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Principal ● Zlatko Pear

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## A few words from the Principal....Zlatko Pear

### Calendar

#### August

**18-20** Year 7 Melbourne City Experience Camp—  
**POSTPONED UNTIL OCTOBER**

#### September

**8** Student Free day

**9/10** Year 3/4 Beechworth Camp

**14-23** Central Australia Trip

### Mask Wearing Compulsory

I continue to be impressed by the resilience and flexibility of our students and staff to move between remote and onsite learning at very short notice. Whilst this appears to be a seamless process, it is largely due to the hard work and many hours of planning by staff. The whole community appreciates being back to onsite learning. The Department has put in place a number of measures to ensure we maintain a safe environment. The most visible of these is the wearing of masks. It is compulsory for all staff and secondary students to wear a mask in class and outside during break times. We look forward to your continued support to ensure we comply with this Government directive.

### Central Australia Trip

We are hopeful our Central Australia trip will still go ahead later this term. The original plan was to travel to Central Australia by bus and fly back to Melbourne. We will now travel by bus in both directions. This decision was made in order not to risk losing a substantial amount of money linked to the possibility of airfares being cancelled at short notice. This will add an additional day to the trip. The tour company is now working through the changes to costings. Families involved will be informed as soon as we get any more information.

### Changes to Upcoming Excursions/Camps

We understand the importance of students enjoying experiences outside of school. This is why we are very keen to ensure that as many of the planned camps go ahead as 'normal.' Below is a list of excursions/camps for the remainder of the year. The activities marked as *going ahead as planned* are dependent on the COVID19 situation and subject to change.

- Snow Program – Cancelled for 2021
- Year 5/6 Canberra Trip – going ahead as planned in Term 4
- Year 3/4 camp – going ahead early September
- Prep – Year 2 Kyabram Fauna Park – going ahead as planned in Term 4
- Central Australia Trip – going ahead with changes
- Year 7 Melbourne Trip - postponed to late October
- Year 9 Future Makers Program – going ahead as planned in Term 4

### VCE Learning Conferences

VCE learning conferences will take place on this Wednesday 18th August. The Learning Conferences will commence at 3:30pm and conclude at 5:30pm. Please contact the College if you are having any problems accessing the online booking.

### Myrtleford P12 College is a Child Safe School.

All our Child Safe policies can be accessed on the College website.

<http://www.myrtlefordp12.vic.edu.au>

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**COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Be Respectful – Be Responsible – Be a Responsible Community Member – Be Safe

**Green Card Winners**

Term 3 Week 4



- Prepared and ready to participate
- Following teacher directions
- Keeping my learning space tidy
- Wearing my uniform proudly
- Focussing on my own work
- Using respectful language
- Arriving and leaving quietly and safely
- Showing kindness to others
- Trying my hardest

Abigail Aldridge-Campbell  
 Eden Magyar  
 Lachlan Allan  
 Zarah Vescio  
 Isabella Norris  
 Harlow Long  
 William Orchiston  
 Jia Maheshwari  
 Olive Fullwood  
 Isabelle Morrison  
 Aliza Kneebone  
 Addison Gilbertson (absent)

**Congratulations!!**

Be Respectful – Be Responsible – Be a Responsible Community Member – Be Safe

**Green Card Winners**

Term 3 Week 6



- Prepared and ready to participate
- Following teacher directions
- Keeping my learning space tidy
- Wearing my uniform proudly
- Focussing on my own work
- Using respectful language
- Arriving and leaving quietly and safely
- Showing kindness to others
- Trying my hardest

Makayla Allan  
 Sushrishi Dahal  
 Isaac Whittingham  
 Bowie Cartwright  
 Hugh Scott  
 Rocky Cusack  
 Emma Pitman  
 Charlotte Koers  
 Sarah Versteegen  
 Lincoln Thorpe  
 Max Kleine  
 Charlie Gios

**Congratulations!!**

Partnerships with Schools: We can have a strong influence on our kids learning



**Top Tips**

- Take an interest in your child's school.
- Focus on the positive aspects of school.
- Approach learning with positive messages.
- Show respect for your child's teacher.
- Take an interest in your child's homework and assignments.
- Reward your child for their approach to learning and attitude towards their work.



