Dear Parents/Guardians,

As I was preparing for the start of the new year, I asked myself, “What makes Mentone Girls’ Secondary College so special?”

At MGSC girls have the opportunity to develop resilience and the courage to pursue their passions. No matter where a student’s talents lie, they are able to explore, invent and create in a safe, challenging and respectful environment. Our students have the opportunity to excel in their studies and immerse themselves in a wide range of co-curricular activities or take on leadership roles. At MGSC we value and promote independent thinking and encourage girls to take responsibility for much of their learning.

An MGSC student is not afraid to colour outside of the lines, break new ground and explore alternative ways of solving problems. Last year seven students were shortlisted in Top Designs, Top Arts and Top Screens – with four of them selected to exhibit their work. Over summer, Year 12 students Tara Graves, Lucy Tsuchida and Bridget Assi attended the National Science Youth Forum in Canberra on a 12 day conference where they were exposed to the latest research in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths and career opportunities in STEM fields. Our Music program is second to none with two band forms operating at Year 7 and 8. Sporting teams compete at State and National level and we have a global perspective through our Languages program and World Challenge expedition.

As a school with a rich 60 year history of educating young women to take their place in a globalised world, our dedicated teachers are always seeking to innovate the curriculum and remain at the forefront of educational theory and practice. We are a respectful partnership of teachers, support staff and students working alongside each other. That is why parents chose this exemplary place of learning and why students choose to stay.

In 2017 our College will focus on the learning and physical environment – our gardens and internal spaces. There will be an increased emphasis on developing a sense of place so that we can enhance that sense of belonging and pride in our school.

We recently welcomed our Year 7s and students across other year levels to our College. Whether they live locally, a train ride away or are from overseas, they are part of our community now. We also welcome new staff Joseph Mayus, Jennifer Connolly, Emily Price, Kate Altmare, Diana Beggs, Nadege Maurin, Angus Gray, Tim Veevers, David Seedsman and Cathy Grieve. Returning this year is our Assistant Principal Bronwyn Moline and teachers Caitlin Hurwitz, Janine Gallant and Ilana Parker.

To the Year 12s who will have an amazing year, enjoy the challenges, pace yourself and seek support. We are privileged to share the final part of your high school journey with you.

Welcome back everyone and have a terrific year.

Linda Brown
Principal
**College Matters**

**Student Safety**

With the start of a new school year it is timely to remind parents and students to be safe when arriving and departing school each day. Parents are reminded to not enter the carparks to drop off or pick up students and to be mindful of students when driving in the vicinity of the school.

Students are reminded to enter the school through the appropriate pedestrian gate and walk in the allocated pedestrian areas. Students should not be entering via the driveway gate; that is for cars only. When crossing Balcombe and Charman Roads students are to use the appropriate crossing points. In this instance I ask parents not to encourage their daughter to cross the road at a point other than the designated pedestrian crossing points. Unfortunately I have witnessed this practice on a number of occasions since the start of the school year.

Mr David Russell  
Assistant Principal

**Attendance**

All absences can now be entered online through your Compass Parent Portal. You are now able to add late arrivals, early departures, appointments and illness. If you are having trouble logging on please email portal@mgsc.vic.edu.au

Fiona Ellul  
Attendance Co-ordinator

**Alpine School for Student Leadership 2017 – Congratulations**

Congratulations to the following students who were selected to represent Mentone Girls’ SC at the Gnurad Gundjij campus:

- Chloe Corcoran
- Loren Henry
- Millie Jewell
- Sarah Pontifex

The girls will attend the leadership school from 12th November until the 16th December 2017.

Ms Carol Duggan  
Assistant Principal

**Uniform Information**

**Blazer Pocket Change Over**

Plenty of blazer pockets are available ($22) for those who still need to change to the new logo (must be done before the start of the 2018 school year). Our tailor can sew it on for you if you wish. Blazers must be drycleaned and it can take up to a week. It would be best to wait until the end of term so your daughter does not miss having her blazer at school.

