

3rd May, 2018

Principal's Piece

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of week 3 of Term 2. Time really does fly when you are having fun, and things happening in our College are fun, exciting, engaging and focused on building into the lives of our amazing young people.

We had our ANZAC commemoration chapel on Tuesday 24th April. A group of students were at the Shepparton RSL commemorations on ANZAC day to both lay a wreath and represent our student body at this important event.

Last week, our first full soccer team, playing in the under 10 age group, played their very first game. Our team scored 7 goals, with the St Luke's team scoring 2 goals. The students involved had a great time. I look forward to seeing these students continue to develop as a team across the year. A special thanks to Mr Ross for coaching the team, and to Mrs Amanda Evens for being the team manager.

On Tuesday this week we had our first ever whole school athletics day. Previously we have ran athletics days as separate primary and secondary events. The new structure and format worked well, with a great vibe generated by having all our students present.

Coming up we have a couple of wonderful activities. On Friday 11th May we have a Mother's day stall, ran by our P&F groups.

Another date to note is the working bee that is scheduled for Saturday 19th May. Please make sure you have marked this in your calendar as it is always a great day of both productive service and fantastic fellowship.

Finally, let me talk about NAPLAN for a moment. NAPLAN are important tests, but we find some students and parents get anxious about this series of tests. There is no need. The purpose of the tests are to see what students have learnt, to assess their progress and to plan for future learning. As a school, we use the group results to evaluate our teaching and learning programs. All we seek from each of our young people is that they do their best. Regardless of the results of the NAPLAN test, or any other form of assessment, each of our young people are precious and valued. They are precious and valued as our children with a wide variety of gifts, talents and abilities, and as children of our Father God.

"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Matthew 6:34 ESV

Upcoming Events

May

Fri 4	VCE Careers Expo - Yr 12 (Caulfield)
Thurs 10	School Photos
Tue 15 - 17	NAPLAN
Wed 9 - 16	Big Science Competition
Fri 11	Mothers Day Stall
Thur 17	Yr 11 Making Better Choices
Fri 18	Yr 10 Road Smart
	Oral Health Education Prog Grd P-3
Thur 24	Snr Winter Sports Yr 9-12
Tue 29	Grandparents/Special Persons Day
Wed 30	Jnr Winter Sports Yr 7-8

As a final thought for this newsletter, I was reflecting recently on our school, and as I reflected, I realised something that I already knew, but often forget. We have a really great school. Our kids (mine included) have so many fantastic opportunities to learn and grow. We have a committed and talented group of teachers. The students have fantastic friends in our school. Our co-curricular programs are really good, and our academic outcomes are amongst the best in this district as evidenced by VCE and NAPLAN measures. And, we have a school where Jesus Christ is honoured as Lord and Saviour, and a Biblical Worldview is evident. The final point to this reflecting is simply that we have not finished. God is continuing to work in this school. There are initiatives and programs happening to continue to build and do things even better.

Many of you are aware of our College Facebook page. We try to keep this up to date with photos from regular events. If you have not already done so, please like our page and keep informed. We also have a College Instagram account. This can be found by searching on Instagram for "Shepparton_Christian_College".

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GRIP Leadership Conference



On the 30th of April, the Grade 6 students went to Eastbank for the GRIP leadership conference. The Grip conference is about learning how to become a leader at your school. GRIP stands for: Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity and People.

Over 200 students and 23 schools came to the conference from all over the Goulburn Valley district. In the first session, we learnt about how leaders can be transformed and use our actions, words and attitude to help change our communities.

In the second session we were taught to lead like a strawberry, not a watermelon. A strawberry leader, leads with integrity, and acts the same on the inside as on the outside. But a watermelon leader appears different on the outside, compared to what they are on the inside.

Overall, the GRIP conference was an enjoyable day, with lots of leadership skills that we can bring back to the school.

Written by Daniella Jegede

Anzac Day

Several students from the school attended the ANZAC Day service at the Shepparton War Memorial. It was a time to remember those who have fought and died for their country.



Student Representative Council

The following students are our new Student Representative Council for 2018. During our assembly this week the students were presented with their badges and our past SRC students from 2017 were acknowledged and thanked for their commitment and passion for the college.



