



Essendon Keilor College

Term 1 Newsletter

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College Principal – David Adamson



Our Vision: To develop accomplished citizens who contribute, live meaningfully and succeed

Welcome to our second College Newsletter of 2020.

Normally I would be writing about all the highlights of the Term; camps, excursions, sport and musical evenings. But, as we all know, there hasn't been much that is normal this Term.

Our students made a staggered return with Years 11 and 12, and some Year 10's, returning on the 26th May and the rest on the 9th June. Hopefully there will be no more disruptions this year.

One observation about the remote learning experience is that for most students it wasn't too bad, although some liked it more than others. I'm sure the same could be said for teachers and parents! Our challenge now is to focus on the learning and to support any students who have fallen behind.

My other observation is that when the students did return they slotted straight back into school like they had hardly been away. Again, some were happier to be back than others. As for teachers and parents I think we were all pleased to get back to the normal routine, with a few additional restrictions.

As to what the future holds, we are all in this together and we have to continue to be conscious of social distancing and maintaining hygienic practices as we don't want to be closed down again. We are doing everything possible on the Campuses to reduce any risk of transmission and the students have been very co-operative in their behaviour.

I am proud of the way the Essendon Keilor College community has responded to the disruption that COVID19 has caused because we all wanted our students to continue with their education. As teachers we learnt some important lessons about how different students learn and we will incorporate that new knowledge into our future practices. While I can't speak for parents I would imagine that things will never quite be the same at home from now on.

My final word for this newsletter is about the students. As I have visited the three Campuses over the past few weeks I have been impressed by the tone in the yard and the learning in the classrooms. It shows what a great bunch of students we have at the College.

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Dates for your diary

3rd August – Parent Teacher Interviews

21st August – Staff Professional Development. Pupil Free Day

Term Dates 2020

Term 3 Mon 13th Jul – Fri 18th Sep

Term 4 Mon 5th Oct – Fri 18th Dec

The holidays will give us a chance to reflect and recharge ready for Term 3. While the teachers definitely need a break after all their efforts this term, I know that they will come back more determined than ever to work with their students to achieve the best outcome possible.

Education Perfect Humanities World Championship

Essendon Keilor College entered the Education Perfect Humanities World Championship and performed extremely well.

- 1st in Australia for schools of 500-1000 students
- 2nd overall in Victoria
- 3rd overall in Australia
- 9th in the World
- Answered a collective 95 812 questions on Geography, History, Economics and Civics and Citizenship

Congratulations to all the students who entered.

David Adamson

Principal



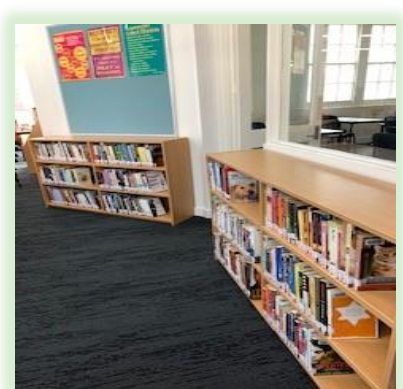
Essendon Campus – Principal Lisa Nugent

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

On behalf of Mr McInerney and myself, I would to take this opportunity to express our very sincere thanks for your support and commitment this Term. We have faced many unknowns together and have been working in a very different environment to what we have been used to. The health and wellbeing of all students and staff has been our top priority. It has been an extraordinary effort from all stakeholders, students, parents and staff learning from home. It has been a challenging time for everyone. Some staff and students enjoyed working from home, however, now we are back it is very obvious the benefits of collaboration in the classroom. There are still many opportunities available online which students can take advantage of over the holiday break. The Melbourne University VCE Unit 3 lectures are free and online and are a great way to check understanding of the Unit 3 knowledge and skills. There are also many mindfulness and wellbeing apps students can access for free.

The Essendon Campus Library is almost complete and students are enjoying the renovated spaces. Congratulations to Miss Snowden on the birth of her daughter Maddison and Miss Harbrow on the birth of her son Hudson. At the end of Term 1 our Librarian, Mrs Virginia Brown announced her retirement, we will organise a formal farewell once the COVID restrictions are lifted. Best wishes to Mrs Linda Muldoon who is taking her long service leave Term 3 and 4.

