St. Arnaud Secondary College Newsletter

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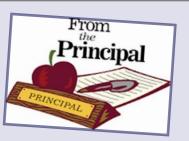
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Principal's Report

2023 Year 7 – 9 Activities Week

I have spoken with all the students regarding activities week which starts next Monday, 11th December. All Year 7 to 9 students are, like all Year Prep to 6 students, required to be at



school until Wednesday 20th December. However, this year we are not expecting students at school after Friday, 15th December, as Monday and Wednesday are 'Interviews by Request' days and Tuesday is a whole staff Professional Development Day with the Primary School Staff.

All students are expected at school for the entity of next week, and their attendance will be recorded for the Semester 1, 2024 rolls. We have also scheduled our annual trip to the Adventure Water Park in Geelong for Friday, and this has been the most popular event in activities week over the last two years. At this stage, we only have 30 names down out of a possible 70 students. Students who don't attend the adventure park will be helping us prepare for 2024.

If attendance is poor during activities week, we will re-look at our end of year program and will consider extending the Step-Up Program for all students in Years 7 to 10 in 2024.

Thursday 14th December – Presentation Night and Practice

As part of Activities Week, we have a rehearsal for Presentation Night on Thursday. All students are expected at this rehearsal, as well as at Presentation Night itself. Students will come to school in the morning and have some activities during Period 1 and 2, and then we will go to the Hall at 11 am for the rehearsal. At the conclusion of the rehearsal (usually around 12:20pm), students can go to the pool with staff, or if they have a note, can be dismissed from the rehearsal. Students not participating in the afternoon activity will not have access to the bus on that night.

2024 Year 7 Transition

This week we have welcomed our 30 Year 7 students for 2024. There were plenty of nervous yet excited faces at the College on Tuesday morning, but checking in with them again on Wednesday, they all reported that they had enjoyed the day prior and were happy to be coming back.

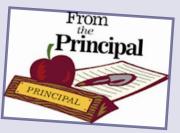
Building Update

As I sit here in my office typing this Principal's report, I can hear the gentle thud and bash of the hall being taken down by a 30-tonne excavator! There will not be much left by the end of today (Wednesday). This will create a lovely open area for some more grass and pathways which will be great. It also opens up a great view of the new building.

Principal's Report

School Council Meeting

On Wednesday night, we held our final School Council meeting of the year with a thank you dinner at The Royal Hotel. Thanks to all parents, students and staff members who have helped make this a successful year for Council.



Year 8 Gnurad Gundidj Positions

We have had a couple of students apply for the SSL positions in 2024 and I have emailed parents asking them to encourage their children to have a go at the this 'once in a lifetime Opportunity.' It would clearly appear that, generally speaking, our boys do not have the courage to go out and try something new which is a shame.





Monday, 11th December – 2023 Yr. 7 to 9 Activities Week Begins Thursday, 14th December – Presentation Night @ the Town Hall Friday, 15th December – Geelong Adventure Park - Yr. 7, 8 & 9 students last day of Term 4 Monday, 18th December – Interviews by Request Wednesday, 20th December – Interviews by Request

Tony Hand Principal



Energy Breakthrough Certificates

Term 3 100% Attendance Certificates



2024 Yr. 7 Transition Photos



Office News

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION WITH 12 MONTHS FREE INTERNET AT HOME

The Australian Government has established the School Student Broadband Initiative to provide free home internet for up to 30,000 eligible families with school-aged students:

The period in which a family can apply to receive a free service is up to 31 December 2024

 The duration of free services will continue until 31 December 2025 for all existing and new families The initiative aims to boost education opportunities. NBN Co is leading the rollout of this initiative across the country.

How the School Student Broadband Initiative can help your child

Children who can access online learning at home as part of their education are more likely to engage in classroom activities.

Access to fast internet at home can also support children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and take part in a world that is more reliant on digital technology.

