

MERCY REGIONAL COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Friday 30th November 2018

Our Vision

Mercy Regional College serves a wide rural community which values growth and diversity in Catholic Education in the Mercy tradition.

Our Mission

In the Spirit of the Gospels, we commit ourselves to the core values of community, inclusiveness, learning, care, justice and mercy, excellence and achievement.

Our Focus for 2018

"Through the Mercy tradition we welcome and celebrate individual difference".

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This newsletter article is one written with mixed feelings given the announcements of recent weeks, so the prayer accompanying it is one that celebrates an unconditional truth of our faith tradition, the love of God.

How God Loves

*God, your love is indescribable, inexplicable;
It extends further, and wider, and longer, and deeper than we can comprehend;
It knows no boundaries, it advances relentlessly;
It cannot be calculated, it cannot be quantified;
It exceeds any measure and explodes any metaphor;
It is in every sense glorious, in every way magnificent.
And this is the love that you pour out on us;
This is the love that you lavish upon us.*

In Memorium – Mrs Iris Bickley

Last weekend, Mrs Iris Bickley passed away in Warrnambool aged 94. Mrs Bickley was one of the early teachers on the staff of Catholic Regional College following its foundation in 1973 and taught a range of Year 7 & 8 subjects at the College's Mortlake Campus on the St Colman's site. Passionate about teaching, she only retired when her husband's community responsibilities grew and they were required travel around the state and overseas.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Recent Announcements from the Co-Governors of Mercy Regional College

As part of my article, I have included two letters from Fr. Gerry and Fr. Neville that detail firstly my appointment as Principal of Sacred Heart College, Kyneton, from the start of the 2019 school year as well as this morning's announcement of the appointment of Mrs. Berni Sinnott as the Principal of Mercy Regional College for Semester 1 2019. I will farewell the College at next week's End of Year Thanksgiving Mass and in the year's final College newsletter (Friday 14th December).

Tuesday, 20th November 2018

To the members of the Mercy Regional College community

Fr Neville and Fr Gerry wish to announce that the College's Principal, Dr. Darren Egberts, has been appointed as Principal of Sacred Heart College Kyneton from the start of the 2019 school year.

Darren has been Principal here for eight years and this was his first appointment as Principal, and the College has benefitted greatly from his leadership. Darren has felt privileged to have been Principal of MRC.

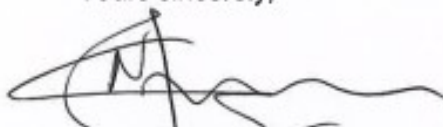
In his time here, he has achieved much:

- He has journeyed with the staff in their enormous commitment to the growth of the students as people
- Darren has worked with a team to significantly advance the personalised learning approach to teaching and learning in the College
- He has helped with growing the capacity of all of the teachers to meet the needs of their students
- He has been a great supporter of the Hampden Catholic Schools Network
- Darren has lead the significant development of the McAuley campus over the last five years
- Darren has worked collaboratively with the local priests who have governed the College in his time - Frs Eugene, Matthew, Gerry and Neville.

The Governors will be exploring interim arrangements to cover Darren's replacement and will get further information to the College community in the near future.

We offer Darren our whole hearted support in his new appointment and we wish him and his family every success as they move to Kyneton. We are deeply appreciative of Darren's leadership of MRC over these last eight years.

Yours sincerely,



Fr. Neville Stanislaus
Canonical Administrator

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Friday, 30th November 2018

To the members of the Mercy Regional College Community

Following the appointment of Darren Egberts as Principal of Sacred Heart College, Kyneton, Fr. Neville and Fr. Gerry wish to announce the appointment of Mrs. Berni Sinnott as Principal of Mercy Regional College for Semester 1 2019.

Berni is very well known across the Mercy Regional College community as an Old Collegian, past College Captain and has been teaching at Mercy since 2004. Employed as a teacher of Mathematics and Physical Education, she has also taught Psychology and VCAL Literacy and Numeracy. In recent years, Berni has held a number of positions of Leadership in the College including Head and Assistant Head of School Operations, Acting Deputy Principal and was appointed as Assistant Principal – School Operations at the start of this year.

Berni, and her husband, Matt, live in Camperdown with their two sons, Zachariah and Hamish, attending Mercy Regional College and their two daughters, Isobel and Abigail, attending St Patrick's Primary School.

The intention of Fr. Neville and Fr. Gerry is to advertise the vacant principalship in term one next year following consultation with the school community with the new Principal to commence from the start of Semester 2 2019.

With Berni's appointment in Semester 1, Mr. Dan Glennen has been appointed to the role of Acting Assistant Principal – School Operations and Mr. Jeremy Baker to the role of Assistant Head of Senior School for the semester.

