



Sean Choolburra Comedy Performance

On Tuesday, all students and staff of Ararat College were treated to a school comedy performance by the very funny Sean Choolburra. This performance was chosen as a light start to Reconciliation Week where we learn about and acknowledge the terrible events of the past, while working towards building relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people for the future. Sean is an Aboriginal Comedian who has been successful in the comedy and film industry for decades. Sean shared some funny stories from his life and his journey of finding self-love. Students most enjoyed his music choices, played by 'student DJ's' Lucas Clarke and Ethan Edwards who introduced themselves as 'DJ Luke-Warm'. It was great for our Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students to discover a successful Aboriginal role model in an industry outside of sport. Thank you to Steve Mullin for providing and setting up sound equipment so we could all enjoy the performance.

Tahni Skewes
First Nations Coordinator



A message from our Principal....

Circuit Breaker Lockdown

Today marks the first day of Victoria's 7 day lockdown. Thank you to all families for their support and understanding as we move into a remote and flexible learning program. This program will commence on Monday May 31st and run up to and include Thursday June 3rd. We look forward to having students back onsite at school on Friday June 4th. For full details on our remote learning program please visit this page on our website <http://www.araratcc.vic.edu.au/coronavirus>.

Our school office will open throughout this time from 8:30am – 4pm and supervision is available for children of essential workers and vulnerable students. To register for onsite attendance please complete the following form as soon as possible <https://forms.gle/z9B67R31gVSKPJBa7>.

If you need any assistance at all please do not hesitate to get in touch via the office on 5352 4177 or through the details on our 'Who to contact' list.

Expo Night

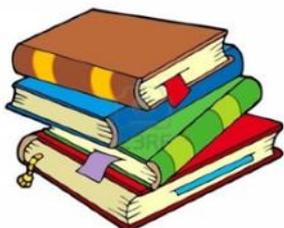
On Wednesday we held our Information Night for Year 7 2022. This was again an excellent night that showcased the amazing programs within our school and the wonderful staff that support all of our students. Our student leaders played a key role in running the night and were excellent representatives of our school. We are hoping to offer daytime tours of our school commencing Wednesday June 9th, further information will be communicated regarding this closer to the day.

Reconciliation Week

This week our school has celebrated National Reconciliation week by spending time learning about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and exploring how we can all contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The highlight of this was a performance by Sean Choolburra to all students on Tuesday morning. Sean engaged students with his energy and vibrant personality and humor whilst also presenting traditional cultural information. A big thank you to Ms Tahni Skewes for her organisation of this performance.

Ellie McDougall
Principal

Missing Library Books!



We're missing a number of library books and English novels which were not returned after last year's lockdowns.

Can we please ask that all families check carefully at home for any books belonging to the school and return them as soon as possible.

Thanks for your help !



WHO TO CONTACT IF...



staff

CONTACTS



MY STUDENT IS HAVING ISSUES WITH TECHNOLOGY

Principal Class
Sub School Coordinator
Sub School Leader
IT Technician at school



I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO SOMEONE ABOUT MY STUDENTS WELLBEING

Wellbeing Team
Sub School Coordinator
Sub School Leader

PRINCIPAL CLASS

Ellie McDougall - Principal
ellie.mcdougall@education.vic.gov.au

Emma Henry - Acting Assistant Principal
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YEAR 7 & 8

Ben Krol - Sub School Coordinator
Benjamin.Krol@education.vic.gov.au

Angela Ettles - Sub School Leader
Angela.Ettles@education.vic.gov.au



MY CHILD IS HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH THE WORK

Subject Teacher
Sub School Coordinator



MY STUDENT HAS WITNESSED INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR ONLINE

Classroom Teacher
Sub School Coordinator
Sub School Leader

YEAR 9 & 10

Katrina Pace - Sub School Coordinator
Katrina.Pace@education.vic.gov.au

Kriss Ellis - Sub School Leader
Kriss.Ellis@education.vic.gov.au

VCE & VCAL

Melissa Murnane - Sub School Coordinator
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Jess Erhardt - Sub School Leader
Jessica.Erhardt@education.vic.gov.au



I HAVE A QUESTION IN RELATION TO FEES OR MY FAMILY NEEDS SUPPORT

Contact the College Office



I JUST HAVE A GENERAL QUESTION

- Contact your Childs Sub School Coordinator or Sub School Leader

WELLBEING TEAM

Taylah Jamieson - Youth Worker
Taylah.Jamieson@education.vic.gov.au

THE COLLEGE

Front Office
(03) 5352 4177

Kevin Bowles - IT Support
ararat.sc@education.vic.gov.au



What's in a Name?

