

DVC NEWS

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Important College Dates

2019 TERM 3

- 23 August Curriculum day
- 29 August Yr 12 Unit 4 Parent Teacher Interviews
- 7th September 2019 Working Bee

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It was a pleasure to welcome community business owners this week as they supported our Year 9 Dress for Success program. To see our students engage in practice interviews and discuss their preparation for further pathways is exciting. They approach the day with a bit of trepidation, yet walk away with increased confidence. The feedback from employees was extremely positive and they were impressed with the manner in which our students handled themselves.

On behalf of the College, I would like to thank our guests, who took time from their busy schedules to support our students.

Parent interviews are coming up with the Year 12 evening next week and Years 7 to 11 interviews the week after. Never underestimate the value of these opportunities that allows you to celebrate your child's successes and identify opportunities for improvement. Bookings will be able to be made via COM-PASS shortly.

Thank you to all the students that have participated in focus groups, providing feedback for our 2016 – 2019 review. College Captains have chaired these groups, allowing the students to identify what they appreciate at DVC, what could be done better and how they would like to see the college grow and develop moving forward. I always find that students take this opportunity seriously and truly reflect so that their contribution is valuable.

It is important that parents also have an opportunity to provide feedback for this process, beyond the more formal Parent Opinion Survey. Again, some of our students are assisting by asking parents that they know for feedback, however their reach is limited. I am asking that if you have a few moments, could you assist with this by emailing me at bennett.allison.a@edumail.vic.gov.au a response to the following:

1. What do we do well at Diamond Valley College?
2. What could we do better at Diamond Valley College?
3. What would you like the College to achieve in the next four years?

If these could be sent to me over the next few days, I would appreciate it.

I am also looking for parents who may be available on either September 12 or 13 to meet with our reviewer. It would be great if we could have representatives from all areas of the college respond - all year levels, those involved in special programs, those who are new to the school and those that have had a long association with the college.

At this stage we have offered 185 places for Year 7 2020, a significant increase on this year's intake. It is exciting to see the growth that has occurred at the College particularly in the last two years, along with the planned improvement in our facilities and the establishment of new programs such as HAP and the Sports Academy.

I am currently in full planning for 2020. This includes establishing the staffing arrangements which is based on student numbers at each year level and the subjects selected in Years 9 to 12. Please support your children to meet the time lines in place and equally as important, let me know if there is going to be a change in attendance at the college in 2020. Accurate information leads to accurate planning.

Thank you for support with this.

Allison Bennett

Principal

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COSTUME DESIGN AT DVC

Since the beginning of semester one, the year 11 Textiles class has been busily working on a COLLABORATIVE DESIGN PROJECT in Costume making for the upcoming School Production of 'MARY POPPINS'.

Throughout the project, the year 11 students aimed for high quality costumes that would fit into this year's School Production and showcase their individual abilities as Textiles students. They planned, researched, discussed, interviewed Gary, collaborated with each other, supported each other through production and utilised their class time effectively to deliver their interpretation of classic Mary Poppins costumes. Some students came in during school holidays to perfect their techniques. Whilst main characters' costumes were made in their entirety, some were modified from costumes made for previous Productions. As their teacher, I am incredibly proud of their achievements.

Please find below the names of the costume makers for main characters:

Barbara Chiodo: MARY POPPINS (conservative blue suit, red suit and modified garments)

Barbara Chiodo: JANE BANKS (mustard coat) assisted by Keely Connell (past student) & Taya Santilli

Sabine Hicks: MARY POPPINS (Park outfit: red corset and skirt and modified blouse)

Jess Dunt: WINIFRED BANKS (blue overcoat)

Isabella Connor: JANE BANKS (Park outfit: cream and flower dress)

Abygayle Neall : MRS CORRY (entire outfit)

Mikayla Mott: BERT (striped park jacket) assisted by Barbara Chiodo

Samantha Maloney: MICHAEL BANKS (striped park jacket) assisted by Barbara Chiodo

Melanie Kerney & Sarah Grano: JANE BANKS (red dress)

Shakira Scott : JANE BANKS(white dress) assisted by Samantha Maloney

Elle-May Cox & Brianna Beattie: FANNIE AND ANNIE (coloured skirts)

All other costumes and accessories were modified or re-used from previous school productions.