**Winter School Uniform**

It is a good time to start purchasing/ordering the winter school uniform items. Sports rugby jumpers, winter jackets, trackpants and a small range of winter skirts and blouses are in stock now, with top up stock arriving over the next few weeks. Make sure you purchase/order your winter uniform needs before 30th April to guarantee availability before 1st June, when the winter uniform becomes compulsory. Tights, scarves and gloves will also be available. Please bring your daughter into the store to be fitted to ensure correct sizing is purchased. Layby welcome with a 20% deposit.

Come into Costume World, Shop 5/1291 Nepean Highway Cheltenham for all purchases/orders. Opening times: Monday 10-6.30pm, Tuesday & Wednesday 10-6pm, Thursday & Friday 10-7pm, Saturday 9-5pm. Call us on 9584 7006 or email store@costume-world.com.au if you have any queries, or if you wish to make credit card payments over the phone.

Sherrin, Costume World

**Curriculum**

**Changes For 2017: Compass Ongoing Assessments and Semester Reports**

This year MGSC moves to ongoing reports for parents. This means that major work items will be assessed and resulting grades, comments, assessment rubrics and work details will be delivered through Compass to both students and parents. For parents, your Compass account will indicate when a Learning Task assessment has been sent to you, and also will inform you of overdue items of student work. This initiative will make assessment timely, specific and facilitate support, extension and interventions in student learning. Parents can now assist their daughter’s learning by discussing feedback on student strengths and weaknesses which will be highlighted on the attached rubric.
Each subject area will publish two or three assessment tasks per semester. You can expect your first assessment tasks by mid-March for students from Years 7 to 10, and for VCE throughout Semester 1 according to the specific subject timelines. Semester reports will still be issued in June and December. Semester reports will be more holistic, making cumulative judgements and referencing students’ overall abilities against national achievement benchmarks. The impact of these changes and your response to them will be monitored throughout the course of the next two years.

Parents can access the Compass guide at http://mgsc.vic.edu.au/parent-portal/

Ms Nola Rees, Mr Jonathan Hall & Ms Stef Jager
Curriculum Team

International Student Program & ELC News

Welcome to the new English Language Centre students who began their first lesson last Tuesday. They are excited and have already visited the CBD for their City Experience excursion. They learnt about historical buildings such as Parliament House and the NGV, and ate local cuisine. We would also like to welcome Ms Dahliyani Briedis, our ELC Science and Maths teacher. She too is enthusiastic to be part of the program, bringing to us much experience in these two curriculum areas.

This year Lunar New Year came early. It is the Year of the Rooster. The students shared this cultural experience by presenting many staff and students with a red envelope and good wishes. We have also had our Welcome Luncheon, attended by many international students, their friends and teachers to listen to welcome speeches and try a diversity of food.

Ms Ekaterina Xanthopoulos
ISP and ELC Manager

Senior School News

Welcome parents and students to the 2017 Academic year.
The Year 12 students attended the Year 12 Conference on the 31st January and 1st February. It included study skill and wellbeing sessions. The Year 12s were surveyed and their reflections have been positive. I hope your daughters have been able to share their experiences with you.

Yesterday the students attended the Swimming Carnival. This is the first of a number of major school events the Year 12 students will enjoy for the last time. Dressing up in House colours, shouting House Chants, swimming in events that they have never swum in all the years they have been at school, and supporting their House mates and Captains made for a wonderful day.

The VCE Committee have met to discuss the Year 12 hoodies and the VCE Ball. We are hoping that all students will continue to wear the school uniform appropriately so that they will be able to receive the hoodie without delay.

Senior School Team

Middle School News

The year has started well in the Middle School and we are excited to welcome our students back after a relaxing summer break. Students have settled in well to their new classes and electives. Students are strongly encouraged to focus and reflect on their organisational and study skills as they settle into a new study routine. It is an excellent time to focus on which study habits are most effective for each individual as they progress towards their VCE studies.

