



Camperdown Contact

CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 6, 21st August 2026



Junior Campus students celebrated National Science Week 2026 this week with the theme 'Seeds of Science – Nurturing Knowledge for All.' Students embraced a range of fun, hands-on activities that encouraged curiosity, creativity, problem solving and scientific thinking.

Throughout the week, students investigated the science behind bubbles, exploring why they form, why they are round and how they float. They also took on a LEGO Plant Build Challenge, using their imagination to design and construct plants while learning about the features and needs of living things. Students became seed detectives, matching different seeds to the plants they grow into and exploring plant life cycles and seed dispersal.

Students also investigated wind and flight through kite flying, observing how wind helps objects move through the air. The week finished with Seed Races, where students explored how seeds are dispersed by wind and tested how far different seeds could travel. It was an engaging week of learning that gave students plenty of opportunities to explore scientific ideas through practical experiences.

National Science Week provided a wonderful opportunity for students to engage in hands-on learning, ask questions and discover the science that surrounds us every day. It was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm and curiosity across the school as we celebrated a week of exploration and discovery.

Let's continue to grow a love of science at Camperdown College!

Lauren Murphy, Junior Campus STEM Teacher



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From the Principal's Desk...



The release of our 2026 NAPLAN results provides an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our students and, importantly, to reflect on the learning and growth that sits behind the data.

There is much to be proud of in this year's results. Across Camperdown College, we have seen excellent outcomes in both literacy and numeracy, with a strong number of students achieving at the highest proficiency levels and many demonstrating strong learning growth.

In Year 5, 7 and 9, the percentage of students achieving Strong or Exceeding proficiency in Reading, Writing and Numeracy was higher than the averages for similar schools, our network and the state. Example results:

Exceeding or Strong students in 2026 (%)
For students in Year 5, Writing



Exceeding or Strong students in 2026 (%)
For students in Year 7, Numeracy



Exceeding or Strong students in 2026 (%)
For students in Year 9, Reading



Further pleasing was the performance of our Year 5 students. In Writing and Numeracy, no students were identified as needing additional support, with only a very small number requiring additional assistance in the other areas at other year levels.

Overall, these results are particularly pleasing because they reflect more than a single assessment. They are evidence of the sustained work undertaken across the college to improve teaching and learning. Our focus on explicit teaching, structured literacy, evidence-informed practice and the regular use of assessment data is designed to ensure that teachers know where students are at in their learning and can respond accordingly.

While NAPLAN provides us with valuable information about student achievement, it is only one measure of learning. For us, the most important question is not simply how our students performed on a particular test, but what the data tells us about their learning and what we can do next to ensure every student continues to progress.

Our Year 3 results were more mixed (however above network schools) and have provided us with an important opportunity for reflection. In reviewing the results, it became clear that some students were not sufficiently familiar with the format and expectations of NAPLAN and therefore did not perform at the level we would have expected based on their classroom demonstration of learning. This is an area we can readily address by ensuring students are more familiar with the assessment process and confident in demonstrating what they know.

One of the most encouraging aspects of our data is the level of learning growth demonstrated by our students. Growth is an important measure because it recognises the progress students make from their individual starting points, rather than simply looking at where students finish.

Our Year 3 to 5 and Year 7 to 9 learning growth data also outperformed similar schools, our network and the state. For example:

High and Medium Growth students in 2026 (%)
For students at your school in selected year: Year 3 to 5, Reading



High and Medium Growth students in 2026 (%)
For students at your school in selected year: Year 7 to 9, Numeracy



We do not place the same emphasis on Year 5-7 growth data, as a significant number of students join Camperdown College in Year 7. As a result, this measure does not provide a true reflection of the impact of our college programs across those years but still tracks very positively.

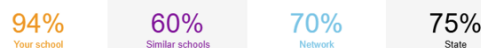
High and Medium Growth students in 2026 (%)
For students at your school in selected year: Year 5 to 7, Writing



A new measure introduced this year has provided another valuable insight into student learning, tracking student progress from Year 9 NAPLAN through to their Year 12 English and Mathematics examination results. This is particularly exciting for a P-12 College, as it allows us to examine learning growth over a much longer period of a student's schooling.

We are particularly pleased with the results. 100% of our students demonstrated medium to high growth in Reading and 94% demonstrated medium to high growth in Writing, significantly outperforming similar schools, our network and the state.

High and Medium relative performance in 2025 (%)
For students in Year 11 or Year 12, Writing to All English subjects



High and Medium relative performance in 2025 (%)
For students in Year 11 or Year 12, Reading to English



In Numeracy, our results were higher than similar and network schools and were only 2 percentage points below the state average. Importantly, the results need to be considered in the context of our small cohort. Students undertaking Mathematics Methods are excluded from the published comparison because of

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At Camperdown College, students are known and their learning and wellbeing are equally valued and nurtured, enabling them to thrive in a changing world.

the very small number of students involved. If these students were included, I am confident our Numeracy result would place Camperdown College above the state average.