[www.thefatheringproject.org](http://www.thefatheringproject.org)



**HELP PLEASE!**

Hello parents and carers!  
 Year 6 need your help!  
 Our Year 6 social enterprise requires small glass jars with lids to reuse to package our beautiful handmade body scrubs. These will be available for purchase Term 3.  
 Could you please send any you may have to the front office to be collected.

Thankyou – Body Bomz

**CANTEEN**

**OPEN MONDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY  
 CLOSED TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY**

Students will need to bring food from home on the days the canteen is closed.



# Jeans for Genes®

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August the P-6 SRC organised a Jeans for Genes fundraiser for the whole school. Students came to school in casual clothes showcasing some form of denim to support this cause. They also brought a **gold coin donation** to help raise money for the Children's Medical Research Institute.

The last time the school participated in Jeans for Genes day we raised **\$315.55**. This time we raised **\$506.80!** What a great result!

A BIG THANK YOU to the P-6 SRC for organising this fund-raising event.



**WOW!**  
**We raised**  
**\$506.80 !**



# MS Readathon

My brothers and I are doing the MS-Readathon this month to support kids and families living with multiple sclerosis (MS). We are aiming to read as many books as we can during the month and raise \$1000. We would be so grateful if you could make a donation. Every dollar counts. You can sponsor us as a team or individuals. Go to the link below to sponsor or you can give me the donation and I will log it in your name.

Thanks, Louise.

Be sure to use this unique link.

<http://www.msreadathon.org.au/fundraisers/themyrtleurtles>





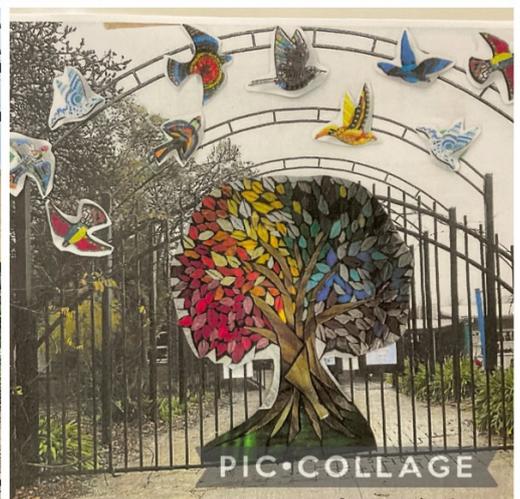
# Talking art with Mrs Craftwright

We are so excited that we have finally come up with our concept for our collaborative project as part of our Creative Workers in School Project. A rainbow mosaic tree that will be fixed to the entrance gates on Prince Street and the arch above the path will have lots of colourful birds attached to it. All students from Prep to 6 will be working in their art time to mosaic a leaf in their class's special colour. Preps are red, Grade 1 orange, Grade 2 are yellow, Grade 3 are green, Grade 4 are teal, Grade 5 are blue and Grade 6 are purple.

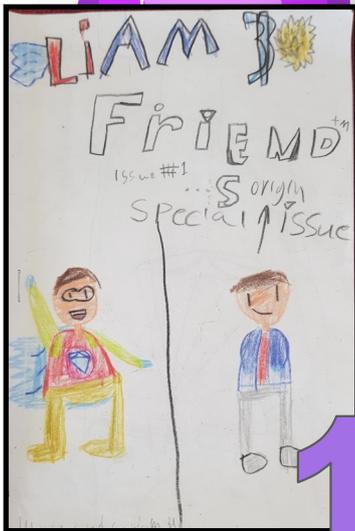
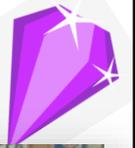
Students will also make their own clay tile with their name hand stamped into it which will be integrated into the trunk as little pieces of bark. So everyone will be able to find their names hidden in the tree once it is finished. Here is a bit of an update on how the mosaic project is coming along! It's taking a lot of time to plan and Crafty is learning LOTS from Crackpot 1 & 2.

