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Secondary College

School Newsletter OCTOBER 2023

Year 12 GRADUATION, CELEBRATING THEIR JOURNEY.

Ann Hirst

Wednesday October 18th was a night of unforgettable memories as our year 12 students celebrated their graduation with a dinner held at the golf club. The event was the culmination of 13 years of hard work and dedication, marking a significant milestone in the lives of these young people.

The venue was transformed into an elegant setting where throughout the evening the students and their guests were treated to a series of inspiring speeches, photos, and humorous anecdotes from their teachers, who had played a pivotal role in their educational journey.



L-R, *Selena Black, Ella Kerr, Amber Spratling, Marissa Jamieson, Ebany Jarrad, Oscar Davis, Riley Munro Gabby Iranga, Ivy Lane, Makayla Hutchins, Madeline Patton, Sophie Hart*

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Term 3 ATTENDANCE

	Average Days Absent per Student
YEAR 12	2.46
YEAR 8	4.45
YEAR 10	4.57
YEAR 11	5.07
YEAR 9	5.71
YEAR 7	6.57

Winning Year Level: Year 12

Term 3, 100% attendance

Year 7: Renee Gorman

Year 8: Brooke Humphries

Year 9: Nicole Cornish, Caitlyn Gorman, Mylie Ireland

Year 10: Riley Hutchins, Reghan Parsons

Year 11: Aaron Jeffrey, Shiloh Kurzynski

Year 12: Gabby Iranga, Marissa Jamieson, Ella Kerr, Amber Spratling

TEACHER- JAL NICHOLL, RETURNS

Ann Hirst



We are thrilled to share some exciting news with all of you- Jal Nicholl has returned to our school. As many of you may recall, Jal had previously been a member of our school family, and we are excited to have him return.

Mr Nicholl has been an integral part of our school community. His dedication, passion, and commitment to the education of our students have always been commendable. It is a feather in our cap to have him back on staff in this time of teacher shortage. He has started term 4 with English and Humanities and will complement the staff we already have.

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KEEPING THE SCHOOL IN TIP TOP CONDITION

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We are thrilled to announce that our high school is embarking on a journey of transformation, with several improvements in the pipeline. These changes are designed to create a more engaging experience for our students and foster an environment that promotes learning and growth. Our school facilities are getting a much-needed facelift, such as the new outdoor exercise equipment, refurbished seating, newly laid lawn and trees making it a relaxing area for the students to spend their lunchtime and breaks. There is the new arbour entrance to the school and unseen work going on under the buildings, replacing stumps to keep the school in top condition. Stay tuned for more updates, and let's look forward to a better and more vibrant Casterton Secondary College as we move forward to make our school the best it can be.

LIVE 4 LIFE





The LIVE 4 LIFE crew spent a fantastic day in Portland at the end of year celebration, wrapping up a year of working together with other students from schools in our Shire.

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GREATER WESTERN REGION ATHLETICS

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On Thursday 5th October, six students who have not only excelled within our school sports at Glenelg District level, but they also progressed through to the next stage at the Greater Western Region sports held in Ballarat. Their dedication, passion, and hard work have led them to reach this level and for such a small school to get such good results is an achievement to be proud of. The next level will be the Victorian State finals.



L to R Indi Longhurst, Marissa Jamieson, Makayla Hutchins, Madeline Patton, Zoe Betinsky & Archie Lane

15 years- Archie Lane	16 years- Zoe Betinsky
5 th -1500m	1 st -Shotput
16 years-Indi Longhurst	17 years- Marissa Jamieson
1st-2oom	1st- 100m Hurdles
2 nd -Longjump	3 rd - Long jump
2 nd – Triple jump	4 th - 100m
2 nd - 100m	4 th - 200m
4 th -800m	
17 years- Madeline Patton	18 years-Makayla Hutchins
1 st -1500m	2 nd -Javelin
2 nd -800m	
3 rd -400m	
4 th -Longjump	

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LAST DAY OF CELEBRATING SCHOOL FOR YEAR 12

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The final day of Secondary School is a momentous occasion, marking the end of one chapter and the beginning of another. The Year 12 students celebrated this milestone by showing their creativity and enthusiasm for the theme, attired as iconic rock stars, such as KISS, ABBA, David Bowie, Billie Eilish, Pitbull and Britney Spears. The rest of the students and staff gathered for the final farewell to the year 12's as they travelled off for their last excursion with Eminem and Flavor Flav aka staff Chelsea Carter and Steve Rathmell on board.



L-R, David Bowie-Ella Kerr, Billie Eilish-Sophie Hart, Britney Spears-Gabby Iranga, KISS-Madeline Patton, Ebany Jarrad, Amber Spratling, Marissa Jamieson, Pitbull-Selena Black, ABBA-Riley Munro, Makayla Hutchins, Ivy Lane, Oscar Davis





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HAMILTON, WANNON FALLS ART EXCURSION YR 10

Steve Rathmell

On Friday 13th October, the year 10 art class visited the Hamilton Art gallery to view art works from the regional galleries collection. The focus of the visit was to see a variety of different painting techniques used by artists.

