



Creating the Opportunities

Principal's Report

It's the last week of Term 2 and what a term it has been! We all began the term working from home with lock down restrictions in place and students and staff had to quickly navigate the new style of teaching and learning. We all discovered that we are, in fact, fairly resilient in a crisis and we can adapt to new things when we need to. However, it was lovely to return to the normalcy of regular schooling and all students have now settled back in and the learning continues.

Today marks the beginning of new units at Year 11 and Year 12 with the rest of the College moving to Semester Two after the holidays. Senior students will no doubt be given some tasks to complete over the holidays but otherwise we hope all students can find the time to take a break and recuperate, ready to work hard in Term 3.

Reports will be available from Friday afternoon on Compass and will look slightly different this time. Each Year 7-10 subject will showcase two significant learning tasks on the reports and there will be no overall Satisfactory or Not Satisfactory grade given. Endeavour awards for those students who have worked hard over both terms will be given but there will be no academic awards issued this semester. Parents are advised to check individual tasks on Compass in order to see how their student went across the semester. A rubric outlining how students went through the remote learning period has also been included. Year 11 and 12 reports are fairly similar to how they were in the past.

The last week of Term looks quite busy. Many students will be finalising assessment and getting ready to sit outcomes and tests so these can be included on reports. The six Year 9 students who have been selected to attend The Alpine School in Term 3 will meet their new Principal via WEBEX today in order to hear what they need to do in order to prepare for their upcoming adventure. All Year 9 students will attend an online Career's Day on Tuesday and spend the day listening to experts speak about careers and updating their career e-portfolios.

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Coming Events

Regularly check Newsletters and PSC website for updates at www.portlandsc.vic.edu.au Facebook/ portlandsecondarycollege

Friday 26th June
Last day of term 2.

TERM 3 2020

Monday 13th July
First Day back at school for staff and students.

.....Principal's report continued

We were notified last week that Year 12 results will be released from 7am on Wednesday 30th December, 2020 (this was pushed back due to the change of exam dates due to COVID-19 interruptions). This means our Senior Students will be on Campus a lot longer this year when compared to normal years and has implications for when second semester exams will be held for Years 8-11. I know many families are desperately looking forward to getting away on a holiday but please check with the relevant Sub-School Assistant Principal before booking any trips. Due to COVID-19 restrictions we are planning cautiously for future events with the hope they will be able to go ahead but we may need to hold some of these events in a virtual forum should restrictions not ease. Finally a reminder that School finishes at 2:30pm on Friday as we move into the holidays. I wish everyone a peaceful and relaxing holiday. Stay Safe and we'll see you all next term.

Jo Kindred - Assistant Principal.



HOW PARENTS CAN HELP KEEP PSC COVID-19 SAFE

If you need to purchase uniforms, please consider sending your child to school to purchase the uniform. Alternatively, you could pay for the uniform over the phone using EFTPOS or do a bank transfer and your child can pick up the uniform when next at school.

Please ensure your children have all they need for the school day before they leave for school each morning. This includes their lunch, canteen money, PE clothing, required school books etc.

Have a clear plan in place before your children leave each morning as to how they will get home/ where you will meet them.

If you need to speak to any staff we ask where possible to please either phone or email rather than come on to campus.

If you need to pick your child up early or drop them off late, please phone the General Office to have them signed in/out (or you can approve the absence vi compass)

Uniform Purchases during COVID 19 Restrictions

Before purchasing any uniform item at school, please take note of the size of your existing jumper, jacket etc. so you can purchase your new item. Being able to try on uniforms at school is not an option for the duration of COVID restrictions.

If the size is unsuitable, and in new condition, you will be able to exchange the item.

YEAR 7-THE WEEK THAT IT'S BEEN

Students throughout Year 7 have been working on many different tasks since their return such as Wood Tech. They have committed the design process, and that has lead up to them doing a free task. Class 7D has been working on cells in science. They have been learning about parts of the cells such as cell membrane and cell wall, and now they are focusing on microscopic cells. In the art department, 7C have been working on background designs for a self-portrait task, while 7A and 7B have been designing and creating pots from clay.

That's all from us for this week. You will hear from the 7B mentor captain next week.

Thanks,

Riley Williamson, Mack Riddell, Jasi Biadacz and Patrick MCGennissen



Last week Year 7A students spent some time out in the sun with Ms McGrory to enjoy an Indonesian conversation relay!





