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# Important Dates

Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	First Day of Term 3
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	First Debutante Ball Practice
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	State Cross Country
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	School Council Meeting
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Athletics Carnival
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 10 Immunisations
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	ICAS English Competition
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	ICAS Maths Competition
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Division Athletics
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Spring Concert
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Debutante Ball
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupil Free Day
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Last Day of Term 3

## CAREER NEWS



Click the link(s):

[15<sup>th</sup> June 2018](#)

[22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018](#)



### Uniform Shop Hours

#### **Tuesdays**

8.00am to 11.00am

#### **Wednesdays**

1.00pm to 4.00pm

Click [here](#)  
for Uniform Order Form

### Student Absence Reporting Hotline

9803 5144

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Please call before 9am

### Term Dates

#### **2018**

TERM 2: 16<sup>th</sup> April - 29<sup>th</sup> June

TERM 3: 16<sup>th</sup> July - 21<sup>st</sup> Sept

TERM 4: 8<sup>th</sup> Oct - 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

#### **2019**

TERM 1: 29<sup>th</sup> Jan – 5<sup>th</sup> April

### Canteen

Canteen Price List click [here](#)

New Menu for Food Truck that will be on site for Term 3 Canteen Services. Further details can be found later in the newsletter



# Ian Watkins Principal



## *Principal's report*

### **Holiday break**

I would like to wish everyone a restful and enjoyable term two holiday.

### **Master planning**

The program continues to be on time and we anticipate that our science wing will be available by the end of July. Over this holiday break the builders will begin the process of revitalising our courtyards and landscaping areas about our large trees. The pavers and pine log fencing will be removed and new planter boxes established. Let's hope the weather holds. Over term three the builders will concentrate on renovating A block and the canteen before starting on the gym toilets. It will be a very busy semester two!

### **Canteen closure Semester 2**

As part of the Stage 2 development, the canteen will be closed for renovation over terms three and possibly four. To service our school needs a food truck has been organised. It will operate outside the Year 7 lockers from the start of term 3.

### **School Council Student Elections 2018**

I would like to announce that Felix Chung and Sugandra Sharma have been elected by the school body to the school council.

### **School Cleaning Update**

The State Government has changed its policy regarding the use of school cleaning companies. As a result cleaning of Highvale Secondary College will now be managed by Spotless Cleaning Services. The school is currently finalising the details of its contract. Personalising the generic Department of Education contract to suit the needs of our school.

On behalf of the school I would like to express our warmest regards to our outgoing cleaners, Tyrone and Felicia. They have been stalwarts for the school over many years and will be sorely missed.

The school plans to organise a formal farewell for them early term 3.

### **Careers Expo**

I would like to thank Mrs Batrouney for all of her work in setting up this year's careers expo. It was held in the VCE Centre last Tuesday and was very well attended.





## Student learning model

A student learning model has now been developed to complement our instructional model.

The plan is for the learning model to be clearly displayed in classrooms for teachers to refer students to.

Abbie Dowsing  
Debating Coordinator & English Teacher



On Wednesday 6/6, Miss Dowsing and four Highvale students attended the 'Junior Public Speaking Competition' run by the Debater's Association of Victoria (DAV) at Huntingtower school. The day was packed full of fantastic speeches by students from schools within the area and four Highvale representatives. We began the day with a training session followed by one prepared speech and two impromptu speeches which really challenged all students. Although she all but lost her voice by the end of the day, Jade Soderstrom (year 8) pushed through this barrier to present a wonderful impromptu speech about what she feels is the 'recipe for success'. Anjana Niranjan (year 8), Radinsa Weerasinghe (year 8) and Joey Bulakh (year 7) - who only missed out on qualifying by small margin - also impressed the adjudicators and other teachers with their great prepared and impromptu speeches. Unfortunately, no Highvale students made it through to the next round, however we hope to go back stronger next year.



## Mae Batrouney Careers



### Transforming Career Education in Victorian Government Schools

Felix Danohoo-Andrusiak and Jacinta Thomas were invited recently to a Government event.

At this event, the Minister of Education, the Hon. Mr James Merlino announced the “**Transforming Career Education in Victorian Government Schools**” plan. The Hon James Merlino stated “Career Education must connect today’s learning with tomorrow’s jobs. It must empower young people to seize the opportunities of a rapidly changing, globalised world, and be ready to work in Victoria’s growing and high demand industries.”

