



# Camperdown Contact

CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 8, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Year 5/6 students enjoyed an exciting excursion to Sovereign Hill last Friday. Students had a fantastic day learning about life during the gold rush. One of the highlights was dressing up in costume and re-enacting the Eureka Stockade. It was great fun and helped students understand an important part of Australian history.

Students also tried their luck panning for gold and explored an underground mine during a mine tour. Another memorable experience was watching a gold pour session, where they saw molten gold being transformed into a solid gold ingot.

As they walked through the village, students visited many interesting places, including the popular lolly shop and the blacksmith. There was so much to see and do throughout the day. Everyone had a wonderful time and represented our school exceptionally well.

**Georgie Perkins, Year 5/6 Teacher**



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# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Last week, along with Jacinta Tolland and Katie Taylor, I had the opportunity to attend the Victorian Government Schools Principals Conference in Melbourne, where more than 3,000 school leaders from across the state came together to learn, collaborate and explore the future of education. The conference theme, *Excellence in Every Classroom*, focused on how schools can continue to improve outcomes for all students through strong leadership, evidence-based teaching practices, inclusion and wellbeing.

A key message throughout the conference was that successful schools maintain a relentless focus on high-quality teaching and learning. Presenters shared research and practical examples demonstrating the impact of explicit instruction, evidence-informed practice and consistent approaches to curriculum delivery. There was considerable discussion about the implementation of the Victorian Teaching and Learning Model 2.0 and how schools can strengthen instructional practices to maximise student growth and achievement. I am proud to say that Camperdown College is already well advanced in this work. Our staff are committed to using evidence-based practices, engaging in professional learning and working collaboratively to ensure every student receives high-quality instruction and opportunities to succeed.

Student and staff wellbeing was another significant focus. Speakers highlighted the increasing complexity of student needs and the importance of creating school environments where wellbeing and learning work hand in hand. Equally important was the acknowledgement of the challenges facing school leaders and educators, with a strong emphasis on sustainable leadership practices, resilience and supporting staff wellbeing.

The conference also reinforced the importance of inclusive education. Schools across Victoria are increasingly focused on ensuring every student feels valued, supported and able to achieve success. Sessions explored practical strategies for building inclusive classrooms, strengthening cultural understanding and fostering a strong sense of belonging for all

members of the school community. At Camperdown College, we are committed to creating an environment where diversity is celebrated and every student is known, valued and supported. Our work in strengthening inclusive practices and providing a range of learning pathways ensures that all students can engage meaningfully in their education and reach their full potential.

Another area of discussion was the rapidly evolving role of technology and artificial intelligence in education. While acknowledging the opportunities these technologies present, presenters emphasised the importance of maintaining a human-centred approach that prioritises relationships, critical thinking, student wellbeing and ethical use of technology. This is certainly an area that we will need to continue exploring thoughtfully as a school. While technology and AI offer exciting opportunities to enhance teaching and learning, it is essential that we equip students with the skills to use these tools responsibly, ethically and effectively in an increasingly digital world.

Perhaps the most valuable aspect of the conference was the opportunity to learn alongside colleagues from schools across Victoria. Sharing experiences, challenges and successes provided a powerful reminder that collaboration remains one of the most effective ways to improve outcomes for students. The opportunity to hear how other schools are responding to similar opportunities and challenges reinforced the importance of continuous improvement, professional learning and strong educational partnerships.

We returned from the conference inspired by the innovation occurring across our state and reassured that the work we are undertaking at Camperdown College aligns strongly with the direction of educational improvement across Victoria. Our ongoing commitment to high-quality teaching, student wellbeing, inclusion and strong community partnerships will continue to guide our work as we strive to provide the very best opportunities for every student.

