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DIARY DATES

Tuesday
14 November 2017
Prep Orientation #2

Wednesday
15 November 2017
Company General Meeting

Wednesday
15 November 2017
Primary Cricket Day

Friday
17 November 2017
Year 9-11 Exams start

Friday
17 November 2017
Valedictory Dinner

Wednesday
22 November 2017
Y3-6 Presentation and Award Night

Thursday
23 November 2017
Year 10 Celebration Evening

Friday
24 November 2017
Prep - Year 2 Award Presentation Afternoon

Monday
27 November -
4 December
Year 12 Head Start

Tuesday
28 November 2017
Prep Orientation #3

EDITORIAL

From the middle of Term 4 to the end of the year is a very busy time for schools. Planning for next year is well underway and staff are thinking about what will need to be done in their room over the Christmas break, what supplies are needed for their next classes (although they are not really sure who will be in those classes yet) and working out when they need to start their planning preparation during the Christmas holidays so they are ready to go when the students start.

Part of each staff member is already living in 2018, in the future.

Back here, in the present, teachers are collating information over the last term and a half, reflecting on what to write in their academic reports and beginning to compile them. The Cup weekend supplies some much needed extra homework time for many. Of course, teachers are still preparing for lessons, teaching those lessons and continuing to formally and informally assess students on this year's work.

At this time of the year teachers really know what it means to live in the "now" and "not yet". It is really not the most comfortable place to be as our attention is divided and our considerations and challenges doubled for a time.

Christians live in the "now" of a world that is full of things for us to do in order to serve God by serving others knowing that there is a "not yet" that will be coming. We know that Jesus has already died for us all and in doing so has done all that needs to be done to set up the world to come, the "not yet" world. Jesus is waiting to consummate that world so that more people are given the opportunity to hear the great story. Our role is to be part of telling that story and revealing that God loves us just as we are and desires a relationship with each person.

As teachers straddle the "now" and "not yet" of forward planning and present classes, every now and then that burden is lightened. On Tuesday parents contributed wonderful food to the World Teachers Day lunch for staff. A very efficient and joyful group of mums came in, set up the staffroom and fed the staff. It lifted spirits that were beginning to flag.

I don't think the parents who contributed and set up for us realise what that meant. We often only hear the complaints but a positive gesture cuts through that for us all. Thank you.

May I encourage you to pray for our staff. Teaching is a tricky job and while we don't get everything right, PVCC is blessed to have a staff who mostly get it right most of the time. Having parents support and partner with us means that we can provide quality Christian education for your children.

John Metcalfe
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

The next company meeting will be held on **Wednesday 15 November 2017**, **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 Multi Purpose Hall by using the bus shelter road that leads to the back of the hall.

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

Sally Agostino - Community Development

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We are currently advertising for staff for next year. You can see all the details under the *Contact* heading on the school website. We invite applications for the following part-time positions or a combination:

- Education Assistant for Primary Classes
- Accounts Clerk

NEW BUS SERVICE FROM 2018

We have exciting news! We have partnered with Panorama Coaches to provide PVCC's bus services from 2018 .

This is an exciting step towards improving our private bus services that we offer families for the morning and afternoon bus runs, with well-maintained modern vehicles and always equipped with seatbelts and air-conditioning.

In addition, we will be rolling out a new technology platform provided from Bus Minder for all of our bus runs. This will provide an increased level of safety and security for our students as they will be required to tap on and off the private bus runs, similar to a MYKI card. It will also simplify the way that we offer casual bus passes for those using the buses on an ad-hoc basis. You can simply pre-load up a value at any point in time to the account via our business office, or be billed monthly for any trips taken and not paid for.

Details on our bus prices and current routes for 2018 can be found on the College website.

ORIENTATION PACKS

Information packs have been mailed out to all new students starting in 2018. If you have not received one, please contact the office on 9717 7400.

Orientation days will be on Tuesday, 5 December for the whole school and an additional day for students in Year 7 on Wednesday, 6 December.