COSTUME DESIGN AT DVC



COLLEGE PRODUCTION—MARY POPPINS



SCIENCE WEEK

Ava Waterson 8.4 is the winner of our Science Week Quiz having correctly answered the daily questions selected from those posed by the Australian government which were posted on the students' Compass home page .

Thank you to those other students who participated during the busy, cold times we had while Science Week was scheduled.

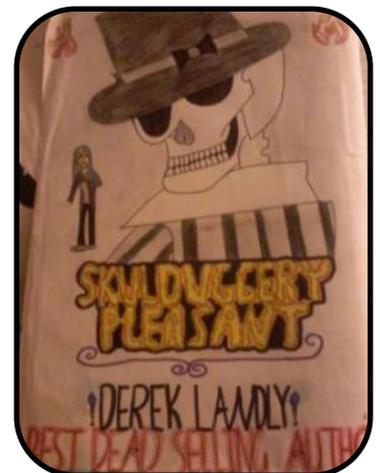
Did you know that the racquet sport which has the fastest recorded hit is badminton? Or that the loudest reported sound on Earth was the eruption of Mount Krakatoa in 1883 with a loudness estimated at 180 decibels at the volcano.

For extra points. Your question is "Which gas makes up most of the Earth's atmosphere?"

Jackie Hamlet

BOOK WEEK

This week we celebrated Book Week in the library. Students joined in with our Book Week Bingo, taking photos in the photo booth, making bookmarks, redesigning book covers, and cheering on the Book-domino run on Thursday. They wrote poetry using book titles and found out they all had superpowers as well! Special thanks to the Library Apprentices Team (Megan, Lily, Lukas, Ava and Hayley) who put in a huge effort to make all the activities come together. Thanks to Allison too, who helped by setting off the book domino run. Congratulations to Stephanie A of 7.4 who won the Bingo Challenge.



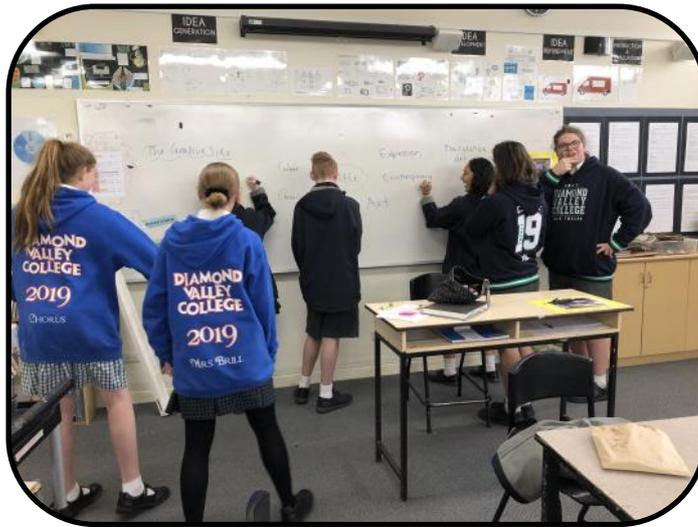
ART NEWS

It is that time of year again when we start to plan for the upcoming art, technology and design exhibition.

This year I invited more students to volunteer their time to help plan the show. We had our first meeting on Friday 16th August. Currently our 'Exhibition Squad' includes Jayme Larkin, Angel Borg, Matt O'Gorman, Nick Currie, Glen Fishlock, Jordyn Crawford and Zoe Templeman.

We brainstormed ideas for the title of the exhibition, and after lots of thinking and laughing the squad decided to title the exhibition 'The Creative Express'. Lots of great ideas were discussed in our meeting. If you would like to join us, feel free to come to our next meeting on Friday 6th September. Look out for more information to come.

Thanks
Selina



YEAR 12 PSYCHOLOGY EXCURSION

Last week both Year 12 Psychology classes took part in an Incursion run by the Epworth Sleep Lab. Students study Sleep as part of Unit 4 and got the chance to view equipment used to diagnose sleep disturbances and disorders, observe video monitoring of past patients from the Sleep Lab as well as a chance to observe a class member's brain waves, and muscle and eye movement during sleep.

