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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Staff PD

Last Thursday all of our staff attended a professional development day about Celebrating Student Capacity. This PD was a great opportunity to come together as a whole staff with other schools and learn how to recognise the strengths that all students and families bring to an educational setting. We learnt how to enhance students' engagement and wellbeing, while reflecting on attendance and academic performance.

Lock Down Drill

Each term the school has to conduct a fire drill or a lock down drill. Last Wednesday we practiced our lock down procedures. While people think this is as simple as just locking doors, with 750 students all in different rooms, some of them industrial settings, on ovals or offsite, it is quite complex. Our staff manage this well each term, and then our OHS team reflect on where we can improve. If the community would like to learn more about what we do in these drills, please reach out.

Student leadership for 2025

This week we have been interviewing Year 11 students for our 2025 student captains. This now sets off a chain of interviews for Junior, House, VM, Environmental and Diversity leaders. Please encourage your children to apply for these positions. Student voice is so much of what we listen to as a school leadership team, and we love to hear their ideas and concerns each term so we can act in a way to engage students and families even more at the College. We will announce our 2025 Captains officially at our Whole School Assembly, in Term 4.

De Rosewarne – Acting Principal

SCHOOL CAPTAIN REPORT

Swan Hill College has experienced many different adventures over the last few weeks. Our Year 10 and 11 VET Sport & Rec ventured off to Melbourne on a Sunday for their two-day trip, where they had an exciting time watching the AFL game, Richmond v St Kilda. They also enjoyed a very early morning run around Melbourne CBD. The group arrived back in Swan Hill on the late-night train on Monday night. They were very appreciative of all of the teachers who gave up their time to allow them to go on this camp.

As all of the Year 9s reflect back on our time at the Formal, we all wish we could do it all over again. Our night was fun, and full of booming music from our wonderful DJ, snacks coming out, and all of us dancing on the dance floor. As we saw on Facebook, our theme was Fairy Garden and our decorations definitely had matched the concept. The Year 9 students had made their entrance at the front door, walking under a botanical arch filled with green vines and flowers that set the scene. We had our two photo boards that were full of students wanting photos with all their friends and teachers. We had a great night and all wish we could go back. We say thank you to the teachers and students that put time and effort into making our night one to remember!

The application process has been completed for the positions at Alpine. 8 of our Year 9 students have been interviewed and succeeded in getting in. They will join the Snowy River campus and learn how to become great leaders. They will be heading off at the beginning of Term 4 and completing activities to build leadership and teamwork skills to a maximum level. This camp goes on for 9 weeks, so we wish all of the successors good luck! Make sure to check in on SHC Facebook page to see how they are going, as we will be updating on their adventure!

Isla Benbow – Junior School Captain

SWAN HILL COLLEGE CALENDAR 2024

September 2	Swan Hill Field and Game Annual Clay Target Shoot
September 3	Swan Hill Division Athletics
September 9	Parent/Teacher Interviews, from 12:30pm
September 10	End of Term Assemblies – Yr. 7 P1, Yr. 8 P2, Yr. 9 P6 (Parents/Carers welcome)
September 12	Yr. 8 Programs; Man Cave & Flourish Girls

NORTH WEST ZONE, CLAY TARGET SHOOT

On Thursday, we had 21 licensed shooters attend the 2024 North West Zone Clay Target shoot which was held in Kerang.

Over 60 shooters converged from all over the North West Zone. Shooters were faced with near perfect conditions on the day, with 3 students from Swan Hill College qualifying for the Inter Zone level, which will be held in Echuca later in the year.

Congratulations to all whom partook, it was great to see the levels of firearms safety and etiquette displayed by all attendees.

1st Sub Junior Boys: Luca Zucco 2nd Senior Girls: Zoe Arnett 3rd Sub Junior Girls: Poppie Pickering
Jamie Astall – Excursion Leader



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent teacher interviews are now live and can be booked through DAYMAP.

Monday 9 September, 2024

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ALPINE STUDENTS 2024

WELL DONE TO ALL OF OUR APPLICANTS!
STUDENTS HAVE GONE OUT OF THEIR WAY TO WRITE AN APPLICATION AND UNDERGO AN INTERVIEW FOR A CHANCE AT A SPOT FOR THIS EXPERIENCE NEXT TERM

CONGRATULATIONS

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE

Over the last fortnight, the LRC has been host to Science Week and Book Week. Both events saw activities and competitions, as well as dressing up throughout Book Week. Thank you to students, Science Tech and LRC staff, for their organisation and participation.



VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Vocational Education is the major stepping stone for many students aiming for a career in essential industries such as automotive, hospitality, building, engineering and community service.

Swan Hill College RTO TOID 6726 is one of the few remaining School Registered Training Organisations still operating in Victoria, and after the recent VRQA audit, the College has been successful in obtaining RTO re-registration for another five years. Swan Hill College RTO is looking forward to many more years of quality vocational training where the College nurtures and supports students in their efforts to be work ready, skilled and passionate for their future vocational pathway.

Under the guidance of highly qualified VET teachers, students are learning the necessary skills and knowledge that will give them a huge advantage when applying for jobs; and ensuring that they have the basic understanding of the working requirements of a particular industry (such as OH&S, work standards and daily responsibilities).

In fact, many VET students have found full-time employment prior to finishing secondary school after undertaking work placement with a particular employer. Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) work placement is valuable educational experience for VET students and the College has just had 112 students successfully undertake work placements since the start of the year, with a few more months to go.



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