



Marian College

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REMINDER - SCHOOL PHOTO DAY - TOMORROW
TUESDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2021

PLEASE REMEMBER ENVELOPES AND DRESS IN FULL
SCHOOL UNIFORM - (SEE PAGE 3)

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From the Head of Wellbeing



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

❖ *We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,*

❖ *We strive for continuous improvement*

It was a joy to return to school after the snap lockdown. We were all grateful that lockdown was a brief one and that we were able to return to teach our students in person. Similarly, students seemed grateful to be back in the classroom and to have the opportunity to see their friends. Lockdowns certainly have a way of reminding us of what gives us the most joy in life - mainly, one another.

Our staff, students and families have adapted time and time again to trying circumstances and have united as a community. In particular, our new Year 7s have really impressed with their attitude and resilience. They proved that they can bounce back from the disappointment of camp being cancelled and return to classes as normal with enthusiasm and grace. We thank them for their resilience and understanding and we thank their parents who would have played a big role in helping their children return to school after lockdown.

While there was a lot planned for this week that had to be cancelled because of Covid - such as the Year 7 camp; the Elevate study skills program from Year 7-12, and our school Mass - rest assured that staff are looking at the school calendar to see how else

we can run exciting and educational opportunities for our students down the track who have missed out.

We are excited to still be able to run the upcoming swimming carnival for our students and, although we are sorry that parents are unable to attend this year due to Covid restrictions, we look forward to a fun and exciting day.

Steph Saravanja
Head of Wellbeing

say cheese!



School Photo Day is fast approaching. *Have your child's school memories captured forever* on **Tuesday 23rd February 2021**

Your photo order envelopes will arrive shortly.
Please start planning your purchases and payment options.

Remember these helpful points:

- Read all relevant instructions for your preferred payment method. **All payments are due on photo day.**
- You may pay **online** using your credit card. Each child will have an individual 'shootkey' listed on their envelope. This will help identify your child's order.
- You may pay by cash using the individual envelope provided. **Please enclose correct money as no change will be given.**
- *Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office upon request. **THESE PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN DURING SCHOOL, ON PHOTO DAY, USUALLY AT RECESS***
 - Please instruct siblings to attend the photo studio during this time. Photographers are unable to search for students who do not attend.
- Do not seal envelopes inside each other. You may include payment for all children in one envelope, however, please indicate on this envelope the names of all the children you are paying for.
- All students should wear their **correct school uniform.**

NO SPORTS UNIFORM TO BE WORN FOR PHOTOGRAPHS

Year 12 students should wear their the Year 12 Rugby Jumper (subject to arrival)

Year 10 – 11 should wear the blue college polo top or business shirt or summer dress

Clean black leather shoes with white or grey socks

Long hair must be tied back

Boys must be clean shaven

Year 7 – 9 students should wear the new school uniform – NO SPORTS UNIFORM

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact

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IN MY WORDS *with Grace Lording*

Barron House Leader

On the 16th of February 2004, during the long hours of the afternoon, Natalie and Wayne Lording were first introduced to their little handful, of course being me, Grace Lording. Little did they know they would have to deal with a very active child who tries to run everywhere despite not being able to walk. My half brother and only sibling, Tom, was a very significant part of my childhood being the first person I ever got up on my two legs and walked to in the kitchen at Yarra Glen.

Tom is five years older than me and we did everything together as kids, rode motorbikes, helped out on the family farm, drove cars around the property, nerf gun wars, even elastic band guns were brought in at some point and they only ever ended up in tears! When I was around 2 years old, my family and I all went to Fiji for my Auntie and Uncle's wedding. I am sure everyone enjoyed the trip, especially my brother because he was in charge of making sure I didn't run away. For some reason, little Grace would open the cabin door and sprint as far as she could along the footpaths, until my brother caught up!

