



Camperdown Contact

CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 11, 15th December 2023

2023 Dux



We are extremely proud of all the students undertaking VCE and VCE Vocational Major this year. Camperdown College is proud to announce Lewani Bateman as the VCE Dux and Ruby Walsh, the VCE VM Dux. Both students' dedication to their studies has been well rewarded. This achievement not only reflects their academic ability but also highlights the commitment to excellence fostered at Camperdown College. Lewani has juggled her study commitments with her role as Student Voice Leader and performing with the college string ensemble, whilst Ruby has been a leading presence around the college in her role as School Captain.

Congratulations to Lewani, Ruby and all the Year 12 students for their remarkable achievements and accomplishments in 2023.

Xavier Davis, Principal



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...



The release of VCE results on Monday gave us great cause for celebration and our students can be justifiably proud of their excellent results. Our 2023 Year 12 class has outperformed their peers to achieve an above-state English and Physical Education study mean, whilst our Year 11 students who undertook Year 12 subjects this year, have performed extremely well.

Congratulations to our 2023 VCE Dux,

Lewani Bateman and VM Dux, **Ruby Walsh**. They have worked hard all year and achieved great success. Congratulations also to the Year 12 class of 2023 for their remarkable achievements and accomplishments.

Monday night saw the graduating **Junior Campus Class of 2023** have their night of nights. It was wonderful to see the pride shown by our Year 6 students and the support given by their families. The Year 6 cohort have been wonderful ambassadors for Camperdown College in everything they have done this year. The students have been exceptional and have continued to work extremely hard right up until the end of the year, showing that they are ready for the next step in their education.

On a staffing note, with incoming staff for 2024 there naturally will be some outgoing. I regretfully (although very pleased for all of them) announce both **Kate Hood** and **Brett Ambrose** are heading off back to the big smoke, having gained positions at Bentleigh High School and Carey Grammar respectively. Both have been wonderful contributors to the college and we wish them the very best with their next teaching adventures. **Adele McGuane** has worked tirelessly in the Health and Physical Education team this year and is heading back to Colac to continue her teaching. **Nicole Date** has been a wonderful addition to the Maths/Science team for the past 18 months, travelling from Melbourne each week and we thank her for contribution.

Unlike many schools around the state, the college is well-placed with all subjects and classes covered for the start of

2024. Recruitment of high-quality teachers in the current staffing environment will be a key focus for 2024 and we will endeavour to retain and recruit the best for our students.

Step Up Day:

Tuesday's state-wide orientation day and our own Junior Campus *Step Up* arrangements gave all students from kindergarten through to Year 6 the opportunity to experience a full program with most of their 2024 teachers and classmates. Nerves gave way to smiles as the day progressed! We were fortunate to have our new primary teachers Ms Jeannie Cook (Year 3/4) and Ms Louise Loving (Year 1/2) join us for the day, giving them and their students an opportunity to get to know each other in readiness for a new year of learning. Our own Year 6 students were joined by many students coming into the Senior Campus from other schools, which made for a large and vibrant Year 7 mix! Students coming into middle and upper secondary year levels have participated in taster days and the VCE/VCE VM Step Up Program over the past few weeks also and are well placed for a successful transition to their new classes for 2024 at Camperdown College.

TheirCare:

TheirCare will be available for families on Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th December. The College will be open on these days.

In concluding my final newsletter column for 2023, I reflect that the year has passed more quickly than any others that I can recall, however much has been achieved by a Camperdown community united around a common goal of continual improvement and educational excellence – but mainly, just doing what is in the best interests of our students and children. I thank you all for welcoming me this year and for your contributions to our wonderful school and wish you a very happy and safe holiday. I hope you will enjoy this year's Baltarta and share in all the memories you have made.

Merry Christmas!

Mr Xavier Davis
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wk 11	Friday 15 th December	Last day for 2023 for Prep – Year 9 students 3.15pm dismissal
2024	Wednesday 31 st January 2024	First day for 2024 for students in Year 1 – 12
	Thursday 1 st February 2024	First day for 2024 for students in Prep
	Monday 5 th February 2024	SCHOOL PHOTOS for students in Prep – Year 12
	Tuesday 6 th – Thursday 8 th February 2024	Year 3 – 6 Swimming Program <i>Camperdown Swimming Pool</i>
	Wednesday 7 th February 2024	Prep students not required at school
	Friday 9 th February 2024	Year 7 – 12 House Swimming Carnival <i>Camperdown Swimming Pool</i>
	Monday 12 th – Wednesday 14 th February 2024	Year 3 – 6 Swimming Program <i>Camperdown Swimming Pool</i>
	Monday 12 th February 2024	Year 11/12 HSSSD Cricket <i>Timboon</i>
	Tuesday 13 th February 2024	Lions Youth of the Year
	Wednesday 14 th February 2024	Prep students not required at school
	Thursday 15 th February 2024	Year 3 – 6 Swimming Carnival <i>Camperdown Swimming Pool</i>
	Monday 19 th – Wednesday 21 st February 2024	Year 7 Camp <i>Camp Sunnystones</i>
	Wednesday 21 st February 2024	Prep students not required at school
	Friday 23 rd February 2024	HSSSD Swimming Carnival <i>Terang</i>
	Monday 26 th February 2024	SSV Golf Year 7 – 12 students in <i>Camperdown</i>
	Wednesday 28 th February 2024	Prep students not required at school
	Thursday 29 th February 2024	SSV Division Swimming Carnival <i>Warrnambool</i>
	Tuesday 5 th March 2024	Year 7 – 12 House Athletics Carnival <i>Camperdown College Sport Complex</i>
	Friday 8 th March 2024	GWR Swimming Carnival <i>Horsham</i>
	Monday 11 th March 2024	Labour Day Public Holiday



