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Website

Please [click here](#) to view.

Reminder: Please ensure when communicating with our school to provide us with full student name, student ID number and the staff members name. This will assist our College in identifying and directing your query appropriately.

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Important Dates

Wednesday 6th April 2022	Pupil Free Day Parent teacher interviews
Thursday 7th April 2022	Year 7 Immunisations
Friday 8th April 2022	Last day of Term 1
Tuesday 26th April 2022	First Day of Term 2
Tuesday 26th April 2022	Year 10 Flourish Mancave
Wednesday 27th April 2022	Year 9 Flourish Mancave
Monday 2nd May—Friday 6th May 2022	Year 9 Morrisby Interviews
Tuesday 10th May—Thursday 19th May 2022	Year 7 and Year 9 Naplan
Monday 30th May 2022	Year 10 Immunisations



CAREER NEWS

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[18th March 2022](#)



Uniform Shop 2022

Click [here](#)
for Uniform Order Form

See Compass newsfeed to
book appointment

Student Absence Reporting

Hotline

9803 5144

Press 1

Please call before 9am

Term Dates

2022

TERM 1: 31st January—8th April

TERM 2: 26th April—24th June

TERM 3: 11th July—16th September

TERM 4: 3rd October—20th December



Council election process

Student elections for the two student positions on School Council will conclude on Tuesday 22nd March. I would like to further encourage students to take the time to select the candidates that they see will best advocate for their issues to improve Highvale.

The Annual General Meeting which will see the annual report for 2021 being tabled is scheduled for Tuesday 29th March. This will be a combined meeting of the old and new council so that we have an effective change over.

Year 7 Transition Camp

Over this week our Year 7s visited Lord Somers camp for their annual transition camp. Due to restrictions on numbers this year, the camp was conducted in two splits. Tuesday 15th March and Wednesday 16th March for Year 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7I & 7K and Thursday 17th March and Friday 18th March for Year 7E, 7F, 7G, 7H and 7J. Our new students enjoyed the staples of Kayak paddling, pizza making, group challenges and much more. I would like to thank Mrs Valentine for developing a very intense and well targeted program.

Online NAPLAN testing

NAPLAN 2022 will be conducted as a series of ONLINE tests in May this year. This week students in years 9.1 to 9.6 and 7H participated in preparatory tests of the NAPLAN test application. This investigated the platform provided by the VCAA as well as the internet capacity of the school. The preparation to transition to an ONLINE version of NAPLAN began in late 2021 but was delayed due to Covid restrictions. To ensure that no student can access the world wide web for answers, a special patch needed to be installed on any computer used in the testing. The school has loaded this patch on all netbooks and desktops rather than calling in every student's BYOD device. For May's NAPLAN testing, 50 additional netbooks have now been purchased and are currently being prepared. This will give some 'wriggle room' in-case of battery or other netbook inconsistencies. I would like to thank all the students who took part. Their work will ensure that we have as smooth a process that we can provide.



Interim reports

Interim reports are currently being completed by all subject teachers. These reports will be made available on COMPASS around Thursday 31st March 2022. Parent teacher interviews will be conducted ONLINE on Wednesday 6th April.

Please look out for the COMPASS notice regarding booking information.

School Tours

Over the last few weeks we have been pleased to conduct school tours for prospective new families for the school. These have been heavily subscribed. Additional tour dates have now been uploaded on our website for Term 2.

Parents of students in grade 6 will be receiving information and school selection packs from their grade 6 teacher/primary schools at the start of term 2 and need to return their forms with their school preferences directly back to the primary school by 13th May 2022.

Ian Watkins

Principal



Chris Mitchell Director of Music



Instrumental Lessons

Instrumental lessons are now well underway for the year. A few reminders for students:

- Please check your lesson times carefully each week, and again the day before the lesson. Write yourself a reminder if you need it so you remember to attend (or if you use a BYOD, set a reminder using a calendar app such as Outlook).
- If you will miss a lesson please see your teacher or send your teacher an e-mail in advance. In some cases, the lesson time may be able to be re-arranged but this is not always possible.
- Please ensure you complete regular practice as advised by your teacher. Some teachers will write practice requirements in the Compass lesson plan, so please check this.

Grand Piano

Just a reminder that if you contributed \$200 or more to the grand piano fundraiser, please ensure you have signed the acknowledgement keyboard print at the general office. I aim to get this framed and up in the theatre soon.

