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newsletter

No.3 Week Ending Friday 16th February, 2017

SUPERVISION IN THE YARD BEGINS AT 8:35 AM AND ENDS AT 3:15 PM

The Week Ahead

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| Monday 20th February | Year 12 Wilson Promontory Camp Begins, 6:00am (Wilson's Promontory National Park & Phillip Island Nature Reserve) Breakfast Club, 8:15am – 8:45am (Dalaroo Learning House) |
| Tuesday 21st February | My Time Program, 9:00am – 10:30am, (Community Room) |
| Wednesday 22nd February | Year 10 Great Outdoors Camp Begins, 8:00am, (Mount Cole Street) Secondary Swimming Trails (selected students), 11:30am – 1:30pm, (Paul Sadler Swimland, Hoppers Crossing) Accelerated Football Program (selected students), 12:45pm – 3:15pm, (Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus) |
| Thursday 23rd February | School Banking S08 – Jackie Travel Training, 8:00am – 3:30pm, (Werribee Plaza) Trade Taster, 8:00am – 3:15pm, (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre) |
| Friday 24th February | Breakfast Club, 8:15am – 8:45am (Links Space – Eildon) Play Group, 9:00am – 10:50am (Community Room) Gold Coin Donation Parent Volunteer Induction Program, 9:00am – 11:00pm, (Amadeus Hall) Grade 3 – 6 Early Years Assembly, 2:00pm, (Barlee Gym) Year 12 Wilson Promontory Campers Return, 3:30pm (Wilson's Promontory National Park & Phillip Island Nature Reserve) |

Dear Parents and Carers,

Supported Learning Centre: It was great to have all our families attend the Student Support Group meetings this week to discuss the individual learning goals of our students. These goals will be written into an Individual Education Plan that will be live on Compass at the end of week 8. You can use your unique username and password to access the IEP. If you are having any issues, please call our reception staff that will be happy to assist.

After 12 long months our Sensory Garden has finally opened to our students. We were fortunate enough to receive a grant early last year which allowed us to build one of the biggest sensory gardens in the state. The garden is fully accessible to all our students allowing students to explore all their senses as they wander through the garden. Please visit the garden on your next visit to the college.

Another addition to our spaces is our new cubby house in the Eildon playground. We have been without our cubby for some time now so the students were enthusiastically playing in the new one this week. The vibrant colours make it an attractive addition to our existing yard.

We look forward to continuing our work together to achieve the learning goals of our students.

Mel Vago
Supported Learning Centre Principal

School Fence: Parents may have noticed the beginning of the security fence installation that is currently happening near the Manor Lakes Boulevard boundary of the school. Some parents have asked about the access to the community centre car park. The current access that is available will be restricted with the new fence. There will be gates at Bronte, the car park at the rear of the football clubrooms, and a new gate roughly in line with the goals on the Manor Lakes oval.

In the next few months the large grass area leading to the community centre will have no access as it will be the building site for the stage 5 works to complete our secondary facilities. When these facilities are built, additional gates will be installed to improve exit points on the Manor Lakes Boulevard boundary. This is a project that will take at least 18 months.

School Council Elections: Each year school council elections take place in Term 1 and the process must be completed by Friday 31st March. The Principal is responsible for conducting the election.

There are two separate electorates for the School Council: Parents, and DET employees. There is also an optional community member category, (the Manor Lakes School Council has Community Members as School Councillors –City of Wyndham Councillor and Victoria University representative).

The parent electorate is for parents or guardians, other than DET employees who work for or at the school. The DET employee electorate includes the principal of the school and DET employees engaged in work at and for the school.

The term of office for School Council is two years, with half of the School Council positions coming up for election every year.

School Council meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, and meeting dates for this year are: 22nd February, 22nd March, 26th April, 24th May, 28th June, 26th July, 23rd August, 25th October, and 29th November. Meetings usually run from 6.30pm until 8.30pm. Members of School Council are expected to attend the monthly meetings as well as become members of School Council sub-committees either as chairs or active participants.

