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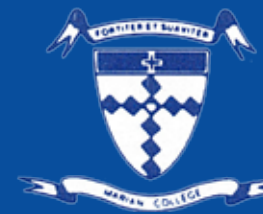
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From the Principal's Office



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

❖ *We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,*

❖ *We strive for continuous improvement*

The heavens keep telling the wonders of God, and the skies declare what God has done. Each day informs the following day; each night announces to the next. They don't speak a word, and there is never the sound of a voice. Yet their message reaches all the earth, and it travels around the world.
Psalm 19:1-4

Over the last week or more, I have thoroughly enjoyed the brilliant orange sunsets each evening over the Grampians as we transition to Autumn. When we are surrounded by this ever changing landscape we realise how fortunate we are to feel that sense of freedom and space when so much of the world remains in lockdown. We are grateful to the many people who have helped bring us to the stage. We now look to the future and some normality for our community as we navigate the best way forward for our students. We understand that it has been a difficult 2020 for students, families and staff. Some students coped well while others found the isolation from friends and the self-regulation required for remote learning incredibly difficult. But this year is about moving forward and ensuring that in all we do it is 'my best effort'.

Year 8 Retreat

Last week our very excited Year 8 students spent three days on Retreat Camp at Anglesea. I would like to congratulate all Year 8 students on their engagement and wonderful behaviour throughout the time. A huge thank you to Mrs Boatman, Mr East and all staff who helped organise or supervision the students while away. After such a difficult first year of secondary school, this year level enjoyed the time together to build relationships with peers and to understand a little more about what is important to Marian College. Thank you to all involved.

Year 11 and Year 12 Teacher Advisor Interview

This Tuesday after school is our Year 11 and 12 Parent Teacher Advisor Interviews. As we near the end of a very busy term, it is important to check in on the progress of students and to make any necessary adjustments early in the year for continued improvement. This year we offer parents an opportunity for a phone interview or an online ZOOM interview. Please book a time through the Parent Access Module (PAM) with your child's Teacher Advisor.

Stations of the Cross

As has been the tradition for many years, the final day of Term 1 is our 'Way of the Cross'. This Passion Narrative presented by our Year 12 students recalls the final

days of Jesus' life on Earth. The Year 12s have been working hard with their teachers in preparation for this important ceremony. Each year level will rotate through the presentation throughout the day. Students will finish early at 2.15 to align with the country buses.

Athletics Carnival

Tuesday the 30th March in our Athletics Carnival at Alexandra Oval. This is generally a terrific day for staff and students. Because of the location and ample room of this event, we would like to include parents but with some precautions. We will need to include a students only area to avoid implementing much stricter rules for all. More details will be available closer to the date based on the latest health advice.

Ararat Lion's - Youth of the Year

Congratulations to Gabe Tonks on representing the college at the next round of the Ararat Lion's Club Youth of the Year competition in Mortlake on Sunday. Gabe represented the college well and did a fantastic job. Well done on your effort, Gabe.

Take care,
Carmel Barker

IN MY WORDS *with Danieka Clayton* *Synnott House Leader*



The 27th of October 2003 is where it all began. Kathryn and Adam Clayton welcomed their first child and probably their most problematic. I spent the first few years of my life screaming only to eventually find out I was quite sick with lots of different things ranging from ear to blood infections, and I certainly made Mum and Dad aware of that, as I still get blamed for the little sleep they got (well mum anyway). I had two full years of life to cause trouble by myself before I was able to do it with my younger but much taller sister, Kirby. I remember teaching Kirby to scoot herself around the house after breaking her leg at the young age of 2 because she pulled the old TV with the big box on the back of it down onto her leg, which probably wasn't good for the floors but oh well.

I also spent a lot of time playing with my Grandma (also known as Chook, who knows

why?) but I am grateful for her attending all the tea parties I threw. I will forever cherish the friendship and bond we have, and I thank her for all that she does.

I was a lot like Dad in my earlier years of life and definitely got my stubbornness from him, but with age I've definitely turned into a younger version of Mum. Mum has been a massive role model to me and I can't thank her and Dad enough for their constant support and love they give.

I started off my schooling at Marrang kinder and eventually went to Stawell Primary where I made some of the best friendships and memories. I then decided that I wanted to drive 25 minutes every day to come to Marian. Leaving my best friends was pretty daunting and high school itself was a very scary step,

but the past 5 years here at Marian have been some of my favourites and I'm so glad I got to spend it with the Year 12 cohort of 2021.

I've always been one to love sport and all things to do with it. Coaching, umpiring and especially playing. I've played netball since I was 8 starting at net set go and playing for Stawell Warriors since I was 12, winning a premiership in my first ever year beating Ararat, the rivalry didn't mean much to me then but definitely does now. I've also had the opportunity to play in representative teams and have made some awesome friendships with girls all over the Wimmera Mallee region. I also coached the net set go program for a few years and that definitely taught me how to be patient and resilient, and is really going to come in handy this year. Netball has taken me all over the state and luckily I have my own taxi service for that (again thanks Mum).

