

Principal's Report

Events at the College

Over the past two weeks there have been a number of events at the College which have been attended by staff, students, parents and carers.

Last week, at Canterbury Celebrates, we acknowledged the achievements of students, staff, parents and carers (the awarding of the Parents' House Trophy this year went to the parents and carers in Brennan House). It was wonderful to see students accepting awards, to hear from the 2021 DUX Leonie Lac, to listen to the musical performances, to welcome the 2023 student leaders and to acknowledge teacher Elizabeth Shepherd who is retiring at the end of the year. Ceremonies such as Canterbury Celebrates demonstrate tangibly who we are and what we stand for, and the sold-out event last week was certainly appreciated by all who were in attendance.

On 21 November, the Year 9 Musical Theatre class performed Frozen: Junior with a matinee performance for other students and an evening performance for the community. It was a very professional high-quality performance which was acknowledged by all audience members. Congratulations to teacher Sophie Cashin and the Year 9 students for all their work.

Over the past week and continuing next week, there have been a number of activities for students in Years 7 to 9. The Year 9 camp was held last week involving most Year 9 students. A Just Dance activity is running each Friday for Year 7 students and a soccer competition emulating the World Cup is running across a number of days each week for Year 8 students. Having watched these lunch time games, the competition is as competitive as the actual World Cup. The activities have been organised by staff and are being very well attended by students.

Second hand book sale

Over the past few weeks, The Parents' Association has been organising the secondhand book sale which is being held this weekend. Thank you to Ann Chipperfield for organising and to the team of parents and carers who assisted. The secondhand book sale provides a service to families, so they do not have to purchase all new books and also raises funds for the school. Thank you to all parents and carers who supported the sale.

Scholarships

Scholarships are payments to help you with the cost of your child's education. The Department of Education and Training manages a range of scholarships on behalf of various trusts. Click [here](#) for more details. Applications for the [Charles Allan Seymour Hawker Scholarship](#) are now open. The scholarship is available to Australian undergraduate and post-graduate students. Scholarships are valued at up to \$60,000 and contribute to the cost of residential fees at certain residential Colleges across Australia.

This is the last newsletter for the year. I thank everyone – staff, students and families – for the wonderful work they have done this year as we have navigated our way through the challenges of returning to face-to-face interactions after the last two years. It is certainly a much better experience being able to have students in class and to welcome the community back into the school. I wish everyone a relaxing break and look forward to being back in 2023.

Dr Mary Cannon, Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

Orientation Day

Our incoming Year 7 students will attend Orientation Day on Tuesday 13 December. Alicia Sands, Head of Middle School and teaching staff have planned a wonderful day for students and their families. A special thank to The Parents' Association who will provide morning tea, the Music staff for all the musical items, and all students and teachers who have assisted with the program.

End of the year

Middle School students have had fun at Gumbaya world this week as well as participating in Just Dance run by Jason Kruse and the "World Cup" soccer matches coordinated by Loui Simopoulos. A reminder that the last day of normal classes for students in Years 7-9 is Friday 16 December. On Monday 19 December and Tuesday 20 December, there will only be scheduled interviews for selected students as required and regular classes will not run.

Reports

The last cycle of reports will be available on Compass early next week.

Best wishes for the festive season

I wish all students and families a happy and healthy festive season. I look forward to seeing our incoming Year 7 students on Tuesday 31 January and all students on Wednesday 1 February.

Georgina Padula
Assistant Principal



Teaching and Learning News

SEAL 1 Science

SEAL 1 is currently exploring Energy Transformations and Energy Transfer in our current topic which is Energy. On Thursday 24 November the class had the opportunity to make Creepy Crawley racers and then modify them to increase energy efficiency, reduce friction and increase kinetic energy in the final product. Congrats to Taylor, Lily and Jocelyn whose racer was able to travel the furthest distance (almost 10 metres!) and Zahren and Charlotte H whose racer was the fastest over 6m.

