From the Principal

Congratulations to our Year 12 Students!
On Tuesday 22nd October, the College held its annual Year 12 Graduation Assembly. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by many parents, guardians and friends who witnessed our Year 12 students receive their graduation certificates. Thank you to the many staff who contributed to the planning of this event under the coordination of Ms Mary Soumplis, the Year 12 Coordinator.

We wish our Year 12 students all the best as they finalise their assessment tasks in VCAL and complete exams in VCE.

Student free day – Friday 29th November
Friday 29th November will be a student free day as Noble Park Secondary College staff undertake a designated day for professional development. Students will not be required at school on this day.

School Council Elections
We have a vacancy for a parent representative for School Council from November 2019 to February 2021. Please see important information included within this newsletter.

Year 11 Formal Day information
I was given a request for the year 11 students to be dismissed early on Monday 4th November as it was their Year 11 Formal in the evening. As it involved dismissing students, this issue was taken to School Council on Monday night. After much discussion, it was proposed that the year 11 students actually work from home on this day and staff teaching classes prepare set work and place this work on Compass to the class, in lieu of students physically attending school. Students would be expected to complete the set work given by their teachers and it would be expected that they present the work to their teachers at their next lesson. Staff will be present at school as usual.

This idea was endorsed by School Council.
Experience Victoria International Excursion

On the 15th and the 17th of October, eight international students along with eight local students went on an excursion called “Experience Victoria.” Our school went on this excursion along with five other schools.

The first day was set in Ballarat. We first went to the wildlife park, saw some animals such as kangaroos, koalas, etc. After visiting the wildlife park, the students went to Federation University where they were given a tour and a presentation of the university. The second day, the students went to a picnic ground in Mount Dandenong, where we saw birds. We also played bingo. Afterwards, we went to an orchard and got to pick and taste some fresh citrus fruits like grapefruits, lemons, etc. The day ended at Monash University, where the students got to see the Clayton campus buildings.

Johnny San
International Student Year 10

The Experience Victoria excursion was a great experience. I was very happy to be a part of this excursion. We went to so many places I hadn’t been to before and get to do new and interesting things. The foods that were prepared for us were very good, especially the sweets! As well as sightseeing, we also went to the Universities. We got information about the courses and learned about University in Australia, which was very helpful. I really enjoy these excursions and I would like to go again.

Ratchel Poonperm
Student Year 10
State Finals Girls Interschool Chess Champions

On October 17, our school chess team competed in the State Finals of the Interschool Chess Championship for Girls. Almost 100 players from over ten schools, some from as far away as Pakenham and Leongatha in Gippsland, attended the event hosted by Mount St. Joseph Girls’ College in Altona.

After seven gruelling and nerve-racking games, Hayriya Abudureheman (Year 10) emerged in outright first place in the secondary school division. Not far behind, Martina Chilcumpa Diaz (IELP/Year 8) came in equal second place. The third member of the team, Duhita Dia (Year 9), performed far above expectations in her first competitive tournament. Together, they secured second place for Noble Park Secondary College in the School Team Competition. We were unfortunate not to secure first place in the team competition, awarded to the school with the highest points, as other schools had an extra fourth player.

Our players displayed great sportsmanship, on and off the board. They chatted and mingled with students from other schools, and always had a smile on their face. For this, they are to be congratulated.

Our chess team have now qualified for the National Finals, to be held over two days in early December. This event is expected to have over 300 players from across Victoria and other states. As always, our school chess team is looking for new players. If any girl (or boy) is interested in playing chess, please come and visit the chess club in the library.
Year 12 Class of 2019 Graduation Day

CLASS OF 2019
With the school’s Arts/Tech Showcase: ‘The Greatest Show on Earth’ coming up on November 22, our year 9 Drama students this week went on an excursion to visit the Circus Oz training facility at Collingwood. Students were met by two of Circus Oz’s performers, who guided them through an exciting workshop trying their hand at a variety of Circus skills. They learnt to walk the tightrope, balance on the globe, flip off the mini-tramp, balance on the rolo-bolo, swing from the trapeze, and finished off by honing their juggling skills.

The workshop aimed at getting students to step out of their comfort zone and challenge their fears, and it was very successful: every student attempted every activity, with many surprising themselves – and the trainers – with just how quickly they were able to pick up skills that they had previously thought above their ability. They’re looking forward to showcasing their new confidence, and maybe some of the skills they learnt, at ‘The Greatest Show on Earth’ next month. Come along and enjoy the fun!

