



# HIGHVIEW HERALD

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Education Through Wholeness

13 February 2017

Dates to Remember

- Mon 13 Feb**  
SEQTA Parent Information Evening 6.00pm
- Wed 15 Feb**  
Students Leaders Induction Assembly 12.15pm
- Fri 17 Feb**  
School Photo Day
- Mon 20 Feb**  
SEQTA Parent Information Evening 6.00pm
- Tue 21 Feb**  
House Swimming Carnival
- Thu 23 Feb**  
Australia Defence Force visit
- Fri 24 Feb**  
Year 11 Presentation Dinner
- Fri 3 Mar**  
Principal's Tour
- Fri 17 Feb**  
School Photo Day

## Distributed Recently

- Year 8 Anglesea Excursion Letter & Permission Form (Emailed)
- Personalised Pre-Pay School Photography envelop (Via Students)

## WELCOME BACK!



Welcome back! This year we have started with some wonderful developments for Highview College students.

### ORGANISATION

We have a five-day timetable and each day has the same changeover times. We no longer need bells.

### SMALL CLASSES

Our class sizes this year are intimate and personal as a result of opening additional classes. The class size in Year 7 is currently 24, in Year 8 classes have 18 students, in Year 9 classes have 19 students, in Year 10 classes sizes are 18, the average class size in Year 11 is 12 students and in Year 12 is 10 students. Teachers are finding in the start to this year that every student is engaged and receives personalised attention.

### SEQTA

Parents and students now have access to all learning materials and continuous feedback about each student's progress.

Homework and resources are online and available at any time.

### DELTA

The Pastoral Care team has developed a personalised program of Positive Education, Christian values and personal development.

2017 will be fantastic for Highview College students and we welcome them all to a new academic year.

Melinda Scash  
Principal



## CONGRATULATIONS HIGH ACHIEVERS

Year 12 is often described as the most challenging year of a young person's life. I do not believe that this needs to be the case. It can also be one of the happiest and rewarding years when dreams come true and support is embraced and valued.

VCE is not a competition against anyone but yourself. Know your dreams, know what you need to do to pursue your chosen pathway and when you get there, know that you have achieved your dreams.

90% of 2016 Highview graduates received a first round offer into tertiary pathways. They have all succeeded! We congratulate them all for their self-knowledge, for their persistence, for their determination to complete Year 12. Equally, we congratulate those students who chose not to receive an ATAR but who completed their Year 12 studies before moving into Apprenticeships and work. Nothing is more impressive to an employer than knowing you can get out of bed every day and meet the demands of a challenging program of study and training sustained over a full year. We commend those students too for their determination and persistence.

When we acknowledge the highest academic achievers it is not because they are the only successful students, it is because we are in awe of their capacity to demonstrate such excellence and because we know the dedicated application these results reflect. In reality, their personal success is equally determined by whether they have done enough to fulfil their dreams.

Ms Melinda Scash  
Principal



At the annual High Achievers Assembly held recently, both current and former students were recognised for their hard work, dedication and success in 2016.

The Dux of Highview College for 2016 was Lauren Sammut with an outstanding ATAR score.

At Year 12 the maximum study score in a VCE subject is

50. To be awarded a Dux or Academic Excellence Award, students must have attained a score of 40 or more. This places them in the top eight percent of Victorian students for that subject.

The Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank, or ATAR, is a percentile score up to 99.95 which indicates a student's ranking relative to his or her peers upon completion of their Secondary education. For example, an ATAR Score of 99.0 means that a student performed better than 99% of his or her peers.