Results and Reports:

Congratulations to all students on their achievements this semester. It has been pleasing to see the progress that students have made. Final student reports were posted home to families earlier this week and will also be available on Compass from Monday. Final reports indicate students' Victorian Curriculum levels (comments were uploaded to Compass at various times throughout the semester) and a reminder the six week progress reports were presented on Compass throughout the semester. I strongly urge parents to make contact if they would like to follow up on any aspects of the report.

Student Leaders for 2024:

It is with great pleasure that I announce our student leaders for 2024 (pictured below):

School Captains – Riley Stephenson and Ebony Pearce

Sports Captain – Ruby Kempton

Student Voice – Isabelle Huggins

SRP President – Perrie Winsall

Congratulations to these students. We look forward to working with them in 2024 and witnessing them develop as leaders.



Year 6 Transition:

Forty-five Year 6 students were warmly welcomed at the Senior Campus on Tuesday as part of their state-wide orientation day. We once again have students joining us from Cobden, Lismore and St Patrick's Primary Schools in Year 7 in 2024 which will result in two classes. The students confidently fitted into the Senior Campus routine and enjoyed participating in a range of classes and a scavenger hunt.

Farewell:

It is always a sad time when we have to farewell staff who have made such an indelible impact on the lives of our students.

Mr Brett Ambrose and *Miss Kate Hood* have both accepted positions in Melbourne. Mr Ambrose will be teaching at Carey Grammar and Miss Hood at Bentleigh High School in 2024. They will both be sorely missed and we thank them for their wonderful contributions to engaging students in Indonesian and Humanities respectively.

Mrs Julie McPhee will once again ease back into retirement although we are sure to see her around the campus in 2024 covering staff who are away. Mrs McPhee kindly agreed to teach Year 7/8 Food Technology this year when we were unable to fill this position. Through her teaching she has ensured the students have an excellent grounding for further studies in this area.

Ms Nicole Date has worked with us for the past two years, mentoring staff and teaching in the Science and Intervention area. We thank her for the enthusiasm and expertise she has brought to this role and wish her the very best for her retirement.

Mrs Adele McGuane has taught Health and Physical Education this year and will be moving on to Trinity College in Colac. Adele has worked tirelessly to engage students in the Health program and has organised a range of guest speakers and programs this year. We wish Adele all the best in her new role.

Mrs Donna Scott will be taking twelve months leave in 2024. Donna will leave many gaps and will be greatly missed.

Thank You:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all students and their families a safe and happy holiday. Our students have once again shown exemplary respect for the college values, a positive approach to learning, a willingness to lend a hand and have engaged in respectful relationships with staff. This makes for a very pleasurable environment for all. Thank you to parents for your support. Your involvement in your child's education is highly valued and ensures that your child achieves their best.

Ms Vicki Angus

Senior Campus Principal

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Step Up Day:

On Tuesday this week, students *stepped up* to their 2024 classroom with their 2024 teacher. Excitement was very much evident throughout the day as students enjoyed knowing who their teacher and classmates will be upon returning after the holidays. Our current Prep – Year 5 students stepped up for a half day of activities, whilst our current Year 6 students spent the duration of the day at the Senior Campus. We welcomed our new Prep students for 2024 also on the day as they made their final visit to the Junior Campus prior to starting their school journey with us in the new year.

Year 6 Graduation

On Monday night, we recognised the end of primary school for our 33 Year 6 students with their graduation ceremony at the AG Daws Hall. In front of family and friends, students celebrated the wonderful learning journey they have been on for the past seven years and the fond memories they will take with them next year as they embark on their secondary schooling. The night was full of emotion and many happy recollections. See page 6 for a list of awards that were presented to students as part of this ceremony, recognising their outstanding last year of primary schooling.

A very big thank you to Mr Rohan Adams, Miss Ashlee Carrigan-Walsh and Mr Lewis Osborne on their efforts in putting this night together. Many hours were spent ensuring this night was very special to our graduating Year 6 students.