Ensembles

Most ensembles have now resumed for 2022. Rhythm Riders will begin this coming Monday 21st March and Nouveau Strings will begin later this term. Ensemble sessions should appear in the student's Compass schedule.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Class Time	AT529 (Class Orchestra) – check your regular school timetable for sessions.^				
Before School (7.45am – 8.25am)	Theatre				Senior Vocal Ensemble*
Lunch (1.10pm – 1.50pm)	Theatre	Rhythm Riders	Stick Tricks		Junior Vocal Ensemble*
	D2				Flute Ensemble*
After School (3.00pm – 3.55pm)	Theatre	Junior Concert Band	Nouveau Strings	HSC Orchestra	Intermediate Concert Band
	D2	Stage Band*	Intermediate Strings		Chamber Strings*

^ AT529 is Semester 1 only. Students will be allocated to another ensemble for Semester 2.

* audition only group taken in addition to a core ensemble.

Twilight Tunes

Our first concert for the year will be 'Twilight Tunes' on Thursday 31st March starting 5.30pm. This concert will involve the AT529 Class Orchestra, Stage Band, Chamber Strings, and a number of small group and solo performances, including some of our VCE Music students.

Performers will be required from 4.30pm. For those who cannot go home between the end of school and this time, the library is open until 4pm for junior students and the VCE Centre until 4.30pm for senior students. Some students may also be asked to help with set up. Performers are to join the audience when not performing.

This concert is planned to be outdoors in the lower courtyard; if the weather is poor, it will move indoors (likely to the gym). Audience tickets are now available [here](#). Please note if the concert does move inside, audience members must present proof of double vaccination at the door.

More details on this concert are contained in the event on Compass. Please also provide consent for your student to attend via this event page.



Daniel Hrisovergi Head of Mathematics



On Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd of March, six staff members took part in professional development to obtain their Inland Waterways Life Saving Certificates – in preparation for the Central Australia Camp. Focussing on participant safety and aquatic rescue techniques, each staff had a great time learning ways to provide a safe aquatic environment for our students at Highvale Secondary College.

While the weather tested our mettle on our first day during our water practicals, rainstorms couldn't keep us out of the water. It was only when the lightning and thunder arrived that our instructors called us out of the water, to continue the following day.

Feeling reinvigorated and ready to tackle our second day of training, each staff member expertly completed all assessment and fitness trials to an exceptional standard. While we hope that we don't need to use the skills gained over those two days, we're ready to spring into action if the situation arises.

We look forward to going on Central Australia Camp, leaving on the Monday 13th June and arriving back in Melbourne on the Sunday 26th June 2022.



Tayla Hollins—Year 11 and Hannah Jibu - Year 10 Student Report

Step-by-Step to Sustainability

Olivia Carr, the founder of 'Shh Silk' a multi-million-dollar company spoke at the 'Monash Women's Business Forum' about sustainability. We were invited to network and promote Highvale Secondary College.

Her message was thought provoking as she challenged each of us to do one thing to bring about sustainable change. Her business ethos is, 'Planet, People and Profit'. This means she focuses on sustainable packaging, low waste and prioritising her staff's well-being. She believes that when the planet and people are considered most important in a business, profit will ensue. Since she has the Kardashians as customers, we would agree with her.

As a philanthropist, Olivia's business is centred around giving back to the community. She believes that it is each person's responsibility to take care of those in need, the homeless and underprivileged. She emphasized that the 'future lies with the youth' who she perceives as being the most willing to donate and care about others.

Jane Goodall said, 'You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.'

We challenge YOU to consider what YOU can do to reduce the waste of natural resources at school and at home. Reduce your reliance on plastic, packaging, and reuse what you can.

We thank Ms Clarkson for this amazing opportunity and experience.



Tayla Hollins (Year 11), Hanna Jibu (Year 10)



The Science Talent Search encourages students to develop a broader understanding and application of science and technology.

Students in year 7-10 will have the opportunity to participate.

Ask your science teacher or Ms Howard for more information and attend an Information Lunchtime Meeting at 1pm in S2 on Tuesday 22nd March.

