

## PURPOSE STATEMENT

*Norwood Secondary College provides a vibrant teaching and learning environment*

**TERM 3**  
**NUMBER 10**  
**22 July, 2022**

**School Email Address:** [norwood.sc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:norwood.sc@education.vic.gov.au)

**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

**School Web Address:** [www.norwood.vic.edu.au](http://www.norwood.vic.edu.au)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

### TERM 3, 2022

#### Tuesday 2 August

Pupil Free Day

#### Monday 8 to Wednesday 10 August

Year 8 Summit Camp

#### Tuesday 9 August

Year 11 RYDA Driver Training

#### Thursday 18 to Saturday 20 August

College Production - Shrek the Musical

#### Thursday 25 August

Parent, Teacher and Student Conferences

#### Thursday 1 to Friday 2 September

Year 10 Snow Camp

#### Wednesday 7 September

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#### Thursday 8 to Friday 9 September

Year 9 Outdoor Education Surf Camp

## COLLEGE PRINCIPAL REPORT

### COVID ISSUES

Parents would be aware of the changeable landscape we face in dealing with COVID. As you were informed this week, there has been new advice regarding masks across all schools in Victoria. In case you have not had the opportunity to read it, I will briefly note that DE&T, Independent Schools Victoria and the Catholic Education Victoria are offering the same advice: **all students over 8 years of age and all staff in all schools are asked to wear masks whenever they are indoors.**



Parents are asked to ensure their children have a mask for school and parents and schools have been asked to explain to our children the importance of all wearing a mask in order to limit transmission and reduce the possibility of contracting COVID.

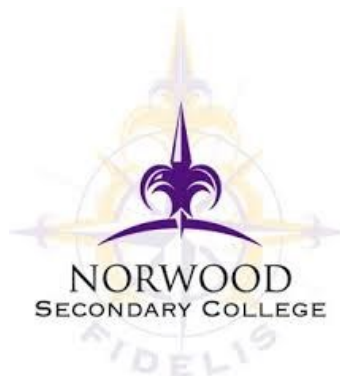
Any support you, as parents, can offer this recommendation (which is not a mandate) would be appreciated.

In addition to the request regarding masks, schools have been provided with sufficient air purifiers to have one in every learning space. We will ensure they are used during all classes.

**Andrew Sloane, College Principal**

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## YEAR 12 SRC REPORT

Semester 2 has started off as lively as ever, with classes picking up right where they left off prior to the holidays. This term holds many events to look forward to such as a new round of Inter School Sports, the GAT for VCE students in September and the long awaited College production.



With only a month until opening night, tickets for Norwood's production of *Shrek the Musical* have just gone on sale. It is hard to walk around the school without hearing students singing along to the soundtrack or practising lines, which has provided a lively atmosphere in the school grounds over the past week. Make sure to get tickets to support the Norwood Community with what is sure to be a great show.

For Year 12, this term has begun with a more relaxed pace, following the jam packed end to Semester 1 with finalising Unit 3 SACs and the great success of the Formal celebration. To help us ease back into schooling after the break, a Pyjama Day was organised by the Wellbeing Prefects which brought the year level to school rocking Onesies and Ugg boots. This lovely start to a cold winter morning was accompanied by cheese toasties, which were cooked and served by the Leadership Team whose culinary skills were given wonderful reviews from both staff and students.

I want to finish off by thanking all the staff at Norwood who have had to work overtime as the state deals with teacher shortages due to illness. Even when absent, teachers have provided students with lesson plans, recorded videos explaining content, and communicated promptly through Microsoft Teams. This amazing effort meant even in Year 12, students were not falling behind or feeling undirected as they continue to work through this tough year.

I hope everyone thoroughly enjoyed their break and is ready to jump back into the school routine as this Semester 2 is already off to a flying start.

**Caitlin W, College Captain**

## SENIOR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL NEWS

### SENIOR SCHOOL VIRTUAL INFORMATION NIGHT TUESDAY, 2 AUGUST VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Traditionally our Senior School Information Night involves all Year 9 and 10 students, along with their parents, attending information sessions at the College. Conservatively, numbers on this evening are in excess of 600. In consideration of COVID safe protocols, we have made the decision to run this as a virtual event.



Please be assured that the information presented virtually will be exactly the same as the information that we normally present in person. As educators, we value the involvement of parents in the subject selection process of students moving into Senior School. On Tuesday, 2 August, there will be two important information sessions running remotely using Microsoft Teams, one for current Year 9 students and one for current Year 10 students. To keep this process as simple as possible, we will make use of student logins so that you can watch this together with your child on their device.

