

Tallangatta Secondary College Newsletter Newsletter Issue: 7 Date: Friday 15th March 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 15th Mar	Wodonga TAFE Experience Day
Wed 20th Mar	Youth Crew Training Day
	at Corryong
Thurs 21st Mar	Inter & Senior Term Sport
Mon 25th Mar	Year 10 Work Experience Begins
Tues 26th Mar	O&M Term Sport - Junior Years

Principal's Report

School Council AGM

As part of the governance process, we will hold our AGM followed by the first regular meeting for the new council on Wednesday 20th March beginning 6pm. I will preside during the AGM where the declaration of the poll and election of office bearers will take place. Once elected, the council president will chair the first regular meeting for the new council year. Again, thank you to all parents for your support of college council.

Prospective 2025 Year 7 Information Evening

Prospective 2025 Year 7 students and their families are invited to attend our information evening on Wednesday 1st May, 6pm in the Senior Study Centre. We are proud to showcase our school and look forward to meeting with prospective students and their families. Tours of the College will take place each Wednesday beginning 9.30am throughout May.

Please feel free to contact Mrs Jocelyn Ziebell or Mr Ryan Watson if you have any questions.

Additional Support with Learning

I would like to thank staff for the many additional opportunities they provide students from all year levels with their learning. Staff volunteer their time to provide this additional support. Thurs 28th Mar Thurs 28th Mar Mon 15th Apr Fri 19th Apr Tues 23rd Apr Thurs 26th Apr

Last Day of Term 1 - 2:30pm finish GPA Cycle 2 Published @ 4pm First Day of Term 2 State Swimming TSC Athletics Carnival ANZAC Day - Public Holiday

English help is available each Friday lunchtime. Maths help is available each Wednesday lunchtime. After school help is available for all year levels each Wednesday after school from 3.30 – 5pm.

Richelle Moyle

Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

Change of Details

We encourage families to update school records if there have been any changes to student circumstances, including; address, medical status, diagnosis, medical plans (asthma & anaphylaxis).

Casual Travel Costs – Wodonga & Baranduda Services

School Council has approved 2024 casual travel cost of \$15. This will be in affect from Week 6. Students wanting to use the service can seek approval through the main office one to two days prior. Presently, we are unable to approve travel on the Baranduda bus as it is at capacity.

Change of Weather

With the cooling of the weather, we encourage families to ensure they have adequate uniforms for the cooler weather. The TSC uniform shop is onsite and well stocked. Families can make appointments through the main office. Jumper \$55

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

Jumper (Fleece) Price TBC (new item added through Student Voice)

Jacket \$80

Scarf \$10

Beanie \$18

Long Sleeve School Shirt \$40 (layering item added through Student Voice)

Tracksuit for PE \$45

Long Sleeve School PE Shirt \$40 (layering item added through Student Voice)

Steps for Recognising Positive Classroom Behaviour at TSC

In the first week of Term 2, we look forward to acknowledging students with 100% attendance and students with the most positive chronicles at each year level for Term 1. Below are the steps our teachers and leaders take to recognise positive classroom behaviour at TSC. This is a part of our Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support System. Next week I will share the steps we take to manage negative behaviours in the classroom.

Bullying and Harassment

Staff at TSC have a duty of care to take reasonable steps to prevent students from foreseeable harm. This includes taking reasonable steps to prevent foreseeable physical or psychological harm occurring as a result of bullying. Our Bullying Prevention Policy on the schools website depicts our actions to prevent and educate students around bullying and harassment.

When bullying is reported to a trusted teacher, the Student Engagement Leaders and I address bullying as part of the Bullying Prevention Policy. This policy was developed in conjunction with our School Council. The agreed definition of bullying:

Bullying is an ongoing and deliberate misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/ or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening. Bullying can happen in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time (for example, through sharing of digital records).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

When responding to bullying behaviour, Tallangatta

Secondary College aims to:

- be proportionate, consistent, and responsive
- find a constructive solution for everyone
- stop the bullying from happening again
- restore the relationships between the students involved (through restorative practice).

If your child is experiencing bullying please immediately contact your son or daughters REAL learning mentor for support. Together, we can continue to create a safe and supportive learning environment.

Jocelyn Ziebell Assistant Principal

Teaching and Learning Our Core Business!

Just as students are encouraged to set goals for their learning and reflect on them, teachers also set goals for their teaching. To help set these goals for improvement, we use the PIVOT student perception survey. PIVOT provides teachers with feedback in four main areas: Classroom Environment, Instruction, Relationships and Student Voice. Each question relates to AITSL's (Australian Institute of Teaching and School Leadership) Teacher Professional Standards. Over the last two weeks, teachers have each surveyed one of their classes.

The 3 questions with the highest score out of 6 were: • I know how I'm supposed to behave in class (5.21)

• This teacher knows a lot about the topics in the class (5.12)

- This teacher respects me for who I am (4.98)
- The 3 questions with the lowest score out of 6 were:
- This teacher gives me choices about the work I do(4.39)
- This teacher connects their teaching to my life (4.44)
- This teacher helps me to set goals for my learning(4.48) We will look at ways of improving these areas throughout the next term and look forward to seeing the impact of our efforts through our Term 2 survey.

Kerryn McCormack Learning Specialist

Careers

Thank you to the students and parents/carers who have returned all the work experience forms.

If you have been given the Work Experience Arrangement form to have signed by students and parents, please return it to Kelly in the Engagement Office as soon as possible.

