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Welcome to our visiting Japanese Students

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT













Welcome back to Term 3!
This term presents many opportunities for our students to participate in a range of activities and opportunities across the school. Some of these events/activities include:

- Year 9 Melbourne Camp
- Year 10 Bogong Future Makers Camp
- Year 12 Outdoor Ed Snow Camp
- Year 10 Snow Camp
- Year 11 Rock To Reef Camp
- Japanese Trip
- School Production - Shrek

2026 NAPLAN RESULTS

The 2026 Individual Student NAPLAN reports have been mailed home to all families. Students and parents/carers are encouraged to use these individual results to discuss progress with their child's teachers. The NAPLAN results contribute to the school's formative assessment procedures. Overall, we were very pleased to see the percentage of Brauer students achieving strong relative growth, which was higher than similar and network schools in most areas of the NAPLAN tests.

It is important to note that teachers use the NAPLAN results to help identify students who need greater challenges or extra support. In addition to this, schools also use results to identify strengths and areas of need to improve teaching programs, and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.

Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you require further support with interpreting the NAPLAN Student Report.

SEMESTER 2 STAFFING AND WORKFORCE UPDATE

I would like to warmly welcome the following staff that have joined the Brauer team this semester:

- James Croker - English
- Ciara Fitzpatrick - Disability & Inclusion Team

NAIDOC WEEK ASSEMBLY

In 2024 we introduced a new way to acknowledge and celebrate NAIDOC Week.
This year's personal design has been created by students from our STARs Program.



The green throughout the design represents Country and the waterways that flow through Peek Whurrung Country, where Brauer College is situated. It acknowledges the deep connection First Nations peoples have to land, water and community.
The circles represent each student, their community, culture and educational journey throughout their years at Brauer College. They reflect the importance of belonging, identity and connection while recognising that every student's pathway is unique.
The connecting lines are journey tracks and pathways, symbolising growth, learning, resilience and progression through education and life. They represent the many opportunities, experiences and achievements that shape a student's journey.
The dots reflect the stars that align when education, cultural support and the celebration of culture come together. They represent the positive outcomes that occur when students are supported to be strong in both their culture and their education.

DO YOUR BEST

HELP OTHERS SUCCEED

RESPECT OUR SCHOOL

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Welcome









The people symbols represent family, Elders, community members, educators, allies and supporters who walk alongside First Nations students. They acknowledge those who listen deeply, encourage growth and help create culturally safe spaces where students can thrive and be proud of who they are.

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC Week, this design recognises the strength, resilience and achievements of First Nations peoples while honouring the role education, community and culture play in shaping the next generation.

THIS WEEK WE WELCOMED OUR JAPANESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS
A big thank you to all the that are hosting these students!

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
Monday 10th August will be a student free day. From 9am - 1pm our staff will be engaged in workshop led by GENOS International on Leading Authentic Conversations. This workshop will further support our staff to:

- Explore practical frameworks that help staff to prepare for and facilitate authentic conversations.
- Practice leading authentic conversations using school scenarios with feedback that will help enhance confidence and capability to lead conversations.
- Determine how to use the insight to build relational trust, psychological safety, school culture and overall school performance.

(RE-SCHEDULED) SENIOR SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS, MONDAY 10TH AUGUST 2PM-4:45PM
As recently communicated via Compass, and due to the ongoing industrial action, the Unit 4 VCE/VM Parent-Student-Teacher Interviews have been rescheduled to Monday 10th August, 2:00pm-4:45pm.

We again apologise for the inconvenience the situation has caused. Information regarding the rescheduled interview dates and the rebooking process is now available via the Compass Portal/Booking System, where you will find instructions on how to access this and book a conference. If you are experiencing issues with logging into Compass or booking a conference, please contact our Front Office on (03) 5560 3888.

ATTENDANCE
We acknowledge that many families experience higher volumes of illness over the winter period. We continue to look for ways to improve our overall school attendance rates. Please see below the revised TIER 1 attendance procedures we are implementing. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's Pastoral Care Leader to discuss any arising attendance concerns that you may have concerning your child.

