



HEATHERWOOD NEWS

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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 3rd	Curriculum Day (Students do not attend school)
November 7th	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (Students do not attend school)
November 8th-10th	Blackwood Super Ride Bike Camp
November 14th	Middle School Information Night
November 21st	Junior School Information Night
Nov. 30th -Dec. 1st	Year 10 City Camp
December 5th	Senior School Excursion
December 6th	Year 12 Formal
December 7th	Year 7 End of Year Excursion
December 11th	Year 12 Final Assembly
December 12th	Orientation Day Year 12 Graduation
December 13th	Year 8 End of Year Excursion
December 15th	Middle School End of Year Excursion
December 20th	Last Day of Term 4 Students dismissed at 1:45pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Paul Hills



Thank you for your support, particularly those of you who have contacted their local parliamentarians. One of the major issues that we are struggling with is to get any response from the department in regard to the timeline or process for the re-building of Block A which was our Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Food Technology rooms and our commercial kitchen (Trade Kitchen).

These areas are extremely important to our students and provide the opportunity for our students to excel. If the opportunity rises to speak to your local member, it is the loss of these facilities that need to be highlighted.

We have been fortunate to receive a Food Technology portable and have spent the last few weeks fitting out the room with appliances and utensils to allow programs to start. A significant amount of work has gone into getting the room ready and we held an opening ceremony on Tuesday and classes officially started on the Wednesday. We acknowledge further work and purchases need to occur, but it is great that most classes now have access to Food Technology sessions.

The running of a Visual Arts program and the Trade Kitchen are also examples of the tremendous effort staff are putting in to re-establish programs and making the most of limited resources to provide programs for students.

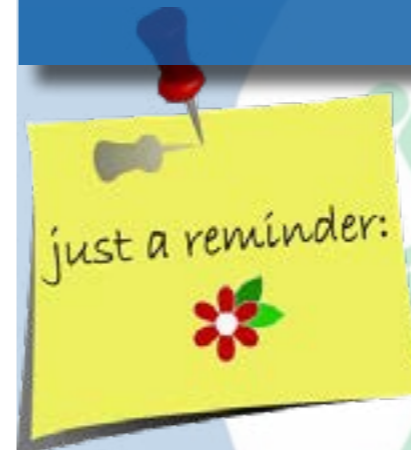
It will be great when we get some feedback and potential timelines so the whole school community can be involved in developing an exciting future for our students.

Thank you for your ongoing support.



The new Food Technology portable.

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  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.

MT BULLA SNOW CAMP



Heatherwood School witnessed the energetic laughter and excitement of its students as they recently embarked on an unforgettable ski camp adventure. The four-day program took place on the slopes of Mt Buller Ski Resort allowing students to indulge in winter sports and create lasting memories with their peers. Led by experienced ski instructors and guided by the school's dedicated staff, the camp aimed to provide students with an opportunity to not only enhance their skiing skills but to foster teamwork, resilience, and personal growth. The snow camp pushed students out of their comfort zones, setting them up for success on and off the slopes. Throughout the four days, students were divided into groups based on their skiing abilities, ensuring that each participant received personalized attention and instruction suitable for their skill level. Beginner skiers were introduced to the basics, including proper technique, balance and coordination. They swiftly gained confidence, tackling gentle slopes with newfound joy and enthusiasm. Meanwhile, more advanced skiers had the chance to improve their skills and take on more challenging slopes. The ski camp proved to be an extraordinary opportunity for students to embrace the wonder of nature and challenge themselves in a supportive environment. It not only helped students improve their physical abilities but also allowed them to develop their personal attributes, forging memories that will undoubtedly last a lifetime.



MT BULLA SNOW CAMP



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ANNIKA BEST

National Taekwondo Champion

Annika, a current Year 11 student, has been practicing taekwondo for about 5 years. Annika currently holds a Black Belt 1st Dan hoping to grade for 2nd Dan in the next 6-12 months. Annika trains 4-5 times per week at Martial Arts Training Centres in Ringwood and Glen Waverley.

Last year, Annika made the decision to enter the state championships as a para athlete competing in Poomsae, (*Poomsae is the practice of pre-choreographed techniques executed with clinical precision, power and poise*). This led to Nationals last year in Bendigo and then States and Nationals this year.

As a result of all of Annika's hard work and passion for the sport she loves, she is the recurrent 2023 State and National Champion. Annika has now set a goal to compete at an international competition in the near future as a para athlete.

