



Myrtleford P12 College

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# Calendar

### December

**17** Last Day of Term 1pm Finish

2022

# **January**

28 Staff return

**31** Term 1 Starts for students

**31** Year 11/12 VCE/ VCAL Camp

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

### End of 2021

I am sure you are looking forward to seeing the end of another stressful COVID affected year. I continue to be proud of the resilience and adaptability of our community during over the past two years. I am proud of our student's ability to remain engaged in school and their learning. I am proud of our families for their patience and hard work supporting the school and their children during the remote learning periods. I am also very proud of our teachers and support staff for their professionalism and their devotion to our students.

This pandemic has reminded us how important it is for us to look out for each other and in particular the more vulnerable members of our community. I am proud that Myrtleford P12 College is an inclusive school where all students feel welcome, where they know that people will care about them in an environment where they can experience a sense of belonging and acceptance.

This time last year we were celebrating the exciting news that we received \$9.43 funding. We are now looking forward to work commencing in the first half of 2022.

### Start of school for 2021

Classes for Prep to Year 10 students will commence on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Our Year 11 and 12 students will attend a study camp on Monday and Tuesday (31<sup>st</sup> January and 1<sup>st</sup> February) with VCE classes commencing on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. The office will reopen on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January.

In order to support our students, parents are asked to make sure their children are prepared for the new school year by making sure all students have the required materials and full school uniform for the start of next year.

On behalf of Myrtleford P12 College, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas holiday period.

...Zlatko Pear

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# FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGE AWARD

Awarded to students who have displayed a noticeable change in attitude and performance. They have become confident and aware of the factors which will help them progress in all learning areas, and have responded positively and with success.

Prep- Jaxsen Menz Year 1- Lola Michelini Year 2- Shelby Thompson Year 3- Ava Kneebone Year 4- Ryley Geddes Year 5- Leon Gabler Year 6- Kobe Chisholm



In Honour of Mr Martin Torpey, a previous Principal at Myrtleford P12

College. This certificate is awarded to acknowledge the efforts of an individual student who has overcome a challenge, improved in self-belief and confidence and demonstrates persistence. Hyacinth Sepno (Year 6)



COLLEGE ACADEMIC AWARD
Awarded to students who have
achieved outstanding results in all
curriculum areas. They have
accepted all challenges and
responded with enthusiasm, interest
and sustained effort to achieve
beyond all expected curriculum
expectations for their year level.

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Prep- Steven Naing
Year 1- Heidi Barry
Year 2- Charlotte Koers
Year 3- Ameliya Heatley
Year 4- Lily Picciocchi
Year 5- Emma Pitman
Year 6- Kyran Clarke



# RSL SPIRIT OF ANZAC AWARD

Awarded to acknowledge the efforts of an individual student who has taken on a personal challenge and made a change to their learning.

Amelia Trezise (Year 6)



Awarded to a Year 6 student who has consistently excelled in the visual arts. Matilda Gabler (Year 6)



# JOHN O'BRIEN AWARD

In honour of Mr John O'Brien
who was a previous Principal at
Myrtleford P12 College. This
certificate is awarded to a
student who has shown
significant improvement in his/
her attitude to and effort in
learning, and commitment to
overall school participation.
Olive Fullwood
and
Kyran Clarke
(Year 6)



# SPORTS AWARD

Awarded to
acknowledge the efforts
and achievement of a
student who has
represented the school
on a variety of sports
teams. They possess
and display excellent

sporting skills, good sportsman-like qualities and have a sense of fair play. They encourage team members, fostering cooperation and balancing a will to win with taking part.

Riley Howell (Year 6)

# PHILIPPA CARTWRIGHT LITERACY AWARD

In honour of Mrs Philippa Cartwright who helped support student learning at Myrtleford P12 College. This certificate is awarded to a



student who has made outstanding progress in literacy. William Orchiston (Year 2)



# Social Enterprise



During our P-6 Award Ceremony, Peter Sacco from Social Enterprise Schools visited the Year 6s to award them with certificates to acknowledge them for their efforts in the Social Enterprise Program. This year they have worked hard to collectively raise over \$1100 profit in their Social Enterprises which has been donated to the causes of their choice.

