



Essendon Keilor College

# Term 1 Newsletter

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## College Principal - David Adamson



**Our Vision: To develop accomplished citizens who contribute, live meaningfully and succeed.**

Welcome to our first College Newsletter of 2021.

As always we welcome a number of new and returning staff to the College.

Heather Hawkins	Assistant Principal - Essendon
Kellie Brooks	Food Tech Teacher - Essendon
Yoko Henderson	Japanese Language Assistant – Essendon
Virginia Casarin	Italian Teacher - Niddrie/East Keilor
Leanne Magree	Humanities - Essendon
Jacqui Snowden	H&PE Teacher - Niddrie
Chris Galle	Maths/Science Teacher - Niddrie
Alex Michaels	H&PE/Science Teacher - Niddrie
Sarah Stephen	Tutor - Niddrie
Aaron Heppell	PE/Science - Niddrie
Emidio Forti	Maths - Essendon

Our new College Council has been formed with a good representation of parents from all three Campuses.

President: Nicole Kotoski

Vice President: Bettina Spirli

Treasurer: Lisa Grant

Kristian Dodd, Albert Joseph, Pat Jeffry, Graeme Jeffry and Steve Morrish are the other parent representatives. The staff will be represented by Lisa Nugent, Angela Apswoude, Melissa Travers and Mark McInerney. Karen Dossis has been co-opted as a community representative and our student representative is Max Papotto.

This is a terrific school council and I am looking forward to their contribution this year.

### College Phone Numbers

East Keilor	8331 0109
Niddrie	9375 8400
Essendon	9319 1300

### Absence Lines

East Keilor	8331 0108
Niddrie	9375 8405
Essendon	9319 1305

Click [here](#) for College website

### Dates for your diary

**22nd Apr** – Year 7 Immunisations

**10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May** – NAPLAN

**9<sup>th</sup> June** – GAT

**14<sup>th</sup> June** – Queen’s Birthday public holiday

**18<sup>th</sup> June** – Report writing – Pupil free day

### Term Dates 2021

**Term 2** Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Apr – Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Jun

**Term 3** Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Jul – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Sep

**Term 4** Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

Unlike last year we have been able to run a number of very successful activities this term including the swimming and athletic sports and Year 7, 8 and 9 Camps. These activities are incredibly important to get students into a different environment where they are challenged and get to know their peers and teachers in a different environment. They also allow for students from the two junior campuses to get to know each other before they head to the Essendon Campus in Year 10. I attended the Year 9 Camp at Cape Schanck and was impressed by the behaviour and level of co-operation of our students.

We learnt a lot last year about how students learn and how we can communicate with our community so we will continue use Compass and GOOGLE Classroom as really useful tools. We will be doing a school review later in the year and will be asking our parents and carers their opinions of what we do well and how we can improve.



**Essendon Campus Principal - Lisa Nugent**

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On behalf of the staff and students I would like to acknowledge the support and guidance provided by our Leadership staff, led by Ms Heather Hawkins. Our team of Ms Melissa Travers, Ms Kaye Coutts, Ms Suzanne Rose, Mr Jarrod McDonald, Ms Carol Carland, Mr Dan Kingham, Ms Deamicis and Ms Dereli have worked tirelessly to set students up for success. Congratulations to all students who have started the year well, with a strong dedication to learning growth and a commitment to supporting all students and staff at the Essendon Campus.

I also need to commend our hard-working Education Support staff who work tirelessly to advise and assist students throughout the day. Welcome to Micaela Dowd our new Mental Health Practitioner.

Our student leaders at the Campus have been inspiring in their efforts so far this year, with the support of Mr Matt Szewczuk. Keona Tapungau, Ms Travers and Ms Nugent attended the Moonee Valley International Women’s Breakfast on behalf of Essendon Keilor College.



## **College Captains Report** – Max Pappoto and Keona Tapungao

Max and Keona have shown amazing leadership, including Max becoming a member of the College Council. Max spoke to students and staff at our end of year assembly. Sharing with students an insight into the Campus and the events mentioned is this newsletter.

## **Sport Captain Report**

Hi Everyone, I'm Imogen and I'm Dylan and we are the Sports Captains for 2021.

We'd like to congratulate the senior boys' volleyball team who won the district event against Buckley Park and Rosehill Secondary College. The team will now advance to the Western Metropolitan finals in Term 2.

Jess Sutherland and Luis Viray represented the College at the District Swimming Carnival and Jess won the 200m freestyle, 100m breaststroke. Congratulations Jess!

Just a reminder to those students who are interested in attending Ski Camp this year. The dates are the 4th to the 6th of August. All families have been emailed home via Compass information regarding the outline of the Camp.

Signup day is the first Wednesday back in Term 2 where a \$200 deposit is due. Payments will not be taken before this date.

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Athletics Carnival, it was a great day. Thank you to all our Musical Performers and Mr McDonald for the Karaoke session.

