

Photo: End of Term 2 concert at West campus



THE GAT (GENERAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST)

Thursday 12 August

BEING BODY KIND

This month we're focusing on Being Body Kind - how we nourish, nurture and move our bodies in a positive way.

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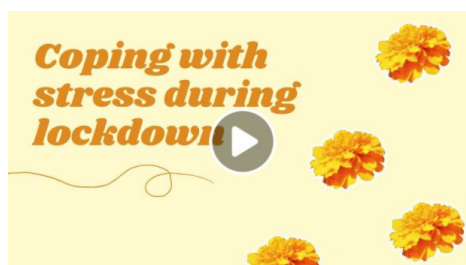
Please check Compass regularly for the most up to date information.

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WELLBEING SUPPORT

During our recent lockdown, our Wellbeing team created a series of videos to help students and staff experiencing difficulties during remote learning. These tips around stress, mindfulness, procrastination and sleep hygiene are helpful at times of high stress, including exams. Click the videos below to watch, or find them on our Facebook page.

Students and families are encouraged to contact our Wellbeing team at any time to get help and support.



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YEAR 8 NORTH STUDENTS @ EARTH ED



Thank you for having us!



NORTH CAMPUS UPDATE

by Ewen Burt

Assistant Principal - Engagement & Operations, North Campus

Another new term and another new lockdown. As the rest of Victoria comes to grips with COVID lockdown 5.0, our community has to once again succumb to online learning. I am constantly inspired by the tireless work and resilience of students who despite the obstacles, continue to set the bar high and complete online learning through Compass and do the best they can.

Staff have been in constant with students and their families to assist with online learning and check in with people's wellbeing. In tough times like these, there are a number of things we can do to make the most of it.

1. Stay connected with family, friends and school
2. Get up early, check compass and set achievable goals with learning
3. Get some exercise – Your body and mind will thank you!!
4. Ask for help. Teachers and support staff are there to make it easier.

A big thank you and congratulations to all those students who are working so diligently.

More restrictions have sadly meant we have had to cancel face to face parent teacher interviews. All parents should have received a phone call checking in about Semester one reports and whether parents require phone call interviews. All reports can be accessed through compass and if you would like to speak to a teacher, please contact the school. Term 3 is always a big term.

Coming up will be subjects selections for next year, school photos (hopefully in the first part of August) and many exciting interschool sport competitions.

In these times, plans change very rapidly so I would remind all parents, carers and students to regularly check for updates on Compass.

MS BARKER'S VEGAN CUPCAKES

The silver lining of going into lockdown was Ms Barker being back with her live cooking classes on Instagram!

This time, we made vegan chocolate cupcakes with frosting.

Want to learn how to make a delicious lemon cake, or the perfect poached egg? Visit [@sunniefoods on Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/sunniefoods), and click on IGTV to watch Ms Barker's famous Instagram live classes!



Vegan Chocolate Cupcakes



Use a skewer to check the middle of your cakes:
Mostly dry, some crumbs = done
Wet/sticky cake batter = bake longer





WEST CAMPUS UPDATE

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

I hope this newsletter finds you well in this very challenging time for all of us.

Remote Learning

Sunshine College families, along with roughly one million Victorian students and families were plunged back into Remote Learning suddenly few days into Term 3. Again, it has been challenging for all of us, students, teachers and parents and we have worked very hard to try and support each other, the best way we can. Although students and parents were disappointed to be back into Remote Learning, they all adapted well very quickly and got on with the job of continuing their learning remotely.

As educators, much of our attention is now focused on supporting every individual student both socially and academically. Teachers will be working hard to both assess and fill the gaps and we will utilise all the resources we have available to us to ensure all our students experience the success they deserve.

We were looking forward to our first face to face reports distribution since 2019. Unfortunately, this had to be cancelled. Reports are accessible to parents and students on Compass. All parents / Guardians received a call from Pathways Connect teacher to discuss students' progress.

