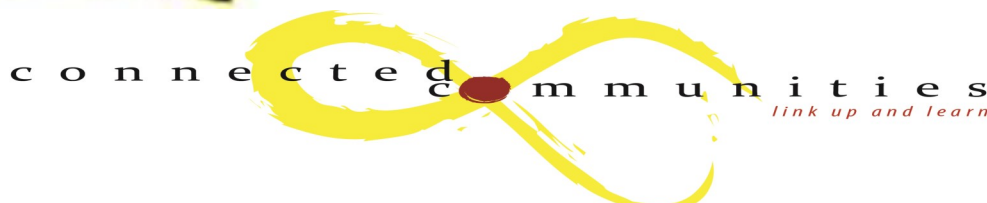




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FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 6, 2020

Student Representative Council Junior AECG and Sports' Leaders Induction Ceremony



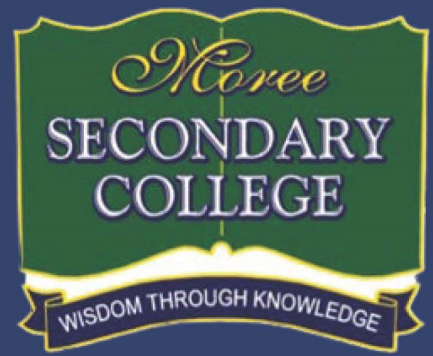
On Friday March 5 2020, Moree Secondary College held their SRC, Junior AECG & Sports Leaders Induction Ceremony at the MPC. Above are the students who were inducted into the Junior AECG. After the ceremony, students, staff, parents/carers and special guests enjoyed a morning tea.

Left to Right: Rory Hughes, Thomas Carter, Ruby Humphries, Talara Munro, Madelyn Penfold, Tayla Simpson, Mikala Bearman, Natalija Stanojevic, Codie Gainey, Ashlyn Tape, Ashlee Moore and Norman Roberts. With them is Jeremy Mills, Director of Public Schools NSW.

*We acknowledge the Traditional owners and custodians of Australia's lands, peoples and waterways
We respectfully acknowledge those that have gone before us*

Moree Secondary College

MADD NIGHT 2020



A Showcase of Music, Art, Dance and Drama works, all performed by Creative and Performing Arts Students



MARCH 24

5:30PM ART EXHIBITION AND VOTING

6PM SHOW

MULTI-PURPOSE CENTRE

GOLD COIN DONATION

For more information, contact the school office or email
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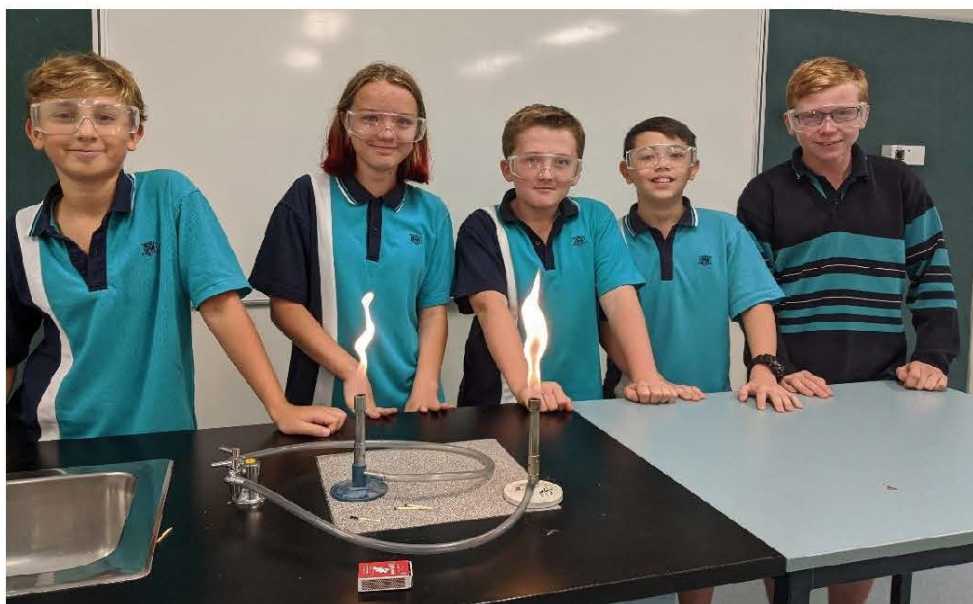
Science News

Year 7 Science

Year 7 students have been progressing through their Introduction to Science topic which examines a wide range of fundamental concepts and skills required for young scientists at high school. This has included making observations and inferences, writing scientific reports and using Bunsen burners.

