



# MANSFIELD SECONDARY COLLEGE

# Newsletter



*Small Town Gods performing at Rock on the Rocks!*

## CALENDAR

### TERM 3

#### Week 6

**Thu 17/8** - OES River Watch Excursion

**Fri 18/8** - Mitchelton Gallery of Aboriginal Art Excursion

**Fri 18/8** - Yr11 Chemistry Delatite River Water Sampling Excursion

#### Week 7

**Mon 21/8** - Smile Squad onsite

**Tue 22/8** - VCE Parent-Teacher-Student Interviews

**Wed 23/8** - Week 7 Snowsports Program

**Wed 23/8** - Payment due for Week 8 Snowsports

**Wed 23/8** - Uniform Shop open lunchtime (12:40pm - 1:30pm)

**Wed 23/8 - Fri 25/8** - OES Bogong High Plains Trip

**Thu 24/8** - Benalla Art Gallery Excursion

**Fri 25/8** - Unit 2 Biology 'A Devilish Dilemma' Excursion

#### Week 8

**Tue 29/8** - Unit 2 Biology 'Staying Alive' Excursion

**Wed 30/8** - Week 8 Snowsports Program

**Wed 30/8** - Payment due for Week 9 Snowsports

**Wed 30/8** - Uniform Shop open lunchtime (12:40pm - 1:30pm)

**Fri 1/9** - Yr11 VCE VM Landcare Rail Trail Excursion

#### Week 9

**Wed 6/9** - Week 9 Snowsports Program

**Wed 6/9** - Payment due for Week 10 Snowsports

**Wed 6/9** - Uniform Shop open lunchtime (12:40pm - 1:30pm)

**Thu 7/9** - Southern Ranges Athletics

**Fri 8/9** - Yr11 VCE VM Landcare Rifle Butts Excursion

## From The Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

### Primary School transition:

This week we are pleased to support the Year 6 students from most of our feeder schools to attend a secondary setting for a portion of the day. It allows the Year 6 students an opportunity to experience the differences between primary and secondary schools, in particular:

- The canteen
- Moving from class to class
- Lockers for books and bags
- Different teachers for different subjects

Thanks to Mrs Comerford for organising this opportunity; it's great to have excited Year 6 students on site.

### Year 11 History excursion to the cinema:

The Year 11 History class watched 'Oppenheimer' this week at Mansfield Armchair Cinema. It ties in nicely with their current unit of study, 'The Changing World Order'. Thanks to Mrs Wale for organising the excursion.

For those interested in studying history, students learn a range of skills and knowledge. The Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) sets the study design, and it includes capabilities around:

- Asking historical questions
- Using sources of evidence
- Exploring historical perspectives
- Using historical interpretations
- Analysing cause and consequence
- Identifying continuity and change
- Establishing historical significance
- Constructing historical arguments

### Year 10 to 11 Course Counselling:

The Course Counselling team has completed the bulk of the initial interviews for students entering into Year 11 in 2024. For parents and students who have not yet had the chance to meet with one of the senior staff, I encourage you to contact the School Office and they will assist you in booking an appointment.



## From the Principal (continued)

### VCE Parent-Teacher-Student (PTS) Interviews:

PTS Interviews for VCE students will be held on Tuesday 22nd August. Bookings will be available via Compass. We encourage students and parents to attend the interviews with teachers to discuss student learning progress. Please contact the School Office if you need assistance with booking the interview.

### Interschools Snowsports next week:

We have a number of students competing at the Victorian Interschool Snowsports Championships next week. Buller is doing a great job at maintaining the snow on the competition courses. We wish those competing all the best!

### Round Robin sports:

A positive day was held last Friday, with over 70 students participating in basketball and dodgeball for Round Robin. 5 out of the 6 basketball teams qualified to go to the Region competition in October.

### Smile Squad:

The mobile dental clinic for students will be on site next week. If you would like your child to utilise the dental van, please reach out to the School Office for a consent form.

All the best for the next fortnight.

Kind regards  
**Timothy Hall**

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## Sport Report

Last Thursday 10th August, the Year 7 girls netball went to Wangaratta and performed well in gaining a third place in the Regional competition. Our first opponent from Upper Hume were formidable and kept out of the box shooting the lights out with their goal scoring ability. Lily Olver and Lacey Crowe battled hard in defence and Ella Mercieca made the most of her chances, but the other side had all the answers.

Against Notre Dame, in the second game, the girls had their moments and looked the better team for much of the game, but in the end went down by a solitary goal. Ellie Marks was in everything and Shilah Olver linked up well through the middle of the court while Annie Armsden was busy in attack. The balance looked better and against the third side, Yarrawonga, the flow began to happen. With some long passing into our shooters the girls had the close game fall their way and won by 1. Lara Klingsporn was great in the goals and Lia Snell was always in the right spot. Yarrawonga found Zara Yencken a handful and the girls deserved their win looking a different side to the opening game!

A big thankyou to Erin Brond and Emmeline Evans on helping out, supporting the girls in scoring and their great coaching advice. If this group can stay together they may find they go one step further next year.