Yours sincerely,



Fr Gerry Prunty
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End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

The formal close to the College's academic and spiritual year occurs next Wednesday 5th December. All students and staff will be a part of the celebration and parents, family members and friends are also encouraged to attend. Attached to this email is an invitation for Mercy Regional College family to attend the celebration on **Wednesday 5th December at St Thomas' Church, Terang starting at 12.30pm.**

With all students travelling to Terang in the middle of day, some special arrangements will be in place for students as follows:

- All Year 7 – 11 students will be bussed to St Thomas' Church for Mass at 12.30pm
- Following Mass and Awards, most students will then be bussed back to catch their normal buses home. However, students will be able to be dismissed from the church afterwards if parent contact has been made with College Reception prior OR parents are in attendance and HR teachers are notified.
- We are still investigating provision for Terang based students wishing to stay ahead of catching their bus connections and will communicate these arrangements ahead of the day.



MERCY
Regional College

All parents, family and friends are cordially
invited to attend the

2018

Thanksgiving Mass

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Student Award Ceremony

to be held at

St. Thomas' Parish Church, Terang

on

Wednesday 5th December 2018

Commencing at 12:30pm

Year 12 2018 Graduation Dinner

Last Friday night, the graduands of 2018 for Mercy Regional College joined their parents and teachers for the Graduation Dinner, which was held at the Five Star Function Centre, Camperdown. It was a terrific night with students dressed impeccably and, with the completion of VCAA exams, relaxed and thankful. The College Captains, Polly Moloney and Ed Lee, spoke on behalf of the class and thanked all who had contributed to a challenging but ultimately successful year.

Thanks to all who contributed to the success of the night but especially Mrs. Rose Henry, Mrs. Lesa Thornton and musician extraordinaire, Mr. Luke Bouchier.



College Arts and Design Night and Car Raffle Draw

Last Wednesday night was an excellent one with the annual College Arts Night followed by the Car Raffle draw. All Mercy students plus many from St. Patrick's PS were able to wander through the exhibition during the day while parents, staff and students took the opportunity during the evening.

Congratulations to Hayley Riches on being awarded the annual College Arts Prize for her Visual Communication and Design piece and to those students who won the People's Choice Awards:



Junior School - Eloise Chivell for her Kit Kat/M&M Cake.

Middle School - Shaye Herron for her Unicorn Cake.

Senior School - Jordan Cavarsan for his Coffee Table Design.



The Car Raffle draw was exciting this year with so many prizes being won by people with close and current links to the College and, especially, with the car being won by Mr. Brian Justin, grandfather of current student, Elizabeth (Year 7B).

2018 ANNUAL CAR RAFFLE RESULTS

1st PRIZE: MITSUBISHI ASX

Value \$27,000

Supplied courtesy of Callaghan Motors, Warrnambool

Proudly supported by Trevor Lee, Camperdown Auto Services

Winner: Brian Justin, Terang

2nd PRIZE: ELECTRICAL/FURNITURE VOUCHER

Value \$2,000.00

Supplied courtesy of Betta Home Living, Camperdown

Winner: Colin Bond, Cooriemungle

3rd PRIZE: TRAVEL VOUCHER

Value \$500.00

Supplied courtesy of Helloworld, Camperdown

Winner: Trevor Alexander, Cobden

4th PRIZE: APPLE WATCH SERIES 3

Value \$450.00

Supplied courtesy of Cyberhound, Fortitude Valley

Winner: Narelle Pride, Garvoc

5th PRIZE: FUEL VOUCHER

Value \$250.00

Supplied courtesy of United Fuels, Camperdown

Winner: Christina Lee, Terang

6th PRIZE: CLOTHING VOUCHER

Value \$250.00

Supplied courtesy of Fashion Clubwear, Canterbury

Winner: Andrew Chivell, Cobden

7th PRIZE: DINING VOUCHER

Value \$200.00

Supplied courtesy of Shirley Maria's Café, Camperdown

Winner: Fran Clarke, Cobden

8th PRIZE: JEWELLERY VOUCHER

Value \$200.00

Supplied courtesy of Showcase Jewellers, Camperdown

Winner: Tony Kenna, Warrnambool

9th PRIZE: DINNER VOUCHER

Value \$100.00

Supplied courtesy of Maddens Bar & Bistro, Camperdown

Winner: Mary Ryan, Camperdown

10th PRIZE: CAFÉ GRILL

Value \$100.00

Supplied courtesy of Officemax, Richmond

Winner: John Madden, Camperdown



Brian Justin collecting his car at Callaghan Motors.

