



Principal's Report



Important Dates

- **11 November 2022**
Remembrance Day Assembly
Practice GAT Yr 11
- **14 November 2022**
Yr 11 into Yr 12 Orientation
Program
2023 Yr 7 Transition Parent
Information Night
- **15 November 2022**
Yr 10 SWOT VAC Day
SDC Yr 6-7 Transition
- **16 November 2022**
VCAA Exams finish
Yr 10 Exams commence
- **23 November 2022**
Yr 10 Exams conclude
- **24 November 2022**
Awards Ceremony
- **25 November 2022**
Last day Yr 11
- **29 November 2022**
Yr 8 & 9 Exams commences
- **1 December 2022**
Yr 10 & 11 Formal
- **2 December 2022**
Yr 8 & 9 Exams finish
Last Day Yr 10
- **5 December 2022**
Yr 8 Camp commences
Yr 7-9 Step Up
- **7 December 2022**
Yr 8 Camp concludes

**College Absence Line:
9744 0500**

A reminder to parents that when your child is absent, please call the College Absence Line and leave the following information:

- ♦ Parent/Carer name
- ♦ Student name
- ♦ Home Group
- ♦ Reason: please give detail of absence
- ♦ Phone number

Dear Sunbury Downs College Community,

I hope that you and your families are all well. We have welcomed all students and staff back for the commencement of the Term 4 teaching and learning program.

We congratulate the Year 12 class of 2022 on reaching the end of their formal secondary schooling. We extend our support at this time to the cohort and encourage all Year 12 students to continue remaining positive to perform the best they can during their examinations.

Year 11 students have completed their end of semester work tasks in class and their examinations commenced on Wednesday 2 November 2022.

College Production - *Grease the Musical*

Cast and crew are to be congratulated on the staging of this year's College production – *Grease the Musical*. Highly entertaining, humorous and a terrific way once again to showcase the amazing talents of students and staff at our College.

I have received terrific feedback from primary school principals whose students' attended matinee shows.

A cast of 20 have delivered a great spectacle — congratulations!



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Year 12 Valedictory Dinner/Celebration Day

Recently we acknowledged the end of the teaching and learning program for Year 12 students. A whole school Celebration Day Assembly with students from all year levels was held and we publicly acknowledged and recognised their achievement. The maturity and understanding demonstrated by all students on this day allowed for us to celebrate and showcase the journey of this cohort in a symbolic way.

A successful Valedictory Dinner/Graduation night was held at Lakeside Banquet and Reception Centre on Friday 14 November. The graduating class of 2022 received graduation medallions and certificates, with immediate family members enjoying this great occasion.

Australian Mathematics Competition

The AMC (Australian Maths competition) results for 2022 have been received by the College. Some excellent results have been achieved again this year. Students who scored a credit (21), or above (9), have excelled. There was one high distinction awarded this year – to Joel Linard of 8E. His results were outstanding, placing him in the top 2.5%.

International Competitions and Assessments for Science

The results for the recent ICAS Science test have come in. Across 69 students participating, 2 were awarded Distinctions (27 and 29 out of 40 respectively), 11 Credits, 1 Merit and 55 Participation Certificates.

Awards Assembly

Planning and preparations are underway for the annual awards assembly. This will be conducted in person on Thursday 24 November. An additional level of awards have been added to the program this year to reflect and acknowledge our College Values.

Student Leadership

Congratulations to the recently appointed student **College Captaincy teams for 2023**. The **Later Years Senior College Captains** are Andrew Bracken and Charlotte Le Guier. The Vice Captains are Robbie Sparks and Michael Sparks.

The selection process to determine the **Middle Years Captains** concluded on Thursday 27 October. We congratulate current Year 8 students Mable Clarke, Angus Thomas and Aalyrah Tuariki who will form a team of three as co-captains in 2023.

Please continue to take care.

Regards

Warwick Beynon
Principal



Mr Warwick Beynon | PRINCIPAL



Year 9 Media

This semester a new group of Year 9 students have been introduced to the subject – Media.

