

Tallangatta Secondary College Newsletter Newsletter A Issue: 3 Date: Friday 16th February 2024

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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

Fri 23rd Feb Mon 26th Feb Mon 26th Feb Tues 27th Feb College Swimming Carnival College Photo Catch-up La Trobe Uni Experience Day OE012 Outdoor Familiarisation Camp Begins

Principal's Report

Swimming Carnival

Next Friday is our College Swimming Carnival. Parents / carers are most welcome. A reminder to all students that rashies / shirts must be worn, however, can be removed for the competition swimming events. SunSmart hats must also be worn. Good luck to all students!



Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy and the Schools' Privacy Collection Notice (both available on our website). Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy (also available on our website), describe how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn. We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use Compass Wed 28th Feb Fri 1st Mar Mon 4th Mar Mon 11th Mar O&M Swimming GPA Cycle 1 Published Student Led Conferences Labour Day

safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school.

School Council

Our first School Council meeting for 2024 is next Wednesday 21st February. Nominations for the new School Council will be invited after this meeting.

Richelle Moyle

Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

SWPBS Team

We are seeking parents, teachers, ES staff and student representatives to join the School Improvement Team for 2024. We will be working on strengthening and embedding whole school SWPBS systems and approaches that develop collective responsibility for student engagement. Our first meeting will be 19/2. Please see Mrs Ziebell by 19/2 if you would like to be a part of our Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support Team.

Casual Bus passes

Students wanting to travel on buses that are non-traveller must seek permission through the TSC office. There is a travel cost if students are using the Wodonga service. The Baranduda bus is at capacity and no causal bus

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

passes will be allocated unfortunately.

Compass Consents

Can parents please log onto Compass and considering giving consent for the following;

- PE swimming classes from Week 3
- Permission to use photographs

- Safe and Responsible User Agreement form for the internet

- In town local excursions permission

Attendance

Every day counts. Please ensure your children attend daily. If you are having difficulty getting your child to school please reach out to me or the Student Engagement Leaders.

Learning Walks and Talks

The School Improvement Team will be in classrooms throughout Weeks 3-5 focusing on school wide positive behaviours and systems in the classroom.

Jocelyn Ziebell Assistant Principal

Teaching and Learning Our Core Business!

After 3 weeks of classes, students are well into their learning for the year. There have even been some VCE classes that have already completed SACs, and there are more coming up next week as well.

Students will receive their first GPA at the end of Week 5 of this term. These GPAs will measure students' learner dispositions in each class and provide valuable feedback to students on which areas are going well and which areas may need improvement. Following these GPAs, our Student Led Conferences will be held during Week 6. SLCs are a great chance for students and their families to meet with teachers to share the learning that's been happening in their classes. Bookings will open soon.

NAPLAN for Years 7 and 9 will be coming up during Weeks 7 and 8 of this term. More information will come out as the dates get closer.

Parents are always encouraged to contact their child's teacher at any time if they would like to discuss their learning progress and/or attitudes towards their learning. *Kerryn McCormack*

Learning Specialist

Careers

Wodonga TAFE School Experience Day Friday 15 March

Year 11 - 12 students Practical activities offered in the following • Construction

- Cabinet Making
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Engineering
- Motor Sports
- Interior Design
- FashionPhotogram
- Photography Early Childhood
- Community Services

If you would like to attend, email Kelly Dickins with three preferences or drop into the Engagement Office by Wednesday 21st February.

Kelly Dickins

Job, Skills & Pathways Coordinator



Charlotte Lamb - I love running and being active. I play a lot of netball. My favourite thing would be my brown and white border collie, Maggie and I love watching sport. In 2024, I look forward to finishing Year 12 (graduation) along with beating the teachers in sporting competitions over the year.

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.



"We should consider every day lost on which we have not danced at least once."- Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche Thank you to all students, parents/ guardians, and staff for all their support of the music program in the first two weeks of this term. Lessons/ rehearsals are all happening and there are many new students visiting the PAC during break times to play some music. Our 2024 music captains had their first meeting last week and there were many productive discussions regarding performances, practice and how to improve access to music.

Our winter concert is scheduled officially for Tuesday June 18th in the PAC at 6pm- students wishing to perform need to remember to commit to their weekly lessons and regular practice.