The Mercy Regional College Parents and Friends Association would like to acknowledge the generosity of:

- CALLAGHAN MOTORS, WARRNAMBOOL
- Camperdown Auto Services
- Camperdown Betta Home Living
- Helloworld, Camperdown
- Cyberhound, Fortitude Valley
- Riordan United Fuels, Camperdown
- Fashion Clubwear, Canterbury
- Shirley Maria's Cafe, Camperdown
- Showcase Jewellers, Camperdown
- Maddens Bar & Bistro, Camperdown
- OfficeMax, Richmond

THANK YOU

Thank you to all Parents, Staff, and Friends of the College for your generous support in making our Annual Car Raffle such a success in 2018.

Thank you to each business for selling car raffle tickets in their shops.

Youth Achievement Awards

Congratulations to all students who were nominated in and / or performed at last week's Shire of Corangamite Youth Achievement Awards.

It is an excellent night and fitting recognition for the many young men and women who contribute to our local communities across a range of areas.

Particular congratulations to the following Mercy students:

Music Award	Grace Moloney
Environment Award	Sheridan Heath
Agriculture Award	Sheridan Heath
Community Service Award (Individual)	Sheridan Heath

(Sheridan in photo receiving her award from Mayor Jo Beard)



2019 Mercy Regional College Battlefields Trip Information Night

As the year draws to a close, many will start to look to 2019 plans. As has been the case since 2011, Mercy Regional College will again offer an opportunity for students in Year 10 & 11 (students in Year 9 or 12 may be considered on a case-by-case basis) to travel to the Battlefields of the Great War in September. Over thirteen days, students will visit Paris, Amiens and the Somme, Ypres and the Fields of Flanders and finish up in London. The trip will be led by Mercy staff with support from local guides. At this stage, the cost of the trip will be around \$5500 although final numbers of students and staff could affect this.

We will be holding the first of two 2019 MRC Battlefields Trip Information Nights on Wednesday 12th December starting at 7.00pm. On the night, we will run through the trip itinerary, details of accommodation, costs, payment schedules and any other questions.

More than 120 Mercy staff and students (including me in 2017) have enjoyed the privilege that retracing the steps of the First World War diggers offers and we hope that another 25-30 students and staff will take up this opportunity in 2019. Please contact myself or Mrs. Jenni Lenehan at the College if you would like more details. Some photos below of past participants.



Students and Staff Activities

The sheer number and variety of activities that have been held in recent weeks means that I cannot do justice to all of them but I would like to offer my thanks to the staff who work so diligently to ensure that these opportunities are there for students. These activities are often the things that students remember most about the term or even year. Over the last two weeks, they have included:

- O'Keeffe French Day
- Year 7 2019 Information Night
- Year 9 – 11 End of Year examinations
- Unit 3 Step Up program
- 2019 Year 7 & 9 Transition programs
- Year 7 Retreat day
- McLeod Shield day for Frayne House
- You, the Man presentation
- Year 10 Trade Taster and Year 11 Hospitality excursion
- Year 9 Fire Response Tree Planting
- Noorat Show support and exhibition

Yours in Mercy,



DR. DARREN EGBERTS

PRINCIPAL

Plenary Council Preparations

As Advent is a season of preparation, it is also a time for us to do something for Plenary Council. We have been encouraged up to this stage to contribute as individuals, groups or other gatherings of people. At our recent Parish leadership meeting, it was decided to make Advent a special time for this.

If you wish to be part of a group, or lead one, could you please put your name on the form/clipboard on the table in the foyer, so that groups can be organised.

Also, you are all invited to get together for an evening meal at the Terang Middle Pub on Sunday 16th December, followed by a discussion. Another evening will be organised in February.

**Hopefully we all take up the opportunity, to add our
voices to what happens at the Plenary Council**



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

For those parents who have not completed a **2019 Fee Collection Form** below, can you please do so and return to the College office by no later than Friday 7th December 2018.

Please drop it into the office or email to office@mercy.vic.edu.au

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### 2019 Fee Collection

I \_\_\_\_\_, wish to pay my 2019 fees by  
(*Fee Payers name*)

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- 1. Full payment of fees upfront.** Payment must be made in full by the 31<sup>st</sup> of March each year. Payment by this method will give families a 5% discount for the tuition fees, the student levies and the maintenance levy.

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- 2. Direct Debit.** We will offer a range of weekly, fortnightly or monthly direct debit options. A statement of account will be emailed out each month to fee payers.

