



Point Cook Senior

# ***TERM 1 Newsletter***

**MADE FOR THE COMMUNITY,  
BY THE STUDENTS**



**2nd Edition  
1st April 2021**

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# Principal's Report

## Respect Effort Responsibility

**School Vision:** Every student will be supported through high quality teaching and learning practices in achieving successful outcomes and a pathway of their choice.

## Strive for Success – Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow

At the end of this first term in 2021 I am thankful that we have returned to a more normal routine and that we have been able to enjoy some of the things we weren't able to do in 2020. To see our students back in the school embracing school life and interacting with each other and the staff has been wonderful.

At the end of March, we completed the process of electing a new School Council. I would like to farewell and thank Ajaykumar Krishnadas and Gaye Edmonds for their service to the PCSSC School Council in 2019 and 2020. Your time, contributions and support have been appreciated.

We had three parent vacancies to fill and have received two nominations: Eleanor Conduit and Nadia Bono.

There were three staff vacancies and we received three nominations: Shaun Sleep, Bryce Flannery and Melanie Ruskin.

There was one student vacancy and we received two nominations and we conducted a ballot on Friday 19 March, the successful nominee was Braxton Kalolo.

I will welcome the new school councillors at the next school council meeting after the **Annual General Meeting on Thursday 22 April** which will be held in the LRC. At the AGM, I will present the PCSSC Annual Report to the School Community.

Following submissions from the student leadership group and the presentation to school council of a windcheater addition to the school uniform, the school council has decided to form a sub-committee to review the school uniform, the sub-committee will be tabling its report and proposals at the last school council meeting in term 2.

Harmony Week occurred in Week 8, from the 15th of March to the 21st of March. The Advisory events were planned for the Thursday (18th) and Friday (19th), with the casual (cultural) dress day occurring on the Friday.

Harmony Week is an annual event that we run each year at PCSSC and our Student Leaders planned a week of lunchtime events which were highly successful. The event is to promote cultural diversity and awareness within our school community and to encourage students to be proud of their own culture and to share it with their fellow students.

# Principal's Report

On Friday 19 March we also celebrated the National Day of Action Against Bullying. Since launching in March 2013, Bully Stoppers has been helping students, parents, teachers and principals to make sure that schools are safe and supportive places where bullying is taken seriously and not ignored. Bullying can happen at school, at home or online. It is never okay and it is not a normal part of growing up.

There is a new nationally agreed definition of bullying which all Australian schools now use: Bullying is an ongoing and deliberate misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening.

Bullying can happen in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time (for example, through sharing of digital records).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

Make a stand for your school community - take the school Bully Stoppers pledge!

The Athletics Day on Thursday 25 March at the Newport Athletics field was an outstanding success. Thank you to all the students who dressed in house colours and participated in the track and field events and the novelty events, the Year 12 students who were permitted to wear fancy dress also brought a carnival atmosphere to the day. Special recognition to this year's student leaders who worked hard prior to the event to rally student participation. Whole school events such as the Athletics day rely on everyone making the effort to ensure it is a success. Thank you to the staff who assisted Mr Ryan Phelan in the organisation and running of the events.

For the first time in a year we were able to have face to face Parent/Teacher interviews on-site at the school, and it was a fitting end to the term. It was a pleasure to see so many parents taking the opportunity to meet with the teachers and discuss how to support our students in achieving successful outcomes in 2021.

I wish everyone a Happy Easter and look forward to building on our progress in Term 2.

Kind Regards,

Christopher Mooney  
Principal

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# Term 1 School Holiday Programs

We are again pleased to advise that Mushroom Group, Melbourne Victory and North Melbourne Football Club (The Huddle) are offering fun and engaging experiences in the upcoming Term 2 School Holidays, with a range of opportunities to keep young people active and busy.

Details about the program activities are available in the attached flyer and below. All programs will be delivered in line with [public health directions](#).

