

# Hilltop News

DIMBOOLA MEMORIAL SECONDARY COLLEGE

Term 1, Week 8, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024



“Facta non Verba”

Dimboola Memorial Secondary College would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Wimmera Mallee area: The Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagalk peoples, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

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## HARMONY DAY



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### Upcoming Events and Dates

- 25 Mar - Year 7 and 10 Vaccinations
- 25 Mar - Parent-Teacher Meetings (3:30-5:30PM)
- 26 Mar - House Athletic Sports
- 28 Mar - Term 1 Ends – 2:30PM
- 15 APR - Term 2 Starts
- 23 APR - Little Desert Athletics
- 25 APR - ANZAC DAY

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RESPECT HONESTY EXCELLENCE CARE FREEDOM

DMSC IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL

# Principal's Message

## School Centenary Celebrations

Plans for our celebration of 100 years of education at DMSC, DMHS and DMHES on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May are well underway. Bookings for both the afternoon tea and school tours, as well as the evening dinner will remain open until May 1st. The program for the evening function will be available on the school's website next week. Students have been asked to volunteer to serve as tour guides from 1.30 to 3.30pm on the day. We look forward to having more people volunteer for this role and hope that parents will encourage their child to be part of this special day. We are also seeking memorabilia that can be loaned to the school for a display. Please contact the school office if you assist with this.

## A good-news story

I received a very positive phone call on Monday from a member of the Horsham public who had observed a young male DMSC student performing an act of kindness last Friday after school. This student, who wishes to remain anonymous, went to the aid of an elderly gentleman on a gopher, who was in need of assistance. As the student was still wearing his uniform, the member of the public wished to acknowledge his bravery and compassion in not being a bystander when he saw something that was not right. This is the very behaviour that we have been promoting at DMSC as part of our Respectful Relationships program. I have personally thanked the student involved and he will be receiving an award for his citizenship through the school's values awards.



## Parent-Teacher Meetings

Student reports are available today using the XUNO portal. These will form the basis for important discussions at Parent-Teacher meetings that are scheduled for next Monday between 3.30 and 5.30pm both as a face-to-face format and as phone calls between 5 and 5.30pm. Please take the time to discuss these reports with your child and refer to the information later in the newsletter regarding how to book your time to meet or speak with your child's teacher, if you have not already done so.

## House Athletic Sports

Our House Athletic Sports will be held next Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Thanks to Ms Marra for her planning and organization of the event and to the staff and students who will be assisting with the setting up on the day. Parent helpers are most welcome! Please contact Ms Marra if you can assist on the day. We look forward to seeing many supporters on the hill to watch the day's events.

## Outdoor Ed camp

Students in the Year 8/9 elective, together with Mr Corbett and Ms Marra, experienced a cold night at Mt Stapylton in the Grampians last night. I trust that the camping skills and knowledge they have acquired in class will have been useful in their outdoor experience. We look forward to hearing about their stay in next week's Hilltop.

## Mobile phone and ear bud reminder

The Department of Education has a state-wide ban on the use of mobile phones during school hours. Parents are encouraged to support the school with this ban and the easiest ways to avoid the temptation to use a mobile phone while at school is to leave it at home. Thank you to the vast majority of students who do the right thing in not using either a phone or ear buds while at school.



## End of Term 1 next Thursday

A reminder that our shorter Term 1 finishes at 2.30pm next Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

**Sally Klinge**  
Principal

## Year 12 Food Studies

Students have looked at probiotic and prebiotic foods. Katie and Damian have used their knowledge of these foods to prepare a 'Prebiotic and Probiotic Salad'. They roasted cauliflower, zucchini, tomatoes, beetroot and onion with spices and olive oil in the oven, prepared some quinoa and made a yoghurt dressing. They had to identify the prebiotic foods and probiotic foods within their recipe and complete a sensory analysis and evaluation questions of their final product. Katie and Damian plated their salad and focused on how they could make their salad appealing to the eye.

**Mrs. Schache**



## Year 12 Tear and Share Bread

Year 12s also made 'Tear and Share Bread' where they had to make a dough, let it rise, knead and shape it. This bread was layered in two pieces, and in the middle of the pieces was a mix students made consisting of sundried tomatoes, garlic, olives, herbs and mozzarella. Students then had to shape the dough using a cookie cutter in the centre and make cuts into the dough evenly around the circle, from just inside the cookie cutter to the edge of the dough. They then picked up the bread from each cut one at a time and twisted it over 2-3 times before placing back down onto the tray.



The bread came out of the oven fragrant, and there were some very good reviews from those who got a piece!