Year
11
chemistry



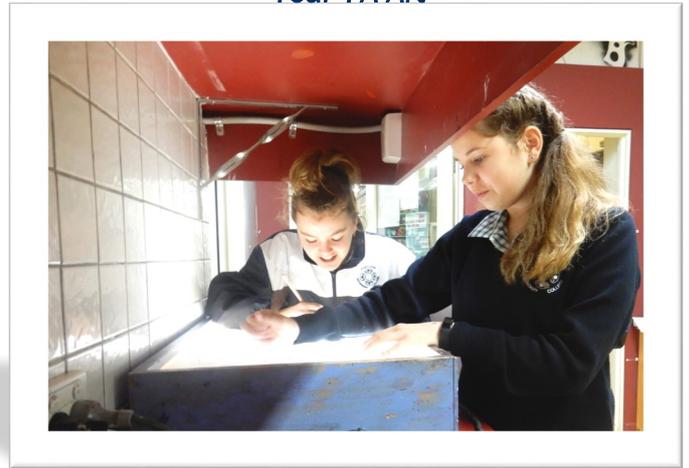
By: Mandie Pethybridge—Laboratory Technician
Miss Jennifer Prichard— Year 11 Chemistry Teacher



Year 10 Food Technology



Year 7A Art



Around the school.....



Year 7B Art



Year 11 Biology





Herb garden.

Around the school.....



Year 12 Study Period.



RE-ENGAGEMENT, VICTORIA PARADE CAMPUS AT THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Jacinta Knight, a staff member at the re-engagement campus started to work with the Community Garden and Meal Share in Term 1. She secured two plots at the gardens. The plan was to have the junior and senior classes tend to the plots and grow vegetables. The produce would then be donated to meal share that would use the vegetables in their meals. Unfortunately due to Covid 19 and remote learning the students were unable to sow the initial crops. Jac assisted by Mara planted and watered crops that would grow quickly as well as being nutritious.

Last week the junior students went to the gardens for their Project class with Jac, Mara and Lauren. They harvested the first crop from the re-engagement plots. They picked bok-choy, beetroot and broccoli. President of the Community Garden Wayne Barrett was very generous and allowed the students to harvest some carrots and rainbow chard from their plots. The students presented the fresh produce to members of meal share.

The juniors are currently planting and nurturing seeds at the Victoria Parade ready to transplant to the plots at a later date. Next Term is it hoped that both the senior VCAL personal development class and junior class will be able to plant, tend to and donate more vegetables. They will also help with general maintenance of the gardens as another way to give back to the community. The juniors are also applying their numeracy skills to constructing signs that will be displayed in the re-engagement plots.



TECHNOLOGY 3D

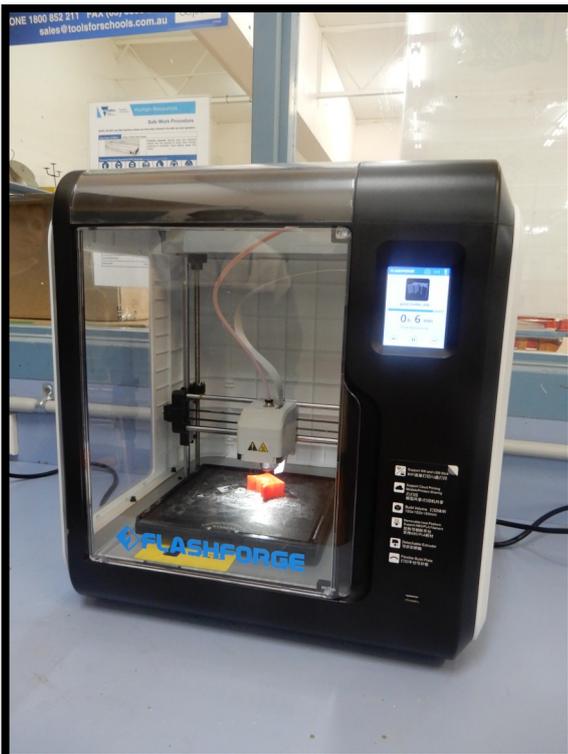
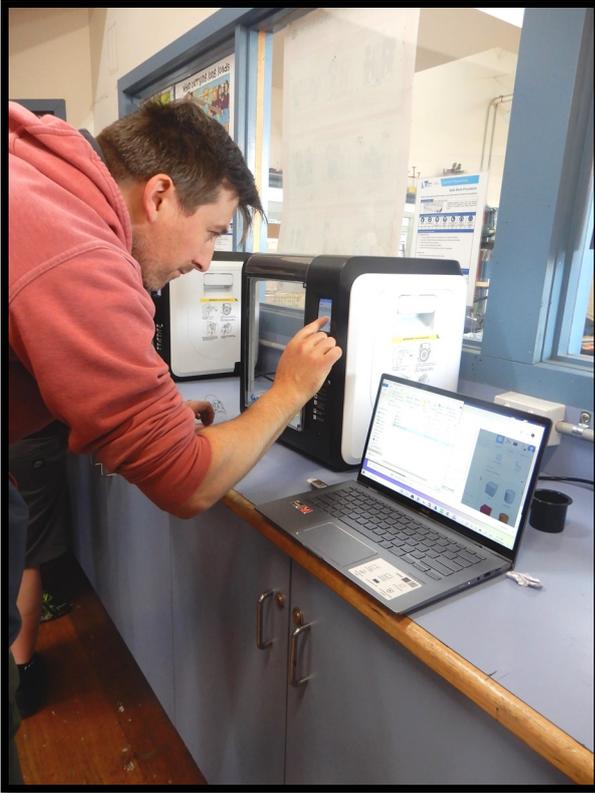
PRINTERS

