



FOUNTAIN GATE SECONDARY COLLEGE

2024 FG Connect ISSUE 3

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Bell Times

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|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|--------------------------------------|
| Period 1 8.45 am - 9.45 am | Recess 10.45 am - 11.05 am | Period 3 11.10 am - 12.10 pm | Lunch 1.10 pm - 2.00 pm | Period 5 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm |
| Period 2 9.45 am - 10.45 am | | Period 4 12.10 pm - 1.10 pm | | |

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UPCOMING EVENTS

End of Term 1

Students Dismissed at 2.30 pm

28th March

Term 2

Curriculum Day

15th April

Students Return

Athletics Day

16th April

ANZAC Day Assembly

24th April

ANZAC Day

25th April

VCE Careers Expo

2nd May

VET Music & Dance Assessment Night

30th May

VCE Mid-Year Exams

3rd - 7th June

King's Birthday

10th June

Year 12 Camp

24th - 25th June

End Term 2

28th June

TERM 2 2024 STUDENT CALENDAR

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| WEEK 1 15 Curriculum Day No Students APRIL | 16 TERM 2 Students return 8.35am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> House Athletics Day | 17 | 18 Breakfast Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior & Intermediate B&G Volleyball - TBC | 19 |
| WEEK 2 22 | 23 | 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ANZAC Day Assembly | 25 ANZAC Day | 26 |
| WEEK 3 29 Open Day 5.00 pm - 7.00pm | 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elevate Year 12 pd 1, Year 11, pd 2 | MAY 1 | 2 Breakfast Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCE Careers Expo | 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 Assembly, P4 |
| WEEK 4 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 B&G SMR Volleyball - TBC Senior & Intermediate Girls Netball - TBC Year 11 White Card Incursion - TBC | 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Boys AFL - TBC | 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Girls AFL - TBC Senior Boys Soccer - TBC | 9 Breakfast Club | 10 |
| WEEK 5 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior B&G SMR Volleyball - TBC Intermediate Boys AFL - TBC Year 11 White Card Incursion - TBC | 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior Girls AFL - TBC Intermediate Boys Soccer - TBC Senior & Intermediate Girls Soccer - TBC Senior & Intermediate Boys Netball - TBC Year 12 Elevate, P5 | 15 | 16 Breakfast Club | 17 |
| WEEK 6 20 School Council 5:30pm | 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 PE incursion - TBC Division Cross Country - TBC | 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior Girls Netball - TBC Junior Boys Soccer - TBC Junior Boys AFL - TBC | 23 Breakfast Club | 24 |
| WEEK 7 27 | 28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior Girls Soccer - TBC | 29 | 30 Breakfast Club | 31 |
| MULTICULTURAL WEEK | | | | |
| WEEK 8 JUNE 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VM SWL Placements commence VCE Mid-Year Exam - Day 1 | 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior & Intermediate Badminton B&G - TBC VCE Mid-Year Exam - Day 2 | 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCE Mid-Year Exam - Day 3 | 6 Breakfast Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCE Mid-Year Exam - Day 4 | 7 Lunchtime Concert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VM SWL Placements conclude VCE Wellbeing Day - no classes |
| WEEK 9 10 King's Birthday Holiday | 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior Badminton B&G - TBC | 12 | 13 Breakfast Club | 14 |
| WEEK 10 17 School Council 5:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2 & 4 commence | 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCAA GAT Exam | 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 English Exam - no Year 10 classes | 20 Breakfast Club <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Maths Exam - no Year 10 classes SMR Cross Country - TBC | 21 |
| WEEK 11 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y12 Camp | 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y12 Camp | 26 | 27 Breakfast Club | 28 |
| NAIDOC WEEK | | | | |
| | | | | END OF TERM 2 Students dismissed at 2.30pm |



PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dear Parents, Students and Families,
As term one ends at Fountain Gate Secondary College, I want to share some highlights from the past few months.

This term, we've had some beautiful moments that genuinely showcase the dedication and achievements of our students. Our Year 7 start-up program and activities like the Year 7 360 Bus incursions helped our newest students feel at home in their new school environment.

Our assemblies have been a regular reminder of our high expectations for our students, but they've also been a chance to celebrate their achievements. Whether it's academic success, sporting achievements, or showing leadership qualities, we've loved seeing our students shine.

