



DATES TO REMEMBER 2019



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Thursday 1 August

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Student Achievement: Taking the school out into the Community

I congratulate our school leaders **Lily Whiteman (Year 12, Rutter House)** and **Zac Broeren (Year 12, Everard House)** and our student leaders **Paige Mihaljevic (Year 12, Stewart House)**, **Aneurin Brown (Year 11, Rutter House)** and **Joy Van Diemen-Hartlief (Year 10, Stewart House)** for taking the school out into the community by attending and presenting at the Eltham Lions Club Changeover Dinner. I am told by colleagues and friends who were present that our students made us proud. A more detailed account of the evening can be read in a further section of this newsletter. A big thank you to the Eltham Lions Club for their ongoing support of our students and a special thanks to Peter Torey and Louise Heathcote for being there on the night alongside our students, representing our school.

Monash University Year 8 Engineering Challenge

Congratulations to **Maximilian Grussler (Year 8, Stewart House)** and **Cameron Heath (Year 8, Rutter house)** for their participation in the 2019 Monash University Year 8 Engineering Challenge. Both boys benefitted greatly from the experience and had a great deal of fun. More information on this is in the Student Growth Section of the newsletter.

Professional Learning Communities (PLC)

On Wednesday and Thursday of last week, nine staff including myself were involved in the PLC professional learning program. The focus of this is to deliver the PLC strategy across the school in order to continue to enhance teacher collaboration and collective efficacy. The strategy involves the use of student data and the implementation of an inquiry cycle with the aim of collectively improving teacher practice for better outcomes for students. The program was quite demanding of both time and focus but it was very satisfying and we look forward to the next stage of development. The timeframe involved further professional learning for the remainder of this year with a trial implementation of the process by this small team and an extension across the school as of the start of 2020. I remind you of our vision for our young people and for our staff. This initiative will support staff to achieve key elements of this...

Our Vision for our Young People:

"To develop creative students who are active seekers, users and creators of their own knowledge, who have a strong sense of responsibility towards society and the environment and who act with integrity and show that 'Deeds Count' "

Our Vision for our Teachers:

"Teachers as professionals, to continue to reflect on their practice and in so doing challenge themselves to better meet the needs of their students; to leave spaces for students to discover things for themselves, to value their imagination and idiosyncratic 'voices.' "

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

JULY

Tuesday 23

- VCE Year 10 into Year 11 Information Evening
- NMR - Inter Girls AFL

Wednesday 24 - Thursday 25

- Concert Band Camp

Thursday 25

- NMR - Inter Boys AFL

Friday 26 - Sunday 28

- Volleyball Victoria Schools Cup

Monday 29

- Year 12 Tutorial Seminar - Indigenous Issues: Local and Global - Period 3

Tuesday 30

- Australian National Chemistry Quiz - Period 1
- NMR - Senior and Inter Boys Badminton

Wednesday 31

- Year 11 Outdoor Education - Cross Country Skiing Day
- Middle School Cross Country Skiing Day
- Critical Thinking Test

AUGUST

Thursday 01

- 2019 Australian Maths Competition
- NMR - Senior Boys Table Tennis
- Year 12 VTAC Information Session - Period 1
- Year 8 into Year 9 Subject Selection Information Evening - 7:00pm

Thursday 01 - Friday 02

- 2019 City Year 7 Experience Camp - Year 7 A, B, C and D

Friday 02

- Active Girls - Rollerskating

Monday 05

- 2019 Australian Maths Competition - Year 7 A, B, C and D

Wednesday 07

- Victorian Schools Music Festival - Choir

Thursday 08

- Year 10 English Guest Author - Kate Mildenhall - Period 1

Thursday 08 - Friday 09

- 2019 City Year 7 Experience Camp - Year 7 E, F, G and H

Eltham Drama

It is now the turn of the Senior Drama ensemble to display its talent and skills. During next week, under the direction of talented past student, **Tom Franklin (Class of 2010, Everard House)**, the ensemble will be presenting their new production, *The Pot Of Gold* (Aulularia in Latin), a two thousand year old Roman romantic comedy with most certainly an Eltham twist. I strongly encourage you not to miss this amazing production. More details in a further section of this newsletter. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Preparing students and Parents for 2020

Term 3 is always a very busy period as we begin our preparations for the following year. This includes: Course selection processes for Year 11 into Year 12, Year 10 into Year 11, Year 9 into Year 10, Year 8 into Year 9 and the VCAL Program. All of these begin with an information session for our parents and students followed by course advice and then course selection. It is important that parents keep up with the events on the calendar and attend the information session relevant to each of their children. Even though you may have had students in the school in previous years, processes, subjects on offer and expectations change and you need to be up to date to make informed decisions for the following year's course of study.

The Year 10 into Year 11 Information Evening will take place tonight and the Year 10 into Year 11 course counselling of students will take place throughout next week.