Lauren Quek
SEAL 1 Science Teacher



Sport Report

99 Bikes Women's Academy

This year has been the greatest year to begin competitive cycling. Ever since I joined the Carnegie Caulfield Cycling Club, I had a set milestone that I dreamt to achieve by the end of 2022. This was to be invited into the 99 Bikes Women's Academy Team! I still remember the very first day coming to watch the Sunday Criterium races, and watching a couple of girls in this stunning, vibrant teal and navy-blue kit! I instantly knew I wanted to wear this and be a part of that team. The fortunate news was that the organizer of this team happened to be the Head Coach of my club, meaning I would see him regularly at training, to chat about any queries that I had.

I trained hard and consistently every single day from the day I saw those powerful group of women racing that Sunday, as I knew it was the best way I could possibly be granted with an invite. Training rapidly became hard for me, and this was especially difficult as it meant that I had to greatly adjust my previous schedule and manage my time wisely (as you'll be surprised how many hours a day cycling takes up) with school, family, and the sport.

Training hours accumulated over weeks and months, including regular racing, meaning that I became a stronger and a more competitive cyclist. It wasn't until late May where I got invited into the team of my dreams! I got the full kit, which is just the goal I wanted to accomplish at the beginning of the year.

After several months, the 99 Bikes Women's Academy Team decided to take a step further into choosing several riders into their 2023 race team! The biggest news of all was getting a message from the Head Coach informing me that I was accepted into the final (and exclusive) race team, as it only holds 7 riders in total!

Being a part of the 99 Bikes Women's Race Team means that girls and I get the amazing opportunity to compete in National Road and Track races and Championships, which in turn, helps you get into a professional National Race Team!

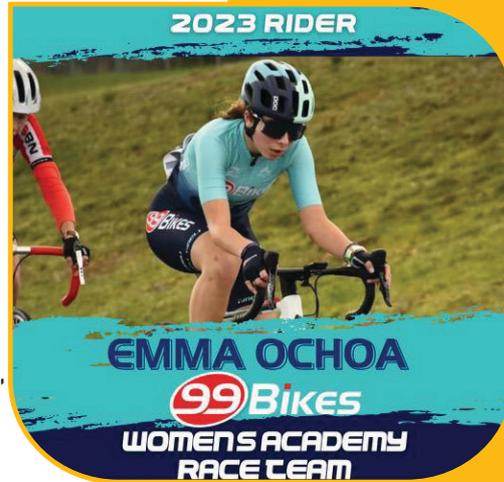
Cycling for me this year has been amazing, and I've seen my development over a range of wins during this season's Criterium races!

My next goal is to finish well in my first Nationals Championships coming up early January next year!

Emma Ochoa
Year 10

Should any students be interested in competing, or should you have any queries, please contact me at cla@cgsc.vic.edu.au.

Corey Lawson
Sport and Sport Education Co-ordinator



End of Year Events

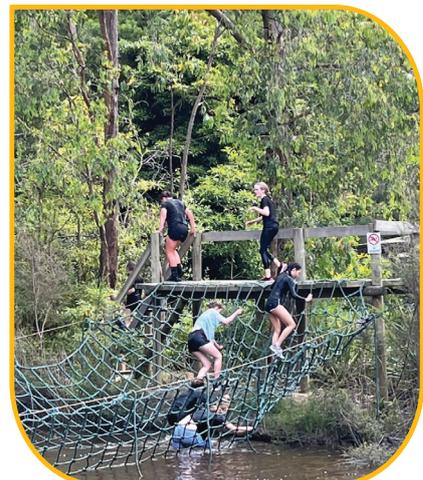
Just Dance



World Cup



Year 9 Summit Camp



Year 9 Surf Camp



Re-enrolment for 2023

Compass events have been created for re-enrolment in music lessons for 2023. Parents and guardians will need to provide consent and payment via this event by Friday 10 February 2023. Once payment and consent are made, lessons can commence from Week 3 in Term 1 2023.