## The Huddle

North Melbourne Football Club  
is hosting:

### Huddle Holidays

(Junior and Senior programs)  
*includes excursions, outdoor  
activities and accredited courses*

### Located At:

Wyndham and North Melbourne  
Various locations for excursions

### Dates:

6 – 9 April & 13-16 April

### Contact Details

John King  
Education Coordinator  
P: (03) 9320 2400  
M: 0401 512 504

[John.King@nmfc.com.au](mailto:John.King@nmfc.com.au)

Register for the Senior  
program (13-18 years) [here](#)

Register for the Junior  
Program (8-12 years) [here](#)

## Mushroom Group

is hosting:

### On Track

*song writing + collaboration plus  
Federation Square excursion*

### Located At:

Tin Shed Community Youth Club  
(309A Main Road East, St Albans)

### Dates:

Monday 12 – Friday 16 April

### Contact Details

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ON TRACK Coordinator  
P: (03) 8687 1340

[alie.pickin@mushroomgroup.com](mailto:alie.pickin@mushroomgroup.com)

Register [here](#)

## Melbourne Victory

is hosting:

### MVFC School Holiday Program

*soccer, education, and  
employment sessions*

### Located At:

AAMI Park Precinct

### Dates:

6 – 9 April  
(South and East Schools)  
12 – 15 April  
(North and West Schools)

### Contact Details

Tim De Graaf  
Community Engagement  
Manager

P: (03) 8656 0700  
M: 0400 347 414

[TDeGraaf@MVFC.com.au](mailto:TDeGraaf@MVFC.com.au)

Register [here](#)





## ON TRACK SCHOOL HOLIDAY MUSIC PROGRAM

MONDAY APRIL 12 – FRIDAY APRIL 16, 2021

**Shout out to aspiring song writers, rappers, singers,  
beat makers, dancers and poets!**

**ON TRACK is an exciting and energetic holiday music program giving students a unique opportunity to get up close with some of Australia's leading industry talent and inspiring musicians!**

We have an awesome crew of Hip Hop Artists, DJs, Song Writers and Dancers to coach you!

You don't need any previous musical experience – just a passion for music, to express yourself and have a great time!

ON TRACK is coming to BRIMBANK and across 5 exciting days you will:

👉 Meet some leading performers who will give you the tools to channel your experience and **WRITE A COLLABORATIVE TRACK!**

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👉 Make your way around the **DJ DECKS** and learn to spin like your faves!

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👉 Learn to break dance, spin and spiral with the **L2R HIP HOP DANCE CREW** and bust a move like a pro!  
**PLUS**

ON TRACK also gives you **EXCLUSIVE ACCESS** to a very special excursion behind the scenes at **FED SQUARE!** See behind the famous digital façade, experience **ACMI, Ian Potter Gallery, Koorie Heritage Trust** and **MORE!**

There are **HEAPS** of prizes up for grabs **EVERYDAY** including **music gear, gift cards** and **merch!**

Lunch and snacks will be provided each day – get ready for some deliciousness!

There are tracks to be written, moves to master, creative workshops, prizes and heaps of fun to be had – and it's all **FREE** so **GET IN QUICK**

**ON TRACK 12 @ Tin Shed Community Youth Club**

**309A Main Road East, St Albans**

**MONDAY APRIL 12 – FRIDAY APRIL 16**

**Daily 10.00am – 2.30pm**

**REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN**

**TO REGISTER, SUBMIT YOUR SIGNED REGISTRATION FORM TO YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE**

**OR**

**HEAD TO THE LINK BELOW TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST ONLINE**

**<https://form.typeform.com/to/skHGqDX>**

## What's on at ON TRACK

Days 1-3 – COLLABORATIVE SONG WRITING + DJING

Day 4 – MUSIC + DANCE CELEBRATION DAY

Day 5 – ON TRACK FED SQUARE EXCURSION

### ON TRACK HIP TO THE HOP



Hip Hop, song writing and music making tap into free flow, find your voice and be the driver of your own music creation.

Ever thought about rapping, singing, spoken word or song writing? Then this is for you!

ON TRACK's brilliant Song Writing Artists will help turn your experiences into lyrics and music!

Hip Hop MCs – **Thando, Ror Akot** & special guests

### ON TRACK DJ YOUR WAY



DJing is super fun and high energy.

Get across the spinning, cutting, scratching and mixing skills to get you started!

Learn the fundamentals and secrets from some of Australia's hottest young DJs.

Whether you dream of becoming a DJ or just want to know how to use all those buttons and faders on the decks - make some music and get the tips which make it all tick.

DJ - **Rojdar** & special guests

### MUSIC + DANCE CELEBRATION DAY



Day 4: Thursday April 15  
**L2R DANCE CREW** are bringing an exclusive dance performance and workshop just for you!  
Get inspired watching the pro's break, spin and hustle, followed by an energetic and exciting hip hop dance lesson!



