

# Marian College A Kildare Education Ministries School in the Brigidine tradition

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WELCOME BACK TO THE CLASSROOM YEAR 7



## From the Head of Organisation and Student Development



Dear Parents, Carers, Friends and Students of Marian College,

- We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,
  - We strive for continuous improvement

Father, we pray that right now parents be steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work you have given them, knowing that their labor is not in vain. We pray that parents would be strengthened to run this race with endurance, looking to Jesus who, for the joy set before Him, endured the cross for us. Remind parents that Jesus Himself is the joy set before all believers. We grow weary, but you do not; show us what it looks like to wait on you.

#### Amen

(1 Cor 15:58, Hebrews 12:1-3, Isaiah 40:28-31).

#### Remaining steadfast in a world of turmoil

Term 4 has begun and we are on the last leg of the school year. It is always a really busy term usually with a lot on the calendar. This year, we are all wondering what we will be able to do for our students, particularly our senior students as they finish up their secondary schooling. A very wise person says "it is what it is" and we just adjust to whatever life hands us. 2 In these last few weeks of term four, it think this might be really good advice. The first week of term we had Year 12 students returning to school onsite. The GAT was held on Tuesday 5th October and went off very successfully. Thank you to the students and our external examiners who did such a great job to ensure that everyone was safe, warm and able to do the best they could in this exam. On Wednesday the Year 11 students returned to school onsite and it was wonderful to see them again. VCAL students have been hard at work finishing their projects and theory for their Intermediate and Senior VCAL certificates. We have not had all staff onsite, with only senior teachers required at school for their VCE classes. It has been a very different experience for the start of Term 4. However, we are grateful for the students who have come to school and to be able to be teaching onsite.

Year 12 students are now very focused on preparing for the end of the year external VCAA exam period. This is a time when we would like to encourage all our Year 12 students and their parents to remain steadfast in their determination to do their best. To work towards remaining calm and focused on being the best version of themselves they can be.

Perhaps one of the bonuses of remote learning is that students are becoming more interdependent learners and have begun to manage their time in a much more independent way. This is a bonus for our senior students! If they are intending to head off to University in 2022 then this is a skill that will set them up for success. Many of our Year 12 students have enjoyed "taking over" the Brigidine Centre and having that as their base. All their classes have been in this learning area and this has been an excellent opportunity for them to re-establish their friendships and reconnect with each other.

### All staff and Year 7's back this week!

We are happy to welcome back the Year 7 students this week. We hope they are able to settle back into their routines quickly and reestablish their focus on learning in the classroom. All staff will return to school this week, with a blend of remote learning and face-to-face teaching. This is going to be a difficult time for some teachers so please be patient with them! It will be a challenge to have a class doing remote learning and the next lesson teaching onsite! While I have every confidence that our teachers will try their best to make this work, it may not always be possible for them to maintain their usual excellence in communication during this transition time.

### Some events being planned

It is difficult to plan for events but there are some online opportunities that our students are being offered. We are hoping to have a Year 7 (for 2022) Information Evening via webinar in the coming weeks. We are also hoping to run some Year 7 Orientation days at the end of the term. Please stay tuned for these in this newsletter. VCAL students have 'Care Packages' that they are hoping to deliver during the coming weeks, depending on what is allowed via health regulations.

We would like to remind you that to ensure that we can all be safe and healthy, all students and staff MUST wear a mask at all times. This is a Victorian Government regulation. Please make sure that your student has a mask to wear on the bus and during the day at school. While the weather is not quite warm enough for us to leave doors and windows open, we hope to keep the classrooms as aerated as possible for our safety. For this reason, it would be advisable for students to wear appropriate clothing from their school uniform.

Lucy Edwards Head of Organisation and Student Development

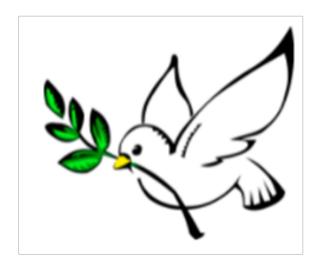


### FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

Welcome back to everyone from Clancy for Term 4. Unfortunately, I can't say welcome back to school to you all just yet, but that isn't too far away. VCE and Year 7 students have returned. Years 8, 9 and 10 will have a staggered return to school for the next two weeks, with Years 8 and 9 at school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Year 10s will be at school on Thursdays and Fridays. I can't wait to see you all again.

