

# Creekside News

13 DEC 2018

## Dates to remember

**Thur 13 Dec** - Yr 9 Graduation 6:00pm

**Fri 14 Dec** - 2019 Prep Transition Program 9:30-10:30am

**Fri 14 Dec** - Yr 9 Funfields Excursion

**Tue 18 Dec** - Yr 6 Graduation 6:00pm

**Wed 19 Dec** - Yr 6 Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre

**Wed 19 Dec** - Yr 8 Funfields Excursion

**Thur 20 Dec** - Yr 7 Funfields

**Friday 21 Dec - End of Term 4**

**Early Years dismissal 1:10pm**

**Middle Years dismissal 1:05pm**

**Wed 30 January -**

**First day of Term 1, 2019**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As the year draws to an end I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our parents, staff, students, School Council and wider community members for their fantastic efforts and the many contributions made to the continued growth and improvement of the College. We have celebrated student excellence academically, in the Arts, with the Early Year's concert, and in the sporting arena with many Creekside students achieving regional success on the athletics field. Staff have supported student learning and development and provided opportunities for students to be involved in extra curricula activities throughout the year. We have enjoyed the positive participation of parent groups in many of the programs and student initiatives delivered.

We have a number of staff leaving Creekside at the end of the year to take up other opportunities. I would like to wish the following staff all the best for the future: Tom Turnbull, Angela Campillos, Adel Chami, Josh Mahon, Sanya Lugonja, Shane Mallia, Doris Chu and Valerie Cassar. The following staff will be taking 12 months leave due to return in 2020: Narelle Derby, Rachel Sutherland and Stephanie Boyd. I would also like to acknowledge and thank Jessica Russell and Christine Main who have resigned from their positions at Creekside after 10 years here, to Paul Young who is leaving Creekside after 7 years to work at Laverton P-12 as Assistant Principal and Angela Worledge who has picked up a promotion position at Goonawarra Primary School, congratulations and thank you. We thank these staff for their contributions to our College and wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

'Thanks is Enough' is the Department of Education's policy with regard to staff receiving gifts at the end of a school

year. The department has made changes to its Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality policy from this year. A present is not necessary, thanks is enough, however if you feel a small token of appreciation is warranted then please note that the staff are unable to accept any gifts over the value of \$100.

All students in years 7-9 have been involved in the 'Step-Up' program, where they have begun the work of the next year level. Year 9s have been at Lakeview Senior College for 3 days and Year 7 & 8 students will step into the shoes of Year 8 & 9 students respectively. Prep to Year 5 will have a Step Up Session on Monday 17 December where they will visit their 2019 classroom and meet their new teacher during Session 4.

A reminder that the last day of school for the year will be Friday, 21 December. Early Years students will finish at 1:10pm, while Middle Years students will conclude at 1:05pm. Reports will be available on Compass from Wednesday 19 December at 5:00pm

I sincerely thank the Assistant Principals and the leadership team for their support this year, to Dom and the office staff thank you for everything that you do. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

As of Term 1 in 2019, I have accepted an Acting Principal position at St Albans Heights Primary School. At this stage I'm due to return to Creekside College in Term 2. Having been part of the wider Caroline Springs College community for approx. 10 years, I will miss the staff and our wonderful students but I'm really excited about the opportunities ahead.

Effie Sultana

Acting Principal

## Kinder-2 Sub School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

What an exciting time of year it is! With so many end of year events and activities taking place, there is an air of excitement throughout the college.

The hard work of students, staff and families throughout the year has paid off as Semester Two reports reflect fantastic results. We have also shown fantastic growth in our NAPLAN results and other assessments. I would like to thank and congratulate staff in particular for their efforts in working together with a number of education department and college initiatives to continue to build our students academically, socially and emotionally. I would also like to thank and congratulate our students, families and members of the community for their hard work and support. With all of us working together, we have proven we can achieve great things.

I have been thoroughly impressed with the focus and resilience our students have shown, right up to the end of Term 4. Students have been working hard in their classrooms and behaviour in the yard has been fantastic.

While this is the last newsletter for the year, there are still a number of exciting things that have taken place over the last two weeks and that are happening between now the last day of school.

### **Arts Festival & Early Years Concert**

Everyone worked extremely hard in preparation for the Arts Festival & Early Years Concert. The gym was transformed into an art gallery to display our students' fantastic creative artwork. Students busily rehearsed their performances in preparation for the concert on the big stage. I would like to thank our Performing Arts and Visual Arts Teams for all their hard work in organising this huge event.