Any parent who wishes to nominate for election is most welcome to contact me for additional information. Mobile: 0425 729 304, Email: warner.stephen.r@edumail.vic.gov.au Nomination forms are available from the Burley Griffin Office, or an electronic copy can be forwarded, however a hard copy with signature will be required to nominate.

The time frame and steps in the election process follow:

- **Notice of School Council Election: Thursday 16th February**
- **Closing of Nominations: Thursday 23rd February**
- **List of Candidates posted, (Newsletter, Office and Website): Monday 27th February**
- **Ballot Papers distributed, (if there are more nominations than positions available): Tuesday 28th February, (hard copies will be sent home to each family, each adult parent/guardian is eligible to vote once. Nominees will prepare a statement to support their nomination, however no other campaign literature will be distributed by the school).**
- **Close of Ballot: Tuesday 7th March at 4.30pm**
- **Counting of Votes: Tuesday 7th March at 5.00pm**
- **Declaration of Ballot: Tuesday 7th March**
- **Meeting of School Council to Co-opt Community Members: Wednesday 15th March, 6.30pm.**
- **Meeting of School Council: Wednesday 22nd March.**

Student Behaviour and Learning Expectations: There have been many positives about the return to school; however, I have been disappointed by the behaviour of a very small minority of students in the secondary cohort who have not met school, Department of Education and community expectations of behaviour and presentation. I have suspended a small number, (but more than I expected), of students for aggressive behaviours and disrespect to staff and peers. I will continue to suspend a student who puts the learning opportunities of Manor Lakes students at risk. This may be a result of violent actions towards others, disrupting classes, refusing to follow instructions, or acting in a way that diminishes a teacher's capacity to work with a class. I have discussed this intent with Department of Education leadership, School Councillors and I have their support. I am positive about the capacity of the school to become an outstanding learning environment and I have great trust in the dedication and ability of our teachers to get high outcomes with our students if they are supported in their work. I will not allow a very small group of students to prevent our students accessing their potential, and in a small modification of our motto: **DREAM, BELIEVE, SUCCEED**. I request parent support in this work by ensuring their

child is given every opportunity to achieve to their highest capacity. This can be assisted through monitoring and supporting the following:

- Ensuring attendance every day and on time for the first class
- Conforming to school council policies re uniform, hair, jewellery, (refer to website)
- Behaviour (if a student does make a bad decision supporting the consequence and reinforcing expectations)
- Nutrition, (fruit, vegetables, protein, breakfast, lunch provided, 'junk' food as an occasional not regular meal)
- Personal habits, eg sleep, use of social devices
- Study habits, eg providing a place to study, providing a time to study.

I am very happy to discuss the above statement with any parent either in support or opposed to it and can be contacted on Mob: 0425 729 304, Email: warner.stephen.r@edumail.vic.gov.au I will also continue to be in the yard whenever possible before or after school.

Steve Warner

Manor Lakes P-12 College Principal

Parent & Friends Community News

Parent Volunteer Induction Program:

If you are interested in Volunteering at the college, please attend the following information session next Friday 24th February in the Amadeus hall.

- What does 'Volunteering' look like at Manor Lakes College?
- What does being a 'classroom helper' look like?
- Smith Family – will be in attendance showcasing the wonderful programs they have to offer
- CAPSS – Kosina Hanson from the Children and Parenting Support Services will also be in attendance
- CaPSS will be running a 'What's in your lunchbox?' interactive workshop. Sampling various healthy lunchbox ideas
- John Sheen from the Wyndham Community & Education Centre will providing information in regards to adult courses, resume writing & local volunteering opportunities