Congratulations Annika!



PHYS ED SWIMMING

Samantha Ditty

Aquanation Pool - Ringwood

Swimming for Year 7, 8 and 9 students has come to a close for 2023. Students have experienced a term of valuable swimming and water safety lessons preparing them for the summer months. We have worked at developing swimming strokes, body position in the water, deep water swimming skills and survival skills in different water situations. A goal for all is to get down to the local community pools and continue to practice these important skills regularly.



SSSSA INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY

Samantha Ditty

Friday 28th July Ringwood Athletics Track

Students were selected to represent Heatherwood School from results in PE classes and recommendations from staff through Active Lifestyles sessions at the annual Interschool Athletics Day. Students competed against 8 other South-East Special Schools in a range of Track & Field events from Long Jump, Vortex Throw, Shot Put to 100m sprint and 800m long distance run. There were some fantastic results including the team 4x100m relay events.

STATE NETBALL ALL ABILITIES CHAMPIONSHIPS

Samantha Ditty

Thursday 3rd August State Netball Centre, Parkville

Heatherwood entered an A & B Grade team into the State Netball All Abilities Championships run by Netball Victoria. Students competed in a round robin competition with great success. Congratulations to State Netball Teams, well done on representing Heatherwood School in this new competition.

Results:

Heatherwood A Grade team earning 1st place on the ladder.

Heatherwood B Grade team coming 3rd overall on the ladder.

Heatherwood students selected for State Netball Heatherwood teams:

A GRADE

Liam King-Pascual
Emily Harding
Oscar Payne
Bebe Peters
Charli Luttgens
Paris Deblasis
Rebecca Edwards
Andreas Lawrence
Jamie Delrayne

B GRADE

Amelia Hladyz-Bailey
Mikayla Milligan
Anthony Barlow
Phoebe Edwards
Kade Harris
Amy McBride
Lillee Fawdry
Joshua Milton
Bianca Lawrence





A GRADE

Back Row L_R: Charli Luttgens, Emily Harding, Oscar Payne, Andreas Lawrence, Liam King-Pascual & Jamie Delrayne.

Front Row L-R: Bebe Peters, Rebecca Edwards & Paris Deblasis



B GRADE

Back Row L_R: Jack Falkingham, Blake Collette, Kade Harris, Bianca Lawrence, Josh Milton & Phoebe Edwards

Front Row L-R: Mikayla Milligan, Amelia Hladyz-Bailey, Anthony Barlow, Amy McBride & Lillie Fawdry

SSSSA INTERSCHOOL FOOTBALL

& NETBALL CARNIVAL

Friday 8th September

Greaves Reserve and Netball Stadium, Dandenong

On a very cold, wet and windy day, students attempted to finish off the Football & Netball competition season. Unfortunately, the weather was too strong for the footballers to complete their round robin carnival day resulting in a cancellation of this very popular annual event. The netballers scored the indoor venue and were able to produce some strong team play on the courts.

Results:

Football: A & B Grade- cancelled due to wet, windy weather conditions.

Netball: A Grade- Runners Up to Rossbourne School in a close match.

B Grade-mid range finish in the round robin table.



Standing L_R: Bebe Peters, Charli Luttgens, Jamie Delrayne, Taylen Frank, Liam King-Pascual, Rebecca Edwards, Paris Deblasis & Josh Milton
Sitting: Bianca Lawrence



TERM 3 HOUSE DAY

Samantha Ditty

**Friday 15th September
Heatherwood School Gym**

House Team Sports Day was a day of fun in the great school gym to celebrate the end of term 3. The first session Year 7, 8 and 9 students got active and competed in their house teams in a range of events from egg and spoon races, netball circle pass, basketball shoot outs, baton relay races to tunnel ball events. Then it was time for the Year 10, 11 & 12 students to have their turn to add to the points table in the same events. Great to see so many students have a turn in a variety of sports events. We had Deakin University 4th year PE students assisting on this day and learning all about Heatherwood School.

Term 3 House Results

House Team Sports Day Trophy Champions: **Red (Pearson) House**

House Achievement Trophy Winners: **Yellow (Evans) House**



TERM 3 HOUSE DAY

Samantha Ditty

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SSV EASTERN METRO REGION TRACK & FIELD FINALS

Samantha Ditty

Monday 9th October
Knox Athletics Track

Heatherwood School had 14 students qualified for the School Sport Victoria, (SSV), Eastern Region Track & Field into the five Multi-class events of 100m, 200m, 800m, Long Jump and Shot Put. The students put in their best and produced some fantastic results with many podium places.

