

Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## Dear Parents and Friends,

Today the Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students sat the Naplan tests in Language Convention and Writing. These tests were assessing student performance in spelling, grammar and punctuation as well as creative writing skills. To be able to assess levels of performance the students need to be asked questions that are at their standard but also questions that are above and well above their standard. Consequently most students will be unable to answer the high end questions, and this unfortunately is the way the Year 12 exams are structured as well.

It is very important to stress to students that their worth is not determined by any performance on a particular exam or an ATAR for a tertiary entrance rank.

As the Psalmist says in Psalm 139:

- <sup>13</sup> For you created my inmost being;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- <sup>14</sup> I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;  
your works are wonderful,  
I know that full well.
- <sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you  
when I was made in the secret place,  
when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
- <sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unformed body;  
all the days ordained for me were written in your book  
before one of them came to be.
- <sup>17</sup> How precious to me are your thoughts, God!  
How vast is the sum of them!



How amazing that even before birth God knew us and the days allotted to our lives. We all are God's creation and worth so much that Jesus came to earth for us died and was raised to life. We are valuable because we are God's creation and He loves us! As Christians and a Christian School this is the message we want to give to our students and the community around us!

To me the purpose of these tests is not to see who is best but rather whether each student has improved from where they were two years ago and is that improvement appropriate for the time they have spent at school. If the answer is yes then as educators and parents we should be satisfied. Always we seek to encourage our students to be the best they can be at whatever they do and I am sure that as parents you would agree!

As we reflect on the above verse, we are also reminded of our mothers. Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful mums out there! Your worth is incalculable to your family in all you do.

God Bless

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## WCSSA NETBALL



Congratulations to our VCE Netball team on winning the WCSSA title for 2017.

Pictured L-R: **Caleb Nitschke, Emily McDonald, Luke Slatter, Brylie Xuereb, Alex Brown, Emily Adamson, Lachlan Gill and Elizabeth Edgley.**

Special thanks to Tiarna Shepard for her support of the team on the day.

Thanks to all teachers and helpers and particularly Miss Price for her organisation of this great day.

## INFORMATION & TRANSITION DAYS

**PREP TASTE & SEE HOUR**  
Thursday, 18th May, 9:30am – 10:30am

**OPEN DAY**  
Thursday, 25th May, Tours 2:00pm – 3:00pm

**YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING**  
Thursday, 25th May, 7:00pm

**YEAR 7 TRANSITION DAY**  
Wednesday, 26th July, All day

**VCE INFORMATION EVENING**  
Wednesday, 2nd August 7:00pm

**YEAR 7 ORIENTATION DAY**  
Thursday, 19th October, All day

**STEP INTO PREP**  
Tuesday, 24th October, 9:00am – 10:30am

**PREP ORIENTATION DAY**  
Tuesday, 28th November, 9:00am – 12 noon



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### MOTHERS DAY STALL

The Prep - Year 4 classes will have the opportunity to participate in a Mother's Day stall tomorrow. (Thursday)

Gifts are available for students to purchase from \$1.00 to \$10.00.

All money raised will go towards our student welfare program.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **FOOTBALL CLINIC**

Year 3/4 students will participate in a Football Clinic with the Essendon Football Club on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Students will walk to McLeod Oval, at the Kerang Technical High School at 10:15am. Students may wear their sports uniform to school on this Tuesday.

## **HOME GROUP TEACHERS**

Any concerns or enquiries regarding students should first be made to your child's Home Group teacher. Please find below the email addresses for each Home Group teacher.

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Student Wellbeing	Caz Anderson – <a href="mailto:canderson@kccs.vic.edu.au">canderson@kccs.vic.edu.au</a>

## **SCHOOL FEES**

School fees are due and payable by Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

The uniform shop will only be open selected hours. Please see below for hours of operation.

Monday	3:30pm – 4:00pm	
Wednesday	3:30pm – 3:45pm	
Thursday	9:15am – 9:30am	3:30pm – 3:45pm



Other times by appointment only.

Order forms are available at the office and can be emailed to [lpryor@kccs.vic.edu.au](mailto:lpryor@kccs.vic.edu.au)







# What's happening ?

## Prep/1/2

Prep/1/2 have been investigating ways of gathering, organising and presenting data in charts and graphs.

## Year 3/4

In History, Year 3/4 were comparing the changes in the School photos between the early 2000's to now.

## Year 5/6

In Science, the Year 5/6's have been developing their understanding of electricity and circuits. They are looking forward to hands on experience with circuits.

## Year 7

This week in Civics and Citizenship, students have been looking at the rights and responsibilities of Australian citizens.

## Year 8

In Year 8 Maths we are coming to the end of a unit on converting between decimals, percentages and fractions. It has been a stretching and challenging unit. We are about to embark on measurement and geometry.

## Year 9

In Year 9 History, students have been studying the causes of World War 1 and Australia's involvement.

## Year 10

Students in Year 10 have been enjoying Work Studies in preparation for Work Experience in June.

## Year 11

In Unit 1 Food Studies, students have been investigating Indigenous ingredients, cooking kangaroo chilli con carne and sampling some native spices.

## Year 12

Students in Unit 3 Biology have been looking at the interactions that occur between different species. Students are also preparing for a SAC on Friday.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### May

9-11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3,5,7,9 NAPLAN
15-17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 Sovereign Hill Camp
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Footy Clinic
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>	Prep Taste and See Hour 9:30am -10:30am
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup>	Year 7 Information Evening 7pm
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day Tours 2pm-3pm

### June

Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Report Writing Day (Pupil Free Day)
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday (No School)
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Unit 3 GAT
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup>	Term 2 ends
28 <sup>th</sup> -30 <sup>th</sup>	Staff Planning

### July

Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Term 3 starts
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## PRAYER POINTS

- Praise God for a great start to Term 2.
- Pray for the Year 5/6 Sovereign Hill Camp
- Pray for Years 3, 5, 7, and 9 doing NAPLAN this week.
- Pray for our Prep Taste and See Hour next Thursday.

## NEWSLETTER INSERTS

- ICAS Information (via CareMonkey)
- Year 3/4 Football Clinic (via CareMonkey)

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### NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

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