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COLLEGE VISION

Our College vision is to educate the whole person for lives of meaning, accomplishment, contribution and success.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

2019 has been a another big year for Essendon Keilor College

This time last year building works were continuing at the Essendon campus and we were just getting used to the new Niddrie Campus. Now they are all done and we are enjoying being able to use the buildings instead of just talking about them. It has been a real team effort that began in 2007 when I first approached the department for money, and even before that when we dreamed of having our own performing arts centre for the College.

So now we look to the future and we can focus on the next phase of our development as a college.

Our Year 7 enrolments have continued increase and we are well placed to take on more students as the population in the area increases.

Next year we have a number of new staff joining us and they will bring different ideas and expertise. The calibre of the teachers we have employed is excellent and we are introducing a number of innovative programs to support all of our students to achieve their full potential.

While change is often difficult I am very confident about the direction we are heading. We are going into the third year of our four year Strategic Plan focused around getting the best outcome for all of our students. Most of our data shows improvement and we are going to be strongly supported by the department next year, to implement our programs, because they recognise the good work we are doing.

I would like to thank everybody for their support of our students this year. The Principal Team and College Council for their leadership of Essendon Keilor College, the ES Staff who provide great support for the teaching staff and students, the teachers for their energy and commitment and all our parents for their participation in this partnership. We are all in it together.

The College is going to keep changing over the next few years, and I know that by continuing to work together we will overcome all challenges for the ongoing benefit of future students.

2020 Term 1 Dates

Wednesday 29 January - Term 1 Commences Students return

Wednesday 26 February - Swimming Carnival (Queen's Park)

Monday 24 February - College Photo Day

Monday 9 March - Public Holiday (Labour Day)

Tuesday 10 March - College Photos (Catch up Day)

Monday 16 March - Parent Teacher Conversations (Years 7-12)

Wednesday 25 March - Athletics Day (Aberfeldie)

Friday 27 March - End of Term 1

Essendon Campus News– Lisa Nugent, Principal



Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

The end of the year is always a great opportunity to reflect on our achievements both individually and within our communities. Thinking about our values of respect, engage, aspire and learn, I ask everyone to take a moment to reflect on your year.

I would like to acknowledge the teachers, support staff and community members, who have been passionate about all students and their progress and well-being this year. They have guided learning growth, organised events, celebrated achievements and provided support.

Dr. Mimmie Watts a public health expert and academic in the College of Health & Biomedicine at Victoria University (Principal for a Day) gave an inspiration speech and presented awards at our presentation evening. This year we were able to acknowledge and celebrate our 2019 Year 12 High achievers at our annual College Presentation evening. (See next page for a list of our high achievers in each subject and 2019 Dux). We are keen to keep this tradition going and hope each year our year 12 students will aspire to be the top scorer in their chosen subjects. Congratulations to Idalya Brown who has received the Principal Scholarship for the University of Melbourne.

Thank you to each and every student for the contribution you made to the Essendon Campus this year, I hope the skill, strategies and knowledge you have developed over the year will equip you for the challenges ahead. All Orientation materials have been uploaded to the Orientation Google Classroom. Students also have access to Edrolo/Education Perfect and can access a variety of resources to prepare for 2020

The Campus has undergone significant refurbishment in 2019. The upgrade to the hall building has made the facility much more functional and comfortable. We will focus on refurbishing the Library building in 2020.

In conclusion I wish Mr Lachlan Hillier, Miss Mizue Kobayashi, Maree Maffei and Svetlana Raab who are moving on from the College all the very best for their future and thank them for their collegiality and service to our community.

To all members of our College community, I wish a safe and happy festive season. Hoping all the very best things in life come your way in 2020 and beyond.

