

St. Arnaud Secondary College

Weekly Newsletter

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Week 3
18th Feb, 2022



VCE/VCAL Information Evening

On the evening of Wednesday 16th February between 6:00 and 7:30, the College held its annual VCE and VCAL Information Session.

Parents, guardians and students were able to attend in compliance with COVID restrictions, with appropriate social distancing in the school hall and smaller groups spread across classrooms in the school. The evening provided parents/guardians with essential information about the formal qualifications, including advice on how they can best support the success of their children through their final years of schooling. Each teacher also ran a short session on the subjects they teach, providing more detailed advice on the content that will be covered during the year, how students can maximise their achievement and how parents/guardians can support them.

If any parents/guardians or students require further information, they are welcome to contact any of the senior school team:

Year 12 Coordinator – Calvin Taylor – calvin.taylor@education.vic.gov.au

Year 11 Coordinator – Rebecca Reynolds – rebecca.reynolds@education.vic.gov.au

VCE/VCAL/VASS Coordinator – Rebecca Reynolds – rebecca.reynolds@education.vic.gov.au



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Principal: Tony Hand

Principal's report

School Council Elections

School Council is an important cog in the running of an affective school, and an opportunity for parents to gain a greater awareness of the workings of the school and have regular input into local policy development. It is an exciting time to be on Council as we are on an improvement journey, we also have several building projects in the pipeline over the next three years. School Council is not an onerous task – we have no more than 8 meetings a year and those meetings cannot go over 90 minutes, with most lasting less than one hour.

In this term of office, which runs for two years, we have three parent positions– Lynne Bodey, Melissa Weir and Louise Marland up for re-nomination, and all indicating that they will re-nominate. We have two staff positions up for nomination which are currently held by Calvin Taylor and Vanessa McCormick – and a co-opted position due to staff movement.

I have included information for parents, as well as, the timeline and nomination forms for all categories with this newsletter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Year 11 and 12 Information evening

On Wednesday night we conducted our annual Year 11 and 12 Information night. The evening provides vital information on the whole year ahead and an outline of each individual subject. Due to our class sizes, we were able to observe social distancing as we spread out in the Hall and across rooms for individual class presentations. Thanks to all the VCE students and parents for attending and the staff for their work putting their presentations together. The participation rate from VCAL students was very low and we would be interested in any feedback as to why this may be the case so that we can look at how we offer or provide this information in the future.

CSEF Application

Just a reminder for parents who are eligible to apply for Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding that applications are open. Please contact Kerrie Swanton in the Office for further information.

Parent Payments

You may be aware that the Government has changed parent payments considerably and that schools can no longer ask for payment on many usual items or goods provided through the school. Our first noticeable impact with this policy is that we can no longer run our school joint funded One to One computer program and this entire cost has fallen to parents. We still, however, are aiming to keep costs down, but will only be able to do so in the long term if parents 'volunteer' to contribute to these items. Please read through the Office notes section of the newsletter for further information.

RA Tests

Our second delivery of RA Tests have arrived at the College. You are welcome to come and pick your child's up from the general Office or arrange for your child to pick them up on your behalf. Please contact the College if you would like the latter to occur.

Hats Outside

A reminder that all students are required to be wearing a broad brimmed (or legionnaires) hat when they are outside.

Student Leaders

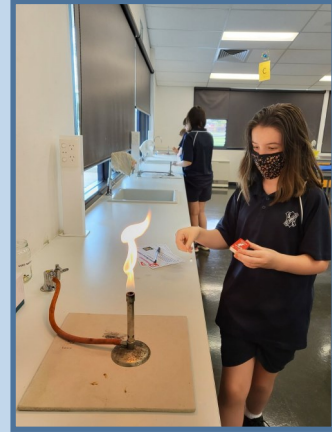
The College is now able to announce the location of our student leaders Ceremony for 2022 which is run in conjunction with the St Arnaud Primary School will be at the Town Hall. With restrictions lifting this Friday evening we will be able to host all Primary and Secondary students along with interested and available family members to the Hall at 2pm on Friday. We look forward to seeing you there.

Tony Hand
Principal

7/8 Science

Year 7/8 Science class' newest recipients
proudly displaying their
Probationary Bunsen Burner license.