They have been studying the topic 'Representation' by exploring how representations in the media present ideas to the public through the use of codes, conventions and symbolism. They have also been learning about photographic composition techniques and how to apply relevant technical and symbolic codes to their own photographs to represent ideas and create aesthetically pleasing images.

During a double session, each student was randomly allocated a word and were required to produce a photographic image that represented that word. Careful thought went into how each student was going to construct their image, using representation, composition as well as camera and lighting techniques.

Students then voted for the work they felt was the most successful. **Sam Lenssen, 9B, won the Peer Choice Award for his photograph representing 'fear'.** **Jia-Zhen Lu, 9E, won the Teacher Choice Award for her photograph representing 'rage'.**

During another class, students completed a practical task where they were required to take a photograph representing themselves. **Jia-Zhen Lu, 9E, won the Peer Choice Award and Max Thorpe, 9C, won the Teacher Choice Award.**

Congratulations to those who won the awards but also to all students who participated and produced work for each of these practical sessions. The class was highly invested in this task and showed skill in photographic production.



Brooke Harty | MEDIA TEACHER



Year 9 Media

Kitty Sinfield



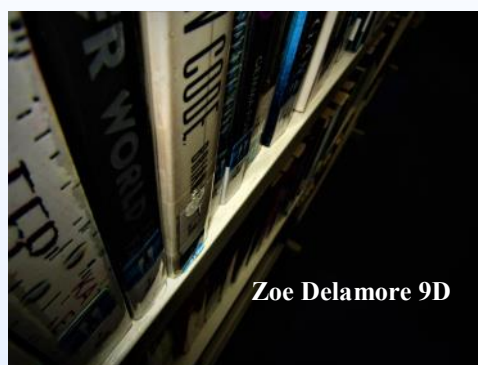
Kitty Sinfield 9E



Jia-Zhen Lu 9E



Acer Jay 9E



Zoe Delamore 9D



Amelia Vance 9E



Jasmine Phillips 9A



Max Thorpe 9C



Year 9 ACE Coastal Camp

On Tuesday 11 to Thursday 13 October 2022, the Year 9 ACE class went on a coastal camp to Torquay where we learnt new skills and bonded with our peers. The camp began slowly on day 1, but by the time we had reached our campsite we were able to mess around for a while, build our tents, and get ready to go off for our first session of surfing. A lot of the class found surfing challenging at first, but once we had caught our first waves many of us could not wipe the smiles off our faces. After surfing, we headed back to camp and finished off our tents, then to get something to eat which was sausages and burgers that members of the cooking group had cooked. That night Mr Nassiep organised a bunch of games for us to play in teams, each of them as awkwardly challenging as the other. They had us frantically working with each other to accomplish peculiar tasks like getting Oreos from our forehead to our mouths using our facial muscles and trying to bounce a bouncy ball from three separate chairs into a bucket. Once our game-night concluded we headed off to bed.

We kicked off day 2 with our second and final surfing session, where there already was a significant improvement from all of us. By that final session, most of the class were able to either kneel or stand on the board successfully finishing our time with surfing on a very positive note. Shortly after we said goodbye to the surfboards, we went back to the campsite and got ourselves lunch from a fish and chip shop nearby. That later followed up with us returning to the beach for a walking tour with Possum Pete, where he spoke and taught us about how to connect to nature, how Aboriginal people had travelled across the land and all about the different animals and things that lived in these habitats. However, unfortunately, it was cut short due to the rain so we turned back to camp and spent time together in the recreation room. As the sun began to set Mr Nassiep had organised a few memory games for us to play like remembering everyone's middle name in the class (including the teachers), ending with lasagne for dinner that our cooking group had made. To top the night off we all watched the movie 'Grease' together, curled up in our sleeping bags which everyone loved. Then after the movie, we got ready for bed.

