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Headmaster

Parents' Association Start of Year Social Functions

Tonight we will see the last of the Parents' Association start of year functions, where parents of boys from the Senior School will gather in the Camberwell Room in our Sports Centre.

Thanks again to the Parents' Association and to the Development Office for organising and hosting these functions, I have appreciated the opportunity to welcome parents from the various year groups of the School to a new School year.

Victorian State Government's Respectful Relationships

Camberwell Grammar School has recently become a partner school, in the Victorian State Government's Respectful Relationships, working with leading school Camberwell Girls Grammar and a cluster of other partner schools to develop students' skills, and strategies and understanding in eight key areas, including Emotional Literacy, Personal Strengths, Positive Coping, Problem Solving, Stress Management, Help-seeking, Gender and Identity and Positive Gender Relations.

Many of these topics are covered in the Personal and Social Development classes undertaken at Junior, Middle School and Senior School levels, and there are a range of new initiatives planned over the coming 12 months, as the Respectful Relationships program evolves.

In addition, all School staff undertook a survey on Gender Equity, assessing the way our staff and the curriculum portray gender roles and stereotypes, as we teach and interact within the School community. Research has shown that promoting gender equity, especially to younger year levels, is critical in helping all children establish positive, healthy relationships, and ultimately reduce incidents of family violence in the community. Faculties are now looking at ways of embedding more positive ideas of gender equity into specific subjects.

More information about the Respectful Relationships program can be found by [clicking here](#).

Scholarship Examinations

This Saturday morning, we will be holding scholarship examinations at School. Some three hundred students have registered for these examinations, including some of our own students. We wish them all well, recognising that only a very few candidates will be awarded a scholarship, and that examination results do not define one's worth as a person.

Commanding Officer 31 BN (AAC) - Melbourne Schools Battalion

We are very pleased to advise that our Student Services Officer and Officer Commanding-Cadet, Mr Michael Neal, has been promoted to the rank of Major, and will additionally assume the mantle of Commanding Officer 31 BN AAC. Major Neal will still carry out the role of OC of our Cadet Unit. Also, we congratulate Mr Tim Cross our Head of Geography, who has been promoted to the rank of Captain.

Geography Teachers' Association of Victoria

Each year, the GTAV (Geography Teachers' Association of Victoria) award VCE Certificates of Excellence, recognising student achievement in the study of Geography, and in acknowledgement of the professionalism and dedication of their Geography teachers.

Congratulations to the following students from Camberwell Grammar School, who were recognised for their achievements in VCE Geography in 2017:

VCE Certificates of Excellence

Riley Anderson Year 12 (2017)

Joel Kleiman Year 12 (2018)

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Kenneth Atock Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations to Aksel Salins (Year 11), and Jake Brown (Faith and Social Justice Prefect), who are the joint recipients of the Kenneth Atock Memorial Scholarship for Science. This scholarship was given to the School in a bequest from Mr Kenneth Atock, an Old Boy. It is awarded to students for their academic performance in the Sciences, to promote and encourage scientific education with the emphasis upon studies of outer space and rocketry amongst scholars attending Camberwell Grammar School.

In light of their consistent high-level academic performances in Science last year, Aksel and Jake are most worthy recipients of this scholarship.

Chinese Exchange Students

We welcome fourteen Year 10 Students from Xi'an High School, in China, and their supervising teacher, Ms Yuan Cui, who arrived earlier this week as part of a four-week exchange. Many thanks to the Year 10 students and their families who will act as hosts for these boys while they attend classes, experience a range of different activities and help our boys with their Chinese skills.

Paul Hicks, Headmaster

Middle School

Year 8 Surf Camp

Perfect conditions greeted our Year 8 boys, as they ventured to Anglesea and Ocean Grove for this week's Year 8 Surf Camp. Activities such as these provide extremely positive bonding experiences for all involved, and I congratulate the boys for their enthusiasm towards the two day program. Many managed to stand up on surfboards for the first time, and the educational sessions around water safety were valuable and enjoyable.