I also started basketball at around 12 years of age, I started off with the Stawell Wildcats and went on to play with the Ararat Redbacks.

My family is also fortunate enough to own a ski boat and go on an annual trip to Robinvale to ski and wakeboard for 10 days straight, as there is not much else to do there. I can confirm that each year is more painful than the last as the stacks only get bigger. Who would've thought water would hurt so much. I've also been lucky enough to have gone overseas to Fiji, Vanuatu and Bali, as well as many trips to different places in Australia. All of these trips

were so different and eye opening as we got to experience various cultures and places. I'm still yet to decide what career path I'd like to pursue but I know I want to start uni next year and study a double degree in sports science and nutrition (I think). I would like to travel around the world but I do get quite nervous when flying which makes things interesting.

I've met some of the best people here at Marian and I'm so glad I get to call them friends. I can't thank them enough for the constant support and laughs they provide and for just being them. I'd also like to give a big thanks to the teachers who have put up with me over the years and for all their help to get me to where I am.

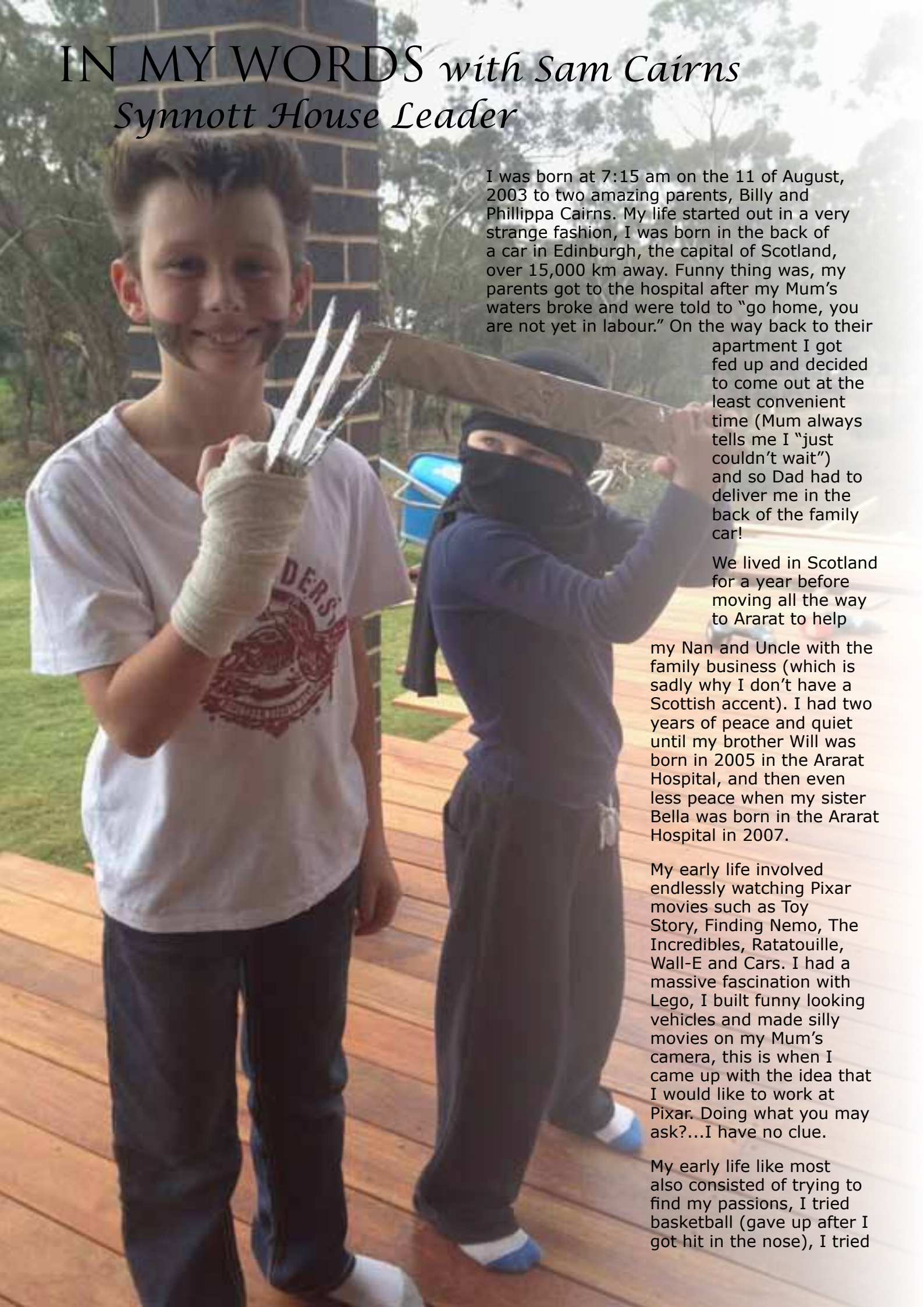
Good luck to all of the Year 12s for the year ahead and for whatever they decide to pursue in the future, and I'm sure you will all achieve great things.

