

# Tallangatta Secondary College Newsletter Newsletter A Issue: 8 Date: Friday 22nd March 2024

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## 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**

Mon 25th Mar Tues 26th Mar Thurs 28th Mar Thurs 28th Mar Year 10 Work Experience Begins O&M Term Sport - Junior Years Last Day of Term 1 - 2:30pm finish GPA Cycle 2 Published @ 4pm

## **Principal's Report**

#### **College Council**

The newly formed school council met Wednesday night for the first time. From the AGM, I am pleased to announce that Mr Peter Wood will continue as our School Council President and Mrs Jen Van Amelsvoord as our Vice President.

The newly formed school council members are:

Parent members – Mr Peter Wood, Mrs Jennifer Van Amelsvoord, Mrs Emma Moyle, Mr Alex Pirie, Mr Ashley Bryant and Mrs Danielle Slocombe.

*DET members* – Mrs Richelle Moyle, Mrs Jocelyn Ziebell, Mrs Kerryn McCormack, Mrs Gillian Mason and Mr Rhys McKee.

*Student Members* – Wyatt Hanley and Amy Moyle. *Community Member* – Mr John McCormack.

#### NAPLAN.

Our Year 7 & 9 students undertook thier last NAPLAN assessments this week. Congratulations to all students on their approach to the NAPLAN tests. We look forward to using this data to inform our teaching practice. Thank you to all staff involved, especially Mrs Kerryn McCormack and Mr Ricky Montgomery.

#### End of term

Term 1 will conclude next Thursday 28th March at 2.30pm.

Richelle Moyle Principal Mon 15th Apr Fri 19th Apr Tues 23rd Apr Thurs 26th Apr First Day of Term 2 State Swimming TSC Athletics Carnival ANZAC Day - Public Holiday

## Assistant Principal's Report

**Casual Travel Costs – Wodonga & Baranduda Services** School Council has approved 2024 casual travel cost of \$15. 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's at capacity. We are working on travel times with both runs to ensure that students can attend REAL home group on time.

#### **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 is onsite and is well stocked. Families can make appointments through the main office.

Jumper \$55

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)

#### **Student Leadership**

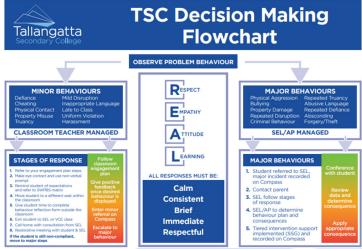
Kitty Cropper will be attending the Victoria Youth

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

Ambassador Program in Melbourne this week for three days. We wish her well and look forward to hearing about her learnings from the program. Thank you to Mrs Hamilton for linking Kitty into such a wonderful program.

## Steps for Recognising and Managing Negative Classroom Behaviour at TSC

As part of our SWPB framework and Student Engagement Policy the College has a staged response for recognising and managing behaviours that are outside our values. This staged response helps create a positive learning environment for all. Please feel free to contact myself, engagement leaders or teachers if you have any questions.



This is the same for all classrooms. Jocelyn Ziebell Assistant Principal

## **Student Engagement News**

#### **Senior Years News**

Elevate Education is a national study skills program provider. Year 12 students attended a Student Elevation seminar which focused on mapping motivation focusing on beliefs, goals and plans. Year 11 students attended a Time Management seminar focusing on the four elements of time management. 1. Find the time; 2. Prioritise; 3. Reduce the work; and 4. Procrastination. Year 10 students attended a Study Sensei seminar which focused on the path of a study sensei in three steps; learn, master and create.

A follow up student elevate pack has been posted on Compass. Students can access more resources on the Elevate website by using the password 'RONDO'.

A variety of study planner templates have been developed by the College and are available in the SSC for student use.

#### Shae Billingsley Senior Years Engagement Leader

#### **Middle Years News**

On Tuesday 19th March, all Year 10 students attended a final Work Experience assembly. In this assembly, student were given their diary and feedback forms for themselves and their employer. Thank you to all parents/ carers for supporting our young people to take up such a valuable opportunity. It is a mountain of work so again a big thanks to Kelly Dickins for managing it all so efficiently. The staff making visits next week cannot wait to to see our students thriving in their workplaces. We know they will all do TSC proud.

#### Carlee Hill

#### Middle Years Engagement Leader

#### **Junior Years News**

Our Junior Years students have been focusing on their REAL pledge over the last fortnight and have been working towards showing improvements in their GPA's. There has been a positive shift in students endeavour for learning and they are making positive progress in the classroom. Our Year 7 students have nearly completed their first term of high school, and have continued to settle in well amongst their peers and the wider school community. Our Year 8 students are now focused on making a strong start to Term 2, before they head away to Howmans Gap in Week 4 for two nights, which they are really excited for.

I want to thank our Junior Years students for a great start to 2024, and I wish all our students and families a happy Easter and hope they have a safe and restful break.

Ryan Watson Junior Years Engagement Leader

### Careers

#### Wodonga TAFE School Experience Day

A group of Tallangatta Secondary College Year 11students attended the Wodonga TAFE School



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. Experience Day on Friday 15 March. Students participated in hands on activities in engineering, carpentry, plumbing, cabinet making, electrical, motor sports, media, art, early childhood and community services.



#### Year 10 Work Experience

Year 10 students will explore a variety of diverse workplaces in the final week of Term, 25th - 28th March. Thank you to those parents who have assisted students with travel and accommodation over this period. All paperwork should be signed and returned to school. If you have any questions, please make contact with Kelly Dickins kelly.dickins@education.vic.gov.au or phone the school 6071 5000.