We would also like to acknowledge the extraordinary commitment and service Mr Russell Stanko (our school contracted cleaner) has made to the Essendon Campus over the last 26 years. Russell has gone above and beyond to support all staff and students at the Essendon Campus and made many lifelong friends along the way.



We will continue to follow the advice from the Department of Human Services and the Education Department and support our students throughout the year. We will provide regular updates and endeavour to ensure all students have the opportunity to continue their learning program. **Please ensure all families follow the Victorian Government guidelines over the holidays to protect our school community. We encourage everyone to stay home, be active and safe over the holiday period.**

Semester Reports are due to be posted on Compass at the start of Term 3. Updated CAT and SAC calendar will also be published in Term 3. The GAT will be held on Wednesday 9 September, 2020. VCE written exams will begin in the week commencing 9 November and be completed by 2 December 2020. VCE results will be released to students on Wednesday 30 December at 7am. The ATAR will be released to students at the same time: **7am, Wednesday 30 December.**

Subject Selection 2021

Information sessions are an essential part of assisting students’ transition to the next year level at the College. Details will be available early next Term. The 2021 Course Information Handbook and specific information about each subject will be available on our website early Term 3.

Assembly and Awards

An online Campus assembly was held to celebrate academic and positive REAL awards. ‘Sweet Disposition’ by Temper Trap was performed by our music students Carla Greco, Ashleigh Laure, Zac Attard and Brian Le.

The following students received academic awards and we congratulate them on their commitment to study and consistent results throughout the Term.

TERM 2 AWARD WINNERS

YEAR 10 Ciara De Simone Caitlyn Tapungao Yuxin (Amelia) Lin Thanh Nhan (Nathan) Le Max Talia Hamza Dahir	YEAR 11 Keona Tapungao Pham Bao Truc (Melanie) Vuong Omar Shaheen Aaron Hay Anh (Travis) Phan Blake Taylor
ELC Gia Linh (Linh) Le Tan Quang (Quang) Nguyen	
YEAR 12 Fathy Abdelshahid Aboubaker Dahir Carla Greco Vuong Thao Linh (Jenny) Ma Aylisa Soares Evandar Delimar	REAL AWARD WINNERS Year 10 Rose Eddy Max Talia Year 11 Macy Gorman Year 12 Evandar Delimar
ISO AWARD WINNERS Kate Ryan Jorja Grant Jennifer Grogan	



School Captains Report



This Term began with 5 weeks of remote learning. The experience was unique, nevertheless it was a challenge for all the Year 12 students, as performing required tasks was overwhelming, it was a struggle to keep motivation levels high. Despite this, we've managed to return to school, where the learning environment fosters an encouraging atmosphere.

The Year 12's had to return to a week's worth of SAC's, while the Year 11's had to return to exams that provided a challenge due to the weeks spent in quarantine. Having all year levels back at school, students were able to return to a sense of normality and begin to gather motivation from surrounding people. We are all excited to be back and hopeful to not return to remote learning. We encourage everyone to stay safe and look forward to seeing everyone in term 3.

Fathy & Victoria

International Student Report

We appreciate the support and effort from the staff members and students as it has been a difficult time for us all. Many of the International Students have received achievement awards and accomplished good SAC scores in the last week of school. If there are any ideas for any future activities that may be cultural or traditional to International Students, please speak to us. If there are any concerns or issues you can contact us and the teachers via Microsoft Teams. We wish you all safe holidays.

Jenny Ma and Ryan Lee

Sports Captain Report

These past 3 months have been difficult for school sports to be run. Many of the kids at school miss the sporting component and have had a greater appreciation for the school sports. This is the first year the school football hasn't been run which has disappointed the boys greatly as most of them are in their final year of school. Although the sport is postponed, most boys are still training and staying active. The girls have been impacted as they don't have the opportunity to compete in the netball Inter School Sports which we look forward to every year. Before Coronavirus closed down our schools, we had planned as Sports Captains to run a teacher and student basketball game which many were disappointed by when it couldn't go ahead. With some sports returning it's giving kids a boost and making them look forward to when school sports return at some stage.

