



Essendon Keilor College

# Term 3 Newsletter

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## College Principal - David Adamson



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

Welcome to our third College Newsletter of 2021.

This time last year we had just endured a significant period of lockdown, and unfortunately Term 3 has been a repeat of 2020. Again student learning hasn't stopped and we have all continued to work together to make the most of the situation.

The School Review has taken place with input from staff, parents and students so that we can develop a new Strategic Plan for the next four years. Generally the outcome is that everybody is happy with the way the school is being run, but there is room for improvement.

While there are still a lot of unknowns about next term many of the normal activities can still occur. Students have been choosing their electives for 2022 and we will run the Step Up program in the last few weeks of the year. There have been some changes for next year where we have provided more subject choices for Year 10 students and different electives for Year 9. These changes have been made in response to student feedback and we believe that the changes will be more engaging and challenging for students.

We are also looking forward to our production of the Addams Family late Term 4, after needing to be postponed again.

The holidays will give us a chance to reflect and recharge ready for Term 4. While dealing with all the issues around COVID continue to be a challenge I am always filled with a sense of optimism when I see the great work that students and teachers do every day. Lisa Robinson returns to the East Keilor Campus in Term 4 and she is very welcome back. Thanks to Christine Cole and Sally Stevens for their assistance in managing the Campus along with the support of the rest of the Campus leadership team.

Thanks to everybody for all their efforts this term.

And don't forget to get your vaccination as soon as you can.

David Adamson

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#### Dates for your diary

1<sup>st</sup> November – Pupil free day

2<sup>nd</sup> November – Melbourne Cup public holiday

#### Term Dates 2021

**Term 4** Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

5<sup>th</sup> Oct GAT

18<sup>th</sup> Oct Soiree

24<sup>th</sup> Nov Valedictory Evening

3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Report Writing Day

14<sup>th</sup> Dec Presentation Evening

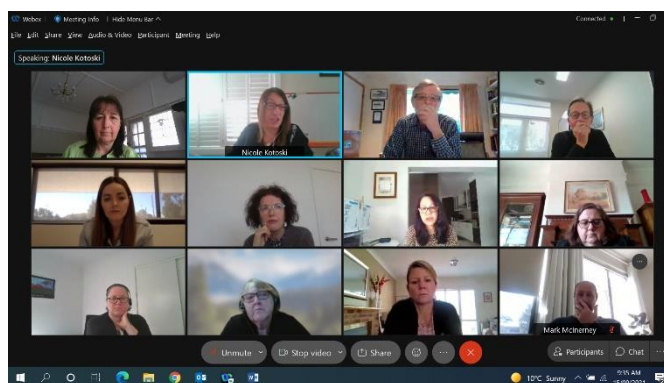


## Essendon Campus Principal - Lisa Nugent

Our staff, students and parents have shown great initiative, resilience and gratitude in meeting the challenges that the pandemic has presented again this term. I would like to acknowledge everyone's contribution to support their own learning, well-being, and the well-being of others. Despite the lock down we have been able to continue our program both in the classrooms and beyond.

The GAT will be held on **Tuesday 5 October** from 10.00am – 1.15pm. This is subject to public health advice. We will continue to work with the Department of Education and Training and the Department of Health on health and safety requirements for the GAT and all students returning in Term 4. We will update all families once we are informed by the Victorian Government and Department of Education.

I would also like to thank all the staff, students and parents who have contributed to our College Review. While all of the review sessions were held online, discussions were rigorous and productive. The feedback regarding the Essendon Campus has been very positive and has given us key strategies for further improvement.



Special thank you our School Captains for their online message –  
<https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/2021/09/16/student-leaders-end-of-term-message/>

Year 12 students picked up their exam / care pack from the window outside room 12. Special thank you to “North and Eight” coffee shop and “Tony’s Pies” bakery for donating vouchers for every Year 12 student this week. If you are in the area, please support these businesses.



