



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the last newsletter for 2022. My thanks to Ann Smith for her efforts in setting out and publishing the newsletter. It is an engaging publication that we look forward to reading each fortnight.

The valedictory dinner celebrated the achievements of our Year 12s and it was a memorable occasion for all. For some parents and carers, 2022 is the last year of having a child enrolled at Seymour College, and on behalf of the staff and college council I thank you for your partnership in the education of your child/ren.

We also welcomed our new 2023 Year 11s as they attended Head Start classes with our current students. This transition activity also allows teachers and students to begin the 2023 senior courses as well as students building strong relationships with their peers and coordinators.

2023 will see new initiatives for our college community. I am very excited to announce two important initiatives.

The first is the new wellbeing centre that is being prepared for the first day of Term 1 next year. The centre will offer a dedicated space for our wellbeing team to debrief and support students who need further support.

The second initiative is that all primary aged students will be provided with morning tea and lunch each school day for free. A free breakfast will be offered each school day to all students at the college.

Parents and carers of primary aged children will receive further information via Compass email.

This is an exciting initiative that will add to the many benefits that our college offers, such as; no fees, free swimming for all students and access to the Cams and Excursions Fund (for eligible families), to name a few.

I look forward to the VCE results which will be released to students on Monday 12th December, the Junior concert and Year 6 graduation on Thursday 15th December and our Awards Ceremony on Friday 16th December. School reports will be posted to families prior to the end of term. They will also be available to view on Compass.

It has been another memorable year where we have all had to be flexible and resilient due to the pandemic and the recent flooding event. Thank-you for supporting our school community so that learning for our students has continued during challenging times.

I wish all families a safe and happy holiday period and a happy new year.

Gail Hardman - Executive Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 9 December
Foundation Transition Day
9.15am - 10.15am

Mon 12– Thurs 15 Dec
EOY Activities
Years 7 - 9

Tuesday 13 December
State wide Transition Day
9.15am - 2.30pm

Wed 14 December
Upper Plenty Day Camp

Thursday 15 December
Junior concert &
Year 6 graduation

Friday 16 December
Awards Ceremony

Tuesday 20 December
Last Day term 4
1.30pm finish

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, present and emerging.

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F1/2 News

Primary students were lucky enough to attend a week long intensive swim program at Seymour Indoor Sports and Aquatic Centre. All students were well prepared and exceptionally behaved during the bus ride to and from, in the change rooms and in the water. I was amazed to see the progress and confidence they achieved in such a short amount of time. Students chose to write letters to the swim instructors to show our gratitude which were well received by Sadhbh, Kylie and Imogen.

Kylie Doyle - Grade 1,2 teacher

Dear Imogen

I love having swimming lessons with you because I love the sinkies, I love learning how to swim, and I like going under water. I love jumping off the platform, I like floating. I love yoyoing. And I love going to the deep end and I'm in grade 1 thank you for swimming lessons.

From Alexis



Dear Kylie,

I'm writing to you because I want to tell you how good you are at swimming lessons. I also want to say thank you for all the swimming lessons you have been giving me and I think you are pretty and you're really fun as well and I hope I get to be a swimming instructor just like you one day.

From a student in your class, Sienna Edwards(F2D)



To Sadhbh,

I'm writing to you because I have to thank you for all your AMAZING swimming lessons. I hope I see you EVERY DAY at the inside swimming pool EVEN when...IT'S NOT school swimming! Honestly, I have to thank you for EVERYTHING you've done to make us swim properly.

P.S you are the prettiest swimming teacher I've ever met.

From Tahlia Jen and F2D.



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club gained a lot of momentum and a lot of happy students throughout the whole college on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. It was lovely to meet in the Junior canteen on these mornings, where many students came in for a chat and something to eat to fuel their brains.

I would like to acknowledge

and thank Coles Seymour and Coles Kilmore for their support with Breakfast Club this year. Since the Seymour flood, Kilmore has been very generous in supplying us a variety of food which we greatly appreciate.

I also thank my amazing team of helpers who give up their time each Tuesday and Thursday morning along with one of our parents Jess Lavrysenn for bringing us these supplies each Monday.

Breakfast Club will conclude after next week.

Thank you,
Katherine Cook



Inclusive Education

Activate Inclusion Sports Day

Inclusive Education students participated in "Activate Inclusion Sports Day" designed for people with a disability to try out new sports activities. Students learned some skills in fishing, soccer and AFL. They had an amazing day and even got some special uniform to take home.

Shelly Story - IE Teacher



Dear families,

All library books are now due back.

Books can be returned to the school library or the main office by Monday 12th December.

There are still many books overdue so we certainly need your support.

Thank you for your cooperation. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday period.



Don't forget
to return your
library books!

