



# St Brigid's College Horsham

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# NEWSLETTER

6th Nov 2020

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents and Guardians,

In Australia the November 11th is a day to remember those who died in war. The 11th of November, 1918, saw the end of the First World War. Remembrance Day was originally called Armistice Day. After the end of the Second World War in 1945, the Australian and British Governments changed the name to Remembrance Day as an appropriate title for a day which would commemorate all war dead. Australians observe one minute's silence at 11.00 am on Remembrance Day. We reflect on and thank the many brave men and women who served during the war, many of whom made the ultimate sacrifice ensuring the freedom of our great land. We pray for and remember those who served and died in all wars.



In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.  
We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

### DOBCEL SIGNING OF TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Last Friday we celebrated the end of an era and the commencement of a new one. Since 1920 St Brigid's College has been under the governance of the Brigidine Sisters and, more recently, our local Parish Priest. From January 2021, all Parish Catholic schools in the Diocese of Ballarat will be under the governance of the Diocese of Ballarat Catholic Education Limited (DOBCEL).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 9th Nov

VCE exams commence

Mon 9th Nov - Fri 13th Nov

Yr 9 Outdoor Ed camp

Tue 17th Nov

Yr 10 Mock Interviews

Mon 23rd Nov - Wed 25th Nov

Yr 8 Camp

Mon 30th Nov - Fri 4th Dec

Headstart - Yr 11 and Yr 12 2021

Under the new governance model, principals will continue to have appropriate delegations to lead and manage their schools and staff supported by the CEO of DOBCEL. Priests will continue to play a fundamental and active role in the pastoral ministry of schools.

Following a short ceremony marking this occasion, Mr Tom Sexton (Director of Catholic Education, Chief Executive Officer DOBCEL), Monsignor Glynn Murphy (Director DOBCEL), Fr Peter Hudson (Parish Priest), and Mr Chris Robarts (Educational Consultant, Catholic Education Ballarat) joined with Mr Dean Winfield (Chairperson of the School Advisory Council), Megan Delaney and Liam Dunn, (School captains 2021) and myself for the official signing of the Transfer Agreement between the Parish and DOBCEL.



Fr Peter signing the Transfer Agreement



### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Year 9 student, Claire Burton on winning the national competition for the Great Ocean Road - Cheese your own Creation. Claire submitted her Cheesy Ricotta Gnocchi and with 413 submissions being received from schools across Australia, this is an outstanding achievement. Congratulations, Claire.



Congratulations to Mikayla Sotiriadis who has achieved the "Elite" standard in the Education Perfect World Championships this year. To achieve the 'Elite' level, Mikayla earned over 10,000 points for each of the competitions she participated in. Mikayla is now eligible to apply for a full expenses paid student internship position at Education Perfect. The internship includes flights to EPHQ in Dunedin, New Zealand, to spend a week with the dynamic teams at EP learning about all that happens behind the scenes, whilst gaining invaluable work and life experience. Best wishes to Mikayla in her application and well done.



### STUDENT UNIFORM REVIEW UPDATE

Further to my letter to you all on 6th October, I would like to sincerely thank everyone who provided feedback to us on the future direction of our student uniform.

I wish to update you on the progress of our uniform review, especially given the time of year as we appreciate that families will be looking ahead to 2021 and their uniform needs for next year. It is extremely important that your feedback and that of the students and staff is fully considered as part of the review process and to do this properly we will take the time necessary to get it right.

We are, however, hoping to complete the review process over the coming months, with advice to families coming out in early-mid 2021 and introduction and phase-in of the new uniform beginning late 2021 for 2022. We would then expect all students to wear the new uniform from 2023. These timelines are indicative at this point, but hopefully will assist families with future planning.

Whatever the outcome, there will be a significant phase-in period to minimise any impact on families. And so, for 2021 the current student uniform will remain a current uniform of this College. As with all such changes, there may be times when stock of certain uniform items will run low and, in these situations, St Brigid's College will keep you informed of approved alternate options that may apply, pending arrival of the new/replacement uniform stock.

In that regard, I can let you know that replacement green polo tops will soon be available for any sizes where supply has been exhausted.

I trust this provides a helpful update to you all, as we look forward to completion of a most unusual and challenging year, but a year of significant growth and maturity of our wonderful students.

### EXAMINATIONS

Best wishes to our Unit 3 and 4 students who commence their examinations next Tuesday, 10th November with English. We keep these students in our prayers as they prepare for this most important time. Our VCAL and non-scored VCE students are busy following up employment and further training opportunities for the future, and we pray for them too.

### DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We offer our prayerful support to the Cooper family on the recent death of Kevin Hellenen, grandfather of Bailey (Year 7). Our prayers and thoughts are with you all at this time.

### STUDENTS NOT RETURNING

The Front Office has exit forms for students not returning in 2021. These forms need to be completed, signed and returned to allow us to offer places to other students, finalise our classes for next year and complete transfers to other schools.

Yours in the community of St Brigid's College,

**Peter Gutteridge**  
Principal

# DR DELANY AWARDS

**YEAR 11 & 12**

**Montanna Connelly**

Awarded for her work ethic during COVID 19 and upon return to the classroom.



**YEAR 9 & 10**

**Liberty Hobbs, Letesha Coutts and Sharayah Simmons**

Awarded for thinking outside the box!



**YEAR 7 & 8**

**Grace Hermans**

Awarded for her mature approach and work ethic in Humanities.



GOOD LUCK | Best wishes to Year 10 student, Maggie Heinrich who is competing in the Ballarat Schools Rowing Regatta on Saturday in the 1000m Single Skull. Good Luck Maggie!



## TAReport Schedule Term 4

Week ending	Interviews this week
Week 5 Nov 6th	Yr 8
Week 6 Nov 13th	Yr 7
Week 7 Nov 20th	Yr 9
Week 8 Nov 27th	Catch up on Interviews
Week 9 Dec 4th	No interviews
Week 10 Dec 11th	No interviews

UPCOMING EVENT | Save the date!

Our school uniform supplier, Lowes will be having their final sale days for the year in store and online. You can get 20% off all St Brigid's College uniforms and run for the 12th and 13th November.

This is the perfect chance to organise uniforms for the new school year!

**2 DAYS ONLY - 12TH & 13TH NOVEMBER**



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**SHOP IN-STORE & ONLINE**

On the day of the event, Lowes will have measures in place to restrict customer numbers and movement throughout the store. Thank you for your support. Lowes will be enforcing social distancing, Marshalls wearing hi-vis vests will be on site. We ask for your support in limiting the number of people you take with you into the store.

**DON'T HAVE A CARD? APPLY IN-STORE OR ONLINE & START ENJOYING THE BENEFITS.**

\*Offer ends midnight (AEST) 13/11/2020. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount. Excludes gift cards, all suit packages & Schoolwear layby's. Cannot be combined with any other offer or discount. Floor stock only. Styles and colours may vary from store to store. No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with docket. Includes existing 5% discount. Savings off original prices.

# STUDENT NEWS

A glorious hike up the Pinnacle and some challenging heights activities are just some of the adventures our Year 9 students are having on their camp in the Grampians.



*Good  
Luck*  
Class of  
2020



Best wishes to our Class of 2020 as they prepare for the exams that lay ahead.

For those who have completed VCAL or non-scored VCE, we wish you well in pursuing employment or further training.

Our community thanks the Class of 2020 for the contribution at St Brigid's since 2015. Remember that you are, and always will be, a part of the tradition of St Brigid's College. May God bless our graduates and may you all live an extraordinary life in the light of Christ.

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