### **Transition**

Whilst we have reported on our Kinder to Prep Transition Program over the last few newsletters, our Year 1 and Year 2 students have also been preparing for 2019. Students have been visiting their 2019 teachers and becoming more familiar with their new learning spaces. This includes new buildings, classrooms, play areas and playgrounds.

The last of our four Kinder to Prep transition days will take place tomorrow from 9:30am to 10:30am. Our 2019 Preps have adjusted to school life exceptionally well through the transition program and we know we will have a smooth start to 2019.

### **Step Up**

To assist with transitioning to 2019 year levels, the Prep to Year 5 Step Up day will take place on Monday 17th December during Session 4, from 12:40pm-1:40pm. Step Up gives students the opportunity to meet their 2019 teacher, classroom and classmates.

## **Dates for the diary**

**Prep to Year 5 Step Up Day** - Monday 17th December at 12:40pm.

**Last day of school** - Friday 21st December 1:10pm dismissal.

**First day of school 2019** - Wednesday 30th January 2019

I would like to thank all members of the Creekside community for their hard work and support throughout the year. I have thoroughly enjoyed working both as a classroom teacher and Acting Assistant Principal. Being at Creekside for a number of years, I am extremely proud of the commitment our staff, students and families have shown in order to improve learning and the college as a whole.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable break and look forward to seeing you all back in 2019.

Wesley Forke

Acting K-2 Assistant Principal

## 3-6 Sub School

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have many reasons to celebrate the end of another successful school year at Creekside College. Our students have grown both academically and socially, working hard towards becoming the people they want to be in the future. Student's own motivation to achieve success has been a key area of improvement this year, with improved results in all learning areas. Seeing how proud the students were of themselves each fortnight when they received achievement or effort certificates at assemblies was definitely a highlight.

It was fantastic to see students displaying our school values of responsibility, honesty, respect and acceptance on a daily basis. Students articulate these values easily and recognise their importance in living a happy and successful life. Whether students are making good or negative choices, staff link these actions back to our core values, emphasising their importance.

I'm looking forward to our Year Six Graduation next week where I am sure to see how much our Year Six students have learnt and grown in their time at Creekside. It seemed like only yesterday that I was teaching them in Year 3; completing reading and problem solving tasks, going to the Shrine of Remembrance and attending camp at Lady Northcote. They may be taller and wiser, but they still have those familiar smiles and crafty grins which have endeared them to our teaching and support staff.

Our camping program was a tremendous success again this year. Camps to Lady Northcote and Phillip Island Adventure Park were definitely the highlights of the year for those students involved. Sharing a toasted marshmallow over a campfire while singing camp songs isn't something that our city kids get the opportunity to experience very often, but is certainly something they will

cherish for a long time. The personal and interpersonal skills gained on these camps cannot be understated and will hold these students in great stead in years to come.

Other Year 3 to 6 Sub School events of note this year were the visit from the local Member for Kororoit, Ms Marlene Kairouz', the Athletics and Swimming Carnivals, the Fun Run, Year 6 Interschool Sports and Year 6 Shark Tank. Some of the many excursions and incursions included visits to the Melbourne Museum, Sovereign Hill, the Melbourne Zoo, Life Ed Van, ScienceWorks and Parliament House. The value these events have is clear, with students significantly more engaged in their learning as a result. At Creekside we will continue to foster high levels of engagement and learning through our participation in these enriching activities.

The Early Years concert was a raging success last night, with all Year Three and Four classes performing to a large, enthusiastic audience. It's obvious that some students are more confident on stage than others, however I was very impressed with the way that all students stepped on to the stage, moving to the beat and hitting those notes. The many rehearsals and commitment of school staff culminated in a fantastic event, which will be remembered by students for a long time.

Our teachers and support staff must be acknowledged and commended for their relentless focus on achieving improved outcomes for our students this year. No student is left behind when staff work together to plan effective learning programs which meet the needs of all students. They strive hard to create a sense of community and belonging in their classrooms through positive interactions with all students on a daily basis. Our staff are approachable, passionate and caring, which fosters a positive learning environment for all.

Thank you to all the staff, students and parents for your continuous support this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed leading the 3-6 Sub School and working with you all. I am thrilled with our results, which are a reflection on our high levels of collaboration and dedication.