WIN PRIZES EVERY DAY!



### EXCLUSIVE ON TRACK FED SQUARE EXCURSION!



Day 5: Friday April 16  
Your special backstage pass to **FED SQUARE!** See behind the digital façade, experience **ACMI, Ian Potter Gallery, Koorie Heritage Trust** and **MORE!**

ON TRACK is **FREE** and includes lunch and PTV travel passes to get you there!

For more information contact [alie.pickin@mushroomgroup.com](mailto:alie.pickin@mushroomgroup.com)



## REGISTRATION FORM

ON TRACK is an exciting hands-on music program where students have an exclusive opportunity to get up close with some of Australia's leading Artists, Music DJs and Music Makers.

ON TRACK has assembled an awesome crew of Australia's best Hip Hop Artists & DJs to teach you! You don't need any DJing or song writing experience – just a passion for music + eagerness to express yourself.

Join our **HIP HOP CREW** and turn your experiences into a collaborative track

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Make your way around the **DJ DECKS** and learn to spin like a pro!

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Learn to break dance, spin and spiral with the **L2R HIP HOP DANCE CREW** and learn to bust a move like a pro!

PLUS

**ON TRACK EXCLUSIVE EXCURSION TO FED SQUARE!**

Lunch and snacks will be provided each day – so get ready for some deliciousness!

There is music to be made, exclusive performances, prizes and heaps of fun to be had – and it's all **FREE!!**

**ON TRACK 12 @ TIN SHED COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB**

**309A MAIN ROAD EAST, ST ALBANS**

**MONDAY APRIL 12 – FRIDAY APRIL 16 10.00AM – 2.30PM**

**DON'T MISS OUT – LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE**

**RETURN THIS ON TRACK REGISTRATION FORM TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR VIA EMAIL TO:**

**[ALIE.PICKIN@MUSHROOMGROUP.COM](mailto:ALIE.PICKIN@MUSHROOMGROUP.COM)**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Mobile Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Mobile Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you require a free public transport pass? YES / NO

Medical Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have special needs/require access? YES/ NO

I would like to attend (circle what applies to you):

All 5 days! SIGN ME UP!

Days 1 – 4 only @Tin Shed Youth Club

Day 5 only @Fed Square Excursion!

I \_\_\_\_\_ agree to the terms and conditions listed on the back page, and also agree that Mushroom Marketing may at its discretion, publish, or authorise publication to its contractors that recordings or images of me for use in video, print, audio or any other medium. I also acknowledge that I am participating in this event in a voluntary capacity.

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_





**PROJECT NAME:** ON TRACK School Term Holiday Music Program

**PROJECT COORDINATOR:** Mushroom Marketing Pty. Ltd., 222 York Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205

**BACKGROUND**

Welcome to the **ON TRACK School Holiday Music Program (Program)**.

This form is your consent to permit the use of photographs, film, sound recordings and other project material for the purpose of this program.

**AGREED TERMS**

*1. Use, disclosure and publication of project materials*

- a. You acknowledge that Mushroom Marketing Pty. Ltd is collecting the information contained in this form to verify your consent for use of any image(s) and/or video footage taken for the ON TRACK which will be managed in accordance with the *Information Privacy Act (VIC) 2000*.
- b. You permit Mushroom Marketing/Mushroom Group and Program Mentors to use, retain, reproduce, modify, perform, broadcast, publish, communicate and use your name and/or image(s) in whole or in part contained within any materials supplied or brought into existence by you and/or Mushroom Marketing Pty Ltd, for the purpose of this program; and permit Mushroom Marketing to licence third parties to do so.
- c. You consent for Mushroom Marketing Pty. Ltd/ Mushroom Group and Program Mentors to choose at their discretion, appropriate images and videos to be used in outputs relating to this project.
- d. You understand that you will not receive remuneration (payment) for future use of any image(s) and/or video footage of you.
- e. You understand that filming, recording or broadcasting of any activities, sessions or performances is prohibited throughout the duration of ON TRACK.

*2. Duration of undertakings*

- a. This undertaking takes effect from the date this agreement is signed by you.
- b. This undertaking will continue for three (3) years after the date that this agreement is signed by you.
- c. You acknowledge and agree that by entering into this agreement you are not able to withdrawal from this undertaking except by written agreement between you and Mushroom Marketing Pty. Ltd.,

*3. Warranties*

- a. You represent and warrant to Mushroom Marketing Pty Ltd. that you have lawful authority to sign this document,

*4. Identification and Privacy*

- a. You understand that your image may be identified in outputs relating to the Program.
- b. No personal information will be published although you accept that that your identity may nevertheless be apparent.

