

Thursday 30 May 2019- Edition 301

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Mrs Julie Baud
Deputy Principal
Head of Teaching and Learning (F – 12)

It's that time of the year again! Exams for Middle and Senior School students. The mid-year exams commence next week on Thursday 6 June for Year 10 and 11 students and the following week for Year 7-9 students. For the benefit of our families, the exam timetables accompany this newsletter.

During this time, Year 10 and 11 students are not required to be at school all of the time. They will be able to study at home and just come in to school for their exams and Unit 3/4 classes if they are enrolled in a Unit 3/4 subject. However, study rooms will be available for students who do want to study at school during the exam period. As previously indicated, the Unit 3/4 mid-year exams are now to be held at the end of the July holidays on Thursday 11 July and Friday 12 July and on Monday 15 July.

It is very important Year 10 and 11 students sign in and out at Reception in the Junior School whenever they arrive and leave the school grounds during the exam period. Senior School parents/carers will receive further details around the arrangements for the next two weeks in a separate email.

Some "Exam Tips" for the students:

- Get a good night's sleep before each exam
- Eat healthily and exercise regularly
- Use the Reading Time to read through the questions properly and start planning the answers
- Don't study all day before a late afternoon exam, you will be tired before starting the exam
- Answer the questions being asked, don't just write everything you know about a topic
- Think positively and you'll probably be fine



Ms Louisa Rennie
Deputy Principal
Head of Senior School (10-12)

#### **Senior School Formal**

Thank you to the many students who attended our Senior School Formal last Friday night, it was a wonderful evening and once again, the behaviour of our students was exemplary. Photos are now available on the photographer's website and students are able to obtain a discount voucher from my office.

Thank you to our SRC and Formal Committee for their hard work in preparing a memorable evening, below is an excerpt from the speech made by our Head Prefect:

"Good evening everyone and welcome to our annual Senior School Formal. Welcome to our Winter Wonderland!!!

We have worked hard as a Formal Committee and SRC team to organise our evening and we are looking forward to making some memories! For some of us it is our last formal so to our peers in Year 10 and Year 11, we encourage you to make the most of these experiences as your time at SCG will pass you by so quickly. We would like to thank all of you for coming tonight and making an effort to contribute to make our Senior School great! On behalf of the Formal Committee we would like to offer a vote of thanks before we commence our evening.

To begin we would like to thank our parents for taking the time out of your night to come and celebrate this event with us and for helping us get ready!

A big thank you to all of our teachers who have attended tonight for all of your hard work throughout the evening; we truly appreciate it! We are glad to be able to share this night with you.

Thank you to Ms Vinski and Ms Majstorovic for all the support they provide behind the scenes. Mr and Mrs Culos – thank you for your kind donation to our event – the name cards look wonderful and complement our theme – we appreciate your generosity! The Formal Committee also wishes to thank Mrs Ulloa for all of the effort and assistance with our decorations and theme – the room looks amazing!"

Ellie Codman



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Congratulations to our Peru Ambassadors for their support of the Music Recitals on Sunday! It was a lovely collaboration and great to see so many families gathering over coffee at Café Peru to discuss the music program and hear more from our ambassadors about the journey they will embark on in December. The students and their families worked hard to set up Café Peru and received many warm comments from the community about the work they are setting out to do in December. Well done team!!









Mr Joseph Hedditch Assistant Head of Senior School (10-12)

Last week our Year 10 students engaged in a two day Driver Education Program at the Charlton Traffic Safety Education Centre. The program caters for Pre-Learner drivers and Learner drivers and offers a blend of theory and practice. The aim of the program is to teach students how to drive or to improve their driving skills as well as to instil in them the importance of having a safe attitude to driving. Thank you to Atman and Ari for sharing their experiences with us:

"On 21 May, we went to Charlton for the Driver Education program. The organisation had their own track to learn driving on, where students were split into pairs and groups of 3 and were allocated into 5 cars. Each car had their own instructors, which were experienced and very friendly to learn from. Driving a car is a great responsibility and it takes effort to learn. This education program helped us learn all major components of driving and the safety aspects of driving. I really enjoyed the camp, as driving is my passion, which makes me more motivated to learn more about it. There were options for choosing the transmission you wanted, manual and automatic. I had chosen manual, which was very interesting to learn and drive. My mate and I had a really great time, helping each other out while driving, and learning all the steps in order to drive a manual car on the road safety. Overall the Driver's Education camp was a great experience, very interesting and educational. Thanks to the driving instructors, who were very friendly and fun to interact with, we had a great time driving cars, and learning everything that comes with the responsibility of driving cars. Also thanks to the teachers, who were there to supervise us and support us on the camp". Atman Parikh



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"Year 10 Driver Education consisted of one theory session in class and then ended with a day and a half long camp in Charlton at a driving school. The camp was an opportunity for Year 10's to better develop their driving skills and learn about safe driving practices, risks involved with driving and road rules. The camp was a thoroughly enjoyable experience and it provided a great learning experience as an alternative to learning in the classroom".



40 Hour Famine Backpack Challenge. The 40 Hour Famine Backpack Challenge is to recreate the environment of a person going through internal displacement. We departed in the afternoon after listening and actively engaging in the Youth Conference, and we thoroughly enjoyed every second of it."

Ved Padmawar (Middle School Social Justice Captain)







Mr David Wildsmith Assistant Head of Middle School (5 - 9)

#### **World Vision Youth Conference 2019**

"We departed at 7:30 am Wednesday morning to travel to the Melbourne Convention and Entertainment Centre to participate in the World Vision Youth Conference 2019. We arrived and some of us even gave video interviews about certain world topics and crises. We entered the auditorium at 9:05 where the MC, Jimmy Kyle, welcomed us and talked about the world and how humanitarian leadership is vital to our world. Later, we partook in an activity that was well-received: Mars Colonisation. We used votebylight.com in order to cast our votes on the questions asked which linked to humanitarian questions.