In addition to the information provided on the night, staff will be available to answer any of your questions and address any of your queries.

Please take advantage of this opportunity in order to support your young person to make decisions about their course of study for 2020.

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VINCENT SICARI, Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Parent Opinion Survey: We want our parents to tell us what they think!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 22 July to Sunday 11 August**.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English.

Identified parents will receive an email directly. We encourage those involved to participate as it is important to us to have your perspective on what is happening at school.

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FRAN MULLINS, Assistant Principal

Sunday 11 - Friday 16

- Symphonic Band Brisbane Tour

Monday 12

- Year 11 Presentation - Be Wise, End the Coward Punch - Period 3

Wednesday 14

- Year 11 Biology - Melbourne Zoo Parkville
- Year 7 Edendale Farm Sustainability Program 7A, B and C

Thursday 15

- Year 12 Seminar - Finishing Line by Elevate Education - Period 1

Thursday 15 - Friday 16

- 2019 City Year 7 Experience Camp - Year 7 J, K and L

Friday 16 - Saturday 17

- World Challenge Training Weekend

Monday 19

- Year 12 Literature - 'Othello' Seminar - Period 4

Tuesday 20

- Year 7 Edendale Farm Sustainability Program 7E, F, G and H

Wednesday 21

- Year 7 Edendale Farm Sustainability Program 7J, K and L



PARENTS AND CARERS

Fees Reminders

A reminder to parents that Years 9 and 10 Semester 2 Elective Fees were due on **Friday 21 June**. Please note that students may be assigned to a course without a financial charge if subject levy payment is not received by the due date.

Please note that any outstanding Semester 1 Elective Fees and VET Material Fees are now past due. If you have an Essential Items charge outstanding on your family statement, your prompt payment is appreciated.

Fees may be paid via BPay, cash or credit card. In cases of financial hardship, special payment arrangements can be made in confidence. Please contact Jacinta D'Avoine (Revenue Administrator) 9430 5118.

Please note that final applications for CSEF for 2019 close on 28 June. Please ensure if you are eligible that your paperwork is submitted with a valid concession card as soon as possible. For further information, please contact Jacinta D'Avoine.

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CATHERINE ZERNA, Finance Manager

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Middle School Cross Country Ski Day

Do you like the snow? Never been but would like to try? Like to try cross-country skiing? Year 8 and 9 students are invited participate in a 1 day cross-country ski trip to Lake Mountain on Wednesday July 31. The cost for the trip will be \$120, which includes transport and entry, ski hire, and a 90-minute lesson.

The trip will be run Ross McKinnon, who is an experienced Outdoor Education teacher as well as being an active member of the Lake Mountain Ski Patrol. Other staff members will be Peter Torey (Outdoor Ed teacher and ex-Lake Mountain Ski Patrol) Dave Matters (teacher and Outdoor Guide) and Briony Turner (gun Maths teacher!).

Detailed information, including gear lists and other relevant documentation is available from Mr McKinnon in the Middle School Office (Room 913). There are only 6 places remaining of the original 29 available; these will be allocated to the first students to return the relevant paperwork (consent, medical and payment forms) to the Middle School Office.

Payment is to be made using the credit card payment form provided. The Compass Portal cannot be used for payment or to provide consent. Please contact Ross McKinnon in the Middle School Office if you require any further information.

Middle School Information Evenings

Year 9 (2020) Subject Selection Information Evening, **Thursday August 1, 7:00pm**, in the Nalleijerring Performance Centre.

This information session provides valuable information to our parents and current Year 8 students about the process for selecting subjects for Year 9. As this will be the first time that these students have had the opportunity to choose subjects, it is extremely helpful to hear the process explained by the people who are responsible for creating courses and timetables for 2020.

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ROSS MCKINNON, Middle School Team Leader

SENIOR SCHOOL

VCE Year 10 - 11 Information Night

The VCE Year 10 to 11 Information evening 2020 is scheduled for **Tuesday 23 July, 2019 between 7:00pm and 9:30pm** in the Nalleijerring Performance Centre. Course selection options, information and processes will be discussed at this time and Key Learning area displays will also be set-up by staff with an opportunity for students and families to ask questions in relation to specific subject areas. All Year 10 students and parents/guardians are required to attend this evening.

Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) Information Night

The VCAL 2020 Information night is scheduled for **Thursday 25 July, 2019 between 7:00pm and 8:30pm**. Course information and the application process will be discussed. Students considering undertaking this certificate option are required to attend this session.

Year 11 to 12 Transition Meeting

Students have received the documentation and guidelines for the submission of their subjects together with information pertaining to Higher Education studies and Victorian Open Days. The presentation was forwarded to students electronically on the day.

Students will be notified via email of the opening of the web choice form to enter their subject selections for 2020.

Students are asked to make contact with their VCE or VCAL Coordinator, the Transition and Pathways coordinator and/or the Key Learning area staff with any questions or queries.