Dates To Remember

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| Monday | Every | Breakfast Club, 8:15am – 8:45am (Dalaroo Learning House) |
| Tuesday | Every | Rushford's Uniform Shop, 8:30am – 10:30am (Argyle Administration) |
| Thursday | Every | School Banking |
| Thursday | Every | Rushford's Uniform Shop, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (Argyle Administration) |
| Friday | Every | Play Group, 9:00am – 10:50am (Community Room) Gold Coin Donation |
| Friday | Every | Breakfast Club, 8:15am – 8:45am (Dalaroo Learning House) |
| Monday | 27 th February | Prep Living Eggs Incursion, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Bonney Learning House) |
| Thursday | 3 rd March | Trade Taster, 8:00am – 3:15pm, (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre) |
| Thursday | 3 rd March | Avalon Airshow (selected students), 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Avalon Airport – beach Road, Lara) |
| Wednesday | 8 th March | Year 7 Vaccine – 1 st round |
| Wednesday | 8 th March | Accelerated Football Program (selected students), 12:45pm – 3:15pm, (Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus) |
| Wednesday | 9 th March | Trade Taster, 8:00am – 3:15pm, (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre) |
| Wednesday | 15 th March | Accelerated Football Program (selected students), 12:45pm – 3:15pm, (Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus) |
| Thursday | 16 th March | Trade Taster, 8:00am – 3:15pm, (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre) |
| Wednesday | 22 nd March | Accelerated Football Program (selected students), 12:45pm – 3:15pm, (Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus) |
| Wednesday | 22 nd March | Year 11 OES Grampians Camp Begins, 8:00am (The Grampians National Park) |
| Thursday | 23 rd March | Trade Taster, 8:00am – 3:15pm, (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre) |
| Friday | 24 th March | Year 11 OES Grampians Campers Return, 5:00pm, (Manor Lakes College) |
| Monday | 27 th March | Year 7 Camp Begins, 8:00am – 3:00pm, (Phillip Island Adventure Resort) |
| Wednesday | 29 th March | Year 7 Campers Return, 3:00pm, (Manor Lakes College) |

The Dollarmites are bringing the future to your school.

Since 1931, CommBank's School Banking program has been offering engaging ways for Australian children to learn the value of saving and develop lifelong money skills.

For our 2017 theme, a futuristic adventure is in store. Students will join the new-look Dollarmites as Future Savers, making their way towards the Savings Hover Park – a fantastic playground up in the clouds of a hi-tech metropolis.

Encouraging savings habits with great rewards

School Banking will continue to reward children who demonstrate regular savings behaviour, and this year we're introducing an exciting new range of reward items. Two are released every term, and available in Term 1 are the Cyber Handball and Colour Change Markers. Your child can redeem one of these reward items, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking to download and print this year's Rewards Card. On our website you'll also find a fun activity sheet and a Savings Tracker your child can use to keep track of their School Banking deposits throughout the year.

Dedicated savers get a chance to win a trip to Tokyo Disneyland

The Future Savers Grand Prize competition will take one lucky student on a family trip to Tokyo, Japan. Up to two adults and three children will get tickets to explore Tokyo Disneyland and Tokyo DisneySea, including the futuristic Tomorrowland attractions. This prize includes:

- Return economy airfares from the winner's nearest capital city to Tokyo, Japan
- Five nights' accommodation at the Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel
- Three-day Magic Pass to Tokyo Disneyland and Tokyo DisneySea
- AU\$1,000 spending money

To enter, your child simply has to make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3, 2017. This will automatically enter them into the competition for a chance to win.

For more information, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking



Things you should know: Full terms and conditions found at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking. Australian residents aged 4-13 yrs only with parent/guardian permission. Must have CBA YouthSaver account and be participating in CBA's School Banking program. Starts 23/1/17. Ends 11.59pm AEST 29/3/17. Max 1 entry/person. Draw: L3/11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000 at 12pm AEST 11/1/17. Winner in The Australian 17/1/17. Prize 1 x 5-night trip for 2 adults + 3 kids (aged 13 and under) to Tokyo, Japan, valued up to AU\$22,855. Commonwealth Bank of Australia, ABN 48 123 123 124, of Level 30, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. Permits: NSW LPS/16/07069, ACT TP/16/01759, SA T/16/1590.