The exhibition showcased works that employed Impasto, dry-brush, and hyper realistic painting styles. Students are incorporating these techniques into their own artworks during this term.

On our return to Casterton, students stopped at Wannon Falls and completed a range of drawings and sketches of the local landscape. These drawings are being used as a basis for the students' paintings.















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WARRNAMBOOL SHOOT

Annalee McKinnon

The sun was shining, and the air refreshing on the 23rd of October - it was the perfect day for the Warrnambool Shoot. The event brought together 13 enthusiastic students ranging from grades 7 to 10. The Warrnambool School Shoot has become an annual tradition, and this year's event was no exception. The shoot allowed students to hone their shooting abilities while fostering a strong sense of teamwork and responsibility.

The shoot was divided into various categories, accommodating both novice and those experienced. Each category presented its unique set of challenges, from target distance to shooting positions. Our young marksmen showed remarkable poise and accuracy, regardless of their level of experience.

Acknowledgments:

Mark Nolte, our unsung hero of the day, deserves a special mention. Mark carried the guns and ensured that safety protocols were upheld. Without parent helpers these shoots are not possible.

Josh Jones, a true standout performer, emerged as the highest scorer for our school on the day, shooting an impressive 17/20. He was only one target away from first and second place, showcasing his exceptional skills and determination.

Caitlyn Gorman also shone brightly on the shooting range, receiving the "Most Improved Second Round" award. In the second round, Caitlyn added an impressive 4 targets to her score, demonstrating her dedication to continuous improvement and her resilience in the face of competition.

We extend our congratulations to all the students who participated in this year's Warrnambool School Shoot. Your dedication, teamwork, and exceptional performances were truly commendable. The Warrnambool School Shoot is about much more than marksmanship; it's about teaching responsibility, respect, and the importance of working together. These lessons will undoubtedly resonate with the participants long after the competition is over.



B L-R, Myles Black, Josh Jones, Kaleb Sneddon, Jedd Rhook, Dylan Munro, Caitlyn Gorman, Amelia Bailey, Renee Gorman, Lachie Auld. **F L-R**, Billy Rhook, Henry Robins, Ayden Nolte, Toby Auld.

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MATHS COMPETITION CHAMPIONS

Chelsea Carter



TOP-Indi Longhurst, Charlotte Rhook, April Henty-Anderson, Marlee Robbins **MIDDLE-**Alex Hornibrook, Zavier Cates, Zoya Syed, Xander Koscal **FRONT-** Kaleb Jamieson, Amy Crauford, Jett Lykke, Chloe Kurzman

During Term 3, 93 students from Year 7-12 at Casterton Secondary College participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition. The competition had 172791 students participating from 2156 schools within Australia. We had 13 students achieve a Certificate of Credit which means they scored in the top 55% within Victoria for the Junior and Intermediate sections and within the top 60% for the Senior section. We also had 32 students achieving a Certificate of Proficiency, which means they have achieved a pre-set score but have not achieved a Credit (or higher) certificate. The students who achieved the Credit Certificates were: Zavier Cates, April Henty- Anderson, Caleb Jamieson, Xander Koscal, Chloe Kurzman, Jett Lykke, Charlotte Rhook, Marlee Robbins, Zoya Syed, Indi Longhurst, Georgia Taylor, Amy Crauford and Alex Hornibrook. We would like to congratulate all of these students for their well-deserved results

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COMMUNITY NEWS



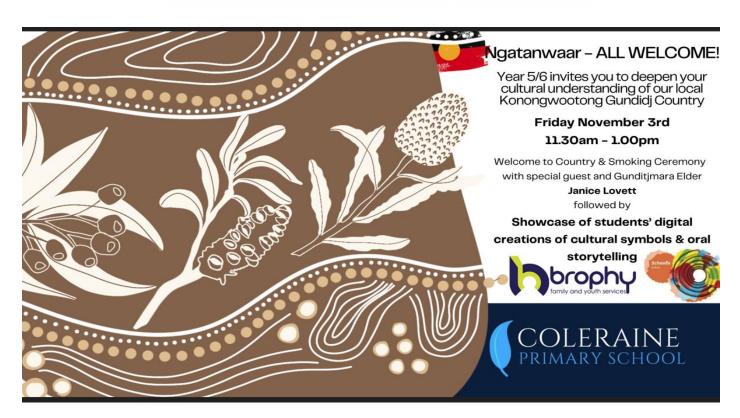
Casterton Pipes & Drums Lions Club Debutante Ball

Friday 24th May 2024

Expressions of Interest are invited from those interested in making their Debut in 2024.

Applications Close 13th December

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