<u>Eligibility</u>

To be eligible, families must:

- have a child living at home enrolled in an Australian school
- not have an active National Broadband Network (nbn) internet service at their home (having a mobile internet service does not affect eligibility)
- live in a premises that can access the National Broadband Network through a standard connection. NBN Co will check this for you after you apply
- Not have had an active nbn connection during the previous 14 days*
- register interest with your school and complete a consent form to be assessed for eligibility.

 There may be cases where exceptions can be made, once you have had your address checked, please contact the School Student Broadband Initiative team at SSBI@education.vic.gov.au to discuss further.

How the School Student Broadband Initiative works

If you are eligible, your home internet service will be provided at no cost through until the end of 2025, with a participating internet provider on the National Broadband Network. Each internet provider has its own process to get you connected, which may involve you providing identification.

Once you sign up, the internet provider will help you set up your connection. The initiative does not include devices such as a computer or tablet. Other members of your household can use the internet service provided through this initiative.

The period of free internet will start from the day your service is activated with your chosen provider. At the end of the free broadband period, you will not be placed onto a paid service by your internet provider without your consent. The Australian Government is considering options beyond the free period.

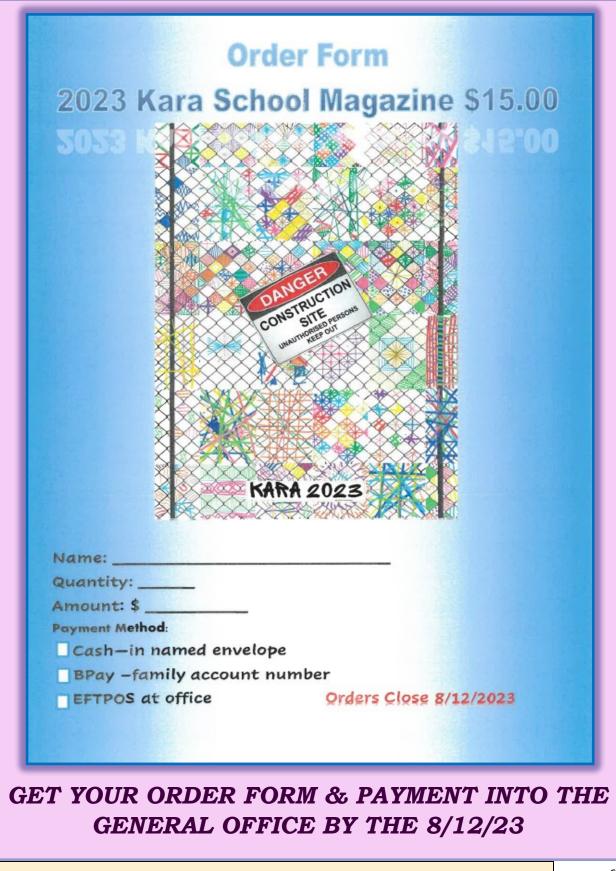
How to apply

- Ask your school for a copy of the School Student Broadband Initiative consent form.
- Complete the consent form and return to the school.
- NBN Co will use student address details on the consent form to confirm eligibility.
- If you are eligible, NBN Co will issue a voucher for your family to use to sign up with a participating internet
 provider. This will be provided to you by your school. <u>Please note</u>: NBN Co will review the home address for
 eligibility. No personal information other than your main home address will be shared with NBN Co. Please
 see the consent form for details about how personal information will be used.

Find out more

For more information about the School Student Broadband Initiative, visit https://www.infrastructure.gov.au

Kara School Magazine Order Form



Personalised Engraved Pavers ST ARNAUD SECONDARY COLLEGE Personalised Engraved Paver - \$25.00 Mary Smith Peter Black hn Brown laren Green Tom Silver Dux 2015 Student School Captain Teacher School Councillor Pavers will be laid as part of the landscaping of the current \$10 million building program in 2024. ENGRAVING DETAILS - MAX 17 CHARACTERS PER LINE Please print clearly using ALL CAPITAL LETTERS. Max 3 lines per paver. Each box represents a character (letter, number, punctuation mark or space). No hand drawings. L 1 L 2 L 3 CONTACT DETAILS AND PAYMENT OPTIONS: Name Phone Amount \$ Payment Options: Cheques made to: St. Arnaud Secondary College Cash – Named Envelope to the General Office EFTPOS – Payment at General Office **BPay – Family Account details** ORDERS CLOSE 1ST MARCH 2024 7