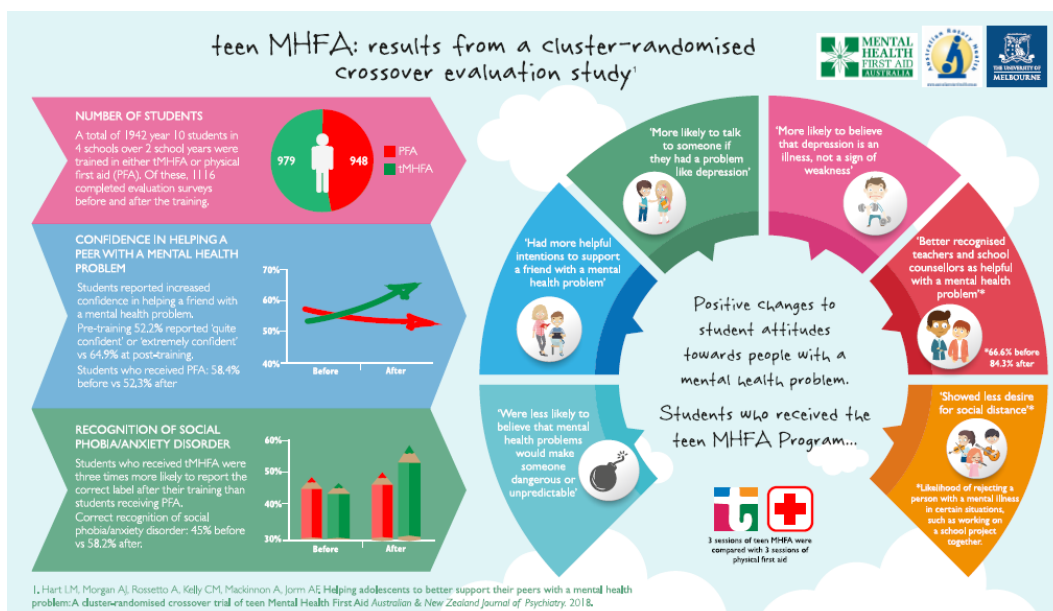
A special visit to the Essendon Campus Carpark- A pursuit of a different kind....🚓  
 Police from Moonee Ponds had their work cut out for them when they responded to multiple calls from members of the public in relation to a rogue kangaroo. The kangaroo was first sighted around Airport West, bouncing all the way down to The Boulevard, Aberfeldie, before being safely captured by the Ranger with the assistance of Moonee Ponds Police in the Essendon Campus Carpark. The Kangaroo was taken to a wildlife sanctuary where he will be released into a more appropriate setting for him.



### Teen Mental Health First Aid (tMHFA) – Year 10

Once students return in Term 4, Year 10 students will be involved in tMHFA training, which gives teenagers the skills they need to recognise and help with mental health problems and crises in their friends, and to get the help of an adult quickly.

Young people will often turn to each other when stressed or upset, and try to help each other, taking too much on. This course teaches them not to try to take on these problems alone. Further information will be provided to families once we know definite dates.





## STEM Virtual Excursion

During Science Week, my class attended a virtual excursion to the new Melbourne University STEM Centre of Excellence - Science Gallery. We got to see multiple exhibitions including an Artificial Intelligence mirror that could read and interpret your facial expressions, giving you a personalized poem in return tailored to how you feel. There was also a thoughtfulness exhibition which had a device that reads your brain waves and 3D prints your thoughts. Overall, the excursion was very interesting and gave the students an opportunity to have a break from normal online school and instead do something that was different and enjoyable.

*By Andreas Year 10*



## 2021 EKC Ski Camp

We woke up bright and early leaving school at 4.30 am so we could get to the snow to make the most out of our day. The drive was quiet as people tried to get some sleep and those at the front of the coach listened to the bus driver as he loved a chat.

We arrived at our accommodation we quickly gathered up all our snow gear for the day, had breakfast and left.

When we got to the mountain, instructors separated us into groups where we were given a lesson that taught us the basic skills of skiing or snowboarding. We then ate lunch in the village square, for the rest of the day we were able to ski/board on the main runs allowing us to have a good time with friends

The teacher took some students for an adventure to the more experienced tracks testing their skills.

Our trip unfortunately did get cut short due to the lockdown, but we were still able to spend the night at our accommodation. After dinner we were able to access the pool, which a few people spent most of their time in while others socialised in the game room or relaxed in their rooms.

We woke up early enough to pack our bags and eat breakfast arriving at school by 10.30am. The drive back was full of socialising, complaining of sore legs and telling everyone about our falls and tricks we tried. Although our trip got cut short, we all had a fun time and are looking forward to going back again next year.

*Marley Bragagnolo & Jackson Harper*





## Essendon Campus Library

Mahyar Hakimjavadi is the top borrower at Essendon Library.

He has borrowed 30 books from the Essendon Library this year.

He also let us display drawings he did of graphic novels for display in the Library.



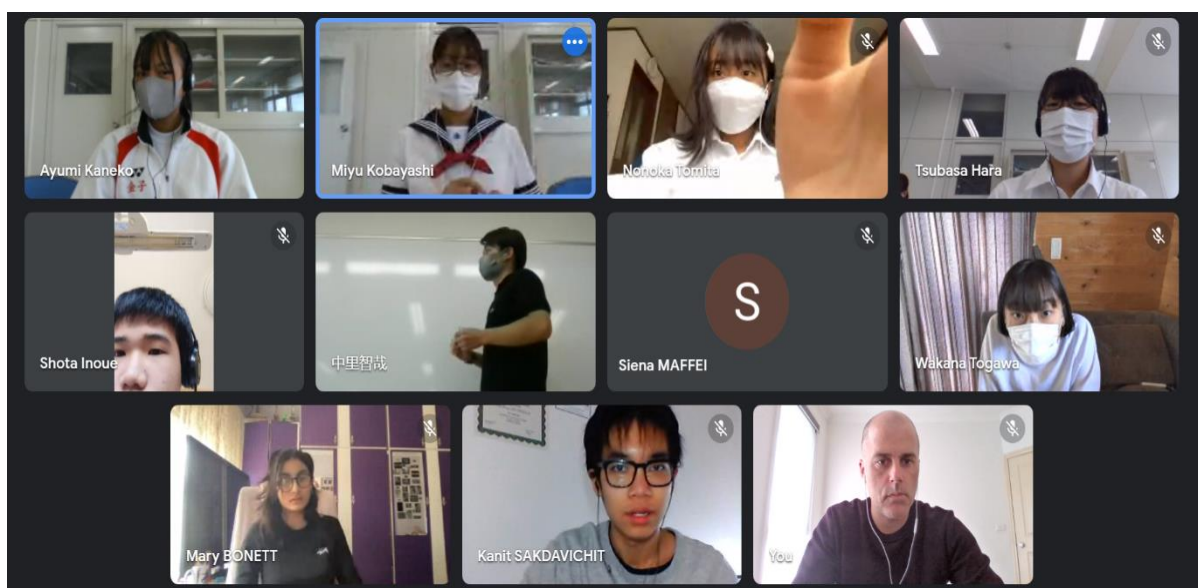
## Google meets with Honjo High School in Japan