**When:** Tuesday 2 August 2022  
**How:** Microsoft Teams, using student logins  
**Time:** 6pm for current Year 9 students and families (Year 10, 2023)  
6:45pm for current Year 10 students and families (Year 11, 2023)

The sessions will take students and parents through the subject selection process in detail and will include presentations regarding Mathematics and English pathways. Sample courses will be shared and there will be information presented regarding the option of commencing a VCE subject early for current Year 9 students. Teachers are in the process of reviewing subject specific short videos to support families with subject selection to replace the on-site sessions we would normally run. You will receive a Newsfeed when these videos are available on our website. I would encourage you to watch these with your child.

In the meantime, students will take part in information sessions at school with regards to subject selection. If you would like to begin researching subjects with your son/daughter, you can access the Senior School Handbook on the College Website. This Handbook has been updated and can be found at the following link: <https://www.norwood.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/VCE-Handbook-2023.pdf>

Students and families can begin reading about Year 10 Electives and VCE subjects they might be interested. This is particularly important for current Year 9 students considering accessing a VCE subject in Year 10 as the timeline for making this decision is quite short. There is plenty of advice in this Handbook about the pros and cons of commencing an early VCE and advice about how to select a VCE subject.

I look forward to assisting students with their Senior School subjects.

**Jackie Harris, Senior School Principal**

## STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS



### Talking Teens

A Parents Building Solutions Program  
For Parents of Teenagers aged 13 to 18 years

#### Do you want to:

- Improve your relationship with your teen?
- Improve communication and deal with family conflict?
- Understand why young people behave the way they do?
- Learn effective ways to deal with anger and anxiety?

**When:** Tuesday evenings (6 sessions)  
Tue 25th July to Tue 30th August 2022

**Time:** 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

**Where:** Online via Zoom

**Cost:** Free of charge

**Registrations:** [click here](#)

**Enquiries:** [sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au)

Come along to these 6 interactive sessions to share stories and learn strategies to parent 13 to 18 year olds.

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### STRESS MONSTER WORKSHOP

In the last week of Term 2 Maroondah Youth Services ran a two hour 'Stress Monster' workshop for a group of Year 12 students. The workshop aimed to build an understanding of stress and the impact it has on wellbeing, and to provide the students with strategies for coping with stress, particularly around the exam period.



*"Participating in the 'Stress Monster' workshop taught me the importance of managing stress and finding ways to cope with the continual stress of Year 12."* - Tahlia



*"Taking part in the 'Stress Monster' group run by Maroondah Council helped me find other students in my year level also having the same feeling of stress through Year 12 and given the ability to communicate with them to find comfort within each other."*



*"I felt this activity was very beneficial in the last stretch of my Year 12, to remind myself that I can manage my stress and others feel the same way I do about school and other major aspects of my life."* - Allannah



### 'TALKING TEENS' WEBINAR OPPORTUNITIES

Anglicare Victoria is providing a free 6-week Parents Building Solutions program 'Talking Teens' for parents of 13 to 18 year olds. The focus of the program is to improve parent-teen relationships, improve communication, deal with family conflict, understand teen behaviour, and deal with stress.

The details are as follows:

**When:** Tuesday evenings (6 sessions)  
Tuesday, 26 July to Tuesday, 30 August 2022  
**Time:** 7pm - 9pm  
**Where:** Online via Zoom  
**Cost:** Free of charge

**Registrations:** <https://forms.office.com/r/1YbMJshXmW>

**Enquiries:** [sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:sharon.muir@anglicarevic.org.au)

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



## YEAR 11 SRC REPORT

At the end of Term 2, the Year 11 Leadership Team organised a fundraiser for the Eat Up Foundation, a charity that supports Australian children who go to school without lunch. We thought this cause was particularly important, so we wanted to raise as much money and awareness as we could!



We raised money through a casual clothes day with a gold coin donation, as well as a barbeque lunch, with the view that when you buy lunch, you give lunch to a student in need. We sold a record 450 sausages, and by the end of the day, we raised over \$2100 for the Eat Up foundation.

A huge thank you to everyone who supported this worthy cause.

**Layla K, Year 11 SRC**

## YEAR 9 SRC REPORT

During the last few weeks of Term 2, the Year 9s had a Wellbeing Day that brought us together as a group. In the second last week of Term 2, we had our first semester exams. Some of us were very anxious about it, but we ended up getting some amazing results, it was worth all the study!