Activities Week - 11th-13th December

Activities Week Schedule -

Monday 11th to Wednesday 13th December

Monday Morning	Monday Middle	Monday Afternoon
Board Games	Arcade Games	Board Games
Christmas Origami	Minecraft Christmas Scape	Christmas Movie
Bush Walk	Basketball	Downball
Indoor Cricket	Badminton	Indoor Football (S*ccer)
Tuesday Morning	Tuesday Middle	Tuesday Afternoon
The Chocolate Game	Mario Kart	Cooking
Dungeons & Dragons (Part 1)	Dungeons and Dragons (Part 2)	Movie
Mountain Biking	Cooking	Electronics
Badminton	Downball	Ultimate Frisby
	Table Tennis	Volleyball
Wednesday Morning	Wednesday Middle	Wednesday Afternoon
Board Games	Super Nintendo (SNES) Games	Movie
Art for Australia	Art for Australia	Board Games
French Icons in Film	French Icons in Film	Basketball
Speedminton	EBT Bikes Cricket	
Lawn Bowls	Tennis	

For any outdoor activities, students <u>MUST</u> have a broad brimmed hat, or they will <u>NOT</u> be able to participate! A water bottle is essential.

Each afternoon, weather permitting, the St. Arnaud Swimming Pool may be an option, students wishing to visit the Pool, must bring a rashie, bathers, towel and a broad brimmed hat.

When participating in activities in the local community, students are reminded that they are representing the College. Failure to display the College values of respect, responsibility and resilience will result in removal from an activity.

2024 Yr. 11 Food Studies





Last Friday, the Year 11 Food Studies students completed a scientific

experiment, cooking carrots using different heat transfer methods. The students microwaved, steamed,



boiled, roasted and air fried the carrots, and then had to complete a sensory evaluation by comparing the appearance, flavour



and texture.

Most of the group decided that the healthier

cooking method was steaming, but the method that received the overall optimal

sensory properties was air frying, with roasting coming a close second. After discussion why this was, they concluded that using those two methods caramelised the sugars in the carrots giving them a sweeter flavour.

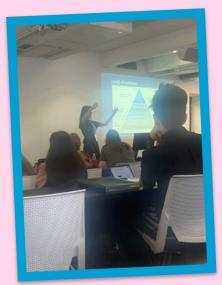


Thanks to Elisha, Miss Bertalli and Mr. Knight who helped with the taste testing.



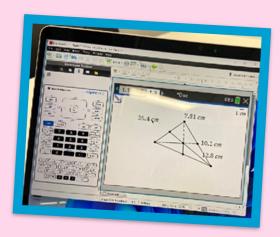


Math's Association Conference



Mr. Redmond and Mrs. Jackson attended one out of two days of the Mathematical Association of Victoria Annual Conference on Thursday, 30th November.

Topics covered included Acceleration verses Electives, Numeracy verses Mathematics, Hook Activities, Rich Maths Tasks, Using the TINSPIRE CAS to create geometrical figures and programming.





There was a great deal of valuable information and activities to be gained from the conference and it was truly worthwhile. All ideas and activities have the potential to be implemented at our school. COVID interrupted the last few years of the Conference, so it was exciting to be able to participate again this year.

