



Greater Western Region Swimming

Last Friday Jodan Grant went to Horsham to compete in the Greater Western Region Swimming carnival. He made this level after gaining first in Butterfly, Freestyle and Backstroke at the Black Ranges Swimming carnival previously held in Warracknabeal.

Jodan bettered all of his seeded times to finish 3rd in Backstroke (35.79 sec), 4th in Butterfly (32.12 sec) and 5th in Freestyle (30.41 sec).

Outside school Jodan continues to swim very competitively for his club and region. Congratulations, Jodan.

Mr Spalding

A Message from our Principal ...

School Council

Last week we held our Annual General Meeting where office bearers were elected and the 2018 Annual Report was presented. Congratulations to Dave Sanders who will continue on as President for 2019, to Natalie Dowsett who will take on the role of Vice President and Coralie Whitworth who will continue as minute recorder. We have been lucky enough to welcome three new parent representatives; Natalie Dowsett, Wade Carman and Adam Merrick. It is fantastic to have a number of parents on school council. A big thank you to Tianee Hurst for representing our school council as Vice President throughout 2018.

2018 Annual Report

Our 2018 Annual Report to the school community has now been fully endorsed and is available on our school website.

NAPLAN Trial

Yesterday our Year 7 and Year 9 students took part in a NAPLAN trial session. This year our students will be completing their tests online, which is different from previous years. The trial allowed us to see which spaces are going to be most effective for conducting NAPLAN in May. It

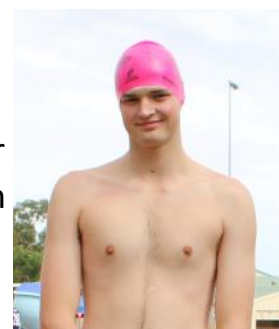


also provided important information to ACARA (the body that administer NAPLAN) regarding the ability of the NAPLAN website to cope with the number of the students completing the test at the same time. Whilst there continues to be debate about NAPLAN and its benefits, it is important as a school community that we have a clear understanding of its purpose for our students. These tests do help us understand how our students are performing in particular areas, and we can use this information with the other data we collect at a school level to better support and extend every child. As a school we want all of our students to try their best in NAPLAN and reflect on their own personal

growth! The environment that NAPLAN creates also provides a great opportunity for students to experience exam settings in preparation for their senior years of schooling, or the further education they may choose to undertake in any setting.

Greater Wester Region Swimming

Congratulations to Jodan Grant who represented our school at the Greater Western Region swimming last Friday and came 3rd in Backstroke, 4th in Butterfly and 5th in Freestyle. Great work Jodan!



School Social

This week we held our Term 1 School Social. This night is student led and organised by our student leadership team. It is always a great night for our students to spend some time together outside of normal classes. Thank you to all students involved in the organisation of this event, and to all staff who supervised on the night.

Maria Island Hike

This weekend six of our Year 10 students head off on the Maria Island Hike accompanied by Ms Tahni Skewes. Jasmine Day, Kate Sellon, Hannah Burns, Tyson Makovek, Daniel Leggett and Liam Hutchins will be taking part in this fantastic opportunity to hike in Tasmania with university students and students from other schools. It is a great chance to learn about what higher education has to offer, and to meet people from other areas. Thank you to Anglicare for organising this trip and supporting our students in attending.



Online Permission Forms

We are currently trialling online permission forms! If parents log into their parent portal, permission forms will be sitting there to approve. If you would like a paper copy of the permission form, your child just needs to ask for this at the college office.

School Athletics

Our school athletics will be taking place next Friday April 5th at Alexandra Oval. All students should be attending in their house colours to support their house either through competing, encouraging other competitors, or assisting with the running of events. Students are to meet at the oval at 8:45am and will be dismissed at 2:30pm. Bus travellers will be walked to and from the oval by staff members. Thank you to Michael Spalding for his organisation of this event.

Ellie McDougall

Acting Principal

Vic Roads/ TAC Presentation

On Monday VIC Roads / TAC presented to our Year 10 students, who this year will be our newest drivers on the roads. The intention of this presentation was to make them aware of their responsibilities as a driver on the roads and the consequences of them not being entirely focussed. The presenter addressed the road toll and mentioned how they are now personalising this, by referring to it as 'lives lost' and not road toll. They discussed which road conditions cause accidents - drivers, vehicles, speeding, distractions and not paying attention to road signs. Students were asked to analyse a wall crash and note the difference in impact when the car was going 40km/h as opposed to the car travelling at 80km per hour.

