



**Plenty Valley**  
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE  
In Christ: Wisdom & Knowledge

# COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

Issue 4 March 16th, 2017

## EDITORIAL

### DIARY DATES

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Friday  
17/03/17  
Secondary House  
Athletics  
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Wednesday  
22/03/17  
Company AGM/GM  
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Wednesday  
22/03/17  
Primary House XCountry  
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Thursday  
23/03/17  
Secondary Parent  
Teacher Interviews  
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Monday  
27/03/17  
EISM Champion Swim  
Carnival  
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Monday—Friday  
27-31/03/17  
Yr9 Wollangara  
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Tuesday  
28/03/17  
Secondary Parent  
Teacher Interviews  
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Friday  
31/03/17  
End of Term 1  
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Friday  
31/03/17  
End of Term  
Assembly

### Company Meeting

Next week is the Company AGM. You should have received an email from me inviting you to the AGM and General Meeting. I was asked recently what is the Company and what is its connection to the College.

A good question.

In 1976, a group of Christian parents created an association, “not for gain and limited by guarantee” was formed and named The Association of Parent-Controlled Christian Schools in the Diamond Valley. These parents had noted that, in the main, governments and churches ran schools. Inspired by other Christian schools they felt that a school that had the same vision and focus as the parents would help guide their children as they received a quality education.

After a slow start the Association’s little school began to grow into a big school and the financial turnover grew with it. In order to protect consumers, the Australian Securities and Investment Commission

regulates companies by requiring particular reporting from them. The reporting requirements for associations are much lower than for companies and so when we reached a certain size ASIC wanted us to become a company.

The Association became Plenty Valley Christian Education Ltd. Most people didn’t notice as Plenty Valley Christian College continued along as it always had.

So, the Company, Plenty Valley Christian Education Ltd. is a vehicle to enable us, collectively, to operate PVCC. Christian parents and grandparents may join the company, a bit like share-holders although you can’t buy and sell shares or receive dividends. And like share-holders, members receive company financial information and reports from the Chairman and CEO (in this case the principal). The members of the company also elect the Board members which hold the legal responsibility for the company (and its school).

To become a member, parents need to be Christians who regularly

attend and are involved in a church congregation. After attendance at three company meetings you may apply and be interviewed for membership.

We also welcome non-members to meetings because we always want to include as many parents as possible.

The next meeting of the company is next week on Wednesday 22 March at 7:30 in Rooms 211 and 212 near the Multipurpose Hall. The AGM will be a short formal business meeting then there will be a presentation on the vision for the future of PVCC and an opportunity to ask questions or make suggestions.

See you there.



*John Metcalfe—Principal*

## COMMUNITY NEWS



The next company meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22 March**, 7:30 pm at Plenty Valley Christian College. In room 211 & 212 next to the Multi Purpose Hall.

You can drive and park at the rear of the MP Hall by using the bus shelter road that leads to the back of the MP Hall.

All families are welcome to attend. Your attendance at this meeting will count as Parent Participation (3 hours per family).

## CAR PARK RULES

### Don't Be Unexpected

The most dangerous time of the day for children is before and after school near the car park. This is because parents in cars become very focused on their own children and take less than usual notice of other children. This is particularly when parents are running late or pressed for time and are tempted to short-circuit the usual processes. Remember accidents happen when someone does the unexpected. You can always rely on children to do the unexpected so we rely on parents to follow the traffic process and drive very carefully.

Only the four main carparks (closest to Yan Yean Road) should be used for dropping off or collecting children.

Only staff and parents visiting the College Office or collecting children during the day (9:00 – 3:00) are able to access the top carpark. Please only park in the available bays. Of course, "Reserved" or



“Disabled” spots are only for those authorised to use them.

Your expectedness and cooperation to keep children safe is greatly appreciated.

**John Metcalfe—Principal**

## Playground Use After School

Our College grounds are so beautiful that sometimes we just don't want to leave in the afternoons! Unfortunately, the College has been given advice that we need to advise families to leave the play equipment and grounds once teachers leave duty for the day.

This means that as of 3:40pm, all children and parents will be asked to leave the playground near the downball courts and make their way home. I understand that this is a lovely time of play and catching up in the afternoons, however, regrettably, I must ask that all College families assist us by leaving at 3:40pm when the teacher is ready to leave the duty. Fortunately – we are surrounded by some lovely parklands and cafes, and I encourage you to continue your chats and catch ups at another venue.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

**Lily McDonald - Head of Primary**

## News from the Primary Sport

### Division Swimming

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, five of our students qualified to compete in the Division Swimming Carnival. This is a really high level and I am so proud to announce that they all qualified to go onto Regionals.

12/13 Boys freestyle relay team – 3<sup>rd</sup>

11 Girls Butterfly – 1<sup>st</sup>

11 Girls Breaststroke – 2<sup>nd</sup>

12/13 Breaststroke – 1<sup>st</sup>

### Regional Swimming

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March we competed at the Regional Swimming at Northcote Swimming Pool.

