



# MANSFIELD SECONDARY COLLEGE

# Newsletter



Our Year 12 Vocational Major class were presented with their Certificate 2 in Workplace Skills to help prepare them for the workforce.

## CALENDAR

### TERM 2

**Mon 15/5 - Fri 19/5** - Yr 8 Rubicon Camp  
**Fri 19/5** - Victorian Careers Expo, Melbourne

### Week 5

**Mon 22/5 - Wed 24/5** - Yr 11 Kinglake Camp  
**Mon 22/5 - Wed 24/5** - Yr 12 VCE VM Melb Camp  
**Mon 22/5 - Fri 26/5** - Yr 9 Morrisby Interviews  
**Wed 24/5 - Fri 26/5** - Adv Challenge Mt Howitt Hike  
**Fri 26/5** - Top Design Excursion  
**Fri 26/5** - Dookie Food & Fibre Field Day

### Week 6

**Mon 29/5 - Fri 2/6** - Morrisby Interviews  
**Mon 29/5** - Snowsports Info Night 5:30pm in STEAM  
**Tue 30/5 - Thu 1/6** - The Man Cave Program, Yr 8, 9 & 10 boys  
**Wed 31/5** - Declan Fay Guest Speaker  
**Fri 2/6** - Southern Ranges Cross Country

### Week 7

**Mon 5/6 - Fri 9/6** - Year 10 Exam Week  
**Wed 7/6** - Yr 7 Elevate Study Skills Session

### Week 8

**Mon 12/6** - King's Birthday Public Holiday  
**Wed 14/6 - Fri 16/6** - Philosophy Camp  
**Wed 14/6** - Yr 7 Cheviot Tunnel Excursion  
**Thu 15/6** - GAT  
**Fri 16/6** - Hume Region Cross Country

### Week 9

**Mon 19/6 - Fri 23/6** - Yr 10 Work Experience Week  
**Wed 21/6** - Go Girls. Get Real with IT, Burwood  
**Fri 23/6** - Last Day Term 2

## From The Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This year's theme for Education Week which runs from 14th to 20th May is 'Active Move, Make, Motivate'. The week highlights the amazing ways in which students in schools engage in their learning, you can view more info at: <https://www.vic.gov.au/education-week>.

Half of the Year 8 students are at Rubicon Outdoor School this week. We have a shared partnership with Rubicon Outdoor School to deliver our geography curriculum. Students spend the week at Rubicon, partly in dormitories and partly in the field in tents. They engage with a range of exciting activities including rock climbing and rafting. Underlying the program is an analysis of: stream habitat, impact of people on the environment, and geomorphology - understanding landforms. Take a look at Rubicon Outdoor School at: <https://rubicon.vic.edu.au/>.

The school cross country run was conducted last week at the Harris' property - 'The Circle'. The Harris family have been great supporters of the College and I think we have the best cross country course of any school in the state, as a result of their support. Thanks to Mr Thomson for organising.

Each semester, Year 9 and 10 students have the opportunity to access an elective called 'Health and First-Aid.' In the program, students can elect to take part in hltaid001 - Provide First Aid which is a nationally recognised first aid accreditation. The assessment for the class is occurring today, so we wish the students all the best.

The second of the interschool Round Robin Sports was conducted this week. It was great to be able to host the badminton competition in our stadium, with students attending from across the Southern Ranges Region. The opportunity for students to engage with students from other schools is valuable. Successful teams through to the next round include the Year 7 netball, Year 8 football and the senior basketball.

2024 Year 7 Information Night was held on Wednesday 17th May. We are looking forward to welcoming a new cohort into our school next year. If you weren't able to attend, please reach out to our School Office - we will work 1:1 with any parents who would like tours or need further information on 03 5775 2022 or [mansfield.sc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:mansfield.sc@education.vic.gov.au)

Kind regards  
**Timothy Hall**



## Indonesian Big Day Out

Early on the morning of Tuesday 9th May, an enthusiastic group of 33 students from Years 9, 10 and 11 gathered at the school bus stop. All of them study Bahasa Indonesia, the national language of Indonesia. The purpose of their Indonesian Big Day Out was to deepen their understanding of Indonesian culture.

First stop on the itinerary was the Indonesian Consulate in South Melbourne. Our group was officially welcomed by Consulate staff, then treated to a slide show and talk focussing on fun facts and the importance of our closest Asian neighbour.

With a population of 276 million people, Indonesia is the fourth most populous nation in the world after China, India and the United States. Made up of over 17,000 islands, it has a diversity of ethnic groups, more than 300 local languages and its people follow a variety of religions. Indonesians are avid users of Instagram and Tik Tok. Rendang, a dish from West Sumatra, was crowned the Best Food in the World by CNN, in both 2011 and 2017. Bali, Australians' most popular tourist destination, is a tiny island in Indonesia. Indonesia is rich in natural resources including nickel. Nickel is essential for the manufacture of batteries in electric cars. Indonesia and Australia are working more and more closely to build trade between our two countries.