He informed them they can't pick how safe a car is until you research it, but you can get a safe car for \$5,000 if you do your research and look at the safety rating of the car by looking up www.howsafeisyourfirstcar.com.au. This will give an ANCAP-safety rating. He recommended that students plug in the cars which they will be driving on their L plates and drive in the safest one belonging to the household. The students participated well and took on board a lot of the information presented .

Ms Poole - Year 10 Coordinator



VCAL Partner Achievement Award

VCAL Partnerships

Below is the submission piece that provided Ararat College with the winning VCAL Partnership Award. Staff Andrew Reynolds and Andrew Sherwell, along with WestVic Staffing Solutions and AME Systems Representatives, will receive their award at Federation Square on Monday April 29, 2019. This a great outcome. Dianne Radford commented on this award: “A big tick for the college, West Vic Staffing Solutions and for AME Systems....all working together for positive outcomes for our younger generation. We need to continue these partnerships which overall benefit everyone in our communities.”

Over the past few years, Ararat College has developed a productive relationship with AME Systems, a local company which designs and makes electrical wiring harnesses and assemblies. The school and AME Systems were concerned that some school leavers were not sufficiently prepared for their transition to the workplace. How could they ensure that Ararat College students left school work-ready? The school and AME brought a registered training organisation, Westvic Staffing Solutions, into their discussions and together the group devised the Multi Industry Trade Taster (MITT).

MITT is a fifteen week program that allows students to be fully engaged in becoming ‘employment ready’. The program starts with a three week preparation course, followed by ten weeks of four hour paid sessions at AME Systems. The students get to rotate through roles in different areas of the company, including Business Administration/Finance, Engineering/Quality, Production, Purchasing/Sales and Warehouse/Despatch.

AME, Westvic and VCAL staff at Ararat College created a ‘sales pitch’ for the program and asked the students to follow a formal Expression of Interest and job application process. The school had anticipated that about four students would apply, but received twelve submissions.

Through MITT, the students learned that manufacturing brings together many different disciplines and skills. They saw how diverse and broad these skills need to be in order for a business to succeed.

The school has found MITT to be an exceptionally beneficial program. Students who were disengaged and at risk of dropping out have now completed the MITT program and have been given the opportunity to enter full-time work or complete a School-based Apprenticeship, depending on their personal choice. MITT has been so successful that the school is planning to expand it to incorporate other key local industries.



BEING SAFE ONLINE

What's the issue?

Online games are exciting and fun to be involved in. Multiplayer games can be great as you become part of a community and get to chat to people from all over the world. However, unfortunately not everyone online is who they say they are.

Some people may be out to find out things about you in order to take advantage of you, sometimes in very nasty ways. You need to be careful about what personal information you share in these situations.

Why does it matter?

You can never know if the person you are interacting with online is actually who they say they are..

You think they live on the other side of the world, maybe they live just around the corner from you.

You can be tricked into sharing private information that can make you vulnerable to all sorts of scams.

Advice

Personal should be private

- Your personal information is valuable. Keep it protected on social networks by using a pseudonym (like a codename) when possible.
- When you register for online competitions you are often asked to provide a lot of personal information—often on non-secure sites. These sites are not respecting your privacy. Before you type in all that stuff, think about what information is being asked for and why.

Some people are trying to trick you

- Many people make their living from scamming other people online. You will be much safer from their scams if you talk openly about your activities with trusted older people, and don't keep secrets.

Enjoy the social networking world—safely

- Use sites that are designed for people your age.
- Know and use the protection provided in the security settings of the sites and apps you use.
- Learn about social networking by interacting with people you know offline.

The Ararat College Wellbeing Team



This Week in ... Year 9 English

Last week in year 9 English, we wrote poetry. James Mullin and Ella McLoughlin wrote a partnered poem following a formula. James then edited this poem in his own way and this is the final, rather impressive result!

Ms Poole

Morning, too early,
No noise, apart from the light *lap, lap, lap*.
A body of water, dark and foreboding.
It was grey, gloomy and cold as ice.
My body pushed through the water.
No feeling, just the chill of bone.
The only thing pushing you on is your mind
Your desperation, your grit determination.
Why am I here?
Will I ever feel the warmth in my bones again?
Why have I done this? What is the point?
I realized something. I knew. Myself.
My strength is pushing me through.
My mind pushing me on.
The blue, no, a grey to match the sky
Shimmered in the water as I kept pushing on.
Some, not powerful enough,
Group like penguins in a snowstorm,
The others keep going.
Some surrender to the conditions.
All of a sudden, the cold chills hit.
Flashing down my spine,
Bringing more pain and torture.
But then, before I know, the end.
The job? Done.
Now my mind focuses on delights.
Warm towels, nice showers.
I think what I went through this dawn.
I'm doing it all again tomorrow.