Watch this space as we will be sharing our project's progress through out the term. If you haven't come up with a suggestion for our 'name our project' competition yet, please bring it up to the Art Room soon.

Crafty



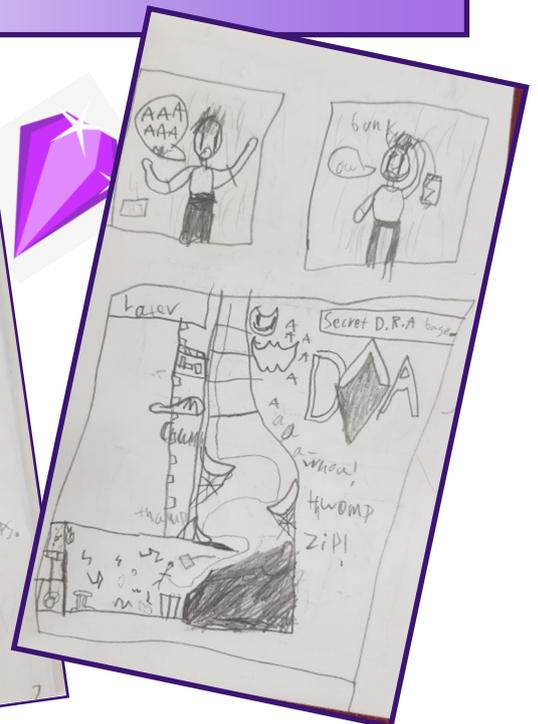
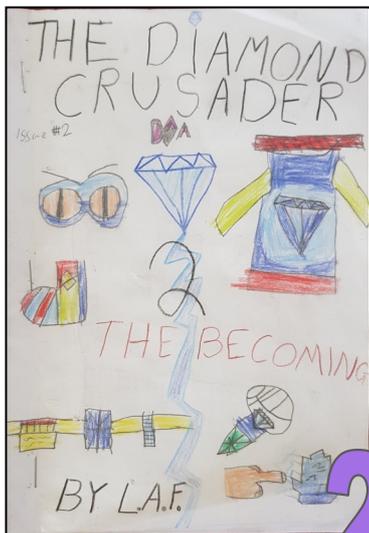
# The Diamond Crusader



A trio of Year 5 students have been working on a series of graphic novels called The Diamond Crusader. The series follows Liam, a superhero trying to stop the Evil Shadow Lord from taking away his superpowers.

They have just released their second book in the series. The stories are written and illustrated by Liam Hymes, reviewed by Aiden Thorpe (to ensure they are ready for publication), and checked again by Charlie Gios. The boys have published the books under the name of L.A.F. (Liam and Friends).

The books are in our library for other students to enjoy. We look forward to the next book in the series!



# Descriptive Writing in Year 3LA

3LA are learning to use description in their writing.

We are trying hard to use our senses to help 'Show, Don't Tell,' and to include powerful adjectives and adverbs.

The following descriptive paragraphs were written in response to this prompt.



Lucy sat in the velvet, blue chair imagining that she was in one of the books. She fixed her eyes on the new 'Wimpy Kid' book and angrily ran towards it, crashing any book in her way. CRASH! Lucy grabbed the book, got comfy again and then she read it four times.  
By Awi Ling

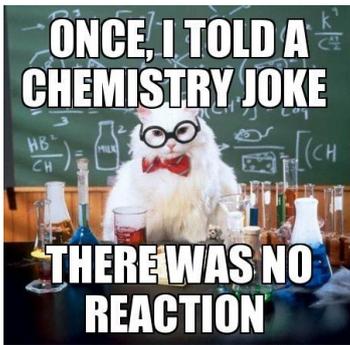
The library was a magical world inside the eyes of readers. One word in a book, teleported them into a new world. People who said, "If you like reading, you're a nerd," would not see the books let out their magic. The roaring from the books included animal noises, laughter from fairies and more from the library's secret. Upon the stacks of bookshelves, books floated up, swarming around the library. It was a magical portal to another world. When the library would close, the books went back to the shelf to regain their magic for tomorrow. That was their routine, that is what happened every day.  
By Lara Menz

Lucy's jaw opened, her face lit up, as she walked through the dark red curtains. Step by step, she edged closer to the blue, velvety chair, cautiously stepping through ceiling height bookshelves. She sat on the blue velvety chair and picked up her favourite book. She felt suspense building up as she read along the lines.  
By Ameliya Heatley

# Newton's Law

In Science 10 and Physics 11 students used a marshmallow gun to see Newton's Laws of motion in action! No students were harmed during this experiment.