Our general knowledge of Indonesia was tested when we took part in a game of Kahoot. Third place went to Amanda Duhamel, second place to Dylan Visser and in first place, only because of the last question, was Ibu Burton.

For many students the highlight of their time at the Consulate was learning to play an instrument in the traditional gamelan orchestra. Concentration was intense. After only 15 minutes' tuition, they were able to play a short traditional piece together. Keep an eye out for footage to be posted to the school Facebook page shortly.

Giving speeches is a very important part of official occasions in Indonesia. After an official farewell speech from Consulate staff, Year 11 student Maddie Maher delivered a brief thank you speech in Indonesian.

Second stop for the afternoon included visiting Queen Victoria Market, Yoi Indonesian restaurant, and time to explore a variety of Asian supermarkets nearby.

The following comments are from Indonesian Big Day Out participants:

'The Indonesian Consulate was great' Millie Keeling

'The Indonesian Consulate was funky. I found it really interesting' Ethan Visser

'The food was so good!' Connor McFadden

'I liked Yoi restaurant and learning to play the instruments was great' Ava Mahoney

'The lunch was delicious, especially the fried chicken' Arthur Gerrans

'I enjoyed playing the instrument' Ethan Peck

'When I walked into the Consulate it was like entering a new world. I just want to keep learning Indonesian.' Marly Kelleher

### Erica Lowing

Indonesian Teacher



## MSC Cross Country Event

Under beautiful skies and panoramic views the MSC Cross Country event made its annual pilgrimage to the Harris property alongside Stoneleigh Rd, a tradition since the 1970's when Mary Harris was the Principal of MSC. A huge thank you to Edwin Harris who continues to allow MSC to hold the event each year. Students and staff alike relish the opportunity to run a real Cross Country course. Below are the age group champions who won the day and a big congratulations to Wimba who won the shield.

**House results:** Wimba - 215 points, Delatite - 205 points, Marrang - 202 points, Bial - 172 points

### Age Group Champions:

**12/13:** Zac Hotton, Keziah Wolfe

**14yr:** Harper Smith, Tristan Fox

**15yr:** Ava Mahoney, Astin Browning

**16yr:** Judah Kelleher, Estelle O'Neill

**17yr:** Hannah Allen, Max Mahoney

**18yr:** Hilary Murakami, Matt Hearn

The top eight students in their age group will move through to the Southern Ranges Cross Country which is being held at the Yea Racetrack on Friday 2nd June.

A great afternoon of activity and engagement by all, well done.

### Christian Thomson

Sports Coordinator



12/13 GIRLS	12/13 BOYS	14YR GIRLS	14YR BOYS
Kezi Wolfe	Zac Hotton	Harper Smith	Tristan Fox
Ellie Marks	Lenny Gardner	Harper Russell	Max O'Loughlan
Lily Olver	Will Benton	Lillian Currie	Liam Smith
Ella Mercieca	Archie Dunn	Chloe Campbell	Rory Christopher
Tayler Jordan	Sam Hough	Piper Kirkwood	Phoenix Croft-Little
Halli Herridge	James Wellborne	Maddie Clarke	Cruz Purday
Miki Murakami	Zander Haslau	Summer Kipping	Sam Kain
Zara Yencken	Harris Kain	Leila Roche	Oscar Smyth

15YR GIRLS	15YR BOYS	16YR GIRLS	16YR BOYS
Ava Mahoney	Astin Browning	Estelle O'Neill	Judah Kelleher
Annie Thomson	Hayden Desmond	Jess Dolling	Mitch Adams
Ava Virtanen	Harry Craddock	Demi Murray	Cody Mennen
Addi Wadsworth	Charlie Dobson	Brianna Weight	Sam Guppy
Katelyn Mongelli	Jackson Day	Ella-Rose Dowd	Jack Marks
Amy Les	James Benton	Lexi Verbec	Nate Longstaff
Tilly Learmonth	Vaughan Olver	Emma Witkiss	Arthur Gerrans
Selina Green	Marat Minikhanov	Stella Brakels	Mitch Pentony

17YR GIRLS	17YR BOYS	18/20 GIRLS	18/20 BOYS
Hannah Allen	Max Mahoney	Hilary Murakami	Matt Hearn
Adele Leon	Harry Purcell	Bree Anstee	Hamish Ueno
Quinn Russell	Alex Davyd	Sarah Marshall	Julian Bruno
Erin Anderson	Lachie Pickering	Maddi Barlow	Archie Storer
Grace Seymour	Ashton Dean	Parneet Sandhu	Cody Turner
Erin Brond	Zac Empey	Deanne Dolheguy	Patrick Kelleher
Sarah Hearn	Connor Gibney	Brooke Kipping	Sunny Xaysouvanh
Arwen Badlan	Harry Wolbers	Tara Murray	Zac Appleby