Big Boy Boards donated their profit of \$534.15 to the Surf Rider Foundation Body Bomz donated their profit of \$323.25 to Wildlife Australia Polly Beads donated their profit of \$153.5 to Ronald McDonald House Groovy Tie Dye donated their profit of \$154.85 to FareShare

The students in Year 6 would like to thank the school community for the support of their Social Enterprises.

Ms Donna Bigger



The CEOs of each enterprise group with Peter Sacco



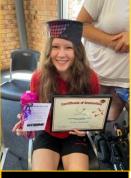
Our congratulations to Donna Bigger who was also presented with the *Outstanding Teacher Award* from Social Enterprise Schools. This award if for exemplary teaching and facilitation of Social Enterprise Schools at Myrtleford P12 College, and was presented by Peter Sacco on behalf of Social Enterprise Schools.

Well deserved award indeed!

# Congratulations! Year 6 Class of 2021



**Meg Casely** 



**Kobe Chisholm** 



Ryder Harris



Riley Howell



Charlee Savage



Matilda Gabler



Natasha Crowe



Kyran Clarke



Chelsea Devlin



Olive Fullwood



Isabella Turner-Spessot



Sienna Schell



Indiana Lindbom



Machydie Paahi



**Amelia Trezise** 



Luquel Treena-Melvilee



Isaac Whittingham



Hyacinth Sepno



Paige Kiss





2021 DUX James Whitford

# Years 7-12

Year 12 Awards	Award Description	Winner
Alpine Shire Dux	Dux of Year 12	James Whitford
Charles Sturt University – Academic Encouragement for Year 12	Effort and achievement Recognises a Year 12 student who has applied themselves all year to each of their subjects and achieved great results.	Jemmima Wales
Year 11 – 12 Applied Learning Award - Dahlsens Mitre 10	Awarded to a senior student who has shown great application in their studies and work placement.	Indee Williams
Frank French Maths and Science Billy and Me	Year 12 Excellence in Maths and Science Presented to a Year 11 or 12 student who has demonstrated an aptitude for maths and science.	Ashley O'Brien
VCE Team	VCE work ethic and values	Madi Barbisan





Year 11 Awards		
The Lions Club of Myrtleford Geoff Green Memorial Scholarship	Year 11 Academic Awarded to a Year 11 student who shows leadership and academic excellence.	Liam Morgan
Chamber of Commerce Year 11 School Citizenship Award	Recognises a Year 11 student who has made a significant contribution to the school and/or wider community.	Amy Gunson
Insight Publication English Award	Year 11 English Awarded to a student in Year 11 who has persevered to achieve great results in English.	Tom Crisp
Friends of P12 School Scholarship	School Values For a Year 11 student who always follows our four school values.	Amy Gunson
CSU Academic Encouragement Award	Academic effort and achievement Presented to a student who demonstrates persistence and resilience with their learning.	Dusty Poulton
Aust Institute of Flexible Learning Certificate of Recognition	AIFL are presenting this certificate to a student who had shown great commitment, engagement and helpfulness in the Community service class of 2021	James Bankier





Year 10 Awards		
Rotary Year 10 – Academic and Leadership	Awarded to a Year 10 student who shows leadership and academic excellence.	Lani Cousins
Significant improvement at Year 10 Award Myrtleford News Express	Awarded to a student who shows significant improvement at Year 10.	Dakota O'Sullivan
Year 10 – effort Alpine Turf	Awarded to a Year 10 student who has demonstrated great effort in all subjects.	Jaiden O'Brien
Friends of P12 College School Scholarship	School Values For a Year 10 student who always follows our four school values.	Bella Pascoe
Melb Uni Kwong Lee Dow Scholar Program	Academic enrichment program to support high achieving Year 11 or 12 student. A student applies to represent the school in this program.	Ainoah Sevilla
CSU Academic Encouragement Award	Academic effort and achievement Presented to a student who demonstrates persistence and resilience with their learning.	Ainoah Sevilla
Year 10 Applied Learning VCAL Team	In recognition of a student who has made great improvement at foundation level of VCAL.	Jessica Cooper
Math Pathways Completion Certificates— Maths Department	The students receiving these certificates of recognition have completed the entire Maths Pathways program which only a very small percentage of students achieve.	Dominic Cooper and Dakota O'Sullivan





