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Bright P-12 College Newsletter

WELLBEING DOG

On Monday, our Wellbeing Dog Frankie had her first day working at school. Students have been learning about how to approach and interact with Frankie when she is at school.

Frankie is a working dog and not a school pet. This means interactions with her will be different, much like interactions with other working dogs in the community.

The three expectations are:

- Saying hello to the person, and not Frankie
- Giving lots of space when passing by
- Keep moving, not standing and staring.

Frankie is a beautiful dog and has a loving nature. Despite how hard it is not to get excited about seeing her, it is really important for everyone to initially not give her attention or excitement. This is important for Frankie to learn to relax in order for her to feel comfortable and be healthy while working at school.

Please see the Dogs Connect introduction video for a brief overview of the implementation of a wellbeing dog in the school. <https://cdn.fs.teachablecdn.com/rN0zr9RQOqHIDs4THp8H>

Frankie's first day involved a walk around the school and introducing her to the classes. She spent time in some of the classes that day while the students were learning. She is having rest breaks, play time and walks throughout the day.

For her first couple of weeks at school, Frankie will be onsite at school three days a week (Monday, Wednesday and Thursday). As she begins to feel more comfortable, her days will increase to four days a week.

Frankie will be supervised by a member of staff at all times. As Bright P-12 College will now be having a wellbeing dog onsite, no other dogs or animals will be allowed onsite unless authorised. Please contact Principal Jean Olley to discuss authorised animals onsite.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bethany Carter: bethany.carter@education.vic.gov.au

We want to thank our current sponsors: NESAY Youth, Family and Community, Alpine Animal Doctors, Love Little Paws Mobile Dog Grooming and Mars Petcare.



PREPS BACK AT SCHOOL

The Prep students are very excited to be back onsite.

This week we were exploring the digraph (two letters that combine together to correspond to one sound) 'ch' and here they are displaying their crazy chirpy chickens.



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Principal's Message

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4! I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable break.

Reading through our latest newsletter, I can see we have hit the ground running this term, which is very satisfying to see. We have a number of new staff (see page 3 to meet them). I'd like to extend a warm welcome to them all. At Bright P-12 College, we have a fantastic mix of teaching and support staff from many different backgrounds. The school community benefits from our diverse experience as we share our collective knowledge to support students through their school years.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our team of school staff for their very hard work in supporting students to make the transitions between on-site and off-site learning as smooth as possible.

From talking to students, parents and staff in the past few days, I know those who are still engaging in remote learning are keen to be back on-site. Not long to go now! I'm looking forward to seeing all students on-site from October 26 onwards.

Please remember to send your child to school with a school hat for Term 4. And note also that all students from Year 3 to Year 12 are required to wear a mask, as per the new government mandates. If a lawful exception applies for your child, please advise the school. For details, visit <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/face-masks>

As we head towards getting all students back to on-site learning, getting vaccinated is even more important than ever. Vaccination is the best way to be protected from

and prevent the spread of COVID-19. I encourage all students aged 12 years and over and their parents to get vaccinated as soon as possible.

We are pleased to report that our students who sat the GAT exam last week dealt with the process in a mature and professional manner. Our staff and exam supervisors reported a high level of focus from all students. We are very proud of their efforts and wish our students all the very best in their VCE exams next month.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher, year level coordinator or myself.

Wishing you all the best for a productive term.

Jean Olley - Principal

NOTE: ALL CALENDAR EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID-19 GUIDELINES. PLEASE CHECK COMPASS FOR MOST UP-TO-DATE ADVICE

COLLEGE CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 20 OCT Yr 7 2022 Transition Info Session
- 22 OCT Yr 12 Celebration Day
- 27 OCT VCE exams start
- 29 OCT Prep-Yr 2 Sports Day

NOVEMBER

- 2 NOV Melbourne Cup Public Holiday**
- 5 NOV Yr 11 Geography Field Trip
- 16-19 NOV Yr 7 Camp
- 17 NOV VCE exams end
- 26 NOV Celebration of Success Assembly
- 30 NOV Yr 9 Career Big Day In
- 30 NOV Prep 2022 Transition Tour

DECEMBER

- 3 DEC Pupil-free day**
- 7 DEC Prep 2022 Transition Tour
- 17 DEC Last day Term 4**

NOTE: School photos are booked for
Monday 21st March 2022

Yr 6 GRADUATION

Thank you to everyone who has sent in pictures for the Yr 6 Graduation Slideshow. We have received 54% of the Baby and First Day of School photos from students.