Lisa Nugent

Essendon Campus Principal



Congratulations to our 2019 Dux

Ngoc Khai My (Vicky) Vu

Dux of each subject 2019 Essendon Keilor College

Subject	Student
Accounting	Hong Ha Ngo
Biology	Emalicia Beggs
Business Management	William Ngo
Chemistry	Harshita Kumar
English	Idalya Brown
English as an Additional Language	Hong Ha Ngo
English - Literature	Idalya Brown
Health and Human Development	Ashley Barden
History	Idalya Brown
Computing - Data Analytics	Omer Celik
Chinese	Ziyang Zhang
Italian	Carla Greco
Japanese	Khuen Lueng Lim, Yue Zhao
Further Mathematics	Daoud Daoud
Mathematical Methods	Duc Minh Chinh Nguyen
Specialist Mathematics	Duc Minh Chinh Nguyen
Music Performance	Matthew Eddy
Physical Education	Ashley Barden
Physics	Teo Cvetkovski
Production Design and Technology	Zachariah Attard
Psychology	Lauren Khaw
Studio Arts	Idalya Brown
Visual Communication and Design	Ngoc Khai My Vu
VET Sport and Rec – Fitness/Football	Daniel Roberts
VET Music Industry	Chelsea McGarry
Vietnamese Second language	Yousun Oh
Vietnamese First Language	Hong Ha Ngo

Essendon Campus News

2020 School Captains

Victoria Fotiadis
Fathy Abdelshahid

2020 School Vice Captains

Carla Greco
Dylan Laurie

2020 International Student Captains

Jenny Ma
Ryan Lee

2020 Sport Captains

Brianna Rachkidi
Harrison Schumann

2020 Performance Captains

Helen Collier
Ashleigh Laure

Student Management Team

Mr Mark McInerney, the Assistant Principal, will oversee the Student Management Team.

The Student Management of students will be coordinated by our Campus Co-ordinator Ms Travers and supported by our VCE Co-ordinator Ms Coutts located in room 3 and 6

Year level Coordinators for 2020 are:

Year 10

Mr Jarrod McDonald

Year 11

Ms Suzanne Rose

Year 12

Ms Melissa Travers

International Student Coordinator

The coordination of International students will be led by Mr Richard Myddleton (Leading Teacher).

Student Services

Student Welfare

Ms Linda Muldoon
(Located in weatherboard house
in McCracken Street)

Careers/Pathways

Mr Daniel Kingham
(Located in weatherboard house
in McCracken Street)

Members of the International team include:

Mrs Carol Carland

Ms Martina Quinn

Ms Vanessa Huynh (Vietnamese Aide/Admin support)

Ms Chiu Kwan Tong (Chinese Aide/Admin support)

Ms Pei Fen Li (Chinese Teacher/Aide)

Careers Update December 2019

Firstly good luck and farewell to the departing Year 12 students. We hope that the next step on your pathway is enjoyable and satisfying, whether it be completing further study at Uni or Tafe, undertaking an apprenticeship or traineeship or simply heading straight into the workforce. By now, many students will have already received December round offers to one of their preferred university courses. For those students who perhaps didn't get the offer to the course they wanted, remember that the next round of offers for domestic students are released on Jan 15th, and many students will get offers in this round. Below is a summary of key VTAC dates students need to be aware of. Refer to the VTAC Media videos on Compass for further clarification regarding the various offer rounds.

December Round Offers Released (Domestic and International)	Wednesday 18 December 2019
Change of Preference period for January Round offers	18 th – 20 th December 2019 and 2 nd January
January Round Offers released (Domestic)	Wednesday 15 January 2020
February Offer Rounds (Domestic)	Monday 3rd February 2020 onwards

For a full list of key dates, students can refer to: <http://www.vtac.edu.au/dates.html>

Year 7-9

In line with State Government policy, career exploration needs to begin at Year 7. In 2020 all students from Year 7 onwards will complete a personal career plan and will have an eportfolio to start storing important careers related resources. Year 9 students are again going to be completing thorough career planning assessments with www.morrisby.com and will receive individual 30 minute interviews with trained consultants.

Year 10s

There has been a lot of interest with next year's Year 10 students actively searching for interesting work experience placements. Many have secured fantastic placements already. Those that haven't found a placement yet are strongly encouraged to use the summer holidays to find a suitable employer who is willing to take them on. A number of our Year 10 students have elected to challenge themselves by undertaking a Year 11 VCE or VET subject next year.

Year 11s

Year 11s are now making the big step up to commencing VCE or VCAL. Now is the time students need to be giving plenty of thought to their future career path. Students need to ensure they understand the steps and requirements to achieve their career goals. Several students will get their first taste of a year 12 subject during year 11.