**Ms Vicki Angus, Principal**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>T2 W9</b>	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Australian Smile Group at the Junior and Senior Campus
	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	GAT
	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 10 Later Years Information Session 4.30pm in the Senior Campus Library
	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	School Council Meeting 6pm at the Senior Campus
	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Indonesian Study Tour commences
	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Prep 2027 Transition Visit #4 Numeracy in the Prep room from 2pm
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	School for Student Leadership CLP Day
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Prep-Year 6 Neon Disco See Compass for more information
<b>T2 W10</b>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> -Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	NAIDOC Week celebrations at the Junior Campus
	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 10 Immersion Day @ Deakin Warrnambool See Compass for more information
	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Senior Campus Celebration Assembly 8.55am in the AG Daws Hall
	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 3/4 AFL 9s @ Noorat More information to come on Compass
	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Junior Campus Parent Teacher Interviews 1pm-6pm in students' classrooms
	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	JSC Blue Day for MND Dress in blue for a gold coin donation
	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Junior Campus Celebration Assembly 9.15am in the BER building
	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Last day for Term 2 Students in Prep-Year 12 dismissed at 2.15pm
	Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	School for Student Leadership students arrive home!
	Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Indonesian Study Tour students arrive home!
<b>T3 W1</b>	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	First day for Term 3
	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 9 Bogong Camp See Compass for more information
	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> -Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 10 Charlton Driving Camp More information to come on Compass
	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	GALS Student Workshop 1 See Compass for more information
	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	State Cross Country (Primary and Secondary) Yarra Valley



## End of Semester Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews:

As we approach the end of Semester 1, teachers are finalising student reports that provide a snapshot of each child's progress, achievements and growth throughout the year so far. These reports outline learning outcomes across curriculum areas and indicate each student's progress against the Victorian Curriculum standards. Reports will be distributed to families on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June**. Following the release of reports, Parent Teacher Interviews will provide an opportunity for families to discuss their child's learning journey in greater detail, celebrate successes and ask any questions about the information provided.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 1pm to 6pm**. Booking information has been made available to families through Compass and we encourage all parents and carers to secure a time with their child's teacher.

## Kindergarten Transition Visits:

Over the past few weeks, we have been delighted to welcome many of our kindergarten students to the Junior Campus as part of their transition to school. These visits have provided valuable opportunities for children to become familiar with the school environment, build confidence and develop connections with students across a range of year levels.

Throughout the program, kindergarten students have enthusiastically participated in a Literacy session and activities in the Art, Performing Arts and STEM classrooms, as well as on the PE courts, all while being supported by our caring and capable students. It has been wonderful to see friendships forming and confidence growing with each visit.

We look forward to welcoming our kindergarten students for their final Term 2 transition session on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm-3pm. During this session, students will join our Prep teachers and students to participate in a numeracy focused activity and continue building their familiarity with school life at Camperdown College.

## Attitudes to School Survey:

Year 4-6 students finished completing the Attitudes to School Survey today. This annual survey asks many questions of students to gain an understanding of what is working well at school and what can be improved. Thank you to students for sharing their voice in such a positive and honest way.

## Prep-Year 6 Disco: Neon

The countdown is on for our annual Junior Campus Disco, taking place next Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June! Students from Prep-Year 6 are invited to join us for an exciting evening of music, dancing and fun. Hosted by our Year 12 VM students, the disco will be held in the AG Daws Hall at the Senior Campus from 6pm to 8pm. This year's theme is **Neon**, so students are encouraged to wear their brightest colours and glow-inspired accessories as they hit the dance floor. Our VM students will be providing the entertainment, mixing popular songs DJ-style to keep everyone dancing throughout the night. There will be plenty of opportunities to win prizes and a selection of refreshments will be available for purchase. Entry is \$3 per student, payable via Compass prior to the event.

## Year 5/6 Tri-Sports:

Our Year 5/6 students enjoyed a fantastic day of interschool sport at the Tri-Sports Competition on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Competing against local schools in soccer and netball, students demonstrated teamwork, determination and great sportsmanship throughout the day. A highlight was the outstanding performance of our soccer team, who won the competition and progressed to the next stage in Warrnambool today. We look forward to hearing how they performed.

## Go Blue for MND:

Our Junior School Council is excited to be coordinating our end of term **Go Blue for MND** fundraiser on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. This special event will raise funds and awareness for Motor Neurone Disease, with students encouraged to wear blue and bring along a gold coin donation. Big Freeze beanies are available for purchase from the Junior Campus office for \$25 (cash only). Our Junior School Council students will also be creating felt beanie badges, which will be available to purchase for \$2 each. One of the highlights of the day is sure to be the much-anticipated ice bucket challenge, with several Junior Campus staff bravely volunteering to take part.

