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David Adamson  
College Principal

COLLEGE VISION

Our College vision is to educate the whole person for lives of meaning, accomplishment, contribution and success.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As the year draws to a close it is time to reflect on our achievements in 2018.

Obviously the completion of the new building at the Niddrie Campus has been a major achievement. My thanks to Heather Hawkins for her tireless work in not only managing the campus, but also as the link person between the College and the builders. Thanks also to the Niddrie Campus staff for their efforts in continuing to provide a high quality educational program under challenging circumstances.

Not to be outdone Lisa Robinson, in her first year as Campus Principal, has transformed the East Keilor Campus, knocking down walls, revamping the administration area, creating a STEM Centre and beautifying the gardens. While she didn't actually do the physical work herself, she was out there every day supervising builders, picking up papers and developing positive relations with students and staff. There are more changes to come in 2019.

Last, but definitely not least, Lisa Nugent is furthering her passion for the performing arts creating a new theatre in our heritage hall. This has been a major challenge, not helped by the first builder going into receivership. However, Lisa knows what she wants and she does not take no for an answer. So we are going to have a great performing arts space by the end of Term 1 next year. With the support of Mark McInerney the Senior Campus has had a great year.

A special mention to Business Manager, Diana Ortega, for helping us manage the spending.

Building projects aside the College has improved in a range of other areas. Surveys of students, parents and staff indicate that there is a strong learning culture across all three campuses. Student attendance has improved significantly, which shows that students are more engaged with school. We will be introducing a number of new programs next year that will support students to grow, no matter what their starting point.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those in our school community for their support in carrying out the great work that has been done this year. The College Council, ably led by Laki Maridis, the Principal Team, Leading Teachers, College and Campus administrative staff, Education Support staff, teachers, parents and families all work together to make sure our students get the best out of their time at Essendon Keilor College. It is a privilege to be the Principal.

Enjoy the festive season, however you celebrate. Be safe and I look forward to continuing our great work in 2019.

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2019 TERM 1 DATES

Wednesday 30 January -

Friday 5th April

## Essendon Campus News– Lisa Nugent, Principal



**“The Essendon Campus has a long and distinguished history, providing quality education to secondary school students for over one hundred years.” - Lisa Nugent**

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

I would like to acknowledge the teachers, support staff and community members, who have been passionate about all students and their progress and well-being this year. They have guided learning growth, organised events, celebrated achievements and provided support.

I would especially like to acknowledge our International student team and Homestay families. We have a large number of International students who demonstrate a great work ethic and high expectations. They add a wonderful cultural diversity to our Campus and are great role models. Our student leaders this year have been inspirational and strong role models for the College. It has been great to have a leadership group with a diverse range of talents, students with a strong academic focus, our sporting stars and our performing and visual artists. They have advocated for students across the College, both in terms of practical matters and student learning. Our leaders have organised well-being days, community service activities, represented the College at local community groups and supported charity events throughout the year. They have also used their leadership voice to enhance student learning, to guide us in improving student learning outcomes for all. They have been inclusive and accessible to all our students.

Our students this year have demonstrated such a diverse range of talents, strengths and abilities, they have all contributed to a united Campus, learning together, having fun together, looking out for one another and seeking support when needed. Term four was heavily weighted to preparation and sitting exams and transitioning to 2019 through our “Step Up” programs. Students are to be congratulated on the cooperative and serious manner in which they approached their examinations and Orientation weeks. Students have been provided with feedback on their performance and will have gained valuable experience in preparing for, and completing, formal examinations. Thank you to each and every student for the contribution you made to the Essendon Campus this year, I hope the skill, strategies and knowledge you have developed over the year will equip you for the challenges ahead. All Orientation materials have been uploaded to the Orientation Google Classroom. Students also have access to Edrolo and can access a variety of resources to prepare for 2019.

The Campus has undergone significant refurbishment in 2018. The upgrade to the hall building project is well under way. We are looking forward to the development and works being finalised in Term 2 2019.