High and Medium relative performance in 2025 (%)
For students in Year 11 or Year 12, Numeracy to All Mathematics subjects

73%
Your school

59%
Similar schools

71%
Network

75%
State

These results reinforce the importance of the work that has been undertaken across the college in recent years. They also demonstrate the value of having a P-12 College. We are able to look beyond individual year levels and follow student learning over time, allowing us to examine how students' progress from their early years through to the senior secondary years.

The Victorian Government also recognises both excellence and high learning growth through the Year 9 NAPLAN Certificates of Achievement. We are also incredibly proud that eleven of our Year 9 students have received Certificates of Achievement from the Minister for Education for their outstanding NAPLAN results. These highly regarded awards recognise students who have either demonstrated high growth or achieved an 'Exceeding' standard in Numeracy and Reading. They celebrate both academic excellence and the learning growth students demonstrate over time.

Our recipients are Olivia Halliday, Charlie Unwin, Stirling Collins, Tyler Daffy, Ekaterina Gunina, Mariia Gunina, Abey McLachlan, Maya Smith, Isla Spokes, Marianne Claire Suson and Amber Wallis.

Behind every result is a student, a teacher and a family. I congratulate our students on their efforts and thank our teachers for their professionalism, persistence and commitment to improving learning outcomes. I also thank our parents and carers for the encouragement and support they provide at home.

The results give us plenty to celebrate, but they also give us valuable information about where we need to go next. We will continue to use this data alongside classroom assessment, teacher judgement and other measures of student learning to identify areas for improvement and ensure that every student is challenged, supported and able to achieve their best.

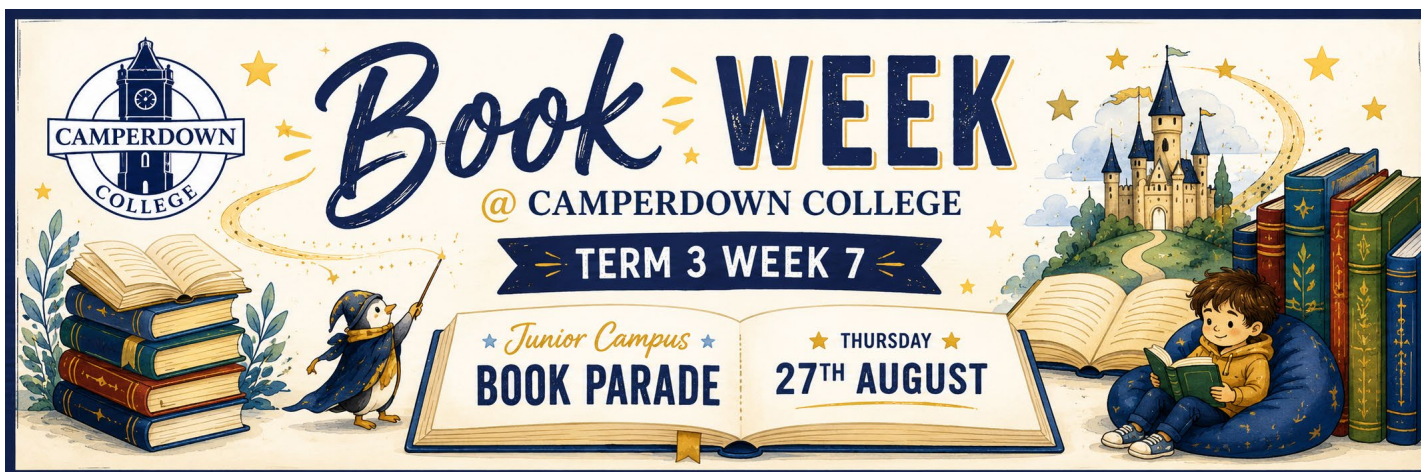
At Camperdown College, our goal is not simply to achieve strong results. Our goal is to develop confident, capable learners who are equipped to succeed beyond school. The 2026 NAPLAN results provide another important piece of evidence that we are continuing to move in the right direction.

I congratulate all of our students and staff on their achievements and look forward to building on this success throughout the remainder of the year.

Ms Vicki Angus, Principal



T3 W7	Monday 24th-Friday 28th August	Book Week <i>Symphony of Stories</i>
	Tuesday 25 th August	The Man Cave and The Big Sister Incursions <i>Year 9-11 students at the Senior Campus</i>
	Tuesday 25 th August	GALS Student Workshop #3 <i>Communicating as a leader in STEM</i>
	Wednesday 26 th August	Year 11 VM: Cudjee Wildlife Park Excursion <i>See Compass for more information</i>
	Thursday 27 th August	Scholastic Book Club due <i>Prep-Year 6 students @ the Junior Campus</i>
	Thursday 27th August	Junior Campus Book Parade 9.15am in the BER Building, Families welcome
	Friday 28 th August	Year 3/4 Hooptime Rookies in Camperdown
T3 W8	Wednesday 2nd September	Year 9/10 Careers Guest Speaker
	Thursday 3 rd September	Year 6 Student Leaders Congress Celebration Night <i>Lighthouse Theatre 6pm-8pm</i>
	Friday 4th September	Father's Day Breakfast (7.30am-8.30am in the BER Building) & Stall
T3 W9	Monday 7th September	Prep-Year 6 Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm-5.30pm at the Junior Campus
	Monday 7th September	Book Fair @ the Junior Campus 3.30pm-5.30pm
	Monday 7th September	Instrumental Music Concert 6pm in the BER at the Junior Campus
	Tuesday 8 th September	Melbourne Stars Cricket Roadshow <i>Year 3-6 students</i>
	Wednesday 9 th September	First Nations Leadership Day 3
	Wednesday 9 th September	HSSSD Junior Basketball <i>More information to come on Compass</i>
	Wednesday 9 th September	Prep Farm Visit <i>More information to come on Compass</i>
T3 W10	Monday 14th September	GALS Project Launch 4.30pm-6.30pm @ Deakin in Warrnambool
	Thursday 17 th September	Junior Campus Concert 6pm in the Senior Campus Hall
	Friday 18 th September	JSC Sports Day <i>More information to come</i>
	Friday 18 th September	Junior Campus Celebration Assembly 9.15am in the BER building
	Friday 18 th September	Last day for Term 3 Students in Prep-Year 12 dismissed at 2.15pm





