

Truganina College - School Council Report - February 2022

For those new to the school this year: welcome to Truganina 9 College! We are so happy that you have chosen to be a part of our wonderful school community and look forward to getting to know you as you experience the many opportunities for learning and growth that Truganina College offers to all students. For those returning - welcome back! We hope you had a great break over the holidays and have come back refreshed and ready to engage in learning to achieve your goals.

The first regular meeting for School Council for 2022 was on Monday 14th February. In the meeting, School Council reviewed and approved the Financial Statement Summary for the Month of January. School council also endorsed the approval of a Mural linked to the Marrung strategy to build a rich and thriving culture where knowledge and experience of our First Nations peoples are celebrated by all students.

This mural would be created by renowned artist Julian Clavijo. The mural would contain all four names of the College Houses and a painted image with each Indigenous Australian representing the house colours. The mural will be painted on Building 6 and will represent Truganina's dedication towards ensuring every Koorie person achieves their potential, succeeds in life, and feels strong in their cultural identity. Acting Principal Mr Pugh provided an update on the Back to School Plan for 2022.

The college received 45 new air purifiers this year, bringing a total of 94 air purifiers which are placed in different classrooms. The free RAT kits have been distributed to all staff and students in week 2 and week 4. Each kit has 5 tests and twice-a-week testing on school days is strongly recommended for all staff and students at the college.

College Captains, Anahat Marwaha and Ashton Lim highlighted the smooth transition of students on day one of the college. To support the transition back to school the transition team organized 30 A2 Maps around the school as well as class lists. On the first day of return to school the Education Support staff, the allied health team, interpreters (Urdu, Samoan, Hindi, Arabic and Gujrati), and staff were situated around the school, all staff were prominent in visible high vis vests, supporting families to find their child's classroom in a safe and orderly manner.

Margarita Breed will continue to work as a Numeracy consultant to develop staff capacity to differentiate teaching and learning experiences based on the needs of our students. Margarita will be coaching and modelling sessions in the class with staff from different year levels. Assistant Principal, Sharon Hunt provided an update on the Tutor Learning initiative which will continue in 2022 to support our student academic growth.

Thank you to all who attended the meeting and for the relentless focus in continuing to make Truganina College a very special learning community.

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