## **International Student Captains**

Good morning teachers and students,

My name is Oliver, currently our School's International Captain

My name is Melanie, also an International School Captain

Glad to see you all well and healthy after last year's pandemic, congratulations to the students of Essendon Keilor College. We have made it through the first term of 2021. To all my International peers, I understand that this has been an exhausting term for all of us. We recognise the struggles of being far from home, without parental guidance and support. But by doing so you have proven yourselves time and time again on your independence. And I'm proud of our progress for making it this far. Also, I want to remind you that we are united as a strong International community, representing our countries from all around the world. Bonded together by diversity and social communications, we ensure you that you will feel welcome and comfortable at all times regardless of race and culture. We are considering some events for this school year to give International students a special chance to experience our traditions.

Thank you for lending us your generous time.

## **Music and Performance School Captain**

Hello everyone my name Brian, I'm this year's "Music and Performance Art School Captain" and now I'll introduce you to what's happening and what to be expected regarding our school music and performance art events coming.

Production: after more than 12 months of waiting, our team is extremely excited to be back into gear and start rehearsing. This year's Production is going to be about "The Addams Family" in which we will perform from the 11 to the 13th of August. If anyone is interested in participating in the Production team as ensemble members or band members, please feel free to contact Mr. McDonald afterwards.

Next, as some of you have already known, we do have events that students can participate in. These include lunchtime concerts, busking (if you don't know this is when you can get out of school and perform on the street), we also have Senior Soiree and of course Production if you are interested. If you have any questions, again feel free to ask me or Mr. McDonald about this.

Congratulations and Thankyou to the following students for their performances at the Essendon Campus Assembly - Dreams - Fleetwood Mac (Brian, Charlize, Essey) and Good Lord - Birds of Tokyo (Ellie)

### **Be Wise Report – Mitch Mifsud**

I took away that punching someone is actually very serious and if I punched someone and they died I wouldn't be able to live with it for the rest of my life.

Even a fight will now be taken very seriously as even if the person isn't knocked out, they can still die. I will now tell people to stop and think when they look angry so they don't attack.



### **World's Greatest Shave**

Thank you to the Year 12 VCAL class and Leadership students who organised the Casual Clothes, BBQ and Coloured hair spray. Thank you to Mr Szewczuk and Mr Bennett



## Term 1 Award Winners

Year 10 - Academic	YEAR 11 Academic	YEAR 12 Academic	Real Reward Winners
Erica Zanti	Rose Eddy	Ba Phuoc Cao (Andrew)	Ellie Fuller
Luke Barnard	Ayaka Sogabe	Remmy Coleman	Youhanna Tadros
Isabella Tantotero	Kate Ryan	Quang Trung Nghia Nguyen (Edward)	Taaha Shervani
Kyra Aurisch	Thanh Nhan Le (Nathan)	Omar Shaheen	Erica Zanti
Yumika Liu	Hamza Dahir	Chloe Simonds	Isabella Tantotero
Thuy Tra Mi (Rose) Le	Tyron Tan	Mustafa Salih	Essey Gebrekirstos
			Yumika Liu
			Felix Liauw
			Jane Chau

## Dux 2020

Congratulations to the 2020 College Dux, Lauren Khaw, on her outstanding academic achievement. She attained an ATAR of 97.3 and is studying Biomedicine at The University of Melbourne.

## Communication

News feeds are regularly posted on Compass.

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

(The Compass application is also available for iPhone and Android devices through your usual app store.)

Contact the Essendon General Office if you need to provide or change your personal details and phone the absence line if your student will be away from school for any part of the day.

A reminder for students who require medication, e.g. EpiPen's and Ventolin. Senior students who require lifesaving medication should have an EpiPen or Ventolin with them at all times, including a copy of the Action Plan. Most reactions occur outside the home or at school. Food allergy reactions often occur in restaurants. Please contact the Essendon Campus Office if you have any questions or need to update your current plan or medication.

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## Careers Update Term 1 2021

### Careers EXPO

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We held our yearly Careers EXPO in the Essendon Hall on March 24<sup>th</sup>. This may have been our best Expo yet with a large variety of institutions represented. These institutions were unable to visit schools for most of last year so they were very keen to meet with students face to face again. They were able to advise students in relation to University and VET (Tafe) options, apprenticeships and traineeships. Many of the institutions commented on the quality of questions they received and discussions they had with students from Year 10 through to Year 12.



### Year 10 Work Experience

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Many Year 10 students have done really well to secure interesting work experience placements in a variety of industries for the end of Term 2.

This year has arguably been the hardest year yet for students to find places as many employers in certain settings have been very apprehensive about taking on students due to COVID. We are hoping that some employers will start to give students more opportunity as we get closer to the start dates.

