



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to our first newsletter of the term. It has been great to see our final year students able to attend onsite and to complete their General Achievement Test and outstanding outcomes this past fortnight.

It has been inspiring to see the dedication of our families, students and staff in collating and accessing the work packs, undertaking Webex check-ins and classes and making virtual contact during these times of lockdown restrictions.

After advice yesterday, the staged return to school will follow the timetable ([see page 2](#)), in accordance with current guidelines.

This Saturday from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm the school will be hosting a 'pop up' vaccination clinic in the Junior Games Hall. No need to book – just turn up! Details will be circulated via our Facebook page and Compass emails.

Whilst the school has been closed we have continued to work on upgrading the facilities as well as maintaining the garden environment so that students have a positive return in an outside environment that will be welcoming – and well worth the wait after so many months of demolition programs.

These photos show some of the areas of improvement:



Before



After



All the best for the coming weeks and we look forward to welcoming back our students as per the guidelines for the staged return.

Best wishes to our VCE students who have their final week of lessons next week prior to the examination period.

Gail Hardman - Executive Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 1st November

Curriculum Day
Pupil Free

Tuesday 2nd November

Melbourne Cup
Public Holiday

Wed 10th November

Year 7 Vaccinations

Mon 15th - Fri 26th Nov

Head Start
Year 11 to 12
VCE & VCAL

Mon 29th Nov-3rd Dec

Head Start
Year 10 to 11
VCE & VCAL

Return to On-site Learning Timetable

Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th	Friday 15th
Remote Learning	Remote Learning	Remote Learning	Prep	Prep
			Year 1 - 2	Year 1 - 2
			Year 5 - 6	Year 5 - 6
			Year 7	Year 7
			Year 10	Year 10
			Year 11 - 12	Year 11 - 12
Monday 18th	Tuesday 19th	Wednesday 20th	Thursday 21st	Friday 22nd
Prep	Prep	Prep	Prep	Prep
Year 1 - 2	Year 1 - 2	Year 1 - 2	Year 1 - 2	Year 1 - 2
	Year 3 - 4	Year 3 - 4	Year 5 - 6	Year 5 - 6
Year 7	Year 7	Year 7	Year 7	Year 7
	Year 8 - 9	Year 8 - 9	Year 10	Year 10
Year 11 - 12	Year 11 - 12	Year 11 - 12	Year 11 - 12	Year 11 - 12
Monday 25th	Tuesday 26th	Wednesday 27th	Thursday 28th	Friday 29th
Prep	All Years	All Years	All Years	All Years
Year 1 - 2				
Year 7				
Year 11 - 12				
Students in inclusive education are to return to onsite learning with their year level equivalent group.				
Inclusive Education students born in:	Return with:			
2003-2004	Year 11 & 12			
2005	Year 10			
2006-2007	Year 8 & 9			
2008	Year 7			
2009-2010	Year 5 & 6			
2011-2012	Year 3 & 4			
2013-2016	Prep, Year 1 & 2			

Seymour College acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the land and acknowledges and pays respect to their elders, past and present.

The GAT

After many postponements, we had 100% attendance at the GAT. Students were focused and are in a good position to finish the English exam on the 27th October.



Year 12 VCE EOY Timelines

Friday 22nd October

Last Day
Year 12

Wed 27th Oct. – Mon 15th Nov.

Exams

Thursday 16th Dec.

Release of EOY results

F12D News

Students of F,1,2D have been learning about opinions. They can give reasons why they agree or disagree with a variety of statements. Most importantly, we are learning that it is ok to have a different opinion than others.



From the Health Centre

If you feel unwell with COVID-19 symptoms, even mild ones, stay home and get tested for COVID-19. This is an important part of our 3-step framework for a COVIDSafe Australia.

If you are having trouble obtaining a vaccination appointment, please call Kirsty (school nurse) for assistance.

Kirsty Hare RN

The Year 7 vaccinations will be moved from 13th October to Wednesday

10th November.



DEFENCE SCHOOL MENTOR NEWS

Defence School Mentor:

My contact hours are Monday and Thursday 0830 to 1600, Wednesday 1200 to 1500
Or contact me via the following means

Email: maryanne.carroll-keays@education.vic.gov.au

Phone: 5771 1300

Please note....This is a fabulous opportunity for your kids if required.

The Defence Education Assistance Scheme...

is a government funded initiative. A Defence Force student who has had their education disrupted, due to posting from one location to another may be eligible to receive up to **14 weeks of tuition**. In order to qualify for this initiative an application must be submitted within the first 18 months of arriving in the new posting locality and the tutoring must be completed within this same time frame. For more information contact the ...