The NAPLAN assessments saw our Year 7 and 9 students exert their best. Seeing our students rise to the challenge and demonstrate their academic capabilities is inspiring.

Outside of the classroom, our students have been busy with various extracurricular activities, from the VET Music Top Class excursion, VCE Drama and VET Dance at Bunjil Place excursion to the School Touch Championships for Year 9 and 10 students, rugby, soccer, tennis, volleyball and basketball tournaments. It's been wonderful to see them explore their interests and talents. We've also witnessed improvements in students arriving to school and class on time, with our learning community embracing our mantra "on time every time." Additionally, there has been progress regarding students wearing the correct uniform, which is a positive reflection of our collective efforts to maintain a respectful and orderly school environment.

However, we acknowledge that there's still work to be done regarding the mobile phone ban across all government schools. We need your support and a united approach to make this happen and stamp out students carrying or using mobile phones on school grounds. Ensuring your child follows our mobile phone policy, you're helping to create a space where they can focus, learn, and grow without unnecessary distractions.

Thank you for your continued support. Your partnership is invaluable as we work to provide our students with the best possible learning environment and opportunities.

Wishing you a relaxing break, and I look forward to our work together in term 2.

Stay safe, and best wishes,
Jo Cucchiara

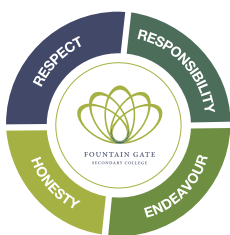
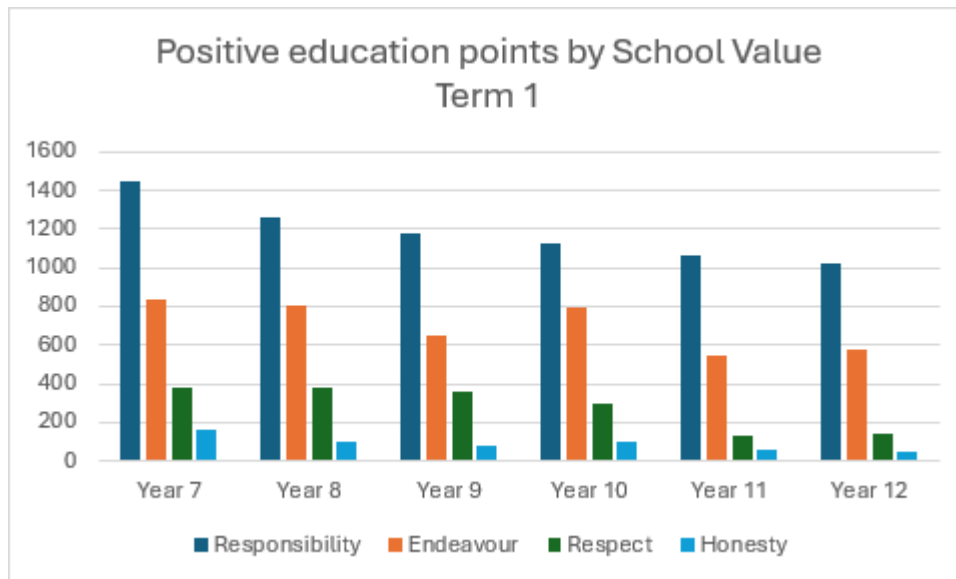


POSITIVE EDUCATION

From the 15th of March, FGSC staff have awarded 9361 positive education points to students.

With a strong focus on attendance this term, and if students are 'On time every time' to school and class, they are rewarded with a positive education point that week from their year-level teams for 'Achieving the FGSC Attendance goal'.

Students will also receive Positive Education points by showing their character strengths in class or the yard. The Positive Education shop was opened last week for the first time this year. Up and Go's, chocolates and drink bottles were the most popular items collected. Well done for the great start to the year, and keep it up!



