St. Arnaud Secondary College Newsletter

Issue 37

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Year 12 Valedictory Dinner

With VCE exams finishing on Wednesday 16th of November, on the next evening the College held a final farewell dinner for our graduating class of 2022.

Our graduates, their parents, guardians, relatives and staff met for dinner at the St. Arnaud Golf Club from 6:30 pm. A group of the students had helped earlier in the day with setting up the venue, decorating the tables and blowing up

balloons to create a balloon arch. The evening began with Mr. Hand presenting a congratulation speech to the students. His analogy of an oyster and the formation of pearls was a pertinent reminder that learning and growth doesn't end with the conclusion of secondary school. After dinner was served, thanks to Dana Decker, the Year 12 coordinator presented individual awards to each student; a memento of their final year at the college. Desert came next, followed by photographs in front of the balloon arch.

The final conclusion was a video created by Mrs.

Knight, which featured footage and photographs from throughout their time at the College, stretching right back to when they started in Year 7 in 2017.

We thank the graduates, parents, guardians, relatives

and staff for making this a memorable evening.

We wish our graduates all the best as they move into the next phase of their lives. We will see them all again for the Presentation Evening on Tuesday, 13th December, when they will receive their VCE, VCAL and VET certificates.





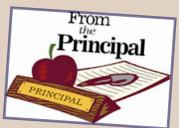
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Principal: Tony Hand
Assistant Principal: Vanessa McCormick

Principal's Report

Maryborough Energy Breakthrough

Well didn't last weekend give us a whole new range of experiences! On Friday, 19 students and several staff headed off to Maryborough to compete in the Energy Breakthrough. This was the first time the event had been run since 2019, so everyone



was keen to get back up and racing. With predicted poor weather, we tried to prepare as best we could, trying to provide as many large tents as possible so that swags would hopefully stay dry. Scrutineering went well and the two teams 'Send it Forever' and 'The Grass isn't Greener,' took to the track at 1:30pm on Saturday afternoon for the now 23 ½ hr race. Things were going well for both teams before we got the announcement at 6:00pm that we had to evacuate the track and campsite. We spent the next couple of hours at a local gym before being able to go back to camp to find almost everything flooded – but this did not stop us! Back onto the track, both teams went and even a fire in a shipping container early Sunday morning did not slow things down! All in all, it was a fantastic effort by the students, and they should be congratulated.

Thanks, must also be extended to Miss. Bertalli who has taken on the role pretty much single handily especially throughout the practices, etc. Thanks also to Tania Scarce (Chief cook and washer), Will Maylor and Mrs. Powell who attended the event for the whole weekend. Thanks to Bruce Hando who helped in the pit for the graveyard shift with me until 3am Sunday morning. Thank you to the VCAL students who made spaghetti bolognaise and thanks also to the parents who helped with the supply of food or helped pack up at the end of the race. It is a massive weekend – but with great reward.

Step Up for 2023

We have started Step Up for 2023 and in most cases, students have approached the opportunity with a positive attitude. This is an opportunity to get ahead of some of the work for the following year and be able to come back to school in 2023 ready and raring to go. Some subjects will complete assessment items over the course of three weeks which will form part of Semester 1, 2023's reports. It is unfortunate that a couple of students do not appear to be making the most of the opportunity and have slipped into 'holiday' mode early. Hopefully we will see a significant improvement over the next two weeks.

School For Student Leadership 2023

We have received several applications from Year 8 students to attend next year's Year 9 School for Student Leadership, which is great. Applications will still be accepted early next week, and we would love to see a full team going to Don Valley in Term 2 next year. Information about the School for Student Leadership is easy to find – just Google 'The Alpine School' or the use the link http://www.alpineschool.vic.edu.au/ to gather further information. As a passionate advocate for the Alpine School, I am always happy to discuss any questions or concerns.

Last week 2022 Year 10 and 11

This is the last week for 2022 Year 10 and 11 students. Their last day will be Friday 2nd December. I wish all of them the best for the break and look forward to seeing them all on Presentation Evening, Tuesday, 13th December at 7pm and next year back at school.

Principal's Report

<u>Activities week</u> 2022 Year 7, 8 and 9 students and any other senior students who wish to attend will be involved in Activities week from Monday 12th December to Thursday December 15th. Information will be distributed to students, and we will need to know accurate numbers as many activities require the organisation of transport etc.

2023 Debutante Ball

We have had confirmation from the Debutante Ball Committee that next years Ball has been cancelled due to lack of numbers, therefore, the Debutante Ball will go ahead in 2024!





