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Bright P-12 College Newsletter

2024 STUDENT SHOWCASE

We're excited to announce the 2024 Student Showcase!

Here's how you can get involved:

- 1) Come along to the exhibition opening at the Bright Art Gallery 6.30pm Wed 13 Nov. Including the Yr 7-12 Music Soiree at 7pm. Light refreshments will be served. The exhibition closes on Wed 20 Nov.
- 2) If you can spare some time between 10am & 8pm from Thurs 14 Nov to Wed 20 Nov, please call 5755 1166 or email bright.p12@education.vic.gov.au to volunteer to staff the front desk at the Bright Art Gallery. This exhibition relies on volunteers from the school community to staff the front desk. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help so far!
- 3) Yr 3-6 Soiree 6pm Thurs 14 Nov at the Gallery.
- 4) Prep – Yr 2 Soiree 6pm Mon 18 Nov at the Gallery.

The exhibition displays this year's student work from Secondary Digital Technology, CAD/CAM Robotics, Wood, Metal, Media, Theatre Studies, Visual Communication and Design as well as Visual Art from both the Primary and Secondary students, showcasing our VCE Art Creative Practice and Media students.



SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE



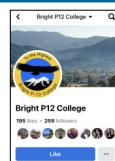
We are proud to announce that we will be receiving an award from Victorian Schools Garden Awards at the Awards Ceremony on 21st November at the Royal Botanic Gardens in Melbourne.



Many students from Bright P-12 College have been involved in building, planting, propagating and maintaining our garden areas to date. There have been some wonderful social, emotional and employability skills learnt along the way. Our Sustainability program continues to go from strength to strength as we tend to our new garden site on Deacon Avenue and our kitchen garden provides ingredients to the Canteen.



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Principal's Message

Dear students, parents and carers,

I am very excited to announce the opening of our annual Art/Media/Technology Exhibition, featuring Music Soirees, at the Bright Art Gallery and Cultural Centre. The exhibition is a wonderful showcase of our students' creativity and talent.

This exhibition is one of the highlights of the year at Bright P-12 College, and we warmly invite you to attend. Whether you can join us for the opening or visit during your free time, your presence would mean

a lot to our students and the school community.

Thank you to the parent volunteers who have signed up to help cover the front desk of the Gallery during opening hours. If you're interested in lending a hand and being part of this exciting event, please call the school office to sign up.

Thank you for your continued support, and we hope to see you at the exhibition

Jean Olley - Principal

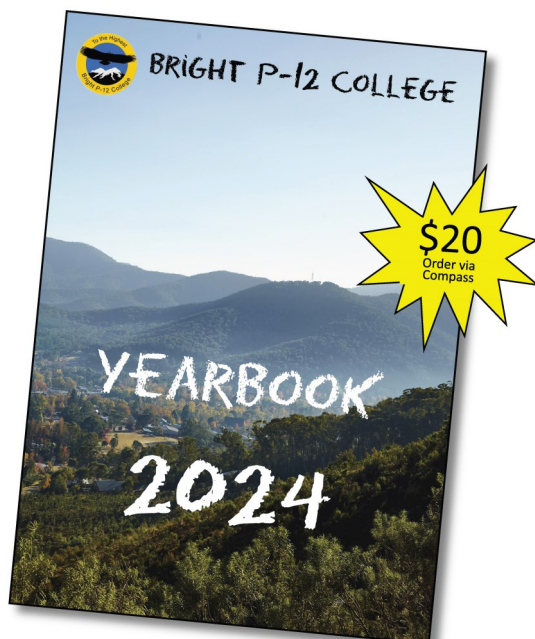
NOTE: ALL CALENDAR EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK COMPASS FOR MOST UP-TO-DATE CALENDAR

2024 YEARBOOK

We're working on the 2024 Yearbook. It's packed full of great photos and articles of all the fantastic activities, camps, incursions and other events our students have enjoyed this year. If you'd like a sneak peek at some of the inside pages, head to www.brightp12.vic.edu.au

Order via Compass by 1 December.

Note: we will not be printing additional copies, so if you would like a 2024 Yearbook, you need to pre-order. A copy of the 2023 Yearbook is available to view at the school office.



COLLEGE CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

13 OCT-14 DEC	Yr 9 Marlo Leadership School
29 OCT-20 NOV	VCE exams
13 NOV	Yr 6 Alpine School excursion
13 NOV	2024 Student Showcase opening
13 NOV	7pm Yr 7-12 Music Soiree
14 NOV	Yr 11 GRIP Leadership Conference
14 NOV	6pm Yr 3-6 Music Soiree
15 NOV	Yr 2 Mt Buffalo excursion
18 NOV	6pm Prep-Yr 2 Music Soiree
19 NOV	Yr 8 Mt Buffalo excursion
20-21 NOV	Yr 10 Outdoor Ed overnight Alpine hike
21-22 NOV	Yr 2 Camp, Harrietville
21 NOV	Yr 12 Graduation dinner
25 NOV	RMIT Women in STEM Day, Melbourne
29 NOV	Last day of school for Yr 11 students

NEXT PUPIL-FREE DAY: Friday 6 December

PRIMARY CHESS TOURNAMENT

Primary students have been really enjoying the challenge of the Chess Club Tournament, currently in progress on Monday lunchtimes in the Library.

