



 Highvale

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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.

Newsletter No.20—19th December 2022

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Important Dates

Monday 30th January 2023	First Day of Term 1— Years 7, 11 & 12
Tuesday 31st January 2023	First Day of Term 1 — Years 8, 9 & 10
Friday 3rd February 2023	Highvale Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 7th February 2023	Year 10, 11 and 12 Student Photos
Wednesday 8th February 2023	Year 12 Camp
Wednesday 15th February 2023	Year 7, 8 and 9 photos
Monday 13th March 2023	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 21st February 2023	Curriculum Day (no students at school)
Tuesday 28th February 2023	Year 10/VCE Information Evening
Monday 6th March 2023	Year 7 Information Evening

Student Drop Off & Pick Up—Staff Carpark

Please be aware that parents and students (including learner drivers) **ARE NOT** permitted to drive onto school premises to drop off or pick up students during the peak before school and after school periods. This is a safety issue during these busy times. The school buses also require clear access. There is ample street parking in the neighbourhood and **the car parks on campus are designated for school staff only.**



CAREER NEWS

Click the link— [18th November 2022](#)
[11th November 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

2023

TERM 1: 30th January—6th April

TERM 2: 24th April—23rd June

TERM 3: 10th July—15th September

TERM 4: 2nd October—20th December

Ian Watkins Principal



On 16th December Friday evening, it was my very great pleasure to be at the presentation evening to celebrate and congratulate students who have excelled in the Academic, Leadership, Sporting activities and Community service for 2022.

I would like to formally welcome and thank our official guests for their participation on Friday evening, Mr Terry Chung—Council President and members of our School Council. I would like to acknowledge my Assistant Principals, Mr Leigh Hunter and Mrs Roslyn Patti and all the school's wonderful office staff for bringing Friday's presentations to fruition. More importantly, I would like to welcome all staff, students and parents of Highvale Secondary College and thank you for your support.

On behalf of the College Council I would like to thank the parents, staff, students, and members of the Highvale community that have supported the Council and its committees in 2022.

This year we have taken on the mantra 'getting back to normal' and this has seen the schoolwork closely with our community to re-establish our camps and excursions and extra curricular activities. The Central Australia Tour went ahead and was again a standout success! Our senior students were able to get some R and R from their studies with the VCE Formal.

School captains and our SRC planned and organised many wonderful activities, games, and celebrations. Our Year 12 graduation evening was again a highlight, celebrating the achievements of our senior students as they completed their secondary school education. We look forward to continuing the development of our very positive school culture in 2023. Our popular debutante ball will also be offered in September 2023.

2022 will be remembered by many because of the excellent results of our Year 12 students. This was a strong VCE performance with 47% students receiving a Tertiary enter score of over 80.

Our top student was Qinyi Ge who received a score of 99.5 which is a fantastic result! Congratulations.



Over the next few weeks students will be reviewing their post Highvale options and looking forward to university offers for their chosen careers. We wish them all the very best for the future.

Over the Head Start week, students in Years 10 to 11 were able to meet their teachers for next year and begin their VCE studies in earnest. We were very impressed by the dedication and enthusiasm of our students and look forward to their continued success throughout 2023.

Our students in the middle years have also performed very well. The 2022 NAPLAN results indicated increased achievements above state and regional levels and in particular higher achievement levels for the high performing students. This continues the trend for Highvale Secondary School and certainly bodes well for the future.

Our instrumental music program continues to grow, and we have presented at a number of concerts and performances that have clearly demonstrated the talents and skills of our students.

Our Fine Arts areas have also excelled. This year we were privileged to be able to present student creative works in the Design Art and Technology show. The presentation attracted a strong audience, and the quality and creativity of our students was clearly displayed.

Our International program is now returning to its pre covid strengths as international travel opens up. Our reputation for providing a high-quality program for overseas students has been well recognised by the international division of the Department of Education.

To our students, well done on another fine, successful year! On behalf of the school, I would also like to thank all the teachers for making 2022 another successful and memorable year.