In conclusion I wish Mr Derek Glennie, Mr Anthony Zarka and Stephanie Pepprell who are moving on from the College all the very best for their future and thank them for their collegiality and service to our community. Best Wishes to Mick Randall and Greg Roberts who will be taking long service leave next year.

To all members of our College community, I wish a safe and happy festive season. Hoping all the very best things in life come your way in 2019 and beyond.

*Lisa Nugent*  
*Essendon Campus Principal*

## **Essendon Campus News**

### **Presentation Evening**

A number of students were acknowledged for their achievements at the College Presentation Evening on the 12th of December. Along with awards in specific categories, this event included guest speakers and student performances. I congratulate the award recipients and the many other students who are actively and positively engaged in learning in and out of the classroom. Essendon Campus award recipients as well as individual and team achievements are listed later in this newsletter.

### **College Art Show**

Students in Years 7 – 12 were given the wonderful experience of exhibiting their art works at the Keilor Heights High School 50<sup>th</sup> Celebrations. Many thanks to staff in the Arts learning area who coordinated the event. Congratulations to all students who had their work exhibited and especially to Darcy De Jong who won the acquisition prize.

### **College Magazine**

Thanks to Mr Steven Clarke for producing the College magazine. It is visually splendid and contains many highlights from 2018. Students who did not receive a magazine may still be able to collect one from their campus next year.

### **Semester 2 Reports and Unit 3/4 Results**

Semester 2 reports have been posted. Students who studied Unit 3/4 (Year 12) subjects should have received their results directly from VCAA.

### **Certificates**

Year 12 VCAA Certificates can be collected from the Essendon Campus during normal office hours throughout Semester one next year. After this time, any uncollected certificates will be sent to the archives at the East Keilor Campus.

### **Student Leadership 2019**

It was pleasing to see students putting themselves forward to represent the student body and lend their voice to student agency work with the Campus Administration in 2019. I encourage any student with an interest in this area to become a part of the wider leadership team comprising students from Years 10-12.

### **STEM Club**

The **STEM** Club, students have been working on a large collaborative project to create an interactive 3D map of the Essendon Campus.

This project has involved:

Measuring and designing the buildings.

Scaling the buildings and school map down to fit our custom built table.

3D Printing the models.

Painting the models.

Designing circuitry to integrate into the table.

The finished design will be able to show visitors to the Campus where buildings are such as the library and gymnasium with the click of a button.

This has been the largest project that we have worked on to date and we are looking forward to proudly displaying it in the Essendon front office.

*Mr. Lachlan Hillier*

## Essendon Campus News

### YEAR 10 - EXCURSION TO THE VICTORIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT

The Year 10 Applied science students attended an excursion to the Victorian Institute of Sport in Albert Park on Monday the 29th of October. This excursion was part of our Science topic of Sports Psychology.

We had a tour of the VIS facilities and met with various athlete mentors such as Luke Mathews (800m runner), Hockeyroos players, Paralympians and members of the Winter Olympics Team.

Students took part in team building and communication exercises. They were also able to test themselves using some of the facilities equipment such as the Watts power bike.

*Elle Frazer*



## Essendon Campus News

### 2019 School Captains

Courtney Monro  
Kurtis Barnard

### 2019 School Vice Captains

Patricia Morrison  
Orisi Baravi

### 2019 International Student Captains

Julie Ngo  
Scott Lov

### Sport Captains

Ida Miller  
Teo Cvetkovski

### Performance Captain

Idalya Brown

### Student Management Team

*Mr Mark McLnerney, the Assistant Principal, will oversee the Student Management Team.*

The Student Management of students will be coordinated by our Campus Co-ordinator Ms Travers and supported by our VCE Co-ordinator Ms Coutts located in room 32.

### Year level Coordinators for 2019 are:

#### Year 10

Mr Jarrod McDonald

#### Year 11

Ms Suzanne Rose

#### Year 12

Ms Melissa Travers

### International Student Coordinator

The coordination of International students will be led by Mr Richard Myddleton (Leading Teacher).