After completing this topic, students will begin studying Topic 2 – States of Matter. This will involve learning about the particle model of matter (atoms) and using it to explain the many practical experiments they will complete.

Photos – Some students from Mr Botfield's 7D class after earning their Bunsen burner licenses.



Year 8 STEM Project

Year 8 Lime are currently undertaking a STEM project with Mr Botfield. They are building Rube Goldberg machines – complicated contraptions which are used to complete a simple task. This requires creativity, design skills, problem solving, critical thinking and knowledge of energy transfers. Along the way students

have been undertaking different challenges like designing the **slowest** possible way to drop a marble down a wall.

Mr Botfield is looking forward to seeing the machines developed by 8 Lime at the end of Term 1 as well as the designs from other Year 8 classes throughout the year.

Photos – Students thinking hard about how to assemble their slow marble machines.



Year 12 Physics

The Year 12 Physics class is currently studying electromagnetism, which is the combination of electricity and magnetism used in many common items like motors, generators and power supplies. Students will be modelling these and other applications of electromagnetism to build their knowledge as we get closer to the HSC.

Swimming Carnival Success

On Friday the 21st of February our annual Swimming Carnival ran at the Moree Aquatic Centre. The weather was absolutely beautiful and many of our students took the opportunity to enter the pool.

It was an action packed day in the pool and right off, Mehi was focussed on defending their title. While Gwydir tried hard throughout the day, Mehi is just too strong in the pool and were the House Champions again with a massive 1242 points to Gwydir's 1064.

In the pool, we saw records set with Sarah Morris setting new records in the 100m Freestyle and the 50m backstroke. Logan Thrift set a new 200m Freestyle record and Elka Devney set a new 50m Freestyle record.

Our Age Champions for the day:

12Boys- Milos Stanojevic

13Girls- Sarah Morris

13Boys-Callum Cooper

14Girls-Dana Strangways

14Boys-Preston Tighe

15Girls-Tamzin Taunton

15Boys-Vincent Coventry

16Girls-Lucy Carter

16Boys-Logan Thrift

17/Opens Girls-Dual champions- Elka Devney, Madelyn Penfold

17/Opens Boys- Oscar Davis



A huge thanks to all the students for their participation, our fantastic staff for the great job you do and to our two parent helpers for the day, Kelly and Jen - thanks for all your help.

Our Regional Team swam at Armidale with some fantastic results- Our Girls Open relay team of Elka Devney, Madelyn Penfold, Laura Penfold and Sarah Morris, have qualified for the 4x50m IM relay. Logan Thrift continues his good form and has qualified for 100m Fly, 100m Freestyle, 50m Free, 200m Free and Jesse James for the 50m Free. Well done team! A huge thank you to all the parents who travelled over to Armidale and to Kelly James for the awesome team management.



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CAREER NEWS

- **Seeking a career in Childcare and Education?** Gywdir Daycare and Preschool Careers Information Session Thursday 12th March 2020 6pm-7pm, 8 Orana Avenue Moree (see flyer)
- **The Footnotes careers information presentation** Week 7 Wednesday session 2 for all Year 10 and 11 students, 18th March 2020
- **UNE Open Day** Friday 8th May 2020
<https://studyat.une.edu.au/2020openday#section-1>
- **MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly)** is a significant international Rotary youth program. Senior high school students develop an awareness of the United Nations and the countries they represent at a simulated UN Assembly. The event provides an excellent forum for students to develop and practice their public speaking skills whilst debating on topical world issues. The event is 12 – 14 June.
- **Exciting Work Experience in Infrastructure Opportunity** – Year 9 and 10 students are invited to apply for work experience with School Infrastructure NSW on the Cooler Schools Program (see flyer).

Auscott Scholarship Recipient – Christopher Sim



Congratulations to Chris Sim for receiving the last Auscott Scholarship for MSC students. Chris is at QUT studying Secondary Education. Well done Chris!