Celebration of Learning Assembly:

Today we celebrated the end of a successful term and year with our Celebration of Learning Assembly. This was a wonderful opportunity to recognise the efforts of all students throughout the year and to acknowledge a student from each class that has excelled and shown advanced growth. The announcement of our 2024 leadership team was also a much anticipated segment of today's ceremony. We are very excited to support our Year 6 leaders into 2024 and see them grow as capable role models and guiders throughout the school year next year. Our 2024 leadership team at the Junior Campus is made up of:

Junior Campus School Captains: Max Rahles-Rahbula & Reagan Webb

House Captains

Bullen Merri: Noah Boyd & Bailey Carman

Leura: Sydney Walsh & Blake Evans

Manifold: Lawson Clark & Vogue Fleming

School Pride Leaders: Fletcher Gibbins & Onaya Senarath

Student Voice & Support Leaders: Amethyst Rothman & Ruby Johnston

Art Leaders: Zander Horan & Zhai Krish Deposoy

Library Leaders: Georgia Neilson & Brahminy Rothman

Environmental and Maintenance Leaders: Nathan Wilson, Jonty Richardson & Duke Giles

Congratulations to the following Student of the Term recipients for Term 4:

Raymond Rankine	Hazel Taylor	Holly Brown	Miranda Leehane	Adele Currell
Sophia Brown	Airly Dwyer	Dirk Evans	Samuel Van Den Meiracker	Stirling Collins
Sam Gould	Noah Boyd	Ela Meric	Phoebe Van Dijk	Sage Collins

Parent Teacher Interviews:

Thank you to all parents who were able to make parent teacher interviews last week. This provided teachers with an opportunity to discuss all that students have achieved both this term and throughout the year coupled with student reports that was sent home before the interviews.

Prep – Year 6 End of Year Excursion:

Yesterday, a fun day was experienced by our Prep – Year 6 students to celebrate the end of our school year. Students enjoyed a movie at the Camperdown Theatre before heading to the Camperdown pool for an afternoon of fun in the sun. Students enjoyed both activities and also the opportunity to converse and play with students across all year levels in such a relaxed atmosphere.

Dental Van:

Many students at the Junior Campus visited the dental van that was onsite last week for a dental checkup and many for consequential treatments. This service is always appreciated by our families and I am sure this visit was no different. We look forward to ensuring this service is a regular on our calendar.

Prep – Year 2 Night In and Year 2 Sleepover:

On Thursday 30th November, our Year 2 students had a fun filled night sleeping over at school, marking their first camp experience. Hot milo in the staffroom, sleeping bags and teddies in the Prep room and sleeping next to special friends, were highlights of the night. Our Prep and Year 1 students enjoyed spending extra hours at school on the night, enjoying a variety of activities ran by teachers. Special thanks to Miss Kerr and the Prep – Year 2 team for organising the event and for all teachers staying back and running events for our students.

Thank you:

A very big thank you to the Camperdown Uniting Church, and more specifically Kylie Spokes, for allowing our students the opportunity this term to enjoy cooking sessions within their facilities. We are so lucky that this is now a staple on our termly calendar allowing eight students the opportunity to spend quality time preparing and eating a meal with volunteers at the church. This experience teaches essential life skills whilst being so much fun. Thanks Kylie for this opportunity once again.

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Sounds-Write Visits:

We welcomed the founders of our phonics approach John Walker and Tita Beavan to Camperdown College on Tuesday 28th November. They enjoyed observing our teachers teaching phonics and seeing the impressive skillset of our students. After school, we welcomed 50 staff from surrounding schools for an information session that John ran which was another very exciting milestone for our school.

Thanks Mr Adams:

Sophie Wilson and Emily Wood were excited to see their plans of a mud pie bench in the playground, come to fruition last week with Mr Adams kindly making and installing one near the sport shed. Students have been enjoying imaginative play since its installation and we thank Mr Adams, along with Sophie and Emily, and students who donated to the initiative by wearing silly socks last term.

2024 School Year:

We are looking forward to welcoming students in Year 1 – 6 back to school after the summer holidays on Wednesday 31st January. Our newest members of our school community, our 2024 Prep students, will begin their schooling journey the following day, Thursday 1st February.



I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families an enjoyable holiday break. To all Year 6 students and families, all the best for your secondary journey. We will miss your presence at the Junior Campus, however, we are excited to follow your journey at the Senior Campus. I am looking forward to working with all students and families again in 2024 when I return to the Assistant Principal role fulltime.

Mrs Jacinta Tolland

Junior Campus Principal



- 1st Prize: \$10,000 Travel Voucher (Helloworld Camperdown) - Linda Gaul
2nd Prize: \$1,000 Accommodation Voucher (Helloworld Camperdown) & \$500
Ticetek Voucher - Darcie Seers
3rd Prize: \$1,000 Fuel Voucher (BP Australia) - Neville & Tash Swayn

JUNIOR CAMPUS COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME TO PARENTS THIS FORTNIGHT:

J51	Leadership Roles 2024	J52	Year 6 Graduation
J53	Year 6 Graduation – Year 5 Supper	J54	Year 6 T-shirt Order Form
J55	Instrumental Music 2024	J56	VHAP Term 1 2024
J57	Welcome to Prep 2024	J58	Step Up Day (Class Allocations)
J59	2024 Parent Payments & Booklists		

SENIOR CAMPUS COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME TO PARENTS THIS FORTNIGHT:

S27	Year 7 Camp 2024
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9th: Dirk Evans

11th: Billie Cuttler & Luis Maskell

12th: Jonty Buck

13th: Riley Stephenson

14th: Makayla Collins-Wilkinson

16th: Bailey Merrett, Kain Mitchell,
Eve Van Den Meiracker &
Oliver Rahles-
Rahbula

18th: Alando Kent

19th: Zaine Cocker

21st: Sailor Hargreaves &

Charlotte-Rose Richardson

23rd: Susmita Barua

28th: Jackson Plowman & Luke Paton

29th: Bentley Currell, Kobie Mather
& Brianna Orr

30th: Marigold Elsum & Jada Elliot

31st: Chase Fleming & Mitchell Mahony

December!