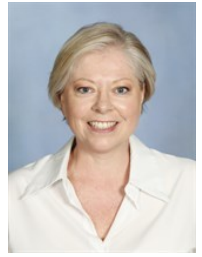
Year 9 students also participated in City Experience in the last week of Term 2. We had to navigate the city by ourselves and we were given quite a lot of independence. Despite getting lost, we all had a wonderful time in the city. There was a wide range of activities that we went to, visiting the Queen Victoria Market, IMAX, Melbourne Museum, MCG, Bourke Street mall, street art, Artvo, the Amazing Race and the Old Melbourne Gaol.

On behalf of Year 9, we would like to thank the Year 12s that took time out of their day to organise the Amazing Race for us, and also Mr Flack and Mr Given for arranging the rest of our activities.

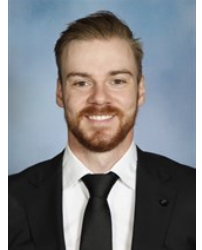
**Amy R, Year 9 SRC**

## YEAR 8 NEWS

Firstly, well done to our Leadership students who are putting together the Year 8 Fundraiser behind the scenes. Our students will be doing a Book Sale in Week 4. We are asking families and staff to donate any unwanted books to the College. Books will be sold for \$1, \$2 and \$5 depending on the book. All proceeds will go to WWF (World Wildlife Fund). Drop off points are the General Office, Staffroom and Library. We thank you for your support.



The Year 8 Summit Camp is coming around quickly. Our aim this week is to finalise payments, finalise numbers and any dietary requirements. This will be an amazing event and we can not wait to bring this to our students.



Subject selections will be finalised in a couple of weeks. We ask all families to start having discussions with their child about subject choices for next year. This can be very daunting for our Year 8 students, please let us know in the coming weeks if you have any queries.

Finally, our Year 8 students in *Shrek the Musical* are working hard to perfect their show. Best of luck to all our Year 8 students who are part of the College production. We can not wait to see you on stage.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, 25 July:	Possible Timetable changes to student schedules
Wednesday, 27 July:	College Assembly (students only)
Monday, 1 August:	Book Sale recess and lunch
Tuesday, 2 August:	Book Sale recess and after school till 4pm
Monday, 8-10 August:	Summit Camp
Friday, 12 August:	Subject Form Submission
Thursday, 18-20 August:	Production Nights
Thursday, 25 August:	Parent Teacher Conferences
Friday, 16 September:	End of Term 3

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

# Second-hand bookstore

Fundraiser for WWF  
(World Wildlife Fund for Nature)

Norwood is fundraising for WWF, and to practice recycling, donate books you are willing to give away to the librarians! In week 4 at recess and lunch there will be a second-hand book sale outside the library and everyone is welcome!

## YEAR 9 NEWS

### CITY EXPERIENCE

Ending the first semester on a high note, the Year 9s participated in the City Experience that took place in the Central Business District of Melbourne. Through this 5 day program, students acquired a variety of skills, including independence, teamwork, and time management, as they had to travel independently to multiple locations such as Melbourne Skydeck, The MCG, Bourke Street Mall, and Queen Victoria Market to complete a range of activities in small groups.



We are grateful to have this opportunity to practice critical life-skills and open ourselves to new challenges. In appreciation, we wish to thank the Year 12s who volunteered to set up the Amazing Race for all students.

*Phoebe C, Year 9*

### HIGH ABILITY PROGRAM

During Term 2 a number of Year 7 students participated weekly in the Victorian High Ability Program undertaking Secondary English or Secondary Mathematics.

In the Secondary English course students explored challenging concepts, characterisation and visual images to find deep meaning. They made comparisons between historical events and contemporary world problems. Following an analysis of key texts that explore dystopias, the students created their own dystopian world. They were challenged to develop a protagonist and to think about what is forfeited and gained as well as the frightening aspects of their dystopia.

During the Secondary Mathematics program, students have explored a range of big ideas such as infinity, optimal strategy, paradoxes, networks and patterns in numbers. Students developed their understanding of how to formulate mathematical explanations using a range of techniques. Students had the opportunity to evaluate their own progress on a practical problem using graphic theory. Mathematical horizons were broadened through the examination of infinity, repeating patterns and paradoxes.

Congratulations to the following students for their participation in the High Ability Program throughout Term 2.

- Addison A
- Madison B
- Zetara B
- Amelia D
- Finley D
- Jarryd G
- Alfie K
- Jack M
- Bernice R
- Angus S

Good luck to the Term 3 participants.

*Lisa-Jane Walmsley, High Ability Program Coordinator*





## SCIENCE NEWS

### YEAR 7 SCIENCE

Students in Year 7 Science recently performed their second major group investigation of a self-designed experiment involving skills and concepts recently learnt in class.



