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NUMURKAH SECONDARY COLLEGE

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Please remember students need wear face masks on the bus and at school.

Face masks regulations which apply to all school settings across Victoria.

- School staff and secondary school students aged 12 or older must always wear a face mask at school when indoors.
- For the purposes of communicating, teachers, education support staff and students are not required to wear face masks while inside teaching and learning spaces.
- Face masks are mandatory for all school staff and school students aged 12 or older when travelling to and from school.

If your child requires a face mask exemption, please do not hesitate to make contact with us and we'll provide them with a school exemption card.

Thank you for your support.

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Friends,

As we move through our third remote learning period for 2021, we are thankful for our school community and the individuals who make it up, who have once again demonstrated the ability to not only manage change but to make the most of situations and to pivot and adapt practices.

Our Year 11 and Year 12 students have moved seamlessly back into online learning and early indications suggest the reimagined Year 7 to Year 10 online learning sessions are working well. Your feedback is always welcome.

During this time we ask that students and parents regularly check our College FACEBOOK and COMPASS as our main communication tools. COMPASS also allows parents the opportunity to communicate directly with our teachers. COMPASS will contain the details of learning tasks and the commitments required of students directly to parents. If at any stage you are unsure, please contact your child's teacher, either via a COMPASS email or by telephoning the College office.

A huge congratulations to the cast and crew of our School Production who were able to showcase their opening night before restrictions came into place last week. The show was
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fabulous and we know that the friendships and relationships which have been formed over the months of working together, in addition to the confidence, skills and talents which have grown, will last a lifetime for many of the students involved. A huge thank you to Cassie Willis and Sam Gierveld who produced the show with our students and to Amber Bock, Jack Tynan, Matt Puchala and Lea Rahilly for their backstage, setting and costume support. And to our leading cast members Rahni, Christopher, Bridget, Abi and Toby: You were all sensational and you should be so proud! Fabulous work team!



Stay safe and stay in touch during the lockdown.

Have a great week.

Claire Kelly
Principal



Follow the Numurkah Secondary College Facebook page for photos of our students attending excursions, updates, and fun activities at NSC.

Are you wanting to access back copies of NSC newsletters? Go to the NSC website (numurkahsc.vic.edu.au) and under the 'About Us' tab you will find access to previous editions of the newsletter.

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SCHOOL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Roger Jones (President), Kathleen Newby (Vice President),
Claire Kelly (Executive Officer), Deanne Dewar, Jacqui Martin,
Peter Smyth, Chris Deitch

2021 members: Peta Russo, Angela Joy, Kelly Bloomfield, Kate Kelly, Charlotte Brown, Dylan Craven and Jazmin Britt

Next meeting:
27th July 2021 – via Zoom

DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

AUGUST

**2nd – VCE 2022 Subject information session.
Information to follow (For current Year 10 and 11 students and families)**

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS ...

Lost minutes mean lost learning!

When your child misses just	that equals...	which is....	and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning time each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
1/2 an hour a day	½ a day of learning each week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1½ years of learning of learning
1 hour a day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year	Over 2½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

School starts at
9.00 AM
DON'T BE LATE!



A digital clock display with a white background and black numbers, showing the time 9:00.

Good time keeping means making sure that your child is at school and ready to learn BEFORE the school bell rings!

Wizard of Oz continued...

On Thursday 15th July, we performed our opening night of the school production, despite the looming lockdown later that night. Knowing that we would be unable to perform our 2nd show on Friday did nothing to dampen the spirits of the cast and crew, and in fact, only served to lift their performance to their best yet! The students were so excited to get out in front of a packed house, and brought the house down with their performances! The audience were so supportive and encouraging, and that really pushed the students to lift their game and to enjoy every second on stage! Thank you to everyone who came along, many at the last minute, to support our students to wonderfully. We are so incredibly proud of every student who has been involved in this production, both on stage and behind the scenes. Thank you to all the staff and families who have encouraged every one of them, to bring their skills and talents together as a team, to create this fantastic show. A school production is a journey, for all involved and I have been so proud of how well the students have worked together, created new friendships, and grown in self-confidence throughout this experience. They have been a joy to work with and we look forward to doing so again as we work towards our 2nd show and the Eden Farm festival, later this term. We will schedule our 2nd show as soon as we can and will post more details about this in due course.

