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newsletter

No.32 Week Ending Friday 20th October 2017

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

Monday 6th November 2017
Curriculum Day - No Students

Tuesday 7th November 2017
Melbourne Cup Day

The Week Ahead

Monday 23rd October	Year 7 Boys Cricket , 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Galvin Park Reserve) Supported Class Georgie Community Access , 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Werribee Plaza) Grade 5 Start Smart Money Program , 11:30am – 12:30pm, (Darlymple Learning Room) Grade 6 Health – Relationships and Sexuality Education , 6:00pm – 7:00pm, (Macquarie Science Building)
Tuesday 24th October	Primary Regional Athletics Championships , 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Keilor Park Athletics Track) Supported Class – Natasha Community Access , 11:30am – 1:30pm, (Local Community)
Wednesday 25th October	Last Day for Year 12 Students Maths Homework Club , 3:15pm – 4:30pm, (Eppalock 3)
Thursday 26th October	Year 12 Celebration Day School Banking Trade Taster , 8:00am – 3:15pm, (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre) Supported Class – Sandra Travel Training Program , 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Highpoint) Supported Class – Angela Travel Training , 9:00am – 3:00pm, (WynCity Bowling, Point Cook) Maths Homework Club , 3:15pm – 4:30pm, (Eppalock 3)
Friday 27th October	Grade 3 & 4 All Star Boys Hooptime Regional Finals , 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Eagle Stadium) MCM Percussion Ensemble in Concert , 11:00am – 4:00pm, (Room 113 – Southbank)

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are into the second week of Term 4, with all the activities that are happening around the college – it seems that the term will definitely move at a face pace.

Our planning for 2018 has commenced with our first Prep transition session held on Tuesday. It was wonderful to see so many children and parents attend the session. We have three more transition sessions planned which

will hopefully provide the children with the opportunity to become familiar with the school environment and recognise some faces on their first day next year. As we welcome the preschool children into Manor Lakes, we reflect on all our students and their development over the past 12 months as they also prepare for their transition into the next year level. As always all students will participate in a “Step up Day” on Tuesday 12th December (11:30am – 1:00pm), where they get to meet their teacher (if this is possible) and meet their class peers. We recognise the importance of preparing students for the following year to support all students feeling comfortable and positive about the year ahead.

Last week’s newsletter included information regarding parent requests for student placement in 2018. Please complete this request on the official form available via the Administration Office or via the online form available on compass. A reminder that while we will endeavour to fulfil all requests a number of factors come into consideration and as such, there are no guarantees. Closing date for accepting requests is **Wednesday 25th October**.

Upcoming Events:

Preparations are well underway for the Grade 2 Sleep over which will be held on Thursday 2nd November to Friday 3rd November. Payment is now open via the Compass portal and all other notes (such as dinner requests and medical information) will be sent home in the upcoming days – please finalise all camp payments by the 8th November.

The Grade 3’s are also very excited about embarking on their first camp to Lady Northcote in Bacchus Marsh on November 22nd, 23rd and 24th. Payments are currently being received.

Sunsmart – Term 4:

As we have seen this week, we are likely to experience some very warm days for the remainder of the year. Term 4 is a dedicated **SUNSMART** term, which means all primary students **MUST** wear a hat when outdoors for break times and/or when engaged in physical education or outdoor activities. Please ensure your child has a suitable school hat (available for purchase from Rushfords Uniform shop) and that it is clearly labelled with their name. Any child without a hat will be encouraged to seek shelter. We also encourage students to apply sunscreen prior to arriving at school and having a personal supply in their school bag to use when required. It is recommended that students be provided with a water bottle to use throughout the school day.



Your support in the health and wellbeing of your child is appreciated.

NAPLAN Arrival

NAPLAN test results for 2017 results have arrived. The tests were conducted in May this year and will serve as one form of assessments of your child’s Literacy and Numeracy learning. Your child’s teacher will continue to assess individual learning on a daily basis.

You can pick up your child’s 2017 NAPLAN results from the Burley Griffin Office from 8:15am – 4:30pm – Monday to Thursday & 8:15am – 4:00pm on Friday.

If you need to discuss your child’s NAPLAN results, please make an appointment to meet with your child’s teacher via the college office on 9741 4202.

