



NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Week 6
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The Newsletter is designed to offer an information service to the parents of Wedderburn College students and local people interested in Education.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL & ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers and Friends of Wedderburn College

Transition to Onsite Learning

It is great news that we will soon be returning to Onsite Learning. We are looking forward to seeing all of our students again by the end of Term and we absolutely know that they are looking forward to seeing each other. Even though lots of learning takes place at school, and we have seen that this is possible from home too, we have again realised the inherent social value of school for children - the learning and joy that comes from being with and around their friends and peers. This is more highly valued by them than their learning I think and it is great that they will have this opportunity again soon! The staged transition to school was outlined in a letter we sent to parents and students and a copy is included in this newsletter. There are many new actions and behaviours we will all need to undertake during this transition as well as some calendar changes. Please read these carefully and make your preparations.

Professional Practice Day

Students will not receive phone calls from teachers this **Friday 22 May** due to our teachers' Professional Practice Day, nor will teachers be available to respond to emails or phone calls on that day. This is a day in the Industrial Agreement where teachers are released from their teaching duties to enable them to collaborate together or deepen an aspect of their professional practice. Supervision will still be provided for those students attending school and Remote Learning has already been planned so students have work to continue on with.

Student Free Days

The Victorian Government has announced an additional Student Free Day this **Monday 25 May** to prepare for the transition. As published on the school calendar, a Student Free Day had originally been planned for the next Friday 29 May for Staff Professional Learning & Training. This day will now be rescheduled to the first day of Term 3 which is **Monday 13 July**. These are both Student Free Days and buses will NOT run on these days.

Camps & Excursions & Extra Curricular Activities

We are aware that there are many events that students have missed out on during this time. We will continue to review all of these as the advice is updated and restrictions lifted. A decision on the Year 9 Snow Camp is expected in the first week of June from DET.

Key Dates relating to Transition to Onsite-Schooling

Monday 25 May	Student Free Day & all staff recommence work onsite
Tuesday 26 May	Foundation, Yr 1 & 2, Yr 11 & 12 VCE & VCAL resume onsite
Tuesday 26 May	Years 3 -10 continue Remote Learning from Home
Tuesday 9 June	Years 3-10 resume onsite learning
Monday 13 July	Student Free Day (first day of Term 3)

New Hygiene Practices

All members of our community are requested to please observe the following:

GENERAL
School will undergo extensive cleaning before staff and students return on Tuesday
The Chief Medical Officer has advised that social distancing does not apply to students
The Chief Medical Officer has advised that social distancing does apply to all adults
Entry and Exit doors, where child-safe and practicable, will remain open to promote air flow
School Entry & Exit points at both Hospital and Chapel Streets will be supervised before and after school to support limited parental access
Classrooms wiped down and sanitised intermittently throughout the day
High touch areas cleaned throughout the day
Non-compulsory testing is available for school staff until May 29
If a student presents unwell during the day, they will be isolated in the First Aid Room and must be collect immediately by a Parent or Guardian
Primary playground will remain open but sanitiser will be required before play

STUDENTS NEED TO:
Bring personal water bottles as shared taps are not to be used & bring their own Art aprons
Wash hands before entering homeroom, after recces and lunch
Sanitise their hands after 1B, 2B and 3B
Use sanitiser regularly at other times - located at the entry and exit point of all classrooms
Not share food, equipment or personal resources
Bring personal equipment where possible e.g. pencil cases, pens
Order lunches rather than walk up to canteen, where possible
Follow staff direction at all times and the SWPBS Expected Behaviour Matrix
Not come to school if they are unwell
Tell a teacher if they begin to feel unwell
Line up in an orderly fashion while waiting for the buses

PARENTS NEED TO:
Not enter school grounds unless the matter is essential
Enter via the Office only if the matter is essential
Follow all signage in and around the school
Not congregate with adults at school drop off and pick up points
Maintain social distancing with adults at school drop off and pick up points
Keep their child at home if they are unwell
Collect their child immediately if requested by the school
Encourage secondary students to order lunch instead of walk-up to canteen if required

