

HEATHERWOOD NEWS AUGUST 2023

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Year 9 students had a ball while at Charnwood Camp.
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DATES TO REMEMBER

September 4th-7th	Snow Camp
September 6th	Senior Information Night
September 15th	House Day-students please
	wear House colours
September 15th	Last Day of Term 3
October 2nd	First Day of Term 4
October 9th-20th	Yr 10 Work Experience
October 16th-20th	Dental Van
October 23rd-25th	Senior School Camp
November 3rd	Curriculum Day
	(Students do not attend school)
November 7th	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
	(Students do not attend school)
December 20th	Last Day of Term 4

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Paul Hills



Congratulations to Sally Campbell, Amber Ward and S2 students, for being a Special Category winner in this year's Anzac Day Schools' Awards. They won the Award for Innovative Commemoration. Part of the announcement included the following.

The Department of Veterans' Affairs wishes to thank you and your school for taking the time and effort to enter in the 2023 Anzac Day Schools' Awards competition. We appreciate the commitment your school showed

to commemorating and valuing the service of our Vietnam veterans. There was a very high standard of entries this year showcasing creative and innovative ways that schools engaged with veterans and learnt about Australia's military history.

A plaque and certificates acknowledging your achievement will be sent to your school in the coming days.

Heatherwood strongly believes that it is extremely important to work in partnership with our community when reporting on and planning for our students. Receiving feedback from our community is an essential aspect of the partnership. If you still have SSG feedback forms or would like to provide further feedback about the SSGs please contact the school. Some parents were randomly selected to provide feedback through the Parent Opinion Survey. For those selected parents please take up this opportunity as it provides both a basis for school improvement and acknowledgment of achievement.

While unfortunately, we have nothing to report about timelines for a new builder to be appointed nor when the building works will be resumed, some limited work has started on addressing the roofing issues in the administration areas.

Again, I wish to acknowledge your support as the school continues to address issues of using limited staffing resources to cover absences. The priority will always be to provide a safe and challenging learning environment for our students.

Thank you for being involved in your child's education.

How quickly things can change. Since I completed my newsletter article (early) last week we have had a fire which has significantly impacted on many aspects of the school. While it has been a tremendous shock the amount of support the school has received has been enormous. Donations have been received from both the school community, schools, and businesses. Many schools, both department and independent schools have offered support, also the logistic support from the Department of Education has been huge. I will provide more detailed information later.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Lesley Foster



Thank you to all the families who continue to work closely with us as we try our best to provide the best educational experiences for your children. Although we have had many challenges this year, we appreciate the community spirit, working together with parents, carers and extended family members to solve problems and help students learn and succeed. We are currently engaged in a number of projects working with universities, regional coaches and other schools.

University of Melbourne invited consultant Dr. Patricia Graczyk (Illinois) – student attendance, Latrobe University - Art Therapy project, Regional Coaches – teaching and learning and also positive behaviour support program. Heatherwood also hosts pre-teachers and pre Education Support students from the major universities and TAFEs to assist them in gaining qualifications by being trained with hands on learning at our school.

We thank all the families for your support in Term 3 and look forward to a productive Term 4.



The Australian Dental Health Van will be visiting Heatherwood School in Term 4, 2023



The school is encouraging all students to have a general check with the dental van. Please find attached a consent form for your child to visit the dental van. Please read and complete the information attached, fill in consent form, and sign. Forms need to be returned to the school by **September 1**st **2023**

The dental van will visit in Term 4, the week of the 16th to the 20th October 2023.



POLICE WELL BEING SAUSAGE SIZZLE



HEATHERWOOD WELLBEING DAY WITH OUR LOCAL POLICE

Students at Heatherwood School were treated to a sausage sizzle today hosted by the Local Police station to end what has been a very unique week.

The Youth Resource Officers at Forest Hill Police in conjunction with Victoria Police sponsored and organised the special day to put a smile on our students faces.

About a dozen police from the local stations arrived and rolled up their sleeves to serve and mingle with students and staff.

