



Swifts Creek

P-12 SCHOOL

Courage, Joy, Kindness

NEWSLETTER

April 27th 2022 - Week 1 Term 2

Whole School dates to remember:

Tuesday 3rd May - Whole School Cross Country

Flagstaff Campus Dates to Remember

Friday 6th May - Mother's Day Stall

Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term Two. A term that only goes for nine weeks with two short weeks due to public holidays. For our Year 10 students the last two weeks will be spent on work experience, so for them, the time at school this term is even shorter. Year 3,5,7 and 9 have NAPLAN testing in week three. Whole school assemblies will be welcomed back every second Tuesday with Year 10 hosting the first in week four. Year 7 will be having a four day camp in the middle part of the term, and a number of our Year 6 students will attend the Somers Camp. Our later years students will have a midyear exam period commencing on Monday 6 June. But without a doubt, one of the best things about Term Two is the midyear reports that are being worked on and will be ready for distribution via post on the last day of term.

The great thing about starting a new term is that we are able to put in place the learnings from last term. The reality of the parent-teacher interviews last term means that all students have some little things that they can be working on to make the most of their learning opportunities.

This week our Year 9 students are working on the next stage of their Morrisby reports. This work is about identifying their strengths and possible areas of future work. It has been good to see parents and students engage with the external careers practitioner to help make the most of this work.

This is another important aspect of life at school that enables students to plan and then tweak a plan for their life beyond school.

The latest operation guide was published this week regarding how we are to operate with the current COVID restrictions. The main summary of these changes were shared with parents by email and hard copy on Monday. If you are confused or unsure about any aspect of this please contact the school so that we can clarify for you. The department is still wanting RAT testing to occur twice weekly for the first four weeks this term. However, for those that have tested positive, the recommendation now is that you do not have another RAT for twelve weeks from the date of your positive test. This guide makes it clear that there will be many more events and activities happening as we return to more normal routines and rituals. If finance is a barrier to students participating in any event please get in contact with me so we can manage a plan that will enable the participation of all students in the opportunities available to them.

Finally, thank you to the parents who have been so prompt in contacting the office and informing us of student absences. Your support with this is very much appreciated. This term will be busy as we pack a lot into the nine weeks. If there are any little issues please get in contact with us so we can address them before they become big ones.

Students, have a great term and learn lots so you get to have the future that you want. The more you learn, the more you know and the greater are your life's choices.

Robert Boucher



Next Tuesday we will be hosting a whole school Cross Country! This will be a Tambo and Flagstaff event and we invite parents to come and cheer on students as they run the courses. Flagstaff event will kick off after lunch, 1:45pm and Tambo will follow at 2:30pm.

Both runs will start at Tambo on the oval. Flagstaff students will run a 500m course, while Tambo students will run a 3km lap that ventures around poets walk. Both races will count towards house points and the winner will be crowned House Cross Country Champion!

Mother's Day

Well hello parents and guardians. Excitement is just around the corner with the Mother's Day Stall happening on Friday 6th May for Flagstaff students.

As usual we will start the shopping during first session.

We will also take IOUs if it slips your mind to send money but there is a limit to the amount that can be borrowed and only one item can be purchased.

The students really enjoy the shopping experience and they are learning about dealing with money by adding up notes and coins and calculating change. Maybe you can occasionally get them to practice when they go shopping with you.

Congratulations to Amelia Donchi, Lillie Hansson, Janes Andrews and Aiden Fulten-Hughes on becoming our 2022 School Leaders at Flagstaff Campus. The excellent speeches from many of our 5/6 students made the voting very difficult.

Our School Leaders have already stepped into their role by planning and organising our Superhero day on the last day of Term 1 and we look forward to the exciting events they are planning with Mr Boucher for this term.