Year 12s

During the step-up program, next year's Year 12 commenced their all-important final year of schooling. Hopefully by now students are forming a strong idea of what pathway they would like to pursue when they finish school and have a goal in mind to set their sights towards achieving. During 2020 study sessions, every Year 12 student will have an individual 20 minute careers interview to assist them with their career choice and pathway options.

Students from Year 9-12 are encouraged to get involved in the various careers- related excursions and industry immersion activities that will be on offer throughout 2020 to help them with their decision making process.

Daniel Kingham, Careers Coordinator

Niddrie Campus News– Heather Hawkins, Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians/Students

The 2019 year has come to a close. It has been a pleasure working with you during this year. The year began with a lot of uncertainty but I congratulate all the students and staff for their effort to establish a new Niddrie Campus. The students continue to produce outstanding results and improvements. I have enjoyed watching their natural enthusiasm for learning and their growth as young adults.



With an enrolment of 275 for 2020 I am pleased to announce the Education Department will provide us with additional classrooms and toilets during the holidays. This will allow us to utilise our facility in the best way possible to support all students.

During the break, please ensure you assist your child by organising uniform and equipment including the BYO device so that they commence school, on 29th January 2020, with a very positive mindset. Remember it is a good opportunity to catch up on reading and reviewing this year's goals and achievements.

A number of staff will be leaving after the College pursuing retirement. On behalf of the Niddrie Community I would like to thank the following staff:

Tracye Thompson for her contribution to student support over many years. Rosalie Marinov has also decided to settle into a life away from the College.

Rosalie leaves having supported students in the role of Italian, English and Humanities classroom teacher and Level Coordinator for a number of years.

Joan Pereira our Library Technician is also retiring. Joan was a student at Niddrie High School prior to taking up this role. I would like to thank her for her dedication over 45 years of service to the College.

In conclusion I wish Ashleigh St Guillaume, Kathy Hay and Svetlana Raab who are moving on from the College all the very best for their future and thank them for their collegiality and service to our community.

Finally, I would like to thank all families for their support throughout this year and the many years I have worked at the College. I am looking forward to my leave.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Kind regards

Heather Hawkins

Principal

Essendon Keilor College

Niddrie Campus

Keilor Campus News– Lisa Robinson, Principal

Thank you for your continued support of the campus in term 4. We have ended 2019 with a focus on learning assessments and tasks and much of the effort of your child's progress is reflected in the end of semester reports. These have been mailed to you and will also be published on Compass. This provides you with an ongoing record of your child's three weekly progress and semester achievement. In the report package you also received a booklet which provides you with an outline of the entire assessment schedule for the 2020 academic year. I hope this provides you with information to support your child in homework, study and preparation across the year.



In 2020 we will be engaged with a new canteen provider. Lunches will be ordered on line and delivered to the campus. The student body will continue to service the campus with snacks and drinks. I will provide you with more information in the New Year.

I hope you enjoyed reading our college magazine and the visual journey of our students this year. One that didn't make the cut was this group of Year 8 girls who spent time creating a table and chairs for our new sustainability garden. Many native plants have also been planted recently as we continue to build and improve our community together. I look forward to continuing and sharing this with you in 2020.



All the best for the break.

LISA ROBINSON

Campus Principal

College Information

Essendon Keilor College Website

at the following link: <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/>

It is useful to navigate around the Website to familiarize yourself with important information.

A link to **Compass** can also be found on the College Homepage.

Some useful links are as follows:

- College Calendar and Events <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/events/>
- College Term Dates <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/information/term-dates/>
- College Uniform - <https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/information/uniform/>

Please visit the College Website for College Information and News Items

2020 Compass News Feeds

News feeds will be regularly posted on the **Compass** homepage in 2020. Please access this online platform regularly to check for messages as well as monitoring your child's attendance. Contact your Campus General Office if you need to reset your Login/Password. The Compass application is also available for iPhone and Android devices through your usual app store.)

The address to access school's Compass Portal is: <https://ekc-vic.compass.education>

2020 Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund (CSEF)

The Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund has ensured that no student misses out on the opportunity to participate in important educational and fun activities. CSEF has been provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. If you are a new parent at the College and have not completed an application you may be eligible and will need to fill out a CSEF Application for 2020 which is available from your Campus Reception.