Stay safe in lockdown – There's no place like home! 😊

Miss Willis



Meals on Wheels

On a monthly basis, students from Numurkah Secondary College take turns delivering Meals On Wheels to Numurkah's Community Clients. It is such a rewarding activity for our students to be involved in, and the senior citizens in the community love seeing the students bring their meals.



Lachlan McCluskey and Jason Burgess volunteering to help out the Meals On Wheels program.
Well done boys!



The decline in volunteering during COVID-19 has been substantial, with 65.9 per cent of volunteers estimated to have stopped volunteering between February and April 2020.

The researchers estimate that this reduction in volunteering is equivalent to 12.2 million hours per week.

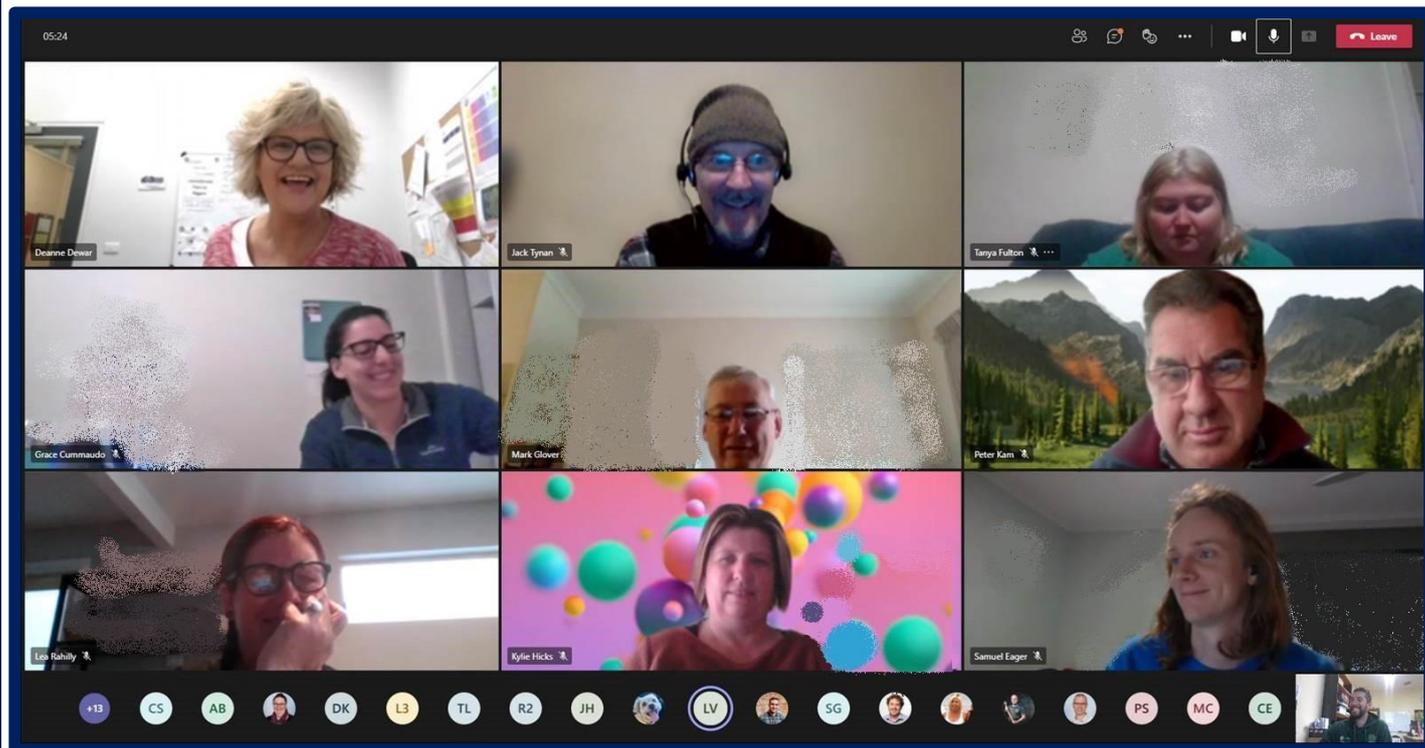
Numurkah Secondary College is proud to be volunteering in our local community.

