# HEYWOOD & DISTRICT SECONDARY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

#### **PRINCIPALS REPORT**

#### **Maths Games Day**

Our first Games Day for the year was our Maths Games Day held last Friday 26th May. Grade 4, 5 and 6 students from many of our local Primary Schools will were here to collaborate, challenge themselves, socialise and compete in many activities including: maths relay, problem solving and a snap quiz just to name a few. MIXX FM was also here between 10am to 1pm. Narrawong Primary School was our overall winning school this year and congratulations to April Bayona from All Saints for being the individual winner.

#### Assessment / Exam Week

This week students in Years 7-11 will be sitting an assessment task for each subject. Students in Years 10 and 11 have been sitting more formal exams, whilst the rest of the school completed their tasks in class.

#### 2023 Student Attitudes to School Survey

We value student voice as a means to improving student engagement, wellbeing and quality instruction and are conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks of our school.

The AToSS is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist us to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to our school, their learning, peer and family relationships, resilience, bullying, mental health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general.

Christine Hart has been completing the survey with students in small groups over the past couple of weeks to make sure we get their true feelings and voice about our school.





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# HDSC IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL

# **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT**

Another big term here at HDSC, though it was a short term there were a lot of activities, excursions, and connecting with the community. The school collate data to assist teachers and staff to support students in all areas of school life. Recently students completed the Attitude to Schools Survey. The AtoSS is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education to assist schools to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Next term the school will be submitting information for the NCCD. The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data consists of the amount and level of adjustments used for students with disabilities. If parents would like to know more, please use the link to the NCCD website or contact the school to discuss.

#### <u>Child Safety</u>

HDSC has previously informed staff, students, and parent/ caregivers regarding new Child Safe Standards noting the changes and continue to work hard to ensure student safety. Since last year, we have updated school policies to ensure we are up to date with the required changes to the Child Safety Standards. We have all completed training, conducted cybersafety, provided a strong wellbeing team, and increased student voice. Our school policies are available on our website page or upon request from the school. Feedback is welcomed from our community.

HDSC students are rewarded with GRIP awards. Aligning with our values, Growth, Respect, Integrity, Pride; students are given a GRIP Award to celebrate great work in the class and shared spaces. These points can be cashed in for small prizes such as sensory toys, books, keyrings, canteen vouchers, local business vouchers, and the big prize is still to be decided on by the students; possibly a scooter like 2022. Congratulations to our students who were awarded with the most Grip points: Tyrell Lovett, Maddox Millard, Angus Barclay, James Klotz, Bobby Hillier and Rose Cook.

A big shout out to Ms O'Dea and her team of cooks who cater for all our events. Behind the scenes the students work for days to cater for events, getting dough ready, biscuits, pastries and other mouth-watering morsels. Recently on our Maths Games Day they catered for our visiting Primary Schools with praise from our young visitors how amazing the food was. Well done team!

We celebrated our School Captain's 18th Birthday, we hope you had a fantastic birthday Alice! Thank you to Ms Webster for the delicious cake for us to share!

Christine Hart Assistant Principal









# **HDSC INFORMATION**

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

### **TERM 2**

Monday 12th June - PUBLIC HOLIDAY no school

Tuesday 13th June - Try a Career Day in Hamilton for Year 9 Students

Friday 16th June - GAT Exam for any student studying a VCE subject

Friday 23rd June - Last Day of Term 2

**TERM 3** Monday 10th June - First day back

Wednesday 12th July - Year 9 to 12 VCE Expo

Monday 17th - 21st July - Year 9 School Camp



# Heywood Community Garden

Next meeting : Wednesday 14th June at 6pm

HDSC Main Building

Come and look at ideas and suggestions put forward so far. We want to know what you want to see.

Young, Older and everything in between, all welcome! See you there!

# Find us on Facebook!



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# **AROUND SCHOOL**

It is wonderful seeing the activities around the campus including: M & M's Group activities with Lauren, students enjoying a game of down ball and UNO, enjoying lunch made during Food Tech class, Maths Day catering for our visiting Primary Schools, Breakfast Club (Thursday's) and lots more!









# **YEAR 7 FOOD TECH - 16 MAY 2023**







Vegetable Pasta Bake serves 2 Ingredients 100-150g dried pasta 30ml olive oil, plus extra, to drizzle 100g sweet potato or eggplant, peeled and chopped 2 zucchini, peeled and chopped ½ red capsicum, deseeded and chopped 1 small red onion, peeled and chopped 1 clove garlic, peeled and minced 1 tablespoon tomato paste ½ tin diced tomatoes 200 ml tomato passata or pasta sauce ½ cup grated melting cheese Optional – 2 tablespoons pesto

#### Method

1. Cook pasta in large saucepan of salted boiling water following packet directions or until al dente. Drain and stir a drizzle of olive oil through the pasta to stop it sticking together.

2. Heat oil in a frying pan or saucepan over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic, capsicum, zucchini and sweet potato to the pan. Cook, stirring occasionally, for 15 – 20 minutes or until very soft. Add the tomato paste, passata and tinned tomatoes to the pan with ¼ cup of water. Bring to the boil and simmer for approximately 5 minutes or until slightly thickened.

3. Add pasta to vegetable mixture and most of the cheese (reserving a little to sprinkle on the top). Toss/stir until combined then spoon into baking dish and sprinkle the reserved cheese on top. Bake at 180-200 Celsius until the cheese on top is melted and golden brown, around 10-15 minutes.