This popular activity has encouraged students with some prior knowledge of chess to share their experience and tips with others who are new to the game. Secondary students have also been lending a hand and imparting their knowledge to the keen Primary students, who are developing their strategic thinking and communication skills while having fun.



CHESS CLUB TOURNAMENT TERM 4

EVERY MONDAY AT LUNCH FROM
MONDAY 4TH NOV TO MONDAY 9TH
DEC.

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CATEGORY 2 - YEAR 3 & 4

CATEGORY 3 - YEAR 5 & 6



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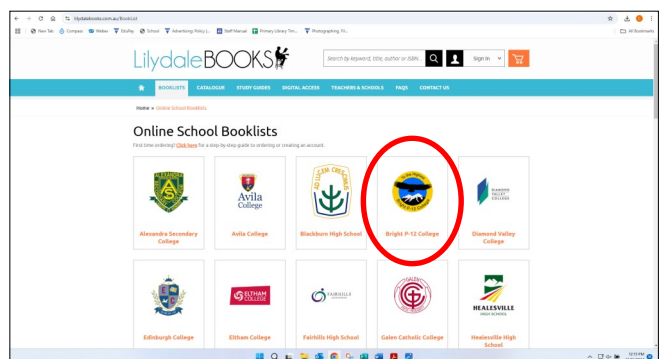


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Please see details on the left about how to order books and other school supplies for the 2025 school year.

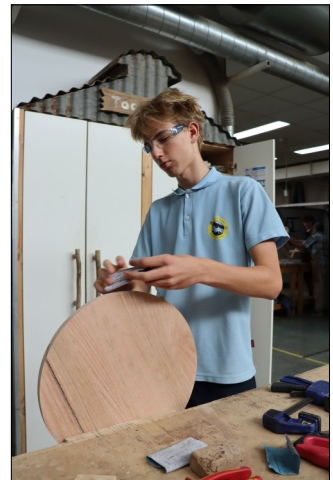
Head to www.lilydalebooks.com.au/booklist then select Bright P-12 College and enter your child's name.

Note: Book Collection Day is 11am – 4pm on Thursday 23rd January at Bright P-12 College.



Yr 9 WOODWORK

Year 9 students are working through the final stages of their contemporary side tables. These side tables are a perfect example of what can be created when students combine care and effort with beautiful Victorian Ash timber.



BREAKFAST CLUB



A reminder that Breakfast Club is on every Thursday from 8:15am. All students are welcome to attend.

Breakfast Club a great opportunity to volunteer, enjoy yummy food and connect with peers and teachers. Starting the day with a well-balanced breakfast improves engagement, learning and growth. Options include fresh fruit, toast, cereal, milo and fruit cups.



Yr 7 MATHS

7 Maths students have recently been studying statistics. Students have been collecting data during short Basketball games. This has included data such as the number of points scored each quarter, 3 pointers, rebounds and assists. Students will analyse and graph this data.



VARIETY POSTIE DASH



Last week, we welcomed 100 Variety Postie Dash riders to Bright P-12 College for breakfast.

Thanks to the Variety Postie Dash for their generous donation of \$4,680 to our school. The donated funds will be spent on art supplies for our lunchtime art programs (for students from Prep to Year 12) as well as hiking packs for the Outdoor Education program.

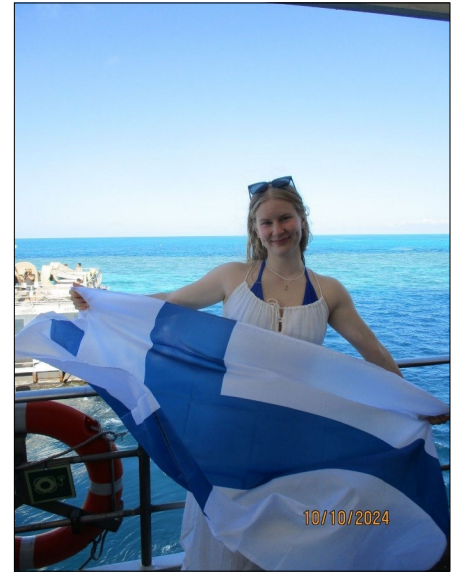
Thank you to everyone involved in running this great community event.