My thanks to Mrs Kirsty McDougall for organising an excellent few days, and to the Year 8 Form Teachers and accompanying staff who spent time away from their own families to be with the boys.

Homework Club

Homework Club has been well attended in A22 on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Boys are encouraged to come along to these sessions to receive support from Mr Wyatt and Mrs Chaomhanach in subject specific areas, as well as guidance in time management and study skills.

Curriculum and Wellbeing Information Evening

I am looking forward to seeing many of our parents next Tuesday at The Middle School Curriculum and Wellbeing Information Evening in the PAC, commencing at 7.00pm. The evening is relevant to all Middle School parents wanting to better understand the following topics:

- Our Curriculum
- Assessment
- Technology
- Learning for the Future
- Caring For Your Son
- Teaching Boys
- Communication and Collaboration Between Parents and Teachers

The evening will conclude at approximately 8.30pm.

Year 7 Sport

It will be terrific to kick off School Sport tomorrow. We wish all our boys the very best, especially those debuting for Camberwell Grammar School. Win, lose or draw – I hope all boys are proud of their effort and sportsmanship at the end of the day.

Troy Stanley, Head of Middle School

Junior School

2018 Junior School Parent-Teacher Meetings

Wednesday 21 February, 3.40pm to 9.00pm

Thursday 22 February, 3.40pm to 6.00pm

On these two evenings, there will be an opportunity for you to meet with your son's classroom teacher, as well as specialists and support staff. The purpose of this introductory interview is to provide an opportunity for you to meet your son's teachers, and to share important information about your son. As this is the first opportunity for new families to meet with specialists, we request that you do not book an interview with specialists on this occasion, unless you are a new family to Camberwell Grammar School, or have a pressing issue to discuss.

You would have received an email this week, explaining how parent-teacher interviews can be booked online from 2.00pm Monday 12 February until 2.00pm Monday 19 February.

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These meetings are for parents only, if, as a last resort you need to bring your Junior School boy or siblings, we request that they are adequately supervised or quietly occupied outside classrooms during interview times. Please note, due to Government regulations, boys who are not booked into Aftercare cannot join this group in outside play. As the Library is used for interviews, it is also unavailable. Parking is available in front of Kingussie, in Pre-Prep parking at this time, and through Gate 3 to the underground car park.

Diane Collins, Deputy Head Administration – Junior School

Parent Information Session: Early Years Numeracy – What Counts?

For Pre-Prep to Year 2 Parents

Tuesday 27 February, 8.30am to 10.00am, Wheelton Centre Room 310

The Parent Information Session is an active hands on workshop, intended to give parents information about what is important in the early years of numeracy. The emphasis will be on developing mental images of concepts and thinking strategies that support number development.

Strategies will be demonstrated and simple games played. Parents will be given a small resource pack to take away and use at home. The bank of tasks and games will provide students with additional practice, and assist in the development of mental computation and improved mathematical thinking.

Carmen Morgan, Mathematics Co-ordinator

Parent Information Session: Reading and Writing Together

For Pre-Prep and Year 1 Parents

Wednesday 28 February, 8.45am to 10.15am, Prep Classroom

Parents of boys in Prep and Year 1 are invited to attend an Information Session on strategies to help beginning readers and writers, and to answer any questions you might have.

Mrs Caroline Gatley, Deputy Head - Curriculum, Ms Emily Bond, Year 1 Teacher, Mr Nathan Jones, Year 2 Teacher and Mrs Colleen Jarrett-Bourke, Literacy Intervention Teacher, will be giving a talk on how to help your son with reading, handwriting and spelling

Caroline Gatley, Deputy Head - Curriculum

Updated Term 1 Assembly Roster

WEEK	DATE	CLASS
3	Wednesday 14 February	Year 2 (Year 4 Away on Camp)
4	Wednesday 21 February	Year 1
5	Wednesday 28 February	Year 4B Camp Reflection
6	Wednesday 7 March	Year 5A/B Leadership Assembly
7	Wednesday 14 March	Year 5A Presentation of Exec Badges
8	Wednesday 21 March	Prep (Staff Planning Day)
9	Wednesday 28 March	Year 3

