

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Norwood Secondary College provides a vibrant teaching and learning environment

TERM 2
NUMBER 7
20 May, 2022

College Phone No. 9871 0400

Principal: Mr Andrew Sloane

Assistant Principals: Mr Kris Johnson and Mrs Jackie Harris

College Council President: Ms Tammie Palmer

College Captains: Caitlin Weatherburn and Evan Barjak

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

TERM 2, 2022

Monday 23 May

Year 9 My Career Insights Program

Wednesday 25 May

Year 12 English Performance

Year 12 Stress Monster

Maroonah Youth Services

Friday 27 May

Curriculum Day - No Classes

Saturday 28 May

Jazz Night - Performing Arts Centre NSC

Monday 30 May

Year 9 My Career Insights Program

Tuesday 31 May

Year 11 Presentation Ball

Wednesday 1 June

Year 8 Wellness Day

Thursday 2 June

Year 9 Outdoor Ed Surf Camp

Friday 3 June

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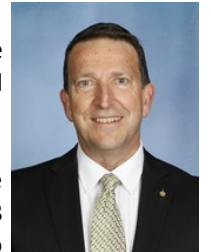
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COLLEGE PRINCIPAL REPORT

COVID UPDATE

I am writing to let you know about changes to the provision of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) in our school for the remainder of Term 2.



RATs will continue to be distributed to you for the remainder of this term. However, from Monday, 23 May 2022, students will no longer be asked to undertake twice weekly RATs in mainstream schools.

RATs however will continue to be required by students who are household contacts who are now allowed to attend school (5 tests over a 7 day period – all of which must be negative) or who have symptoms (again – they must test and be negative to be able to attend school).

The ongoing supply of RATs to families in our school will ensure that parents and carers will have them should they need them if their child is a household contact or has symptoms.

Please note:

- Families must continue to notify the school and the Department of Health if their child returns a positive RAT result.
- You must also inform the school (Ms Tina Danisch – 9871 0400) if any of your children are household contacts.

Thank you also to all families who have ensured their child is vaccinated. Vaccination continues to remain the best way to protect students and staff in our school.

Thank you again for your ongoing cooperation and support during this time.



Amy, Phoebe and Caleb join the Premier, Daniel Andrews, local member Dustin Halse MP and member for Burwood Will Fowles MP to 'officially' turn the first sod in our Stage 1 site.

CONSTRUCTION OF STAGE 1 OF MASTER PLAN

On Wednesday, this week, we had invited Dustin Halse MP and Will Fowles (currently State MP for Burwood but standing for Ringwood in the next State election) to turn the first sod in our construction of Stage 1 of the Master Plan for Norwood's redevelopment. Both Dustin and Will did, indeed turn up, but a surprise additional visitor was Dan Andrews, Victoria's Premier. Premier Andrews joined three of our students who helped symbolically shift the first soil in the building program. The Premier was interested in what further stages of the build will offer us and reiterated his belief in the importance of our children having the best possible facilities in which to learn...a sentiment that we indicated we shared.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

As we continue to return to 'normal' at school, there are a number of significant events in our calendar that mark such a return – one of these is the Athletics Carnival. This, along with the Swimming and Cross-Country events, is the backbone of our House competition and offer students the chance to be involved in the spirit of both competition and fun. Our Year 12s took the opportunity to come in 'fancy dress' and, as has been the

case for many years, they led the way for the rest of the students in being involved in everything and having fun doing it.



VAPING – A SERIOUS NEW CHALLENGE FOR OUR YOUNG

With some very worrying statistics indicating that many young people are experimenting with e-cigarettes/'vaping', schools are being strongly encouraged to ensure some of the myths associated with this practice are exposed.

Professor Emily Banks from the Australian National University's National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, one of the many health researchers expressing grave concerns, has stated that high-concentration nicotine products are being targeted at young people, using fruity, confectionary flavourings and discrete packaging. "Young people are being sold a lie that e-cigarettes are just harmless water vapour," she said. "They are not harmless water vapour. They contain a lot of chemicals and there is evidence that they are harmful to health."