Students applied their knowledge on the traits of various items in a mystery mixture and then applied this knowledge to design an experiment to state the components of the mystery mixture.

Students employed methods such as magnetic, filtration, crystallization, sedimentation, sieving and even centrifugation in their experiment. Students then produced a poster detailing their results and conclusions in the correct format of a scientific investigation.

### YEAR 8 SCIENCE

Students in 8C are doing advanced studies in the Law of Conservation of Energy. Pictured are students performing a fair test in the gravitational potential and kinetic energy of falling bodies. Energy efficiency and transformation was also investigated with the generation of a submitted report.

*Alex Papanotas, Science Teacher*

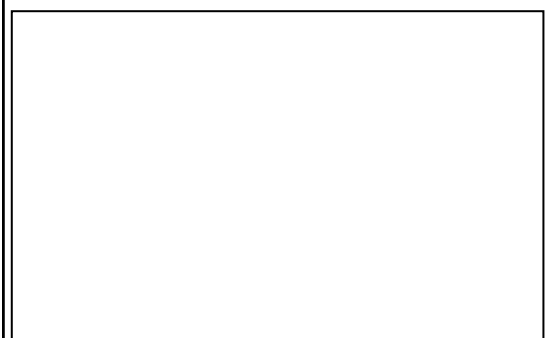
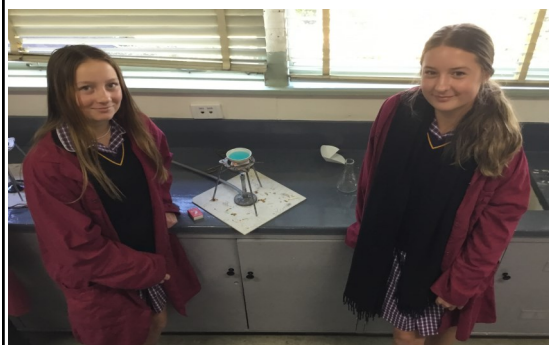
### UNIT 2 PSYCHOLOGY EYE DISSECTIONS

Unit 2 Psychology students are currently studying visual perception and learning that although it is small and delicate, the human eye allows us to see the world without any conscious effort. This week students had the opportunity to investigate the eye's structure by performing dissections on cow's eyes.

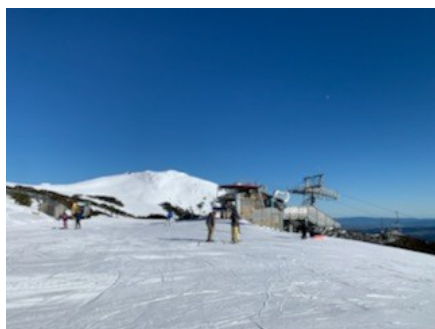
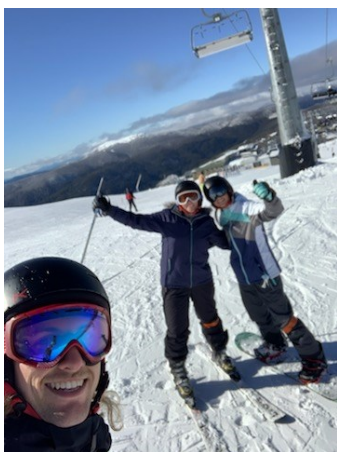
A cow eye is very similar to the eye of a human and the benefit of performing a dissection is that by examining the anatomy of a preserved eye, students can learn how their own eye forms images of the world and sends them to their brain. Students were able to see how the lens magnifies, as demonstrated on a newspaper and how it inverts images. This activity provided invaluable observation of the lens's role in allowing light to be focused on the retina, which allows us to see clearly.



*Chayna Dight-Stone and Sarah Davis, VCE Psychology Teachers*







## MUSIC NEWS

### MUSIC CAMP

The Music Camp was a huge success this week, thanks to the 80 fabulous students who worked, played and performed with such positive energy. The staff at the camp commented on our polite students who were so easy to work with. Well done, everyone!



In between hour long intensive rehearsals, the students enjoyed the flying fox, a low ropes course, candle-making and team games.

One highlight was the DJ led disco on Tuesday night! It was a treat having Mr Given and Ms Kennedy join us for one of the nights!

