

Please Note:

The Office Foyer has a maximum occupancy of 1 person at a time during COVID-19 restrictions.

This applies to Staff, Students and Parents.



Linkup

Manangatang P-12 College Newsletter

Respect

Relationships

Resilience

Responsibility

Manang Magic Moment: Mallee/Wattle Staff and Student Basketball Match. Congratulations to the SRC for organising this whole school event. Wattle were the clear winners winning 14:3. The game was really fun, hopefully more events like this will be planned in the future.

Pupil Free Days

In my view, and I'm sure it is shared by many others the Primary years are the most important phase of learning in a child's learning journey. It is when the foundations for learning are established. The foundations are developed systematically with each skill needing to be mastered before learning the next.

I'm pleased to announce that next year all primary aged students will be learning using the Sounds Write Program, this program will be supplemented with the Writing Revolution Program. These programs will be used by Primary teachers from Years P-6. The programs will focus on the five 'keys' to reading, which are phonics, [phonemic](https://fivefromfive.com.au/five-keys-to-reading) awareness, vocabulary, fluency & comprehension. You can read more about these elements at <https://fivefromfive.com.au/five-keys-to-reading> . There is more information on <https://www.thewritingrevolution.org> and <https://www.sounds-write.co.uk/page-71-why-sounds-write-.aspx> .

Pupil Free Day **November 12** will be used to inform all staff about the program, for all staff to develop an understanding about why the school is adopting the Sounds- Write Program and how every teacher will play a part in its delivery. The expectation is that the strategies developed in the Primary years will be incorporated into all subject areas in the Secondary Years. The Primary teachers will complete intensive training as soon as it can be arranged.

The second part of the day will be used to train teachers about the Zones of Regulation. **The Zones of Regulation** is a complete social-emotional learning curriculum, created to teach children self-regulation and emotional control. The second Pupil Free Day will be on **Thursday December 17**. On this day which is the second last day of the school year staff will be collating learning data before they plan their units for 2021.

Student Leadership

Mrs Tarryn Plant is busily preparing students for the 2021 Student Leadership election. Next year the Student Representative Council will continue to be made up of 4 senior College Captains (Year 9-12), 4 junior Captains (Years 5-6) and the House Captains. Through consultation with all students the SRC will develop a calendar of events. Each term volunteers from the student body will be asked to join in the planning and delivery of SRC projects. The intention is to open the opportunity to more students to develop and demonstrate leadership each year. The 2021 SRC will be decided later this term and planning with the new SRC will begin this year.

Presentation Evening/Morning

This year, Presentation evening will be converted to Presentation morning. With COVID restrictions still in place staff have decided to proceed with a ceremony that will be conducted on December 17. This ceremony will be conducted and broadcast in school time and will be shared online as well. More information to follow.

Parent Opinion Survey

As of Monday this week we have had 11 parents completing the survey – that's a 26% response rate. The survey closes on November 13. Please take the time to complete the survey your feedback is important to us.

Empower Program

This week Manangatang P12 College welcomes Ashlee Mason who works with the Swan Hill Rural City Council Youth Support Team. This program aims to empower young people to engage with a support worker to determine an appropriate individual pathway to achieve their goals and in partnership with other service providers to address, stabilise and overcome any barriers to future success. The program strives to connect disadvantaged young people to education, employment and training opportunities to allow them to develop and grow. Ashlee will work from our college on Wednesdays and will support the work of the Wellbeing and Careers Team.

Attendance

Year levels 1, 9 and 12 achieved 100% attendance in the last week.

Happy and safe weekend
Nat Mouvet

KEY DATES

NOVEMBER

- 12 PUPIL FREE DAY
- 19 F/1 CAMP
- 23 7-10 EXAMS
- 24 YR 10 ROAD SAFETY
- 30 SWIM PROGRAM STARTS



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 RHYS MCCLURE
- 21 KALE TAYLOR
- 22 AIDAN PLANT
- 25 MRS MEINHOLD



Please visit our Website



www.manang.vic.edu.au

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Manang Magic.

Often the assessment for a unit in Science is a question and answer format. After finishing a unit on Habitats and Interrelations the students were expected to complete a task that required creating a micro habitat and presenting to the group. The presentation required them to create and bring a habitat for an organism of their choice to class and then talk about; the living and non-living factors it requires to survive, the behavioural and structural adaptations needed and where it fits into the food web. Some students kept their organism as pets for many weeks and became quite attached to them.