The rain continued pouring overnight and was forecast to only get worse, so sadly day 3 was our last. Soon after we were informed of our departure, we packed up our tents and suitcases in our trailer and our bus. After all the heavy lifting, we went to the Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre to pet and feed some of the native animals, such as kangaroos and wallabies. Then to keep us going for the drive home, we headed over to Hungry Jacks and KFC for lunch and finally we all headed back to school. The camp was an extremely enjoyable and memorable experience for all of us, one that kept us engaged and learning no matter what we were doing. It was a type of experience that we would have had to forget about and cancel not so long ago, so collectively we are all incredibly grateful for those 3 days that we had together.

By Emma Bridges and Amelia Sacco 9E



Year 9 ACE Coastal Camp



Riedwaan Nassiep | YEAR 9 YEAR LEVEL COORDINATOR



Valedictory Dinner

On 14 October 2022 our Year 12 cohort celebrated their final year at a dinner held at Lakeside Reception & Banquet Centre in Taylors Lakes.





Mathematics & Numeracy

Maths is a thinking subject. To this end, teachers have been using more open-ended tasks in classes along with problems designed to have students collaborate, explore concepts using different strategies (including using ICT) and learn how to communicate their thinking. Building conceptual understanding is our aim at SDC.



Make 24

d) $4! \times (9-7-1)$

e) $(9-1) \times (7-4)$

1, 9, 4, 7

a) $\sqrt{9} \times 7 + 4 - 1$

b) $\sqrt{4} \times 7 + 1 + 9$

c) $\sqrt{4} \times 9 + 7 - 1$

f) $\sqrt{9}! \times (7-4+1)$

g) $4 \times 7 - (\sqrt{9} + 1)$



Make 24

Students are given 4 numbers and need to create an expression using only these 4 numbers once each to make the answer '24'.

Students think on their own, then pair up and finally share their answers with the class.

We found 7 ways to make 24 with the digits 1, 9, 4, 7.

Can you make 24 with: 2, 6, 9 and 3?

Competition Results:

Results have been received for our mathematics competitions. We are looking forward to distributing certificates and awards (when these arrive) in the coming weeks. All students will receive certificates in acknowledgement of their efforts. Top performers in each competition are listed here:

| | Year 7 | Year 8 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1 st place & Top 10% | Connor Ferguson | Joel Linard |
| Top 10% | Kingston Bonett | |
| Top 20% | Ben Reynolds | |
| Encouragement Awards | Ernestine Rout | Eleanor Leviston |
| | Jack Seyers | |
| | Amerie Taylor | |





Mathematics & Numeracy

The Australian Maths competition (AMC)

Approximately 600,000 students participate in the AMC, including 100,000 international entrants. Congratulations to Joel Linard 8E, Kingston Bonett 7E, Connor Ferguson 7E and Lily Morgan 11D for finishing in the top 10% in their respective year levels.

| | High Distinction | Distinction | Credit |
|---------|----------------------|---|--|
| Year 7 | | Kingston Bonett (top 5%) Connor Ferguson (top 10%) Ben Reynolds William Ross | Tyler Anderson Ernestine Rout Oli Delattre Jack Seyers Fatimi Rizvi Amerie Taylor Sonechka Javier Felicity Degering Oneeta Sarmo |
| Year 8 | Joel Linard (top 2%) | | Sahana Maini Skye Haworth Jacob Wesutan James Vella Eleanor Leviston |
| Year 9 | | Sandil Wijesooriya Jesse Pattle Kush Tathed | Aati Bhattarai Theo Panetta Jordan McKinnon James Cias Amelia Vance |
| Year 10 | | | Diya Ninan |
| Year 11 | | Lily Morgan (top 10%) | Lachlan McDougall |



Lauren Jackson | LEARNING SPECIALIST (NUMERACY)



Himneet Kaur | MATHEMATICS DOMAIN LEADER



MUSE

After a two year hiatus, we were back with a bang! Muse 2022, a celebration and recognition of our creative young people in the fields of Studio Arts and Visual Communication Design.

