

7 March 2024

Principal's Report

School Council

The election process for School Council has now finished. The elected parent representatives are: Marjanguli Badilkhaan, Katherine Henshall, Nicholas Lloyd-Shrimpton and Stephanie Towers. The elected school representatives are: Kerrie Hall and Loui Simopoulos. The elected student representative is Yalini Shenbaga Bala Murugan. I wish to acknowledge the contribution of outgoing members of the School Council – Tim Clarke, Julian Place, Daniel Roney (parent members), Angela Veysey (community representative), Karen Flower (school representative) and Chantelle Lloyd-Shrimpton and Grisha Saharan (student members). Their contributions to Council and sub-committees of Council have been much appreciated. On behalf of the school community, I thank them for their work as Council members.

General Assembly

On Tuesday 27 February, we presented our school leaders with their badges at a school assembly. Parents/carers of the school leaders were invited to the general assembly and the morning tea that followed. At the assembly, I emphasised that at times leadership requires a level of courage, bravery and resilience that you did not realise you possessed until such time as your circumstances demanded. You don't need a title to lead. Leadership is about the relationships you're in and your desire to support people and ideas. It is important to connect with empathy and kindness, walking in other people's shoes. Being a great leader is something that can be developed and nurtured and I encouraged all students to think about the leader that lies within each one of them. Congratulations to the following students: School Captains: Emmerson Baker & Lucy Patel; Middle School Captains: Hayley Columbine & Alisha Roney; Community Liaison Captain: Ruby Nance; Environmental Captain: Shirin Kalbasi; Social Service Captain: Grace Brown; SRC Captain: Jerain Yang; English Captain: Hailey Tam; Humanities Captain: Annabelle Bowyer-Smyth; Languages Captain: Elina Loghman; Music Captain: Lauren Johnson; Sports Captain: Georgia Tsihrintzis; STEM Captain: Emily Peeters; Visual Arts Captain: Sienna Williams; Brennan House Captains: Emmanuelle D'Adamo & Schae Harris; Cattnach House Captains: Ciara Heffernan & Lilou Jolypiel; Flynn Captains: Ava Evans & Christine Yang and Macdonald Captains: Amber Stephenson and Heidi Vague.

House swimming sports

The House swimming sports were held last Monday at the Boroondara Sports Complex in Belmore Rd, Balwyn. It was wonderful to see so many students participating in events and supporting their House. Congratulations to Cattnach who won the competition.

House Chorals

The next major House event this year is House Chorals. Auditions and rehearsals have already begun and there have been a number of House assemblies. Again, please encourage all students to become involved. It is a great way to meet students from all year levels and involvement will contribute to the House stripe.

New staff

Later in the newsletter we feature some of the new staff to the college. I hope you enjoy getting to know them.

Georgina Padula
Acting Principal

Diary Dates Term 1

8 March	International Women's Day Breakfast
11 March	Labour Day
19 March	The Parents' Association Meeting
15 March	Year 11 Formal
16 March	Working Bee
26-27 March	House Chorals
28 March	End of Term 1

CONNECT WITH US



Many students travel by public transport. It is important that students have valid myki cards when travelling on trains and buses. We have received information from the Department of Transport and Planning about a new app that enables an instant top up of the myki card balance.

You do not have to register an account in order to use the top up feature.

However, they strongly recommend that you do register your myki so you can protect your balance and take advantage of other PTV App features such as auto top up or managing multiple cards.

For further details click [here](#).

Welcome to some of our new staff



Zaiga Bendrups

My name is Zaiga and I'm the new Senior School Assistant. I've come from another secondary college with plenty of experience in Senior School. I love working at a school and being around the teachers and students. I have 2 boys myself who have been through secondary college so I know exactly what the students are going through and if I can help them or just be around to listen to them, that makes me happy. I enjoy playing golf, walking my dog Baxter and spending summer days at our beach house. I'm a keen Hawthorn fan and spend most of my Saturdays

during winter either watching my son play footy and going to Hawthorn games. My husband and I love to travel, and I am currently arranging our next overseas holiday. We've been to many places but there are still so many to see. In finishing, the staff have made me feel very welcome into the school and I look forward to getting to know the students (the singing in the corridors at recess and lunchtime is simply beautiful). Have a great 2024 everyone!