### Student Services

#### Student Welfare

Ms Linda Muldoon  
(Located in weatherboard house in McCracken Street)

#### Careers/Pathways

Mr Daniel Kingham  
(Located in weatherboard house in McCracken Street)

### Members of the International team include:

Mrs Carol Carland

Ms Mizue Kobayashi

Ms Vanessa Huynh (Vietnamese Aide/Admin support)

Ms Chiu Kwan Tong (Chinese Aide/Admin support)

Ms Pei Fen Li (Chinese Teacher/Aide)

Most members of the group will be located in the brick house in McCracken Street.

Parents are strongly encouraged to contact the relevant coordinator if they have concerns about their child's progress/welfare or need to convey other information that is essential for the school to know.

### Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Students are required to bring their devices fully charged to school each day. Technology will be an integral part of the curriculum and the **Google platform** will be extensively used in all classes.

**Reminder** - Students who are no longer studying at the Campus are required to return their school owned netbooks in good working order along with the computer case, charger and manual (if possible).

## Essendon Campus

Firstly good luck and farewell to the departing Year 12 students. We hope they achieve results they are proud of and are able to follow a chosen pathway that leads to success and happiness. Here is a summary of key VTAC dates students need to be aware of:

<b>ATARs Released</b>	Friday 14 December 2018
<b>International Students: Change of Preference closes for December International Offers</b>	Saturday 15 December 2018
<b>Domestic Students: Change of Preference closes for Round 1 Offers</b>	Wednesday 19 December 2018
<b>International Students: December International Round Offers released</b>	Wednesday 19 December 2018
<b>International Students: Main Round International Offers released</b>	Tuesday 8 January 2019
<b>Domestic Students: Main Round Domestic Offers released</b>	Wednesday 16 January 2019
<b>Further Offer Rounds</b>	Monday 4 February 2019 onwards

For a full list of **key dates**, students can refer to: <http://www.vtac.edu.au/dates.html>

### **Year 9s**

We are looking to organise career planning assessments and individual 30 minute interviews in 2019 for every Year 9 student in the College. This is run by an external agency, and is fully funded by the state government.

### **Year 10s**

Year 10 students are strongly encouraged to organise their 2019 Work Experience placement as soon as possible. Many students have already been very proactive and have organised some very interesting placements.

### **Year 11s**

Year 11s are now making the big step up into beginning VCE or VCAL. Now is the time students need to be giving plenty of thought to their future career path. Students need to ensure they understand the steps and requirements to achieve their career goals. During 2019 students will have the opportunity to be involved in a variety of careers related excursions and events, so they are encouraged to take full advantage of this.

### **Year 12s**

During 2019 every Year 12 student will have an individual 15 minute appointment in the careers office during semester 1 to assist with their career choice and pathway options. Hopefully by now many students are forming a strong idea of what pathway they would like to pursue when they finish school and have a goal in mind to set their sights towards achieving.

*Daniel Kingham*

*Careers Coordinator*



**Essendon Campus**

**Term 1, 2019**

**First Day for Students 2019  
Wednesday, 30 January**

Students in Years 10 -12 should arrive at 8.45am for an assembly. Timetabled classes will commence immediately after the assembly.

At the assembly, students will be issued with a timetable and locker. Students are required to bring their own padlock. It is absolutely essential that students do not leave items unsecured at any time.

### **2019 Term Dates for students**

Term 1: 30 January – 5 April

Term 2: 23 April – 28 June

Term 3: 15 July – 20 September

Term 4: 7 October – 20 December

**Campion Book Collection  
Friday, 18 January, 2018  
Essendon Campus:  
12.00pm – 5.00pm**

### CAREERS RELATED WEBSITES / ONLINE RESOURCES

All students from Year 9-12 are encouraged to join the Careers / Pathways Google Classroom group. The code is gdknn8x.

Students are also encouraged to refer to [www.ekccareers.com](http://www.ekccareers.com) for any careers related investigation.

All students need to ensure they have updated their yearly Career Action Plan for the upcoming 2019 year via **MIPs online** at: <https://www.mipsonline.com.au/ekc>.