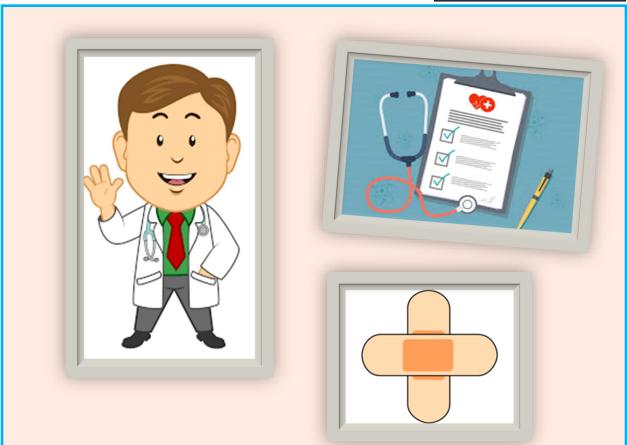
Community Information



L2P Program



School Doctor's Clinic



Doctors In Schools Program

We are very lucky to have Dr. Mohammad Jawad and Practice Nurse Kylie Kirk with us starting on Wednesday, 9th August.

Please take note this service is now on a WEDNESDAY!!

This service is available free to students.

Any students requiring appointments to see the GP can see Mrs. Chapman.

Last appointment day for 2023 is Wednesday 13th December. Please contact Mrs. Chapman if you require an appointment!

Careers & Pathways



Careers & Pathways

Ever thought about employing an apprentice or trainee at your school?



Now is the time to act for 2024!



Want to learn more?

Get in touch today Shane Cross

Operations Coordinator T 1300 135 008 M 0418 564 890 E shane.cross@skillinvest.com.au



Scan this QR code to learn more about Skillinvest services.

Skillinvest offer a straightforward solution to address your employment and training needs.

Skillinvest is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to supporting youth in employment and creating opportunities in all industry sectors.

We have identified a demand in the school sectors for:

- Certificate III in Education Support
- Certificate III in Sport and Recreation
- · Certificate III & IV in Business

All training is completed on-the-job.

Skillinvest relieves businesses from the burden of new apprenticeship and traineeship employment administration.

The Group Training concept is simple - Skillinvest employ the Apprentice/Trainee, and you, as the host employer, provide the employment opportunity. Skillinvest take care of the associated paperwork and ensure you receive all eligible Government incentives.

Skillinvest is currently experiencing increased interest in Apprenticeships and Traineeships, and we are now taking expressions of interest for commencements in 2024.

This is your chance to offer support for ongoing training and education for a future trainee or apprentice.

If you've been considering employing a new Apprentice or Trainee, the time to act is now.

This opportunity:

- · Is a great option for students considering a gap year
- Provides ongoing full-time employment for the duration of the apprenticeship or traineeship
- Keep locals, local.



Careers & Pathways





EAST WIMMERA HEALTH SERVICE ATTENTION SECONDARY COLLEGE STUDENTS

East Wimmera Health Service currently has a range of job opportunities available, both short term and long term.

East Wimmera Health Service provides all staff with a safe and supportive team environment.

We are seeking reliable and motivated team members in the following departments:

- 🧭 Maintenance
- 🧭 Kitchen Assistant
- 🧭 Cleaner

No prior experience necessary.

If you are looking for work either over your school holidays / gap year or considering a long term role within our health service please email your expression of interest/resume to **applications@ewhs.org.au** or call **03 5477 2177**.



G.H. Edwards Library

The Five Greatest Warriors, By Matthew Reilly

THE END OF THE WORLD HAS ARRIVED

Jack West Jr and his loyal team have been separated, their mission is in ruins, and Jack was last seen plummeting down a fathomless abyss.

OCEANS WILL RISE, CITIES WILL FALL

After surviving his deadly fall, Jack must now race against his enemies to locate and set in place the remaining pieces of 'the Machine' before the coming Armageddon.

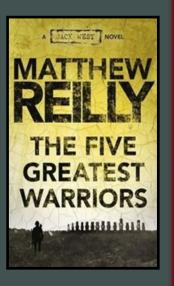
WHO ARE THE FIVE WARRIORS?

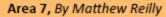
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THE HERO OF ICE STATION IS BACK AND THRULERS.

JUST GOT A WHOLE LOT FASTER

Jack will learn of the individuals who throughout history have been most intimately connected to his quest, but not before he and his friends find out exactly what the end of the world looks like...





A HIDDEN LOCATION

It is America's most secret base, a remote installation known only as Area 7.

