

NCC NEWS

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WELCOME BACK

Welcome to our new-look newsletter for 2023. Together with a brand new website and all the physical changes to our school, we thought a fresh newsletter look was in order. Read on to learn more about our school!

7/11 PROGRAM

Our 7/11 Peer Support program began with our annual excursion, where our Year 11 Mentors led the Year 7 students in games, discussions and activities for the day.

"The Year 7 and 11 program has been something that I've wanted to participate in for a long time. And it's great!" - Yoal.



YEAR 5/6 INCURSION



In Week 4 of this term, the Grade 5/6 students had an incursion experience for their Integrated Studies unit 'Making Democracy'. The incursion had two guest speakers, Will Fowles, the State Member of Parliament for the Ringwood district and Tanya, a local Police Officer. These guest speakers shared information about their daily lives and their job in the community about how they can help to either create or enforce laws.

- Miss Saunders



DEDICATION NIGHT

Twilight on Friday, 10th February, saw over 400 students and parents gather in the Secondary Quad, to dedicate our school to God for 2023. All attending were encouraged to write their name on a 'leaf' and pin it to the VINE - which represented our desire to connect to Jesus - our Failsafe and Protector.

Set by our Year 12 class, the Spiritual Theme for 2023 is "Connect23". It is based on Colossians 1:17, "He [Jesus] existed before anything else, and He holds all creation together."

VALENTINE'S DAY

Valentine's Day was all about creating those connections in our school community, and it was a day full of highlights. The Year 12s continued the yearly tradition of selling roses for a small fee, with the new addition of chocolates, to the high schoolers. This allowed them to send a gift to someone, anonymously or not, as an affirmation of their friendship.



Overall the day was a success with over \$200 being fundraised for the Light of Hope organisation in Cambodia.

- Ruby, Year 12



LAB COATS

As part of the Year 7 transition, our students all received very spiffy Lab Coats and goggles for their Science classes. Two thumbs up!



YEAR 9 CHALLENGE

Each year our Year 9 class embarks on a year of challenge, to learn more about themselves and the world around them.

This year it started with a very early sunrise service and treetop adventure.

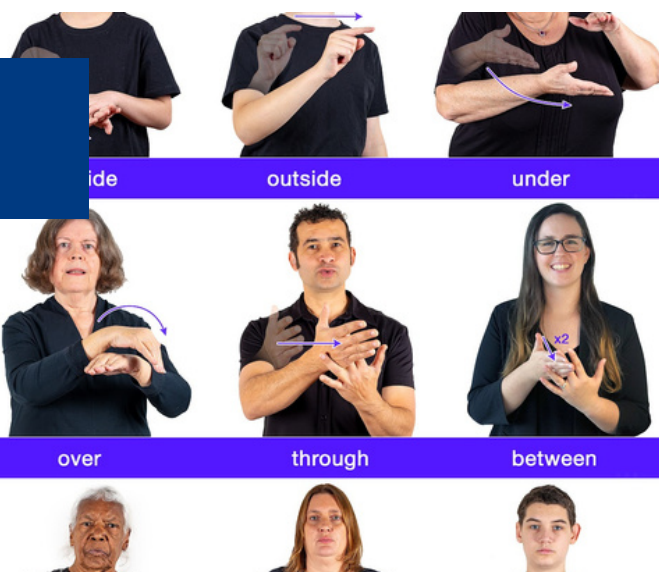
The class then journeyed to the city where they did some epic rock climbing.

Next up - solo camping in March.

So far, the Year 9s are loving it!

AUSLAN FOR ELC

We are thrilled that this year both our Inventors and Explorers will be learning Auslan as part of our early childhood language program. Our children will be learning a new language as well as diversity, inclusivity and different ways of communicating with different people.



SCIENCE PRESENTS

We are pretty proud of our teachers. Especially when they go out of their comfort zone and present to their peers! Mr Maslin and Mr Cannon recently presented about using technology in the classroom at Swinburne University and Ms Lawson presented on VCE Biology at Melbourne University.

We are looking for new parents and existing parents who have a head full of great new ideas that they could bring to the committee to help support our school and our students in 2023.

Head to our website to register your interest.

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

We use many teachable moments throughout the day to notice and reinforce how our ELC children are displaying these characteristics, eg. "I can see (insert child's name) waiting so patiently in line for their classmates." "I can see (insert child's name) is being so gentle while patting Winnie." Winnie is our ELC dog.

JOY

Mrs. Andrea

Mrs. Annee

Mrs. Kate

Miss. Gabrielle

Mrs. Hannah

Kristina

Sam

Hamish

Melody



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