At 11:05, we listened to the refugee journey of Khadija Gbla and she talked about what certain qualities are needed for a leader (or anyone) during times of crisis. She answered many questions related to a refugees' journey and the changes made to her lifestyle when she arrived here, in Australia.

We learned about the three levers of change if we want to rewrite the rules of leadership: Lifestyle, Advocacy, and Redistribution with Paul Hanson, who also described the need to rewrite our own rules and the

#### Ms Romina Pimpini Head of Junior School (F – 4)

What a week of real-life learning we have had this week in the Junior School. We know that making links to the real world helps us understand ourselves and others.

#### Year 1 Zoo experience

Year 1 had a 'roarsome' time at Melbourne Zoo on Monday! As part of their 'Living Things' unit, Year 1 were lucky enough to become wild explorers for the day and meet a slithery sand snake.







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Prior to their visit, 1CS and 1SS prepared some inquiry questions in order to investigate different animals around the zoo. They learned super facts about habitats, diets and endangered and extinct animals. They also discovered what the zoo does to help and protect animals and considered what they could do too.

While on their wild explorer hunt they examined bones and fossils and created habitat environments for different animals.

They zoomed through the zoo and earned the 'koalafications' to be zoologists!

A special thank you to the parent volunteers who made the day elephantastic!



#### Student Leadership - developing lifetime leaders

This week our JS Captains attended a Leadership workshop at Ivanhoe Grammar along with students from other independent schools.

Whilst Arabella, Charlie, Kayla and Tameia were the youngest leaders of all those in attendance, they certainly contributed to the program and made connections with other students.





Our SCG representatives made us proud as they spoke about;

- The importance of trust in leadership working together, building strong relationships
- The difference between following and followship enriching each other's efforts

• The importance of leadership vs service to community.

JS Captains will now investigate a school-based project they will undertake that can make a difference to our SCG community. Watch this space!



#### Earn & Learn Stickers

Stickers continue to be delivered to fill up our collection box.

If you can contribute, we'll buy STEM equipment – that ROCKS!

Please deliver any stickers to reception and we will ensure sheets are filled,

When it's time to go shopping – we will be THRILLED.



#### Ms Dina Lira Learning Resource Centre

The students have had a great time at the Fair this week! The selection of books has been fantastic and there is something for everyone.

The Book Fair is open Thursday from 3.10pm and a LAST CHANCE on Friday from 8.00am. Everyone welcome.



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Mr Robert Graham Learning Area Leader - Music (F - 12)

#### **Music Recitals**

Congratulations to all of the students who performed at Music Recitals over the weekend. It was wonderful to share in the enthusiasm of our young performers and observe the progress that has been made across the 12 different instruments taught at the school. There were many highlights throughout the day.

Thank you to our Private Music tutors for preparing our students for their performances and to our parents for their support of the Music program.

For information about the Private Music Program, please contact <a href="music@scg.vic.edu.au">music@scg.vic.edu.au</a>















#### Parents and Friends Association

#### **PFA Uniform Shop**

We have returned to our regular Friday opening hours of 2:30pm- 3.30pm with the sale of old logo items continuing.

Sports jackets and woolen jumpers \$15, shirts, sport T-shirt's, shorts and trackpants \$5

A new SCG winter scarf is now available for \$30. Stocks are limited.



#### **General News**

#### **Reminder for Adults and Drivers**

Safe use of our roads and parking will benefit everyone, especially our students.

Please be reminded of the following:



- Obey speed limits in the vicinity of school
- DO NOT STOP in school driveways & car parks (students walk here!)
- Double-parking is illegal
- Make time to get to school so everyone arrives safely!



# SEMESTER ONE EXAM SCHEDULE 2019 SENIOR SCHOOL EXAMS Y10-Y11

	Thursday 6th June (Day 4)	Friday 7th June (Day 5)	Tuesday 11th June (Day 7)	Thursday 13th June (Day 9)
<u>Session 1</u> 8.30am - 10.45am	Year 11 English Year 11 Literature Year 10 English	Year 11 Media Year 11 Legal Studies Year 10 Legal Studies	Year 11 Psychology Year 11 Specialist Maths (2) Year 11 Maths Methods (2) Year 10 Literature	Year 11 Health Year 11 Accounting Year 11 History
<u>Session 2</u> 11.45am - 1.30pm	Year 11 Physical Education Year 11 Studio Arts Year 11 Drama Year 11 Physics Year 11 Computing	Year 11 General Maths (1) Year 11 Chinese	Year 11 General Maths (2)	Year 11 Music Performance Year 11 Biology Year 11 VET Sport and Recreation
1.30pm	Year 10 Chinese Year 10 Geography Year 10 Psychology	Year 10 Maths Year 10 Maths (Enrichment)	Year 10 Humanities Year 10 History	Year 10 Science
Session 3	Year 11 Business Management	Year 11 Maths Methods (1) Year 11 Specialist Maths (1)	Year 11 Chemistry	Year 11 VCD
2.30pm - 4.15pm	Year 10 VCD Year 10 Art	Year 10 Digital Technology	Year 10 Physics	Year 10 Chemistry

#### NOTE:

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June is the GAT and is compulsory for all students undertaking a Unit 3/4 subject 2019
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June is a catch-up exam day and will be compulsory for students with exam clashes

### Middle School Exam Schedule Semester 1, 2019

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