ANNA PANAS, Senior School Team Leader

MUSIC

Call for Volunteers

We are asking for Volunteers to assist with the running of a BBQ and to help in the canteen for the Victorian Band League Solo and Ensemble Festival at Eltham High School on **Saturday 27 July** as a fundraiser.

We are looking for some volunteers who can assist with the BBQ and selling over the day.

If you are able to spare a couple of hours between 10:00am and 3:00pm to assist with cooking and to prepare or serve food and drinks. Your help would be appreciated. We will be using the canteen kitchen so catering will be easier on the day.

The VBL run the Bands competition at South Street so it is a great opportunity for us to have the Ensembles Festival at Eltham High School and for us to support this competition as well as raise some funds and hear some great music.

If you are able to assist please email Friends of Music or Jane Nicholson with your preferred time and we will be back in touch.

FriendsOfMusic@elthamhs.vic.edu.au or nio@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

Catriona McKinnon, Friends of Music President

Victorian Schools Music Festival 2019

Our bands will be performing at the Victorian Schools Music Festival. Please see dates below and continue to check Compass for further information.

AMEB Exams

If your child is sitting an AMEB exam could you please pay the AMEB fee and accompanist fee as soon as possible.

Music Fees - Second Instalment Due - Lesson Fee

The second instalment of the Music fees are now due. Your prompt payment of the fees is appreciated.

2019 Music Program Forms

If you have been given any of the following forms to complete, could you please return them to either the General Office or the Music Department:

- 2019 Music Program Instrument Hire form
- 2019 After School Music Agreement form

ROSTER FOR JULY 2019

Wednesday

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Thursday

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Friday

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Monday

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Tuesday

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If you would like to volunteer for our canteen please send your email address and availabilities to our Canteen Manager, Carolina Constable at: cob@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

Music Dates for 2019

Intermediate Band Camp at Ferngully Lodge, Healesville	Tuesday 23 – Wednesday 24 July
Concert Band Camp at Ferngully Lodge, Healesville	Wednesday 24 – Thursday 25 July
Choir Performance at Eltham Primary School	Monday 29 July
Intermediate Band Performance at Victorian Schools Music Festival	Wednesday 31 July
Percussion AMEB Exams	Saturday 3 August
Choir Performance at Victorian Schools Music Festival	Wednesday 7 August
Symphonic Band Workshop with The Royal Australian Air Force Band	Friday 9 August
Symphonic Band Tour of Brisbane – Details TBC	Sunday 11 - Friday 16 August
Stage Band & Jazz Band performance at Essentially Ellington Competition	Sunday 18 August
Concert Band Performance at Victorian Schools Music Festival	Thursday 22 August
Symphonic Band Performance at Victorian Schools Music Festival	Monday 26 August

RICK KEENAN, Director of Music

DRAMA

The Eltham High School Senior Drama Ensemble present: The Pot of Gold

The Senior Drama Ensemble will be performing The Pot Of Gold (Aulularia in Latin), a two thousand year old Roman romantic comedy in the **Drama room at 7.00pm on Tuesday 30 July, Wednesday 31 July, Thursday 1 August and Friday 2 August.**

Written by the early Roman playwright Titus Maccius Plautus, translated and adapted by director Tom Franklin, this ancient Roman farce will seem very familiar to contemporary audiences with its rhythm and humour very like a TV sitcom. The play is much more accessible in terms of its humour than much later works by playwrights such as Shakespeare. It revolves around the miserly Euclio who discovers a pot full of gold. Sudden riches send Euclio into a spiral of paranoia and fear, whilst his household and the neighbours negotiate love affairs, marriage proposals, thieves, murderers and shopping.

The end of the play is lost, so Tom has added a fitting conclusion based on the direction of the play that we have. It is fast, silly and lots of fun, suitable for all ages. Citizens, barbarians gladiators, slaves and women welcome, togas not required.

Where: The Eltham High School Drama Space at 7:00pm .

When: Tuesday 30 July, Wednesday 31 July, Thursday 1 August and Friday 2 August

Tickets:

Adults \$15

Student/Concession \$10

Tickets available through Trybooking

<https://www.trybooking.com/BEDVI>

GEORGE FRANKLIN, Drama Coordinator

Drama

When: Wednesday (Junior)
Thursday (Senior)
Location: 111 Drama Space
Time: 3.20pm – 5.00pm
George Franklin, Drama Teacher

Scrambled Prince Workshops

When: Tuesday
Location: 111 Drama Space
Time: 3.20pm – 6.00pm
George Franklin, Drama Teacher

Interschool Debating Team

When: Monday Lunchtime
Location: Room 301
Madeleine Griffeth
Debating Coordinator

PRISIM

(People - Respecting - Individual's -
Sexuality - Identity - Movement)
When: Thursday Lunchtime
Location: Student Services
Louise Heathcote
Student Services Leader

Violet Fems

When: Tuesday Lunchtime
Location: Room Student Services
Louise Heathcote
Student Services Leader