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CAMPERDOWN COLLEGE
JUNIOR CAMPUS



Year 6

Graduation
Ceremony

2023

You are the author of
your future.

DECEMBER 11, 2023 • 7.00 P.M.



Congratulations

AMY BELL CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Chloe Castle

CWA QUIET ACHIEVER AWARD

Amber Wallis

CWA SCHOLARSHIP

Sophie Wilson

LACHIE STEPHENSON SPORTING AWARD

Michael Benallack

RESPECT & BEHAVIOUR AWARD

Miller Murphy

THE ART OF PERSISTENCE AWARD

Dean Gould

YEAR 6 ACADEMIC AWARD

Marianne Suson

YEAR 6 PARENTS & FRIENDS

EXCELLENCE AWARD

Isla Spokes



Prep 2017



Year 6 2023

Thank you to families and students who attended the Senior Campus Presentation Ceremony on Tuesday. It was lovely to see so much support from the school community. Awards were presented for academic excellence and achievement in a range of areas. In addition to the awards, the ceremony paid tribute to the contribution and achievement of our Year 12 students. Congratulations to the following students on their awards:

Year Level Academic Awards:

Charlotte Bennett (Year 7), Nancy Leonard-Pekin (Year 8), Aregawi Chivell (Year 9), Finn Tolland (Year 10), Ebony Pearce (Year 11 VCE), Riley Stephenson (Year 11 VM)

Academic Endeavour Awards:

Taylah Bernoth (Year 7), Mercy Rothman (Year 8), Michael Katsaros (Year 9), Hannah Morrison (Year 10), Elyse Cross (Year 11)

Subject Awards:

Art: Megan Johnson (Year 7), Philippa Kempton (Year 8), Limariya Johnson (Year 9)

Business Studies: Rebecca Johnson

Design, Creativity and Technology: Lola Evans (Year 7), Shelby Mahony (Year 8), Hayden Johnstone (Year 9/10)

Digital Technology: Lacey Grundmann (Year 7), Jake Van Es (Year 8),

English: Megan Johnson (Year 7), Nancy Leonard-Pekin (Year 8), Aregawi Chivell (Year 9), Lily Maskell (Year 10), Ebony Pearce (Year 11)

Food Technology: Charlotte Bennett (Year 7), Matilda Narik (Year 8), Jada Mahony (Year 9/10)

Geography: Charlotte Bennett (Year 7), Keira Johnston (Year 8), Lewis Regan (Year 10)

Humanities: Aregawi Chivell (Year 9), Leyla Meric (Year 11)

History: Lola Evans (Year 7), Philippa Kempton (Year 8), Callani Winsall (Year 10)

Health and Physical Education: Megan Johnson (Year 7), Matilda Narik (Year 8), Joshua Lucas (Year 9), Lily Maskell (Year 10), Ebony Pearce (Year 11)

Hands On Learning: Lachlan Baulch

Indonesian: Charlotte Bennett (Year 7), Kayla Loving (Year 8), Aregawi Chivell (Year 9/10)

Mathematics: Reece Hester (Year 7), Nancy Leonard-Pekin (Year 8), Oliver Clark (Year 9), Hannah Morrison (Year 10), Ebony Pearce (Year 11)

Music: Nancy Leonard-Pekin

Performing Arts: Quinn Clark (Year 7), Mercy Rothman (Year 8), Hamish Collins (Year 9/10)

Science: Dain Collins (Year 7), Keira Johnston (Year 8), Hamish Collins (Year 9), Hannah Morrison (Year 10), Ebony Pearce (Year 11)

Textiles: Charlotte Bennett (Year 7), Nancy Leonard-Pekin (Year 8), Marlie Teal (Year 9/10)

Sports Achievement Awards:

Max Thomson: Cross Country and Athletics; *Georgie Osborne:* Cross Country and Athletics; *Lily Maskell:* Swimming and Cross Country

State Sports Awards:

Triple Jump: Mason Ford; *Golf:* Tom Baker; *Lawn Bowls:* Jacob Brown, Isaac Winsall and Kona Kerr; *Cross Country:* Quinn Clark, Philippa Kempton, Taj Cunningham and Stella Horspole

National Sports Award:

Equestrian: Stella Horspole

Parents & Friends Encouragement Awards:

Taleah Burgess, Jack Strauss, Tulin Meric, Georgie Osborne

Leura Masonic Lodge Awards:

Harrison Schaap and Bayleigh Quarrell

Pathways Recognition:

Brodie Pender, Alex Tobias, Aden Tobias

Corangamite Shire Citizenship Award:

Riley Stephenson

Australian Olympic Change-Maker Award:

Stella Horspole

ADF – Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Awards:

Jada Mahony, Eliza O'Neil

Ampol Australia All Rounder Award:

Evie Clementson

Westvic VET Excellence Award:

Eliza O'Neil

Principal's Awards:

Dain Collins, Lucas Wiffen

Year 12 VCE Subject Dux with scores over 30:

English: Lewani Bateman

Business Management: Lewani Bateman

Psychology: Riley Bernoth and Leyla Meric

Physical Education: Ebony Pearce

VCE Vocational Major Runner Up Dux Award:

Hannah Stevens

VCE Vocational Major Dux Award:

Ruby Walsh

Deakin University VCE Award Runner Up Dux

Riley Bernoth

College Dux:

Lewani Bateman

Vicki Angus, Senior Campus Principal

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LIBRARY NEWS

TERM 4 2023

TOP STUDENT BORROWERS

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| Junior Campus | Senior Campus |
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| 2- Sailor | 2- Lila |
| 3- Sam G | 3- Callani |
| 4- Indiannah | 4- Nancy |
| 5- Lily | |

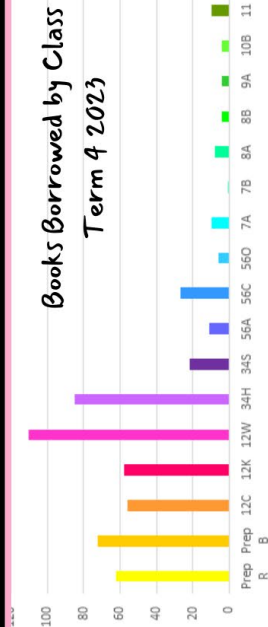
TOTAL BOOKS BORROWED

IN TERM 4, 2023

681

LIBRARY

Books Borrowed by Class
Term 4 2023



TOP 5 BORROWED BOOKS



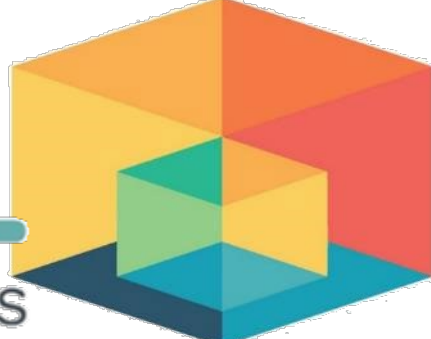
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LIBRARY**

**Read it!
LOVE it!
RETURN it!**

**PLEASE RETURN ITEMS TO LIBRARY OR BOOK
RETURN BIN AT EITHER CAMPUS BY WEEK 8**

BERRY STREET EDUCATION MODEL

Curriculum and Classroom Strategies




This year, staff at the Junior Campus have been utilising brain breaks to help support students' learning. Staff implement these into lessons every day, as a part of the Berry Street Education Model (BSEM).

Our aim for brain breaks this year was to get our students involved in the decision making, to allow opportunities for them to develop their self-awareness by checking in with themselves and asking 'Do we need a brain break?' If our students recognised that they needed a brain break, then they would tune into their bodies and decide what type of brain break is needed, an escalating or de-escalating brain break.

AN ESCALATING BRAIN BREAK BRINGS THE ENERGY UP!

A DE-ESCALATING BRAIN BREAK HELPS CALM OUR BODIES.

Students from Year 1/2 have thoroughly enjoyed participating in a wide variety of brain breaks and they have selected some their favourites to share. You might like to try these at home to help you improve your self-regulation skills.

SPOTLIGHT
ON  YEAR
1/2



Adele: Quiet mouse: you lie down to de-escalate while listening to music.

Archie: Buzz: we sit in a circle and count by 5's and if we get to 50, we buzz and we are out.

Dustin: Meditation: we listen to a calming voice while laying down. It helps us if we are too active.

Hamish: Freeze dance: we watch a clip and copy the dance moves that the people are doing. It helps us feel happy.

Harlen: Continuous drawing: we have to draw a picture, but we can't look at what we are drawing or take our pencil off the paper.

Heidi: Just Dance: if you're feeling sad, you might want to move your body and dance so we follow the dance moves.

Hyedi: Bobs and Statues: we listen to music and when the music stops, we must quickly bob or become a statue.

Keeley: Four Corners: we number each corner 1 to 4, we pick a corner to stand in. Miss Coker rolls the dice, if she rolls a 1,2, 3 or 4, that corner is out. If it is a 5 or 6, we are all safe.

Lily: Balloon bounce: we sit in a circle and tap the balloon in the air until it pops.

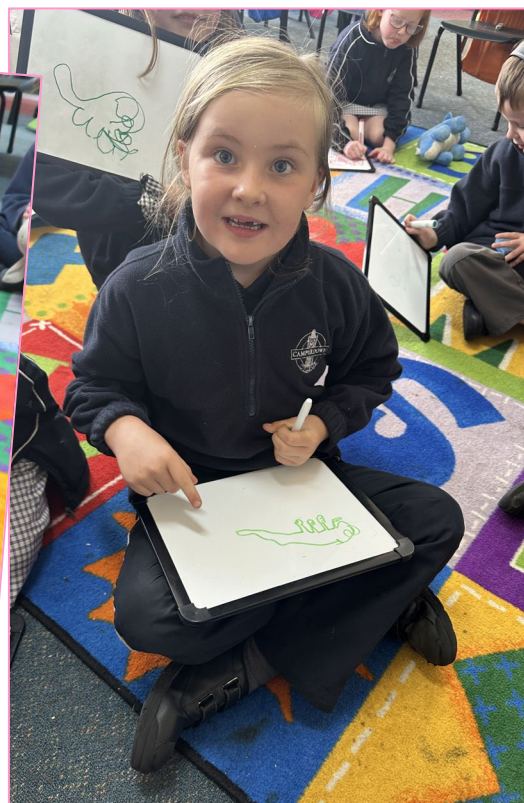
Opie: Yoga: we quietly make different poses with our bodies. This helps our bodies to be calm.