## First Nations Leadership Program

Our involvement in the First Nations Leadership Program continued yesterday at Deakin University, with Henry participating in day 2 of this enriching experience. Led by local Koorie Engagement Support Officers, senior primary Koorie students explored and celebrated their culture through traditional First Nations dance, cooking, storytelling, and language activities. Henry learned a traditional male dance, as well as *Birds of Prey*, a First Nations dance performed by both male and female students. He also enjoyed making and tasting traditional johnny cakes and learning language connected to his family tree. The program provides local Koorie students with valuable opportunities to connect through culture, strengthen their sense of identity, and build relationships with peers from across the region. A highlight of the day was seeing all students proudly wear a specially designed t-shirt, created collaboratively during Day 1 of the program. The design symbolises schools coming together in unity to celebrate and honour culture, reflecting the strong sense of pride and connection fostered throughout the program.



Mrs Jacinta Tolland, Junior Campus Assistant Principal

Winter certainly made its presence felt over the past fortnight, wet weather and a reminder that Term 2 is quickly drawing to a close. Despite the chilly conditions, there has been plenty happening across the Senior Campus, with students continuing to embrace opportunities both inside and outside the classroom.



Last Monday, our Year 9 students joined schools from across the region at the Try A Career Day held at South West TAFE’s Sherwood Park campus. While it was a fresh day on campus, it was also an enlightening one as students participated in three different vocational programs and began considering whether a VETDSS (Vocational Education and Training Delivered to Secondary Schools) pathway may be part of their future studies. Experiences such as these, alongside the Careers curriculum, play an important role in helping students explore the many pathways available to them in the later years of schooling. A reminder to all Year 10 students and families that our Later Years Information Session will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 4.30pm in the library. We encourage all families to attend as students begin planning for the next stage of their educational journey.

Congratulations to our Year 9 students who participated in the \$20 Boss Challenge Market Day last Tuesday. Despite the wet weather, the event was a roaring success, with the AG Daws Hall transformed into a vibrant marketplace. Students demonstrated impressive entrepreneurial skills, selling everything from cake pops and sausages to innovative 3D-printed creations. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm, teamwork and creativity

on display throughout the day.

Career exploration continued last week when Mrs Maskell accompanied eleven Year 8 girls to Melbourne for the Trades and Tech Fit Expo. Funded through the Neil Porter Legacy Foundation, the expo showcased the wide range of opportunities available within the energy industry. Students also heard from a panel of women currently working in the sector, gaining valuable insight into the many pathways and careers available in an industry that continues to grow and evolve. We thank Mrs Maskell for providing this valuable opportunity for our students.

Our Year 11 Vocational Major students have also been busy bringing their classroom learning to life through a series of planned barbecue events. Students have spent the semester developing skills in planning, budgeting and event organisation and it has been pleasing to see these skills put into practice. Each group will take turns running a sausage sizzle over the coming weeks, with all proceeds supporting the SRC’s Motor Neurone Disease fundraiser later this term. Keep an eye out for other VM-led activities as the term concludes.

Last Thursday’s HSSSD Junior Netball Competition was held on what can only be described as a truly wet and freezing winter’s day. While fortunate to be competing indoors, our netballers still faced icy conditions and a long day of competition. Teachers were particularly impressed by the inclusive and supportive manner in which students approached the event, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship throughout the day. A special thank you to Year 9 students Olivia and Maddi, who volunteered their time to umpire and support the competition.

This week has seen our Year 10 students and Year 11 VCE students complete their mid-year examinations. It has been pleasing to see students approach these assessments with positive attitudes and a willingness to challenge themselves. Teachers have been impressed by the preparation and effort shown across the cohort. Results from these examinations will contribute to Semester Reports, which will be distributed in week 10. Looking ahead, all students undertaking a Unit 3/4 sequence in VCE General or VCE VM will sit the GAT next Tuesday. Students have spent the past fortnight learning about the expectations of the assessment and have been encouraged to view it as an opportunity to demonstrate their current skills and progress. All students will complete Part A beginning at 9am, with VCE General students returning for Part B at 1.15pm.