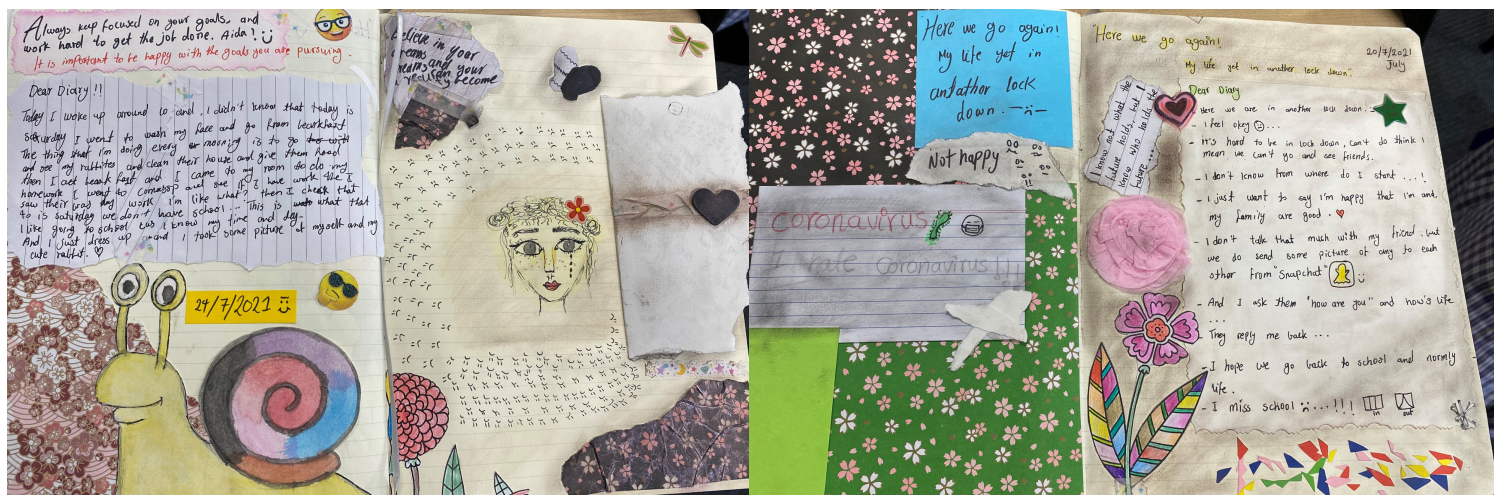
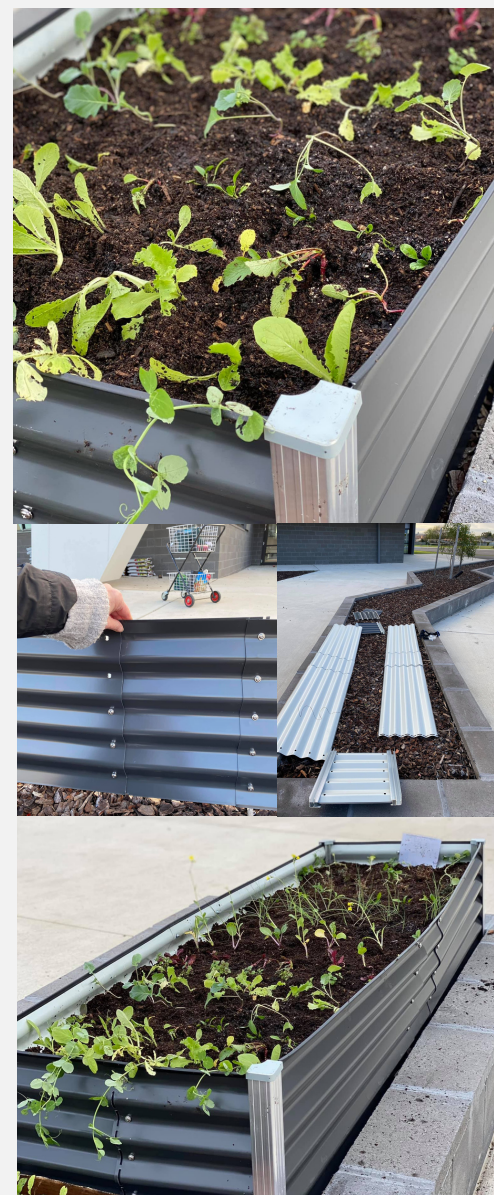
Year 12 students are preparing for the GAT, scheduled for August 12, 2021. Any student studying a year 12 subject must sit the GAT. This will be the first time current year 12 cohort will have experienced an state wide exam. We wish them the best.

Due to DET Covid-19 restrictions, Photos and numerous excursions and activities have had to be postponed. We will continue to update you via Compass on operational matters.

Please have trust that we will continue to work in partnership with you to support our students and school community.

THANK YOU, THISTLE CLUB!

Many thanks to the Thistle Club in Sunshine for sponsoring our veggie gardens! The first of 3 at our West campus is planted and ready to grow.



Above: Year 9 EAL lockdown journals - some creative artists at Sunshine College!

A little while ago our Deaf Facility had a Bunnings sausage sizzle to raise money for the annual Deaf Facility camp and rased more than \$1,000!

Congratulations, and a big thank you to our Deaf Facility staff and students for working hard on a Saturday to make this happen!



SUNSHINE COLLEGE WINS THE YAMAHA 'GREAT START' GRANT 2021

As the winner of the Yamaha Great Start Grant, Sunshine College will receive \$50,000 worth of Yamaha instruments — equivalent to 32 brand new Yamaha band instruments, and training for our music department from Yamaha's Education Specialist.

"We are beyond excited and grateful to begin this partnership with Yamaha which will be an enormous benefit to our students, staff and the entire community," music teacher Ms Blight said.

"The team at Sunshine College are hungry to learn, hungry to listen, and most importantly dedicated to getting the best for their students," Yamaha Marketing Manager, Mat Taylor said.

This grant is an amazing opportunity for students to expand their musical talents and abilities. The new instruments will compliment our existing contemporary music program and create more co-curricular activities and ensembles for music students.



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: www.sunshine.vic.edu.au/policies

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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