**The Hon James Merlino announced from 2019 the State Government will start spending \$109 million over four years to redesign career education to include:**

- All government school students in years 7 to 8 participate in Career Self-Exploration workshops to better understand their interests, strengths and aspirations
- Transforming career education in Year 9 by giving all students:
  - a. A careers e- Portfolio. This is a new and engaging way for students to translate their career exploration and planning into concrete action
  - b. Access to a Professional Career Planning Service, in which students receive a professional diagnostic career assessment and one on one guidance
  - c. Ensure all government school students in Years 10 to 12 receive course and careers counselling and build detailed and robust Career Action Plans
  - d. Ensure Career Action Plans are sent home with student reports to support parents in talking to young people about their goals ad plans
  - e.

#### **And from 2020**

- Ensure all government school students in Years 7 to 12 have access to the Careers e –Portfolio that they can take with them into further education, training and employment.

Jacinta and Felix were excellent representatives from Highvale Secondary College, talking to invited guests about our school with enthusiasm and pride.

Report prepared by Mrs Ros Patti and Mrs Mae Batrouney

Anne Linton  
Director of Music



### WINTER CONCERT

On Thursday June 14th, the annual Winter Concerts were held in the College Theatre. There were two concert performances including an afternoon and evening presentation. This was necessary to allow as many parents and friends to view the excellent work of our Highvale musicians. All nine ensembles of the Highvale Instrumental Music Program presented their repertoire including two orchestras, the Chamber Strings, Stage Band, Strick Tricks, Rhythm Riders, Highvale Harmonix, Concert Band and Nouveau Strings. Over 200 students performed at both concerts and all musicians and staff enjoyed a barbeque before the concert began, prepared by Mr. Hunter and the Music Captains.

The concert opened with the HSC Orchestra performing a selection of mysterious themes from the film Harry Potter. This was followed by some excellent performances from our talented musicians including a brilliant presentation of the 'Concerto for Four Violins' by Vivaldi. Our combined strings group also performed a reprise of the two works, 'Xandadu' & 'Deception' that many of them performed at the NEVR concert in May at Hamer Hall, conducted by Mrs. Govan. The concerts were also an opportunity for parents and friends to hear the Highvale Senior Vocal Group perform the Billy Joel piece 'And So It Goes', which they performed at the Booroondara Eisteddfod in May. The group achieved second place in the A Capella section.

The concert was made possible due to the hard work and many hours of preparation by the students and instrumental music staff of the College, supported by some of our dedicated staff from around the school. Ms. Georgia Bate, Mr. Harrie Kingston, Mr. Chris Mitchell and Mrs. Catherine Moad.

A special thanks to our music staff, Mrs. Janet Govan, Mrs. Suzi Reid, Mrs Lisa Gaudion, Mrs. Angelie O'Brien, Mr. Daniel Beng, Mr. Jim McGuffie, Mrs. Lynn Chew, Mrs. Yin lam and Mr. Nick Milosevic who prepare and rehearse our ensembles throughout the semester, in order to achieve the excellent standard demonstrated at the event.

The Music Captains were very helpful during the day, providing assistance with the sausage sizzle and working back stage during the performances.

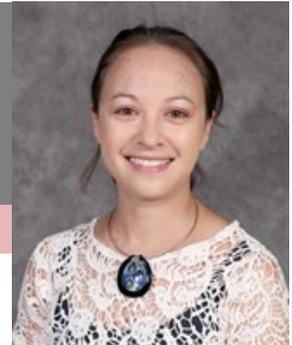
Congratulations to all students and staff involved.







Angelie O'Brien  
**Vocal Teacher**



**End-of-Semester Vocal Soiree**

On Wednesday during lunchtime, our library legend Marian Johnson transformed the library into a space of pure relaxation, providing picnic rugs and oversized cushions for our eager audience to get comfy and enjoy some music. Vocal students of Highvale, as well as Harmonix, shared their music with students and staff - a wide range of musical styles, ranging from Musical Theatre to Pop, a little Jazz and Contemporary Ballad. Thank you to all the staff and students who attended and were such a supportive audience, and to all the performers, AWESOME EFFORT! Special thanks also to our 'tech crew' for photos and video. And last but not at all least, Mrs. Johnson for allowing such wonderful events to take place in the library, and for co-ordinating the set up and pack down for the event. It was such a lovely way to wind down for the term, happy holidays!