The 'NEVR Music Camp' is once again happening on the 19th-21st of March in Beechworth and students who wish to attend are more than welcome to email Mr McKee for more information. Although this event is not connected with the Tallangatta Secondary College, I encourage musicians on all instruments to attend as it is a great opportunity to meet other musicians in the region and improve your skills.

As always, if there are any questions or concerns regarding the music program, please feel free to contact me at the school.

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

Rhys McKee Music Program Coordinator

Swimming Carnival reminder

A friendly reminder that our college swimming carnival is set to run on Friday 23rd February at the Tallangatta outdoor swimming pool. A few reminders for the day:

- Be sun smart - rashies, sun glasses, sunscreen

- Bring food and water (there will be a BBQ put on for the day)

- Competitors must wear competition appropriate clothing during competition

- Buses will drop off students at the pool

- Students must report to their homegroup teachers in the morning to be marked as present

- Have FUN!

Good luck to all Houses and competitors for the day.

Community Sport

Regional Athletics Competition

We would like to congratulate Kiara Cooper on her amazing efforts at the Regional Athletics Competition in Shepparton.

Her results were:

Discus - GOLD and personal best

Javelin – SILVER

Shotput - SILVER and personal best

High jump – BRONZE

200m Sprint - 6th and personal best

Kiara will be competing in the State Championship event next month in Melbourne. It is great to see our students competing and excelling in these sporting events.

Well done Kiara, we will be cheering you on!!! Good luck.



Ovens and Murray Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the following students on their efforts during the Ovens and Murray Swimming Championship that was held in Wangaratta on the 10 and 11th of February.

- Harrsion Main
- Maeve Beath

An outstanding effort from both competitors who had a great day of success in breaking records and personal bests.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS



Results

Harrison Main	Result
50m Freestyle***	GOLD
50m Breaststroke	GOLD
50m Butterfly***	GOLD
50m Backstroke***	GOLD
100m Freestyle***	GOLD
100m Butterfly	GOLD
100m Backstroke***	GOLD
200m IM	GOLD
400m Freestyle	GOLD
100m Breaststroke	SILVER
OPEN 100m Freestyle	e BRONZE
*** EVENT RECORD/ PB for Harrison	



Maeve Beath Result 50m Freestyle BRONZE 50m Breaststroke **BRONZE** 50m Butterfly 6th 50m Backstroke 4th 100m Freestyle **BRONZE** 100m Butterfly 5th 100m Backstroke 5th 200m IM 7th 400m Freestyle 15th 100m Breaststroke **BRONZE** *8/10 races were PB for Maeve **Brett Scholtes**

Sport Coordinator

Meet our New Staff

Throughout the next few issues of the newsletter, our Year 9 Media class will interview all our new teachers for 2024.

Ms Sarah Mills



Ms Mills is an English and Mitta Homegroup teacher who teaches Years 8-11.

Ms Mills grew up on a small farm near Tawonga, attending local schools before finishing high school in Melbourne. Before coming to TSC she worked at Wesley College in Melbourne and before that spent the COVID years in Singapore at an international school. Ms Mills has had the pleasure of teaching in 4 countries in both public, private, and international schools!

Her love of literature is what first got Ms Mills into teaching, finding her creative side when making different tasks to help students access information in a variety of ways.

Outside of school, Ms Mills' favourite thing to do is to float down the Kiewa River, while also enjoying scuba diving, being in the bush, attending theatre and sewing/ making clothes.

Ms Mills' taste in food includes Thai and Italian food, whereas her taste in music includes alt-rock. Channelling her inner English teacher, Ms Mill's favourite book is the classic, Alice in Wonderland but any novel by Haruki Murikami is good.

Her favourite sport to watch is tennis and her favourite sports to play are swimming and volleyball. Since Ms Mills' brother's favourite animal growing up was tigers, the AFL team she supports is the Richmond Tigers. *Clare Hanes Student Reporter*

Mr Luke Breen



Mr Breen teaches Humanities and VCE VM Personal Development Skills at Tallangatta Secondary College. He was teaching in Wodonga last year and he started teaching for the money. Mr Breen grew up in Adelaide, SA. His hobbies outside of school are going to the Gym, playing chess, watching a movie at the cinema, playing scrabble, and art. Mr Breen's favourite type of music is Alternative RnB. His favourite book is The Alchemist, Paolo Coelho. Mr Breen favourite sport is Volleyball and goes for Adelaide Crows in the AFL.

Harrison Main Student Reporter

From the Wellbeing Team

It is still summer, the sun is hot and strong.