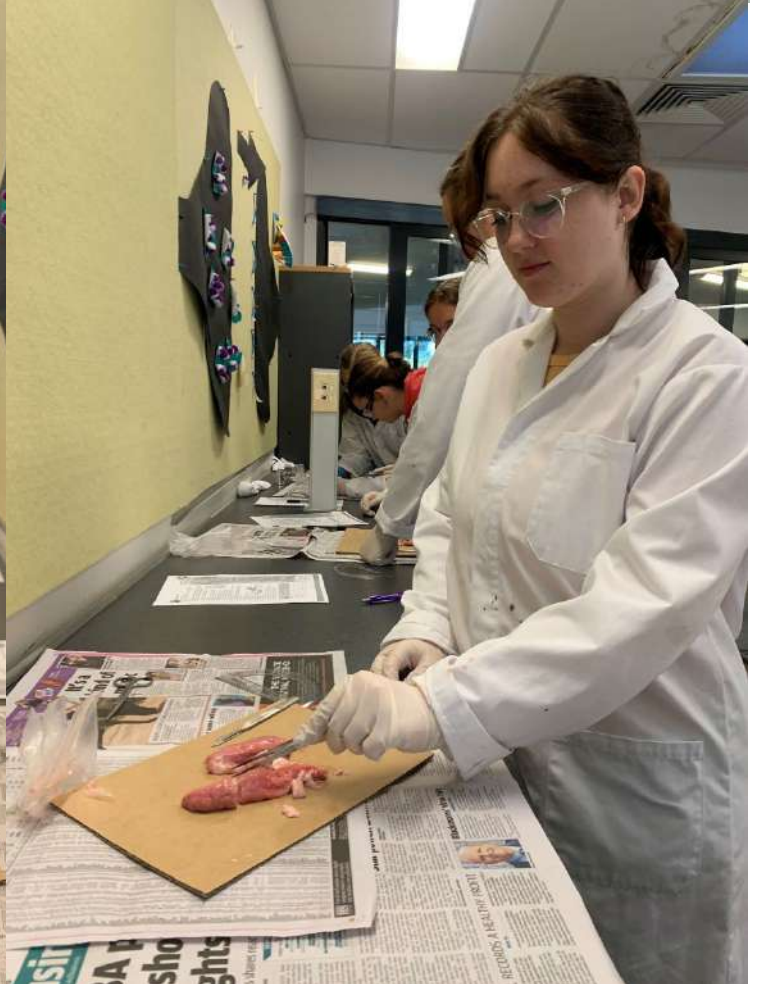
**-Mrs Schache**

## Year 10 Science

Students have been busy exploring brains this week. A video helped generate ideas about how to remember the different parts of the brain and their function. This was followed up with a dissection of the sheep (ovine) brain. Students commented on how small the sheep brain appeared to be. All Year 10s should now be able to identify the cerebrum, cerebellum and medulla (brain stem). -Ms Tellbach



# Year 10 Science



# Year 11 Biology

The Year 11 Biology class have been growing bacteria. Students poured their own plates using aseptic techniques which created the perfect food source for the fledgling bacteria. Lots of different samples were collected and analysed including mouth swabs from the entire class. Different locations around the school were also sampled with some surprising results. Refillable water bottles showed a lot of bacterial growth whilst the EFTPOS machine in the front office had very little bacterial contamination. The effect of different antibiotics on E coli bacteria was also investigated.