During online learning, the Year 10 Japanese class had the opportunity to communicate with the Honjo High School students over in Japan via Google Meets.

These frequent sessions with the Honjo students was a fun way to practise speaking Japanese, as well as trying to translate and understand what they were saying. The Honjo students prepared statements in Japanese including information about themselves and their families, then presented it in front of us. We then asked questions back in English, thus continuing with conversation. It was quite challenging when we asked questions in English because sometimes it got a bit awkward and we had to try and restate our question, but this just turned into laughter and it was so much fun to have a discussion.

I was very impressed with how much they understood what we were asking and I personally loved chatting to them and meeting new people that live in a different country. Yes, it does get a bit nerve racking when thinking about possible issues that may happen, but once you are logged onto the meet and begin talking, all that worry goes away. The minute you log off the meet, you want to go back on and continue what you started. Overall, this was a wonderful experience for both of the schools and I would do it again in a heartbeat.

*Kyra Aurisch*



## Day Northern Star Online Chess Competition.

Congratulations to our students who represented the College in the Northern Star online Chess Competition this term. Well done to Binh and Jared who received certificates.

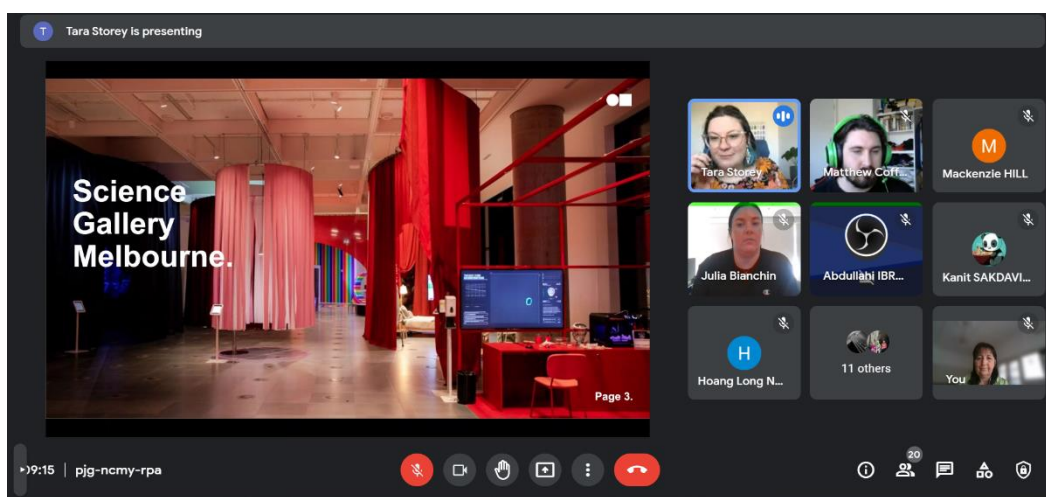


## Year 10 Science – Online Psychology Excursion

All Year 10 Science classes finished the term with a virtual tour of the Melbourne University STEM Centre. The excursion focussed on Microbial Mood - looking at how our gut actually makes decisions for us and impacts mood, not just our brain, and Echo - a deep empathy tool where the viewer's face is slowly mapped across the recorded face of a person telling a personal and impactful story.