Key Dates Ahead

Monday	12 February	Parent/Teacher Interviews Booking Online
Wednesday	14-16 February	Year 4 Camp, Anglesea
Saturday	17 February	Junior School AGSV Swim Trials, Trinity, 9.00am to 11.00am
Wednesday	21 February	Parent/Teacher Interviews, 3.40pm to 9.00pm
Wednesday	21 February	Year 1 Hosts Assembly, Middleton Theatre
Thursday	22 February	Parent/Teacher Interviews, 3.40pm to 6.00pm
Tuesday	27 February	Numeracy Parent Information Session, 8.30am to 10.00am, Wheelton Building W310, W311
Tuesday	27 February	Junior School Photo Day, including Family Photos
Wednesday	28 February	Prep and Year 1 Literacy Parent Information Session, 8.45am to 10.15am
Thursday	1 March	Year 4 Parent and Son – iPad Information Evening, 6.45pm
Friday	2 March	Junior School House Swimming Carnival (Years 3 to 5) 12.30pm to 3.00pm, Sports Centre

Howard Kelly, Head of Junior School

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Sport

We resumed Summer Sport last weekend, with several students and teams enjoying the great weather. The Year 7s had their Orientation Morning and were introduced to the Sport Program as a whole. Good luck to all of the Year 7s this weekend, in their first real taste of Saturday Sport. Just a reminder to download the Camberwell Sport App through the App Store via Team App. This will allow you to receive all the latest communications, especially training information, and games cancelled due to heat.

Sport Report

Over the holidays we had a number of teams representing the School, including the First XI Cricket team, who competed in the Neil Dansie tournament against schools from NSW, SA and Toowoomba. Unfortunately, the side was unable to win any of their 3 matches, competing against very talented and well-drilled teams. However there were some positive signs from the competition batsmen James Bickerdike (Year 12) and Sam Windisch (Year 11) each scoring impressive half centuries.

On 14 January the Triathlon Team competed in St Kilda in race three of the 2XU series. Due to the weather, the swim leg was cancelled for all age groups, resulting in the race becoming a duathlon consisting of a run, a ride and an additional run. In the mini race Billy Swingler (Year 8) and Alex Lew (Year 9) performed strongly to place in the top 20 of their respective age groups. The sprint race had even more impressive results, with Billy's older brother Harry (Year 11) and Captain Nicholas Liew (Year 12) recording finishes in the top 10, while Jack Amling (Year 11) found himself on the podium in 3rd place, a remarkable effort.

Last weekend saw all School teams return to AGSV competition, headlined by the swimming squad's annual "Duel in the Pool" against Trinity. Camberwell's rigorous training program over the holidays paid dividends for the boys, with improvements across the board. Most notable was Yanning Zhang (Year 8), who won 4 races on the night, including one in the open age group. A strong team performance resulted in CGS winning 17 races to 10, placing the group in a good position leading up to the AGSV finals.

On Friday, the First Basketball team faced Marcellin on their home court. Up by two points at half-time, it appeared as if an upset was brewing. However, the opposition stepped up their game in the third quarter, forcing Camberwell to turn over the ball and then capitalising on their opportunities on offence. As a result our boys went down 53 points to 38, and now need to win their two remaining games in order to make the finals. This week's "Play of the Day" comes from the Fourths Crest vs Fourths Blue basketball game, where Jack McColl (Year 11) shot a three-pointer with just seconds remaining to give his team a 21 to 20 point win.

The First Table Tennis team played Ivanhoe on the weekend, hoping to remain undefeated for this season. Ethan Tang (Year 10) played convincingly to defeat his second seed opponent, while Jonathan Chen (Year 12) was down match point on four occasions before coming away with the win in his rubber. The boys ended the day 12 rubbers to 3, 40 games to 13, and are clear favourites to take out the premiership.