-Ms Tellbach



# Harmony Day



# **DMSC ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

**HINDMARSH VS  
WIMMERA**

**DATE:**

**TUE 26TH  
MARCH**

**9:10AM START**

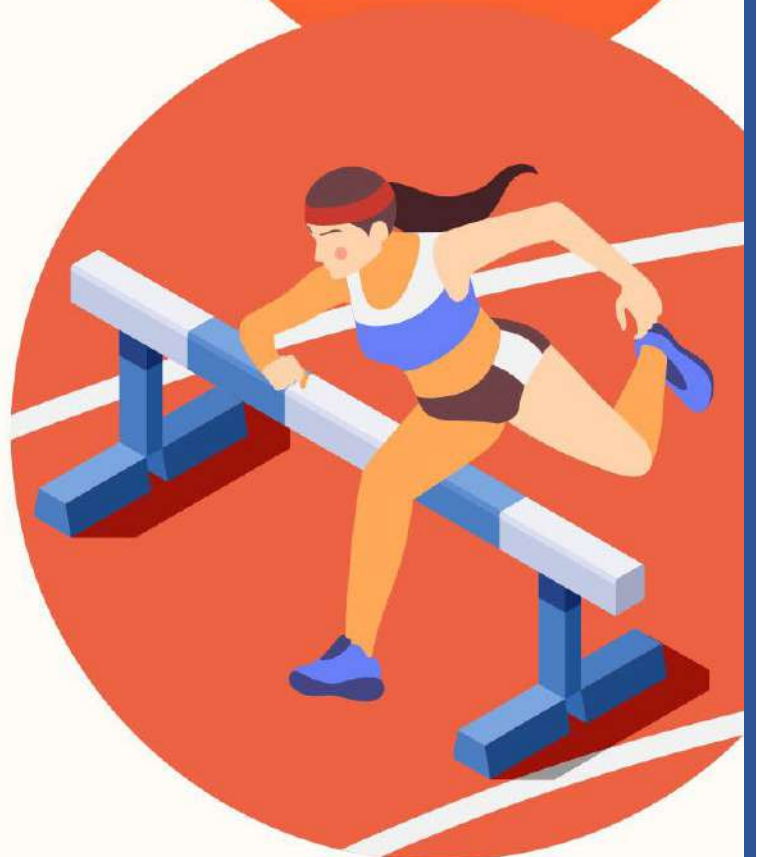
**LOCATION:**

**SCHOOL OVAL**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

- 1500M RACES WILL BE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY, THEN FIELD EVENTS WILL BEGIN.**
- CANTEEN FOOD AVAILABLE (NO LUNCH ORDERS)**
- COME DRESSED IN YOUR HOUSE COLOURS**
- THERE WILL BE A DMSC GIFT AND RELAYS AT THE END OF THE DAY.**

**SPECTATORS AND  
PARENT HELPERS  
WELCOME  
PLEASE CONTACT  
THE SCHOOL IF  
INTERESTED**





## Year 7 - 12 Parent-Teacher Meetings



Parent-Teacher meetings are on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

Meetings are 5 minutes in person or phone calls.

- 3:30pm to 4:55pm (In Person)

- 5:00pm to 5:30pm (Phone Calls)

Bookings will be opened on Monday after school 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

If you require more time with a particular teacher, please ring the school on **03-53891460**.

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) or QR CODE using your phone camera

MAKE A BOOKING

enter the code

**eyauf**



Enter your details.



Select the teachers you wish to see.



Select the appointment times that suit your family best.



When you click FINISH your selected bookings will be emailed to you immediately. If you do not receive your email, please check your junk-mail, or enter the event code again and check your email address spelling. Update your details if email address is incorrect.

DO NOT DELETE the email you receive. Keep it somewhere safe. You may need to refer back to it at later date.

REMEMBER TO ADD YOUR APPOINTMENTS TO YOUR CALENDAR - reminders will not be sent home.

Bookings must be finalised by 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

If you need to view, cancel, change or print your bookings:

- Click on the link in the confirmation email you received after you made your bookings
- OR return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and enter the code and the email address you used when making your bookings

# Conveyance Allowance

To receive a conveyance allowance individual students must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Attend a school/campus located outside Melbourne's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB).
2. Attend the closest appropriate school/campus.
3. Reside 4.8km or more from the school/campus (shortest practicable route calculated by school at time of application from the student's home to the school/campus attended) or 4.8km from home to the student's bus stop.
4. Be of school age (between 5 and 18 years old at the time of application), and a resident of Victoria.
5. Be enrolled and travelling to school three or more days per week.

Application forms can be obtained from the front office.

### Office hours:

Our school office is open from 8.30am until 4.30pm each day. Please use this time to contact the school or make payments using Eftpos.

### DMSC bank details:

Our banking details are as follows:  
 Dimboola Memorial Secondary College  
 BSB 06 3000 (CBA)  
 A/C 1418 7309

**DOES YOUR CHILD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO BE MOTIVATED TO COMPLETE HOMEWORK?**

**DO THEY REGULARLY HAVE OVERDUE WORK?**

This is an opportunity for all students to complete classwork and homework under the supervision of a teacher.

Students are recommended to attend to help them keep up to date with work and to gain extra help with their assessment tasks.

If you have any questions, please ring the office or speak to **Mrs Charlotte Pyers**.

**Encourage them to come to S.M.A.R.T sessions.**

*Tuesdays  
and  
Wednesdays*

**Library**

**3.20 - 4.30**

**Snacks provided**



LUNCH TIME

Canteen  
Lunch Menu  
Cut off time  
8.40am

Just a reminder about the cut off times each day to order via Qkr!



Canteen  
Recess Menu  
Cut off time  
8.40am

Orders can be placed days ahead of time.



**DHES  
DMHS  
DMSC**

*is turning* **100**

**Saturday 25th May 2024**



Dimboola Soldiers Memorial Higher Elementary School  
DHES (1924-1945)



Dimboola Memorial High School  
DMHS (1946-1986)



Dimboola Memorial Secondary College  
DMSC (1987-2024)

"Facta non Verba"

**Please join us in celebrating this special occasion**

*Bookings for the school tours and afternoon tea and the official dinner are available via the QR code, the link below or by the school office on 53891460*

<https://buytickets.at/dimboolamemoralsecondarycollege/1079075>



# CAREER NEWS



## General information



### Upcoming events:

- Year 10-11 Careers check-ins with Miss Kuhnell (Term 2)
- Year 12 Careers check-ins with Miss Kuhnell (Term 1)



## Snapshot of RMIT University in 2024



- Based on the [QS World University Rankings for Art and Design 2023 | Top Universities](#), RMIT ranks #1 in Australia and #12 in the world in Art & Design, and ranked 140th universities in the world - [Top Universities](#).
- RMIT provides a range of education options, from an apprenticeship, traineeship or certificate to an associate or bachelor degree, or a postgraduate degree by coursework or research - [RMIT - Levels of Study](#).
- RMIT is regarded as a world leader in Art and Design; Architecture and the Built Environment; Engineering; Computer Science; and Business and Management Studies.
- RMIT engagement with industry has always been central to RMIT's mission, and industry and enterprise is at the heart of every RMIT program - [RMIT and Industry](#).
- [Work Integrated Learning \(WIL\)](#) at RMIT makes up a significant component of a student's program, whereby they use their academic learning in a 'real life' situation with a real industry or community partner.
- RMIT has a strong pathway program to courses providing students an opportunity to transfer from one RMIT program to another - [RMIT and Recognised Pathway Courses and Student Experience](#).
- Information about student accommodation options for students and visitors can be found at [RMIT Student Accommodation](#).