On the Friday 11th August, we had our Term three Round Robin basketball teams head off to the District event. 5 out of our 6 sides will go to the Regional level in October at the Shepparton Sports Stadium. The boys will be in Shepparton on 19th October with the girls at the same venue on the 23rd. Stay posted for details as they emerge.

We will also have our Southern Ranges (District) Athletic event on 7th September as the term draws to a close so keep your eyes out for that also.

Next term we have a school Round Robin instead of a district event and the students from Year 7-9 take part over the course of the day. They will compete in numerous events and it includes everybody, so generally speaking, it's an enjoyable day for all participating.

**Christian Thompson**  
Sports Coordinator



## Clay Target Championships

Last week a small team of five students headed to Echuca to take part in the North East Zone Clay Target Championships. In his excitement, Taz Leatham was firing off a bit too quickly, apparently waiting for the targets to catch up but rarely did they do so. Henry Gove was dealing with the kick of the old single-barrel and Tyler Polkinghorne was loving it so much that just hitting a target was a bonus. Charles Smyth was the first to admit he was well out of practice but was enjoying the competition regardless. Quietly doing OK was Luke Morrow, making little adjustments and finding his groove. We didn't scare the leader board after round one, but spirits were high.

As round two progressed, so too did the inevitable Echuca wind and hitting the targets was that little bit more difficult, although Henry was now showing he had adapted to the kick of a gun that was twice as old as him. While our final results suggest there's some practice needed before the next event in Benalla, Tyler and Luke asked the officials if there was a possibility of them being in the end-of-day shoot-offs and the answer was pretty clear that we didn't have to be hanging around! An earlier than expected trip home was therefore a bonus.

The Benalla Field and Game club are hosting the Annual Clay Target Championships in week 2 of term 4, and previously our students have found the field and game format an exciting change from the traditional 'down the line'. Towards the end of this term, I will be asking for interested students to sign up for this, so keep your eyes open on the Daily Bulletin for this announcement.

**Mark Howlett**  
PE Teacher



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Log your minimum 120 hours of driving experience with the help of a volunteer supervising driver.

The TAC L2E program helps young learner drivers with no access to a supervising driver or car to get experience on the road.

The TAC L2E Program matches learners aged 16-21 with a fully licensed volunteer and provides space for them to reach their minimum 120 hours required to apply for a preliminary licence.

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TAC L2E Program  
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M 0437 988 335  
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*"To become a volunteer mentor, please get in touch."*

### PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Services

**PAID OPPORTUNITIES**

**Event Dates**

July	November
Saturday 22 - Farmers Market	Friday 3 - Rock Out (High Country Festival)
August	Saturday 4 - Bush Market
Saturday 26 - Farmers Market	Saturday 25 - Farmers Market
September	December
Saturday 23 - School Holidays / AFL Grand Final Long Weekend	Saturday 16 - Christmas Market
October	
Saturday 28 - Farmers Market & Battle of The Bands competition	

Express Interest Here

Please contact the Mansfield Shire Youth Team to book performances or ask questions:  
[youth.services@mansfield.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth.services@mansfield.vic.gov.au)

**WEAR IT PURPLE DAY**

**WRITE YOUR STORY**

**MOVIE AFTERNOON**  
**'RAYA AND THE LAST DRAGON'**  
**WEDNESDAY 23 AUGUST**  
**OPEN 3.45**  
**MOVIE START 4PM**  
**FINISH 6PM**

Sign Up Form

MOVIE SNACKS PROVIDED

MANSFIELD YOUTH CENTRE  
7 ERRILL STREET



A thought provoking, confronting and informative road safety program with advice on a wide range of topics for young drivers. Presented by Victoria Police and local agencies

**Safe driving for life - It's all about ATTITUDE!**

**WEDNESDAY 6 September, 2023**

**Alexandra Football & Netball Club  
53 William Street, Alexandra**

**7pm Start** (concludes approx 9pm)

**Free Entry**

Limited spaces, please register your attendance via [Eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au)  
[www.eventbrite.com.au/e/coolheads-young-driver-program-alexandra-tickets-663346616587](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/coolheads-young-driver-program-alexandra-tickets-663346616587)

**Enquiries:**

Leading Senior Constable Atkinson  
(03) 5760 0200

If you require a certificate of attendance, please register at the CoolHeads desk prior to taking your seat.



VICTORIA POLICE



## Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

**To join Saver Plus, you must:**

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment\*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)\*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

**Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:**



\*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

**For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:**

Jade or Sharon

[enquiriesp@berrystreet.org.au](mailto:enquiriesp@berrystreet.org.au)

1300 610 355

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**YOUTH CENTRE  
OPEN HOURS**

**MONDAYS 3.30PM - 5PM**  
GAMES

**TUESDAYS 3.30PM - 5PM**  
ARTS & CRAFTS

**WEDNESDAYS 3.30PM - 5PM**  
YOUTH GROUPS & GAMES

Games Include: Basketball Court, Pool Table, Board & Card Games, Xbox and Arts/Crafts