THE VISITOR

And today it has a guest: the President of the United States. But he's going to get more than he bargained for on this trip. Because hostile forces are waiting inside...

HIS SAVIOUR

Among the President's helicopter crew, however, is a young marine. His name is Schofield. Call-sign: SCARECROW. Rumour has it, he's a good man in a storm. Judging by what the President has just walked into, he'd better be...



Our school offers breakfast on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students have toast, milk, fruit, and we also do special breakfasts, for example, pancakes. Come along!

At St. Arnaud Secondary College, we can organise Food Bank Hampers for families. If your family require assistance, please contact Rosanne Chapman, Student Wellbeing Student Support Coordinator, at the College on 54951 811. Inquiries are treated confidentially.



We thank Foodbank Victoria for helping us to support our families.

NGS Event

16 Days of ACTIVISM

Did you know that on average police attend a family violence incident every six minutes in Victoria and children are present at 30% of incidents?

Join us for 16 days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence

Northern Grampians Shire Council is hosting a range of activities for anyone interested in getting involved in the campaign, including walks against family violence and the chance to engage with community groups at our information kiosk in Stawell

SHIRE COUNCI

November 24

Walk Against Family Violence -Stawell

Starting at 3.30pm at the Stawell Library with a talk from a lived experience speaker. Walk down Main Street and finish at the Pop-up Park with a free BBQ from 4.30 - 6.00pm

December 8

Information Kiosk Stawell

Shop 108, Main St. Stawell 10am-3pm

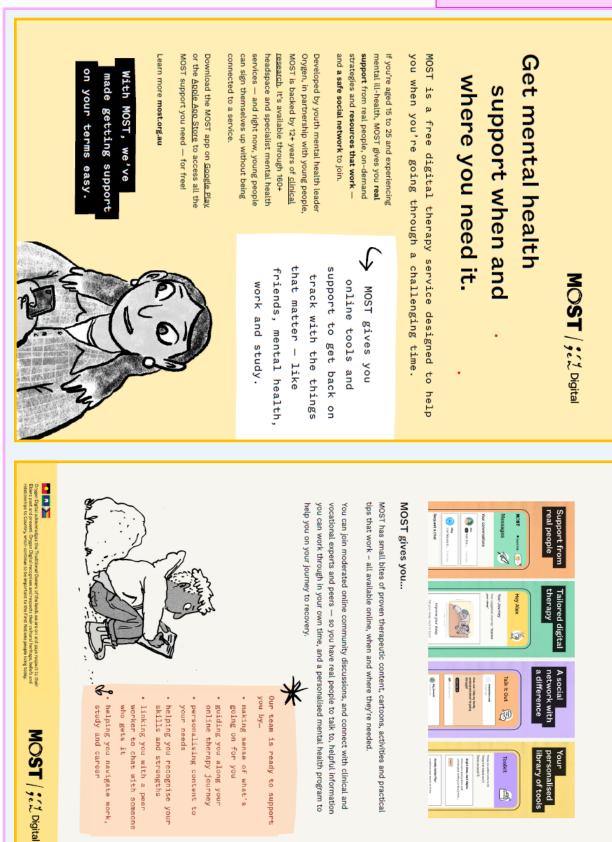
- The Orange Door
- Grampians Community Health
- Women's Health Grampians
- Grampians Health