Next week we have our school swimming carnival and we want to remind all about sun protection. Let's be Sun smart please at school and especially at our swimming carnival. We recommend all to don some sunscreen, pack some in your bag, make sure you have a great sun hat (we will also have sunscreen at our swimming carnival if required).

Myths about sun protections......

It is not possible to get sunburnt on windy, cloudy

or cool days.

You can get burnt on windy, cloudy and cool days. Sunburn is caused by UV radiation, which is not related to temperature – a cooler or windy day in summer will have a similar UV index to a warmer day. If it's windy and you get a red face, it's likely to be sunburn.

Check the SunSmart UV Alert every day and protect your skin: When the index hits 3, cover up from UV.

https://www.sunsmart.com.au/ resources/sunsmart-app



People with olive skin are not at risk of skin cancer.

People with olive skin can get skin cancer too. Regardless of skin type, if you spent your childhood in the sun without adequate protection you are at higher risk of developing skin cancer than someone who grew up with good sun protection. People who tan easily or are naturally dark skinned have a lower risk than people with fair skin that burns easily, but they are still at risk of skin damage and skin cancer. And generally, when skin cancers do occur, they are detected at a later, more dangerous stage.

Skin cancer occurs when skin cells are damaged and grow uncontrollably.

The sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation is the main cause of skin cancer. Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world. More than two in three Australians will be diagnosed with skin cancer in their lifetime. The good news is that using sun protection will cut your risk of skin cancer at any age, no matter if you are 6, 16 or 60 years old. And most skin cancers can be successfully treated if found early.

https://www.sunsmart.com.au/skin-cancer

There's more to sun protection than sunscreen. Protect yourself in five ways:

Slip on sun protective clothing Slop on SPF30+ sunscreen Slap on a broad-brimmed hat Seek shade Slide on wrap-around sunglasses

This weeks newsletter was compiled by Will Glass, Clare Hanes, Bradley Zeinert and Lillie Osborne



Thankyou!



SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY ACTIVITIES

Participating students can attend two (2) of the following activities.

Friday, 15 March 2024 9.30am – 2.30pm | Lunch included

* BUILDING CONSTRUCTION * CABINET MAKING * PLUMBING * ELECTRICAL

Get a taste of hand-on skills and tools used on the job in carpentry, plumbing, cabinet making and electrical. You will be shown how to safely use a sliding compound mitre saw, laser levels, drain snakes, electrical meters, CNC router and more. An aspiring trades person displays attention to detail if you are interested in exploring a trade this activity is for you.

ENGINEERING * MOTOR SPORTS

Test yourself during an engineering activity to see what you can design and produce! Skilled trades people in the engineering sector are in high demand globally. **Work alongside our tradies to take home something you have engineered in our facilities.**

See if you have what it takes to be a member of the pit crew for a v8 supercar race team by trying your hand at the small engine activity. **Are cars your passion? Get a taste of the motor sports industry through this hands-on activity.**

INTERIOR DESIGN * FASHION * PHOTOGRAPHY * VISUAL ARTS * GRAPHICS

If your drawn to the idea of a profession where your imagination is your only limitation, then chances are our creative courses will be your type of career. Immerse yourself in a creative environment and explore your artistic flair, through this taste of art and design workshop. Our specialised instructors will give you a glimpse of your future career pathway in the creative world. Unleash your creativity!

Let us showcase our innovative courses including design, graphics, visual arts, music, interior design.

EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE * COMMUNITY SERVICES

Are you interested in working with children, explore the dynamics of the early childhood environment through play-based learning.

Learn and have the opportunity to practise some essential first aid skills. **If helping people is a passion, turn this passion into a highly desirable and rewarding health career.**

Introduction to Community Services and Health (Helping Professions). **Explore career opportunities** and understand the fundamental skills required to be an effective worker with specific focus on communication skills. People working in helping professions must have strong communication skills to build relationships, gain trust, report accurately, resolve conflict and work in teams.

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Registrations open Monday, 12 February 2024 – close Friday, 23 February 2024

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AN AFTERNOON OF FAMILY FUN!

We are now taking expressions of interest from stall holders. For more information or for a copy of our stall application, please contact us at kvpsfete@hotmail.com or 0488249275

FRI 22 MARCH 2024

TIME: 2PM - 5PM

KIEWA VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL GROUNDS