



Issue 1

6 February 2020

EDITORIAL

Welcome back to the start of a new year.

It is always pleasing to see so many students pleased to return to school. The timing of Australia Day being on a weekend this year it meant that we started a bit later than usual and so some parents were definitely ready for the students to return.

We have had a summer holiday of hot weather and out of control deadly bush fires. The concern around the Novel Coronavirus has caused some anxiety around returning to school, a place where many people gather together. It is right for us to think of and pray for those affected by these two disasters.

I do have some good news though. I have now been here for four beginnings of a year and this year the car park is as smooth as I have ever seen it at the start of the year. Thankyou. I am sure that our local principals will all be envious of our parking and traffic flow. It is amazing what a difference 5 mins earlier in finishing time makes getting people out before Yan Yean Road clogs up. Just a reminder that Primary finishes at 3:15 pm and secondaries finish at 3:20 pm. Please be conscious of following the traffic flow and being gracious to the other parents who are waiting just like you.

Mr Kristovskis' Last Week

Next week will be Mr Kristovskis last week at PVCC before he and his family move to Latvia. He has been an important part of our College team and we wish him God's rich blessings next exciting stage of his family's journey.

Mr Watson, Chaplain

Unfortunately, Mr Watson, unexpectedly, had to leave us at the end of last year. We will soon be advertising for a new Chaplain so if you know anyone who would be a great fit for our college please let them know.

Seven Lesson Timetable?

I notice that there has been some discussion about seven lesson timetables on the Facebook page. Secondary have formally had six and a half lessons a day and Primary six. We have a few things that affect our ability to timetable all that we want to do for the students. The Australian Curriculum indicates a certain amount of time for various subjects at various year levels. An audit of our previous structure highlighted some areas of improvement for us that were difficult to achieve with the old timing.

The timing of a lesson change has to coincide with the time buses need to leave to get secondaries to sport. If we want to effectively share our facilities, like specialist rooms and the Multipurpose Hall, the primary and secondary timetables need to look similar. In addition, this will allow specialist teachers to

teach both primary and secondary classes. The secondary timetable and to a lesser extent the primary timetable were verging on impossible with all the distinctive opportunities we were building in for the students. The present seven-lesson timetable ticks all these boxes. So, we thought we would try it. As with every new idea, we will review it into the future.

Primary Leadership

This year we have bought the whole Primary Sub-School under one umbrella to encourage greater consistency and flow from Prep to Year 6. Mrs Matthews is the leader of the Primary Team supported by Mr Connolly focusing on curriculum. Ms Kent and Ms Kearnan will help coordinate the Early Years and Mr Horton and Ms Bezemer will coordinate in Junior Years.

Secondary Leadership

Mr Oldman and Mr Quinn continue as Middle Sub-School Leader and Deputy.