Tournament of Minds (Year 7 - 10)

When: Tuesday Lunchtime Term 2 and 3
Location: Room 154
Loren Clarke and Naomi Edrees
Tournament of Minds Coordinators

Pottery Club

When: Friday Lunchtime
Location: Room 602
Donna Ayres Technology Teacher

Language Conversation Club

When: Tuesday Lunchtime
Indonesian Club: Room 610
French Club: Room 612
Catherine Considine Languages KLA
Coordinator

STEM Club

When: Monday Lunchtime (Week B)
Indonesian Club: Room 610
French Club: Room 802
Anam Javed STEM Club Coordinator

CAREERS

Year 10 Work Experience 2019: Monday 9 – Friday 13 September

It's never too early to start planning your 2019 placement so now is the time to think about more career related placements. Keep an eye on Compass, Careers website and the newsletter for ideas and options.

Forms can be accessed through our Careers website at www.elthamhighcareers.com.au or from outside the Careers Office. There is the standard Placement Form along with a Transport/Accommodation Form, if necessary. Forms need to be returned by **Friday 30 August**

Year 9 Work Experience 2019: Monday 9 - Friday 13 December

Students are required to complete one week of placement and can access forms through the careers website at www.elthamhighcareers.com or from outside the Careers Office. There is the standard Placement Form along with a Transport/Accommodation Form, if necessary. Forms need to be returned by Friday 30 November.

Students competing in the Australian Volleyball Schools' Cup competition are able to complete their placement at another time either prior to or following the scheduled week.

Students who are not 15 years old by 9 December will be restricted to placements at a kindergarten, pre-school or primary school. Alternatively private arrangements can be made by the family but please pass on the information prior to the placement.

Any queries should be directed to Ross Pringle at pri@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

ROSS PRINGLE, Careers and Pathways Coordinator

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Student Achievements

Over the Term 2 2019 school holidays, **Maximilian Grussler (Stewart, 8F)** and **Cameron Heath (Rutter, 8B)** took part in Monash University's 3 day Year 8 Engineering Challenge. They took part in six workshops, each focusing on a different aspect of engineering: civil, materials science, environmental, mechanical and aerospace engineering.

Cameron was also one of 30 choristers selected from the National Boys' Choir Australia to perform Stravinsky's work Persephone last week with Sir Andrew Davis conducting the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, MSO Chorus and selected girls from the Australian Girls Choir. It was a great honour to be selected to perform this little-known work, which has not been performed in Australia for more than 50 years.

Congratulations to Maximilian and Cameron,

Year 9 High Resolves

In the last week or so, you will have received a request to pay for a High Resolves incursion for your child. I would like to take this opportunity to explain where this activity fits in our Year 9 Program and how the program is connected to our Curriculum.

The Year 9 Program at Eltham High School has been designed to support students through an important and sometimes challenging stage of their growth. In particular, the Year 9 camp, Involve, Careers and High Resolves Program compliment each other and form a sound basis for a students' personal development.

Year 9 Involve

In Year 9 Involve, students have set goals for Semester 1, participated in a class learning about interview techniques and writing their resume. For your information, Year 9 Involve is a part of our Year 7 to 12 Involve and Tutorial Program, where each year builds upon the skills, attitudes and behaviours relevant to their stage of cognitive and behavioural development, to deliver a holistic education. Semester 2 sees our Year 9 student prepare more for their work experience and they will complete some OHS modules, for which they will receive achievement certificates.

Year 9 Career's Program

Adjacent to the Year 9 Camp, students reviewed their resumes, reviewed their school reports and prepared for and then participated in mock interviews. This runs in conjunction with further careers session focussing on employability and interview techniques. We also introduced the "rock and water" model of personal safety and well-being.

EXTRACURRICULAR CLASSES & TUTORIALS

Eltham High School Swim Squad

When: Thursday

Location: Watermarc

Time: 7.00am – 8.00am

Phil Boyd

Eltham High School Swimming Club
Coordinator

Eltham High School Anthology

When: Tuesday

Location: Room 302

Time: Lunchtime

Steve Ford

Eltham High School Anthology
Coordinator

Eltham High School STEM Club

When: Every second Wednesday

Location: Room 802

Time: Lunchtime

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Eltham High School Science
Coordinator

Eltham Lions Club AGM/ Changeover Dinner 2019



Year 9 Camp

The Year 9 camp saw the students participate in outdoor challenges to develop their leadership, facilitate team work and encourage their peers. A significant component of this program allowed the students to reflect on their contribution to the team and their own leadership. This was completed during organised reflection meetings and in team discussions.

Year 9 High Resolves Program.