*5. Miscellaneous*

- a. This document is governed by the laws of the state of Victoria, Australia. You irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the state of Victoria, Australia.
- b. This document may only be varied in writing signed by you and Mushroom Marketing Pty. Ltd.,
- c. Part or all of any provision of this document that is illegal or unenforceable may be severed from this document and the provisions that remain will continue in force.

# Tutor Learning Initiative Update

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank our community for the support, encouragement and kind words we have received this term for the Tutor Learning Initiative (TLI) at Point Cook Senior. We are pleased to report that we have established relationships and are working with over 160 students to help them 'bridge the gap' in their learning due to COVID.

At the beginning of Term 2, we will once again assess those students that we believe can come off and come into the program, particularly for our new Year 10 students, as we now have some very meaningful data on them.

Please keep an eye on your emails for any communication from us regarding the TLI.

If we identify that students do no longer need tutoring support, this does not mean that they cannot rejoin the program if needed.

Feel free to email me anytime: [shannyn.mahon@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:shannyn.mahon@education.vic.gov.au), if you have any questions or concerns.

**Wishing you a Happy Easter and restful break,  
The Tutor Team - Shannyn, Julianne, Vinh, Sarah and Adam**

## Intermediate Volleyball

On Tuesday the 2nd of March, the intermediate girls volleyball team attended the Hobsons Bay division intermediate volleyball inter school competition. The girls played 3 games in total, and had a fantastic win against Bayside Secondary College in one of the games.

It was great to see the girls getting involved in sport with such enthusiasm. When not playing, the girls helped to score our boys games as well as provide great encouragement to the boys.

Sofia Panganiban (10E) was a standout player on the day. Sofia played really well and also provided lots of support, advice and encouragement to her teammates.

The girls loved being able to get out and about to compete in sports again, as well as see their friends from other schools after a lack of inter school competitions last year.

All of the girls should be really proud of themselves for their effort and behaviour on the day.

- Miss Fisher



*The 2021 Intermediate Girls Volleyball Team*

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# Student Leadership Day

On Wednesday the 10th of March, the student leaders and 10A went to Wyndham Tech School for the first ever PCSSC Student Leadership Development Day, focusing on leadership education and developing leadership skills.

It was a very insightful and informative day with sessions being delivered by PCSSC Alumni on mental health, speaking up, jobs of the future, being creative and expanding experiences in STEM.

The SRC members also completed planning for future school events.

**- James Garnham  
School Captain**

In the afternoon, we participated in a Minecraft activity that the staff from Wyndham Tech provided. We were given jobs and challenges to do as we expanded the Minecraft world, adding farms, houses, statues and many other structures to make the world better.

We also had to use leadership skills such as communication, good decision making and problem solving in order to work effectively in a Minecraft community.

**- Hugo Saprodinto and Matthew Baryla, 10A**





# NETSTARS

## NETBALL CLINICS

Hosted by Julie Corletto - 3 x World Champion  
& Commonwealth Games Gold Medalist



## WERRIBEE

**DATE:** Tuesday 13th April 2021  
**TIME:** 9am - 12pm  
**AGES:** 7 - 14 years old  
**VENUE:** Eagle Stadium,  
35 Ballan Road, Werribee  
**COST:** \$40 per participant



Every participant receives a Netstars T-shirt

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# Celebrating Harmony Week



In Week 8 of Term 1 (15th-19th March), students and teachers at Point Cook Secondary Senior College celebrated Harmony Week, an annual event where we promote cultural diversity and encourage everyone to feel proud of their culture and heritage. During this week, different events and activities were held, where our culturally diverse student body and staff were able to participate in.

Throughout the week, students played games such as 'Guess the Flag' and 'Name the Countries of the World', as well as 'Atlas' and 'Scategories' which involved the students identifying and sharing different aspects of their culture. On Friday, students were also able to enjoy three amazing cultural performances in the theatre, which included singing and dancing, given by students within the school.

Friday was also a free-dress day for students, where they were encouraged to wear cultural attire or orange, in representation of Harmony Day, and as a way for students to express pride towards their culture and diversity.

A total of \$370 was also raised from the gold coins donations, which will be going to the 'Asylum Seeker Resource Centre' charity.