Lia Mitchell



## national science week

Look out for the next issue of the newsletter to see what the 7-12 students and staff got up to during Science Week..



Why science teachers should not be given playground duty.

<https://sciencebob.com/> is a great website for experiments that can be done at home.

Science week 2021 is from 14<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> August, and this year's theme is **FOOD**. We are inviting students and staff at MP-12 College to show us their best baking flair!

### RULES:

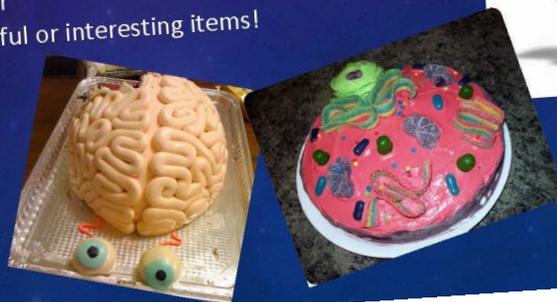
1. Design and make an amazing science-themed culinary creation.
2. Take a photo showing you and your creation, so we can verify it's your work. Include a close up photo of your cake so we can see the details!
3. Submit your photo to your Science teacher
4. Prizes will be awarded for creative, beautiful or interesting items!

## THE GREAT SCIENTIFIC BAKE OFF



Always make sure you have an adult's permission to use the kitchen.

Good scientists work safely so be careful with heat, flame or knives, and get an adult to help whenever appropriate.



# LIBRARY NEWS.....Mrs Morgan

Our books are a valuable resource for all students, and unfortunately there are many students that have overdue books, or reporting that they have lost them. Please check your shelves at home and return these overdue books to the library. Replacing lost books is very expensive, and lost books are then not available for future use by other students.

## Did you know that you can check if your child has a library book?

Head to <http://myrtlefordp12.librarysolutions.com.au> and log on through the “sign in” button on the top right, and then at the sign in page, click on the little ‘G’ (bottom right), and log on using your child’s google classroom log on.

This is also where you can explore the many books we have available in the College library.

If you have any issues with this process, please feel free to email me  
kathleen.morgan@education.vic.gov.au

Unfortunately at this stage this is only available for Year 3-12 students. Prep-Year 2 students will need to contact me at the library via phone or email, or ask their classroom teacher.



Just a little while to go now! Make sure you mark all the books you have read as “finished”. If you have read lots of choice books, be sure to source more books from the challenge list– there must be the majority from the list. You can find the list on the PRC site. Great work everyone– some of you have already completed the Challenge, but keep reading. Make a new goal amount and get there! Happy reading!



Book Week is coming soon! A time of the year I love to celebrate the the joy a simple book can bring. One can live a thousand lives, just by reading books!

### Children’s Book Council of Australia’s Book Awards

In the library at the moment we have all the shortlisted CBCA Book Awards books, in all six categories:

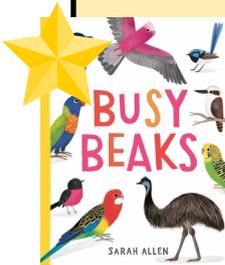
- Book of the Year: Picture Story
- Book of the Year: Early Childhood
- Book of the Year: Younger readers
- Book of the Year: older Readers
- Eve Pownall Information Text
- Crichton New Illustrator Award



You can see lots of information about these shortlisted books on the CBCA website <https://www.cbca.org.au/> In the next two newsletters I will take some of that information and give you a little peek at the books. I have also put a star next to my favourite ones. This week, read about the Picture Story, Early Childhood and Younger reader categories.