Danieka xx



IN MY WORDS *with Sam Cairns*

Synnott House Leader



I was born at 7:15 am on the 11 of August, 2003 to two amazing parents, Billy and Phillippa Cairns. My life started out in a very strange fashion, I was born in the back of a car in Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland, over 15,000 km away. Funny thing was, my parents got to the hospital after my Mum's waters broke and were told to "go home, you are not yet in labour." On the way back to their apartment I got fed up and decided to come out at the least convenient time (Mum always tells me I "just couldn't wait") and so Dad had to deliver me in the back of the family car!

We lived in Scotland for a year before moving all the way to Ararat to help

my Nan and Uncle with the family business (which is sadly why I don't have a Scottish accent). I had two years of peace and quiet until my brother Will was born in 2005 in the Ararat Hospital, and then even less peace when my sister Bella was born in the Ararat Hospital in 2007.

My early life involved endlessly watching Pixar movies such as Toy Story, Finding Nemo, The Incredibles, Ratatouille, Wall-E and Cars. I had a massive fascination with Lego, I built funny looking vehicles and made silly movies on my Mum's camera, this is when I came up with the idea that I would like to work at Pixar. Doing what you may ask?...I have no clue.

My early life like most also consisted of trying to find my passions, I tried basketball (gave up after I got hit in the nose), I tried

footy, singing, skateboarding, parkour, stop motion animation and drawing. All of which I may not do anymore but still loved. It was only in my primary years at St Mary's I discovered guitar when my friend asked if I wanted to do lessons with him. I said yes because I thought it would be cool to spend more time with him and get out of school work. The inner creator in me ended up finding that I loved playing the guitar so I continued to play for two more years until my teacher stopped coming to Ararat. I lost my drive to play and got bored pretty quickly. I took a break and it was only at the start of secondary school that I discovered bands and music that inspired me to pick up the guitar again and keep playing. My other passions are Maths and Science which were inspired at an early age by watching Mythbusters and Backyard Science which led me to be accepted into the 2021 National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) which unfortunately was disrupted by COVID and we didn't get to attend all the events and activities normally attended in Canberra. The experience was still enjoyable through ZOOM and we got to sit in sessions with famous scientists, Nobel Prize winners and inspiring speakers from the area of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). I can also thank Mrs North and Mr Hunt for not only his really bad jokes but for giving me encouragement and opportunities to further my passion for STEM.

My parents have always encouraged me to take opportunities when they arise whether it be attending NYSF, Fed Uni STEMs programs or the Western Bulldogs Youth Leadership Program as these events exposed me to so many different experiences I would not get the chance to have here in Ararat. They taught me to be grateful for the opportunities I have and never take things for granted. And you are never too big, old or important to kiss your Mum (my Mum made me write this, she is watching...). I have been really fortunate to attend these events with many of my friends as well

as making many new friends along the way such as when I was learning golf at Chalambar, playing Futsal and Basketball at the AFC, heaps of different people from across Victoria at the NYSF and Western Bulldogs Youth Leadership Program.

My greatest memories from my time at Marian College would have to be the different camps we went on, especially this year's Year 12 Retreat as it brought the cohort closer together and readied us for the tough year ahead. Another highlight was performing in 'Marians Got Talent' when I almost pipped Jaz for top spot in Year 10, coming second thanks to a high recommendation from Sr John (Sister John - you rock!). Receiving the Saint Brigid and Kildare Ministries Awards and representing the school as Synnott Junior and Senior House Leader has been a real boost to my confidence and pride and I am humbled to have even been considered, let alone win these awards and leadership positions. I am so very thankful for everyone I have met along the way, I could not wish for a better group of people to share these last six years with. Whatever the future holds, I wish you all the very best - you are all the greatest!

As David Bowie once said, *"I don't know where I'm going from here, but I promise it won't be boring."*



FORD PERFECT: The Cairns show Sam his birthplace. Picture: ANDREW STUART



BARRON

NEWS



FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

Well done to our Barron swimmers (and cheer squad) for the speedy swimming and high levels of participation that won us the 2021 Marian College Swimming Carnival! Another win for RED. Our Year 12s looked great in their costumes as they enjoyed participating in the carnival one last time. For our Year 7s and new students, this was their first Marian carnival experience, one we hope was enjoyable and memorable.