The Footnotes

This career information session will cover:

- How to identify interests, weaknesses and strengths relevant to your career and study choices
- The importance of looking beyond your immediate influences and options
- Awareness of the different options and pathways – tertiary education, vocations, gap years etc.
- How to understand the reality of your options and correctly pick your next step
- Looking at industries, trend and the current job market
- School marks and the future relevance – understanding the ATAR
- It's your future; your responsibility – how and why to take control of your next step sooner rather than later. See flyer.

TAFE NSW Moree WH&S White Card Course

Wednesday 18th March 2020, 8:30am – 4:30pm, Cost: \$160

Moree Community College WH&S White Card Course

Thursday 19th March 2020 8:30am – 4pm Cost \$150

University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) – test for those wanting to study medicine and dentistry takes place between 1 July and 31 July 2020. Bookings and registrations to sit the test are now open until 11th May 2020. <https://www.ucat.edu.au/ucat-anz/registration-booking/>

University Admission Centre (UAC) and Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) open for 2020-2021 admissions Wednesday 1st April 2020. UAC closing date of change of preferences for January Round 1 Sunday 3rd Jan 2021. UAC January Round 1 offers released 7:30am 8th January 2021.

Entry to Medical School Workshop – University of Newcastle Department of Health

Wednesday 6th May 5:30pm – 7:30pm 114 Johnston St North Tamworth NSW

UNI

Year 10 Work Experience at Sydney University

4-8 May 14-18 September Apply by 9am Monday 30 March

A week-long Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering Work Experience for Year 10 students will be offered by the University of Sydney. High school students will team up with researchers to work on interactive projects. Please visit the link below for more information. Questions?: engineering.outreach@sydney.edu.au
<https://bit.ly/2HfNSqO>

UOW College - Pathways to University of Wollongong

UOW College offer pathway courses that can guarantee entry into a range of bachelor programs at the University of Wollongong, some with a pathway into the second year. We are committed to supporting students academically as well as financially with a range of scholarships and funding options available. For further information or to book a school visit, contact annika@uow.edu.au

SCU Star Early Offer Program 2020

Opens 2 April Closes 11 September Notifications 9 November

The STAR program allows you to secure your place in a Southern Cross University degree before your ATAR results are even released. It's designed to remove some of the pressure from Year 12 and give you a pathway directly into university study that is not based solely on your ATAR.

Why should I apply for STAR?

This program allows you to gain an offer into a Southern Cross University course of your choice, based on your high school grades and your school principal's recommendation. This means that STAR does not take your ATAR into consideration. It's free to apply through STAR and it's a simple online application.

STAR - What can I study?

You can apply for any undergraduate degree program offered at Southern Cross University across our three campuses as well as online study. With such a broad range of degrees on offer, it's an amazing opportunity to think about your skills, your passions and your future.

<https://www.scu.edu.au/star-early-offer/>

Australian Catholic University –University Experience Workshops 2020

ACU Canberra 8 July ACU North Sydney Thursday 16 July

Would you like a taste of uni life before you enrol to study at ACU? Attend our free university experience day. Tailored to your study area of interest, the day gives insight into on-campus life. Experience, before you enrol.

If you're considering university study in the next year or two, you can sample life as a university student by registering for a university experience program.

As a program participant, you'll spend a day at your local campus where you'll be able to:

- participate in hands-on workshops related to your degree of choice
- meet staff and current students
- explore your local ACU campus
- learn about industries and careers

- get helpful tips on preparing for university
- soak up the campus atmosphere.

https://www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/student_life/experience_uni_before_you_start/university_experience

Southern Cross University's Coomera Creative Campus is Here!

Students can now study Bachelor degrees in contemporary music, digital media and information technology at Southern Cross University's new Coomera Creative campus on the Gold Coast. For more information, visit

<https://www.scu.edu.au/study-at-scu/why-scu/locations/coomera/>

University of New England Open Day

Friday 8 May UNE Open Day gives you the chance to explore UNE and find out everything you need to know about studying at university. Every year, we hold information sessions, individual course advice, tours of the academic campus and colleges, live demonstrations, free food and activities.