Work Safe modules need to be completed as soon as possible.

Step One - General Module

https://www.vic.gov.au/safework/safework-selfassessment-tests

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. *Step Two - Industry Specific Module* choose from the drop-down list

Assessment Module: Hospitality

Begin Test

Kelly Dickins Job, Skills & Pathways Coordinator

Year 12 Class of 2024



Nash Macaulay - My favourite things to do are playing football and cricket. I also like fishing and playing golf when I have a chance. I currently work in the agriculture industry, as a dairy farmer. I am looking forward to finally finishing school so that I can work full time on the farm.



"Music is the language of the spirit. It opens the secret of life bringing peace, abolishing strife." — Kahlil Gibran Just a short report this week to remind musicians that our Winter Concert is on Thursday June 20th. The concert is open to all current musicians undertaking lessons committing to a regular practice routine. Our program for the concert (musicians and songs) will be locked in before the end of term one.

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

Music Program Coordinator

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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.

Miss Chloe Macauley



Miss Chloe Macauley is working at TSC as inclusion support person throughout the classrooms. Last year, she completed Year 12 here at Tallangatta and is also studying to be a teacher. She has grown up in Huon; her hobbies include listening to pop music, dancing, netball, footy coaching, baking, and reading her favourite book series 'One of Us is Lying'. Her favourite food is a toss-up between chocolate and scallop potatoes. Chloe's most favoured sport would have to be footy, her favourite team being the Carlton Blues. If you see her around school make sure to welcome her and make her feel comfortable.

If you or someone you know is experiencing

family violence, help is available at:

NATIONAL DOMESTIC FAMILY AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE COUNSELLING SERVICE

Isabelle Pearson and Stevie Bach Student Reporter



Ms Kelly Dickens



Ms Kelly Dickens work at TSC doing the Job, Skills and Pathways position. She used to work at Wodonga TAFE coordinating secondary school engagement before coming to TSC. Ms Dickens went back to university and did a post graduate course in career development and counselling. While she is not a teacher she is passionate about supporting student pathways during and after school. She grew up at Darwin, Norther Territory and her hobbies are going to the gym, running, and travel. Ms Dickens favorited food is Thai and her favourite music genres Various indie, pop, rock, and country. Her favourite book is Where the Crawdads Sing. Ms Dickens' favourite sport is netball and she goes for Collingwood in the AFL.

Mitch Graham Student Reporter

From the Wellbeing Team

International Day of Happiness - Happier together! March 2024

A profound shift in attitudes is underway all over the world. People are now recognising that 'progress' should be about increasing human happiness and wellbeing, not just growing the economy.

The Day of Happiness campaign focuses on relationships. We are a social species and we thrive when we're closely connected to others. But modern society is leaving more and more people feeling disconnected, isolated or lonely. We can all make a change to be connected. with others. If you are experiencing Mental Health difficulties, not enjoying, or not wanting to be involved in things that you would normally enjoy; feeling sad or crying



often; feeling like you are not performing as you once did; having difficulty concentrating, feeling stressed or worried- please reachout to the Wellbeing team for support and linking you into professional help.

Leah - Secondary School Nurse & Renee - Mental Health Practitioner

Student Leadership Team

Our first dress up day for 2024 will be held on Thursday 28th March, Week 9, last day of Term 1. We would love to see everyone come dressed in GREEN and PURPLE, with events happening at lunchtime. This will include our easter raffle and the egg and spoon race. Please remember to bring a gold coin donation as all money raised will go to the Royal Children's Hospital (Good Friday appeal). Remember to purchase your raffle tickets for the easter raffle and bring in donations. This would be greatly appreciated.





Hume Region Senior Boys and Girls Cricket



On Wednesday 6th March students loaded a bus and headed to Wangaratta. The music choice was questionable at times but the excitement was clear.

The senior girls team, led by Matilda Heffernan took on Notre Dame College from Shepparton. It's fair to say our competition were confident in their abilities. We fielded first and had them worried in the second over with 3 wickets, two to Matilda and 1 to Rory. A few dropped catches off Charlee's bowling and 11 more overs followed until Lilly's first ball hits the stumps, she ended the day with 2 wickets. We went into bat chasing 149 runs. Jade was strong making 17, Matilda 12 and Rory 9. It was great to see Hayley not lose a nail, Bailee stay in for 2 overs and Evy not tackle the opposition when they were coming into bowl. Great effort by Amy, Heidi and Eliza as the girls held their heads high in defeat.

Shae Billingsley



The Senior Boys' Team, led by Charlie Heffernan also faced a well-populated Notre Dame. Like the girls, we bowled first, led by Beau, who was zinging them past the openers' ears at supersonic speed. Will, Sam, Baxter followed closely behind with very disciplined bowling, claiming a few wickets and keeping the opposition down to 156 off their 20 overs. We went in to bat with a decent show, but the Notre Dame bowling outfit was formidable, giving very few opportunities for our boys to score. Everyone contributed, everyone had a go and we all had a great day, but fell short by forty runs. *Sue Carey*

This weeks newsletter was compiled by Scarlett Fabris, Holly Hall, Trinity Cary, and Stevie Bech







Thankyou!





Drawn Thursday March 28th Last day of Term 1. Tickets: \$2 per ticket or

Raffle

\$5 for 3 tickets.

Please donate Easter items to your **REAL** mentor or the front office.

Money raised goes to the Good Friday appeal.

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Green & Purple Dress-up Day THURSDAY 28TH MARCH

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Gold Coin Donation