PRIMARY NEWS

PRIMARY SPORT

Cricket Carnival

All students in Primary will get to participate in a Cricket Carnival run by the Year 6 students. This is a great way for the leaders of our school to take action and share their learning with others.

The Cricket Carnival will be on Wednesday 15th November, at school on the front oval.

All students need to wear their P.E uniform and a hat or students can come dressed in their cricket whites and cricket team top. Students need to pack their normal lunch and snacks or lunch order. It is very important that students pack a water bottle and stay hydrated.

Parents and families are welcome to come watch and support the students playing. I look forward to seeing you on the day.

Sun Smart

The Primary students have been remembering to pack and wear their hats really well this term. Please also pack sun screen and water bottles, as the weather starts to get HOT!

Sally Park

Primary Physical Education & Sport Coordinator

Primary Presentation & Award Night

We are looking forward once again to the Years 3 to 6 Presentation Night, to be held at UniHill Church, 30 Graduate Road, Bundoora on Wednesday 22 November, beginning at 7pm.

The evening will be a great celebration of the many achievements of students in the Upper Primary year levels. Awards for academic achievement, sporting achievement, citizenship and the like will be presented and we expect the evening to run from 1.5 to 2 hours.

It will be a lovely night to enjoy the many gifts and talents of our students and we will be treated to a number of fabulous student performances. As this is a special night, the dress code is business wear for all staff and as befitting the occasion, similar attire such as smart casual, for other attendees. Students are expected to be in full summer uniform.

Lily McDonald - Head of Primary

Booklists 2018

Booklists have been distributed to students in Years 6 - 11. Students need to return their order to the office or order online by Friday, 24th November 2017. Year 11-12 booklist orders need to be finalised by Friday, 17 November 2017.

Please refer to the book lists available on the College website.

Books can be collected from the College:
Monday, 27 November (Year 11-12 students only) from 12:20pm to 12:50pm
Tuesday, 5 December (Year 7 – 10 students) from 9:00am to 12:00pm
Books not collected will be taken back to North of the Yarra, Macleod.

NEWS FROM SECONDARY SPORT

Gold at Athletics Victoria All Schools Championships!

Year 8 student Baye Agostino had a fantastic weekend at the All Schools Athletics winning the gold medal in the U15 long jump, silver in the 100m and running a personal best in a very close race and bronze in the pole vault which is a new event that Baye took up only this year. Congratulations Baye!!

Helen Padget

Head of Secondary Sport

UNIFORM SHOP

Shop Hours:

Thursday, 9 November 2017	12:00pm - 5:00pm
Saturday, 11 November 2017	**9:30am - 12:30pm**
Monday, 13 November 2017	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Tuesday, 14 November 2017	8:00am - 2:00pm
Thursday, 16 November 2017	12:00pm - 5:00pm
Monday, 20th November 2017	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Tuesday, 21st November 2017	8:00am - 2:00pm