STUDENT EXCHANGE

"Hi, My name is Olga and I am an exchange student from Finland. I will spend my year here in Bright and I have already been here over a quarter of it! It's amazing how much I have done. I tried not to make expectations before I came, but I somehow expected that I will spend my year at a beach, by the ocean and surf. Silly me. But here's a photo of me when I visited the Whitsundays with Rotary so I did get to see the ocean!

Bright is very different to my home in Finland, it's much quieter here. I like the community here. Bright P-12 College is great, it has a more outdoor focus, it's smaller and the kids are friendly. I am learning about Aussie culture, which is fun, I find it relaxed compared to Finland.

My year will be a great one in another way. If you wanna hear more about me, my time here or want me to experience something- just come and talk to me" Olga K Year 11



Yr 7 ENGLISH

Year 7 students are ending the year by analysing images in film and picture books. In Week 5 they discussed their childhood memories of their favourite books and took turns being 'a teacher' and reading aloud to a group. Favourite books were 'Where is the green sheep?', 'The Gruffalo', 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy'. They made notes about pictures, language, structural features and author's messages.

Over the next few weeks the Year 7 students will create their own original picture books to share with our younger readers.



STUDENT TEACHERS

"I was drawn to do my placement at Bright P-12 not only for the amazing school community but also for the chance to be surrounded by the stunning mountain scenery every day!

Both staff and students have gone out of their way to make me feel welcome, making each lesson here truly rewarding. I'm constantly inspired by the school's commitment to supporting each student's unique strengths, and it's fantastic to be part of a team that makes learning so engaging and meaningful. Each day brings something new, and I'm grateful to be learning and growing in such a beautiful setting, surrounded by passionate and supportive people!" Elizabeth Nuspan



"I am very excited to be placed in one the most beautiful places in Australia to do my student placement. The staff have been very welcoming to me which has only made me more excited to teach here. I believe these next three weeks are going to be fun whilst also being very educational for me to hopefully take into a teaching career." Nathan Mann

"My name is Jamie and I'm half way through my Masters of Teaching through La Trobe University in Wodonga. I studied psychology and nutrition at university and while doing so, worked as a teacher's aide at a local high school. This is what lead to me doing teaching at university.

I've completed four weeks of placement at Bright P-12 this term. It has been an awesome experience seeing how a smaller school works and it is such a welcoming environment. I've had the opportunity to teach Year 10 Chemistry and Year 8 Health/PE; an experience that has taught me many valuable skills. The staff have all been amazing, and my mentors Matt and Melody have been so helpful with their feedback and knowledge. It truly is an amazing school and I consider myself very lucky to have had a placement here.

Next year I plan to continue my studies while I take the year off on family leave to look after my son who is due in February. In 2026 I hope to gain my permission to teach so I can begin such a rewarding and enjoyable career." Jamie Ovenden

Yr 11 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP

Year 11 students visited Melbourne Royal Botanical Gardens as part of their fieldwork on Nature-Based Tourism. Students had a private tour by an educational facilitator, and they learnt about the management of the gardens in the midst of climate change including the landscape succession strategy and working wetland system. Students also undertook research including surveys, observations and a fieldwork sketch.



PREP - Yr 2 SPORTS DAY

The weather was perfect for our Prep - Year 2 Sports Day earlier this month. Primary School Captains, House Captains and House Leaders ran the day and it went very smoothly. Activities included high jump, long jump, soccer, parachute games and hurdles, to name a few.

Our enthusiastic students did a fantastic job of joining in the activities and encouraging their friends to do their best. House pride was on display throughout the day and everyone had great fun.

A big 'thank you' to all parents who attended and cheered on our students and a special thanks to parents who ran in the parent race at the end of the day.



Yr 11 CHEMISTRY

Year 11 Chemistry students have been completing their extended investigations.

Students chose a variety of investigations all within the analytical chemistry field, with many of them performing a volumetric analysis. These included comparing the acidity of different brands of white vinegar, comparing the acid content of different types of vinegar and determining the basic properties of cleaners. Some students chose to use gravimetric analysis to determine the salt content of a variety of different biscuits.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Our school leaders represented Bright P-12 College at the Remembrance Day ceremony earlier this week. Organised by the Bright RSL sub-branch, student leaders joined with members of the community to lay a wreath and pay their respects at Mafeking Square in Bright. At school, we observed a minute's silence to mark the occasion.

Photos: Jean-Pierre Ronco.



STUDENT WRITING

Spotlight on our budding authors in Year 3/4.

This term, our talented Year 3/4 students have revisited narrative writing, diving deeper into storytelling techniques to captivate their readers. We are thrilled to highlight a standout piece by Ivy B, whose narrative showcases an exceptional command of suspense, vivid imagery, and extended vocabulary.