As the years went by, we moved to Upper Pakenham, and then to



Clyde North where I went to kindergarten at Beacons Hills in Officer. A year earlier than usual, the teachers told my parents that I was mature enough and ready to go to school at the age of four. I attended my primary years at Maranatha Christian School until Year 5 when my dad and I moved out to Patterson Lakes. I was still attending Maranatha, but this was an extremely exciting year because I was starting horse riding lessons! These lessons eventually lead me to beg dad to buy me my first horse, which he did! So off we went, with my Pop and Gran to pick up my first horse from Newcastle NSW. We brought home my beautiful Evie who I still have now, a quarter horse paint. Over the years Evie and I have competed in many competitions ranging from western to eventing. This horse has taught me so much about life, and has been a constant friend who will always be by my side. There is no relationship that can be as significant as with a horse, and I am so grateful to my dad who made this possible by finding Miss Evie.

In Year 6, I then moved schools to Hillcrest Christian College, which was an awesome school. They had equestrian as a subject, and I could take Evie to school and ride during lunch or our equestrian classes. I also played just about every sport for Hillcrest and enjoyed them all so much. I then ended up moving a few more times, ending up in the small town of Moyston not far from Ararat, starting at Marian college halfway through Year 9.

At the end of 2019, I was able to go on an incredible holiday to Japan with my mum. We stayed at a place called Hokkaido, which was in the north island of Niseko.

This trip was absolutely amazing, as we got to ski down some of the best mountains known, eat spectacular food, and experience such a diverse culture.

Moving up to this side of town has led me to so many new interests and hobbies. I have started competition shooting, Air force cadets, tennis, and also I have been given the opportunity to have multiple lessons in fixed wing aircraft and one lesson in a helicopter. Little did I know that taking part in these incredible things would lead me to become extremely passionate about flying. I have now chosen my career path and am working hard towards it. After Year 12 I am hoping to study technology aviation at the Australian Defence Force Academy in 2022, while undergoing training to become a helicopter pilot. I found that the military was for me because of my love for shooting, always being active, taking on incredible challenges and leadership. My family has also been involved within the ADF, with my pop being a test pilot in the Air Force and my dad working on warfare and surveillance, which also sparked my career goal, as I always found their stories fascinating and knew it was something I wanted to experience myself.

I would not have been able to experience these things without my incredible dad, who has constantly been my biggest support and also my mum who creates amazing opportunities and experiences. I also want to thank the incredible teachers at Marian for pushing me to achieve my goals, and keep motivated through stressful times, I look forward to a big year ahead with the most amazing cohort, and I wish all of my peers a safe and fun year. Good luck Year 12's.



IN MY WORDS *with Dylan Ryan*

Barron House Leader

I was born on the 25 of October 2003, in the town hospital of Stawell. I was the happy bouncing boy of Melinda and Darren, I was to be the first and only child of my parents. Throughout my childhood, I lived a very standard life. Well maybe except the first time we realised I was allergic to peanuts. I was too young to remember it but I've been told that it was a very panic-induced day, a very quick drive to the hospital.

Then came primary school, being in Halls Gap I went to Halls Gap Primary School. It was a standard small rural school with around 25 students for the entire school, quite tiny when compared to our class sizes now.

Either way, I don't remember too much about primary school. The only thing I really remember was the year we did Grease Lightning for our school production. An amazing success considering our age back then. After six years I finally moved on to secondary school, which brings me to Marian College Ararat. The place that I've spent five, close to being six years. I still remember my Mother's face the first day I left for high school, both my parents were proud, to be fair they still are proud.



Outside of school I really don't do much exempt swim. For those of you that don't know me too well, I am an avid swimmer and spend on average about 6-7 hours a week in a pool. This includes early morning training and travelling to swim meets. Throughout swimming I have had the great experience to go to many exciting meets and meet some amazing friends. Swimming for me isn't just a sport, it's a passion. Even before I started swimming competitively, I had great memories of being down at my gran's for swim lessons. Almost every day I would go down and learn to swim, a skill which I would say I have put to good use.

Even this year I was so lucky to be able to attend the NYSF, the flagship STEM program for Rotary. Without going too much into it, it was an amazing 14 day program with a round 600 students and many great internationally renowned speakers. This program was meant to take place in either Canberra or Brisbane but due to the Covid became an online program like most things this/last year. Despite this, the program was a blast and really good fun. Either way, it was a wonderful experience that I would recommend to everyone that is interested.