As mentioned previously, each students' local network of family, friends and connections is often the easiest way to find a work experience placement. We strongly encourage all students who do not have a placement to use the school holidays to find a suitable employer. Students and families can refer to the work experience resources in the Year 10 Careers Google Classroom (classwork section) for further information.



## Junior Campus Careers – Year 9 Morrisby Assessment and Interview

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During the second half of Term 2, Year 9 students from both Keilor and Niddrie will be undertaking a detailed careers assessment known as Morrisby. This will be done at Essendon Campus to familiarise students with the Campus. They will also be hearing from some guest speakers from different tertiary institutions.

The Morrisby assessment is designed to give students a detailed analysis of their suitability for various Careers. Subject recommendations are also provided. Students will receive a one on one interview with a Training Career Counsellor at the start of Term 3 to discuss their results and provide further advice for the future.



## Career Action Plans

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The yearly Career Action Plan is a chance for students to reflect on their strength and interests and start setting some study and career goals. At EKC we get students to complete this each year from Year 7 to Year 12. Almost every student from Year 10-12 has now undertaken their Career Action Plan. Any students from 10-12 who have not done this yet should refer to the My Career Portfolio website: <https://mcp.education.vic.gov.au>.

Students from Year 7-9 will begin completing their Career Action Plans in the early weeks of Term 2.

Daniel Kingham

Student Pathways Coordinator

## **PRIVACY COLLECTION STATEMENT – Secondary Schools**

### **Information for Parents and Carers**

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at our school, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse, primary welfare officer or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Service officer, or school-engaged psychologist, the required consent will be obtained.

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we takes steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us.

School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child, or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian Government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interests of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure allowed or mandated by law.

Our school values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

Throughout this notice, 'staff' includes principals, teachers, Student Support Service officers, youth workers, social workers, nurses and any other allied health practitioners and all other staff at our school. This includes employees, agents and service providers (contractors) of the Department, whether paid or unpaid.

## **Northern Star Chess - Secondary Zonal Tournament – 18 March 2021**

The mini-series 'Queens Gambit' has no doubt ignited a raging passion in all chess players, hence, the high turnout for this year's Northern Star Chess Tournament for Schools. This year's first chess championships were held at Penleigh and Essendon Grammar on the 18th of March with a total of 82 students participating.

Each competitor had the opportunity to play seven games with students at similar levels. Essendon Keilor College was represented by Ethan Boots, Jackson Clarke, Jared Colyer, James Ngo, Taaha Shervani, Tyron Tan and Luis Viray, displaying much courage and determination as they confronted their rivals in the competition. Our EKC students were competing against some



of the most renowned schools in the region such as Penleigh and Essendon Grammar, Lowther Hall Anglican Grammar, Haileybury College and Northcote High School. James Ngo earned his bronze medal by achieving 10th place, which was a fantastic achievement. The school is exceptionally proud of the EKC student's success and we congratulate all the boys in representing the school.

We are certainly looking forward to the Term 2 tournaments, but in the meantime, the team is aiming at recruiting more members, especially more girls to take part in this amazing experience.

Ms Dereli

## **Japanese Language Assistant**

We are extremely fortunate to have Yoko Henderson, a Japanese Language Assistant who has been employed by the Department of Education this year. She has been helping students to develop their fluency and confidence in the language and supporting teachers in the development and delivery of the Japanese program at EKC. As Yoko has considerable expertise in teaching, she always knows how to support students both individually and as a group. She also worked as a VCE oral exam assessor and a Music teacher in the past. Students at both Junior and Senior Campuses, and myself have been learning a great deal through Yoko's fun and creative class activities.

Sumiyo Kamimura  
Japanese Teacher

Nine students that study Year 8 Japanese for language were selected for a special extension program. This program is run by Yoko Sensei, a brilliant and hardworking teacher. The program is run throughout periods five and six every Friday where the students do a variety of games and learn new words in the Japanese script, hiragana. As a student that does this program, I think that this program was a great idea, and it is very joyful and quiet. It is a nice and calm way to end the school week.

Grace Ballingall  
Year 8



Yoko Sensei has been helping the Year 12s with our speaking in Japanese during our study sessions on Monday. She helps us with our vocabulary and pronunciation as we prepare for our end-of-year oral exam and upcoming oral SAC. She explains clearly what we can do to achieve the best marks and helps us implement these suggestions. Yoko Sensei gives the merged Japanese class fun, engaging and educational activities during our classes on Friday, which we all enjoy. We appreciate how much work Yoko Sensei has done to ensure that we can understand and comprehend the language.

Neve Grant  
Year 12



### **Mental Health Practitioner**

The Essendon Keilor College Community would like to welcome Micaela Dowd as our Mental Health Practitioner. Micaela will be with us on Monday (Essendon), Tuesday (Keilor), and Wednesday (Niddrie). If you would like your child to get support with their mental health please contact your child's coordinator, Student Welfare Coordinator or Principal who can organise a referral if appropriate.