Victorian government schools have been reminded that vaping, like smoking must be actively discouraged in schools as it is both against the law and increases the risk of multiple adverse health outcomes – including poisoning, addiction, seizures, burns, lung injury and smoking uptake. The following link offers parents details of the Victorian government's ban on smoking and vaping:

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/smoking-vaping-ban/policy>

In Victoria it is illegal for any person aged 18 or over to obtain, possess or use nicotine e-cigarettes, or e-cigarette cartridges containing nicotine, or nicotine liquids for use in a vaporiser, without a prescription. It is illegal to sell e-cigarettes to, or buy e-cigarettes for, any person aged under 18 years whether or not the e-cigarettes contain nicotine.

We ask for the active support of parents to help minimise the involvement of our young in this dangerous habit.

Andrew Sloane, College Principal



SRC NEWS

CASUAL DRESS DAY & BBQ FUNDRAISER

The 'Eat Up' foundation supports Australian children who do not have food at school. Each week, Eat Up makes and delivers over 10 thousand lunches directly to schools for vulnerable children. To date, they have provided over 1 million lunches to Australian kids in need. More than 1 in 5 Australian children have experienced food insecurity in the last 12 months, and the demand for food relief services has increased by 47% since 2020 due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, so the Year 11 Leadership Team believe that it is more important now than ever to help give these children the food they need to thrive in school.



To support this cause, the Year 11 Leadership Team has organised a casual clothes day and gold coin donation on Tuesday, 24 May next week. We ask that all students who come to school in casual clothes donate a gold coin to support this worthy cause. There will be a BBQ at lunch so please come to the front of the Hall to buy a sausage and drink! When you buy a lunch, you give a lunch to a student in need.

Layla K, Year 11

SRC NEWS

The Year 10s have been very busy these past couple of weeks. The preparation for the Presentation Ball is underway with the event to be held on Tuesday, 7 June. Already, students have learnt many dances.



We have been involved in interschool sports, with our year level participating in badminton, football and netball this past week. With our exams coming up very soon the Year 10s have been learning how to develop effective note taking skills and learning the best techniques for studying. The Year 10s have also been prepping for Work Experience in the last week of school which is really exciting!! Good luck to everyone participating in the Presentation Ball. Enjoy the remainder of Term 2!

Emma R, Year 10

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

TERM 2 - GREAT START!

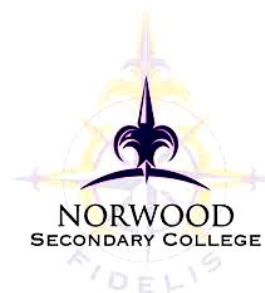
Junior school students have enjoyed a great start to Term 2. Students have settled back into the routine of classes and had the opportunity to be involved in several extra curricular activities the College offers.



For the first time, students in Years 7 and 9 completed NAPLAN testing digitally from Tuesday to Friday last week. Students in both year levels took the testing seriously and tried their best. We look forward to receiving individual and cohort data so that we can further cater for the learning needs of our students.

Some of the extra curricular activities students have been involved in so far this term include; our rehearsals for this year's production 'Shrek the Musical', music ensemble rehearsals, intermediate sports round robin tournament, excursion to the Yarra Ranges, rock-climbing and lunchtime clubs which run across four lunchtimes each week.

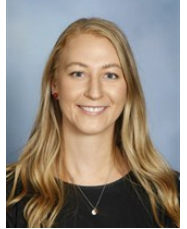
Kris Johnson, Junior School Principal



STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

LGBTQIA+ - MAROONDAH YOUTH PRESENTATION

On Wednesday, Marcus and Rachelle from Maroondah Youth spoke to the Year 11 cohort about gender diversity and allyship. Both students and staff found the presentation very informative, and it was fantastic to see a number of students waiting at the conclusion of the presentation to chat further to Marcus and Rachelle about the topics covered. For more information about the incredible work Maroondah Youth are doing with the LGBTQIA+ community, click [here](#).



