



Key Dates

Tuesday 19th April
Athletics Carnival

Friday 22nd April
Student FREE day
Staff Professional Learning Day

Monday 25th April
ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 27th April
Year 7 2017 Information Night - Repeat

Tuesday 10th - Thursday 12th May
NAPLAN

Saturday 14th May
SEAL exam

Monday 30th May - Thursday 2nd June
Year 8 - 12 Examinations

Friday 3rd June
Student FREE day
Report Writing Day

Tuesday 7th June
GAT

Monday 13th June
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 22nd June
Student FREE day
Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday 24th June
Last Day of Term 2

Dear Parents and Guardians

Welcome to term 2!

We have an exciting 11 weeks this term that will bring many opportunities for our students; the most significant of which is the important announcement that Kambrya College will be the recipient of a three million dollar grant to build a new classroom block! As you may be aware, we are constantly campaigning to improve our facilities so that we can provide the most conducive learning environment for our students. The construction of the new classroom block will do just that. It will provide opportunity for us to potentially bring one of the vertical sub schools out of relocatable classrooms into permanent classrooms. Additionally, it will provide a facility for community group use outside of school hours. There is much to be celebrated! More details will be shared with you over the coming months. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our local Member of Parliament in the Legislative Assembly, Judith Graley MP, State Labor Member for Narre Warren South; her support in this venture has been unwavering. Judith has been a longtime friend of the College who has consistently acknowledged the work that we do to improve the outcomes of our students. We are thrilled with the news of the grant!

On a different note we are also eagerly preparing for the airing of the documentary on the ABC in June. We are liaising closely with the production crew to cross check facts and statistics, as well as secure permissions for students appearing

in the documentary. Indeed, we have talked to many parents over the course of the last month to do this. A synopsis of each episode will be made available to our community, as will some biographical information about the teachers that are featured over the course of the four episodes.

The end of term one saw a large percentage of our parents and students engaging in conferences with teachers. This provided a valuable opportunity for the sharing of information and is a vital part of our reporting cycle. Parents are reminded that they can contact teachers directly through Compass at any time of the year to seek clarity about their child's progress.

Until next week.

Warm Regards,

Jo Wastle
Acting Principal

Essential Information

Please remember that the Athletics Carnival is held next Tuesday (19th April) and all students are expected to attend. There are no scheduled classes at school on that day.

Full Winter uniform is to be worn for the duration of term 2 and 3. As such any student wearing a shirt **MUST** wear a tie. Parents of year 7 students are reminded that their child's uniform must comply with that of the new uniform requirement. Our uniform supplier has advised that the Winter kilt is now available, as is the long sleeved shirt

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MEDIA RELEASE

\$3 MILLION REASONS TO CELEBRATE AT KAMBRYA COLLEGE

Kambrya College has received \$3 million from the Andrews Labor Government's state budget to realise their dream of a new multipurpose facility.

This outstanding local school is experiencing significant growth and is in desperate need of new facilities to meet the needs of their school community.

State Member for Narre Warren South Judith Couacaud Graley has been working closely with the school to ensure their students' needs are met and has been advocating on their behalf for this much needed facility.

Ms Graley has raised the matter in Parliament, written to the Minister and organised for the Minister to visit the school last year to meet with their leadership team and see firsthand the issues facing the growing school.

The new two storey facility will replace existing portable classrooms at the rear of the school and incorporate new classrooms and a multipurpose room on the second storey. The facility will also be available for community use.

Quotes attributable to the Member for Narre Warren South Judith Couacaud Graley MP

"This is a big win for Kambrya College, its students and our local community who deserve to have access to the very best schools, with the very best facilities,"

"We worked long and hard to secure funding for this much needed project and now we will see Kambrya's vision become a reality,"

"I have no doubt that this extraordinary school will continue to excel and go above and beyond for their students and I can't wait to see what they can do in their new multi-purpose facility."

Quotes attributable to the Acting Principal of Kambrya College, Joanne Wastle

"I am thrilled to be overseeing the development of this important building initiative. The new building will ensure that we have greater opportunity to maximize the potential of every student within a flexible learning space,"

"This development will provide opportunities for the local community to access the space outside of school hours for community events."