



Engage Inspire Enjoy



School Farm Opening

Last Friday saw the culmination of many months of hard work with the official opening of the school farm. Congratulations to everyone who has worked so hard to develop this fantastic resource for our current and future students.



A Message from our Principal ...

Art Show

Last Friday we held our annual Art Show in the Trade Training Centre. I am always blown away by the quality and originality of the pieces on display that have been completed by our students. All students who displayed their work for this event should be extremely proud of what they produced. Thank you to the Art Department for putting this together, and to Mrs Lugg, Mrs Murnane and Mrs Erhardt for getting everything set up.

Congratulations to our winners, as voted by those who attended!

- 1st Mai Nguyen
- 2nd Toneya Hurst
- 3rd Alex Pagett

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On Friday we also held the opening for our School Farm. This amazing facility has come about through the hard work and support of a large group of people. As a school we could not be more thankful to these people and their organisations.



It is important to make mention of some of those who helped us along the way:

- The VCAL team and our VCAL students in developing the farm, showing us what could be achieved, and identifying the necessity of providing a building on site.
- The support of Dave Sanders and our school council.
- Our Business Manager Coralie Whitworth, who was the project manager and organiser. Keeping things on track and getting us all organised!
- RAL homes for providing an affordable building to support the education of local young people, and supporting the relocation process, which made the whole process much easier. Specifically Brett and Pam Loeliger and David and Wendy Holcombe.
- Special thanks to Barry Marx and his staff for the time they have kindly donated to this project.
- Jaala Pulford for getting us over the line in regards to the planning of the project, which allowed us to be able to proceed.
- Simon Clayfield and Don Byron who have both gone above and beyond in supporting our students and school in our wine making.
- Western Quarries and Ararat Rotary.
- All trades who have worked on the project.

As a school we are very excited that we have now further developed our capacity to provide a greater number of rich and engaging learning opportunities.

Year 11 Exams

Next week our Year 11 VCE students will sit their end of year exams. This is an extremely important part of the Year 11 program, as it further develops their skills in preparation for their final year of VCE whilst exposing them to an exam situation. ALL students are expected to sit these exams. Following exams these students will move into their Year 12 Orientation classes. If any parents have any questions at all regarding this program or exams please contact Andy Reynolds our Acting Senior School Coordinator.

Ellie McDougall
Acting Principal

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.