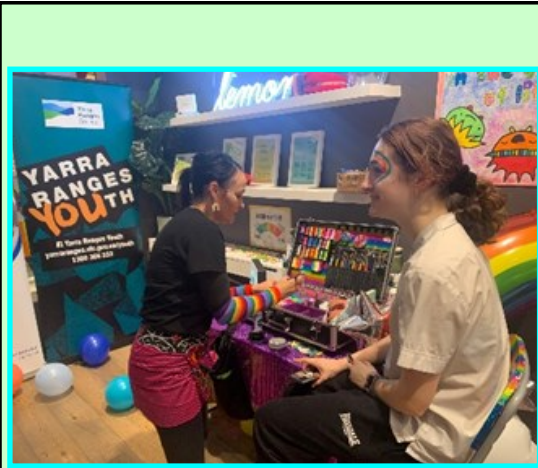
LGBTQIA+ - EASTLAND

Some Norwood students attended the activities at Eastland put on by Maroondah City Council Youth Services and Yarra Ranges Youth Services. The 'Pop-up Pride' at the Friendship Ninja Zone celebrated LGBTQIA+ young people, and was a brilliant way to celebrate IDAHOBIT Day.

ARTS AND CRAFT GROUP

The Wellbeing Art and Craft Group started in Week 3 for some Year 7, 8 and 9 students. Students were encouraged to make something out of clay, whilst enjoying using different senses for this mindful activity. Each week will have a different focus, using different senses whilst thinking about different wellbeing topics.

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



YEAR 7 AND 8 NEWS

YEAR 7 AND 8 FRENCH SPEAKING PRACTICE

Recently, the Years 7 and 8 French classes have been participating in some games to help them build confidence with speaking aloud in French, in preparation for their upcoming assessment tasks. Students participated in stealing sentences in our Sentence Stealer game and were incredibly brave speaking aloud in front of the class in the Trapdoor activity.



All students should be very proud of their efforts at pronouncing the French vocabulary we have been learning so far in this unit and the way they were supporting and encouraging their classmates.



Simone Genovese, French Teacher



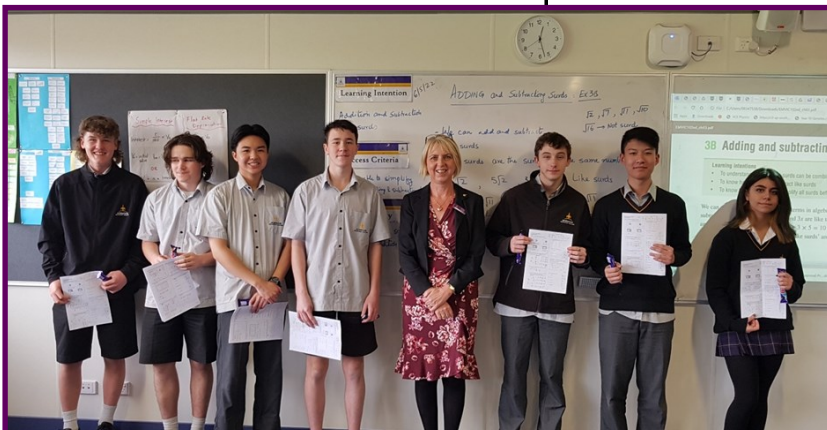
YEAR 10 NEWS

PERFECT SCORERS AND HIGH ACHIEVERS IN THE PROBABILITY TOPIC IN MATHEMATICS

These students from Year 10 Maths Methods classes have scored either an A or A+ grade in their test or SAC or both on the topic of Probability in Mathematics. The test component contains routine questions on the topic and SAC contains application type questions. Kira and Ellie have scored 100% in their SAC component whereas Cailin and Darwin have scored 100% in their test component of this assessment task. Ms Harris, Senior School Principal, has awarded these students with small chocolates bars as appreciation. Congratulations to these students on their excellent performance. Well done!