Vivian Chen

Hello, my name is Vivian Chen and it has been an absolute privilege to join Canterbury Girls' Secondary College as a Biology, Mathematics and Science teacher. The start of this teaching year has been extremely exciting as not only have I been introduced to the exceptional students that make my job thoroughly enjoyable; but also getting to know the knowledgeable and supportive staff that I get to call my co-workers. As a secondary teacher of 3 years, I find it especially rewarding to see my students understand both scientific and mathematical concepts and to piece together

how the content they are studying connects with their real life. I am looking forward to contributing my knowledge to students by fostering a holistic attitude towards learning and to develop a strong, positive sense of pride and community within CGSC. When I am not teaching, you'll find me exploring Melbourne's food and coffee culture, travelling, playing piano and gardening.



Sarah Tregoning

My name is Sarah Tregoning and I teach Year 7 and 8 English, as well as provide some literacy support to Year 10s. The most rewarding part of my job is getting to know my students and helping them to reach their goals. I strive for those 'light bulb' moments, where things all fall into a place of true understanding. Learning is something that I enjoy and am passionate about. My previous career as an automotive mechanic highlighted that for me. As a child I dreamt of being a dairy farmer, which probably came from spending holidays on a property with cows.

These days, my favourite way to relax is to have dance parties with my two kids. Our taste in music is eclectic, anything from The Wiggles to Elvis to Meaghan Trainor. I am also an avid watcher of 'Bluey' and not just when my kids are around. Although at home I read a lot of children's books, I have recently discovered that I really enjoy reading graphic novels. I also play piano and have just started teaching myself the ukulele.

Teaching and Learning News

Year 8 Science

Recently, Year 8 Science students learned about the circulatory system by undertaking a sheep's heart dissection.

Anna Stewart
Science Teacher



Luna Park Physics Day Excursion

The recent excursion to Luna Park Melbourne proved to be an exhilarating and educational adventure for our VCE Physics students, immersing them in the fascinating world of motion and physical principles. This unique outing was carefully curated to offer students a multifaceted exploration of fundamental physics concepts, seamlessly blending the thrills and screams of amusement park rides with the intellectual stimulation of scientific inquiry.



As students ventured into Luna Park, they were greeted by a myriad of exhilarating attractions such as the iconic Scenic Roller Coaster and the gravity-defying Power Surge. From experiencing the pull of gravity during rapid descents to feeling the acceleration and centripetal force on looping rides, each attraction offered valuable insights into the dynamics of motion.

The interactive experiences and guided observations led by knowledgeable instructors allowed our Physics students to delve deeper into the complex concepts

of motion and energy, fostering a deeper understanding of the underlying physics governing amusement park attractions. This immersive excursion emphasised the tangible relevance of physics in our daily lives, as students made connections between theoretical knowledge and real-world applications beyond the thrills of the rides. The vibrant atmosphere at Luna Park, coupled with a perfect weather, created an ideal setting for a day of immersive learning and fun, leaving a lasting impression for all involved.

Dr Sui So
VCE Physics Teacher

Sport Report

CGSC Volleyball teams' shine

On Thursday 29 February, 20 students from Canterbury Girls' Secondary College participated in the intermediate volleyball tournament at Kew High School. The students, effectively forming two 'A' teams, gave an impressive display of skill and athleticism.



The 'A' team began the tournament with a strong victory against Doncaster, followed by a standout game against Camberwell High, dominated by powerful serves. They continued to impress in a challenging match against the well-regarded Kew High School team. Despite a tough start, dropping the first set the CGSC team rallied in the second, showcasing their technical skills to take set 2. Unfortunately, Kew were too much in the third, causing our A team to suffer their only loss. They concluded the tournament with a decisive win against Balwyn High, finishing in second place, only dropping a set to Kew High. The 'B' team also had an exceptional tournament, dominating the entire division, not dropping a single set, emerging as champions of the 'B' team division.



Congratulations to all our athletes, and I'm sure they will continue to impress in 2025.

Stefan Majewski
Sport and Sport Education Co-ordinator



A Message from the Music Captain

My name is Lauren, and I'm so excited to be your Music Captain this year!

I learn trombone and piano, as well as playing in bands at school (Wind Symphony and Shades of Blue) so hopefully I'll meet some of you around the Music department!

Music to me is a key part of life, something most of us constantly listen to and play in ensembles and lessons at school. I personally love to blast a playlist through my speakers when I'm cleaning my room or put some instrumental music on when studying.

Being part of bands and playing an instrument at Canterbury Girls' has been a great experience for me, and as Music Captain, I hope to continue encouraging all of you to participate in and get the most out of the music program. You meet new people, learn new skills, and get to practice performing - and it's never too late to start an instrument!

Lauren Johnson
Music Captain

Beginner ensembles commence next week!