We would also like to thank everyone for their respectful mannerisms and participation of students within Harmony Week, as well as the amazing work and effort from teachers and staff.

Regards,  
Yanina and Sudari  
2021 Diversity Captains



# Message From The SRC

I would first like to congratulate everyone for a wonderful Term 1 and for the help and contributions with events that have happened so far.

The SRC and 10A had the opportunity to attend Wyndham Tech school in Werribee for their leadership day where they got to participate in workshops that were run by previous Point Cook Senior Students and got to do some team-building exercises and planning for future events.

We also had Harmony Week in Week 8 which included some cultural performances and activities during Advisory.

To conclude the term, we did a whole school athletics day where students got to compete against their peers in events which also included some novelty events such as tug of war and egg and spoon race. The Year 12 cohort got to celebrate their last year of school by dressing up in amazing costumes and participate in the Fun Walk, and overall, it was a fun day for everyone.

The SRC has a lot planned for Term 2, which is something to look forward to. Thank you everyone for a great term and we hope to have an even better Term 2!



- Jessica Pace  
School Vice-Captain

## Student Safety Tips

We would like to provide some quick information about your safety and well-being while travelling to school. There have been some recent concerns on your travels to school and we need to remind everybody that safety is important to keep in mind. This information includes vehicle and non-vehicle transport.

### CROSSING

It is important that you are aware of the surroundings when crossing the road to and from school. This means the common procedures of using the available crossings. We recommend looking twice to make sure that it's safe to cross, in addition to paying attention to the road and not the mobile phone.

### HELMETS

It is necessary to those when riding a bike, skateboard, scooter, roller-skating to ensure you possess the proper safety equipment to ensure that harm is reduced. If by unfortunate accident, you'll be thankful that you had your helmet.

### DRIVING TO SCHOOL

Students who are on their learners need to make sure that they are aware of the roads surroundings and follow the assigned instructor guiding you to school. Students on their P's need to be extra careful when it comes to traffic, watching out for pedestrians as well as other cars passing by. In recommendation, novice drivers please try not to drive unless you are confident in your skills.

We hope you stay safe and healthy during these holidays, and we look forward to seeing you again next term.

- Luke Guastalegname, 12A  
Community Captain

# Alumni News

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION DAY

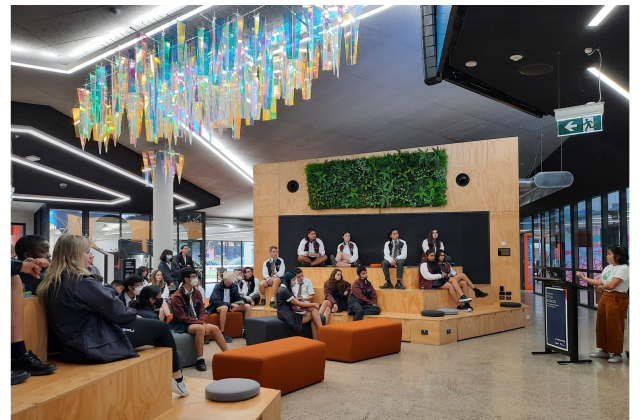
Staff and students were blown away by the maturity and breadth of knowledge of four alumni who came to our Student Leadership and STEM Orientation Day on March 10.

They were (pictured, left to right):

- Tiba Sabri (2020), a first-year B. Biomedical Science student
- Kyla Canares (2018), who is teaching and studying a B. Computer Science
- James Harraden (2020), a first-year B. Interactive Media student
- Isha Bali (2016), a Senior Family Violence Case Manager.

Each ran their own workshops: Tiba on Daring to Disagree, Kyla on Leadership in STEM, James on Staying Creative, and Isha on Mental Health.

We are so grateful our current student leaders can take inspiration, strength and hope from former students – former students who grew up in the same neighbourhood, often taught by the same teachers, who serve as the ultimate relatable role models.



*2018 alum Kyla Canares was also guest speaker at the Student Leadership and STEM Orientation Day.*

## YEAR 11 JOBS EXPO

We are excited to be finally able to run in-person alumni careers sessions at school! Plans for next terms' Year 11 Jobs Expo, where several alumni come back to school to speak to small groups of students about their work, pathway and industry, are well underway.

We've covered most sectors, but would LOVE to hear from anyone who knows, or is, a past student working in the IT or construction sectors. Email [mwhitmore@ourschool.net.au](mailto:mwhitmore@ourschool.net.au).

