

# Newsletter

## **From The Principal**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

## Curriculum:

In this last week of term, it is worth reflecting on the 'flow' of curriculum and assessment during Term 2. The exams for Year 10 & Unit 1 students concluded two weeks ago, with feedback given to students after the exams were marked. If you have a student undertaking VCE, they have commenced new units of work (U2 & U4) and they will receive homework to complete in the term break that reflects this shift.

For students in all other years, the shift to the Semester 2 curriculum occurs at the beginning of Term 3. Of particular note, is the elective programs in Years 9 & 10, with a transition to new subjects. Semester 2 timetables are available for students on Compass (the date range will need to be changed to see their timetable correctly).

## <u>Assessment and Reporting:</u>

The assessment and reporting structures in the school are built around a number of key points:

- Progress Reports which can be found on Compass under Reports on a web browser
- Learning Tasks for assessment pieces; at the end of each unit of study detailed feedback is given reflecting the progress of students for that unit
- Semester Reports can be accessed in Compass in a summary format, these include comments from assessment tasks and provides an indication of where your child is rated against the Victorian Curriculum.

If you are unsure how to access Compass for this feedback, please reach out to the School Office for support. Semester reports will be available at the end of this week.

## Staffing:

- We say farewell to Mr Manson and wish him all the best in his return to Tasmania.
- We welcome back from leave, Ms Carrington (Maths & Science) and Mr Johnstone (English/Humanities).
- We welcome Ms McConnell as a new teacher of Humanities. Abbey is transitioning to the classroom, leaving her role as ICT Coordinator.
- We welcome to the ICT Coordinator role Melanie Kormoczi who parents and students will know from the School Office.

## Snowsports:

Our snow program is gearing up for the season, with leadership at school from Abbey McConnell. Students need to be registered to be able to

## **CALENDAR**

#### TERM 2

### Week 11

Fri 28/6 - Last day Term 2, 2:30pm dismissal - NO lunch orders available

#### **TERM 3**

#### Week 1

Mon 15/7 - First day Term 3

Wed 17/7 - Week 1 Snowsports Program

Wed 17/7 - Payment due for Week 2 Snowsports

Wed 17/7 - Uniform shop open 1:45pm - 2:15pm

Thu 18/7 - Man Cave Program - Year 9

Thu 18/7 - Year 10 into VCE Information Evening

Fri 19/7 - Man Cave Program - Year 10

#### Week 2

Wed 24/7 - Week 2 Snowsports Program

Wed 24/7 - Payment due for Week 3 Snowsports

Wed 24/7 - Uniform shop open 1:45pm - 2:15pm

Wed 24/7 - Hume Region Year 7 & 8 Boys AFL (will

be live on Compass on 15/7)

## Week 3

**Tue 30/7 -** Hume Region Senior Basketball (will be live on Compass on 15/7)

Wed 31/7 - Week 3 Snowsports Program

Wed 31/7 - Payment due for Week 4 Snowsports

Wed 31/7 - Uniform shop open 1:45pm - 2:15pm

## Week 4

Wed 7/8 - Week 4 Snowsports Program

Wed 7/8 - Payment due for Week 5 Snowsports

Wed 7/8 - Uniform shop open 1:45pm - 2:15pm

## Week 5

Wed 14/8 - Week 5 Snowsports Program

Wed 14/8 - Payment due for Week 6 Snowsports

Wed 14/8 - Uniform shop open 1:45pm - 2:15pm

## **2024 STUDENT FREE DAYS**

No students onsite the following days:

**Tuesday 13th August Monday 4th November** 

## **From The Principal (continued)**

attend the Wednesday program. Week 1 (17 July) participation is now closed, with Week 2 (24 July) open for payment and will close on Wednesday 17 July.

For students attending Mt Buller Annex this year, we wish you all the best for the snow term, and hope that the concentrated time 'on snow' leads to improved athletic capabilities. The Mt Buller Annex provides learning in the afternoon to complement the morning athlete training programs. Sam Magree is the teacher of the Annex Program and we welcome him back for the term.

### Careers:

- Year 9 students have been engaging with the Morrisby careers profile, which involves an initial survey and a follow-up interview with Mr Sampson to develop possible career pathways.
- Year 10 students are currently participating in work experience for the week. We thank the generous employers in our community for their ongoing support to make this possible.

