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Website

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Newsletter No.8 7th June 2021

EXCELLENCE | INTEGRITY | RESILIENCE | RESPECT | RESPONSIBILITY



Important Dates

10th—18th June	Y11 Exams
16th—25th June	Y7—Y10 Exams
Monday 14th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 25th June	Last Day Term 2
Monday 12th July	First Day Term 3, Semester 2
Thursday 22nd July	House Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 17th August	Year 10 Immunisations
Thursday 19th August	Division Athletics
Friday 20th August	Curriculum Day, Student Free Day
Tuesday 14th September	Year 7 Immunisations
Thursday 16th September	Parent/Teacher Interviews, Student Free Day
Friday 17th September	Last Day Term 3



CAREER NEWS

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[21st May 2021](#)



Uniform Shop 2021

Click [here](#)
for Uniform Order Form

Available for online orders
only

Student Absence Reporting Hotline

9803 5144

Press 1

Please call before 9am

Term Dates

2021

TERM 2: 19th April—25th June

TERM 3: 12th July—17th September

TERM 4: 4th October—17th December

2022

TERM 1: 31st January—8th April



Principal's Report 7 June

Resilience

Once again we need to draw upon our resilience and strength to work through this remote learning period. I am confident that the lessons learnt from previous lockdowns will assist everyone in making sure that everyone's health and wellbeing is maintained. As always the school seeks to minimise changes and provide as stable an environment as possible. You will see this in the slight changes to dates for key school events.

We appreciate the work of parents and guardians in supporting all of our young adults and we certainly appreciate the dedication of our students to their studies.

Last week it was great to see the VCE students return.

REMINDER

As you would be aware, there have been a number of recent Government and Departmental announcements. The following summarises this information relevant for Highvale Secondary College. This information may change depending on recommendations from Chief Health Officer.

Important Dates

4 – 10 June 2021 - Schools in metropolitan Melbourne

Remote and flexible learning will continue for all students 7-10.

VCE students attend on site.

From 11 June onwards

All students will attend school. Remote learning will not continue.

On-site arrangements – school staff

Until 11 June when all secondary year levels in metropolitan Melbourne are expected to return to on-site learning, teachers of years 7-10 will be continuing to provide remote learning off site. VCE teachers and education support staff will be on site from Friday 4 June.

Thus at times, VCE may not be able to catch up with their teachers outside of classes on some specific days.

COVID Safe Principles

The COVID safe principles are still the same and we have continued to prominently display the safety posters across the school. The principles are:

Practise good hygiene

Ensure physical distancing

Avoid interactions in close spaces

Face masks to be used in schools

Health and Safety Measures for this current set of restrictions

A face mask that covers the nose and mouth is now the only permitted type of face covering. Face shields, scarves or bandanas do not meet these requirements.

All members of our school community have to bring and wear a face mask both indoors and outdoors. Spare masks are available from the General office.

Teachers are permitted to remove their mask when teaching/communicating to students.

School camps and excursions cannot take place at this time. The venues are all closed.

There will be no interschool sport.

PE as a part of the normal school program will continue to be taught. If a student has PE on that day then they will be expected to be in PE uniform all day. The change rooms are not available.

Instrumental music lessons will continue.

Visitors to school grounds are limited to those delivering or supporting essential school services and operations. There are no school tours over this period. Click and collect uniform sales are permitted.

To support contact tracing, schools must keep a record of all staff, students and visitors who attend on site. All visitors must sign in and out via COMPASS.

Other important dates/arrangements

The canteen will only be open from 11 June.

GAT

The VCAA has announced that the GAT will be moved to a later date. As yet no date has been fixed.

SAC dates

There is no change to the revised SAC dates.

Year 11 Exams

Year 11 exams will be conducted as previously announced. From 10 to 18 June.

Years 7-10 Exams

Years 7-10 exams will be slightly changed and now go from Wednesday 16 to 25 June.

Semester 1 Reports

Semester 1 reports will be made available early term 3.

Year 12 on site social events

The Year 12 Movie and Trivia night is still planned to go ahead but we are looking at a revised date this term to ensure that it can run without COVID restrictions. The Year 12 dress up day is still planned for Thursday 24 June.