Echo Cup state championships

"Seymour Thunderstrike" the inclusive basketball team from the junior secondary area travelled to Wantirna for the state basketball finals last Friday. This was the first time any of these players had played in a tournament as the last time it was to happen the floods stopped them from competing in Shepparton. They had trained hard for this day playing several practice games against students at recess, and entered the competition with much enthusiasm. Coming up against some seasoned teams they battled hard and improved in each game. No chocolates this year but like the Socceroos the platform has been set for next year. Well done, Harry, Lucas, Jessie, Indi, Jacinta, Luke, Oisin, and Vincent. Thanks to Josh and Ella for going down to score and encourage.

Stephen Garner - Sports Coordinator



Seymour College Holiday Program

Seeking expressions of interest to **Seymour College Families** for a School Holiday Program held at the College by Kelly Club Seymour, Monday 3rd January until Friday 27th January between the hours of 7.00am and 6pm. Child Care Subsidy is available for this program for eligible families, reducing the daily cost of \$40 per child per day.

Four weeks of fun filled activities of games, sporting activities, art and craft, cooking and excursions.

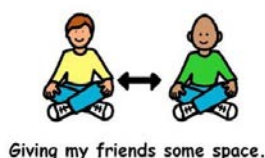
Please contact Rosemarie Farrugia, Kelly Club Seymour coordinator on **0411 934 329** with any enquiries. Interest must be lodged by 15th December allowing time for registrations and subsidies to be processed.

Enquire today, I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Rosemarie Farrugia
0411 934 329

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support
Current Focus

I respect the
personal
space of
others



Science News

Science Open Day – Years 7-9

We are looking forward to our Science Open Day this Friday, 9th December 2022. All the Year 7-9 students have been working hard on their science projects and will be proudly displaying this work for other students to see. The students were challenged to come up with an experiment, test their hypothesis and then write up their findings in a scientific poster format. There have been some wonderful experiments and it has been pleasing to see we have a number of budding scientists amongst our student population.

Year 11 Head Start

Last week the year 10 students stepped up in the Year 11 Head Start Program. We were delighted to see so many students in our Physics, Chemistry and Biology classes and welcome the students who have moved to Seymour College for their VCE. Each class worked through an example practical investigation and discussed the requirements for VCE Unit 1 and 2.

We hope the students enjoyed their Year 11 Head Start program and we look forward to seeing you all in 2023. Have a restful break as we promise you an amazing year ahead.

Year 12 Head Start

We are so proud of our year 11 science students that participated in the Year 12 Head Start program in the past couple of weeks. Many had just finished their VCE Unit 1 and 2 exams and were keen to explore the expectations for VCE Units 3 and 4. We have some of the best and brightest students undertaking VCE science and we look forward to seeing them tackle Units 3 and 4 in 2023.

Congratulations and farewell to the class of 2022.

The Science teachers wish to congratulate all the Year 12 students from 2022. We particularly wish to acknowledge and thank the Year 12 Science students for your hard work and dedication in 2022. You have a bright future ahead and we wish you all the very best for the future.



Students from 8B working on their science project.



Finally, from all of us here in the Science department, we would like to wish all of our students and their families seasons greetings. We hope you enjoy your summer holidays, and we look forward to seeing you again in 2023!

Amanda McClaren - Science Department

Please enjoy this Science Christmas tree created by the science department at Chailey School in the US.

[\(Chailey School News: Chailey Science Technicians create a Christmas tree with a difference!\)](#)



The last canteen day for 2022 will be Friday 16th December



Free morning teas and lunches for Primary aged students will begin at Seymour College in 2023!



Murrnong Farm Excursion

On Tuesday, F2A, F2B and Purple room students took a bus to Violet Town to visit Murrnong Farm. When we got there, we were greeted by the farm owner, David and his children Felix and Grace. After having a fruit snack and a run around after a long bus trip, we split up into 2 groups.

Felix and Grace took one group to learn about how the chickens eat all the fruit and the bugs that drop from the fruit trees to the ground and then their poo turns into compost that helps all the trees grow. We also learnt about fruit trees, and everyone got to pick and eat mulberries straight from the tree. There was juice everywhere!

The other group went with David to meet the goats. We took turns feeding the goats carob pods – their favourite snack. Then we went to see the bee boxes and learnt about how the bees get pollen from all the plants to make honey. We kept walking to see the dam and David told us about the big pump in the water and how it helps get water to all the plants and trees on the farm.

Everyone had a fantastic time, but we were all very tired on the bus ride back to school!

Isobel Foster - Education Support





Defence School Mentor News

Kelly Quigg - Defence School Mentor

My contact hours are Tuesday & Thursday 08:45 -16:30 or contact me via the following: PH- 5771 1300 Email: kelly.quigg@education.vic.gov.au

POSTING OUT.

As we wind down to the end of the year, we wish all Defence families who are posting out, the best of luck and safe travels. Please remember there is a range of resources and services DMFS offer to families before and during their move that may be of use.

