

# Camperdown Contact

CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 8, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## father's day breakfast & stall

Our Parents & Friends Association coordinated yet another successful Father's Day Breakfast and Stall today. Breakfast was hailed a huge success with over 270 dads/special people enjoying the time with their children. Many dads started work late, just to be able to enjoy this celebration. Junior Campus students then enjoyed the chance to choose their very own gift for their Dad/special person for Father's Day on Sunday. A huge thank you must go to our Parents & Friends volunteers who worked hard to coordinate this event.



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# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

At Camperdown College, we strongly believe that every day counts when it comes to student learning and achievement. There is clear evidence that regular attendance is closely linked to improved academic outcomes, social development and overall wellbeing. When students are present and engaged, they have the best chance to reach their full potential.

Did you know... if a child misses just one day every fortnight, that adds up to 20 days across the school year — the equivalent of four full weeks of learning lost. Over a child's school journey, this can significantly impact their progress and achievement. That's why every day really does count!

Regular school attendance also helps students build and maintain important friendships, develop communication skills and feel a sense of belonging within their class and school community. Being present allows children to engage in group work, classroom discussions and playground interactions — all of which are key to learning how to cooperate, solve problems and navigate social situations. When students are frequently absent, they may find it harder to connect with peers or may feel left out of group dynamics, which can affect their confidence and wellbeing.

To reinforce the importance of consistent attendance, we celebrate student efforts in several ways. Each week, the classroom attendance award is presented at the Junior Campus recognising the classes with the highest attendance. These moments help build a sense of teamwork and shared responsibility. At our Celebration Assemblies, we also acknowledge individual students with attendance awards, highlighting the value we place on showing up, ready to learn.

Of course, we understand there are times when students are genuinely unwell. Over the past few weeks, many families have been affected by seasonal colds and flu symptoms and we appreciate your efforts in keeping unwell children at home to rest and recover. Health and safety remain a priority for all of us.

For families planning holidays during the school term, please remember you can contact either campus to arrange an Absence Plan. These plans allow us to work together to ensure students can continue to meet learning goals while away and that the absence is formally approved.

One of our school's external performance measures is student attendance (students who have more than 20 days absent in a school year) and I'm very pleased to share that, based on the current adjusted threshold data, we are currently performing better than the state average, our network of schools and schools with similar demographics. This is a fantastic achievement and a reflection of the strong partnership between families and staff in promoting regular school attendance.

Proportion of students with 13.5 or more absent days at year to date 2025  
For students in Prep - 6



Proportion of students with 13.5 or more absent days at year to date 2025  
For students in Year 7 - 12



Finally, a big thank you to all the parents and carers who consistently notify us of their child's absence - whether by phoning the school or recording it on Compass. Your communication helps us keep accurate records and supports your child's learning journey.

Let's continue to work together to support strong attendance habits and ensure all our students have every opportunity to thrive and succeed

**Ms Vicki Angus, Principal**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>T3 W9</b>	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Bogong Outdoor School <i>See Compass for more information</i>
	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Student Leaders Congress Celebration Night Year 6 @ Lighthouse Theatre from 7pm
	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Senior Campus Parent Teacher Interviews 2.30pm – 6.30pm in the Senior Campus Hall
	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	GALS Project Launch Year 6 girls at the Lighthouse Theatre from 5pm
	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	School Council Meeting 6pm at the Senior Campus
	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Junior Campus Concert 6pm at the Senior Campus Hall
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Junior Campus Celebration Assembly 9.15am in the BER building, families welcome
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	JSC Sporting Colours Day Gold coin, Year 6 Staff/Parents vs Students Footy Match
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Last day of Term 3 Students dismissed at 2.15pm
<b>T4 W1</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	First day for Term 4
	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3 – 6 Regional Athletics Ballarat
	Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 9 School for Student Leadership Students arrive in Marlo for their 9 week camp
<b>T4 W2</b>	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3/4 Camp: Angahook
	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 9 Future Me Day 1
<b>T4 W3</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Hootime Regional Finals Year 3/4 All Stars in Hamilton
	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 9 Future Me @ Deakin
<b>T4 W4</b>	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Hootime Regional Finals Year 5/6 All Stars in Hamilton
	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Super 8's Cricket (Primary)
	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 12 English Exam
	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Year 9 Future Me Day 2

## Our Mission:

Camperdown College will provide exemplary teaching and learning programs within excellent facilities which foster school pride, aspiration and persistence to achieve high levels of learning for all students.



