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Newsletter No.13— 2nd September 2022

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## **Important Dates**

Wednesday 7th September 2022	Year 12 GAT
Thursday 8th September 2022	Spring Concert
Thursday 15th September 2022	Parent Teacher Interviews Pupil Free Day
Friday 16th September 2022	Last Day Term 3 Professional Practice Day for Staff Pupil Free Day
Monday 3rd October 2022	First Day of Term 4
Friday 21st October 2022	Year 12 Graduation Dinner
Wednesday 26th October 2022—Wednesday 16th November 2022	Year 12 Exams
Tuesday 1st November 2022	Melbourne Cup Day public holiday
Monday 14th November—25th November 2022	Year 7—11 Exams



### **CAREER NEWS**

Click the link— <u>26th August 2022</u> <u>19th August 2022</u>



Uniform Shop 2022

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

See Compass newsfeed to book appointment

Student Absence Reporting
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### **Term Dates**

2022

TERM 3: 11th July—16th September
TERM 4: 3rd October—20th December

## lan Watkins **Principal**



#### **Literacy Week Celebrations**

This school celebrated literacy week with many wonderful activities and competitions. We were very please to see the great turn out for the dress up day on Thursday.



A big thankyou to our A block staff who decided to go with a "Alice in Wonderland" theme. To all the ghouls, Harry Potters, Dr Who and cartoon characters, well done! Thursday was a very special day and on behalf of the school I would like to thank Maria and her team for organising all the special events.





#### **ICAS** testing

Over the last three weeks, students from Year 7 to Year 10 have participated in ICAS testing for English, Digital Technologies, Science and Mathematics. Results are expected to be available just before the end of term, all going well.

#### **NAPLAN** results

We have now received NAPLAN certificates for Year 7 and Year 9 from the Victorian Curriculum assessment authority. These certificates will be made available to students from the general office. <u>Please watch for Compass notice for when we have them ready for collection.</u>

The school has received overall assessment data for our students for 2022.

#### Again, Highvale students have excelled. Our median scores are summarised below:

READING Year 9	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
School	602	608	-	609	611
State	590	587	-	584	-

WRITING Year 9	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
School	547	563	-	578	598
State	551	558	-	554	-

NUMERACY Year 9	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
School	629	629		633	629
State	603	599		593	-

READING Year 7	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
School	557	574	-	586	592
State	548	552	-	552	-

WRITING Year 7	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
School	522	547	-	555	579
State	514	523	-	529	-

NUMERACY Year 7	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
School	590	615	-	608	622
State	556	562	1	559	-

#### **Spring Music Concert**

Good luck to all of our performers in the up coming Spring Concert. I am looking forward to seeing all of our students shine.

Applications for 2023 College Captains are now open.

There are 9 positions so please read the application file on Compass newsfeed for further information and application process. Applications close at **3pm Friday 9th September 2022**.

The sub school and I look forward to reading all of the applications for these prestigious positions.

Good luck.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, Step Fathers, Brothers and Mums who fulfill two roles a very happy day on Sunday.



# Ros Patti **Assistant Principal**



#### **Captains Conference 26th August**

Last Friday, our Highvale College Captains organised a conference with school captains from various schools in our area, including: Glen Waverley, Mount Waverley, Vermont, Brentwood and John Monash. Although very late in the year, it was a wonderful opportunity to understand how leadership works in other schools and how future captains can work together to implement strategies that work in other schools. We had so much fun making new friends and are excited to continue this conference with future captains in our area!

We are keen on organising more inter-school events, including a possible Hackathon and more friendly competitive activities in the coming years. A big thank you to Ms Woo and Mrs Patti for providing us with lots of yummy food and drinks!

For Year 11s thinking of applying for a leadership role in 2023, don't hesitate to chat to one of the current captains, we're more than happy to help.

#### **College Captains**





## Chris Mitchell **Music**



#### **Spring Concert**

Our major concert this term is the Spring Concert, which is focussed more on our senior students and ensembles. It will take place next week on **Thursday 8th September**. Major groups performing are:

- Chamber Strings
- Flute Ensemble
- Harmonix Choir
- HSC Orchestra
- Stage Band
- Stick Tricks
- Senior Vocal Ensemble

Audience tickets are on sale as advised on Compass newsfeed. At the time of writing (morning of September 1<sup>st</sup>) there were fewer than 30 tickets left. If you would like to attend in person, you can check if any are still available by clicking <u>here</u>. The event will be livestreamed for those who are unable to attend in person, with the link to be posted on Compass newsfeed just before the concert is due to begin.

Students playing in the concert will be able to go home after school as normal and will be required at school, in concert dress and with their instrument **no later than 5.45pm.** Some members of stage / tech crew may be required earlier, but we will let these students know closer to the time. A small number of Year 12 students have an assessment task after school until 4.30pm on concert day and these students will be given access to change rooms etc. if needed.

The concert starts at 6.30pm and the SRC is hoping to run a fundraising sausage sizzle (including veggie burger option) prior to the show.

For more details and to provide consent for your student to perform in the concert, please see the Compass event. To view the details of upcoming Compass events please click <u>here</u>.

#### Free Music Event: VCE Music Performance Unit 4 Recital

Students studying VCE Music Performance Units 3 & 4 this year have their Unit 4 recital on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00pm**. This is their last major performance opportunity before their final performance exam early next term, and we would love the school community to support them by attending this recital. Each student will perform part of their exam program. We have a large number of students this year, with a variety of instruments including piano, guitar, trombone and violin, so please come along to enjoy a varied night of music. Please book your free tickets <u>here</u>.