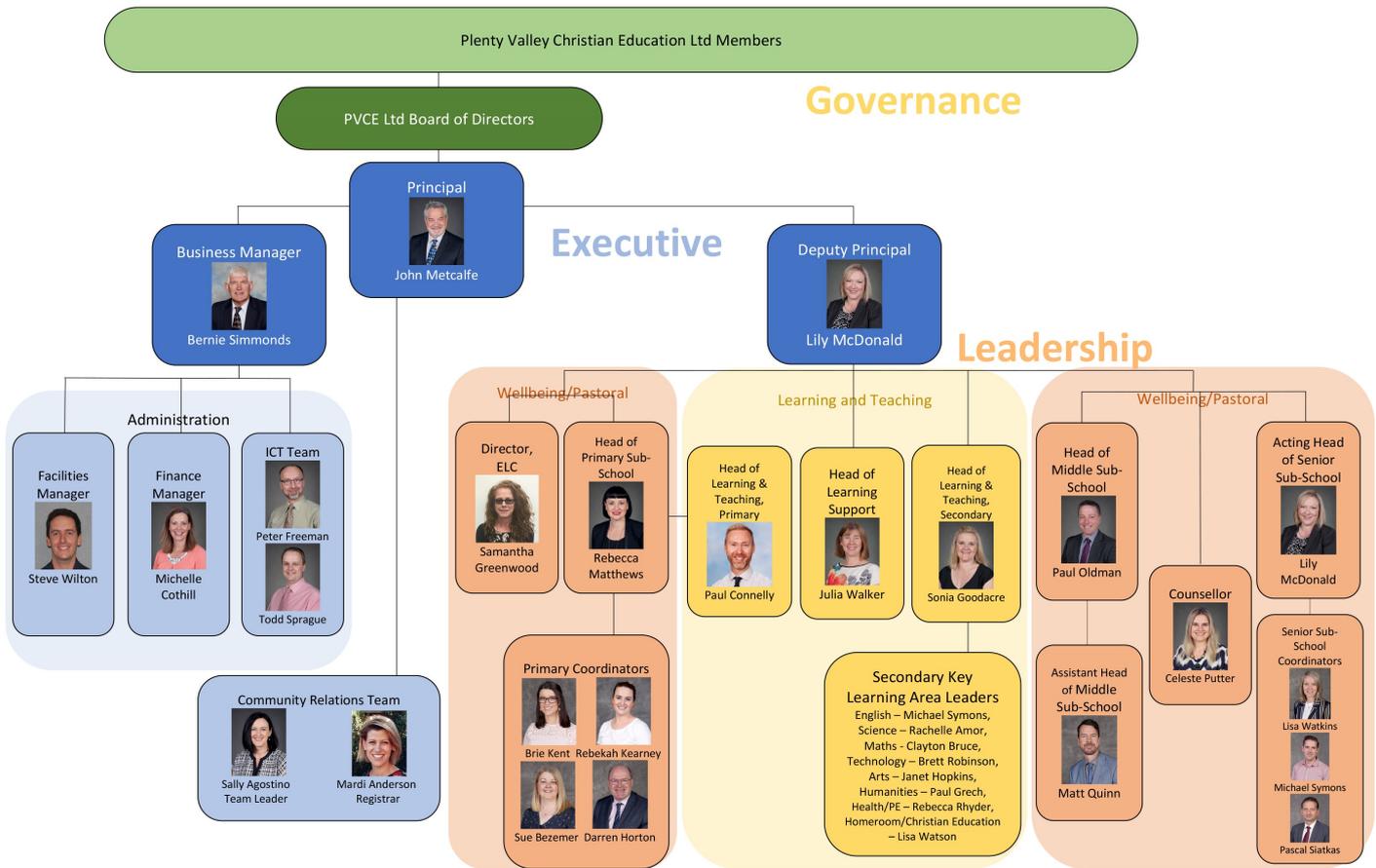
With the departure of Mrs Olivier we have a new structure for Senior Sub-School until we advertise for and appoint our new Head of Sub-School. Mrs McDonald will coordinate the Senior Years and deal with higher level issues. The coordinator-team Ms Watkins (Year 10), Mr Symons (Year 11) and Mr Siatkas (Year 12) will be the first port of call for wellbeing and information for their year levels and work together with Mrs McDonald to ensure consistency across the whole Sub-School. The [attached Organisation Chart](#) may offer a more visual representation of the leadership structure.



John Metcalfe
Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

A promotional banner for an 'Open Morning' event. The background is a photograph of three students in school uniforms: a boy on the left, a girl in the middle, and a boy on the right. They are all smiling. Overlaid on the left side of the image are four dark blue rectangular boxes with white text. The text reads: 'OPEN MORNING', 'Saturday 14th March', '10am-12pm', and 'Click Here to Register'. The school crest is visible on the boy's shirt on the right.



PVCC Parents Prayer Group

From Chris Griffin, parent coordinator of the Prayer Group:



As parents we entrust our children’s education to the school and the teachers, but we choose PVCC strategically for the Christian worldview and nurturing environment. We desire for the best for them and realize that prayer forms a part of that. So we pray !

The parents’ prayer group meets roughly fortnightly while school is on, and we pray wherever the spirit is leading. There is lots of stuff going on in the school, in all sorts of different places from the strategic, high level stuff to the small stuff in the playground, and our desire is to earnestly be aligned with God’s heart and praying His will into the school. Come join us if you’re like-minded.