## **Parent Teacher Conferences, Art Show and Book Fair:**

Thanks to those families who attended our Parent Teacher Conferences on Tuesday night. It was a great opportunity for classroom teachers to provide feedback to families on how their child is tracking with their learning and development at school, with this feedback reflected in the Academic Progress Reports shared. Those who attended, enjoyed our Book Fair that began on Friday and continued each afternoon throughout this week and our Art Show that displayed art created by students in the art room throughout the year. Thanks Mrs Nelson for your efforts in organising our Art Show and Mrs Murphy and Lee Kavenagh for organising and running our Book Fair which saw many books purchased and enjoyed.

## **Junior Campus Concert:**

Preparations have been excitedly building for our 2025 Junior Campus Concert over the past weeks, with rehearsals now a daily staple as we near ever so close our concert night next Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September beginning at 6pm. With the theme *Your Ticket to Broadway*, this year's concert will be another fabulous showcase that we are so excited to share with our school community. Concert notes detailing costumes have been sent home in hard copy and are on Compass for all classes.

## **Student Leaders Congress – Night of Celebration:**

Next Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September, six of our student leaders will be presenting their community health project at the Lighthouse Theatre in Warrnambool alongside many other aspiring student leaders from throughout our schooling network. Our School Captains Bentley Currell and Zoe Unwin, along with fellow Year 6 leaders Alexis Bamford, Rieley Dempsey, Henry Wilkinson and Airly Dwyer participated in the Student Leaders Congress earlier this year and have been filming health and wellbeing messages for our college community as part of their community health project. These messages have been shared regularly at assembly and on our Facebook page supporting students and families to be more aware of methods that support a healthy body and mind. These six students will showcase their project at the Lighthouse Theatre next Monday and we wish them all the best. A big thank you to Miss Kerr and Mr Adams who have supported these students with their project and leadership development throughout the year.

## **Girls as Leaders in STEM (GALS) Project Launch:**

On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September, our Year 6 girls will be launching their STEM projects at the Lighthouse Theatre in Warrnambool. Airly Dwyer, Amelia Boyd, Alexis Bamford, Lily Verity, Phillipa Murphy and Zoe Unwin will be presenting their STEM projects that they have created to solve a real-world problem in front of friends, family and other schools involved in the opportunity. The girls have been working hard with Mrs Murphy to develop their project and we are excited to see them flourish in both their leadership and presenting skills as they share their exciting project in front of others that share a similar passion.

## **Junior Campus Renovations:**

Yesterday, our Prep – Year 2 classes relocated their classrooms to other areas of the Junior Campus in preparation for the last stage of our renovations: new carpet and final painting in the main building. Over the next three weeks, floors will be repaired and carpet laid ready for fresh and updated spaces from the start of Term 4. The final week of Term 3 will see normal classroom learning opportunities continue albeit in a different environment and we thank staff and students for their flexibility and adjustments as we navigate the last leg of this renovation.

## **Thanks Parents & Friends:**

Thank you to our Parents and Friends Association for their efforts last Friday. The Father's Day Breakfast and Stall held at the Junior Campus was a huge success with over 270 breakfasts prepared and gifts purchased for the dads and special people in the lives of our students. We know the effort our Parents & Friends put into this occasion, and we thank them greatly.

## **Thanks VM Students:**

Mr Attrill and the Year 11 VM students have finished and delivered two huts: *A Miners' hut* and *A Builders' hut* that are stationed in the Junior Campus yard to support imaginative and construction play. We are thoroughly enjoying seeing our students engage in cubby building, construction and imaginative activities using a range of items and these sheds support more supplies being sort and provide a place to store these treasured items when not in use. Thanks to the VM students and Mr Attrill for making these for us. They are already so loved!

## **Thank You Uniting Church Cooking Group:**

Once again, eight of our Year 3/4 students have enjoyed two sessions of cooking at the Uniting Church with Kylie Spokes and church volunteers. This is such a special program that provides our students with wonderful moments and memories and we thank the Uniting Church for this opportunity. These sessions will continue into Term 4.

## **Miss Jenkins:**

Miss Jenkins finished her final three-week placement at Camperdown College today after spending her time in Year 1CW alongside Miss Carrigan-Walsh as part of her pre-service teaching training. We wish Lily all the best as she finishes her teaching degree and thank her for her time in our Year 1 classroom this term and in Prep earlier in the year.

## **Junior Campus Raffle:**

Our Year 6 students Henry Wilkinson and Alexis Bamford have been busily selling raffle tickets over the past few weeks for our Geelong Cats signed football and Geelong Cats AFLW signed jumper, with this set to be drawn at today's assembly. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets. Henry and Alexis raised over \$180 which will go towards an Indigenous garden in our yard that they will design next term for all to enjoy.

## **Mrs Jacinta Tolland,**

**Junior Campus Assistant Principal**



The halls at Camperdown College saw flashes of fluro on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August as the class of 1985 visited as part of their **30 year reunion celebrations**. Mr Rock, who hosted the tour, reports the visitors were most impressed by the facilities our students have access to. They enjoyed their time reminiscing about their time here, with Lee Kavenagh having scoured the archives finding all sorts of treasures for them to review and laugh about.

