DVC Newsletter

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Important College Dates

Term 3

24th, 25th, 26th August -School Production 7.30pm Annie

6th September - Parent Teacher Interviews - No Students on Site

15th September - End of Term 3 Early Finish 2.10pm Buses will run at this earlier time

Principal's Report

Its Annie week! After months of preparation the team are ready to perform to three full houses. It was a privilege to see the opening performance last night and I look forward to tonight's session where the understudies will have the opportunity to shine. The benefits of a school production can never be underestimated. As exhausting as they are for all, they build a sense of belonging, team building and collaboration. Students once they have left the college and even years down the track will say that it is one of the highlights of their schooling and speak of lasting friendships made with students from across year levels.

Thank you to all involved, both staff and students who have supported with acting, singing, orchestra, stage production, set, make up, costumes, marketing, fundraising, back stage and front of house! The time you have given is very much appreciated. Lastly to the parents who have supported our students to participate, thank you! It is a huge time commitment and you have been part of the long journey. We couldn't do it without you!

Congratulations to Reg Byrne, who has been appointed Acting Principal for Term 4 while I take long service leave. It is a huge term of planning and preparation for 2024 and I am leaving Reg to lead our strategic review. It will be a wonderful opportunity for Reg's professional learning, and I know that I am leaving the college in very competent hands.

The college review is a significant event in any government school, it is where we reflect on our strategic plan of the past five years and take the opportunity to celebrate our achievements, acknowledge the challenges we faced and evaluate student achievement data. It is an enormous process that is well underway. You may have the opportunity to participate in a focus group, where your thoughts on what we do well as a college, opportunities for improvement and assistance in identifying goals for the future to make our school an even better learning experience for our students would be truly valued. If you have the time and wish to participate, please let Reg know. We will be following a similar process with students and staff, allowing us to get a complete understanding of each stakeholder's experience of Diamond Valley College and their hopes for our future.

On 8th September we are holding a fundraiser for the college and I hope you consider participating. The SRC are running Comedy for a Cause. Tickets are \$35 and once costs are covered (approx. 35 seats) the rest of the funds raised from 120 seats will be made available for students to use to make improvements at the college for the students. We have the potential to raise over \$4,000! So please, get on board and support Comedy for a Cause, it will be a night filled with fun and laughter for the family.

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Allison Bennett

Principal





DVC - Sports Report

SPORTS UPDATE

While there are only a few weeks of Term 3 to go, we still have plenty happening and a lot to report on. Please see our latest reports on

- State and Regional Finals days
- Year 8 Division Round Robin
- Up-and-coming Regional Track and Field and Year 7 sport days
- Olympic Change Makers
- Good luck Grace
- Dates of Importance

State and Regional Finals -

What a big term we have had with teams competing at both State and Regional Level.

State Football – Junior Girls and Year 7 Boys

Congratulations to our Junior girls and Year 7 boys who both competed in the State Football Finals in Ballarat. Both teams were ranked Top 8 in the state.

The Junior Girls first faced Ballarat High School in their Semi Final and got off to a great start. The girls dug deep and had a great second half with pressure and team work, going on to win the game and progressing them through to the Top 4 in Victoria.

Their next game they took on Strathmore Secondary College. The girls came out flying again, and went into the half time break with an 11 point advantage. Strathmore fought back in the third term, hitting the lead by 1 point at three quarter time. After the girls gave everything they could, Strathmore kicked the final goal of the game ending our Grand Final hopes by 7 points.

Next up was the boys who played their Semi Final against Warrnambool College. The boys put on a dominant display, with all team members contributing. By three quarter time they had gained a 57 – 2 advantage! Warrnambool snuck a couple of goals back in the last quarter, but our boys still won comfortably progressing them to the Top 4 in State.

They then had to take on St Josephs College from Echuca in the Prelim. St Josephs were big and hard at it, and while our boys worked hard to build the pressure, it was Echuca that pulled away from us this time eventually running away with a 60 point win.

For both teams it was an amazing effort to get that far and we are so proud of them all.

Regional Netball and Soccer

The following week our Year 8 girls Netball and Junior Soccer teams represented the Division in the Regional Championships. Our netball started the day with some amazing, flawless netball winning their game 38 – 2. Their second game was also a strong win, meaning one win to compete in the grand final and a chance to play in the State Finals. This game was a nail biter, with Mernda Central getting an early lead, before we came back at them. Every time DVC would pull back, they would create a turnover and score again. Unfortunately, we ended up going down by 3 goals ending our journey.

Our Junior Girls Soccer team worked hard under the guidance of coach Aliya K (of Year 11). With only a few of the girls having played soccer before, the team were creative, strong and united, improving with each game. While they didn't win any of their games, they were competitive and represented our College with honour.





DVC - Sports Report (Cont.)

Regional Track and Field Championships

Next week 40 of our athletes will compete at Meadowglen International Athletics Track competing in the Northern Metropolitan Regional Track and Field Championships.

We have so many talented athletes competing in both Track and Field events including Max Davidson and Ben Hodgson in the Race Walk, Charlotte Beddoe in the 200m, 400, 800, 1500m and the long jump, Sam Raftery in the 1500m and 3000m, Abbey Gray in the javelin and Ben Lowe in the multiclass shotput. We also have 5 teams competing in relays from the 14yo boys and girls to the 18-20 girls.

