



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Recently, Connections Teachers distributed reports based on work habits for each subject our young people are studying. Reports are an important way to feedback and forward to our students and parents/carers about how learning is going. They are also used by the Connections Teacher and students to check in on the Learning Goals that were set at the start of the year.

Setting and pursuing goals is crucial for personal and academic growth, providing direction, motivation, a sense of purpose and ultimately leading to a greater sense of accomplishment.

Michael Phelps, Olympic swimming champion, once said "there will be obstacles, there will be doubters, there will be mistakes, but with hard work there are no limits." It is important for us all to value the opportunities that we have. Having a quality education, with supportive and expert teachers, is one critical part of the puzzle. As a school, our partnership with parents and carers represents another and the final piece is our students and their commitment, motivation and sense of belonging and connection. Collectively, our focus must be on working together so that all students can achieve their personal best in each of their courses. Every course attracts TCE points although there is misinformation around some courses being more important than others. The reality is, not passing any course puts the TCE in jeopardy and not utilising valuable study lines means spending more time outside of the regular school day on assessment and classwork. Both of these things can be avoided with a little motivation and commitment.

Please reach out proactively should support be needed. Our Connections Teachers, Student Services Team and Assistant Principals are key contacts.

Best wishes,
Shane Fuller



International and EAL students enjoying a Harmony Week afternoon tea

HARMONY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Harmony Day officially fell on March 21 this year. During that week students from our EAL and International Communities came together to celebrate our multicultural environment and enjoy some delicious afternoon tea created by the Food and Hospitality Enterprise class. Students and their friends had the opportunity to connect, play games and share stories. We are looking forward to celebrating Harmony Day with the whole college community during Week 10 to further celebrate the unique cultures and backgrounds that make up EC. Remember to wear orange on Wednesday April 9!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- EC students and staff took part in the Run the Bridge event on March 2. Sophie, Montanna, Ollie and Morgan ran the 5km event, while Sarah, Loic, Dannica, John, Stanley, Seb and Ewan took on the 10km event. Everyone did really well. Special mention to teacher, John Schuringa, for running the 10km in 38:18!
- Josh Petrie played in the Tasmanian Ultimate Frisbee team at the Victorian Ultimate Championships in Bendigo recently. The team played six games across two days, coming third place in division 2 and winning the best award of all - the Spirit of the Game Award.
- EC's Debating Team won Round 1 of the 2025 Southern Schools Debating Competition
- Jade Marley played for the Van Diemen's Devils Inline Hockey team in the Bendigo Cup and has made the shortlist to compete at the Oceania Championships for the Aussie Roos team in July
- Sebastian Anderson, Sarah Midgley and Ella Striker competed at the National Rowing Championships at Lake Barrington

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 9th April	Harmony Day
Friday 11th April	Term 1 Concludes
Monday 28th April	Term 2 Begins
Wednesday 14th May	Careers Expo
Wednesday 21st May	Reports to Students
Wednesday 28th May	Reconciliation Day Event Discussions of Learning 3-6pm
Thursday 29th May	School Association Meeting