The voting for the naming of our resident blue tongue lizard is well underway, with the following submitted for consideration.

Geckxy **Rango** **Axell** **Callum**
Stripes **Charlie** **Speckles**

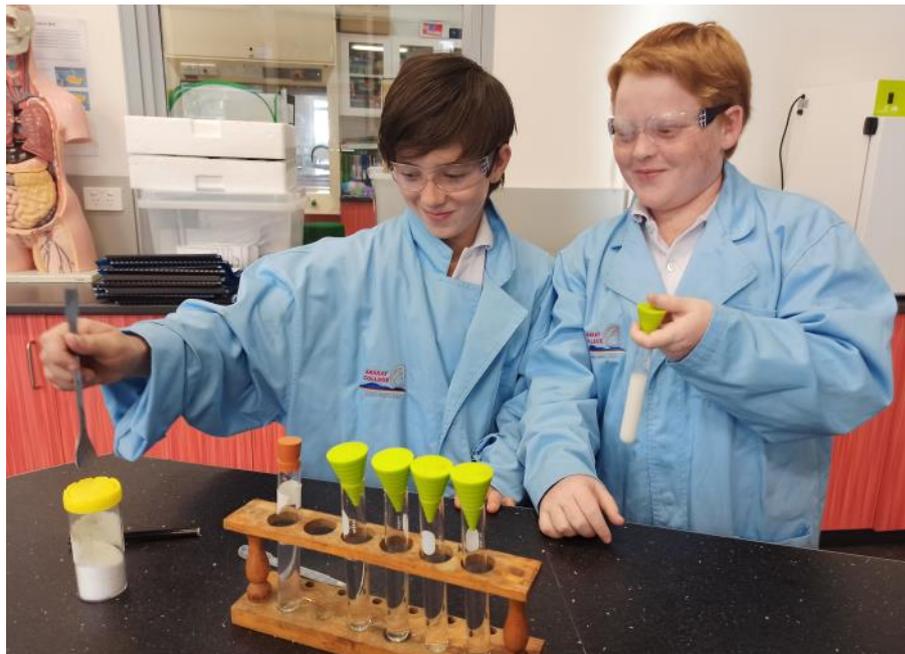
Students still have the opportunity to cast their vote for their favourite name by going to the link on Xuno. We hope to announce the name next week!



Year 7 Science

Our year 7 students are quickly becoming extremely enthusiastic young scientists by exploring mixtures through chemistry practicals.

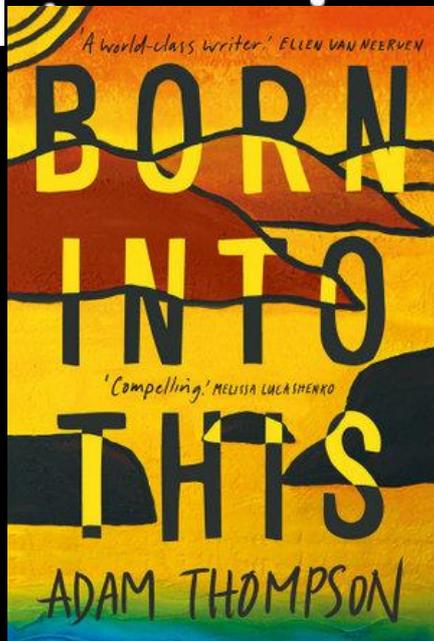
After earning Bunsen burner licences in Term 1, they have been busy in the lab this term consolidating their safety skills and the scientific method.



This week, they are classifying mixtures according to their solubility and stability, such as dirt, salt, and corn starch. By comparing their observations to their predictions, the year 7s are able to reflect on their learning through practical experiences in the lab.

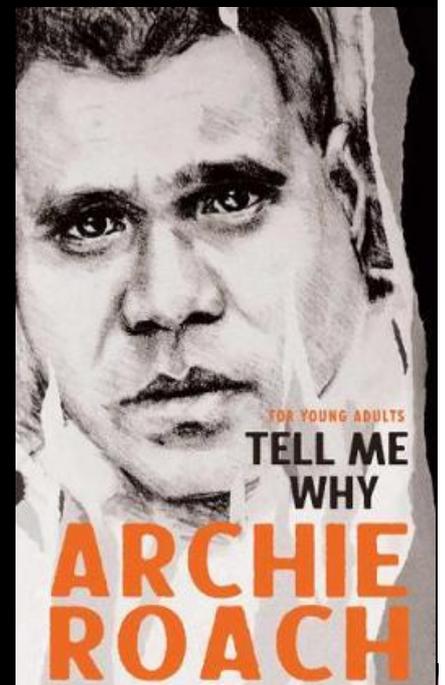
Ms Gaylard
Science Teacher

These First Nations stories are now available for borrowing from the library.