### CAREER NEWS - FREE TAFE COURSE

From January 1st 2019, the government has released a large number of **Free TAFE Programs for Priority Courses**. These courses include many **Non-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship Pathway Courses** ranging from Cert II to Diploma Level. The **Free TAFE courses** have been identified as those that will lead to occupations in Industries where there are likely to be more jobs.

A number of students from Essendon Keilor College have already made preliminary enrolment enquiries regarding many of these courses.

To see an extensive list of these courses and to make an inquiry, follow this link:

<https://www.vic.gov.au/freetafe/free-tafe.html>



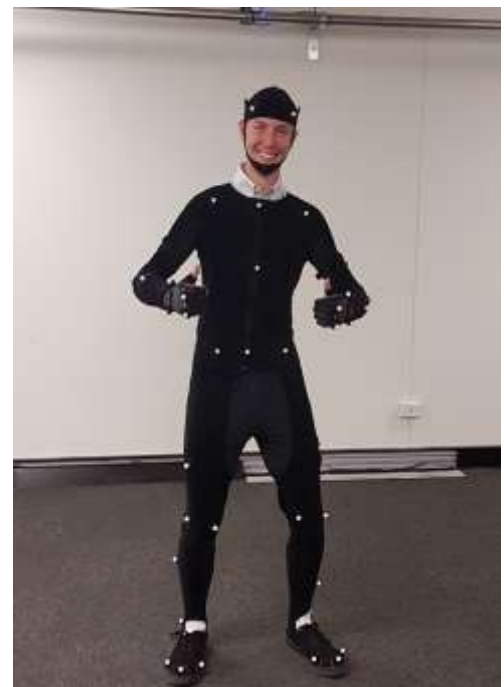
### CBD STEM Excursion to Big Art Studios, Years 10 - 12

On the 26th of October a group of our senior students were lucky enough to attend an excursion to Big Ant Studios in Southbank as part of our Senior STEM program.

Big Ant Studios create many of the biggest sporting games in the industry and our students were able to get a tour of their facilities and then a seminar from a range of experts on how best to get into the gaming industry. These talks ranged from what kind of programming students should learn to how best to network and make contacts.

After the seminar, several students were lucky enough to try on the motion capture suits that they use and were able to record dances and celebrations that will actually be used in the new Big Bash Game!

Quite a few students have since started using some of the game creator programs discussed and some were able to find mentors among the experts on the day.



## East Keilor Junior Campus News - Ms Lisa Robinson, Principal



***“Students thrive when there are strong links between home and school with teachers and parents working together to support learning growth.”***

***- Lisa Robinson***

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for the warm welcome they have given me this year. It has been a big year in many ways at the Keilor East campus.

Just to name some of the changes this year:

- Reconnect and Exit Procedures which ensure you are notified of any behaviours that we would like to address. Action taken immediately to ensure no further impact on your child’s learning, with a Reconnection with the staff member immediately. If your child is Exited from class, you will be notified by SMS by 2.30pm at the latest, that they will be required to attend a Reconnect Discussion until 3.25pm on that day. If this creates problems for you as a family, contact the office where we have been more than happy to discuss alternative arrangements;
- A Time Counts process where by any students late to class and school more than 15% of the week meet with me during Friday lunchtime. Any ongoing concerns with punctuality are communicated with families;
- Three weekly progress reports that track learning, behavior and homework;
- Fountas and Pinnel Intervention for Reading. Almost 14% of the campus is presently being challenged in this program and this will continue to be implemented in 2019;
- Student Leadership Team of 20 plus leaders;
- Active teaching of the SWPBS matrix during Focus;
- \$350,000 upgrade of the Administration and Science areas;
- Targeted discussion and support around Attendance. We want your child with us every day and will support you in this.

I am very excited to continue the work in 2019. Many new staff and students will join us in the journey at the campus. So it is important that I take this opportunity to farewell the Niddrie students and staff will resume at the Niddrie campus in 2019. Furthermore I would like acknowledge the work and support of Bianca Jones, Mike Williams, Scott Cummerford and Rita Lentini as they leave the college and embark on new and different adventures in their professional journeys. To all families I wish you all a safe break and look forward to our learning in 2019.

