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Important Dates

Monday 11 th March	Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 13 th March	Year 7 Sports Day
Thursday 14 th March	Year 7 Immunisations
Tuesday 19 th March	PTSFA Meeting 7pm in the library
Thursday 21 st March	Year 8 Sport
Tuesday 26 th March	Region Swimming
Wednesday 3 rd April	Parent Teacher Interviews – student free day
Friday 5 th April	Last Day Term 1
Tuesday 23 rd April	First Day Term 2
Wednesday 24 th April	State Swimming
Thursday 25 th April	ANZAC Day Holiday



During the refurbishment the Uniform Shop will be operating from the Conference Room located in the Administration Building at the front of the school.

Open Times Tuesdays 8am – 11am and Wednesdays 1pm – 4pm

Jenny Smith
Uniform Shop Manager



CAREER NEWS

Click the link – [1st March 2019](#)



Uniform Shop Hours

Tuesdays
8.00am to 11.00am

Wednesdays
1.00pm to 4.00pm

Click [here](#)
for Uniform Order Form

Student Absence Reporting Hotline

9803 5144

Press 1
Please call before 9am

Term Dates 2019

TERM 1: 30th Jan – 5th April
TERM 2: 22nd April – 28th June
TERM 3: 15th July – 20th Sept
TERM 4: 7th Oct – 20th Dec

Canteen

Canteen Price List click [here](#)

Menu for Food Truck that is onsite for Canteen Services.



Heather Carr Acting Principal



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

School Council Elections

The School Council Election period for the 2019-2020 School Council has now closed and the number of nominations equaled the number of vacancies so consequently there is no need for an election.

The parent representatives for 2019-2020 Council are Terry Chung, Belinda Foster and Anne – Maree Jeffrey. If you want to contact any of the parent representatives, please email the school at highvale.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au and it will be forward to them to reply to you.

School Events

STEM Developmental Program

A group of the Robotics club were invited to work with other schools at Monash Technology School developing and trialing a program focusing on Escape Room and puzzles. We are very proud of the group who demonstrated a high level of problem solving skills, collaborative, communication and creative and critical thinking, which are all characteristics and capabilities that employers and universities want young people to exhibit.

Lord Somers Year 7 Camp

This year the Year 7 Camp was held at Lord Somers Camp for the first time. When the Principal Class visited the camp, there was great engagement and connectedness between students with much fun and creativity.

Curriculum Day - Literacy Program

The focus of Curriculum day was literacy. Misty Adoiu, Associate Professor in Language, Literacy and TESL at the University of Canberra, presented sessions on the analysis of NAPLAN results in Literacy at a deeper level and showed the impact a student's writing styles, vocabulary and punctuation has upon their results in all subjects. The College has identified 10 task words – analyse, discuss, evaluate, compare, contrast, define, describe, explain, identify and justify. Classroom teachers are now using strategies to assist students in understanding the meaning of, and how to use their knowledge to answer assessment questions.

Senior School Assembly

Congratulations to the School Captains on a leading a student-focused assembly where the Year 12 students were presented with their Year 12 badges, and the captains of the SRC, Music, Sport and Debating were presented with their badges. It is also rewarding to see young people present with poise and confidence to a wider audience.

Visitation of Indonesian Principals

This week and next week, Highvale is hosting a delegation of Indonesian principals through its partnership with Monash University. The Principals were very impressed with the Year 12 Senior School Assembly, our students' aptitude to learning, and excellent behaviour in the classroom and out in the yard. We are very proud of our Highvale students who demonstrate such responsible citizenship every day.

To the Parents of the College

Dear Parents and Friends

Would you like to be more involved with the school? The PTSFA is welcoming new members, and would be delighted to hear from you.

It is an exciting time for this group as it embarks on redefining its involvement with the school.

If you are new to our school, you may know this group as the Parents and Friends Association (PFA). Ours is called the PTSFA – the Parents Teachers Students and Friends Association.

As the name suggests the PTSFA consists of members of the Highvale community who are brought together with a common focus of building the school community and strengthening school spirit.

In recent times the PTSFA has been heavily involved with organising school events including the year 11 Debutante Ball and Year 12 Graduation, 2 key events in the school's calendar.