Last Wednesday the weather held out to help enable a wonderful **Year 9 Market Day** in the quadrangle. The day involves the Year 9 cohort, working in groups to take on the *\$20 Boss Challenge* whereby they took a small start up amount and planned and created a market stall in the hopes of making money for a nominated charity. The market provided a wide variety of choice – from cookies and muffins to spiders and sausages, there were cake-pops and homemade bracelets and chains on offer. Items were eagerly snapped up by the wider school community and each team made a profit. Thanks to Mrs Mann and the Year 9 crew for their efforts in this event. There is already talk of what next year's Year 9 students will be selling!



Four basketball teams from **Year 7/8** headed over to Terang last Thursday to compete in **the interschool basketball competition**. Organised by Ms Lee, the teams all displayed wonderful sportsperson ship and had a blast on the court. Our Year 7 girls team showed great determination, the Year 7 boys team won two of their three games: the Year 8 girls played some very exciting matches but were unfortunately pipped at the post, while the Year 8 boys played strongly and took out their competition, progressing to the GWR level to be played in November. Accompanying the players was Matilda Narik who took her whistle and helped the school through umpiring games throughout the day – we thank her for this. It seems we have a strong contingent of **umpires** for basketball here at Camperdown College with a small group helping out at the Junior Campus events over the past month on Fridays. Mr Harkin has been most grateful to these students.

This week the quadrangle was again transformed – this time into a sea of green, thanks to the combined **fundraising efforts of our SRC and our Year 12 VM** crew. A queue of green clad students snaked its way around the quadrangle at lunch as they lined up to buy a snag and a can of drink on our **Going Green for Farmers** day. A gold coin donation was paid by students who came out of uniform – many opting to take up the cause and wear a dash of green to show further support.

Our Year 12 VCE students have definitely started the **exam preparation** stage of the year. We have been informed by the VCAA that the exams are ready and the process is being specially overseen this year. The relationships established between teachers and students are the strong foundation for exam preparation. There are now weekly after school revision lectures and sessions facilitated here at school and opportunities for further lectures at home via virtual means – these have been paid for by a special bucket of money provided by the Department of Education which is fantastic. I know practice exams are booked both in classes and over the holidays. Thank you to teachers who willingly give up their time after hours to support students in this way. We also acknowledge that this time of year can be a stressful time and encourage students to keep talking with their teachers to help them manage this.

Our end of term **Celebration Assembly** was held today; it has been a short term, but there were many things to celebrate together. It is exciting but also sad to think this is the last Celebration Assembly that our current School Captains will lead for us! We thank Jada and Stella for their work in this area and for running the events with confidence and flexibility. The wider leadership team also play a key role in these events and we thank Lily Van Es, Shelby Cameron, Georgie Osborne, Callani Winsall and Abigail Benson for their contributions. Congratulations also to all recipients.

We are looking forward to speaking with families next Tuesday at our **Parent Teacher Interviews**. The events will start at 2.30pm in the AG Daws Hall. A reminder those who live locally will be dismissed at 2.25pm, while bus travellers can be supervised until 3.15pm. If any bus travellers would like to leave earlier, a note is to be provided to their homegroup teacher on Tuesday morning as, due to the later than usual start, phone calls cannot be made to confirm permission. If you need assistance to book in an interview, please do not hesitate to ring the Senior Campus Office. We wish everyone a safe and relaxing break over the September holidays and look forward to the final term for 2025!

**Mrs Sarah Brooks and Ms Katie Taylor, Senior Campus Assistant Principals**







# **JUNIOR CAMPUS CONCERT**

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, 6pm  
Senior Campus Hall



## **PREP-YEAR 6 CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Sept, 9.15am in the BER



# **SCHOOL'S OUT!**

## **FRI 19 SEPT**

### **2.15PM**



# Major Raffle

## Tickets \$10

Only 4,000 available  
Make contact to collect your  
book/s from the Office

### 1st Prize:

\$10,000 Travel Voucher -  
Helloworld Camperdown

### 2nd Prize:

\$1,000 Accommodation &  
\$500 Ticketek Vouchers -  
Helloworld Camperdown  
& Ticketek Australia