FIRST AID TRAINING

Students in Years 9-12 recently completed their First Aid training with Natasha from Mallee First Aid. Students learnt all the essentials to first aid including CPR and anaphylaxis training.



Empower Youth Program Swan Hill Rural City Council Youth Support Program



Engage, Empower, Enable

The Empower Youth Program delivered by Swan Hill Rural City Council Youth Support Program seeks to work with young people who have disengaged or are at risk of disengaging from family, education, and/or community to identify their health, career and wellbeing aspirations.

The program aims to empower young people to engage with a support worker to determine an appropriate individual pathway to achieve their goals and in partnership with other service providers to address, stabilise and overcome any barriers to future success. The program strives to connect disadvantaged young people to education, employment and training opportunities to allow them to develop and grow.

Aims and objectives

1. To strengthen the health and wellbeing of young people
2. To increase participation of young people in the community
3. To engage young people who are at risk of disengaging who have already disengaged from education and training
4. To facilitate pathways to employment for young people

Eligibility and how the program will be delivered

- Participants must be between the ages of 12-25 who are disengaged or at risk of disengaging from family, education and/or community.
- Referral into the program completed through paper based form or online via our website (www.youthinc.net.au). Young Person can self-refer or be referred by Parent/Legal Guardian, School, or other Agency/Service Provider with the young person's consent.
- Referral will be received and reviewed by Empower staff at intake meeting. Young person and/or referrer will be contacted to arrange appointment to undertake initial assessment.
- Coaching Young People for Success program will be used to support completion of young person's aspirational plan. The young person will be involved and supported in the decision making process around the four key areas of health and well-being, community participation, education and training, and pathways to employment.
- Wrap around servicing approach for young person applied, working collaboratively with schools and other educational and training providers, community and health organisations, local businesses and job providers.
- Ongoing intensive, coordinated support for young person provided through regular contact appointments. Young persons aspirational plan continuously reviewed and adjusted as needed to accommodate the changing needs and goals of the young person.
- Opportunities for participation in group sessions and settings in areas of identified need/s.

Ashlee Mason
Empower Youth Engagement Worker
Swan Hill Rural City Council Youth Support Program
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Dear parents, carers and guardians,

As students in both mainstream and specialist settings recommence on-site learning in Term 4, I want to thank you all for your efforts during this challenging time. I also want to reassure you that the health, wellbeing and safety of children, young people and those involved in their education continues to be of paramount importance.

Throughout the pandemic we have closely monitored the impact of coronavirus (COVID-19) on schools; the strategies that can be implemented in schools to reduce risk; and the health impacts of coronavirus (COVID-19) on children and young people, including those with a disability or complex medical condition.

Research by Murdoch Children's Research Institute found that coronavirus (COVID-19) transmission in schools is uncommon when community transmission is low. A [summary report](#) of these findings is available to read.

With declining case numbers in the community, I am confident that the risk of coronavirus (COVID-19) transmission in mainstream and specialist schools is very low, when we have in place a range of health and safety measures.

The health and safety measures recommended for schools focus on the strategies we know are most effective. These include ensuring unwell staff and students remain home, good hand hygiene, enhanced cleaning and wearing face masks (only mandatory for those 12 years and over attending high schools). Temperature screening is not currently recommended for schools, given low levels of community transmission. I encourage you to read the [health and safety advice for schools](#) for further information on what schools are doing to keep students and staff safe.

The most important thing I ask of every family this term is to keep your child home from school if they have even the mildest coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms and to get tested as soon as possible. Staying home when unwell is one of our strongest measures to limit the spread of the virus. For more information on what to do if your child is unwell, see this [fact sheet](#).

The good news is that evidence continues to show that children are less impacted by the virus, and are less likely to develop severe illness. Additional [advice for families](#) has been developed for those with medical vulnerabilities to support decision making about on-site learning at this time.

Working together to implement COVIDSafe strategies, I am confident Victoria's students can continue to safely attend school throughout Term 4.