Year 9 Awards		
Parents ClubYear 9 – Academic Excellence Award	For a Year 9 student who has demonstrated academic excellence in many subjects.	Matilda Knobel
Myrtleford RSL Year 9 Spirit of ANZAC Award	Presented to a Year 9 student who has shown significant improvement in a number of subject areas as well as supporting their local community.	Jaydon Clarke
Year 9 Increased Effort Award Myrtleford Post Office	Awarded to a Year 9 student who has demonstrated an increased effort in all subjects.	Annabel Iaria
Friends of P12 College School Scholarship	School Values For a Year 9 student who always follows our four school values.	Georgia McRae



I	Year 8 Awards		
	Parents Club Year 8– Academic Excellence Award	For a Year 8 student who has demonstrated academic excellence in many subjects.	Brooke Parolin
	Significant improvement at Year 8 Award Parents Club	Presented to a Year 8 student who has shown significant improvement in a number of subject areas as well as supporting their local community.	Bianca Cuneen
	Year 8 Increased Effort Award Parents Club	Awarded to a Year 8 student who has demonstrated an increased effort in all subjects.	Meah Richardson
	Friends of P12 College School Scholarship	School Values For a Year 8 student who always follows our four school values.	Teagan Brown

Year 7 Awards		
Parents Club Year 7 – Academic Excellence Award	For a Year 7 student who has demonstrated academic excellence in many subjects.	Molly Knobel
Significant improvement at Year 7 Award Parents Club	Presented to a Year 7 student who has shown significant improvement in a number of subject areas as well as supporting their local community.	Hayden Durling and Josh Bruneau
Year 7 Increased Effort Award Parents Club	Awarded to a Year 7 student who has demonstrated an increased effort in all subjects.	Blaise Davis
Friends of P12 College School Scholarship	School Values For a Year 7 student who always follows our four school values.	Molly Knobel







Other Secondary Awards		
Goodman Family Public Spirited Award	Awarded to a student who displays community spirit within the school and in the wider community.	Connor McAuliffe
Defence Forces-STEM Innovation and Dedication Award	Awarded to both a Year 10 and Year 12 student who demonstrates innovation and learning in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.	James Whitford (Year 12) Jaiden O'Brien (Year 10)
Defence Forces Long Tan Award	Recognises a student from both Year 10 and Year 12 who demonstrate leadership and teamwork with both the school and the broader community.	Bernice Minaar (Year 12) Olivia Buckley (Year 10)
Sports Champion MFNC/Happy Valley Hub	Recognises a student demonstrating sporting excellence, involvement and commitment to sport. This year the award includes an inaugural trophy.	Liam Morgan
Essie Brown Junior Literacy Award North East News	Awarded to a Year 7 or 8 student who has demonstrated excellence in English.	Zali Feltrin
Junior Numeracy Award Coles	Awarded to a Year 7 or 8 student who has demonstrated excellence in Maths.	Brooke Parolin
Visual Arts Award Myrtleford Gallery	Celebrates a student's creativity and passion for the Visual Arts.	Bella Pascoe



# **Parents Club News....**

# We have a new Parents Club president!

Margaret Phillips is the new President of the Parents Club.

The Parents Club is always looking for new volunteers, so if you are interested or would like to contact Parents Club, please use the new email address

mp12parentsclub@gmail.com

This email is accessed by Margaret and the new Secretary Melissa Barry.

All help is welcome!

# **COVID** requirements

To support our efforts to keep all students and staff safe at our school, there are a number of requirements in reference to COVID 19.

# **QR CODES**

QR codes are located at the main entrance to the school, and at the entry to school buildings. For contact tracing purposes, parents should use the QR code at the school entrances when going on-site.

If however the parent/family member is entering a school building, they **MUST sign in at the front office and show proof of vaccination**. Please see information provided in the Principal's messages on the front page.

# **FACE MASKS**

Whilst on site, parents, family members and visitors must abide by the current Chief Health Officer's orders, including social distancing and the wearing of face masks.

Students in Years 3 and above and staff are also currently required to wear face masks whilst indoors.

# **COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Be Respectful – Be Responsible – Be a Responsible Community Member – Be Sa

### **Green Card Winners**

Term 4 Week 11



Jamee Batt

Pippa Cunnington Ryley Geddes

prepare participate

Keeping my learning

Space tidy

Focussing on my

ring kindness to others

Havarna Long
Sienna Molina
Hyacinth Sepno
Koby Harris
Harlow Long
Harlow Long

Harlow Long Xavier Woodhead Jed Faccin-Devereux

Jhett Thompson Samuel Iaria (absent)

Congratulations!!



