



Tallangatta Secondary College

Newsletter

Big Enough To Deliver, Small Enough To Care.

At Tallangatta Secondary College our main purpose is for all students to establish their place in the global community and to demonstrate personal and educational growth within a challenging, stimulating and innovative learning environment.

We Value: Effort, Integrity, Responsibility, Teamwork, Empathy and Respect with Learning at the centre.

Student Achievement:

Optimise AusVELS and VCE/VCAL outcomes for all students.

Student Engagement:

Further develop the safe, attractive, cooperative, innovative and stimulating school learning environment for all students.

Student Wellbeing:

Continue to develop a whole-school approach to student wellbeing (social, emotional, physical & mental) based on collective responsibility.

Productivity:

Targeted use of school resources (human, physical and financial) in order to achieve the desired goals and targets.

Principal's Report

Year 11 Program

This week is the final week of formal classes for Year 11 students before they enter their study and examination period. Once exams are completed, students will return for their 'Head Start' program in preparation for Year 12 next year. I wish them all the best for their exams. I would also like to acknowledge the work of the Later Years team, and classroom teachers, for their organisation of the rigorous and valuable Head Start program that begins on Monday 14th November.

Advertised Positions

I am pleased to announce to the school community the successful applicants of the two recently advertised Leading Teacher positions is Mrs Julie Burrows and Ms Sue McKenzie. We are now interviewing for two internally advertised Leading Teachers positions and will soon be shortlisting and interviewing for four teaching positions to begin next year. Once these selection processes are completed, I will notify the school community of the successful applicants.

Preparation for 2017

At this time of the year, we understand that parents are often bombarded with emails, letters, forms and other school correspondence requesting some action by parents in preparation for the following school year. There have been a number of netbook letters, booklists and other forms that have already been sent home, outlining the action required by parents and the relevant due dates. I strongly urge parents to read all correspondence and return forms by the due date. As always, the office staff are happy to assist parents with filling out forms or giving further information to parents where required.

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Whilst we expect forms to be submitted this year, most payments are not due until the beginning of the 2017 school year.

Overland Cradle Mountain Tasmania Trip

I continued to be amazed with the number of opportunities and experiences the College provides to our students. I am sure the nine students who attended this trip last week have learned so much about themselves, particularly in relation to our school values, Responsibility, Teamwork, Effort and Empathy. I would like to commend the behaviour of all nine students and the organisation and leadership of Ms Keira Barlee who led the trip.

Sister School Visit

This week we have welcomed sixteen students and four staff from our sister school SMK Datuk Peter Mojuntin. This has been a wonderful experience for our school community and I would like to thank everyone involved.

Lightwaves

Last weekend a number of our students presented at the Tallangatta Fifties Festival a Lightwaves presentation as part of the P2020 program. I would like to thank staff,

Coming Events

Fri 4th Nov	CFA Graduation Day
Mon 7th Nov	HP114 Excursion
Wed 16th Nov	School Council 6pm
Fri 18th Nov	Yr 12 Graduation Dinner
Fri 16th Dec	Presentation Day

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students and parents for their efforts. As I mentioned in last week's newsletter, the opportunity and experiences that the school provides for our students to be actively involved in the local and broader communities is to be commended.

Richelle Moyle
Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

VCE Exams

It has been pleasing to see the effort and attitude of our Year 12 students as they complete their final exams. The Year 11 students will soon be undertaking their own exams in Week 6 and should ensure they are finishing off their units by completing everything to the best of their ability. The headstart program will begin shortly after the exams whereby students will get a feel for the expectations of study at Year 12.

Malaysian Sister School

It has been a privilege for our Malaysian sister school, SMK Datuk Peter Mojuntin, to visit us and share their experiences and culture with the College. This has been a fantastic learning opportunity for all students involved as we get to experience the similarities and differences in our ways of life. We wish them all the best on their trip to Melbourne tomorrow and their onward journey home.