<https://studyat.une.edu.au/2020openday>

QILT - Australian Universities Compared

A vibrant new website to compare study areas and institutions

A new hands on experience for prospective students to explore and compare Higher Education study options across Australian Institutions based on the real life experiences of past students. <https://www.qilt.edu.au/>

TAFE

Steps to Becoming an Australian Apprentice

Apprenticeships are a great way to earn money while learning a trade! Getting started in an apprenticeship can seem a little daunting, but it can be broken down into four easy-to-understand steps. Research; Preparation; Job Hunting and Sign-up. If you would like to learn more about each step, plus heaps more useful information, visit

<https://www.aapathways.com.au/job-hunting/steps>

Why Do a Trade Apprenticeship . Want a 91% chance of getting a job? Start with a trade apprenticeship

Taking on a trade apprenticeship through VET is a great career and lifestyle move. Just ask Wollongong-based carpenter **Owen**, who got his start with a [school-based apprenticeship](#) and would “100 per cent recommend it”.

“I was sort of interested in leaving school at that point, but I also wanted to get my HSC,” says the now 20-year-old. “The flexibility of going to work two days – and knowing I would leave school and start an apprenticeship – made the HSC easier.”

<http://bit.ly/2N6wgiY>

COLLEGES

Australian Theatre for Young People - School Holiday Program

Monday 14 April – Friday 17 April . 9.30am to 3.30pm

Surry Hills Yrs 10, 11, 12 “I know I’m meant to enjoy Shakespeare but I find it hard to understand.” Sound familiar? Don’t worry you’re not alone. Spend a week with a former Bell Shakespeare actor and uncover the tools that will make these plays make sense to you. Learn some of the great speeches, examine some of the classic scenes and unlock the endless potential that is found in Shakespeare’s work. There is a reason he is considered the greatest of all time so join us and find out why. Participants will explore the language and meaning of Shakespeare’s work, rehearse Shakespearean text and perform with direction. Most auditions for Drama Schools require a Shakespearean monologue, so this session will give participants invaluable feedback and new methods for performance.

<https://atyp.com.au/product/year-10-12-shakespeare-intensive/>

Australian Theatre for Young People - Yrs 10, 11, 12 Audition Technique

Wednesday 22 April – Friday 24 April. 10am to 4pm

Surry Hills Whether it be for drama school, a play or a television series, one thing is for certain – if you want to be an actor you will have to audition. The audition room can be a daunting place, so learn the tricks of the trade and leave those nerves at the door and make the most of your time in the room. Discover how to prepare in the right way, choose the right piece, learn how the industry works and know what is expected to deliver your best. Find a monologue that works for you, spend 3 days really intensively working on it with an industry professional and finish your week with a mock audition to test your new found skills.

<https://atyp.com.au/product/year-10-12-audition-technique-3-days/>

GENERAL

Work Experience with NSW Fire and Rescue

Dates available for Term 2, 2020

- 11-14 May
- 18-21 May
- 25-28 May (Junior IFARES program, identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander)
- 1-4 June (Junior IFARES program, identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander)
- 22-25 June
- 29 June - 2 July

Go to the site below for Terms 3 and 4 dates. The Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) Work Experience Program provides participating students with an overview of the roles of FRNSW and its firefighters. Through this program, school students gain insight into FRNSW and develop employment related skills.

<https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=764>

Careers in Maths

See how different people in a wide range of careers use maths as part of their daily routine at work. The site increases Australia's mathematically capable workforce through hundreds of profiles, videos, jobs. Delivering maths careers materials to students and is committed to working towards increasing Australia's mathematically capable workforce through hundreds of profiles, videos and jobs.

<http://mathsadds.amsi.org.au/>

Keep an eye open for the Heywire competition for 2021 here:

<https://www.abc.net.au/heywire/>

Country Education Foundation Uni Survival Guide

Accommodation, part time work, health services and support advice for country students.

<https://cef.org.au/university-survival-guide/>

Country Education Foundation Grants

Your local Country Education Foundation (CEF) supports youth in your area through financial grants for education and employment expenses. Our grants contribute towards apprenticeships, traineeships, cadetships, diplomas, certificate level studies, university qualifications or employment. We have a network of over 40 local Country Education Foundations (CEFs) across Australia, all assisting their school-leavers to access further education and training – and investing in the future of their rural and regional communities.