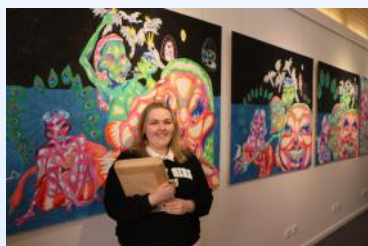
Undertaking a visual arts subject in Year 12 is no easy feat. The VCE studies of Studio Arts, Visual Communication Design and Media, require students to undertake an inquiry process where they must visualise their thinking in a creative, critical and conceptual way. Students must research, generate ideas, plan, develop concepts, refine and reflect. They are continually challenged in their thinking and are required to justify their choices related to a wide range of components such as subject matter, materials, art and design elements, techniques and composition.

It was such a joy to walk around the College Gallery and see the culmination of many months' work on display in all its glory. I congratulate the Year 12 students for taking on the challenge, for the endless hours sketching, planning, carving, painting and annotating. I would also like to thank the parents and carers for supporting your child to undertake a visual arts subject. I know many of our Year 12 students are going on to pursue a career in art or design, which as a teacher that fills my heart with such joy.

The winners of this years Muse awards are:

Studio Arts - Matylda O'Sullivan

Peoples Choice - Matylda O'Sullivan



Visual Communication Design - Holly Sliwczynski



Principal's Acquisition - Holly Sliwczynski and Preston Boase



I would like to acknowledge the incredible work of Terese Crea in the preparation, production and promotion of Muse. I would also like to thank art and design teacher Raneen Wardy for her support in the production of the exhibition.



Tiffany Radziminski | ART DOMAIN LEADER

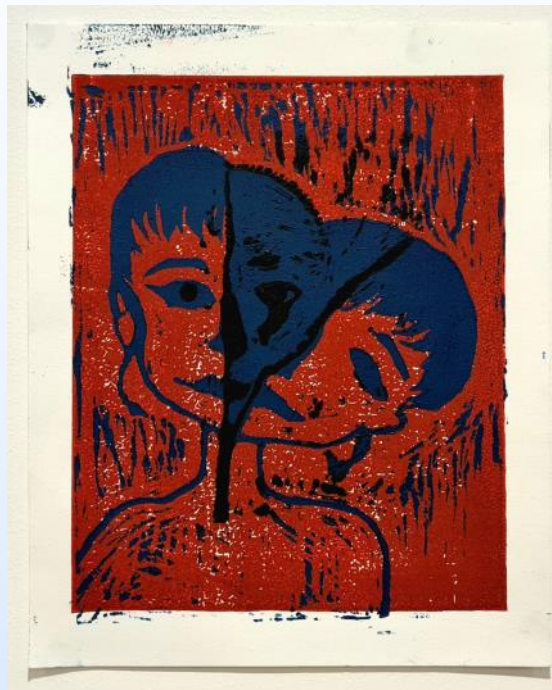


Year 9 Art

The Year 9 art class this semester has worked on producing a reduction linoleum print focusing on a social issue of their choice. Students submitted their final artwork for selection in a Hume City Council Youth competition.

Jia-Zhen Lu's work titled 'The Beauty Suit' which explores the idea of beauty standards and expectations has been selected to be included in the 2022 printed anthology titled 'Young People's Stories of Resilience and Creativity' that will be launched at the Hume Anthology and VCE Award Event at Youth Central Broadmeadows on 16 December 2022 from 5 - 7pm.

Congratulations to Jia-Zhen on her creativity and hard work!



Raneen Wardy | ART AND DESIGN TEACHER

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Maintaining Healthy Routines During The Holidays- Plan Them Now!

Join ParentZone Northern for a supportive and informative workshop exploring how to sustain healthy routines as a family during the Summer break.

You will have the opportunity to develop strategies that will help you and your family navigate the summer break with ease and feel confident about the return to school.

DATE: Wednesday 30th November 2022

TIME: 7.00pm to 8.30pm

WHERE: Online Via Zoom

COST: This session is free of charge but registration is essential

For Bookings:
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/maintaining-routines-during-the-holidays-tickets-394844599827>



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Managing Stress During the Festive Season/Holidays

Even if you and your family don't celebrate Christmas, the festive season can be stressful—managing finances, expectations, socialising, and family dynamics.