Ruaraidh: Fitness Run: we have to dodge, duck and jump over obstacles in the video. It helps us to de-escalate.

Skye: Rock Paper Scissors Evolution: you play normal rock, paper, scissors but first you start off as an egg. If you win, you grow into a chicken, if you win again you evolve into a dinosaur. It is really fun!

Vicki Kerr

Junior Campus Berry Street Leader



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JUNIOR CAMPUS SPORT & PE



Year 3 – 6 Community Sport

Gym: Infinite Health & Fitness

Mr Osborne took a group of us down to the gym. When we got there, we met Nick, our instructor, and he told us all about the circuit with the exercises we would be doing. We split up into two groups and then into small groups to do things like weights, planks, burpees and sit ups. I enjoyed exercising with my friends. *Michael Benallack*



Fishing: Lake Bullen Merri South Side

We went up to Lake Bullen Merri and everyone was extremely excited to go fishing. It was a small group and the feeling was very calm amongst everyone. The best part about fishing was going out on the jetty. I enjoyed learning how to cast and how to put bait on my rod. Charlie Unwin caught a fish. *Vogue Fleming*

Tennis: Hampden Tennis Club

We met our coach when we got to the tennis courts and he told us about the different tennis techniques, like volleying and serving. I enjoyed playing games and learning new skills and being able to go home and tell my parents that I am better at tennis. *Logan Bryan*



Bowls: Camperdown Bowling Club

We caught the bus to the Camperdown Bowling Club and we met Dan, who talked about the rules of bowls. We played different mini games with cones and scoring. I enjoyed the 2v2 tournaments because we won. I also liked the pretend golf game we played with bowls. Some of the important things we had to remember was that if you are not bowling, then do not stand in the gutter, don't bounce the ball and to roll not throw. I had so much fun! *Dirk Evans*

Golf: Camperdown Golf Club

Kathryn Robertson and Mr Adams took us up to the Camperdown Golf Club. We got to practice swinging our clubs and hitting the balls on the oval to start. Then the next week, we practiced putting and then in the last week we played Ambrose. Over the three weeks, I learnt how to be cautious around people when they are swinging and how to use a golf stick. I enjoyed being the best player there and helping others. *Fletcher Gibbins*

On behalf of Camperdown College, we would like to thank The Camperdown Golf Club, Camperdown Bowling Club, Hampden Tennis Club and Infinite Health for their time and expertise in allowing our students to participate in these wonderful sports from around their community.

We were also lucky enough to have a group of Year 9 students come and help our students fish too. Also, to our wonderful teachers and parent helpers a BIG thank you for your support in this program.

Prep – Year 2 Swimming:

The Prep – Year 2 swimming program was conducted over the past six consecutive Fridays. The students this year experienced a new location, Bluewater Swimming Complex in Colac. The new location meant that our students had access to fantastic swimming lessons and more space, both in and out of the pool. The students enjoyed swimming and all improved their swimming skills. We know that the students will be able to use these new techniques to cool off safely in and around water during the warm summer days.

A huge thanks Kristy Clarke, Theresa Corrigan and Sarah Merrett who were able to come across and help, as well as parents who came along to watch. Finally, to our wonderful staff, a HUGE thank you for your dedication and hard work to ensure that our program ran smoothly and safely.

Kim Wines, Prep – Year 6 Sport Coordinator





Term 4, Week 8: (back) Skye Fleming, Joshua Burgess, Michael Benallack, Landon Ross, Jarrod McAdam, Harlee Rowbottom, (front) Jonty Buck, Jackson Plowman, Oliver Eagle, Mateo Boyd.

**Words from our Star
Students on what it
takes to be a
successful learner.**

STAR STUDENTS!



Term 4, Week 9: (back) Ruby Johnston, Beau Smith, Samuel Van Den Meiracker, Noah Boyd, (front) Helayna Walker, Lucy Christensen, Lara Hooker, Zane MacLeavy, Jack Hillman.

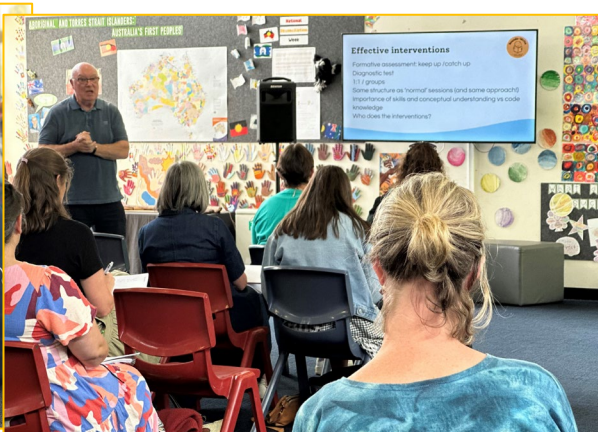


Term 4, Week 10: Archie O'Connor, Elizabeth Reed, Aurelia Smith, Kaylee Brebner, Aria Coxon, Ruairaidh Menzies, Ella Riches, Oakley Taylor, Nathan Wilson, Blake Evans.