12-14 YEARS TEAM

GIRLS

Sapphire Beamish
Mikayla Milligan
Amelia Hladyz-Bailey

BOYS

Lucas Ozergin

15-16 YEARS TEAM

GIRLS

Emily Harding
Stevie-Lee Taylor
Hannah Tesselaar
Phoebe Edwards

BOYS

Mitch Langdon

17-20 YEARS TEAM

GIRLS

Charli Luttgens
Bebe Peters
Paris Deblasis

BOYS

Jaiden Battista
Andreas Lawrence



Sapphire Beamish



Bebe Peters



Andreas Lawrence



Hannah Tesselaar

SSSSA INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING DAY

Samantha Ditty

Friday 13th October
Ashburton Outdoor 25m Pool

A small group of students represented Heatherwood School in the annual Interschool District Swimming Carnival. Students competed in swimming events from Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Butterfly in a range of distances of 25m, 50m and 100m races against 4 other South-East Metro Special Schools. The students all swim to their best ability and produced some great results. It was pleasing to see so many female students involved. Well done to all!



L-R: Emily Harding, Zaine Farrell, Paris Deblasis, Bianca Lawrence, Hannah Tesselaar, Phoebe Edwards & Lara Bromfield





L-R: Emily Harding, Bianca Lawrence, Paris Deblasis, Hannah Tesselaar, Lara Bloomfield & Phoebe Edwards



Phoebe Edwards



Emily Harding



Paris Deblasis



SSV STATE TRACK & FIELD FINALS

Samantha Ditty

**Monday 16th October,
Albert Park Lakeside Track**

Heatherwood School was successful in qualifying all 14 students from the Regions to the State Track & Field School Sport Victoria Championships. While the weather presented us with a day of strong wind, rain and cold conditions, students and staff pushed through and produced some fantastic results for Heatherwood. Well done to the students who gave their best and congratulations to those students for making the State finals.



Emily Harding



Lucas Ozergin



Mikayla Milligan



Amelia Hladyz-Bailey



Phoebe Edwards

SSV STATE TRACK & FIELD FINALS

SSV State Track & Field Multi-class Event Results:

STUDENT	GIRLS 12-14 YEARS		STUDENT	BOYS 12-14 YEARS	
Amelia Hladyz-Bailey	100m	1st	Lucas Ozergin	800m	2nd
	200m	1st		Long Jump	2nd
	Long Jump	4th		100m	3rd
	800m	4th		200m	3rd
	Shot Put	7th		Shot Put	4th
Sapphire Beamish	Shot Put	4th			
Mikayla Milligan	800m	1st			
	200m	2nd			
	100m	3rd			
	Long Jump	3rd			

STUDENT	GIRLS 15-16 YEARS		STUDENT	BOYS 15-16 YEARS	
Emily Harding	800m	1st	Mitch Langdon	Long Jump	1st
	Long Jump	1st		Shot Put	3rd
Stevie-Lee Taylor	Shot Put	3rd	200m	3rd	
Phoebe Edwards	Long Jump	2nd			
	100m	4th			
	200m	4th			
	800m	4th			

Hannah Tesselaar Absent

STUDENT	GIRLS 17-20 YEARS		STUDENT	BOYS 17-20 YEARS	
Charli Luttgens	800m	1st	Jaiden Battista	Long Jump	1st
	100m	2nd		Shot Put	2nd
	200m	2nd		100m	3rd
	Shot Put	2nd		200m	3rd
	Long Jump	3rd		800m	4th
Bebe Peters	Long Jump	4th	Andreas Lawrence	800m	6th
Paris Deblasis	Shot Put	3rd			

SSV STATE TRACK & FIELD FINALS



Charli Luttgens



Paris Deblasis



Mitch Langdon



Jaiden Battista



Stevie-Lee Taylor

JACK FALKINGHAM

BMX National Titles

Jack Falkingham, a current Year 12 student, has been competing in the Victorian State BMX Championships throughout the year achieving outstanding results.

After competing in six Victorian State Series rounds, Jack finished in 6th place.

Jack competes in the 17 to 24 Men 20" which is a tough class. He made it through to semi-finals and then progressed to the final. In a high ranking field Jack finished in 8th place, an amazing achievement.