Year 10 students are busy finalising their Work Experience placements. This is a fantastic opportunity for the students to have real world experience in professions that are of particular interest to them. Students should make a concerted effort to choose a placement that is relevant to their interests. We look forward to supporting them through this week early in Term 2.

We look forward to seeing the Middle School students involved in the sporting opportunities coming up this term including the Intermediate Round Robin next week and the Athletics Carnival in a few weeks.

Middle School Team

Junior School News

Welcome
Welcome to our Year 7 girls and welcome back to our Year 8 girls. We hope they had a great holiday and are ready for a productive year. We also warmly welcome all new Year 8 girls. We hope they settle in quickly and make many friends. It was fantastic to see many parents attend the College Assembly and watch the school welcome the Year 7 cohort into the gym.
Junior School Team
We are excited to work with the girls and their families this year. To contact the team, please ring:

- Ms Bronwyn Moline, Assistant Principal to the Junior School, 9581 5200
- Ms Gayle Steinfort, Junior School Leader, 9581 5240
- Ms Cat Jones, 7ABCD Year Level Manager, 9581 5240
- Mrs Petra Witt, 7EFGHI Year Level Manager, 9581 5240
- Ms Sachael Miller, 8ABCD Year Level Manager, 9581 5244
- Ms Janine Gollant, 8EFGH Year Level Manager, 9581 5244

Year 8 Study Habits Incursion
Year 8s will attend a ‘How to Study Effectively’ incursion on Friday 17th February in period 4. It will give the girls strategies and suggestions for studying which will be beneficial for the rest of their schooling. We will have a session for Year 8 parents one evening in late March so parents are better able to help their daughters and reinforce study strategies at home.

Uniform Matters
Please make sure ALL your daughter’s clothing is clearly named. We often find jumpers, blazers or PE gear left at school and we cannot return it if it is not named.

Year 7 girls are permitted to wear their correct MGSC PE uniform to school and for the whole school day. If girls do not have the correct MGSC PE uniform, eg. their polo top is in the wash, they must wear their summer uniform to school and only wear their PE uniform during their PE lesson. They will need to bring a note and another top to wear for PE.

Year 7 Parent Information Evening – Thursday 16th February
All Year 7 parents are invited to attend a Parent Information evening on Thursday 16th February at 7pm in the Lecture Theatre. This is an opportunity for you to meet parents and teachers from your daughter’s classes. The evening will formally conclude at approx. 8.30pm but our wonderful PFA are inviting parents to stay and enjoy a drink and nibblies. All Year 7 parents have been emailed with more information. Please call us if you need further details.

Year 7 Camp – Arrabri Lodge
All Year 7 girls will attend a camp at Arrabri Lodge in Warburton East. 7A-D girls will attend on Monday 27th February to Wednesday 1st March and 7E-I on Wednesday 1st to Friday 3rd March. This is a fantastic opportunity for the girls to get to know each other and their teachers in a relaxed setting. If you have not yet paid for the camp, please do so. If you are having trouble with payments ring the General Office on 9581 5200 to arrange a payment plan.

iPad Bags
To prevent iPads being dropped and broken, please ensure your daughter has a protective cover for her iPad and a carry bag for it, preferably with a shoulder strap.

Top Arts/Designs
Every year, the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority select the top students from Victoria to showcase their work from creative subjects such as Media, Food Technology and Visual Communication and Design. It is an opportunity to celebrate talent and inspire future students and teachers. In 2016, seven students from Mentone Girls’ SC were shortlisted and four students were successful in their applications. Their work will be displayed at the Melbourne Museum from 18th March – 26th July. Congratulations to those students on this momentous achievement.

Isabelle Harper
Food Technology
Shanon McKenzie
Media (film)
Cindy Chen
Visual Communication and Design
Neha Shenvi
Media (film)

Ms Tess Molina
Technology Domain Leader
**English**

We are pleased to report that in English a large percentage of the students completed the assigned summer holiday homework. In the senior forms this is very important as it links to our courses and focuses their minds on the task ahead. At the junior levels students were asked to read the first novel or text they were studying to help foster meaningful discussions in class early in the school year.