Winter Concert

The Winter Concert will be performed early in Term 3. At this stage no date has been fixed.

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Leigh Hunter Assistant Principal



Student recognition

As a part of the positive recognition process of the School Wide Positive behaviours model we use at the college the following students are being recognised for the consistent and positive displays of the college values.

Each student has received 5 positive chronicle entries from staff. This is as recognition for each student displaying positive behaviours at school that embody the college values of Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Integrity and Excellence.

Students are recognised by staff for displaying one or more of these values and a green chronicle entry made on Compass. Both students and parents are then able to log onto Compass to see their entries. This is a great opportunity for parents to be aware and acknowledge the positive attributes that their child is displaying at school. At the end of each month the sub schools will identify all students who have received 5 green (positive) chronicles. Students will then able to select a positive reward for their efforts. Students can select from the following list of options:

- Personal out of uniform day
- Donation to charity of choice
- Movie session in the Theatre during lunchtime with friends
- Book exclusive use of Gym with friends during lunchtime
- Canteen voucher

The following students have reached this recognition point:



Karlo Al-Jarah	Prithvi Gulati
Hunter Allen	Michael Gunn
Malachy Allen	Freya Huang
Talia Allen	Jeremy Iordache
Sehaj Attly	Cynthia Ly
Alanah Epps	

Congratulations to all these students. You sub schools will be in contact with you to arrange the rewards you have achieved.

Chris Mitchell Director of Music



Instrumental Music Lessons

With the return to on site schooling for VCE students, the following arrangements are in place for instrumental music lessons in line with Department of Education requirements:

- All Year 7 -10 instrumental lessons continue to occur remotely as these students are not on site.
- All string and percussion lessons for Year 11 & 12 students will occur at school as normal.
- Brass, woodwind and vocal lessons for students currently enrolled in VCE Music Performance Units 3 & 4 can occur at school outside with physical distancing.

Brass, woodwind and vocal lessons for students in Year 11 & 12 who are not doing VCE Music Performance Units 3 & 4 can only occur without playing/singing at school. Instrumental teachers have a range of ideas to make the best use of the lesson time, such as developing aural and theory skills. At this stage, no information is available on what the requirements will be when students in Year 7-10 return to on-site learning. Updates will be provided on Compass news feed once we have more information.

Ensembles

During lockdown, ensembles are not able to rehearse in person. Some ensemble directors may set specific tasks for students to complete at home during their regular rehearsal time. This may include students providing audio recordings and opportunities for additional one on one assistance via Teams. Students should check the Compass lesson plans, e-mail and Teams for any information. If no specific tasks are left by the ensemble director, students should practice their ensemble parts. Students and parents will be informed via Compass news feed when ensembles are able to recommence regular rehearsals.

Winter Concert 2021 – further postponed

With the extension of lockdown, the subsequent rescheduling of 7-10 exams and the current limits on singing and playing brass and woodwind instruments at school, the Winter Concert has to be further postponed. Due to the uncertainty around when all students are returning to school and when all instruments can once again be played on site, a new date for the concert has not yet been finalised, but we are hoping for early Term 3.

Lunchtime Concert

A number of Highvale's students performed in a concert at lunchtime on May 26th in support of Mr Ahmet's efforts to fundraise for the Cancer Council. Students provided outstanding performances in a wide variety of styles, from opera and classical to modern rock and pop. Through the various activities on the day, including free dress day and cupcake sales, Mr Ahmet was able to raise \$1308. The total amount he raised for the Cancer Council within his wider community was \$4000! Thank you to all the musicians for their wonderful performances and to all the students and staff who supported the event by donating, buying cupcakes or attending the concert - and well done to Mr Ahmet for all his efforts in fundraising for a worthy cause.

AMEB Exams

Any instrumental music student interested in completing an AMEB exam later this year who has not already discussed this possibility with their teacher, should do so within the next week.

Grand Piano Fundraiser

At the Winter Concert in 2019, we launched a fundraiser for a performance level grand piano for the theatre. We believe that such an instrument will greatly enhance our music program, with piano being used in many of our ensembles and to accompany soloists and small groups. Donations of any size are most welcome, and if you donate \$200, you have effectively bought us one key of our piano! If you have donated one or more keys, please don't forget to drop into the office to sign your name on the keyboard print.