If you still need to send in photos, please send them to tracycarey2@gmail.com

Hurry up! Remote Learning is nearly over! By Luke, Yr 6.



NEW STAFF



Hello, my name is Tessa Higgins and I am the new Acting Assistant Principal at Bright P-12 College. I will be working with all students Prep to Year 12 with a focus on Student Wellbeing and School Wide Positive Behaviour Supports. Some parents and students might recognise me as most recently, I was working as Head Teacher at Bright College Dinner Plain Campus in Term 3 this year. Prior to being at Dinner Plain, I worked as Assistant Principal at Dromana Primary School. During the course of my career, I have taught Physical Education, Visual Arts and multiple primary year levels. When I'm not working, I enjoy snowsports, surfing and when we can, travelling within Australia and overseas. I look forward to getting to know the community of Bright College.

Hi, I'm Nick Kenwright and I'll be teaching Yr 5. I am married to Irene, we have two sons, Will (5) and Huw (3). Will is very excited to be starting in Prep in January and Huw specialises in being wide awake at 5:30 every morning. We spend a lot of time around Pioneer Park, at the playground, on the bike tracks and walking by/splashing in Morses Creek. We have lived in Bright for nearly two years and I've been teaching at Wangaratta Primary School since then. Before that we lived on the Surf Coast for six years. I have been a teacher for fourteen years and have taught ages from Prep to Year 8 in different schools all over the world (Wales, New Zealand, Egypt, China and Australia).



Hi, I'm Prahnee Ambler. I have previously taught at Bentleigh SC and Lilydale College when I lived in Melbourne. I then moved to Canada and taught Elementary, Middle and High School. I moved back to Australia and taught in several schools as a relief teacher on the Morning Peninsula. Finally, I moved to Bright and have been working as a relief teacher. I spent last term up at the Dinner Plain campus. My interests are mountain biking, snowboarding, split boarding, skiing, travelling (when it's possible), trail running, hiking, surfing, Stand Up Paddleboarding, camping, crocheting and crafting. I love the outdoors, but equally love a cup of tea and crocheting on the couch next to the fire.

Hi, I'm Geri Ward. I taught Art & Design in Scotland for 15 years, having previously worked as a designer. I am currently teaching Art to P-4 at Bright P-12 College and have had a great welcome.

Having moved here with my Aussie partner a couple of years ago, we have since been travelling, and getting locked down in various states in our caravan. We are now happily settled in lovely NE Victoria, taking advantage of all the brilliant trails, tracks and roads to cycle.



Hi Everyone, my name is Lewis Dowie and I am replacing Mr Steer while he is away. My face will be familiar to some of you because last term I had some CRT Days at Bright P-12. I will be teaching Year 9 & 10 Outdoor Education, Year 11 & 12 Sport and Outdoor Recreation and Year 8, 9 & 10 Physical Education. I have been working in Outdoor Education for the last 10 Years. Most recently, I worked for 3 years in the Outdoor Department at the Howqua Campus for Lauriston Girls' School. I moved to Bright midway through 2020. I love being outdoors whenever I can, and my favourite activity changes with the seasons! In springtime I spend most of my free time white water kayaking and bike riding (road and mountain bike).