# POSSIBLE CAREERS

## Bachelor of Cyber Security

Gain in-demand skills to protect data and information systems from hackers, with a Bachelor of Cyber Security at Victoria University.

Students study information technology, preparing them for a career in software development or the networking industry.

Then they focus on specialised units in cyber security – gaining the expertise needed to apply for specialised roles. Students learn essential skills in cyber-threat detection and risk management, including:

- cyber security technologies
- ethical hacking and digital forensic data collection
- vulnerability analysis and control
- enterprise security
- cyber security regulation, policies, and laws
- software development
- network design.

Find out more at [Cyber Security at VU](#).



## Studying Law at the Swinburne



Swinburne's law school offers an undergraduate program that focuses on commercial law with an emphasis on intellectual property (IP) law, and it is the only degree in Victoria with this specialisation.

Swinburne's 4-year Bachelor of Laws has a distinct emphasis on trademarks, patents and designs, copyright, technology and innovation, and the prohibition of misleading or deceptive conduct and competition law.

The Swinburne Bachelor of Laws program is fully accredited by the Council of Legal Education in Victoria and offers students the option of a single degree or combined program with arts, science, business or engineering.

The VCE prerequisites are Units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 25 in any English, or 30 in EAL.

To find out more visit [Bachelor of Laws](#).

# CAREER EVENTS

## Experience La Trobe

Experience La Trobe gives you the chance to experience Uni for a day by taking part in fun and dynamic workshops led by real lecturers.

**Date:** Friday 12 April 2024

**Time:** 9.00am – 2.00pm

**Location:** La Trobe University, Melbourne Campus, Union Building, Kingsbury Drive in Bundoora VIC 3086

Registration is essential so book a spot at [Experience La Trobe - Melbourne](#).



## Freight, Transport, and Logistics Industry

An industry that is continuing to grow is in transport and logistics. There are many careers in this diverse industry from actually driving a truck or train, to being part of the logistics team involved in the planning and distribution of freight and people.

A particularly important part of this industry is in international freight – be it freight coming into Australia (imports) from all over the world, or cargo being sent from Australia (exports).

An interesting website to visit is [Make Your Move](#) and students can also access videos of current students training in this industry. There is an army of people working behind-the-scenes in International Trade, Transport and Logistics.

Students are encouraged to browse the following links providing more information about some courses in logistics and supply.

- [Bachelor of Business - Logistics and Supply Chain major](#) at RMIT
- [Diploma of Logistics](#) at RMIT
- [Bachelor of Business - Logistics and Supply Chain Management major](#) at Swinburne
- [Bachelor of Business - Supply Chain and Logistics Management major](#) at Victoria University



# CAREERS & COURSES

## Film & Television Courses in Victoria in 2024

There are a number of institutions offering film and/or television courses in Victoria, and some of these courses are included below.

For the most part, an English or EAL is the only prerequisite VCE subject, and often entry into these courses involves submission of a folio and/or participation in an interview.

INSTITUTION	COURSES IN 2024	POTENTIAL MAJORS
Deakin University	<a href="#">Bachelor of Film, Television and Animation</a>	Animation & Screen production
JMC Academy	<a href="#">Bachelor of Creative Arts (Film and Television)</a>	Broadcasting, Camera and Lighting, Cinematography, Directing, Audio, Film, Post Production, Screenwriting, Television
RMIT University	<a href="#">Bachelor of Communication (Media)</a>	Asian media and culture, Audio production, Cinema studies, Film production, Live media, Media, Radio, Social media, Television production, Video production.
	<a href="#">Associate Degree in Screen and Media Production</a>  Note: New in 2024: <a href="#">Diploma of Screen and Media (Television, Broadcast and Production)</a>	Camera production, Cinema studies, Compositing and animation, Digital audio and video production, Directing, Editing, Emerging media practices, Film and media studies, Film and television, Post production, Screen studies, Screenwriting, Visual effects.
SAE Creative Media	<a href="#">Bachelor of Film (Production)</a>	Post-production
	<a href="#">Associate Degree in Film</a>	Screenwriting and drafting, creative production approaches, post-production methods and techniques, film, media and cultural studies
Swinburne University	<a href="#">Bachelor of Film and Television (Honours)</a>	Cinematography and lighting, Film and television production, Post-production and editing, Scriptwriting and directing, Sound design and acquisition, The Australian Screen.
	<a href="#">Bachelor of Screen Production</a>	Post-production techniques, Video and audio, Narratives, Screen production, Digital imaging, Radio audio and podcasting
University of Melbourne	<a href="#">Bachelor of Fine Arts (Film and Television)</a>	Actor direction, Film projects, Screen studies, Screenwriting
Victoria University	<a href="#">Bachelor of Screen Media</a>	Screen media

