



# Mallacoota P-12 College

## Newsletter

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2020  
Week 7 of 11

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Welcome to Week 7 of Term 4. Wow, how this term is flying by. This week we welcome two new staff to our school and community in a temporary capacity. Mr David Mowbray is stepping in as Acting Principal while Tim takes some leave and Mrs Elsje Kool is teaching the Year 5/6 class while Ketzia is on leave.

This week our Year 6 to Year 7 transition program continues and we welcome the Pre-school children to our school on a weekly basis to assist them in becoming comfortable and familiar with the school prior to their enrolment in 2021.

Last week our Year 9 and 10 students enjoyed an action packed week down at Marlo at the Snowy River Campus of The School for Student Leadership. Our students' positivity, enthusiasm and support of each other contributed to this being such a positive experience, made possible by the generous offer from Snowy and the commitment of our staff, Carol, Mick and Rory who accompanied our students.

Whilst on the topic of The School for Student Leadership, our Year 10 students who attended Snowy River campus in Term 4 last year are currently working on the logistics of their Community Learning Project, which will take place at the end of this term. We are also excited to announce that we have secured a place for

### WHAT'S ON?

#### NOVEMBER

- 17** After School Netball (4 week program)  
4.30 - 5.30 Primary  
6.00 - 7.00 Secondary
- 23-27** VCE Unit 3 Headstart Week
- 24** After School Netball
- 27** Last day for Year 11 and VCAL students

#### DECEMBER

- 1** After School Netball
- 2** VCE Exam period ends
- 3** Last day for Year 10 students who have work (with Principal's approval)
- 4** Pupil Free Day
- 7-11** Year 6, 7, 8 and 9 Activities Week
- 7-11** Bronze Medallion Course (TBC)
- 8** After School Netball
- 14-16** Primary Nippers Program (TBC)
- 16** Presentation Evening (TBC)
- 18** Term 4 ends

our Year 9 students to attend the Alpine School during Term 2 next year.

Our VCAL students have been busy painting a range of targets, wickets and goals onto the rebound wall in the under-cover court. It's amazing how a small amount of paint and a team effort can make such a difference. Well done and thanks to the VCAL crew.

Student reports this semester have been modified in response to our altered delivery due to Covid 19. Parents and carers will shortly receive a letter outlining the changes that we have implemented in-line with Department of Education and Training reporting guidelines.



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### AFTER SCHOOL NETBALL PROGRAM

BEGINS THIS AFTERNOON!

East Gippsland Shire Council, in conjunction with Netball Victoria and Gippsport, would like to offer Under 18s in the Mallacoota area the opportunity to participate in a 4 week netball program.

The activity will take place in the Undercover Court at Mallacoota P-12 on Tuesday afternoons and evenings, commencing November 17th until December 8th. There is no cost involved.

There are two sessions:

- Primary students 4.30pm - 5.30pm
- Secondary students 6.00pm - 7.00pm

All are welcome to attend, exercise, play sport and socialise. You don't need to know how to play netball, you'll learn along the way. You can come for one week, or you can come every week.

Parents willing to help would be very welcome.

Wear sporting attire and footwear and bring a water bottle. If you have one, bring your own netball if you have one (not essential).

It is essential to register via the link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1oToT\\_WN\\_cjhkz635qhvz03yrvRzwwZ1SlmAeS77ZTM/edit?usp=sharing\\_eip&ts=5fa4a4bf](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1oToT_WN_cjhkz635qhvz03yrvRzwwZ1SlmAeS77ZTM/edit?usp=sharing_eip&ts=5fa4a4bf)

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### Rob Gordon Webinar:

#### Tackling uncertainty and anxiety ahead of the summer season

As the year turns toward summer and wild weather again, memories about past events are stirred to life. Emergencies are about the damage caused, but equally about a changed sense of safety in the environment.

For some people, worry, unpredictability and a changed sense of safety are part of the recovery journey.