With only two weeks remaining in Term 2, there is still much to look forward to. Our Vocational Major students are busily preparing for the Junior Campus Disco on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June, while all families are warmly invited to attend our End of Term Celebration Assembly on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 8.55am in the AG Daws Hall. We also wish our eleven students and three staff members every success as they depart for Indonesia next Thursday morning. A special thank you to Bu Jenna for her tireless work in preparing every aspect of the trip, from fundraising and information sessions to liaising with the Department and travel providers. We look forward to hearing about the experiences, learning and memories that this exciting opportunity will undoubtedly provide.

**Ms Katie Taylor, Senior Campus Assistant Principal**

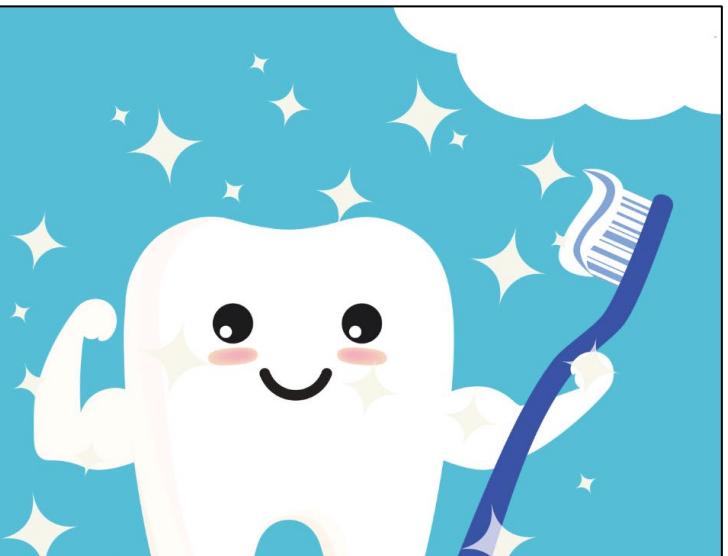
JUNIOR CAMPUS COMMUNICATION SENT HOME TO PARENTS THIS FORTNIGHT:

J18 HAPL Maths Ninjas

SENIOR CAMPUS COMMUNICATION SENT HOME TO PARENTS THIS FORTNIGHT:

No communications have been sent home to parents at the Senior Campus this fortnight.

**SMILE DENTAL  
VISITS JUNIOR &  
SENIOR CAMPUS  
15-19 JUNE**





Prep  
2027  
Transition  
Program

**Visit #2: Art & Performing Arts**

Our local kindergarten students enjoyed another exciting taster of school life on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June, participating in an afternoon of Art and Performing Arts. Inspired by the beautiful story of Elmer, students created their own colourful patchwork elephants using sponging techniques, supported by our helpful Year 1/2 students and guided by Mrs Hislop and Miss Coker.

The afternoon continued with singing, dancing and musical games, giving students an insight into our Performing Arts program with Mrs Gellie. Together, they explored two of this year's musical focuses: Scottish music in preparation for our upcoming Robert Burns Festival and the much-loved Australian classic Home Among the Gum Trees. Our Year 1/2 students once again did a wonderful job of supporting and encouraging our kinder students throughout the session.

We look forward to welcoming our kindergarten students back next week for another taster afternoon, where they will experience our PE program with Mr Harkin and our STEM program with Mrs Murphy.

**Visit #4: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2pm-3pm**  
Numeracy in the Prep classroom

**Visit #3: PE & STEM/ Library**

This week, our visitors explored the exciting world of STEM at Camperdown College. Students rotated through a variety of engaging stations showcasing Science, Technology and Engineering, Mathematics and Library learning. Guided by Mrs Murphy and our helpful Year 5/6 students, the kindergarten children tackled challenges and explored activities inspired by the story *Dear Zoo*. Several of our STEM animal friends even made a special appearance, helping to spark curiosity and excitement throughout the session.

The afternoon concluded with a range of fun and active PE activities led by Mr Harkin, where students developed their movement skills, built confidence and enjoyed working alongside our encouraging Year 5/6 leaders.

**Jacinta Tolland, Assistant Principal**





# REPORTS



*We are pleased to advise families that Semester 1 student reports will be provided as usual this year.*

## JUNIOR CAMPUS



Students at the Junior Campus will receive a hard copy of their report on **Friday 19th June** and reports will also be available through Compass under the Reports tab after this date.



The reports will continue to provide important information about your child's learning progress and achievement. However, as a result of industrial action taken by the Australian Education Union earlier this term, full descriptive comments may not be included in all student reports.