One policeman even arrived on a police motor bike and the students including some staff enjoyed sitting on the bike and turning on the lights and sirens.

The positiveness and excitement of the students around the playground at lunchtime was fantastic and it was very enjoyable to see our students chatting to the police and building positive relationships. After lunch members of the force handed out chocolates to all the students.

Heatherwood School appreciate the support and kindness offered to us over the past week by the members of the Victorian Police Force, the school community and the wider community.

A big thank you to Senior Constable Verity Newport, Acting Sergent Jaclyn Mahood, Sergent Leeanne Trusler, Leading Senior Constable Sonia De Filippis and to all the staff.





SCHOOL OFFICE



STUDENT SIGN IN AND OUT

Students who are picked up **before 2:45pm** must be signed out by an adult at the office.

Students picked up at 2:45pm onward will be supervised at the back gate until they are collected.

Students must be picked up no later than 3:00pm.

**Please remind students to check for cars when walking through the car park.

MEDICAL PLANS

All Medical Action Plans are renewed annually, signed by a doctor and medication indicated on the plan must be in original packaging and given to the front office.



CROWN & QUINCES BUSES

If at any time your young person is not travelling on the bus to school OR home from school you must do each of the following:

- 1. Inform the school on 9842 8319, if possible by 2pm, OR write a note in your young person's diary.
- 2. Inform the bus company- CROWN

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QUINCES

BOTH THE SCHOOL AND THE BUS COMPANY NEED TO KNOW OF ANY CHANGES THAT OCCUR.

HEATHERWOOD FACEBOOK

We are very happy to share with all the Heatherwood families a new Facebook group that you are all welcome to join.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/505799341747907

A private, positive and safe group to connect with others, arrange coffee catch ups, pass on old uniforms, share advice, ask for advice etc.

To access the group please click the following link and answer the questions when applying to join. There are some rules to acknowledge, and all posts will require approval before they will be posted. There is plenty of chat so please don't be shy and come and visit the group.

We look forward to connecting with many more families and help support the group to evolve into a space that bridges the social gap.

Student Representative Council

SRC FUNDRAISER FOR THE HOMELESS

We are asking families to contribute by buying one extra product when you shop.

We are collecting:
shampoo/conditioner
soap
deodorant
toothbrush/paste
hats/gloves/socks
sanitary products
hairbrush /ties
hand sanitiser



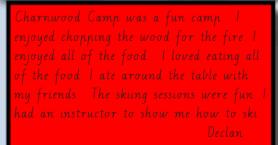


Boxes will be available at the office for collection from now till the end of term 3.

There will be a little competition between each section.

Yr 9 CAMP-CHARNWOOD

Year 9 Students



Charnwood Camp
I enjoyed doing all the activities at
Charnwood. I did archery, wood
chopping and flying fox. Snow
skiing was fun and challenging.

At Charnwood Camp, the best thing was the activities. I went tobogganing down the hill with Jacob and we couldn't stop! Bike riding was fun going downhill and but not uphill. The dinners were the best, especially the sausages and the hamburgers.

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Yr 9 CAMP-CHARNWOOD

Year 9 Students



SCIENCE WEEK

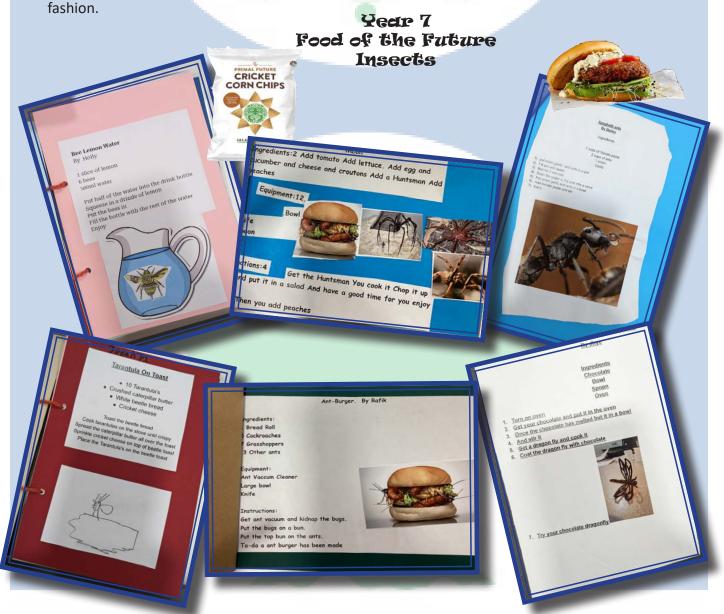
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Patrizia Sendeckyj & Suzanne King