It would be remiss of me if I did not take this opportunity to recognise staff that will be leaving us in 2023:

- Mr Dean Korlos has been selected as an Acting Assistant Principal of Brentwood Secondary College.
- Mrs Kiri Caracacidis has accepted a promotion where she will be leading the Junior school at Scoresby Secondary College.
- Mr Brian Hurley has been selected to teach Drama and Media at Brentwood Secondary College.
- Mrs Laura Wallace has been selected to teach Food Studies and Health at Patterson River Secondary College.
- Ms Abbie Dowsing who will be leaving us for a transfer to Ringwood Secondary College.
- Ms Yuyan Wang and Ms Annie Wu will be leaving us for a transfer to independent schools.
- Michael Riera, Mrs Gaynor Thorpe, and Mrs Anna Dimou will be taking some extended leave to recharge their batteries.

On behalf of the school, I would like to congratulate them all for their significant contributions to Highvale Secondary College and wish them all the very best for the future.

For me I would like to add that 2022 will be my last year as Principal of Highvale Secondary College.

I have greatly enjoyed my time and take great joy and sense of achievement in how the school has improved and grown its reputation for success and achievement over my seventeen years tenure.

Our school is now the school of choice in the area, and I wish to thank everyone staff, students and particularly parents for making this happen.

Next year, my family and I will be enjoying some warmer weather in our new home in Coffs Harbour. I will be returning to teach science which I love.

In preparing for this change I decided to re-hone the skills in the classroom and would like to thank my Year 7 Maths class 7H for putting up with me... as educators you can never remove yourself from the classroom and it certainly reinforced in me the joy of teaching.

So next year will see change at Highvale. I would like to congratulate Mr Evan Miller who has been selected as Acting Principal and wish him every success. I am confident that he will be able to expertly lead the school into its new beginnings.



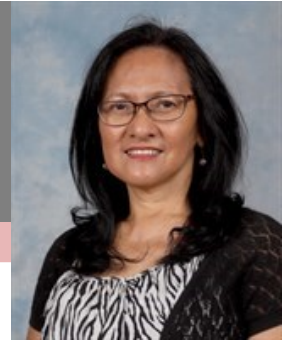
Catherine Funder
Head of Languages



In French, at the end of this busy year, some classes got to make their own *Bûche de Noël* or *Crêpes*!



Maria Smith
Librarian



Welcome to our Year 7 students for 2023!

The HSC Library excitedly welcomes Grade 6 students on their Orientation Day, exploring while answering 'getting to know your new Library' questions with the guidance of our student helpers and school captains. There were positive student feedback throughout the short but exciting Library session.



Heartfelt gratitude to everyone and wishing our HSC Community, staff and students a safe, relaxing and fun holiday! Bring it on 2023!





Thanks Ms Morey for the great support you have provided on our last week of old books sorting, repairing and processing of new resources.

Finally, we got to the end of this wonderful time of the year despite some enormous challenges most of us have gone through. The HSC Library Team extends heartfelt gratitude to staff and students who have made our learning and cultural hub an exciting place to be. And huge thanks to our Library monitors and other helpers for always giving a hand especially when it is mostly needed.

Exciting News:

We have a number of students who have applied to be Library Monitors for 2023. Thank you for expressing your interest in this exciting role. There will be an email sent to you very soon to explain your duties and responsibilities. Thank you in advance for your voluntary support to make a difference to staff and students of Highvale Secondary College!

Important Reminder for Year 7 Parents and Students:

The HSC Library will be open from 8:30am to 3:30pm on Wednesday 25th January 2023 for those who have made a booking to collect their Year 7 Book Hire textbooks and purchased novels.