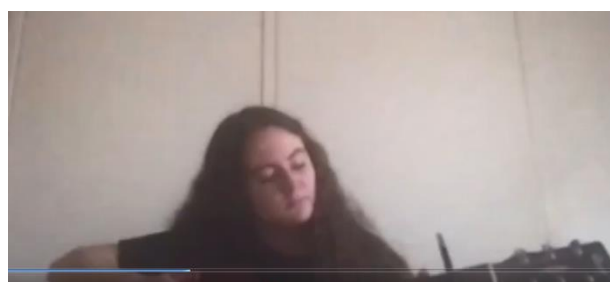
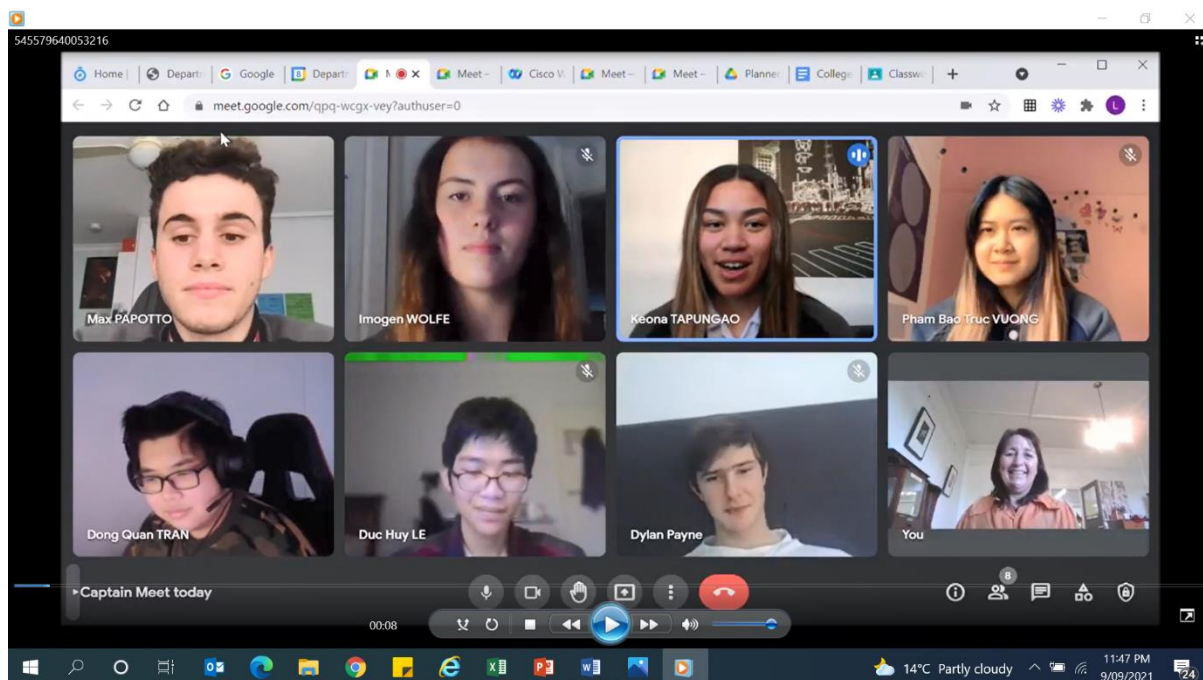
### Student Report

"The Science Gallery of Melbourne came to talk to us Year 10 students through a virtual excursion about their exhibitions and what they have in store. Sadly due to our lockdown, we couldn't go there face to face but through a google meet we got to see a preview of a few of their awesome exhibitions. These exhibitions explore stuff like technology putting your face onto someone else's while they share their experiences to convey a sense of empathy and questions such as "Does bacteria grow faster from classical music or white noise". There will be much more to see once they reopen and we are all very excited to see it in person." By Ashley Sawan



## RUOK?

Thank you to our student leaders - Max, Keona, Imogen, Dylan, Brian, Oliver and Melanie who recorded a special message for everyone on RUOK? Day. Charlize Rodier recorded a beautiful version of "Promise" by Slash and Chris Cornell for RUOK? Day.



