

Newsletter 14 ~ Wednesday 13th September 2023

Learning For Life Everyday Counts

As we approach the end of Term 3, I want to take the opportunity to recognise the efforts of families, parents, siblings, carers as well as our college staff, who work incredibly hard to ensure that our students are here every day and ready to learn. It is so wonderful to see so many good humans arrive to school on time and ready to learn!

This week, I spent my morning and afternoon yard duties, talking to parents about what it takes to get their children here every day. Unsurprisingly there were a range of responses. Some spoke of meticulous routine, whereas others referenced tremendous will and effort to get their children out of bed and out the door. Regardless of where we all sit on this continuum, the impact of regularly attending school is significant. Every Day Counts!

Vidul of 4C and Yashmhi of 1G (pictured with myself and their mother Nadeeka) have 100% attendance in Term 3. Nadeeka brings them to school every day on time, and in full school uniform. She spoke about how she instills a pride and a respect for school in her children by ensuring that they are at school every day in full school uniform. She believes that this teaches her kids to have respect for themselves and make the most of their learning when they are at school. Vidul and Yashmi have a morning routine each day that helps them get ready for school even when things are difficult. It is this discipline that has Vidul on track to achieve his goal of playing in the Australian Open one day.



Aarush and Josh of 7D are two students in my Year 7 Subs School and I have the pleasure of seeing them out the front of their classroom at 8:30 each morning, ready for their cusp reading at 8:35 with Ms. Owen. Both students have had excellent attendance this year, with Aarush achieving perfect attendance in Term 3. Archana and Tracy (pictured with their children) both described very different morning routines, however, both spoke of making every effort to ensure that their children were here on time in order to give them every opportunity to make the most of their education.

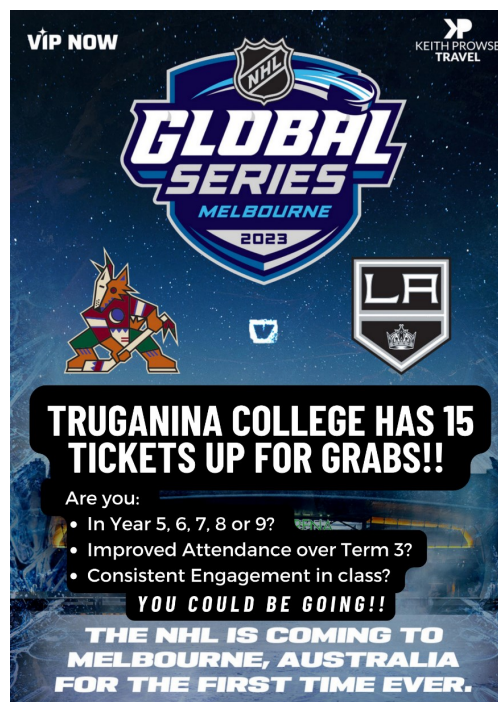
Learning For Life

Everyday Counts

I recognise that every family will have a different story and if you have challenges getting your students to school each day or need support with school uniform, please reach out to your child's homegroup teacher and we will be more than happy to support.

In Term 3 we have had 434 students who have attended the College every single day. These students were acknowledged at our College's Excellence Assembly last week and they will receive a certificate as recognition for this achievement.

This Term, Truganina College has purchased 15 tickets for the NHL Global Series. This is for Year 5-9 students who show up to school on time every day, ready to learn as well as those that have made significant improvement in their engagement in class. The winners will be announced this week.



We are going to continue to acknowledge students who strive for 100% attendance each term. Students that have attended every day of 2023 will go into a draw to win some big prizes at the end of the year.

Thanks once again to our incredible school community. The responsibility of being an Assistant Principal for this community is not lost on me and I am grateful for everyday that our students are at school.