Please, if you have not completed consent and payment on Compass, please do so ASAP. We look forward to a successful day with some fine weather expected.

Year 7 Inter school Round Robin

Not long until our Year 7's get to compete in their Term 3 Round Robin. This competition will happen in Week 9 on Thursday the 7th September Students will compete against the other schools in our division in the sports of basketball, hockey, table tennis and futsal. Training and try-outs are being held throughout the week.

Olympic Change Makers

Congratulations to Year 11 students Aliya Karitsis and Deakin Leppard on being nominated as this year Olympic Change Makers Australian Olympic Change-Maker program recognises secondary students from around the country who demonstrate the Olympic spirit – friendship, sportsmanship and striving for excellence - both on and off the playing field, through leadership and driving positive change in their school and local communities.

Over the course of their schooling career both Aliya and Deakin have not only strived to excel in their chosen sports outside of school – but they have given back to the school program, competing in college carnivals and interschool sport and dedicating their time to younger students. Both Deakin and Aliya have coached countless soccer and futsal teams along with volunteering to assist in athletics, swimming and a number of other sports.

We look forward to seeing both of them attend the 2023 Change Maker Forum later in the year.

GOOD LUCK GRACE!

Grace Robinson heads off to Canberra this weekend to compete in the National Cross Country. We wish her all the best!

Term 3 Dates to Remember

- Wednesday August 30th Regional Athletics Carnival
- Thursday September 7th Year 7 Round Robin Day (and Inter Girls Hockey)

Term 4 Dates to Remember

- Tuesday October 10th Year 8 Volleyball Round Robin
- Wednesday October 11th Year 8, 9 &10 Girls Regional Hockey Finals
- Monday October 16^h State Track and Field Championships
- Thursday October 19th Year 8 Girls Regional Basketball Finals
- Monday October 23rd Year 7 & 8 Girls Cricket Regional Finals
- Tuesday October 24th 2024 Intermediate (current Year 8 & 9's) Round Robin
- Wednesday October 25th Year 7 Girls Regional Hockey Finals

DVC - Year 11 Art

Our Year 11 Art Creative Practice students have been working collaboratively together to create a group presentation. They played a surrealist game called the 'exquisite corpse' which each student had to draw a different head, torso and legs. They achieved some fun and creative results.



DVC - School Production Annie

Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th August has seen the cast of Annie go on tour to many of our local Primary Schools. Over these three days, the orphans and Miss Hannigan (played by our wonderful crew) have performed for Diamond Creek East, Hurstbridge, Wattle Glen, St Andrews and Kangaroo Ground Primary Schools. It has been a fabulous opportunity for our cast to get in lots of practice, while sharing their passion and talent with our local schools.

Cast and Crew of Annie













DVC- Bus Information



BUS INFORMATION IMPORTANT



APPLICATION TO TRAVEL FORMS 2024

PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION AND NOTE BUS TRAVELLER PROCEDURES.

THESE PROCEDURES ARE DIRECTIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT VICTORIA.

Parents and students please note that <u>all</u> bus travellers <u>must</u> complete an Application to Travel form for the 2024 school year. These forms are available for download from the Diamond Valley College website or by clicking on the following link <u>2024 Bus Application</u> Applications should be completed <u>in full</u>, including a <u>valid personal parent email</u> please do not use a business email address and returned to the General Office no later than Friday 15th September 2023 to allow planning for the 2024 school year. Students will <u>not be permitted to travel</u> via the College Bus Network without a current "Application to Travel" form, regardless of eligibility.

Regardless of your child's years of travel, or eligibility these processes need to be followed for each new year of travel.

The application form must be completed in full including the <u>correct bus</u> and stop as indicated on the relevant timetable available on the College website. Should you not nominate a preferred bus, one will be allocated to you on the basis of location and availability.

Late forms will be accepted, however no guarantees are given regarding a place on the preferred bus. Every endeavour will be made to accommodate students on their requested bus.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me on 9438 1411.

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DVC - Arts Bridge Art Competition



Presented by Hurstbridge Primary School

Primary & Secondary School students
Awards and prizes
Entries close & delivery by Wednesday, 16th August 8.30am to 9.30am

Sunday, 27th August 10am - 3pm

Email: hpsartsbridge@gmail.com



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- Brisbane & Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Edinburgh & Adelaide Fringe Festival
- Sydney Comedy Festival Showcase Tour
- ABC TV, Live on Bowen
- 'Something for the Drive Home with Nick Cody' Podcast

"A joy to watch. ****" - The Age



Matt O'Neill (UK)

- Edinburgh Fringe Festival
- Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Opening act Steve Hughes at the Atheneum
- 'Best New Comer' at Kings of Comedy

"rule breaking, genre bending stand up"



Leigh Qurban

- Adelaide, Perth & Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2015 Winner of Adelaide Comedian of the Year
- 2018 Kings of Comedy Comedian of the Year

"Has the audience in hysterics...relateable comedy at its finest" - Glam Adelaide *****



Sonia Di Iorio

Melbourne International Comedy Festival

- Perth Fringe Festival
- 'Hits & Giggles' MICF's best up and coming artists!
- 'Stand Up at Bella Union' (SBS2)
- Live on Bowen (C31).

"Quick witted, tight & oozing with confidence" - Pop Culture-v

Friday 8 September 2023

Doors: 6.30pm / Show: 7.30pm (13+ Only)

Tickets: \$35 at comedyforacause.net/DVC

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