Hi Bright P-12 College students, staff and families, I'm Kahra Trower. I am excited to join the team for T4 2021 in the Middle Years Literacy and Numeracy Support (MYLNS) role. I have been living in the North East for the past eight years; the first two years I spent at Yarrowonga P-12 College and for the last six years I have been living in Dinner Plain and working at The Alpine School. I love the outdoors and being active. I will likely see you out and about walking, running, bike riding or taking my pup for a swim somewhere in the valley! Thanks for welcoming me into the school community.



Hi, I'm Vanessa Leonard and I am currently teaching Grade 2, following on from taking over Mr O's class at the start of Term 3. I have previously done CRT work in Bright and also Porepunkah as well as working in Myrtleford and in Cobram.

Outside of school, I play soccer for Myrtleford Savoy Soccer Club during winter and enjoying hiking and running with friends.

TRAINEESHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2022

At Bright P-12 College in 2022 we are looking to employ up to 4 trainees in partnership with The Apprenticeship Factory. Each trainee will complete a Certificate III in either 'Education Support', 'Business' or 'Aquatics and Community Recreation'. The traineeship is a full time, paid position and will involve a wide variety of school-related duties. Trainees will be expected to work a 35-hour week, 8:30am – 4.00pm daily and will have school holidays.

Those choosing to complete a Certificate III in Education Support will work closely with classroom teachers, predominantly in the primary years to support and extend students.

Trainees completing a Certificate III in Aquatics & Community Recreation will be working with teachers and students in physical education, sport, and outdoor education, predominantly in the secondary school.

Trainees completing a Certificate III in Business will work closely with our office administration and library staff, complete office based duties working in both the library and office areas.

Each trainee will be employed by The Apprenticeship Factory and work closely with their staff as well as a representative from GoTafe throughout the year. Applicants must be enthusiastic, be prepared to work closely with staff and students, be well organised and show initiative. The traineeship is open to any member of our broader community between 17 and 24 years of age. Trainees may or may not have attended Bright P-12 College. If you are interested in a traineeship at Bright P-12 College in 2022, please forward a cover letter and resume to pryan@theapprenticeshipfactory.com.au by Friday 29th October. In your cover letter, please state which traineeship you are applying for. If you have any questions, contact Paula Ryan on the email above or contact Tess Higgins at Bright P-12 College.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Sunshine Walk for the Albury Wodonga Cancer Centre

It is a virtual walk this year and can be completed in Bright on the 5km signposted course. The cost to join is \$20, which includes a t-shirt which can be picked up at Health Focus Physio Albury or Wodonga and morning tea. If you don't want a shirt, \$10 entry will get you on our beautiful walk along the Ovens River and morning tea, supplied by the Rotary Club of Bright at the waterslide. So please get a group of friends together to do the walk, go to the Sunshine Walk page and join or donate to our team 'Bright Walking Warriors'.

We have plotted a 5km course in Bright that will be signposted on the day. For further information, please contact 5755 1841. We hope you have fun whilst raising funds for this much-needed centre.



Free Online Event for caregivers - Through the Eyes of a Gamer

A free Online Event - Through the Eyes of a Gamer is being held on Thursday 14th October at 7:00pm. This information session aims to create awareness for those who support children and young people so they have a better understanding of the video game industry. If you would like to attend, please follow the link below to register before the event.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/through-the-eyes-of-a-gamer-tickets-170089856339>

As the Myrtleford Show has been cancelled, we thought we'd bring the **ANZAC biscuit bake-off** to Bright. On 22 October, we will be holding an Anzac Biscuit baking competition. Open to all students at Bright P12 College, we will have a Primary School section and a Secondary School section.

We are hoping to get someone from the Bright RSL to judge the winning biscuit.

Please drop into 44 Bakers Gully Road, by 12 pm on Friday 22 October. Judging to be completed that afternoon.