Remember, when you return it will be more important than ever to follow all the covid safety directions. You are to wear your mask inside and outside unless eating or drinking, wash your hands frequently and remember to socially distance whenever possible. Thank you, I know you will cooperate in following these directions. They are in place to protect your health and the health of others around you. Also, if you are able to, you should seriously consider being vaccinated. Vaccination is not mandatory but is strongly encouraged. Getting vaccinated is the best way to protect our school community from outbreaks and the spread of COVID-19.

Term 4 means the weather will be warming up and therefore a change of uniform to the summer uniform and wearing a hat when outside. Most of you will have done some growing since you last wore your uniform, so dig it out and try it on so you are ready to return in the correct uniform when told to.



### FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

For our Year 12s, Term 4 will be the culmination of 13 years of schooling and since we will not all be back at school together to farewell them before they finish classes I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the Clancy Class of 2021:

Olivia Cole - School Captain
Haylee Griffin - Clancy Captain
Oscar Cole - Clancy Captain
Isabella Browne - Learning Leader
Evie McMurtrie - Learning Leader
Luke Briggs
Arabelle Hitchcock
Zak Kelana
Monica Nguyen
Tahnee Sobey
Bridie Stuchbree

It has been wonderful to see you grow and develop during your time at Marian College into great leaders and role models for the Clancy House. I'm sure you will all join me to wish them all the very best for their final few weeks of school, exams and whatever the future holds for each of them. Good luck!

Take care Mrs Boatman Clancy House Leader



Marian College is a "SunSmart School".



The wearing of hats is compulsory during Terms 1 and 4.

Replacement hats can be purchased at the Office for \$5.00.





### Marian College Ararat



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Applications are invited from suitably experienced persons for the position of

#### **Head of Science**

(Full Time, Ongoing, Commencing Term 1, 2022)

Marian College Ararat is seeking a dynamic and passionate teacher of Science and Mathematics to head the Science Faculty.

Application information including position description is available on the Marian College website.

Applications close at 4.00pm on Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 Email to the Principal - principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au

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#### **Learning Support/Administration**

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Marian College is seeking applications from suitably experienced persons for the following Teaching positions:

### **Technology Teacher**

(Ability to teach VCE VET Automotive is an advantage)

Full Time- Part time (negotiable)

### **Daily Organiser/Teacher**

Teacher to organise staff allocations & replacements on a daily basis along with the ability to teach a combination of Religion, Humanities, Music or English

## Drama Teacher/ Head of Production

Dynamic and passionate Teacher of drama to coordinate the annual college production

Full time - Part time (negotiable)

### **Classroom Science Teacher**

Enthusiastic and suitably qualified teachers with current VIT registration.

All commencing 2022

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### BUSHFIRE PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION

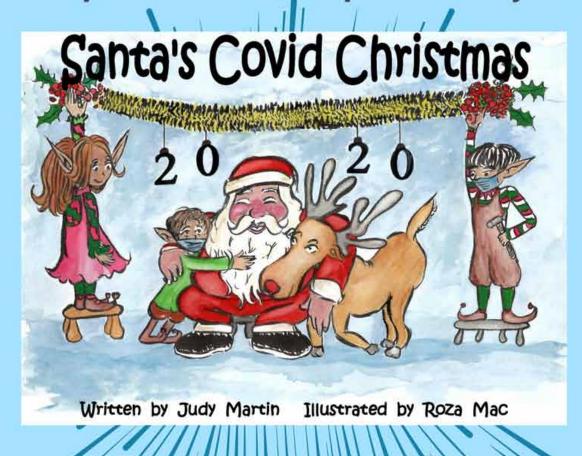
As we enter the bushfire season for another year it is important that the guidelines regarding school arrangements for CODE RED days, Total Fire Ban days and bushfire alerts are clearly articulated to all parents. These are as follows:

- 1. **No** school buses will run on any days that are declared CODE RED to Marian College. This includes the Halls Gap, Pomonal, Moyston, Amphitheatre, Elmhurst, Buangor, Beaufort, Concongella, Stawell, Navarre, Landsborough, Maroona and Willaura routes. All of these buses run through areas that are on the **At Risk Register**, and as such, are unable to transport students on CODE RED days because of the high potential of bush fires.
- 2. On CODE RED days, parents are asked to ensure students who are remaining at home because their bus is not running are **never** left at home unattended or in the care of older children.
- 3. Marian College has not been identified as being at high fire risk, and as such it will remain <u>OPEN</u> on a CODE RED day unless it is directly threatened by fire.
- 4. If a fire starts during the day that affects a bus route home, the College will be notified by the bus Coordinators at either Stawell or Ararat College. It may be possible that students are not permitted to travel home on the bus in such a situation. Parents will be notified if this occurs, and students will be cared for at school until transportation home can be arranged.
- 5. While our school has not been identified as being at high fire risk, we do plan offsite activities such as camps and field trips during the fire season. If such activities are considered to be at risk from fire, or occur on a Total Fire Ban day-they will be rescheduled or cancelled.
- 6. If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan particularly if you are planning day trips or holidays to fire-prone areas.

Please feel free to contact the College if you require further advice or information.

# SANTA'S COVID CHRISTMAS

Children's picture book - A keepsake of the year 2020



Raising funds for
East Grampians Health
Service Residents'
Support Group

Available from
Foster's Mensland
We're Knot Crazy
or Linda 0439 802 538

\$15.00





### WEEKLY CAREER NEWS

EVENTS, NEWS, UPATES AND RESOURCES

Wednesday 6 October 2021

### University applications – Victoria

#### Closing dates - October

The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) processes course applications on behalf of Victorian tertiary institutions, www.vtac.edu.au/

#### **APPLICATIONS**

Timely applications closed on Thursday 30 September. You can still apply for up to 8 courses, however the application fee is higher and applications for some courses have closed.

#### SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) applications close thisFriday (8 October).
www.vtac.edu.au/access/seas.html

#### **EARLY/GUARANTEED ENTRY**

Applications for the following early/guaranteed admission programs close this Friday (8 October).

Apply for the following programs direct to the university

- Victoria University VU Guaranteed
- Australian Catholic University ACU Guarantee

Apply for the following programs via VTAC SEAS

- Monash University Monash Guarantee
- The University of Melbourne Access
- Melbourne
- RMIT SNAP

#### Important reminders

#### **EDUCATION COURSES**

Students applying for undergraduate education courses may need to sit the CASPer test. Please book the test ASAP - https://takealtus.com/

#### NURSING COURSES

Students applying for nursing at Victoria University will need to sit the CASPer test, https://takealtus.com/

Students applying for nursing courses via VTAC will need to complete the 'Nursing and Midwifery Declaration form' via their account.

Students planning to defer their VTAC offer until 2023

#### **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY**

Accommodation offers can be deferred, https://bit.ly/3a5miuT

#### MONASH UNIVERSITY

Accommodation and the majority of scholarships can be deferred.

#### Accommodation

Accommodation applications are open for most universities.

#### RMIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Students applying for RMIT courses can apply for accommodation scholarships at the following companies: Atira, dwell Village, Journal Uni Place, Scape,UniLodge Royal Melbourne (Indigenous applicants), and WalertHouse.

Applications close this Sunday (10 October), https://bit.ly/2N6t33X

#### Scholarships

The following universities place some of their scholarships via the VTAC scholarship system:

- Charles Sturt University
- Deakin University
- La Trobe University\*
- Monash University
- RMIT University
- Swinburne University
- Victoria University

\* Note – 99% of La Trobe University scholarships for commencing students are through the VTAC system.

Students will need to complete the VTAC
Scholarship application by this Friday (8
October) and also apply for scholarships direct to
the university.

Universities not listed above – apply for all scholarships direct to the university (e.g., University of Melbourne, Federation University).