A special thank you to our House Captains, Grace Lording and Dylan Ryan, for their efforts to organise swimmers, fill spots in events, and create relay teams. The Barron team spirit and sportsmanship started with them! Thank you also to Angel Thompson for making the stunning red Barron capes for the Year 12s and staff to wear. The support for one another throughout the entire house was wonderful.

We have noticed that despite being well into the term, there are still some issues arising with school uniform and 'hands-on' (rather than HANDS-OFF) behaviours in the yard and the classroom. Students need to be in the correct uniform, yet we are still addressing some students about this on an almost daily basis. The uniform rules apply to all students! If there are any questions in regards to uniform, please consult the student diary or contact us at the school. Our 'hands-off' policy is in place to ensure that students do not have physical contact with one another at school, even contact that one or both parties think or assume is okay - the answer is always 'hands-off'. This is really important for everyone to remember, and breaches of the rule will not be condoned.

We are currently celebrating Lent, which means that we are collecting for **Caritas's Project Compassion**. The funds raised are used for the people and communities who need them most, and provide things such as, medical visits and care; clean, accessible drinking water; and training and supplies to start sustainable community enterprises that benefit families and entire communities - actions to restore/maintain **human dignity** and ensure **just** futures. Please donate if you can. One gold coin from each student would be a wonderful result. Communities in need have been the hardest hit by Covid 19; our donations are needed more than ever.

Erica McConachy
Barron House Leader



YEAR 11 & 12 PARENT/STUDENT/ TEACHER ADVISOR EVENING

TUESDAY 16TH MARCH, 2021

The purpose of these discussions is for parents and our senior students to meet with their TA teachers to discuss their progress and raise any concerns, issues or questions they may have. This is a worthwhile opportunity for you to explore options for your student and discuss how they are currently progressing.

Bookings for these conversations with the TA teacher are available through the Parent Access Module. They will be conducted either by phone or via a zoom meeting.

The format for the evening is as follows:

3.30pm – 5:00pm Individual bookings for TA interviews.

Parent/Student/TA Teacher.

Interviews will be either by phone or a zoom meeting. Please select your preferred option when making your booking.

BOOKINGS ARE OPEN





Athletics Carnival



**Please note the Athletics Carnival is a compulsory school day
ALL students are required to attend!**

The Marian College Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday 30th March, 2021. Parents are most welcome to come along and support our athletes at Alexandra Oval, Ararat but we will need to have parents located separately to students.

Students have had an opportunity at school to select the events they wish to enter. It is expected that all students participate in at least one event. Where this is not possible (eg. injury), students will be given roles to assist officials in the running of the carnival. Students will remain at Alexandra Oval during the day and will not be permitted to leave the venue. The carnival is a fun, active and colourful day and we look forward to seeing students getting into the spirit of the day by participating and supporting their team.

What: Marian College House Athletics Carnival.

When: Tuesday 30th March, 2021

Where: Alexandra Oval, Ararat.

Wear: PE uniform or house colours.

Food: Kiosk food will be available or bring own lunch.

No take away food is to be delivered by parents please.

Time: Students are to travel directly to the venue by 8.50 am. The school day will commence at 8.50 am with rolls being marked at the oval.

Buses: **Stawell and Country buses will drop off and pick up at the oval.**

Students will be dismissed from Alexandra Oval at approximately 3.10 pm.

Bring: Hat, drink, sunscreen. Warm layers if the weather is cold.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS 2021



The Stations of the Cross depict the final hours (the Passion) of Jesus' life from his condemnation, to his crucifixion and death on the cross and finally his burial. These events are remembered and reflected upon over Lent and Holy Week before the celebration of the Resurrection (Easter Sunday).

Our school celebration of the Stations of the Cross follows a tradition that is thousands of years old and is an integral part of Marian's religious identity.

At Marian, we believe that our practice of Stations

- Celebrates and promotes our Catholic Identity
- Provides an opportunity for the wider community to see Catholic Education in action
- Is, for many of our students, their only connection to the traditional Easter Story.

This year the Year 12 cohort has elected to present this retelling at the Ararat Astor Cinema on Thursday 1st April. To accommodate the large number of students and to ensure that it remains a solemn occasion we will run sessions for each Year Level.

Due to COVID restrictions Marian College is unable to invite members of the public to our Way of the Cross celebration. We hope to be able to provide a video link to families.

VCE DRAMA EXCURSION

On Wednesday, March 10 the VCE Drama class made a trip to Melbourne to view Top Class, part of the VCAA Season of Excellence programme. Top Class 2020 is a selection of the A+ Solo performance by students from across Victoria during 2020. Drama is a highly demanding subject for students as they are asked to devise, rehearse, edit and present a 7 minute solo performance to examiners in October. This exam is worth 35% of their final grade (25% is from the written exam and the rest from course work). One of the challenges of this task is that the students are required to research and write a script that is entertaining, relevant and sophisticated. Their performance of this piece must appear polished and effortless. I am happy to say that we have had a number of Marian students present their work at Top Class over the years and each one can vouch for the effort, energy and heartbreak that is involved in this task.