SCHOOL NEWS

Under 10 Soccer Team

The Under 10 Soccer Team played their very first game on Saturday 28th April against St Luke's in the Shepparton Junior Soccer Association with our team scoring 7 goals to St Luke's 2 goals in an exciting start to the season. Prior to the first game we had a welcome night for the team and their family. It has been great to see so much enthusiasm and skills shown by all. We are looking forward to a fantastic season. Parents are welcome to join our Facebook page for more photos and details of what we have been up to.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/563823960666067/?ref=bookmarks>



We have been blessed with many businesses helping with the start-up of our club.

Our thanks go to Ryan's (fruit and vegetables) for the generous donation of half time fruit to the team each week, as well as Adornato's Sand and Gravel Supplies for their sponsorship of the team jersey and Infrastructure Solutions (Project Development and Municipal Engineering) for the purchase of our drink caddy and coaching board. We would appreciate it if you could show your thanks to these business by using their services when you come across the need for them.



SCHOOL NEWS

Whole School Athletics Carnival

As you can see from the photographs, the inaugural whole school athletics carnival was an extremely successful event. The enthusiasm of the students was terrific and displayed vocally with massive cheers on all the track events in particular. It was a very busy day for staff and students alike, with many longing for a hot soak in the bath at the end of the day!

House and individual age group champions will be announced and presented with medals at the next assembly, week 5.



Italian Learning

As part of Italian this Term students have been keeping a keen eye around the school and seeing how many Italian words they can find.

This week's words to find are all about colours and include; rosso, bianca, verde, blu, azzurro, giallo, arancia, oro, viola, rosa, argento, verde, grigio, bronzo, marrone, nero and arcobaleno. How many can you find? How many do you know?

In the 4/5 Italian class students have been learning about body parts. Some words they are learning are included below.

Students created aliens using a game of chance with a dice to see what body parts they could roll to create their aliens.

Here are the winners of the most creative alien drawings, all the students created wonderful aliens.

La bocca	= Mouth
Il braccio	= Arm
La gamba	= Leg
La mano	= Hand
Il naso	= Nose
L'occhio	= Eye
L'orecchio	= Ear
Il piede	= Foot
Lo stomaco	= Stomach
La testa	= Head



STUDY SKILLS HANDBOOK NEWSLETTER ITEM FOR MAY

What do you do when you get a disappointing assignment mark?

We all have times when we think we have done brilliantly then get an assignment back and are really disappointed instead. You could just feel really bad, or you could try these steps:

1. REVIEW AND UNDERSTAND

The first step is to work through the feedback and work out what went wrong.

- Did you not meet the criteria?
- What feedback were you given from the teacher?
- Do you understand the feedback?
- Can you work out why you got the mark you did?

If you don't understand why you got the mark you did, it is **ESSENTIAL** you ask your teacher for further clarification. Otherwise you will keep making the same mistakes.

2. CHALLENGE OR ACCEPT

Once you understand what the issue was, you can either accept it, or challenge it.

ACCEPT: If you feel now that the mark was actually fair enough, then it is time to move on. There is no point beating yourself up anymore about your disappointing mark. Instead you need to treat this as a learning process, the people who are most successful in life don't let their mistakes get them down, they see them as a learning opportunity where they can improve and make sure it doesn't happen again.

However, if you really think your mark was unfair and you had met all of the criteria, you can talk to your teacher and politely explain your point of view and ask if they would reconsider your mark.

3. LEARN AND CHANGE

The only way to improve, is to work out what you did wrong, then try and fix it. It is actually a really good idea to re-do part of the work and re-submit. Not everyone has the commitment to do this, but if you do - then wow - you will really see the benefit in your results. It might just be a case of re-doing a section of the assignment and asking your teacher to review it. But if you don't have another go, you won't know whether or not you have really taken the feedback on board. Some students let a bad mark get them down and start to think they are not capable of succeeding, so they don't try to address the issue, make similar mistakes again and just feel worse. Don't be that sort of person! Learn from what you have done and have another try.