Gerard Lucas

Year 3-6 Assistant Principal

### **7-9 Sub School**

My last article EVER.

It seems as though we blink and we are at the pointy end of the year! In fact, it is the end of the year! The 2018 year at Creekside College has again seen a number of big changes and challenges for everyone across the school. I think it is important that everyone; students, staff and parents alike take the time to reflect on the 2018 year. Importantly, your hard work and dedication to learning has not gone unnoticed and I have no doubt you are better off because of that effort. You have well and truly earned a break.

For myself, I am doing some extra reflection. As this is my last year at Creekside I am reflecting on my entire

time at the College. I think moments like these are often bittersweet as there are so many achievements, relationships and fantastic memories of your time and then the opportunity of starting a new chapter.

As much of a cliché as it may be, Teachers shape the minds of our children and our future. It sometimes feels like the thanks are fleeting and we get too caught up in all the action. So before I go any further, THANK YOU to the entire Creekside family both past and present. Many of my experiences at Creekside have been nothing short of exceptional. As I think about how I have changed personally I think I am a much better version of myself. I will miss the familiar faces and cherish the memories I made at Creekside.

It has been a big year for the Creekside 7-9 sub school. As I think about the changes over the past year and the previous years, the school has come a long way. It's always great hearing people reminisce and tell stories of the past with such enthusiasm and remember how things were way back when. But I also think there is much to be said for not remembering how something was, things are so great now that you can't even remember operating a different way. So much of that is true at Creekside as it feels like a well oiled machine that continues to build up speed.

Some of the bigger events for the year were the student elections for the college student leaders and school council. These students then developing their leadership and making a difference in and around the school with the big term 3 BBQ event to raise money for an upgrade to the school's bike parking.

World events included the massive cult following for the video game (that's what old people call them) 'Fortnite', France won the World Cup 4:2 over Croatia. A Thai boys soccer team got stuck in a cave for 18 days and then were rescued. Australian lawmakers ousted Malcolm Turnbull and appointed Scott Morrison as Prime Minister.

The Yr 7 and 9 students went on separate and extremely successful 3 day camps, which has remained a talking point for the remainder of the year. The Yr 8s raved about the term 4 Graffiti education incursion. The year 9 Party Safe day presentation from 'step back and think' was something that will stay with me forever, the entire year 9 cohort silent and in ore of the guest speaker.

On Thursday evening we will be holding our Year 9 Graduation ceremony. This is always a very special part of our students' time at Creekside College and I am sure that this year will be no exception. It is our chance to congratulate these students on their time and efforts at our School and to wish them well for their future as they enter upper secondary school life.

I encourage each and everyone to strive to be the best version of yourselves every day. Not to let anyone think that you can not be, or, do whatever your heart desires. Never stop allowing yourself to learn. Thank you for an absolutely wonderful journey over the past 7 years

Creekside. Farewell!

I would like to thank all the staff for their dedication and hard work over the year. To all the children and their families, I hope you have a safe and happy break and everyone returns refreshed and ready for another exciting year in 2019.

On behalf of the 7-9 sub school, we hope 2018 has been successful and that learning goals and achievements have been attained over the year. Be better than you were yesterday.

Paul Young

Assistant Principal Yr 7-9 Sub school

studied about science at the same time help people. It's cool to be like her.

My experience with Science Talent Search is a fantastic one. My family and friends were very happy to see me on the newspaper.

Sarah Greneth Olayvar

**Nichole Fraser**

**F-6 Science Leader**



## Primary Science News

### **Science Talent Search**

Greneth (2A) was one of our major bursary winners in this year's Science Talent Search. Here is her story about her experience...

My name is Sarah Greneth Olayvar and I am a Year 2 student at Creekside K-9 College. I love science because I get to learn a lot of things about the environment, inventions and just everything around us. This made me interested in joining the Science Talent Search. I was given the opportunity to join the Science Talent Search by Mrs. Fraser and with the encouragement and support of my dear parents.

