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Dates to Remember

Monday 22nd November

Flying Start commences for all year levels

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Support for students to get active

Does your child love sport and being active? Does your family have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card? You may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in physical activities.

As children return to sport over the coming months, the Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities. Under the program, children may be eligible to receive up to \$200 to help with the cost of membership and registration fees, uniforms, and equipment.

Applications for vouchers in round three of the program close at 5pm Tuesday 30 November. For eligibility requirements and to apply, visit the Get Active Victoria website.

COVID Health and Safety

Parents are reminded that it is essential that if your child is unwell that you keep them at home. If your child becomes unwell at school for any reason it is essential that they report to sick bay straight away where they will be seen and you will be contacted should they need to be collected. This allows the college to keep the required records for the Department. They should not be contacting you prior to going to the sick bay as mobile phones are not permitted to be used during school hours and should be in their lockers switched off.

MASKS are still required to be worn indoors and it would be appreciated if parents could pack a spare mask as students are often breaking the strings as they take them on and off when they go outside at recess and lunch. Please remind your child about the importance of wearing the mask correctly.

End of year arrangements

This year the college is running a Flying Start program for all year levels and not just for the Senior School. This will enable teachers and students at all year levels to be better prepared for their 2022 studies.

Students in Years 7 to 9 will finish their 2021 studies on Friday November 19th. Students in Year 10 will finish their 2021 classes on Thursday November 18th and undertake an English and Maths exam on Friday November 19th. Students in Year 11 will finish classes on Wednesday November 17th and undertake an English and Maths exam on Thursday November 18th with additional activities planned for Friday November 19th.

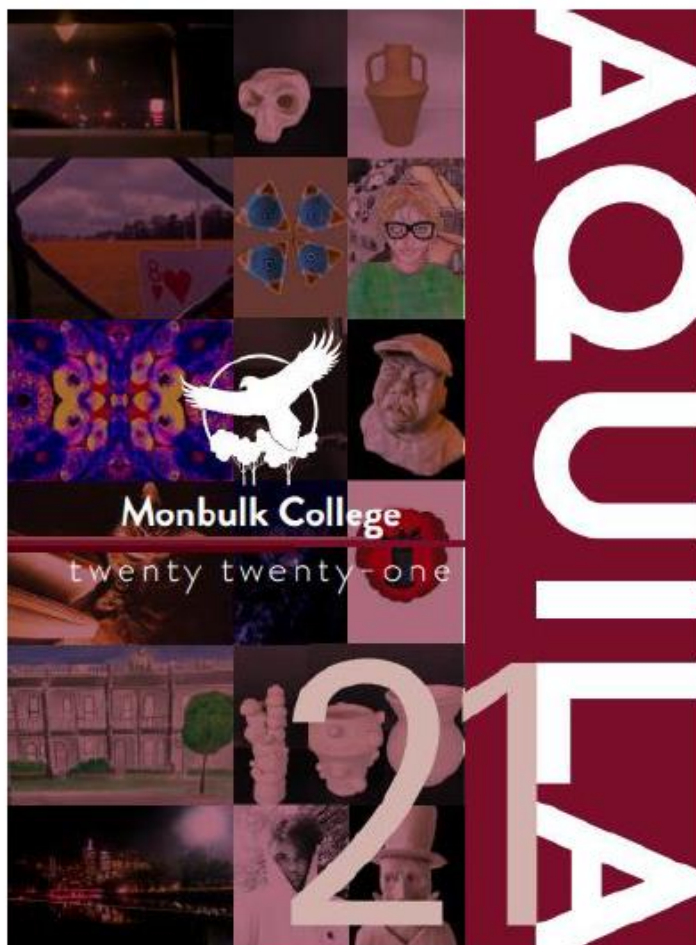
All students at the college will move into their 2022 classes on Monday November 22nd. As in previous years the VCE and VCAL Flying Start programs will run for one week from Monday 22nd November until Friday 26th November. Students currently in VCAL will continue with their work placement until the end of the year. Students commencing VCAL may be required to undertake Structured Workplace learning, workplace trials or work experience during the following three weeks.

Classes for 2022 Years 8, 9 and 10 students will continue until Friday December 10th with an excursion to Gumbuya World on Tuesday December 7th. Presentation of achievement awards for students currently in Years 7 to 10 will be presented on Friday 10th December in Year Level assemblies (students only).

On Friday December 10th the builders begin moving all the Arts and Technology equipment into our new building and so on Monday and Tuesday (Dec 13th and 14th) we will be running a summer program with activities at the college ranging from card making to gardening and will only be able to use rooms outside the arts and tech wing.

During the Flying Start program students will not be expected to have their 2022 textbooks but will be expected to have the usual classroom materials (notebook, paper, pens and laptop).