STAFF NEED TO:
Maintain social distancing
Implement and encourage hand washing and sanitising processes for self and students
Disinfect work areas after use and personal equipment regularly
Observe one adult per 4 square metre rule
Maintain social distancing with adults at school drop off and pick up points
Seek medical advice if unwell and not come to school
Order lunch from canteen instead of walk up
Maintain compliance with usual school policies and procedures

Ms Rachel Lechmere (Principal) & Mr Dean Lockhart (Assistant Principal)

FOUNDATION/1

This is our last week of Remote Learning! Thank-you so much for delivering the program. It has been great to see and hear lots about your work you have been doing at home. You will also have the opportunity again to connect with your classmates via Webex on Thursday. More information regarding this via Mrs Tanya's Story Time page. Little Girl, Little Boy and the crew from LGTV may also make an appearance on the Webex before they finish up on Friday. They have accepted a promotion! Mrs Tanya would much rather come back to school so she will be greeting you at the gate on Tuesday 26 May. I can't wait to see you all.

Mrs Tanya Chalmers, Teacher

YEAR 2/3

Next week will see an end to Remote Learning for the Year 2s. I am looking forward to being back at school to see all their smiling faces and hear about all the great things they did at home! They will have to say goodbye to the excellent "teachers" they had at home but hopefully will be able to talk about their learning a bit more when they return from school each day. Can the Year 2s please remember to bring all their books and belongings back to school next Tuesday 26 May.

Meanwhile, the Year 3s are still working hard from home and will be back in another 2 weeks. It is good to see some of their faces on the screen when we Webex on Wednesdays.

Could parents/carers please remind students about hygiene and washing hands etc. before they return to school. We will also be enforcing this on a regular basis. Keep up the great work. With thanks.

Mrs Deirdre McKenzie, Teacher

YEAR 3/4

Every day we are getting that much closer to our return to school. It was great to see so many students log onto Friday's Webex last week and bring along their party hats and party food to celebrate the return to school date. We all loved seeing your favourite piece of artwork or classwork and to share the amazing effort that you have been putting into your classwork throughout the Remote Learning from home period so far. I enjoy viewing the progress that students are making as you upload your work each week to the Compass Learning Task. It is great to see the wonderful writing and Maths tasks students have been doing and the effort that so many students are putting into the publishing of their persuasive writing. I look forward to hearing about the fun you can have with the persuasive writing tasks in Week 7. See you all soon!

😊 Miss Jessica Higgins

YEAR 5/6

To mix things up a little, Grade 5 and 6 have been taking part in weekly challenges. Our First challenge was to make a Bubble Blower out of something random. Tyson won this challenge hands down. His tennis racquet creation was great. Our second challenge was to recreate a famous painting. Matilda, Amelia, Noah and Tyson did a smashing job of this. Amelia has also taken the time to do an impressive artwork.

Well done to all of those students who have again completed some amazing results on their Math Pathways:

Jade	267%
Amelia	233%
Eleanor	200%
Dylan	167%
Kayla, Olivia and Jake	133%
Tyson and Matilda	100%

We have also started a mystery writing unit. **Mrs Postle** and I look forward to the teaching and learning that will take place around this unit and cannot wait to read all the terrifying and suspenseful tales you will all weave! Looking forward to seeing you all in the classroom again soon!

Mrs Annita Steel and Mrs Maddi Postle

Tyson's Picasso recreation



Tyson's painting recreation



Artemisia Gentileschi: What Are Her Most Famous Works? - ARTnews.com



MATHS PATHWAY

Congratulations to this fortnight's Maths Pathway champions.

<i>Maths Pathway</i>		
CLASS	CLASS AVERAGE	HIGHEST STUDENT GROWTH
<i>Year 5</i>	97%	Amelia with 233%
<i>Year 6</i>	113%	Jade with 267%
<i>Year 7</i>	111%	Chris with 200%
<i>Year 8</i>	80%	Clayton, Claire and Shelby with 100%
<i>Year 9</i>	115%	Ella B and Conrad with 200%
<i>Year 10</i>	111%	Tahli with 167%