- 6 Biscuits to a plate
- For handling purposes, please place on a paper plate and in a clear bag
- Write your name and class on the bottom of the plate

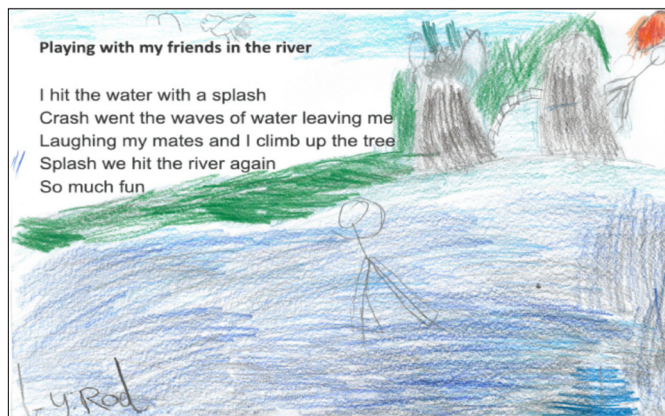
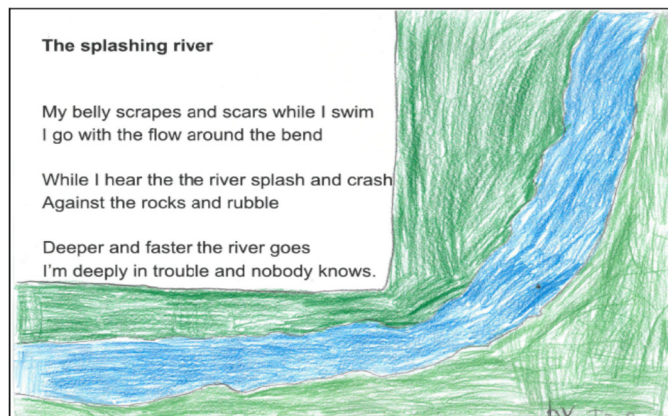


Yr4 POETRY

During Term 3, the Year 3/4 unit studied the writing genre of poetry. To link with Lee Couch's work about Aboriginal culture, the students were inspired by the indigenous poet Alice Eather and a student poem by Sylvain DC (a Year 4 student from Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School in Launceston). Students then created works about a river and fire. The two poems below were created by Trae T and Rod A from Year 4.



The following students have entered poetry into the 'Poem Forest' competition created by Red Room Poetry (<https://redroompoetry.org/projects/poem-forest/>) - Campbell N, Penny B, Oscar F, Isabelle G, Trae T and Rod A. Their poems are now in the running for POEM FOREST prizes alongside over 5,000 youth voices from around Australia. I wish them luck and hope to hear news early this term. Keep writing! Katie Ferrito, 3/4 Curriculum Leader



Yr 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

The Department of Education have given the go ahead for work experience to take place in regional Victoria this term. Rather than direct that all year 10 students should undertake work experience within a designated period, we have decided not to make it compulsory and to offer students the opportunity to undertake their placements at a time suitable to themselves and their employers. However, there are some restrictions which have been sent out to Year 10 students and their families. The industry specific Covid rules apply to students attending work placements.



We are pleased with the take up from Year 10 students so far. A number have already organised and undertaken placements and others are in the process of getting the paperwork organised. Max and Eden have both had the opportunity of a placement with Bright & District Electrical and Eden has also undertaken more than a week with Tim Maynard Electrical. If any other students wish to organise a placement, please contact Chris Blazek or Jane Mildren.

VIRTUAL TRACK AND FIELD

Due to COVID, School Sports Victoria (SSV) has cancelled all interschool sports for the Hume Region for remainder of this year. In recognition of this, SSV are offering school students a Virtual Track and Field opportunity.



Victorian primary and secondary students are encouraged to take part in this program. There are several ways students can be involved. Students can take part in one or all of the events. SSV is offering a limited range of Track and Field events (disciplines). SSV is not looking for the best performance, they are only looking for students to give it a try. Students have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

By taking part in this great event, students will not only score points for their school, but they will also be improving themselves every time they try. There is nothing better than self-improvement and giving your personal best.