Within Marian, I settled right in. Having a great TA teacher, good friends and a healthy attitude I pushed through school all the way to Year 12. Looking back school has been great, from swimming sports to athletics to school camps. The entirety of my Marian experience has been great. The teacher support has been amazing, even the simple thing like the experiences to do things I may never have gotten the chance to do and the encouragement that gave us. On a final note, I wish everyone a great year, for those doing VCE like myself, I wish you all the luck with your exams and your future, and those doing VCAL, I wish you all the luck with your TAFE courses or jobs depending on how you choose to continue your future.



IMMUNISATIONS YEAR 7 & YEAR 10



Please return completed immunisation cards by Wednesday 24th February 2021

Immunisation scheduled for Wednesday
3rd March, 2021

ATTENTION YEAR 8 PARENTS

PLEASE LOG INTO THE PARENT
ACCESS MODULE (PAM) AND
CONSENT TO YEAR 8 RETREAT



FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

Welcome back to school again everyone from what was a blended week last week of remote and face to face learning. I want to take this opportunity to say well done to everyone. The majority of you were able to adapt seamlessly to the few days of remote learning. It's comforting to know that whatever the next few months bring, we are all capable of taking it in our stride.

As this edition of the newsletter goes to print you will all be participating in the Marian College Swimming Carnival and doing your best to get your house to the winner's podium. Even if you are not a great swimmer the day is all about getting in and having a go and doing your best for your team. May the best House win. For those of you who manage to win events, we wish you all the best as you move on to represent Marian College at the Black Ranges Carnival later in the term.

Tomorrow school photos will be taken and students need to be in the correct summer uniform. If you have practical Phys Ed classes on Tuesday you will need to bring your PE uniform separately then change it at school. (Refer to pages 8 & 9 of your diary if you're not sure)

Last week during lockdown 3.0 we missed out on celebrating Pancake Tuesday and Ash Wednesday as a school community. Those two days marked the beginning of a special period on the Catholic Calendar, that of Lent. Lent is traditionally a time of reflection and sacrifice leading up to Easter. It's a time where we can put the needs of others, often those less fortunate than ourselves, ahead of our own needs. This year, we are again supporting Caritas through Project Compassion. Each homeroom has been given the challenge to collect any loose change that we might have to donate to this great cause. Caritas Australia works to end poverty and promote justice in over 24 countries throughout Africa, Asia, Australia, the Pacific and the Middle East. Their work tackles a range of global issues which impact poverty. So please, I encourage you all to give generously and put the needs of others less fortunate, at the forefront of our thoughts. The money will be collected as houses and a tally will be made at the end of the term. I hope that we can be the most generous house in supporting this worthwhile cause!

It was necessary to postpone a few other events which were to take place last week. An attempt will be made to reschedule both the Year 7 Camp and the Opening School Mass. You'll be notified when appropriate dates have been finalised.

Final preparations are underway for the Year 8 Camp to Angelsea and I encourage all parents and guardians to please complete the online permission forms. All camps are a compulsory part of the curriculum and every student benefits greatly from the experience.

Let's keep doing our best in all that we do at school. I can't wait to see what we can achieve!

Mrs Boatman
Clancy House Leader



NEWS



Australian Government
Department of Education,
Skills and Employment

Collection Notice for parents/guardians

2021 Student Residential Address and Other Information

The Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment (the department) would like to advise you that a request has been made for your child's school to provide residential address and other information as required under the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (Cth).

The school is required to provide the department with the following information about each student at the school:

- Names and residential addresses of students' parent(s) and/or guardian(s)
- Student residential address (**excluding student names**)
- Whether the student is a primary or secondary student (education level)
- Whether the student is boarding or a day student (boarding status).

Your child's school generates a **unique and unidentifiable** record number for each student record. The number is **only** used by the school for this collection. **It is not allowed to be used for any other purpose.** The number indicates to the department that each record provided is for one student.

Purpose of the collection

The Student Residential Address and Other Information Collection (the Collection) informs Australian Government school education policy and helps ensure funding for non-government schools is based on need.

The information collected will be used to inform school funding calculations. It is combined with data held by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to calculate a non-government school community's anticipated capacity to contribute to the costs of schooling.