## East Keilor Campus Principal - Lisa Robinson

What a joy it has been to have a normal Term 1. The focus, attitude and energy of the students back at Campus has been terrific. Being able to organise the Camp and the regular excursions and sport means that our learners are accessing the range of experiences that they need to engage in the curriculum. In this newsletter you will see a number of reports and photographs about those events in Term 1.

The student leadership body has also been instrumental this Term in supporting the Campus. The Harmony Day celebration was full of energy and really epitomised the East Keilor Campus ethos of inclusion and support. Our leaders will attend the National GRIP Leadership Conference in May to build on their skills.



**East Keilor Leadership Team**

The students have also been completing assessments this Term. Thank you to all who have supported the satisfactory completion process. Our goal is to ensure all students reach the required learning benchmarks, show growth, ask for help and don't settle for "just good enough". We need to be relentless in building this in our young people, both at school and at home. We know how important these qualities and values are in the world beyond school. Term 2 will again test many of them so it is important that you look at the CAT schedule and have conversations about upcoming assessments.

WEEK	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
1- 19-23 April			
2- 26-30 April			
3 – 3-7 May			
4- 10-14 May			
5- 17-21 May		<b>STEM:</b> Lego Mission to MARS	<b>English:</b> Cartoon Analysis <b>Science:</b> Static Can Prac Report
6- 22-28 May	<b>Drama:</b> Performance Portfolio	<b>English:</b> ANTZ-Text Response <b>Music:</b> Musicianship	<b>Humanities:</b> Movement of People Essay <b>Music:</b> Musicianship <b>Maths:</b> Probability and Statistics Application <b>HAPE:</b> Mental Health <b>Y Challenge:</b> The Humanitarian Assignment

WEEK	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
7-31-4 May/June	<b>Science:</b> Food Web Task <b>Italian:</b> Ciao! Greetings <b>Japanese:</b> Greetings and Introductions <b>English:</b> Persuasive Writing <b>Horticulture:</b> Sustainability <b>Maths:</b> Geometry Application <b>HAPE:</b> Fundamental Motor Skills	<b>Science:</b> Energy Practical Task <b>Italian:</b> Animalia <b>Japanese:</b> Weekend activities- oral presentation <b>Humanities:</b> The Vikings Investigation & Analysis <b>Music:</b> Performance Portfolio <b>Maths:</b> Statistics Application <b>HAPE:</b> Fitness Components	<b>Italian:</b> Transport <b>Japanese:</b> Visiting Japan oral presentation <b>VCD:</b> Designing to a brief <b>Music:</b> Performance Portfolio <b>STEM:</b> Mbot Team task
8-7-11 June	<b>Humanities:</b> Water System Investigation <b>PDT:</b> Practical and Evaluation <b>Art:</b> Practical folio <b>STEM:</b> Robot assistant	<b>VCD:</b> Design <b>Food:</b> Practical Studies	<b>PDT:</b> Practical work and evaluation <b>Food:</b> Practical Studies <b>Drama:</b> Performance Portfolio

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at assembly this afternoon for perfect attendance for Term 1.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Kendra Kyle Julian Perrone Jenna Van Harmelen Lina Yang Diana Silva Ryan Withers	Mathew Abed Martin Eddy Kobi Glenister Max Ivankovic	Max Urra Aguilera Lenny Fishenden Teresa Spirli Tenisha Tahitahi

The following student received an award for their Learning Growth

- Thomas Gore

Have a restful break and I look forward to continuing the work in Term 2.

*Lisa Robinson*

Lisa Robinson

Campus Principal

**SWPBS - East Keilor Term 2**

	<b>Behaviour Goal</b>	<b>Focus Group Activity</b>	<b>REAL Reward</b>
T2 Wk 1	Set & Evaluate Learning Goals	Goal Setting Google Form	Canteen Vouchers (x6)
T2 Wk 2	Use Good Manners	Lesson 1	Downballs/Fidgets
T2 Wk 3	Use Good Manners	Lesson 2	Class Lunch
T2 Wk 4	Use Good Manners	GPA Reflection – re-set/ evaluate goals	Canteen Vouchers (x6)
T2 Wk 5	Put Effort Into Every Task And Challenge Ourselves	Lesson 1	Ice cream/Soft Drink
T2 Wk 6	Put Effort Into Every Task And Challenge Ourselves	Lesson 2	Class lunch
T2 Wk 7	Put Effort Into Every Task And Challenge Ourselves	GPA Reflection – re-set/ evaluate goals	Canteen Vouchers (x6)
T2 Wk 8	Work cooperatively with peers and staff	Lesson 1	Downballs/Fidgets
T2 Wk 9	Work cooperatively with peers and staff	Lesson 2	Class Lunch
T2 Wk 10	Work cooperatively with peers and staff	GPA Reflection – re-set/ evaluate goals for Semester 2	Canteen Vouchers (x6)

# SWPBS!

IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING BEHAVIOURS IN CLASS TO GET THE CHANCE TO GET A REAL REWARD!