**Joanne Dema, Instrumental Music Coordinator**



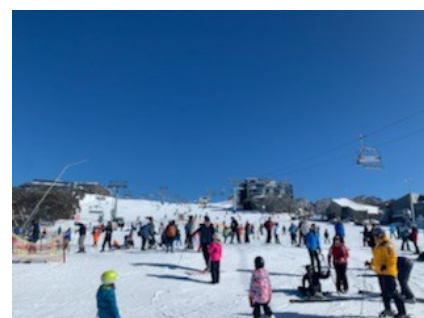
## VET SPORT AND REC NEWS

The VET Sport and Rec class spent the last 2 days on the sunny slopes of Mt Buller. The students were looking at different sporting environments and risks associated with sport and recreation.



The students all participated in skiing and boarding activities, having 2 lessons over the 2 days. The conditions were magic with nearly a metre of snow in some parts, no wind and cloudless skies. Most of the lifts were open, and the students made the most of the sun and snow. All students improved their skills over the 2 days and had a great time. They are a great group and we were very proud of their efforts over the camp. Well done!

**Rod Mitchell,  
VET Sport and Rec Teacher**



## UNIFORM SHOP

### SHOP HOURS:

**MONDAYS** 8.30AM - 11.30AM

**THURSDAYS** 1.30PM - 4.30PM

### DOBSONS ONLINE (CLICK AND COLLECT):

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*Jenny McKenzie,*

*Dobsons Uniform Shop Coordinator*



## 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

## PRODUCTION NEWS

### SHREK THE MUSICAL

The Production Team and all the cast and crew can hardly wait to share this magnificent show with our wonderful Norwood community.



Our cast of motley characters are sure to delight and entertain you as they struggle to accept their own authentic selves and to build trust (not walls!) together, rendering all the fairytale creatures strong enough to overcome any obstacle, including a fire-breathing Dragon diva (Liana O), and the "statuesque" Lord Farquaad (Charles H).

It is wonderful to see how our beautiful (but not always pretty!) ensemble have broken the cookie-cutter mould and challenged the boundaries of the status quo in order to embrace each other's differences and commonalities.

I think we have all enjoyed contributing to such a fun, heart-warming show full of generous and positive messaging.

Whether your home is in a swamp or you live far-far away, you won't want to miss this colourful celebration of inclusive friendships, the unconventional and diverse!

### DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR TICKETS FOR SHREK THE MUSICAL

[www.karralyka.com.au](http://www.karralyka.com.au)

[Norwood Secondary College – Shrek the Musical Karralyka](#)

*Lucy Filor, Producer College Production*





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At Kinetic we are passionate about safety and ensuring your students get to and from school safely each day.

With more traffic on the roads, it's important to be safe at bus stops and when crossing roads. As term 3 starts, we've prepared some tips to help keep your students safe when travelling on our school services.

### AVOIDING SLIPS, TRIPS & FALLS

While on the bus, students should remain seated or hold tightly to the railing so they don't slip if the driver needs to stop suddenly.

If travelling on a public bus route, keep the aisles clear of school bags, sports equipment and musical instruments so other customers can easily move around the bus.

Ring the bell early to give the driver enough time to stop slowly and smoothly.

### SAFETY AT BUS STOPS

Arrive at the bus stop at least five minutes early, and stand away from the curb so our drivers can see them clearly.

Hail the bus and wait for it to stop before approaching. If wearing headphones, keep the volume low so they can hear approaching traffic.

Never cross the road in front of or behind a bus instead, **wait for the bus to depart before crossing the road.**

### COVER UP TO STAY SAFE

COVID cases and influenza are on the rise this winter. By wearing a fitted face mask covering their nose and mouth your students can help slow the spread.

Finally, please remind students to touch ON and OFF with a valid myki when travelling on school services.

See you on board again soon.

Kinetic Schools Team

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# Come and Try Water Polo!

## NYP WATER POLO CLUB



**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

Girls: 4.30 - 6.00pm

Boys: 6.00 - 7.45pm

Aqualink Nunawading

Fraser Place, Forest Hill

**For more information**

Email: [nypdragons@hotmail.com](mailto:nypdragons@hotmail.com)

Call: John Malvestuto - 0417 347 289

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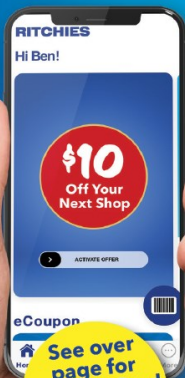
**Saturday 16th July**  
**10am - 2pm**

**Venue: Bowmore Ave, Park Orchards**

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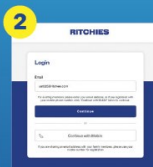


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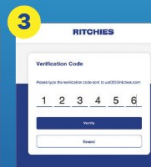
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