The students were treated to twelve outstanding performances at the Victorian Arts Centre and it was such a thrill to be back in the Theatre and to listen to the uproarious cheers from the predominantly

student audience. I could sense the awe and admiration of our students during each delivery and I could see their creative minds ticking and ideas blossoming. I am never silent about the many disadvantages our students face in completing their VCE and I am so very pleased that this year we got to witness this exemplary work and set the bar high for our young thespians and writers.

To finish off our day, we attended the inspirational and delightfully clever production "Come From Away". I selected this show for our VCE Drama class as the performers require exceptional characterisation, storytelling and stagecraft, but also must employ stunning skills in transformation, physical theatre, song and dance. This is a high energy and fast paced show that demands commitment, focus and discipline from the ensemble of 12 and they did not fail to deliver. A truly uplifting experience for all and although we all returned home a little weary, I am sure I speak for us all in saying it was worth it.

Teresa Tonks
VCE Drama Teacher 2021



VCAL POP UP MARKET

5th and 6th May, 2021

THIS YEAR IN VCAL WE will be holding a 'Pop Up' market at school to raise money for MND (Motor Neurone Disease). The VCAL team is in the process of making many different products to offer for sale. Examples for items for sale are, Pallet wood Vertical Gardens, Polymer Clay Tassel Key Chains, Inspirational Metal Signs with wooden stand, Earrings, Bath bombs, Candles and much, much more. Please keep lunchtime on the 5th and 6th of May free and don't forget to bring some money for a really good cause (PS. Sunday is Mothers Day).



We look forward to seeing you there!

By Tahnee Sobey

SLAVE FREE EASTER 2021

Once again the Justice League (J&D and Vinnies) will be holding a "FAIR TRADE" Easter raffle to promote fairness and justice in our world.

Tickets are 50¢ for one or 3 for \$1.00. Many yummy prizes to be won. Proceeds will go to Project Compassion.

Each day we will also hold a quiz with some yummy fairtrade chocolate prizes. (Starts 17/3)

This year we ask that you take a moment to check that your eggs and chocolates are fair trade - look for the logos below.

What is Fair Trade?: Fair Trade is a social movement that seeks to promote better equity for farmers in developing countries. Farmers get together and form a collective so that they have more resources, education and power. This results in better trade agreements with international countries, a better program for sustainability and better wages for their goods. These goods are often crops including but not limited to cocoa, coffee, cotton, bananas, tea and a host of other products made with a combination of materials for the consumer market. Receiving a fair wage for your goods allows farmers to pay decent wages to those working on the farm. The movement is growing every year!



BE A GOOD EGG THIS EASTER

Children as young as 12 years old are picking cocoa in West Africa to make the chocolate we eat. Some of these children are trafficked. Most are forced to pick cocoa from an early age for minimal or no wages, for long hours, in dangerous working conditions, without any possibility of attending school. Most of these children have never tasted chocolate and they never will.

Chocolate eaters around the world have made a difference already. A decade ago, slavery-free chocolate was hard to find in our shops.

Some successes are:

- ALDI stock a wide range of UTZ certified Easter chocolate.
- Cadbury dairy milk chocolate bars made in Australia have been certified Fairtrade.
- All Mars bars made in Australia are now certified RAINFOREST ALLIANCE
- All Nestle chocolate made in Australia and New Zealand is now UTZ certified.
- Haighs source 70% of their cocoa from UTZ certified farms. Their Easter range is 100% certified.
- For more information about slavery-free chocolate landmarks, the slavery-free certification program, the need for a living wage for cocoa farmers and the treatment of children in chocolate production, read A Matter of Taste.

What You Can Do?

- Join with millions of people around the world who now buy and eat only slavery-free chocolate. To buy slavery-free Easter chocolate look for any of these certification labels on the wrappers: FAIRTRADE, Rainforest Alliance and UTZ.
- Talk about slavery-free chocolate – tell five friends or family members about slavery-free chocolate.
- Use the Parish and School Bulletin notices to invite others in your community to join the Slavery-free Easter campaign.
- Pick your favourite chocolate Easter Egg. Find out if it is slavery-free chocolate.
- If it is not slavery free chocolate, then write to the manufacturer i.e. Lindt, Cadbury etc and ask them when they plan to make the product using cocoa certified to be slavery free.
- If your favourite chocolate is slavery-free write to the manufacturer and congratulate them on what they are doing towards the reduction of child slavery in West Africa.
- Visit your local supermarket or café (if they stock chocolate) and congratulate them. Also ask them to commit to doubling the amount of slavery-free chocolate they stock next Easter.
- Consider getting a hamper together to raise money for Caritas Australia's Lenten Project Compassion appeal. Create awareness by asking people to contribute only slavery-free chocolate to the hamper. If you are making up the hamper let people know that all the chocolate is slavery-free. This is a great way of spreading the word.