Skylar Hay, Tristan Wyles, Ryan Cothill, Charles Kendall & Isaac Craig all made it through to this level.

Skylar Hay swam her Butterfly event with so much power and touched the wall first, qualifying her to go onto State!

### Junior Walk-A-Thon

On Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of March, the Prep, 1/2 students all participated in the Walk-A-Thon! This was a lovely sunny afternoon of being active and having fun walking or running. The students received a stamp on their House band every time they completed a lap, 400m.

All together the Prep, 1 and 2 students walked 613 laps, which is 245km! Thank you to all of the parents and family members who came down and joined in the fun. The winning house and class will be announced at the next assembly.



## **House Cross Country**

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, the Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 students will be competing in our House Cross Country Carnival. The students will be running around our beautiful school, while being active and getting fit. Students, who finish in the top ten, for the 10, 11 and 12/13 year old age group, will qualify for the District team next term. Parent Helpers are necessary to allow this event to run safely and smoothly.

## **Concord Sport Carnival**

We are excited to announce that the Year 1 & 2 students are having a Sport Carnival run by the VCAL students at Concord School. The students will be developing their skills in basketball, football and soccer. This is a great opportunity for PVCC students to work with students from another environment, to learn and share while participating in sports that bring them together.

***Sally Park - Primary Physical Education & Sport Coordinator***

# NEW EARLY YEARS BUILDING OPENING EARLY 2018





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## SECONDARY NEWS

Secondary Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Thursday, 23rd March and Tuesday, 28th March. Please book interview times online (Quick Link on the College website - [Parent Teacher Bookings](#)) Your login details have been emailed, please contact the office if you need assistance.

### News from the Secondary Sport

The Secondary House Athletics Carnival is happening on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**.

This very colourful carnival will be held at **Meadowglen International Athletics Stadium** in Epping, with events commencing at 9.30am and concluding at 3pm. The House Athletics is a whole secondary school event and attendance on the day is compulsory. Any student who is unable to attend must **provide a medical note** to the relevant year level coordinator.



All students will be required to arrive at school as per a normal school day and will travel by bus to and from the carnival together. Students will sign up for a variety of track, field & novelty events at the upcoming house meetings and are looking forward to doing their best for their house. The house which has the greatest numbers of students participating and all events filled usually has a very successful day!

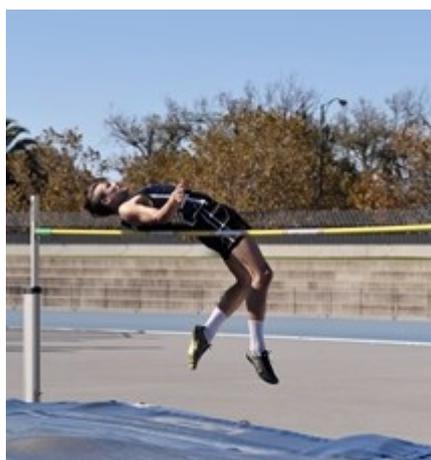
Each house will also decide on a house theme for the Creative Dress competition and perform a War Cry/ Chant for points. House colours only are permitted to be worn on the day (or PE uniform) – **no**

**other forms of casual dress please.**

**Parent support is also very welcome** and an important ingredient for a successful day. Feel free to come along and spectate. If you could possibly help out with officiating duties on the day it would also be greatly appreciated. Please contact me in the PE office and let me know if you can help out in any way. You can contact me via phone on (03) 9717 7400 / 0428 230 958 or via email

[helen.padget@pvcc.vic.edu.au](mailto:helen.padget@pvcc.vic.edu.au) Thank you in anticipation of a great day.

***Helen Padget - Head of Secondary Sport***



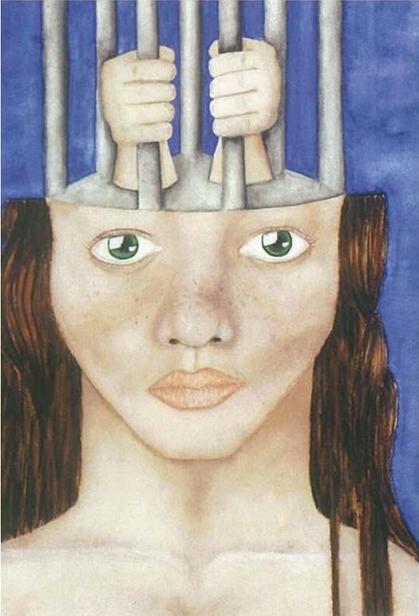
## School Sport Victoria Team Vic

Read more on their website at: <http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic>

View the latest bulletin for School Sport Victoria (Australian Football, Basketball, Football (Soccer), Netball, Swimming and Volleyball and more) on their website:

<http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/Pages/Bulletins.aspx>





## CREATIVE MINDS

NILLUMBIK VCE ART & STUDIO ART  
STUDENTS OF 2016

**Thursday 16 March – Monday 17 April 2017**

Showcasing: Catholic Ladies College, Eltham College, Eltham High School  
Plenty Valley Christian College, St. Helena Secondary College

**Opening Saturday 18 March 2017, 2pm – 4pm**  
To be opened by Nillumbik Shire Mayor Cr Peter Clarke

Eltham Library Community Gallery, Panther Place, Eltham

GALLERY HOURS  
Mon – Thurs: 10am – 8.30pm  
Fri – Sat: 10am – 5pm  
Sun: 1pm – 5pm  
Public holidays: closed

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**ELTHAM  
LIBRARY  
COMMUNITY  
GALLERY**



NILLUMBIK  
THE GREEN WEDGE SHIRE

## News from Careers

Welcome to the Careers Newsletter! There is a lot of information and events coming up which I would encourage Years 10-12 students to consider becoming involved in.



In particular I would like to highlight the upcoming **Melbourne Polytechnic Trade Taster Day**. This is a great opportunity for any students who may be interested in pursuing a trade, but are not sure which one. This is open to all Years 9/10/11 students. Any interested students will need to let me know (email) if they are interested, so I can register them. This is a free event. Please see information in the newsletter attached.

View the latest [newsletter here](#). Students in Years 10-12, please check your email for the newsletter.

**Helen Madden - Careers Advisor**

## UNIFORM SHOP

Monday, 20th March	12:00 - 4:00 pm
Tuesday, 21st March	8:00am - 2:00 pm
Thursday, 23rd March	12:00 - 5:00 pm
Monday, 27th March	12:00 — 4:00pm
Tuesday, 28th March	8:00am — 2:00pm
Thursday, 30th March	12:00—5:00pm
Tuesday, 18th April	10:00am - 2:00pm
Thursday, 20th April	12:00 - 5:00 pm

Spray Jackets: We have had a small delivery of these.

Library Bags: Are in now.

The uniform price list and uniform policy are available on the

[College Website](#). Our direct number is: 9036 7354

Lydia Ross

## CANTEEN

All work in the Canteen can be counted towards Parent Participation Time. Dad and grandparents are most welcome too!

NOTE: Due to Health Regulations, space and safety reasons, we are unable to accommodate any children in the Canteen.

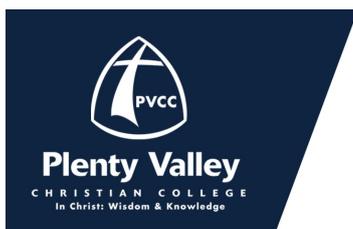
The [Canteen Price List](#) is available on the College website.

**Wendy/Denise**

## Lost Property

**Please mark all uniform items with a permanent marker.**

**All named items can be collected at the general office.**



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## VISION STATEMENT

*The vision of Plenty Valley Christian College is to be a learning community with the creative and responsive mind and spirit of Christ.*

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Teams in U8, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18

Hockey is an Olympic team sport with Greensborough players competing at State and National Level

Registration Day (&amp; watch adult practice matches)

Sat 18/3, 10am-3pm at Plenty Park, Memorial Drive, Plenty 3090

Erika Newbegin 0419 888 050 [juniors@greensboroughhockeyclub.com.au](mailto:juniors@greensboroughhockeyclub.com.au)  
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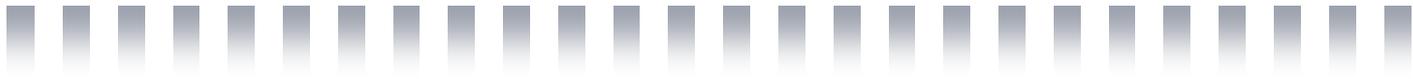
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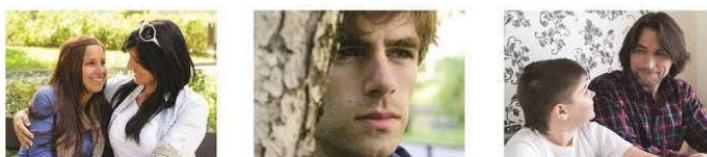
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**Teenage Aggression  
Responding Assertively (T.A.R.A.)**

**Northern Region**

*A workshop for parents of adolescents who are behaving with aggression and violence*



Please join us to discuss the impact of challenging behaviours and violence on families and relationships and to consider the role adolescent development, styles of communication and patterns of relating have in family relationships.

Our intention is that parents feel less alone, better equipped, more hopeful and confident in their ability to respond to challenging behaviours in a way that promotes safety, trust and connection for all family members.

**Course runs over two mornings (attendance required for both sessions)**  
**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 9.30am – 12.30 & Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am -12.30**  
**Please call intake to secure a place on the number below.**

For more information or enquiries please contact:  
 T.A.R.A Program on **(03) 9450 4700**  
 Berry Street, 677 The Boulevard, Eaglemont VIC 308