Another good thing you can do is to ask to see other students' work who received top grades for their assignments - to evaluate what was missing in yours or how you could improve yours next time. It would also be a great idea for your next assignment to show your teacher a plan, or a draft early on, explaining how you think you've met the criteria, and seek feedback well **BEFORE** handing it in. You might also like to visit the **Assignment Skills** unit at www.studyskillshandbook.com.au for some more ideas on approaching assignments. Our school's subscription details are -

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THE GOOD CAREERS GUIDE 2018

This is a fantastic book you can order through the Good Education Bookshop. The guide provides advice on career planning, explores education options and includes descriptions for more than 400 jobs and occupations. Each comprehensive job description features skill and training requirements, related jobs, industry contacts, and more. If you would like to pre-order a copy, please use this link <https://bit.ly/2l5Tequ>

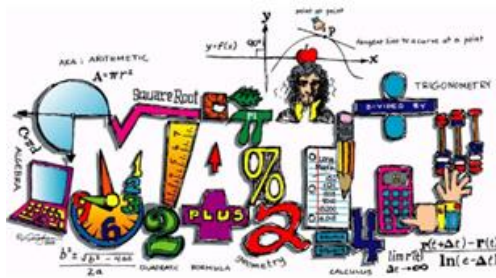
If you prefer to research career options online, the following three websites are excellent:

Good Careers Guide online - <http://bit.ly/1Wcdrfb>

Myfuture - <http://bit.ly/2lZ6HTx>

Skills Road - <http://bit.ly/2qjMF1b>

INTERESTED OR ENJOY MATHS?



Find your future Maths career: Take this simple quiz to discover maths careers you may be suited to - <https://bit.ly/2HZzrci>

INTERESTED IN BUSINESS OR COMMERCE?



Did you know that some universities offer a year of industry experience as part of their undergraduate business degrees? The following are three examples:

Victoria University – at least 40 weeks of paid industry experience through the Cooperative Education program (competitive entry), <http://bit.ly/2oWTNp7>

Swinburne University: a guaranteed year of paid industry experience through the Bachelor of Business (Professional) degree, <http://bit.ly/2pwwEM0>

RMIT: a guaranteed year of industry experience through the Applied program for Marketing, Economics and Finance, Information Systems, International Business, and Logistics and Supply Chain Management, <http://bit.ly/2aHKMgR>

TUITION FREE VICTORIAN TAFE COURSES

Free courses at Victorian TAFE institutes from 2019: The Daniel Andrew's Government has just announced that from 2019, approximately 30 non-apprenticeship courses and 18 courses that lead directly to apprenticeships will be fully funded for young people who either live or work in Victoria. Examples of courses covered are:

Nursing
Accounting
Agriculture
Automotive
Electrotechnology
Allied Health Assistance, Ageing Support, Mental Health
Dental Assisting
Building and Construction, Construction Pathways
Civil Construction
Community Services, Disability, Education Support
Concreting
Engineering
Horticulture
Hospitality
Plumbing
Glass and Glazing
Signage and Graphics
Salon Assistant
Printing & Graphic Arts
Meat Processing
Horticulture
Furniture Making
Construction – Water Proofing

Students are encouraged to explore TAFE courses as part of their post school study options. Students who have deferred a university place should also consider gaining a TAFE qualification during their gap year to boost their chances of gaining graduate employment and to have a portable and industry focussed qualification. For more information, go to <https://bit.ly/2rcyxzz>

To search for TAFE courses, go to the Victorian Skills Gateway website, <https://bit.ly/2HExeDX>

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

1 - 9: Meet Melbourne, Melbourne University regional tour, <http://bit.ly/2lzP67x>

2: Discovery Day, The Hotel School Melbourne, <https://bit.ly/2IXGKhu>

3 – 6: VCE and Careers Expo, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1osfRrt>

5: Open Day, JMC Academy, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2nRkDB4>

8 – 24: Inside Monash Seminars, Monash University, <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>

12: Open Day, Collarts, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2oyTR03>

15, 16, 23: Monash Information Evening, Bendigo (15), Shepparton (16), Warragul (23) <https://bit.ly/2pt8nsT>

19: Open Day, Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Melbourne, <https://bit.ly/1hsNG8q>

JUNE

1: Experience Clever Day, La Trobe University, Albury Wodonga, <https://bit.ly/2JrjI8f>