Austin & Ollie



Declan, Tahyah & Ashley



Mahlie, Ruby, Tess & Lucy



Yr 11 Outdoor Education



Today the Year 11 Outdoor Environmental students ventured to Lord Nelson Park and then west heading towards the Eucy's. They looked at how the environment around us is used a resource. The students completed a learning journal on the type of resources that were in the area, how they are used now and how they may have been used in the past.

Yr 11 Food Tech

The students this week made Black Bean and Corn Quesadilla's with Salsa. They have been studying 'Food Origins' from historical and cultural perspectives and are investigating the origins and roles of food through time and across the world.

The recipe uses black beans, which are a type of legume. It is believed that the first legume appeared around 59 million years ago in Africa. Nowadays, there are approximately 200,000 different species of legumes all around the world.



7/8 Food Tech

During Weeks 2 and 3 the Year 8 Food Technology class investigated the nutrients required at different stages in our life. In Week 2, students cooked hamburgers and fruit salad, while last week they made beef stir-fry and up-side-down pineapple cake.





The soldiers come at night. The first Hasina knows of it is her aunt's voice, urgent, full of fear. 'Up, up. Get up!' The second thing is smoke. Then, there is a scream. 'Run,' her father shouts. 'And don't stop!' Hasina races deep into the Rakhine forest to hide with her cousin Ghadiya and her little brother Araf. When they emerge some days later, it is to a silent, smouldering village. Her own house is still standing, but where is the rest of her family? Perhaps they have been gathered up and taken away by the army...or worse. So many Rohingyas are gone, how will she survive? Will her parents return? Hasina must fight to save her family amid the escalating conflict that threatens her world and her identity. A gripping story of one child's experience of persecution in Myanmar.



Katy struggles with anxiety and compulsive behavior disorders. She self-harms and is seeing a counsellor. When she starts dating it only increases her anxieties. Then her parents hear her Yiayia (grandmother) is ill in Greece and maybe dying. The family decide to visit. Reluctant at first Katy eventually decides to embrace the trip as a way to learn about her Greek family but the visit uncovers some dark family secrets. A novel that explores the fragility of families, and the damage that can be wrought when unresolved issues of one generation shape the lives of the next. Also a story about hope, and the ability of families to survive and heal damaged relationships .



Parent Payment Policy Arrangements in 2022

The Department of Education and Training has sought to clarify the Parent Payments Policy for 2022. Schools can request contributions from parents under three categories;

- Curriculum Contributions – contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum; e.g. textbook use, consumable materials, paper
- Other Contributions – Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives; e.g. school building enhancements
- Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis. e.g. Optional Year level camps

School Council has approved the 2022 Parent Payment Policy and Parent Payment Fees. The fees are located on the school webpage, or please contact the office to have fees sent.

Webpage: <https://www.starnaudsc.vic.edu.au/page/229/2022-Parent-Payment-Policy>

DET Parent Payment Policy : <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy>

BYOD LWT Portal : <https://sasc.orderportal.com.au/>

Parent Payment Arrangements and Options:

- Parents will be provided with early notification of annual payment requests and reasonable notice will be given for any other payment requests during the year (i.e. excursions, camps)
- The College offers parents the option to make payment by instalments. Please contact Kerrie Swanton, Business Manager, to make these arrangements.
- Methods of payment are BPAY, EFTPOS, cash or cheque.
- Eligible families that receive Camps, Sport & Excursion Funds can allocate these funds for sports travel, camps and excursions only.
- The payment for Optional Items including camps and excursions must be paid by the specified due date prior to departure. Other payments for Optional Items including Food Technology must be paid in week 2 of each Term, or by negotiated instalments.
- When making payment via BPAY, please note the receipt number on the returned permission slip or email paid items to starnaud.sc@education.vic.gov.au
- New families to the school who do not have Family BPay details, please contact the school for these details.



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible.

Payment amounts this year are \$225 for eligible secondary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 5495 1811 and ask for an application form.

<p>Business Manager – Kerrie Swanton Office Hours: 8.30 am – 4.30pm Phone 03 5495 1811 Email: st.arnaud.sc@education.vic.gov.au</p>

Dance Expressions of interest



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR 2022

VSSS is back bigger than ever!!!

After 2 years of not being able to perform a live concert, VSSS is now ready to get back to what they do best... a fantastic concert guaranteed to impress!