Progress Reports:

Progress reports were made live on Compass yesterday for students and families to access. These reports provide a quick snapshot of how your child is tracking in the key areas of persistence, behaviour and respect across all classes, including specialist classes. Presented in an easy-to-read graph format, the reports can be accessed via the *Reports* tab on Compass. We encourage families to take some time to view the report and discuss the feedback with their child. The progress report is also a valuable opportunity for families to receive feedback from our specialist teachers (excluding Performing Arts), who work with and see your child each week.

Book Week 2026:

Next week, we are excited to celebrate **Book Week** once again! This year's theme, *Symphony of Stories*, will inspire our celebrations throughout the week, culminating in our Prep-Year 6 Book Week Dress Up Parade on **Thursday 27th August**. Families and friends are invited to join us for the parade, which will be held in the BER from 9.15am. We look forward to seeing our students bring their favourite books and characters to life as we celebrate the joy and magic of reading together!

Hooptime Basketball:

The Hooptime Basketball season continues with our Year 3/4 All Stars enjoying a day of competition today at the Terang Stadium. Next week, our Year 3/4 Rookies will conclude our involvement in this local competition that is well enjoyed each year.

Junior Campus Concert:

Work is already well underway behind the scenes as we prepare for our 2026 Junior Campus Concert on **Thursday 17th September**, in the final week of Term 3. This much-loved event is always a highlight of our school year. Rehearsals are now underway, and it has been wonderful to see the excitement and enthusiasm building. We can't wait to watch our students' performances continue to develop and shine as we work towards the big night!

Parent Teacher Interviews:

On Monday 7th September we will be hosting our check-in Parent Teacher Interviews alongside our Book Fair. These short, 5 minute conferences are an opportunity for parents and teachers to *check-in* face-to-face to ensure student growth and progress is shared and further goals explored, as we near the end of another term. These conferences will be held in your child's classroom. Bookings will be open on Compass on Monday with bookings available between 3.30pm-5.30pm and we encourage families to leave a five minute gap between bookings to allow movement between classrooms. Our Book Fair will also be available on the night (in the Junior Campus Library), with this open to all families from Prep-Year 12. The Book Fair is an opportunity for students to purchase books while raising funds for our school.

Instrumental Music Concert:

Following our Parent Teacher Interviews on Monday 7th September, we look forward to welcoming families to our annual Instrumental Music Concert in the BER at the Junior Campus from 6pm. Led by our dedicated music teacher, Mrs Fiona Pugh, the evening will provide an opportunity for our talented instrumental music students to showcase the skills they have developed through their weekly lessons and regular practice. Families will enjoy a wonderful variety of solo, duet and band performances as our students share their progress and passion for music. We look forward to celebrating the achievements of all students who take part.

Thank you Eisha, Isobel, Oscar and Elise:

Today, we farewell three wonderful pre-service teachers as they complete their final teaching round with us at Camperdown College. We are incredibly grateful for the enthusiasm, energy and commitment they have brought to our classrooms and school community. It has been wonderful to see them build their confidence, develop their teaching skills and form positive connections with our students throughout their placement. We hope they leave us with many valuable experiences and memories to carry with them as they continue their journey into the teaching profession. Thank you Eisha Howard in Prep C, Isobel Sinnott in Year 1/2CW and Oscar Coolahan in Year 3/4C. We have loved welcoming you to the Junior Campus.

We also say thank you to Elise who completed her Year 10 work experience with us this week spending time across a range of classrooms. Elise is a student at Ballarat Grammar and it was lovely having her experience the joy of a primary school throughout the week. We wish Elise all the success with her future career choice.

Science Week:

This week we celebrated Science Week with a range of lunchtime and recess activities igniting science explorations. We thank Mrs Murphy for making the week full of fun and experiments!

Girls as Leaders in STEM (GALS):

Our Year 5/6 GALS students have been busy undertaking workshops over the past weeks to prepare for their showcase night on **Monday 14th September** at the Lighthouse Theatre in Warrnambool. Kaaisha Arora, Kensie Austin-Ruff, Ruby Baker, Holly Brooks, Emilia Narik and Helayna Walker have been working through their problem of how we might raise awareness of the Southern Bent Winged Bats, with a visit from Zoos Victoria this week assisting with their understanding and problem solving.