*Lisa Robinson*

**Opening of STEM Centre by  
Ben Carroll MP, 50th Celebration**





## **Niddrie Junior Campus News - Ms Heather Hawkins, Principal**



**“Niddrie Campus offers a breadth of depth of learning opportunities that challenges every student to strive for success and growth. It is innovative and responsive to the contemporary world.” - *Heather Hawkins***

Dear Parents/Guardians/Students

The 2018 year has come to a close. It has been a pleasure working with you during this year. The students continue to produce outstanding results and improvements. I have enjoyed watching their natural enthusiasm for learning and their growth as young adults.

During 2019, they will take a big step in their personal development having to remember what to bring to class and how to navigate a larger space.

We are looking forward to the return of last year's cohort, as I know their student leadership will be required to settle the 100 students expected in Year 7 next year. I have watched their progress in the last year and am excited to continue to support their development.

The completion of the new buildings has had a real boost for the students and staff. I hope parents took advantage of the tour we offered. Students started to use the building this week. During 'Step Up' next week, we will be able to access most spaces for classes.

I am pleased to announce the Education Department will provide us with additional classrooms over the holidays. This will allow us to utilise our facility in the best way possible to support our students.

During the break, please ensure you assist your child by organising uniform and equipment including the BYO device so that they commence school, on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019, with a very positive mindset. Remember it is a good opportunity to catch up on reading and reviewing this year's goals and achievements

Finally, I would like to thank all families for their support throughout this year and over the building program. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Kind regards

Heather Hawkins

Principal

Essendon Keilor College

Niddrie Campus

## Junior Campus News

### YEAR 9 ESCAPE ROOMS EXCURSION

On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November over 50 of the Year 9 students attended The Mystery Rooms for an Escape Room Experience.

This term the Year 9 curriculum has focussed on Forensic Science and how the analysis of evidence can help solve crimes or also hinder the outcomes.

The students worked in teams to solve two activities. The different escape rooms entailed narrative stories pertaining to an Egyptian scenario, where the aim was to obtain the locked Book of the Dead, a Medieval scenario to obtain the Excalibur Sword and an Australian History Ned Kelly scenario to obtain the Green Scarf to symbolise Courage.

The students looked around, down and up to find clues and used these to solve puzzles or codes. All students successfully completed and ESCAPED all rooms in the allocated time. It was evident that all students were very engaged and enthusiastic participants throughout the day with many showing signs of 'Brain Strain' after being on task for 2 hours!

Thankyou to all students and Ms Trembath, Mr Roeck and Joe Marra for their assistance on the day.

*Natalie Sheridan*



## Junior Campus News

### Year 9 Y-Challenge

In Semester 2, we were part of the College Y Challenge Elective. Throughout this subject, we gained many life skills that were unique to this subject. Y Challenge helped students to step out of their comfort zone and do things that they would not normally do. As part of Y Challenge, students were required to visit a not for profit organisation to help people in the community.

Students went to various places including primary schools, aged care centres, and libraries. During this Elective, we contributed in sessions with Scope, a charity organisation that campaigns to challenge and change negative attitudes about disability and provides direct services that enables each person we support to live as an empowered and equal citizen.

Throughout our sessions we learnt about people with disabilities and the different ways to see the person, not the disability. Outside of practical lessons we also did theory lessons. We talked about how to communicate with people with disabilities and to respect them for who they are. Overall, Y Challenge was a fantastic experience.

*Anh Hoang, Keona Tapungao, Year 9*



## Junior Campus News

On 27<sup>th</sup> of November, all Year 9 Japanese students went on an excursion to Chiba Restaurant in Moonee Ponds.

The experience was fun and interesting. We all enjoyed traditional Japanese dishes like Sushi, Bento, Yakinku and many more. We used chopsticks which was challenging if you have never used them before.

It was a lovely atmosphere. It was an enjoyable excursion and we all appreciated participating in the experience of having a traditional Japanese lunch whilst spending time with each other out of a school environment.