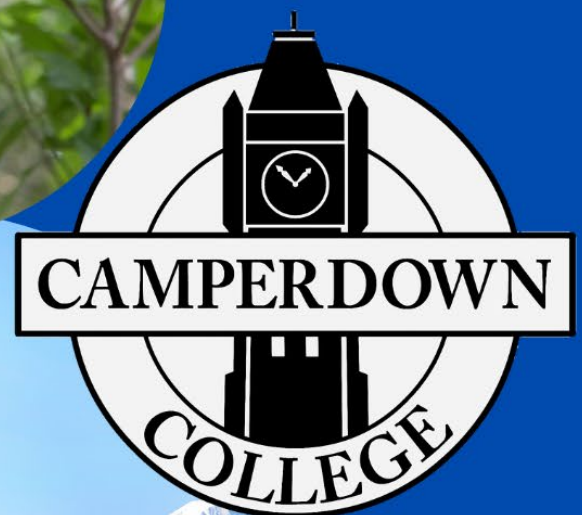
### 3rd Prize:

\$1,000 Fuel Voucher -  
BP Australia



Parents,  
students,  
friends &  
families...

We need your  
help to sell  
tickets!



Drawn Monday 15<sup>th</sup>  
December  
Winner notified  
by phone  
Results published in  
Camperdown  
Chronicle  
PERMIT NUMBER  
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# Class Reunion 1985

## 1980 - 1985 Camperdown College (nee High School) School Reunion:

They certainly came dressed in their 1980's finest. The bright fluoro colours and denim were out in force and would not have been out of place at a student social in the AG Daws Hall at any time during their school years. Brought together by the organiser, Andrea Bell, 10.30am on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August, was the time to reunite... and, so it was as they made their way into the entrance foyer of the Senior Campus. As I watched people come in, I could only be very grateful for Andrea's organisation in having nametags at the ready and immediately pinned on their owners... not that anyone had changed much in the intervening 40 years...

The 'student' group, along with former teachers of the college, Sue Pollock and Richard Meier, then began a tour of the wonderful facilities to which our young people now have access... and impressed they certainly were! There were many surprises: the Instrumental Music Centre (which was, in their time, a laundry area); the Doctors in Schools rooms, formerly the senior Secretarial Studies area (and before that, the residence of the Senior Mistress!); the Drama Centre (the old Home Economics rooms); the new Home Economics Centre and Corangamite Trade Training Centre Hair and Beauty Facility; the main Staff Workroom... wasn't that the Library? The Conference Room... wasn't that the Staff Workroom? Where did the old Rooms 13, 14 and 15 go? Well, they're now the Year 12 Study Room and the Library. And, in the Library, Lee, our Librarian, had put out the memorabilia from the college archives relating to the years that these wonderful people had been Camperdown High School students. Changes? Just a few.

We had the chance to check out the Maths and English/Humanities facilities (previously Typing, Commerce and Graphics), the Art/Textiles areas (once was Metalwork), the Language Centre (wasn't that Textiles?), along with the Science and Wood (Technology) Rooms, still in the same place, but, beautifully updated and fit-for-purpose for the 2020's. The old portables were lamented... well, not really. The new Technology and Metal shed, along with the delightful outside grounds, were appreciated, as was the access to the Frederick Street Stadium.

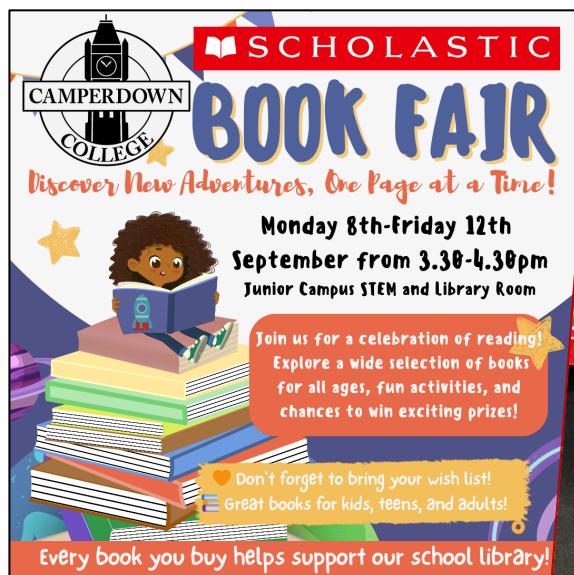
As Andrea Bell communicated with me later, it was great to see the changes and new additions, but, "We loved how the skeleton of the school has not changed." There certainly was lots of excited chatter as we toured the school, talk of wonderful times gone by, the school and memories of some fantastic times, events and people, as well as some serious catching-up for some who had not seen each other for a long time.

When we finished the tour of the school, the group headed on to other 'establishments' in Camperdown for the afternoon/evening and a lot more reminiscing about those years 1980-1985, and the brief 40-year intervening period; more of the former students who couldn't be there for the tour joined the group for the afternoon celebrations. The facilities are wonderful and were appreciated and admired by our former students and teachers, but, as was clearly on show on this day, a school is people!