Venue: the Conference room (next to the general office)

Time: 7:30pm

February 13th	March 12th and 26th	
April 16th	May 14th and 28th	June 11th
August 13th and 27th	October 15th and 29th	
November 12th	December 3rd	

COMING UP

Monday
10 February 2020
Year 7 Swimming starts

Tuesday
11 February 2020
Year 3-6 House
Swimming Carnival

Tuesday
11 February 2020
Year 7 Parent Meeting

Tuesday
11 February 2020
Year 9 Parent Meeting

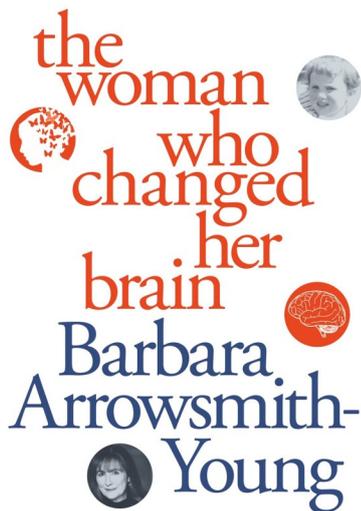
Tuesday
11 February 2020
New Parents’ Dinner

Thursday
13 February 2020
Secondary House
Swimming Carnival

Monday-Friday
17-21 February 2020
Year 7 Camp

FREE EVENT

THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER



How I Left My Learning Difficulties Behind
and Other Stories of Cognitive Transformation

BOOK LAUNCH

**International Speaker
& Arrowsmith Founder
Barbara Arrowsmith-Young
18th February at**

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PRIMARY SPORT NEWS

Junior House Swimming Carnival

The Year 3-6 students will be travelling next Tuesday February 11th to Whittlesea Swim Centre, to compete in the Junior House Swimming Carnival! Students will be representing their House teams and earning points for every race they swim. Please remember to label everything with your name and bring; bathers, towel, goggles, thongs, sports uniform, hat, sunscreen, warm clothes, water bottle, lunch and snack. Parents helpers will be contacted via email by this Friday, but all parents are welcome to come and support the students.

The District Swimming team will be selected from these results and represent our College on Monday February 17th at Water Marc.

Year 5/6 Interschool Sport

The students in Year 5/6 have been selected into teams to compete every Friday morning against other schools in our district. This Summer competition runs in Term 1 and 4; Cricket, Volleyball, Rounders, Hot-shots Tennis & Basketball. In Term 2 and 3 the students will compete in the Winter competition; AFL, Soccer, Netball & Softball. Students are required to wear their full Sports uniform (no House coloured tops) and hat. The first round is next Friday 14th February, playing at home against Apollo Parkways P.S.

Sally Donaldson - Primary Physical Education & Sport Coordinator

 <p>SCHOLASTIC Book Club LOOP for Parents</p> <p>LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP</p>  	<p>Scholastic Book Club Issue 1 will be distributed next week</p> <p>Order online at: https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx by Monday, 17 February 2020</p> <p>Also available on the App Store and Google Play</p> <p>NO CASH accepted at school.</p>
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NEWS FROM SECONDARY SPORT

PVCC SECONDARY HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2020

Thursday February 13, 10am – 2.30pm

Aquarena Swimming Pool, Doncaster

It's that time again! Get ready for a fun and active day! We aim to have everyone taking part in at least one event and dressing up in house colours/ themes to celebrate PVCC house spirit. House meetings will take place for signing up for events. Emails will be sent home soon outlining details for this compulsory school event.

Please note that students can come to school in sports uniform and/or house colours/costumes on the day, however casual non-house coloured gear is not permitted. Please ensure your child does not wear alternatives eg brown, black etc. Blue, green, yellow or red outfits or sports uniform are the only options and each house will decide on a theme for the day. Students need to be dressed in a sun-smart modest manner and bikinis can only be worn if a t-shirt or rash vest is worn over them. Students will not be allowed to sit around without covering up. A rashi is encouraged for all students. Ensure your child has sufficient drink and food as the kiosk will only be opened for snacks for a short time.

A basic version of the program follows. We look forward to any parental support on the day. Buses will be provided for travel to and from the carnival. If parents have any concerns or questions about any aspect of the swimming program, please contact me.

Any parent wishing to assist as an official can ring me at school or email me at helen.padget@pvcc.vic.edu.au. With thanks for your support of this whole Secondary School event.

Helen Padget – Head of Secondary Sport



PVCC Secondary Swimming Carnival 2020

Tug'o'war and diving throughout the day.

10.10 am	Creative dress competition
10.20 am	100m FREESTYLE Open
10.30 am	4 x 50m MEDLEY RELAYS (U13-Open)
11.00 am	50m FREESTYLE (U13-Open)
11.30 am	50m BREASTSTROKE (U13-Open)
12 noon	Lunch – waterslide & novelty events
12.45 pm	50m BACKSTROKE (U13-Open)
1.15 pm	50m BUTTERFLY (U13/U15/Open)
1.35 pm	TEACHER vs STUDENT Relay
1.45 pm	4 x 50m FREESTYLE RELAYS (U13-Open).
2.25 pm	PRESENTATIONS/CLOSE

Secondary Sport – 2020

Some Important Notes!