I have attached the completed direct debit authority.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Fee Payer Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



## Direct Debit Request

**Request and Authority to debit the account named below to pay  
Mercy Regional College**

|                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Request and Authority to debit</b>                                                | <p><b>Surname</b> _____</p> <p><b>Given names</b> _____ <b>Family A/c No:</b> _____</p> <p align="right">(refer to fee statement)</p> <p>request and authorise <i>Mercy Regional College</i> to arrange, through its own financial institution, for any amount <i>Mercy Regional College</i> may debit or charge you to be debited through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System from an account held at the financial institution identified below and paid to the Debit User, subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.</p> |
| <b>Insert the name and address of financial institution at which account is held</b> | <p><b>Financial institution name</b> _____</p> <p><b>Address</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Insert details of account to be debited</b>                                       | <p><b>Name of account (ie. John Citizen)</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>BSB number</b>              -        </p> <p><b>Account number</b>                         </p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Acknowledgment</b>                                                                | <p>By signing this Direct Debit Request you acknowledge having read and understood the terms and conditions governing the debit arrangements between you and <i>Mercy Regional College</i> as set out in this Request and in your Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Payment Details</b>                                                               | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Debits may be made on ____ / ____ / ____ and at weekly (Friday) / fortnightly (Friday) / monthly (18<sup>th</sup>) intervals. (please circle)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Amount \$</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Insert your signature and address</b>                                             | <p><b>Signature</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p align="center">(If signing for a company, sign and print full name and capacity for signing eg. director)</p> <p><b>Address</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>Date</b> ____ / ____ / ____ <b>Contact Number</b> _____</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |



## 2019 MACBOOK ORDERS ARE DUE NOW

The College has been able to secure some incredible pricing for parents for student MacBook's for next year. For example, we are offering the base MacBook Air at \$1365. It would cost you \$1798 to purchase the same unit retail or online with the same 3 years of Apple Care+

Not only is the pricing well below that of retail, the price includes 3 years of Apple Care+ warranty. This is significant as Apple Care+ includes two instances of accidental damage – including broken screens – at the minimal repair cost of \$149!

All next year's Year 10 students are due for a replacement to their 11" MacBook's and the school has offered three separate options for payment. Any students in other year levels wishing to upgrade to a new MacBook can also apply now.

**Students in Years 7 and 8 in 2019 are not involved in this round of orders.**

Please visit [www.mercy.vic.edu.au/Macbook](http://www.mercy.vic.edu.au/Macbook) to view the prices, payment options and to place your order online.

Orders need to be placed by the end of the school year – Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup>.



## 2019 School Year Information

### 2019 Booklists

Booklists have been distributed to all students. Please complete and return according to the instructions on the front of the booklist by the due date. Do not send payment with the booklist as payment is to be made to **Warrnambool Books** and they will mail you a payment advice in January.

### Book Parcel Collection Day

Book collection day will take place on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 10:00am to 3:00pm** at the McAuley Campus, Camperdown.

### College Uniform Requirements

See list of Mercy Regional College uniform requirements on the following page.

### Uniform Order Form

An updated uniform order form is on page 13.

### Uniform Shop Trading Hours

Below are the regular hours of operation for December 2018 and January/February 2019.

| DECEMBER 2018                                                                                                                          | JANUARY 2019                                                                   | FEBRUARY 2019                                                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thurs. 6 <sup>th</sup> December<br>Tues. 11 <sup>th</sup> December<br>Thurs. 13 <sup>th</sup> December<br><b>Hours: 12.00 – 2.40pm</b> | Wed. 30 <sup>th</sup> January, 2019<br>10am – 3pm<br><br>(Book Collection Day) | The uniform shop will be open during school terms on Tuesdays & Thursdays.<br><b>Hours: 12.00 – 2.40pm</b> |

### Secondhand Books/Uniform

If you are interested in purchasing second-hand textbooks or uniform, there are two avenues available to parents.

- **Mercy Regional College Buy/Sell/Swap 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Books and Uniform** is a Facebook page that has been set-up by the parents of the College.
- Sustainable School Shop can help parents buy or sell items through their website [www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

### First Day of Term 1 2019

The first day of Term 1 for all students will commence on **Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> February**.

### College Office Hours

The office will open for limited hours 10am – 3pm from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January through to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January. Normal hours of operation will resume on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

## **COLLEGE UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

School uniform is compulsory and students are expected to maintain high standards of personal grooming and neatness, and to take pride in their College uniform. All students are expected to wear full school uniform while at school. Any student not wearing full uniform is to bring a note from his / her parents, written in the Student Diary and to be given to the Home Room Teacher, explaining the reason for being out of uniform and the expected length of time the student will be out of uniform.

Students are advised to mark their name on all items of uniform and personal property brought to school.

Sports uniform must be worn during P.E. class. Students who are unable to wear sports uniform must bring a note from their parents. All uniform items listed below are available from the College Uniform Shop.