**Peter Rock, Senior Campus Teacher**







**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**  
*Discover New Adventures, One Page at a Time!*

**Monday 8th-Friday 12th  
 September from 3.30-4.30pm**  
 Junior Campus STEM and Library Room

Join us for a celebration of reading!  
 Explore a wide selection of books  
 for all ages, fun activities, and  
 chances to win exciting prizes!

Don't forget to bring your wish list!  
 Great books for kids, teens, and adults!

**Every book you buy helps support our school library!**



The Scholastic Book Fair was held each night this week at the Junior Campus and what a success it was!! Thank you to all who came along, browsed the shelves and picked up some exciting new reads. The book fair was buzzing with excitement each night and it was wonderful to see so many students sharing their love of books with their families.

Thanks to your support, we were able to sell over \$3000 worth of books which has in turn earned our Junior Campus Library funds to spend at Scholastic. These funds will be used to purchase new library resources and classroom supplies, helping to make a real difference for our students.

We can't wait to bring even more stories and adventures your way at next year's book fair. Until then, happy reading!

**Lauren Murphy, Junior Campus Librarian**




**MARKET DAY**

**\$20 BOSS**

**CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE**

**\$20 Boss Program  
 Year 9 Business Class  
 WED 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPT  
 Senior Campus**

Year 9 students participated in the \$20 Boss scheme on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September as part of their studies in Business Management. All groups made a profit with their enterprising stalls of baked goods, competitions and craft items. Well done on a successful day that you have worked hard to bring together!

**Rachel Mann, Year 9 Business Studies Teacher**



# PREP: FARM UNIT



Over the past three weeks, our Prep students have been exploring our English unit on Farms and what a fantastic journey it's been! Students have thoroughly enjoyed diving into this topic, with some budding young farmers even sharing their own experiences—adding rich, real-world knowledge to our classroom discussions.

To bring this learning to life, our Prep students enjoyed a hands-on cooking experience on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September, using some of the very farm produce that they have been exploring. Students made their very own pizza dough from scratch, following a recipe step-by-step and carefully layered their pizzas with their favourite toppings.

Once their creations were cooked, the pizzas were enjoyed alongside a well-earned flavoured milk. Judging by the cheesy smiles and empty plates, it's safe to say this farm-to-table experience was a huge hit!

**Kim Robertson & Grace Coker, Prep Teachers**



Our Prep students have been exploring farms this term through the George the Farmer resources in English. They were thrilled to bring our learning to life with an excursion to the Turner's farm on Wednesday. Students were fascinated to learn more about farm machinery, getting an up-close look at the header, sprayer and even a fire truck. One highlight was watching Jack the shearer demonstrate his skills as he sheared Sprinkles the sheep, an experience that students are sure to remember! After enjoying a delicious morning tea kindly provided by Bess, students ventured into the canola paddock. Here, they discovered the many ways canola is used in our daily lives, making meaningful connections to the food and products we see at home.



As our school library has recently been renovated, we're downsizing and donating books to children supported by the *Kids for Cows Foundation* in Cambodia. To transport these books, we're seeking **donations of wheeled suitcases**—new or used in good condition.

**Kids for Cows** is a 100% volunteer-run charity and **100% of funds go** to children living in poverty—primarily in Siem Reap and surrounding areas. Through fundraising and cattle agistment, we provide support in the form of **education, school supplies, sporting goods, clothing, and rice**. Some of our recent achievements include:

- Rebuilding a second home and supporting a local orphanage with supplies and a part-time English teacher.
- Renovating and opening a school in Veal village with over 100 children now learning English.
- Building/renovating five homes in the Kampong Plok lake community.

Our next trip is on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2025**, and your donated suitcase could help deliver books directly into the hands of children who need them. See <https://www.cowsforkids.org.au/> for more information.







# SERIOUSLY SPORT

## @ Camperdown College

### YEAR 7/8 HSSSD BASKETBALL

Our Year 7/8 students hit the courts in Terang on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September to represent our college in the HSSSD Junior Basketball competitions and what a day it was.

Our Year 7 girls played with great determination, showing excellent teamwork and sportsmanship. They lost two tough games and drew one but never gave up and enjoyed their time on the court. Our Year 7 boys had a strong day, winning two of their three games. The boys worked well together, stayed positive and showed great spirit throughout the day.

Our Year 8 girls played two exciting matches that they narrowly lost and then had a strong win to finish the day. They gave it their all and represented our college with pride. Our Year 8 Boys also won two of their three games and thanks to their top percentage, they've progressed onto the GWR competition in November. Well done boys!

Across all teams, our students competed hard, supported each other and demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship. Great job everyone!

Grace Lee

Year 7 – 12 Sport Coordinator



### HOOPTIME: YEAR 3/4 ROOKIES

Our Year 3/4 Rookies took to the basketball court on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Our students played each game with pride and demonstrated a high level of enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Well done to all students involved.