<https://cef.org.au/our-grants/>

<https://cef.org.au/our-local-country-education-foundations-overview/>

Careers Harvest

Great website on all career fields and pathways on the land, environment and agriculture. Explore career options, scholarships and internships on offer.

<http://www.careerharvest.com.au/>

Discover Your Career in Tourism and Hospitality

Your online source for starting and enhancing your career in [Hospitality](#), [Tourism](#), Events, and Travel. Discover how we can help with career information, training opportunities, exclusive job vacancies, apprenticeships, and industry news and tips.

<https://discoveryyourcareer.com.au/>

Applying to the Australian Defence Force Academy

Applying for ADFA is a competitive, dual application process that can take up to 12 months. It's preferable you apply in Year 11, but you can still apply in Year 12.


To start the ADF application process, use our [degree and job match tool](#) to explore the courses through ADFA, and the careers they can lead to. You can choose from a range of [UNSW degrees](#), each of which leads directly to an officer role in the Navy, Army or Air Force. You will also need to [ensure you are eligible](#).

You may also like to attend [ADFA Open Day](#) where you can experience ADFA, meet staff and students, take a tour and view military displays.

<https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/students-and-education/australian-defence-force-academy/how-to-apply/>

Explore Teaching

All types of teaching careers and those in high demand, salaries and high demand locations. Explore the different types of teachers in NSW public schools and find out which classroom teaching or specialty area appeals to you. <https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/exploreteaching>



AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS CADET RECRUITING

The Australian Air Force Cadets is one of the Premier Youth Organisations of Australia. We are currently recruiting for Semester 1 2020.

Do you want to:

- Learn to fly (powered and gliding)
- Develop your leadership and communication skills
- Participate in adventure training and field craft activities
- Meet new people and make life long friends
- And heaps more

If you:

- Are an Australian resident
- Have good general health
- Are between 12 and 16 years old
- Can attend weekly activities
- Have permission from your parent or guardian

Become a Cadet in the Australian Air Force Cadets
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For more information, visit us on parade nights (6:00-9:00pm Thursdays)
339 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets
SES Building, Airport Drive MOREE NSW 2400
FLGOFF(AAFC) Donna McWhirter
Email: co.339sqn@airforcecadets.gov.au
Phone: 0488 778 492 / 0414 650 837

Seeking a career in Childcare and Education?

Gwydir Daycare and Preschool Careers Information Session

Gwydir Daycare and Preschool offer a wide range of career opportunities within the Centre.

Come along, meet and greet staff of the centre at an informal careers information session to learn more about career opportunities available with Gwydir Daycare and Preschool.

Thursday 12 March 2020
6pm - 7pm
Gwydir Daycare and
Preschool
8 Orana Avenue, Moree

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INSIGHTS

Helping your child avoid being cyberbullied



Cyberbullying of children and teenagers is one of the greatest fears facing parents today. The thought of their child being subjected to heinous words, threats to their physical safety, as well as their social and emotional wellbeing, is something no parent wants their child to experience.

Most of the bullying behaviours we now see are happening from behind a keyboard, playing out in social media feeds and gaming chat rooms. It is little wonder parents feel overwhelmed and out of their depth, especially when for most, online is an environment that is relatively unfamiliar.

So what can we do to help our kids avoid these types of behaviours, as well as give them the skills to deal with cyberbullying behaviours should they be exposed?

Remind them of all of the things they have control over

While it may not feel like it, we have a lot of control over what happens online. We can determine who we talk to, what we ignore, what we share, how we comment, who we follow, who we block or hide from our feeds. All of that, helps us determine who is allowed to play a role in our online experiences and ultimately what behaviours we accept on our feeds

Give your child time away from the screens

Everyone needs a break from screens. We want to encourage regular times when a child doesn't need to be tethered to their device. Building a wider community away from the screens helps a child or teen build their sense of self worth. Keeping devices away from the dinner table also gives them a break from being socially switched on and allows them to connect with family without a device. Removing devices at night helps their active brains to switch off, and prepare for sleep.

Role play possible responses

Discuss with your child whether they should respond to bullying or nasty online comments, If they do, then consider how they could respond. Consider the statements or types of people they ignore, block or report.