In 2017 we will be adopting the theme of Jane Austen – placing her novels and their film version in the spotlight to commemorate the two hundred year anniversary of her death.

Ms Anne Gamble  
English Domain Leader

**Science**

**2017 Australian Brain Bee Challenge (ABBC)**

15 Year 10 students are currently preparing for Round 1 of ABBC. This competition allows Year 10 students to learn about the brain and its functions, learn about neuroscience research, and find out about careers in neuroscience and to dispel misconceptions about neurological and mental illnesses. We wish them luck in their preparation. Any other interested students can go to: [http://www.ans.org.au/abbc](http://www.ans.org.au/abbc) or see Mrs Rieniets.

Mrs Louise Rieniets  
Science Domain Leader

**National Youth Science Forum**

Nerd camp. That’s what our families called it, it’s what our friends called it, and really, it’s what we called it too. But the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) was so much more that. On 2nd January we traveled on a bus full of excited Melbourne faces for nine hours until we arrived at the Australian National University in Canberra. We spent the next two weeks with 196 students like us going into Year 12 with a great interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) who we formed the most unimaginably strong bonds with. Who knew you could become so close with strangers you have only known for two weeks? Breakfast, lunch and dinner were all opportunities to meet the next amazing person we hadn’t had the pleasure of meeting yet. There were so many opportunities to make new friendships.

Every day was a new surprise, from amazing laboratory visit to astounding lectures given by scientists from around the world. Science became a vehicle for personal development and growth. At the camp, we could be ourselves and see the variety of study and career opportunities available across STEM. There are so many reasons why we became close to the nerds at NYSF and when we think about it, it was mainly due to the diversity in our passions and personality that brought us all together. It was difficult to say goodbye to the friends we had made at NYSF, but we knew that we would see each other soon at the Next Step programs. It’s funny how two weeks and 196 people can change you. Who would have thought it would be a defining event that changed and challenged who we were as people and who we are to become in the future? We are so grateful to every single person who attended the camp and who made it possible. We encourage anyone who has a love for science or is interested in leadership, even those who are unsure of their future career path, to talk to us or research and apply to the National Youth Science Forum. It’s an experience like no other.

Tara Graves, Lucy Tsuchida & Bridget Assi, Year 12

**Maths @ MGSC**

**Welcome**

A BIG WELCOME to everyone from our fabulous Maths Team at MGSC. We hope all students and their families enjoyed a wonderful break and are prepared to do their best in all aspects of their learning this year. For the Year 7s and other students joining MGSC for the first time, they will join a school which values all students and commits to achieving excellent outcomes.

**Improving your results**

What can students do to achieve impressive results in Maths this year?

- Come prepared for their lessons with appropriate books, writing materials.
- Be positive and show determination to do well.
- Become an active member of class and take the opportunities to share skills and work with classmates to develop a deeper understanding in maths.
• Think about how they learn, build on their strengths and address any areas for improvement.
• Try different approaches to problems and discuss these with classmates, before seeking assistance.
• Keep tidy notes, including good examples of worked solutions for a range of problems.
• Try constructing their own challenging problems and work through solutions.
• Revise topics throughout the year, not only for topic tests, but for exams as they occur.
• Set themselves a study timetable that allows time to complete assignments, update notes and revise for tests/exams.
• Work with their classmates in study groups in the library, or at home.
• Last, but not least have some fun.

Maths Homework Club
Our Maths Homework Club is running again throughout this year to provide students with extra support for their maths studies. It is held in Room 12 as follows:
• Tuesdays 1.15pm – 1.45pm
• Thursday 3.20pm – 4.45pm
Everyone is welcome, so pop in if you need any help.

And remember... “Maths makes a real and imaginary difference.”
Maths Curriculum Area Team

FIRST AID
ORAL MEDICATION FOR STUDENTS

All prescribed medication should be provided to the First Aid centre in a container that gives the name of the student, dose and time to be given. The name of the medication should be clearly marked. Medication will then be stored in a locked cupboard and accessed by the first aiders when required by students.