We have heard from the school community and the PTSFA is now looking to see how it can broaden its support of the school and each other. Ideas may include:

- Guest speaker nights on topics that are relevant to the school and community and parenting
- Student focused social events -
- Fundraising to support student lead initiatives
 - Wine and Cheese evenings
 - BBQ and refreshments at Highvale events

This is terrific way to be a part of the school and to meet other parents and friends of the school. To get involved you can

- Become a member
- Assist with the planning of the events calendar
- Co-ordinating events that are of interest to you
- Volunteer at events
- Simply attending events

If you are interested in becoming a member or just volunteering on specific events, please provide your details below and also possible areas of interest.

The next meeting of the PTSFA is 19 March 2019 at 7 pm in the Library. If you are interested, we encourage you to attend the first meeting. See you there.

Terry Chung

School Council President

Heather Carr

Acting Principal

Natalie Valentine
Year 7 Coordinator



YEAR 7 LORD SOMERS CAMP

What a great time we had!

Our inaugural camp at **Lord Somers Camp** was a huge success.

The sun shone as we gathered at school on Monday 25th of Feb. 210 students and staff were eager to board the buses and head to the beach.

We had high hopes for our new camp and we were not disappointed.

We arrived at Lord Somers Camp at 9.30 am and students were allocated to their activity groups. It was not long before new friendships were formed and our students were able to experience many new things.

Students rotated through a range of activities which included snorkeling, stand up paddle boarding, beach games, kayaking, initiative courses and surfing. They also designed and screen-printed a camp themed t-shirt which they brought home and have as a reminder of their first camp at Highvale.

The camp staff commended our students for their excellent behaviour and enthusiasm and our staff were proud of the way they all conducted themselves while we were away.

I would like to thank all of our staff who attended and contributed to making the camp such a success.

Natalie Valentine - Yr 7 Coordinator

Student Quotes

"I really enjoyed surfing. It was a really different experience and was super challenging as well as fun" Kiara

"I liked camp. The food was good, the activities were fun and everyone made new friends" Deacon

"My favourite activity was the beach games and fox holes" Sean

"I liked snorkeling because it was weird to breathe underwater" Lachlan

"I loved the activity groups as it was almost inevitable to make friends. The staff, both Highvale's and Lord Somers, were extremely nice" Arjun

"Camp was awesome. All the activities were fun and surprisingly the food was delicious" Talya



Phil Tawa
Sports Coordinator



Sports Report

Highvale Swimming Carnival

On Monday 11th February, all year 7 and 12 students and several year 8-11 students attended the school swimming carnival at the outdoor Oakleigh swimming pool. It was a nice warm sunny day and once again the year 12 students looked amazing in their cool costumes, celebrating their last school swimming carnival. There were many fun and entertaining novelty events for the year 12's such as floaty races and relays. The year 12 team ended up beating the teachers in the annual teachers vs students relay and they all had a great time in the other fun events. A huge thank you to all the teachers and captains for helping out and making this day possible.

Medals were given out to 4 students for the most points won on the day. Congrats to Kristen Penney and Sam Edgar who were the junior champions, and Joshua Duncan and Sabrina Fong who were the senior champions. We wish them and all the other students competing at the division swimming the best of luck for the day, it will be held on March 1st. Also congrats to all the other students who competed on the day but weren't able to get to division, everyone did a great job and were all good sports.

The final house scores were:

- 1st- **Acacia** (424 points)
- 2nd- **Grevillea** (362 points)
- 3rd- **Melaleuca** (310 points)
- 4th- **Dampiera** (240 points)



Division Swimming

On Friday 1st of March, 40 swimmers across years 7 to 12 represented Highvale at the Waverley Division swimming competition at Aquanation in Ringwood. Highvale achieved some fantastic individual results, with Joshua Duncan (17yrs) and Kirsten Penney (13yrs) both being crowned champions for their age group, a fantastic effort from both swimmers.

Congratulations also to the following swimmers who won their events:

- Joshua Duncan (17yr 50m Breaststroke)
- Kirsten Penney (12-13yr 50m Butterfly, 50m Backstroke, 4x50m Freestyle relay)
- Andrea Chui (14yr 50m Butterfly)
- Isabelle Creaton (4x50m Freestyle relay)
- Abby Wong (4x50m Freestyle relay)
- Caity Lampert (4x50m Freestyle relay)

These swimmers will go on to represent the school and the division at the Eastern Metropolitan Region finals, on March 26th.

Well done to all swimmers for your efforts on the day!



Amanda Gomes Sport



Senior Girls Volleyball

The Senior Girls Volleyball A Team had a successful day last Tuesday at Oakleigh Recreation Centre. They won 5 out of their 6 games to finish in second place. All girls displayed excellent teamwork, resilience and enthusiasm throughout the day. A special mention to Rachel Huynh for her powerful and consistent serves, and to Kristina Mercado for her cheering and support of her peers. It was a pleasure to watch both senior girls teams play and encourage each other throughout the day. They certainly displayed plenty of Highvale spirit!