Father's Day:

On Friday 4th September, we will be celebrating our dads with our Parents & Friends breakfast in the BER at the Junior Campus. We hope many of our dads are able to join us to recognise Father's Day. Our students will also be able to purchase a gift for dad at our Father's Day stall. Donations for our stall can be dropped off to the Junior Campus office before Wednesday 2nd September. Gifts will be sold for \$3 with breakfast \$5.00 per person.

Mrs Jacinta Tolland, Junior Campus Assistant Principal



It has been another busy and productive few weeks at the Senior Campus, with plenty of opportunities for students to learn, lead and connect.

Firstly, I would like to offer a thank you to Vogue Fleming, Charlie Unwin, Blake Evans and Sydney Walsh for assisting with umpiring for the Junior Campus Hooptime Basketball Competition in week 5. It was wonderful to see our students taking on this responsibility and supporting the younger members of our college community. We look forward to seeing them back in action again in week 7.

The ongoing work of our SSL students on their Community Learning Project continues to make a difference. A reminder that a donation tub has been placed in the foyer at the Senior Campus for anyone who would like to contribute stationery products. These donations will be used to create stationery packs for new students joining the Senior Campus; a wonderful way to help our newest students feel welcomed and supported.

We have also been celebrating Science Week with a range of exciting STEM opportunities. Last Friday, our Year 7/8 students took part in a live-streamed science incursion, watching experiments alongside students from across the state. This was followed by our Year 7 students travelling to Cobden on Thursday for Maths and Science Day, where they participated in a variety of STEM-based activities alongside students from across the district. We are also looking forward to welcoming our wider school community to our Science Fair in Term 4, which is being organised in conjunction with our Parents & Friends Association.

It has been wonderful to see a real hive of excitement around writing this year and we would like to congratulate Ekaterina and Harrison, whose creative writing pieces were shortlisted in the Collins Booksellers Creative Writing Competition, making the top five stories in the district. This enthusiasm for writing has been further supported by the introduction of our Year 9/10 Creative Writing elective, which has proved very popular with students. Some of the stories created through the elective have also been available for our wider school community to enjoy in the library this term. It is wonderful to see students embracing the opportunity to develop their creativity and share their voices through writing.

Planning for the 2027 school year is well underway, with our Year 10/11 students now confirming their subject selections for their senior years. We are also refining our elective offerings and will soon be contacting Year 9 students who indicated an interest in stepping up in Year 10 by completing a VCE subject. VET enrolments are also progressing, with CTTC enrolments nearly complete and South West TAFE applications now open. Thank you to Ms Wells, with support from Mrs Maskell, for helping students navigate this process and ensuring forms are completed.

It has been particularly pleasing to see our student leaders taking charge of our weekly assemblies. Their willingness to step forward, encourage the wider school body and demonstrate our college values is a wonderful example of leadership in action. Our assemblies provide an important opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our students, both in and out of school, and it is wonderful to see students taking an increasingly active role in these celebrations.

Our final Transition Taster for our Year 7 2027 students was held yesterday, with students participating in Art and Food Technology classes. Working with Mrs Maskell and Mrs Parry, students explored new areas of the school while continuing to build connections with new peers and staff. These sessions have been a wonderful opportunity for our future Year 7 students to become familiar with the Senior Campus and begin to feel part of our community.

Hands On Learning also recommenced last week following a short break, with students once again enjoying the opportunity to take part in the program. We encourage students and families who may be interested in getting involved to put their name forward. Students can speak with me or Dave Wilkinson for more information and to find out how they can participate.

Progress reports are now available for students and families to see on Compass. They are designed to provide a snapshot of our students' persistence, classroom behaviour and preparation and organisation. Our Parent Teacher Interviews in week 9 (Tuesday 8th September) can provide an opportunity to discuss these with teachers. Please note, due to Mr Lucas' leave, progress reports for his classes will not be completed this term, instead, we again welcome families to book in a time to see him at Parent Teacher Interviews. A notification will be provided on Compass when interviews are open for bookings.

At the time of publication, we are eagerly awaiting our Debutante Ball. Thank you to the parents who have helped bring the hall to life in preparation for the evening, to those in charge of the catering for the event, and to Mrs Black and Mr Lucas for taking on the role of MCs. It has been a real privilege to watch our students blossom and grow together throughout this experience, and we look forward to celebrating this special occasion with them.

Ms Katie Taylor, Senior Campus Assistant Principal



SOCIAL MEDIA @ CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE

At School Council this week our social media delivery was reviewed.

Starting from today:

- ✓ We will **celebrate events** after they have occurred on social media.
- ✓ All **advertising of future events** will be communicated via Compass.
- ✓ **Reminders** about the week ahead will be posted to Compass each Friday.





