

Principal's Update – 17 May 2024

Dear all

What a fabulous athletics carnival. We couldn't believe our luck with the weather after 13 straight days of rain to finally have a perfect autumn day. Also the attendance of students was exceptional and a shout out to Year 10 who as leaders of the junior school did an amazing job in building house spirit and supporting the younger years. It was also terrific to see so many students wearing their house colours. Year 12 seemed to enjoy their major works day as well, and I have been told by the staff that the day was extremely positive.

We also have had good turn outs to the P&C sports and wellbeing committee meetings this week.

So next week:

- Monday at 6.00 pm the Art committee will meet in the Art block ground floor, enter Gate 6 via Military Road
- Tuesday at 6.30 pm the music committee will meet in the school foyer, enter Gate 1
- Thursday at 7.00 pm P&C meeting will meet in the school foyer, enter Gate 1 (depending on numbers we could move to Level 3 of the new building G block).

Many of our big excursions require payment of deposit or progress payments, for example the Year 9 ski camp deposit is due today, the second payment for the Japan music tour is also due and the Year 7 payment and consent is due by 27 May.

Can I remind you again that if you are having difficulty with school contributions please send an email to the school marked confidential and attention to me and I will send the required paperwork to facilitate support.

Next week is a big week for Year 10 as they will be participating in their Year 10 Half Yearly exams and having a StuVac for the first time. At assembly today we will be telling students that they must be outside their exam room 15 minutes before the time on their exam schedule to start the exam.

Students who have this requirement on their Learning Plan will receive the outlined Disability Provisions which frequently includes small group supervision and rest breaks. All exams will be in the school hall unless the student has been told on their schedule of an alternative location.

Students in Year 9 who are accelerated including D&T and maths acceleration will have their Year 10 exam also. For maths accelerated they will be allowed to have Monday for StuVac and for D&T accelerated they can have the morning prior to their afternoon exam for StuVac.

A heads up that in week 6 (commencing Monday 3 June) on the Thursday evening we will be holding in the school hall, the first of the information evenings. This evening will be for Year 10 moving to Year 11 and focus on subjects and post school pathways including HSC and ATAR requirements.

For those who attended the Year 7, 8 and 9 drama evening last Wednesday, I am sure you

enjoyed the evening as much as I did. The performances were fabulous and wonderful to see them happening in our school hall.

Finally good luck to all our sporting teams who are representing us either in Knock Outs or representative fixtures.

Best wishes

Susan