## ESSENDON KEILOR COLLEGE – SCHOOLWIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR MATRIX

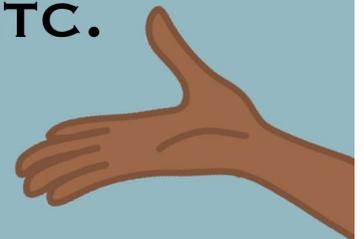


### RESPECT - ENGAGE - ASPIRE - LEARN

Expectations	OUR COMMUNITY	WIDER COMMUNITY
<b>BE RESPECTFUL</b>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use good manners</li> <li>• Follow staff instructions</li> <li>• Arrive to class prepared to learn</li> <li>• Work cooperatively with peers and staff</li> <li>• Use technology responsibly and safely at all times</li> </ul>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appreciate diversity and treat all others as equals</li> <li>• Represent the College with pride</li> <li>• Behave in a safe manner</li> <li>• Consider how our actions impact on others</li> <li>• Use technology responsibly and safely at all times</li> </ul>
<b>BE ENGAGED</b>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ask questions and regularly act upon feedback</li> <li>• Make positive contributions</li> <li>• Bring digital devices charged everyday</li> <li>• Participate in school events</li> </ul>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are responsible for our actions</li> <li>• Engage in learning opportunities outside of school</li> <li>• Demonstrate EKC Values in accordance with College policies</li> </ul>
<b>BE ASPIRATIONAL</b>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Put effort into every task and challenge ourselves</li> <li>• Strive for academic excellence</li> <li>• Set and evaluate learning goals</li> <li>• Attend all classes</li> </ul>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are considerate of the public</li> <li>• Travel to and from school with care</li> <li>• Aim to become accomplished citizens who contribute, live meaningfully and succeed</li> </ul>
<b>BE A LEARNER</b>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listen to others</li> <li>• Let others learn and teach</li> <li>• Use devices appropriately for learning</li> </ul>	We... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage and support others</li> <li>• Maintain appropriate noise levels</li> <li>• Support our community</li> </ul>



THERE WILL BE NEW PRIZES AVAILABLE INCLUDING - PIZZA LUNCHESES, CANTEEN VOUCHERS, ICE CREAMS, CAPS, DOWN BALLS ETC.



# GOOD LUCK!

## Harmony Day

Last week, on the 22nd of March, our school celebrated Harmony Day. Harmony Day is a day where we acknowledge the contributions of multicultural communities to Australian society and to support the elimination of racial discrimination. It was wonderful to see the Campus come together as one, wearing casual dress with a touch of orange to support and celebrate Harmony Day. We ended up raising an amazing amount of money thanks to the students' gold coin donations for our Charity of the Year, 'Myeloma Australia'.



During Focus Group, all classes learnt about the importance of Harmony Day and Australia's cultural diversity. Then at recess and lunch the Schools Sport Captains,



Tenisha, Brodie, Daniel and Brady, organized sport competitions for everyone to participate in.

During recess they set up a handballing competition and during lunch they held a longest kick competition. Many students participated in these events and had a lot of fun so thank you to the School Sport Captains for organizing that. At lunch, we also had music playing near the basketball courts. Thank you to Mr Rocek, Emika, Caprice, Ria and April for helping set up and control the music. Everybody had a great time dancing and singing to the music, it was an amazing atmosphere.

During lunch, students were also able to trade in Real Rewards for items from CAPZ. We would like to give a big thank you to Ms Sheridan for the donations from CAPZ for the students. There were caps, scarves, shirts and jackets to choose from and we are very appreciative of them.



Later in the week, on the 25th of March, we had some magnificent lunchtime performances from some of the students in the Instrumental Music Program. We had so much support and encouragement from many of the students that were watching. It is always amazing to see the talents of students at our College. Thank you to Mr Carey and Ms Anicic for helping set up these performances. As a part of being in the leadership team, we would like to thank Ms Hamilton for making all this possible and for being an amazing role model for us school leaders. And last but not least, we would like to thank all of the staff and students for an amazing Harmony Day that we will never forget.

April, Ria and Emika (East Keilor Music, Performance and STEM captains)

## Sport

This Term has offered a lot of opportunities for students to participate in Interschool Sports, Swimming Carnival and Athletics day. This Term for Interschool Sports we had Year 7 & 8 boys cricket. Both teams played well and they both had their wins and loses but there were a few stand out players. The Year 7 team had Thomas scoring some runs and taking a few wickets, and in Year 8 they had Sam, Kobi, Antine, Noah all playing a great game. We also had swimming sports where Blue House won the day, and in the Athletics Carnival we had White House win. These College sports days are always fun and provide a great opportunity to mix with the other College Campuses.