## LIVESTREAM SESSION WITH OURSCHOOL ALUMNI

Students elected to link in to our Ourschool livestream careers Q & A session earlier this month to hear from four alumni from our 24 Ourschool-partnered schools speaking about their careers in the Renewables, Recycling and Environmental industries.

The one-hour session was recorded and will be available to interested students and teachers by emailing [mwhitmore@ourschool.net.au](mailto:mwhitmore@ourschool.net.au).

- Ms Whitmore



# Yr 12 VET Applied Fashion

On Wednesday 17th March, the Yr 2 VET Applied Fashion students attended the amazing Triennial exhibition at The National Gallery of Victoria.

We were inspired by the incredible creativity we saw and were amazed by the level of detail in the designs, artwork and installations. It gave us a chance to identify influences and inspirations for designs and discuss ideas and concepts.

We also made some new friends along the way! We had a fabulous day and left feeling absolutely inspired!

- The Yr 12 VET Applied Fashion Class



# Year 11 PDS Incursion

During Term 1, Intermediate VCAL Personal Development Skills (PDS) students have been completing a unit of work on safe driving called RACV Safe Mates.

This unit has assisted in the development of students' understanding in regards to distractions and peer pressure whilst driving on their learner and P plates.

To wrap up this unit, students attended an incursion facilitated by Victoria Police on Friday the 12th of March. The morning began with a viewing of all the finished road safety campaigns that students had developed throughout the term.

Both Mr Noonan and Miss Fisher (intermediate PDS teachers) were very impressed with the quality of work that the students produced. Students then attended an interactive presentation with two senior constables from Footscray Police Station.

Students were very engaged with the stories that the officers shared and had many questions to ask in regard to safe driving. Thank you to Mr Noonan for organising this fantastic incursion.

- Miss Fisher



# THE BREAKFAST everyone is welcome CLUB

**Our Breakfast Program has been supporting students in need for 10 years now!**

Not only does our program provide students with a fulfilling breakfast to start their day with, but it also improves student wellbeing, supporting their outcomes.

**Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy a free breakfast and a carefree environment to start their school day.**



**Join us and build positive relationships with staff and students!**

**where? Room 312**

**when? Fridays 8:00am - 8:30am**



# REMINDERS

## KEY DATES SEMESTER 1

<b>02 Apr</b>	Term 1 Ends	<b>09 Jun</b>	The GAT
<b>19 Apr</b>	Term 2 Commences	<b>14 Jun</b>	Queen Birthday
<b>12 May</b>	Senior Winter 1 Interschool Sport	<b>15 Jun</b>	Assessment/Moderation Day
<b>18 May</b>	Intermediate Winter 1 Interschool Sport	<b>15 Jun</b>	Student Free Day
<b>20 May</b>	Year 10 - WRICA Careers & Jobs Expo	<b>17 Jun</b>	Western Metro Cross Country
<b>24 May</b>	Hobsons Bay Division Cross Country	<b>22 Jun</b>	Senior Winter 2 Interschool Sport
<b>25 May</b>	Courage to Care Incursion Year 11 and Year 12	<b>25 Jun</b>	Year 12 English Orals Day - No Year 12 VCE Classes Running
<b>27 May</b>	Hobsons Bay Division Boys Netball & Girls AFL	<b>25 Jun</b>	Term 2 Ends
<b>31 May</b>	GAT Assembly		
<b>31 May - 04 Jun</b>	Year 10 Revision Week		
<b>31 May - 04 Jun</b>	Year 11 Revision Week		
<b>03 Jun</b>	Year 11 Alumni Presentations		
<b>07 - 11 Jun</b>	Year 10 Exam Week		
<b>07 - 11 Jun</b>	Year 11 Exam Week		

Please note that due to COVID-19,  
these dates may change.  
We ask that you stay updated  
through Compass reminders.

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# REMINDERS

## ATTENDANCE

Student attendance information is available on Compass, including the option to approve absences and input requests to leave early for an appointment.

### ***Late Arrival To School***

Students are requested to use the Compass card to sign in at the Compass Kiosk at the front of the school.

Students who do not have cards can report to the attendance office.

### ***Early Leave***

Parent approval is required for any student requesting to leave early. This can be done either by having parents enter approval on Compass or contacting the attendance office.

