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Newsletter No.2 — 18th February 2022

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Important Dates

| Friday 25th February 2022 | District Swimming | |
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| Monday 14th March 2022 | Labour Day Public Holiday | |
| Tuesday 15th—Friday 18th March 2022 | Year 7 Camp | |
| 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 | |



CAREER NEWS

Click the link – <u>18th February 2022</u> <u>25th February 2022</u>



Uniform Shop 2022

Click <u>here</u> for Uniform Order Form

See Compass newsfeed to book appointment

Student Absence Reporting <u>Hotline</u>

9803 5144

Press 1 Please call <u>before 9am</u>

Term Dates

TERM 1: 31st January—8th April TERM 2: 26th April—24th June TERM 3: 11th July—16th September TERM 4: 3rd October—20th December



School Council Elections 2022 Call for nominations

I would like to invite parents to take the opportunity make a contribution to the development of Highvale Secondary College through membership of the College Council. College Council and its associated sub committees meet each month and take a key role in setting the strategic directions and operation of the school.

Highvale Secondary College Council consists of 15 members, 6 parents, 5 staff and 4 co-opted members.

Parent and DET representatives (teachers and/or support staff) of College Council are selected for a two year period with half of each of these groups elected each year. Thus College Council has a core of experience that can be passed on to new members.

| Membership category | Term of office | Number of positions |
|---------------------|--|---------------------|
| Parent member | From the day after the declaration of the poll in 2022 | 3 |
| | to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2024. | |
| DET employee member | From the day after the declaration of the poll in 2022 | 2 |
| | to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2024. | |

I have the pleasure of formally announcing a **notice of election and call for nominations for College Council.** A nomination form can be downloaded from COMPASS.

May I encourage parents to consider this opportunity.

Nominations open at 3pm on Friday 18th February and close at 3pm on Friday 25th February 2022. Nomination forms should be emailed to me at <u>iwa@highvalesc.vic.edu.au</u> or lodged in the box in the General Office.

If the number of nominations exceeds the number of positions available a ballot will be organised.

This ballot, if required would open on 3pm Monday 28th February and close on 3pm Monday 7th March 2022. A special newsletter will be distributed via COMPASS which will have the ballot process.

Student drop offs

I would like to remind parents to please obey the local road laws when dropping off or picking up their children. There are a number of no standing zones about the school and to ensure the safety of students and staff, parents are not permitted to use the onsite school parking.

Can I please suggest that parents consider parking in adjacent streets and or modifying pick up times to avoid congestion.

COVID Update

The Victorian Government has just announced a 6-week extension of the COVID Safe measures for schools. These measures were introduced for 4 weeks at the beginning of Term 1 and will now be in place for the remainder of Term 1, subject to any changes in health advice.

The school has received the second batch of rapid antigen test kits. These have been distributed to all students at the end of focus group meetings on Wednesday 16th February.

With the extension to the Department's COVID safe measure, we will be expecting further RAT kits to be delivered over the week beginning 7th March.

We have had a small number of notifications of positive COVID tests in the junior school. Can I encourage everyone to please check your health by using the rapid antigen tests and always, students, if you feel ill, please do not attend school.

I Watkins

Principal

Carly Woo Head of Senior School



2022 Year 12 Study Camp

From the 9th-11th February 2022, Highvale Secondary College Year 12 students participated in a Study Camp held at City CYC. Students were involved in a number of workshops, including English lectures delivered by experts, ATAR/Scaling presentation, a workshop on study habits and mindfulness techniques which provide the students practical advice on how to study more effectively. Students also enjoyed a visit to the Vic Night Market as well as the Trivia Night organised by the student leadership team. Thank you to all staff who came to make yet another fantastic Year 12 study camp.



Adrianne D'mello



Sohyun Park



Caitlin Dunk

On the cold morning of Wednesday the 9th of February, we headed to the city of Melbourne to begin our last school camp, the train ride was long and at one point most of us got lost, however we found our way back with other year 12's.

We arrived at Southern Cross station where we met up with the teachers and our peers (yes, we caught the train ourselves #adults). After a long two-minute walk we arrived at City CYC where we stayed. We settled into our rooms and got the lay of the land. Let me tell you that place was so tiring, the number of stairs we had to walk was exhausting but gave us daily workouts. As soon as we settled in, we had an inspiring session with Ben from the Elevate education team. He delivered us motivation through the small easy steps that we could take to maximise our potential throughout not only our final year of high school, but also in the future. Now, with the effective strategies, I hope we can all reach our goal by the end of year 12!

Although, some of us had basic idea of scaling and study scores, Mr Korlos' presentation, gave us more detailed knowledge, leading us to have the correct aim for study scores. I personally worried so much about my study scores, but we learned that it has simple solution: study even when others don't and ask teachers for the support, because they always will help you to reach your maximum potential.