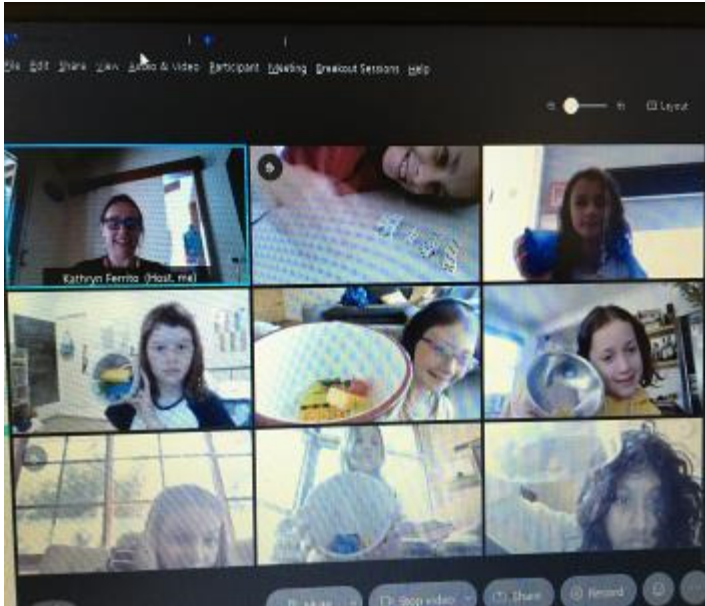
The program is open to all students of every year level and all you need to do is click on the link to fill in your name and school details on the SSV website and then enter your results for your chosen track and field event. <https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/Pages/SSVVirtualTrackandField.aspx>

If you have any issues logging in or uploading your results, please get in touch with Adrien Picot.

Yr 4 MATHS

Students had to quickly gather Lego, small rocks (Duleetha marked his with different coloured textas) or different dice (Nate) to work on Chance and Data during a Mathematics lesson.

Katie Ferrito, 3/4 Curriculum Leader



COMMUNITY NOTICE



**MYRTLEFORD
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REGISTRATIONS OPEN FOR SPRING JUNIOR COMPETITION



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OR WEBSITE**

MORE INFORMATION
WWW.MYRTLEFORDTENNIS.COM.AU

*COMMENCEMENT DEPENDANT ON COVID RESTRICTIONS FOR COMMUNITY SPORT, ANTICIPATED END OF OCTOBER.
*COMPETITION FEES TO BE WAIVED FOR SPRING MONTHS

SCHOOL NOTICES

Bright P-12 College

Year 7 2022

Transition Information Session



Wednesday 20th October 2021 6.30pm
(online via Webex)


Our online Information Session for Transition to Year 7 2022 will be held on Wednesday 20th October at 6.30pm.

An email with a link to register has been sent to families who are intending to enrol. If you have not received this email and intend to enrol for next year, please register by contacting Bright P-12 College on 5755 1166.


The transition from Primary to Secondary School is an important milestone. We look forward to starting this journey with you.



Bright P-12 College
Welcomes 2022 Prep Students
and Families



For a small group tour of the school and to meet the Prep teachers please register your contact details via the QR code or phone the school office.





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Transition Program Dates:
Tuesday 30th November 9.15am-12.30pm
Tuesday 7th December 9.15am-3.00pm



Yr 8 FOOD

Many of our students rose to the challenge of cooking in their own homes during lockdown at the end of last term and following recipes and instructions that had been posted online. In Year 8 Food Technology, we teach the students how to prepare a number of simple dishes with the aim of giving them important 'survival' skills for later in life when they leave home and have to feed themselves. We also teach them the basics about Nutrition, Digestion, Kitchen Safety, Hygiene and Food Handling to Avoid Food Poisoning. Below are some photos of food prepared by our Yr 8 students - tacos and burgers. Great job, everyone!



Jenna S



Sam G



Daniel K



Sam G



Daniel K



Charlotte L

HEALTH CORNER

Welcome back to Term 4 and onsite learning eventually fulltime.