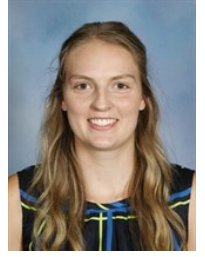
Gurwinder Singh, Mathematics Teacher



SPORT NEWS

SENIOR GIRLS' NETBALL

On Monday (Week 3), the Senior Girls' Netball played at HE Parker Reserve. The A and B teams were undefeated on the day, and the C team had a very good run with only one loss. The A team will progress to the EMR competition in Term 3. All the Norwood representatives did a wonderful job and demonstrated fantastic team work on the day.



INTERMEDIATE GIRLS' NETBALL

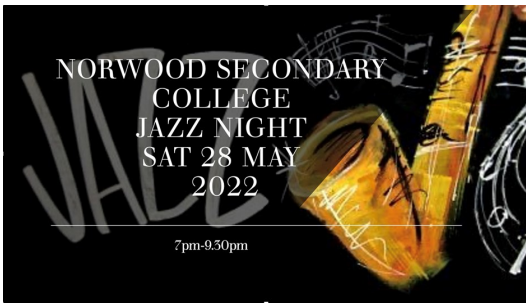
On Thursday, three teams represented Norwood at the Intermediate Girls' Netball. The competition was outdoors in cold, drizzly weather however the girls showed great spirit and teamwork. Norwood Year 11 students Tilly and Ava stepped up last minute and umpired - we appreciated their efforts helping out on the day. The A team was undefeated and will progress to EMR, the B team was also undefeated and the C team won 3 out of their 5 games. A wonderful effort by all teams!



Ms Brodie Smith and Ms Annie Hearne, Netball Coaches



MUSIC NEWS

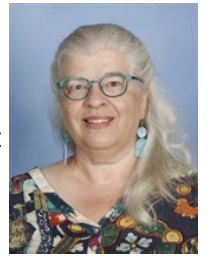


Norwood singers preparing songs with Plan B Big Band on Thursday nights



JAZZ NIGHT - SATURDAY, 28 MAY

Each Thursday night, from 6.30pm-8.30pm, D7 has been “alive” with the fabulous sounds of Plan B Big Band, rehearsing with a group of our very own Norwood SC singing students, in preparation for Jazz Night on Saturday, 28 May. It has been planned for 2 years and THIS year we are finally able to run our fabulous Jazz Night.



Artists include: Emily W, Anabel J, Alex B, Georgia W and Jessica M, Jason S, Ms Ellyce Calderand a mystery guest!

The night will also feature Norwood ensembles such as combined Inter and Concert Band, Senior String Ensemble and Chorale. All these ensembles are required to attend. Students performing do not require a ticket. Chairs and tables are provided for performers - all details via the Compass Event.

Time: 7pm-9.30pm
Venue: Performing Arts Centre (Hall)
Tickets: \$10 per head
BYO: Supper
Tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/BZDEW>



MUSIC CAMP 2022

We are very excited to announce that the 2022 Music Camp is planned for Week 2 of Term 3. All enrolled Music students are expected to attend the annual Music Camp at Oasis Camp, Mt Evelyn. A Compass event will be published next week with attached forms to be completed. This is a vital camp to re-establish our music ensembles through music rehearsals and team building activities.

Details:

Date: Monday, 18 July to Wednesday, 20 July 2022
Venue: Oasis Camp at Mt Evelyn
Ensembles attending: Inter Band, Concert Band, Junior Band, Chorale, Junior Strings, Senior Strings and Guitar Ensemble

Do not miss out on Music Camp!

Jo Dema, Instrumental Music Coordinator



UNIFORM SHOP

SHOP HOURS:

MONDAYS 8.30AM - 11.30AM

THURSDAYS 1.30PM - 4.30PM

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Click - Norwood Secondary College Logo

Jenny McKenzie,

Dobsons Uniform Shop Coordinator



CRAFT CLUB NEWS

AUTUMN AND WINTER KNITTING/CROCHET PROJECTS 2022

Once again, Norwood is planning on contributing to the KOGO organisation to continue our yearly tradition. In the recent extract below from KOGO newsletter you will see the 2022 requests.

If we could be so bold as to ask.....