The awards that were presented represented outstanding achievement in the following categories:

- Academic Excellence Awards for students who attained a study score of 40 or higher
- Subject Dux Awards for those students who attained the highest Study Score in their subject with a scaled or unscaled score of 40 or higher.
- ATAR Academic Merit
- ATAR Academic Excellence

**Sean Hermann**

(Year 11) Excellence in Sport & Rec VCE VET

**Luke Tatchell**

(Year 11) Excellence in Sport & Rec VCE VET

**Cassandra Nicholls**

(Year 11) Dux Studio Arts

**Keely McDonald**

(Year 11) Dux Health & Human Development

**Jesse Sammut**

ATAR Academic Merit

**Zachary Greed**

ATAR Academic Merit

**Justyn Walker**

ATAR Academic Merit

**Travis Cain**

ATAR Academic Merit

**Larnie Ham**

ATAR Academic Merit

**Brayden Maffescioni**

ATAR Academic Merit

**Mitchell Bench**

Excellence in English

ATAR Academic Merit

**Hannah Lawrence**

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Taiga Elvins**

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Sophie Holland**

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Madeline Moran**

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Georgia Drewer**

Excellence in Studio Arts

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Jesse Harman**

English Dux



Cassandra Nicholls





ATAR Academic Excellence

**Georgia Searle**

Visual Communication & Design Dux

Interactive Digital Media VCE VET Dux

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Lydia Cottrell**

Sport & Recreation VCE VET Dux

Physical Education Dux

ATAR Academic Excellence

**Jaclyn Holland**

Excellence in English

Mathematical Methods Dux

Physics Dux

ATAR Academic Excellence & Proxime Accessit

**Lauren Sammut**

Excellence in English

Biology Dux

Chemistry Dux

ATAR Academic Excellence

2016 College Dux



*Mitchell Bench*

*Dux, Lauren Sammut, VCE Co-ordinator, Wendy Pickering-Tyers & Proxime Accessit, Jaclyn Holland*



*2016 Dux -  
Lauren Sammut*



*Brayden Maffescioni & Jesse Harman*



*Sean Hermann*



*Jesse & Lauren Sammut*

*Keely McDonald*

*Travis Cain*

*Larnie Ham*

*Luke Tatchell*





## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

We welcomed our new Year 7 students on Tuesday 31 January and have been thoroughly impressed by how well they have transitioned to Secondary school. Likewise, our Year 8s returned the following day ready to start the busy year ahead, and have definitely hit the ground running. I would like to congratulate both year levels on having such a positive start to the year.

The start of every school year brings changes and new routines. So far, the Junior School students have adjusted well. Having the same timetable each week should certainly make things much easier for students, parents and teachers. The planning for this year's camps and excursions are already underway. Permission forms and information will be sent out closer to the date. Please keep an eye on SEQTA and emails for more details.

This year brings the first year of our new and exciting Pastoral Care Program, DELTA. This has been tailor-made by our teachers to meet the specific needs of our students. There are many exciting things to come in DELTA as the school year progresses – watch this space.

We are very lucky to have an amazing group of hard-working and dedicated DELTA mentors for 2017. The 2017 Junior School DELTA Mentors are:

7A Mrs Jacinta Harvey, 7B Mr Nick Healey, 7C Ms Donna Kempster, 7D Miss Kate Hood  
8A Mr Patrick Jenés, 8B Mr Jordan Forster, 8C Mr Brett Douglas, 8D Mrs Maree Payne

The DELTA mentors are your first port of call if you have any questions, concerns or information that you need to pass on. They are very excited to have the pleasure of working with both students and families over the course of the year. We wish all of our Highview families a year filled with goodness, well-being, bliss and peace.

Miss Brogahn Richards  
Junior School Co-Ordinator









## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Year 9 and 10 students have commenced 2017 very smoothly. We welcome four new students this year: Abbey Lugg and Laura Murphy in Year 9. Brianna Borda and Nick Myers in Year 10. We hope our new students find Highview College a welcoming and satisfying school to complete their education.

At our first Middle School Meeting, we spent time thinking about the passing of our friend and classmate, Ned Cameron. I mentioned that while some people may not have known Ned, he had many friends at Highview and those people are still grieving. I noted that it would not be appropriate to ask questions of those people at this time and. We need to allow all Ned's friends time to grieve. Anyone who is struggling may contact any staff member with whom he or she feels comfortable speaking.