Margaret Uren



**AQUILA 2021 IS NOW
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

\$15

MAGAZINE FEATURES:

- ✓ Autographs page
- ✓ Individual student photos
- ✓ Year level highlights
- ✓ Lots of photos
- ✓ Sports Days

Music News



Now that we are back on site with a little normalcy creeping back into the music department, I would like to take this opportunity to say Thank you to all our intrepid music students. As I type this just now, I thought to myself “Is *intrepid* the right word?” I initially thought ‘resilient’ but I felt that that word is being totally overused at the moment, so I looked up synonyms for resilient....strong, tough, hardy, flexible, springy, rubbery.... I think I’ll stop now.

It has been amazing to hear the lessons happening in person again and our goal now is to allow students to grow in confidence and learn to love playing in groups and performing again, now that we are allowed.

As the Year 12 students have now finished for the year, we have some openings within the music department for students wishing to take up Voice lessons or beginner guitar lessons. If anyone is interested, I’d love to have them meet the teachers and have a little taste of what music lessons at school can be like, ready to start fresh in 2022.

It is always our ambition within the music department to hold performances and give our young musicians every opportunity to perform and find success with their musical journeys. We have a lot of ideas for 2022 and would love to have as many students join with us as possible for the fun.

If you are happy to reenrol for 2022, please contact the Music Department for information and maybe this will alleviate some pressure at the start of 2022 and get the lessons started from week 1.

As always, any questions please ask any of the Music staff.

Roz Wilson

Instrumental Music Coordinator



ATTENTION: Current Year 8 Families



Alpine School Campus
School for Student Leadership

Exciting opportunity for Year 9 Students 2022

School for Student Leadership

Monbulk College is delighted to announce that we have once again been invited to participate in a very exciting government program which offers a team of Year 9 students the opportunity to attend the **School for Student Leadership**. In **Term 3, 2022**, Monbulk College will send a **team of 3 boys and 3 girls** to the **Alpine Campus, at Dinner Plain**, Victoria.

School for Student Leadership is a Victorian Department of Education and Training initiative offering a unique residential education experience for Year 9 students. The curriculum focuses on personal development and team learning projects sourced from students' home regions. There are four campuses in iconic locations across Victoria.

Since 2015, when this program was successfully launched at Monbulk College, we have sent a year 9 team to each of the four campuses.

Students who spend a term at the School for Student Leadership experience **a different kind of learning** and are given the opportunity to **develop their personal and leadership skills**. **There is also a strong emphasis on outdoor education and team work**. **Students return to school more confident and self-assured**.

During term 1, next year an information session for Year 9 families will be held. Further information as to the date will be announced at the beginning of Term 1.

For further detailed information take a look at the website:

<http://www.alpineschool.vic.edu.au>

or

contact **Shani Vander-Young, Monbulk College, SSL Liaison Teacher**.

Curiositorium Library Monitors 2022

Applications are now opened for the positions of Curiositorium Library Monitor in 2022.

We are offering several Junior and Senior School positions.

*To apply please complete the application form at the bottom of this document. Then submit the form and a written recommendation from a teacher to the Library by **Wednesday 24th November 2021.***

Role Description:

Our Curiositorium Library Monitors are students who help in the library every day to keep our Curiositorium bright, organised, and student focused. Curiositorium Library Monitors are the voice of students in our book selections and lunchtime activities and play an essential role in the care and creative vision of the Library.

Responsibilities:

1. To take responsibility of designated collection shelves.

Our fiction is currently divided into 16 genres. Depending on the size of each genre, monitors are responsible for 2 or 3 genre collection shelves.

This will include

- Check and make note of the condition and availability of the individual resources
- Cleaning and maintaining of the shelves
- Reading and reviewing titles within designated shelves
- Advertising recommended reads for other students

2. To facilitate lunchtime activities.

This will include

- Ensuring board games, chess sets and playing cards are available for students.
- Organising Pop-Up Book Clubs
- Assisting with other activities as needs arise

3. To assist with creating and maintaining Displays and Special Activities

This will include

- Special Activities related to yearly celebrations such as Easter, Halloween and Christmas
- Children's Book Council Australia Book of the Year
- Old book sales

4. To assist with general tasks and care of the library.

This will include

- Shelving fiction, non-fiction, magazines and audio resources
- Replacing furniture to an ordered and neat position
- Borrowing and Returning books for students
- To assist with processing (labelling, stamping, covering) new resources

5. Be the Voice of Students in the Library

This will include

- Recording book recommendations by students and teachers
- Book Talk – Approaching students to find their book needs and wants
- Communicate with other Student Leaders and Teachers to get whole school competitions up and running
- To attend all recess or lunchtime meetings in the library

6. To assist students and teachers with online Library Management System (LMS)

This will include

- Showing students and teachers how to use the LMS from home to search, hold and renew resources from home.

Curiositorium Library Monitor Application Form

Name	
Year Level	
Reason for wanting the position	
Reading Interests (knowing this will help us to organise responsibility for genre shelves)	
Experience (name any skills you can bring to the monitor position)	