This program is delivered as an integral component of Year 9 Involve Program, and continues and builds upon the High Resolves sessions delivered to Year 8 students in 2018. Students will have an incursion for the High Resolves Program as per their Compass schedule. The High Resolves team are a highly respected and experienced organisation. They are recognised as a leader in the design and delivery of capacity-building experiences for young people. Further information can be found by visiting <https://highresolves.org/>

The key features of the High Resolves Programs are:

- Highly immersive, simulation-based workshops;
- Multiple touch-points per year level for sustained learning outcomes;
- Delivered in-school by dynamic, professional educators who are trained teachers;
- Includes comprehensive classroom resources and professional development to support teachers;
- Aligns with the Australian Curriculum, Victorian Curriculum and NSW Syllabus, including the General Capabilities, Humanities and Social Sciences, and Civics and Citizenship.

Specifically the Program Eltham High School is focusing on for Year 9 students is called Social Justice:

Overview and Key Inquiry Question

Students develop a cognitive and effective appreciation that we all have a sense of personal responsibility to make the world a fairer place. They develop a deeper understanding of the unequal distribution of wealth and opportunities in the real world. By compelling students to see situations from different perspectives they approach social justice with a greater objectivity and compassion. The Key Inquiry Question is: What is Social Justice?

The total cost is \$24.50 and this covers 2 classes run by High Resolves in conjunction with your child's Year 9 Involve Teacher. Thank you to families who have already paid and provided consent.

Year 9 Social Progress

Group 1 - 9A, 9C and 9D

Tuesday 20 August; Period 1 and 2 (8:55am - 11:24am)

Group 2 - 9B, 9E, 9G and 9J

Monday 2 September; Period 1 and 2 (8:55am - 11:24am)

Group 3 - 9F, 9H and 9K

Friday 23 August; Period 1 and 2 (8:55am - 11:24am)

For further information, please contact Peter Torey or Darren Squires,

Eltham Lions Club AGM and Changeover Dinner 2019

On Monday 22 July 5 students; **Zac Broeren (Year 12, Everard House)**, **Lily Whiteman (Year 12, Rutter House)**, **Paige Mihaljevic (Year 12, Stewart House)**, **Joy Van Diemen-Hartlief (Year 10, Stewart House)** and **Aneurin Brown (Year 11, Rutter House)** joined Peter Torey and Louise Heathcote at the Eltham Lions Club AGM/change over dinner. The dinner both celebrated the clubs successes from the past year whilst also preparing for the exciting year to come. The night consisted of speeches from all the students in attendance about Eltham High Schools relationship with the club, a summary of the programs and a 'rundown' of what is happening around our school. A speech from the president of the Eltham Lions Club, Peter Talbot, and Lions District Leader were followed by the induction of the 2019 – 2020 committee.

Overall, the night was a great success and opened the minds of the students to what they can get involved with around the community and gave members of Eltham Lions an insight to the club of what is happening at our school.

Aneurin Brown (Year 11, Rutter House)

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PETER TOREY, Student Growth Leader

**PARENT
INFORMATION**

2019 Term Dates

Term 3:

Starts Monday 15 July
Finishes Friday 20 September

Term 4:

Starts Monday 7 October
Finishes Wednesday 20 December
(Dependant on Year level)

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND WORKING BEE DATES

2019

Working Bee Dates

- 25 August
- 13 October
- 24 November

Committee Meeting Dates

- 15 August
- 19 September
- 14 November

We are always seeking new members for our Grounds Committee.

If you wish would like to get involved please contact Tim Natoli via email: nao@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball Victoria Schools Cup

Date: Friday 26 - Sunday 27 July
Venue: State Volleyball Centre - 270 Stud Rd, Dandenong.

All teams have been training hard this semester and all that work will come to fruition early next term. Please ensure you are available to play during the three days of competition. On the Friday, teams will be bussed to and from the stadium. Players will need to make their own way into the stadium on Saturday and Sunday. Teams are expected to be at their playing court an hour before the first match and to assist with umpiring when required.

Australian Volleyball Schools Cup - Gold Coast

Date: Saturday 7 - Saturday 14 December
An email was sent home asking for consent and a deposit to confirm attendance at the AVSC in the Gold Coast. If you wish to attend please confirm through accounts. If you do not wish to attend, please let Mr Young know.

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ANTHONY YOUNG, Volleyball Program Coordinator

ELTHAM HIGH SCHOOL SWIM SQUAD

Eltham High School Swim Squad

The Eltham High School Swim Squad runs on Thursday mornings from 7:00am to 8:00am before school at the Eltham Leisure Centre and is a great way to keep fit, have fun, learn some new skills and make great friends. Squad can be a great way to train for swim sports and then move on into our district and state teams, or do it just for fun!

Students from all year levels and ability levels are invited to sign up for Semester 2 and become one of our squad members. Each week we work on developing confidence, fitness and stroke with the emphasis on having fun and becoming part of a positive team of students who support each other both in the pool and around the school environment. After squad, students come together for hot chocolate before classes.