Lastly, I would like to thank all our families that continue to support and encourage high attendance to school.

TIER 1
REGULAR ABSENCES (Up to 10 days per year)

PASTORAL CARE LEADER

Regular absences appearing eg.. • Attendance is below 85% • Three days of unexplained absence in one week • Patterns of absence appearing (away each Wednesday)	→	• Phone call etc to parent/carer until 2 way contact made. • Record phone call etc on COMPASS via Chronicle Attendance Concern.
PCL to monitor for change in attendance over next one week	→	If no change or continued attendance concern: • Inform YLM • Record on COMPASS via Chronicle Attendance Concern.

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Mr Sean Fitzpatrick
PRINCIPAL

BRAUER COMMUNICATION

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Administration Hours

MONDAY - THURSDAY: 8:30am - 4:30pm
FRIDAY - 8:30am - 4:00pm
PHONE | 03 6660 3888

**Please note: BPAY is available*

Important Dates

Monday 10th August, 2026
Pupil Free Day - Staff PD Day

Thursday 3rd September, 2026
Parent Teacher Interviews
After school

Friday 4th September, 2026
Parent Teacher Interviews - am only
No Scheduled Classes

Monday 23rd November, 2026
Assessment and Report Writing Day
Pupil Free Day

REMINDER

We have a small number of families that need to complete the Photographing, Filming & Recording Students Policy on Compass.

PHOTOGRAPHING, FILMING AND RECORDING STUDENTS POLICY

PAPERLESS CONSENT FORM TO BE COMPLETED VIA COMPASS

Leadership Teams

YEAR 7 & 8

Year 7 & 8 SUB SCHOOL LEADER
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christopher.edwards@education.vic.gov.au

YEAR 9 & 10

Year 9 & 10 SUB SCHOOL LEADER
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BRAUER COLLEGE WARRNAMBOOL

TERM 3 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JULY 13 TERM 3 COMMENCES	14	15	16	17 WD INT/SNR BASKETBALL ALL TABLE TENNIS
20 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - 9AM SUBJECT SELECTIONS OPEN ONLINE	21 YEAR 10 - 2027 VCE VM PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS	22	23	24 YEAR 11 VM FIRST AID
27	28 WD SENIOR HOCKEY PFA TERM 3 MEETING, 7PM VIA WEBEX	29 SUBJECT SELECTIONS CLOSE ONLINE	30 BB #5 PUBLISHED	31 VM BIG FREEZE EVENT & BBQ
AUGUST 3 YEAR 12 SEAS & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION	4	5	6	7
10 VCE/VM PARENT-STUDENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS 2 - 4.45PM STAFF PD PUPIL FREE DAY	11 YEAR 12 VCE ENGLISH REVISION LECTURE PRESENTATION	12	13	14
17 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - 9AM BOGONG FUTURE MAKERS CAMP PARENT INFO NIGHT	18 YEAR 6 2027 SEALP & SIP INFO NIGHT - COLLEGE LIBRARY 4:30 - 4:50PM - SEALP 4:50 - 5:00PM INTERVAL 5:00 - 5:30PM - SIP	19	20	21
24 YEAR 12 EXAM PREP SKILL SESSION	25	26	27 CLAY TARGET EXCURSION	28 WEAR IT PURPLE ACTIVITIES
31	SEPTEMBER 1	2	3 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS - *AFTER SCHOOL*	4 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS NO SCHEDULED CLASSES 2027 YEAR 7 SEALP APPLICATIONS CLOSE
7 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - 9AM	8 GWR YEAR 7 & 8 VOLLEYBALL	9 2027 YEAR 7 SEALP TESTING YEAR 9 LEADERSHIP DAY YEAR 11 RYDA PROGRAM TBC	10 YEAR 8 - 12 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PERFORMANCE	11
14	15	16	17 2027 YEAR 7 SIP APPLICATIONS CLOSE BB #6 PUBLISHED	18 END OF TERM 2:30PM FINISH
21	22	23	24	25