From 2020, a new measure of capacity to contribute, the Direct Measure of Income (DMI), was introduced. The DMI is based on the median income of parents or guardians of students at a non-government school using data collected through the Collection. More information about the DMI can be found at <https://www.education.gov.au/what-direct-measure-income>.

Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law under the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identifiable individual. Personal information includes an individual's name and contact details.

Any use or disclosure of your personal information must occur in accordance with Privacy Act and the *Australian Education Act 2013* and *Australian Education Regulation 2013*.

Your personal information provided to the department through the Collection may be:

- disclosed to the ABS for the purposes of capacity to contribute calculations and analysis as a part of the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Further information about MADIP can be found on the [MADIP page](#) on the ABS website.
- disclosed to a contracted auditor where the department may from time to time, carry out an audit of a school's submission to the Collection. The contracted auditor compares the school's submission with the student enrolment information held by the school and will not use the information for any other purpose
- disclosed to its service providers for the purposes of the provision of information and communications technology support services to the department
- used or disclosed where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

The department does not intend to disclose your personal information to any overseas recipients.

The department's privacy policy can be found at www.dese.gov.au and includes information on:

- how individuals can access and seek correction of the personal information held by the department;
- how complaints about potential breaches or breaches of the Privacy Act can be made;
- how the department will deal with these complaints.

The department commissioned an independent privacy impact assessment (PIA). The PIA assesses the flows of information under the Collection, compliance with the Privacy Act and measures in place to safeguard the personal information being collected. The report is being updated, and will be available in 2021 on the [SchoolsHUB Address Collection help and support page](#). The current version is available at <https://docs.education.gov.au/node/51436>.

What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. Your school is responsible for providing the requested details to the department; however, you may wish to ensure that your school has the most up-to-date and correct details for your family.

Contacts for further information

Your school can provide additional information about the Collection process.

Alternatively, please visit the [SchoolsHUB Address Collection help and support page](#).



Up to date information on career news and events

WEEKLY CAREER NEWS

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Apprenticeship/Traineeship websites

MyGain YouTube Channel

Check out this channel to watch videos about apprenticeships, traineeships and employers, <http://bit.ly/1NC2fUS>

AusAppPathway

This is an App you can download so you can research apprenticeships and traineeships on the go via your smart phone, www.ausapp.com.au/

Making the most of your time at school

If you have just started back at school and you aren't feeling motivated or engaged, the staff at Australian Apprenticeships Pathways have written an article with great advice about how you can become more connected with your learning and your career development.

The article covers school subjects, VET subjects, school-based apprenticeships, work experience and paid work. You can read the article here - <http://bit.ly/2FdEHFz>

Article for families

They have also written an article just for parents and families called 'opening the door to new opportunities for your child'. You can access it at this link - <http://bit.ly/2BCiZeu>

Careers in the maritime industry

Career Education Association of Victorian (CEAV) and Offshore and Specialist Ships Australia (OSSA) are hosting an exciting online information session about careers in the Maritime Industry.

Students will get to hear from OSSA staff and members currently employed in the industry and will learn about the huge variety of occupations, potential pathways, career stories and more!

Date: Thursday 25 March, 11.30am
Information & RSVP: please see your Career Adviser for the link to register your place.



New medicine pathway course

From 2022, CQUniversity will be offering the Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) program. A small number of graduates will be guaranteed a place in The University of Queensland's regionally based Doctor of Medicine program provided they meet entry requirements. For information on entry requirements and the course, visit www.cqu.edu.au

Careers With STEM

Business + STEM

Science isn't all research and academia – commercially minded scientists are turning their inventions and discoveries into real-world products and successful businesses all the time. Learn why science + innovation = a great combination, <https://bit.ly/3qrkdzL>

Humanities + STEM

Can you really combine humanities and STEM? Absolutely! Discover how to connect your humanities passion with STEM subjects to build your dream career, <https://bit.ly/2Zmndlg>

Could I be a data scientist?