### **VCE UNIFORM**

Students in Years 11 & 12 must wear full College uniform. However, they wear a distinctive navy coloured VCE pullover instead of the Maroon one worn by students in Years 7 – 10.

|                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Summer Uniform<br/>Terms 1 and 4</b> | College hat<br>College jumper<br>School dress<br>Mid-ankle socks - white<br>Black polished lace-up hard -leather school shoes                                                  | College hat<br>College jumper<br>White short-sleeved monogrammed shirt<br>Grey school shorts<br>Mid-ankle socks - black<br>Black polished lace-up hard-leather school shoes |
| <b>Winter Uniform<br/>Terms 2 and 3</b> | College jumper<br>White short-sleeved monogrammed shirt<br>School kilt (black tights)<br>Black polished lace-up hard-leather school shoes.<br><b>Optional – College jacket</b> | College jumper<br>White short-sleeved monogrammed shirt<br>Long grey trousers (black socks)<br><b>Optional – College jacket</b>                                             |
| <b>Sports Uniform<br/>Terms 1 to 4</b>  | Maroon college polo top<br>Black shorts,<br>College rugby top<br>White/black sport socks<br>Sturdy sports runners                                                              | Maroon college polo top<br>Black shorts,<br>College rugby top<br>White/black sport socks<br>Sturdy sports runners                                                           |

During winter months students are permitted to wear only the College Spray Jacket (as an over garment for protection from the weather).

During Terms 1 and 4 students are to wear a College hat during recess and lunchtime.  
A full description of Mercy Regional College Uniform Guidelines can be accessed on PAM.

### **GROOMING**

Students are expected to maintain a high standard of personal grooming and neatness and to take pride in their College Uniform.

**Jewellery - Girls / Boys:** Must be discreet and cannot include any of the following;

- Two pairs of earrings are permitted per ear (studs / plain earrings).
- No other piercings permitted.
- No visible tattoos.

**Hair:** must be clean and tidy:

- Collar length hair must be tied back with a hair tie or elastic band. In case of breakage a spare should be carried.
- No extremes in hair styles (e.g. dreadlocks or spiked hair) or colours.
- **Facial Hair:** Boys must be clean shaven at all times.
- **Make-up:** no visible make-up or nail polish.

**Upon a breach of the uniform guidelines, a warning by the homeroom teacher will be given first. A second breach results in a level one tracking incident.**





## MRC UNIFORM PRICE LIST: Term 4, 2018 – Term 3, 2019

Address: Crn Walls Street and Dimora Avenue, Camperdown VIC 3260.

Email: [uniform@mercy.vic.edu.au](mailto:uniform@mercy.vic.edu.au) Website: <http://fcw.com.au>

Nicola Fletcher (Uniform Shop Manager) Phone: 0481 311 701



OPENING HOURS: 12PM – 2.40PM - TUESDAY & THURSDAY (DURING NORMAL SCHOOL WEEKS)

| Uniform Items                           | Available Sizes                                           | Size | Qty               | Price               |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|-------------------|---------------------|
| <b>SUMMER UNIFORM [Terms 1 &amp; 4]</b> |                                                           |      |                   |                     |
| College Hat                             | Slouch Hat – Sizes: 57cm, 59cm & 61 cm                    |      |                   | \$14.50             |
| Jumper                                  | Sizes - 10-16                                             |      |                   | \$85.00             |
| Jumper                                  | Sizes - 18-22                                             |      |                   | \$91.00             |
| Jumper                                  | Sizes – 24 plus                                           |      |                   | \$95.00             |
| Short Sleeve Shirt                      | Sizes - 8-32                                              |      |                   | \$47.50             |
| Shorts                                  | Sizes - 10-16, 77R, 82R, 87R, 92R, 97R, 102R, 107R, 112R, |      |                   | \$49.50             |
| Belt                                    | Sizes - 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100 and 105cm                 |      |                   | \$18.00             |
| Socks (short black)                     | Sizes: Small - 2-8, Medium - 7-11, Large - 11-14          |      |                   | \$15.00 (pack of 3) |
| Dress                                   | Sizes - 8-12                                              |      |                   | \$69.00             |
| Dress                                   | Sizes - 14-18                                             |      |                   | \$73.00             |
| Dress                                   | Sizes - 20-30                                             |      |                   | \$75.00             |
| Socks (short - white)                   | Sizes: Small - 2-8, Medium - 7-11, Large - 11-14          |      |                   | \$15.00 (pack of 3) |
| <b>WINTER UNIFORM [Terms 2 &amp; 3]</b> |                                                           |      |                   |                     |
| Jumper                                  | Sizes - 10-16                                             |      |                   | \$85.00             |
| Jumper                                  | Sizes - 18-22                                             |      |                   | \$91.00             |
| Jumper                                  | Sizes - 24-30                                             |      |                   | \$95.00             |
| Short Sleeve Shirt                      | Sizes - 8-32                                              |      |                   | \$47.50             |
| Trousers                                | Sizes - 10-16                                             |      |                   | \$60.00             |
| Trousers                                | Sizes – 17-M7                                             |      |                   | \$61.00             |
| Belt                                    | Sizes - 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100 and 105cm                 |      |                   | \$18.00             |
| Socks (short black)                     | Sizes: Small - 2-8, Medium - 7-11, Large - 11-14          |      |                   | \$15.00 (pack of 3) |
| Winter Skirt                            | Sizes - 8-12                                              |      |                   | \$77.00             |
| Winter Skirt                            | Sizes - 14-18                                             |      |                   | \$81.00             |
| Winter Skirt                            | Sizes - 20-30                                             |      |                   | \$87.00             |
| Short Sleeve Blouse                     | Sizes - 8-32                                              |      |                   | \$47.50             |
| Tights (black)                          | Sizes – Small, Medium, Tall & XTall                       |      |                   | \$12.00             |
| Waterproof Jacket (Spicer)              | Sizes - 10-24                                             |      |                   | \$65.00             |
| Scarf                                   | Maroon or Navy - one size fits all                        |      |                   | \$15.00             |
| Gloves                                  | Maroon - one size fits all                                |      |                   | \$ 8.50             |
| <b>SPORTS UNIFORM</b>                   |                                                           |      |                   |                     |
| PE Polo Top                             | Sizes - 8-26                                              |      |                   | \$37.50             |
| PE Shorts                               | Sizes - 8-26                                              |      |                   | \$33.50             |
| Rugby Top                               | All sizes                                                 |      |                   | \$67.00             |
| Tracksuit top (PE)                      | Sizes - 10-14, Small, Medium, Large, XLge                 |      |                   | \$56.00             |
| Tracksuit pants (PE)                    | Sizes - 10-14, Small, Medium, Large, XLge, XXLge          |      |                   | \$39.00             |
| <b>OTHER</b>                            |                                                           |      |                   |                     |
| Backpack                                | Maroon                                                    |      |                   | \$64.00             |
|                                         |                                                           |      | <b>TOTAL COST</b> |                     |

