie, Dobsons Uniform Shop Coordinator

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS

FOR SALE

If you have secondhand uniforms you would like to sell:

- Ensure they are clean and in good condition
- Email the Uniform Shop for a sellers form
- Complete the sellers form and make arrangements with the Uniform Shop to hand in.



FOR DONATION

All uniforms being donated to our Student Wellbeing Centre are to be handed in to the General Office only. Please ensure they are clean and in good condition.

Thank you

Student Wellbeing Centre



YEAR 11 VCAL 2021

BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



Please join us in our efforts to collect bread tags - tags collected will be recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa.



Bread tags are collected Australia wide and recycled into a range of products. See the website below for more information.



Re-made in Robe!



What can I do?

It's easy save your bread tags for a while and then drop off at the General Office - Norwood Secondary College.



ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au

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Thursday, 15 April 2021

Dear Principal,

RE: Road Safety Around Schools

Maroondah City Council and Victoria Police work in partnership with local road safety stakeholders and the community to improve the safety of road users in the municipality, including school students of all ages.

The purpose of this letter is to advise your school community about actions being taken by Council to improve the safety of students, and to encourage the members of the school community to use positive road safety practices around schools.

Council has installed a variety of road safety treatments around schools. These include traffic calming devices, line marking and parking restriction signs. Council's Local Laws Officers regularly patrol all Schools in Maroondah to enforce the *Road Safety Road Rules 2017* (the Road Rules) and contributes to the cost of employing school crossing supervisors.

School Crossing Supervisors work tirelessly to provide a safe environment for pedestrians to safely cross the road. We ask all members of the school community who utilise our School Crossings to adhere to all instructions and signals from the Supervisor. Likewise, for motorists, we ask that they keep a watchful eye for pedestrians and stop batons at our school crossings. Any dangerous driving conduct by motorists will be reported to Victoria Police for follow-up action.

With regard to enforcement of the Road Rules, Local Laws Officers regularly monitor school crossings and surrounding areas, issuing Parking Infringement Notices to drivers of vehicles observed breaching the Road Rules. This is done on a rotating roster basis, with attendance at schools being randomly undertaken.

Maroondah City Council will undertake a combination of highly visible static patrols and vehicle patrols utilizing on-board offence detection cameras. A Local Laws Officer has no obligation to speak with a driver who has committed an offence, nor provide any form of warning. Parking Infringement Notices

Contact us

Phone 1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4598 **Fax** 9298 4345

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can be posted to the registered owner of a vehicle, if detected committing an offence, in accordance with the *Infringements Act 2006* and *Infringements Regulations 2016*.

We wish to reiterate that ensuring safety around schools is paramount, as well as maintaining a smooth flow of traffic during pick-up and drop-off times. Under the Road Rules, the onus is on the driver to be familiar and follow all Road Rules associated with parking and stopping. As such new and current parents of your school should become familiar with parking restrictions and remain vigilant in the event of any changes to these restrictions.

Achieving motorists' compliance with the Road Rules assists to provide a safe environment for children and other pedestrians. Council appreciates the work that school communities undertake in promoting road safety and driver compliance to the Road Rules. This often includes the provision of road safety information in meetings, assemblies and newsletters and making parents aware of the risk to children of illegal driving and parking practices.

By working together in partnership, Maroondah City Council and the school community can enhance the road safety of children attending your school. Should you have any concerns / queries in relation to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the Local Laws Department via 1300 88 22 33.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy Hughes", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Timothy Hughes
Team Leader Parking Services
Local Laws

[Contact us](#)

Phone 1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4598 **Fax** 9298 4345

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TERM 2 UPDATE

STAY SAFE IN WET WEATHER

As the weather gets colder and wetter, now is a good time to remind your students to take extra care on our services. Bus floors and surfaces may be wet, and the roads can be slippery. To stay safe, students should move down the bus and take a seat if they can. If a seat is not available, students should hold on to grab rails or poles in case a bus needs to brake suddenly.

Pressing the bell early to give our drivers enough time to stop safely and waiting until the bus comes to a complete stop before moving towards the door will also help your students stay safe when travelling on our services.

We appreciate you keeping your school community updated and informed about the information below:

REMEMBER TO TOUCH ON YOUR MYKI

Students must travel with a valid myki when travelling on our services. We are no longer accepting cash on board, so students should top up their myki before travelling. Please encourage students to register their myki. This may help with COVID-19 contact tracing and ensures the balance is protected if the card is lost or stolen.

Touching on means that students are accurately counted on our services and helps the Department of Transport plan school services.

PLEASE WEAR A MASK

While COVID-19 restrictions are easing, masks remain mandatory on all public transport services for students above the age of 12.

Our buses are thoroughly cleaned each day to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect students.

NEED TO CONTACT US?

For enquiries that need to be resolved urgently, please call our priority hotline number: 03 8685 2702. Please note this phone line is for school staff only and should not be distributed to parents or students.

For all other enquiries such as early finishes, charter requirements, student free days, school term dates and feedback, please contact Joseph Yokneh at melbourneschools@transdev.com.au.

LOST PROPERTY ENQUIRIES

If students leave anything behind on the bus, please contact 1800 718 121 (Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm) or 1800 800 007 (6am-midnight daily, all night Friday & Saturday), or complete our online enquiry form at www.transdevmelbourne.com.au.

Stay safe,
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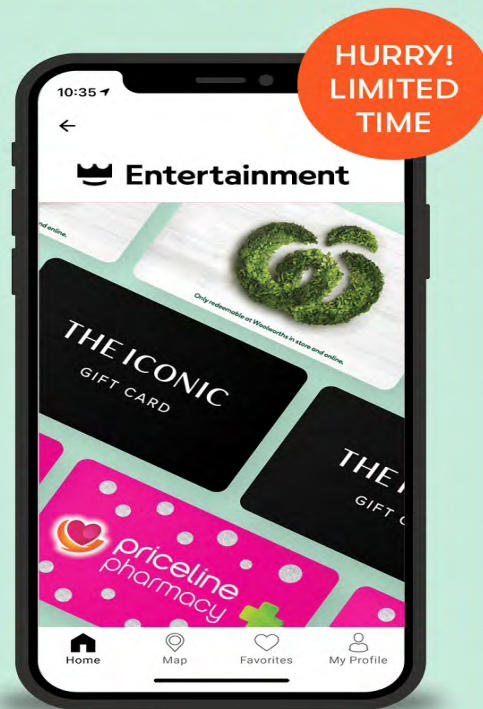
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