Thanks to David Kelly who transports the students to deliver the meals.



<https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/research/research-briefing-the-experience-of-volunteers-during-covid-19/>

Home Learning



On a normal school, onsite day, teachers meet at 8:40am for a staff briefing. During lockdown this is still achievable by the use of “Teams” meetings. Here are some of our wonderful staff in their morning briefing (although you could easily be confused in thinking it is some kind of ‘Brandy Bunch’ credit.)

At 8:40am each day, staff log on and share their positives, and other activity information. Whilst lockdown can be isolating for students, it can also be isolating for teachers and other school staff. The usual daily contact with staff and students is something we all miss.

Chaplin Chels is available via zoom for anyone who may need to “have a chat”.

Chels will be available online between 9am – 12pm ~ 1pm – 2:00pm on Friday 23/7; and Tuesday 27th July..

“All that is required is to click on the link and I will let people into the room, if you’re waiting more than 5 minutes in can be assumed that I am with someone else in the room at the time, alternatively an email can be sent to book a time and I’ll send a link through.”

\Chelsea Luxford is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: NSC Chaplain Room

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Daily:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZclceirrzoohH9PDzUIRyuFEBceKjMUwmHxF/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGrpj0rGdWUshyARpwqGo_od-nzmH5BgvptuAXQKhJKdyXTFOFHGbhSJc_d](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZclceirrzoohH9PDzUIRyuFEBceKjMUwmHxF/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGrpj0rGdWUshyARpwqGo_od-nzmH5BgvptuAXQKhJKdyXTFOFHGbhSJc_d)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/keCpLAmSsU>

Catching up with Chels is very easy and you will find her very approachable.

Work Experience

Peter Hill Honda



It was such an education to speak to Pete and Tom from Peter Hill Honda recently when I visited Structured Workplace Learning student Santino D'Agostino. Again, the message came through clearly, that finding keen and motivated staff is a huge issue in the area.

The thing I was most surprised about was the diversity of the services they offer. I never expected to see wood splitters or chain saws at a motorcycle shop! Peter Hill



Honda stock an extensive range of of Honda Power equipment, Gentech Generators, Aussie pumps, Husqvarna Forest and Garden Equipment, C-Dax Quad Spray Equipment and Invacare Electric Mobility Scooters. They also stock an extensive range of parts and accessories. The opportunities for workers are varied and exciting. The environment was friendly and inviting and the addition of a wood fire was

warming.

Santino was very excited about the opportunities that gaining work experience at Peter Hill Honda provided him with. He is not only gaining experience working on motor bikes, assembling wood splitters and mini bikes, but has been given the opportunity to bring in his own bike and gain the knowledge of how to service and maintain his own bike.



Home Hardware

Chris Hester is currently completing Structured Workplace Learning at Numurkah Home Hardware. On the day that he works, the store receives a large delivery and Chris is kept very busy unloading it and re stocking shelves with products. Chris is grateful for the experience that he is gaining working at the hardware and is enjoying his time there.

Numurkah Secondary College would like to thank Peter Hill Honda and Numurkah Home Hardware for supporting our students gain valuable work place experience.

22 July 2021

Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*, in line with the *NCCD guidelines (2019)*.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards



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Claire Kelly
Principal



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Breretons Bakery have more employment opportunities for junior staff.

We currently require:

- Saturday staff
- F/T or school based customer service hospitality traineeship
- F/T or school based baking apprenticeship

Anyone interested can call me on 58662466 or email me at sales@breretonsbakery.com.au