\*\*\*all prices include GST\*\*\*

\*\*\*all prices are firm until October 2019\*\*\*

### PAYMENT DETAILS (please complete)

#### ☐ CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

CREDIT CARD NO: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

EXPIRY DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Please charge my: ☐ Visa or ☐ Master Card

AMOUNT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to pick my order up from (please tick a box)

☐ McAuley - Camperdown

☐ O'Keeffe - Noorat



## Year 10 Tree Planting

Year 10 students travelled to John and Joy Errey's dairy farm west from Cobden to plant trees for shelter belts after the St. Patrick's Day Fires destroyed much of their farm. Geoff Rollinson from Landcare was on hand to talk to the students as well as Peta Williams from Deakin University who both have been extremely busy helping many in the district since March with tree plantings.



*Some of our 2019 Year 7 students enjoying Orientation Day at O'Keeffe campus on Tuesday this week.*



## Career News

Mrs. Jenny Phillips

### Important Information – Year 10 Work Experience 2018

All Year 10 students, apart from four students who are too young, are expected to undertake work experience between 18<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February. The relevant forms are available from Mrs. Joanne Roberts in the office, or can be downloaded from the MRC Careers Website ([careers.mercy.vic.edu.au](http://careers.mercy.vic.edu.au)). All Work Experience forms were due back on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, but there are currently a number of outstanding. Some students have indicated that they have organised their work experience, but are waiting on employers to return the completed paperwork. If a student is yet to organise their work experience, they need to do so as soon as possible and if assistance is required, please email Mrs. Jenny Phillips.

### Melbourne Career Expo 2019

The Melbourne Career Expo is one of the largest and most comprehensive careers event in Australia. The expo showcases career opportunities from large employers, trades to higher education in an exciting, interactive and informative format. All sectors and industries are covered, with the latest career trends and opportunities showcased and ready to be explored. Now in its 17th year, the event will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at the Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre, South Wharf. The expo offers free career advice, inspiring and informative industry panels, employment opportunities, interactive training demonstrations and exhibits, free seminars and a wealth of information and opportunities for further study within the private education sector and universities. With all career, education and training information under one roof, this event is the first stop for all Victorians seeking a successful future. Below is a link to a free E-Ticket that students and parents can use to attend throughout the weekend. <http://www.careerexpo.com.au/free-ticket-to-expo/>

### Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy

This is a government initiative to encourage employers who have not had a full-time apprentice in the last three years to consider offering a full-time apprenticeship. (See attached flyer for details).

### Free TAFE Courses

There are a number of TAFE courses that will be available to school leavers free of charge in 2019. This is a government initiative to address the shortage of skilled workers in certain fields. Details of these courses can be found on the various TAFE websites.

### Deakin Start Program Warrnambool Campus

A FREE program for anyone thinking about, or about to study at ANY University. Dates: 14<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> February. (See attached flyer for details).