Our new Pastoral Care Program, DELTA, is up and running. Parents will receive an email from their son/daughter's DELTA teacher this year explaining the Program. The 2017 Middle School DELTA Mentors are:  
Year 9 - Mr Jamie Briody, Mr James Fox, Mrs Lucille Hudson and Mr Alex Sutton.  
Year 10s - Ms Katrina Pace, Mr Jal Nicholl, Mrs Kath Dunne and Mr Jerry Lau.

I also welcome our new staff to Highview and the DELTA Program. I hope their time with us at Highview is as fulfilling and satisfying as my time has been with the school.

Mr Christopher Egan  
Middle School Co-ordinator

## STRIVE ACTIVITY DAY - CARS

Year 9 students came together in STRIVE Enquiry to strengthen their understanding of community. Utilising their creativity and capacity for innovation, they designed and built a car from boxes. Each car had to have seatbelts, wheels, a steering wheel and space for a driver and a navigator.

Teams then escaped the scorching sun to the gym and lined up at the starting line. Each driver was blindfolded and guided only by their navigator. The race began and cars raced an obstacle course in recorded time and requiring that they cross the finish line in one piece. The judges watched carefully to for any 'accidents' or for not following the designated course which resulted in deducted points.

Year 9 students all did an amazing job! They finished the day with watermelon slices and frozen icy poles to recover from the heat. We congratulate them on their teamwork, conduct and spectacular racing designs.

Mrs Lucille Hudson  
STRIVE Co-ordinator









## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Our VCE students have moved swiftly into the demands of Years 11 and 12, thanks to an intensive Orientation Program at the end of 2016. Their workload has commenced with all students reporting that they already have set homework and study to complete. It is particularly important that Year 12 students build deliberate and regular revision into their homework programs early in the year to set them up for success in the final examinations. I encourage our VCE students and their families to have a designated study area at home and a study timetable set up to assist with organisation and time management for this year. Students will also receive guidance on effective study habits at school during the DELTA Program this year.

In our daily DELTA sessions, we will be developing the skills and knowledge of Positive Psychology to help students to flourish into adulthood. The DELTA sessions will also be used for study support and VCE administrative tasks. Parents will receive an email from their son/daughter's DELTA teacher soon explaining the Program.

In 2017 the VCE DELTA Mentors are:  
12A Ms Karen Lenk, 12B Ms Leanne Lockwood, 12C Mr Terry Payne  
11A Mrs Jacinta Davies, 11B Ms Jeanean Pritchard, 11C Mr Cory Skilton

I welcome all our VCE students to this exciting stage of their education. Despite the pressures, the VCE years will see the creation of wonderful friendships and memories. In particular, I look forward to our first formal event – the Year 11 Presentation Dinner on Friday 24 February – celebrating the Year 11s as they start their journey through VCE.

Wendy Pickering-Tyers  
VCE Co-ordinator





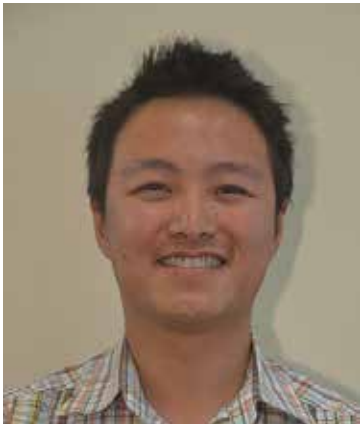
## WELCOME TO OUR NEW STAFF



### JAMIE BRIODY

In 2016 I completed my Bachelor of Education. I had a gap of around 25 years before entering the teaching profession. Before this adventure, I served in the Royal Australian Artillery for five years and was fortunate to be employed with the AFL for many years. I now reside in Ballarat and am enjoying

teaching at Highview College.



### JERRY LAU

My name is Jerry Lau. I come from Geelong and was born in Hong Kong. I have always enjoyed teaching in small schools in a country town that has a strong and tight community connection. Highview College has definitely shown this to me as I have been welcomed by all the lovely students,

parents and staff. I cannot wait to start working with our students here and take them through this wonderful and exciting journey that we will share through music.