OPTIONAL: combine pesto with a little olive oil in a bowl or jar until pourable consistency. Drizzle over the pasta bake to serve.









# YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

The Year 10's were out on Work Experience 22nd May to the 26th May.

All students were out on placement during this week. This was a great opportunity to receive valuable hands on experience, allowing students to trial this field, or decided that the job they were doing was not for them.

### Thank you to the local businesses that were able to accommodate a placement:



Brooke Rose – Portland Vet Group Jakiah Bamblett – Stuart Engel Copper McCabe - A.K Quality Plastering Pty Ltd Malakai Walsh-Bannam – Red Neck Milling Harrison Wass – Ian Healey Indiana Stuchbery – Information Centre Portland Marnie Mueller – DELWP Saige Bell – Windamara Aboriginal Corporation Madison Bayley – Stratus Legal Group Jacob Sanderson – Keppel Prince James Klotz – Daly's IGA Claudia Peatling – Gazebo Hair Kayden Barclay – Brian Smith Building





I visited a number of the placements and observed the students working within their chosen field. All students were engaged in their placement and businesses were happy with the student they were placed with. Students will do some follow up work now that they are back in the class room.

Scott Taylor | Careers



### **Maths Games Day**

The running of HDSC's 20th Maths Games Day was yet another successful event run by our school.

In teams of four, Grade 5 & 6 students from our District Primary Schools battled it out in the teams and individual competition. Round table questions, snap quizzes, some problems solving board games, a relay style quiz and a game poker probability were some of the Mathematical challenges that the students took part in.

Congratulations to our winners on the day!

Team Scoreboard	Individual Scoreboard
<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup>: Narrawong Primary (160 points)</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup>: All Saints Parish (151 points)</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup>: Portland Sth Primary (131 points)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup>: April Bayona (53 points)</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup>: Cameron Botica (52.5 points)</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup>: Elizabeth Eats (49.5 points)</li> </ul>



### Participating Primary Schools:

All Saints Parish School

Branxholme-Wallacedale Community School

Heywood Consolidated School

Portland Primary School

Portland North Primary School

Narrawong & District Primary School

Bundarra Primary

Portland South Primary School

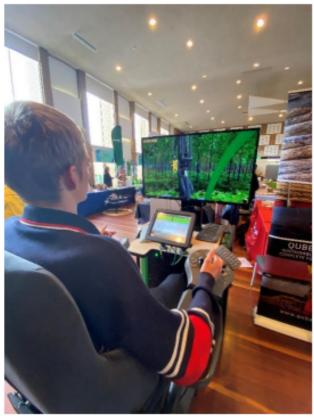
### Jeremy Prevett

Maths Games Day Event Organiser

## **GLENELG SHIRE - CAREERS JOBS AND SKILLS EXPO**

19 MAY 2023

### Glenelg Shire, Careers Jobs and Skills Expo 2023



Above: Jacob Sanderson on the virtual tree harvester





It was great to see our Year 10 & 11 students taking the opportunity to experience some inspiring discussions about career opportunities and pathways available right here in the Glenelg Shire!



Brooke Rose operating a virtual welder.



Angus and Kade working hard during Miss McGough's class.



### SWTAFE – Try A Career Day

Our Year 9 students had a fun day out at the SWTAFE Try A Career Day in Portland. It was a great opportunity to explore different career pathways that are available. All students took the opportunity to participate in 3 different hands-on activities from a list that included: Building and Construction, Engineering, Visual Arts, Kitchen Operations, Early Childhood Education and Health and Community Services.







## YEAR 8 CAMP

During Week 6, Year 8 students had the opportunity to spend a week at Rubicon Outdoor School. Students had a great time participating in various activities that challenged them and helped them to grow as individuals and as a team.

Activities included conquering the high ropes course, building bridges to test our problem solving and co-operation, orienteering, mountain bike riding and exploring underground caves.

Throughout, students participated in learning activities about character strengths and building resilience. Students were supportive and encouraging of one another, and it was great to see everyone pushing themselves to overcome challenges and achieve goals.

Mr Doherty and Mrs Larkin



# **FUTURE LEADERS**

The Future Leaders Program helps shape Year 10 and 11 students future, providing many opportunities to participate in activities that increase confidence, build skills, knowledge and leadership capabilities.

Heywood & District Secondary College are represented by: Jacob Sanderson, Madison Bayley and Tarryn Halls.

We look forward to following you all on your Future Leaders journey!











Thank you to the Future Leader Facebook Page for sharing photos of the students involvement for us all to enjoy.



# COMMUNITY



## Pool Lifeguard Accreditation

When: 12th & 13th August

Time: 10am to 5pm

Where: Portland Leisure & Aquatic Centre,22 Bentick Street Portland

Bookings: FUSE South West (moyne.vic.gov.au) \*\*Note: Bookings Close 5pm Wednesday 2 August \*\*Participants for pool lifeguard must be 16 years \*\* HLTAID011 First Aid is a prerequisite for Pool Life Guard Accreditation

### First Aid Accreditation (HLTAID011)

When: Wednesday 5 July

Time: 9am to 4:30pm

Where: Portland Library, 32 Bentick Street Portland

Bookings: FUSE South West (moyne.vic.gov.au) \*\*Note: Bookings Close 5pm Wednesday 28 June