### Scholarships

#### Salt Creek Scholarship

Information regarding the inaugural Salt Creek \$30,000 (annual) Scholarship, to assist with tertiary education can be found through the link below. Any Year 12 students from MRC, who are considering tertiary education in 2019 are eligible to apply. <https://www.saltcreekscholarship.com.au/>

#### Rural and Regional Stem Scholarships

<https://www.education.gov.au/rural-and-regional-enterprise-scholarships>

#### Federation University High Achievers Scholarships

[www.federation.edu.au/high-achievers](http://www.federation.edu.au/high-achievers)

### VCE Unit 3 and 4 Results

Year 11 and 12 students who would like to receive their Unit 3 and 4 results by email, or text message, need to register. All students have been emailed this information, but if they have any questions they should email Mrs. Jenny Phillips for assistance.

### Career News

The latest Career News and Year 12 Resource material can be found on the Mercy Careers Site via the MRC Website Homepage.

### Change of Preference Information for Year 12 Students who lodged a VTAC Application

This Year 12 Resource material can be found on the Mercy Careers Site via the MRC Website Homepage.



## AUSTRALIAN APPRENTICE WAGE SUBSIDY TRIAL

### What is the Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy trial?

The Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy trial aims to support apprenticeships in skills need occupations in rural and regional areas and encourage participation in apprenticeships by employers who have not previously engaged apprentices, as well as re-engaging employers who may have disengaged from the system.

### Who is eligible for the Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy?

Employers who employ a new worker Australian Apprentice undertaking a full-time Certificate III or IV qualification that leads to an occupation listed on the National Skills Needs List in a rural and regional workplace. The Australian Apprentice must be employed under the relevant Award (modern award) for their occupation.

This trial is designed to encourage small businesses to employ an additional apprentice above their normal intake.

The employer must also meet all other eligibility requirements under the *Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program*.

### What financial support is available to employers?

The Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy provides support in the first three years of an Australian Apprenticeship as follows:

- 75 per cent of the first year award wage;
- 50 per cent of the second year award wage;
- 25 per cent of the third year award wage.

### Is the Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy in addition to existing support for employers of Australian Apprentices?

The Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy is in addition to the suite of employer incentives available under the *Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program*.

The Australian Apprentice Wage Subsidy is not available where an employer is receiving any other form of Australian Government or State Government wage subsidy or equivalent assistance for the Australian Apprentice.

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real careers

# DeakinStart

A program for anyone thinking about or beginning study at ANY university.

A free program delivered at the Warrnambool campus.



## Is this program for me?

### Are you interested in or about to start university?

DeakinStart is a free two-week (3 days per week commencing 14 February 2019) tertiary preparation program delivered at Deakin's Warrnambool Campus.

DeakinStart offers a supported and inclusive learning environment to help prepare you for life at university and ease your transition into university study.

The program is designed to assist you whether you are a potential applicant or have already received a university offer at any university.

### What will the program cover?

Topics covered include learning at university, critical thinking, academic writing and researching, career guidance and an overview of student services. Participants will also be introduced to strategies for successful study online.

### When?

The two-week program will be conducted part-time from Thursday 14 February to Saturday 23 February 2019 at the Warrnambool Campus.

The program will be held three days per week - Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Each day will have two sessions. The morning session will run from 10am-12.15pm and the afternoon session 12.45pm-3pm. You can choose the days and sessions that you would like to attend. Every session will offer different content material.

### How to apply?

Download an application form: [deakin.edu.au/warrnambool](http://deakin.edu.au/warrnambool)  
Applications close Friday 1 February 2019.

### Cost

DeakinStart is a free course – there are no course fees.

### Further information

Information sessions will be conducted at the Warrnambool Campus, Room B3.18 (floor above the Deakin library) at 6pm on:

- Wednesday 12 December 2018
- Tuesday 29 January 2019

### Find out more

[deakin.edu.au/warrnambool](http://deakin.edu.au/warrnambool)

Email [deakinstart@deakin.edu.au](mailto:deakinstart@deakin.edu.au)

Phone 03 5563 3007

[deakin.edu.au/warrnambool](http://deakin.edu.au/warrnambool)

Deakin University CRICOS Provider Code: 00113B



# COMING DATES

## Term 4, 2018

**Tuesday 4 December**

Summer Sports

**Wednesday 5 December**

Mass of Thanksgiving & Student Awards 12.30pm at St. Thomas' Church, Terang

**Thursday 6 December**

Year 7-11 students conclude for the year

**Thursday 13 December**

Teaching staff conclude

**Tuesday 18 December**

College office closes

## Term 1 2019

**Monday 21 – Friday 25 January**

Office open for limited hours this week from 10am – 3pm

**Tuesday 29 January**

Office open normal hours 8.30am – 4.30pm

All teaching staff commence

**Friday 1 February**

All students commence

**Monday 4 – Wednesday 6 February**

Year 11 Camp

Year 12 Retreat

**Monday 11 February**

Year 7 Welcome BBQ 6.00pm at O'Keeffe Campus

**Thursday 14 February**

Commencement School Mass 9.30am in the Stadium

**Friday 15 February**

MRC Swimming Carnival

**Monday 18 – Friday 22 February**

Year 10 Work Experience

Year 7 Camp

**Tuesday 19 February**

MRC Board Meeting

**Tuesday 26 February**

HSSSD Swimming

**Friday 1 March**

Presentation Ball

## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

### **Terang Swimming Club**

Will run from Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November to 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 for 4 weeks.