The technology department has recently purchased some new 3D printers with a larger build plate to compliment their bank of smaller ones.

The team spent Tuesday building and calibrating the printers.

The printers will be utilised in the new 9 and 10 Emerging Technologies classes running next semester.

These printers will allow students to build bigger pieces for their projects where students will be using the design process to design solutions for real world problems.





Year 8 Being Great!

Term 2, Week 10

We visited 8A while they were doing Art. They have been working on their four part picture lately. The four part picture is fun because you get to use different materials. 8B and 8C have also been up to their four part pictures too. These are some pictures that we have to show.

By Year 8 Leaders, Gina-Mae Shemeld (below) and Nyla Conheady (right).



20 ways to be #InThisTogether in 2020

Find all the online links and connection details at nrw.reconciliation.org.au

1

Connect online for the National Acknowledgement of Country at 12 pm* Wednesday 27 May

2

Tune in for a live debate: Reconciliation Bridge Walks of 2000: Paving the path for reconciliation, at 12 pm* Thursday 28 May

3

Dance it Together: Deadly musos perform live and online at 8pm* Friday 29 May

4

Capture the QR code on the poster with your phone's camera to make the artwork come alive

5

Host an online screening of a Reconciliation Film Club documentary

6

Read your virtual copy of *Reconciliation News* on our website

7

Host a virtual book club or reading room with our reconciliation *Look for a Book* reading list

8

Download the NRW 2020 video conference background to display in your virtual meetings

9

Download the poster to display in your front window. Share a picture on social with tags: #InThisTogether2020 and #NRW2020

10

Groove out or chill with our reconciliation playlist on Indigitube or Spotify

11

Learn more about Nikita Ridgeway's artwork, *Reconciliation, a continuing journey of growth and togetherness* for NRW 2020

12

Read the *Uluru Statement from the Heart* and share with your friends

13

Learn about the history of the Reconciliation Bridge Walks, held across Australia 20 years ago

14

Share your photos and memories of the Reconciliation Bridge Walks on social with the hashtags: #InThisTogether2020 and #NRW2020

15

Watch the new documentary *In My Blood it Runs* via Vimeo and check out their free screenings for schools

16

Follow Reconciliation Australia on social on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter

17

Cook a dish using native ingredients from your local area and share a photo

18

Support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and enterprises

19

Get creative and hold your own virtual NRW 2020 event with family and friends

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Stay safe and healthy, and be involved with your local community – because we are #InThisTogether2020.

*(all times AEST)



1800 Glenelg Together

**A free community
hotline for Glenelg
Shire residents
requiring support
during the
Coronavirus
pandemic.**



The hotline will direct community members to local support services such as:

- Food and hygiene support and deliveries
- Medication deliveries
- Phone check in and support

The hotline will be monitored by the friendly staff at Portland District Health.

You can contact the hotline between the following hours:

- **Monday - Thursday:** 10am - 3pm
- **Friday:** 10am - 4pm

 **Call:** 1800 512 461

 **Email:** 1800GlenelgTogether@swarh.vic.gov.au

With us moving into the flu season and the spotlight on COVID-19, it is timely to remind everyone that the best defence against bacteria and viruses is to wash your hands regularly when dirty, before eating and after using the toilet.

Nicky Grayson

Adolescent Health Nurse

Protect yourself and your family

Wash your hands regularly



1
WET your hands.



2
Put **SOAP** on your hands.



3
RUB all parts of your hands until you have a thick lather.



4
RINSE your hands under running water.



5
DRY your hands thoroughly with a disposable paper towel.

Stay germ free and healthy

A Victorian
Government
initiative



Attention all Parents!