With our focus firmly on the future, our amazing and innovative students completed many science tasks to bring us closer to a world that previously existed only in our imagination.

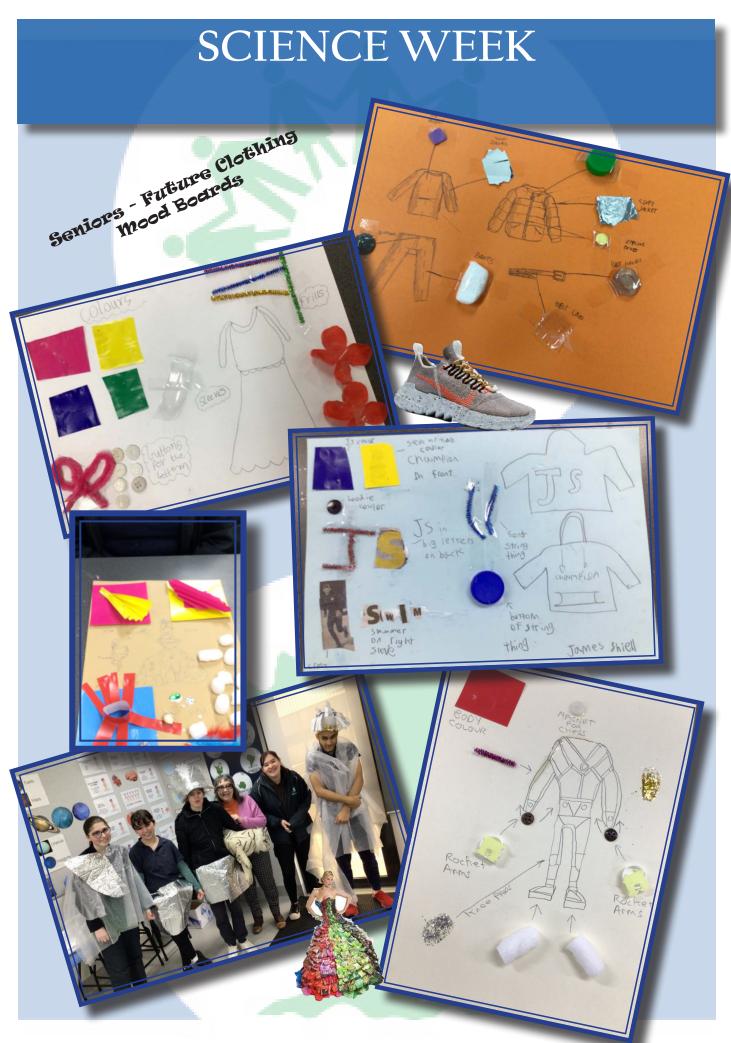
Our Year 7s explored the world of alternative foods, such as Crickets, worms, snails, flies and bees and made some interesting recipe cards. Our Year 8s transported us to the future with alternatives to replace our everyday commute. While our Year 9s explored innovative housing in unique environments such as under the sea and on the moon. They considered how to make our housing structures sustainable and healthy for its occupants. Year 10s focused on our leisure and holiday activities, which at times can involve not leaving home at all. Just pop on your Virtual Reality headset and be transported to a relaxing day near the Moon pool sipping on

Lunar water. Our senior students focused on a current issue and major problem which will have a significant impact our current planet and that is the sustainability of fast



SCIENCE WEEK Innovation, Powering Future Industries Year 8 **Transportation** of the Future Heatherwood School - Learning for Life 11

SCIENCE WEEK Innovation, Powering Future Industries Housing of the future Year 10 -Holidays & Lei8ure of the Future N MAR



SCIENCE WEEK WINNERS



Year 7-J1: Oliver, Holly, Mach Mach, Will, Caitlyn, Evie, Ruby, Marcus, Tarnia, Jodan and Joseph. Teachers - Kathryn and Erin.