## Top Arts - VCE Art Excursion to Melbourne

On Wednesday 10 May, our VCE Art classes travelled to the National Gallery of Victoria in Federation Square to view the Top Arts Exhibition and the Melbourne Now Exhibition. Students were able to view high performing VCE artworks and supporting folios from 2022 VCE Art students. They were then treated to a talk on best practice as a VCE Art student and what it takes to get in to Top Arts. After lunch, we were able to view the Melbourne Now exhibit in the same building, which showcases local contemporary art and design across three floors. Both exhibitions were free for students and are definitely worth the visit.

Students returned to school with renewed focus, with reflections such as:

"One thing you'll do differently after going to Top Arts: Annotating the process during the creation stage and documenting key moments and trials." - Amanda D.

"Embrace the imperfections" - Charlotte A.

"A work that left an impression on me was Chloe Chen's *Perception* as I thought the artwork was very grotesque yet eye catching. I also liked her source of inspiration which she claimed was based off her childhood fear of her pet flowerhorn fish's 'bulbous head'." - Charlotte D.



**Cally Grogan**

Art/Technology Coordinator

## May the Fourth

Staff got into the spirit of Star Wars day two weeks ago, much to the amusement of students! We had the Imperial March for our bell, a themed staff morning tea, and random lightsabre battles. Please enjoy the following pictures of the wonderful costumes on display.



**Alice "Leia" Burton**

## Year 10 Work Experience

We have 85 students required to complete a week's Work Experience this year in June.

If your business can accommodate a student for a week, please contact the Career's Practitioner, Shelly Comben at the College on 5775 2022.

We thank you for your consideration.



**MSC**  
**WEDNESDAY SNOWSPORTS**  
**INFORMATION EVENING**  
Monday 29th May 2023  
5:30pm  
**MSC STEAM building**  
Families of Year 7 to 10 students interested in participating in the program are encouraged to attend



**CALLING FOR LOCAL BUSINESS SUPPORT**

**WE NEED YOU!**

Mansfield Secondary College has 85 students to place for their required week's Work Experience this June.

If your business can assist, please contact Shelly Comben at the College on 5775 2022 or via email [shelly.comben@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:shelly.comben@education.vic.gov.au)

**Thank you!**

Year 10 Work Experience Week:  
19 - 23 June 2023

## RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

As we get well into the term I would like to continue to encourage students to see what new books we have on offer. Students have all been sent a snapshot of over 30 new books for them to enjoy.

We are also looking to revamp our Library space. Next week students will receive a survey asking them what they would like their Library to look like, and what they think is needed. In addition to this, we are looking for artwork from students to display which aims to show case how talented our students are.

We would like to remind families again to take a look for any school Library books as there are still a number of overdue books on loan. Reminders will be sent to students weekly. If any of these books have been lost, we ask that students come and chat to the Library staff so we can make note of the lost item.

If you have any library or IT support questions please reach out to me anytime, via email [abbey.mcconnell@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:abbey.mcconnell@education.vic.gov.au) or by calling MSC.

## REMINDERS

- Return any overdue books ASAP
- Check out the new books available
- Chat to us about displaying artwork
- Bring your own headphones and mouse

## TOP READS

**Flying Nurse**  
Prudence Wheelwright

**The Gilded Ones**  
Namina Forna

**Stone Town**  
Margaret Hickey

<b>Monday</b> Basketball Board Games Dungeons & Dragons S11	<b>Tuesday</b> Badminton Board Games
<b>Wednesday</b> Table Tennis Board Games Study Skills D Block	<b>Thursday</b> Basketball Board Games
<b>Friday</b> Fun Friday Tournament Day! Stadium Board Games	

All sports in stadium and board games in library!

Does your high school aged student need a little bit of extra study support?

# HOMework HELP

is now available at MACE

<b>Years 7-9</b>	<b>Years 10-12</b>
Monday afternoons	Tuesday afternoons
4pm-6pm	4pm-6pm

Support available in various subjects, including English, Math, Language, Humanities, and IT, with a focus on literacy and skill building.

Group style sessions with experienced tutors.

**Cost: GOLD COIN DONATION!!!**

Send your EOI with name of student, year level, and help requirements to [projects@mace.vic.edu.au](mailto:projects@mace.vic.edu.au)

Places to be confirmed according to availability

This program is funded through the Bonnie Doon Youth Engagement Program.