Breakfast is back on each Thursday morning in the cooking room, would love to see you there, all you need is a smile.

Year 12, don't forget I am here Monday and Thursday if you would like to chat / de-stress a little.

Remember that in Term 4, we need to wear hats and sunscreen to be sun smart. Also, we really need to be thinking about our water intake as the days start to warm up, so bring that water bottle along.

Back to school lunchbox treat - Apricot honey biscuits

Cream 4oz of butter, 3 tablespoons of honey and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of brown sugar until fluffy

Beat in 1 egg

Add $\frac{3}{4}$ cup chopped dried apricots, 2 cups of SR flour and 1 tablespoon of cocoa and mix together

Roll tablespoon size amounts into balls, place on a lined baking tray and press with a fork

Bake at 200C for 12-15 mins

Cool then ice with chocolate icing

Quote for the week: *"There's no such thing as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple with no logical end."* Scott Adams

From Adolescent Health Nurse Rosemary Bunge.

Yr 10 ART - LINOCUT PRINTS

Year 10 Visual Art students explored printmaking techniques and created their own linocut prints.

A linocut is a type of relief print. Essentially, the students carve an image into a linoleum (lino) tile and what's left of the tile is inked and printed.

The challenge was for the students to keep in mind that their image would be in reverse. They are to be commended on the quality of their finished prints.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Parent & Relationship Education Programs and Parenting Support –Term 4, 2021

(bookings essential for all programs)

Program	Venue	Date	Time	Phone:
WODONGA				
Tuning in to Kids Emotionally Intelligent Parenting (2-10 years)	Gateway Health Room F11b 155 High St, Wodonga	Fridays 29th October to 3rd December 2021	10am - 12pm	Intake Team (02) 6022 8888
Tuning in to Teens Emotionally Intelligent Parenting (10+ years)	Gateway Health Trainign Room G10 155 High St, Wodonga	Tuesdays 26th October to 30th November 2021	10am to 12pm	
Parenting Trans and Gender Diverse Kids and Teens	Gateway Health Training Room G10 155 High St, Wodonga	Wednesdays 13th October to 24th November 2021	6pm to 8pm	
Mother Goose (0-2 years)	Gateway Health Room F11a and b 155 High St, Wodonga	Wednesdays 13th October to 15th December 2021	10:30am -11:30am	
TALLANGATTA				
Mother Goose (0-2 years)	Tallangatta Library 33 Towong St, Tallangatta	Thursdays 7th October to 16th December 2021	10:30am-11:30am	Paula 0447310679
WANGARATTA—GROUP				
Tuning in to Teens Emotionally Intelligent Parenting (10+ years)	Wangaratta Library 21 Docker St Wangaratta Vic 3677	Wednesdays 27th October to 24th November 2021	10am to 12pm	Intake Team (03) 5723 2000
Individual Parenting Support - WANGARATTA				
Individual Parenting Support— Wangaratta Based	Gateway Health 45-47 Mackay Street Wangaratta Vic 3677	By Appointment Only Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	Business Hours	Intake Team (03) 5723 2000

Term 4 2 Hour Information Sessions Via Zoom

Raising confident, Competent Children

*For parents and carers of children
aged between 2-12 years*

This sessions looks at

- How we teach our children to be respectful and considerate
- Supporting good communication and social skills.
- Having a healthy self esteem,
- Support problem solving
- Encourage independence

**Friday 22nd October
10am—12pm**

Emotion Coaching — Connecting with our kids

*For parents and carers of children
aged between 2-10 years*

This sessions looks at

- Emotional intelligence and why it's important
- Children's brain devolvement
- How to tune into your children's emotions
- Help manage behaviours,
- Support children to regulate
- Their emotions different styles of parenting

**Wednesday 27th
October
7pm—9pm**

Adolescent Parenting

*For parents and carers of children
aged between 12—18 years*

This sessions looks at

- Development of teenager's and it's impacts and challenges
- How we can support your teenager's emotions and build resilience,
- Connecting with your teenager
- Helping to problem solve
- Family values.