YEAR 9 MELBOURNE CAMP - MON 3RD - WED 5TH AUGUST

OUTDOOR EDUCATION SNOW TRIP - MONDAY 3RD - FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST

YEAR 10 SNOW TRIP - MONDAY 3RD - SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST

FUTURE MAKERS INCURSION - 17TH & 18TH

MUSICAL PRODUCTION WEEK - SHREK THE MUSICAL

2026 ROCK TO REEF YEAR 11 TRIP - 14TH - 28TH SEPTEMBER

2026 JAPANESE TRIP - 15TH - 29TH SEPTEMBER - TBC

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2026 ROCK TO REEF YEAR 11 TRIP - 14TH - 28TH SEPTEMBER

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



YEAR 12
ART MAKING & EXHIBITING









The Year 12 Art Making & Exhibiting class began the term taking an excursion to the Warrnambool Art Gallery and the F Project as part of their lesson on the Conservation and Care of artworks whilst on display, in transportation and storage.

We would like to thank the Education officer at the Warrnambool Art Gallery, Megan Nicolson, for her tour of the Exhibitions and Storage spaces and organizing the provision of free bus transportation to and from the gallery.

As the gallery Educator she explained the purpose of each space, described curatorial and conservation practices, demonstrated how artworks are handled and stored, interpreted the role of the collection and exhibition process, guided students through restricted areas, illustrated professional museum practices using real examples, discussed decision-making involved in caring for artworks, introduced the specialist equipment and terminology, answered the students' questions.

Students then walked to the F Project where we conducted a self guided tour of the exhibition by Harley Manifold, and compared the Conservation and Care of artworks whilst on display, in transportation and storage in an Artist run space.



Elizabeth Knight
ART & DESIGN

SWL STRUCTURED WORKPLACE LEARNING

Thank You



Jacob Hyland, Year 12
& Fletcher, Trendset Kitchens



Isabella Lobby, Year 12
& Zara, Cudgee Wildlife
with Shelia The Wombat



Tyler Anderton, Year 12
& Zac, Southwest Roofing and
Garage Doors





Leigh Giblin
SWL & DWING

FIRST AID

YEAR 11 VCE VM STUDENTS













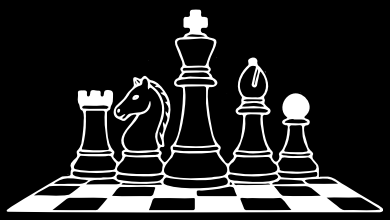


Year 11 VCE Vocational Major students successfully completed their First Aid and CPR training as part of their studies. While these nationally recognised qualifications will be a valuable addition to their resumes as they prepare for future employment, the real value lies in the confidence and skills they've gained to respond in an emergency and potentially save a life.

It was fantastic to see such strong engagement, focus and professionalism from our students throughout the day. Well done to everyone involved!
#VCEVM #FirstAid #CPR #CareerReady #FutureFocused #BrauerCollege



Russell Moody
DWING



CHESS ACADEMY

NORTHERN STAR CHESS - INTERSCHOOL ZONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Chess Tournament on Tuesday 14th July. Outstanding display of team spirit displayed by our eight players, James, Safal, Benjamin, Henry, Phon, Phat, Tessa and Xian. Mrs McCutcheon was extremely proud of they way you all conducted yourselves. Well done to you all.

The event was held at Emmanuel College hosted students from Colac, Ararat, Hamilton, Portland and all 4 Warrnambool Secondary Schools. Brauer placed 4th on the day and would like to congratulate Emmanuel College, the hosts, who are the Zonal School Champions!










Gabrielle McCutcheon
CHESS ACADEMY

SPORTS INDUSTRY PROGRAM

NETBALL LESSONS

TUESDAY 28TH JULY










Our Year 11 Sports Industry Program students introduced our Japanese exchange students to netball. It was their first time seeing and playing the game, and our students did an excellent job teaching the skills and rules.