An interesting and educational incursion!

Felicity
VCE Psychology Teacher

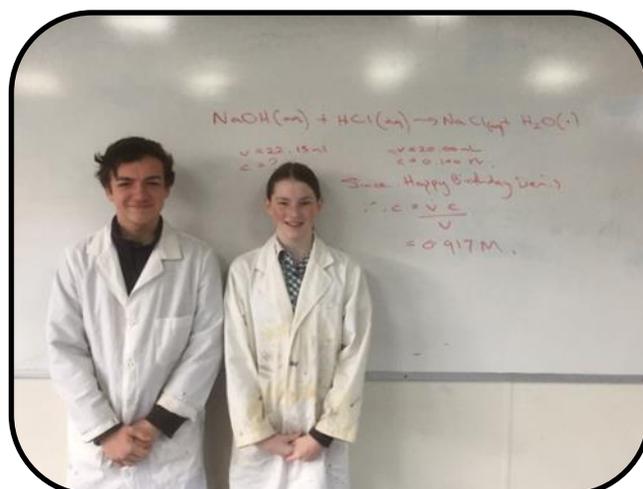


VCE CHEMISTRY: TITRATION STAKES 2019

The Royal Australian Chemical Institute's Australian National Chemical Analysis competition, known since 1986 except for the period 1994-1997 as the Titration Stakes, is Australia's most prestigious age-restricted Titration competition. On July 30th, three teams from Diamond Valley College took part in the state competition, aiming to achieve results in the top 10% of Victorian entrants and qualify for Nationals in September.

In the competition, each student conducts an experiment to find the concentration of two acids. Each student's experimental results are compared to the true value for that sample, to find the experimental error. The experimental error of each team member is added together to find the team error, which determines the State Champion Team, and qualification for Nationals.

Two teams qualified for Nationals: out of 460 teams, the team of Amelia Sharp and Mitchell Guy came 12th with an average error of 0.4%, and Hayden Swift and Callum Parker came 14th. Molly Crompton-Guard, Sabine Hicks and Ainsley Cronin-Sporys missed out on qualification, but with an average error of 0.9% came a very respectable 60th. We look forward to the next round of competition.



DVC RAFFLE WINNERS

Mitre 10 Gardening Pack – Anne Shaw
Volumes Clock & YMCA voucher – Marg Baxter
Fossick Bag and Outfit – Rachel Hocking
Fossick Outfit – Denise Power
Makeup and Gigliola Voucher – Jane Overton
Quilt – Erica
Makeup and YMCA Voucher – Chloe Shaw
Beach Chair, Diamond Creek Tavern and BWS Voucher – Bec Taylor
YMCA Voucher, Rain Florist and Diamond Creek Tavern – Murray Knight
Bakers Delight and YMCA Voucher – Nathan Ezard

A huge thank you to Karen Tung who helped us out on Saturday Night.

Many Thanks to all the Diamond Creek Traders who helped make this raffle possible.

**Volumes Books and Gifts
Diamond Creek Tavern
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Bakers Delight
Rainflorist
Fossick
Mitre 10
Gigliola
Priceline
YMCA
BWS**



BUS INFORMATION

Bus Fees Term 4 \$120 Year 9 City Campus Application to travel forms 2020

To Parent / Guardians of all registered **FARE PAYING** bus travellers, this is a reminder that Bus fees for Term 4 are now due and payable by **Friday 6 September 2019**. Should you have any queries please contact me as soon as possible as students who have not paid their fees by this date will not be able to travel via the College Bus Network during Term 4 and you will need to make alternative arrangements.

As usual our Year 9 students will be attending City Campus at the end of this term. Please check the next newsletter for any relevant changes to bus timetables.

Applications for 2020 travel are now being called for. Please read **ALL** information carefully, as **ALL** travellers are required to complete a form and return it to the college by **FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2019**. It is important when completing your 2020 Application Form that you nominate your **PREFERRED BUS** as this assists with correct allocation. Should you not nominate a Preferred Bus one will be allocated to you.

**REMEMBER ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE A NEW APPLICATION TO TRAVEL FORM EVE-
RY YEAR.**



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YOUTH ART SHOW

Friday 11th OCTOBER 2019

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