Career News

Focus on Early Information Sessions for TAFE and University: It is never too early to start considering your future career directions. Many students often feel lost about what they would like to study and many feel like they don't know where to start.

There are many things to consider:

- Complete Year 12 or leave school early?
- Vocational or higher education?
- Have a gap year or go straight into further study?
- Can I afford to move away if I can't study locally?

For students and their families who haven't been to a university or TAFE information session, there are even more questions:

- Where can I study the course I am interested in?
- How do I choose between several courses across several institutions?
- How much will my course cost?
- How do I find out about scholarships?
- What if I don't obtain the ATAR I need?
- What are university and TAFE actually like?

These decisions can be difficult to make, and then you have the added pressure of focusing on your studies and other commitments like sport, hobbies and employment. Not only can it be tough for students, but also for families!

- Where do we access information?
- How do we best support our child?
- How can we afford the costs associated with further study?
- Will Youth Allowance be available?

Apart from meeting with your career adviser early in the year, it is a great idea to attend information sessions run by vocational and university institutions. Many run focus days and information seminars throughout the year, and most run Open Days in August and September.

By attending information sessions, you and your family will be able to do the following:

- Speak directly to current students and lecturers about the courses you are interested in.
- Look around the campus and get a feel for the culture of the institution (e.g., does it have a modern or traditional feel? Do you think it would be easy to meet people? Would you prefer to study at a small or large campus?).
- Learn about scholarships, course costs, government fee assistance, global exchange programs and accommodation options.
- Ask about alternative pathway programs available in case you don't get the ATAR you need for your course.
- Attend workshops and sessions on the courses you are interested in and compare facilities and student services between institutions.
- Attending information sessions will assist you in setting new career goals or firming up ideas you already have. Having a course or courses in mind can also assist you in feeling more motivated to work hard at school.
- Information sessions are usually free and you may have to register. Start to map out session dates on a calendar and pick the ones you will be able to attend. Here are some tertiary information session dates to get you started:

Monash University – 'Inside Monash' Seminars. These events showcase different faculties within the University. The seminars run over several months and students have to book in advance. The following seminars are running in March:

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| Tuesday 7 th March: | Arts | Thursday 9 th March: | Science |
| Wednesday 8 th March: | Business | Tuesday 28 th March: | Pharmacy |

For more information and to register, go to <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>

La Trobe University - 'Experience La Trobe': These events are designed especially for future students to get a taste of what it's like to be a La Trobe student for a day. You will be able to: chat with staff and students, participate in structured workshops focused on your desired career/course and talk to student ambassadors about studying at La Trobe. Parents are welcome. Upcoming dates are as follows:

Melbourne: Friday 7th April and Thursday 6th July, 2017

For more information and to book your workshops, please go to <http://bit.ly/1Rilhxz>

Interested in Nursing? The Australian College of Nursing is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo on Saturday 29th April at The Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre between 8:30am – 1:30pm. You will be able to:

- Meet a range of nursing and health organisations
- Explore career pathways
- Find out about educational opportunities

For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/2kYnxS9>

A Day at Melbourne University: This event is being held on Friday 7 April. You will learn about:

- Undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways at Melbourne
- Admissions and entry requirements
- Access Melbourne and Melbourne Scholarships
- Accommodation options
- How parents can help with the transition to university.

You will also be able to participate in a session focusing on the course you are interested in. To register, go to <http://bit.ly/2lzP67x>

Do you have to sit the UMAT?

Applying for Medicine, Dentistry, Oral Health, or Optometry? If are applying for any of these health science courses, you may need to sit the Undergraduate Medical Admissions Test (UMAT).