Adj Clin Prof Brett Sutton
Victorian Chief Health Officer

FOR SALE

Hoover Automatic 820 Heavy Duty Washing Machine

—sale price \$50

For details please
contact the College
on 5035 1270



Drink bottles and masks

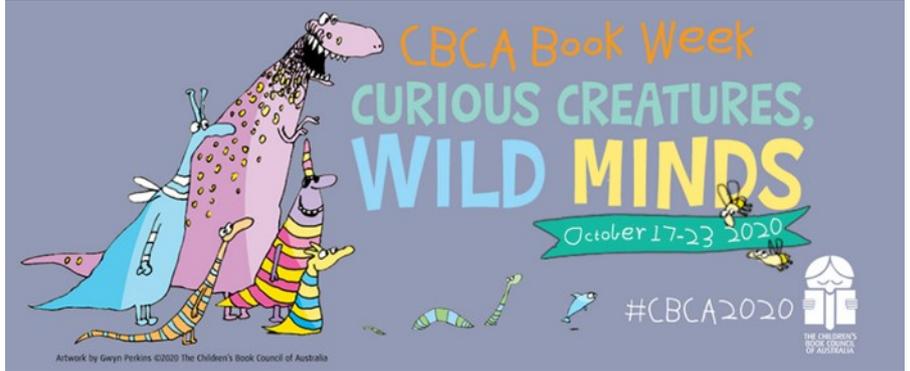
A reminder that all students should be drinking from their own water bottles. These can be refilled from the bubble taps.

Masks must be worn by students in years 7-12 in class and out of class.

Thanks
everyone.



Book Day Parade 2020



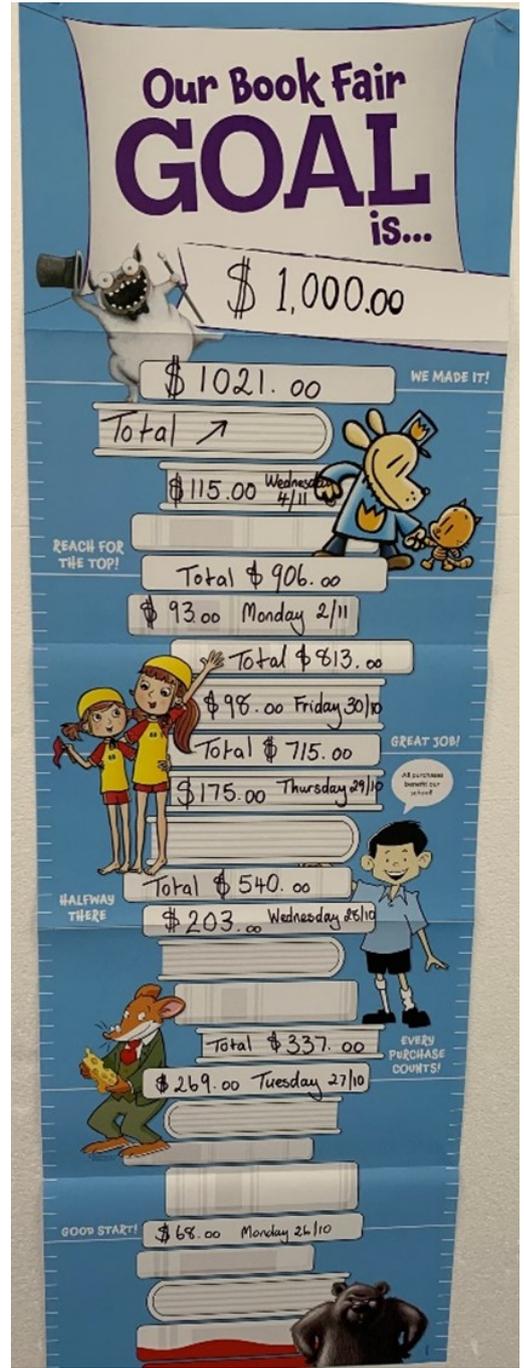
Library News – Book Fair 2020

We smashed our sales goal of \$1000.00; therefore, we have received commissions of, \$100 value of books and \$200 towards new shelving in the library.

Well done!

We would like to thank all the students, staff and families who purchased items from the recent Scholastic Book Fair.

A big thank you to our helpers during the Fair Isabel and Caitlin.



TENNIS

Players needed for Junior tennis, playing Saturday mornings. Please phone Steve on 5035 1463 if you are interested.

College News

GOODBYE VCAL

Friday 30th October was the final day of schooling for our VCAL students. After thirteen years of schooling it was all coming to an end. Muck Up Day began late on Thursday, planting the seeds for an extravagant goodbye on Friday.

Students and teachers were met with many surprising changes to the College - wanted posters, for sale signs - and a special visit from Mario. It was a day full of excitement with the Year 12s holding a dance party in the primary area to give all the teachers a little break. With the day slowly coming to an end though sadly, it dawned on me that one part of my life was coming to an end and soon another would begin. The Year 12s however had one final surprise for some lucky teachers who were voted to be the 'most popular' members of staff. The prize was a not so delicious cream pie made entirely out of shaving cream. We would like to thank Mr Matthews, Mr Behm and Mr Taylor for proudly being pied in the face in front of the entire school.