Girls Volleyball A Team. L-R: Darcy Commins, Avemaria Malietoa-Brown, Rachel Huynh, Tiana Danh, Sarah Casey, Kristina Mercado and Yasmin Oroji.

FREE VCE TUTORING

The program runs in the safe, supervised environment of the senior study centre afterschool between 3.00-4.30pm from Mondays to Thursdays.

All our tutors are past Highvale students who achieved outstanding results in their chosen subjects and have been endorsed by the teaching staff as being highly knowledgeable of the subject content.

Tutoring can provide a number of benefits for students of all learning stages such as:

- Assist with subject content and improve results
- Gain confidence.
- Goal setting and time management skills.
- Provide students with valuable advice, feedback and encouragement.

Please refer to the timetable below for subject availability.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Egan at keg@highvalesc.vic.edu.au to enquire about how you can get involved.

Kellie Egan
Tutoring Coordinator

FREE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10-12

MONDAY-THURSDAY | 3.00-4.30pm | SENIOR STUDY CENTRE

MON 11 th	TUES 12 th		WED 13 th		THURS 14 th	
<p>LABOUR DAY</p> <p>No tutoring</p>	Harry B	<p>Biology</p> <p>English</p>	Shulukshun	<p>Methods</p> <p>Specialist</p> <p>Further</p> <p>Chemistry</p>	Riana T (Speaks both English and Chinese)	<p>Chemistry</p> <p>Methods</p> <p>EAL</p>
	Rebecca R	<p>Chemistry</p> <p>Specialist</p> <p>Physics</p>			Archana	<p>French</p> <p>Accounting</p>
	Kathleen R	<p>Business Management</p> <p>Psychology</p>				

English | Science | H&PE | Humanities & Civics | Mathematics | Language

After School Tutoring

Perfect for students to get
extra assistance with
their studies

Ms Mann - Maths & Science

**FREE TO ALL
STUDENTS**

Mr Barton - English
& Humanities

EVERY *Wednesday*

3:00 - 4:00 PM

in the library

COMMUNITY NEWS



Protecting Children from Abuse: For Parents and Carers

保护儿童免遭虐待：父母和照顾者须知

Bảo vệ Trẻ em khỏi bị Ngươic đđai: Dành cho Cha mẹ và Người chăm s

학대로부터 어린이 보호하기: 부모와 보호자를 위한 정보

Çocukları Tacizden Korumak: Anababalar ve Bakıcılar İçin



Dear parents,

As adults we play a critical role in protecting children from harm. The following link provides you detailed information.

For Easy English version, please click the following website,

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/protect/EasyEnglish_SecondarySchool_FactSheet.pdf

For other languages, please click “Translated information” in the following website and select your language.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/safety/Pages/child-protection.aspx> (Click here)

NOTE: This is only a screenshot of the translated section.

Translated information

[Protecting children from abuse](#)

- [Arabic](#)
- [Chinese - Simplified](#)
- [Chinese - Traditional](#)
- [Dari](#)
- [Dinka](#)
- [Karen](#)
- [Khmer](#)
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- [Sinhalese](#)
- [Somali](#)
- [Tagalog](#)
- [Turkish](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)

Commit to your child's **online safety**



Children are exposed to online content in their preschool years. Behaviours like cyberbullying begin at primary school. Peer pressure can cause poor online decisions for many teenagers.

Hear from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner on empowering young people, parents and carers to manage online issues.

Commit to your child's online safety by attending this presentation from one of Australia's leading online safety experts.

eSafety is important for every child from ages 1 to 18

Learn how to:

- Reduce accidental exposure to inappropriate content
- Initiate conversations about online stranger danger
- Identify age appropriate apps and websites

1-7



- Deal with online stranger contact
- Have a conversation about online issues including cyberbullying
- Manage apps and privacy settings
- Support your child using online safety resources

8-12



- Report serious cyberbullying and image based abuse
- Manage screen time and excessive use
- Have a conversation with your child about their online brand

13-18



Date: Thursday 21 March **Time:** 6.30pm-8.30pm

Venue: Clayton Library (Meeting Room)
Clayton Community Centre, 9-15 Cooke St

RSVP: By Monday 18 March
Please contact Rebecca Giles
on 9518 3571

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