2026 CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK SYMPHONY OF STORIES

22-28 AUGUST 2026



THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA



BOOK WEEK ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

COLOURING COMPETITION

GET CREATIVE AND
BRING YOUR STORY TO
LIFE!
COLOUR YOUR
FAVOURITE BOOK
CHARACTER OR DRAW
THEM.
LUNCHTIME IN THE
LIBRARY



TUESDAY

LEGO COMPETITION

BUILD A MUSICAL
INSTRUMENT OUT OF
LEGO.
GET CREATIVE
LUNCHTIME IN THE
LIBRARY



WEDNESDAY

FINISHING OFF COMPETITIONS

LAST CHANCE TO
COMPLETE YOUR LEGO
AND COLOURING
ENTRIES
LUNCHTIME IN THE
LIBRARY



THURSDAY

BOOK PARADE 9:00AM-10:40AM

DRESS UP AS YOUR
FAVOURITE BOOK
CHARACTER AND JOIN
OUR PARADE TO
CELEBRATE THE MAGIC
OF STORIES



FRIDAY

AUTHOR TALK

SHIVAUN PLOZZA
AUTHOR TALK 11:00AM
IN THE BER



JUNIOR CAMPUS PARENT TEACHER Interviews



MON 7 SEPT



3.30PM-5.30PM



BOOK FAIR
in the Library
3.30PM-5.30PM



INSTRUMENTAL
MUSIC CONCERT
@ 6PM IN BER



INTERVIEWS
in students'
classrooms



INTERVIEWS OPEN
ON COMPASS
ON MONDAY
24TH AUGUST

Teachers
Inspire
Minds



Working together
TO SUPPORT EVERY STUDENT



SERIOUSLY SPORT

@ Camperdown College



Our Year 5/6 students had a fantastic day competing at the Regional Hockey Competition in Hamilton last week. After winning the Division Hockey Competition in July, the team progressed to the Regional level, where they continued their impressive form, winning four out of five games and finishing 2nd overall!

It was a great day of competition, teamwork and plenty of fun. A big thank you to Mr Harkin and Jada for their support throughout the day. Congratulations, Year 5/6-what a fantastic achievement!

Matt Harkin
Prep-Year 6
Sport Coordinator

Year 5/6 Regional Hockey

Our Year 5/6 students had a fantastic day at the Hooptime All Stars Basketball Competition in Terang on Friday 7th August. All students competed strongly, giving their best effort throughout the day and producing some excellent results.

Our boys' team played well across the competition, making it through to the Grand Final before being narrowly beaten. Our girls' team also had a great day, playing some strong basketball and finishing in an impressive third place.

Matt Harkin, Prep-Year 6 Sport Coordinator



Year 5/6 All Stars



Year 5/6 Rookies

Year 5/6 students enjoyed a day of basketball in Camperdown at the Hooptime Rookies competition on Friday 14th August. Students enjoyed the day playing against other local schools demonstrating their skills and terrific sportsmanship.

Matt Harkin,
Prep-Year 6 Sport
Coordinator

Caring ~ **Excellence** – HONESTY – **RESPECT** - Responsibility



Junior Campus students and staff enjoyed coming to school in their favourite pyjamas on Thursday 13th August while helping to raise money for people experiencing homelessness.

Students were encouraged to wear their pyjamas and purchase delicious S'mores-style treats, with all proceeds going towards this worthy cause. We were thrilled to raise an incredible \$601.80 to support those in need.

It was wonderful to see our campus community get behind the event and show such kindness and generosity. A big thank you to everyone who participated, donated and helped make our Pyjama Day such a success!

Harriet Place, JSC Coordinator

Our Year 6 STEM GALS students took part in Workshop 2 last week, focusing on teamwork and leadership.

The girls explored teamwork through a fun spaghetti tower challenge. Working together, they had to build the tallest tower they could using spaghetti and marshmallows, with the final tower needing to support a marshmallow at the top. The activity encouraged them to communicate, share ideas, problem-solve and collaborate effectively as a team.

The girls then explored leadership by creating their own 'leadership pizzas'. Each topping represented a different leadership skill they believed was important, helping them reflect on the qualities and characteristics of a great leader.

After completing the workshop activities, the girls had time to continue working on their STEM projects, putting their teamwork and leadership skills into practice.

Lauren Murphy
STEM/Library Teacher





Stationery DRIVE

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO NEED SUPPORT WHEN TRANSITIONING TO OUR SCHOOL.

WE ARE SEEKING DONATIONS OF PENCIL CASE FILLERS SUCH AS TEXTAS, PENS, RULERS AND GLUESTICKS.

THIS IS FOR CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE'S 2026 SSL TEAM'S CLP OF STATIONERY 'START-UP' PACKS.

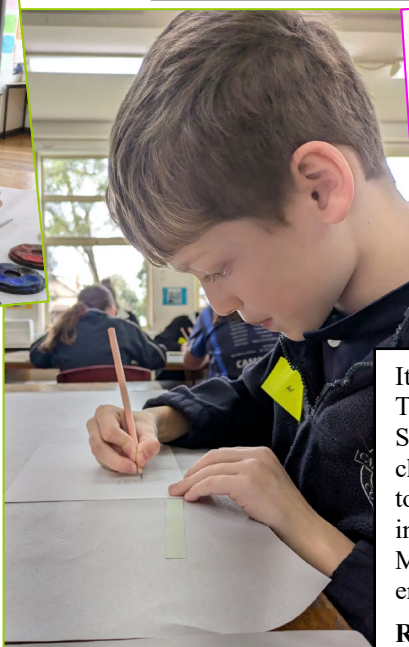
PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS AT THE SENIOR CAMPUS OFFICE IN THE TUB PROVIDED.