Then Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

This will provide 22 lessons for all swimmers.

You can pay your registrations on line.

New members will need to create a user name to be able to perform this and renewing members - if you can't find your details, please email Lisa [chessh@bigpond.net.au](mailto:chessh@bigpond.net.au) and she will be able to assist you or call 0438 922 275.

Hannah Justin will once again be the coach for this season.

We will be running stroke correction at 4pm and squad training at 5pm.

We are also conducting the South West Games Qualifying Meet at Mortlake on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December at the 50metre Mortlake Pool.

Registrations are now available for registered swimmers via the Swimming Victoria Website.

Unregistered swimmers are able to compete also by filling out an entry form to be requested via email.

## **LISMORE SWIMMING POOL**

### **2018/19 SEASON**

### **KICKS OFF ON SAT DEC 1st!**

***Opening day BBQ from 4-6pm***



Many great activities to be held throughout the season.

Water aerobics each Tuesday & Wednesday

(Morning Mermaids from 10am—11.00am

Bootcamp Babes/Mums & Bubs 11.00am—11.30am)

Great place for kids birthday parties & casual weekend BBQ's.

BBQ available for hire (gold coin donation)



**Find us on  
Facebook**

Keep up to date by following our FB page:

"Friends of the Lismore Swimming Pool"



#### **Opening Hours:**

12-7pm weekends, school & public holidays

2-7pm school term

#### **Enquiries**

Lismore Pool: 55 962 212

Laura Mitchell: 0448 324 331

Renea McDonald: 0437 621 443

Sarah Dennis: 0421 253 874



TERANG MORTLAKE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

# COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BREAKUP

TERANG RECREATION RESERVE  
SUNDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Training times:  
Senior footballers  
11am-12pm

Junior footballers  
12pm-1pm  
(Seniors to assist)

Netballers are also  
training on this day.

From 1pm onwards

\$2 sausages  
\$2 soft drinks

Jumping Castle &  
Face Painting

2:45pm Santa to  
arrive with lollies.





# NOORAT COMMUNITY CAROLS NIGHT

SUNDAY  
9th Dec

7:30pm



Here We Come a Caroling

Traditional English Wrensong

1. - Hark! come a - car - ol - ing, A - mong the leaves so green, -  
Hark! we come a - wa - ring, So fair to be seen.  
REFRAIN  
Love and joy come to you, And to you glad Christmas too, And God bless you and  
send you a hap - py New Year, And God send you a hap - py New Year.

Niel  
Black  
Memorial  
Presbyterian  
Church

SUPPER  
PROVIDED

ALL WELCOME!



# Christmas on Curdie



**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 5pm - 8pm**



*Curdie Street, between Victoria and Walker streets will be closed from 4.30pm.  
Entry forms for Decorated House Lights competition can be obtained from the Cobden Community Bank.*



# FAREWELL BLAZE AID



JOIN US AT A  
**FREE COMMUNITY EVENT**  
TO THANK BLAZE AID and the organisations  
who supported BlazeAid

**SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER**  
**FROM 11 AM** Lunch 12 pm  
Formalities 1 pm  
**SOUTH WEST KART CLUB**  
[GRAYLAND ST, COBDEN]

Live music by Ian Bidge Boyd  
Free lunch, kids' activities, coffee van  
Drop by and say thanks

For more information contact Sarah Troisi  
Corangamite Shire, 5593 7100





# Mt Noorat Management Plan Survey

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF MT NOORAT



Corangamite Shire would like to hear from you about what you would like Mt Noorat to look like in the future. This is an excellent opportunity to have your say and help shape the future management of Mt Noorat. Your input will contribute to the development of the first Mt Noorat Management Plan, which is due for completion during mid-2019.

To have your say, complete our online survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MtNoorat>

**The survey will be available online until Friday 21 December.**



Like us on Facebook! Search for **Mount Noorat** to share your thoughts and stay up to date with the project.

For further information, please contact Roland Herbert at Corangamite Shire on (03) 5593 7140 or [Roland.Herbert@corangamite.vic.gov.au](mailto:Roland.Herbert@corangamite.vic.gov.au)