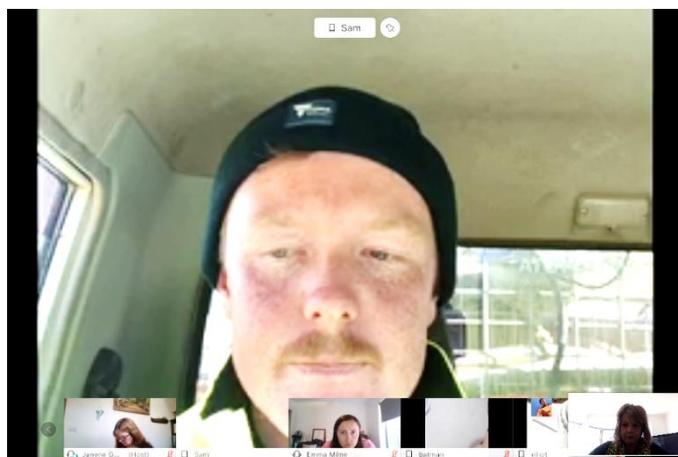
Just a reminder that students achieving 100% growth rate each cycle is equivalent to one year's growth achieved in the Mathematics curriculum.

Please ensure you complete the test on the day of the test (with it completed no later than the day after the scheduled test date), as there are a few of you who are having your tests expire. Congratulations to **Jade** for achieving the highest growth this cycle with 267% and to **Year 9** for achieving the highest average growth rate this cycle.

Miss Emma Milne, Teacher

VNEWS from VCAL

On Monday morning 18 May on our Webex call, the VCAL students talked to **Mr Sam Carroll**, a past student of Wedderburn College. He spoke about how he is working with forest fire management and how he travels frequently with the job. After he finished explaining what he has done since graduating, all of the students asked questions relating to their own interests and/or things they just felt like asking and got some great feedback and tips with what to try and aim for in the future. Thank you **Sam**. It was a great start to the day!



Samuel Patterson, student

(Picture: a screenshot of Sam Carroll and the VCAL Webex)

SENIOR ADVOCACY

Welcome to Week 6. Thankfully for our Senior Students, our remote learning is coming to an end, with official face to face classes beginning for both VCAL and VCE students on Tuesday 26 May.

Until this date, students will continue with their Online Learning and are reminded to continue actively attending their scheduled WebEx classes, submitting classwork online and being in contact with their teacher and fellow students. The majority of NCTTC VET classes have resumed at Charlton, with students able to attend on Thursdays. Individual students will have received an email from their VET teachers outlining whether they need to attend and any other additional requirements.

Some things to consider for the last part of your Remote Learning experience (and into the remainder of Term Two)

It is important to remember that students should be doing their best to **maintain routine** while learning from home; students should keep to a normal sleep cycle, study during school hours and minimise distractions.

Remember to **ask for help!** If you are worried about falling behind or don't understand something, be proactive and ask your teachers (or other trusted adults) for help.

Take a break from the news. Everyone should try to limit their media intake to a couple of times a day and use trusted news sources. If you catch yourself turning to social media because you're feeling isolated, take a break and spend time on another activity.

Stay active! There are heaps of different types of exercise students can do from home, thanks to YouTube and apps.

Keep connected. Although we have had some relaxing of laws and can meet with small groups of people, we are still being encouraged to limit our social interactions where possible. Students should try to stay in touch with their friends via text, Messenger, WhatsApp, FaceTime, or phone calls.

Engage in activities that **promote a sense of calm and feeling grounded.** Listening to music, meditation, breathing exercises and yoga can be good for reducing anxiety.

National Careers Week

This week is National Careers Week!! Don't forget to check out the Year 13 Digital Careers Expo - there is plenty to explore @ www.year13.com.au

Check out the following online events:

- Federation Uni Webinar - Communication Design Webinar - Friday 22 May **
- The Gordon TAFE Geelong - online events a variety of courses all week**
- Victoria University - Thursday 21 May - Creative Arts, Humanities, and Music**
- Meet Melbourne -Wednesday 20 May - Music, and Thursday 21 May - Education**
- Victoria Police Recruitment information session - Friday 22 May**

Note: 2021 ADF GAP year applications are closing soon

visit: <https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/students-and-education/gap-year> for further information. I am looking forward to seeing you all in person soon.

Mrs Lauren Barker, Senior Student Leader

COMPASS

Don't wait for the end of semester to view your child's progress. Log in to Compass and view teacher feedback and feed forward at any time by checking out your child's Learning Tasks. Children also receive regular (every 5 weeks) progress reports on their Organisation, Behaviour, Attitude to Learning and Work Completion. Learning Tasks and Reports can be found on your child's profile page. This is also the schools formal method of communicating with staff.