Australian Red Cross Disaster Recovery Advisors and Mentors Australia (DRAMA) hosted clinical psychologist and disaster recovery expert, Dr Rob Gordon as he talked through understanding how your experience of disasters may impact your sense of safety and what can be done to prepare for the upcoming summer season.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZ15-fpv35w>

Helen, School Nurse

HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
TO:

Callan  
Loki  
Natasha



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## Year 9/10 Reflections on the Marlo Camp



It was a pristine day, warm weather, the sun shining and the water sparkling. We launched the canoes off the banks of the Brodribb River and off we went on our adventure. The peaceful tranquillity, birds singing in the background, an eagle's nest seen in the distance and the swish of our paddles. Then we heard that sound, the unmistakable sound of giggles and we knew something was about to go down. You feel that cool sensation, you hear the splash of water and you're hit with the tidal wave. The adrenaline hits and we fight back against the monstrous pair with all our might. The devilish duo of Isaac and Jya have struck again!

By Hope



While we were at the camp, Hope had her birthday. To help her celebrate we had a small movie night. Hope chose to watch Harry Potter and the Philosophers Stone (not the best option) and the kitchen staff made us some delicious home-made ice cream cake with chocolate chips, different flavour ice creams and Haribo gummy bears (I wouldn't recommend putting the gummy bears in either, they tasted a bit weird). All-in-all Hope seemed to have a pretty good time and we were all happy that we could help her have a good day.

By Isaac

On Thursday morning we went snorkelling at West Cape, Conran. Our highlight was seeing stingrays and fish under the water. A staff member told us that after Steve Irwin had died people went around cutting the tails off the stingray which makes us think how cruel it is for people to do such a thing. The water was pretty cold and there were mosquitoes but it didn't stop us from having a really great time, we would want to experience it again. The staff members there were really nice, they took great care of us and never left us behind. We had a really nice lunch along the beach, we sat on the rocks with our deliciously made wraps. We saw Rory diving under the water to catch an abalone. When we got back to the campus Zac cooked up the abalone and everyone who tried it said it was good.

By RB and Jayde



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On Thursday after our snorkelling adventure we did a scavenger hunt in groups of four from Conran to Sailors Grave. We started off walking around on the beach and rocks till we got to a set of stairs that took us on a path through the bush. By then the rain had cleared up and the sun had come out to burn us. Hiking up the headland was very hot and sweaty. On our hike through the bush where the fire had gotten to last summer, we were able to examine its impact, and the flourishing regrowth of tall green grasses, kangaroo tails and purple flowers.

By Tiana



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK 7</b>	November 16 VCE Exams	November 17 After School Netball 4.30 – 5.30 Primary 6.00 – 7.00 Secondary	November 18	November 19	November 20
<b>WEEK 8</b>	November 23 VCE Exams  VCE Unit 3 <u>Headstart</u> Week	November 24 After School Netball 4.30 – 5.30 Primary 6.00 – 7.00 Secondary	November 25	November 26	November 27 Year 11 last day VCAL students last day
<b>WEEK 9</b>	November 30 VCE Exams	December 1 After School Netball 4.30 – 5.30 Primary 6.00 – 7.00 Secondary	December 2 VCE Exam period ends	December 3 Year 10 last day (with work) Tennis Vic Sessions	December 4 Pupil Free Day Year 12 Graduation (TBC)
<b>WEEK 10</b>	December 7 Year 6, 7, 8, 9 Activities Week  Bronze Medallion Course (TBC)	December 8 After School Netball 4.30 – 5.30 Primary 6.00 – 7.00 Secondary  Bronze Medallion Course (TBC)	December 9  Bronze Medallion Course (TBC)	December 10  Bronze Medallion Course (TBC)	December 11  Bronze Medallion Course (TBC)
<b>WEEK 11</b>	December 14 Primary Nippers Program (TBC)	December 15 Primary Nippers Program (TBC)	December 16 Primary Nippers Program (TBC)  Presentation Evening (TBC)	December 17	December 18 Term 4 ends