Jack raced for the first time in the 17 to 24 Men's Cruiser and took out 2nd place in the final! This week Jack will be competing with 1200 athletes from across Australia at the 2023 BMX Racing National Championships being held in Shepparton.

We are all very proud of you Jack and wish you the best of luck at Nationals.



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Chris Seidenman J4

CareNet

Kate, from CareNet visited the S.R.C. to speak of their work and how they help homeless people. CareNet helps homeless people through food donations, personal hygiene products and clothing.

Kate was extremely happy with the Heatherwood Community's contributions of personal hygiene products and thanked everyone for their support.



S.R.C. members, Abbey and Sarah, present Kate from CareNet, donated hygiene products.

S2 FOOD DRIVE

Amber Ward

S2 are currently collecting food items for the 'Friends of Refugees' (FOR) organisation.

<https://friendsofrefugees.org.au/food-aid/>

Collection will take place over 4 weeks (from 16th Oct – 10th Nov).

All donations made by families and friends of Heatherwood will go to refugees and asylum seekers living in our community. We are asking for your support by donating what you can.

Please make sure food is in date and non-perishable.

Boxes to collect donations are in all classrooms and in the staffroom.

EXAMPLES OF ITEMS TO DONATE:

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| Chips | Baked Beans | Popcorn |
| Pasta | Biscuits | Tinned Tomato |
| Rices | Salt | Tinned Spaghetti |
| Sugar | Sauces | Lentils |
| Flour | Milo | Pepper |
| Cereals | Spices | Tinned Pineapple |
| Nutella | Peanut Butter | Long Life Milk |
| Oats | Tinned Soup | Tinned Tuna |

Thank you for your support.

HOSPITALITY

Lynne Penrose & Rosie Zappone



Hospitality

This month the Hospitality students hosted all our wonderful Crown and Quinces, Bus Drivers and Supervisors for a 'Thank You Breakfast'. Students interacted while serving food, buffet style, from the chafing dishes. A wide variety of food was prepared including French Toast, bacon, eggs, sausages and toast. Juice was provided while students make tea and coffee. The occasion was enjoyed by both guests and students.

As part of their Communication unit the Year 12 students are required to lead the class in making a dish of their own choice. In our new kitchen, Eshaan chose Oreo Balls and Jacinta taught everyone the art of making Lemonade Scones. Well done to you both and to the whole class as they started working in a completely new kitchen environment.



HOSPITALITY

Lynne Penrose & Rosie Zappone



Emma, Eshaan & Jacinta ready to serve up a storm.

To the right, Derrick cooking golden pieces of toast.



Above is the new Food Tech portable



Communication Unit

Above Eshaan is demonstrating how to make Oreo Balls to the Class.

To the right Jacinta explains how to make delicious Lemonade Scones.

Food Technology

Linda Fraser & Claire Axton

We are so excited to have our new kitchen up and running offering our lovely students food technology classes again. A little ceremony was held to celebrate all the hard work staff and students have done over the past couple of months to set up the new kitchen.



Food Tech teachers, Linda & Claire.



Madi and Skyee making yummy scones!



On the left, Tapa and Jhye put together healthy fruit kebabs.

Below Rosie, Ari, Jackson and Riley carefully follow the recipe.



Year 10 classes enjoyed taking the new BBQ donated by Bunnings for a test run cooking some delicious cheeseburgers as part of the outdoor cooking course.



M5 christen the new BBQ!



Luke, Sat Khint and April master cooking hamburgers.

Interchange Outer East & Rotary Club of Balwyn present

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY

for children with disability and their families & carers!

Box Hill Miniature Railway

Sunday 26 November 2023 from 11am to 3pm
 Corner of Belmore and Elgar Rds, Box Hill

**Train Rides | Animal Farm | Sausage Sizzle
 Magic Show | Face Painting | Raffle**
...and a visit from SANTA!

Proudly Presented By:

Proudly Supported By:

Bookings essential - register online: www.trybooking.com/CLKKM

For more information contact Interchange Outer East on 9758 5522 or familysupport@ioe.org.au

Covered shoes essential for train rides!

The Rotary Club of Manningham City
presents

ALL ABILITIES GOOD VIBRATIONS DISCO

Saturday, 18 Nov 2023
7 - 10 pm

Tende Beck Scout Hall
5 High St Doncaster

Theme: Christmas

\$5 entry

Bookings essential
(via Humanitix)



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