Canterbury Celebrates

Canterbury Celebrates was held on Monday 28 November at The Besen Centre. It was a fantastic night with wonderful performances by many musical ensembles. Shades of Blue and Combo kicked off the evening with a warmup set of jazz standards, followed by the string quartet who played the theme from *Howl's Moving Castle*. The Year 9 Musical Theatre class performed a selection of songs from their recent production of *Frozen Jnr* and the concert finished with an all-in group ensemble performance of "Remember Me" from the movie *Coco*.

Michael Sword
Head of Music



Term Dates

Term 4

- 13 Dec** Orientation Day performances
- 14 Dec** LORE Lunchtime Concert

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Dear Community,

Election BBQ and Bake Sale

Ryan and his team ran a successful Election BBQ and Bake Sale, which was a first for many years. Thank you to all volunteers and wonderful bakers who created such yummy items.

The PA Christmas Dinner

Last Tuesday the PA members had a wonderful dinner at one of our generous donators, Augellos Restaurant in Balwyn. It was a lovely evening celebrating this year's effort, with those who have raised funds. We also farewelled Year 12 parents Toni Gross and Sue Natoli. We are wishing both, them and their children the best of luck for the future.



Diary dates

Next monthly meeting

Date: 14 February 2023
Time: 7.00pm
Venue: Conference Room

Office bearers

President: Penny Ison
Vice-Presidents: Toni Gross, Christine Harkness
Secretary: Nicola Rowling
Treasurer: Steve Elsbury



Woodfrog Bakery Mince Tarts Sale

Last Tuesday we packed the Woodfrog Bakery mince tarts just in time for Christmas. We sold all of them which is great.

2nd Hand Book Sale

We are wrapping up our final PA events for the year in the next week. Starting with the 2nd-hand Book Sale on Sunday 11 December.

Anne Chipperfield has been busy co-ordinating the collection of many books, sorting them and pricing them for this Sunday sales.

Follow the link for all the details:

<https://cgsc2hbooks.company.site/>



Year 7 Orientation Day Morning Tea - Volunteers wanted

The last event for the PA will be the Year 7 Morning Tea for the new families starting in 2023. The event will take place on Tuesday 13 December. We are still looking for people to provide home baked treats to welcome the new families. If you can help, please email Sue Natoli at suenatoli@gmail.com

We are also looking for volunteers for Year 7 Orientation Day Morning Tea for Tuesday 31 January 2023. If you are able to assist on the day or bake or make or provide any goodies, please email myself at penelopepalmer@hotmail.com

As I am no expert or cook, the more volunteers the better. Even if your last minute,



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just please contact me if you can help for a couple of hours on the morning to welcome the new families to our wonderful school community.

First PA Meeting in 2023 and AGM

The next PA meeting will be in 2023 and will also be the Annual General Meeting. It is scheduled for Tuesday 14 February at 7:00PM. We welcome everyone to help plan the new year's fundraising itinerary. The meeting is held in the Conference Room in the main building. We look forward to meeting new parents and carers as well as familiar friendly faces from this year.

We will also be looking for people willing to volunteer and take charge of certain roles such as Parent/Carer Representative for each year level.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, happy holidays, and a safe New Year. Best of luck for the Year 12 students with their exam results and future endeavours.

Penny Ison

The Parents' Association President

P.S. If you would like to support the PA, but cannot donate your time or efforts, you can contribute via the PA levy. If you do not want to contribute the full amount of \$50, you can nominate a different value. PA funds help raise monies for resources that are not funded by the Government (i.e. language assistants, food tech ovens, dishwashers etc.) and every little bit helps!

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 2023

25 Feb	Working bee #1 8:45am - 12.00pm
27 May	Working bee #2 8:45am - 12.00pm
12 Aug	Working bee #3 8:45am - 12.00pm
11 Nov	Working bee #4 8:45am - 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



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Online Ordering

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

Canteen News

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff,

The canteen staff are reminding you that you can order online through My School Connect. We have all items that we sell in the canteen on a daily basis online. Click [here](#) and put your order in so you are not to be disappointed and miss out on your favourite meal.

Thank you!

Melissa and Annette
The Canteen Team



Whitehorse Carols

Sunday 18 December 2022

5.30pm – 9.30pm

Tunstall Park



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