Expressions of Interest for 2022 Myrtleford Festival Princess/ Queen Competition

Trying my hardest

Any Year 12 age level young adults and those who completed year 12 in 2021 who are interested in taking part in 2022 can they please call or text Jenny Zamperoni on 0427 495 309 by December 31th with your name and details. If you have your sponsor and partner organised then please also include their names.

Feel free to contact me with your details (including phone number) and feel free to ask questions if you have any.

Further information will be given to those who wish to take part early in the new year.



# **Reindeer Job Application**

By Sapphire

Why do you think you would make a good reindeer?

I wouldn't!

I believe that I would suck at being a reindeer.

Firstly, I only have 2 legs, and no pointy antlers.

Secondly, I can't run fast, and I don't have magical flying powers.

Thirdly, I do not like the idea of living for more than 90 years.

Fourthly, I don't like the way Santa whips his reindeer to go faster

Fifthy, getting strapped up doesn't appeal to me.

Lastly, I hate being cold.

So for all of those reasons and more, I would suck at being a reindeer!







Today we also presented these students with "Premiers Reading Challenge Champion" Awards".



Well done to the following students on this special achievement as Champions of the Premier's Reading Challenge!

It was a pleasure to help Mr Lindsay hand out the Premier's Reading Challenge certificates this morning.

Many of the students across Prep-6 participated in the Premiers Reading challenge this year within their classes, with teachers embracing the Challenge as a whole class. There were some students that decided to challenge themselves even further and read many more than required to complete the Challenge, or independently tackled the challenge.

Liliana Turner-Spessot
Zarah Vescio
Nova Mooney
Emerson Salvemini
Charlotte Koers
Ava Kneebone
Tanishka Sharma
Lily Picciocchi
Garcia Zanetti
Sein Pai Ling
Sapphire Picot

Year 3/4 Beechworth Camp

After nearly six months of waiting, we finally made it to Beechworth for our camp. Thursday's weather was forecast for rain and did not disappoint however, the excitement was not dampened. Our first stop was at The Big Tree then onto The Savoy Club to view a permanent display of indigenous art. The children were fascinated. From there we travelled to Woolshed Falls near Beechworth to gold pan and look at historic places around the falls. Some children were very lucky and struck gold!





We headed to the Old Priory to drop off our luggage amid a downpour of rain. We were so

lucky that it stopped when we walked into town to the Old Courthouse and walked down to the Chinese gardens. At the Old Courthouse the children played their part in a re-enactment of when Ned Kelly was charged before being sent to Melbourne. All the children enjoyed dinner and a talk around the fireplace then headed off to bed, ready for the next day.

Friday was a busy day of visiting the Burke Museum, The Telegraph Station, an historic walk around town and BEST OF ALL...The Sweet Shoppe!









On Thursday Ashley O'Brien, one of the 2021 Year 12 students called into the library. Ashley has written many "Ashley's Corner" articles for the newsletter previous newsletters and he kindly agreed to give us one final segment.

Thanks Ashley! It's been a pleasure reading your previously published *Ashley's Corner* articles.

We wish you all the best with your future endeavors. Maybe you'll publish a book some time!

Mrs Morgan



After struggling through the last two years of homeschooling and restrictions, I have finally come out of VCE happy with my final ATAR result, becoming triumphant over my own accomplishments. Even if a challenge is presented to you, my advice to people is to know that, if you are persistent with your endeavors, you can achieve anything.

Over the past year, I have both completed my Queen Scout and achieved an ATAR that can get me into any university that is available, so this goes to show that hard work will always be rewarded. I know myself I had many highs and lows, but with all the support I have received from my teachers and colleagues, I was able to adapt and achieve my goals. Goals may seem redundant, but it is not the initial setting of the goal that matters, but the sense of accomplishment you get for overcoming that goal that makes the journey worthwhile.

I would like to thank all my teachers, including Mrs Gardner, Mrs Milford and especially Danielle for being there in my moments of doubt, as even I had times where I thought I could not do it, but with their help I made it to the end. I also pay regards to all my VCE teachers that put up with me throughout the year, putting up with my shenanigans. I wish any student in the future luck for VCE or the years to come, remaining persistent through times of difficulty, and I want to pass down one of the most important pieces of advice I learned over the years.

