

Principal's Message

Dear students, parents, guardians and community members,

Another week of remote learning down, and overall, things continue to be progressing well. One additional bonus of remote learning was that all students and staff managed to stay warm in our homes this week! 😊 Big thanks to all the parents, students and staff for ongoing support of one another. A particular shout out to those parents who are working at home and trying to support your kids too; as a parent with a four and six year old at home, I can certainly relate to the challenge! I'm working from home a few days a week, and I know that it can be a handful! Thanks for your resilience and for working with us in this endeavour. Look after yourselves, and don't forget to have a look at some of the wellbeing strategies and contacts that we provided for you in the guide. We've attached it again for your reference.

Our gratitude wall on the Compass news feed is a fabulous read. It's a nice 'pick me up.' I highly recommend that you jump on there and have a browse at some stage! Many thanks to all the parents, staff and students who have been posting items.

2021 transition and course selections

For those who are looking at Year 7 enrolments next year, we are recommencing our transition information 'evenings' etc, however it will all look a little different this year! Early next week we will be uploading a new virtual tour of the school as well as narrated versions of the presentations that we would normally have given at our information evenings. All the information you need should be on the website.

For all other year levels, we will still be proceeding with our 2021 course/subject selection processes which will start later in the term.

For those who are curious, at this point in time we still intend to proceed with our normal rollover to the four week commencement program in November, however this may be subject to further review as the COVID-19 situation unfolds.

Thursday 7th May – Professional Development Day

A reminder that next Thursday 7th May is a *Professional Development Day* for all teachers. They will still be setting independent learning tasks for their classes on those days, but they won't be running any face to face instruction or be available to answer questions on the day. Integration aides will be checking in with their respective students to make sure that they have some extra support with the independent learning tasks for the day.

IT support

A reminder that if you need IT support, please send an email to support@kambryacollege.com. Under no circumstances are any parents or students to come on site without a prior appointment.

VCE and VCAL announcements

Yesterday there were some significant updates from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority regarding VCE and VCAL. This includes the release of modified Study Designs for Year 12 Unit 4 VCE subjects. The Later Years leaders are currently analysing these changes, and they will be communicating with respective students and parents ASAP.

Wishing all a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards

Keith Perry
Principal

Key Dates

2020

All School Calendar dates now appear on Compass - we strongly encourage all parents to check for upcoming events through Compass, click on the Calendar Tab, then Public Whole School Calendar, you are able to view details in a Week or Month format

Thursday 7th May

Staff Professional Practice Day
Independent student work will be set but no scheduled activities will run

Friday 29th May

Staff Report Writing and
Curriculum Day -
STUDENT FREE DAY

Monday 1st June

Semester 2 Classes begin

Friday 26th June

Last Day of Term 2

Monday 13th July

First Day of Term 3

Friday 18th September

Last Day of Term 3

Admin News

If you have any queries regarding your school account, including Compass Course Confirmation and Payments, please email:

gayle.sparks@education.vic.gov.au and/or nikki.kewin-talbot@education.vic.gov.au

CSEF

If you have a Health Care Card that was valid prior to 14th April 2020, and you have not already submitted an application (or been automatically rolled over from last year), please contact us in accounts on the above email addresses and we will email you a form to complete.

Wellbeing News

1800RESPECT
NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT, DOMESTIC
FAMILY VIOLENCE COUNSELLING SERVICE
1800 737 732
www.1800RESPECT.org.au
Available any time of the day or night

Student Achievement News

Victorian School Sports Awards Winner

Jack Howell (Kambrya College) received his Sporting Blues Award for Secondary Swimming - Multiclass via mail recently.

The Sporting Blues Award is one of the highest awards an athlete can receive from School Sport Victoria. Jack Howell is now on the official SSV Honour Roll for Primary and Secondary sport.

The award recognizes Jack's Silver and Bronze medals at the 2019 School Sport Australia Swimming Championships, his categorization as the youngest emerging Para-triathlete by the AIS and Triathlon Australia, the first para-athlete to be selected for Team Vic Triathlon, and School Sport State level Cross Country running.

Congratulations Jack!