#### RMIT UNIVERSITY

Most direct scholarships will close this Sunday (10 October), https://bit.ly/3gJscU2

#### AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSTY

Students will need to apply for equity scholarships via UAC by 9 December as well as direct to the university, https://bit.ly/3bAjxzT



#### **Apprenticeships**



4 steps to finding an apprenticeship or traineeship

Australian Apprenticeships Pathways has developed a fantastic 4-step process for students to follow when seeking an apprenticeship or traineeship, http://bit.ly/39yUYmQ

### Australian Apprenticeships Pathways (AAP)

This website contains fantastic resources for young people interested in pursuing a professional trade or traineeship. Some of the resources include:

- Job and training descriptions
- Career interest explorer
- Job pathway charts
- Information on apprenticeships and schoolbased apprenticeships
- Literacy and numeracy quizzes for different industries such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and hairdressing.

To explore the website, go to http://bit.ly/3aUtxnC

Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service:

Join this Facebook page to read about the stories and achievements of young Australians who have found career success through their traineeship or apprenticeship- https://bit.ly/2HfAmFB

#### The University of Melbourne

Hansen Scholarship (current Year 11 students)

Year 11 students planning to study at The University of Melbourne in 2023 may be interested in exploring the prestigious Hansen Scholarship viahttps://bit.ly/3ix3ENW

Applications for the scholarship will open early in 2022. A virtual information session is being held for interested Year 11 students and their families.

Date:Thursday 28 October, 6 – 7pm RSVP:https://bit.ly/3Da32IY

#### **VCE Summer School**

The University of Melbourne Student Union is running their annual VCE Summer School for 2022 Year 12 students. The 2-week program will be run either on campus (COVID restrictions permitting).

Students will be able to get a head start on their studies, develop study skills, and receive tutoring for their Unit 3-4 subjects.

Current Year 11 VCE students are invited to express an interest in participating in the program by filling out an expression of interest form -

https://bit.ly/3a8ZwIC

Regional students will be able to apply to live on campus during the program.

Date: 10 – 21 January, 2022 Information, https://bit.ly/3bXuVGa



#### **Australian Catholic University**

The University is running the following events for prospective students:

Talk with Occupational Therapists, Speech Pathologists and Physiotherapists

Join us online to hear from ACU alumni and learn about the rewarding and challenging careers of occupational therapists, speech pathologists and physiotherapists.

6 October, https://bit.ly/2ZSLWkt

#### Talk with Exercise Scientists

Join us online to hear from ACU alumni about their experiences working as exercise scientists and clinical exercise physiologists.

7 October, https://bit.ly/3Bcg34f

#### One-to-one consultations

Book a course advice session and learn about your study options at ACU.

19 October, https://bit.ly/3FloBID

#### Film Competition

Passionate about filmmaking? Flickerfest, Australia's largest and only Academy® Award accredited and BAFTA- recognised international short film festival, is now accepting entries from around Australia for the SAE FlickerUp competition.

SAE FlickerUp is Flickerfest's national youth short film competition. Short film entries are invited from primary and secondary school students or filmmakers under 18 years of age across Australia. For information about the initiative and to apply by Friday 5 November, go to https://bit.ly/3mnobER



#### Youth Employment Program

The Youth Employment Program offers 6–12 month roles in Victorian Government departments and agencies. Participants:

- undertake a short training course in public sector administration
- receive job-preparation, mentoring and postplacement support

The Youth Employment Program is open to Victorians who are:

- aged between 17 and 29 years
- unemployed
- eligible to be employed by the Victorian Government.

Information - https://bit.ly/3lgnK14

#### Medicine & Dentistry

National Institute of Education is running a webinar for students interested in applying for medicine and/or dentistry in the future. The webinar will cover a large range of topics and is suited to Year 10 – 12 students and families.

Date: 11 October, 7.00pm – 9.00pm RSVP: https://bit.ly/3mOQa6i

### Year 12 students – university scholarships

The following are examples of scholarships university applicants may be eligible for:



### ACN Nursing & Midwifery Scholarships: Undergraduate

For students applying for TAFE or university level nursing or midwifery, https://bit.ly/31muXVA

#### Rural Pharmacy Scholarship

For rural students who would like to study Pharmacy at any Australian university, https://bit.ly/367iKoS

### Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme

For Indigenous students applying for allied health courses such as dentistry/oral health, medicine, nursing and midwifery, http://bit.ly/2beAhzA

#### Give Them Wings

For regional and remote students studying their first year of a nursing or allied health degree, https://bit.ly/3mbql8n