The Squad is instructed by accomplished swimmer and Coach, Neroli Nixon and assistant coach, Indigo McKinnon. Cost for new members for Semester 2 is \$90.00 which covers lane hire and coaching. New Squad Members are most welcome! Meet on the pool deck at Eltham Leisure Centre by 7.00am each Thursday. Payment for Semester 2 is payable to the School Cashier prior to 18 July.

Swim Squad for Semester 2 commenced on Thursday 18 July 2019.

What to bring:

- Bathers
- Towel
- Goggles
- Clothes for school
- Food for breakfast

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PHIL BOYD, Swim Squad Coordinator

JULY

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ICT

Student Laptop and Stylus

Parents are reminded that Eltham High School has a Specified 'Bring Your Own Device' Program. This means that we do not support any computers or devices other than the specified Microsoft Surface Pros.

Eltham High School is committed to ensuring that the best possible education is delivered to our students. This depends on students being fully equipped with all relevant learning tools, including both a working touchscreen laptop (MS Surface Pro – approved models only) and a working stylus.

Many classes utilise the touchscreen technology and rely on the students having a charged device with a stylus, ready to learn. If your child has misplaced their stylus, it is expected that it will be replaced. If a lost stylus is handed in to the school unnamed we cannot return it, so please make sure it is clearly named. Label makers can print in small fonts to be stuck on the outside of the stylus, or a named piece of paper can be slipped inside the pen. Replacement nibs can be purchased at the General Office.

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask that parents talk to their children about appropriate times for computer use; many students are using their laptops at break times which can result in laptops running out of charge before their afternoon classes. It also robs students of the chance to take a rest from the screens.

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NATALIE HEATH, eLearning/ICT Leader

SCIENCE

Tech School Student Start-Up: Entrepreneur Pitch Session, Networking and Keynote

Later this term, **Tymon Van Diemen-Hartlief** will be giving his pitch for the business idea he has been working on as part of the Student Start-Up - Join us as students pitch their business ideas seeking advice, mentorship and investment. Network while enjoying Melbourne Polytechnic wines and cheese tasting by That's Amore Cheese, learn to code, create an app or program a micro-computer with the Banyule Nillumbik Tech School Team.

The event concludes with Professor Veena Sahajwalla expert panellist on the ABC show The New Inventors hosting a public talk on revolutionising recycling science. She explores how repurposing the fundamental molecules and elements within post-consumer waste products is reinventing the way we treat - and perceive - these largely untapped commodities.

- Date: 17 August 2019 - 4:00pm - 7:00pm
- Location: The Royal Society of Victoria 8 La Trobe Street Melbourne, VIC 3000
- 4:00pm: Student Start Up Entrepreneur Pitch Session
- 5:00pm: Networking Cheese & Wine Event
- 6:00pm: ARC Laureate Professor Veena Sahajwalla - expert panellist on the ABC show The New Inventors

Wearable Tech Master Class - Tech4Futures

Held during Science Week, this Master Class will introduce students to the world of wearable technology! Students will work as designers to create fashion items that will be featured on the runway at the Mystique – 2019 Wearable Technology Fashion Show on 6 October 2019. The aim of this activity is to showcase engineering and related fields while promoting creativity, collaboration and the beauty of combining multidisciplinary areas into a global project. Students will gain skills in coding as well as develop hands on experience using Arduino, LED sensors and range of equipment and materials at the Tech School.

- Date/Time: 12 August 2019 - 9:00am to 3:00pm
- Location: Banyule Nillumbik Tech School
- Year Level: 7 - 11

This program is run in partnership with Tech4Future at La Trobe University. Further detail on the fashion show can be found here:

Event website: <http://tech4future.com.au/mystique.html>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Tech4Future-570482753438310>

Maker Meet-Up @ Whittlesea Tech School

Our sister School - Whittlesea Tech School has now opened a Maker Space: STEAMengine. This space is an opportunity for students in the community to make use of our facilities and equipment, and leverage the expertise available for their own projects outside of school hours.

Date/Time: Thursdays during Term - 3:30pm to 6:00pm
Where: Whittlesea Tech School
Cost: FREE

The Lab Greensborough @ Banyule Nillumbik Tech School

Banyule Nillumbik Tech School will host an exciting new technology club in Term 3 called The Lab Greensborough. Registrations are now open for the after school program for students with high-functioning autism and Asperger's, aged 10 - 16, who enjoy working with computers. The Lab offers mentoring by technology professionals in areas such as programming, 3D, digital design and gaming.

Date/Time: Monday 29 July - 16 September - 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Where: Banyule Nillumbik Tech School
Cost: FREE

Elsewhere: Teacher and Student STEAM Conference for Girls - Thursday 12 September 2019

Melbourne's It Takes a Spark EDU Conference is now open for registration!

We have put together a spectacular programme for the Melbourne Conference with early bird registration open until August 14. The intent of the It Takes a Spark Conferences is to ignite interest and learning in STEAM, particularly from girls who traditionally are underrepresented in these subject areas.