The stories in *Born Into This* throw light on a world of unique cultural practice and perspective, from Indigenous rangers trying to instil some pride in wayward urban teens on the harsh islands off the coast of Tasmania, to those scraping by on the margins of white society railroaded into complex and compromised decisions. To this mix Adam Thompson manages to bring humour, pathos and occasionally a sly twist as his characters confront racism, untimely funerals, classroom politics and, overhanging all like a discomfiting, burgeoning awareness for both white and black Australia, the inexorable damage and disappearance of the remnant natural world.

'There are many Australian stories, and mine is just one about what happened to me and other First Peoples of this country. It's important for me to tell my story - because it's not just part of my healing but of this country's as well. We all have a story and as you read this book I would like you to think of your own story, what that means and who is also a part of your story.' In his inspirational, highly acclaimed memoir - and including reflections from First Nations Elders and young people - Archie Roach tells the story of his life and his music. Only two when he was forcibly removed from his family, and brought up by a series of foster parents until his early teens, Archie's world imploded when he received a letter that spoke of a life he had no memory of. It took him almost a lifetime to find out who he really was. *Tell Me Why* is an unforgettable story of resilience, strength of spirit and hope.



Careers

Federation TAFE is now offering a Certificate III in Beauty services (SHB30115) mid-year 2021 intake.

Units in the Certificate III in Beauty services are directly creditable into the Diploma of Beauty Therapy (SHB50115) and this would be a fantastic pathway to commence your studies in 2021.

Please see below more information regarding the Certificate III in Beauty Services (SHB30115) and details for the information session this Friday.

Certificate III in Beauty Services (SHB30115)

We anticipate our next intake to commence mid-year 2021.

Days of attendance are to be confirmed; however we anticipate it to be an evening class 3 nights per week 3.5 hours a session for a duration of 12 months.

Want to know more or keen to enrol? We will be holding an information session to discuss the next intake of this program.

Follow the link below to register:

www.federation.edu.au/taferegisternow

If you cannot make this session, please advise us and we will be in touch with next steps for proceeding with your enrolment.



Employment Opportunity - Grampians Ford

Automotive Parts Trainee

Grampian ford is looking for a Parts Trainee who enjoys hard work, has a mechanical aptitude and a genuine interest in working in the automotive industry, they are passionate and enthusiastic about working in this field.

Key Responsibilities

- Unpacking parts
- Picking of parts for orders
- Receipting parts
- Assist with inventory stock takes
- General housekeeping throughout the department
- Learning how to order parts on line

What you will bring to the role

- Ability to complete assigned tasks in a timely & efficient Manner
- Clear communication skills
- Excellent attention to detail with minimal errors & ability to demonstrate initiative
- Ability to adapt and learn new procedures and software packages.
- An honest and reliable work ethic.

Due to the demands of this role, you will need to undertake manual work as lifting is a daily requirement for this position

To apply please forward resume and a hand written cover letter

Automotive Mechanic Apprenticeship

Grampian ford is looking for a light Vehicle Apprentice Mechanic.

The position requires a highly motivated person who is keen to work in a team environment in this industry.

Key requirements are

- Commit to a 4-year Apprenticeship.
- Current drivers licence is preferred or close to obtaining.
- Eager to learn and follow instructions.
- Reliable and punctual at all times.
- Be neat clean and tidy in appearance.
- Have a keen interest In Motor mechanics

To apply please forward resume and a hand written cover letter.

For further information please contact Gary Hargreaves 53522037

Applications forwarded to Gary Hargreaves
Grampian ford

54 queen street ARARAT.3377

OR grampian@netconnect.com.au

2021

Ararat College

SENIOR FORMAL

Dump the uniform and dress up in your fancy clothes for a night at "the Prom"

YEAR 11 & 12
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9TH, 7PM - 10:30PM
J WARD, GIRDLESTONE ST, COURTYARD ENTRANCE
THEME: AMERICAN PROM

TICKETS \$15 AT THE OFFICE

Ticket price includes entry, finger food, venue & DJ entertainment.