THANK YOU





Up to date information on career news and events

WEEKLY CAREER NEWS

10 March 2021

Year 12 – University Pathway Planner

If you're planning to apply for university courses this year, there are many dates, programs and initiatives you will need to be aware of.

These dates and initiatives will vary between states. Having a diary or a planning app on your phone or device will help you to feel organised and ensure you don't miss any key dates.

If you are wondering what you could be doing during Term 1 to get prepared for the application period, please check out some suggestions.

TERM 1

Have a career appointment

Book in an appointment with your career appointment to explore any course/career/occupation goals you may have.

They will be able to give you advice specific to the state you would like to study in, the best courses to suit your goals and also suggest other options you may not have considered yet.

Don't have any course goals or career interests? No worries! They will be able to assist you to identify interest areas that align with your values, skills, academic aptitude, and personal competencies.

Participate in career events

It's never too early to attend career events. You will be able to explore course options, ask questions and speak with course advisers. Many events will be held online this year which will help if you can't travel.

Read the Career News each week to check for upcoming events.



Undertake work experience

Talk to your career adviser about undertaking work experience during the Term break

Speak to past students

Ask your career adviser if they can link you with a past student who is studying or working in the area you are passionate about. You and your parent/guardian may be able to Zoom with them and ask them questions.

Book a consultation

Several universities offer a one-to-one chat service via Zoom. Ask your career adviser about how to book in for an appointment.

Research university courses

Use the following methods to research courses

University sites

Use the course search function on university websites (e.g., nursing) or browse study areas (e.g., allied health).

Tertiary Admission Centres (TACs)

Use the course search function on the state based TACs you are interested in. Below are websites:

Victoria	www.vtac.edu.au
NSW/ACT	www.uac.edu.au
SA/NT	www.satac.edu.au
QLD	www.qtac.edu.au
Tasmania	www.utas.edu.au
WA	www.tisc.edu.au

The Good Universities Guide

This Guide should be consulted when researching undergraduate degrees. It contains rankings and ratings for individual courses and universities, www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au

Apply for university

Applications are now open for the following two universities for the 2022 intake. Most courses can be deferred until 2023.

University of New England, www.une.edu.au
Australia National University, www.anu.edu.au

Australian Defence Force - Gap Year



Applications are now open: Current Year 12 students can apply for a 12-month position in the Air Force, Army or Navy to begin in 2022.

The following are examples of roles on offer:

Navy

- Mechanical Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer Submariner
- Maritime Aviation Warfare Officer
- Maritime Warfare Officer
- Maritime Warfare Officer Submariner
- Navy Sailor
- Electronics Engineer
- Electronics Engineer Submariner
- Maritime Logistics Officer
- Helicopter Pilot

Army

- Army Combat
- Army Officer
- Army Support

Air Force

- Administration Assistant
- Airforce Security
- Aviation Support Technician
- Cabin Crew (Flight Attendant)
- Warehouse Store person
- Airfield Defence Guard

Start your application

- Find a role you would like to apply for and click on the 'apply now' link at <https://bit.ly/2uW1hzl>
- Create an account
- Follow the steps to start your application and book the YOU Session.
- You will need to enter your personal details, complete a medical questionnaire, and upload your Yr 10 – 12 academic reports.

Key websites

Information about the recruitment process - <http://bit.ly/2Tyn8Yp>

Videos about the Gap Year program - <http://bit.ly/3aj2ty1>

SkillsRoad Resources

Why apprenticeships and traineeships are the way of the future

SkillsRoad has released a fantastic report about apprenticeships and traineeships. They write:

"The Class of 2020 can be rightfully proud of themselves for successfully navigating their final exams after this gruelling year. As our young people get ready for the next step in their lives, we look at why Vocational Education and Training (VET) is an attractive option for school leavers focused on becoming resilient and flexible in the face of future challenges."

Read the report via <https://bit.ly/3bom3fB>

Why women in trades matter

It's a common misconception that apprenticeships and traineeships are "trades only" or "male only" study paths. In the current day and age, women working in trades matter; they bring value to an organisation and have the potential to change the future of the workforce.

Download a fantastic resource about why female students should consider a trade pathway via <https://bit.ly/2PE8gJr>

Learn about careers through Virtual Reality (VR)

Learn about careers in hospitality, manufacturing, construction, and creative industries through viewing 360° VR workplaces developed by SkillsRoad. You will be able to jump inside the world of work and experience a day in the life of workers within the above industries, www.skillsroad.com.au/360virtualworkplace



Construction careers

Have you considered a career in construction?

There are many occupations within the construction industry. Everything from drain laying to floor finishing to cartography (mapping) to surveying. Look outside the square from electrical, plumbing and carpentry to ensure you are assessing all of your options.