**Flying nurse - Prudence Wheelwright**

Nurse and midwife Prue Wheelwright has worked in the most remote parts of Australia and around the world. In isolated, far-flung locations and on dangerous frontlines, this passionate and dedicated nurse has put her heart, and often her safety, on the line, day after day, year after year.

Prue shares all the challenges, the joys and the heartbreaks in her life as a travelling nurse.

**Stone Town Margaret Hickey**

With its gold-rush history long in the past, Stone Town has seen better days. And it's now in the headlines for all the wrong reasons... When three teenagers stumble upon a body in dense bushland one rainy Friday night, Senior Sergeant Mark Ariti's hopes for a quiet posting in his old home town are shattered.

**The Stand in - AJ Rushby**

When new girl Millie shows up at Lena's boarding school, she arrives with a question: Why is Lena pretending to be someone she's not? Lena ignores her. Until Millie shows her photo after photo of someone who looks like her. Exactly like her.

**Guns, Germs & Steel Jared Diamond**

A book of big questions, and big answers. Why has human history unfolded so differently across the globe? And what can it teach us about our current crisis?

**The Gilded Ones - Namina Forna**

Sixteen-year-old Deka lives in fear, and anticipation of the blood ceremony that will determine whether she will become a member of her village. Already different from everyone else because of her unnatural intuition, Deka prays for red blood so she can finally feel like she belongs.





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### Mt Buller Local School Student Discounted SEASON MEMBERSHIP OFFER HAS BEEN EXTENDED

Any families that missed the April deadline can still purchase the Local School Season Membership at the exclusive price of \$639 for local Mansfield/Mt Buller primary and/or secondary students (conditions apply).

Please submit an application in order to gain access to this offer.

Follow this link to apply: <https://forms.bullerholidays.com.au/view.php?id=85906>

Please note: schools do NOT process applications or payments, please contact Buller Ski Lifts directly if you have any questions.

Once the application deadline has passed, Buller Holidays will confirm enrolment for each applicant with the school nominated on the application form. After the enrolment has been confirmed, Mt Buller eStore will send an email with a link to purchase these exclusive Local School Season Memberships.

Once an application is submitted and the student enrolment is confirmed, parents are able to purchase online any time before the end of the 2023 season. (There is no expiry on the Local School Season Membership offer).

Students are able to collect their pre-purchased 2023 Season Membership B-TAGS from the Village Ticket Office at Mt Buller from opening weekend (10<sup>th</sup> June).

#### *A note regarding the MSC Wednesday Snowsports Program*

*The MSC Wednesday Snowsports Program will run again this year for interested Year 7-10 students each week in Term 3. Please come along to Information Night on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May at 5:30pm in the STEAM centre.*

## JUNIOR SES MEMBERS NEEDED

- Give back and support our community
- Learn long life skills
- Looks great on resume
- Make great friends
- Have fun
- 15 - 18 year olds



Please click on the link below for information on how to become a SES volunteer.

[Main page](#)

<https://www.ses.vic.gov.au/>

[OR](#)

[Contact](#)

[mansfield.ce@members.ses.vic.gov.au](mailto:mansfield.ce@members.ses.vic.gov.au)



### 21 Go Girl - Get real with it

**Date:** June 21, 2023 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM AEST

**Venue:** Deakin University, Burwood campus

**Location:** 221 Burwood Hwy, Burwood VIC 3125, Australia

[Add to calendar](#)

This is a free event

Go Girl, Go for IT is a fun, free 1-day technology conference for girls in years 5-12 across Australia. A common perception is that 'IT' means coding. Go Girl challenges that view by showcasing different ESTEAM (Environment, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) careers and alternatives.

Go Girl is excited to launch a new focussed one-day event for high school girls called 'Go Girl - Get real with it' planned for Wednesday 21st June at Deakin University Burwood Campus from 9:30am to 3:00pm.

Through this event high school girls from years 7 to 12 can attend practical hands-on immersive events, be part of small group workshops and visit the ever-popular tradeshow or careers fare to gain a greater understanding and appreciation for potential careers. 'Getting real with it' focuses on providing pragmatic, realistic and relatable stories, perspectives and experiences around careers and opportunities across the ESTEAM spectrum - and why having an ESTEAM background is crucial to girls' careers and aspirations in the future.

As Go Girl - Get real with it is an inaugural event planned to be held at the end of Term 2 - the team at Go Girl is keen to know if your school or individual child would be interested in attending the event, so register your interest today!!

This event is on a first come first serve basis, so you never know - if you wait it out, you could be missing a chance to be part of something incred-AL-ble. We don't want you to miss out!

For more information, or to register your interest, see Mrs Fox, Ms Brocklesby or Mrs Carrington