Defence Family Helpline on 1800 624 608.

Please let me Know!

Please respond via email.

Posting Orders

Please let me know if your family is leaving Seymour College.

I can support your children to prepare.

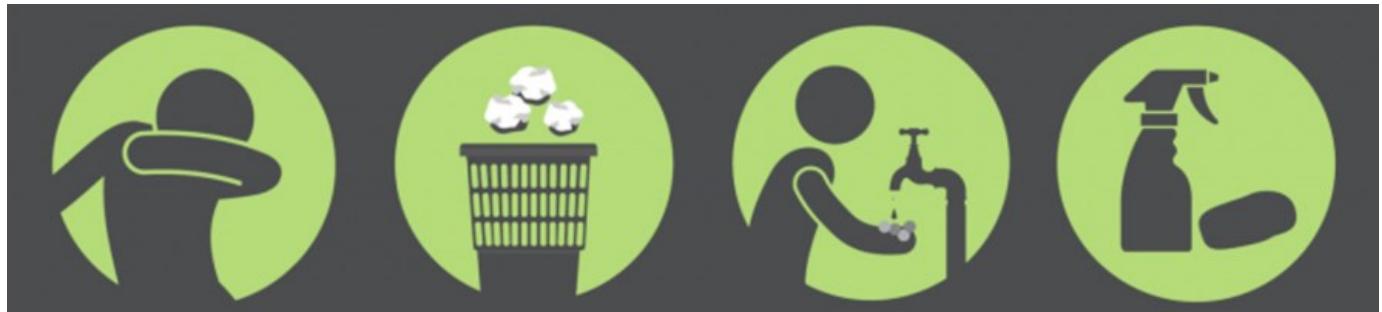
If you are going interstate and have children who require ongoing specialist appointments, try to make those contacts now to avoid delays on arrival.



Soldier On Parenting Program: Tuning into Kids

Melbourne 19th and 20th November 2021

See Attached flyer for more details



Tuning into Kids



At Soldier On, we understand that being a parent can be incredibly rewarding and beneficial, but it can also be one of the most challenging roles in life.

Our parenting program, based on 30 years of scientific research, has proven to make a positive difference in children's development and family relationships.

The takeaway skills you can learn are broken into five steps, enabling you to foster connections with your children, and better solve family problems and conflicts.

All groups are followed up with online group sessions, which are determined by the group and their availability.

Participating parents report the following

- Children can better regulate their emotions and are more pro-social.
- Family relationships are stronger, more positive and include greater intimacy and closeness.

2021 sessions

Sale, Victoria

8th and 9th October

Hobart, Tasmania

5th and 6th November

Melbourne, Victoria

19th and 20th November

All groups held on Fridays and Saturdays, from 9:30am to 5:00pm.

Lunch, morning and afternoon tea are provided.



Contact us if you have any questions about the program, or you would like to register.

✉️ psychology@soldieron.org.au | ☎️ 1300 620 380
soldieron.org.au



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Factsheet: COVID-19 and children

How common is COVID-19 in children?

In Australia, the number of cases of COVID-19 in children is low. Only 4.5% of cases have been in school aged children (between five and 17 years). This figure was 2.2% in early June, 2020. The increase is mostly because of more testing and recently recorded cases in Victoria.

How does COVID-19 affect children?

The virus can infect children, however, they are less likely to have symptoms. Their symptoms are milder and they are less likely to develop severe illness. Children dying from COVID-19 is rare.

Do children spread the virus?

Children, especially younger ones, appear less likely to spread the virus among themselves and to adults. Most children become infected through contact with an infected adult member of their household. While children can have COVID-19, rates of spread of COVID-19 in schools are very low. Outbreaks in schools are rare.

What are the symptoms of COVID-19 in children?

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 in children are cough, fever, runny nose and gastrointestinal symptoms.

What if my child is unwell?

If your child is unwell, even if symptoms are very mild, they should stay home. They should not attend school until they have recovered.

If your child has symptoms of COVID-19 or of cold and flu-like illness, even if they are very mild, see your doctor or go to a respiratory testing clinic. Your child can then be assessed and tested for the virus that causes COVID-19. Your child will have to stay home while waiting for the result of their test. You must follow the advice of your doctor or testing clinic.

What happens if my child tests positive?