And that is how the year 12s school journey ends and their life after school begins. Thank you to everyone who has helped us through our 13 years of schooling and we hope to see you all aroundbut until then thank you and goodbye from the Year 12s of 2020 Kale



SRC Basketball Challenge

On Monday 2nd November staff and students participated in a basketball challenge organised by the SRC.

Games between Mallee vs Wattle and Staff vs Students were eagerly cheered on by the crowd of onlookers with Wattle being the victors on the day.



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Parent Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst all parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 12th October** to **Friday 13th November**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

To complete the survey please go to

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

School Name: Manangatang P-12 College

School PIN: 965033:

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

7-12 Booklists 2021

Campion Booklists

Just a reminder that in order to take advantage of free postage and delivery to your home address, please ensure that your Campion booklist is completed online by **Sunday, November 15th**. Ordering details are printed on the front of the order sheet. Booklists completed after this date will incur a postage fee. If you need assistance with this booklist please contact the College, 5035 1270 by Thursday, November 12th.

There is a Campion booklist link available on the College website, via the Parent information page, that will take you directly to our College page. You will need to create an account when logging in for the first time.

College Levies

Please complete the College 2021 Booklist and return it to the College by **Friday, December 11th**. Accounts can be paid directly into the College bank account BSB 033 250, Account number 602160 with your name as a reference.

College 2021 Booklists must be returned to the College when you pay by EFT.

Headphones

It is recommend that students in Years 5-12 have their own headsets.

Limited number of Headsets will be available in 2021.

Pre orders available, please contact the College before February 5th.



Community News

Remembrance Day

On the 11th of November the Manangatang RSL president and secretary will raise the flags at Memorial Park at 11am.

The Remembrance Day service this year will be online. The Zoom link is <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81145393867pwd=alhRY2tzQTBFSmFCQWpRamtnWFdOQT09#success> Meeting ID 811 4539 3867 Passcode TZ3bQ5 and can also be found on Compass and the college Facebook site.

Manangatang RSL would like to thank Manangatang P-12 College for their initiative and assistance in hosting this years Remembrance day service online due to COVID-19.

WELLBEING UPDATE

Breakfast Club- Every Monday and Friday, 8:15 is the new start time however those who come then must remain in the cooking room until 8:30 to comply with being on school grounds. Cereals, fruit, milk and toast is provided and all **FREE** and everyone welcome.

Mindfulness activities have also been completed with classes F-1, 2-3 and 4-5 and now doing grade 6 class. Feel free to ask the kids to show you what they are learning to manage stress, anxiety, anger, frustration, big emotions etc.

Zones of Regulation Training- involved two half days of training and will be implemented in conjunction with our School Wide Positive Behaviours Program (SWPB)

The Zones of Regulation® is a **framework and easy-to-use curriculum for teaching students strategies for emotional and sensory self-management.**—More information will be distributed to parents before this is rolled out.

It's okay to let our kids see our humanness. In fact, I think it's necessary.

They should see what it looks like to mess up, apologize, and figure out how to make it right. None of us walk through this life perfectly, and the real lesson is showing our kids what to do next after the mistake.

Bouncing Forward

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Do you have any batteries that you don't want?

If so, come down to the College and drop them off behind the Music room.

We accept any motor vehicle batteries. These batteries will be sold and taken to Swan Hill where they will be recycled.

The money will then be used for College camps and improvements to the school.

Follow signs in College to reach battery drop off.

Please place batteries on wooden pallet so it is easier to remove.



WANTED!!!

VCAL are seeking donation of the following items to help complete a number of projects.

Chemical shuttles or just shuttle frames.

Pallets – in very good condition

Mini orb

Timber pieces – suitable for tabletops

If you or anyone that you know has any of these materials, please contact the College immediately.

Items can be dropped off at the back of the tech room, please organise with College first.

Thank you to the Walters family who collected pallets from Swan Hill and dropped them off at School.

COLLEGE PAYMENTS ARE NOW DUE

College payments can be paid directly into the College bank account

BSB 033 250

Account number 602160

with your name as a reference,

or by cheque made payable to

Manangatang P-12 College...Thankyou

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acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres
Strait Islander peoples as the first
peoples and traditional custodians of
the lands where we live, learn and
work.***