We look forward to discussing your child's learning and progress further at our Parent Teacher Interviews on **Tuesday 23rd June**.

## SENIOR CAMPUS



Semester 1 reports for Senior Campus students will be available via the Reports tab on Compass on **Wednesday 24th June**.



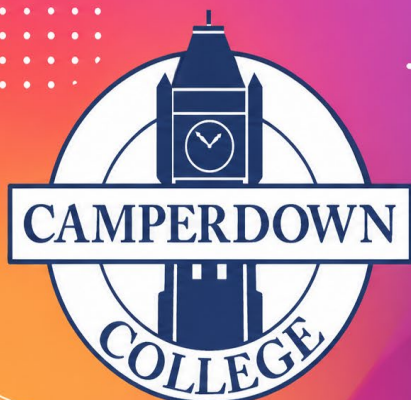
Reports will continue to provide important information about student achievement and progress. Due to industrial action taken by the Australian Education Union earlier this term, some comments relating to Term 2 assessment tasks may not be included in reports. Please note that feedback on individual learning tasks for both Term 1 and Term 2 remains available to students and families through Compass on the Learning Tasks tab.



Parents and carers are welcome to discuss their child's progress at our Parent Teacher Interviews in Term 3, or earlier by arrangement with relevant staff.



*We thank families for their understanding and continued support of our students' learning.*



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# 2026 INDONESIAN STUDY TOUR



Eleven excited Year 9/10 students are preparing to depart for a trip that they will never forget! Charlotte-Rose Richardson, Kate and Mia Gunina, Daniel Stringer-Donnelly, Sicily Thun, Elisha Boyd, Samuel Van Den Meriacker, Taylah Bernoth, Samuel Robertson, Dean Gould and Quinn Clark will be accompanied by Mrs Wood, Ms Lee and Jorja Cook on our 10-day biennial study tour to Indonesia, departing Australia next Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June. First stop is Bogor, West-Java where the group will spend two full days with our sister-school, SMPN2 Leuwisadeng, who are busily planning exciting language and cultural experiences for our students and staff. The group will then spend several days touring Yogyakarta, in central Java, visiting significant sites such as Candi Prambanan and Candi Borobudur, as well as taking part in cultural activities like dance, batik and weaving workshops. The final leg of the trip will be in Bali where students and staff will spend time in the traditional markets attempting to bargain for the best priced souvenirs as well as visit rice fields and take part in a cooking class. Stay tuned for updates on our Facebook page and in our next newsletter.

**Bu Jenna, Indonesian Teacher**



Indonesian study tour students developed a creative idea to raise money for their upcoming trip to Indonesia; they decided on a raffle with a twist. Their raffle involved a clear container for each of the prizes, with ticket purchasers being able to see how many tickets had already been sold. On the final day of ticket sales, purchasers had the opportunity to increase their chances by buying tickets for the prizes with the fewest sales. Congratulations to the following winners: William Bernaldo with a group of Year 7 students enjoying private access to our sport precinct at lunchtime; Daniel Stringer-Donnelly and friends enjoying an Indonesian lunch cooked by Bu Jenna; Samuel Robertson and his classmates finishing class 15 minutes early and enjoying the last part of the day playing basketball. Thank you to all who supported our fundraiser. Our Indonesian study tour students are getting excited as they prepare to board the plane next week!