Known as the Two Minute rule, when you are demotivated or feeling lazy, give yourself two minutes in any activity, which is all it takes to begin to feel engaged and get started; if you can bring yourself to engage for two minutes, that is all you need to get started.

Thank you, Ashley

Merry Christmas



# In the community



# Go Fund Me for local family

First off I would like to start by explaining the situation.

My eldest sister (Teaghan) had her 4th baby boy, Elijah Pheonix Michael Kirchen on the 18th of November by Cesarean. He was flown to The Royal Childrens hospital in Melbourne the same day and his parents (Teaghan and Cody) drove down the next morning.

Elijah was diagnosed with cancer (Neuroblastoma) on his kidney, which has grown along his spinal cord and nerve endings, limiting movement in his legs and feet. Elijah has endured two biopsy surgeries, has had bone marrow taken, drips, feeding tube, oxygen, ultrasounds, MRI, CT, and Pet scans in his first week of life. Since then, he has had more test and treatments including being put on a ventilator.

Elijah started his first round of Chemotherapy at only 5 days old. Elijahs 3 older brothers are being cared for by family in Myrtleford and Wangaratta. One with special needs is taking the bus to special school in Wang from Myrtleford each morning and back each afternoon. All 3 have yet to meet their baby brother.

The family are facing up to 6 months in Melbourne, meaning they will be spending Christmas their as well. Teaghan and Cody are currently staying in Ronald McDonald House. It is tough on everyone with the boys not being able to see their Mum for more than a few hours when my Mum takes them down. It is scary not knowing what is happening, but we have a soldier on our hands.

My Aunt and Mum have organized a raffle to raise money for their living/house expenses and for Elijahs ongoing treatment. We are very thankful that so many local businesses have donated prizes for the raffle. It will be drawn January 31st at 2pm.

If you would like to help the family please visit the family's GoFundMe page- <a href="https://www.gofundme.com/f/elijahs-fight-for-life?qid=b10be26ecd1abc0f75a323008b384b98">https://www.gofundme.com/f/elijahs-fight-for-life?qid=b10be26ecd1abc0f75a323008b384b98</a> to contribute.

Thanks, Meea Savage





# In the community

VACATION CARE - SUMMER PROGRAM 2022

	FRIDAY 14th January	Cundy Park Excursion- Walk over to the park, eat lunch, and play on the playground.	FRIDAY 21st January	Make a stained-glass frame with cellophane and celebrate Australia Day early, with a sausage sizzle.	-We will provide lunch on this day.
NUARY	THURSDAY 13 <sup>th</sup> January	Make Gingerbread biscuits.	THURSDAY 20 <sup>th</sup> January Excursion E	Cinema – Wangaratta Movie to be chosen closer to the day. (eg. Sing 2, Clifford)	Cultiford
MONDAY 10 <sup>th</sup> JANUARY TO FRIDAY 21st JANUARY	WEDNESDAY 12 <sup>th</sup> January Excursion E	Supa World -Wodonga. Bus departs at 9:45am approx.	WEDNESDAY 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Sand Art designs- There will be a selection of templates to choose from or make your own.	
MONDAY 1	TUESDAY 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Make your own jewellery – Your choice of clay, beads or shrinking paper on a ring, earrings, bracelet, or necklace.	TUESDAY 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Water Balloon fun and bubbles Bring your bathers or a spare set of clothes and towel.	
	MONDAY 10™ January	Outdoor sports and games day and make your own Calendar for 2022.	MONDAY 17 <sup>th</sup> January Incursion C	Mirror Mosaics with Sarah Williamson - decorate your own mirror to take home.	

**TO BOOK PLEASE EMAIL MYRTLEFORD OSHC AT**: oshcm@myacs.asn.au or phone: 0478 920 638. **Please note:** Activities may also change on the day due to unforeseen circumstances.

# Wellbeing Support during COVID 19 pandemic

### **FOR STUDENTS**

Beyond Blue Surviving School before, during and after COVID 19.

A guide to dealing with constant change due to COVID

5 steps to study success at home 7 tips to help with stress and anxiety Tips to keep good mental health

### **FOR PARENTS**

How to have a great conversation Tips for supporting a teenager who is stressed Surviving Year 12 (for parents)

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