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A message from our Principal, *Daniel Robinson*

Dear Nathalia Secondary College Community, It has been another busy and productive fortnight here at Nathalia Secondary College, with a great deal happening across the school.

Last Wednesday afternoon we held our Parent Teacher Interviews, and it was wonderful to see so many families take the opportunity to meet with our staff and discuss their child's progress. These conversations are an important part of the partnership between home and school, and I thank all the parents and carers who attended, as well as our teachers for their time and preparation.

Also on Wednesday, our Year 10 students took part in a VET Taster Day. This was a valuable chance for them to explore a range of vocational education and training options and to gain a firsthand sense of the pathways available to them as they plan for their senior years. Days like these help our students make informed choices about their future, and it was pleasing to see them engage so enthusiastically.

On Thursday, we came together for a whole school assembly to recognise our subject and attendance award winners. A very well done

to every student who received an award — your hard work, dedication, and consistency have not gone unnoticed. It was a proud moment for our school community to celebrate these achievements together, and I encourage all students to see these awards as a reminder of what is possible with effort and commitment.

This week, our Year 9 and 10 students participated in the Moira My Passport activities. It was fantastic to see them involved in these experiences, which support their growth, wellbeing, and connection to the wider community. Thank you to the staff and organisers who made these activities possible.

As we move further into the semester, I would like to remind all students of two simple but important expectations. Firstly, please ensure you are wearing the correct school uniform each day. Wearing our uniform with pride reflects the respect we have for ourselves and our school community. Secondly, I encourage every student to maintain high attendance. Being at school every day keeps you connected to your learning and your friends, and consistent attendance is one of the strongest contributors to student success.

Parent Bulletin

STUDENT ABSENCES

Parents and carers are reminded to notify the school each day their child is absent, either by phone or through PAM. If a student is absent without a recorded reason, an automated text message will be sent requesting confirmation. Thank you for helping us maintain accurate attendance records and support student safety.

PAM—ONLINE CONSENT FOR CAMPS & EXCURSIONS

We are pleased to advise that we are introducing online consent for camps and excursions through PAM / SIMON Everywhere.

This new process will allow families to provide permission electronically, making it the quickest and easiest way to complete consent forms. Parents and guardians will be able to log in, review event details and submit consent directly through the platform.

We understand that some families may prefer a paper option. Paper permission forms will continue to be sent home and will remain available upon request.

Going forward, we encourage families to use the online system where possible, as it will help streamline communication and

ensure permissions are received promptly. You will receive a PAM notification when online consent is required for your child's next event.

If you have any questions or require assistance accessing PAM / SIMON Everywhere, please contact the school office.

PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT FOR 2026

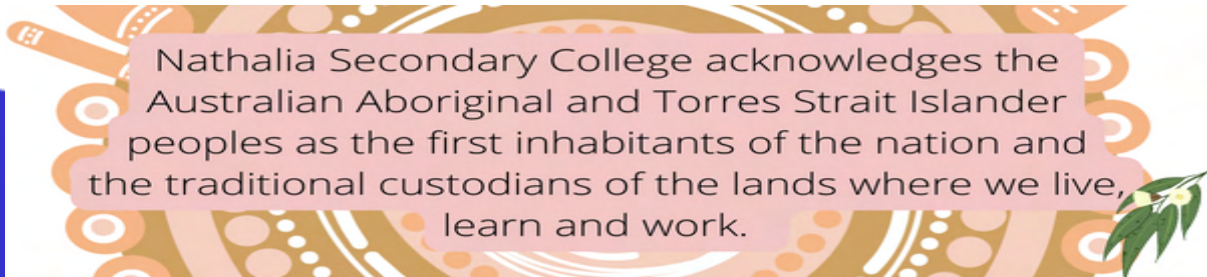
Information regarding the 2026 Parent Payments has been forwarded to all families. The total amount per student for 2026 is \$250.