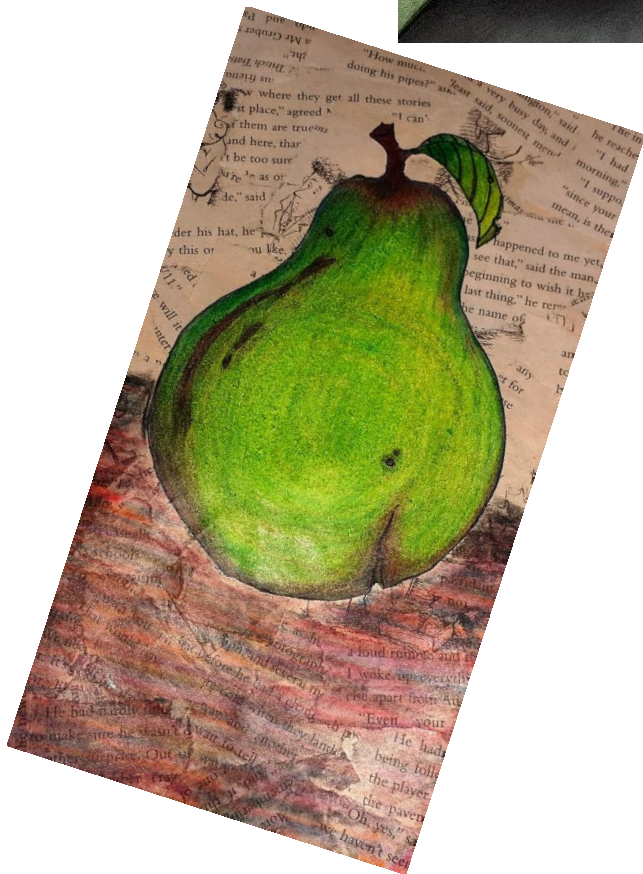
## Term 3 Award Winners

Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	SWPBS Awards
Georgia Spring Brown Mary Bonett Caius Ripper Natalia Rehmtulla Ethan Berger Tuan Long Vong	Angela Ayvaz Yuxin Lin Glenn Silverio Alicia Baks-Marino Kathryn Efstathiou Max Talia	Jacob Della Salandra Ella Dennis Danh Manh Tuan Do (Justin) Deanne Karipidis Minh Quan Pham Omar Shaheen	Shogun Sakdavichit Yr 10 Erica Zanti - Year 10 Emily Bernardi – Year 11 Khoder Mourad - Year 12



# Year 10 Art Work by

Shogun Sakdavichit, Siena Maffei, Montana Brayshaw, Taylor Holliday





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# Essendon Keilor College SOIREE 2021

Including performances by the  
year 10, 11 and 12 classroom and  
instrumental music students

Donation at  
entry

Sound provided by  
the year 11 & 12 VET  
Music Industry  
students

Monday October 18th

6:30pm

The Essendon Arts Centre  
286 Buckley Street Essendon, VIC 3040





## Careers Update Term 3 2021

### Year 12

Year 12 students have been carefully considering their VTAC course preferences in order to apply for various Degree, Diploma and Certificate courses at University and TAFE institutions. Many students have been looking at other options such as apprenticeships, traineeships or employment. Below are some important dates / reminders that Year 12 students and parents need to be aware of. A more comprehensive list of VTAC dates can be found here: <https://www.vtac.edu.au/dates.html>

### VTAC Dates

<b>September 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day to apply for La Trobe Aspire Program
<b>September 30<sup>th</sup></b>	Due Date for Timely VTAC Course Applications – cost \$42
<b>October 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Official close of all SEAS applications
<b>October 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Official close of Scholarship applications via VTAC
<b>October 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day to apply for VU Guaranteed Program
<b>November 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Due Date for late VTAC Course Applications - cost \$119
<b>December 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Due date for VTAC Personal Statement (*only if required by your course)
<b>December 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Release of VCE Results and ATAR</b>
<b>VTAC Change of Preference:</b> <b>December 17<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December 20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Close of Change of Preference for December offer round ( <b>International students only</b> ) Close of Change of Preference for January offer round ( <b>Domestic students only</b> ) Close of Change of Preference for January offer round ( <b>International students only</b> )
<b>VTAC Offers:</b>  <b>December 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>January 7<sup>th</sup></b> <b>January 14<sup>th</sup></b>	VTAC December course offer round ( <b>International students</b> ) VTAC January course offer round ( <b>International students</b> ) VTAC January course offer round ( <b>Domestic students</b> )

## Things to be aware of!

- All students will receive their results and ATAR before the end of this year.
- Students are able to change their VTAC course preferences as much as they like from now up until the relevant date in December.
- The first course offer round for International students will occur in December. Domestic students will have to wait till January for their first course offer round.
- Students applying for SEAS or Scholarships via VTAC need to make sure their application is finalised by October 8th.
- All students need to make sure they carefully check their course selection requirements as there may be additional requirements that must be completed by a certain date (e.g. a test, a folio, an audition, an interview etc.) Failure to meet the deadline for these means students may no longer be eligible for selection into their desired course.
- Students applying for Teaching / Education courses (and also Nursing at VU) are required to complete the CASPer test.
- The VTAC Media YouTube channel has a number of helpful videos to help explain the application process: <https://www.youtube.com/user/vtacmedia/videos>

## Free TAFE

Despite the current situation with COVID, the Government are still offering their FREE TAFE program for priority courses in lots of different areas of skill shortage. There are 45 non-apprenticeship courses in a variety of areas and 20 different pre-apprenticeship courses.

More info can be found here: <https://www.vic.gov.au/free-tafe>



***Students are encouraged to contact Mr Kingham if they need any further assistance with any career related matters: [Daniel.Kingham@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Daniel.Kingham@education.vic.gov.au)***



## East Keilor Campus Coordinator – Sally Stevens

Term 3 definitely ended differently to how it began. While we only had a few days onsite this Term the Keilor students have shown their trademark resilience, persistence and ‘can-do’ attitude in switching to remote learning again. The staff ensured a smooth transition to the online delivery of lessons and wellbeing support, and as Oliver in Year 9 said “We are seasoned remote learners!”