# ASSESSMENT

Term 1, Week 9  
25th – 29th March



Year		Work	Due date/s
<b>Year 7</b>			
English	JF	Practice Week 8 spelling words Parvana Diary Entry Task	Monday 25th March Ongoing
Maths	JO	Any remaining SQUIZYA 1.1-1.8	Friday 22nd March
Science	HP	Stile lessons - Introduction to science	Wednesday 27th March
Humanities	HS	God/Goddess Research Task	Wednesday 27th March
German	NK	Interview	Thursday 28th March
STEAM	NI	House Design Models	ongoing
Study Skills	RS	Typing Paragraphs task SMART Goal checklist	Tuesday 26th March
Art	LS	Finish drawing Disney Pixar drawing for 3D model	Monday 25th March
<b>Year 8D</b>			
English	CP/TR	Reality TV Booklet	Monday 25th March
Maths	MM/HP	Any remaining squizya	Monday 25th March
Science	HP	Stile lessons - Active Earth and Microscope	Wednesday 27th March
Humanities	JF	Vikings Museum Exhibition Item+Curator Card	Ongoing
Health and PE	JH	Comic strip task	Thursday 28th March
German	NK	Wetterbericht	Thursday 28th March
<b>Year 9D</b>			
English	KK	<i>Tomorrow, When the War Began</i> Chapter summaries and questions	Ongoing
Maths	MM	Any remaining squizya	Monday 25th March
Science	HP	Stile lessons - Body Systems	Wednesday 27th March
Humanities	TR	Causes of WWI notes	Wednesday 27th March
German	KL	Musik interview description	Thursday 28th March



Year 8 and 9 Electives			
Media	NI	Film production - Chase Scene	Ongoing
Baker's Shop	RS	Saltbush research task	Wednesday 27th March
Sport	JD	That Sugar Film Task	Friday 29th March
Art	LS	Artist studio writeup and drawing techniques annotated	Wednesday 27th March
Year 10D			
English	HS	<u>Deadly Unna?</u> SAC	Monday 25th and Wednesday 27th March
Maths	JD	Buying a House - Financial Maths Task	Thursday 28th March
Science	MT	Nervous System test	Thursday 28th March
Humanities	TR	DRC Comparison Table	Tuesday 26th March
Health and PE	JH	Party Safe Case Studies	Ongoing
Senior Subjects		Assessment	Due date/s
Art Unit 1	LS	Artform 2- Annotate, continuing researching Australian Artists	Monday 25th March
Art Unit 3	LS	Edrolo- We can't assess the invisible. Annotate processes	Mon 25th March
Business Man Unit 1	HC	Chapter 2GHI Summary + Edrolo questions	Ongoing
Biology Unit 1	MT	U1 AoS1 SAC Edrolo Questions 4B A3 summaries	Thursday 28th March
Biology Unit 3	MT	Edrolo Questions 4C and 4D Edrolo Videos 4E and 4F	Wednesday 27th March
English Unit 1	KK	<i>The Longest Memory</i> Crafting text questions	Thursday 28th March
English Unit 3	CP	Minor Text Tasks Mentor Text Tasks	Friday 5th April Friday 5th April
Food Studies 1	RS	Chapter 4 Booklet pages: Contemporary culinary uses of Indigenous foods and flavours and activity	Thursday 28th March
Food Studies 3	RS	Question booklet pages 2-5	Wednesday 17th April
General Math Unit 1	JO	<b>Must Do:</b>	Monday 25th March
		Chapter 2b and 2c Questions	
General Math Unit 3	JH	Chapter 4 Textbook Questions Chapter 4 Assignment	Monday 25th March Monday 25th March

Health HD Unit 1	TA	Chapter 3A booklet Chapter 3A and 3B Edrolo questions	Wednesday 27th March
Health HD Unit 3	TA	SAC 1 Part 2 Revision Any unfinished chapter 2 Edrolo questions and 2A, 2B & 2C booklet	Monday 25th March
History Unit 1 JF		Week 8 Homework Tasks	Friday 29th March
Legal Unit 1 NK		AOS2 Revision Mat Chapter notes 4 & 5.1 & 5.3	Monday 25th March
Legal Unit 3 NK		SAC Cheat Sheet AOS1 Revision Mats	Thursday 28th March
Maths Methods Unit 3	HC	Chapter 5 questions Assignment (Logs and exponents)	28th March
Media Unit 1	NI	SAC 1 - Revision and Practice Questions SAT 2 - Development and Pre-Production	7th of April ongoing
Media Unit 3	NI	SAC 1 - Revision and Practice Questions SAT - Scripts and Concept	7th of April 25th of March
PE Unit 1	JH	Complete Activity Plan and 2-week diary Chapter 14 Textbook Questions and Homework Booklet	Ongoing Monday 15th April
PE Unit 3	MM	<b>Must do:</b>	<b>Should do:</b>
		Edrolo: Acute responses to exercise Overdue study clix/peak performance	Read chapter 7 of text
Physics Unit 3	JO	<b>Must do:</b>	<b>Should do:</b>
		Chapter 1 and 2 Review. Cheat Sheet. AoS1-Review. SAC-March 28th	Any Edrolo videos from chapters you are not confident.
11 WRS	BF	Communication Project - Action phase	Monday 25th March
12 WRS	BF	Communication Project - Action phase	Monday 25th March