Character Strengths – Love

There are four types of love, each with a biological and evolutionary base:

- Attachment love: parent for child; child for parent
- Compassionate/altruistic love: kindness
- Companionate love: friendship
- Romantic love: spouse/partner/boyfriend/girlfriend

Exercises for Boosting this Strength

- Convey love at work by making an effort to understand who you're working with, finding out what is important to them and engaging with them on the topic regularly.
- Engage in a favourite activity with a loved one (e.g., hiking, going to an amusement park, biking, walking in the park, swimming, camping, jogging).

<http://www.viacharacter.org/www/Character-Strengths/Love>

"It is not so much what is poured into the student, but what is planted that really counts." – Author Unknown

Scott Anderson
Assistant Principal

Later Years News

GTES Employment

GTES have contacted the college to inform us that they have a number of apprenticeship and other positions that will be coming available and they will be conducting initial interviews in the next few weeks. If you are interested you need to register your interest with GTES via their website www.gtes.com.au

Central Australia/Northern Territory Tour

There have been over 60 students express an interest in this tour which will be conducted during the September school holidays next year. Students in Year 9 or 10 who have not yet obtained the information should see staff in the SSC. Further information will be distributed in the coming weeks.

Year 11

Formal classes for Year 11 students will conclude this week. Students were given their exam timetable for next week and information which details the organisation and expectations for the week. This includes the fact that students must wear school uniform and must stay on the school grounds unless they have permission from their parents to leave. Headstart commences in the week following the exams. This runs for 2 weeks and give students an introduction to their Year 12 studies. It is important and expected that all VCE students attend classes for these 2 weeks. VCAL classes will only operate on the first day of the program, but if students are undertaking VCE subjects they are expected to attend these classes.

Year 12

VCE exams are well underway and appear to have gone smoothly to date. Bookings for the Graduation should have been in last week. If any students have not paid the money this must be done by the end of this week.

Career News

Exiting Students

Except for our current Year 12 students, all other students who are not returning to school in 2017 should ensure that they have informed their Year Level Coordinator. There are a number of processes that need to be completed prior to exiting the College. Often where students are moving to other schools or TAFE, by completing the necessary paperwork at school prior to leaving a smooth transition to the next institution is enhanced and delays in enrolment are avoided. In all cases, where students are leaving Tallangatta Secondary College, parents need to sign appropriate paperwork.

Students who are seeking work or have a job organised and are not intending to come back in 2017, there are still a number of requirements that need to be met prior to leaving. Talk to your coordinator or Mr Livingstone if you are in this position. Again, parents need to complete documentation prior to the student leaving the College. Students who have been given a job offer in 2017 should bring a copy of this offer to school as part of their exiting process.

Job Opportunities

1st or 2nd Year Apprentice Cabinet Maker/Shop Fitter
 Sport & Outdoor Education Trainee - Gap Year
 Information Technology - Gap Year
 School Based Agricultural Trainee

See Mr Livingstone for details.

Music Report

“Music expresses feeling and thought, without language; it was below and before speech, and it is above and beyond all words.” ~Robert G. Ingersoll.



The jazz band was invited to perform as part of the schools light waves concert at 7.00pm on the 29th of October in the Tallangatta Triangles. We opened the night with wonderful music and every one enjoyed it. After the Jazz band other performers got up on stage and entertained the crowd. We hope to have more performances like this in future.

The 3rd of November, we will be having a VCE recital for our unit 2 musicians. Many of the students are stressed but they are practicing hard and their nerves will soon disappear. Still hope that we will have a fantastic attendance. In other news, we are having the music tour at the start of December in the third week. We will be traveling to many different schools, for next year’s year 7s and hopefully we will have more musicians in the future.

