

Big Enough To Deliver, Small Enough To Care.



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

<i>Fri 1st Dec</i>	Year 12 Graduation	<i>Fri 15th Dec</i>	Presentation Day
<i>Fri 1st Dec</i>	Last day Year 10	<i>Fri 15th Dec</i>	Semester 2 Reports and GPA
<i>Wed 6th Dec</i>	Youth Crew Camp Begins		Cycle 8 Published at 4pm
<i>Tues 12th Dec</i>	2024 Year 7 Step Up Day 1	<i>Wed 20th Dec</i>	Student Free
<i>Wed 13th Dec</i>	2024 Year 7 Step Up Day 2		

Principal's Report

Lions Youth of the Year

Congratulations to the nominated Year 11 students Charlie Heffernan, Charlotte Lamb, Milton Fulford and Eliza Lord. All students spoke and interviewed extremely well. Congratulations to Charlie Heffernan who was awarded both the Public Speaking category and the Lions Youth of the Year. Thank you to the Kiewa Tangambalanga Lions Club and National Australia Bank for sponsoring this award.



Step Up

Thank you to all staff and students for your excellent contributions during the two-week Unit 3 Step Up program. Today is the last day for our current Year 11 students and we wish them a restful break. Next Friday our current Year 10 students will complete a one day Step Up into Unit 1 VCE and VCE VM.

Future Makers

We had 50 Year 9 students depart on Monday for the Future Makers Camp. Thank you to our parents for supporting this valuable program, along with our students and staff. The students return next Friday 1st December.

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

Staffing Update

This week we welcome Mr Dale Unwin to staff as the Lab Manager in the Science department. Dale also works in the same role at Wangaratta High School, so comes with a wealth of knowledge and experience. I am sure the whole school community will welcome Dale.

2023 Parent Opinion Survey Results

I am pleased to share with the school community the positive results from the Parent Opinion Survey. Many of the results were above state and similar schools in many areas and we increased in 15 of the 19 factors from last year. Thank you to all parents who completed the survey and well done to the whole school community for the very positive results.

Richelle Moyle
Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

Transition Visits – Grade 6 to Year 7

This week we welcomed Grade 6 students from KVPS to attend our homegroups as an additional transition tour.

Year 7 2023

The Year 7 Step Up program will commence on Tuesday 12th and finish on Wednesday 13th December. Students will be emersed in a typical Year 7 timetable and work with their new 2024 teachers and Student Engagement Leader (Mr Watson). We thank the students for preparing a letter to their teacher's, introducing themselves and their interests. 2024 bus allocations will be allocated next week. The 2024 Year 7 Information Session will be held on Tuesday 12th December at 6pm. We welcome our new students and their families to our school community.

Year 6 - 7 Transition Parent Information Evening



Mrs Jocelyn Ziebell, Mr Mitch Harris & Mr Ryan Watson

SunSmart

We request that families ensure that all children have the college broad brim hat (free of damage and graffiti). Staff are coming across many students in the yard with no hat. We thank parents for checking. Hats are \$5 from the main office. Students without hats are directed to the shaded areas in the college.

Christmas Giving Tree

The Tallangatta Guides in conjunction with Neighbourhood House are once again coordinating The Christmas Giving Tree this year. The tree will be set up in the Bakery from 21st November to 11th December. They are seeking your assistance with distribution of gifts. Please contact Maree Peters (Tallangatta Girl Guides) or Katherine Lanigan (Tallangatta Neighbourhood House) if you would like to donate. Alternatively drop a wrapped gift into the Tallangatta Bakery. Our local families in need will benefit from this wonderful initiative.

Assistant Principal
Jocelyn Ziebell

Teaching and Learning Our Core Business!

The results of the 2023 Parent, Guardian, Caregiver Survey were released last week. Progress is measured in % positive endorsement - that is the percentage of parents who responded with "Agree" or "Strongly Agree")

In relation to Teaching and Learning, three out of the four categories showed improvement from last year and our % positive endorsement was higher than the state average.

Our areas showing improvement were:

- **High Expectations for Success:** 84% positive endorsement - above the state average of 78%. The questions relating to this area were:

- o Teachers at this school expect my child to do his/her best

- o This school celebrates student achievements in all areas

- **Student Motivation and Support:** 72% positive endorsement - well above the state average of 58% The questions relating to this area were:

- o My child gets extra help with learning from teachers when needed

- o My child feels motivated by his/her teachers to learn

- **Effective Teaching:** 71% positive endorsement - above the state average of 65%

- o Teachers are enthusiastic and positive about teaching

- o Teachers provide useful feedback and respond to the learning needs of my child

- o My child can explore their own interests when it is related to their class work

- o I understand how my child is assessed

The fourth area relating to teaching and learning was **Stimulating Learning Environment**. Our positive endorsement rate was 65%, which was just below the state average of 67%. The questions relating to this area were:

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.

