

Education Week 'Celebrating Careers' 20th-24th May, 2019

SSS Goes to Go Fish

Boating, Camping, Fishing or Fishing, Boating, Camping?

On Friday, 26th April, SSS visited the Go Fish festival at Nagambie to learn about aquaculture.

I liked doing the safety activities at the Maritime Safety Exhibit. We learned how to choose the correct-fitting life-jacket and how to put it on safely. There were three different types of life jackets.

I also liked catching the paper fish using a rod with a magnet on the end. When you turned the fish over it told you what type of fish it was. You had to measure the fish and decide if it was too long or too short and whether you would have to throw it back in the water.

I loved sitting in the bean bags at the Greater Shepparton exhibit eating apples and drinking a "Fruit Plus". Whilst we were having morning tea Con talked about his ocean racing boat called "Simrad". It had a top speed of 160 km/hour.

It was a wonderful day out - thanks for showing us all the cool things.

Taylah Stevenson. - Inclusive Education



CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUNDING

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parent card and haven't filled out this year's **CSEF** form, contact the General Office asap before applications close on 28th June 2019

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 3. This fortnight has been highlighted by many engaging learning activities for our students across all sectors, including; participation in the annual student attitude to school survey, Year 9 camp to Anglesea, State School Spectacular dance rehearsals at Macleod, Energy Breakthrough training, Hume Region tennis competition, Year 10 Holocaust Museum excursion and our Environmental Education students visited



Early Learning Centre

Seymour's waste water facility.

Mr Rilen and I attended a meeting about the Seymour Revitalisation Initiative and were able to supplement the initiative with further information about the education sector and its offerings in Seymour. The Mitchell Shire is preparing for possible growth in Seymour's population and this initiative will assist with their proposal.

I have included some photos of the current building projects occurring at the College. The Secondary Learning Community building and the Early Learning Centre building are on track for

completion prior to the end of this year. We were able to showcase the progress of these buildings to new and prospective parents/carers and students at our Open Day on the 1st May. If you would like a tour to update your knowledge of the College structures, or know a family who may be interested in enrolling at the College, please contact the General Office on 57711300 or call in to make an appointment. Tours will run for one hour each



Secondary Learning Community

Monday
from 9 to
10 am.



New Canteen & Food Tech Building

Over the next two weeks all Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will undertake the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy, commonly known as NAPLAN. If your child is in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 it is important that they attend each day of these tests, commencing on Tuesday 14th May to Friday 24th May. The annual NAPLAN tests assess Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students' skills in reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling,

grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. It is not only important that you receive feedback on your child's achievements, the teachers use this valuable source of information to further improve teaching and learning at the College.

I would like to inform you that the 2018 Annual Report for Seymour College is now available on our website. Please take the time to access this link and read about the 2018 school year in the many areas listed.

Enjoy the weeks ahead and keep warm as the impending rain and cold weather approaches.

Gail Hardman - Principal

Spanish Film Festival



We took off on the train to Melbourne. The train ride seemed to go rather quick as I was having a good time. Once we got to Southern Cross Station, our first stop of the day was Starbucks. Then we caught a tram on Bourke Street to Collins Street and walked a little until we reached Tacos Bills .

As a starter they brought around a small bowl of chips and salsa. We all dug into that to soon find all our mouths were burning. Next, Señor Jimenez brought us two massive plates of nachos covered in salsa, sour cream and guacamole, then our main meals were brought out. I had a taco with shredded beef in it.

We then set off on our little adventure, a few blocks later we were at the Cinema. We watched the movie ‘Champions’. It was so funny, the room was full of laughter at least 80% of the time.

After the movie we crossed the road to McDonald’s and then decided to walk back to the station, and finally caught the train back home. I had an amazing experience and am so thankful to Miss Hill for taking us, I hope the future brings more great days out like that.

Lillian Beovich, Year 9

Students of the Week



Education Week

20th-24th May, 2019

This year’s theme is “Celebrating Careers”. The Primary School and Inclusive Education Sector will have be having an open afternoon, where we invite all parents and guests to assist their child in the classroom.

When: Thursday 23rd May

Time: 2.10 to 3.15pm

Please note all parents and guests will need to go through the front office and sign in before going down to the classrooms.

For the first time, Inclusive Education resources for parents are in one easy-to-find place on the Department website, and the information is accessible for people with disability and additional needs.

This includes information about:

- the diverse services and supports available for children and young people with a disability and additional needs
- rights and responsibilities for parents and schools
- how parents and carers can support their child’s education at home.