I started joining the Science Talent Search when I was in Year 1. I did a poster about Building Healthy and Productive Cities. As it was my first time, I was proud of myself for getting a Distinction Award. I was very nervous at that time, as there were hundreds of students from different schools who participated in STS. This year I decided to participate again still doing a poster on the topic, Made in Australia. I talked about Permaculture and Organic Gardening. I chose this topic because it was related to my last year's project about how to recycle food waste and scraps. I enjoyed drawing my diagrams showing the differences between permaculture and organic garden. During my research, I also had meaningful discussions with my uncle who is an agriculture engineer and my grandparents who have a permaculture garden in the Philippines. It was fun doing the project with the help of my parents and some other members of my family. During the judging day at Methodist's Ladies College, the judges asked me questions about my work. I was a little bit nervous but at the same time I felt okay as I know how the process works based on my experience last year. I tried my hardest to be able to share what I have learned throughout my research. I was very thrilled and proud of myself when I learned that I was one of the major bursary winners this year. During the Presentation Day, I was excited to receive my medal and was happy to meet a real scientist, Dr Hendrika Duivenvoorden. I was inspired of her presentation as she studied about the cure of cancer. I hope someday I would be like her who

## Primary Physical Education News

### **Nationals**

On the 23-27 of November I went to represent the school as well as Team Victoria in nationals.

I went to compete at the Lakeside Stadium against other states for my event the long jump.

In team VIC you get a piece of uniform and training. During the Nationals experience I made a lot of new friends. On the first day of Nationals we had to go to the opening ceremony but later got cancelled due to bad weather and flights getting delayed. On the second day I woke up early to go to the opening ceremony and get ready for my event which was happening on the day.



In my event I got the total of six jumps and made a jump of 4.65m which put me in eighth place. The next 2 days I watched the other athletes compete in their event and also went to the MCG for a tour around. Then on the last day was a "fun day" where we did relays and all had fun. Then later we had the closing ceremony and then the School Sport Australia was officially closed. It was a great experience competing in Nationals and being in Team Vic and hope to go there next year.

Jeeva Vijayagopal C6C

**Shane Malia**

**Physical Education Teacher**



Prep to Year 6 Assembly Awards – Term 4 Week 10

Prep A	Mrs Demiri & Mrs Peck	Aryanna F	Effort	For showing improved effort in all areas of learning.
Prep B	Miss Millman	Cruz G	Achievement	For excellent achievement in all areas of learning.
Prep C	Mr Jones and Mrs Dogan	Emma M	Effort	For demonstrating excellent effort towards improving her writing.
Prep D	Ms Chu	Luca C	Effort	For always trying his best in all areas of his learning
Prep E	Miss Shehu	Seerat T	Achievement	For excellent achievement in all areas of learning!
Prep F	Miss Hassan	Tiana R	Achievement	For always trying her best in all areas of her learning
Prep G	Ms Angela	Mikayla DC	Achievement	For excellent achievement in all areas of learning.
1A	Mrs Calleja & Mrs Sciberras	Thomas M	Effort	For demonstrating excellent effort towards improving his writing.
1B	Ms Russo	Archie F	Achievement	For amazing achievement and pride in both reading and writing.
1C	Mrs Antonenko & Mrs Ahrens	Din I	Effort	Displaying a growth mindset for being a responsible learner.
1D	Ms Worledge	Royce L	Effort	For making some wonderful improvements with his resilience!
1E	Miss Conti	Tyler-James G	Achievement	For demonstrating excellent effort towards improving his writing.
1F	Mr Addicott	Joshua T	Effort	For always demonstrating excellent effort in all areas of learning
1G	Mr Turnbull	Lane C	Effort	For trying her best in all areas of his learning.
2A	Mrs Bambery & Mrs Diamond	Victoria Smith	Effort	For always trying her best in all areas of her learning
2B	Miss Viola	Kenan GA	Effort	For showing improved effort in all areas of his learning
2C	Mrs Derby	Kadir S	Achievement	For excellent achievements in his Reading!
2D	Mr Baker	Richado M	Effort	For demonstrating excellent effort in all areas of his learning.
2E	Mrs McKay & Ms Lowry	Adela B	Achievement	For excellent improvements in all areas of learning!
2F	Miss Sree	Orlando R	Effort	For trying his best in all areas of his learning.
2G	Ms Tanti	Natalie C	Effort	For always trying her best in all areas of her learning.
3A	Ms Fasoli & Miss Simmons	Azarias G	Effort	For trying his best in all areas of his learning.
3B	Mrs Sutherland & Mrs Hilton	Abraham E	Effort	For his consistent effort in all areas of learning.
3C	Miss Stewart	Dylan C	Achievement	For excellent achievement in all areas of his learning.
3D	Ms Carnevale	Alex C	Achievement	For excellent achievement in all areas of his learning
3E	Mr Talevski	Gustavo C	Effort	For trying his best in all areas of his learning.