-Tenisha T, Brodie J, Daniel W, Brady C (East Keilor Sports Captains)



## Camps

Term 1 was busy with all year levels at our Junior Campuses going on Camps. These Camps were amazing experiences and the East Keilor Year level Captains will share their reflections.



Hi, we are Jaymie and Gabriel and we are the Year 7 class Captains.

On Wednesday the 17th of March, the Year 7s from East Keilor and Niddrie went on Camp to Anglesea. It was a lot of fun, meeting new people, attending activities and having free time on some of the games. One of my favourite things there was high ropes! It was so much fun but it was also very high up so I was nervous with going on the first stage but in the end it was worth it. I was also really happy with the cabin I was in with Diana, Jenna and Sibela. Camp was overall amazing and I hope I do it again sometime.



Hi, we are Chloe and Sam and we are the Year 8 Class Captains.

The Year 8 classes went to Phillip Island. We went to Phillip Island this year as last year everyone missed out on the opportunity to go to Camp because of the global pandemic. There were many different amazing opportunities and activities to participate in, including the twin flying fox, the giant swing, canoeing, raft making and trivia night. It was enjoyable spending time with the Niddrie Campus students and getting to know them more as well. The Penguin Parade was a very interesting experience and we got to buy some souvenirs if we had money! At Camp everyone had a great time and we all got to experience many different things.



Hi, we are Chanel and Trisha and we are the Year 9 class Captains.

This year's Year 9 Camp was very eventful. We were given the opportunity to participate in activities such as horse riding, hut building, the giant swing, rock climbing, the pamper pole and mountain boarding. hut building allowed students to collaborate and improve on their teamwork, leadership and decision making skills. Staying with our peers helped us become familiar with our friends and their habits. The Ranch gave the students great opportunities to develop a wide range of social skills that strengthened already established relationships and created new ones. Meeting with Niddrie during our 3-day Camp rekindled our relationship which would be



important for Year 10 when we merge and go to the same Campus.



Camp is an important experience as everyone gets to meet new people and socialise with the other Campus. It is an amazing opportunity to go outside of your comfort zone and try new activities outside of school time. Overall Camp was an outstanding event and we hope everyone

enjoyed it as much as we did.



From,  
Jaymie, Gabriel, Chloe, Sam, Trisha and Chanel.



## **Niddrie Campus Principal - Christine Cole**

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It has been a fantastic start to the Year at the Niddrie Campus. The Campus has been a hub of enthusiasm and excitement for learning.

Our Year 7 students continue to settle into Secondary School nicely. Learning a new timetable structure, new teachers and peers, and taking on the challenge of their first Common Assessment Tasks (CATs). Thank you to all families who came out to the Year 7 Welcome Night (online) to learn a little more about the College and to meet the staff.

The Niddrie students continue to make great use of their lunchtimes, with many students being involved in playing team sports such as basketball, soccer and cricket on our Sports Fridays. Similarly, the Library has also been a hub of activity with students playing boardgames, card games and creative activities. The enthusiasm of all students has created a vibrant welcoming place for all students during lunchtime.

The year level Camps to Anglesea (Year 7), Philip Island (Year 8) and Mornington Ace-Hi Ranch (Year 9) were jam-packed days of activities; horse riding, mountain bike riding, surfing, high ropes and rock climbing, just to name a few. It was another great opportunity for our students from both Junior Campuses to be together. I also had a great time getting to know the students and getting involved in the activities.

A reminder to all families that Homework Club runs every Wednesday and Thursday afterschool until 4pm in the Library. Students are encouraged to attend to review and revise their classwork and seek some help from teachers.

Looking forward to term 2 and seeing the students take part in all the learning opportunities we have to offer.

### **Campus Student Management Team**

Campus Assistant Principal:	Mark McInerney
Campus Coordinator:	Joanne Drago
Year 7 Coordinator:	Joanne Drago
Year 8 Coordinator:	Tammie Kantharidis
Year 9 Coordinator:	Tony Adamson

- Please contact the relevant year level coordinator if you have any queries or concerns about your child's learning progress, attendance or wellbeing.

## School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)

Congratulations to the following students who were our weekly REAL Reward winners of a \$5 canteen voucher for Term 1.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Terrence Patsalis Hayley Bowman Nash Mihailovic Ria Cooper Monjid Sidahmed Matilda Aurisch Aidan Davey	James Worrall Lucy De Bono Karl Bebbington Masson Tearikiuri Tom Sutherland Dannies Yeap Chelsea O'Dwyer Stevie Windebank	Te Marino Paranihi Lillie McCosh Natasha Scordia Lexi Kerry Amy Bektash Caleb Gomez Manar Muhamed Elizabeth Bettini

## **Be Wise - Pat Cronin's Story**

On Friday the 19th of March, our Year 9 students had a guest presenter from the Pat Cronin Foundation to deliver 'Be Wise'. We learnt about how one punch can ruin one's quality of life and we were informed by a professional about Pat's Cronin's story, and the tragic incident that cost him his life.

