

December 2021

Photo: Year 12 graduation presentation



ORIENTATION DAY FOR YEAR 7

Tuesday 7 December

LAST DAY OF FORMAL CLASSES

Wednesday 15 December

FIRST DAY OF TERM 1, 2022

Monday 31 January: Years 7, 11 & 12 Tuesday 1 February: All students

PEER SUPPORT LEADERS



Congratulations to our Peer Support Leaders for successfully completing their training with Jenni. We look forward to seeing our students leading the way in showing our values and being role models to our community.

YAMAHA 'GREAT START' GRANT INSTRUMENTS



Sunshine College recently won a grant from Yamaha to begin a College-wide band program for our students.

We will provide more information about how students can join the band soon, but until then we have been excited to start unpacking the instruments and show them off to our students!

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NORTH CAMPUS UPDATE

by Yvonne Reilly Assistant Principal - Engagement & Operations, North Campus

It is fantastic to be able to write this report in a campus that has all of its students back and learning exactly as they should be! This term I have moved over from the West campus while Ewen Burt has been seconded to Tarneit College.

Some of the work that Mr Burt was starting at the North Campus involved making the spaces as beautiful as possible and we have managed to get lots of this work planned and started in the last few weeks including painting of the library and a complete re-fit of beautiful new furniture, a revamp of the outdoor seating area with repairs and paint job completed, new furniture in the foods and an English classroom, a paint job in the reception area and new furniture arriving on the 8th of December, a clear out of the tech building and the C building, relocating the music room, cutting down lots of the over grown trees, stump removal, and a new central concrete courtyard has been installed.

This has all happened as the students happily transitioned back to full time school. We managed to have a costume day and teachers versus students dodgeball tournament, thank you to Mr Stavrou for his organisation of this.

Last week Year 10s said farewell to the North Campus and headed to West or HTC for the senior years of their schooling.

Year 9 students have been be busy with first aid training and a visit to Melbourne Jail to compensate in a small way for missing out on the city centre, and the year 7 & 8 students are right back in the swing of things.

We are looking forward to ending the year on a busy high and I'd encourage you to check Facebook to keep up to date with our adventures.



WEST CAMPUS UPDATE

by Mona Raghdo Assistant Principal - Engagement & Operations, West Campus

Once again 2021 has been a year of full of challenges. Despite this, our students have shown resilience and commitment throughout remote and onsite learning. After a promising and settling start to the new school year, Year 12 students have had to endure a year full of interruptions and uncertainties. Moving between on site and remote learning, students have exceeded all expectations through their diligence and dedication to ensure they get through the year and achieve their goals.

The end of year 12 Graduation Ceremony was unfortunately a very timid affair due to Covid restrictions at the time. Nonetheless, we were determined to acknowledge the hard work demonstrated by all students. Congratulations to all students on getting through the past two years, in particular the end of year exams. You have been remarkable in your resolve, and we are all very proud of you.

It did not take long for Junior students to get back into the swing of things at school. It was a delight seeing students return to on site learning and reviving old friendships. It wasn't long before they were running around the school playing chasey!

Congratulations and thank you to all teachers at Sunshine College. They have worked under enormously difficult circumstances, be it checking on students' wellbeing, uploading work and resources or conducting classes online.

As we look forward to 2022, plans are already in place organising camps, excursions and exciting programs for all students. Year 11 students have already started their final year journey with the year 11 to 12 Step-Up program. We have also welcomed Year 10 students form the North Campus on a special visit to the West Campus ahead of their 10 to 11 Step-Up program. These programs are extremely important in setting students up for success in 2022.

Year 9 students have undertaken First aid training. And in early December we will welcome our new Year 7 cohort with a special Orientation Day full of activities and fun. The junior (Year 7 to 9) students Engagement team will be led by Mr. Ilias Plessias. We welcome Mr. Kristian Raspa as Year 7 Co-ordinator, Mr. George Hatzikostas will be the Year 8 Co-ordinator and Ms. Toula Papadimas will be the Year 9 Co-ordinator.

The Senior (Year 10 to 12) students Engagement team will be led by Mr. Andrew Pitrakkou. Miss Pauline Tizzani will be the Year 10 Co-ordinator, Mr. Mehmet Salih will be the Year 11 Coordinator, Ms. Alison Mitchinson will be the Year 11 & 12 General Group Co-Ordinator and Mr. Huy Le will be the Year 12 scored group coordinator.

I look forward to working closely with the Student Engagement team in supporting all students and helping them achieve their goals in 2022. On behalf of all staff at Sunshine College I wish all students and families safe and happy holidays.



Photos: Year 9 & 10 Drama production of Romeo and Juliet at West Campus



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CONGRATULATIONS, YEAR 12 CLASS OF 2021!

To watch the graduation video, visit: <u>sunshine.vic.edu.au/year-12-graduation-2021</u>

























Photos: This term at Sunshine College - follow us on Facebook to see more!

Term 4

SALLY TRAN, TOP DESIGNS FINALIST

A big congratulations to our student Sally Tran for being listed as a finalist in the upcoming Top Designs competition. You can see more of her folio on our Facebook page. We are so proud of your amazing work, Sally!



Important dates for Term 4

WEEK 9	Monday 29 November - Friday 3 December Year 10 to Year 11 transition Tuesday 30 November Year 7 vaccination Friday 3 December Year 10 to Year 11 course change day and last day of Year 10
WEEK 10	Tuesday 7 December Grade 6 to Year 7 orientation day Friday 10 December Report writing day - no students at school
WEEK 11	Wednesday 15 December Last day of formal classes Thursday 16 December & Friday 17 December Clean up

Child Safety



Our community values of Growth, Relationships, Learning and Wellbeing are underpinned by an understanding that Child Safety is a paramount responsibility of the school community. Sunshine College has a number of guiding policies regarding Child Safety on our website: <u>www.sunshine.vic.edu.au</u>

Please take some time to make yourself aware of these and contact the school should you have any concerns regarding Child Safety.



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