Payments can be made in the following ways:

- **BPay.** Please contact the office for your unique BPay code.
- **In Person.** Payments can be made at the office between 8.30am and 4.00pm, Monday to Friday. EFTPOS (credit and debit cards) or cash are accepted (please note, we cannot accept American Express).

If you would like to make regular weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments, individual payment plans can be arranged.

Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding these arrangements.



Nathalia Secondary College acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first inhabitants of the nation and the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work.

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Parent Bulletin - Bus Travellers

Conditions of Travel

To ensure the safety of all passengers on school buses, the following conditions apply at all times.

To ensure safe travel on school buses, students must agree to the following:

- Ensure you are standing off the road at all times when waiting for the bus and strictly no playing on the road at the bus stop
- Ensure the bus has stopped completely before trying to get on the bus
- Make sure you and your belongings are inside the bus at all times.
- Not throw anything from a bus window or have anything hanging out a window.
- Place bags and other belongings in the allocated storage areas.
- Get on and off the bus quietly and in an orderly manner.
- Stay in your seat while the bus is moving.
- Not distract drivers with screaming, shouting or unruly behaviour.
- When you get off the bus only cross the road when the bus has left and it is safe to do so.
- No dangerous or flammable goods are allowed on the bus, for example aerosol cans.
- Travel on the bus service allocated to you, to and from your approved bus stop only. Do not change to one that will take you to a sports or social event.
- Wear a seat belt at all times (where fitted) except for getting on and off the bus.
- Sit in an allocated seat if instructed.

To ensure students are considerate to one another and their bus driver, they must agree to:

- In the morning, arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes prior to departure.
- Not eat, drink, vape or smoke while on the school bus.
- Use a standard conversational tone and not use offensive language or call out to others on board or to passing traffic or people.
- Listen to the bus driver and bus captain. They are responsible for maintaining school bus safety and also have the authority to report any vandalism or misbehaviour including but not limited to bullying, teasing, or aggression.
- Leave your bike in a safe and secure place if riding to the bus stop. Department of Transport and Planning and the Department of Education are unable to accept responsibility for the safety of your bike.
- Behave appropriately and respectfully on a school bus at all times as behaving inappropriately places the safety and wellbeing of all on board at risk.

Non-compliance with any of the above conditions may result in the following:

- The driver will stop the bus.
- The student's name and full details of the breach will be recorded.
- The student will be transported to school or to their normal drop off.
- The breach will be reported to the coordinating principal.
- The coordinating principal will take necessary action as guided below.
- In rare and exceptional circumstances where there is an immediate threat to student safety or the safe operation of the bus, and only as a last resort, drivers are authorised to eject passengers from a bus.

Following the report of a relevant incident, the coordinating principal may take the action below:

- First incident – verbal warning to student.
- Second incident – written warning to parent/carer
- Third incident – one week suspension of student from school bus travel.
- Fourth incident – the student will not be allowed to travel on the school bus for the remainder of the term, year or an appropriate period determined by the coordinating principal.

A serious incident that endangers other students, bus staff or property may result in immediate suspension for a period determined by the coordinating principal.

Responsibilities of parents/carer if student is under 18 years of age:

- Parents/carers are responsible for transporting their children to and from authorised bus stops and their safety at the bus stop while waiting for the bus.
- Supervision is not provided at roadside stops. Parents/carers are responsible for their children upon disembarking the afternoon service.
- Parents/carers waiting for bus passengers at a roadside bus stop should wait on the same side of the road as the bus to prevent accidents.

School bus travel is a privilege and not a right and consequences will follow a breach of these conditions. It is understood that bus travel is provided and accepted on these conditions.