Glass: More than meets the eye

Secondary Posters – scientific wallcharts

- Glass: past, present and future
- Glass saving lives
- Innovative uses for glass
- Optoelectronics

Secondary Creative Writing Topics

- Glass! Exclaimed the environmental scientist
- My glass is bioactive
- The microbes ate the glass
- My glasses are so polarising

Other projects and ideas:

- Working models
- Experimental Research
- Inventions
- Games
- Computer Games
- Science Photography

Important Dates

- 29th May - Registration closes
- 24th July – All Entries Submitted
- 6th August – Judging Day

See your science teacher or Ms Howard for more information

Tuesday 22nd March - Information Meeting at Lunchtime - 1pm in S2

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FREE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10-12

MONDAY-THURSDAY/3.00-4.30PM/SENIOR STUDY CENTRE

MON		TUES		WED		THURS	
Sean L	Software development Accounting	Sienna P	Health PE	Asteria D	EAL Specialist Mathematics Accounting	Ananya M	Further Mathematics
Rayne S	Mathematics Methods Economics	Kiril R	Physics Biology	Amy C	Further Mathematics Health Psychology English	Roel T	English Language Legal
	Geography	Jasmine T	English language		Business management	Ahin K	Literature

English|science|H&PE|Humanities&Civics|Mathematics|Art/Language

Uniform Shop UPDATE



The uniform shop is currently open for appointments via bookings only. Click [here](#) to book.

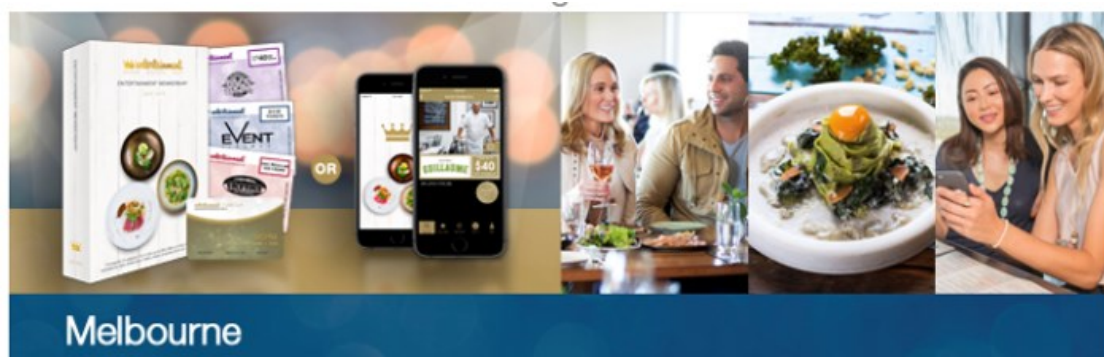
Alternatively you can download the uniform order form from the website and submit it via email to uniform@highvalesc.vic.edu.au for processing.

Year Level Coordinators

Please see the table below for a list of the 2022 Coordinators.

YEAR LEVEL COORDINATORS	
YEAR 7	Karnel AHMET
YEAR 8	Alexandra CLARKE
YEAR 7 & YEAR 8	Betty SINGH
YEAR 9	Philip BAUMGARTNER
YEAR 10	Jenny WARWICK
YEAR 11	Brian HURLEY
YEAR 12	Richard SHELLY
HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL	Natalie VALENTINE
HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL	Carly WOO

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS



The NEW Entertainment Memberships are here! The memberships start at just \$69.99 and you'll receive thousands of dollars worth of offers you can use for up to 2 years (depending on the package you purchase). You can get a digital membership by following this link

<https://au.entdigital.net/orderbooks/187h873> .

Can I still buy the Book?

The Entertainment Book's changed a bit. In fact, it's no longer a book at all. Instead, what was once the Entertainment Book is now an easy-to-use app that's updated every few minutes – instead of once a year. That means we can give you even more possibilities to discover, more experiences to unlock, and more rewards to share. You'll still get a full 12 months of membership (no matter when you sign up). You'll have the same great savings you've come to expect. And you'll be able to make the same

COMMUNITY NEWS



Protecting Children from Abuse: For Parents and Carer

保護孩子免受虐待 給家長和照顧者的資訊

Bảo vệ Trẻ em khỏi bị Ngược đãi: Dành cho Cha mẹ và Người chăm sóc

학대로부터 어린이 보호하기: 부모와 보호자를 위한 정보



Dear Parents

As adults we play a critical role in protection 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](#)

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