If your child's test shows that they have COVID-19, they will have to stay in isolation. This may be at home unless the home is not suitable or your child is very sick. Your child must stay in isolation until your local public health unit advises you that your child can leave home and return to school.

Do I need a medical certificate before my child can return to school?

You should not be required to present a medical certificate or written clearance from a GP for your child to return to school. This applies for return to school after your child has been home with an illness, including COVID-19.

However, all states and territories provide a letter to you/your child (and/or your GP) when your child finishes isolation for COVID-19. You can present this letter to your child's school if you are asked.

What if my child has other medical conditions?

If your child has complex medical needs, ask your health practitioner whether it is appropriate for your child to go to school.

Advice to schools

The Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) published a [statement](#) on 26 April, 2020 on how schools can further reduce the relatively low risk of COVID-19 spreading in schools.

The Department of Education, Skills and Employment also has [resources](#) available about how to reduce the spread of COVID-19 at school.

What is the inflammatory disease that can occur in children with COVID-19?

Recently, a small number of children have become seriously ill with a condition known as Paediatric Inflammatory Multisystem Syndrome Temporally associated with SARS-CoV-2 (PIMS-TS).

The link between PIMS-TS and COVID-19 is not yet understood. There have been no cases of PIMS-TS in Australia.

PIMS-TS is rare. Symptoms include:

- fever
- abdominal pain
- gastrointestinal symptoms (vomiting and diarrhoea)
- rash
- irritability
- red eyes
- rarely shock caused by low blood pressure.

Health officials monitor for any cases of PIMS-TS in Australia.

The AHPPC published a [statement](#) about PIMS-TS on 15 May, 2020. You can get further [information](#) from the National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance.

Get a COVID-19 vaccination at Seymour College

By getting vaccinated you are helping to keep yourself, your family and your community safe.

Anyone aged 12 and over can get vaccinated at:

Seymour College

29-47 Stewart Street, Seymour

Saturday, 16 October (11am - 7pm)

How to get a COVID-19 vaccine at this venue

Bookings are preferred, walk-ins are available. To book, call the Coronavirus Hotline on: 1800 675 398 (tell the operator you want to book this clinic) or visit: portal.cvms.vic.gov.au.

This clinic is accessible for people of all abilities, including people with disabilities. For more information, visit:

coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccination-information-people-disability.

The clinic provides first and second dose Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccinations.



For more information

Scan the QR code to view a [webinar](#) about COVID-19 vaccination.

coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine
1800 675 398 - 7 days 8am - 8pm