The conference brings together teachers and Years 4 to 10 girls with inspiring female industry role models, innovators and universities for an immersive day of interactive STEAM workshops. This is a unique learning opportunity to attend a conference designed and led by students and teachers for students and teachers.

<https://spark-educonferences.com.au/it-takes-a-spark-melbourne-2019/>

The 9th BrainSTEM Innovation Challenge Enter NOW!

Program Requirements and Student Selection:

- Each school participates with a team of 4 students from Years 9 – 10
- Higher representation of girls is encouraged
- The program aims to include students who are interested in STEM but not necessarily certain about pursuing a future career in a STEM discipline
- Participating students will be required to travel to the university that their mentor is based at to work on their innovation project
- There are typically 4 – 8 meetings between STEM mentors and school teams over the 12 week Program
- These will need to be organised directly between mentors and teams, student teams will also need to be accompanied by a teacher from the school to these meetings

Opportunities that being involved in the BrainSTEM Innovation challenges can offer:

- To identify an important real-world issue and create an innovative way to address and/or research the issue; allowing the practical application of theoretical knowledge
- To connect and work with an established scientist and/or innovator in any given field of STEM and work with them in a professional University environment over a 12 week period
- To receive Certificates of acknowledgment for the development of a variety of hands-on skills and capabilities in STEM research and innovation

To enter the 9th BrainSTEM Innovation Challenge, please email: cov@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

ROB COVENTRY, Science KLA Coordinator

CANTEEN

The Canteen is currently organising the Volunteer Roster for this term. If you are able to volunteer or if had previously volunteered in the past but have not been contacted by the Canteen Manager this year please contact her through email at cob@elthamhs.vic.edu.au or by phone on [9430 5122](tel:94305122)

New Canteen Menu will be available on next week newsletter but the following price changes will be implemented this term from Monday

- Pinwheels - \$1.50
- Sweet Muffins - \$3.00

Nachos and Super Nachos will be replaced by Wedges \$5.00 this term during lunch time.
Small Sour Cream tubs \$1.00

CAROLINA CONSTABLE, Canteen Manager



Tax Help

available at DVCS
30 July –
31 October 2019

If your tax affairs are simple you may
be eligible for
FREE help with your tax return.

(Appointments necessary)

Diamond Valley Community Support Inc.
Shop 378a – Level 3
Greensborough Plaza, Greensborough 3088

Tel: 9435 8282



DIAMOND VALLEY
community support

Community Announcements

Introducing Child360, our first app!



The app that every parent needs.

In an Australian first, we have just launched a free app called Child360. It provides practical tools and a clear pathway for parents to help identify and manage the mental health needs of their children.

Our Director, Brad Morgan says the app was developed after recognising that all families face challenges that can impact children's mental and emotional wellbeing and that it can be daunting for parents to know where to begin looking for help.

"The Child360 app gives parents a simple, trustworthy, pro-active tool for taking stock of their children's social and emotional wellbeing," Mr Morgan said.

"It can be a powerful starting point for parents who are confused or overwhelmed."

Child360 allows parents to develop a confidential profile of their child and answer questions about areas such as:

- parent-child relationships
- emotions and behaviour
- routines
- communication, and
- support networks.

After answering the questions, parents select an area to work on and then choose from three levels of action, including:

- Accessing information through articles, videos and podcasts.
- Speaking to someone via an online or phone service.
- Making an appointment to see a GP or child and maternal health nurse.

Child360 was developed in partnership with parents, health professionals, researchers and parenting experts, and draws on evidence-based practices to guide parents towards credible, quality information that best suits their situation and their children's needs. Parents can even download a letter from the app to take to their GP, with prompts to help with discussing areas of concern.

Download it via the [App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#) now.

[Find out more](#)

Hear from the Child360 creators

The development of the Child360 app was a collaborative process across the National Workforce Centre, our child and family partners and health practitioners. Emerging Minds Workforce Development Officer, Sophie Guy, facilitated this collaboration and took some time to chat to us about the app's development, her favourite features and other ways in which parents can support their children's social and emotional wellbeing.

Why was the app developed?

The Child360 app was created as a simple guide to help parents to support their child's social and emotional wellbeing. There is so much information out there about raising children, which can be confusing.

How did you go about developing the app?

Child360 was developed in collaboration with a group of child and family partners and health professionals, drawing upon research about what works to strengthen children's resilience.

What is your favourite feature of the app?

My favourite feature is the "check-up", which takes users through five simple but insightful questions related to the PERCS domains. These questions allow parents to quickly gauge how their child is going in relation to five key areas of social and emotional wellbeing.

Why should parents download the app?

Parents who feel overwhelmed by all the information out there but who want to support their child's social and emotional wellbeing will find that the Child360 app is a simple and easy-to-use tool to help them start taking action today.

What else can parents do to support their children's social and emotional wellbeing?