Joshua Kamener
Assistant Principal

Breaking The Link

2023 Truganina College Events Calendar

Date	Event
Thursday 14th September	Ride 2 School Day
Thursday 14th September	R U OK Day
Friday 15th September	Footy Colours Day
Friday 15th September	Last Day of Term 3 School finishes at 2.30pm
Monday 2nd October	First Day of Term 4 School starts at 8.35am
Tuesday 3rd October	Year 6 Division Tennis Selected students in Year 6
Monday 16th October to 18th October	Year 7 Roses Gap Camp Selected students in Year 7
Thursday 26th October	Year 9 Music Workshop Selected students in Year 9
Wednesday 1st November	Professional Practice Day No students at school
Monday 6th November	Curriculum Day
Tuesday 7th November	Public Holiday No School
Monday 20th November	Year 6 Graduation
Tuesday 21st November	Year 9 Graduation
Tuesday 28th November	Soundgarage Concert
Tuesday 12th December	Statewide Transition Day

Professional Practice Day

Dear Staff,

I would like to provide you with an update for the Professional Practice Day in Semester 2 of 2023.

As College Principal, it is my responsibility to provide the College Community, Students, Staff and Families, with as much notice as possible about the arrangements and dates for professional practice days.

For Term 4, we will hold a professional practice day on the same day for all staff. Students will not be required to attend school on this day.

This is to enable the most effective and efficient use of this day and provide opportunity for staff to collaborate with their colleagues.

After following our College consultation processes and endorsement from the School Council, we have scheduled our professional practice day for **Wednesday 1st November**.



Kind regards,

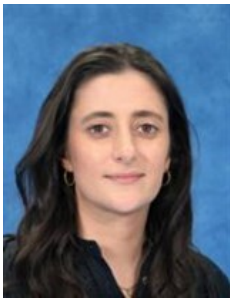
Nicole O'Brien
Principal

Student Class Placement 2024

Our teachers and leaders have begun the important process of Class Placements for students in 2024. Our teachers and leaders are ensuring they keep the goals from our School Strategic Plan in mind when placing your child, ensuring we are creating the best environment for our learners to improve their outcomes in literacy and numeracy, whilst also ensuring that they are developing into independent and self-regulated learners. We are also maintaining a clear and strong focus on creating classrooms that will enhance the wellbeing and health of all students.

This process is driven through the learning and wellbeing data of the students and the strong understanding of each and every child that our teachers have.

If you have any request for your child's class placement, please email the College enrolments@truganinap9.vic.edu.au with the name of your child, year level and your request by no later than Thursday 19th October. All requests will be considered, although we cannot guarantee they will be granted.



Tania Fota
Learning Specialist - Transitions and Pathways

Last Day of Term

The last day of Term 3 is Friday 15th September. School finishes at 2.30pm on this day. Term 4 begins on Monday 2nd October at 8.35am.

Happy Holidays!



School Council Report August 2023

School council met on Monday 28th August.

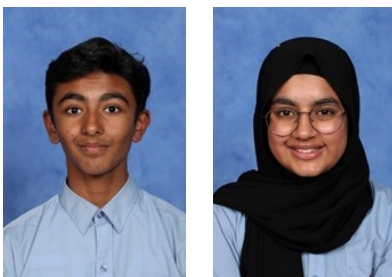
School Council worked through a number of important items and had reports from the Principal, the School Captains and College Staff about ongoing work towards achieving our AIP School Strategic Plan goals.

In particular, School Council celebrated the successes throughout Term Three, including programs such as the Year 9 Morrisby Careers Profiling interviews. Students completed skills and interests assessments, before receiving a one-on-one interview with a personal careers professional to help them think about their future studies and transitions.

The College Captains, Kisa and Ansh, discussed their new student voice project: working with Year 5 students to develop a student suggestion box for all college students. Students have worked closely with Mr Bayard to identify areas for suggestions that will also support the 2023 AIP goals.

James Damjanovski, the Truganina College Marrung Champion and Year 4 Classroom Teacher, gave a presentation to the School Council regarding work towards meeting our goals in relation to the Marrung Education Plan. Marrung is the Department of Education's 10-year strategic plan to develop Victoria into "...a state where the rich and thriving culture, knowledge and experience of our First Nation's peoples are celebrated by all Victorians;...". In particular, James presented on the College's progress in developing our Reconciliation Action Plan (or RAP), a key document all schools must have to ensure that they are part of Victoria's reconciliation journey. A key upcoming stage of this work will be in forming community working groups to discuss the RAP, the school's vision for reconciliation and actions to help achieve it in the next 12 months.