SOUNDS - WRITE

First Rate Phonics



Junior Campus staff and students welcomed the founders of our phonics approach Sounds-Write, John Walker and Tita Beaven, on Tuesday 28th November to observe the many facets of our phonics teaching in all classrooms. John and Tita, from the UK, were so impressed with the quality of teaching and learning throughout Literacy, stating that it was one of the most high quality implementations from Prep to Year 6 that they had seen, that still promoted discussion, engagement and fun with students. We know what happens in our classrooms is exceptional, so to hear these comments from such regarded professionals in their field, was extremely special and something that will stay with staff and students for a very long time.

Jacinta Tolland, Junior Campus Principal



Last Thursday, Year 3 – 6 students were very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to participate in a lantern making workshop at the Junior Campus. This initiative was to support the *Light up Camperdown* event. The Corangamite Shire engaged WildHoney to deliver the workshops and they covered the cost too. Students loved making their very own lantern which was then used to Light up Camperdown on Friday 8th December.

Kim Wines, Junior Campus Sport Coordinator

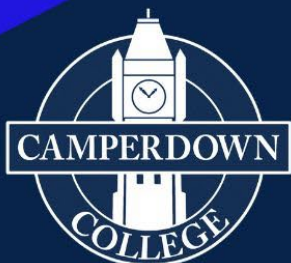
NIGHT In and Sleepover



There was excitement in the air as the Prep – Year 2 students made their way to Camperdown Playspace to enjoy some delicious treats and a fun afternoon. An hour flew by and it was time to come back to school for the Prep – Year 2 Night In. Students engaged in a range of engaging activities organised by some of our staff and to conclude the night, they filled their tummies with a yummy barbeque dinner and ice-cream for dessert. 7pm came around fast and it was home time for our Prep and Year 1 students, with Year 2 students eagerly waving them off, ready to enjoy their first school camp experience.

Students quickly set up their camping gear and changed into their pyjamas, armed with their teddies and blankets to enjoy a movie together. Students were then treated to a special supper and hot milo in the staffroom and once their tummies were well and truly full, they snuggled back down to finish off the movie, *The Secret Life of Pets*. It didn't take long before eyes began to get heavy and it was time for bed. Some students fell asleep as soon as their head hit the pillow whilst others were still buzzing from the night's excitement, taking a little bit longer to drift off. Far too early the next morning, students made their way out of bed, got ready for the day and enjoyed a delicious breakfast. A huge thank you to our parent helpers (Andy, Caroline, James, Rodger, Kristy and Ben), Paul Dunn and Sheree and Rodger Horspole from Parents & Friends and staff for their contribution to our special night. It was certainly a night that our Prep – Year 2 students will remember for a long time to come!

Vicki Kerr, Year 1/2 Teacher



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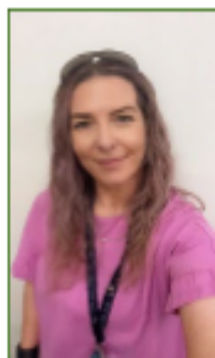
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CHAT@S

Children, Home, All Together at School

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Health



The Year of 2023 is fast coming to a close. It has been a Year that has brought many challenges for families, with the cost of living increasing adding to the stress of raising children.

I feel that sometimes we lose the meaning of Christmas in a society that is materialistically driven, so this year I hope that we can get back to the true spirit of Christmas and spend time with those that we love dearly.

These are the moments that are priceless and an opportunity for beautiful memories to be created!

I will be taking a short break over Xmas but will be back in the office on 15th January 2024 to get ready for the year ahead.

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Peaceful 2024!

CHAT@S is a program that works with Children, Families, Carers, Teachers and Schools focusing on the whole family's wellbeing.

DETAILS

CHAT@S worker, Tanya Bonner from Colac Area Health, will be at the Junior Campus on Monday Mornings between 8:30-11:30.