This is a three-part test that you sit in July 2017 and selected universities use your UMAT score as part of the selection process, in conjunction with your ATAR and in some cases an interview.

You will be tested on the following logical reasoning and problem solving, understanding people and non-verbal reasoning.

You will only have one chance to sit the UMAT this year – the test will be held **Wednesday 26th July**. You must be in Year 12 and you must register online to sit the test by **5:00pm Friday 2nd June**.

You have the choice to start preparing for the test early. There are several private companies who offer commercial preparation programs – www.nie.edu.au/ and www.medentry.edu.au/ are examples.

- It is important to note that the universities who use the UMAT **do not endorse any of these companies** and you will receive free preparation materials once you register for the test (registration is now open).
- Please go to <http://umat.acer.edu.au/> for more information about the UMAT and to see if you have to sit the test. You can also join the ACER UMAT
- Facebook page to keep up to date with key information, <http://on.fb.me/1JTvUzf>

Vocational and Higher Education News:

Interested in Engineering? Engineers Australia has a fantastic Facebook site that students can join. You will be able to keep up to date with developments in Australian and global engineering, conferences and information sessions, and gain ideas about different occupations in engineering, <http://on.fb.me/1ohtelC>

Casual employment: You can sign up for employment at the following websites:

- Boost, www.boostjuice.com.au/boost-jobs
- Coles, www.colescareers.com.au/
- Donut King, <http://www.donutking.com.au/>
- Hungry Jacks, www.hungryjacks.com.au/
- KFC, <http://bit.ly/1kOrqrJ>
- Kmart, www.kmart.com.au/jobs
- McDonald's, <http://bit.ly/1Bmfpeo>
- Muffin Break, <http://bit.ly/1Q63Sq7>

- Myer, www.myer.com.au/careers/
- Red Rooster, www.redrooster.com.au/careers
- Sportsgirl, www.sportsgirl.com.au/get-a-job
- Sussan, www.sussan.com.au/
- Target, www.target.com.au/company/careers
- Woolworths, www.wowcareers.com.au/

About 80% of all job vacancies are not advertised, so it is crucial that you market yourself to businesses with an excellent resume and cover letter. Make sure you tell as many people as possible that you are looking for work as often employers rely on 'word of mouth' to recruit for their positions.

For excellent job seeking tips, check out the resources at Youth Central and speak to your Career Adviser www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/

What type of engineering would you be suited to? RMIT has developed a quiz to assist you to discover what type of engineering you would be suited to study (e.g., civil, mechanical, chemical). You can take the test here <http://bit.ly/1PVPOU4>

Victoria Police Internship: Law students at Victoria University have access to a 10 week internship with the Legal Services Department and Prosecutions Division of Victoria Police. A small number of students will be selected each year to undertake placements in a variety of police specialist areas including:

- Melbourne Prosecutions Unit
- Research and Training Unit
- Civil Advocacy Unit
- Commissions and Inquiries Division, and
- Police Coronial Support Unit

High achieving Year 12 students who receive a place in a law course at the University may eligible for the Chancellor's Scholarship, which is valued at \$20,000 over four years. For more information on the Law program at VU, go to <http://bit.ly/1UC4dEL>

Lattitude Global Volunteering: Applications are now open for gap year placements in countries such as:

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| • Poland | • Canada |
| • United Kingdom | • China |
| • Japan | • Ghana |
| • Argentina | • Fiji |
| • Vanuatu | • Malawi |

For information and to download the registration form, go to www.lattitude.org.au/

What is studying science at Monash University like? Monash has developed a series of videos to enable prospective students to hear from academics and learn about their stories and passions. To access the clips, go to <http://bit.ly/1QBMmdw>

Army, Navy and Air Force Gap Year: The Australian Defence Force Gap Year program provides an opportunity for young Australians, who have finished Year 12 to experience military training and lifestyle whilst gaining new skills and pay over their Gap Year in the Army, Navy or Air Force.

