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Last week students from Year 7 and 9 sat Literacy examinations as part of the ACARA tests our school was selected for. Only a select few were part of this of which we will find out their results by the end of the term. We have also received our preliminary NAPLAN results for 2025. Overall the results indicate steady growth for our Yr 7-9 data. It is pleasing to see the hard work of our staff and students is paying off. We look forward to seeing the full scale of results later on in the year. Our literacy and numeracy team have reviewed the data and adjusted their programs accordingly for Yr 7-9 lessons along with all staff reviewing the snapshot available to gain further insights into areas of progress and areas that require further development. Well done to all of our students who sat the tests.

The P&C meeting was postponed from last with a new date being set for Wednesday, 25 June at 5:30 pm at Picton High School. This will be the AGM which is followed by an normal meeting.

We have had a number of parents sign up for allocated spots to meet with their children's teachers at the upcoming parent teacher night this Tuesday. I look forward to seeing and meeting with those that are able to attend. Please find information on our schools website on how to book in a meeting with your children's teachers.

Last week we had 61 students attend the Zone Cross Country carnival. Congratulations to all students who represented our school with 26 students making it through to the regional carnival.

Well done to all the students who competed last week at the zone cross country carnival. We had a number of students represent our school who competed with pride and enthusiasm. Congratulations to the students who placed and we wish you the best at the regional level.

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TUESDAY 3/6 - PARENT TEACHER NIGHT 2PM-7PM
YR 10 FAST FORWARD UNIVERSITY DAY
WEDNESDAY 4/6 – YR 11 STEM/AG/BUSINESS CAREERS EXPO
7T WOOGLAMAI EXCURSION
THURSDAY 5/6 YR 11 MACARTHUR CAREERS EXPO, STAGE 5 LEADERSHIP COURSE, GIRLS SUPPORT GIRLS PROGRAM, MANAGING THE BULL PROGRAM

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Please be reminded we have updated our out of uniform procedures to start this week. Any student out of uniform without a note explaining their absence will be issued a lunch 2 reflection run by our wellbeing team. Please be reminded of the financial assistance available to all families to assist with the cost of the uniform.

I have been contacted by a number of Year 10 parents regarding the Year 10 formal. Please be aware this is not a school endorsed or organised event.

What's happening in the PDHPE classrooms?

Year 7 PDHPE: Positive Choices. In this unit, students examine strategies to make safe and informed decisions. They classify drugs and describe the short-term and long-term effects of drug use on health, safety and wellbeing.
Year 7 Practical- Invasion Games: This unit introduces students to fundamental concepts of invasion games, focusing on teamwork, communication, and basic skills.
Year 8 PDHPE: R U Okay? In this unit, students identify groups to which they have a sense of belonging and explain how these help them to feel supported and connected.
Year 8 Practical-Striking and Fielding. This unit focuses on teamwork and communication in striking and fielding games such as cricket, softball, and tee-ball.
Year 9 PASS: Theory- Australia's sporting identity. In Year 9 Physical Activity and Sports Studies, students are exploring how sport has helped shape Australia's national identity and global reputation.
Year 9 PASS Practical- Australia's sporting identity. Through movement-based activities and class discussions, students investigate the social, cultural, and historical factors that influence Australia's sporting identity, and the impact these have on individuals and the wider community.
Year 9 PDHPE: Theory- Mind Matters: In this 15-lesson unit, Mind Matters, Year 9 students explore the complexities of mental health through the lens of identity, relationships, community perception, and cultural influences.
Year 9 PE Practical- Barriers to Participation and Volleyball/Newcombe Ball.

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Year 9 Outdoor Education: Bushcraft and Navigation in the Outdoors
This unit examines the importance of understanding the environment for the purposes of outdoor exploration, and equips students with the skills to be able to navigate these environments with more competence and confidence.
Year 10 PDHPE: Theory- Staying in your lane. In this unit, students explore strategies to support their own and others' personal safety. They formulate a safety plan to meet the needs of a challenging situation that is potentially dangerous. Students examine online safety programs and support services for young people facing issues such as sexting. They propose and practise a range of responses where peers are encouraging them to behave in an unsafe manner on the road.
Year 10 PE Practical (AFL, Soccer, Netball)
Year 10 PASS: Issues in Physical Activity and Sport. In this Year 10 Pass unit, students will engage in pre- and post-fitness assessments to evaluate improvements in their physical fitness.
Year 10 Outdoor Education: Building Connection Through experiential learning in nature, students will establish a connection with nature which impacts positively on students' mental and physical health and wellbeing.

Down the track.
Tuesday 10/6 SSW Cross Country Championships
Thursday 12/6 Year 7 Immunisations
Monday 16/6 – 20/6 Year 12 Interruption week
Monday 23/6 – 4/7 Trial HSC Exams
Tues 1/7 & Wed 2/7 Zone Athletics Championships

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