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- 650


Snake Season

It has been reported in local papers that snakes are out and about and enjoying the warm sunshine in our area. Please remind and encourage your children to stick to paths; easier to see a snake warming itself on a footpath than amongst dirt and grass.


This information has been sourced from the Wyndham City Council website:

Snakes commonly found in Wyndham:


Eastern Tiger Snake

Colour:	Varies in colour from grey, brown, black, red and yellow. Commonly banded, but not seen in all snakes. Belly can be cream, yellow, grey or olive green. Head is usually darker than the rest of the body.	
Size:	Up to 6ft (2m).	
Preferable habitat:	Swamplands, creek lines, grasslands near swampy areas, rivers and other bodies of water. Also rocky areas located near water.	
Behaviour:	Eager to get away from threats, but will bite if provoked or touched.	

Eastern Brown Snake

Colour:	Varies in colour but is usually a light to tan brown colour but may be blackish or reddish. In juveniles, the head has a black patch with a black band behind it.	
Size:	Up to 6ft (2m).	
Preferable habitat:	Open grasslands, rocky areas and near waterways. Mostly found in rural areas.	
Behaviour:	Alert and swift moving when threatened, but when cornered can be very defensive.	

Little Whip Snake

Colour:	Light brown with a black patch on its head.	
Size:	Up to 50cm.	
Preferable habitat:	Open grasslands, rocky areas and near waterways. Mostly found in rural areas. The Little Whip snake is commonly mistaken to be a juvenile Eastern Brown snake.	
Behaviour:	Alert, adopts a defensive pose when threatened, slow	

All snakes are protected by law and you could face infringements or prosecution if you harm or kill a protected species

What to do if you find a snake? If you find a snake on your property, keep an eye on it from a safe distance and do not touch it. If the snake is still visible, a qualified snake catcher from Wyndham City will attend and remove the snake. This is a free service to residential properties and can be used 24 hours a day, every day of the year (including Public Holidays) by contacting Wyndham City on 9742 0777. If the snake is no longer able to be sighted you will need to contact a professional snake catcher that will be able to search for the snake. This service is at a cost to the resident.

Remember, most people are bitten when attempting to handle snakes themselves. Be aware that a dead snake can still be venomous.

Steps to avoid snake bites:

- To avoid snake bites, use common sense and:
- Wear sensible clothing – closed toe shoes, socks and jeans are usually adequate. Never wear sandals or thongs.
- Never reach into or under hollows, logs or thick grass without looking first.
- Always use a torch at night - most snakes are more active at night, particularly in summer.
- Watch where you are walking and supervise young children and pets.

First aid for snake bites:

- If you have been bitten by a snake, seek immediate medical assistance.
- Phone 000 for an ambulance and advice on what first aid can be applied. Hospitals now have stocks of anti-venom.

Administration

Class Placements 2018

During the next month, staff will be working on placement of students for next year. A number of factors are considered in the placement of students including but not limited to, a mix of the individual academic and social learning and gender balance.

It is a very important task and I thank parents for their trust of our past decisions and assure everyone that we will continue to do what we believe is in the best interest of every child in our care.

However, should any parent feel that they wish to share insight or information with us that may assist in this decision making process please complete a student placement form, which is available from the Burley Griffin administration office. The college placement form will be the only information accepted by us.

This form must be submitted to the Burley Griffin college office or emailed via Compass by **Wednesday 25th October 2017. No forms or requests will be accepted after this date.**

It is most important that information be submitted only on this form – please do not email any information or ring through any information.

Completing the form is an opportunity for parents who are deeply concerned about their child's placement and who believe that they have information to share that may influence the decision we make.