Jamie Watson, Director of Sport

David McColl, Captain of Games

Careers

Tuesday 27 February, 12.30pm	Australian National University (ANU) Guest Speaker, Quinn Theatre
Thursday 15 March, 12.30pm	London School Economics (LSE) Guest Speaker
Wednesday 28 March	Camberwell Grammar School Careers Evening
Thursday 29 March	Deadline for Work Experience Forms
Tuesday 5 June to Saturday 9 June	Year 10 Work Experience Week

Mastering the VCE

The School for Excellence (TSFX) offers an annual 'Mastering the VCE' event, to provide students with the skills and information they need to maximise VCE marks. Featuring a unique range of guest speakers and VCE exam markers, this event is very useful for students studying Year 11 or Year 12 in 2018. 'Mastering the VCE' is free of charge when students make a minimum \$10 donation to the Fred Hollows Foundation representatives on the day. Find out more at: [Mastering the VCE](#).

Medicine and Health Course Wizard

The Medicine, Nursing and Health Faculty has created a new tool to assist students in selecting which undergraduate course in Medicine, Nursing or Health Sciences is right for them. By clicking 'show me all my course options', students are asked to select their Year 12 subjects and ATAR score range to filter the list of prospective degrees they might be eligible for at Monash University.

Visit the website at: [Medicine and Health Course Wizard](#).

Australian Defence Force Careers Expo

Ever considered what a career in the Australian Defence Force (ADF) is really like? Go along to the Australian Defence Force Careers Expo in Melbourne, and chat with current serving ADF members about their roles. The Australian Defence Force Careers Expo is the best opportunity to see some of the Defence's best equipment, and learn about the careers available in the Navy, Army and Air Force. The event will take

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place on Friday 23 February from 9.00am to 3.00pm, Saturday 24 February from 9.00am to 5.00pm, or Sunday 24 February from 10.00am to 4.00pm at the Royal Exhibition Building (9 Nicholson Street, Carlton). This event is free. Register your interest, [here](#).

Work Experience at Myer

There are currently 400 work experience places available at Myer, but they will not last long. Students can apply through the [link here](#). Simply click on 'Work Place Vacancies', select 'Work experience at Myer', tick the privacy box, and then add your personal details to the application form.

Lynette Reiger, Careers Counsellor

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Term 4, Week 1

Day	Date	Event
Saturday	10 February	PLUS Open 10.00am to 12.00 noon Information Morning, Middle and Senior School with Scholarship Exam, PAC, 8.30am
Sunday	11 February	Musical Sundowner and Friends of Performing Arts Parent Information Session, PAC, 5.00pm to 6.30pm
Monday	12 February	Junior School - Parent/Teacher Interview bookings open online, 2.00pm
Tuesday	13 February	Middle School Curriculum Information Evening Middleton Theatre, 7.00pm to 9.00pm
Wednesday	14 February	Year 4 Camp, Coastal Forest Lodge, Anglesea Shanghai Youth Art Troupe, PAC, 1.30pm to 2.30pm (All Year 5, 6, 7 and 8 students and Senior School Chinese Language students) AFL Umpires Academy: Parents Information Afternoon, Camberwell Room, 4.00pm to 4.45pm PLUS Open 3.00pm to 4.30pm
Thursday	15 February	Program for Indigenous Scholars, 8.30am to 12.30pm
Friday	16 February	Middle School Athletics Trials, Stradbroke Park, 1.30pm to 4.00pm Senior School House Music Rehearsals, 2.45pm to 4.00pm AGSV Swim Meet CGS, 4.00pm

Sport Diary Dates

Saturday 10 February Round 6 Summer Season

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Cafeteria Roster

Monday	12 February	Jo Richardson, Catherine Thompson
Tuesday	13 February	Carolyn Quan, Wendy Jones-Wade
Thursday	15 February	Jacinta McInnes, Megan Moodie
Friday	16 February	Andrea Watt, Sweet Lee-Brown