You will earn more than \$45,000, have subsidised accommodation and full medical and dental coverage. There are a variety of roles available to apply for. Applications will open in March for current Year 12 students and you can register your interest now. For more information and to apply, go to <http://bit.ly/244jYe0>

Careers in the Defence Force: There are many occupations in the Defence Force that you may be suited to. Your ability to apply for the occupation of your choice will be effected by your level of education, the subjects you have studied at school, your age, and your gender.

To narrow down which occupations you can apply for, use the Defence Force “Job Finder”. You just enter your personal details and select your general career interest areas and a list of jobs will be generated. Go to www.defencejobs.gov.au/

Careers in the Automotive Industry: Know you want to work in the auto industry, but not sure which occupation would suit you best? The Auto Skills Australia website has information about various automotive occupations. Go to <http://bit.ly/1UXnW1V>

Work in Spain for a year! Thinking of taking a gap year? Through the Conversation Assistance Program run by Home to Home, you will be able to live in Spain for 9 months, working at a school assisting students and teachers to improve their English skills. You must be 18, have completed Year 12 and you don't have to speak Spanish. For more information, go to www.hometohome.es/

Do you love working with computers, science and solving problems? Have you considered studying data science? In our day and age we are using and storing massive amounts of data and this will only increase in the future. Data science fundamentally deals with how we will store and analyse data in the future.

The following has been taken from the Swinburne University website: “Data science is an opportunity to explore new kinds of data and new tools for processing it. You'll learn how to manipulate and process data in order to extract information and establish truths. Data science spans the use and processing of data across diverse fields, including modelling for supercomputing or astrophysics. Or you could work with metadata, a field that will require data to be processed in ways we've never even considered”.

You may consider studying data science at the following Victorian universities:

- Bachelor of Computer Science (major in Data Science), Swinburne University, <http://bit.ly/1Wmeaa1>
- Bachelor of Computer Science (major in Big Data), RMIT, <http://bit.ly/1QC3X56>
- Bachelor of Computer Science (major in Data Science), Monash University, <http://bit.ly/1Srck9t>
- Bachelor of Computer Science (major in Data Science), Deakin University, <http://bit.ly/1RErabC>
- To explore career options, go to the [Careers with Code website](http://careerswithcode.com.au/), <http://careerswithcode.com.au/>

Immerse yourself in medicine at Monash through virtual reality (VR): Have you always wanted to visit the Monash campus, but haven't had a chance? Take the opportunity to learn more about Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash through 360° video. Look over our students' shoulders as they work in the labs or attend a lecture. If you would like to truly immerse yourself in the virtual reality experience, be one of the first 200 to get in touch and receive one of our exclusive Monash Cardboards to enhance the VR experience. For more information and to request your Monash Cardboards, please visit <http://bit.ly/2IGl8ub>

7 things I wish I'd known in high school: <http://learningfundamentals.com.au/blog/7-things-i-wish-i-had-known-when-i-was-in-high-school/>

A strategy to help you finish your assignments: The situation is this: you need to finish an assignment but you just can't find the energy to get started. So, what do you do? Follow this link to find out more: <http://learningfundamentals.com.au/blog/the-everest-philosophy-a-strategy-to-help-you-finish-projects-and-assignments-when-youre-sick-and-tired-of-them/>

Australian Taxation Office: Tax File Number: A tax file number is a unique nine-digit number issued to individuals and organisations to help administer tax and other Australian Government systems. Students need a TFN before they can start any type of paid work. For information on how to apply visit: <https://www.ato.gov.au/individuals/tax-file-number/>

Volunteer registrations open for the 2018 Commonwealth Games: Volunteering at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games will be an incredible once-in-a-lifetime experience for all those who are involved. Volunteer applications are open now. <https://www.gc2018.com/volunteer>