If you have any questions about careers and pathways, please reach out to our Careers Practitioner, Shelly Comben.

#### Drama:

I have watched with interest the work of Ms Gage with the Year 9/10 drama class this semester. They finished up their work recently, culminating in a production of 'Death in Dunkeld'. The students should be proud of their performance and all the work that went into it.

#### Student Leaders to Canberra:

I was privileged to take Erin Brond, Pia Bell, Phoebe Scott and Zac Empey to Canberra to meet with Helen Haines this week. They were great representatives of our school, engaging with Helen over a breadth of topics from nuclear power to environmental management; ways to encourage teaching as a career to women in leadership. Helen was very kind with her time and attention.

## Term Break:

For students engaging in Year 12 studies, over the holidays they will be expected to manage homework, work, and recreation. It is important to work with your child to plan their approach to the two weeks without class.

If you are travelling over the holidays, please do so safely. We look forward to the return of students on Monday 15th July.

## Kind regards

## **Timothy Hall**







## **Unit 3 Australian History and Legal Studies Excursion**

On Friday 21st June, Unit 3 students in Australian History and Legal Studies attended a combined excursion to Melbourne.

The Australian History class were taken on a walking tour of Melbourne, led by historian Meyer Eidelson. Meyer created a two hour custom experience that started in Federation Square, through the laneways and to important spots that link to our curriculum and areas of study. Alongside the history, he asked students to consider art, city planning, sustainability, and politics in a modern Australia. His tour was quirky, thought-provoking and highly interesting. Students made comments like, 'I did not know there were such cool buildings in Melbourne!' Students finished at the State Library and went in to view Ned Kelly's armour and an exhibition of photographs from Melbourne in the 1960s.

Meanwhile, the Legal Studies class attended the Supreme Court and were given a tour of the historic and grand Courtroom 4, as well as visiting the Supreme Court Library – both locations rarely seen by the public. Students got a very special opportunity to privately explore the courtroom and experience sitting at the bar table, jury box and witness stand. The class then visited the Melbourne Magistrates' Court and observed real cases in action, noting the differences in the formality and processes of the two courts.

The classes then combined to visit Parliament House, where they were given a tour of both houses of parliament and were surprised by a visit from local member Cindy McLeish, who generously spoke to students about her role and experience in politics.

## Kako Black & Jaclyn Wale

Legal Studies & Australian History Teachers



## **Unit 1&3 Art Making & Exhibiting**

Mansfield Secondary College's Art Making & Exhibiting students toured the Bendigo Art Gallery on Wednesday 19th June. We soaked up incredible information on First Nation's art works, Conservation and Curation with our Unit 1 & 3 students. The impressive collection of art works and the gallery space were beautiful, and we are very grateful to the knowledgeable guides and the professional organisation of the Bendigo Art Gallery. It's always a pleasure taking these students on gallery tours. Incredible day!

## **Brigitte Brocklesby**

Art Teacher









## **School for Student Leadership**

We send six Year 9 students away for an inspiring term at the School for Student Leadership's Snowy River campus near Marlo on the east coast of Victoria.

Students will be participating in a range of leadership and teamwork activities, outdoor expeditions and community project planning amongst other day-to-day activities. They will undoubtedly learn many things about themselves throughout the 9 week program. This program is a wonderful opportunity for the students to learn and build independence and resilience as they step away from all that's familiar. We wish Jota Andrijweskyj, Emma Gove, Garret Mehegan, Annie Cotterill, Derek Beekman & Gabriella Hanwright well and look forward to hearing about their adventures.

## Jen Wenlock

Year 9 Coordinator

## **Year 8 Homegroups**

Students in Year 8 Homegroup have been participating in a Kindness Project Initiative. Some of these students elected to raise funds to create gift bags for the residents at Bindaree, which they delivered last Wednesday.

The residents of Bindaree greatly appreciated these thoughtful gifts.



Year 8 Homegroup Teacher





## Year 8 Art

Year 8 Art classes finished their semester constructing ceramic vessels. They learned to attach facial features to their pinch pots and produced *Face Jugs*. This ceramic design dates back to the 1880s and was created by an African American enslaved community in the Edgefield district of South Carolina. The jugs hold significant cultural meaning within a community of Americans that lived under challenging circumstances. Great job Year 8s!