Royal Childrens Hospital

# GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL



# EASTER EGG HUNT

HOT  
CROSS  
BUNS,  
DOUGH  
NUTS

MUSIC  
DJ  
'BUNGA'

TINY  
GOATS

THE  
PIGGLES  
EMERGENCY  
SERVICES

COFFEE  
TOASTIES  
SOFT DRINKS  
FISH &  
CHIPS

FACE  
PAINTING  
RAFFLES

RECREATION RESERVE - A & P SHED - FROM 9.am

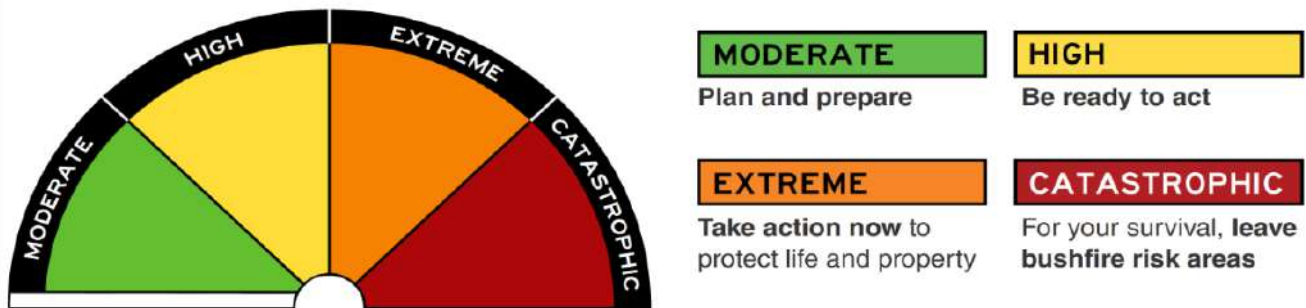
Make Your Donation at Bendigo Bank Dimboola



# 2024 Fire Season

## School procedures for the bushfire season

### The new Fire Danger Ratings



Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life. Schools and children's services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a **Catastrophic fire danger rating (FDR) day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district.**

Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR. Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days' notice of a potential **Catastrophic** FDR day closure by letter and SMS message. A **Catastrophic** FDR day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the **Catastrophic** FDR day, we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

**Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast.** This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast **Catastrophic** FDR day.
- School camps will be cancelled if a **Catastrophic** FDR fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.
- As a bus co-ordinating school all bus routes will be cancelled.

On these **Catastrophic** FDR days, families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days, children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.** For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when **Catastrophic** FDR days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the **Catastrophic** FDR day. As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan, and re-prioritised any maintenance works that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility's grounds and gutters.

#### *What can parents do?*

- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters and by checking our website. <http://www.dmsc.vic.edu.au/> or Facebook page and reading sms messages from the school.

If you have any further concerns, please contact either Sally Klinge (Principal) or Charlotte Pyers (Assistant Principal) at the college. 5389 1460

- Most importantly at this time of year, if you're planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.
- You can access more information about children's services closures on the Department of Education and Training website.

– see <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/pages/closures.aspx>

### For up-to-date information on this year's fire season see:

- <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>
- Facebook ([facebook.com/cfavic](https://www.facebook.com/cfavic))
- Vic Emergency app



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[info@wda.org.au](mailto:info@wda.org.au)

06 March, 2024

**RE: intercultural celebration**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Wimmera Southern Mallee Development (WSMD) is happy to offer young people and their families the chance to join in an intercultural day out at the Dimboola Rowing Club beside the Wimmera River.

The day will be for youth aged between **12 and 25 years, and their families**. Some hot food (BBQ) will be provided. We also ask everyone to **please bring a plate of food to share**. If you can, please bring a food that has a connection to your family's culture/s.

Families may wish to use the facilities for fishing, swimming, or sports. **Parents and Guardians are asked to supervise children under 18** for these activities and for the duration of the event.

If young people aged 12- 17 wish to attend without a parent or guardian, they may do this if they return the **permission form for youth aged 12-17**. They will be supervised by WSMD staff (Meg, Nan Da San, and K'lu Say).

At this event, WSMD staff will facilitate some organized activities (children's Easter egg hunt, youth scavenger hunt, photography competition).