The session finished with two fantastic games, making for a fun and memorable cultural exchange. Well done to everyone involved!



Danielle Higgins
DIRECTOR OF SPORT

SPORT @ BRAUER

School Sport VICTORIA

STATE CROSS COUNTRY









COMPETITION PATHWAY ALLOWS PROGRESSION THROUGH THREE LEVELS:

> DIVISION

> REGION

> STATE







Well done to our 9 students who represented our school brilliantly at the SSV State Cross Country Championships in Yarra Glen. These students competed against the best runners in the state on tough course. Brauer College is proud of your achievements!



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UPCOMING SPORTING EVENTS - TERM 3

- **Tuesday 8th September**
  Greater Western Region Volleyball
  Year 7 & 8

Danielle Higgins
DIRECTOR OF SPORT



COLLEGE NEWS

YEAR 10
DEAKIN IMMERSION DAY









An immersive on-campus experience providing students with key insights into university life through hands-on learning and access to innovative learning spaces to help break down common myths associated with university and accessing higher education.

Wednesday 24th June, 2026



Evelyn Pohl
ART & DESIGN

JULY 2026
JAPANESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS





This week we welcome 10 students from Fukuoka, Japan to Brauer College. The students will spend 2 weeks experiencing school life in Warrnambool.

A big thank you to the host families for taking care of them while they are here.



Brooke Gent
JAPANESE TEACHER

COLLEGE NEWS

PFA NEWS

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

TERM 2 CADBURY FUNDRAISER

The PFA would like to sincerely thank everyone in the Brauer College community who supported our Term 2 Cadbury Fundraiser by purchasing a box of chocolates or confectionery.

A special thank you goes to **Lia Kelson** (Senior School Support) for coordinating, collating and distributing all of the fundraiser boxes.

A total of 32 boxes were sold, raising more than $750.

These funds will contribute towards:

- A **$2,000 donation** for the **Class of 2026 graduation sashes**, presented to each graduating student at the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony in November.
- A **$1,200 donation** towards the **End of Year Awards** Ceremonies, providing **$200 for each year level.**

Thank you to everyone who helped make this fundraiser a success.

THANK YOU!

LOOKING AHEAD – TERMS 3 & 4

Planning is already underway for our major **Term 4 Holiday Raffle Fundraiser**. Following its outstanding success last year, we're excited to bring it back again this year.

Keep an eye on Compass and the Brauer College PFA Facebook page for more information in the coming weeks.

If you would like to assist with any of our fundraising activities or become involved with the PFA, we would love to hear from you. Please contact one of our Office Bearers or email us at brauercollege.pfa@gmail.com.

We appreciate the continued support of our Brauer College community and look forward to another successful term.

2026 PFA OFFICE BEARERS
Anna Borthwick – President
Kristy Cram – Vice President
Dianah McDonald – Secretary
Meg Mitchem – Treasurer







COMMUNITY NEWS





South West Healthcare

Consumer Experience Committee

South West Healthcare is seeking a Consumer Advisor to join its Board Consumer Experience Committee.

This committee provides advice and input to support good governance of consumer experience across the organisation. It helps guide how consumer feedback, partnership and improvement activities are considered at a committee level.

We are looking for a person who can bring:

- an interest in improving healthcare services
- an understanding of governance, including oversight, accountability and quality improvement
- a commitment to diversity, inclusion and fair access for all members of the community

We are particularly interested in hearing from people who can bring the perspective of seldom heard and underrepresented consumer groups. This is important to help ensure the committee is informed by a broad range of community voices and experiences.

This role is an opportunity to contribute to:

- oversight of consumer experience priorities
- discussion of issues that affect consumers, carers and families
- strengthening diversity and inclusion in how healthcare services are planned and improved

Submit your expression of interest by Friday 31 July 2026.