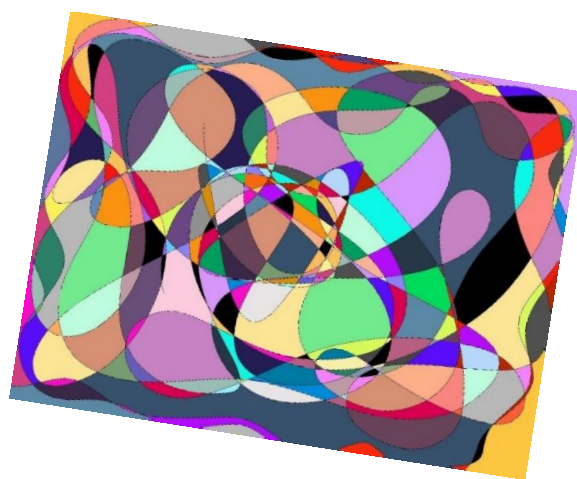
Our lunchtime activities program began well with table tennis and Olympics viewing in the library and we look forward to continuing this program when we are back on Campus. We were fortunate enough to fit in a session with Bully Zero before lockdown occurred. This session was fantastic for our students to participate in and the messages really resonated with the Campus.

Our SWPBS behaviours of Setting & Evaluating Learning Goals, Encouraging & Supporting Others, Striving for Academic Excellence and Asking Questions and Regularly Acting upon Feedback underpinned Term 3 for the East Keilor Campus. Teachers continued to issue Real Rewards to students in online classes and are eager to give them to students when we return to Campus to spend at the freshly stocked SWPBS Shop. Our online Focus Group program was well attended with Monday’s being Whole Campus Assemblies, Tuesdays and Thursdays being interactive Kahoot quizzes and every Wednesday a wellbeing activity. It was a chance for students from other classes to come together and ‘see’ each other which proved a positive experience for many.

Our Student Leaders lead the RUOK? Day celebrations with prizes awarded to best dressed in yellow and winners of Booklet activities. Our Campus Jamboard with messages of support can be seen in the photos. The leaders then ran our End of Term Assembly online – not easy to do and we are proud of their efforts.

We ended our Term with a presentation from Tokyo Paralympic Gold Medal winning cyclist Emily Petricola, who spoke to the Campus about her experiences representing Australia in Tokyo and about being persistent, resilient and the importance of setting goals.

The team at East Keilor continue to be incredibly proud of our students and the remarkable way they adapt, support each other and continually aim high in their studies. We’d like to thank all parents, carers and families for supporting our students this Term and we look forward to welcoming Lisa Robinson back for Term 4.





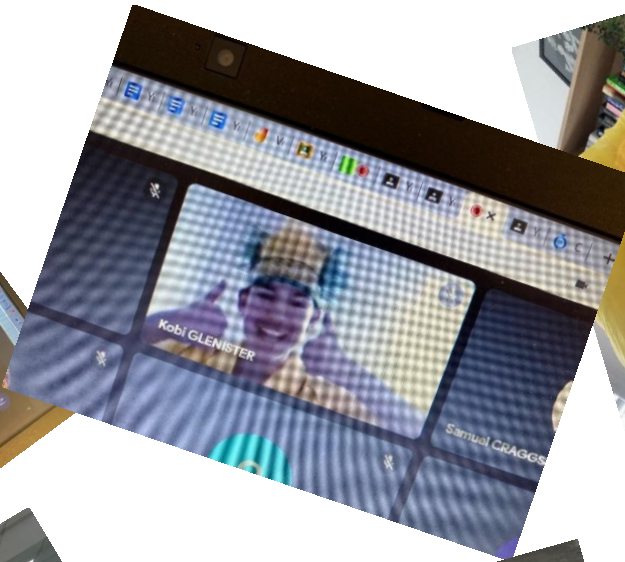
## Term 3 Award Winners

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
<p><b><u>SWPBS</u></b></p> <p>Julian Perrone – 7A Diana Silva – 7B</p> <p><b><u>GPA</u></b></p> <p>Jenna Van Harmelen – 7A Ryan Withers – 7B</p> <p><b><u>GPA Improvement</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jaycob Boyd</li> <li>2. Richard Do</li> <li>3. Umalker Dahir</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>SWPBS</u></b></p> <p>Jordena Harris – 8A Max Ivankovic – 8B</p> <p><b><u>GPA</u></b></p> <p>Chris Bryson – 8A Chloe Gordon – 8B</p> <p><b><u>GPA Improvement</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Madison Westgarth</li> <li>2. Nguyen Pham</li> <li>3. Cooper Barton</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>SWPBS</u></b></p> <p>Theary Morrish – 9A Hamda Dahir – 9B</p> <p><b><u>GPA</u></b></p> <p>Trisha Tan – 9A Chanel Mai – 9A April Farrugia – 9B</p> <p><b><u>GPA Improvement</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Austyn Bawden</li> <li>2. Brady Coleman</li> <li>3. Daniel Petkovski</li> </ol>

## RUOK? Day Winners

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
<p><b><u>Best Dressed</u></b></p> <p>Jasmyn</p> <p><b><u>Blooket</u></b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Bailie 2<sup>nd</sup> Keyra 3<sup>rd</sup> Jasmyn</p>	<p><b><u>Best Dressed</u></b></p> <p>Kobi</p> <p><b><u>Blooket</u></b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> - Christian R 2<sup>nd</sup> - Kobi 3<sup>rd</sup> - Caprice</p>	<p><b><u>Best Dressed</u></b></p> <p>Mr Adamson</p> <p><b><u>Blooket</u></b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Hamda 2<sup>nd</sup> Ellesha 3<sup>rd</sup> Saf</p>

Snapshots of campus life







## Niddrie Campus Principal - Christine Cole

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all families for your ongoing support and dedication to your child's learning throughout Term 3. It has been a huge term of remote learning for everyone. Until we are able to return to onsite learning we will continue with our Google Meet lessons, posting learning tasks on Google Classroom and of course our fun morning Kahoots! It's great to see the healthy competition between the students and staff members!