Regularly check the privacy settings

Every app, game and social network has a settings button that enables you to determine how positive an experience your child can have on that platform and how much control they have. Visit these settings regularly to look at the options available

While nothing is guaranteed particularly when it comes to the online world, we can certainly be taking steps to help our kids. We can give them skills, encourage positive behaviours and thinking that allow them to minimise their exposure to the bullying behaviours of others.



Martine Oglethorpe

Martine is a parent educator and a youth and family counsellor who speaks, writes and consults on the challenges faced by families in the modern world. Martine has a Masters in Counselling and a background in secondary education. Through her personal and professional work with families raising children, she recognises the important role technology plays in the social and emotional wellbeing of young people. Martine is an accredited speaker with the Office of the eSafety Commissioner.

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2020 PARENT CALENDAR

TERM 1

Week	Day	Date	Month	Notice
Week 1A	Monday	3	February	Term 1 Begins – School Development Day – Staff Only
	Tuesday	4		School Development Day – Staff Only
	Wednesday	5		Term 1 Begins for Years 7, 11, 12 Year 7 Orientation – 8.30 am Year 11 Orientation – 8.55 am Year 12 Classes – 10.55 am
	Thursday	6		All students attend Years 7, 8, 9 – Timetabled Classes Year 10 Orientation Years 11 and 12 – Timetabled Classes
Week 2B	Monday	10		SRC/AECG Nominations Open House Meetings/Sports Captains' Voting
	Wednesday	12		Year 7 Aquatics 9.00 – 10.30 am – each Wed. until 26 th February
	Thursday	13		Anniversary of National Apology
	Friday	14		SRC/AECG Nominations Close
Week 3A	Monday	17		SRC/AECG Elections
	Tuesday	18		North-West University Showcase Homework Club Begins – 3.20 pm – Carol Avenue
	Wednesday	19		SRC/AECG Announced Year 7 Vaccinations
	Friday	21		MSC Swimming Carnival
Week 4B	Monday	24		Year 12 Assessment Week – all week
	Tuesday	25		P & C Meeting – Albert Street Common Room – 5.30 pm
	Wednesday	26		Reference Group – Albert Street Common Room – 4.00 pm
	Thursday	27		SRC/AECG Induction Assembly - MPC - 9.30 am
Week 5A	Monday	2	March	Year 12 Assessment Week – all week
	Tuesday	3		Health Careers Forum - Tamworth Year 7 Sista Speak Begins – Each Tuesday until April 7 th
	Thursday	5		Year 7 Bro Speak Begins – Each Thursday until April 9 th
Week 6B	Monday	9		Yr 12 Hospitality & Business Services Work Placement – all week
	Tuesday	10		School Photographs
	Thursday	12		Year 7 Parent/Teacher – Carol Avenue Library – 3.30 - 4.30 pm Year 11 Parent/Teacher – Albert St MPC – 5.00 - 6.00 pm

Week	Day	Date	Month	Notice
Week 7A	Tuesday	17		Senior English Excursion – The Crucible – until 19 th March
	Friday	20		Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
Week 8B	Monday	23		Year 11 Assessment Week – all week
	Tuesday	24		P & C Meeting – Albert Street Common Room – 5.30 pm MADD Night – MPC – 6.30 pm
	Wednesday	25		Reference Group – Albert Street Common Room – 4.00 pm
Week 9A	Monday	30		Year 12 Assessment Week – all week
	Sunday	5	April	Daylight Savings Ends – 2.00 am
Week 10B	Monday	6		Year 12 Assessment Week – all week
	Thursday	9		Term 1 Ends
	Friday	10		Good Friday – Public Holiday



EVERYONE EVERYWHERE EVERYTIME

RESPECT

- BE POLITE
- CARE FOR EACH OTHER AND OUR SCHOOL
- USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE AND VOLUME FOR THE SETTING

RESPONSIBILITY

- RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME
- BE SAFE
- BE ACCOUNTABLE

PERSONAL BEST

- COME PREPARED WITH CORRECT EQUIPMENT
- STAY ON TASK
- DO MY BEST WORK

COMMUNITY

- BE PROUD
- WORK TOGETHER
- CELEBRATE CULTURE