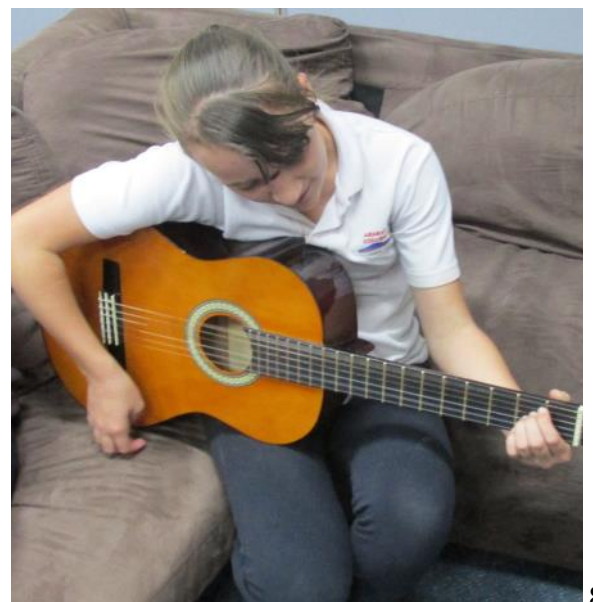


This Week in ... Year 8 Music

Students in Year 8 Music have enjoyed trying a variety of instruments, including guitar, drums, keyboard, flute, trumpet and tuba.

The students have discovered some previously unsuspected talents, with several students choosing to take up individual instrumental lessons as a result.

Mr Mullin





Year 8 Music



This Week in ... 9 / 10 Art



Ada Keilar



Ada Keilar

Students in Mrs Lugg's 9/10 Art class have created some fantastic mono-prints.