Matt Harkin, Prep – Year 6 Sport Coordinator





# Wellbeing Window

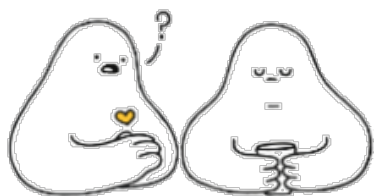
Ask  
**R U OK?** ANY DAY

## R U OK Day 2025

*Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September is R U OK? Day:*

Whether it's a friend, family member, partner, or colleague, the people around us go through life's ups and downs every day. That's why we want everyone to feel confident to check in with the people they care about and **Ask R U OK? Any Day**.

If you thought someone you know or care about isn't behaving as they normally would ... possibly acting out of character, maybe more agitated or more withdrawn, or simply just not themselves ... **then start a conversation with them about what you've noticed. Show them they're supported and help them find strategies to better manage their load.** We can all make a difference in the lives of those who might be struggling by having regular, meaningful conversations about life's ups and downs.



**1. Ask**



**2. Listen**



**3. Encourage action**



**4. Check in**

Also remember that you need to look out for yourself. And that's OK. If you're not in the right headspace or you don't think you're the right person to have the conversation, try to think of someone else in their support network who could talk to them. Then look at how you can also link to services to receive support – some of these support services are listed below.

**Ask R U OK? Any Day** of the year because a conversation could change a life.



1300 659 467

The Suicide Call Back Service offers 24/7 free counselling and support for people at risk of suicide, carers and bereaved.



13 92 76

13 YARN is a 24/7 national crisis support line for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



1800 184 527

QLife provides phone and online anonymous LGBTIQ+ support and referral. 3pm - 12am local time every day.



1300 22 4636

Call Beyond Blue 24/7 for advice, referral and support from a trained mental health professional.



1800 55 1800

Kids Helpline is 24/7 free and confidential phone and online counselling service for young people aged 5-25.



13 11 14

Call Lifeline 24/7 for crisis support and suicide prevention services. Text support is also available: 0477 13 11 14.



1300 78 99 78

Call Mensline 24/7 for telephone and online support for men with emotional health and relationship concerns.

**If life in danger call Triple Zero 000**



Happy Birthday

September

13<sup>th</sup>: Harlee  
15<sup>th</sup>: Luca, Samuel, Oliver  
16<sup>th</sup>: Oscar, Blake  
17<sup>th</sup>: Annabelle  
19<sup>th</sup>: Austin, Kaitlyn, Ceejay

20<sup>th</sup>: Harrison  
21<sup>st</sup>: Mason, Aurelia  
23<sup>rd</sup>: Gus, Emilia, Onaya, Matilda, Breeana, Isabella, Dana  
25<sup>th</sup>: Emmett



# VET & CAREERS WEEKLY Update



## Exciting Opportunities & Important Updates!

Please keep an eye on the Events and Opportunities board!

- 2026 School Based Apprenticeships – Joinery, Steel and Construction. If you are interested in this opportunity, please see Mrs Maskell or Miss Wells for more information.

## Spotlight: James Wallace Serves up Success!

For most Year 11 students, deciding on a future career is still simmering on the back burner. But for Camperdown College's **James Wallace**, the recipe for success is already cooking away nicely. James has been stirring up enthusiasm in his **VET Hospitality** course, where his passion for food and customer service has shone as brightly as a freshly polished cutlery set. His hands-on approach in the kitchen and front-of-house has not only impressed his teachers but also caught the attention of local industry.

As part of his course, James completed work experience at **Lake Edge Café, Purrumbete** – and it turned out to be the secret ingredient for his future. From serving coffees with confidence to plating up perfection, James proved he had the right mix of skill, dedication, and flavour.

So impressive was his performance that this opportunity has now risen into something even bigger: a **School Based Apprenticeship**. With this, James is not just tasting the industry – he's fully tucking in, building skills that will give him a solid link to a future career in hospitality. His story is proof that when you pour in the effort, season it with passion and serve it with a smile, you can create a recipe for lifelong success.

As James continues to whisk up his skills and plate up his potential, one thing is certain – the future looks deliciously bright.

## VET & Careers Tip of the Week

### Network while you learn!

During your VET course or work placement, every shift is a chance to build connections. Ask questions, show initiative, and introduce yourself to staff - you never know which contact might open the door to a future apprenticeship, traineeship, or job opportunity. 🍷 🛠️ 📅



Senior Campus students were invited to wear green-themed casual dress for a special fundraiser on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September, with all proceeds being donated to Need for Feed. Need for Feed is an organisation that supports Australian farmers by providing emergency fodder. A gold coin donation was required for those out of uniform and Year 12 VM students cooked a barbeque, with all proceeds from the sales being donated to this worthy cause. Throughout the day, a range of fun activities took place. These included a basketball knockout competition that was run by Ollie and Landon, a netball knockout that was organised by Pippa and Gracie and a farming-themed trivia competition that was hosted by Isla and Ruby. This was the perfect opportunity to have fun whilst supporting a meaningful cause.