PROJECT 

Parents & Carers



TRP@HOME

The notion of family in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures is closely tied to themes of **connectedness and kinship**.

In this setting, family structures are pivotal to identity formation, understanding one's own spiritual and cultural belonging, and assists in establishing strong links with **community**. Ultimately, **family and kinship** are a cohesive force that bind Aboriginal people together.

Check out this [video](#) to find out more about the kinship system for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

To facilitate more positive conversations as a family, the below questions have been developed to help families practise the GEM principles daily within conversation. They are a great way to build deeper connections as your family shares a meal either in the morning, afternoon or evening or at a time that works best.

Here are some great **GEM CHAT** questions and ideas to get you started;

- Remember someone who has done something **kind** for you recently. What did they do for you? How did this make you feel?
- What is your perspective? Can you put yourself in **someone else's shoes and understand their point of view**?
- Who is someone you know who may be experiencing some difficulty currently? What could we do for them as a family?
- What is something **kind** you are going to do for someone today?

Head to [TRP@HOME](#) for a range of extra ideas, resources and activities that you can do to check-in and support the mental health of everyone in your home!

education@theresilienceproject.com.au | (03) 9113 9302 | theresilienceproject.com.au



Essay Competition

To celebrate the anniversary of the opening of the ABC on July 1, 1932 **ABC Friends Ballarat** are conducting an essay competition.

1st prize—\$300 2nd prize—\$150 3rd prize—\$50

TOPIC: That a public broadcaster is essential in a democracy.

Competition guidelines *

- Open to students in years 9 - 12
- Form—persuasive, Word range 750-850 words
- Entries must be typed, double spaced
- On a cover page include name, year level, school and email. If you are a winner, your consent and parental consent will be required for publication in The Courier as an op-ed.

How to submit
 Email your entry as an attachment to david.i.macphail@gmail.com

Deadline
 All entries must be received by **Friday June 11, 2021**. Winners will be notified and presented with their prize on at a ceremony at the Canberra Hotel, Macarthur St Ballarat in June.

All prizes donated by The Canberra Hotel




Federation TAFE

Horsham Information Session

Study for a career in **Certificate III in Individual Support - Aged Care**

(CHC33015) | Free TAFE* | Face-to-face, on campus delivery | 6 months | Mon, Tues & Fri

Now taking enrolments for this course commencing in July 2021.

Become an aged care/support worker, and learn the skills to provide aged, disability and other support to people in the community and/or residential settings.

Graduates are highly sought after for their capacity to deliver high quality patient centred and evidence based care. This program will give you a pathway with credit into our HLTS41115 Diploma of Nursing.

We provide students with access to leading educators, technology and resources. Our teaching spaces include simulated hospital wards, plus extensive clinical placement programs allowing students to learn in the same places they will eventually work.

Attend our CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support Information Session to find all about this study option commencing in July 2021.

Study with us at Federation TAFE and you'll gain more than a recognised qualification. You'll also have the opportunity to make a real difference to your community.

Wed 2 June, 2021, 6.00pm - 7.00pm
 Wimmera Campus, Horsham Room M20, Building M

For students wishing to apply for the July 2021 intake of: Certificate III in Individual Support - Aged Care. (CHC33015)

For further information please phone 5362 2688 or email TAFE.Marketing@federation.edu.au

Federation.edu.au/studyTAFE
 1800 333 864 (0800 FED UNO)
 #feduni  /federationaustralia

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Free TAFE for lots of jobs Students who apply for the 2021 intake can apply for the 2020 intake if they are currently unemployed.

TAFE VICTORIA

Term 2

Week 7	Monday	31	
June	Tuesday	1	
	Wednesday	2	
	Thursday	3	Reconciliation week Mabo Day
	Friday	4	
Week 8	Monday	7	
	Tuesday	8	
	Wednesday	9	General Achievement Test - GAT
	Thursday	10	
	Friday	11	
Week 9	Monday	14	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
	Tuesday	15	
	Wednesday	16	
	Thursday	17	
	Friday	18	
Week 10	Monday	21	
	Tuesday	22	
	Wednesday	23	
	Thursday	24	
	Friday	25	Last Day of Term 2

Term 3

Week 1	Monday	12	First Day Term 3
July	Tuesday	13	Year 10 Ski Camp 13 - 16 July
	Wednesday	14	
	Thursday	15	
	Friday	16	

Ararat College is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.

Ararat College acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the country throughout Victoria. We pay our respects to them, their culture and their Elders past, present and emerging.