NO PREVIOUS DANCE EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED, anyone who loves to dance or enjoys music is very welcome. It is loads of fun and you will be choreographed by Melbourne professionals. There will be 3 rehearsals in Ballarat during the year that you will be taken to and then 3 nights in Melbourne staying at the Claremont Guest House in South Yarra. On Saturday 10th September 2 concerts are performed at Hisense Arena (renamed John Cain Arena). There is **NO COST** to students to be part of VSSS.

The performance is filmed by Channel 7 and telecast in November or December. This is a wonderful opportunity to be part of a professional production and St Arnaud Secondary College is very fortunate to be chosen as one of the participating schools.

We need to know how many St Arnaud students are interested by Monday 21st February (at the latest). If VSSS is something you would like to be involved in this year please message or call Deb Feeny with your expression of interest or any questions on 0429 956275. Otherwise, your name can be left on the list at the office. Thank you and looking forward to an exciting VSSS in 2022!





St Arnaud Secondary College
Instrumental Music: 2022 - Expression of Interest

We are pleased to be able to offer small group instrumental lessons once again this year and we would like to invite students to complete the following expression of interest form.

Lessons are held on a rotating timetable on Wednesdays and Thursdays, so that students miss part of a different period each week. Lessons are provided free of charge. The places are limited and are allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

Initially lessons will be offered in Keyboard, Voice, Guitar, Ukulele, Violin and Drums. Students interested in other instruments are asked to nominate their instrument of interest to assist with ongoing planning.

(Please circle your choices and indicate your first and second preferences by numbering then 1 & 2)

Keyboard ____ Guitar ____ Ukulele ____ Violin ____ Drums ____

Other Instrument(s) of interest _____

Student Name _____ Yr _____

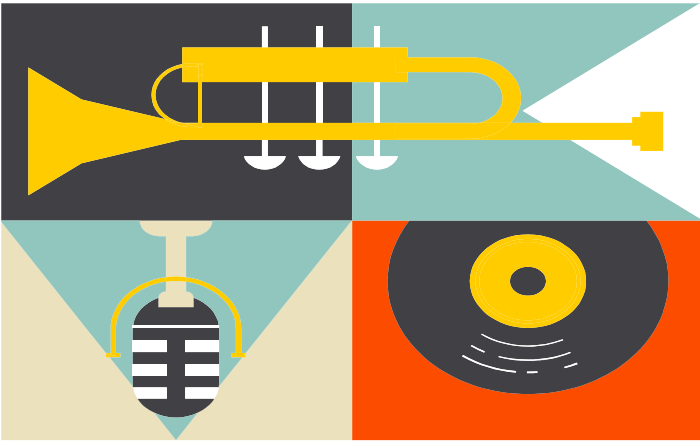
Parent / Guardian Name: _____

Parent / Guardian Mobile: _____

Parent / Guardian Email: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____ [School Use: Received: _____]





The Regional Education Support Network (RESN) is a free, entirely online service started by a group of top VCE graduates who were passionate about ensuring that all Australians, regardless of where they live, can have access to high quality academic support during their VCE and HSC.

"Our team of over 90 experienced volunteer tutors are ready to answer any questions that have you stumped or proofread and offer advice on essays you are about to submit. We believe that RESN can help students in regional and rural areas get the support they need to fulfil their potential."

For further information or to register visit:
www.resn.org.au



Career bullseyes

You can now start exploring different career pathways by selecting a subject/learning area you enjoy.
Visit:

<https://myfuture.edu.au/bullseyes>



The Science Experience is a fun 3 or 4 days of science activities designed for Year 9 and 10 students. Each program is designed to provide students who have an interest in science with an opportunity to engage in a wide range of fascinating science activities under the guidance of scientists who love their work.

The program takes place in over thirty-five universities and tertiary institutions, within many different laboratories and lecture theatres (many are held during school holiday periods). Participants perform experiments in the laboratories, meet and hear senior lecturers in the lecture theatres, attend site visits and walk around and experience what it is like to be on the campus of a university or tertiary institution.

The program also provides information about further studies in science, technology, and engineering. It highlights the wide range of careers that allow students to pursue their interest and abilities in the sciences.