December 1

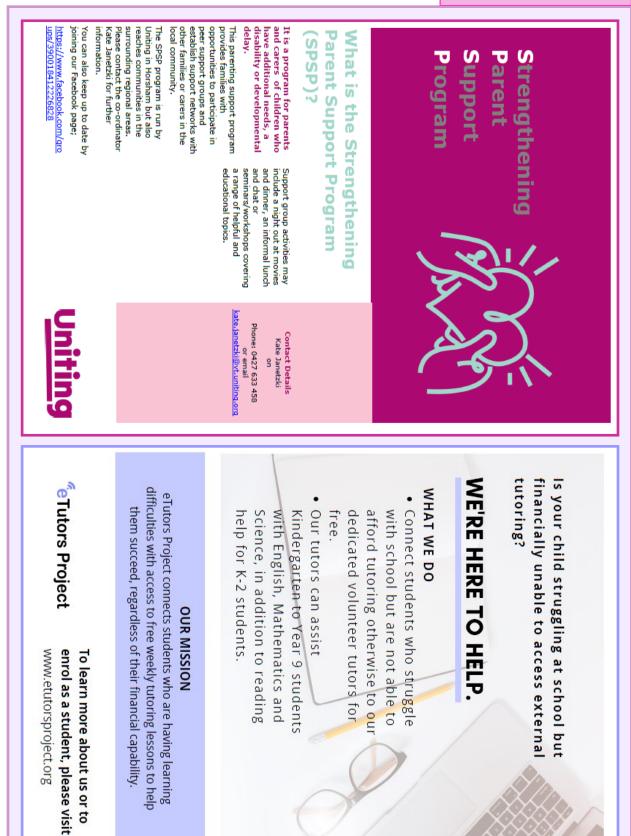
Walk Against Family Victence -St Arnaud

Starting at the Queen Mary Gardens at 3.30pm. Walk through St Arnaud finishing with a free BBQ from 4.00 - 5.00pm

Questions? Contact Sandy Bevan - 5358 8700









Community Events



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ST ARNAUD RAILLERY HUB GALLERY Presents THE BENDIGO ARTISTS COLLECTIVE

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ART EXHIBITION

DECEMBER 8TH TO JANUARY 28TH 2024

VIEWING & SALES: FRIDAY – SUNDAY 11AM – 4PM

> Raillery Hub Gallery & Shop Queens Ave, St Arnaud

Community Events



Australia Day 2024

Northern Grampians Shire Council have begun preparations for Australia Day celebrations in 2024.

To make the day as inclusive as possible, we are running competitions for young people who live in the Northern Grampians. For all schools in the shire, we have three categories for young people to enter:

- Photography A photo depicting what they love about living where we do
- Drawing/Art A drawing or painting, of any medium, again depicting what they love about living where we do
- Colouring I enclose two colouring pages for students to select from

Closing date will be Friday, 12th January 2024, judging will take place and winners announced at Australia Day celebrations in St. Arnaud on Friday, 26th January 2024.

Also, nominations are now open for Local Awards. We would appreciate your school sharing the message to nominate a person or group who have made a significant contribution to our community.

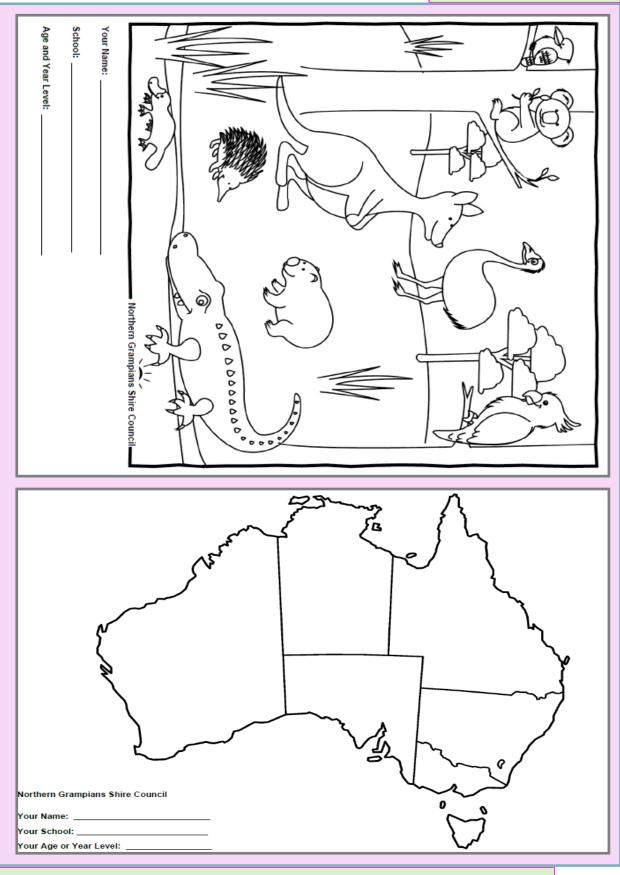
Nominations are preferred online at: <u>Northern Grampians Australia Day 2024</u>. Or you can contact us if you require alternate ways to nominate.