Department
of Health

1 Seymour - Seymour East (Route 1)



Saturday

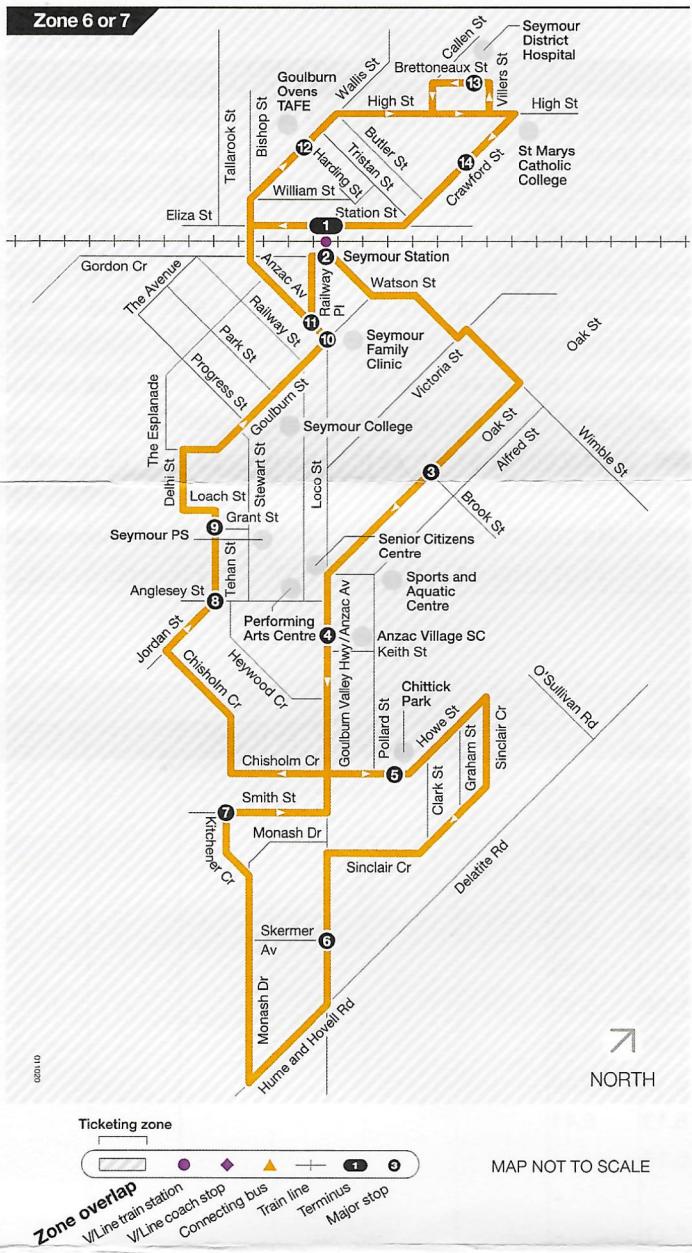
Seymour East

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	8.25	9.00	9.28	9.56	10.25	11.00	11.35	12.05	12.35	1.06	1.35	2.05	
Seymour Station	8.26	9.01	9.29	9.57	10.26	11.01	11.36	12.06	12.36	1.07	1.36	2.06	
Brook St	8.27	9.02	9.30	9.58	10.27	11.02	11.37	12.07	12.37	1.08	1.37	2.07	
Anzac Village	8.29	9.04	9.32	10.00	10.29	11.04	11.39	12.09	12.39	1.10	1.39	2.09	
Chittick Park	8.31	9.06	9.34	10.02	10.31	11.06	11.41	12.11	12.41	1.12	1.41	2.11	
Skermer Av	8.33	9.08	9.36	10.04	10.33	11.08	11.43	12.13	12.43	1.14	1.43	2.13	
Kitchener Cr	8.38	9.13	9.41	10.09	10.38	11.13	11.48	12.18	12.48	1.19	1.48	2.18	
Grant St	8.41	9.16	9.44	10.12	10.41	11.16	11.51	12.21	12.51	1.22	1.51	2.21	
Seymour Family Clinic	8.45	9.20	9.48	10.16	10.45	11.20	11.55	12.25	12.55	1.26	1.55	2.25	
Railway Pl	8.46	9.21	9.49	10.17	10.46	11.21	11.56	12.26	12.56	1.27	1.56	2.26	
Goulburn Ovens TAFE	8.48	9.23	9.51	10.19	10.48	11.23	11.58	12.28	12.58	1.29	1.58	-	
Seymour Hospital	8.50	9.25	9.53	10.21	10.50	11.25	12.00	12.30	1.00	1.31	2.00	-	
Seymour Station	8.52	9.27	9.55	10.23	10.52	11.27	12.02	12.32	1.02	1.33	2.02	-	

1 Seymour - Seymour East (Route 1)



Zone 6 or 7



This bus route is pre-pay only. Before you board, make sure your myki has enough value to cover your entire journey

Planning your journey

- No services on Sundays or public holidays.
- Occasionally there might be delays or last minute changes to the timetable.
- Timetables are correct at the time of printing, but do change from time to time. Find up-to-date timetables on the PTV app. at ptv.vic.gov.au or by calling 1800 800 007.
- Timetable is effective from 31 January 2021.

Buses on this route are accessible for mobility aids. However, if a bus needs to be replaced we can't guarantee the replacement will be accessible.

Major stops

1. Seymour Station
2. Seymour Station
3. Brook St
4. Anzac Village
5. Chittick Park
6. Skermer Av
7. Kitchener Cr
8. Anglesey St
9. Grant St
10. Seymour Family Clinic
11. Railway Pl
12. Goulburn Ovens TAFE
13. Seymour Hospital
14. McIntyre St

Route Description

To Seymour East

Departs from the bus interchange at Seymour Station in Station St and runs via Station St, Anzac Av, Railway Pl, Watson St, Victoria St, Wimble St, Oak St, Anzac Av, Howe St, Sinclair Cr and Anzac Av to Hume and Hovell Rd. Then via Hume and Hovell Rd, Monash Dr, Kitchener Cr, Smith St, Anzac Av, Chisholm Cr, Jordan St, Tehan St, Loach St, Delhi St, Goulburn St, Anzac Av, Wallis St, High St, Villers St and Brettonaux St to Seymour Hospital; then via Brettonaux St, Callen St, High St, Crawford St and Station St to the bus interchange at Seymour Station.