For further information including location and dates please visit:
www.scienceexperience.com.au/about-the-program

GIRL POWER IN ENGINEERING & IT:



Year 9 Girls do you want to be inspired about the exciting possibilities of engineering and IT through the University of Melbourne Girl Power program?

The program nurtures students from Year 9 right through to their completion of Year 12 with exciting opportunities to build their skills and meet likeminded students. Year 9 students will enjoy a three-night camp at the University of Melbourne (2022 July School Holidays). Followed by work experience in Year 10 and mentoring opportunities during Year 11 and 12.

For further information or to submit an expression of interest visit:

<https://eng.unimelb.edu.au/engage/schools/girl-power-in-stem>

Victoria Police | Police Specialist Webinar



Wednesday 23 February 2022 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Seeking an opportunity to specialise and develop a skill set in a specific field of expertise? Please join us to learn about the role of a detective. We will discuss the recruitment process, the different fields and speak to a current detective. In addition to specialist areas, police officers also have the option to seek promotion through the ranks.

Find out more:

www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions

University of Melbourne Hansen Scholarship



Value: Up to \$108,000 AUD

Open February 7, Close March 9, 2022

The Hansen Scholarship will be awarded to talented undergraduate students whose financial circumstances present a challenge to accessing a first-class education. Recipients will be awarded accommodation, an allowance, and financial and personal support.

To find out more visit:

<https://scholarships.unimelb.edu.au/awards/hansen-scholarship>

Mrs Rebecca Reynolds
Careers Co-ordinator

Sue Clay 
Careers and Pathways
Email: s.clay@ncclen.org.au

Community Events



LORD NELSON PARK FUNDRAISING GROUP
PRESENTS

A BLACK TIE AFFAIR

FUNDRAISING GALA & AUCTION


6PM-1AM ON 19TH MARCH 2022
ST. ARNAUD TOWN HALL
TICKETS \$150
AVAILABLE INDIVIDUALLY OR IN TABLES OF 10

3 COURSE MEAL CATERED BY CELEBRITY CHEF,
IAN CURLEY


AUCTION & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

VISIT [TICKETBO.COM.AU/ABLACKTIEAFFAIR](https://www.ticketbo.com.au/ablacktieaffair) FOR TICKETS
TICKETS ON SALE FROM 1ST FEBRUARY 2022 UNTIL 7TH MARCH 2022
FOR OTHER ENQUIRIES CALL FERN HAHN ON 0427 270 780
THIS IS A COVID SAFE EVENT. ALL PATRONS MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED
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First Aid Courses 2022



Sunday 6th March
9am-5pm

CPR (HLTAID009)

Completed Annually — \$80 per person - Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID011 Provide First Aid

For first time or expired certificate
\$200 per person - Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID011—Continuous Learning (Includes CPR)

For people with current Certificate—done every year to
keep qualification current
(proof required) \$100 Per Person - Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID012—Provide First Aid in the
Education and Care Setting



For first time or expired certificate -
\$210 Per Person - Includes asthma and anaphylaxis
Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID012—Continuous Learning (Includes CPR)

For people with current Certificate—done every year to
keep qualification current
(proof required) \$100 Per Person - Pre-class on-line work.

Trainer: Casey Kosch
Enrol and Pay by Friday 25th February.

Enquiries to: St Arnaud Community Resource Centre,
85 Napier St, St Arnaud. Ph: 5495 1997
9am-2:00pm Mondays to Fridays



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Fact Sheet No 1. School council elections – Information for parents

What is a school council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the broad directions of a school in accordance with their constituting Order and the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006*. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?

For most primary school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected Parent member category – more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. DET employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school
- A mandated elected DET employee member category – members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members
- An optional Community member category – members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.

For all schools with a year 7 and above cohort, there is a fourth category of membership:

- A mandated elected Student member category, 2 positions.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is parent membership so important?

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help inform and shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?