Year 8-J4: Harry, Caleb, Amelia, Kobe, Taniesha, Jensen, Christopher, Sapphire, Estelle . Teacher- Rachel.



Year 9-M1: Dean, Stevie-lee, Nau Kim, Liam, Jake, Declan, Bobby, Jack, Shaylee, Jenny and Nampet. Teacher - Lynda



Year 10-M6: Jade, Oscar, April, Luke, Sat Khint, Travis, Rhy, Peter, Jay and Joey. Teacher - Liz



Year 11-S2: Ella, Medina, Sarah and Kai. Teachers - Amber & Sally



Year 12-S5: Bryan, Eshaan, Mason, Isabelle, James, Emanuel, Madí, Kade, Bailey, and Roger. Teacher - Anthony

TRADE KITCHEN

Elizabeth Reid



On the left, Allegra prepares a healthy fruit salad. To the right, Caleb is busily counting the day's takings.



Enjoy the pictures of a few of the wonderful Trade Kitchen students!

Christina is cleaning up after a busy morning preparing lunches.



Khanzada has whipped up a batch of delicious cupcakes.

Korey is putting his money counting skills to the test.



YEAR 8 CAMPASPE DOWNS **CAMP** Marcus Georgia & Noku Kobi Rosie Sapphire, Angus & Kobe Tamika Saatvík & Tianna Amelia & Tegan Taniesha



Hamish & Jack



Parent Information Webinar

Consent, Cyberbullying, **Sexting and the Law**

Tuesday 12 September 7pm-8.30pm **Online Zoom event**

Suitable for all parents, carers and anyone supporting young people.

The session, presented by Eastern Community Legal Centre, will cover a range of topics including:

- Introduction to Community Legal Centres and how young people can access legal services
- The legal definition of consent, including rules around age and consent, and how the law has recently changed to an Affirmative Consent model

- Consequences of acting without consent
- How building rejection resilience can help
- Cyberbullying and Sexting impact, legal consequences and how to seek support
- How to support young people around these topics.

Bookings essential, register today



https://knox-vic-gov-au.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN_gmfylxXFSxGe1mfgAacVOQ#/registration

For more information

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September School Holiday Programs

PERSONALISED SUPPORT SYSTEMS



Music, Drama, Tinkering (electronics and making), Cooking, Art, Social Groups, and a Disco on the 22nd of September

All at the Nunawading NDIS Hub, 185 Springvale Road

Contact Mike McDermott

Michael@personalisedsupports.com.au



Celebrating Youth Month



Youth Festival

The EACH Youth and Family team along with the Your Voice
Youth Leadership team will be hosting a Youth Festival
marking the occasion with Fun, Entertainment, Food, and
plenty of Laughter.

We will be at the Nunawading Community Hub with multiple events happening at once throughout the afternoon, so plenty of choice available.

We have on offer Dance, Circus, Sensory Spaces, Competitive activities, Wildlife Exhibit, and plenty of Tasty Food options to enjoy, maybe even some Karaoke and a photo booth plus plenty more. With the support of the Victorian Government, this festival will be an opportunity to connect with us, and to celebrate Youth Month in style.

If you want to know more, send an email enquiry to youthandfamilyvic@each.com.au

Register via QR Code



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 ■ info@each.com.au

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When:

Thursday 28th Sept

1pm - 4pm

For

Ages 12-25

Cost

Free

Where:

Nunawading Community Hub 96-106 Springvale Rd, Nunawading