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact me on (03) 5358 8770 or via email at: <u>rhian.jones@ngshire.vic.gov.au</u>

See the next page for the two colouring sheets for students to select from !



Australia Day - Colouring Sheets



School Uniform Price List 2023



111 NAPIER ST, ST.ARNAUD PH: 54952929 OPEN: MON-FRI: 9.00-5.00 SAT 9.30-12.30

SECONDARY COLLEGE UNIFORM PRICE LIST 2023

ITEM	SIZES	PRICE
Short Sleeve Polo	10-3XL	\$25.00
Long Sleeve Polo	10-3XL	\$26.00
Kids Rugby Jumper	10-14	\$45.00
Rugby Jumper	XS-3XL	\$50.00
Micro Fibre Shorts	8-3XL	\$30.00
Drill Shorts	8-2XL	\$30.00
Kids Ramo Shorts	10-16	\$30.00
Ramo Shorts	S-3XL	\$30.00
Micro Fibre Trackpants	10-3XL	\$40.00
Drill Pants	10-2XL	\$40.00
Ladies Jane Pant	6-24	\$66.00
Sports Polo	10-3XL	\$35.00
Sports Jacket	10-3XL	\$45.00
Kids Selwyn Soft Shell Jacket	10-16	\$62.00
Selwyn Soft Shell Jacket	S-5XL	\$65.00
Kids Olympus Soft Shell Jacket	10-16	\$82.00
Olympus Soft Shell Jacket	S-5XL	\$85.00
Olympus Soft Shell Vest	S-5XL	\$72.00
Dress	6-22	\$79.50
Skirt	8-24	\$75.00
Bucket Hat	S/M & L/XL	\$15.00
Scarf		\$15.00

School Canteen Menu

St Arnaud Secondary College – Canteen Menu 2023

Main

<u>Snacks</u>

Spinach & Ricotta Roll	\$4.00
Sausage Rolls	\$4.00
Flavour Pie	\$5.00
Pastie	\$5.00
Plain Pies	\$5.00

Slices	\$2.00
Fruit Salad	\$4.00
Yoghurt variety	\$1.50
Snack Wrap	\$3.00

<u>Drinks</u>

Water

\$3.00

The following include –

Choice of Chicken, Ham, T	una,
Salami	

Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Beetroot, Cucumber, Carrot, and Mayo

Salad Roll	\$5.00
Salad Sandwich	\$5.00
Salad Wrap	\$5.00
Salad Bowl	\$5.00
Sweet Chilli wraps	\$6.00
Sweet Chilli Bowl	\$6.00
Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$6.00
Toasted Focaccia	\$6.00
Mixed Sand/Toasties	\$4.00
Pizza Variety	\$4.00

Eftpos Facilities Available

(minimum \$5.00)

Sparkling Water	\$3.00
Flavoured Water	\$4.00
Nippy's	\$3.00
Big M 500ml	\$4.00
Big M 300ml	\$3.00
Daily Juice	\$4.00
Juice Box	\$2.00

Mondays are Specials Day, check out the Specials Board



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2023 Calendar









December	Mon-Wed	11th-13th	Activities Week
	Thurs	14th	Presentation Night Practice / Swimming Pool Presentation Night Begins @ 7pm— Town Hall
	Fri	15th	Geelong Adventure Park Last Day of Term 4 — Yr. 7, 8 & 9 students
	Mon	18th	Interviews by Request
	Wed	20th	Last Day for Staff
January 2024	Mon	29th	Staff Return back to School
	Tues	30th	Yr. 7, 11 & 12 Students Return
	Wed	31st	Yr. 8, 9 & 10 Students Return