Year 7 students have now had their first few lessons and are ready for ensemble playing! 'Staccato' (Year 7 Band) will rehearse weekly on Wednesday mornings from 7.45am. The beginner strings ensemble 'Vivace' will rehearse on Friday mornings from 7.45am. These sessions will appear on the Compass schedule.

General Assembly String Quartet performance

The string quartet performed at the general assembly last Tuesday. This was the first of many high-profile performances for this term. Tomorrow, they perform at CGSC's International Women's Day Breakfast and in the last week of term at the Victorian School Sports Awards held at the MCG members.



Passing of the Harp

Many of you will remember last year's Music Captain MaryAnne who played many instruments including the school's Celtic Harp. This instrument was donated by an ex-CGSC student (from 1958) five years ago. With MaryAnne finishing at the end of last year, we were on the hunt for a student to take over playing the instrument. As luck would have it, we found out that a new Year 7 student Caitlyn Li is a Harpist having already completed Grade 5 AMEB! Caitlyn has embraced the opportunity and joined our folk ensemble Lore. Look out for the Harp at the Autumn Concert next term.



Term Dates

Term 1

8 March	International Womens' Day Breakfast, String Quartet
12 March	Soiree #1 PAC, 6.30pm
13 March	Year 7 Band, First rehearsal, 7.45am
15 March	Vivace Strings, First rehearsal, 7.45am
20 March	VCE Music Top Class excursion, Melbourne Recital Centre
25 March	Chorals Technical rehearsal
27 March	Victorian Sports Awards MCG, String Quartet
26-28 Mar	House Chorals Festival

NEVR – Youth Concert 2024 @ Hamer Hall: SONIC CANVAS

Once again students from the North-Eastern Victorian Region of state schools are given the opportunity to apply for a place in the NEVR youth concert held at the prestigious concert venue Hamer Hall on Wednesday 29 May at 7.00 pm.

This concert is a spectacular evening showcasing the talents of music students from over 200 primary and secondary government schools within the North-Eastern Victoria Region.

All large ensemble items will attend 2 full rehearsal days at designated school venues during school time with Thursday and Friday rehearsals being scheduled for each ensemble.

Large Ensemble Rehearsal Dates:

- Rehearsal 1: Thursday 9 May 9.00am – 3.00pm
- Rehearsal 2: Friday 24 May 9.00am – 3.00pm
- Soundcheck Wednesday 29 May – Soundcheck times to be advised at rehearsals
- Concert Wednesday 29 May, Hamer Hall 7pm



May 29 HAMER HALL 7:00pm

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Min. 4 years experience
AMEB grade 5 upwards
Open to secondary students

Conductor: Joseph Yu
Manager: Emily Kimpton & Sandra Birze

Instruments required
Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Concert Harp, Woodwinds, Brass & Percussion

Rehearsals
Friday 3 May 4:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 10 May 4:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 17 May 4:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 24 May 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Venue
Blackburn High School
60 Springfield Road, Blackburn North

SYMPHONIC BAND

3-6 years of experience
AMEB grade 3 upwards
Open to primary and secondary students

Conductor: Danny van Bergen
Manager: Sally Newstead

Instruments required
Flute, Piccolo, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, Baritone Sax, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba & Percussion

Rehearsals
Thursday 9 May 9:00am – 3:00pm
Friday 24 May 9:00am – 3:00pm

Venue
Wantirna College
Harold Street, Wantirna

Rehearsal Schedule

SECONDARY CHOIR

No minimum experience
Open to all secondary school students & staff

Conductor: Lauren Irwin-Ray
Managers: Lam Nguyen-Hoang

Vocal range required
Soprano, Alto, Tenor & Bass

Rehearsals
Thursday 9 May 9:00am – 3:00pm
Friday 24 May 9:00am – 3:00pm

Venue
Highvale Secondary College Theatre
Capital Avenue, Glen Waverley

STRING ORCHESTRA

2-4 years of experience
AMEB grade 2-5
Open to primary and secondary students

Conductor: Jack Lam
Manager: Janine Pero

Instruments required
Violin, Viola, Cello & Double Bass

Rehearsals
Thursday 9 May 9:00am – 3:00pm
Friday 24 May 9:00am – 3:00pm

Venue
Ringwood Secondary College
Bedford Road, Ringwood

CONCERT BAND

1-3 years experience
AMEB grade 1-3
Open to primary and secondary students

Conductor: Amanda Morrison
Manager: Jane Farnan

Instruments required
Flute, Piccolo, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, Baritone Sax, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba & Percussion

Rehearsals
Thursday 9 May 9:00am – 3:00pm
Friday 24 May 9:00am – 3:00pm

Venue
Ashwood High School
50 Vannam Drive, Ashwood

PRIMARY CHOIR

Open to grade 5 & 6 primary school students. Apply through your school music teacher.