**Tanisha Dooley, SRC Coordinator**



# STAR STUDENTS' Strengths



BUBBLY, CONFIDENCE, COURAGE, CREATIVITY,  
DEDICATION, ENTHUSIASM, FRIENDLINESS, FUN  
LOVING, HAPPINESS, HELPFULNESS,  
IMAGINATION, INDEPENDENCE, INTELLIGENCE,  
KINDNESS, OUTGOING, PERSISTENCE, PROBLEM  
SOLVER, SENSE OF HUMOUR, TEAMWORK.



Student Leaders Congress

# CELEBRATION

Night



15 SEPTEMBER 2025

WARRNAMBOOL LIGHTHOUSE THEATRE

7PM

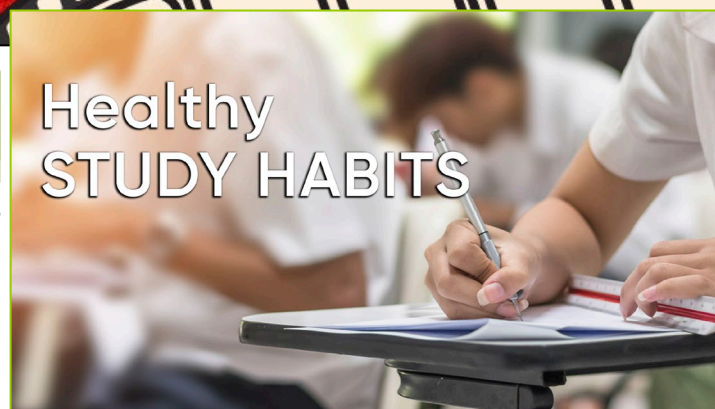
Doors Open 6.30PM

\$5 Donation/Entry

*Local Schools, Students, Staff and Families come together to share stories, showcase films, and celebrate the impact they've made to our community mental health & wellbeing. A night of fun, connection & inspiration!*



Healthy  
STUDY HABITS



## SPECIAL REPORT: Healthy Study Habits

In today's world, where distractions are abundant and the pressure to excel is high, guiding children to develop healthy study habits is more important than ever. As students aspire to achieve academic success, the cornerstone of that achievement lies not just in their intelligence or drive, but in the study habits they cultivate. It's essential for students to recognise that good study habits aren't merely about spending extra hours hitting the books. It's more about quality over quantity and having a more balanced approach. Emphasising the value of a routine is essential. Consistent study times establish a sense of structure and discipline, turning studying into a natural part of their daily routine rather than a burdensome task.

Additionally, how students approach their study sessions is equally important. Taking regular breaks is a crucial part of this process in maintaining focus and preventing burnout. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle that includes sufficient sleep, a balanced diet, and consistent physical activity are indispensable elements that will significantly impact your child's ability to study effectively. Fostering these healthy habits is one of the most valuable gifts we can offer children, paving the way for a lifetime of learning and achievement.

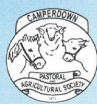
This Special Report will help you support your young person as they embark on studying for exams. **Here is the link to your Special Report** [https://camperdowncoll.vic.schooltv.me/wellbeing\\_news/special-report-healthy-study-habits-au](https://camperdowncoll.vic.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-healthy-study-habits-au)





Scan here for more information

## Community Bank Cobden & Camperdown Camperdown Show



Experience 'Paddock to Pavilion' at the Camperdown Show — packed with live music, exciting entertainment, mouth-watering food, and more!  
A fun, affordable day out for the whole family — celebrating agriculture & our local community!

**Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup> 2025  
9am-3pm**

**\$10 Unlimited Ride Passes**  
**Dachshund Dash/Dog Jump**  
**Make, Bake, Grow & Create Expo**  
**Header Simulator**  
**Free Amusements**  
**Wood Chop**  
**Motorcycle Show & Shine**  
**Wildlife/Animal Encounters**



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The mix that sticks!  
— 1300 558 945 —

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**CAMPERDOWN VETERINARY CENTRE**

**SWAYN McCABE**

**CAMPERDOWN BAKERY**

**CORANGAMITE SHIRE**

**BENALLACK'S SPORTS**



# Blanket drive Finished

Big Thanks to everybody who has donated to my blanket drive.