We encourage all families and parents to discuss being involved with the development of the RAP with our school council parent representatives.



Ansh Nayak & Kisa Naqvi
Year 9 College Captains

College Captains 2024

The Student Voice Team is excited to announce that applications to be a College Captain in 2024 are now open for students in Year 5 and Year 8.

Expressions of interest are invited from students in Year 5 and Year 8 wishing to nominate for College Captain in 2024. To submit an application, complete the Google Form relevant to your year level by **Friday 6th October**. QR codes to the application forms can be found below.

Please only submit an application if you are in Year 5 and Year 8.



Year 5 Applications



Year 8 Applications

As a College Captain you will become a part of the Student Voice Team, which provides an important forum for students to have a voice in what happens at Truganina College. Elected student leaders will be supported to develop their leadership capabilities and will exhibit responsibility in all areas of their college life as models of good citizenship. They will contribute to decision making processes within the College. Most importantly, student leaders will advocate for their peers.

The Student Voice Team is excited to work through this process with our future leaders.



Phil Lloyd
Health & Physical Education Teacher Year 3
Lead Community Engagement Team Member

Truganina College Ride To School Day

Truganina College have an exciting announcement to make. Starting in 2024, Truganina College will be implementing Bike Education into the curriculum. We see this as an incredible opportunity for students to enhance learning and engagement at school. Throughout the community there is a variety of bike paths and community playgrounds that we believe students can benefit from to stay happy, active and healthy as a result of learning about the safe use of bikes.

To celebrate this fantastic opportunity at our college, Truganina College will be holding our own 'Ride to school day' on **Thursday the 14th of September**. Students are encouraged to ride their bike to school with safety equipment on including their helmet.

On the day, students who ride their bikes to school safely with helmet and arrive before 8:35am, will receive a gift on arrival at the bike shed and have their name taken down to go into the draw to win a **BRAND NEW** bike and a helmet!! On Friday the 15th of September the winners of the bikes will be drawn. There are three opportunities to win a bike:

1 bike for a student in years F-4

1 bike for a student in years 5-7

1 bike for a student in years 8-9

We would like to see as many students as possible riding their bikes to school safely on this day to promote this fantastic opportunity that will be provided to the college next year.



John Whitehouse
Health & P.E. Teacher

Anime Drawing Competition

Dear Anime Enthusiasts and Art Lovers,

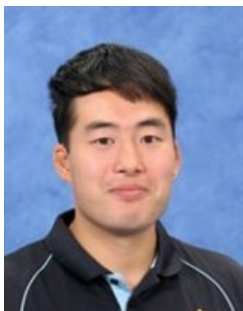
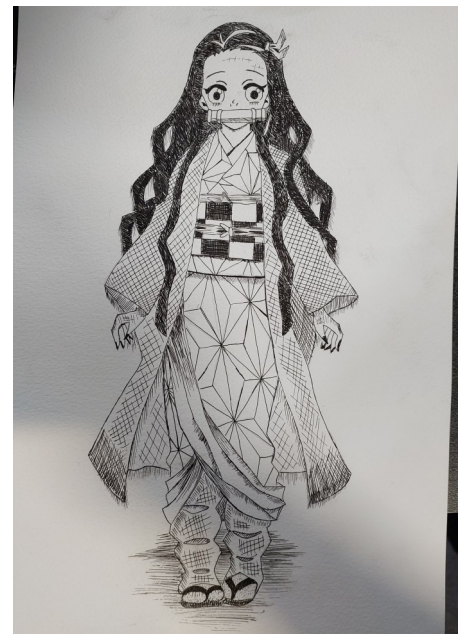
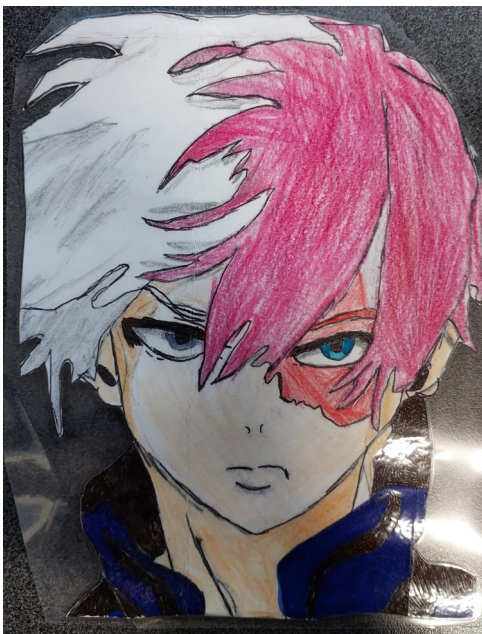
The moment we've all been waiting for has arrived! After weeks of breathtaking submissions and intense scrutiny by our esteemed panel of judges, we are thrilled to unveil the extraordinary talents that have risen to the top in our Anime Drawing Competition.