In the classroom



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 7 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Emelia



Pia



Eliza



Elah



Jorell



Gatteya



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 8 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Cassie



Quade



Ruby



Amelia



Asher



Marley



Ella



Barry



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 9 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Grace



Caleb



Lin



George



Alex



Willow



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 10 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Charlie



Lachlan



Haylee



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 11 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Taylah



Kayiah



Aidan



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 12 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Zarlina



Tyler



Ariella

In the classroom



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 7 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Declan



Elah



Alec



Makkayla



Kadan



Gatteya



Isla



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 8 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Marley



Jordyn



Barry



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 8 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Cassie



Quade



Maki



Ruby



Molly



April



Abbie



Asher



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 9 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



George



Alex



Willow



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 9 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Oliver



Ashia



Sinead



Jordan



Bailey



Grace



Caleb



Lin



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 10 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Tom



Harry



Rylen



Myles



Dylan



Haylee



Konnar



Harley

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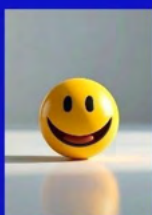
In the classroom



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 11 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Esther



Mylie



Declan



Taylah



2026-SEMESTER ONE YEAR 12 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



Makai



River



Rhys



Zarlina



Chelsea



2026-SEMESTER ONE 100% ATTENDANCE



Barry



Curtis



Rylen



Bander



Lin



Jorell



Oliver



Eliza



2026-SEMESTER ONE 100% ATTENDANCE



Sinead



Abbie



Quade



2026-SEMESTER ONE 95% ATTENDANCE



Tyler



Jordan



Ruby



Elah



Myles



Dustin



Kelvin



Ella



2026-SEMESTER ONE 95% ATTENDANCE



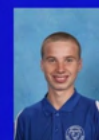
Aidan



Lexie



Jack



Dylan



Nate



Konnar



Bailey



Kayiah



2026-SEMESTER ONE 95% ATTENDANCE



Cassie



Maki



Alec



Piper



Lachie



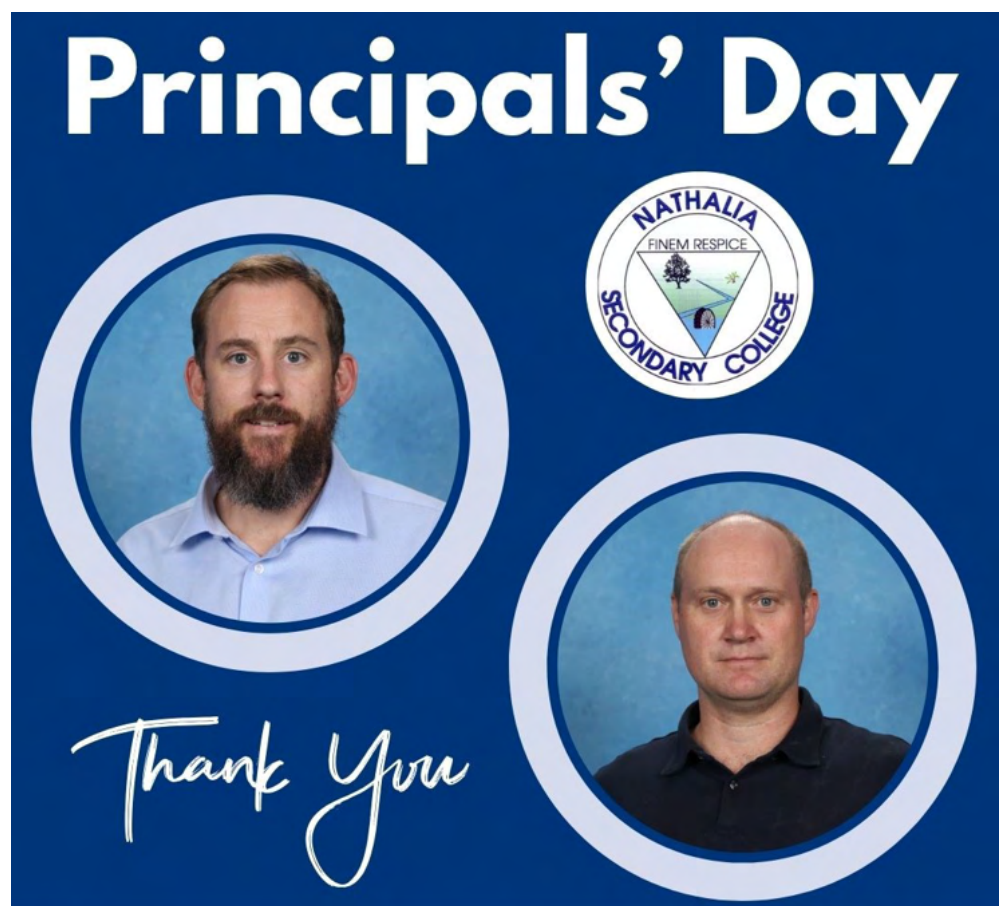
Asher

In the classroom

PRINCIPAL'S DAY

Tomorrow, we celebrate Principal's Day and recognise the wonderful contribution of Mr Robinson and Mr Carroll. Their care and commitment to our students and staff are evident in all they do.