Conductor: Kerry Gerraty
Manager: Colin Hartley

Rehearsals
Wednesday 8 May 10:00am – 2:00pm
Wednesday 22 May 10:00am – 2:00pm

Venue
Parkhill Primary School
Parkhill Drive, Ashwood



456 Springfield Rd
Mitcham, 3132
P: 9873 8139

E: nevr.music.m@education.vic.gov.au

APPLY NOW

STEP 1
Notify your School Music Coordinator
which ensemble you are applying for.
STEP 2
Apply online with your
parent/guardian
www.trybooking.com/COXWE
by 20 March

NEVR Concert Applications for large Ensembles: Due Date 20 March

Step 1 - Notify Mr Sword or your instrumental music teacher that you are completing an application. Collect a rehearsal schedule and see your music teacher for your AMEB level so that you apply for the ensemble which is best suited to your playing skill level.

Step 2 - Check your school calendar for camps, etc., and make sure you are available for ALL rehearsal and concert dates and times. Let your school music coordinator know which ensemble/s you are applying for.

Step 3 - All applications for large ensembles need to be completed by parents/guardians online at www.trybooking.com/COXWE by 20 March. It is important to get your application in as soon as possible to avoid missing out on a place. The application fee is \$20 per student.

Step 4 - Submit Action Plans for Asthma and/or Anaphylaxis to your school Music Coordinator to forward to NEVR Music, where applicable. NB: If these are not submitted your application will not be processed.

Step 5 - Music Co-ordinators will be notified of all successful applicants, and you will receive a notice with rehearsal details in Term 2.

Michael Sword
Head of Music

Happier Together

At this time of uncertainty and conflict, this year's 'Happier Together' theme reminds us that lasting happiness comes from feeling connected to others and being part of something bigger.

Emily Bekkerus

Mental Health Practitioner

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HAPPINESS

March 20



from the archives



Canterbury Girls'
SECONDARY COLLEGE

Science Club 1984

SCIENCE CLUB 1984

This year the Science Club has been quite active. We started the year off with the sale of native plants to celebrate world Forestry Week. Many girls then became involved in preparing projects for both the school-based and the Victorian Science Talent Search. Many congratulations to those girls who received prizes. Members of the club were invited to attend an exhibition at Monash University where all winning projects were exhibited and where the girls received their prizes. During Australian Science Week in October, the Science Club in conjunction with the Science Faculty held two competitions, a paper aeroplane competition and a poster competition.

I feel the formation of the Science Club has been an excellent idea. It has given many girls the opportunity to further investigate topics which have interested them. Often it had not been possible to do this in a classroom situation. Being a member of the Science Club had also given girls a chance to discuss their ideas and to help each other and to develop their ideas further. During its running the girls of the Science Club have been able to attend a number of excursions. This has been a great benefit as girls have obtained much background information which has helped them along with their projects.

On behalf of the Science Club I would like to thank Mr. Aich, for his efforts in organising the club and for his time and help throughout the year.

Lucy Estate, Year 10



Image from *The Mangarrian* 1984

School Working Bees

Working Bees give every family the opportunity to assist in the improvement of the school grounds and buildings for our students. We hope that all parents and carers will take their turn because all our children benefit from the result and there are tasks to suit all levels of skill.

If you would like to help at a working bee session, register [here](#).

If you are unable to help at working bees this year, but would like to make a donation of \$50.00 to assist in buildings and grounds maintenance, contact the General Office at (03) 9830 5099.

Working Bee dates for 2024

16 March	Working bee #1 9:00am - 12.00pm
18 May	Working bee #2 9:00am - 12.00pm
17 August	Working bee #3 9:00am - 12.00pm

Uniform Shop

New – Softshell Jackets

The Uniform Shop has recently added softshell jackets to the sports uniform range. These jackets are replacing the current shower proof jackets. Softshell jackets are \$110.00 each and can be purchased online or in store on Tuesdays.

All profit from the Uniform Shop goes back into the school for the benefit of the school community. The Uniform Shop is open on Tuesdays from 8:30am to 3:30pm. We encourage students to visit the Uniform Shop during recess and lunch times. Card only, sorry no cash or cheques.