Weekly Career News

Focus On Summer Schools

The ConocoPhillips Science Experience

- **Who:** Current Year 9 & 10 students.
- **Where:** Various venues in Victoria and NSW.
- **When:** November and December 2017 and January 2018.
- **What:** Students will perform experiments, participate in field excursions, listen to university lectures and experience the excitement of life on campus.
- **How:** For more information, go to www.scienceexperience.com.au/

MU Student Union VCE Summer School

- **Who:** Current Year 10 – 11 VCE students.
- **Where:** University of Melbourne (includes accommodation).
- **When:** 8 – 19 January 2018.
- **What:** This event provides an introduction to the VCE and assists students to develop practical and academic skills. You will be able to participate in VCE workshops and tutorials for up to 6 subjects
- **How:** For information, go to <http://bit.ly/1NJTv31>

Filmmaking Summer School

- **Who:** Students of all ages passionate about filmmaking.
- **Where:** International House, University of Melbourne (includes accommodation).
- **When:** 4 - 14 January 2018.
- **What:** This intensive summer school is taught by Australia's leading film industry professionals and is suited to people from all ages and backgrounds.
- **How:** For more information, go to www.summerfilmschool.com/

Hands on Monash Indigenous Summer Camp

- **Who:** Indigenous secondary students (at least 16 years old).
- **Where:** Monash University, Clayton Campus.
- **When:** December 2017.

- **What:** Students will undertake cultural, sport and social activities; participate in hands on workshops in areas such as law, engineering, health sciences, art and design, information technology, business and education; and receive careers and course advice.
- **How:** For information, contact Kristel Keleher at Kristel.Keleher@monash.edu

Trinity Young Leaders Summer School: Trinity College at the University of Melbourne is running their annual intensive weeklong residential programs for talented students aged 14 – 17 years. Students will have the opportunity to:

- Engage in interactive teaching
- Participate in excursions and group work
- Develop skills in critical and creative thinking, teamwork, public speaking, communication etc.
- Explore University of Melbourne courses
- Immerse themselves in a 'themed week'

The programs will run between the following dates:

- Sunday 26th November – Sunday 3rd December: Arts, Leadership for Social Justice, Biomedicine, English Intensive – Drama & Communication.
- Sunday 3rd December – Sunday 10th December: Law and Justice, Fine Arts, Science and Engineering.
Sunday 10th December – Sunday 17th December: Commerce, Personal Development – Future Leaders, Environment and Sustainability - Coastal Discovery.

For more information and to register, go to <http://bit.ly/1Zu9RNm>

Residential Indigenous Science Experience (RISE) program:

- **Who:** Year 9 and 10 Indigenous students
- **Where:** University of Melbourne
- **When:** Monday 27 Nov – Saturday 2 Dec 2017.
- **What:** This program is run by the University of Melbourne and the Gene Technology Access Centre (GTAC). Students will have the opportunity to participate in laboratory workshops, exploring contemporary science guided by some of Melbourne's brightest young research scientists. Students will also visit world-class science facilities to see applications in industry
- **How:** For more information and to book your place, go to www.gtac.edu.au/rise/

Vocational & Higher Education News

Service and leadership programs: The following are several service and leadership programs you may be interested in exploring. You will develop many valuable career development skills such as leadership, teamwork, and problem solving.

- Country Fire Authority (CFA): you can register for their volunteering program (must be at least 16 years old), <http://bit.ly/2xKw3J5>
- State Emergency Service (SES): you can apply for their youth member program (must be between 15 - 18 years old), <http://bit.ly/2gh9CFI>
- St John Ambulance Victoria, St John's Cadets program (under 18 years old), <http://bit.ly/2x19xw4>
- Australian Airforce Cadets, Royal Australian Navy Cadets and Australian Army Cadets, <http://bit.ly/2xKLqRS>
- Scouts Australia, <http://bit.ly/2zv5w4u>

New resource for students who plan to undertake further education or training after school: The Australian Government has just released a new resource called 'Beyond School Study Guide.' It aims to assist students and families in understanding Government support available to them when pursuing vocational and higher education study after school.

It also outlines the differences between public and private education institutions, vocational and higher education, and what financial support is available. You can download the guide at this link - <http://bit.ly/2yOMGs8>

Information Evenings at Swinburne University: Swinburne will be hosting two upcoming information evenings for prospective students and their families.

You will be able to speak to specialist Swinburne staff and get course advice. Dates are as follows:

- Tuesday 14th November, Wantirna (apprenticeships, nursing, vocational courses)
- Tuesday 21st November, Hawthorn

For more information and to RSVP, go to <http://bit.ly/2zeanX6>

New first year learning and teaching model at Victoria University: From 2018, all undergraduate students studying the first year of their course will be taught through a model that is unique in Australia. Rather than studying multiple subjects at the same time (as you do at school), students will study each subject one at a time across four-week blocks. This means students will not have to juggle the deadlines and demands of studying multiple subjects at once. Instead, students will complete one subject before moving on to the next, giving them more one-to-one time with educators and support services. For information on the new model and courses at Victoria University, go to www.vu.edu.au.