We are incredibly thankful for their leadership, support and dedication to making our school a welcoming and positive place for everyone. Please join us in thanking Mr Robinson and Mr Carroll for everything they do for our school community.



JOIN US AND EXPLORE
YOUR FUTURE! SMALL
SCHOOL - BIG
OPPORTUNITIES

Nathalia Secondary College
**2027 YEAR 7-12
ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN**



 Contact the office for
enrolment packs

 5866 2331

 nathaliasc.vic.edu.au

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Around the grounds



The poster features a background image of a student performing a long jump into a sand pit, with other students and staff watching. In the top left corner is the Nathalia Secondary College logo, which includes the motto 'FINEM RESPICE'. The main title 'ATHLETICS CARNIVAL' is written in large, bold, white letters with a brushstroke effect. Below the image is a dark blue banner with white text and icons. The banner includes a calendar icon for the date, a location pin icon for the venue, a list of participating schools in colored boxes, and a lunch order icon with a text box.

NATHALIA SECONDARY COLLEGE
FINEM RESPICE

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

 **MONDAY 24 AUGUST 2026**

 **NATHALIA REC RESERVE**

BROKEN **MURRAY** **GOULBURN**

 **Lunch orders can be placed at school before we head to the Carnival as a group.**

SENIOR PATHWAYS INFORMATION NIGHT

On the Senior Information night, there were stalls for all the different VCE and VCE-VM subjects. There was a room for SBAT's (School based apprenticeship traineeship) and for VET courses. Everyone at the stalls were very nice and answered any questions you might have about next year's classes. I personally found out my school pathway for the next 2 years and I'm sure many others did too.



When the presentation started Mrs Robinson and Mr Dimble began explaining classes and what different pathways you can choose for your future. They both took turns explaining the difference between VCE and VM which was helpful. After the presentation you were allowed to go back out and ask more questions and get involved.

It was a very good night, and it was helpful for students.

Charlie Creati

Careers Corner *With Emma*

VET TASTER DAY

Some of our Year 10 students took part in a VET Taster Day, giving them the opportunity to explore a variety of vocational pathways available through our Trade Alliance VET program.

The day began at St Augustine's College Kyabram where students experienced the Engineering and Sport & Recreation programs. Back in Nathalia, they visited the VET Automotive program at St Mary of the Angels Nathalia bus shed, followed by VET Cookery at SMOTA. The day concluded at Nathalia Secondary College with hands-on sessions in VET Building & Construction and Salon Assistant.

It was a fantastic day of exploration, allowing students to gain practical experience and discover the many exciting pathways available through VET. We hope the day has inspired them as they begin thinking about their future career and study options!



SAVE THE DATE

DRESS UP
AS YOUR
FAVOURITE
CHARACTER!

STORIES
COME TO
LIFE!