To explore occupations, watch videos, read profiles of people working in the industry, visit www.skillsone.com.au

University scholarship

The University of Melbourne – The Hansen Scholarship

If you are planning to study at The University of Melbourne in 2022, you should consider applying for the prestigious Hansen Scholarship. Stage 1 applications close on the Thursday 11 March. You must be able to prove financial disadvantage to be eligible, <https://scholarships.unimelb.edu.au/hansen>

Upcoming events

Deakin University - Campus Tours

During the school holidays you are invited to experience Deakin University through their Campus Tour program. You will be taken on a 45-minute tour of your chosen campus by a current Deakin student.

You will be able to: Tour the campus of your choice (Melbourne, Geelong Waterfront, Geelong Waurn Ponds, Warrnambool) and ask questions about university life, courses, and on-campus accommodation etc. You will also be able to book into a campus tour based on your study interest.

For information and to register your place, visit <http://bit.ly/3bmUX80>

La Trobe University - webinars

Applications for the La Trobe Aspire Early Admissions Program will open on the 19th of April. Year 12 students who would like to learn about how to apply for the program can participate in a webinar on one of the following dates:

Tuesday 16 March, 5pm
Tuesday 13 April, 5pm

Students can also participate in a study skills webinar on Tuesday 30 March.

For information and to register your place, visit <http://bit.ly/3c77Y5w>

Monash University – Campus Tours

Students interested in learning about courses and facilities at Monash University can register to participate in a guided campus tour during the April school holidays.

After the tour, students may be able to visit facilities in study areas such as education, engineering, IT, law, and science. Register your interest via www.monash.edu/campus-tours

If you're unable to participate in an on-campus tour, you can do a tour virtually via the Virtual Tours portal or via the Monash Explore portal at this link - www.monash.edu/campus-tours

Interested in Engineering, Science and Maths?

Careers with STEM have developed amazing career guides for students. You can download them for free via <https://careerswithstem.com.au/read-it-here/>

Focus areas include:

Space Science	Indigenous
Technology	Cyber Security
Engineering	Maths
Science	Economics
Health Science	Data Science
Digital Retail	Computer Science



Future of Work Predictor

Have an occupation goal? Want to know how this job may change over the next 10 years? University of New England (UNE) has developed a 'future of work predictor'.

Using the online software, simply search for the occupation you are interested in, choose the education level you are planning to attain (e.g., Bachelor degree), your post code or the post code of where you would like to work in the future and your email address.

UNE will provide you with information on how this job may change in terms of tasks, duties, qualifications, wages and employment growth.

Start searching via <https://studyat.une.edu.au/futureofwork/>

TAFE to university pathways

Did you know many TAFE institutes have partnerships with universities? This enables students to complete eligible TAFE courses and be accepted into eligible university courses – in some cases with credit.

Universities such RMIT University, Swinburne University, Victoria University and Federation University have TAFE divisions, enabling students to move seamlessly between TAFE to university courses.

Contact your local TAFE institute to find out more, www.skills.vic.gov.au/s/

Focus on the Bachelor of Arts

Considering studying a Bachelor of Arts in the future? The Bachelor of Arts is an excellent choice of degree for students and one of the most popular choices in the country.

The degree offers flexibility for students and majors/minors can cover areas such as science, economics, visual arts, IT, languages, humanities, media, communications, and design etc.

In fact, sit 50 Bachelor of Arts students at a table and each will most likely be studying very different courses. The following are three excellent Bachelor of Arts programs to consider.

Bachelor of Arts (Professional), Swinburne University

This course offers 18 majors, 28 co-majors from other faculties and 42 minors. Students are guaranteed one-year of paid industry experience as part of the degree, and it will take 4-years full time to complete the course. The guaranteed ATAR for the course is 85, <http://bit.ly/1UTb3pZ>

Bachelor of Arts, Monash University

The Monash Global Immersion Guarantee (GIG) provides a guaranteed two-week overseas study experience for all first-year students studying a course from the Arts faculty (e.g., Arts, Criminology, Global Studies, Media & Communication, Music, and Politics, Philosophy and Economics).

The cost of airfares, accommodation and local travel is covered as part of the program.

Students will study the impact of the global movement of people and goods on environmental sustainability. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/37ThuFk>



Bachelor of Arts, La Trobe University

This course offers 50 majors and minors. Bachelor of Arts students are able to apply for a 2-week funded international experience to China or Vietnam.

They will spend a week working on sustainability projects, helping to find solutions to real-world problems. La Trobe will cover the cost of airfares, accommodation, food, transport, visa fees and insurance. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/32x6D1T>

Data Science: IT + Science

Do you love working with computers, science and solving problems? Have you considered studying data science?

In our day and age, we are using and storing massive amounts of data and this will only increase in the future. Data science fundamentally deals with how we will store and analyse data in the future.