**Bu Jenna, Indonesian Teacher**



**CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE**

# NEON NIGHT

**JUNIOR CAMPUS DISCO**

**FRIDAY  
19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**6:00 - 8:00 PM**

**AG DAWS HALL - SENIOR CAMPUS**

**ENTRY \$3**

**FOOD \$ DRINKS**

**RECOMMENDED TO BRING ~\$10  
PRICES START AT \$2**



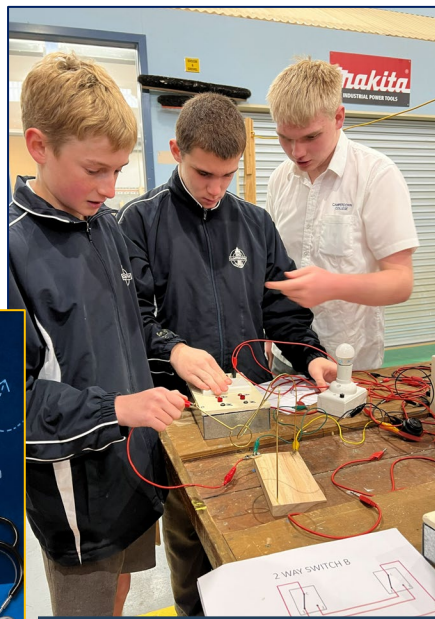
# Exploring PATHWAYS



— @ Camperdown College —

Year 9 students engaged in South West Tafe's Try a Career Day at their Sherwood Park Campus on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. This gave our students an opportunity to try three different vocational programs as a taster before some make the decision to enrol in these VETDSS (Vocational Education and Training Delivered to Secondary Schools) programs.

Sue Maskell, Careers Coordinator



A group of Year 8 girls opted into the Trades and Tech Fit Expo on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - this event was fully funded by the Neil Porter Legacy (Community for Careers), the Department of Education and AusNet. Not only did the girls visit a very hands-on expo, gathering information about a variety of careers, they also heard from a panel of women currently working on the Western Renewables Link - a program delivered by AusNet. The day was designed to open the girls' eyes to the possibilities that exist in the trades and energy sectors.

Sue Maskell, Careers Coordinator



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# VET & CAREERS WEEKLY Update



## Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June: Later Years Information Session for Year 10 students and their parents
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Year 10 Deakin Immersion Day
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Careers Expo (opt in event for Year 10-12 students)
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup>-Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July: Year 10 Work Experience
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July: Morrisby Interviews (Year 9)
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July: Later Years Information Sessions for Year 9, 11 and 12

## 📢 Student Spotlight: Cooking Up Success! 📢

We are proud to recognise Bayleigh Newcombe, who is currently in his first year of the Hospitality program and already showing he has all the right ingredients for success. Feedback from experienced teacher Kelvin Bell has been extremely positive, with Bayleigh demonstrating a strong work ethic, enthusiasm, and a genuine passion for the industry. In addition to his studies, he is gaining valuable hands-on experience through a weekly work placement at Cobden Health, working in the kitchen and building real-world skills in a fast-paced environment.

During a recent VET visit, Bayleigh was busy preparing a delicious beef, red wine and mushroom pie-and it's safe to say he is *raising the bar* (and the pastry!) with his growing confidence and skills. He is developing key abilities in food preparation, kitchen organisation, hygiene practices and working as part of a team.

It's clear that Bayleigh has found the right pathway and is steadily cooking up a bright future in hospitality. With his positive attitude and willingness to learn, he is sure to continue rising in the industry.

We wish him all the very best in his future endeavours — the future is looking delicious! 🍷👨🍳

## 📦 VET & Careers Tip of the Week:

Use the *2-Minute Rule* to Build Your Employability. If a task takes less than two minutes, do it immediately. Examples:

- Reply to an email from a trainer.
- Submit a missing form.
- Update your resume with a new qualification.
- Thank an employer after work placement.
- Check tomorrow's timetable.

Successful apprentices, trainees and employees are often the people who stay organised and take action on small tasks before they become bigger problems. Employers notice people who are proactive and dependable.

Challenge for this week: Complete one task you've been putting off in the next two minutes! 🚀  
Career Skill Focus: Initiative • Organisation • Responsibility • Professionalism



Year 9/10 Business Boss elective students staged their Market Day on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June as part of the \$20 Boss Business program. As part of the program, eleven students were given the opportunity to develop a range of enterprise skills by establishing a business which their group members were solely responsible for running, culminating in the sale of selected products to fellow students to raise funds for charity. Amongst the items sold were sausages in bread, cake pops, brownies, caramel slice, spiders, ice-cream, drinks, home-made hot chips, lollies and cookies, whilst two groups had a guess the amount of lollies in a jar competition and another sold 3D printed items. Each student is to be congratulated on their efforts throughout the program and for staging a successful Market Day!

Fraser Lucas, Year 9/10 Business Teacher





# SERIOUSLY SPORT @ Camperdown College



Our Year 5/6 students had a fantastic day out at the CDDSA Tri Sports competition held at our Camperdown College Sport Precinct on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Students participated with great enthusiasm in both netball and soccer, displaying excellent sportsmanship and teamwork throughout the day. It was wonderful to see so many smiles on the faces of our students who took pride in representing our college. Congratulations to our winning soccer team, who were undefeated on the day and competed in the division competition today.