Book Week Dress Up Day

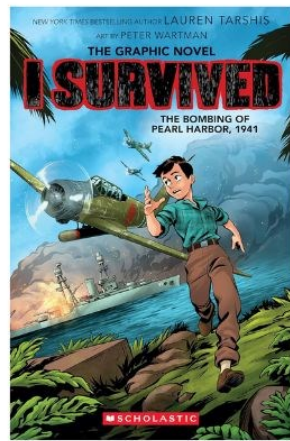
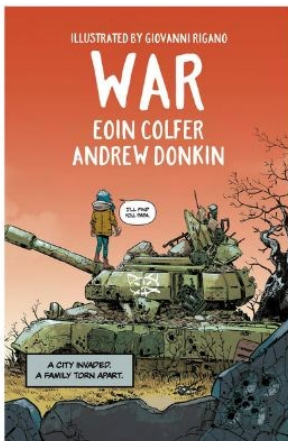
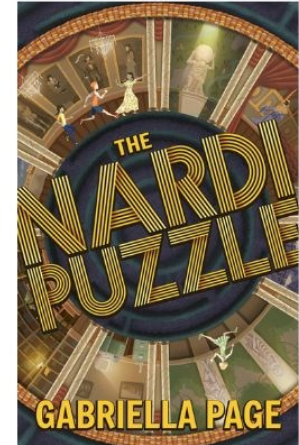
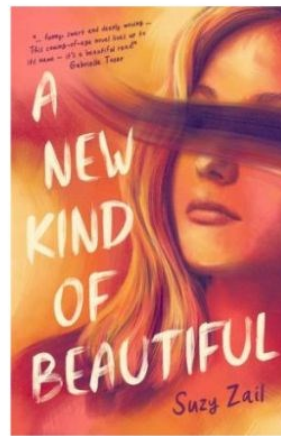
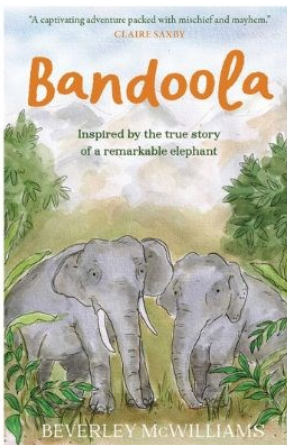
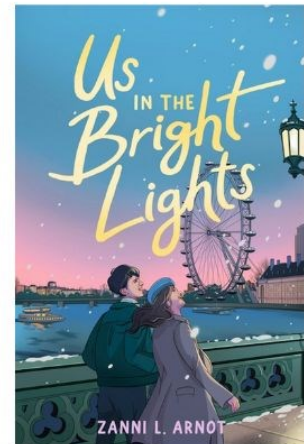
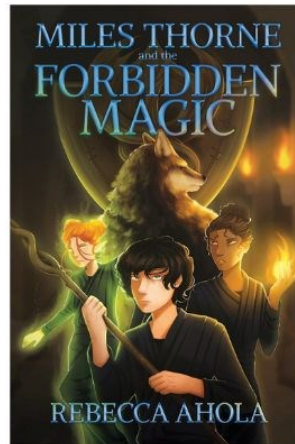
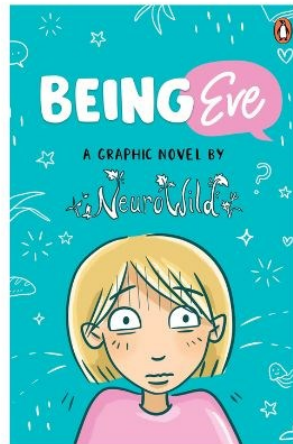
Thursday 27th August 2026



Mark your calendar

WHAT'S NEW?

in the library



Wellbeing

With Craig, Bron, Raelene & Casey

YEAR 9 & 10 MOIRA PASSPORT

On Tuesday our Year 9 and 10 students took part in the Moira Passport program, which focused on drug and alcohol education. The session was led by several professionals, including the Victoria Police Youth Resource Officer, Moira Shire Community Services Officer, Mental Health Practitioner, and the Department of Education's School Nurse Program.

These speakers covered a range of important topics, such as:

- The impact of Drugs and Alcohol on the Brain
- Standard Drinks and Alcohol Consumption
- Alcohol and the Law
- First Aid and Safe Partying Practices

The program aimed to provide students with valuable information to help them make informed decisions, highlighting the importance of healthy relationships and safety in relation to drugs and alcohol.