Essendon Keilor College Uniform

All students attending the College are required to wear full uniform. Hoodies and other visible forms of non-school clothing must not be worn. Footwear must be all black and leather. The new College soft shell jacket will be available from Noone Imagewear. The jacket is made of a more durable material and has a polar fleece lining for warmth.

Uniform Policy:

https://www.ekc.vic.edu.au/sites/default/files/document_files/Uniform%20policy%202014.pdf



PROPOSED TRIP TO ITALY 2020 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

In order to plan for the 2020 Italy Trip, we provide below a summary concerning the proposed tour and request you indicate your interest to participate by completing the **Expression of Interest** form below.

Proposed Tour Details

Dates: September/October, 2020 [final dates to be announced]

Cost: Approximately \$6,500 depending on the itinerary chosen and the number of students attending.

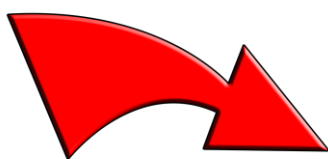
Procedure

Parents who are considering sending their child on the Italy Tour in 2020 should:
Complete the **Expression of Interest** form below and have their child return it to:

- **East Keilor Campus:** Rosalie Marinov
- **Niddrie Campus:** Adele Di Virgilio
- **Essendon Campus:** Annamaria De Amicis [Tour Coordinator]

Itinerary

The proposed itinerary will cover Rome, Sorrento, Florence, Siena and Venice for 12-16 days. As part of the tour, students will participate in cooking and mask-making classes.



Eligibility

Priority will be given to the following students:

- Those who are studying Italian in Years 9 to 12 in 2020
- Other interested students thereafter.

Contact Details:

Do not hesitate to contact Ms De Amicis for further information

Annamaria DeAmicis
VCE Campus
deamicis.anna.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
83310323



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PLEASE RETURN THE FORM BELOW TO YOUR CHILD'S ITALIAN TEACHER
EKC Italy Tour 2020: Parent/Guardian Expression of Interest

I am realistically considering sending my child on the *Italy Tour in 2020*.

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____ Campus: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Parent mobile number: Name _____ Number: _____

Japan Tour: September 2020

The 2020 Japan Tour is open to **ALL students who will be in Years 9 to 12 in 2020**, whether studying Japanese or not. The tour will highlight both modern and ancient Japan, with visits to Akihabara electric town and Disneyland, an earthquake simulation centre and sacred temples. We will visit our Sister School, with the option of staying in homestay for a couple of nights.

Tentative Dates: 28 September to 9 October 2020

Cost: \$3500 to \$5000, depending on exchange rates and final itinerary.

See www.ekcjapantour.com for previous tour details. A meeting will be held in Term 4 and a \$500 deposit will be due in Term 1 2020.

To register your interest or get more information, see your Japanese teacher, email Richard Myddleton at myddleton.richard.j@edumail.vic.gov.au or call 9319 1349.



UPDATING STUDENT DETAILS FOR 2020

It is very important that student, parent/guardians **ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBERS, EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS AND OCCUPATION DETAILS** are up to date and correct for **ALL STUDENTS** at the College.

If any of your details have recently changed or will change over the holiday break please update yours and/or your child's details on Compass.

MEDICAL DETAILS - IMPORTANT

Please let the College know if your child/children develop or have any medical issues that teachers need to be aware of and also if a student's medical details have changed - please notify your Campus Reception. Medical Certificates must be provided to your Campus reception on the return from absence for medical reasons or from a medical appointment.

UNWELL STUDENTS - SCHOOL PROTOCOL

When a student becomes unwell while at school, College protocol is for them to present to the Campus General Office/Reception where staff will log the student into Sickbay, and determine if he child needs to go home and/or emergency contact is to be called. Students are not to arrange pick up directly with their parents or guardians via their mobile phone, particularly during class time.

EARLY LEAVERS

Parent/guardians are reminded to please notify the College Campus relevant to your child/children in advance of any early student pick up. Announcements cannot be made during class time. You are required to send a note on the day which is to be handed to the General Office and a Pass to leave class will be provided to the student. This will avoid any unnecessary delays. Alternatively call Reception in advance to arrange pick up of your child/children.

ATTENDANCE

Parent/guardians are sent SMS messages daily via mobile phones if students are absent or late. Please notify the Campus Reception if your child is absent and provide a note or medical certificate to explain their absence. Student attendance is very important to successfully complete their year of study.