VALUES SHOP

| ITEM | POINTS |
|-------------------|--------|
| Freddo | 5 |
| Fruit Snack* | 5 |
| Table Tennis Ball | 5 |
| Up N Go* | 5 |
| Tennis Ball | 5 |
| Juice Box | 5 |
| Popcorn* | 8 |
| Cookie* | 8 |
| Chips* | 8 |
| Staplers | 8 |
| Notepads | 8 |
| Drink Bottle | 10 |

| ITEM | POINTS |
|----------------------|--------|
| Pens | 8 |
| Highlighters | 10 |
| Metallic Pens | 10 |
| Pencil Case | 10 |
| Maths Sets | 10 |
| Fidget Toy | 12 |
| 4 Square Ball | 15 |
| Uno Cards | 15 |
| \$10 Canteen Voucher | 25 |
| Table Tennis Bats | 20 |
| Plushie | 20 |
| Fidget Cube | 20 |

| ITEM | POINTS |
|----------------------|--------|
| College Beanie | 30 |
| College Cap | 30 |
| College Hat | 30 |
| Rubiks Cube | 30 |
| College Tie | 40 |
| Soccer Ball | 40 |
| Basketball | 40 |
| Volleyball | 40 |
| Rugby Ball | 40 |
| Football | 40 |
| College Scarf | 50 |
| \$50 Coles Gift Card | 80 |
| \$100 PSW Voucher | 100 |

* Only 3 can be purchased at any one time

YEAR 7 HUMANITIES

The Humanities provide a framework for students to examine the complex processes that have shaped the modern world and to investigate responses to different challenges, including people's interconnections with the environment, society, and culture. As a result, students are better prepared to form considered opinions about our present-day world.

In Year 7, students in Humanities complete units of work in Civics and Citizenship, Geography, History and Economics. The students study the following topics throughout the year: **Term 1** Civics and Citizenship (The identity of a nation), **Term 2** Geography (Coastal and mountain landforms), **Term 3** History (Ancient Egypt), and **Term 4** Business/Economics (Economic choices and finance).

ENGLISH & CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

We are delighted to announce the availability of English and citizenship classes specifically designed for parents in our community. Join us at FGSC, we will guide you through various topics to help you expand your horizons.

These classes provide you with the necessary communication and language skills. You will be able to learn English in a supportive and engaging environment. Additionally, you will gain valuable insight into the rights and responsibilities of citizenship!

Join us every Friday 8:45 am - 2:00 pm in room P2. Morning Tea included. See Farzana for more info



VCE TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

It's that time of year again - our annual VCE Table Tennis Tournament is heating up, and we've officially made it to the semi-finals. The competition is fierce, the rallies are intense, and the stakes are higher than ever! Who will emerge victorious and claim the coveted title of champion?



VOLLEYBALL

Attention all intermediate and senior Volleyball players.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming tournament against Casey North on April 18th. Permission forms and payments MUST be returned by March 28th to secure your spot.

In preparation for the big day, practice games will be held for senior boys vs. intermediate boys and senior girls vs. intermediate girls in the gym. Join us at Volleyball Club on Thursdays during lunchtime for the last two weeks of term to fine-tune your skills and strategies. Let's show our opponents what we're made of.

MUSIC NEWS

Instrumental enrolments are still open for 2024. If your child is interested in learning Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Guitar, Drums, Voice or piano please contact Mrs Bolger for an enrolment form.

Our first lunchtime music concert was a great success with a varied program presented in PA2 on the 15th of March. Congratulations to Ryan Berkelmans (tenor saxophone), Nigella Reyes (guitar and vocals), Clare Fellows (vocals), Jai Fellows and Dylan Kirby (drums and guitar). Our term two lunchtime concert will be held on Friday the 7th of June.

VCE VET music students will present their first recitals on the 25th/26th of March in PA 1 from 4pm. All are welcome to attend, entry is by gold coin donation.

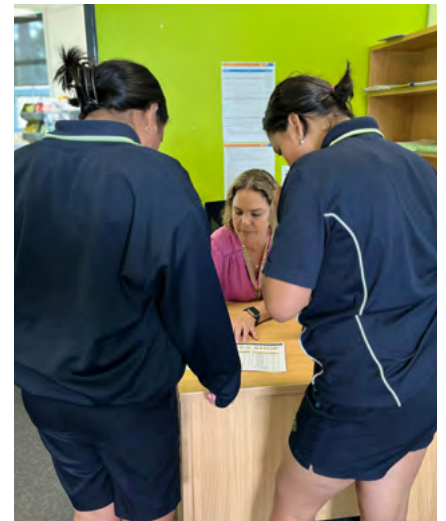
Senior music students will attend a tour of the Victorian College of the Arts / Melb Uni music campus and Top Class Music at the Elizabeth Murdoch Hall in Southbank on the 21st of March. Students will watch top performing music students from around the state present their VCE recital repertoire.