### GEOFF JAMES

After four years teaching at Ouyen High School from 1971 to 74, I acted as Curriculum Co-ordinator here at the Christian Community College until September 1986, when I took over the role as Principal from Rev. Peter James. At the end of 2006, I retired to write a series of personal growth

books based on the concept of shalom and the idea of 'growing towards wholeness'. I self-published the first of these volumes in 2012 – a guidebook for the spiritual journey called, 'Ways to Identity, Purpose and Meaning'. Soon after, I was invited to become District Governor for Rotary in Western Victoria, an almost full-time role involving two years of training and preparation and the Governor year from 2014-15. I was about to get back to writing again when I could not resist an offer to come back to teach at Highview College and co-ordinate our new 'Whole Living' program. I am married to Meryl, a past Deputy Principal at Highview, and together we enjoy our blended family of 8 children and 14 grandchildren, travelling, reading, watching Sci-Fi series and movies, and singing and playing in our dance band, 'Seriously 60's'.



### KATE HOOD

I am a past student of the College, graduating in 2012. I have spent the last four years studying in Melbourne, to return and take on Geography and WOW classes at Highview College. I am a keen geographer and historian and am eager to share my passion with my students this year.



### JAMES FOX

I grew up in Mildura and then moved to Bendigo so that I could study at Latrobe University.

I enjoy participating in plenty of sports such as football, cricket, basketball and golf.

I am eager and look forward to being involved in the local/school community.



### JORDAN FORSTER

Greetings Highview community! My name is Jordan Forster and I am teaching Mathematics across years 8 to 11 in 2017. I also specialise in teaching Accounting at VCE, which may be something I can offer students in the future. I'm a Bendigo boy who has been away from home for a few

years having worked abroad in London in 2014 and 2015 and in the Catholic system in Melbourne in 2016. After three years away from home, my wife and I have returned to our families in Bendigo, and I am excited to already be settling into the Highview community with enthusiastic students and supportive colleagues.



### LEANNE LOCKWOOD

I grew up near Shepparton, on a small farm beside the beautiful Goulburn River. I moved to Bendigo to attend La Trobe University and later gained a position there teaching Classical Literature, as well as some Latin and Classical Greek. My interests include reading, gardening and kayaking. I

teach English and Psychology, and I am delighted to now be a staff member at Highview College.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW STAFF Cont...



### JAL NICHOLL

I teach English and Humanities. I am currently in the process of moving to Maryborough with my wife, Laura, and two little boys, Vincent and Theodore. I enjoy reading and writing but is not so keen on 'rithmetic.



### CHRIS SMART

I grew up in Maffra (Gippsland) before moving to Bendigo for university, studying a Bachelor of Physical and Outdoor Education. My interests include; fishing, surfing, rock climbing, paddling and all things sport. I am very excited about the opportunity I have been

given to work at Highview College, I am a part of the Whole Living team and the Physical Education team.

## UNIFORM

There are extensive notes about the Highview Uniform in the Student Planner. We hope that the details here are helpful to you in having your student look his or her best. However, there is an error concerning black socks for 2017. Black socks are acceptable for 2017 as a transition year and will cease to be a uniform item in 2018. If you need to buy new socks, please purchase navy (or white) socks, which are available at Macks Fashionwear, 160 High St, Maryborough. Please note that visible logos of any kind on socks is unacceptable. If a student is wearing socks with logos they will be directed to Reception, where they will be given a pair of navy socks. The cost of the socks will be added to student fees.

## FROM THE ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Please make sure when making direct deposits into the Highview bank account for the payments of your fees that it includes a reference to your name and/or account number.

All fee statements are now sent out electronically via email. Please ensure that we have a correct email address for your account. This has proven to be a reliable and cost effective way to deliver statements to parents/guardians and follows the path we are taking with all communication to our Highview community.

## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

All students will have received a personalised envelope for the upcoming school photos on **Friday 17 February**. This envelope is to be handed directly to the MSP photographers on the day.