KOGO are so grateful for all donations.

For this month...

We need:

- children's scarves
- indigenous scarves, beanies, blankets, gloves in all sizes

We have enough:

- baby beanies

We don't have the capacity to run in the ends of knitted garments so please send items without loose threads. (Note: this does not include blanket squares - we use the tails on our granny squares to sew the blankets together).



Please feel free to use the link below to be inspired by the free patterns. <https://www.kogo.org.au/patterns>. All knitted items can be dropped off at the General Office and will be forwarded to KOGO on behalf of our Norwood Community.

Happy Knitting or Crocheting!

Lisa-Jane Walmsley, Craft Club Coordinator

GENERAL OFFICE NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – COMPASS EVENTS

The process of using 'Camps, Sports, and Excursion Funds' (CSEF), and credits held on your family accounts, has recently changed. The option previously available in Compass to "use CSEF for an event" will be removed due to this new process. Due to the numerous cancelled camps/events in 2020 and 2021, we hold an amount of funds in credit for certain families that can be used towards camps/events in 2022.



The new process is as follows:-

The NSC General Office will now automatically allocate credits and CSEF towards events where applicable. **Please contact the General Office to notify us if you do not want this automatic allocation towards camps/events to occur for your child/children.**

For example:

- An event cost is \$25 and you have a credit or CSEF of \$15, the amount owing for the event will be reduced for your child to \$10, therefore using the credit available to offset the cost of the event
- An event cost is \$25 and you have credit or CSEF greater than \$25, the full amount will be offset against the event and future credits or CSEF will be used in the same way.

Please note that consent **MUST** still be given on Compass for your child to participate in any event. If you have any questions about this new process, or have a credit and would prefer a refund directly into your bank account, please contact Ms Megha Malhotra, Assistant Business Manager, on 9871 0400.

Jane Arnold, Business Manager

TERM DATES 2022

TERM 1, 2022

31 January - Years 7, 10-12

1 February - Years 8-9

to

Friday, 8 April

TERM 2, 2022

Anzac Day Monday, 25 April - Public

Holiday **Tuesday 26 April** to 24 June

TERM 3, 2022

11 July to 16 September

TERM 4, 2022

3 October to 20 December 2022



NORWOOD 2022

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?

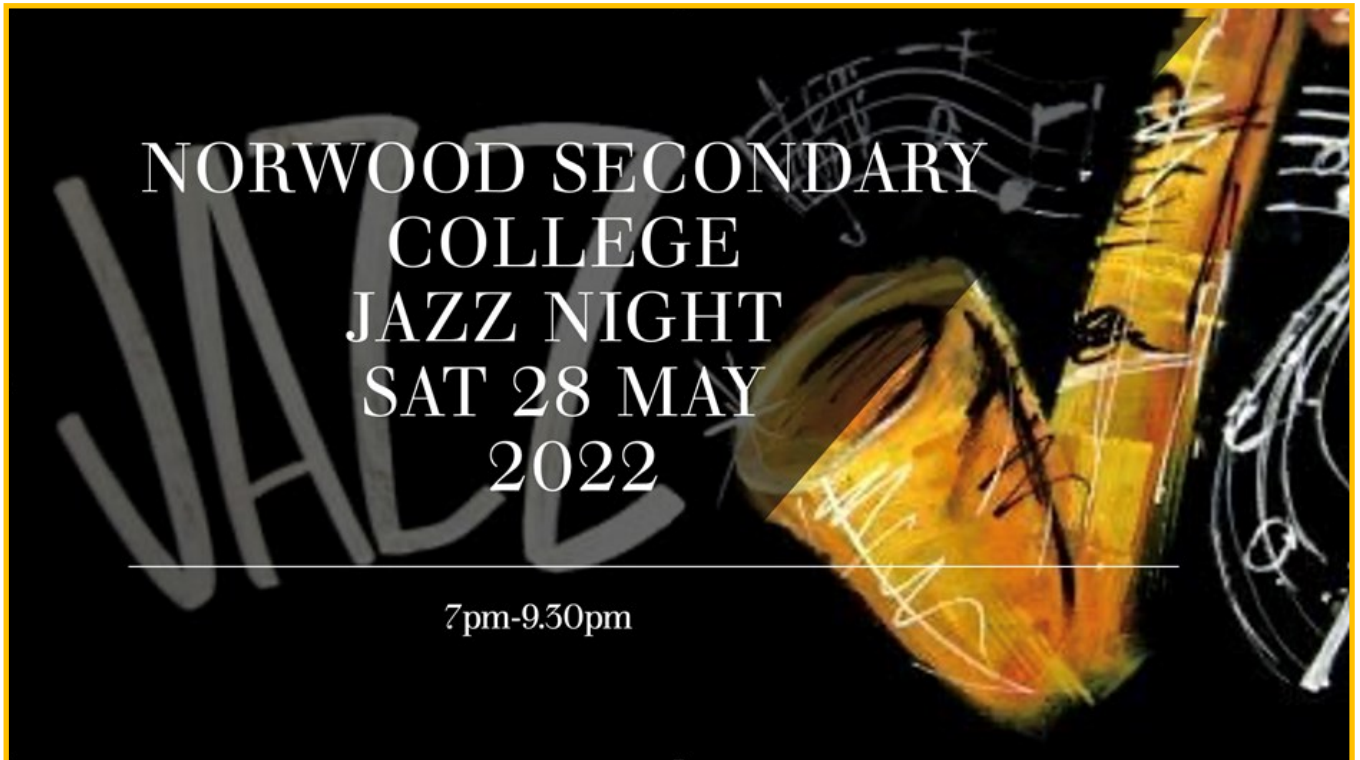
It's easy save your bread tags for a while and then drop off at the General Office - Norwood Secondary College.



ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au

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Time: 7pm-9.30pm

**Venue: Performing Arts Centre
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TUTORING FOR MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY

Lionel Maizels

Currently a third year student at University of Melbourne in Mathematics/Engineering ATAR: 96.40 with scaled study scores of 49.77 in Mathematical Methods, 51.94 in Specialist Mathematics, 46.76 in Physics and 42.75 in Chemistry. Currently, volunteering as a tutor in VCE classes at Norwood SC.

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Cost \$35 per hour



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ROBOGALS MONASH HACKATHON

TRANSPORTATION



TERM 2 HOLIDAYS | 2022
MONASH UNIVERSITY CLAYTON

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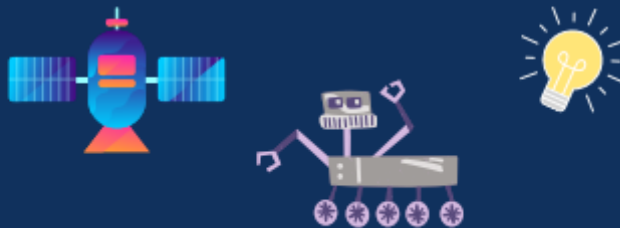
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ROBOGALS HACKATHON

WHAT IS A HACKATHON?

- A hackathon is an event based on problem solving and creative thinking usually run within a short time frame
- The goal is to come up with solutions to a problem you are given and present that solution to a panel of judges for points
- All students will be guided by mentors and masterclasses which will help train your thinking to come up with unique answers
- There is no experience required and no expectation that you have done a hackathon before!
- Everything will be taught with beginners in mind

THEME: EXTRATERRESTRIAL TRANSPORTATION



Transportation is an integral part of our everyday lives, enabling us to travel efficiently around our local areas, across our country and even around the world. Modern developments in transportation tend to involve evolving current vehicles and transportation solutions, but what happens when we consider a completely different context?

Year Level: 9 - 10 in 2022

Team sizes: 4-5 (sign up individually or as a team)

Prizes:

1st Prize – Mastercard Giftcard of \$40.00 per student

2nd Prize – Mastercard Giftcard of \$30.00 per student

3rd Prize – Mastercard Giftcard of \$20.00 per student

Registration Form

<https://forms.gle/QzXuKLM27XEu5S1g8>

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