PE/Sport Uniforms

Please make sure your child is wearing the correct college PE/Sport uniform. It is imperative that your child has the correct uniform to participate in both EISM Sport and PE classes. Many of our interschool EISM teams are supplied with a PVCC specific team uniform. These are loaned to students for the season & should be changed into at recess and then removed after the match if time permits prior to home travel. Any student losing or damaging their team top will be billed for the replacement item.

Correct footwear is also paramount at PVCC. Runners and cross-trainers are the only acceptable types of footwear for PE/Sport. This is not only a safety issue as a reasonable tread on the sole of the shoe is required to minimize slipping but also a practical issue to ensure the foot is reasonably protected and supported.

It is also imperative that your child has their own correct personal safety equipment for their particular sport.

Compulsory Safety Equipment for Sports Include:

Boys' & girls' Hockey – Shin Guards & Mouth Guard

Boys' & girls' Soccer – Shin Guards, (boots are encouraged)

Boys' Football – Mouth Guard, (boots are encouraged)

Boys' Indoor Cricket - Box

Sun Smart

Please make sure your child has the school issue hat in order to participate in PE/Sport classes in Terms 1 & 4. It is also recommended that students bring their own sunscreen for times when there is no shade and hats are impractical to wear. Sunscreen is always available from the PE Office for PE & Sport and is always available at carnivals.

Late Returns

In order to continue to provide our students with quality sports competition PVCC participates in the Eastern Independent Schools' Melbourne association. PVCC has the greatest distances to travel within this competition and it is vital that each team play their matches to full time, which means that late returns to school are sometimes unavoidable. This was never a problem for this school in the past, but with increasing traffic and local roadworks there may be the odd occasion when students may miss their buses home if we are running a little late from distant sporting venues. This may require students to make alternative arrangements to travel home. We ask for your full support in this matter. Sport staff will contact the College to report expected arrival times if a late return is anticipated and parents will be contacted by the General Office if required. Students are also able to contact parents from the bus if they are going to be late back.

Please be assured we will not leave your child stranded at the College.

He/she is able to wait at the General Office for collection if required.

Lunch orders on sport days

Can I please request that families avoid lunch orders from the canteen on a sport day should your child be selected in an EISM team. The previously mentioned long bus trips necessitate a timely departure from school and visits to the canteen prolong this process. Buses cannot afford to wait for latecomers at the canteen and students have been informed of this.

Upcoming Term 1 Sport & House Carnivals

Term 1 is very busy in terms of SPORT.

YEAR 7 – Mondays - Swimming & athletics

YEAR 8/9 – Thursdays – Sport Education in EISM team sports & athletics

YEAR 10 – 12 – Wednesdays – EISM summer interschool sport competition

HOUSE CARNIVALS

We have the House Swimming Carnival in Week 2 on Thursday February 13th at Aquarena in Doncaster and the House Athletics Carnival is in Week 7 on Tuesday March 17th at the Meadowglen Athletics Stadium in Epping.

All students will have the opportunity to sign up at house meetings for various activities including the usual swimming & aths events as well as fun novelty events and event helpers. It is expected that all students can contribute in some way to their house at these compulsory whole secondary school community occasions. Dress up themes for each carnival are also decided prior at the house meetings as well as a house chant for the aths carnival.

Parents & family are always welcome as spectators at our house carnivals and there are also a variety of parent jobs available for those keen to accumulate parent participation hours!

Please contact me below if you're keen on a full or even a half day to help us out at any carnival(s).

Rebel Sport

If you are shopping at **REBEL SPORT**, please consider supporting the College by participating in the member program which gives valuable funds back to the school for sporting equipment. When making your purchase please state that you are from PVCC!

Shop Hours for Term 1:

Mondays	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Tuesdays	8:00am - 2:00pm
Thursdays	12:00pm - 5:00pm
1st Saturday of the month	9:30am - 12:30pm

PLEASE NOTE!

The **uniform price list** and uniform policy are available on the [College Website](#).

Please note that we cannot take in any more uniform items into the swap shop (2nd hand uniform shop). We can resume taking in 2nd hand items in the last week of February 2020.

Our direct number is: **9036 7354**

Lydia Ross

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CANTEEN

Have a look at the canteen menu online - [CLICK HERE](#)

Flexischools App

Fliexischools have now released an app on both Android and iOS which makes the process easier than before. Just search for: 'flexischools' in the app stores.