[Home : Moving, Relocation & Posting](#) [Connect : Department of Defence](#)

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate our graduating year 12's

Liam O'Neill, Nathan Cranston and Aaliyah Fountain.

GOODBYE

This month we have been saying goodbye to our students who are posting out; they will be sadly missed. Harry Osmond, Zachary Zaloumis, Renee & Aaron Ford, Hannah Cranston and Lewis Lorenzo.

We wish you all the best at your new schools.



DJS YOUTH CLUB
Christmas Party

Get ready to boogie the night away at DJ's Christmas Party
Prizes will be given for the best Christmas outfits.

Fri Dec 16
Pre School 4 - 5pm
Primary School 5 - 7pm
Secondary School 7 - 9pm
Donovan Joynt, Tobruk Rd

\$5 per child - price includes hotdog, pack of chips and a drink

Register now
visit thepdnc.org

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DEFENCE CAPTAIN 2023

Congratulations
Georgia Donnelly
For being selected
as Defence Captain
for 2023.



Seymour College End of Year Christmas Concert



Dear Families,

You are invited to the Seymour College End of Year Christmas Concert.

Who: All students and families in F-6

When: Thursday 15th December @ 5:00pm

Where: Seymour College Basketball Court

What to bring: Please bring along a camp chair or picnic rug. Feel free to wear something festive to get into the Christmas spirit.



Artwork by Chayss Cowley 3/4C





KELLY Seymour Holiday Program Jan 2023

WK 1 Tues 3rd	Free choice activities to settle in		BYO LUNCH each day
Wed 4th	Puzzles, art activities Please BYO Lunch		Outdoor sports games
Thurs 5th	Picnic at Goulburn Park Please BYO Lunch		Multiple indoor/outdoor activities
Fri 6th	Kite Making/Flying		SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH PROVIDED BY ROSE
Wk 2 Mon 9th	Face painting and Ball games		Song and Dance fun
Tues 10th	Variety of Science activities		Find your inner scientist
Wed 11th	JUMPING CASTLE		Jump to the sound of your favourite songs
Thurs 12th	Water gun fun		Shoot your friends to cool them in the heat!
Fri 13th	Freaky Friday Dress up in freaky clothes.		Come dressed up to scare your friends
Please BYO Lunch except on days stated provided.			Please bring a water bottle Daily



KELLY Seymour Holiday Program Jan 2023

WK 3

Mon
16th

Movie day in Melbourne



Lunch provided

Tues
17th

Incursion, Dan the Magician



Outdoor sports games

Wed
18th

JUMPING CASTLE



Multiple indoor/outdoor activities

Thurs
19th

Free choice Activity Day



Show your inner creativeness, and strategies to win at games

Fri
20th

Make your own Hamburger for Lunch



Outdoor games and sporting activities

WK 4

Mon
23rd

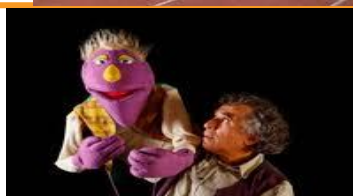
**Pedal Go-karts
Supervised by Provider**



And the race is on

Tues
24th

Puppet show and STEM activities



Watch and participate in the show

Wed
25th

JUMPING CASTLE DAY



More Jumping fun today!!!!

Fri 27th

Disco Party and Pizza Lunch



Let's dance and eat pizza on our last day!

LIONS CLUB OF SEYMOUR GOULBURN INC A0028491N
In partnership with the combined churches of Seymour

51st Carols by Candlelight

St Mary's Hall
McIntyre street, Seymour



Sunday, December 11th

Pre show entertainment from 5.30pm with bbq,
kids activities and Santa

Carols Concert – 7.30pm

Free admission

Candles on sale at the door

NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED

PROCEEDS GO TO:

S.E.S Seymour

MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BGGROUPAU PRESENTS



KILMORE

Christmas Carols

**LIVE MUSIC
FOOD TRUCKS
FAMILY FUN**

FOOD TRUCKS: 5PM

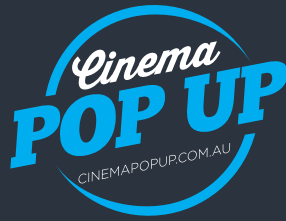
PRE SHOW ENTERTAINMENT: 6:30PM

CAROLS: 7PM

FREE ENTRY



SATURDAY 17 DEC
HUDSON PARK KILMORE



KIDS TICKETS ARE
FREE

Popping up in **Wallan**

HADFIELD PARK 5 JAN - 7 JAN

Featuring

bean beds, popcorn, snacks and a bar

GATES OPEN AT 7:30PM



**TROLLS WORLD
TOUR**

5 JAN



**DC LEAGUE OF
SUPER PETS**

6 JAN



THE BAD GUYS

7 JAN

Tickets are limited and bookings essential

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