**Students are required to provide a medical certificate when absent from a VCE class or assessment**

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**Majority of our communication with parents at PCSSC are made through the Compass Parent Portal.**

All parents have a portal account that provides access to:

- reports
- attendance information
- absence requests and approvals
- school photo ordering, teacher email contact
- booking for parent-teacher interviews
- calendar of events
- excursion consent/permissions and
- news items to keep you updated with what is going on.

**If you are a CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund) recipient,** please contact the school before consenting to any event so that we can adjust the costing.

***To access your account:***

1. go to the College's homepage: [www.pointcooksenior.vic.edu.au](http://www.pointcooksenior.vic.edu.au)

2. click on the Compass Portal icon.

OR directly go to Compass login: [pointcooksenior-vic.compass.education/](http://pointcooksenior-vic.compass.education/)

**If you are having trouble accessing your account,**

click on the "Can't access your account" and follow the prompts to access it using your username, email address or mobile number.

**If you need guidance on how to navigate the Compass Portal,**

please contact the school or see the 'Compass Help' page on the school website.





## Community health centres

Information, referral, counselling and support groups

**cohealth** 9377 7100  
(North/West/CBD) cohealth.org.au

**Djerriwarrh Health** 5367 2000  
(Bacchus Marsh, Melton djhs.org.au  
Caroline Springs)

**IPC Health** 9296 1200  
(Brimbank, ipchealth.com.au  
Wyndham, Hobsons Bay)

## Income support

Ring Centrelink on **136 150** and ask for an appointment with a social worker

## Emergency accommodation

Crisis Contact Centre **1800 627 727**

Yarra Community Housing **1800 825 955**

Melbourne Youth Support **9614 3688**

## Support for victims/survivors of sexual assault

WestCASA **9687 5811**

CASA House **9635 3610**

Victims of Crime **1800 819 817**

## Support for men who want to change their behaviour

Men's Referral Service **1300 766 491**

MensLine Australia **1300 789 978**

LifeWorks **1300 543 396**

## Other useful services

WIRE **1300 134 130**

Kids HelpLine **1800 551 800**

Parentline **13 22 89**

Relationships Australia **8311 9222**



**Women's Health West**

**P** 9689 9588

**E** info@whwest.org.au

**W** www.whwest.org.au

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**English**

## If you need an interpreter

First ring the Telephone Interpreter Service

**13 14 50** (24 hours)

## 24 HOUR

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

**POLICE - 000**

**SAFE STEPS FAMILY VIOLENCE RESPONSE CENTRE**

**1800 015 188**

**SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS AND COUNSELLING LINE**

**1800 806 292**

## These services may be able to help you

### Family violence support services

**Women's Health West** provides information, counselling, crisis and court support for women and children affected by family violence

**P:** 9689 9588

**W:** whwest.org.au

### inTouch Multicultural Centre Against

**Family Violence** supports women from diverse backgrounds who are experiencing family violence

**P:** 1800 755 988

**W:** intouch.asn.au

### Elizabeth Morgan House Aboriginal

**Women's Services** provides support for Aboriginal women in relation to family violence

**P:** 9482 5744

**W:** emhaws.org.au

### Community legal services

communitylaw.org.au

Brimbank **8312 2000**

Flemington/Kensington **9376 4355**

Footscray **9689 8444**

Melbourne **9328 1885**

Melton **9747 5240**

Moonee Valley **9376 7929**

Werribee **9749 7720**

### Magistrates courts

Broadmeadows **9221 8900**

Melbourne **9628 7777**

Sunshine **9300 6200**

Werribee **9974 9300**

### Other legal services

Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention & Legal Service **1800 105 303**

Women's Legal Service **8622 0600**

Court Network **1800 681 614**



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## *Bicycle Donations Needed*

**DO YOU HAVE AN OLD,  
UNWANTED BICYCLE YOU  
NO LONGER NEED OR USE?**

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In the program young offenders are taught to repair, refurbish and overhaul old and disused bikes. Once completed, **the bicycles are donated to community members who most benefit** from a sustainable method of free private transport, such as teenagers coming from disadvantaged backgrounds and refugee families who are newly settled in Australia.

**For donations contact  
the CW Team on:  
1300 389 518**







**Westmetro.communitywork  
@justice.vic.gov.au**





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-  camps & excursions

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## Contact

your local Saver Plus Coordinator

## Phone or SMS

your name and postcode to 1300 610 355

## Email

WerribeeSP@thesmithfamily.com.au

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