House Art Show

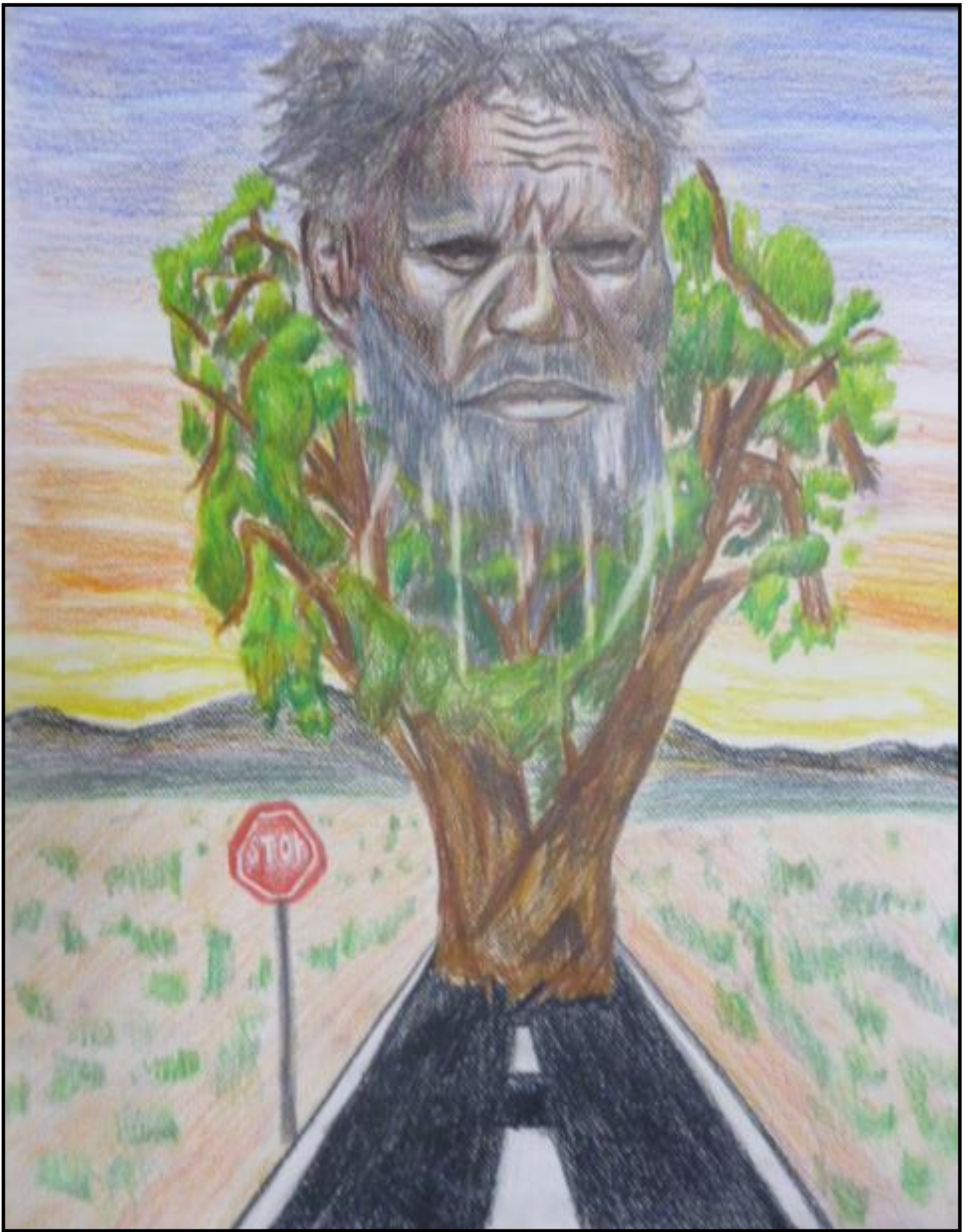
Winning Entries



First Place - Mai Nguyen



Second Place - Toneya Hurst



Third Place - Alex Pagett

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This Week ... at the SSL

On Sunday 13th of October, six Ararat College students came to the Gnurad - Gundidj campus of the School for Student Leadership. For that last three and a half weeks, we have all been learning new skills, ranging from how to work more productively as a team, to how to use OneNote on our computers, along with another thirty-eight students from around the state. Our school is paired with six students from Hoppers Crossing Secondary College, meaning we do most of our team activities with this group.

A few days ago, we went out on our first “expo” where we all went for a 25km walk along the Great Ocean Road, with each of us carrying a pack weighing somewhere between 15 and 20 kilos. We camped for the night halfway along and, in total, it took us about 24 hours to complete the hike. It was a really difficult walk in places, including rock scrambles, hiking on the beach and dodging waves, but it was also an unforgettable experience. The day after our return, we learned how to do CPR and basic First Aid. The lesson made us feel more confident about being able to assist someone in dire need of help, although we almost wished we had done this before the expo instead of afterwards. It would have made us feel more confident when hiking. In the bush. In long grass. And a strong possibility of snakes ...

Although we're all missing our families, friends and chocolate, all of the Ararat College students are having fun here at the SSL, making new friends and sharing amazing new experiences.

Ella McLoughlin and James Mullin





Ready for Expo with students from Hoppers Crossing.



Year 11 Exam Timetable

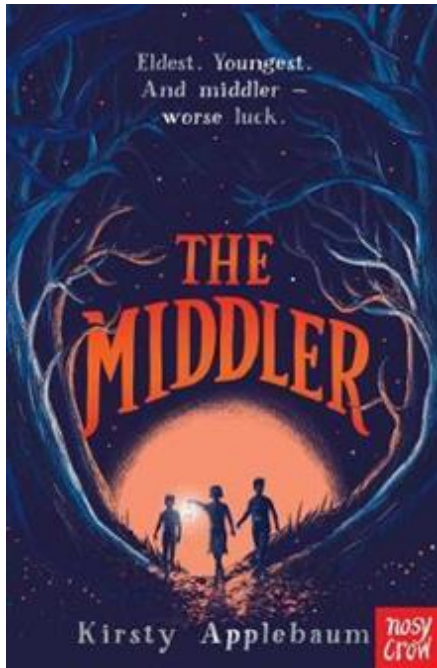
Monday 11th - Friday 15th November

Monday			Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1		Session 1 9:15 – 10:50	General Maths Media		Health and Human Development Physical Education	Catch Up
Session 2	English 11:15 – 11:25 Reading 11:25 – 2:25 Writing	Session 2 11:15 – 12: 55		History Psychology Outdoor Ed		Catch Up
Session 3		Session 3 1:45 – 3:25	Art Biology			