Each member brings their own valuable life skills and knowledge to the role. However, councillors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

Code of conduct for school councillors

School councils in Victoria are public entities as defined by the *Public Administration Act 2004*. School councillors must abide by the *Code of Conduct – Employees* issued by the Victorian Public Sector Commission. The Code of Conduct is based on the Victorian public sector values and requires councillors to:

- **act with honesty and integrity** (be truthful, open and clear about their motives and declare any real, potential or perceived conflict of interest and duty)
- **act in good faith** in the best interests of the school (work cooperatively with other councillors and the school community, be reasonable, and make all decisions with the best interests of students foremost in their minds)
- **act fairly and impartially** (consider all relevant facts of an issue before making a decision, seek to have a balanced view, never give special treatment to a person or group and never act from self-interest)
- **use information appropriately** (respect confidentiality and use information for the purpose for which it was made available)

School Council Elections



Strive High, Then Higher

Form 2: Notice of election and call for nominations

An election is to be conducted for members of the school council of

St. Arnaud Secondary College

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00pm on *(insert day, month and year)*.

Thursday 18 February 2022

The ballot will close at 4.00pm on *(insert day, month and year)*.

Tuesday 2 March 2022

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

Membership category

Parent member

Term of office

From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in
to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in

Year

2022

2024

Number of positions:

3

Membership category

DET employee member

Term of office

From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in
to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in

Year

2022

2024

Number of positions:

2

Following the closing of nominations, a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

Principal signature

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Form 3: Self-nomination form for Parent member category

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a Parent member on the
St. Arnaud Secondary College school council

Name:

Residential Address:

Contact phone (mobile or landline):

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of
who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

Statement	Yes (Mark with an x)	No (Mark with an x)
I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training		
I am an employee of the school Council		
I am engaged in work at or for the school		

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I:

- I am not, and never have been, insolvent under administration
- Am of unsound mind
- I have not been found guilty of an offence that is, or would if committed in Victoria be, an indictable offence
- Am not a registrable offender within the meaning of the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*.
- I am not suffering from any medical condition that would affect my ability to perform the role of member of a school council

Signature of Candidate

Date:

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable). Further, the name, membership category, gender, term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on: 54951811

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted.

If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.

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Form 4: Nomination form for Parent member category

I wish to nominate:
for an elected position as a Parent member on the St Arnaud Secondary College School Council

Candidate's details

Name

Residential Address:

Contact phone (mobile or landline):

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of
who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

Statement;	Yes (Mark with an x)	No (Mark with an x)
The person I have nominated is an employee of the Department of Education and Training		
Is an employee of the school Council		
Is engaged in work at or for the school		

Name of Nominator:

Signature of Nominator:	Date:
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Candidate to complete:

I accept the nomination and am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that:

- I am not, and never have been, insolvent under administration
- Am of unsound mind
- I have not been found guilty of an offence that is, or would if committed in Victoria be, an indictable offence
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- I am not suffering from any medical condition that would affect my ability to perform the role of member of a school council

Signature of Candidate	Date:

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

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School Council Elections

School Council Election Process and Timetable

School council election process and timetable 2022

Name of the School: ST. ARNAUD SECONDARY COLLEGE



EVENT	DATE
Notice of election and call for nominations	Thursday 17 February 2022
Closing date for nominations	Thursday 24 February 2022
Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be displayed	Friday 25 February 2022
Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	On or before Tuesday 1 March 2022
Close of ballot	Tuesday 8 March 2022
Vote count	Tuesday 8 March 2022
Declaration of ballot	Tuesday 8 March 2022
First council meeting to coopt Community members (the principal will preside)	Wednesday 16 March 2022 (Could be Wed 9 March 2022)
Second council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)	Wednesday 16 March 2022

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



2022 Calender

Term 1			Semester 1 - 2022
Feb	Wed	16	Yr. 11 & 12 Information night
	Mon	21	House Swimming
	Fri	25	Leaders Ceremony 2pm @ Town Hall
	Mon	28	Yr. 12 Outdoor Ed excursion—Halls Gap
March	Mon	7	NCD Swimming
	Thurs	10	NCD Triathlon
	Fri	11	Rock Expo
	Mon	14	Labour day
	Tue-Fri	15-18	Year 7 Summit Camp
	Thurs-Fri	17-18	Yr. 11 Pre-driver Ed
	Thurs	17	LMR Swimming
	Mon	21	Yr. 9 Morrisby Questionnaire this week
April	Fri	1	House Athletics
	Mon	4	Parent teacher Interviews 9am-7pm 11 & 12 classes running
	Tue-Fri	5-8	Year. 11 Melbourne Camp
	Fri	8	End of Term
	Mon	25	Anzac Day
	Thurs	28	SSV Swimming
May	Mon	2	Lock In—Drill
	Fri	6	Fire Drill