Brianna and Harrison

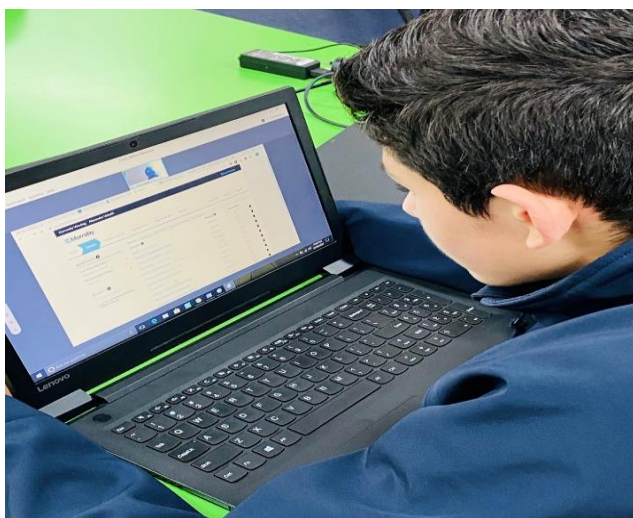


Well Semester 1 of 2020 was not how we imagined it would be. The move to remote learning and then back to the Campus meant that both the students and staff had to demonstrate resilience and flexibility in ways never expected of them before. The East Keilor Campus community has made me immensely proud in the way in which we handled this Term. Learning and support of one another was front and centre of everything that we did. You heard a lot from me over the course of the Term, so I will keep this brief and let the photographs and student awards do the talking; I will however let you know that Semester reports will be published on Compass during the first week back of Term 3.

End of Semester Awards			
Attendance	Attendance	GPA Growth	SWPBS Excellence
Georgia Williams	Reece Grech	Noah Debrincat	Mathew Abed
Tijana Bobinac	Hamda Dahir	Cooper Barton	Deegan Oakley
Chloe Gordon	Oliver Ivanov	Ellesha Silverio	Trisha Tan
Max Ivankovic	Chanel Mai	Jamal Bastian	Brodie Lyons-Jones
Caprice Lyons-Jones	Trisha Tan	Kyra Aurisch	Ellie Fuller
Theary Morrish	Isabella Tantotero		Gedy Gebremedhin
Kobi Glenister	Camellia Tran		Kourosh Shakiba
Freida Kakoulis			

Careers

The Year 9 students have been part of the Morrisby Careers Assessment and have had their follow up interviews over Webex with a Career Counsellor. “This process enabled us to think about our strengths, learning that we enjoy and ideas for a future pathway or career. The 40 minute counselling interview supported a lot of what we knew and also challenged us to think about other future possibilities.”



ISO Competition

The ISO competition allowed students to share experiences from home. Here are some of the entries from East Keilor Campus.



Remote Learning Awards

During remote learning we visited nine students each week at home and awarded them for their support of others and determination during remote learning. Award recipients were:

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Community Spirit Award <i>-given to students who have demonstrated support and guidance in helping their classmates in remote learning</i>	Cooper Barton Nguyen Pham Max Ivankovic Kobi Glenister Noah Debrincat Jackson Everett Madison Westgarth	Tenisha Tahitahi Junior Lugonja Aaliyah Zeybek Hamda Dahir Mason Celantano Ellesha Silverio Daniel Talidis	Vik Papandreou Riley Burrows Brian Sanderson Samet Karamanoglu Trinity Mai Gedy Gebremedhin Sammy Vassallo
School Wide Positive Behaviour Awards	Tijana Bobinac Chloe Gordon Jasper McGlone Ceyerra Wallington Deegan Oakley Georgia Williams Sam Craggs Mathew Abed Nick Lacey Kynan Brown Oliver Briggs Zeynep Kilic Shail Saleem Joshua Grogan Kourosh Shakiba, Jared Colyer Jerry Griffin Bronte De Gille	Kyla Kirdi Oliver Ivanov Reece Grech Freida Kakoulis Megan Doherty Chanel Mai Sabrina Rachkidi Trisha Tan Theary Morrish Lenny Fishenden Max Urra Aguilera Justus Iskandar Muzzammil Ali Brodie Lyons-Jones Kyla Kirdi Konni Bonar	Yumika Liu Stefanie Bruzzaniti Macglory Ngametua Ellie Fuller Jamal Bastian Asraa Mohamed Isabella Tantotero Ashley Sawan Camellia Tran Kade Munro Andreas Vassilopoulos Nate Smith James Acciaccaferri Rawan Ali Jack Truong Sylvia Jung Dakoda Della Salandra



Niddrie Campus – Principal Christine Cole



This Term has definitely been one that I'm sure all students, staff and families will remember. With 8 weeks of remote learning, and 3 weeks of learning onsite, we are very proud of the achievements of our students. The commitment and dedication by all, has allowed our students to learn regardless. Thank you to all parents and family members who have taught, helped and supported students during remote learning. Upon the students return to school this term, it has definitely been a hub of excitement. Seeing the students socialising with their friends, sharing their stories of isolation and most of all, eager to learn. The Year 8 Science and STEM classes keenly and collaboratively created their own Rube Goldberg Machines last week, as they learnt about Physics and Engineering.