Kelly Dickins Job, Skills & Pathways Coordinator

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

## Year 12 Class of 2024



Allison Macleod - I am completing a Certificate III in Fitness. I enjoy crafting and painting. I spend most of my time helping out at home on the farm. I am looking forward to seeing Hamilton in Sydney in September.



"Music. What so many sentences aspire to be." - Mary Oliver

A reminder to musicians that as we near the end of term students need to make sure that their instrument goes home with them for holiday practice. Although our winter concert is on the 20th of June, students in the concert need to commit to practice over the holidays. This will ensure that they improve their confidence and develop the quality of their playing.

Best of luck to the musicians going to the NEVR music camp in Beechworth this week. Remember to practice efficiently, give everything a go and above all, have fun. Thank you to everyone for their continued support of our little music program. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the College.

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

#### Music Program Coordinator



## From the Wellbeing Team

Asthma Australia urged those with asthma to take extra precautions to avoid breathing the smoky air, including keeping their asthma medication and inhalers nearby and to treat any symptoms immediately by following their Asthma Action Plan.

"For people with breathing difficulties, especially with asthma, smoke can cause irritation in the chest and eyes, coughing, difficulty breathing, and it's vital that those triggers are avoided as best as possible, by staying inside," Asthma Australia CEO Michele Goldman said. Symptoms of asthma feel like a shortness of breath, a tight chest, coughing, wheezing or getting puffed easily. Anyone experiencing serious breathing difficulties, please call triple zero or contact your health professional. Here is a link to first aid procedures for asthma flareups: https://asthma.org.au/treatment-diagnosis/asthma-first-aid/ Forest Fire Management Victoria operates an ongoing planned fuel reduction burn program. To search for planned burns in your suburb visit: https://plannedburns. ffm.vic.gov.au/

Keep us informed at school with students who have Asthma, ensure we have their updated Asthma Action Plan https://asthma.org.au/about-asthma/

Leah - Secondary School Nurse & Renee - Mental Health Practitioner

#### **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-Jane Wood**



Ms Wood teaches Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 VCE VM. Growing up between the UK and USA, Ms Wood has moved to Tallangatta from Queensland for a new adventure now that her children have left home. Previously she has worked in many interesting jobs from Electronics Engineer to operating charter boats, teaching and training at TAFE and secondary teaching.

All of these roles involved maths, which she came to realise was her passion in life. Helping others breakdown the math problem, whether that be in engineering, scuba-diving, business or school, to find a solution and make sense of it.

Outside of school Ms Wood enjoys riding her motorbike to explore this beautiful state, chess, tennis and pickleball. She is very excited for winter so that she can go skiing! She was a fan of netball but finds it hurts too much to play these days!

Her favourite book is The Hungry Caterpillar and her favourite food is curry - could there be a connection here?

#### **Miss Charli Andrews**



Miss Charli Andrews is one of our new education support staff here at TSC. She is mainly helping assist in the P.E classes. She grew up in Wahgunyah and moved up to Kiewa while attending Wodonga Catholic College. Her favourite things to do are netball, listening to country music, eating her favourite food, ice cream, and watching her footy team, North Melbourne, play. If you see Charli around or if she's helping out in your class, please make her feel welcome.

Belle Pearson Student Reporter



#### Hume Regional Swimming Competition

On Friday 15th March we had 27 students represent Tallangatta Secondary College (OM Division) at the Hume Regional Swimming Competition.

It was a fantastic day with some outstanding results. 5 of our students have progressed through to the state level competition which will be held on the 19th of April. These students are:

Harrison Main (Yr 9)

Maeve Beath (Yr 7)

Bryn Kirk (Yr 7)

Charli Kearney (Yr 7)

Emma Patterson (Yr 7)

Harrison and Maeve will be competing in individual events and the girls have made it through to the final for the 4x50m Freestyle Relay.





Some notable results from the day include the following. Harrison Main -5 Gold and 5 records broken (age champion)

Maeve Beath - 3 Gold

Bryn Kirk, Charli Kearney, Emma Patterson – 1 Gold Macauley Sexton – 1 Bronze

Gracie Brown – 1 Bronze

Congratulations to all of our swimmers for their competitive spirit and amazing results!

All results for the day will be posted on the SSV website. Information regarding the state competition can be found here - https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/state/pages/ swimming.aspx



Brett Scholtes Sport Coordinator

This weeks newsletter was compiled by Isabelle Pearson, Harry Bosse, and Grace Macaulay







Thankyou!

Our House Reading Competition is back, beginning in the Term 1 holidays. There are prizes for individuals, Home Groups and your House for the most pages read.

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<u>What do I do?</u> 1. Read! Read during Home Group, school or home. 2. Tell your Home Group teacher and record points.



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FINAL INFO SESSION FOR TERM 1... TUESDAY 19TH MARCH 2024





## Live life...

as a local teenager with a host family in their home and attend school full time within the country of your choice. Immerse yourself!



## **Experience...**

your host country's cultures and customs first-hand and learn a language (for non-English speaking countries).



## Choose from...

France, Belgium, Italy, USA, Denmark, Germany, Finland, Thailand, Argentina, Canada and the UK with more to come!

I knew when others told me this experience would be life-changing, that it would be true. But now having actually lived through it, I couldn't agree with that statement any more. I'm so proud of myself for going through everything I did, and in the end, it was so worth all the new friendships, memories and experiences I made doing so. **Caitlin, Denmark, 2022** 

- Students need to be between 15 18 years old.
- Students need to be a C-grade average.
- Students need to be physically and mentally healthy.
- Programs leave Australia in approximately January, August and November every year.



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