All students will have their photo taken, for School records, even if parents/guardians do not wish to purchase any. This is also a reminder that, as per School policy, correct and full Summer School uniform should be worn. This includes hair tied up, one pair of studs/sleepers in the ear lobe and socks without logos.

**All students from years 7 to 12 are asked to wear either navy or black socks on this day.**

Ms Marion Martin  
Deputy Principal - Pastoral Care



## SUN SMART

As a Sun Smart school, we place great importance on observing Sun Smart practices. These include the compulsory wearing of hats during recess and lunchtimes and for all outdoor class activities in Term 1 and Term 4. School hats are available from Macks and are the only acceptable headwear. This information is also included in the Student Planner.

We also recommend the wearing of sunscreen, which is available at any time Reception and the Gym.

Remember Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek, Slide.





## CONGRATULATIONS!

During the holidays a number of our students were out doing great things, and we would like to congratulate them on their achievements:



### RIELEY FITZGIBBON

Participated in the State Shooting titles where he was selected as an emergency for the Junior Team heading to the Australian Titles in March.



### KIRA BOURKE

Kira has been busy with Lawn Bowls over the holidays, firstly she competed in the Under 19 Barooga Singles, playing against Australia's No. 1 Under 18 player and won! She also won the 'Champ of Champs' competition for this district. Kira then travelled to Sunbury to represent Victoria against SA, where

her Victorian team won the test. Kira is now preparing for test selections against Tasmania in July which will be held in the coming months.



### RILEY WALHOUSE

Participated and won the Junior Golf Club Championships at the Maryborough Golf Club.



### GRACE BASSETT

Was a member of the Under 14 girls Victorian Country Futsal team which travelled to Sydney for the State Championships in January. They missed out on the semi-finals by 1 goal to NSW Metro and finished 5th overall.



### KIRBY TYERS

Kirby was also a member of the Under 14 girls Victorian Country Futsal team which travelled to Sydney for the State Championships in January and she was one of the talented few who was able to score a goal!



### DY NGIM

Was selected to represent the Under 15 boys Victorian Country Futsal team and also travelled to Sydney recently. His team went well and lost to QLD City Gold in the semi-final 7 - 5. Dy also scored 2 goals for his team during the competition.



### MICHAEL CHEW

Was one of only two Highview students to submit a short film in the Go Goldfields 'Young Filmmakers Digital Storytelling Premiere and Awards Night at the Station Domain' held in December. Michael's entry was titled 'The Shorts'.



### RYAN PRIME

Also submitted a short film in the Go Goldfields 'Young Filmmakers Digital Storytelling Premiere and Awards Night at the Station Domain' held in December. Ryan's entry was titled "The Maryborough Mafia".

Please let us know if your child has done something outside the school that deserves a special mention, and we will do our best to follow up and acknowledge their efforts.



## HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The annual Highview House Swimming Carnival is to be held on Tuesday 21 February at the outdoor pool. This is a normal school day and as such, all students are expected to attend school. Swimming, however, is optional for students. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to embrace their House spirit and support their fellow students.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Students are asked to dress in HOUSE COLOURS when coming to school

**BUTLER - YELLOW**      **CAMPBELL - BLUE**  
**CHISHOLM - GREEN**      **WESLEY - RED**

- Closed in shoes **MUST** be worn to school and to the pool. Thongs are only allowed at the pool
- Students must have a hat and shirt on at all times when not swimming
- Students are asked to bring their lunch and drinks
- The pool kiosk will be open should students wish to purchase food there
- Students will not be able to leave the venue unless it is with a parent/guardian and have signed out with the teacher in charge
- Normal school rules and policies will apply
- Sunscreen will be available at the first aid station, and students will be encouraged to re-apply throughout the day
- Parents/guardians are welcome to attend
- At the end of the day, students wishing to leave directly from the swimming pool can do so with a note from their parent/guardian, or in the company of their parent/guardian. Again the teacher in charge must be made aware of this prior to leaving

Mr Treacy  
Sport & Energy Breakthrough Co-ordinator



## CAREERS NEWS

### YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

All Year 10 students will be participating in the Work Experience Program. The week this year is 26– 30 June, which is the last week of Term 2. The following is normally the process for arranging Work Experience:

- Student makes contact with possible employer
- Work Experience paperwork is collected from Careers Co-ordinator
- Paperwork taken to employer for filling out then returned to Careers Co-ordinator
- Paperwork given to Principal for approval
- Folder given to students the week before placement, which contains all paperwork required for Work Experience placement

If a student has difficulty finding a placement, the Careers Co-ordinator has many possibilities for work positions. There is also a site students can access for placements, which is called 'Career Horizons'. If students see a position on this site they need to let the Career Co-ordinator know, as students cannot book themselves. Hospital placements are only done through the Career Co-ordinator. If students are seeking a position at a hospital they will need to be quick, as positions fill fast.

### AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE VISIT

A visit to Highview College has been arranged for Thursday 23 February during lunchtime in the library. Students who are considering a career in the ADF are strongly advised to attend this information session. All aspects of ADF life and the application process will be included in this session.



### ICY POLES FOR SALE

Students raising money for their projects in Laos will be selling icy poles in the Quad and Library during lunchtimes for 60cents.

### ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC DEB BALL

St Augustine's Catholic Parish will hold their annual Debutante Ball in May. For any students in Year 11 who wish to participate, practice will commence Wednesday 15 February at 5.15pm in the St Augustine's Hall. For further information please contact Dianne Rinaldi - 5461 2723.



# LOST PROPERTY FROM EBT



Does any of this look familiar?

If it does, please call into the office and collect it!

White ladies Rip Curl watch

Helmet

Blue sleeping bag

Cycling jerseys - Cycling Australia, Nalini, Specialized & Jayco

Blue Adidas muscle tee - Large

Giordana cycling shorts

Avanti cycling shorts

Black Adidas shorts - Medium

Towels - assortment x 6



# MARYBOROUGH EXERCISE EXPO

**FOOD | FITNESS | FUN**

15TH OF MARCH 2017 | 2:00 P.M - 5:30 P.M  
MARYBOROUGH STATION DOMAIN



COOKING DEMONSTRATION | CORPORATE CHALLENGE | SPIN CLASS  
| KANGA TRAINING | BOOTCAMP | MINDFULNESS & MEDITATION |  
YOGA | TAI CHI | STRENGTH TRAINING | FIRST AID SESSION | 3 PT  
CHALLENGE | BENCH PRESS COMPETITION | SCHOOL CHALLENGES





**Are you 14 – 17 years of age?**

**Are you wanting to be part of something big?**

**THEN.....**



**Come and make the**

**Maldon under 17.5s Football Team  
your team.**

**Come down and make some new mates or bring  
your mates with you.**

**All welcome**

**Call or SMS Mark on 0428 933 168 for details**





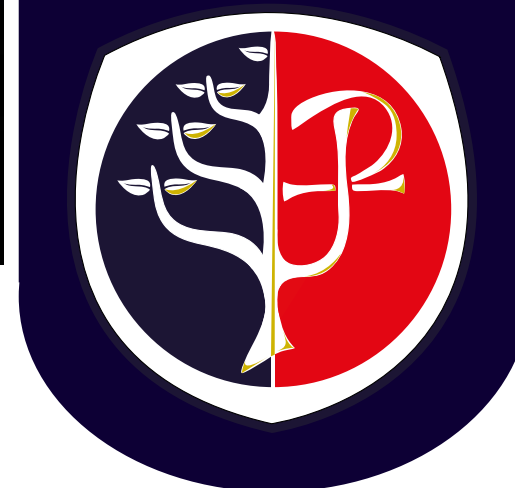
# HIGHVIEW COLLEGE

## School Tours

Highview College Maryborough extends an invitation to join a tour of the school with our Principal.



The next tour  
will be held on  
Friday  
3 March  
at 9.00am



To register for a tour please contact our Registrar Kay Murray (03) 5459 1000 or email [highview@highview.vic.edu.au](mailto:highview@highview.vic.edu.au)

Come and see the Highview difference  
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