Ivy has crafted a story that brings scenes to life through rich similes, metaphors, and personification, painting clear and engaging pictures in the minds of her audience. Her use of descriptive language keeps readers on the edge of their seats, making her story both thrilling and memorable.

Currently, Ivy is in the process of publishing her piece. Soon, we'll have copies available for older students and teachers who are interested in experiencing her remarkable work. If you're curious and would like to read Ivy's narrative, you'll have the chance to do so in a few weeks. Stay tuned for more information!



Have you ever been stuck somewhere, in the middle of a great, big, whopping adultish conundrum? Well, I have. Me and my best friend Lola. I'll tell you more about us, then I'll get on with the conundrum.

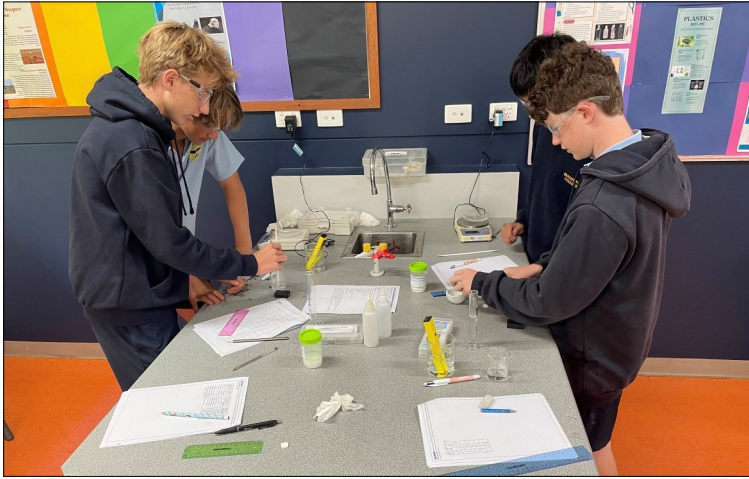
Me and Lola are best friends, but look entirely different. I'm sort of tall with light brown hair that reaches halfway down my back and I have hazel eyes. (Maybe that's why Mum and Dad named me Hazel). Lola, my best friend, is tall like me, but that's where the similarities end. She has short dirty-blonde hair that's normally in two low pigtails and inquisitive, bright green eyes that are usually closed. I'm sorry to say this, but Lola can be very, very lazy sometimes, which is why I did most of the investigating and sneaking by myself. I know. How annoying! Nonetheless, she is still my best friend.

Anyway, back to the conundrum. It all started four days ago. We've solved it now, but I'll tell you the story from the start. We first knew something was wrong at dinner. We were staying on a cruise ship. It. Was. Massive! But because it was so expensive, there weren't many passengers onboard. Lola's father knew the king, King Charles. The King favoured her father so much that he had given tickets to my family and Lola's family for this luxurious cruise ship. Okay, all right I'll get on with it. I noticed something was up at dinner, when Miranda (rich countess) caught Mr Stooge's eye and then as if she remembered something, she started heaping tons of salt onto her dinner. She tasted it, made a disgusted face at her plate then shrugged and kept eating. "Very disgraceful," I whispered to Lola, who was looking over my shoulder. "Yeah," Lola nodded slowly in agreement. Mr. Stooge was watching Miranda as well, but with a mischievous and domineering look in his eye. Suddenly, as if he had just remembered something, he jerked his hand forward and snatched the salt shaker from the middle of the table. He hastily shook some onto his plate then placed it back on top of the pepper, where it fell and spilt. Salt scattered everywhere like flakes of snow. He didn't even look up, he just kept eating...

By Ivy B, Year 3

Yr 9 SCIENCE

Year 9 students have been completing their extended investigation into antacid tablets. The students had to select their own independent variable and the range of tablets under investigation. Students then collected results using an indicator or pH probe and analysed the results. This was to determine which was the most effective antacid and link this back to the science they have been studying around neutralisation reactions.



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In addition to our Arts and Crafts, Indoor and Outdoor play based activities we run Theircare initiative programs that are embedded into our OSHC program, TC Tucker and WeCare. We have added our own program to the Bright service Parks Victoria Nature Mascots Program.

TC Tucker is an initiative aimed at nurturing healthy eating habits in children. Each week we are given a choice of recipes to provide a cooking experience for the children.

Some things we made this term are Guacamole, Banana Fritters, Bruschetta.

WeCare all Theircare services support a charity. Each term the services across our region choose the same charity to support donating \$50 from each service to the chosen charity.

For term 4 our charity is Kids Helpline.

The Nature's Mascots program is a place based, inquiry program which connects students to their local green spaces through one of ten Nature's Mascots that represents their local ecosystem. Activities and learning modules are provided by Parks Victoria.

We have chosen the Platypus as our mascot.

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