PLUS Roster

Saturday	10 February	Lily Jiang, Janet McIlroy, Lisa Waycott
Wednesday	14 February	Shaani Graves, Janet Rice, Sally Turnbull

Senior School Welcome Drinks and Savouries

Date: Friday 9 February
Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Venue: Camberwell Room, Sports Centre
RSVP: www.trybooking.com/TJPG

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Friends of Cycling - End of Season Event at Kew Teardrop

Students and families are invited to attend our almost "end" of Cycling season event at the Kew Teardrop. This will be a great opportunity to meet our new CGS team Manager Mr Marcus Jones, over some light refreshments and meet new and current families during our second last race for the season.

Date: Saturday 17 February (during Race 6 event)

RSVP: Numbers attending to mastambe@bigpond.com

Contact: Mrs Tracey Guorgi (0419 351 225), Mrs Maria Stambe (0409 432 076), Mrs Amy Kelly, (0405 504 812) or Mrs Melissa Williams (0402 850 463).

CGS Auxiliary

The Auxiliary is seeking assistance from parents who are available to volunteer one or two mornings per Term, to assist staff in the Cafeteria. We ideally would like to have two parent volunteers per day. Hours: 9.30am to 1.00pm. It is a fun way to meet other parents and feel connected to the Camberwell Grammar School community. There are still about 20 spots to fill for this term, in particular, next week. If you are interested please contact the School, or me, Nicole Loidl nicoleloidl66@gmail.com or 0401 697 264.

OCGA Events

Friday	2 March	Battle of the Decades, Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club
Tuesday	6 March	OCGA Annual General Meeting, Camberwell Room
Friday	23 March	OCGA Dinner, Camberwell Room
Sunday	25 March	Geelong and Surrounds Network Function, Suma Park Cricket.

Diary Dates

Year 2 Brunch at the Boathouse

Date: Sunday 11 February

Time: 11.00am

Venue: Fairfield Park Boathouse and Tea Gardens

Details: There is a wide range of boating and eating options and a playground nearby.

Year 11 Parents Coffee/Breakfast Morning

Date: Friday 23 February

Time: 8.30am onwards

Venue: Between Us Café, 141 Mailing Road, Canterbury

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/UBPQ

Year 7 Parents Coffee Morning

Date: Friday 23 February

Time: After morning drop off

Venue: White Mojo, 182-184 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn

Year 3 Coffee Catch Up

Date: Wednesday 28 February

Time: Straight after Assembly

Venue: Between Us Café, 141 Mailing Road, Canterbury

Year 2 Parents Coffee Morning

Date: Friday 2 March

Time: 9.00am

Venue: Hash Roasters, 564 Burke Road, Camberwell

Year 8 Parents Drinks

Date: Thursday 8 March

Time: Drop in between 7.30pm and 10.00pm

Venue: Auburn Hotel, 85 Auburn Road, Hawthorn East

Details: No need to RSVP just call in for as long as you can. Drinks at bar prices and there will be some finger food provided.

Contact: Ms Rebecca Lockett-Chun, 0412 524 954

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Year 3 Parents Dinner

Date: Friday 16 March

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: Piquancy, 123 Auburn Road, Hawthorn

Details: Banquet \$49, Trybooking details to follow

Year 11 Parents Night Out

Date: Thursday 22 March

Time: 7.00pm onwards

Venue: Glenferrie Hotel, 324 Burwood Road, Hawthorn

Details: Come for a drink or a meal, all at bar prices

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/UBPB

Year 11 - Save the Date

Event: Friday 27 April, Yum Cha Lunch, Hawthorn

Event: Wednesday 30 May, Biggest Morning Tea Fundraiser

Links to Flyers and Further Information

- [Camberwell Grammar School Evening Art Classes](#)
 - Drawing and Painting
 - Sketchbooking Making