Tracie Moore
Leading Teacher, Careers and Pathways

2017 Prep Schedule

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 13th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm First full day | 14th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 15th Feb 2017 No school Prep Individual Assessments | 16th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 17th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm |
| 20th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 21st Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 22nd Feb 2017 No school Prep Individual Assessments | 23rd Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 24th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm |
| 27th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm First Full Week | 28th Feb 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 1st Mar 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 2nd Mar 2017 8:50am-3:00pm | 3rd Mar 2017 8:50am-3:00pm |

Newsletter Sign Up

The college newsletter can be accessed online via the college website: www.manorlakesp12.vic.edu.au. We encourage all families to sign up as an efficient means to receiving the newsletter. The newsletter is one of the main forms of communication within our college community; all news, dates and information is published on a weekly basis

Grievance Procedure for Parents/Carers

- Step 1: Make an appointment to meet with the teacher.
- Step 2: If the issue is unresolved, make an appointment with a Sub-school Assistant Principal
Ph. 9741 4202
- Step 3: To reach final resolution you may need to meet with the Assistant Principal on more than one occasion.
- Step 4: Make an appointment with the Principal via the Principal's Executive Assistant.
- Step 5: If you are still dissatisfied phone or write to the Principal.
- Step 6: After steps 1-5, if the matter is not resolved, then the issue can be raised with the Regional Office on 9291- 6500

Personal Property

- Students are discouraged from bringing valuable personal property to school (including mobile phones)
- If students choose to bring valuable personal property to school, they do so at their own risk
- The Department and the college do not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and therefore it will not generally pay for any loss or damage property own risk.

Compass

Can all parents and guardians please make sure that you are regularly logging onto Compass via the website <https://manorlakesp12.vic.idlf.com.au/>. This is the College's school management program and will provide you access to all aspects of your child's school life. Functions that parents are able to access include viewing and approving absences, proving consent and paying for excursions and incursions, booking parent / teacher interviews, contacting teachers and keeping an eye on important dates via the College community calendars.

All students currently have feedback uploaded for various curriculum areas and learning tasks. Please access your child's learning tasks to view teacher feedback, scoring (if relevant) and your child's reflection on their learning. Please take the opportunity to provide any constructive feedback to your child and/or child's teacher regarding their learning in the particular curriculum area. A reminder that the college is moving away from traditional end of semester reports, although a summation of your child's learning will be available each semester including AusVELS progression points, any other relevant grading's applicable to VCE/VCAL, additional teacher feedback for personal learning and overall achievement in subject area.

HELPING YOUR KIDS SETTLE INTO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Wednesday 8th March

6.30pm – 8pm

Plaza Library

Pacific Werribee Shopping Centre
Level 1, Derrimut Road, Werribee



ALL PARENTS WANT TO RAISE CONFIDENT AND HAPPY CHILDREN

This seminar will explore ways to promote strong and positive relationships with your children as they navigate the transition to secondary school.

Learn what is important:

- It's okay not to know everything
- Don't take things too personally
- Help your child stay positive
- Navigate different cultures
- Self care
- Role Modelling

Learn how to communicate better:

- Encouraging your child to listen
- Working through emotions
- Praise and encouragement

This seminar is FREE but BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

WYNDHAMVALE FOOTBALL CLUB
2017 REGISTRATION DAY



SUNDAY 26TH FEBRUARY
10AM - 2PM

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE & MEET THE COACHES

BOYS:

UNDER 9's, UNDER 10's, UNDER 11's
UNDER 12's, UNDER 13's, UNDER 14's
UNDER 15's, UNDER 17's, UNDER 19's

GIRLS:

UNDER 12's, UNDER 15's, UNDER 18's

All players registering must provide a birth certificate
as proof of age

WYNDHAMVALE SOUTH RESERVE
CNR BLACKFOREST & MCGRATH ROADS
WYNDHAMVALE

BECOME A FALCON IN 2017
DECIDE - COMMIT - SUCCEED