The winner in 1st place: Wrik Chowdhury 6H.

2nd place: Syed Ali Rizvi 4F

3rd Place: Sara Prajapati 6E

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the winners for their exceptional talents and dedication to the art of anime drawing. Your contributions have added immense beauty to the anime world, and we are grateful for your passion.



Kevin Ngo
Health and Physical Education & Mathematics Teacher

Foundation Enrolments 2024

Do you have a child eligible to attend school in 2024?

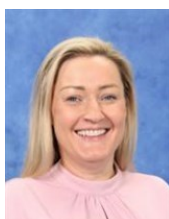
Was your child born between 01/05/2018 – 30/04/2019? If you do, now is the time to enrol for Foundation 2024.

At Truganina College we are running an onsite Transition Program that started in August for our Foundation 2024 students. Please see the Session 3 Program for Term 4 below:

Group	Session 3
1	Monday, 9 th October at 9am
2	Tuesday, 10 th October at 9am
3	Tuesday, 10 th October at 11.45am
4	Wednesday, 11 th October at 9am
5	Wednesday, 11 th October at 11.45am
6	Thursday, 12 th October at 9am
7	Thursday, 12 th October at 11.45am
8	Friday, 13 th October at 9am
9	Friday, 13 th October at 11.45am

Please ensure you come to the school office and pick up an enrolment pack from the Front Office.

If you have any queries please contact our Enrolments Team on enrolments@truganinap9.vic.edu.au



Lisa Rouvray and Ann Williams
Enrolment Team

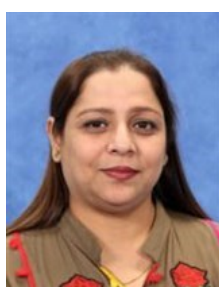
Extracurricular - Learning Experience

News From Our Library!

Lunch time activities

The library is open to all students during lunch time from 12:30 - 2:00 for a range of different clubs and activities. Whether you're into Lego or Puzzles or just want to chill out by switching off your brain and enjoying the moment of colouring with our Mindfulness Colouring Club - we have everything to suit everyone! Please see below timetable:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Junior 12:30 – 1:00 Foundation, grade 3 and 5 1:00 – 1:30 Grade 1, 4 and 6 1:30 – 2:00 Grade 2	Mindfulness Colouring Club	Lego	Fun and Games	Puzzle-mania	Silent Reading
Middle Years 1:30 – 2:00 Year 7, 8 and 9	Fun and Games	Puzzle-mania	Mindfulness Colouring Club	Lego	Silent Reading



Emily Vuksic , Mamta Srivastava & Geethika Perera
Library Team

Father's Day Stall

A massive thank you to our office staff, parents, students and community helpers for organising, setting up and selling gifts for Father's Day.

Students had the opportunity to shop for their loved ones. Students enjoyed selecting the best present from the variety of items available at the stall. We hope that many fatherly figures would have received a wonderful gift and a thank you for all they do to support their children.

We were able to raise \$1084.15 from the stall. This will go towards outdoor furniture for our students .

Special thanks to the following volunteers for their commitment and support to run the stall smoothly over two days.