The following has been taken from the Swinburne University website:

"Data science is an opportunity to explore new kinds of data and new tools for processing it. You'll learn how to manipulate and process data in order to extract information and establish truths."

Data science spans the use and processing of data across diverse fields, including modelling for supercomputing or astrophysics. Or you could work with metadata, a field that will require data to be processed in ways we've never even considered."

Data Science is an exciting study area and there will be many jobs available in the future.

You may consider studying data science at the following Victorian universities

- Bachelor of Computer Science (Data Science), Swinburne University, <http://bit.ly/1Wmeaa1>
- Bachelor of Computer Science (Big Data), RMIT, <http://bit.ly/1QC3X56>
- Bachelor of Computer Science (major in Data Science), Monash University, <http://bit.ly/1Srck9t>
- Bachelor of Science (Data Science), University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2Ha3j2n>
- Bachelor of Data Science & Decisions, UNSW, Sydney, <http://bit.ly/2iAUysL>
- Bachelor of Computer Science (Big Data), University of Wollongong, <http://bit.ly/2EhT1vb>
- Bachelor of Information Technology (Big Data and Analytics), Federation University, <http://bit.ly/2EBXoVw>

To explore career options, go to the Careers with STEM website, <https://careerswithstem.com.au/>



Passionate about sport?

Not sure if you would like to go straight to university after school? Enjoy playing sport and would like to combine your sports career with study in 2022? The following are three programs you may like to explore:

Richmond Institute of Sport Leadership

This is a partnership program between Richmond Football Club and Swinburne University. As part of the 12-month program, students will study a Dual Diploma in Sports Development and Leadership and Management. Campuses are at Richmond, Mildura and Albury-Wodonga. For information and to book for an open day, visit

<https://richmondinstitute.com.au/>

Carlton College of Sport

This is a partnership program between Carlton Football Club and La Trobe University. As part of the 12-month program, students will study a University diploma in Sports Coaching and Development or Elite Sports Business. Classes will be held at Ikon Park, Carlton Football Club grounds and La Trobe University, Bundoora. For information and to book for an open day, visit

<https://carltoncollegeofsport.com.au/>

St Kilda Football Club/Holmesglen Institute

Students will study a dual Diploma of Sports Development and Diploma of Events Management through Holmesglen Institute, and study at both Holmesglen and St Kilda Football Club. For information, visit

<https://bit.ly/2Ol4Bfq>



Hair, Beauty, Fashion and Make-up

Fancy a career in the creative industries? The Masters Institute of Creative Education brings together Australia's top education providers. Choose the college that suits your career aspirations. Whether it's Melbourne School of Fashion, HeadMasters, BeautyMasters, MakeUpMasters or Holmes Institute Fashion, there is a course that will help you achieve your career goals, <https://themasters.institute/>

Dates for your diary



MARCH

	Defence Force – Information Sessions Various dates and locations www.defencejobs.gov.au/events
10, 17	Victoria Police Information Sessions 10: Sale 17: Online www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions
16 - 31	Victoria University Webinar Series – showcasing a wide variety of courses. https://study.vu.edu.au/ug-webinar-series
17	Year 12 Medicine Information Evening (online) University of New South Wales (UNSW) http://bit.ly/3sKegih
23, 30	Explore Days Charles Sturt University 23: Wagga Wagga 30: Albury-Wodonga https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events/explore-day
25	Careers in the Maritime Industry Online webinar. Please see your Careers Adviser for information
27	UCAT ANZ (online) National Institute of Education Intensive UCAT training workshop www.nie.edu.au

APRIL

	Deakin University Campus and faculty tours - various dates www.deakin.edu.au/about-deakin/events/campus-tours
	Monash University Campus and faculty tours - various dates www.monash.edu/campus-tours
20, 21, 22	Australian Catholic University – Talk with Industry Series (online) 20: Talk with Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine - 6 – 7pm 21: Talk with Business and IT – Wednesday - 6 – 7pm 22: Talk with Law – 6 – 7pm www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/talk-with
24	ACN Nursing & Health Expo (online) Australian College of Nursing Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre www.acn.edu.au/events/nursing-health-expo
29 Apr – 1 May	VCE and Careers Expo Caulfield Racecourse www.vceandcareers.com.au

March 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
15	16 YEAR 11 & 12 PARENT TA MEETINGS	17	18	19 GREATER WESTERN SWIMMING
			J & D SEMINAR	
22	23	24	25 YEAR 10 ROAD SMART PROGRAM	26
29 VCAL DAY CAMP	30 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL	31 YEAR 7 2021 MARIAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENING	APRIL 1 STATIONS OF THE CROSS END OF TERM 1 EARLY DISMISSAL 2.15 pm	APRIL 2 GOOD FRIDAY

April 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19 STAFF INSERVICE DAY	20 STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 2	21	22	23