#### Pallotine Aboriginal Scholarships

For Indigenous students who are active members of the Catholic Church, who are planning to study any degree at university. Applications close 30 September, http://bit.ly/2boGU3P

#### George Alexander Foundation Scholarship

For students who would like to study an undergraduate course at one of 12 eligible universities, http://bit.ly/2c6qlaC

#### Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

For students applying to one of 5 universities and who are passionate about technology, IT and science, https://bit.ly/3xVvrQS



#### Creative Arts Scholarships

For rural/regional students studying a creative arts degree at university, https://bit.ly/3hSd7lT

### Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships

For rural/regional students studying at TAFE (at least a Certificate IV) or university, https://bit.ly/3hSd7IT

#### Bradman Scholarship

For students who would like to continue their cricket commitments whilst studying any course at university, http://bit.ly/2bvUu79

#### Charlie Bell Scholarship for Future Leaders

For students who are McDonald's employees and will be starting a university degree in 2022, http://bit.ly/1Ll5Zb6

#### A Start in Life

For students who may not be able to afford the costs associated with university study, http://bit.ly/1TUEzB4

#### Gardiner Dairy Foundation

For students residing in Victorian dairy communities who plan to pursue a career that will benefit dairy communities or the dairy industry. Worth \$10,000 per annum. Applications close 19 November, https://bit.ly/32bYXVe

#### Young Farmers Scholarships

For students planning to study a TAFE or university course in agriculture, https://bit.ly/3eFbLt1



#### Mary Mackillop Today - First Nations Tertiary Scholarships program

For an indigenous person studying at university in 2022, https://bit.ly/3ivYrlj

### Youth Off the Streets National Scholarship Program

For young people who have a clear financial need to be able to study at TAFE or university, http://bit.ly/2beQHbd

### Victoria Department of Education and Training

For students currently in Year 12 planning to study full time in 2021. There are various scholarships each with their own selection criteria. Applications will open 18 September, http://bit.ly/21looVl

### Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust

For children and grandchildren of ex-servicemen and women. This scheme covers several scholarships and applications close 31 October, http://bit.ly/2bv3x63

#### Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Scholarships

For regional and rural students studying any degree, http://bit.ly/2bHMegZ

#### STEM webinars

The following articles have been taken from Careers with STEM.



#### Technology and Cyber Security

Technology is the key to a fairer, healthier, brighter future! Career opportunities are as diverse as new energy, cyber, environment and sustainability, solving poverty, pandemic response, fighting climate change, politics and law. Plus, roles in growing sectors like mining, retail, cyber security and cloud computing!

Register to watch a webinar on Thursday 21 October about these fascinating career areas, https://bit.ly/3mupmXf

#### Want to be a future energy specialist?

Check out this live webinar recording, https://bit.ly/3iyAXDv

# October 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
11	12	13	14	15	
YEAR 7 STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL FULL TIME	YEARS 8 & 9 ON SITE	YEARS 8 & 9 ON SITE	YEAR 10 ON SITE	YEAR 10 ON SITE	
YEARS 8, 9 & 10	YEAR 10 REMOTE LEARNING	YEAR 10 REMOTE LEARNING	YEARS 8 & 9 REMOTE LEARNING	YEARS 8 & 9 REMOTE LEARNING	
LEARNING					
18	19	20	21	22	
YEAR 7	YEAR 8 & 9 ON SITE	YEAR 8 & 9 ON SITE	YEAR 10 ON SITE	YEAR 10 ON SITE	
IMMUNISATIONS (GARDASIL)	YEAR 10 REMOTE LEARNING	YEAR 10 REMOTE LEARNING	YEARS 8 & 9 REMOTE LEARNING	YEARS 8 & 9 REMOTE LEARNING	
YEARS 8, 9 & 10 REMOTE LEARNING	YEAR 7 2022 INFORMATION EVENING (ONLINE)	YEAR 12s LAST DAY		OUTDOOR EDUCATION HIKE	
25	26	27	28	29	
YEAR 10 REMOTE LEARNING	ALL SUTDENTS BACK ON SITE				
ALL OTHER YEAR LEVELS ON SITE	FULL TIME				
		VCE EXAMS			

# November 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	2	3	4	5	
PUPIL FREE DAY	MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY				
VCE EXAMS		VCE EXAMS			