Adrian Gonnella from Wyndham Youth Services and our School Council member

Parent helpers: Dhara Parekh, Maugafa Smith, Pretty Singh, Kloud Diggie, Renee Cini, Jodie Argueta, Saima Siddique, and Affifa Akram.

If you have a current Working with Children's check and you would like to support us by volunteering during events or special occasions, please contact the front office on 9368 9800.



R U OK?

Dear families,

It is R U OK? Day on Thursday the **14th of September 2023**.

R U OK? is a public health promotion charity that encourages people to stay connected and have conversations that can help others through difficult times in their lives.

Their work focuses on building the motivation, confidence, and skills of the help-giver – the person who can have a meaningful conversation with someone who is struggling with life.

R U OK? Encourages people to invest more time in their personal relationships and build the capacity of informal support networks – friends, family and colleagues - to be alert to those around them, have a conversation if they identify signs of distress or difficulty and connect someone to appropriate support, long before they're in crisis.

This year we will have a special focus on empowering our students to build social emotional skills, and ensuring they are aware of the supports available to them from the school, their peers and at home.

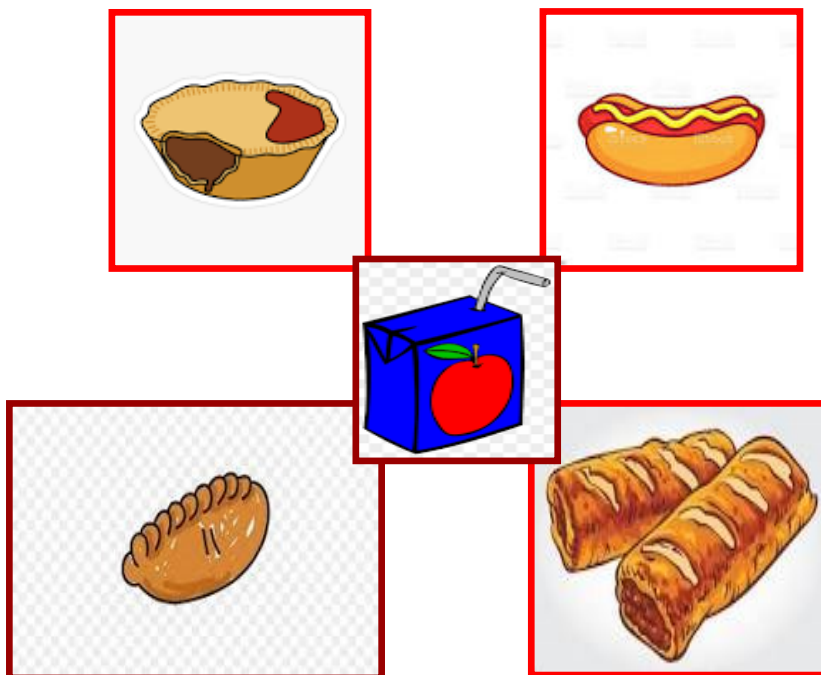
There are many free resources on the website <https://www.ruok.org.au/> and some very helpful tips, I'd encourage you to share with your families.



Jessica Radford
Community Inclusion and Student Support

Footy Day Lunch

This Friday 15th September, the canteen is only open for the Footy Lunch Day.



No Lunch Orders on Friday 15th

The last day for lunch orders is Thursday 14th September.

The canteen **WILL NOT** be taking lunch orders on Friday 15th September, however they will be open for over the counter snacks only.



Smile Patrol Dental Van

Say goodbye to the hassle of making dental appointments, taking time off work, and disrupting your schedule just to ensure your child receives dental care. Smile Patrol is coming to Truganina P-9 College so your child will benefit from dental care during school hours, so easy!

Smile Patrol provides free dental health examinations to all students. We do initial examinations and can provide further treatments if your child is eligible under the Childcare Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS).

But to do this we need your consent.

To sign up you can visit : (<https://smilepatrol.com.au/consent-form/>)

It's very easy and takes less than 5 mins to complete.

OR use the QR code:



If you would like more information, please refer to the parent/guardian information handout which can be downloaded here: <https://smilepatrol.com.au/information-for-parents-and-carers/>

We will also send out paper handouts to each child which contain all the information regarding our services, consent, and the Childcare Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS). Just remember to hop online and complete the online consent form by the deadline **Friday 27th October**.