*On Saturday the 16th of April 2016, Pat went out to a local bar*

*for a quiet night, as simple as it may sound, Pat was punched from behind during a brawl that occurred while trying to assist his mate. From this incident he was taken to hospital and two days later the family made the agonising decision to turn off his life support. His death has left a gaping hole in the lives of many including close friends and family.*

*We are determined that Pat's life be honoured and that no family should face the devastation they now face as a result of his death.*

The first intention from the Pat Cronin Foundation was to honour Pat.

The second intention of the Pat Cronin Foundation was to prevent coward punch attacks, they do this through:

Spreading Awareness, Education and Research.

*"Pat was a normal kid. We are just a normal family. We live in a normal suburb. If this can happen to us, it can happen to anyone." - Robyn, Matt, Emma and Lucas Cronin.*

## **Be Wise. There is No Excuse. End the Coward Punch...**

Madi Knowles and Amy Bektash (EKC Niddrie Campus Year 9 Level Leaders)



## Year 7 Camp



The year 7 students from both Niddrie and East Keilor Campus came together to enjoy three wonderful days at Camp Wilkin in Anglesea. The Camp was part of the Transition program that gave students the opportunity to build stronger connections with their peers, teachers and the College.

The beautiful sunny weather provided students with the perfect conditions to make the most of the fun and challenging activities planned. These



activities included High Ropes, Mountain bike riding, Flying fox, Climbing wall and a range of Initiatives and Team builders.

Students also learned to surf with Go Ride a Wave. Most students reported this to be their favourite activity. After a lot of persistence, crashes, and mouthfuls of saltwater, countless waves were caught and nearly all students were able to stand up on their boards like 'pro surfers'!

During periods of free time, some amazing tumbling skills were demonstrated by some very talented students on the trampolines. Other students were keen to show off their skills in the Gaga Pit and 9 Square court.

The first night involved a range of games, singing and dancing. The second night



involved a walk to the Anglesea Lookout. After two action filled days and nights of activities, students enjoyed some beach fun at the Main Beach. Beach cricket was the preferred activity for some, whilst others spent almost 2 hours in the surf. By this stage, we had finally exhausted the students!

All students should be commended for their attitude towards the Camp experience. Students were positive, enthusiastic and supportive and encouraging towards others. They consistently demonstrated our School Wide Positive Behaviours towards each other, their teachers and

the Camp instructors. Positive relationships between students from both Campuses were formed. These relationships will continue to be built upon throughout the junior years.

Overall, an excellent time was had by all – students and staff!

Jo Drago  
Niddrie Campus  
Coordinator  
Year 7 Coordinator



## Year 8 Camp

Earlier this Term, the Year 8 students from both the East Keilor and Niddrie Campus came together to enjoy new experiences at Phillip Island Adventure Resort. Great weather and beautiful grounds & facilities provided the perfect environment for students to participate in a range of fun and challenging activities.

Activities included Surfing, Canoeing, High Ropes, Flying Fox, Giant Swing, Initiatives and Team Builders. Students attempted all activities with enthusiasm and challenged themselves to move outside of their comfort limits. Students worked together closely to navigate through a Team Rescue and to build a raft (with some rafts proving to be more successful than others). The surfing was definitely a highlight for most. After a bit of practice and lots of persistence, students were successful in catching numerous waves, with many talented students standing on their boards.



Another highlight for some was the Penguin Parade. The rain held off and students waited patiently from the viewing platform to experience the magic of watching these amazing seabirds waddle home from the ocean to their burrows. From the boardwalks, students were able to observe the interaction between the penguins and their awaiting chicks.

After an activity packed 3 days, students all reported having a wonderful time. They were supportive and encouraging towards each other, and further developed their resilience, and built upon their leadership and teamwork skills.

Jo Drago  
Niddrie Campus Coordinator  
Year 7 Coordinator



## Year 9 Camp



For Year 9 Camp this year, we went to Ace-Hi Ranch in Cape Schanck. We got to do activities such as horse riding, rock climbing, leap of faith, giant swing, mountain boarding, an initiative course, a camp scramble and the giant pole. All of the courses we did in our groups helped us to try new things and get out of our comfort zone. Horse riding, mountain boarding and giant swing were the students' favourites. The games room was also where most of the kids went in



free time where the teachers and students could play ping pong, pool, and other games. We all had a fun time and would recommend the students in the following years to go.



## Niddrie Student Leadership Term 1 Overview

I'd like to acknowledge the wonderful efforts of the Niddrie Student Leadership Team during a very busy Term 1 as they have worked behind the scenes to ensure activities have run smoothly as well as planning for events for the rest of the school year.