ART NEWS: NO APRON, NO ART

All students from F to 12 are asked to please provide their own Art shirt or apron that can be used in Art classes for the foreseeable future. This is to ensure we can maintain strong hygiene practices. An old long sleeve shirt or t shirt the covers your uniform would be best. These will need to be kept in individual student lockers, not in tubs in the classroom.

Students are also asked to bring any artworks that they have completed while learning from home to school when they return so that we can create a display of all of your fabulous work.

Mrs Lauren Barker & Ms Sue Prevos, Teachers

LIBRARY NEWS

It will be wonderful to reopen the Library next week. It's been strangely quiet for a few months.

Please try to find all the Library books you have at home and bring them back as soon as possible. Library classes will begin again next Wednesday and you don't want to miss out on some fresh reading.

YABBA - Young Australian Best Book Awards 2020

The short list of books nominated by students has been announced. Books nominated have to be published within the last 10 years by Australian Authors. We will vote for our favourite in Term 4. Time to read the candidates.

Miss Hilary MacKay and Mrs Joan Earl

<p>Fiction for Older Readers (Primary)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 117-Storey Treehouse ▪ by Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton ▪ A Great Escape by Felice Arena ▪ Exploding Endings: Painted Dogs and Doom Cakes by Tim Harris ▪ Funny Kid: Prank Wars by Matt Stanton ▪ Kensy and Max: Breaking News Jacqueline Harvey ▪ A Most Magical Girl by Karen Foxlee ▪ New City by Deborah Abela ▪ So Wrong 2: Inappropriate Michael Wagner & Wayne Bryant ▪ The Forgotten Pearl by Belinda Murrell ▪ Wundersmith: The Calling of Morrigan Crow Jessica Townsend 	<p>Fiction for Years 7-9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Song Only I Can Hear by Barry Jonsberg ▪ Akarnae by Lynette Noni ▪ As Happy As Here by Jane Godwin ▪ Detention by Tristan Bancks ▪ Dragonfly Song by Wendy Orr ▪ Illuminae by Jay Kristoff & Amie Kaufman ▪ Lenny's Book of Everything by Karen Foxlee ▪ Liars: No Survivors by Jack Heath ▪ Medoran Chronicles 2: Raelia by Lynette Noni ▪ Punchlines by Oliver Phommovanh
<p>Picture Story Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Coming Home to Country by Bronwyn Bancroft ▪ Definitely Do Not Open This Book Andy Lee & Heath McKenzie ▪ I'm Australian Too by Mem Fox & Ronojoy Ghosh ▪ Koalas Eat Gum Leaves by Laura & Philip Bunting ▪ Pig the Grub by Aaron Blabey ▪ Sorry Day by Coral Vass & Dub Leffler ▪ Thelma the Unicorn by Aaron Blabey ▪ This is a Ball by Beck & Matt Stanton ▪ Too Many Cheeky Dogs by Johanna Bell & Dion Beasley ▪ The Unscary Book by Nick Bland 	<p>Fiction for Younger Readers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ella and Olivia: Sports Carnival Yvette Poshoglian & Danielle McDonald ▪ Ella Diaries: Friendship SOS Meredith Costain & Danielle McDonald ▪ Hot Dog 3: Circus Time! Anh Do & Dan McGuinness ▪ Mr Bam buckle's Remarkables Fight Back Tim Harris & James Hart ▪ Polly and Buster 1 by Sally Rippin ▪ Sporty Kids: Soccer Felice Arena & Tom Jellett ▪ The Bad Guys Episode 9: The Big Bad Wolf Aaron Blabey ▪ Tiny Timmy: Soccer Superstar! By Tim Cahill ▪ Truly Tan: Trapped Jen Storer & Claire Robertson ▪ WeirDo 12: Hopping Weird! Anh Do & Jules Faber

JANICE'S CORNER



As the weather begins to cool and we continue to face Coronavirus, it is more important than ever to stay asthma well this Winter.