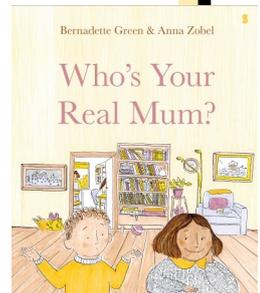
**BOOK OF THE YEAR EARLY CHILDHOOD**

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for children who are at pre-reading or early stages of reading. Ages 0-6 years.

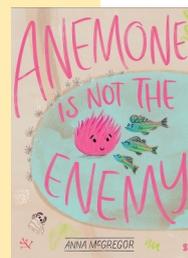
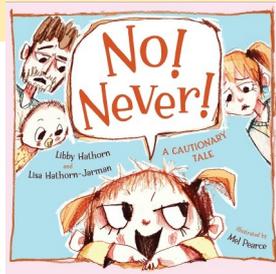


'Full of splashing shorebirds, clattering cockatoos, parading penguins and greedy galahs, *Busy Beaks* is the perfect introduction to birds of all shapes and sizes.'

This book celebrates motherhood, diversity and families. ...Prompted by a child innocently and curiously asking this question of another child who has same sex parents, Green and Zobel sensitively and gently explore a mother/child relationship.'



'A cautionary tale about a little girl who drives her parents up the wall when she starts answering 'No! Never!' to all their requests - and what happens when the tables are turned on her.'

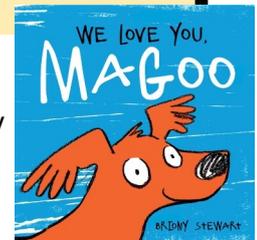


'All Anemone wants is a friend, but friends are hard to make when you accidentally sting everyone who comes near you. ...A funny tale of mishap, misunderstanding, and the search for true friendship in an ocean rockpool.'



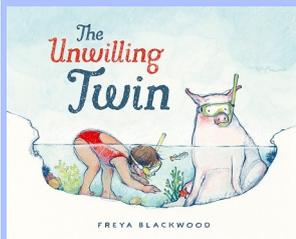
'Bear can't sleep. Did you *hear that*? Did you *feel that*? *What was it*? It wasn't a hungry giant or a blood-sucking spider or a fire-breathing dragon because there is NO

Magoo has his own ideas about what a dog should do – in the kitchen, in the car, at dinnertime and bedtime! But there are so many rules! So many things a dog can't do. But wait! Magoo, THIS is for you... Silly dogoo, we do love you!



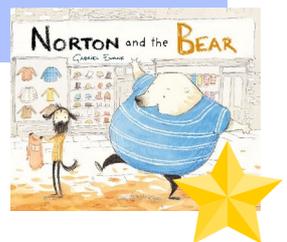
SUCH THING... Is there? '

**PICTURE BOOK OF THE YEAR** Entries in this category should be outstanding books of the Picture Book genre in which the author and illustrator achieve artistic and literary unity or, in wordless picture books, where the story, theme or concept is unified through illustrations. Ages 0-18 years. (NB. Some of these books may be for mature readers).

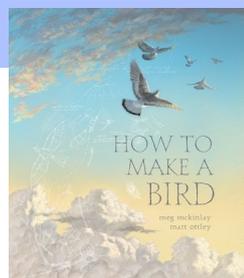


'a cheeky and charming story about the ups and downs of sibling love.'

'Is imitation the sincerest form of flattery? Or is it just annoying? This irresistible read-aloud helps children deal with the sensitive topics of conformity, individuality and belonging in an accessible, kid-friendly way.'



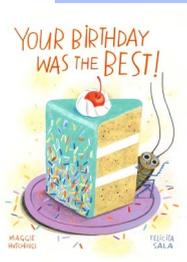
'A moving and visually stunning picture book that celebrates the transformative power of the creative process from inception through recognition to celebration and releasing into the world.... It shows how small things, combined with a little imagination and a steady heart, can transform into works of magic.'



**Not cute.**  
PHILIP BUNTING

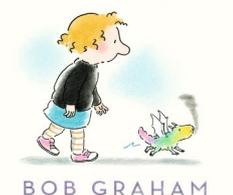
'Quokka did not like being cute. Not one bit. The romping, stomping, chomping tale of one stubbornly adorable marsupial.'