Tracie Moore

Leading Teacher, Transitions & Pathways

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.jdlf.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.

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 are published on a weekly basis

Dates To Remember

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	Breakfast Club, 8:15am – 8:45am (Dalaroo Learning House)
Tuesday	31 st October	Grade 6 Health – Relationships and Sexuality Education, 6:00pm – 7:00pm, (Macquarie Science Learning House)
Tuesday	31 st October	Supported Class – S05 Jane McCurry Community Access, 11:30am – 1:30pm, (Local Community)
Tuesday	31 st October	Supported Class – Natasha Community Access, 11:30am – 1:30pm, (Local Community)
Wednesday	1 st November	Intermediate Girls Basketball Regional Finals, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Eagle Stadium)
Thursday	2 nd November	Supported Class – Angela Travel Training, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Werribee Plaza)
Thursday	2 nd November	Year 8 Boys Basketball Regional Finals, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Eagle Stadium)
Thursday	2 nd November	Grade 2 Sleepover
Thursday	2 nd November	Sailability, 9:30am – 2:45pm, (Jack Roper Reserve – Broadmeadows)
Friday	3 rd November	Mad About Science, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Amadeus 2)
Thursday	9 th November	Supported Class – Angela Travel Training, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Altona – Pier Street)
Thursday	9 th November	Year 7 Boys Volleyball Regional Finals, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Eagle Stadium)
Thursday	9 th November	Sailability, 9:30am – 2:45pm, (Jack Roper Reserve – Broadmeadows)
Friday	10 th November	Junior Boys Baseball Regional Finals, 9:00am – 1:30pm, (Presidents Park)
Tuesday	14 th November	Supported Class – SO2 Natasha Community Access, 12:30pm – 1:30pm, (Local Shops)
Wednesday	15 th November	Grade 5/6 Hooptime All Star Girls Regional Finals, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Eagle Stadium)
Thursday	16 th November	Supported Class – Angela Travel Training, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (WynCity Bowling, Point Cook)
Wednesday	22 nd November	Grade 3 Camp Begins – Lady Northcote, (Bacchus Marsh)
Thursday	23 rd November	Grade 5/6 Girls Billy Slater Shield State Finals, 9:00am – 3:00pm, (Yarra Bend Park, Deep Rock)
Friday	24 th November	Grade 3 Camp Ends
Monday	27 th November	Grade 6 Celebration, 5:30pm – 9:30pm, (Dinner: Raffael's Café / Presentations: Wyndham Cultural Centre – Watton Street, Werribee)
Tuesday	28 th November	Senior Year (9 – 11) Awards Ceremony, 11:40am – 1:20pm, (Barlee Gym)
Tuesday	12 th December	Step up Day, 11:30am – 1:00pm
Friday	22 nd December	End of Term 4
Monday	29 th January	Curriculum Day – No School
Tuesday	30 th January	Curriculum Day – No School
Wednesday	31 st January	Grade 1 – Year 12 Term 1 Begins
Thursday	1 st February	Prep Students Begin



Children's Week Picnic

FREE

"Free activities and attractions for the whole family!"

at Werribee Park

**Sunday 22
October 2017**
10am - 4pm

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/childrensweekpicnic

Come and
dance with your
favourite
stars from
Despicable Me 3™



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Parent Information Night



Thursday, 23rd November 2017

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Wyndham Vale Community Learning Centre
86 Manor Lakes Blvd, Manor Lakes

Come along to:

- An Information session for parents / carers / guardians of young people 11-25 years
- Featuring a tour of the Wyndham Vale Community Learning Centre
- Community Panel Q&A
- Special guest speaker, Director of the Workshop Kate Wilde , who will address 'supporting young people throughout schooling'
- Light Refreshments

Please register your interest and rsvp with Leah.

P: 8734 8934 or E: leah.davie@wyndham.vic.gov.au by the 21 November

For more information visit: www.wyndham.vic.gov.au