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Grand Piano Fundraiser - Donation Form

Highvale Secondary College's instrumental music program has grown significantly over the last five to ten years and there is a strong desire to continue to improve and expand the program. One way this can be supported is by investing in high quality equipment. As such, donations are now invited from members of the school community towards the purchase of a better grand piano for the theatre. We believe such an instrument will enhance our instrumental music program for both performers and audiences alike. Many ensembles would make use of the piano (e.g. Stage Band, Orchestra and Chamber Strings among others), as would solo pianists and accompanists of other soloists and duos.

We are aiming to raise between \$15000 - \$20000 to purchase a quality grand piano from a manufacturer such as Yamaha or Kawai. Rather than purchasing a new base model, it would be preferred to purchase a mid-high range used, or, funds permitting a lower mid-range new piano.

A donation of \$200 equates to buying a key of the piano for us. You could also choose to donate a major chord (3 notes / \$600) or even a pentatonic scale (5 notes / \$1000). Those who contribute these amounts will be able to sign their name or business name on each key they have purchased on a print of a piano keyboard. This print will then be framed and hung in the theatre as a long-term reminder of those who generously contributed a significant amount to the purchase of the instrument. Smaller donations are also welcome from those who are unable to donate a key, chord or scale, but would still like to contribute.

If you would like to donate, cash or credit card payments can be made at the general office from Tuesday 25th June. For donations of a key, chord or scale, you will also be able to sign the print keyboard at the office at the time of lodging your donation.

Thanking you in advance for your generosity in supporting musical education at Highvale Secondary College.

Kind regards,

Chris Mitchell
Director of Music

Heather Carr
Acting Principal

Highvale Secondary College Grand Piano Fundraiser - Donation Form

Name(s): _____

I/we would like to make a donation of: (please tick)

Qty

- _____ - Pentatonic scale(s) [5 keys] of a grand piano for Highvale Secondary College at \$1000 each.
- _____ - Major chord(s) [3 keys] of a grand piano for Highvale Secondary College at \$600 each.
- _____ - Key(s) of a grand piano for Highvale Secondary College at \$200 each.
- General donation of \$_____ towards a grand piano for Highvale Secondary College

Payment details: CREDIT CARD/CASH (Please circle) Donation Total Amount: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp Date: _____ CCV: _____

Cardholder Name: _____ Signature _____

PLEASE NOTE DONATIONS ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTABLE.

Free VCE Tutoring

FREE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10-12

MONDAY-THURSDAY/3.00-4.30PM/SENIOR STUDY CENTRE

MON		TUES		WED		THURS	
Roel T	English Language	Aaron S	Chemistry Physics	Anna Y	EAL	Sam B	Geography Biology Legal Business Management
Jenny L	Business Management	Mia T	All Maths	Sean L	Software Development Accounting		
Lucy M	Psychology	Nilushi J	Health and Human Development English				

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

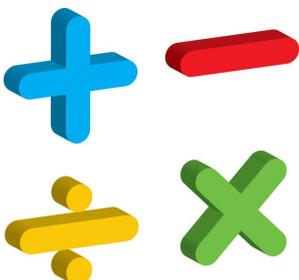
Free Homework Help Years 7—10

WEDNESDAYS and THURSDAYS

3-4pm



**English Tutoring in H Block
Break Out Space**



Maths Tutoring in S Block Break Out Space

Uniform Shop IMPORTANT COVID UPDATE



Due to the changing COVID conditions the uniform shop is currently closed.

Alternatively you can download the uniform order form from the website and submit it via email to admin@highvalesc.vic.edu.au for processing.

Year Level Coordinators

Please see the table below for a list of the 2021 Coordinators.

YEAR LEVEL COORDINATORS	
YEAR 7	Madeline COSTELLO
YEAR 8	Karnel AHMET
YEAR 9	Philip BAUMGARTNER
YEAR 10	Brian HURLEY
YEAR 11	Richard SHELLY
YEAR 12	Carly WOO
HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL	Natalie VALENTINE
HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL	Roslyn PATTI

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS



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](#)

- [Arabic](#)
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- [Chinese - Traditional](#)
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