A reminder for those people whose asthma gets worse during **Winter**, that they should be taking their **preventer medications** daily even when well, to be protected during the coming Winter months. Seasonal viral respiratory infections are amongst the most common triggers for flare-ups, including potentially serious asthma in adults and children and so a Flu vaccination is recommended.

Asthma is a chronic respiratory condition affecting one in nine Australians or 2.7 million people and Winter months can make asthma harder to control, resulting in more hospitalisations. Research shows that people who use their prescribed asthma preventer and have a written **Asthma Action Plan** are less likely to need hospital care, which could help in reducing strain on the health system.

Wedderburn College Secondary students with Asthma can book in with the school nurse for a free flu shot from the Wedderburn College Doctor.

Ms Janice Deocampo, School Nurse

IT'S NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK!

Career. It's more than just a job!

MAY 18th – 24th 2020



For a list of Online Events please visit:

<https://careersweek.com.au/events-page/>

REMINDER



From May 18-22, you'll be able to explore exhibits from a host of different universities, TAFEs, colleges, employers, and gap year providers.

To Register your online attendance visit:

<https://year13.com.au/expo>



Reminder - On-line information Sessions

The Gordon (TAFE) Geelong are holding a series of Online information sessions in a wide variety of course areas Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May 2020.

For further information on the courses, dates/times and to register visit:

www.thegordon.edu.au/courses/open-information-sessions



WEBINARS

Monday May 18th - 12:30-13:10

Webinar 4: Visual & Fine Arts – Preparing your folio and interview tips

Suitable for students studying Studio Art, Art or practising artists looking to apply to the Federation University Arts Academy. Receive valuable advice on folio preparation as well as application submissions and hear from a current student about what it's really like to study at our renowned Arts Academy

Online Campus Showcase – Ballarat (Monday 18th May 6:00 – 6:45) & Berwick (Tuesday 19th May 6:00-6:45).

Communication Design Webinar – Friday 22nd May
Preparing your folio and Interview tips.

Register your attendance here -

<https://federation.edu.au/events>



UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS

ENGINEERING, BUILT ENVIRONMENTS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Date and time: **Tuesday 19 May, 6-7pm**
CREATIVE ARTS, HUMANITIES & MUSIC
Date and time: **Thursday 21st May, 6-7pm**

Visit: www.vu.edu.au/about-vu/news-events/events/vu-information-evenings-online-2020 for further information and to register.

MyFuture Career Bullseyes



Not sure what you would like to do when you finish School?

RESEARCH IS THE KEY!

The MyFuture Career bullseyes helps students to explore career pathways via the learning areas that you enjoy at school. These interactive Career bullseyes include links to occupation profiles/videos on the myfuture website.

You can view the interactive Career Bullseyes by creating a free MyFuture account @ www.myfuture.edu.au, then click on the Career Bullseyes section.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN UNDERTAKING AN APPRENTICESHIP OR TRAINEESHIP IN 2021?



AusAppPathways is a free app that will help you explore the many careers that can begin through an apprenticeship or traineeship pathway

- Filter by State and Territory.
- Get tips on how to find a job.
- Explore information and resources that can help students and jobseekers find career ideas that interest them.
- Begin career discussions with family, friends, and career advisers.

Search through over 3000 examples of apprenticeship and traineeship occupations
Download the Free App.

MONASH GUARANTEE



The Monash Guarantee can get you into a Monash course even if you don't reach the course's [lowest selection rank](#). You could be eligible for the Monash Guarantee if you:

- have experienced financial disadvantage
- live in a low socio-economic area
- are an Indigenous Australian
- attend a Monash list under-represented school.

How it works

Every Monash course has a [Monash Guarantee ATAR](#), which is lower than the expected [selection rank](#) for that course. For most courses, if you meet the [eligibility criteria](#), achieve the [Monash Guarantee ATAR](#) (starting at 70.00) and complete all course prerequisites, you will be eligible for a place at Monash.

For some courses, a range of criteria [RC] is used for selection in addition to your ATAR, such as an audition or folio. You are guaranteed a place if you are successful in the additional selection criteria.