Please do not hesitate to contact Tanya on **0419 333 844** or via email on tbonner@cah.vic.gov.au Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 JAN Public Holiday! NO SERVICE	2 JAN Service closed!	3 JAN Service closed!	4 JAN Service closed!	5 JAN Service closed!	8 JAN Passport to Summer Pick your bags and fasten your seatbelts! Today, you'll be creating your very own passport to summer to explore all the corners of the earth. Then, challenge your friends in the "Round the World" group game, and express your creativity with the Rainbow Weaving Plate activity. Let's fly away on this summer journey! From as low as \$8.57* Full fee \$85.70**	9 JAN Movie Magic Set in the kingdom of Ross, where Asha, a sharp-witted idealist, makes a wish so powerful that it's answered by a cosmic force - a ball of boundless energy called Star. They confront the formidable King Magnifico to prove that when the will of one courageous human connects with the magic of the stars, wondrous things can happen. From as low as \$10.76* Full fee \$107.58**	10 JAN Splashtacular! Just add water! You'll have a splashtacular time with water games and challenges designed to keep you this summer! Then it's time to get crafty with paper plate sunshades & flower lei craft activities. Join in on the ultimate group games SPLUD! and down ball tournament. From as low as \$8.57* Full fee \$85.68**	11 JAN Shoo Fly Hats 6day motel Let's go on an Aussie adventure today. Make and take home shoo fly hats with cork! Get crafty with Filled Neck Lizard and Hatching Platypus crafts. Then it's group games time with a traditional Yuhunga Kangaroo Games and an old favourite three-legged race. From as low as \$7.47* Full fee \$74.73**	12 JAN Ancient Egypt Step back in time to the land of pharaohs and pyramids with our Ancient Egyptian adventure! Build magnificent pyramid sand art, create Egyptian clay carouches, and craft papyrus paper. Dress up in Egyptian costumes, complete with a Cleopatra necklace and Pharaoh headdress. Then, play a strategic game of Forbidden Desert! From as low as \$8.57* Full fee \$85.70**
15 JAN What the Buzz Bee buzzy like a bee! Create your very own Bee House for these important insects! Dive into the rich Indian culture with geometric Mandala prints, intricate Diya lamp painting, craft lady elephants, and create traditional Henna shape designs on your hands! From as low as \$7.47* Full fee \$74.73**	16 JAN TCs Got Talent! The ultimate talent show, where you can showcase your skills and be entertained as part of the audience! Then get crafty with paper plate ring tail possums and paper bag pinata craft. Super fun drama group game Zip Zap Zip and good old pin the tail on the kangaroo! From as low as \$8.57* Full fee \$85.58**	17 JAN Pizza Party Ciao a tutti! Let's dive into the art of pizza making and create your own delicious masterpiece. Then, take part in a fun and cultural Italian Colour Game, Strega Comanda Colour! Then join in a Mexican take on Hide n Seek, Sardinia! Finally, cap off your day of adventure by crafting your very own Italian Mountain Climber! From as low as \$10.76* Full fee \$107.58**	18 JAN Matilda's Let's go Matilda! Pay tribute to the iconic Australian Women's Soccer team. Decorate and take home your very own Matilda's branded sports bag and tag! Get soccer crafty with soccer finger puppets, soccer ball photo frame, soccer goal launcher and pom pom craft. Work up a sweat with an energetic game of soccer ball freeze tag! From as low as \$7.47* Full fee \$74.73**	19 JAN Mexican Fiesta Hola! Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture of Mexico with a fiesta extravaganza! Enjoy a fun filled day with activities like Pass the Sombreno and Mexican Kick Ball! Unleash your creativity with your very own Mexican sombrero and Fantastico craft activities. Then savour the day and making your very own DIY Nachos! From as low as \$8.57* Full fee \$85.70**	22 JAN Spray Dye Panda Ni Hao! Today we celebrate the wonder of China. You'll get to create and take home your own Tie Dye Panda! We'll get crafty with Temacotta Clay Warriors and Panda bookmarks. Let's connect our very own Great Wall of China! Then it's game time with two trusted favourites, Red Rover and the Streets, Alleys and Lamp Posts. From as low as \$7.47* Full fee \$74.73**	23 JAN Putt-Tastic Adventure Get ready to tee off for a mini-golf adventure like no other at Cobden Miniature Railway and Mini Golf! And the fun doesn't stop there! Explore Scottish legends with a Loch Ness Monster craft, enjoy an energetic group game of Bulldogs, and craft adorable Scotty Dog bookmarks. It's a day packed with so much fun! From as low as \$10.76* Full fee \$107.58**	24 JAN Bubble - O - Fun Don't burst your bubble! Nurture your creativity, innovation, and imagination with our special STEM Bubble Machines! But that's not all... Dive into a realm of endless fun with activities such as vibrant sidewalk chalk art, create mesmerising bubble paintings, and engage in friendly competitions with sponge toss games! From as low as \$7.47* Full fee \$74.73**	25 JAN Hawaiian Luau Aloha! Dive into a Hawaiian adventure with a spirited Luau celebration. Craft leis and imaginative Recycled Sea Creatures, then challenge friends to a lively game of Crab Soccer and Limbo. To cap it off, whip up your own refreshing Tropical Punch. An island-inspired day of endless excitement awaits! From as low as \$8.57* Full fee \$85.70**	26 JAN Public Holiday! NO SERVICE

Camperdown Uniting Church

Presents

Come see the play we have prepared that is funny and yet sometimes serious and take on "out with the old, in with the new"

December 24th @ 8:00PM

We are so ready for
2023 Christmas Carols
and would love to have you join us.
You will experience a wonderful star drenched
play featuring our talented children -
alongside the extraordinary musical talent of
The Church band
who will lead us through
12 traditional carols.

Location: Leura Street, Camperdown
Time: Gathering from 7:30pm
for 8:00pm start

BYO: Battery candle (no lit candles to keep
the kids fingers safe).

Part of the Play: Kids are invited to dress
up in costumes and be called forward to
non-speaking roles as the play progresses.

For further information contact Rev Suzie Castle on
0421 023 197 or check out the

Camperdown Uniting Church FACEBOOK PAGE

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