In other news, our music program is taking part in the state-wide music initiative ‘Music Count Us In’, where music programs across the state learn and perform a song in their local area. Our music program at Tallangatta Secondary (Choir and Bands) as well as a few of our feeder primary schools will be joining forces to perform this song on Friday November 4th at 10.00am in the school PAC- it is sure to be a wonderful experience. In mid-December we will be travelling around to a bunch of primary schools to perform for them, whilst we are doing this, the young ones will get to experience what the music program is all about, so hopefully when they

come to high school they will be interested in joining. On a final note, we are always on the lookout for new members to join in the music program, any interested students need to see Mr McKee immediately. Any student or teacher is always welcome to come down to the PAC during lunch or recess through the week to play an instrument, have a sing, talk about music or even watch a rehearsal in a friendly, supervised and supportive environment. Just come down and have fun.

As always, I can always be contacted at the College to discuss any questions or concerns regarding the music program. Thank you so much to all parents, community members, and staff for their support of our music program.

Rhys McKee
Music Program Coordinator

2017 Booklists

Year 7,8, 9 & 10 Booklists for 2017 are now available to order through the College website www.tallangatta-sc.vic.edu.au



2017 Year 10 Netbook Agreements

Parents should have received information regarding the 2017 Year 10 Netbooks and End of lease agreements. If you have not received this package or require any further information please contact the office.

Blood Bank

This is an update of our tally board for our Tallangatta Blood Donations. We are doing a fantastic job- we have even contributed to saving 180 lives!

Please note that we can boost this figure- as blood bank now accepts Tallangatta Community. If you or someone you know donates regularly you can elect for the donation to count towards our tally board- it’s as easy as signing up for Red 25 and getting your blood donor ID number linked to Tallangatta Secondary Community.

Results for 01/01/2016 to 21/10/2016

Department	Donations	Lives Saved
Family & Friends	45	135
Staff	4	12
Students	10	30
National Total	63	189

Dairy Assistance Funding 2016

In 2016 the Victorian Government implemented a response package to assist dairy farming families. This included assistance for primary and secondary students attending schools (government and non-government schools) where one or both parents meet one of the following criteria:

- Own an operating dairy farm
- Are share farmers on a property primarily operating as a dairy farm
- Hold a lease for an operating dairy farm
- Work as an employee on an operating dairy farm and this is their main source of employment.

The CSEF eligibility criterion is being extended consistent with the 2016 drought response. Families that have previously qualified for the 2016 CSEF Drought assistance are not able to also access the CSEF Dairy assistance funding.

The Dairy Assistance CSEF payment will be paid to the school that the student is currently enrolled at the start of Term 3 2016.

Parents can apply for the dairy assistance funding by completing an application form and lodging it with their child's schools by 18 November 2016. The school will allocate the payment directly to benefit the eligible student.

Forms are available from the school office.

For further information please contact the school on 02 6071 5000.



New Strain of Norovirus

The Department of Health and Human Services has identified a new strain of norovirus that may lead to gastroenteritis outbreaks.

To help prevent the spread of norovirus the following guidelines are recommended

- Avoid attending work or school when experiencing gastroenteritis symptoms and advise the school of their illness
- Stay away from school until they have been free of symptoms for 48 hours
- Maintain strict hand hygiene procedures at all times. Hands must be washed with soap and water, especially after going to the toilet and before eating or preparing food.

Kurrajong C.W.A Debutante Ball 2017

Any current year 10 girls wishing to make their Debut with Kurrajong C.W.A in 2017 are to register their name now by contacting;

Mary Aldrich 6071 2544 or Mary Grant 6071 2311

Names must be in by the end of December to avoid disappointment.

The date for the Ball is set for March 24th 2017. The first six practices will start on February 12th 2017.

A date will be set for a second Ball if it becomes necessary, but names MUST be given NOW.

The Deadline Date – The End of December



Tallangatta

SWIMMING CLUB

Registration Day

2016/2017 Swim Season

When: Sunday 6 November, 2016

Where: Tallangatta Integrated Community Centre
Towong St, Tallangatta (next to Bakery)

Light Refreshments provided.

Contact:

Maree Peters 02 60710203

Natalie Butler 0412 907395