Fast forward to later that night, we went to the Victoria night market for our dinner, which I think everyone agrees was the highlight of the camp. We had the freedom to roam around and look at all the different stalls, whether it was buying delicious food or looking at other items. Before we knew it, it was time to head back, much to our disappointment. Once we arrived back at City CYC we all competed against each other in trivia, sparking fierce competitions between groups. After a fun but chaotic night, we went to bed at 10:30pm, but most of us exceeded that bedtime (<u>#wedon'tneednobedtime</u>).

We all heard the idea that we were walking down Lygon street, however that plan changed, and we got to go to Melbourne Central. We spent a couple of hours there where we got to shop, relax, and enjoy the freedom of exploring. We lost track of time whilst shopping, and some of us were even late to get back on time, much to our teachers' frustration. On the same day, we listened to Sonya Karras, who talked to us about safety precautions regarding alcohol, substance use, drink driving and situations in which it can be extremely unsafe. We gained life lessons from multiple stories she told which we will remember in the future.

Thanks to camp, we all grew closer to our teachers, but also closer together as a year level, ready as ever to take on the tough year ahead of us.

Year 12 Study Camp



How do you get 130 year 12's to stay 'quiet' at 8pm on camp? You give them a trivia (with a delicious reward of Tim Tams)!

On the first night of the Year 12 study camp Lachlan and I hosted the Year 12 Trivia Night! The night was a major success! Questions ranged from High School Musical, the Olympics, Harry Potter and iconic

Australian food. There was much uproar over the answer to 'How many Star Wars movies are there?' To which our original answer of 11 was overturned, changing to the apparently more correct answer of 9.

Novica PEARSALL

The leader board was watched intensely by all. But to finish off the night we had:

- 1st place: 'Let's Get this Bread'
- 2nd place: 'Matrivial gworlllls'
- 3rd place: 'No idea'

(Although the unofficial winners, to many students' disapproval, were 'Teacherz Rule'.)

The team round was then followed by True or False (Last Man Standing) where individuals were challenged by questions like:

Cardi B's real name is Cardigan Backyardigan and Spaghetto is the singular word for a piece of spaghetti (which is surprisingly true!) amongst other more difficult questions.

The winner for the last man standing was: Jaeger Sago

We all had a fabulous night and all the year 12's can't thank the teachers enough!



Highvale's annual swimming carnival was held on the first Friday of the school year and it was great fun for all in attendance. Year 12 students donned a variety of fun costumes including pirates, sailors, fairies, tv and movie characters, golfers and more, and gracefully (or not) took to the water on their floaties. All competitors showed an enormous amount of house and school spirit, cheering each other on through each heat. Based on the swimming on display, I'm sure Highvale will have its own Ariarne Titmus in no time. For the first time in over 5 years the teachers were beaten by a group of swift Year 12 girls in a very intense Year 12 vs Teachers relay, with Charlotte coming from behind to make up a 15m lead. Novelty events on the day included a ring race for Year 7 students and the biggest splash for the Year Lachlan BAENSCH 12s. At the end of the day Dampiera House came away with the win!









Year 12 Dumpling Eating Competition



DON'T GO ON MY SMILE, I FELT SICK

The year 12 dumpling competition was held on Monday the 7th of February inside the VCE centre. All the participants showed great enthusiasm and competitiveness. The winner of this year's dumpling competition finished all their dumplings in 49 minutes and this milestone was achieved by Hina Mehra (SUCH A LEGEND), **YES, I WON THE COMPETITION.** I didn't stab my dumplings with the chopsticks, and I definitely didn't choke on the dumplings. If I am being honest, I had fun but probably will stay away from dumplings for the next 7 years. Also, I realised one thing. Onions aren't the only food that can make you cry, dumplings can too.







Jenny Warwick Year 10 Coordinator

Year 7J English: Pieces of a Puzzle



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 | Kiril R | Physics Biology | Amy C | Further Mathemetics Health Psychology | Roel T | English Language Legal |
| | Economics Geography | Jasmine T | English language | | English Business management | Ahin K | Literature |

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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 .

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COMMUNITY NEWS



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Dear Parents

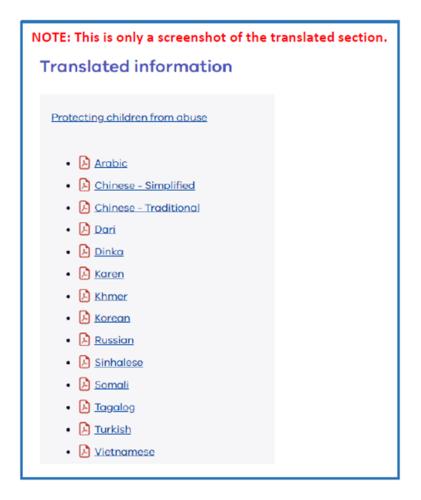
As adults we play a critical role in protection children from harm. The following link provides you detailed information.

For Easy English version, please click the following website,

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/protect/EasyEnglish_Second arySchool_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)



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