**Tuesday 16th
November 7pm—9pm**

The Power of Positive Parenting

*For parent and carers of children
aged between 2-12 years*

This sessions looks at

- Building strong relationships with children,
- Good communication
- Teaching new skills
- Predictable routines
- Expectations of children
- Focusing on the positives
- Balancing family life

**Thursday 18th
November
10am -12pm**

Bookings are essential
Contact Andrea on 0457 279 796 to enrol or for more information



ALPINE CYCLING CLUB

Calling all mountain bikers, Junior Mountain bike club is back. It starts on Tuesday October 12. Details and registration are available at <https://alpinecyclingclub.com.au/junior-program/>

For older, more advanced riders we have a progressions squad on Fridays: <https://alpinecyclingclub.com.au/alpine-progression-squad/>

Questions can be directed to juniors@alpinecyclingclub.com.au

COLLEGE NOTICES



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Or contact Jenni Scambelloni in the College Office.

3755 1166 or Jennifer.scambelloni@education.vic.gov.au

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2020, you do not need to complete an application form in 2021 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2021 or you did not apply in 2020.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2021.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



COLLEGE NOTICES

STATE SCHOOLS' RELIEF - 2022 Year 7 CSEF Uniform Package

Applications will be accepted from the beginning of Term 4, 2021.

Introduction to Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

Through government funding, the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) was established to provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports days and excursions. To find out more, or to apply for assistance, go to <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx> or contact Jenni in the Bright P-12 Office: jennifer.sgambelloni@education.vic.gov.au

State Schools' Relief provides packages to families eligible to receive this funding.

2022 Year 7 Uniform Package for CSEF recipients

Year 7 students for 2022 who are recipients of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualify for the uniform package and/or vouchers.

What's in the package?

The 2022 package contains the following items:

1 x Polo Top or Shirt

1 x Trousers / Pants or Shorts or Summer Dress

1 x Pair of Shoes (Lace Ups or T-Bars or Sneakers)

Please note:

- PE items are not included as part of this package
- Shoes must be requested in UK sizes. The SSR shoe size conversion chart is available on our website or contact Jenni in the Bright P-12 Office.

Cost to families

Where State Schools' Relief cannot supply uniform items directly, you will receive a voucher that subsidises the cost of the uniform items. The voucher can be redeemed at your child's school uniform shop, or independent uniform retailer, which will be listed on the voucher.

Families receiving vouchers *may be required to make a co-contribution payment* towards the cost of the uniform items.

The amount required to cover the gap will depend on the retail purchase price and the State Schools' Relief subsidy. The voucher provided by State Schools' Relief lists each approved item, and the maximum purchase value, that State Schools' Relief will cover. Check your school's uniform price list to work out how much extra you may need to contribute towards the uniform item. **Please note** vouchers do have an expiry date and must be redeemed before the expiry date.

How do I apply for the CSEF Uniform Package?

Applications are made through your child's school (jennifer.sgambelloni@education.vic.gov.au) . Please refrain from contacting State Schools' Relief directly as staff are unable to accept applications from parents/families or carers. Should you have any questions, or wish to apply for assistance, please speak with the representative at your child's 2022 school.

How do I receive the uniform package?

- All items and/or vouchers provided by SSR will be delivered directly to your child's school. The school will then contact you to arrange handover of these items and/or vouchers.
- The voucher will advise whether you collect items from the school uniform shop or a retailer. If it's a retailer, please check with your school to find out the nearest store.
- If a uniform item costs more than the maximum subsidised amount, State Schools' Relief is unable to cover any further cost.
- If a uniform item costs less than the maximum subsidised amount, the difference cannot be redeemed or transferred to an alternate uniform item.

Please note vouchers are not transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash; they cannot be used to purchase extra items and only the uniform item listed can be purchased with the voucher. State Schools' Relief does not make cash payments to schools or parents.

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