'...the story of a plucky young cockroach who gate-crashes a birthday party – with hilarious results. Funny, silly and surprisingly cute, *Your Birthday Was the BEST!* is the perfect blend of downright gross and delightfully entertaining.'



'A moving story about the wonders of imagination and the nature of growing up from one of Australia's most revered bookmakers.'

**Ellie's Dragon**



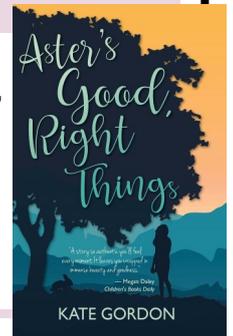
BOB GRAHAM

## BOOK OF THE YEAR: YOUNGER READERS

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers from the middle to upper primary years. 7-12 years. *Some of the titles in this category may only be suitable for readers who are in the upper primary years as they contain mature themes, including violence. Parental guidance is recommended.*

9+ upper primary - lower secondary

Aster attends a school for gifted kids, but she doesn't think she's special at all. If she was, her mother wouldn't have left. Each day Aster must do a good, right thing—a challenge she sets herself, to make someone else's life better. Nobody can know about her 'things', because then they won't count. And if she doesn't do them, she's sure everything will go wrong. Then she meets Xavier. He has his own kind of special missions to make life better. When they do these missions together, Aster feels free, but if she stops doing her good, right things will everything fall apart?



Neuro

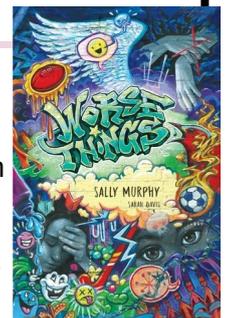


FANTASY 10-14 years 3rd in series but stands alone

Long ago, the little Prince of Cloudburst was stolen from the seashore by a Water Sprite. Now, ten years later, the prince has found his way home. The King and Queen are planning the biggest party in their Kingdom's history to welcome him. Meanwhile, on the other side of the Kingdoms and Empires, Esther Mettlesone-Staranise is looking forward to another year at Katherine Valley Boarding School. But she arrives to find a number of strange and unsettling changes. For one, her new teacher is rumoured to be an Ogre. Two mysterious students have joined the school, and one of Esther's classmates is an undercover Spellbinder. Most disturbingly, the mountains surrounding the school - usually a delight of glaciers, teashops, lakes and Faeries - are now crowded with wicked Shadow Mages. As secrets and dangers escalate, Esther must find the answers to several puzzles.

9-12 years Written in Verse

'A story about connections, the ways they are made and what happens when they are lost. When you're part of the team the sideline is a place of refuge of rest of reprieve. But when you're out of the team the sideline changes. Suddenly it's the loneliest place of them all. After a devastating football injury, Blake struggles to cope with life on the sideline. Jolene, a gifted but conflicted hockey player, wants nothing more than for her dad to come home. And soccer-loving refugee, Amed, wants to belong. On the surface, it seems they have nothing in common. Except sport. A touching and inspirational story about the things that bind us all.'

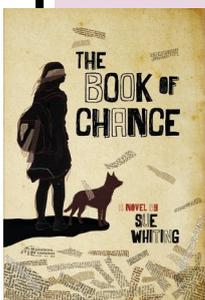
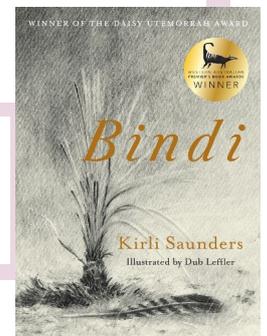


10+

Sometimes it's good to be wild. Sometimes you have to be wild. When the Russian Army marches into East Prussia at the end of the war, the Wolf family must flee. Liesl, Otto and their baby sister Mia find themselves lost and alone, in a blizzard, in the middle of a war zone. Liesl has promised Mama that she will keep her brother and sister safe. But sometimes, to survive, you have to do bad things. Dangerous things. Wild things. Sometimes to survive, you must become a wolf.