All students are expected to attend exams.
Please contact Mr Reynolds with any questions.

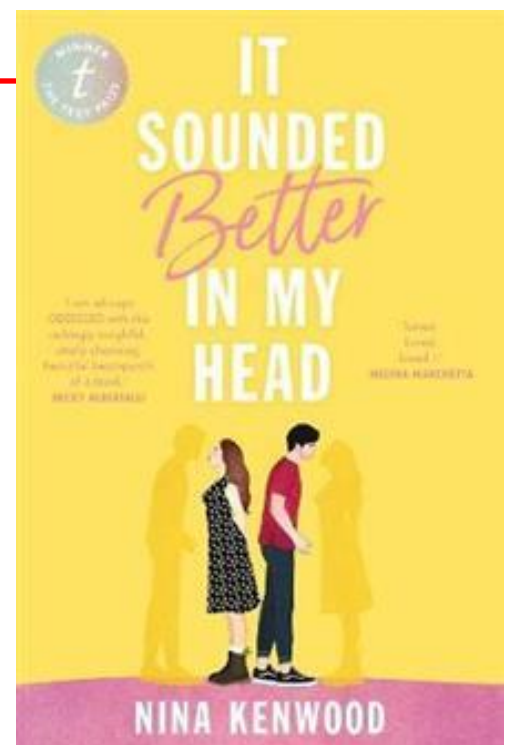
AC Reads

These new novels are available for borrowing in the library.



Eleven-year-old Maggie lives in Fennis Wick, enclosed and protected from the outside world by a boundary, beyond which the Quiet War rages and the dirty, dangerous wanderers roam. Her brother Jed is an eldest, revered and special. A hero. Her younger brother is Trig - everyone loves Trig. But Maggie's just a middler; invisible and left behind. Then, one hot September day, she meets Una, a hungry wanderer girl in need of help, and everything Maggie has ever known gets turned on its head. Narrated expertly and often hilariously by Maggie, we experience the trials and frustrations of being the forgotten middle child, the child with no voice, even in her own family. A gripping story of forbidden friendship, loyalty and betrayal.

When her parents announce their impending separation, Natalie can't understand why no one is fighting or at least mildly upset. Then Zach and Lucy, her two best friends, hook up, leaving her feeling slightly miffed and decidedly awkward. She'd always imagined she would end up with Zach one day - in the version of her life that played out like a TV show, with just the right amount of banter, pining and meaningful looks. Now everything has changed and nothing is quite making sense. Until an unexpected romance comes along and shakes things up even further. *It Sounded Better in My Head* is a tender, funny and joyful novel about longing, confusion, feeling left out and finding out what really matters.



Calendar Term 4

(Week 6)	Monday	11	Year 12 Exams Year 11 Exams
November	Tuesday	12	Year 12 Exams Year 11 Exams CGVET Orientation Day - Ararat and Stawell
	Wednesday	13	Year 12 Exams Year 11 Exams
	Thursday	14	Year 12 Exams Year 11 Exams
	Friday	15	Year 12 Exams Year 11 Exams
(Week 7)	Monday	18	Year 12 Exams Years 8 and 9 Project Rokit sessions Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Tuesday	19	Year 12 2020 Step Up Graduation Dinner 2020 Student Leadership Seminar
	Wednesday	20	Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Thursday	21	Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Friday	22	Year 12 2020 Step Up
(Week 8)	Monday	25	Year 11 and Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Tuesday	26	Year 11 and Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Wednesday	27	Year 11 and Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Thursday		Year 11 and Year 12 2020 Step Up
	Friday	29	Year 11 and Year 12 2020 Step Up

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.