Students are not to carry medication in their bags or store it in their lockers.

Please note that the First Aid centre does not provide analgesics (i.e. paracetamol, aspirin, ibuprofen etc). Analgesics will only be dispensed to students if they are provided by parents/guardians as above.

These instructions are in accordance with The Department of Education and training - Victoria (DET) First Aid Policy.

Sue Gravina and Lina Mansour
First Aid Officers
9581 5234

IMMUNISATION DATES FOR 2017

Parents and students of Year 7 please note the following dates for immunisation this year:
Friday 17th March:
• HPV (Cervical Cancer) (1st dose)
• VARICELLA (Chicken Pox) Recommended as a booster if your daughter had vaccine as an infant.
Tuesday 23rd May:
• HPV (2nd dose)
• BOOSTRIX (Diptheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough)
Tuesday 5th September:
• HPV (3rd dose)

Students received immunisation cards with their enrolment packs. Additional cards can be collected from the First Aid room. Any queries please phone Sue or Lina on 9581 5234.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE, AMBULANCE COVER ARRANGEMENTS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY BROUGHT TO SCHOOL

Parents are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs.

Don't forget to visit www.mgscsports.com for sports news!
The VCE & Careers Expo 2017
Thursday 4 and Friday 5 May, 9am-3pm
Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 May, 10am-4pm
Caulfield Racecourse, Station St, Caulfield (an indoor venue). Free parking in designated areas.

The VCE and Careers Expo is Australia’s biggest careers and education event with 170 exhibitors providing VCE, tertiary course, career, study skills and gap year information and resources. Exhibitors include Australia’s major universities.

The Expo also features 156 seminars on VCE subjects including English and Maths, tertiary courses, career and study advice. Admission is $10 or $25 for families of 3 or more (children 14 and under free) and is valid for all 4 days of The Expo. Admission includes all seminars.

For more details visit vceandcareers.com.au

FOUR PARENTING PRIORITIES FOR 2017
By Michael Grose

The following four priorities are both current and significant, deserving be top of mind for parents as the 2017 school year begins.

1. Time to tackle technology
It takes a lot of parental backbone to swim against the current all-encompassing technology tide. You can’t hold it back, but you can slow it down. You can suggest it sits on the metaphorical shelf for a while or at least while you eat dinner together. You can insist that social media isn’t the only way to stay in touch with friends and show them that Dr. Google may be clever but he/she only knows so much and that accurate and current information can be found offline. When it comes to kids and technology, don’t be an onlooker. Make this a year for getting in the game with kids, tech boots on and all.

2. Promote physical and mental health
Remember the old ‘healthy body, healthy mind’ maxim that past generations so fondly spruiked? Well, it’s true. Physical and mental health are inextricably linked.
So this year while we encourage our kids to practise mindfulness; get a good night’s sleep and ensure they relax and unwind, let’s also make sure kids get plenty of physical activity, preferably outdoors.

3. Put the spoon back in the drawer
As reported in Fairfax Media recently, “In 1970’s only one in five under-30’s in Australia lived with their parents but now it’s one in two.” This high dependency of children and teenagers on adults is the exact opposite of what adults have done in the past, which is develop their children’s independence and achieve the most important parenting outcome of all – their own redundancy.

In 2017 remove the spoon, put it back in the drawer and make independence building a high priority in your family.

4. Put integrity top of the pedestal of character traits
Every parent wants their child to have the strength and fortitude to do the right thing and not follow the crowd. This is easier for young children because the pull of the group and the allure of the media doesn’t have such a strong hold as it so often does in adolescence. Strong-willed children and those who like to have their own way can also find doing the right thing less of struggle. But the development of integrity and related traits such as respect, honesty and fairness is an important part of a child’s moral compass that will help him/her make smart decisions when you’re not around.

Generally, integrity is developed in childhood and put to the test in adolescence.