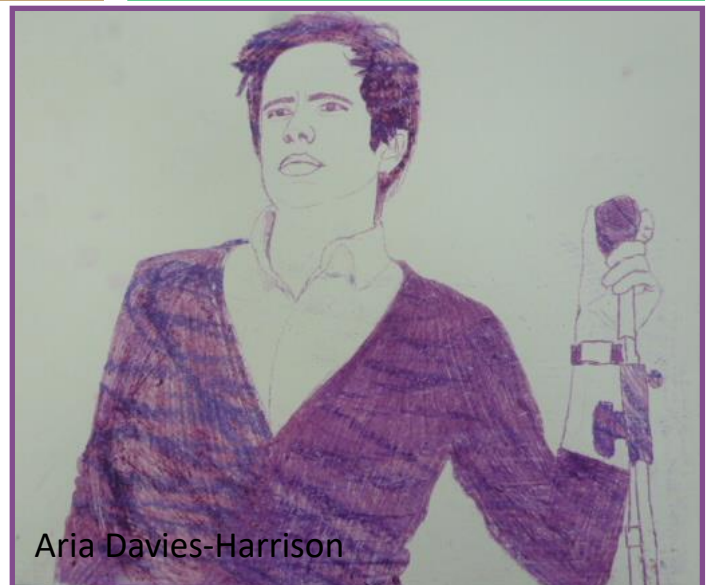
Corey Moran



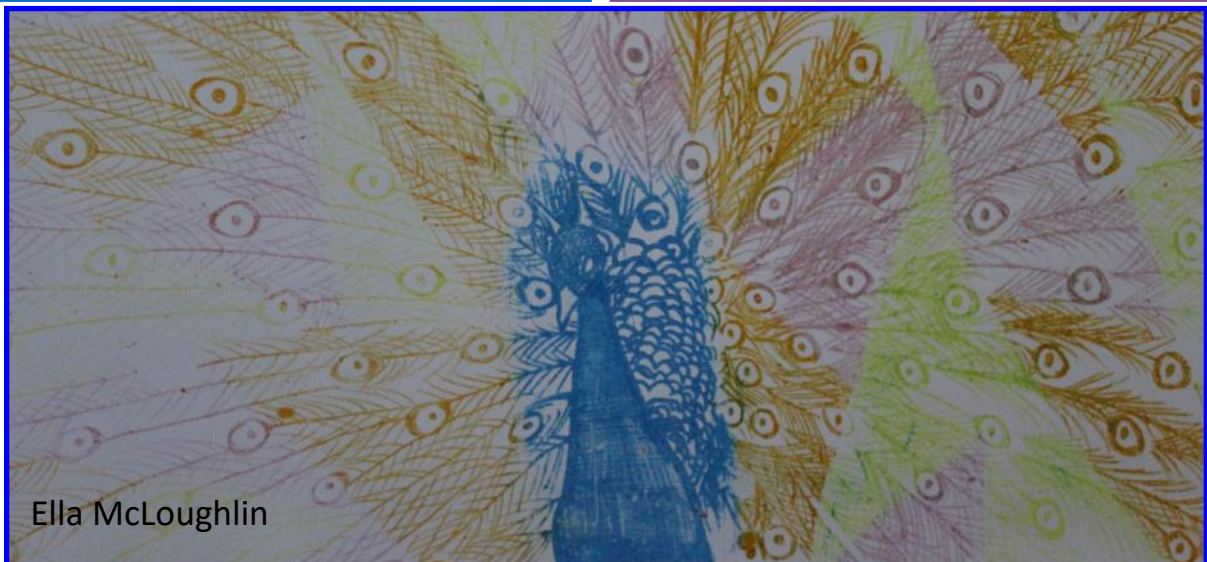
Monica Nguyen



Dakota Back



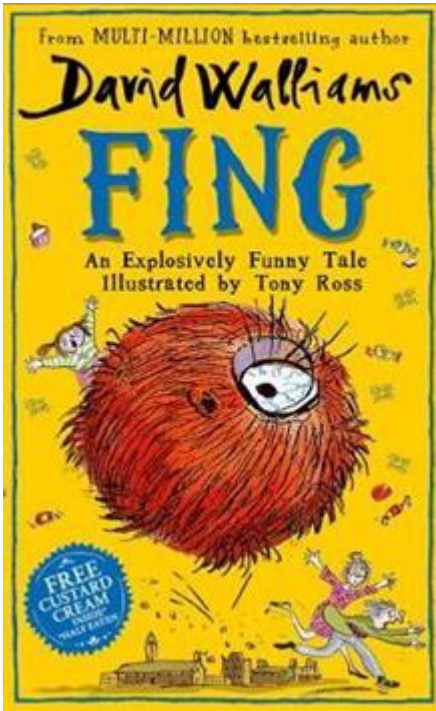
Aria Davies-Harrison



Ella McLoughlin

AC Reads

New novels - now available in the library



The new children's book from No. 1 bestselling author David Walliams - a deliciously daft Tall Story of a child who had everything, but still wanted more. Illustrated by artistic genius, Tony Ross. Meet the Meeks! Myrtle Meek has everything she could possibly want. But everything isn't enough. She wants more, more, MORE! When Myrtle declares she wants a FING, there's only one problem... What is a FING? Mr and Mrs Meek will do anything to keep their darling daughter happy, even visit the spooky library vaults to delve into the dusty pages of the mysterious Monsterpedia. Their desperate quest leads to the depths of the jungliest jungle where the rarest creatures can be found. But will they ever find a FING? An explosively funny, totally surreal Tall Story about two perfectly nice parents and their unbelievably monstrous daughter.

The forgotten pearl is the key to entering an exhilarating wartime adventure from bestselling author Belinda Murrell. When Chloe visits her grandmother, she learns how close the Second World War came to destroying her family. Could the experiences of another time help Chloe to face her own problems? In 1941, Poppy lives in Darwin, a peaceful paradise far from the war. But when Japan attacks Pearl Harbor, then Australia, everything Poppy holds dear is threatened - her family, her neighbours, her friends and her beloved pets. Her brother Edward is taken prisoner-of-war. Her home town becomes a war zone, as the Japanese raid over and over again. Terrified for their lives, Poppy and her mother flee to Sydney, only to find that the danger follows them there. Poppy must face her war with courage and determination. Will her world ever be the same again?



90%
of success is
showing up.

School attendance counts.

 **Be
there.**

HANNAH FRENCH



YOUR LAUNCHING PAD TO MAKING YOUR OWN SHORT FILMS. LEARN ABOUT PLANNING YOUR FILM IDEA, GETTING BEHIND THE CAMERA, THE IMPORTANCE OF SOUND AND A SHORT INTRODUCTION TO PULLING IT ALL TOGETHER IN THE FINAL EDIT.
BRING: IDEAS, SOMETHING TO FILM WITH AND A LAPTOP IF YOU HAVE ONE!