One of the most important things a parent can do to support their child's wellbeing is to ensure that they look after their own mental health. Stress and adversity, if not addressed, can take a heavy toll on children's social and emotional wellbeing and so any steps that parents take to reduce the stress in their own life has positive impacts on their children.

Tuning in to Teens

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six-session parenting program
for parents of adolescents

Would you like to learn how to:

- be better at talking with your teen?
- be better at understanding your teen?
- help your teen learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your teen?
- teach your teen to deal with conflict?

Tuning in to Teens shows you how to help your teen develop *emotional intelligence*.

Adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

- are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success with making friends and are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to cope when upset or angry
- have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults
- have greater academic and career success - Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of success than IQ!

Evidence shows that the earlier the intervention the greater the impact - it's never too early or too late to learn how to better connect with your teen and teach them important life skills!

Where: Berry Street
677 The Boulevard, Eaglemont

When: Wednesdays 10.30am - 12.30pm,
From 7th August to 11th September
* Please note we are unable to offer childcare

Contact: Candice Hona (9450 4783)
or Camilla Evans (9487 7770)
from Family Services



Parking:

- Unlimited parking on The Boulevard (sealed road becomes gravel)
- Unlimited parking in Yarra Flats Park (entry opposite Berry Street driveway)
- 2-hour parking on Glenard Drive West (behind Berry Street)

Feedback from previous participants:

- "really useful for parenting"
- "this program was complete and helpful"
- "helped me to learn to be positive and calm" and "helped me and my kids to be more settled and happy"
- "my children are responding positively to changes I've implemented"
- "new knowledge and approaches that I can use on a daily basis"
- "very specific to our individual issues"
- "made me more aware of my children's emotions"
- "helped my children to better use words to express their feelings, rather than throw things, explode etc."

What's On

About Kids' Feelings



About Kids' Feelings: Developing Emotional Intelligence helps you understand your children's feelings so that you can help your child develop their emotional skills.

This practical seminar is suitable for parents with preschool or early primary school aged children who would like to learn ways to support their child's emotional development.

What is covered:

- Understand why feelings matter
- Help children identify and manage their feelings
- Learn ways to develop your child's emotional skills

What others have said:

"These seminars are proving to be a fantastic resource for me"

"I knew the basics but this expanded on them better"

"Very informative"



When: Monday 5 August 2019
Where: healthAbility
917 Main Road Eltham
Time: 7pm sharp (finish 8.45pm)
Cost: \$30 (or \$45 per couple)
(\$15 for Health Care Card holders)

Bookings: Essential via
www.trybooking.com/BCWJP

For more information

Please contact Joan Lauricella
Family Support Worker at
Joan.Lauricella@healthability.org.au
Phone 9430 9100.



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Tuning in to Teens™



Would you like to:

- Understand and communicate better with your teen?
- Guide your teen in managing their emotions?
- Teach your teen to deal with conflict?
- Help to prevent behaviour problems?

Our six session course **Tuning in to Teens™** program is designed for parents of adolescents aged 10-18 years. The program teaches parents how to help their teen develop emotional intelligence. **Emotional Intelligence may be a better predictor of academic & career success than IQ.**

Adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

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- Are more able to cope when feeling upset or angry
- Have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties



Where: healthAbility,
917 Main Road, Eltham
When: 6 consecutive weekly sessions
commencing Mondays
12th August to 16th September
Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Cost: \$120 (or \$180 per couple)
(\$60 for health care card holders)
Bookings: Essential via
www.trybooking.com/BCWZQ
Facilitated by: Joan Lauricella Family Support Worker and Jessica Patti Child Psychologist
For more information please contact Joan or Jessica at healthAbility on 9430 9100 or
joan.lauricella@healthability.org.au
jessica.patti@healthability.org.au



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Community Announcements

**MONTY COMMUNITY GROUP AND SUSTAINABLE GREENSBOROUGH
ARE HOSTING DOCUMENTARY FILM 2040
WEDNESDAY 14TH AUGUST, 7:00 PM HOYTS CINEMAS
GREENSBOROUGH PLAZA WITH A GUEST SPEAKER**

**TICKETS MUST BE BOUGHT ONLINE PRIOR TO THE EVENT AT
WWW.FAN-FORCE.COM**

60 TICKETS NEED TO BE SOLD TO GO AHEAD BEFORE 2ND AUGUST

<https://fan-force.com/screenings/2040-hoyts-cinemas-greensborough/>

2040 is a hybrid feature documentary that looks to the future, but is vitally important NOW! Award-winning director Damon Gameau (*That Sugar Film*) embarks on journey to explore what the future could look like by the year 2040 if we simply embraced the best solutions already available to us to improve our planet and shifted them rapidly into the mainstream.

Structured as a visual letter to his 4-year-old daughter, Damon blends traditional documentary with dramatized sequences and high-end visual effects to create a vision board of how these solutions could regenerate the world for future generations.

