

# COLLINGWOOD ENGLISH LANGUAGE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*The monthly school newsletter*



## KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Camp - Collingwood Campus

Primary 5 - 7 December  
Secondary 3 - 5 December

Camp - Broadmeadows Campus

Primary 10 - 12 December  
Secondary 12 - 14 December

Camp - Craigieburn Campus

Primary 10 - 12 December  
Secondary 12 - 14 December

Student Performance - Craigieburn Campus

Thursday 6 December

Songroom Concert - Broadmeadows Campus

Wednesday 19 December

Songroom Concert - Collingwood Campus

Thursday 20 December

Final Assembly - Craigieburn Campus

Tuesday 18 December

Final Assembly - Collingwood & Broadmeadows

Thursday 20 December

Last Day of Term

Friday 21 December



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Collingwood English Language School

Hello everyone,

There have been some exciting things happening at our school this month, including the Songroom concert at the Melbourne Town Hall, where secondary students from Broadmeadows performed two dances. What a fantastic way to develop self esteem and confidence.

Camp Doxa is happening next week and the following week. I wish all students the best for an exciting camp.

There are many students exiting into mainstream schools at the end of this year. We are very busy preparing to celebrate their successful learning at CELS with graduations and performances. We are very proud of our students as they confidently transition into mainstream schools. We wish these students good luck in the future.

Catherine McMahon  
Principal

## Graduation Assembly and Songroom Concert



We would be very happy if parents and guardians could attend the Songroom Concert, where students will be performing short musical items to celebrate the end of term.

Parents and Guardians are also welcome to attend the Graduation Assemblies at the school, where students, who have completed their course at the Collingwood English Language School, will receive a certificate and we will say good-bye to them.

Please look out for the notice which will be sent home with students shortly.

## Camp Doxa, Malmsbury



Over the next two weeks, students from each campus will have the opportunity to go to Camp Doxa, which is near Malmsbury, about a 2 hour drive from Melbourne.

The camp is 3 days long. Students will be learning English in an informal setting. They will experience life in the country. Much of the class work before and after the camp will be based on the camp experience.

As part of the camp program at Camp Doxa Malmsbury, children have the opportunity to do a range of outdoor activities, including trampolines, a low ropes course, the giant swing and climbing wall.

Camp staff run the giant swing and climbing wall and students wear safety equipment, including a helmet.

*These photos are of a school camp earlier in the year.*



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# Learning Activities

## Broadmeadows Campus



Primary excursion to Geelong Botanical Gardens. Students played and learnt about fruit bats, plants and possums.

Maths Class with B21. Students investigated how long they could make a cube snake, and estimated how many cubes were in the snake.

Physical Education class with B21. Students learnt how to leap by pretending to leap over a river.

## 3 Way Conferences



On Wednesday the 14th of November, at Collingwood Campus we had our first experience of all day 3 Way Conferences (formerly Parent / Teacher Interviews). The day ran smoothly, thanks to the organisational work and skills of ES Staff, and the hard work of teachers. Teachers, parents and students appreciated and made good use of the extra time available. Overall, the day felt calm and productive.



## Craigieburn Campus Ground Works

This year the first stage of ground works were completed at Craigieburn campus. The playground has been a colourful addition to the grounds and has provided the primary students with a much needed place to play. The new sandpit is now heavily used by students and a lot of digging has taken place!

Also included in this work was the laying down of artificial turf. This has given students much relief from dust in summer and mud in winter. Overall the students are very happy to have these facilities and are very grateful. The staff and students would like to thank the School Council, Catherine, Donna and Kevin for these resources.



## Art Class

Tower class students at Collingwood campus have been studying a Surrealism Unit with teachers Kylie and Steve. Above are some examples of the artwork students created.