



NEWSWAN

SWAN HILL COLLEGE

Edition 1

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to all our existing families and welcome to Swan Hill College to all of our new families. Our start to 2024 has seen our 138 Year 7's all move into lockers and navigate their way around the school grounds very well. They have been a welcome addition.

Uniform

We started week 2 with a whole school assembly where we focused on uniform as our message. It was fantastic to see all the 780 strong student population meet together outside the library. Students were reminded of what the uniform expectations are, in particular our school shoes, with the reminder that they are to be black polish looking shoes. If any families are needing assistance to purchase uniform items please reach out to year level managers.

School Photos

School photos were held in week 2. If you missed out on ordering the photos please do not stress as you will get a chance to order them again when the proofs come back in.

School Council

If you are interested in being a part of our school community please come and talk to us about joining school council. We also appreciate parent and community voices on this committee and with nominations now open it would be great to see some new faces.

De Rosewarne – Acting Principal

SCHOOL CAPTAIN REPORT - BELONGING

As our holidays have finished once again, we welcome everyone back to the Swan Hill College for the 2024 year and especially extend a warm welcome to the Year 7's starting their secondary school education.

In recent news, our new school shorts have become popular with not only peers but all year levels wearing them with pride in the school yard. On Monday 5th we held a whole school assembly to demonstrate to students the importance of the correct school uniform and to promote belonging in the school grounds. Year 12's have been excited to receive their new school jumpers which they designed themselves and the community will see in the coming weeks.

On Wednesday 7th we had our annual school photos where students once again exceeded expectations wearing the correct uniform showing a sense of belonging in the school community.

Swimming sports once again was a successful day where all students supported and encouraged their team mates creating a great community environment. The year 12 cohort definitely enjoyed their last swimming sports whilst they dressed up as some iconic characters including: Disney Up characters, Disney Princesses, Friends, Gold Diggers, Among us, 3 Little pigs and many more which created lots of laughter and fun memories. This is just the beginning of dress up days so keep your eyes peeled.

Furthermore, we commend everyone on a great start to this year encouraging everyone to approach staff or student leaders if they have any questions.

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SWAN HILL COLLEGE CALENDAR 2024

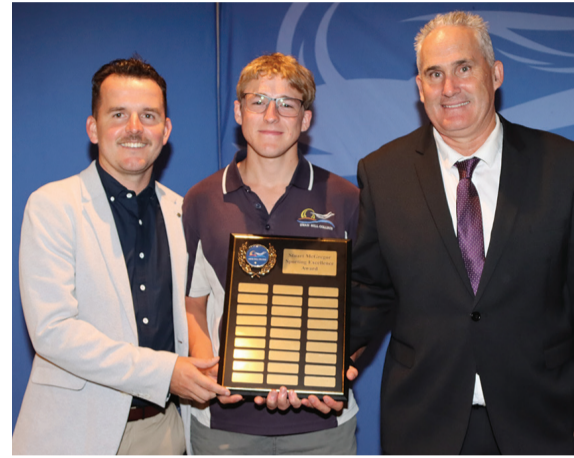
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| Feb 20 | Division Swimming |
| Feb 22 | Clontarf Swan Hill Employment Day (Year 7-12) |
| Feb 27 – Mar 1 | Year 7 Camp |
| March 6 | Summer Sports |
| March 6 | Clontarf Basketball Carnival, Mildura (Year 7-10) |
| March 11 | Labour Day Holiday |
| March 11-22 | NAPLAN |
| March 19-22 | Clontarf Melbourne Employment Forum (Year 10-12) |
| March 25 | Parent Teacher Interviews |
| March 26-28 | Clontarf Year 8/9 Engagement Camp (Ballarat) |
| March 28 | Last Day of Term 1 |
| April 15 | Term 2 Commences |

STUART MCGREGOR SPORTING EXCELLENCE AWARD

When you think of Swan Hill College and Extra Curricular Sport, the one common face for the last 20 years has been Stuart McGregor running and coordinating all things sport. When you combine the involvement in his local community clubs, its easy to see why Stuart is so recognisable in the Swan Hill Community.

With Stuart deciding to stand down from the roles of Swan Hill College Sports and Swan Hill Division Coordinator, it was truly fitting that an award would be named to show an appreciation for everything that Stuart had contributed to both positions over the last 20 years. Reaching out to previous colleagues, words included loyalty, commitment, high organisational skills, and most importantly, a strong team player who would always put his hand up to assist.

Noah Everitt was the first recipient of the newly minted 'Stuart McGregor Sporting Excellence Award' for his efforts in 2023, which included a podium finish at the State Athletics. We look forward to Stuart presenting this award for many years to come!



James Downing

ALPINE FUNDRAISER FOR SWAN HILL FIRE BRIGADE

On the 7th of December, the students from Swan Hill College who attended the School for Student Leadership were able to complete the final part of their CLP (Community Learning Project). The fundraiser they organized was to go towards the Swan Hill Fire Brigade, and some new items they were in need of. The group exceeded the goal they wanted to raise by \$300.

Some of the people we would like to thank are, Swan Hill College for allowing us to have the opportunity to go to the amazing program, especially Mark Snel for communicating so well with us while we were away. Some of our sponsors for the fundraiser, The Commercial Hotel for supplying the float and donating items, Coles for donating a voucher and Bunnings for letting us hold the sausage sizzle there.

Our group members were: Chloe Howard, Elahna Porter, Jackson McNees, Harley Mills, Dek Kiel, James O'Bree and Leonid Laptev.

We are very thankful for the amazing experiences and opportunities that were all a part of this program.



HEAD START - SBAT

Head Start is a revised model for school-based apprenticeships and traineeships (SBAT) undertaken by students which allows students to spend more time in paid work and on the job training to develop the skills that industry and employers need whilst also attending school to work toward a Year 12 qualification.

Students are supported by a Head Start Coordinator, their role is to support students to ensure they are progressing well with their schoolwork, training and employment. The students have reported that they enjoy being able to break up their school week with work whilst working toward completing Year 12 and it has assisted them to build their confidence and learn important transferrable employability skills.

Students explore industries by completing Work Based Learning and are matched with a suitable employer. During the SBAT students enrol with a training organisation to complete a Certificate II or III level qualification.

If you would like to know more about the Head Start Program, please contact Kristen Noles 0408 897 642 Head Start Coordinator or email Kristen.noles@education.vic.gov.au

IT'S TIME FOR BREAKFAST.

BREAKFAST CLUB
STARTING THIS FRIDAY 9TH AND EVERY FRIDAY AFTER

AT RECESS
FROM THE JUNIOR LOCKER BAYS

GRAB A FEED

THE DOCTORS IN SCHOOL PROGRAM
Starts Again

Hollie and Dr Tunde

We cannot wait to see all current and new patients. If you need a script, an asthma plan, a check up or discuss any health concerns then pop into Wellbeing or call 50339900 and let them know you would like a Dr in Schools appointment.

Tuning into Teens™ at headspace

Illustration of a person with a lightbulb idea, surrounded by icons of a bicycle, a person, and a globe.

SWAN HILL COLLEGE HOMEWORK PROGRAM
STARTS WEDNESDAY 7TH AND EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER

3.30 – 4.30 in the Library
Snacks provided
Teachers offering help and assistance in all subjects



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