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2018 Term Dates

Term 1: 30th Jan to 31st Mar

Term 2: 16th Apr to 29th Jun

Term 3: 16th Jul – 20th Sep

Term 4: 8th Oct – 21st Dec

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Message from the Principal

Welcome to Term 3. This Newsletter is one of the methods of communication with our school community. Other methods include our Website (www.advancecollege.vic.edu.au), our Facebook page (currently under development), school bulletins and the Student Handbook.

Term 3 sees the appointment of our College Wellbeing Support staff member. Kate McLean is a Counsellor and Youth focussed psychologist who has joined the Advance College team to provide general classroom support to teachers and students. She is available on Wednesdays and Thursdays across our three campuses every week. If your young person requires support to manage school-based issues, or short-term support or referral for external support then please feel free to contact Clare or Roney to arrange follow-up support for your child. Students can self-refer for a one-off session, prior to requiring parent/guardian consent. Any further support/intervention will require parent/guardian consent unless the school/counsellor decides your child is a mature minor and able to make a decision to access the service

School camp was a great success with all that attended having a very enjoyable and worthwhile experience. More on this following in this Newsletter.

The building program continues at the Mornington site with the new kitchen completed and now in use. The next stage is the renovation of the cottage building.

The Meningococcal vaccination program will be conducted in Term 3 by the Mornington Peninsula Shire Health Nurses. Students who require this vaccination will be given a form to be signed by parents/guardians shortly.

The health and wellbeing of our students remains a priority. For tips and advice relating to healthy eating and also plastic recycling log on to our Facebook page.

You are reminded that there is student free day on Thursday, August 23.

I wish everyone well for the rest of the Term and hope everyone remains free of colds, coughs, flu etc.

As part of our College community, you are always welcome to contact me to arrange an appointment to learn more about Advance College.

Steve Wright - Principal

(steve.w@advance.vic.edu.au)

Term 3 Activities

- 🌀 23rd July - Wheeltalk Excursion
 - 🌀 24th July (Mornington) – Tax, Super and You Incursion
 - 🌀 25th July (Hastings) – Tax, Super and You Incursion
 - 🌀 26th July (Rosebud) – Tax, Super and You Incursion
 - 🌀 21st August – South Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault (SECASA) Workshop
 - 🌀 20th September – Footy Colours Day Fundraiser (Last day of term)
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and Facebook page –

<https://www.facebook.com/AdvanceVCAL/>

🌀 Advance College can facilitate accredited training in short courses such as Food Handling and Barista. It also runs beginner computer classes and career guidance programs that will help people get jobs. Please check www.advance.vic.edu.au or call your local campus for further details.

Resilience, Rights & Respectful Relationships (RRRR)

As part of the State government initiative the Resilience, Rights & Respectful Relationships program is being implemented in schools across Victoria to develop students' social, emotional and positive relationship skills.

Our research tells us that Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) helps our students to succeed in school, at work and in life. Advance College is very fortunate to be partner school delivering the RRRR program, embedding a culture of respect and equality across our school community in conjunction with the Berry Street Education Model already in place.

Advance College recently hosted the Class Act theatre group who performed their Show Some Respect play which explored a range of themes from the RRRR curriculum such as gender, respect, consent and social media in an engaging and humorous yet sensitive way.



<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/respectfulrelationships.aspx>

Term 2 activities

Campaspe Downs Term 2 Camp

During the final week of Term 2 (25th-27th of June) our VCAL students attended an outdoor adventure camp at Campaspe Downs, which is situated just outside of Woodend. The aim of the camp was to improve student resilience, teamwork and communication skills.

Students participated in a range of activities such as Abseiling, Flying Fox, Canoeing, Challenge Course, Rock Climbing, Orienteering, Giant Swing and Archery and it was a rewarding experience for all students who attended.

The marked improvements in individual confidence and group cohesion made for a successful camp, with students receiving outstanding feedback from the camp leaders.



Landcare Project

On Tuesday 19th June the students from our Mornington and Rosebud campuses participated in tree planting lead by Landcare. One of our senior students liaised with Landcare as part of their community project on Earth Day. After two hours, students managed to have almost 100 trees planted! Students said that they enjoyed the session and that it felt great to help the environment. Advance College looks forward to continuing the partnership with Landcare on future projects.



Fit2Drive

On Monday 18th of June the Fit 2 Drive Foundation ran a workshop at Advance College to educate students on road safety and looking after your mates, as part of their mission to empower and support young road users (aged 16-25) to achieve zero deaths on Victorian roads.

Students discussed ways of being a responsible and safe road users and developed a personal safety plan for times they may be faced with a difficult or sticky situation. The Fit 2 Drive workshop enabled students to utilise their problem solving and judgement skills.

Term 2 activities – Cont.

National Gallery of Victoria and ArtVo

Students have been studying shapes, architecture and perspective as part of the Numeracy and Creative Arts programs this semester. On Tuesday 29th of May students from all campuses were invited to visit the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV) and ArtVo immersive gallery. Students learned about a range of artistic techniques throughout history at the NGV before heading to ArtVo where they became part of the art.



The Biggest Morning Tea

On Thursday 24th May the students from our Mornington campus ran a Biggest Morning Tea, held at The Corner Youth Centre.

One of our students in particular organised and coordinated the event to raise money for Cancer Council Victoria.

We had a fantastic turn out and managed to raise \$90!