Throughout the Term our Student Leadership Team have been very committed; meeting every Thursday lunchtime, running a Food Science competition, creating a video for RU OK? Day, giving feedback on remote learning and planning engaging whole school activities for Term 4. Our School Captains, Luca Stellato and Xavier Bassett continue to demonstrate their leadership throughout this time.

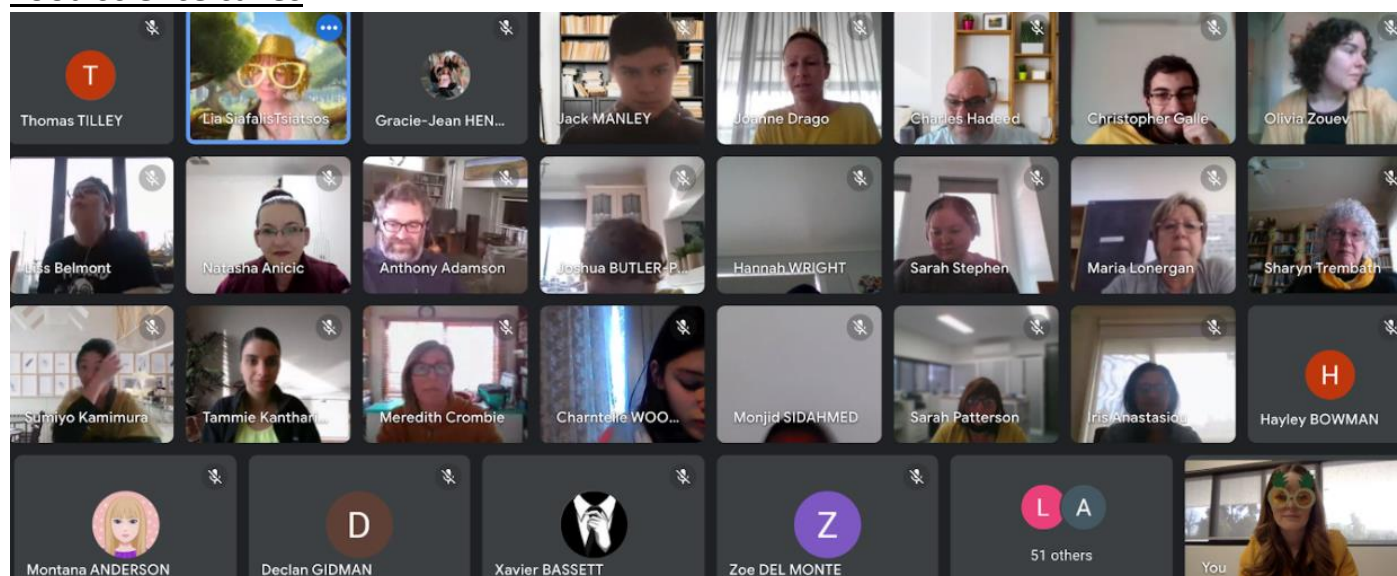
### School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

Congratulations to the following students who were our weekly REAL Reward winners of a \$5 canteen voucher for Term 3.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Thomas Tilley	Sopoaga Semisi	Georgia Wood
Jackson Perry	Leilani Nasalio	Grace Henderson
Charntelle Woodhouse	Lanah Mosca	Zach Sigalas
Gabrielle Michaelides	Dechlan Major	Elizabeth Bettini
Josh Butler-Peel	Talia Torre	Madi Knowles
Benji Murrells	Akira Marzovilla-Siclari	Jackson Heidrich
Jude Omar	Mohamed Abdallah Ma	Declan Gidman
Montana Anderson	Ela Guler	Shania Ragland

### RUOK? Day Kahoot

#### Food science cakes







# Remote Learning

## Science

At home scientists!