## **Brigitte Brocklesby**

Year 8 Art Teacher











## **Hume Region Cross Country**

Other than a bitter South Westerly breeze, the weather held off at Benalla, and once again MSC had some terrific results. Only the top 12 runners progress and we had three of those, but some of our team results were also close to qualifying.

Franzi Stumpf picked up a 2nd place in the 12/13yr girls category and moves on to the state level along with Zac Hotton who placed 3rd in 14yr boys and Ava Mahoney who placed 10th in the 16yr girls. Franzi, Zac and Ava will run against the state's best at Yarra Glen racetrack during the first week of Term 3 and we wish them well!

Maddie Clarke and Estelle O'Neill gained a 15th place in their respective section which is a great effort.

The 17-20yr girls, consisting of Demi Murray placing 18th, Estelle O'Neill placing 15th and Quinn Russell placing 20th, saw the girls securing 2nd place in the team category for their consistent runs as a group.

The 12/13yr girls also took out 2nd place in the teams category with Franzi placing 2nd, Paige Gridley placing 17th and Kezi Wolfe placing 18th.

While back in the field but closely huddled together, the 16yr boys of Hayden Desmond placed 18th, Harry Craddock placed 19th and Noah Pigdon placed 20th also came home with a 2nd in the teams category.

There were many great efforts over the course of the day and the quality of competition was very high. One student from Mt Beauty in the 15yr level ran a 9.45 min 3 km which is incredible!

A special shout out to Vicki Mitchell who did some pre-race stretches and settled the nerves. It's an area Vicki knows well and her support was fantastic for the students. Great to see our older students like Max Campbell come and compete as well.

Next term we have the Hume Region Year 8 footy at Wangaratta on 24th July and senior basketball in Shepparton on 30th July. The school Round Robin will be held on 19th August and we have junior basketball and dodgeball on offer. Mr Kain will run trials for basketball as teams are limited. More on that next term.

Hope you all have a wonderful break and see you back at school next term.

## **Christian Thomson**

Sports Coordinator







## **Adventure Challenge Broken River Field Trips**

The Adventure Challenge class are currently completing an assessment task on the river health in the Murray Darling basin, and in particular, the Broken-Goulburn catchment. Over the past two Tuesdays, the class has ventured out to sites on the Broken and Delatite Rivers to conduct water quality testing and to learn about the various ways humans have impacted these rivers. Students have learned firsthand from Landcare experts, Jess, Rhiannon and Kim (who have provided a wealth of knowledge), how humans have negatively impacted river health and what is being done to improve the health of our local waterways.

Next term, the class will have opportunities to get their hands dirty and assist with the planting of indigenous trees and grasses at various river sites to further learn about the importance of rehabilitating these sensitive and fragile environments.

**Sam Manson & Tom Grinter** Adventure Challenge Teachers











Some of our Year 10 students having a fantastic time outside the classroom, gaining practical experience at different workplaces in town, as part of their Work Experience week.



















## Year 11 Vocational Major (VM) Literacy - Men/Women with the Pot Excursion

On Tuesday 25th June, Mansfield Secondary College Year 11 VCE VM students took a bus and went out on an excursion to complete an assessment task called 'Men/Women with the Pot' at Mr Herbert's property in Merrijig. Students were asked to recreate the famous Canadian YouTube video series 'Men with the Pot' as well as create a tri fold brochure that markets their business. Recreating 'Men with the Pot' involved making a meal of their choice by the campfire in groups of two or three and to make a 4+ minute video including filming the beautiful scenery of Mt Timbertop, Mt Buller and Mt Stirling with a calming stream and two beautiful dogs. This made the students' films relaxing to watch, you may call it a 'ASMR' – brain massage. Some of the meals included smores', garlic bread, steaks and tacos. Once their meal was completed, they were able to eat their creations.

This is just one of the great opportunities our school has to offer its students.