Years 4-6 Written in Verse

Bindi is a verse novel for mid-upper primary students. Written 'for those who plant trees', Bindi explores climate, bushfires, and healing. Written from the point of view of 11-year-old, Bindi and her friends on Gundungurra Country.



10+ Chance is in Year 7 and thinks she has it all - a loving mother, dog Tiges, best friend and almost-sister next door. But when a reality TV team makes over her house, she discovers newspaper cuttings from the past that cause her to question the world as she knows it and everyone in it. Then she finds herself caught between two realities, identities and worlds. Face-to-face with the truth, Chance has a very difficult decision to make, which almost splits her in two. This powerful story explores what is true and what is fake in today's world. And while Chance is all about the truth, she ponders whether "Maybe being truthful was really just a big lie."

# 2021 Alpine Shire Youth Awards

Nominations for the 2021 Alpine Shire Youth Awards are now open. The Alpine Shire Youth Awards is a great opportunity for our community to acknowledge and celebrate the valuable contribution young people are making in many areas of our community.

Nominations are open to young people aged 12 – 21 who work, live or study in Alpine Shire, nominations close on Friday 10 September 2021.

We invite members of the public, schools and employers to nominate young people for awards in the following categories:

- **Academic:** recognising an individual who is dedicated to aspects of academic study.
- **Community:** recognising an individual or a group who has the welfare of their community and the people within it at heart
- **Endurance & Persistence:** recognising a young person who has demonstrated personal growth and endurance to overcome hardships or to achieve their goals. This may be demonstrated through but is not limited to family, culture, sexual orientation, geographic location, long term unemployment, health, disability or education
- **Sports and Recreation:** recognising a young person who demonstrates a strong commitment not just to his/her personal sporting achievements but to the wider benefit of the sport
- **Workplace:** recognises a young person undertaking part- or full-time work, traineeship or apprenticeship who consistently displays a strong work ethic and a high level of professionalism
- **Rural:** This award recognises an individual who shows commitment to agriculture or rural life in the Alpine Shire, through work, study or lifestyle
- **Performing Arts:** This award recognises a young person or group who display/s their skill or talent through performing arts; it is for an individual or group who displays a large amount of determination to succeed in their field
- **Visual Arts and Media:** We invite young people who excel in the areas of visual arts and media to nominate themselves for this category; their excellence could include (but is not limited to) photography, drawing, sculpture, painting, fashion, textiles or film.

For more detail on the criteria, and to get a nomination form, please email Jenny Corser at [ydo@alpineshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:ydo@alpineshire.vic.gov.au). Or phone (03) 5755 0555





**NORTH EAST**

**2021 SKATE PARK SERIES**

**DATES AND LOCATIONS**

~~SAT, APRIL 17: MANSFIELD~~  
~~SUN, APRIL 18: RUTHERGLEN~~  
~~SAT, APRIL 24: MT BEAUTY~~  
~~SAT, MAY 1: MITCHELL AVE, WANGARATTA~~  
~~SUN, MAY 9: BEECHWORTH~~  
~~SAT, MAY 29: MYRTLEFORD~~  
~~SUN, MAY 30: BENALLA~~  
~~SAT, JUNE 5: BARANDOLA~~  
~~SUN, JUNE 6: TALLANGATTA~~  
 SAT, OCTOBER 2: BRIGHT  
 SUN, OCTOBER 3: EUROA  
 SAT, OCTOBER 9: COROWA  
 SAT, OCTOBER 16: WANGARATTA  
 SAT, OCTOBER 23: WODONGA  
 SUN, OCTOBER 24: YACKANDANDAH  
 SAT, OCTOBER 30: SEYMOUR  
 SAT, NOVEMBER 6: NAGAMBIE

11AM - 4PM FOR ALL STOPS

SKATEBOARDS AND HELMETS PROVIDED. REGISTRATION IS PREFERRED VIA SKATEPARKLEAGUES.COM BUT IS AVAILABLE ONSITE. FOR INFORMATION ON SERIES FORMAT, RULES, SKATE PARK LOCATIONS AND FOR WET/EXTREME WEATHER UPDATES VISIT FACEBOOK.COM/NORTHEASTSKATEPARKSERIES.

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