School for Student Leadership

Our SSL students are back and the planning for their Community Learning Project is in full swing. They are thankful and excited that local businesses are getting on board, sponsoring their stationery pack drive. This week they have also left a tub in the foyer of the front office at the Senior Campus for any donations of supplies from the general community.

Katie Taylor, Assistant Principal



YEAR 7 2027 TASTER: FOOD TECH & ART

THURS 20 AUG

SESSION 5/6



It was great to see such a good response to the final Transition Taster session yesterday at the Senior Campus. Students made a cake in a mug in Food Technology, choosing between vanilla and chocolate. They then moved to Art and created a mini mixed media artwork that was inspired by a particular sentence. Year 7 Coordinator, Ms Mann, was impressed with the level of engagement and enthusiasm for both activities today. Well done everyone!

Rachel Mann, Year 7 Coordinator

Save the date:

SCIENCE FAIR

Friday 16 October



father's day breakfast & stall

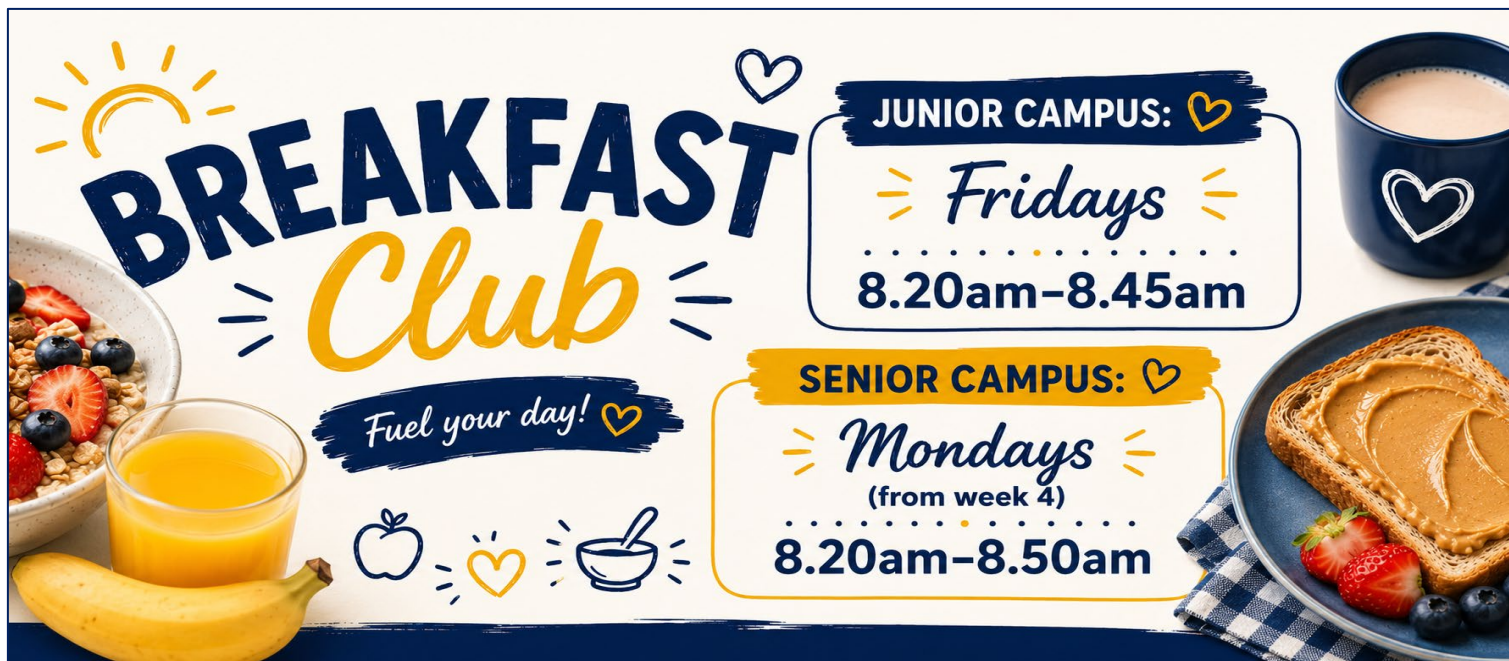
Father's Day Gift Ideas: Gardening Gloves, Key rings, Pens, Drink Holders, Magazines, BBQ Utensils, Tea Towels, Socks, Mugs, Chocolate, Car Wash, Tools, Torch, Deodorant, Soap

It's that time of year again and we are asking parents/guardians to please make a small donation to this year's Father's Day Stall which will be held at the Junior Campus on Friday 4th September. Please note that if your child will be buying two gifts on the day, an equivalent donation would be appreciated.

Donations will need to be dropped at the Junior Campus Office by Wednesday 2nd September. All gifts will cost \$3 on the day, please feel free to contact the Junior Campus Office if you have any queries.

FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER FROM 7.30AM – 8.30AM @ THE JUNIOR CAMPUS.

ALL FATHERS/SPECIAL PEOPLE ARE INVITED TO ATTEND WITH THEIR CHILDREN. BACON & EGG ROLLS WITH TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR \$5.00 PER PERSON. TO ASSIST WITH CATERING, PLEASE RSVP HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL BE ATTENDING TO AMY.STEPHENSON@EDUCATION.VIC.GOV.AU



BREAKFAST Club

Fuel your day! ❤️

JUNIOR CAMPUS: ❤️
Fridays
8.20am–8.45am

SENIOR CAMPUS: ❤️
Mondays
(from week 4)
8.20am–8.50am

JUNIOR CAMPUS COMMUNICATION SENT HOME TO PARENTS THIS FORTNIGHT:			
J26	Instrumental Music Concert	J27	Year 1/2 Parent Information
SENIOR CAMPUS COMMUNICATION SENT HOME TO PARENTS THIS FORTNIGHT:			
No communications sent home at the Senior Campus this fortnight			

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My favourite event was when Lapaka launched himself off of the huge mountain and landed, causing the whole earth to rumble.

My favourite vocab word was fearless, meaning not afraid.

- Oscar



Year 5/6:
WYLAH
THE KOORIE WARRIOR



My favourite character throughout the whole book is Pippy because he is a giant yellow-tailed Cockatoo who helps Wylah become the Koorie Warrior.

A new word I learnt was, transmute. In the story it means to turn worthless metals into gold.

- Charlie



Year 5/6:
WYLAH
THE KOORIE WARRIOR



My favourite scene from the novel was when Wylah made Tiddalik, the giant frog, laugh and all the water came rushing out of his big belly, causing a flood.

I enjoyed learning about all the Indigenous words that were highlighted throughout the novel.

- Sailor



Year 5/6:
WYLAH
THE KOORIE WARRIOR



Two scenes I will definitely not forget are when they have to save Tulna the wombat because of his butt crusher scene and defeating the King Brown snake because it also involves a lot of action. Three vocabulary words I won't forget are cascade, muster and defiantly. I have great meanings of all of the words and they have made my vocabulary list bigger.

- Annabel



Year 5/6:
WYLAH
THE KOORIE WARRIOR



For the first half of the Term 3, Year 5/6 students have been reading, discussing and sharing their thoughts on the novel, Wylah, written by Jordan Gould and Richard Pritchard. Wylah is a fictional book based on Aboriginal culture. It is about a girl called Wylah who is chosen to be the warrior of her tribe after the tragic passing of her grandmother. Her family gets abducted by the fierce dragon army and she is the one who has to save them all by herself. Or so she thought...

Lewis Osborne, Year 5/6 Teacher



Octavia Spaul

Prep R



If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?
I would travel to Warrnambool.



What is your favourite way to be active?
Doing fun things in our classroom.



What is the best thing about your friends?
The best thing about my friend is that they are kind and loving.



What is your dream job?
A vet, because I love animals.





Exploring PATHWAYS



— @ Camperdown College —



Year 12 Physical Education students have been participating in a variety of fitness sessions so far this term, focused on various training methods. They have participated in short interval, circuit, resistance (muscular endurance), plyometrics and High-Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) both at school and, most recently, at Infinite Health Co gym.

Students have been learning about appropriate repetitions, sets, intensities and work to rest ratios in order to be able to design training programs for themselves or others - just like professional coaches!

Liam Geary, Year 12 PE Teacher

Happy Birthday!



AUGUST

21ST VIOLET
22ND LAWSON, BAILEY
VOGUE, MAOSN
24TH ZOE
25TH KARLY, AIDEN
27TH THOMAS

28TH EVIE
29TH PATRICK
30TH CIARÁN, OAKLIE
31ST ARLO

SEPTEMBER

2ND ANNE, PHOEBE



VET & CAREERS WEEKLY Update



Upcoming Events:

Open Days are on in August - make sure you have a look at the list outside the Careers Office if you are planning to attend one - all students should attend a couple during their later years. You can register on the University websites.

☀ Student Spotlight: Holly Haigh ☀

It has been fantastic to see one of our VET Hospitality students, Holly Haigh, thriving in her course and transferring her learning into the workplace at Camperdown Bakery. She has been developing her skills and confidence throughout the course and is now successfully putting what she has learned into practice in a real hospitality environment.

Her growth has been wonderful to watch, particularly as she continues to build her confidence, improve her practical skills and take on new responsibilities. She is proving that the skills developed through VET can translate directly into the workplace, and her hard work and commitment are certainly paying off.

We are incredibly proud of her progress and look forward to seeing her continue to grow, develop, and take the next steps in her hospitality journey. Well done on your fantastic effort!

📦 VET & Careers Tip of the Week:

Turn Work Experience into Your Next Job!

Did you know your work placement could be the first step towards a real job or apprenticeship?

Tip: Treat every day of work placement like a job interview. Be on time, dress appropriately, listen carefully, ask questions, and show that you are willing to learn. Employers are much more likely to remember a student who has a great attitude and works hard.