Smile Patrol Dental Van will be visiting Truganina P-9 College in week 7 of Term 4.

Contact information:

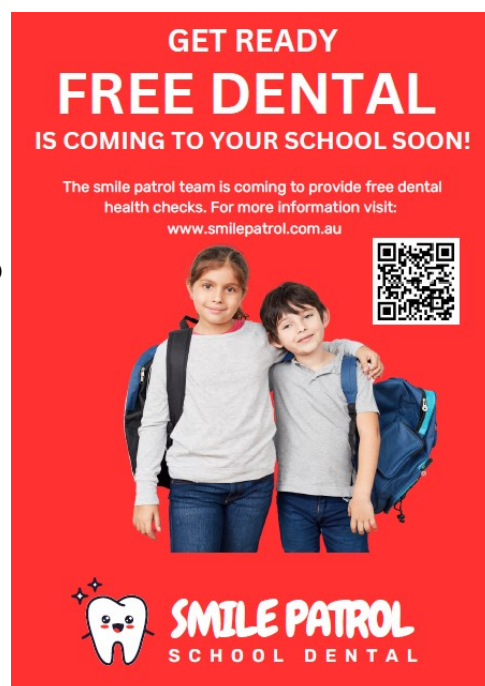
For more information please feel free to contact us.

Email: info@smilepatrol.com.au

Thank you for prioritising your child's dental health. We want to make sure every Victorian child has access to quality dental care.



Sarah Knight
School Nurse

A red promotional poster for Smile Patrol School Dental. At the top, it says "GET READY FREE DENTAL IS COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL SOON!". Below that, it says "The smile patrol team is coming to provide free dental health checks. For more information visit: www.smilepatrol.com.au". There is a QR code on the right side. In the center, there is a photo of two children, a girl and a boy, both wearing backpacks. At the bottom, there is a logo of a smiling tooth and the text "SMILE PATROL SCHOOL DENTAL".

Lost Property

There are a large number of prescription glasses that have been handed into lost property.

If your child has lost their prescription glasses, please pop into the Sick Bay to check if they are theirs.



Sarah Knight
School Nurse

Congratulations Word Challenge winners!

Congratulations to the following students who were the prize winners for the last newsletter's Word Challenge and made an impressive amount of words with 'fa' in them:

Cooper Si from 1H

Asmara Kashif from 5B

Ravinsh Pulluru from 1D

Well done to all of our winners!



Bemin Secondary College

Year 10 Enrolment Pack Support

On Tuesday 29th August, we held an Assembly for our Year 9 cohort that are attending Bemin Secondary College for Year 10 in 2024. Mrs Joanne Camozzato Bemin Secondary College Principal presented to our Year 9 students.

The rest of the day we held group sessions – groups of 5-10 students were supported by Assistant Principal, Sandale Ambegoda to complete learner profiles.

Wednesday 30th August & Monday 4th September

Group's of 5-10 students completed learner profiles with students. Each student attended a 30 minute session with the Assistant Principal of Bemin Secondary College to complete a quiz to discover their unique learning styles, goals and interests.



Ashleigh Preedy
Middle Years Office Manager

Wyndham City's Holiday Program

Wyndham City's Active Holidays program is back this September. Join in FREE activities for 4 to 18 year olds from Saturday 16 September to Sunday 1 October. From Athletics, Baseball, Basketball, Cricket and Dance to Footy, Football, Karate, Table Tennis, Tennis and more there's lots for kids to join in. See the program at www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/activeholidays Bookings open 7 days before each session. Why not try something new these holidays?



Phillip Lloyd
Year 3 P.E. Teacher



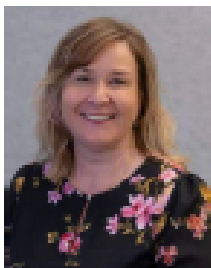


Believe Belong Become

We are excited to bring a new primary school to the Warreen community at Truganina in 2024.

We are currently taking enrolments for families that live in our school zone

Follow us on Facebook for all of our exciting updates



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