Friday, 2nd December – Last day for current Year 10 and 11 students

Monday, 12th December – Activities Week begins for current Year 7-9 students

Tuesday, 13th December – Presentation Evening

Friday, 16th December – Interviews by request

Monday, 19th December – Pupil Free Day – Berry Street Training with the **Primary School**

Tony Hand Principal

Term 3 2022 100% Attendance



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10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly Half a vear	
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week			
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly 1 and a Half years	
1 hour per day 1 day per week		8 Weeks per year	Over 2 and a Half years	

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Demi Leach — France







On Thursday, 24th November, Demi Leach will be starting her journey to France to commence her Student Exchange Program. She will be there for the next 2 months. We all hope she enjoys this experience and we look forward to hearing all about it upon her return.

We wish you the very best Demi!

Au Revoir!

Australian Defence Force





Back in July, the College won the Royal Australian Navy - Emerging Technicians Award which was a unique Navy career experience and Makebot STEM resource kit. In July, three students Charli, Josie and Rogan spent two days at HMAS Cerberus in Hastings and then this week, Michael Budden from the ADF visited the College to present the robotics kit to the school.





Yr. 7 & 7/8 Food



<u>Year 7 and 7-8</u> <u>Food Technology</u>

In our final week of cooking we made double choc chip biscuits and gingerbread biscuits. Students worked in fours to make the two types of biscuits and there were plenty to go around. Unfortunately, due to the cold weather, the cooking room hadn't warmed up and the butter didn't really warm up in the metal bowls. The students had trouble forming the right consistency with the dough. They all persevered in making their biscuits, but missed out on decorating their gingerbread biscuits at the end of the lesson. A good semester has been had by all. I hope they have developed some skills and are helping out around the kitchen at home. They have all had practice washing and drying dishes every week, so there is no excuse!



PLEASE HELP US, WE NEED A BAND NAME!



A reminder that the newly formed Secondary College Rock Band are looking for suggestions for a name. Ideas should be passed to Mrs Walsh or any of the band members. Thank you!

Expressions of Interest

Bendigo Academy of Sport

Canoeing Program



2022-2023

Proudly partnered with the

- Victorian Institute of Sport
- Bendigo Canoe Club
- Paddle Victoria

Deliverables:

- Twice weekly training sessions at Lake Weeroona November 2022 - May 2023
- Camp at Nagambie
- Entry to Victorian Schools' Cup
- A comprehensive Athlete Education sessions Subjects covered include, sport psychology, drugs in sport/gambling/match-fixing, general health and wellbeing, social media, injury prevention and management, and public speaking.
- 2023 Annual Presentation event
- Musculoskeletal Screening
- Strength & Conditioning program Team Builder and at La Trobe University

Contact -for further information

Mark Perdon 0429 132 229 Academy office during work hours on 54447700

Register:

https://forms.gle/jm2noiZ7Mb8hqkAx5







Office News

All camps and excursions are required to be paid prior to attendance unless payment plans have been approved.

Parent Payment Policy Arrangements in 2022

Parent Payment information has been mailed to families – please contact the school if you require any further details.

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

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/

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Office News

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 st.arnaud.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. Applications for the Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund (CSEF) close 24/06/2022

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.

Business Manager – Kerrie Swanton Student Administration – Elisha O'Donnell Office Hours: 8.30 am – 4.30pm Phone 03 5495 1811

Email: st.arnaud.sc@education.vic.gov.au

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The Novice

(Book 1- Summoner series)

By Taran Matharu

When blacksmith apprentice Fletcher discovers that he has the ability to summon demons from another world, he travels to Adept Military Academy. There the gifted are trained in the art of summoning. Fletcher is put through gruelling training as a battlemage to fight in the Hominum Empire's war against orcs. He must tread carefully while training alongside children of powerful nobles. The power hungry, those seeking alliances, and the fear of betrayal surround him. Fletcher finds himself caught in the middle of powerful forces, with only his demon Ignatius for help.

As the pieces on the board manoeuvre for supremacy, Fletcher must decide where his loyalties lie. The fate of an empire is in his hands. The Novice is the first in a trilogy about Fletcher, his demon Ignatius, and the war against the Orcs.



The Inquisition (Book 2 - Summoner series)

By Taran Matharu

A year has passed since the Tournament.

Fletcher and Ignatius have been locked away in Pelt's dungeons, but now they must face a trial at the hands of the Inquisition, a powerful institution controlled by those who would delight in Fletcher's downfall.

The trial is haunted by ghosts from the past with shocking revelations about Fletcher's origins, but he has little time to dwell on them; the graduating students of Vocans are to be sent deep into the orc jungles to complete a dangerous mission for the king and his council. If they fail, the orcish armies will rise to power beyond anything the Empire has ever seen.

With loyal friends Othello and Sylvia by his side, Fletcher must battle his way to the heart of Orcdom and save Hominum from destruction...or die trying.