LOST PROPERTY

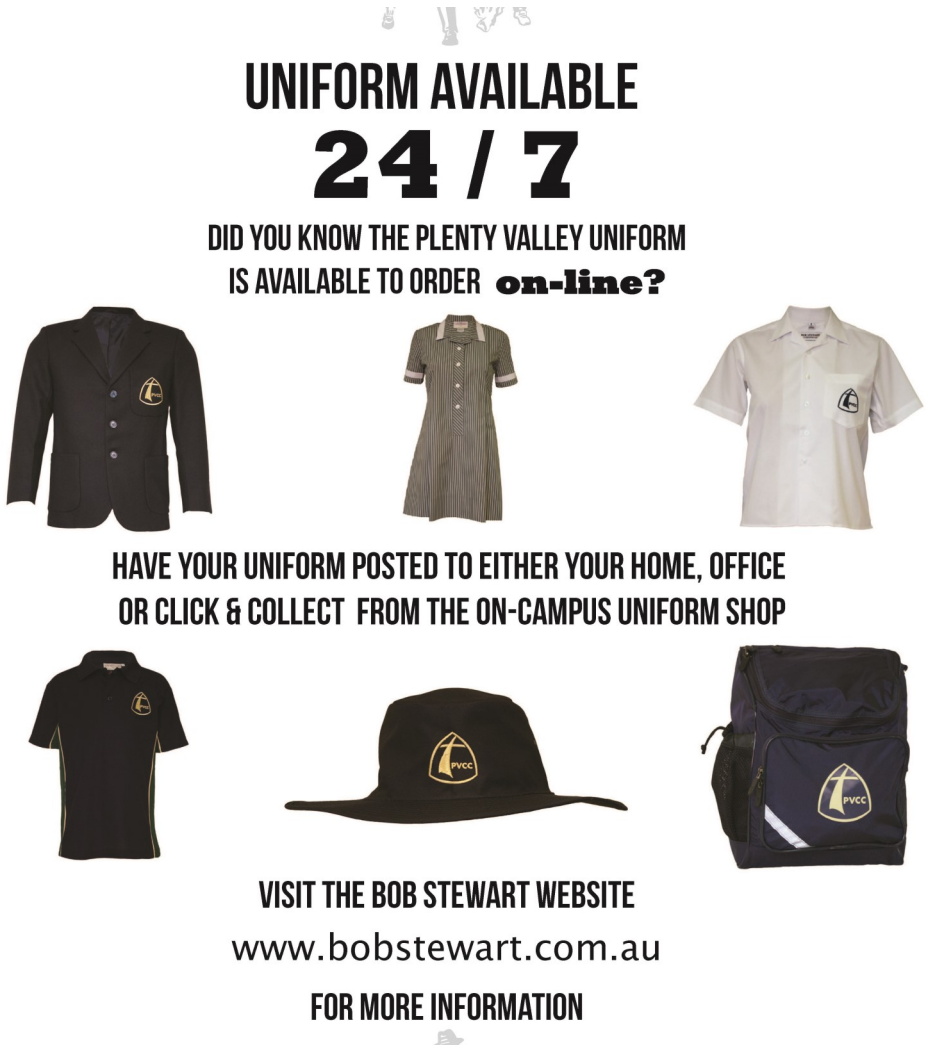
Please mark all uniform items with a permanent marker.

All named items are kept at the general office for collection.

The **NEW 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.

Contact Wendy or Denise in the Canteen if you can help.

View the Price List and Canteen Roster on the College website.

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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.

Find us on the web: www.pvcc.vic.edu.au

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This Summer! Come and train with us!

- Trial Squad sessions at Whittlesea
- 9am & 10am Saturdays
- Pool Entry and small fee for 1 hour
- Professionally coached session
- Casual Sessions November to March

Contact us or just turn up!

www.millparkswimclub.com

Club President, Simon 0408 568 696

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2017 School Crossing Supervisor Awards

City of Whittlesea

Nomination Form

BERRY STREET

We're for Childhood

SINCE 1877

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)

Tuesday 14th and 21st November 9.30am -12.30pm

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

2017 School Crossing Supervisor Awards

Nomination Form

City of Whittlesea

To acknowledge the contribution of the work undertaken by our school crossing supervisors, an award will be given to a school crossing supervisor selected for their commitment and dedication to the supervision of school crossings.

The staff member receiving the award should be able to demonstrate the following:

- Professional and great presentation (uniform and equipment)
- Working knowledge of road rules relating to school crossings
- Welcoming, caring, and encouraging to all users of the school crossing
- Helpful – informative and clear on correct use of the crossing
- Good attendance and punctuality.

Name of nominated person: _____

School crossing number (if known): _____

Location of school crossing: _____

In 25 words or more, please tell us why you have nominated this person to receive an award for School Crossing Supervisor of 2017:

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Your name: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature: _____

Please return this form to:	Janina Chandler City of Whittlesea, Locked Bag 1 Bundoora MDC VIC 3083	Email info@whittlesea.vic.gov.au	Fax 9409 9836

Please note: *Nominations close 5pm Friday 1 December 2017. All nominations will be assessed independently and in accordance with the School Crossing Supervisors Procedures. The winner will be announced at the Annual Function. The winner will be presented with a certificate and a $100 Coles voucher.*