Discover your passion for writing! Exciting Opportunities for our young people to discover their passion for writing from the State Library of Victoria (SLV)! Click the link and discover your hidden (untapped but ready to be explored) talents in written expression by participating in this Teen Writing Bootcamp Info Sessions in February 2023: <https://www.slv.vic.gov.au/teen-writing-boot-camps>



In the spirit of giving during this upcoming festive season, The Big Issue magazine is the way to go: <https://thebigissue.org.au/#section-2>

The Big Issue is an independent and not-for-profit magazine sold on the streets around Melbourne, a social enterprise started 25

years ago to benefit those experiencing homelessness and disadvantage.

The Big Issue is more than a magazine for creative expression. The vendors of this magazine buy each copy for \$4.50 and sell it to you for \$9, keeping the profits to support them.

The website provides more info on how The Big Issue is more than just a magazine... it is an opportunity to help others in need. Happy giving!

Uniform Shop UPDATE



The uniform shop is currently open for appointments via bookings only on Monday's and Wednesday's.

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.

UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE

Available now to purchase from the Uniform Shop are the new:

Baseball Caps : one size \$14.00



Bucket Hats: Sizes M-L & L-XL \$16.00



Please contact Sashka, the Uniform Shop Manager, on 9803 5144 if you require any assistance or further information. Thank you.



Advertisements UPDATE

SPACE-X-TOUR

Travel to the United States with your classmates for a once in a lifetime opportunity to visit NASA and the Kennedy Space Center in Orlando, the USS Aircraft Carrier Hornet & The Exploratorium in San Francisco, and Knotts Berry Farm "Energy in Motion" Program and Universal Studios in Los Angeles.

Put on your space suit and get ready to travel beyond your classroom to explore the planets and stars!

HOW TO JOIN A GROUP

Scan QR code below to register your interest OR complete the slip below and return it to the teacher in charge of the tour at your school.



Keep me in the loop on the
SPACE-X-PLORE USA trip!



Student Name:

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Year:

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 - ATX Astronaut Training Experience
 - Journey to Mars Base 1
 - NASA Astronaut Encounter

San Francisco, California

- The Exploratorium
- USS Aircraft Carrier Hornet - STEM to Stern Program
- City tour & Golden Gate Bridge walk

Los Angeles

- Knott's Berry Farm 'Energy in Motion' physics rollercoaster program
- Universal Studios Back Lot Tour, Harry Potter and the Minions
- Disneyland additional option!



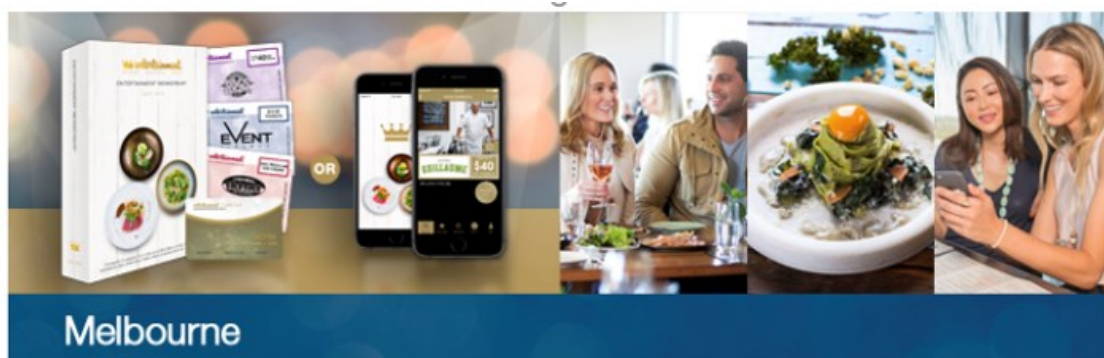
NEVER STOP
EXPLORING

2023 YEAR LEVEL COORDINATORS

Please see the table below for a list of the 2023 Coordinators.

YEAR LEVEL COORDINATORS	
YEAR 7	Alexandra CLARKE
YEAR 8	Karnel AHMET
YEAR 8 & YEAR 9	Philip BAUMGARTNER
YEAR 9	Betty SINGH
YEAR 10	Jenny WARWICK
YEAR 11	Marianne CLARKSON
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 difference for the causes you care about.



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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