Prep to Year 6 Assembly Awards – Term 4 Week 10

4A	Mrs Croswell & Mrs Cassar	Jahziel S	Achievement	Showing amazing achievements in Writing! Achieving the success criteria with enthusiasm
4B	Cass Elorza	Yuvraj A	Effort	For trying his best in all areas of his learning.
4C	Ms Layton	Issam S	Achievement	For achieving excellent results in all areas of learning
4D	Mark Nikolic	Liam V	Effort	For always trying his best in all areas of his learning
4E	Miss Petroski	Rishen S	Effort	For writing a super engaging narrative for his target audience
4F	Mrs Sarandoglou	Emma S	Effort	For always trying her best in all areas of her learning
5A	Mr Johnstone & Mr Tuttle	Abijit A	Achievement	For obtaining great results in his Maths assessments
5B	Ms Stanley	Kristal D	Achievement	For showing great understanding of the author's purpose and structural features of non fiction texts
5C	Adel Chami	Gokay K	Effort	For improved effort and attention in all curriculum areas
5D	Sandra Oji	Kyra M	Effort	For always actively contributing to classroom discussions and sharing her great ideas
5E	Veronika Krsteska	Joseph K	Effort	For demonstrating an excellent range of comprehension strategies when reading
6A	Mr Nikolic & Mrs Finn	Arop D	Achievement	For achieving excellent results in his angles post test
6B	Paul Furey	Paolo I	Achievement	For achieving at a very high level across all curriculum areas.
6C	Danielle Gorrie	Layla P	Achievement	For fantastic poetry writing
6D	Jacinta Milligan	Adaugo I	Effort	For her creative effort in writing poetry
6E	Henry Nguyen	Alan S	Effort	For improved effort and attention in all curriculum areas
6F	Stephanie Young	Emma P	Achievement	For achieving great results in her math units
Performing Arts	Ms Gral	Isabella P	Effort	Excellent effort when rehearsing the class dance for the Early Years Concert
Music	Mr Koris	Rosa V	Effort	Superb effort when rehearsing and assisting others with the class dance routine
Visual Art	Kerry Rastas	Maya L	effort	For always putting in 100% effort when creating her amazing artworks. Well done Maya!
Visual Art	Kate Gartung	Greneth O	effort	For always putting in exceptionally high levels of effort when creating her artworks
Visual Art	Stephanie Boyd	Esther S	Effort	For always putting in her best effort to all her artworks
Science	Mrs Nichole Fraser	Alanna M	Achievement	In recognition of her excellent contributions to Science
Science	Holly Lunny	Francesca W	Effort	For always trying her best in Science.
PE	Shane Mallia	Lucas L	Effort	For always putting in 100% effort
PE	Peter Goodman	Keira N	Effort	Always puts great effort into PE classes
French	Suzie Silveira	Rylee F	Effort	For always putting in his best effort towards all his writing tasks and presentations in French
Music	Lia Montin	Augustha M	Effort	For always putting in the best efforts and her enthusiasm per class



## 2019 Booklists & CSEF

2019 Booklists have been handed out to students, if you have not received a copy please collect one from reception.

BOOK PACKS - All booklists are to be submitted online by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018

Vital Office will be the college booklist provider for 2019. School council have decided to transition to online ordering for 2019, therefore, there will not be a book collection day. All parents will be required to order the booklists online. There will be "free home delivery" for all booklist orders.

If you submit your child's booklist online by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, you will be guaranteed delivery of your booklist before the start of the school year. All orders placed after this date, may not be delivered before the start of the school year. For families that do not have access to the internet, an iPad is available at the office reception up to the last day of term 4 (ie. Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018).

We look forward to working with your child next year to support your child's development in 2019.

### CSEF – CAMPS, SPORTS, EXCURSION FUND

The Victorian Government has committed to providing eligible students with Camps, Sports & Excursion funds (CSEF). These funds are paid to the school to use towards excursions, incursions and camps for eligible students. To be eligible for the funding, a parent or legal guardian must be the holder of a current Healthcare card or Pension card. In order to receive the payment, a completed CSEF application form must be completed and submitted before the end of Term 2, 2019.

If you are eligible to apply for CSEF funding, please collect a form from reception.

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### Absent Note

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

was absent on: \_\_\_\_\_ (date)

Due to: (please circle)

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