Elena Mantelos
Uniform Shop Manager

Address

19A Wentworth Avenue, Canterbury 3126
03 9831 8661
uniform@cgsc.vic.edu.au

Online Ordering

<https://myschoolconnect.com.au/cgscuniform>

Canteen News

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff,

Now that we are open properly, the Canteen team wanted to remind you all that you are still able to order online through [Myschool Connect](#) and at the canteen for the day until end of term. Any special dietary requirements, please advise.

Hope to see you all soon.
Thank you!

The Canteen Team



CGSC PARENTS ASSOCIATION

COME AND JOIN US!

We warmly welcome new
parents and carers

Next meeting:

**Tuesday 19th March,
7pm**

**come to the school
reception**

e: pa@cgsc.vic.gov.au

DID YOU KNOW?

In the past, this amazing
group of parents have raised
in excess of **\$50,000** per
year.

These funds have helped
support; Purchase of Year 12
Key rings, School Anthology,
Cantabella, French Assistant,
Japanese Assistant, Stoves
and microwaves, Virtual Baby.



AYB *australian
youth band
southern stars*

OPEN DAY

**BRING YOUR INSTRUMENT
AND JOIN IN!**

**SATURDAY 23 MARCH 2024
PARKHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARKHILL DRIVE, ASHWOOD, VIC**

9:00AM: JUNIOR BAND 12 yrs & above (AMEB 2+)
9:45AM: SENIOR BAND 15 yrs & above (AMEB 5+)
11:30AM: DRUMLINE 15 yrs & above



WEEKLY REHEARSALS

Saturday

9am-12pm: SENIOR BAND

12pm-1pm: JUNIOR BAND

12:30pm-2pm: DRUMLINE

Parkhill Primary School
Parkhill Drive,
Ashwood, VIC

NEW ZEALAND CONCERT TOUR 2025

20 Sep - 2 Oct 2025

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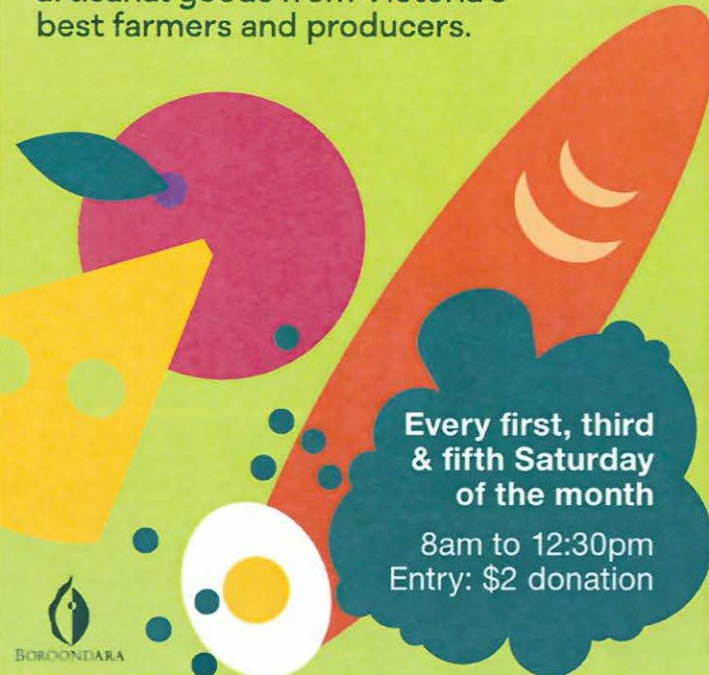
Autumn

School Holiday Program

Boroondara Farmers Market

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Home to fresh local, seasonal and
artisanal goods from Victoria's
best farmers and producers.

The background features several large, stylized food items: a pink apple with a green leaf, a wedge of yellow Swiss cheese, a large orange carrot with a smiling face, and a white hard-boiled egg with a yellow yolk. There are also several small blue circles scattered around.

**Every first, third
& fifth Saturday
of the month**

8am to 12:30pm
Entry: \$2 donation



BOROONDARA

2024 Market Dates

January 20

February 3, 17

March 2, 16, 30

April 6, 20,

May 4, 18

June 1, 15, 29

July 6, 20

August 3, 17, 31

September 7, 21

October 5, 19

November 2, 16, 30

December 7, 21

- 📍 Patterson Reserve, 484 Auburn Road, Hawthorn
- 🖱️ boroondara.vic.gov.au/farmers-market
- ☎️ 9278 4444
- 📘 boroondarafarmersmarket
- 📷 @boroondarafarmersmarket

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- ✉️ If you are interested in becoming a stallholder, email farmers.market@boroondara.vic.gov.au
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