For Students 13 years above

Are you struggling with or concerned about your mental health?

We can help you access low intensity mental health support services if you have, or are at risk of, mild mental health conditions.

Our accessible services, delivered across Western Victoria, are evidencebased, staged services for people experiencing mild symptoms or low levels of distress for a short period of time.

Our services may assist you even if you have no mental illness risk factors, or if you have responded well to previous treatment. You may feel that you are functioning well but may have problems with motivation or engagement.

What kind of support is provided?

Face-to-face one-to-one intervention or Telehealth
Individual support for those presenting with mild/low levels of psychological
distress.

8 Sessions are available 60 mins in duration and aims to support and manage your mental health.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BET UP AN APPOINTMENT TO THIS COUNSELLING SERVICE, PLEASE MAKE CONTACT WITH SCHOOL NURSE TANIA- (AVAILABLE MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY IN SCHOOL) OR EMAIL ON: tania.scarce@education.vic.gov.au. Alternatively call the school to advise.

Health & Wellbeing



PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE AT THE SECONDARY COLLEGE

Introducing U'Nita Harold. U'Nita is our new Psychologist that is visiting the Secondary School once a fortnight. U'Nita is available for appointments.

The mission is to assist clients to build vibrant authentic meaningful lives, based on what they value as important.

Our practice model is holistic and considers emotional health and wellbeing in the greater context of movement, nutrition, social

connection, sleep, and spirituality

consent) excellent communication with GPs and other allied health professionals in order to maximise the We are committed to providing a multidisciplinary approach to client care, maintaining (with client mental health and wellbeing outcomes for our clients

which is mindful of and empathic towards the unique needs of rural people, their families, lifestyles, and communities.

Our highly qualified and experienced team is committed to providing a service

Clients' privacy and confidentiality are imperative

For appointments, please contact School Nurse Tania Scarce or Student Wellbeing Coordinator Rosanne Chapman.



Health & Wellbeing

Is your child struggling at school but financially unable to access external tutoring?

WE'RE HERE TO HELP.

WHAT WE DO

- · Connect students who struggle with school but are not able to afford tutoring otherwise to our dedicated volunteer tutors for free.
- Our tutors can assist Kindergarten to Year 9 students with English, Mathematics and Science, in addition to reading help for K-2 students.

OUR MISSION

eTutors Project connects students who are having learning difficulties with access to free weekly tutoring lessons to help them succeed, regardless of their financial capability.

eTutors Project

To learn more about us or to enrol as a student, please visit www.etutorsproject.org



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GET ACTIVE KIDS!

FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO HELP KIDS BE MORE ACTIVE

FAMILIES

Round 5 of the Get Active Kids Voucher Program is NOW OPEN!

The program provides financial support (up to \$200 per eligible child) to cover membership and registration fees, to get more kids involved in sport and recreation activities.

Visit <u>www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers</u> to find out more and apply. Round 5 closes 30th November 2022.

LOCAL SPORTING CLUBS

Register to become an activity provider! Help families facing financial barriers get their kids into your sport or activity. Register your club at:

www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/info-forproviders/





Careers & Pathways

Reminders: Year 12 Students



Federation Uni Early Offer – Close 12th December

Register for VCE Unit 3 & 4 Results/ATAR Monday 12th December 2022

https://resultsandatar.vic.edu.au

Change of Preferences for VTAC Round one offers Close 14th December 2022 @ 4:00pm

> VTAC 1st Round Course Offers 21st December 2022



VTAC | Webinar: getting ready for your results – what happens next?

Monday 5th December 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Thursday 8th December 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Join the VTAC team for a live webinar which will cover what happens when you receive your results and ATAR, how change of preference and course offers works, and some really key things you should be thinking about now to ensure you get the best outcome.

You'll have the opportunity to ask questions throughout, so join us to find out everything you need to know about getting to uni, TAFE, or college next year!

Register for 5th Dec:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_n _cqfD2tSceHMzs7pDSauA

Register for 8th Dec:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN C aOOXeAYQOuO1nFm9dwYsA

Women in Defence Information Session



Monday 28th November 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Online

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Tune in for a virtual information session to speak with current serving women in Defence to learn more

To Register Visit:

www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/eventsdetail/9ow1kdh

Collarts | Summer Workshop Series



Mon 23rd – Wed 25th January 2023 9am - 5pm

Collarts, Wellington St Campus

These Summer Holidays, we're opening our doors to Victorian High School students in years 10, 11 and 12 to participate in a series of practical, hands-on workshops! Come and experience what it's like to live a day in the life of a Collarts student. We have 13 workshops to choose from across 3 days.

https://events.humanitix.com/collarts-summerworkshop-series-2023

Marine and Freshwater Discovery Centre

THE Santos SCIENCE EXPERIENCE

Tuesday 17th January 2023

Marine and Freshwater Discovery Centre, Queenscliff

Year 9 & 10 Students immerse yourself in marine and freshwater science in one day.