Local Police are concerned about the following car parking issues in Fawthrop and Must Street:

- ⇒ Parents please do not park in the 'No Standing' zone in Fawthrop Street, large fines apply.
- ⇒ Please do not drop off/pick up your child whilst travelling through the angled car park area.
- ⇒ Students should not be running across the road, ducking and weaving through traffic to be collected on the other side of the road.
- ⇒ Allow enough space either side of the school flags in Must Street; it is an offence to park too close to school crossings.

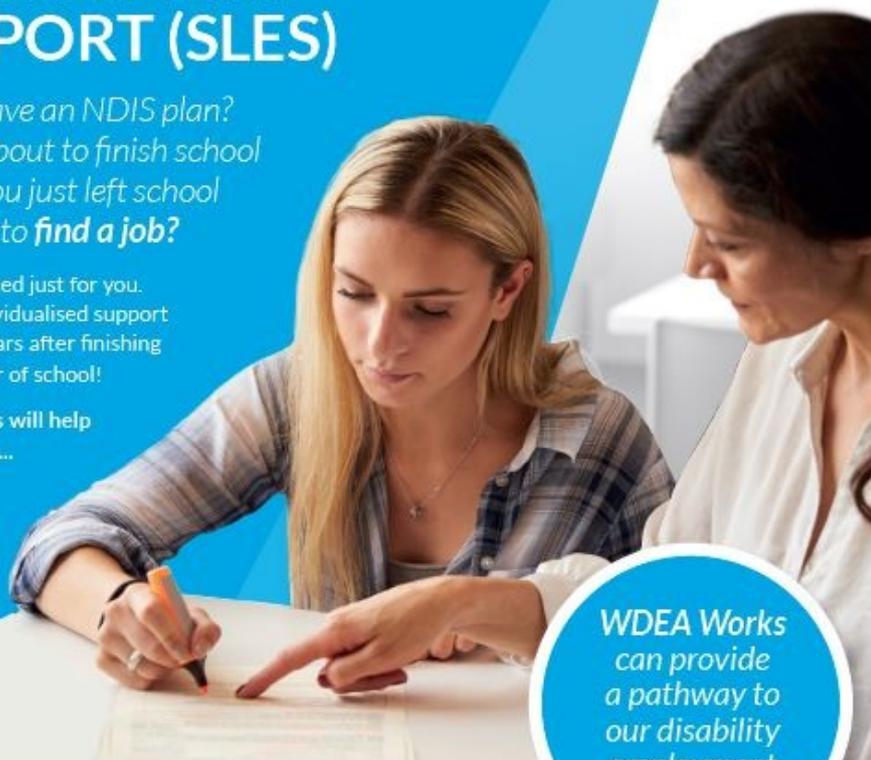
30 years **wdea works**
since 1989

SCHOOL LEAVERS EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT (SLES)

*Do you have an NDIS plan?
Are you about to finish school
or have you just left school
and want to **find a job?***

SLES is designed just for you.
We offer individualised support
for up to 2 years after finishing
your final year of school!

WDEA Works will help
you get ready...



CALL NOW
OR ENQUIRE ONLINE

Small class sizes
Limited places available
Bookings Essential

WDEA Works
can provide
a pathway to
our disability
employment
service

You will receive support with the following:

- Work experience
- Working in a team
- Dressing for work
- Resumes/Cover letters
- Travel training
- and much more...

CALL NOW (03) 5521 7959
OR ENQUIRE ONLINE wdeaworks.org.au/SLES/register

WDEA Works Portland
35 Bentinck St, Portland VIC 3305



Student safety on school bus services

School buses and public transport are essential services and are available for students who need to travel.

When traveling on a school bus your child should:

- ⇒ sit next to their siblings if possible
- ⇒ practise good hygiene including using hand sanitiser and covering mouth and nose with a tissue to cough, or otherwise into their elbow.

Students must stay home if they are unwell.

Do you have a few hours free?

Our Canteen staff are always looking for volunteers to assist in the canteen. Please contact the school 55231344 if you can assist.

Thank you for your support.



Visiting Parents

All parents and visitors to the College are asked to report to the General Office immediately they enter the school grounds. The Office staff will then locate the staff member or student you wish to speak to.

Please do not wander around the grounds.

Jo Kindred – Assistant Principal.

2019 School Magazine (Year Book)

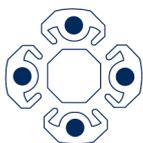
There are still a few 2019 Magazines available to purchase from last year if you missed out.

They are available from the general office
\$20.00 each.

Wise and Witty Words.

Leave everything a little better than you found it.

EFTPOS is available for your convenience at the General Office.



Mission Statement

To develop creative, articulate, respectful and resourceful young people able to contribute positively to the global community.



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