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.flexischools&hl=en>



Our school now has a great online ordering system called Flexischools.

All work in the Canteen can be counted towards Parent Participation Time. Dads and grandparents are most welcome too! See the roster - [CLICK HERE](#)

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.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Bookings for Outside School Hours Care are now open for 2020

So we can care for all students at your school, we do recommend families register an account with Camp Australia and always book in advance.

Why register? To attend our care, parents/guardians must register their child with us by completing an online enrolment form via our parent portal. It's very important that parents/guardians fill out all compulsory enrolment documentation for their child and notify us of any medical conditions, illnesses and other, to ensure the health and safety of all children in our care.

Families can register for free at:

<https://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/register-contacts>



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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.



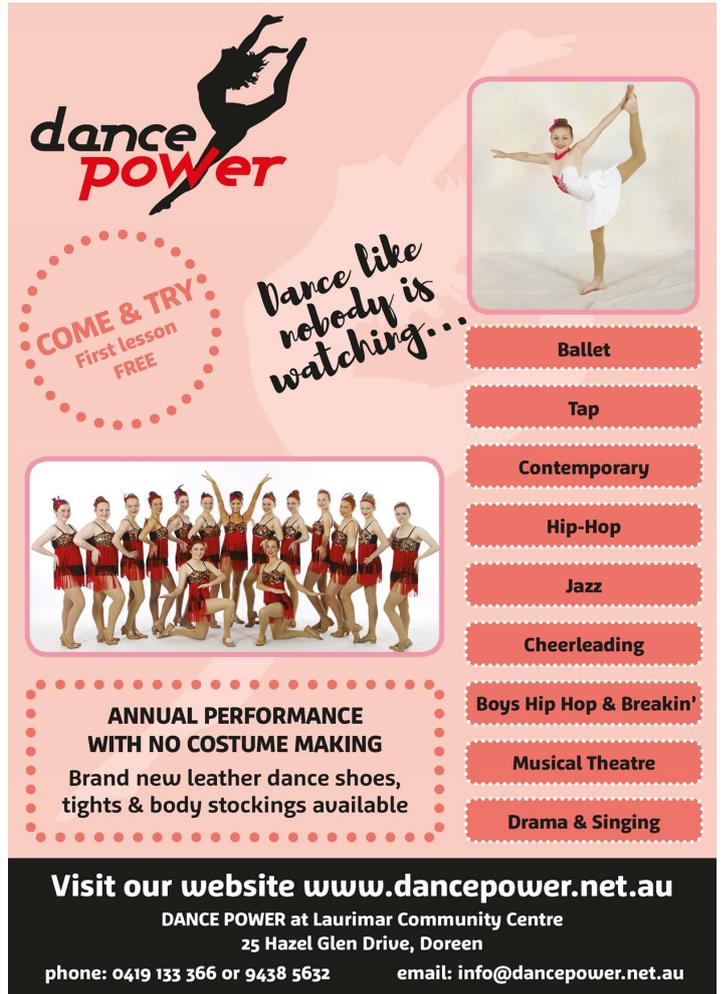


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Eltham Rugby Union Football Club 2020 SEASON

RUGBY



Looking at trying a new sport in 2020. Then why not think about Rugby Union an international sport for all sizes, genders and abilities. A game for all that offers:

- o Teamwork
- o Respect
- o Enjoyment
- o Discipline
- o Sportsmanship
- o Physical Exercise

Contact Eltham Rugby Club who are welcoming all returning and any new junior players (no previous experience necessary). Both boys and girls are welcome who may participate in mixed gender rugby up to 12 years of age. There are also various volunteer and sponsor opportunities at our great club. Registration and Pre-season training starts mid- April for the U6-U10 Pathways and U11-U18 Juniors age groups in preparation for the Gala Day in early May 2020.

"Come and Try Day" Sunday 16th February 12-30 – 2:30PM for both new and returning players



Eltham Rugby Union Football Club Inc – Celebrating 50 years in 2020

Address: 58 Bridge Street, Eltham VIC 3095

E-mail: membership@elthamrugby.com.au

Web: www.elthamrugby.com.au

Facebook: <http://facebook.com/elthamrugby>

All players are fully insured through registration with our governing body Rugby Victoria who also manage all competitions: <https://vic.rugby/competitions/junior-competitions>. Registration via. Rugby Xplorer App.

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