A combination of presentations by scientists, hands on practicals and watery activities will lead to a fulfilling program that will allow you to explore the many possibilities for future studies and careers in aquatic science and beyond.

To Register visit:

www.scienceexperience.com.au/about-theprogram

Which area of engineering should you study?



So, you've decided to study engineering... but can't decide which area of engineering is for you. Will you be designing and building new transport systems and future cities? Or will you be using chemical engineering in medical technology, or maybe engineering the hardware behind computers and tech? This quiz will help you to decide which area of engineering you should study and put you on your way to an awesome engineering career.

https://careerswithstem.com.au/whichengineering-major-quiz

Mrs Rebecca Reynolds Careers Co-ordinator

Sue Clay ---

Careers and Pathways Email: s.clay@ncllen.org.au

Expression of Interest

Looking for hospitality staff?



Trainees earn up to \$10K above the award!*

Labour Hire employees earn up to \$1k above the award*

Financial incentives valued at \$4.5K for Employers!*

New Hospitality Traineeship Program

The Hospitality Traineeship Program is a Group Training program that supports eligible job seekers into paid training and employment in the hospitality sector.

Successful candidates will complete a Certificate III in Hospitality over 12 months and are eligible to receive \$10K above the award wages for the duration of the traineeship.

During this time candidates will complete 38 hours work placement per week with participating employers which might include:

- Restaurants
- Cafes
- · Sporting clubs
- · Commercial kitchens (hotels)
- · Accommodation facilities

Labour Hire Hospitality Casual Placements

Labour hire is also available for three month labour hire placements with a minimum of 20 hours work per week.



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Community Sport News











St Arnaud Swimming Club train
each night (6pm) at the St Arnaud Swimming Pool.
We have members who either just train
or train and compete with experienced coaches.
There are 8 swimming competitions for the season
at St Arnaud, Ararat, Warracknabeal + Horsham.

We are on the hunt for people of all ages who have a passion for swimming, can swim at least 50m and would like to train with us and become a Piranha.

Envolments open to St Avnaud and survounding towns!

For more information about enrolling please contact starnaudswimclub@notmail.com or on our Facebook or Instagram page. We hope to hear from you, happy swimming!



St Arnaud Cricket Club are seeking players for Junior Cricket in 2022/23

If you have a child interested in playing junior cricket for the 2022/23 season, please message your child's name and birth date to Brad on 0403882056 or Tim on 0427 003 109 or alternatively message the St Arnaud Cricket Club on Facebook.





Community Information



Venue: St Arnaud Community Resource Centre

Boat & Jetski - \$125 per person Sunday 27th November 1:00pm-5:00 pm

Enrolment and payment are required by

Friday 11th November

Enquiries, enrolments and payments to: St Arnaud Community Resource Centre, Ph: 5495 1997 9am-2pm Mondays to





Do you know a person or a group who has made an outstanding contribution to the community in Northern Grampians this year?

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Community Events

OPEN 11-4 RAILLERY HUB

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OPENING 2 pm Nov 12





Beauty and the Bird Joan Halpin

Window to the Wild

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Queen Mary

December 18th (Cnr Millett & McMahon Sts.) Gardens Sunday



Gardens

in the

Carols

Featuring: 'Primary School & St Patrick's Singers and Musicians',
Ukulele Band, St Arnaud Citizens' Band.

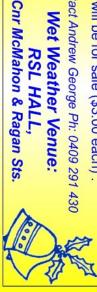
Please be seated by 6:45pm

For a 7:00pm Start

Battery powered `candles' will be for sale (\$3.00 each) B.Y.O. chairs, rugs etc

Contact Andrew George Ph: 0409 291 430 Wet Weather Venue: RSL HALL,





St Arnaud

2022 Calendar









November	FRI	25th	PUPIL FREE DAY
	Wed	30th	MIPS
December	Thurs	1st	Grade 6 Transition — Whole Day
	Fri	2nd	Yr. 10 & 11 Last Day
	Tues	6th	Grade 6 Transition — Whole Day
	Wed	7th	Grade 6 Transition — Whole Day
	Wed	7th	NCTTC — Year 9's Last Day
	Fri	9th	Step Up Ends
	Mon—Thurs	12th — 15th	Activities Week — current Yr. 7, 8 & 9 students
	Tues	13th	Presentation Night @ 7pm
	Thurs	15th	Last Day of Term 4 for current Yr. 7, 8 & 9 students
	Fri	16th	Interviews by Request
	Mon	19th	Interviews by Request
	Tues	20th	Interviews by Request
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