Join ParentZone Northern to explore strategies that can help support the whole family to manage stress during the festive season even if your family doesn't celebrate Christmas

DATE: Tuesday 6th December 2022

TIME: 10.30am - 12.00pm

WHERE: Online Via Zoom

COST: This session is free of charge but registration is essential

For bookings:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/managing-stress-during-the-festive-season-tickets-394849815427>



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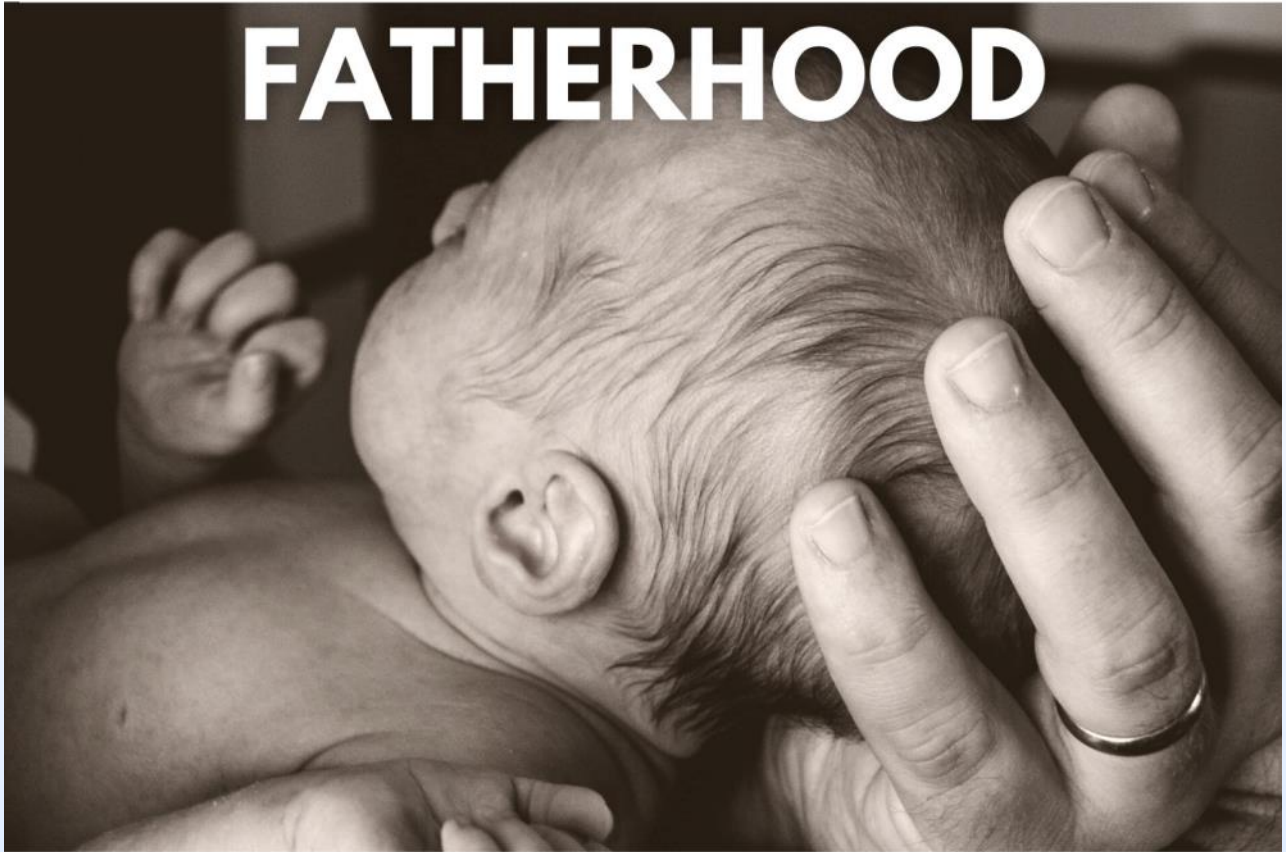


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An introduction to antenatal class by Dads Group

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Your host for these sessions will be a Dads Group trained, Mental Health First Aid Accredited Facilitator, who has delivered programs to over 2,500 participants across Australia.