Well done to all students for their positive attitude, effort and support of one another. We are very proud of the way they represented the college.

**Matt Harkin, Prep-Year 6 Sport Coordinator**



Year 5/6 District Tri Sports: Soccer/Netball



Our Year 7 and 8 netball teams competed at the HSSSD Junior Netball competition Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June and played four matches each. Throughout the competition, students demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, supported one another on and off the court and gave their best effort in every game. Their positive attitude, teamwork and enthusiasm were outstanding as they proudly represented the college.

**Grace Lee, Year 7-12 Sport Coordinator**

HSSSD Junior Netball



**Good luck!**  
**YEAR 5/6**  
**DIVISION TRI SPORTS**  
**Soccer team!**

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2026

27 MAY – 3 JUNE

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Junior and Senior Campus students participated in a range of learning experiences during National Reconciliation Week last week. Classes explored the significance of the 1967 Referendum and Mabo Day through stories, videos and classroom discussions, helping students develop a greater understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures.

Our Year 3/4 students joined Indigenous author, artist and poet Kirli Saunders in a live online session, where they listened to stories and reflected on important themes of culture, connection and reconciliation.

Throughout the week, Junior Campus students learned and performed *Beds Are Burning*, sharing the song at assembly. While wet weather prevented us from gathering at the Wombeetch Puyuun Reconciliation Park as planned, students learned about the Liwura Gundidj people of the Djargurd Wurrung nation and the significance of Wombeetch Puyuun (Camperdown George), the last recognised leader of the local area.

Senior Campus students explored important events in Australia's history, including the National Apology to the Stolen Generations, the 1967 Referendum and the significance of Mabo Day. These discussions helped students develop a deeper understanding of the ongoing journey towards reconciliation and the importance of recognising First Nations histories and perspectives.

Homegroup activities provided students with opportunities to reflect on their own role in promoting reconciliation within the school community. Through thoughtful discussions and personal reflection, students considered how their actions can contribute to building respectful relationships and a more inclusive future for all Australians.

National Reconciliation Week provided a valuable opportunity for students to learn, reflect and deepen their understanding of Australia's shared history. By learning about the past and listening to First Nations voices, our students are helping to build a future based on respect, understanding and reconciliation. The learning experiences encouraged students to think critically about the past while considering how they can support reconciliation in their everyday lives.

**Jeannie Cook & Alice Adams, Marrung Leaders**



Our Year 9 Humanities students visited Wombeetch Puyuun Reconciliation Park recently as part of their study of Australia 1750-1914, and to mark Reconciliation Week. Student teacher, and past student, James O'Neil led the lessons on this topic.

**Tania Bruckner, Humanities Teacher**



## Meet Allie - Mental Health Practitioner

Hi I'm Allie, the school's Mental Health Practitioner, and I'm based at the Senior Campus on Mondays. My professional background is in Occupational Therapy and I have worked across a variety of community settings for more than a decade.

I am passionate about providing proactive, early intervention mental health support to young people. At school, I can support students who may be experiencing anxiety, worry, low mood, or other mild to moderate mental health challenges. My role also includes promoting positive mental health and wellbeing across the school community by contributing to wellbeing initiatives and supporting staff capacity. In addition to providing individual and small-group counselling support, I work collaboratively with school staff, families and external health professionals to ensure students with more complex needs receive appropriate support and care.

A little bit about me personally-I attended this school as a student before moving to Melbourne for a number of years and I am excited to be back enjoying country life. In my spare time, I like crocheting, attending live music events and catching up with family and friends. These days, however, most of my free time is spent running around my one-year-old son, Hugo, who certainly keeps me on my toes!

At Camperdown College, we are fortunate to have a dedicated and caring wellbeing team. We encourage students and families to reach out whenever support is needed—no concern is too small.



Year 12 PE students had the opportunity to visit Federation University, in wintery Ballarat last week, in order to review the concepts they have learnt this year so far including biomechanics and skill acquisition, acute responses to exercise and relative contributions of energy systems.