Youth and families may also wish to engage in their own activities including fishing, swimming, and kayaking. These activities are not part of the main event and will not be facilitated by WSMD staff. Parent/guardian supervision for these activities is strongly recommended.

**When:** Saturday **6 April**, 11am – 3pm.

**Where:** Dimboola Rowing Club

**Travel Instructions:** You have the **choice** to **meet us there, or to use the bus provided**.

**If you are using the bus:**

- Nhill: bus departs from Hindmarsh Shire Council, 92 Nelson St (opposite IGA), **10:30am**.
- Horsham: bus departs from the Centre for Participation, 39 Urquhart St, Horsham, **10:30am**.
- Both buses will depart Dimboola at **3pm** for return to Nhill and Horsham.

**If you are using your own transport:**

The safety of you and your children is your responsibility while you are using private transport. Please arrive at Dimboola Recreation Reserve (beside Dimboola Rowing Club) **by 11am**.

**Cost: free**

**What to do if you would like your child/ren to participate:**





WIMMERA SOUTHERN MALLEE DEVELOPMENT

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**K'lu Say Say-** ph: 0499 651 586 e: [klusay88@hotmail.com](mailto:klusay88@hotmail.com), or

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**Please tell us these things:**

- how many of you are coming
- how you will get there
- if there are any foods you or your child/ren cannot eat, or are allergic to.
- any accessibility needs

**If your child/ren are aged 12-17 and will be going to the event without a Parent of Guardian, please complete the permission form for youth aged 12-17.**

Kind regards,

Meg Lee





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### April 6 intercultural celebration: Registration form for families and adults

To help us do our work better, we would like to learn a few details event attendees. Please take a few minutes to complete this form. If you have any questions, please contact Meg Lee, WSMD multicultural youth worker, on 0493 125 189 or [meg.wimmerayouth@gmail.com](mailto:meg.wimmerayouth@gmail.com)

#### 1. Attendee details

Family name:

Family members:

If adults do not want to share their age, you may share your relation (e.g. mother, father, uncle, aunty, grandparent, etc.) instead.

You do not have to share your gender identity if you do not wish to.

1. name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ gender: \_\_\_\_\_

2. name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ gender: \_\_\_\_\_

3. name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ gender: \_\_\_\_\_

4. name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ gender: \_\_\_\_\_

5. name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ gender: \_\_\_\_\_

6. name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

Cultural Background/s:

Year/s Arrived in Australia (if applicable):

Is an interpreter required? Y / N

Language/s Spoken At Home:

Contact Phone/Mobile No:

Email address:



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## 2. Medical Information

Please list any known allergies:

Please list any food allergies and dietary requirements:

Please indicate any disabilities or illness that the program needs to be aware of:

Autism	Vision Impairment	ADHD	Hearing Impairment
Epilepsy	Diabetes	Asthma	Other:

Further details of any illness, disabilities, or accessibility needs:

## 3. Transport

How will you travel to and from Dimboola for this event? (please tick one)

- Take the provided bus from Nhill (departs 10:30am)
- Take the provided bus from Horsham (departs 10:30am)
- Travel independently (e.g., by car)

IF you are taking the bus, how many seats will you need (please write)? \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Communications

How did you hear about this event?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to be contacted by WSMD staff in 2024 about more events for young people and families? (Please circle)

Yes / No

Preferred phone number/ email address: \_\_\_\_\_

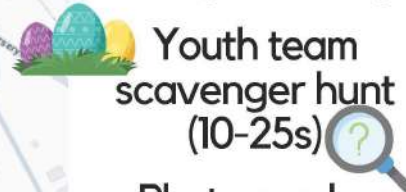
Thank you for your time completing this form.

# Saturday, 6 April 2024: You're invited!

Bring your family & friends for a free intercultural day on  
Wotjobaluk Country, at **Dimboola Rowing Club**.



**Organised activities from 11am:**  
Children's Easter egg hunt (under 10s)



Youth team scavenger hunt (10-25s)

Photography competition



BBQ lunch

## What should I bring?

- Family and friends
- Water bottle, hat
- A plate of food to share, if you can
- Sports equipment (optional)

## Want to come? Contact

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## Travel by car or take the bus: you decide.

**Buses depart 10:30am from**

- Hindmarsh Shire Council (opposite IGA), Nhill
- Centre for Participation, 39 Urquhart St, Horsham

**Buses depart from Dimboola Rowing Club at 3pm, for**

Horsham and Nhill



**Travelling by car? Meet us at Dimboola Rowing Club!**



**Important:**

Fishing, kayaking, or swimming require parental supervision. Fishing licences are the responsibility of individuals.



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### April 6 intercultural celebration:

#### Form for youth aged 12- 17 years attending without a Parent or Guardian

##### Excursion description:

An intercultural day out at the Dimboola Rowing Club beside the Wimmera River.

The day will be for youth aged between **12 and 25 years, and their families**. Some food (BBQ) will be provided. We also ask everyone to **please bring a plate of food to share**. If you can, please bring a food that has a connection to your family's culture/s.