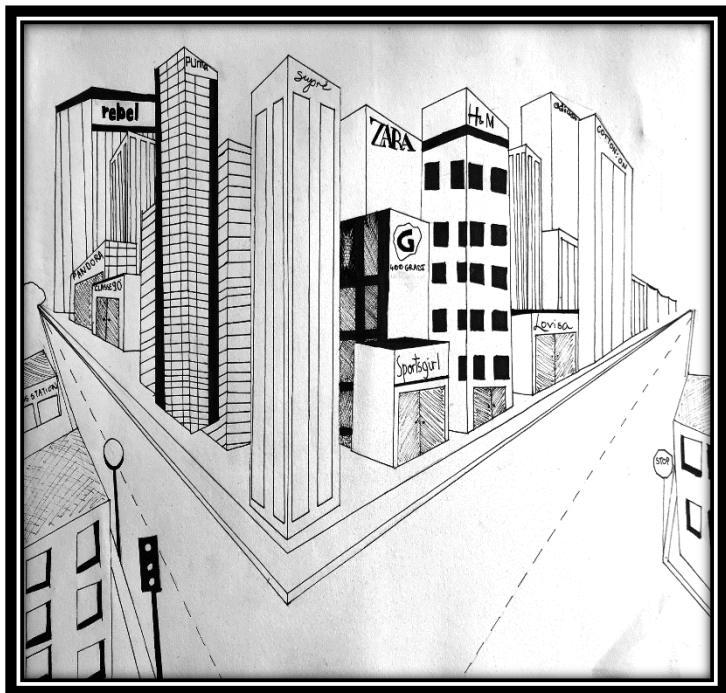
The Year 7's have been completing a unit on Properties of Substances. Part of this unit has involved exploring density and being able to determine whether liquids or solids will float or sink based on their density. To further build understanding, students raided the materials they had in their kitchens to create a density tower and lava lamps.



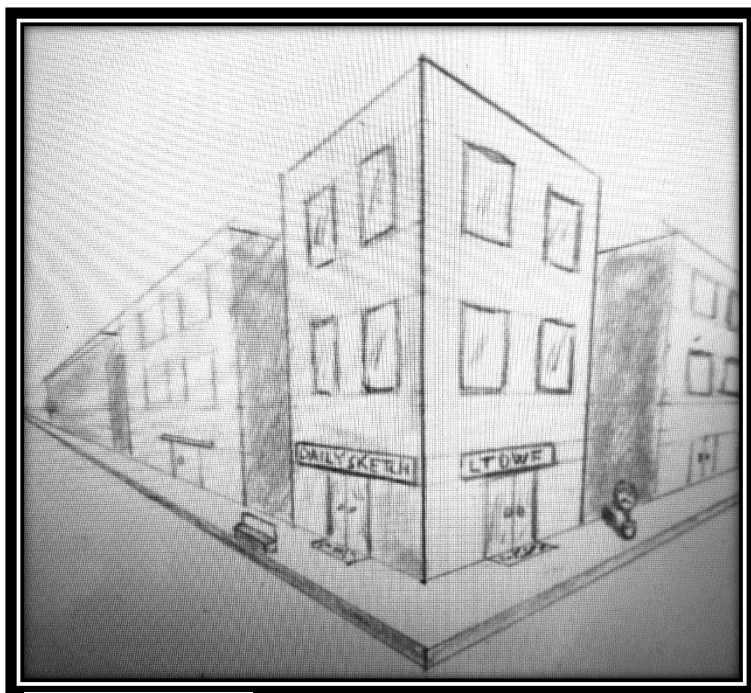


## VCD

For the last couple of weeks in Year 8 VCD, we have been looking at two-point perspective. Students were given the task of creating a cityscape using two-point perspective principles. Some fantastic designs were made, here are a few of them! Well done Year 8s. - Miss Zouev



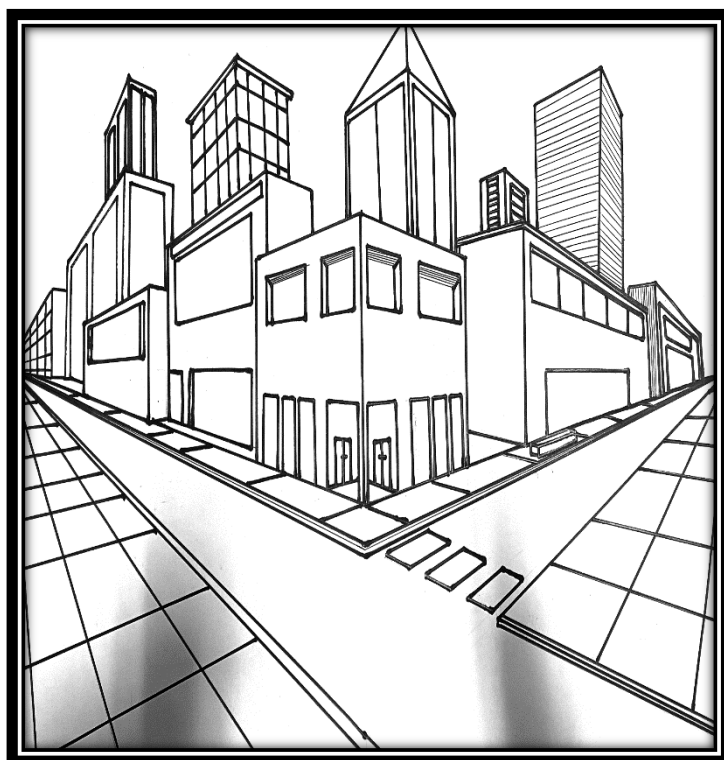
Arjana 8T



Cody 8T



Chelsea 8W



Madison 8T