- o This school provides diverse programs for my child's interests and abilities
 - o The academic standards at this school provide adequate challenge for my child
 - o The teachers are very good at making learning engaging
- We appreciate the time that parents, guardians and caregivers have taken to provide us with feedback on our school and we look forward to implementing strategies to address our areas of challenge.

Kate Pristov and Kerryn McCormack
Learning Specialists

Student Engagement News



2023
 YEAR 12 GRADUATION
 DINNER

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER
 ALBURY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE - 6PM START

Tallangatta Secondary College



VCE Unit 1
 Tallangatta Secondary College
 STEP UP

Friday 1st December 2023

From the Wellbeing Team



Al from Al Skate Co has been working with a cohort of Year 8 students to deliver a 6 week Drop In and Take off workshop. Students have been learning about mindfulness, communicating with confidence, tips for a healthy head space and learning a new skill of skateboarding. All tools to assist managing healthy, physical, and mental wellbeing.



**RESPECTFUL
 RELATIONSHIPS**



If you or someone you know is experiencing family violence, help is available at:

1800RESPECT

NATIONAL DOMESTIC FAMILY AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE COUNSELLING SERVICE

MUSIC



"Without music, life would be a mistake"
Friedrich Nietzsche

Our 2023 Summer Concert was a huge success. With 38 performers, over 20 performances, and audience of 150, it has been our best year yet! Our student's concert night was made even more special with the loan of a \$70,000 Yamaha baby grand piano (donated by Pat Farrell), a 24-channel sound desk (donated by Julian Crisp) and eight Bluetooth LED lights (on loan from Matthew Crothers). The lead up to the night was equally phenomenal, with the countless number of staff and student volunteers organising programs, running sheets, performers, seating, photocopying, stage set up and pack up. Above all, I can attest to the high quality of the performances and the demonstration of the school values to the highest possible level by each student.

Although most of my time and energy was consumed by making sure each musician was taken care of, there were moments where I could sit back and appreciate the night and all that had gone into it. I think back to a very specific moment on the night when a young performer was about to take stage for the first time ever. The weight of nerves, the pressure and the unknown. Yet for a single moment, they mustered all the courage they could and stepped up, unflinching and nailed their performance. Walking off stage like they owned the world, I could



not stop smiling. That said, I am immensely proud of all who performed and the music that was made.

I am grateful to all who supported the night. From the staff and leadership who allow students out for lessons, the parents/ guardians supporting their children, the wider community getting behind this event to the students themselves. I would also like to sincerely thank our departing musicians Chad Klippel, Mallee Damm, Claire Costello, Cody Craig and Eden Arkins who will be moving onto bigger and better things in 2024. The arts have a phenomenal power to enrich the lives of all people, and this Summer Concert was another brilliant example. Without music, life would truly be a mistake.

In great music and with gratitude and kindness as always,
Rhys McKee

Music Program Coordinator



*This weeks newsletter was compiled by
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Thankyou!

A VIOLENCE-FREE VICTORIA

IT STARTS WITH RESPECT

#16DaysOfActivism

The United Nation's international campaign **16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence**, takes place each year from **25 November until 10 December**, from the International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women (25 Nov) to the International Human Rights Day (10 Dec).

GET SUPPORT: Call 1800 RESPECT

"In 2022, 57 women and 7 men were murdered in the context of family violence"

What can you do?

Challenge the way you think

Call it out

Have a conversation

RESPECT VICTORIA

TOW'ONG SHIRE COUNCIL PRESENTS AN ALL AGES MUSIC EVENT...

EVOLVE FEST

With...

MICHAELA JAYDE

STANDING CIRCLE

Featuring... **TY LA MOONCHILD** AND **TUMI THE BE**

Plus **TOW'ONG SHIRE BATTLE OF THE BANDS**

And **LAWN GAMES, FOOD, INTERACTIVE ART WORKSHOPS**

SAT 9TH DEC

TALLANGATTA TRIANGLES

FREE ENTRY 1PM TO 8PM

NO DRUGS, ALCOHOL OR SMOKING PERMITTED
FOR ALL EVENT ENQUIRES CONTACT:
salkimber@gmail.com OR CALL 0422 373 542



Attention 2023 Year 12s



APPLY NOW

Community Bank -
Mount Beauty & District
and Corryong Business
Service Centre

Kiewa Mitta Murray CEL Scholarship Program 2024

Need help with the costs of study?

Applications open Wednesday 1st December 2023.

bendigobank.com.au/scholarships

Bendigo Bank

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Christmas Giving Tree

21 NOV TO 11 DEC

LOCATED AT
TALLANGATTA BAKERY

Unwrapped gifts
All ages - children, teenagers, adults
All genders

Unsure what to gift?
For assistance with ideas or to make cash donations, drop into
Neighbourhood House Mon to Fri 10am to 2pm.

To register yourself/family or someone you know to receive a gift, please contact Katherine Lanigan at the Neighbourhood House
tallangatta.nh@towong.vic.gov.au or 0408 573 474.
All information will remain confidential.

tallangatta neighbourhood house