**Baylee Wood** Year 11 Student







## Year 9/10 Drama Performance

On Thursday 13th June, the Year 9/10 Drama class performed their assessed pieces to an audience. Six students presented their monologues individually before coming together for a group performance titled "Death in Dunkeld." All students participated well, making it a memorable day to acknowledge their hard work. A big thank you to the Arts/Tech faculty for their support, as well as all the parents and friends who came along to watch and support the students in their work.

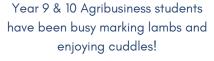






**Anna Gage** 

Drama Teacher







## Go Girl - a tech conference for young girls

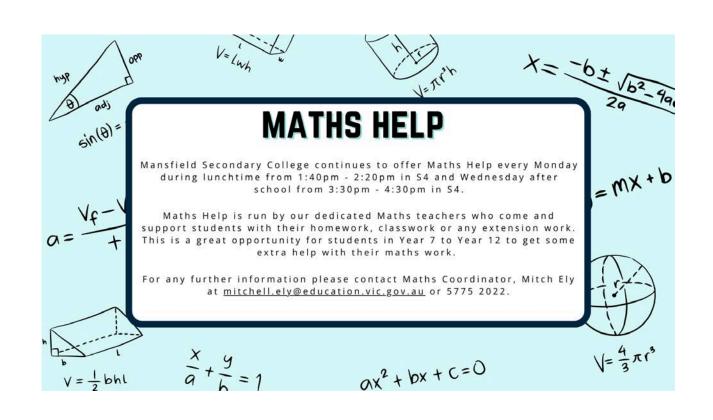
Go Girl, Go for IT technology conference will not be going ahead this year.

Thank you to everyone who expressed interest in attending. We look forward to the 2025 conference.











## **COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**

# FOLLOW US ON OUR SOCIALS FOR UPDATES ON PROGRAMS SCHOOL HOLIDAY **PROGRAM**

### WEEK ONE

1PM-5.30PM JULY 1ST OPEN DAY (basketball court, xbox, pool table and more)

JULY 2ND 1PM-5.30PM **BOARD GAMES** 

JULY 3RD 10AM-1PM CHOP & CHAT (Sri Lankan)

8AM-5:15PM SNOW DAY @ BULLER

3PM-5PM JULY 5TH POTTERY CLASS WITH KAREN PIRIE

REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS HERE



#### **WEEK TWO**

JULY 8TH 8.30AM-4.45PM HOT LAPS @ WINTON

JULY 9TH 3PM-5PM MOVIE DAY @ MAC -**INSIDE OUT 2** 

10AM-1PM JULY 10TH\* CHOP & CHAT (Naidoc Week)

JULY 11TH\*

10.30AM-12.30PM & 2PM-4PM WEAVING WORKSHOP WITH ISOBEL MORPHY

JULY 12TH\* 2PM-4PM PYROGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH ILUKA SAX-WILLIAMS

For Years 7-12 Students FREE EVENTS Spaces are limited for each event Food Provided All events held at Mansfield Youth Centre unless stated otherwise

FOR ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM PLEASE CONTACT THE YOUTH TEAM:

(03) 5775 8619 youth.services@mansfield.vic.gov.au















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# WEEK

SUNDAY 7 JULY

NAIDOC WEEK LAUNCH

Welcome to Country, Smoking & Flag Raising Ceremony with Aunty Bernadette Franklin

Join us as Aunty Bernadette Franklin officially

MONDAY 8 JULY 10AM - 1PM

MULLUM **WETLANDS WALK** & RING TREE TALK

THURSDAY 11 JULY 10.30AM - 12.30PM & 2PM - 4PM

## **WEAVING WORKSHOPS**

WITH ISOBEL MORPHY-WALSH

TUESDAY 9 JULY 10.30AM - 12PM

**SHARING TAUNGURUNG CULTURE** 

THROUGH STORYTELLING AND ART WITH TILLY ANNUSCHEIT

Suitable for 5-10 year old: Bookings essential.

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY

FILM: CROKER ISLAND **EXODUS** 

1942, croker island, as japanese bomb th north, 95 aboriginal children and their missionary carers make a remarkable journey to safety 3000 miles across the Australian continent. Free popcorn, cand bar and drink included.

FRIDAY 12 JULY 2PM - 4PM

## **PYROGRAPHY** WORKSHOP

WITH ILUKA SAX-WILLIAMS



participants

25 years and

under!



















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