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## **Important Dates**

Monday 2nd May—Friday 6th May 2022	Year 9 Morrisby Interviews
Tuesday 10th May—Thursday 19th May 2022	Year 7 and Year 9 Naplan
Friday 27th May 2022	Pupil Free Day
Monday 30th May 2022	Year 10 Immunisations
Thursday 2nd June 2022	Winter Concert
Monday 6th June—Friday 10th June 2022	Year 7—11 exams
Monday 13th June 2022	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Monday 13th June—Sunday 26th June 2022	Central Australia Trip
Friday 24th June 2022	Last day of Term 2



### **CAREER NEWS**

Click the link— 29th April 2022 6th May 2022



Uniform Shop 2022

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## **Term Dates**

2022

TERM 2: 26th April—24th June
TERM 3: 11th July—16th September
TERM 4: 3rd October—20th December

## lan Watkins **Principal**



#### Welcome back

I would like to welcome everyone back to Term 2. I trust that the Easter break was restful and refreshing.

#### **NAPLAN**

Year 7 and year 9 students will be undertaking their NAPLAN testing over the weeks of 9th to 20th May. These tests will be conducted online rather than the old pen and paper. The online tests are interactive and will provide different questions for students depending on their answers. This will, hopefully, give a more accurate picture of each students' ability. We will be using school netbooks during this time and as a result will be scheduling the tests over a number of days to ensure effective internet connectivity.

As our Year 9s and Year 7s have not undertaken NAPLAN for years I encourage each student to have a go at some past papers. These and the solutions, can be found at:

https://www.acara.edu.au/assessment/naplan/naplan-2012-2016-test-papers

A schedule of which classes will be doing what NAPLAN test and where will be provided Wednesday next week via COMPASS.

#### Year 7 2023

Its that time of the year again when Grade 6 students and their families have to select a secondary school for the following year. We have again, had many inquiries and currently are conducting three tours each week.

Tours are all booked via the link on our website and we are booked out for all of this term! Additional tours will be scheduled for terms 3 and 4, usually these cater for students in grades 5 and 4 who are beginning their investigations.



# Carly Woo Head of Senior School



#### Novica PEARSALL



#### 2022—Primary School Day

On the last day of term one, the cohort of year 12's donned their primary school uniform for the last time at the annual Primary School Day. Many of us came to school in shirts too tight to be comfortable, dresses as long as t-shirts and clothing with signatures/drawings of past memories (many cringeworthy).

Recess was provided, snacks that many of us hadn't eaten in years. We're talking fairy bread, tiny teddies and roll-ups. Ok, yes, some of us had eaten those foods in the last week but it was nostalgic nonetheless.

Come lunchtime it was time for primary school games. All of us were ready (or some of us not-so) to run and sprint around the schoolyard. Much debate was had over which game was going to be played, some wanted 'Cops and Robbers' others wanted 'Gang-up Tiggy,' not to mention the hundreds of different versions of the games originating from different primary schools. Ultimately, 'Gang-up Tiggy' won and the year 12's played (yes, I'm saying played instead of hang out!) around the school all lunchtime. We were all hot and sweaty and had lost track of who had won each round, most of the time we didn't even know if everyone had been caught, we had some stealthy players.

Altogether, the day was a perfect last day of term one but unfortunately we still had to do our year 12 classes that day.



Anjana (Anji) NIRANJAN



2022 - Easter Day

During the last week of Term 2, Highvale's SRC organised an Easter Raffle as well as an egg + spoon race for all students to partake in. We had multiple eager and competitive students sign up for the egg and spoon race, and 10 thrilling heats across all year levels, but the final champion was Smrithi Genji! Our lucky 1st prize Easter raffle winner was Jaslene Ong, and 2nd prize winner was Talia Allen.

The SRC had lots of fun organising these events and we hope you all had lots of fun partaking in them!



# Chris Mitchell Director of Music



#### Welcome Back!

I hope that everyone had a relaxing break. Instrumental lessons and ensemble rehearsals have resumed as normal this week. Our Winter Concert is coming up quickly on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. **All instrumental music students will be involved in this concert, so please save the date.** Further details on times and audience bookings will follow in coming weeks, and events will appear on Compass

#### **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 – once it is framed, there'll be no more chance to sign it!

#### **Ensembles**

Ensemble sessions should appear in the student's Compass schedule, but are usually as follows.

		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*	Harmonix
	D2				Flute Ensemble*	
After School (3pm – 3.55pm)	Theatre	Junior Concert Band	Nouveau Strings	HSC Orchestra	Intermediate Concert Band	
	D2	Stage Band*	Intermediate Strings		Chamber Strings*	

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

#### **AMEB Exams**

It is time to start thinking about AMEB exams for 2022. If your student has interest in completing an exam this year, please encourage your student to discuss this with his/her teacher over the next few weeks. Teachers may also suggest / recommend particular students undertake an exam. Once students and teachers have had this discussion, enrolment forms will be distributed to relevant students later this term.

<sup>\*</sup> audition only group taken in addition to a core ensemble.

# Tamsin Mackenzie Outdoor Ed Teacher



#### **Introduction to Outdoor Education Camp**

Last term, the Introduction to Outdoor Education class embarked on their first overnight hike. On camp, students were able to apply the skills of outdoor living such as cooking on a Trangia, assembling a tent, and following Leave no Trace principles. The class got to school on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, excited but also nervous of what was to come. We loaded up the trailer and headed out towards Warburton to hike a section of the Walk into History Bushwalk. Over the two days, we walked from Big Pat's Creek Picnic Area to Starling's Gap Campground, then onto the Ada Tree.

After two years in and out of lockdown, it was the perfect opportunity for the students to experience the natural environment as well as work together in a team. There has been a strong focus on social connectedness and teamwork as this is essential in Outdoor Education, but is also important in life, especially after so much time away from their peers in recent years.

Outdoor Education can be a tough subject to complete, as it can often be a very different experience to what students are used to. The hike was not easy, and the weather was a bit colder than expected. However, I am so proud of the way the class worked together, supported each other, and were able to be resilient when things got tough.

A big thank you to Mr O'Brien and Ms McCoy for accompanying us and helping to make this camp possible!









## Laura Nijenhuis Food Technology Teacher



The end of term 1 saw our Hospitality Food Tech class demonstrating their food plating skills by creating their own burrito bowl and pasta!



























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

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### **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 <a href="https://au.entdigital.net/orderbooks/187h873">https://au.entdigital.net/orderbooks/187h873</a>.

### 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 difference for the causes you care about.

## **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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