

Tallangatta Secondary College Newsletter Newsletter A Issue: 36 Date: Friday 17th November 2023

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BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION

Staff supervision for students arriving before school is between 8.45am and 9.00am and for students after school between 3.20pm and 3.45pm.

At Tallangatta Secondary College, students are encouraged not to bring a mobile phone to school unless there is a compelling reason to do so. Students who choose to bring a mobile phone to school must have them switched off and securely stored during school hours.

Our Values - Respect, Empathy, Attitude and Learning (REAL)

COMING EVENTS

| Mon 20th Nov | Future Makers residential | |
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| | program begins (2 weeks) | |
| Fri 24th Nov | Last day Year 11 | |
| Fri 1st Dec | Year 12 Graduation | |
| Fri 1st Dec | Last day Year 10 | |
| Wed 6th to Fri 8th | <i>Dec</i> Youth Crew Camp | |

Principal's Report

Year 12 Exams

With all students now completed their final VCE exams, we look forward to their next significant milestone for the year – the Graduation. On Friday 1st December at 6pm, we will come together to formally recognise the achievements of all Year 12 students and celebrate their journey through Tallangatta Secondary College. I look forward to seeing the students, their family and our staff members celebrate this occasion together. Tickets are available to purchase from the front office.

Unit 3 Step Up

This week our Year 11 students began their two-week Step Up into Year 12. I would like to acknowledge the work of the Later Years team, and classroom teachers, for their organisation of an authentic and valuable Step-Up program.

Student Led Conferences

Thank you to all parents and students who attended the Student Led Conferences Monday night. We had a total of 163 bookings. The final GPA and Semester 2 report will be published online 4:00pm Friday 15th December.

Tallangatta Herald Awards

It gives me great pleasure to notify the school community that the Tallangatta Herald team won the following

| Tues 12th to Wed 13th | n Dec | 2024 Year 7 Step Up | |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Fri 15th Dec Presenta | | on Day | |
| Fri 15th Dec | Semester 2 Reports and GPA | | |
| | Cycle 8 Pu | blished at 4pm | |
| Wed 20th Dec | Student Fr | ee | |

awards at the recently held Community Newspaper Association Victoria (CNAV) Awards. These awards recognise the hard work of all students and staff in the Herald team who provide the community a quality newspaper each fortnight.

Category: Best History Story

The Tallangatta Dojo: kicking it in since the 70s. By Mrs Petrina Mansfield

Category: Best Writing by a Person 18 Years or Younger The Hidden Story: Finally Told by Chloe Gentleman and Saiya Smith

Category: Best Editorial Comment

Matildas Spark a Resurgence of Aussie Togetherness. By Mrs Petrina Mansfield

The article 'Fijians and Samoans Tackle Life in Tallangatta' by Mrs Petrina Mansfield was a finalist in the category: Best Feature Story.

Congratulations to Mrs Petrina Mansfield and students Chloe Gentleman and Saiya Smith.

2024 Enrolment

We ask families and students to inform the College if they are not returning in 2024. Please contact the front office, an Engagement Leader, or your child's REAL mentor so that the required paperwork can be completed. *Richelle Moyle*

Principal

Tallangatta Secondary College is committed to empowering all to become resilient and confident lifelong learners with a strong sense of self and community.

Assistant Principal's Report

Remembrance Day Ceremony

On Monday 13th we came together as a college to pay our respect to the sacrifices that were made for our country. We pledged to remember the freedom that was earnt and thanked the soldiers both past and present. This year's ceremony was planned and co-hosted by our new 2024 school captains, Charlotte Lamb and Charlie Heffernan. Thank you to Jarryd Carberry for completing the 'Welcome to Country', Mr Neville for reciting the Ode, Mr McKee for playing the Last Post and Rouse and Wyatt Hanley and Hayley Burkitt for laying a wreath at the Tallangatta community service last weekend.



What is the significance of the red poppy on Remembrance Day?

It was the French YMCA Secretary, Madam Guerin, who, in 1918, conceived the idea of selling silk poppies to help soldiers in need. They were first sold in England, on Armistice Day 1921, by members of The British Legion, to raise money for those who had been incapacitated by the war. The practice began in Australia the same year and was promoted by the Returned Sailors and Soldiers Imperial League of Australia, now known as the Returned and Services League of Australia. Since 1921 wearing a poppy has allowed Australians to show they have not forgotten the 103,000 Australian service men and women, who gave their lives in war and conflicts to this day.



VCE – VM

Our 2024 VM students started their work placement this week. They will be offsite for 2 weeks of learning and connections in their respective workplaces. We wish them well in their chosen fields and thank the many companies for mentoring our students.

Joce Ziebell Assistant Principal

Teaching and Learning Our Core Business!

Students have been providing parents and teachers feedback in multiple ways over the last two weeks. On Monday night, students, parents and teachers gathered for our last Student Led Conference (SLC) for the year. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to discuss our successes, improvements and where to next. Students completed the last PIVOT survey for the year providing invaluable feedback on the teaching and learning happening in classes. The Teach the Teacher program continues with students surveying other students in order to help teach teachers about the effectiveness of the feedback given both in class and through reports. Thank you to our students for speaking up and being active agents in their learning!