To access the information and resources, see: Practical information for Victorian parents and carers, <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/inclusion>

Nights Reading Winner

Congratulations to Sarah from 3/4A and Kayley from 5/6B who were able to select a book each from our Nights Reading prize box. Sarah has selected a fabulous book, 'The School of Good and Evil', to add to her personal book collection and Kayley selected 'Knock, Knock Jokes'. We trust these girls will enjoy reading their new books.

At Seymour College we encourage all students to read every night.

Grade 1/2

William

Grade 3/4

Kaiden

Ruby

Jasmine

Claudia

Maddison

Eliza

Alexis

Ivy

Samuel

Alissa

Grade 5/6

Isabelle

Hazel

Taja

Quinn

Keyara

Zac

Ava

Keyara

Takoda

Kayla

Inclusive Ed

Lucas

Harry

Korna



We currently have lots of students placing their slip into the entry box ready for the next draw at Assembly.

Happy Reading!

Sue Watson - Leading Teacher, Literacy

Nurses Week 2019



A big "Thank you!" to our school nurse Kirsty for all your hard work!



Primary News

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are in the full swing of things already in the Primary area! We have been engaging in lots of great learning and are going to continue to build upon this throughout the term. Here are a couple of reminders:

- Please ensure that your children are on time
- Read every night with your children
- Discuss what your children have done during the school day

If your child is absent, please ensure that the school is informed

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Dean Bush - Assistant Principal

Seymour College Commemorates Anzac Day

On Wednesday 24th April Seymour College Student Leaders, and Defence students lead two Anzac Ceremonies in the Seymour Community Arts Centre. Beginning with members of the 53rd Battery of the Royal Australian Artillery forming a Catafalque Party, the solemn ceremonies acknowledged the ideals of courage, endurance and mateship that is the Anzac tradition.

Lucy Zotti and Tom Garner, our School Captains, spoke about the differences in experiences of their lives now as opposed to young diggers in conflicts around the world over time. Students leaders from across the College laid wreaths in an emotional remembrance to the song "Fight Sine – Amazing Grace".

The ceremonies concluded with the Seymour School Spectacular Choir joining with students to sing the National Anthem.

Guests were treated to morning tea with homemade Anzac biscuits served by our Year 9 Defence students.

At lunchtime school captains and SRC leaders from the Primary School led a ceremony for preps to Grade 4's in front of the flag pole, again laying wreaths.



Wreaths from both ceremonies were later laid in Anzac Ave at the Cenotaph.

Thanks to all those students who contributed. I would also like to thank the following staff for their assistance: Lois Kelly, Robyn Hockley, Ricky Webster, Hannah Ward, Mark Pace and James King.

School Captains Lucy and Tom also attended the Seymour Anzac Service, speaking and also laying a wreath. In Nagambie Tahlia Butcher and Rhys Shepard also laid a wreath.

Lisa Linton - Defence Transition Mentor

NAPLAN Reminder



NAPLAN starts next week for Grades 3, 5, 7 and 9. This year we are using an online platform and will be conducted from Tuesday 14th of May until Friday 24th May. Children will be required to complete a Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy Test. If you have any questions or concerns around this please do not hesitate to contact Dean Bush or Corryn Hicks.

Mother's Day Stall

Friday 10th May 2019

Gifts from \$2.00 - \$10.00

There will also be raffle tickets for \$1.00 on the day
5 prizes to be won

From everybody on the
parents and friend's committee.

Happy Mother's Day



STUDENTS WHO ARE UNWELL

Students who become unwell at school are required to attend the Medical Centre located in the admin building and see the School Nurse, Kirsty, who will assess the student and contact a parent if the student needs to go home. Students are **NOT** to call home prior to attending the Medical Centre.

SIGNING OUT FROM SCHOOL DURING SCHOOL HOURS

Students who are leaving school during school hours to attend a medical appointment or similar, must have a signed note from a parent. Alternatively a parent **must** come in to the Office and sign the student out on the Compass kiosk.

OFFICE HOURS:

8am - 4:30pm Monday - Friday

EMAIL ADDRESS:

seymour.co@edumail.vic.gov.au

WEBSITE:

www.seymourcollege.vic.edu.au

FAMILY CHANGE OF DETAILS/CIRCUMSTANCES

If you have recently moved house or have changed your contact details, phone etc. please let us know as soon as possible. This enables us to contact you quickly if your child is ill and may need to go home.