Special note: I’m thrilled to announce that my latest book Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent children is out. It’s available at parentingideas.com.au

CENTRAL BAYSIDE COMMUNITY
ORAL HEALTH SERVICE

IS YOUR CHILD DUE FOR A CHECK UP?

Central Bayside Community Oral Health Service is currently offering dental examinations and treatment to children attending your school. Formally the School Dental Service located at Parkdale, is now part of the Community Oral Health Service.

My child has visited the Oral Health Services (formally School Dental Service) before: If your child/children has previously been seen by the Oral Health Services or the school dental program you will receive a letter offering you an opportunity to make an appointment when your child is due for their next check-up. In this case, no action is required.

My child has never visited the School Dental Program: Please contact Central Bayside Oral Health Service on 8587 0350 for an appointment.

Who is eligible?
• Children and young people:
  o All children aged 0 – 12 years (fees apply for non concession card holders)
  o Young people aged 13 – 17 years who are health care or pensioner concession card holders or dependants of concession card holders
  o Children who are eligible for dental benefits under the Child Dental Benefits Scheme

Where is the service located?
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CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

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How to Apply

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More Information

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**Remind:**

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – EVERY DAY COUNTS**

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**MENTONE GIRLS’ SC NEWSLETTER**
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**Gold Week**

- 1
  - Yr 7 Camp (7ABCD)
  - Yr 7 Camp (7EFGHI)

**Blue Week**

- 6
  - Beachside Swimming and Diving
  - 7.30pm Parents and Friends Association Meeting
  - VCE Legal Studies excursion

- 7
  - College Assembly – IWD/House Music launch

- 8
  - Interim Reports online
  - 3.30pm P/T/S interview booking open for Unit 3 students
  - Yr 8 Summer Round Robin

- 9
  - 9am College Tour

- 10
  - Yr 7 Incursion – Brainstorm production (P4)

- 11
  - Yr 9 Outdoor Education Camp; Wilson’s Prom

- 12
  - Yr 9 OE Stand up Paddle (lunch & P4); Sandringham
  - Unit 3 Bus Man excursion (P1 & 2); Yakult
  - Yr 7 Summer Round Robin
  - 7.30pm College Council

- 13
  - Labour Day Public Holiday

- 14
  - Interim Reports online
  - 3.30pm P/T/S interview booking open for Unit 3 students
  - Yr 8 Summer Round Robin

- 15
  - Athletics Carnival; Dolamore Oval
  - 3.30pm P/T/S interview booking open for all students

- 16
  - Athletics Carnival back-up day
  - Yr 11 & 12 Vis Com excursion; Melbourne Museum

- 17
  - Yr 11 Legal Studies excursion; County & Magistrates Courts
  - Yr 7 & 12 Fancy Dress Competition (P4)

- 18
  - Yr 11 & 12 Student Photo Day

- 19
  - Unit 3 Outdoor Ed Camp

- 20
  - Yr 8-12 Student Photo Day

- 21
  - 9OE Stand up Paddle (lunch & P4); Sandringham
  - Unit 3 Bus Man excursion (P1 & 2); Yakult
  - Yr 7 Summer Round Robin
  - 7.30pm College Council

- 22
  - Yr 11 & 12 Music Performance excursion
  - Athletics Carnival back-up day
  - Yr 11 & 12 Vis Com excursion; Melbourne Museum

- 23
  - 1.30-8pm P/T/S Interviews

- 24
  - Yr 11 & 12 Art excursion; NGV

- 25
  - French Study Tour

- 26
  - French Study Tour (til 9th April)

**Gold Week**

- 27
  - 9am College Tour
  - Cultural Diversity Day

- 28
  - 11.45am - 3.15pm 9OE Kayaking; Sandringham

- 29
  - SMR Swimming and Diving
  - Yr 11 & 12 Media Excursion; Melb Museum & ACMi

- 30
  - NEWSLETTER #4
  - 6pm Yr 9 My Migrant Expo

- 31
  - Yr 11 & 12 Art excursion; NGV
  - Last day of Term 1