Love numbers? Able to spot a pattern from mile away? Take this quiz to see if you've got what it takes to work in this exciting, popular and future proof area of STEM! <http://bit.ly/3qBsUYc>

Mechanical engineering

From what it is to where it could take you, we break down mechanical engineering to see if it's the right STEM career path for you, <http://bit.ly/3diKEa>

Learn computer science via YouTube

The clever people at Laconic Machine Learning have compiled an entire CS curriculum into 1000 YouTube videos and it's awesome! <http://bit.ly/3rQRlKk>

Applying Medicine, Dentistry or Oral Health?

If you are in Year 12 and plan to apply for any of these health science courses to start in 2022, you may need to sit the UCAT ANZ (University Clinical Aptitude Test).

The UCAT ANZ is a two-hour, computer-based test which assesses a range of mental abilities identified by universities as important to practicing in the fields of medicine and dentistry.

It consists of five separately timed subtests which each contain a number of questions in a multiple-choice format.

You will sit the test in July 2021 and selected universities use your UCAT ANZ results as part of the selection process, in conjunction with your ATAR and HSC/VCE results, and in some cases an interview.

You will only have one chance to sit the UCAT ANZ this year.

Key dates

1 Feb	Concession Scheme and Access Arrangements open
1 Mar	Bookings open
10 Mar	Concession application deadline
17 Mar	Access Arrangements application deadline
17 May	Booking deadline
7 Jun	Booking cancellation deadline
1 Jul – 11 Aug	Testing
Sep	Results delivered to universities

It will cost you around \$305 to sit the test, or \$199 concession, and you will be able to receive your results straight away.

You have the choice to start preparing for the test early. There are several private companies who offer commercial preparation programs – www.nie.edu.au/ and www.medentry.edu.au/ are examples.

It is important to note that the universities who use the UCAT do not endorse any of these companies and you can access free preparation materials from the UCAT site at www.ucat.edu.au/ucat-anz/practice-tests

Please go to www.ucat.edu.au for more information about the UCAT ANZ, to see if you have to sit the test, and to register for the test.



Apply for university now!



University of New England

Applications are now open for the direct early entry program. It's free to apply and applications for Year 12 students will close Friday 17 September.

You will need a recommendation from your school to be eligible. Offers will be made in November before your final ATAR and results are released. For information and to start your application, visit www.une.edu.au

Australia National University

From March, Year 12 students who are planning to study at ANU in 2022 (or defer their studies until 2023) will be able to apply for courses, accommodation and scholarship in the one online application direct to the university. For information on dates and the new admissions process, visit www.anu.edu.au

University – Early Entry Programs



Application dates aren't available yet for several early entry programs. You can register your interest now though to receive emails with updates:

Charles Sturt University

Charles Sturt Advantage
www.csu.edu.au

Australian Catholic University

ACU Guarantee
www.acu.edu.au

University of Wollongong

Early Admission
www.uow.edu.au

Updates from RMIT University

Interested in aviation?

RMIT offers the Associate Degree in Aviation (Professional Pilots) at the Point Cook and Bendigo campuses. Students interested in studying at Bendigo in the future can participate in an on-campus information session and tour. Information and RSVP via this link <http://bit.ly/3piNDyI>

RMIT Health Clinic

The RMIT Health Clinic in Bundoora offers a range of affordable services including Osteopathy, Chiropractic, Chinese Medicine and Psychology to the general public.

No matter what service you select, you'll be treated by current RMIT senior students under the supervision of registered practitioners. Students interested in studying a health science course in the future will also be able to see RMIT students in action, www.rmit.edu.au/healthclinic



Student – career quiz

Not sure where to begin discovering your skills? Check out the free Career Quiz developed by Skillsroad. It will help you determine some of your natural skills and match them to careers and industries you're likely to enjoy working in! Get started now by visiting: www.skillsroad.com.au/my-account/my-careers-quiz

Dreaming of an amazing gap year?

Check out Homegrown heroes!

This company matches Australian residents with families who are looking for an Au Pair. You will live with and work for a family caring for their children.

If you have babysitting experience, love children, have excellent communication skills and love being organised, then a job as an Au Pair could be for you.

Placements can be 6 or 12 months and you can apply for a role where you live or don't live with the family. For information, visit <https://year13.com.au/employers/homegrown-help>

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