*Macy Gorman 9A*



## Junior Campus News

### Japanese Excursions



### Japanese Film Festival Excursion

On the 30<sup>th</sup> of November, the Niddrie and East Keilor Year 7 students who study Japanese attended the Japanese Film Festival at Federation Square with many other schools. We enjoyed a Japanese rom-com called 'My Love Story.' Before the film started the Japanese hosts held a trivia event for all students to play. The student to answer first and correctly won a prize. After our trivia game, they held one for each school sensei.

The funny was in Japanese with English subtitles which made it easier for everyone to understand. It was also very funny. The movie taught us how to greet others in different ways depending on the situation they were in.

It was a fun and interesting event to experience.

*-Yumika Liu and Trinity Mai*



## Junior Campuses Library News



In 2018 Principal's Reading Challenge required students to read widely, including Real Life Reads, Non Fiction and Magazines in addition to Fiction and submit reviews. The challenge concluded early November and students who completed all 7 sections and the minimum 5 reviews celebrated with a Pizza Lunch in the library.

Homework club, with teachers tutoring, after school on Wednesdays and Thursdays is in the library. It is also great to see students before school and at lunchtime completing work, borrowing, reading, working on puzzles and playing games. The open library space was ideal for a morning of social activities for the visiting Japanese students and Niddrie's and Keilor's Japanese language students.

With the end of 2018 fast approaching please remind students to return all books. Then as part of the Step Up program year 7's and 8's are expected to borrow a fiction book to read and review over the holidays.

Remember students can access Infniti (<https://ekcvic.concordinfniti.com>) the library site anytime, using their school login and password. Infniti is cloud based and students can access the College catalogue and their loan profiles, as well as links to Wordflyers, Hotmaths, Google Apps, and the Moonee Valley library website.



## Junior Campuses - End of Year Music Concert

### East Keilor and Niddrie End of Year Music Concert

Congratulations to Natasha Anicic, Jarrod McDonald and the Instrumental Music Teachers who organised a great show, on two stages. All the performances were terrific, but some of the highlights were the choir singing 'Heal the World', Sara Jones belting out 'One and Only', backed by Paul Carey's beautiful guitar and Rosalba Russo, again with Paul. However, the biggest hit, and a first for EKC, was a piano accordion duet featuring Natasha and Patrick Spirli performing 'Una Spina E Una Rosa' (A Thorn and a Rose). Well done to everybody.

*David Adamson, Principal*



# Junior Campuses - End of Year Music Concert





## College Information

### New Essendon Keilor College Website

at the following link: <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/>

It is useful to navigate around the Website to familiarize yourself with important information.

A link to **Compass** can also be found on the College Homepage.

Some useful links are as follows:

- College Calendar and Events <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/events/>
- College Term Dates <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/information/term-dates/>
- Daily Operations - Daily Timetables <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/information/daily-operations/>
- College Uniform - <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/information/uniform/>

*Please visit the College Website for College Information and News Items*

### 2019 Compass News Feeds

News feeds will be regularly posted on the **Compass** homepage in 2019. Please access this online platform regularly to check for messages as well as monitoring your child's attendance. Contact your Campus General Office if you need to reset your Login/Password. The Compass application is also available for iPhone and Android devices through your usual app store.) The address to access school's Compass Portal is: <https://ekc-vic.compass.education>

### 2019 Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund (CSEF)

The Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund has ensured that no student misses out on the opportunity to participate in important educational and fun activities. CSEF has been provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. If you are a new parent at the College and have not completed an application you may be eligible and will need to fill out a CSEF Application for 2019 which is available from your Campus Reception.

### Essendon Keilor College Uniform

All students attending the College are required to wear full uniform. Hoodies and other visible forms of non-school clothing must not be worn. Footwear must be all black and leather. The new College soft shell jacket will be available from Noone Imagewear. The jacket is made of a more durable material and has a polar fleece lining for warmth.

Uniform Policy:

[https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/sites/default/files/document\\_files/Uniform%20policy%202014.pdf](https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/sites/default/files/document_files/Uniform%20policy%202014.pdf)

Noone Imagewear: 543 Keilor Road, Niddrie, Ph : 9379 <https://www.noone.com.au/>

### **UPDATING STUDENT DETAILS FOR 2019**

It is very important that student, parent/guardians **ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBERS, EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS AND OCCUPATION DETAILS** are **up to date and correct for ALL STUDENTS** at the College.