At this event, WSMD staff will facilitate some organized activities (children's Easter egg hunt, youth scavenger hunt, photography competition).

Youth and families may also wish to engage in their own activities including fishing, swimming, and kayaking. These activities are not part of the main event and will not be facilitated by WSMD staff. Parent/ guardian supervision for these activities is strongly recommended.

This form is for young people aged 12- 17 who wish to attend without a parent or guardian, They will be supervised by WSMD staff (Meg, K'lu Say, Nan Da San).

**Excursion date:** Saturday, April 6, 2024

##### Excursion details / participation:

Nhill: bus departs from Hindmarsh Shire Council, 92 Nelson St (opposite IGA), **10:30am**.

Horsham: bus departs from the Centre for Participation, 39 Urquhart St, Horsham, **10:30am**.

Both buses will depart Dimboola at 3pm.

##### 1. Young person details

Given Name:

Surname:

Address

Date of Birth:

Age:

Male/Female/Non-Binary/Prefer not to say

Country of Birth

Cultural Background:

Year Arrived in Australia (if applicable):

Is an interpreter required? Y / N



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Language Spoken At Home:
Contact Phone/Mobile No:
Email address:

2. Parent or Guardian Details	
Given Name:	Surname:
Address	
Country of Birth	Cultural Background:
Year Arrived in Australia (if applicable):	Is an interpreter required? Y / N
Language Spoken At Home:	
Contact Phone/Mobile No:	
Email Address:	

3. Secondary Emergency Contact Details	
Given Name:	Surname:
Country of Birth	Cultural Background:
Language Spoken At Home:	Is an interpreter required? Y / N
Contact Phone/Mobile No:	
Email Address:	

4. Medical Information
Name of Doctor/ Medical Service:
Student Medicare Number:



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Please list any known allergies:

Please list any food allergies and dietary requirements:

Please indicate any disabilities or illness that the program needs to be aware of:

Autism	Vision Impairment	ADHD	Hearing Impairment
Epilepsy	Diabetes	Asthma	Other:

Futher details of any illness, disabilities, or accessibility needs:

Will the student be require to take any medication whilst at the program? If so, Please provide details below:

Student name:

Medication:

Dose/Frequency:

### 5. Parental/ Guardian Permission

#### Participatory Release:

I hereby and forever release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless Wimmera Southern Mallee Development and their employees and agents for any accidents, harm, loss or damage which my child may suffer or sustain in any way connected to the activities as a part of this youth event. I authorise staff, in the event of an accident or illness, to obtain all necessary medical assistance and treatment for my child and I agree to meet whatever cost may be incurred in respect of the provision of any necessary medical services. In the event of my child requiring medical attention I understand that the program workers will endeavour to communicate with me concerning the required action. I also agree that program staff and volunteers are not responsible for theft of clothing or valuables during my child's involvement in this program. The information I have provided on this form is correct.

**What does that mean?**



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Like any trip, this trip has some risks. For example, one risk would be that you fall over and get hurt. If something like this happens, WSMD staff will help you. They will:

- do their best to let your parents or guardian know, as soon as they can.
- do their best to keep you safe and healthy. They might need to make decisions about this before they are able to speak to your parents or guardians.

By ticking this box, your parent or guardian is agreeing to let WSMD staff do these things, if you are hurt or in need of help.

- I authorize for my child/children to attend the described activity day under the supervision of WSMD staff. I have read, understood and agree to these participation release terms. (Please tick)
- I allow my child/young person to be transported on a chartered bus to Dimboola and back. (Please tick)
- I authorize WSMD staff to take and use photographs, video or sound recordings of the student for WSMD authorized or associated publication, productions, presentations and social media, which may include publication on public websites.

#### Consent to administer medication

If you are under 18 please ask your parent or guardian to answer below:

I allow my child/young person to be given the following medications if they become injured or suffer from allergies or physical pain (e.g. headache, cramps) during this trip:

- Panadol or equivalent (pain killers) Yes / No
- ibuprofen (anti inflammatory) Yes / No
- anti histamines (e.g. telfast, claratyne) Yes / No

Signed:

Name:

Date:

Legal Name of Young Person 1:

Signature of Young Person 1 (if appropriate):

Legal Name of Young Person 2:

Signature of Young Person 2 (if appropriate):



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Legal Name of Young Person 3:

Signature of Young Person 3 (if appropriate):

Legal Name of Young Person 4:

Signature of Young Person 4 (if appropriate):

Thank you for your time completing this form.

## SHARE A PIECE OF HISTORY: SEEKING MEMORABILIA



### THE CENTENARY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP.

IF YOU HAVE ANY PIECES OF MEMORIABILIA FROM THE PAST 100 YEARS, WE WOULD LOVE TO PUT THEM ON DISPLAY DURING OUR CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

PLEASE CALL THE DMSC FRONT OFFICE ON 53891460.  
LOANED PIECES CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE SCHOOL OR COLLECTED FROM A LOCAL LOCATION.