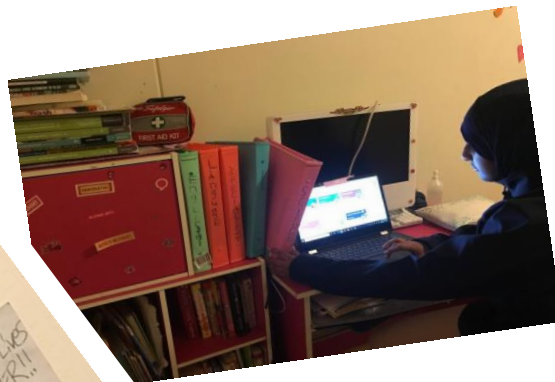


**Niddrie School Captain
Amy Bektash (Yr 8) with
her Viking Longship made
during Remote Learning**

ISO Photo & Video Challenge Winners

Well done to all students who entered the photo and video challenge. Congratulations to the following students who are our winners of the competition. You each have won a \$30 gift card. CONGRATULTIONS!

Category	Student
Best Remote Learning Workspace and Locker	Moram Mohamed Nur 7S
Best Remote Learning Outfit	Lily Thompson 8S
Best ISO Furry Friend Companion	Jackson Harper 9R
Most Creative ISO Tik -Tok	Ela Guler 7T



REAL Reward Winners for Term 2

Each student received a \$5 voucher to spend at the Canteen. Well done to you all!

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Lily Broadbent 7R	Bailey Dodd 8R	Kasey Stephenson 9R
Tom Sutherland 7S	McKenzie-Rose Florrymell 8S	Lucinda Phair 9S
Arjana Gjohilani 7T	Anthony Barbaro 8T	Robert Cooper 9T
Layla Gray 7W	Xavier Bassett 8W	Natalia Rehmtulla 9R
Aidan Borg McGlone 7R	Nikita Marzovilla-Siclari 8R	Aiden Gray 9R
Kiarlie McLeod 7R	Mikayla Miller 8R	Georgia Spring-Brown 9S
Akira Marzovilla-Siclari 7T	Trent Doehmann 8S	Julia Darwood 9S
Tyson Jones 7T	Tegan Anderson 8S	Gianluca Raudino 9T
Mackenzie Gidman 7S	Georgia Wood 8T	Christian Tuccitto 9T
Moram Mohamed Nur 7S	Ava Thomas 8T	Amelia Wright 9R
Jaxon Bowman 7W	Vittorio Ieria 8W	Kiara Bowman 9S
Logan Holliday 7W	Amy Bektash 8W	Ahmed Sultan 9S
Xavier Dunmore 7R	Eren Dinc 8R	Mary Bonett 9T
Jessica Brown 7R	Luca Stellato 8R	Erica Zanti 9T
Tom Keogh 7S	Caleb Gomez 8S	
Olivia Jackson 7S	Sahara Emresoy 8S	
Dechlan Major 7T	Aidan Zivkovic 8T	
Grace Ballingall 7T	Ahmed Mohamad 8W	
Lanah Mosca 7W	Shania Ragland 8W	
Havin Sengul 7W		

The Following students received the most REAL Reward vouchers for Term 2:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Massimo Raudino	Elizabeth Bettini	Lucinda Phair
Madison Spring-Brown	Zach Jiogas	Caius Ripper

Our REAL REWARD Class Winner for Term 2 is: 7S! The class will receive a pizza lunch in Term 3.

A reminder to all families that Homework Club runs every Wednesday and Thursday afterschool until 4pm in the Library. Students are encouraged to attend to review and revise their classwork and seek some help from teachers.

Lastly, we are all very thrilled that our Canteen is now up and running and open to all students at recess and lunchtime. I remind all students that it's a good idea to order your lunch at recess.

Looking forward to a fresh start to Semester 2 in Term 3.

Take care,
Christine Cole
Niddrie Campus Principal