Angelie O'Brien, Vocal Teacher



# Additional Photos by Josh Tran Year 11



Amanda Gomes  
PE and Health Teacher



## Activities with Highvale Primary school

Last week Year 9 and 10 students undertaking the subject 'Child Development' spent an afternoon with the preps at Highvale Primary School. Their task was to create an activity to promote intellectual and/or physical development in young children. The games created were entertaining and varied and included memory games and activities which developed fine motor skills. Fun was had by all!



## YEAR 9 PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term Year 9 PE classes were lucky to get a javelin expert in and learnt some tips to improve their throws. Hopefully these students are able to put their newly learnt skills to good use at the school athletics carnival early next term.



Stacey Mann  
Teacher



On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> of June the Highvale Dance Class went over to Highvale Primary School to perform for their dance class, then the littlies performed for us. It was a fun and rewarding experience for all. The dance class then followed this up with an encore performance on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> at lunchtime in the Community Centre for the Highvale teachers. The students began with a whole group piece before showcasing a number of items they had choreographed themselves as either a solo, duo or trio. These dances included a range of styles including jazz, contemporary and even a tap routine. The students finished with another whole group piece to 'This is me' from The Greatest Showman. A big thank you to all the teachers who came along and supported the girls, and of course, to the girls themselves for the fabulous effort put in throughout the semester.



# ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS



## The NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Memberships are here!

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# TERM 3 CANTEEN NEWS



## Canteen News - Onsite Food Truck for Term 3

Our current canteen will be closed for renovations next term.

Next term the College will have onsite a new food provider 'The Mobile Catering Company'. They will be setting up a food truck during the school holidays in the area behind H Block and adjacent to the end of the new Administration Building. They will be open from the first day of term 3. Food and drinks will be

available for students to purchase at recess and lunchtimes. They will have various hot and cold food available including many healthy food options. Their menu also offers a selection of two additional hot meals available on different days of the week in addition to their everyday menu.

Please [click here](#) to view the menu

# After School Tutoring

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& Humanities

EVERY *Wednesday*

**3:00 - 4:00 PM**

**in the library**

# FREE VCE TUTORING

The program runs in the safe, supervised environment of the senior study centre afterschool between 3.00-4.30pm from Mondays to Thursdays.

All our tutors are past Highvale students who achieved outstanding results in their chosen subjects and have been endorsed by the teaching staff as being highly knowledgeable of the subject content.

Tutoring can provide a number of benefits for students of all learning stages such as:

- Assist with subject content and improve results
- Gain confidence.
- Goal setting and time management skills.
- Provide students with valuable advice, feedback and encouragement.

Please refer to the timetable below for subject availability.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Egan at [keg@highvalesc.vic.edu.au](mailto:keg@highvalesc.vic.edu.au) to enquire about how you can get involved.

**Kellie Egan**  
Tutoring Coordinator

## FREE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10-12

MONDAY-THURSDAY | 3.00-4.30pm | SENIOR STUDY CENTRE

MON		TUES		WED		THURS	
Rebecca	Specialist Chemistry General Maths	Sarah	Accounting Business Management	Harry	Psychology English Biology	Megha	French Literature
Adele	Biology Further Health Method	Riana (Speaks both English and Chinese)	Chemistry Methods EAL	Jacob	Specialist General Maths German	Megan	Economics English Language
Jacob	Physics Legal studies	Tahlia	Media Psychology	Rebecca	Chemistry Physics		

The Arts | English | Science | Health | Humanities & Civics | Mathematics | Language

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Protecting Children from Abuse: For Parents and Carers



保儿童免遭虐待：父母和照顾者须知

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

학대로부터 어린이 보호하기: 부모와 보호자를 위한 정보

Çocukları Tacizden Korumak: Anababalar ve Bakıcılar İçin



Dear parents,

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

For English version, please click the following website,

[http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/protect/ChildSafeStandard5\\_ParentsProtecting.pdf](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/protect/ChildSafeStandard5_ParentsProtecting.pdf)

For other languages, please click the following website,

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/protect/Pages/translations.aspx>

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