I am giving it until the 11<sup>th</sup> of September.  
Keep donating as much as you can find. Thank you.



for all creatures great & small

BY Mia Rippon



## ALL SKILLS, LESS DRILLS



### HAMPDEN FNL AFL NINES COMPETITION

THIS COMPETITION IS DESIGNED TO EXPERIENCE AFL NINES IN A FUN, FRIENDLY AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT! NEW AND EXISTING PLAYERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN.  
GET YOUR CLUB, YOUR TEAM MATES OR EVEN YOUR FRIENDS TO PLAY NINES!

**UNDER 15 & UNDER 18 GIRLS**

**2 COMPETITIONS AVAILABLE**

**#1 - LEURA OVAL, CAMPERDOWN - SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
**#2 - DEAKIN OVAL, WARRNAMBOOL - SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

**YOU CAN REGISTER FOR 1 OR BOTH COMPETITIONS**

Further information Contact - Trent Hill - admin@hfnl.org.au



FIND YOUR COMP



# ROLLER DISCO



**\$10**  
CASH & EFTPOS



PLEASE FILL OUT AT VENUE

**CAMPERDOWN STADIUM**  
1 FULLER STREET

LAST DAY OF TERM 3  
**FRI 20 SEPT**  
**6PM - 8PM**

SKATES & SAFETY GEAR PROVIDED

**5+**  
MINIMUM AGE



warrnamboolrollerderby@gmail.com



# CORANGAMITE CREATE & SUSTAIN YOUTH FEST

SUN 21 SEPT  
1 - 3 PM  
THEATRE ROYAL  
CAMPERDOWN



**MUSIC AND DANCE PERFORMANCES**

**ART EXHIBITION**

**CLOTHING SWAP**

**YOUNG MAKERS MARKET**

**SUSTAINABLE ACTIVITIES**

**FOOD VANS (AT OWN COST)**



Learn more via the QR or visit:  
[corangamite.vic.gov.au/youthfest](http://corangamite.vic.gov.au/youthfest)



This is a fully-supervised event which is drug, alcohol, smoke and vape free.

# CAMPERDOWN COMMUNITY STADIUM NEWS



Welcome to Camperdown's premier sporting destination! Our first-class stadium facility on Fuller Street offers something for everyone. Join our thriving community with scheduled competitions and association games or simply drop in when you feel like shooting hoops, kicking the footy, playing soccer, or enjoying great music. Whether you're competitive or casual, seasoned or just starting out - come on down and discover your new favourite hangout!

## TERM 3 SCHEDULE

<b>MON</b>	4:00 PM 6:00 PM	OPEN HOOPS BADMINTON
<b>TUE</b>	4:00 PM	OPEN HOOPS
<b>WED</b>	4:00 PM 7:00 PM	OPEN HOOPS LIONS SOCCER
<b>THU</b>	4:00 PM	OPEN HOOPS
<b>FRI</b>	4:00 PM	OPEN HOOPS

**YOUR COMMUNITY.  
YOUR SPACE.  
YOUR STADIUM!**



SOPHIE



RICKY



ISAAC



JASON

### THE TEAM

**f** **@** **OUR SOCIALS**

Closed on public holidays & schedule subject to change based on bookings.  
Stay tuned to our socials for daily up to date scheduling changes.

e - [camperdown.stadium@corangamite.vic.gov.au](mailto:camperdown.stadium@corangamite.vic.gov.au)

# Camperdown LITTLE ATHLETICS

★ **October  
10th** ★

**FRIDAY NIGHTS**



**LONG JUMP  
HIGH JUMP  
TRIPLE JUMP**



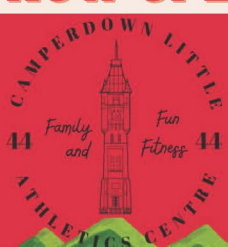
**LONG DISTANCE RUNS  
SPRINTS  
DISCUS  
SHOT PUT  
JAVELIN**



*Early Bird  
Registration*  
**NOW OPEN**

**5-16 YEAR OLDS  
ALL ABILITIES**

**FRIDAY NIGHTS  
4:15  
COMMENCING  
10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**



★ **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT CLOSE** ★  
17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025  
Full Fees Apply  
From 18<sup>TH</sup> September 2025  
FIND US ON FACEBOOK OR  
<https://camperdownlittleathletics.com/>  
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CAMPERDOWN@LAVIC.COM.AU

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# FUN IS IN FULL SWING!

**Join Woolworths Cricket Blast**  
A safe way to have fun and stay active for kids of all abilities.

**Bookaar Cricket Club**  
Monday, October 20 - Monday, December 8  
Camperdown College Sports Precinct  
3.30pm - 4.30pm  
Enquiries: Stephen Fitzgerald 0427 493 821

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

PROUDLY  
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**Q Play Cricket**