The Monash Guarantee does not apply to the Law Pathway or Scholars programs.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the Monash Guarantee, you must:

- be studying an Australian Year 12 or International Baccalaureate in 2020
- meet the Monash Guarantee ATAR for your preferred course
- satisfy all course-specific prerequisites and requirements, such as the UCAT, a portfolio, interview, or audition
- be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, a holder of Australian permanent residency or permanent humanitarian visa
- demonstrate that you have experienced [financial disadvantage](#); attend a Monash-listed [under-represented school](#), are an [Indigenous Australian](#) or live in a low socio-economic area.

How to apply

To apply for the Monash Guarantee, you must:

- submit a VTAC course application and include your preferred Monash University courses in your preference list
- complete a VTAC Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) application including any required documentation

For further information visit:

www.monash.edu/study/how-to-apply/entry-schemes/the-monash-guarantee

VICTORIAN POLICE RECRUITMENT



Information session:

Friday 22nd May 2020 - 1:00pm – 2:30pm

For further information and to register visit:

www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions

SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (TAFE and UNIVERSITY)



You can now download Swinburne's 2021 Degrees and Diplomas course guide:

www.swinburne.edu.au/content/dam/media/docs/SUT03_92_2021%20Dom%20UG%20Course%20Guide%20DIGITAL_202002_FA3_BC.pdf



Meet Melbourne 2020

Week 3 - Tuesday 19th - Visual and Performing Arts; Wednesday 20th - Music and Thursday; 21st May – Education.

Visit: <https://study.unimelb.edu.au/connect-with-us/meet-melbourne> to register or for further information

RMIT Art & Photography, Online Info Session Wednesday 27th May 2020 – 4:30pm – 6:30pm



Explore study options at RMIT University and take your art and photography to the next level at our online information session.

You'll have the opportunity to hear from expert staff connected to a selection of our world leading degrees:

- **Bachelor of Arts (Fine Art) (Honours)**
- **Bachelor of Arts (Photography) (Honours)**
- Master of Photography
- Master of Arts (Arts Management)
- Master of Arts (Art in Public Space)
- Master of Fine Art (Coursework)

You'll learn why RMIT University is ranked 11th for Art and Design in the 2020 QS World University rankings (1st in Australia and Asia).

** Program Managers will be taking questions about 2020 Mid-Year applications and admissions in 2021.*

www.rmit.edu.au/events/2020/may/art-photography-info-session

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www.facebook.com/north.llenCareersPathways

COMMUNITY NEWS

UNIFORMS FOR SALE

Wedderburn College Parents Association sell SECOND HAND and NEW UNIFORMS to help raise funds for camps, books, excursions etc. These uniforms can be purchased from the Uniform Shop at the School, located on Chapel Street side of the school. (Building formally known as the HUB)

Hours: Thursday 3pm to 4pm

Friday 8.30am to 9.30am

Or phone **Kylie** on **0409 389 916** or **Jo** on **0407049268** to arrange another time.

RAMJAC Uniform Price List

SS Champion Polo Navy/Gold	\$24.00
LS Champion Polo Navy/Gold	\$26.00
Champion Jacket	\$40.00
Micro Fibre Shorts	\$30.00
Drill Shorts	\$30.00
Skirt with Skort	\$37.00
Microfiber Track pant -Kids	\$40.00
Microfiber Track pant -Adult	\$44.00
LS Tee with Logo	\$18.00
Padded Vest	\$45.00
Bonded Polar Fleece Vest	\$39.00
Bonded Polar Fleece Jacket	\$44.00
Polar Fleece ½ zip jumper	\$32-\$36
Wide Brimmed Hat	\$15.00
Bucket Hat	\$15.00
Beanie	\$15.00



***** Navy Socks Now Available*****

We have a wide variety of sizes to try on. Orders taken and paid for on the day via Cash or Credit Card and delivered to the School Uniform Shop the following week.

Second Hand Uniform Price List

Polar Fleece Jumpers	\$3.00
Navy Polo	\$2.00
Shorts	\$2.00
Track pants	\$2.00
Hats/Beanies	\$2.00
Dresses	\$5.00
P/F Vest & Full zip Jacket	\$5.00
Champion Jacket	\$5.00

Donations of unwanted or no longer needed uniforms are greatly appreciated. These can be dropped off to the front office or call or text **Kylie** on **0409 389 916** for other arrangements.

Wide variety of sizes to purchase on the day. Cash only.

New Dresses now Available \$55 each.