Kate Pristov and Kerryn McCormack Learning Specialists

Tallangatta Secondary College is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This is the primary focus of our care and decision making. Tallangatta Secondary College has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Student Engagement News

Year 9 Future Makers

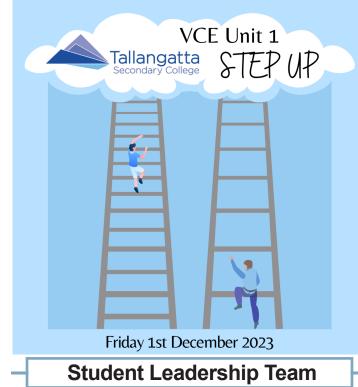
On Monday, our Year 9 students will be heading off to Bogong Outdoor School to begin the camp element of the Future Makers program. Students are well prepared for the challenge that awaits them and will gain valuable resilience building skills. In addition to the skills students will learn, they will also have a lot of fun and get to visit some amazing parts of Victoria's High Country.

Just a reminder that for those Year 9 students not attending the camp, there will be no program offered. Students that do not attend the camp will be required to stay home.

Year 10 Road Smart Session

Last week students participated in the Road Smart Interactive session facilitated by Road Safety Education Victoria. Here, students gained a valuable insight into road fatalities and what they can do as young drivers to help minimise these statistics.

Joel O'Reilly Engagement Leader



GRIP Student Leadership Conference

We had our four school captains and six other students from across the school (Charlotte Lamb, Charlie Heffernan, Milton Fulford, Eliza Lord, Evy Coulston-Williams, Blake Capper, Jade Wood, Murray McCabe, Keeley Owen, and Rafi McFarlane), who participated in

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS



the GRIP Student Leadership Conference in Albury on the 26th October. The day was focused on developing leadership skills and how this might be transferred across into a school setting. Our students were proactive and conversed well with the other schools. They also picked up some good tips that will hopefully be put to good use in SLT next year.





SEXUAL VIOLENCE COUNSELLING SERVICE

Funky Friday



We had a lot of amazing funky outfits! Our fundraising focus was for The Smith Family. "At The Smith Family, we believe that education is one of the world's most powerful change agents. That's why we focus on helping young Australians to overcome educational inequality caused by poverty." We raised \$126. Thanks to everyone who got involved in the day by wearing their funky clothes and donating a gold coin.





"Music does a lot of things for a lot of people. It's transporting, for sure. It can take you right back, years back, to the very moment certain things happened in your life. It's uplifting, it's encouraging, it's strengthening." The late, great singer Aretha Franklin

What a wonderful night we had in the PAC with our Summer Concert. Without the support and care of the community behind our students, we simply would not have a music program. From the donation of musical instruments and sound equipment to the experienced musicians visiting the school to impart wisdom. Further to this, to the smaller, possibly less acknowledged support such as parents driving musicians to events, teachers allowing students to attend lessons and stories of parents having to learn their child's instrument to help them practice at home. I would like to sincerely thank everyone for their support and faith in our music program.

There is still many things happening in the music program in the coming weeks: I will be keeping everyone updated. Timetabled lessons will continue and students are expected to attend or communicate with Mr McKee any absence.

In great music and with gratitude and kindness as always, *Mr McKee*

Music Program Coordinator



Pictured above is Tom from Junction Support Service delivering the Learn to Animate workshop.

Did you know that Tallangatta Secondary College networks with youth services agencies to support our students? This year we have been extremely lucky to work with Junction Support Services. Junction Support Services have worked closely with the wellbeing team to deliver the Season for Growth Programs, Learn How to Animate workshops, 1:1 counselling and supported several students through the Adolescent Support Program.

Outdoor Ed



White Water Rafting Reflection – *Clare Hanes* Our White-Water Rafting Trip started in a strangely luxurious minibus on the way to the Mitta River. Once we got into Mitta we stopped and had a safety briefing on PFDs, paddling and what to do if you fell out of the raft. We changed into wetsuits and spray jackets and made our way to our starting point on the Mitta River. We got into the raft and moved around based on our abilities.

I was planning to sit at the back because I was nervous, but I got sat right up the front. I thought it would be the best idea to face my fears by sitting at the front, so I stayed there. It was definitely challenging to paddle on and off for multiple hours and remembering all the





captains' commands (forward paddle, hold on, etc.). I felt very successful and proud that I didn't chicken out for any of the rapids, and I realised that I was letting my nerves get in the way of having fun, so I fixed that.

My core memories were going down the roughest rapid on the trip called Shark Tooth, climbing on the VERY slippery rocks with Nandali and almost falling asleep on the bus.

I think that this trip made me feel a lot more comfortable in and appreciative of a river environment because I got to see so much of it for a long time.

I really enjoyed our trip and hope to do it again one day!



This weeks newsletter was compiled by Amy Moyle, Matilda Pearson & Blake Capper







Thankyou!

Attention 2023Year 12s



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