Mr Caughey
Drama Coordinator
Craft Group

Our craft groups assisted with making small graduation gifts for our Year 12 students

Year 12 Final Breakfast

SEAMS

Applications are now open for the two-day SEAMS study camp taking place in the third week of January 2020 (one week before the start of Term 1). Places are limited to local students who will be studying Maths Methods and Chemistry (or Physics) next year in Year 11 or Year 12. During the camp, you will be provided with free food and accommodation at one of the colleges at the University of Melbourne or Monash University. Please see Mr Le if you are interested. Applications will close on 15 November.
Regional Athletics Day

Murtaza Tahery won two 3rd places in his Multi Class events (100m and Shot Put) and a 4th in the Long Jump. Jeferson was 4th in the 200m, Victor 7th in the 800m and Yasir 10th in the 1500m. A wet and windy day but smiles, great attitudes, a bus stuck in fourth gear and a winning throw wrapped up the Regional Athletics Day.

Swimming

The year 7s & 8s have recently commenced a swimming program.
Shinminato Exchange 2020

Noble Park Secondary College will be sending a group of students to visit our Japanese sister school next year. In 2017 we sent 10 students. The cost for each student was just over $3,000. This included all airfares, insurance, one day Tokyo Disneyland Passport, hotel accommodation, and some breakfasts. We spent one week in homestay accommodation and spent the other week traveling. At this stage, we do not have a cost estimate for 2020 and we have not yet decided the dates, but it is likely to be in September.

If you are interested in attending, please fill in the following form. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mr Turnbull at school.

Student Name: ______________________
Parent Name: ______________________
Signature of parent or guardian: ________________
Contact number: ______________________

Mr Sweatman
Football Program and Sport Coordinator
Active Volunteering Coordinator

Sport

Final Sport Dates of the Year

Year 8 Boys Table Tennis
  Region finals – Thursday 7th Nov
  If they are successful in winning the region finals then State Finals Wednesday 20th November.

A special shout out to Luc Willems (12A) who is the first student in more than 6 years who has represented the College at Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics. Well done Luc and all the best for the future!

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Noble Park Secondary College presents

The Greatest Show on Earth

Friday Nov 22nd
5pm - 9pm

Noble Park Secondary College
3 Callaghan St Noble Park

5-7 PM
- Concert Band
- Media Clips
- Art Show
- Activities
- Food

7-9 PM
- Dance
- Drama
- Bands
- Musical Items
- Performances

Free Event
All Welcome
BEYOND The Screen

Technology is a part of everyday life. Here are some tips to help you to balance and manage your technology use in a healthy way.

- Put your phone down while having meals
- Charge your device away from where you sleep
- ‘Unplug’ when you need to concentrate on your studies
- Make time to connect with your friends in person
- Explore interests and hobbies that you can do without technology!
- Get active and get outside
- Use technology to create content instead of just consuming

It’s not all about social media, go ‘beyond the screen’ and explore ways of using technology to enhance your health and wellbeing.

Exercise -
- Find an app that helps you stay active and link with friends!

Meditation/mindfulness -
- Use your device to access guided meditation or mindfulness activities

Time Management -
- Increase your productivity and boost your study skills by exploring apps around time management

Healthy Eating -
- Explore apps that help you plan, cook and track healthy meal ideas

Get Creative -
- Express yourself and create your own content using apps that let you show your creative side!

Links and Resources:
- Youth and Family Services | youth.greaterdandenong.com
- hspace | Headspace.org.au
- Noble Park Aquatic Centre & Oasis YMCA | ymca.org.au
- City of Greater Dandenong Libraries | greaterdandenonglibraries.com

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youthservices@cgd.vic.gov.au
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youth.greaterdandenong.com

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TIS: 13 14 50

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YOUTH LEADERS 2019
SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2019

Nomination Form for Parent Member Category

Please return General Office with attention to Lesley Dunshea (Principal’s Personal Assistant) by 4pm Monday 11th November, 2019.

I wish to nominate ………………………………………………………….for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the Noble Park Secondary College School Council until February 2021)

Name……………………………………………………………………………………………………
Residential address
………………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Home Telephone ………………….......
Mobile Number…………………………….........Business............................
Email……………………………………………………………………………………………………
I am the parent/guardian of……………………………………………………………………………………who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

The person I have nominated is the parent/guardian of ………………………………………………………..who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

The person I have nominated is an employee of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

Yes / No   (please circle)

Signature of Nominator………………………………………………………………………..Date…………………

Candidate to Complete

I accept the nomination and I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above named School Council. I hereby declare that I am not an undischarged bankrupt and that I am not currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence.

Signature of Candidate…………………………………………………………………………………..Date…………………

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.