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Welcome to the last Issue of Connected as all students have returned to school with a number of important safety measures in place.

As Term 2 comes to an end, we look forward to Term 3 and continue to plan for engaging and interactive onsite learning.

In this issue we review the last few weeks of learning and see what students have been doing since coming back. We also have an Important letter from the Principal and share some feedback in regards to our remote working experiences over the past term.

Connected has kept us all connected and we thank all students, families and staff for the support in keeping this online publication going.

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Dear parents/carers,

We are in now in our third week of having our whole complement of students on site engaging in Face to Face learning. The transition back to on site has been very smooth for our whole school community and I am very proud of our how well our students and staff have adjusted to the changes this term. Staff were extremely happy and excited to welcome back all of our students and time was given to students to reconnect with each other and with staff, given the significant time apart. Students were vocal in expressing their excitement to being back on site, not only for the learning but also for the social and collaborative aspects of schooling. It was heart-warming to see their enthusiasm in returning to school, connecting with their peers and teachers.

Our students responded extremely well to the changes put in place upon their return to school and respected the different set of protocols that were put in place to ensure a safe return to school for everyone. We all need to remember that these measures are in place to keep us all safe and well. I would like to thank families who have heeded government advice and kept students home who were unwell. This has helped keep our whole community safe. We need to continue this upon our return from school holidays.

Thank you to our whole parent/carer community for respecting our protocols and not coming on site. This has contributed greatly to keeping everybody safe. These protocols will continue to be in place next term.

A reminder that this Friday is a student free day, where staff will be writing reports. Reports will be made available to staff via Compass during the first week of Term 3.

The last day of the school term for students is Thursday 25th of June. The school day will finish at 3:00 pm as per the normal school day. We wish everyone a safe and restful holiday. We look forward to welcoming our students back on Monday, 13th of July, for the start of term 3. Please remember that while we are excited to see everyone, that **if your child is unwell, they need to stay home.**

Stay Safe

Yours Sincerely

Konnie Prades Principal June 22nd, 2020

ACADEMY

PERFROMING ARTS

Many students were excited to be back in Academy and enjoyed revising dance choreography, collaborating with peers and teaching fellow students. There are many quirky tricks to use when memorizing choreography and everyone learned some new ways to do this!

















YEAR 12 CAPTAINS BREAKFAST

The City of Casey invited our school to participate in the School Captain and Principal's Webinar Event that was held on Thursday June 11th at 9:00am.

The aim of the event was to provide an engaging, personal development opportunity for students to come together to increase their skills in resilience, leadership, motivation and empowerment in todays challenges through listening to motivational speaker Nathan Hulls and participating in a workshop. Nathan is passionate about inspiring young people to dream bigger dreams and to back themselves, while teaching them the power of right choices, attitude and character. This event provided our College Captains with the tools to transform their thinking and improve the world around them.





YEAR 8 PE

It was great to visit the Gym last week to see students really enjoying being back at school and playing ball and racket sports with their peers during PE lessons.



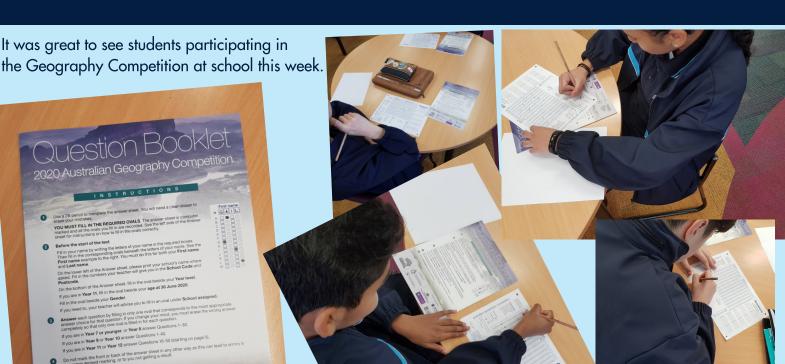
CRICKET VICTORIA GIRLS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Female students in Year 7 & 8 were given the opportunity to attend an online Cricket forum on Thursday. Helping to develop their leadership skills via an interactive online program and face to face forum, the aim of the program is to encourage young girls to continue their leadership journey through the early years of secondary school enabling them to become positive role models as

they develop into future leaders.







IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Family Feedback

"Overall, the school is doing an amazing job in difficult circumstances. Lots of communication with parents and students."

"I understand this has been a difficult time for teachers and students but I want to say thank you for trying to make this as manageable as possible for our family." "It has been a really interesting experience, and a good insight to the type of work the kids do in school."

"All staff have been amazing, very responsive to queries and follow-up.

Thank you to all for your commitment in a very demanding time."

"School communication was fantastic throughout, really enjoyed the experience."

Student Feedback

"I am really grateful to all the teachers who are working so hard for me and my peers"



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