HANNAH FRENCH IS A VISUAL ARTIST AND FILMMAKER HAILING FROM NATIMUK, VICTORIA. HANNAH OFTEN FINDS HERSELF WORKING IN SCHOOLS AND WITH YOUNG PEOPLE WHEN NOT BURROWED AWAY IN FRONT OF A SCREEN.

HANNAH HAS WORKED ACROSS MANY DIFFERENT DISCIPLINES, INCLUDING PRODUCTION DESIGN AND ANIMATION FOR THEATRE, PRODUCTION DESIGN FOR FILM, ANIMATION, PROJECTION INSTALLATION, ILLUSTRATION, PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT AND GRAPHIC DESIGN.

12 YEAR OLD -17 YEAR OLD

9 APRIL 2019
10AM - 2PM
FREE LUNCH

LLEN OFFICES
LABY STREET
ARARAT

LIMITED POSITIONS
EMAIL: ANN-MAREE@CGLLEN.ORG.AU

School Holiday Program

All events are free to attend

FIZZLE AND POP SHOW WITH TWISTED SCIENCE

2PM WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL

The Fizzle and Pop Show is full of the magic of science with fun, creative demonstrations. With plenty of hands-on opportunities for willing participants and heaps to see and wonder about, the audience is always fully engaged with our Scientwist presenters throughout!

MOVIE TIME AT THE LIBRARY

THE LEGO MOVIE (PG)

3PM FRIDAY 12TH APRIL

Before you go to see Lego Movie 2 at the cinema, come and watch the first movie here at the library!

EASTER BASKET CRAFT STATION

WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL

Make your own easter basket at our DIY craft station.

Available 11am to 4pm

 **Ararat
Regional
Library**

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Email: library@ararat.vic.gov.au



Ararat Rural City

TWO FREE DJ WORKSHOPS

LEARN HOW TO ORGANISE YOUR
MUSIC LIBRARY
UNDERSTAND THE DJ EQUIPMENT
LEARNING HOW TO BE A MATCH AND
GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF
HOW TO BRAND YOURSELF AS AN ARTIST!

WORKSHOP 1

STAWELL NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
TUESDAY, 16TH APRIL 2019

WORKSHOP 2

GREEN ROOM, ARARAT TOWN HALL
WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL 2019

SPOTS ARE LIMITED SO GET IN QUICK TO AVOID ANY DISAPPOINTMENT
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HOST FAMILY REQUIRED

**ARARAT ROTARY EXCHANGE HAVE
AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE
STUDENT COMING TO ARARAT
COLLEGE IN JUNE, 2019 AND NEED
YOUR HELP!**

**PLEASE CONTACT EMMA HENRY FOR
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East Grampians Health Service

Ark Toy and Activity Library



Thursday April 18 2019

Alexandra Gardens, Ararat | 10am

(Meet at the Rotunda near the swimming pool)

\$5 per child

BYO morning tea

**Raising funds to purchase
new toys and equipment
for the EGHS Ark Toy and
Activity Library**



**Visit by the
Easter Bunny!**

**Picnic blankets
and toys from
The Ark Toy
And Activity
Library supplied**

**RSVP by Friday April 12
Jodie Holwell
P: 03 5352 9387**





Royal Children's Hospital

Good Friday Appeal 2019

The Ararat Fire Brigade is looking for Children/Parents/Families to help with the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal street collection

When: FRIDAY, 19th April 2019

New Location: Register at Ararat Primary 800 Learning Centre, Cnr of King St & Rundell St AT 8.30AM

- *Children under 13 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over the age of 18*
- *Children will ride in buses and be supervised whilst collecting*
- *Morning Tea & Lunch supplied*
- *Collection will conclude approximately 2pm.*

For further information, please contact:
Peter Cooper on mob: 0407 363 811 or email: araratrcha@gmail.com

Calendar Term 1

(Week 10)	Monday	1	Maria Island Hike
April	Tuesday	2	
	Wednesday	3	
	Thursday	4	
	Friday	5	House Athletics END OF TERM ONE



Ararat & District Junior Football Association
Registrations are now open for current and new players.
2019 season starts on Sunday the 7th of April at Richardson
oval.
Any enquires please contact Jamie Toner 0419 565 034

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.