Trick: Before your placement finishes, ask your supervisor: "Is there anything I could improve?" This shows maturity and a willingness to learn—and it could even lead to a future job opportunity!

👉 **Remember: Your VET placement isn't just about completing your hours. It's your chance to show an employer what you can do!**



Year 9 students Ekaterina Gunina, Mariia Gunina and Elisha Boyd have been working behind the scenes in the library to start up a fun, lunchtime book club. Tomorrow, their dream is becoming a reality as they will host the inaugural event!

The book club is open to all Senior Campus students and staff and is open to any text you may be reading! Bring a current read, a favourite ever, a magazine, something that interests you personally and share what you love about it.

Book club will be held every second Friday (odd weeks-5, 7, and 9) for Term 3 in the Senior Campus Library. See you there!



CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE:

BOOK CLUB

-ANYONE IS WELCOME!

**WHEN: EVERY 2ND FRIDAY
(WEEKS 5,7,9)**

**-WHERE: IN THE
LIBRARY AT 1PM**

BRING A BOOK! (IF YOU CAN)

**A CURRENT READ
ONE YOU'VE READ BEFORE.
A BOOK YOU LOVE
A BOOK YOU DO NOT LIKE
A FAVOURITE CHILDHOOD BOOK
EVEN A MAGAZINE!**

**YOU DO NOT NEED
READING EXPERIENCE,
THIS IS JUST A CLUB
FOR FUN!**



Bullying, important conversations to have with your child

Camperdown College was proud to participate in **Bullying No Way: National Week of Action** from Monday 17th-Friday 21st August 2026. Bullying No Way Week brings together schools and communities across Australia to promote kindness, inclusion and respectful relationships, while strengthening our shared commitment to preventing bullying.

This year's theme was **Small Acts, Big Impact**. It reminds us that small actions can make a meaningful difference. Checking in on someone, including others, speaking up, showing kindness or telling a trusted adult can all help create a safer and more supportive school community. Families also play an important role in helping children understand what bullying is, how to respond safely and when to seek help. Talking openly about bullying can help children feel more confident to speak up if they experience or witness something that concerns them. Families can learn more about what bullying is, what it can look like and how to recognise it through the Bullying No Way website bullyingnoway.gov.au.

Some conversation starters you might like to use at home include:

- What do you think bullying is?
- Have you ever seen someone being bullied? How did it make you feel?
- Who are the trusted adults you could talk to if you were worried about something?
- What could you do if you noticed someone being left out or treated unkindly?
- How could you safely help someone who is being bullied?
- What small act could you do to help someone feel included or supported?

Remind your child that **bullying is never okay** and that they should seek help from a trusted adult if they experience or witness bullying. Encourage them to keep seeking support until they feel heard and supported.

This Bullying No Way Week, we encourage our whole school community to embrace **Small Acts, Big Impact**. Together, through kindness, inclusion, speaking up and supporting one another, our small actions can make a big difference.

For further information and resources, visit bullyingnoway.gov.au.

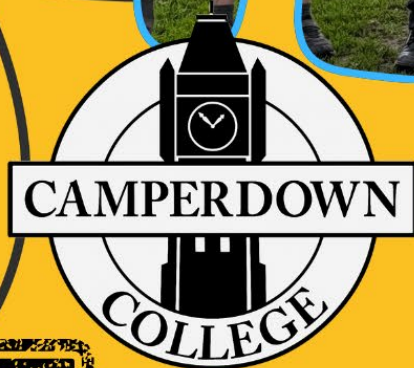


Students from the Junior Campus participated in Kids Helpline's largest anti-bullying lesson as part of Bullying No Way Week this week, with this year's theme Small Acts, Big Impact.

Students heard from Kids Helpline counsellors, who shared key messages about what to do when you are being bullied or when you see it happening to someone else. They highlighted the importance of being an upstander, speaking up, supporting others and taking safe action to help make a difference. Students were also reminded of the importance of knowing their trusted people, the adults they can go to when they need help, feel worried or are unsure about what to do.

Victoria Kerr, Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader





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Camperdown Basketball Association Inc.



**JUNIOR Player registrations for 2026-27 Basketball
season are now OPEN!!**

Please register via PlayHQ link (JUNIORS ONLY):
<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/4acac0>

CBA Registration costs

U9 (7 & 8 year olds) - \$90
U12 (9-11 year olds) - \$90
U17 (12-16 year olds) - \$110

BVC Insurance is \$34 for 17 & under and National Levy is \$5.50

PLAYING NIGHTS:

Tuesday's - U12 Girls, U17 Girls & U17 Boys
Wednesday's - U9 mixed, U12 Boys

SEASON DATES:

Tuesday 6th October - Wednesday 9th December (Xmas Break)
Tuesday 2nd February - Wednesday 24th February
Finals 2nd, 3rd March & Grand Final on Friday 5th March.

****Family discount** applies to families with 3 or more players.
Families **MUST** contact CBA Committee **PRIOR** to registration for a discount code.

Any questions or queries please contact us via Camperdown Basketball Association Facebook page or email (basketballcaba@gmail.com) or contact Grant Fleming on 0408931863