Some highlights included:

- all of our Year 12 PE students getting to use the University's fitness testing equipment - including a \$46,000 VO2 Max machine, and a \$100,000 weighted sprint test machine;
- Oliver Clark completing a VO2 max test usually reserved for elite athletes and other private customers (he scored a 55-more than Marcus Bontempelli! Look it up, it is a good score...);
- Visiting a University campus close to Camperdown with excellent Sports Science facilities and putting our theoretical knowledge into real-world practice.

Students enjoyed testing their vertical jump height on a force plate, maximal upper body testing, the AFL agility test with timing gates and a 20m weighted sprint test. Students were in their element and totally engaged all day, making the most of every opportunity provided to them by our college.





**Liam Geary, Year 12 PE Teacher**

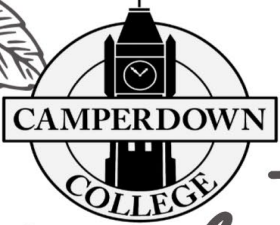




Charlotte Walsh  
(Year 1/2A)



-  What is your favourite game to play at recess or lunch?  
I like playing River, Bank, Bridge.
-  What is your dream playground equipment?  
The monkey bars, because it is exciting when you are off the ground.
-  Who is someone at school that helps you?  
Charlie - Charlie helps me in class.
-  What is your favourite thing about your class?  
Phonics. I like saying the sounds and reading the words.



# Save the Date

Camperdown College  
Debutante Ball:  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2026

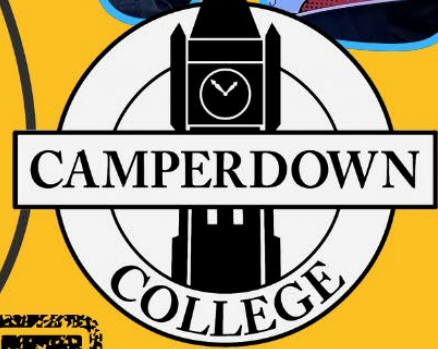
# Happy Birthday!



## JUNE

- 13<sup>TH</sup> PIPPA, LILY & PIPER
- 14<sup>TH</sup> GRACE
- 15<sup>TH</sup> SKYE
- 16<sup>TH</sup> TYLER
- 17<sup>TH</sup> SAGE
- 19<sup>TH</sup> MAISIE & EMILY

- 20<sup>TH</sup> SOPHIE & LEVI
- 21<sup>ST</sup> BEDE & ISAAC
- 22<sup>ND</sup> NIAH
- 23<sup>RD</sup> ELODIE & JEFFREY
- 24<sup>TH</sup> FLYNN, ALANNAH & REECE



# LEARNING Legends

Cheeky Nature, Competitive,  
 Curiosity, Determination,  
 Energetic, Friendliness,  
 Genuine, Helpfulness,  
 Independence,  
 Kindness,  
 Knowledgeable,  
 Maturity, Polite,  
 Sense of Humor,  
 Thoughtfulness.

# BANANA SPLITS

Childcare & kindergarten

## OPEN NIGHT and KINDER INFORMATION SESSION

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>

6PM-7PM

Browse through the rooms

Look at artwork

View intentional teaching experiences

Discover our learning stories

Light refreshments provided.

If attending the Kinder Information Session, educators will be on hand to supervise children.

For more information [55932392](tel:55932392)  
[skyeh@bananasplitscc.au](mailto:skyeh@bananasplitscc.au)

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Enrolments close: 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026

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THE 2026 SHORTBREAD BAKING COMPETITION

The 2026 Robert Burns Celtic Festival has an All Ages Shortbread Baking Competition open to anyone wanting to put their best Shortbread baking skills to the test.

It is simple, bake some Shortbread and Enter with 3 pieces on a paper plate in a plastic bag. Please select from the classes below and tick ✓ the relevant box / boxes.

Judging will take place on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June.  
Winner's names will be posted on The Loaf & Lounge front door.

Winning entries will be presented on Saturday night at the Family Dance in the Theatre Royal.

**To enter:**  
Please tick the boxes below:

Name:	Phone Number:								
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Entries must be dropped off to The Loaf and Lounge before 3pm, Thursday 25th June to be eligible for judging.  
Judging will take place on Friday morning June 2026.