#### **End of Year Concert**

The final concert for the year will occur Thursday 3rd November. The major groups involved in this concert will be:

- Nouveau Strings
- Junior Concert Band
- Intermediate Strings
- Intermediate Concert Band
- Harmonix Choir
- Junior Vocal Ensemble
- Rhythm Riders

If your student is in one of the above groups, please keep this date free.

### Aysha McCoy Maths Teacher



For the last three weeks 7C and 7G have been competing in a growth challenge on Mathspace.

Both classes worked extremely hard completing as many tasks, growth check ins and questions as they could. Many students completed questions from well above a year 7 level and they received points for the number of questions they attempted. For week 2 of the challenge 7G scored an average of 1359 points and came 9<sup>th</sup> out of all classes competing in Australia, 7C scored an average of 4268 points and came in 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Both classes were rewarded with a pizza party for their efforts.

#### Well done 7G and 7C!!!





## Maria Smith **Librarian**



#### Amazing HSC Literacy/Numeracy Week to start off SPRING!!

After nearly two years of remote learning impacting on everyone's wellbeing in so many ways, it has been a wonderful and therapeutic change to celebrate LNW 2022 that has also been a reflection of proactive student agency and leadership and a classic example of the importance of a positive school atmosphere promoting staff and student wellbeing.

#### And the photos from various activities during the week say it all ...













Kahoot Quiz winners Calista, Kailyn, Caitlyn and Isabelle (middle picture)







#### Amazing 100% participation from the Art/Food & Technology Department

With the theme "Alice in Wonderland", the A/F&T Department has been impressive with their planning and creativity leading up to the L/N Week. Their enthusiasm, excitement and teamwork have been truly inspiring from Day One! Huge thanks indeed!



Special mention also to creative teachers Betty 'Belle' Singh, Meena 'Caribbean Pirate' Banerjee, Russell 'Woody' Marshall, Natalie 'Batwoman' Valentine, Marianne 'Alice in Wonderland' Clarkson, Alex 'Where's Wally" Clarke, Leonida 'Cleopatra' Baldwin, Kerrie 'Harry Potter' Hunter, Amanda 'Piglet' Naidoo, Molly 'Alice' Pethick, Alysha 'Pooh Bear' McCoy and yours truly, 'Wonderwoman'.





#### **Students "Popular Choice Award" Winners**

- Onyx Liao as anime Zack Foster
- Maddison Moore as anime Ruby Rose
- Freya Helstrom as Dr Who



#### Acknowledging the efforts of our Library Monitors and Junior School Captains

Special mention to **Abi Nicholson (11.5)** who despite her tight VCE schedule managed to help in the Library regularly leading up to the event, apologising when she could not attend meetings, did her routine role as Library monitor, made signs/bookmarks while helping oversee activities.

The same goes to Arneiysh Kumaran (9.4) for creating activities sign-up links and Kahoot quizzes plus donating books; Shaana Parikh (8.7) and Kavya Joshi (8.4) for also creating Kahoots and encouraging student participation; Alec Clavant (9.2), Liesel Lai (8.5), Michelle Butler (8.1) and Alicia Manalel (9.5) for helping with book sales/raffles and managing the Circulation desk.

Finally, huge thanks also to Alexander Keep (10.3) for taking photos with a big smile on his face!!

#### Supporting the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF)

The Library Team has been immensely proud of the effort and participation that have gone to planning and celebration of the LNW. It has been truly inspirational to have initiated a meaningful activity that makes "a positive and measurable difference in the early literacy levels of Indigenous Australia children in order to raise their prospects in school" (ILF 2022).

More importantly, the success of this celebration has been reflected in the students' excitement and positivity to participate in various activities and enrich their social, cultural and interpersonal capabilities beyond the classroom.

Watch this space for more exciting news!! ... Upcoming results of the book raffle draw, winners of the Spelling Bee, colouring/poster design and 'guess how many lollies in the jar' competitions! Well done everyone just for participating!!

## School Magazine Design ART COMPETITION

# Would you like to see your artwork make the cover of this Highvale Secondary College's yearbook?

All students are invited to create a unique and original cover design for our 2022 Yearbook. The winning design, selected by votes of the staff and the students at Highvale Secondary College, will be featured on the front and back covers of the yearbook.

#### All entries must meet the following criteria:

- Use a vertical orientation in A4 size (Can do a larger scale, like A3, for physical
- entries)
- The design must include the school's name and the school values.
   It may be hand drawn or computer generated.

#### Tips for a good entry:

- The best entries will include a front cover, and a *complementary* back cover, that is in the same style but visually differs!
- Leave some "buffer room" around the edges of the design don't put anything vital (like words!) right to the edge.
- · Add colour paint, crayons, colouring pencils, markers etc. The brighter and more
- visually interesting, the better!!
- The design should reflect and represent Highvale Secondary College's values.
- Use the entire area for your design.

Be creative and have fun!!

Cover entries are due: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022
Students should email their entries to Mrs Patti at RPI@highvalesc.vic.edu.au
No late entries will be accepted.

Voting will take place the week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> October and the winner will be announced on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

Winning entries will receive a prize and a certificate.

# Uniform Shop UPDATE



The uniform shop is currently open for appointments via bookings only on Mondays and Wednesdays.

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.



## TUTORING—held in S Block Term 3

#### FREE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10-12

MONDAY-THURSDAY/3.00-4.30PM/S Block

N	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	

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

### **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

## 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.

### **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.



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### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



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학대로부터 어린이 보호하기: 부모와 보호자를 위한 정보

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



#### **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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