Harmony Day celebrations were a huge success with many cultural activities, a music concert, a sausage sizzle and even a fashion show taking place. The coordinating of the many different components that went into making the day a success was handled very well by the student leaders. These activities celebrated diversity and the inclusion of all. Our leaders have elected to make a donation to the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal with money raised on the day.

A few of our leaders also sacrificed a few lunchtimes and time after school to create house banners for our cross college Athletics Carnival to inspire team spirit and friendly competition. These banners looked great on the day.

The Student Leadership Team would also like to welcome the Year 7 Class Captains who were appointed at the beginning of Term 1 this year. The Class Captains have already been quite active in the flurry of student leadership activity this term and have represented their Year 7 peers whilst also transitioning to the demands of Secondary School. They are doing a wonderful job.



## 2021 YEAR 7 CLASS CAPTAINS



Repeka  
Taumatei



Hannah  
Wright



Hayley  
Bowman



Grace  
Tavo



Monjid  
Sidhamed



Veronika  
Srpanska

## **Term 2**

In Term 2 our Student Leadership Team will attend the GRIP Leadership Conference where they will meet Student Leaders from schools across Victoria and continue developing their leadership skills. They have also started planning for upcoming events such as ANZAC Day celebrations and The World's Greatest Shave in June.

I would like to thank all Student Leaders for their continued commitment to ensuring student voice is heard, running events that celebrate the EKC community and being socially responsible by contributing to worthy causes.

Keep up the great work and I look forward to next Terms events.

Lia Siafalis-Tsiatsios

Student Leadership Coordinator (Niddrie)

## Harmony Day

On March 22nd the Niddrie Campus celebrated Harmony Day. We had lots of cultural activities to celebrate diversity like Japanese Origami and Italian Bocce. We kicked off the festivities with a music concert that showcased some amazing musical performances. Lunchtime started with a sausage sizzle organised by the Leadership Team. Leaders prepared and shared, free of charge, some cultural desserts. Fashions on the Field was a lot of fun as many of us went to the effort of dressing up amazingly in the colour orange, tying it in with some of our traditional costumes. All profits from this event will be donated to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

By Luca Stellato and Xavier Bassett  
Campus School Captains



## Swimming

It has been a good start for sport this year at EKC with student successes in both individual and team competition.

We opened the sporting calendar with our annual swimming carnival which saw a huge increase in participation in both competitive and recreational swimming. It was great to see so many of you getting involved in the events being held throughout the day and having fun.



Many of the competitors who placed first in an event progressed to the district competition to challenge themselves against students from other schools.

Representing our Campus was:

- Hannah Wright who won second place in 50m breaststroke and 2nd place in 10m freestyle
- Ria Copper who won 2nd place in 50m freestyle
- Emmelene Phair who reached 4th place in 50m backstroke
- Tom Sutherland who won 1st place in 50m breaststroke and 1st in 100m freestyle

Congratulations to Tom who recently participated in the regional competition and won 1st place in breaststroke, progressing him to the State Finals.

## Interschool Sports

This Term our school participated in Interschool Sports, competing in cricket and volleyball. It has been very encouraging seeing so many of our students take an interest in representing the school and we can't wait to prepare for our Term 2 sports.

Congratulations to the Year 7, 8 and 9 cricket and volleyball teams for their performances. Although we may not have won every game, we represented the school proudly by demonstrating excellent character, teamwork, and sportsmanship during competition.



## Athletics

Congratulations once again to White House on your victory on Athletics day. It was great to see how many students involved in competition and helping the teachers run events.

The following students have been crowned champions of their house due to winning the most points:

- Alicia Rumpf, under 13 girls champion with the most points awarded for her house (30)
- Lexi Kerry, under 14 girls Champion with the most points for her house (34)
- Nezhiah Mora-McDonald, under 14 boys Champion with the most points for his house (36)

The following students from our Campus have set new College records:

- Tegan Anderson, 14 girls 100m record with a time of 13s
- Hassan Sobh, 14 boys 100m record with a time of 12.46s
- Logan Holliday, 13 girls 800m record with a time of 2.37m
- Nezhiah Mora-McDonald , 14 boys 200m record with a time of 26.3s
- Malik Bastian, 15 boys 200m record with a time of 24.5s
- Madison Spring-Brown, 14 girls triple jump record with a distance of 8.78m
- Lexi Kerri, 14 girls 400m record with a time of 1.13m
- Brody Bateson, 14 boys triple jump record with a distance of 9.72m
- Alicia Rumpf, 13 girls 200m record with a time of 32.6s
- Olivia Jackson, 1500m girls record with a time of 5m30s
- Malik Bastian, 15 boys 100m record with a time of 12.2 seconds
- Brody Bateson, 14 boys long jump record with a distance of 4.16m
- Sam Wood, 13 boys 800m record with a time of 2m34s
- Lexi Kerri, 14 girls 800m record with a time of 2.56
- Logan Devon, 13 boys shot put record with a distance of 9.08m