**If any of your details have recently changed or will change over the holiday break please update yours and/or your child's details on Compass.**

### **MEDICAL DETAILS - IMPORTANT**

Please let the College know if your child/children develop or have any medical issues that teachers need to be aware of and also if a student's medical details have changed - please notify your Campus Reception. Medical Certificates must be provided to your Campus reception on the return from absence for medical reasons or from a medical appointment.

### **UNWELL STUDENTS - SCHOOL PROTOCOL**

When a student becomes unwell while at school, College protocol is for them to present to the Campus General Office/Reception where staff will log the student into Sickbay, and determine if he child needs to go home and/or emergency contact is to be called. Students are not to arrange pick up directly with their parents or guardians via their mobile phone, particularly during class time.

### **EARLY LEAVERS**

Parent/guardians are reminded to please notify the College Campus relevant to your child/children in advance of any early student pick up. Announcements cannot be made during class time. You are required to send a note on the day which is to be handed to the General Office and a Pass to leave class will be provided to the student. This will avoid any unnecessary delays. Alternatively call Reception in advance to arrange pick up of your child/children.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Parent/guardians are sent SMS messages daily via mobile phones if students are absent or late. Please notify the Campus Reception if your child is absent and provide a note or medical certificate to explain their absence. Student attendance is very important to successfully complete their year of study. At Essendon Keilor College all students are required to be at school 100% of the time. This requirement is to support students with their learning, and to assist them in achieving their full potential. For students whose absence isn't quite where it should be, the parents/guardians will be receiving a letter and requesting a meeting with them to discuss attendance and how it can be improved.

# Ciao Italia!



## TRIP TO ITALY 2019 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

In order to plan for the 2019 Italy Trip, we provide below a summary concerning the proposed tour and request you indicate your interest to participate by completing the Expression of Interest Form overleaf.

### Proposed Tour Details

**Dates:** October, 2019 [final dates to be announced]. We are considering leaving during the shoulder peak season of early October in order to take advantage of the lower cost.

**Cost:** Approximately \$6,000-6,500 depending on the itinerary chosen, the number of students attending. The price includes international and domestic travel, meals, travel insurance, guided tours and classes in glass-making, mask-making and Italian cooking. The final cost can be determined when the school has firm numbers and all expressions of interest have been collected.

### Procedure

Parents who are considering sending their child on the Italy Tour in 2019 should: Complete the *Expression of Interest* form below and have their child return it to:

- East Keilor Campus: General Office or Ms Adele di Virgilio or Ms Rosalie Marinov
- Essendon Campus: Annamaria De Amicis or Mr Mark McInerney

### Itinerary

The proposed itinerary will cover Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento, Florence, and Venice for 14-16 days.



### Eligibility

- Those who are studying Italian in Years 9 to 12 in 2019
- Other interested students thereafter.



### Contact Details:

**Do not hesitate to contact me should you require further information**

<b>Annamaria DeAmicis</b>
<b>VCE Campus</b>
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**ITALY TOUR 2019**  
***Expressions of Interest***

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**PLEASE RETURN THE FORM BELOW TO CAMPUS GENERAL OFFICE or YOUR  
CHILD'S ITALIAN TEACHER**  
**EKC Italy Tour 2019: Parent/Guardian Expression of Interest**

I am realistically considering sending my child on the *Italy Tour in 2019*.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Campus: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent mobile number: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2019 Term 1 Dates

Wednesday 30 January - Term 1 Commences

Tuesday 26 February - Swimming Carnival (Queen's Park)

Thursday 7 March - College Photo Day

Monday 11 March - Public Holiday (Labour Day)

Tuesday 12 March - College Photos (Catch up Day)

Monday 18 March - Parent Teacher Conversations (Years 7-12)

Thursday 4 April - Athletics Day (Aberfeldie)

Friday 5 April - End of Term 1