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Who can register? This is a session that fathers and mothers can attend.

We welcome all dads and mums to join

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Location: Online

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Have you thought about volunteering? Want to know more?

The Expo is a fantastic place to learn more about volunteering opportunities. Find out more about local organisations and groups and what they do for the community, the benefits of volunteering and the different ways people can volunteer.

Just Give it a Go

WHEN: Thursday, 17 November 2022

TIME: 10am – 12pm

LOCATION: Mickleham North Community Centre,
90 Saint Georges Boulevard, Mickleham

BOOKINGS: Via [Eventbrite](#) Scan here:



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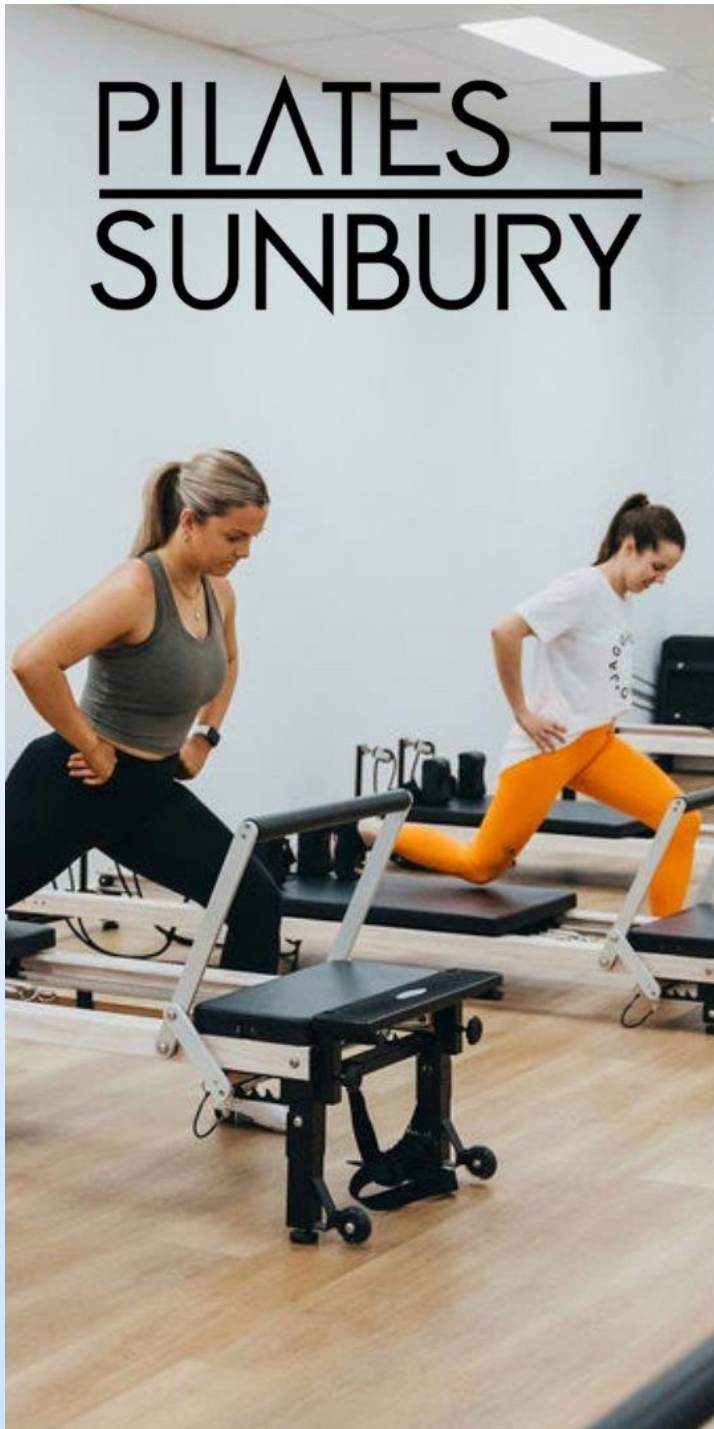
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