Senior and Junior band rehearsals have begun! Our yr 7 band and senior band have commenced their 2024 rehearsals and have already mastered a range of songs between them. If you are interested in joining either of these ensembles, please enquire at the music office.

VALUES SHOP

Our Values Shop is OPEN for business every Wednesday lunchtime.

Keep up the fantastic work, and continue earning those valuable points. There's something for everyone to aim for: chocolate chips, drinks, toys, games, vouchers, and so much more. Discover what amazing rewards you could be working towards.





HOMWORK AND TUTORIAL CLUB

We are excited to announce that starting this week, the Homework and Tutorial Club will be held every Wednesday and Thursday from 3:15 to 4:30 in Room G1.

Formerly housed in G3 and G4, the Homework and Tutorial Club has now found its new home in G1. This dedicated space is where students of all levels and across all subjects can come together to receive guidance, support, and assistance with their work.

Whether you need help with a challenging math problem, or seek feedback on your English essay, or just need a quiet space to concentrate and complete assignments, the Homework and Tutorial Club is here to help. Our team of tutors and mentors will be on hand to provide assistance tailored to your individual needs. We welcome students from all year levels and across all subjects. Hope to see you there!



SECOND-HAND SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We are well stocked with second-hand school uniforms. Check out our website for the sizes and pieces that are available. Help reduce waste and save money by shopping second-hand. <https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/.../fountain...>

CROSS COUNTRY 2024

Congratulations to all the students who participated and gave it their best, was tough going but well done for not giving up!





YEAR 9 HEALTH

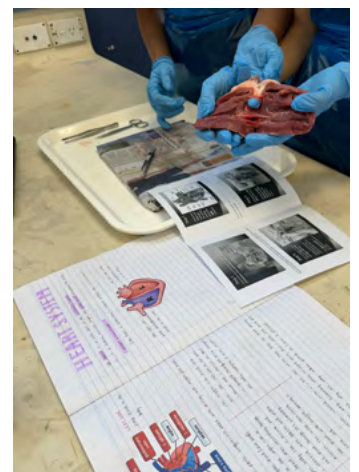
Our Year 9 Health students got hands-on with specially designed goggles that simulate the vision impairment caused by alcohol consumption. From mild impairment to full-on "beer vision," students experienced firsthand the challenges of walking in a straight line, shooting hoops, catching beanbags, and even writing a simple sentence.

Despite the fun, the activity sparked some serious discussions about the dangers of alcohol and its impact on judgment and coordination. Kudos to our adventurous Year 9s for enthusiastically diving into this activity and being willing to learn. Keep the conversations going and make informed choices regarding our health and wellbeing.



YEAR 9 SCIENCE

Heart dissection: To consolidate their learning on the study of the heart and the circulatory system, the Year 9s all participated in a sheep heart dissection practice. This was an eye-opening and exciting experience for our students, as they were able to see the physical structure of the heart and visualise the natural flow of blood from deoxygenated blood to oxygenated blood. They thought it was brilliant.



YEAR 11 VET SPORT, RECREATION, AND AQUATICS STUDENTS

Our Year 11 VET Sport, Recreation, and Aquatics students made waves at the Division Swimming event. Representing Fountain Gate Secondary College, they dived into various roles, showcasing their skills and enthusiasm. Our class shone brightly throughout the event, from assisting officials to cheering on competitors.

Our students excelled in their assigned tasks, going above and beyond to boost morale and support participants from all schools and divisions. Their dedication and positivity didn't go unnoticed.

Their outstanding performance caught the attention of the Division Swimming Event Organiser, who commended our students for their exceptional work. Other schools couldn't help but notice the difference our class made, and we've been invited to lend a hand again in the future.

A massive round of applause goes out to every student involved, and a special shoutout goes out to Shaneece Stratton for her outstanding contributions on the day. We couldn't be prouder of our VET class for excellently representing Fountain Gate SC.





FOUNTAIN GATE
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2024 OPEN NIGHT

Monday 29th April

5.00 pm - 7.00 pm

Registration opens at 5:00pm in the Gym.

We invite all prospective students and their parents/carers to come and explore the learning opportunities available to them at Fountain Gate Secondary College.



Further details please contact us at fountain.gate.sc@education.vic.gov.au or 8762 6839.