WAAIA CRICKET CLUB

JUNIOR PLAYERS

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST!

COME PLAY. MAKE FRIENDS. LOVE THE GAME.

GRADES	GRADES	GRADES	GRADES
 U10s LEARN THE GAME	 U12s DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS	 U14s BUILD CONFIDENCE	 U16s PLAY. GROW. COMPETE.

 **FREE MEMBERSHIPS** FOR NEW PLAYERS!  **FREE BBQ** AT TRAINING NIGHTS!

 **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**
COACHES WANTED!
WE ARE SEEKING DEDICATED AND PASSIONATE COACHES FOR THE FOLLOWING GRADES:

U10s	U12s	U14s	U16s
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✓ SUPPORT OUR JUNIORS ✓ BUILD TEAM CULTURE ✓ MAKE A DIFFERENCE

BE PART OF THE CLUB. BE PART OF THEIR JOURNEY.

INTERESTED? REGISTER YOUR INTEREST OR FIND OUT MORE BY CONTACTING:  Waaia Cricket Club secretary@waaiacricketclub.com.au

NATHALIA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. EST 1888

130TH NATHALIA SHOW

INTERGALACTIC - FUN FOR EVERYONE!

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2026

— NATHALIA SHOWGROUNDS —

★ **Free entertainment** ★

MINI TRAIN RIDES ★ FACEPAINTING ★ ANIMAL NURSERY
CLYDESDALE CARRIAGE RIDES ★ LEGO DISPLAY ★ COOKERY
HORSES ★ CATTLE ★ SHEEP ★ CRAFT ★ GARDEN PRODUCE
SPACE THEMED ENTERTAINMENT

ADULT \$15	★	AGED CONCESSION \$10	★	5 YEARS - 16 YEARS \$5	★	UNDER 5 FREE	★	FAMILY \$35
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www.nathaliashow.com Ph: 0447 529 878 Nathalia Agricultural Society

JUNIOR PLAYERS WANTED!



HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO PLAY CRICKET? NOW IS THE TIME!

NATHALIA ASSOCIATION CRICKET CLUB IS LOOKING FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS FOR SEASON 2026/27.



Age Groups:

UNDER 11'S (SOFT BALL)

UNDER 13'S, UNDER 15'S,

UNDER 17'S (HARD BALL)

FREE Registration and playing shirt provided!

No experience needed!

IF YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED, CONTACT LUKE: 0447 662 505 OR LUKE@FERTGRAIN.COM.AU TO HAVE A CHAT!

Nominate your favourite business for an award

It's time to nominate an outstanding local business for the 2026 Moira Shire Business Excellence Awards.



Between Monday 3 August and Sunday 16 August, members of the public can nominate an exceptional or inspiring Moira Shire business for one of 13 awards.

Organisations may also self-nominate to recognise the achievements of their staff and business.

Go to <https://www.moiramatters.com.au/> to make a nomination, or call Moira's Economic Development Team on (03) 5871 9222.

The winners will be revealed at a gala ceremony on Thursday 15 October, with tickets on sale from Monday 7 September.

Contributed by Moira Shire Council



Dates to remember...

Thursday 13th August

Animal Farm Excursion—Melb
(Yr 9/10 English)

Monday 17th August

Yr 7 & INT Basketball—Echuca

Tuesday 18th August

The Odyssey movie—7/8 Drama
School Council

Monday 24th August

NSC Athletics Day

Thursday 27th August

Book Week Dress Up Day

Tuesday 8th September

JNR & INT girls cricket

Wednesday 9th September

JNR Boys cricket

Thursday 10th September

INT Boys Cricket

Friday 18th September

Last Day of term 3

2:20pm dismissal

Monday 5th October

First Day Term 4

Mon 5th—Fri 9th October

Year 12 Practice Exam Week

Monday 2nd November

PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 3rd November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

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