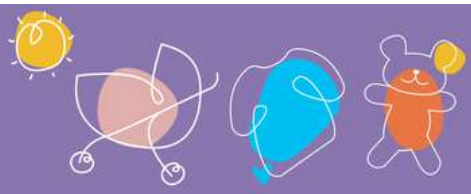
Visit **southwesthealthcare.com.au/careers-volunteers** to apply.

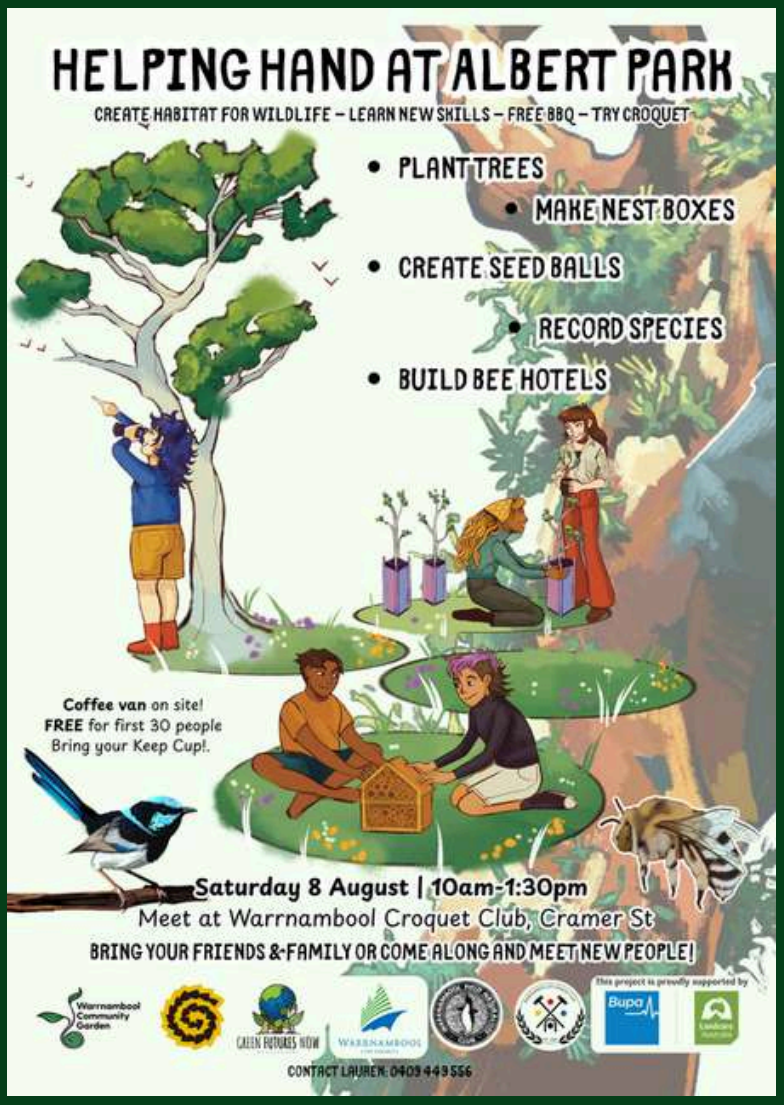
Loved & Shared

Loved & Shared is always grateful for donations of quality pre-loved children's clothing, shoes, nursery equipment, toys and books.

If your family has children's items that are no longer needed, consider donating them to help support local children and families experiencing hardship across South West Victoria.

Donations can be booked online at https://lovedandshared.org.au/book-now/. Every donation stays local and helps another child receive the essentials they need.







Warrnambool Japanese Gardens
Tree Planting Ceremony

Venue: Warrnambool Japanese Gardens

Date: Tuesday 11th August

Time: 4.00-4.30pm

Running Sheet

Time	Activity	Speaker
4.00	**Guests assemble**	Mayor Convenes Guests
4.05	**Welcome to Country – Easter Marr**	Traditional Owner
4.10	**Opening remarks and acknowledgement of guests and reflection on the Sister City relationship and the Japanese**	Mayor Ben Blain
4.15	**Brooke Altmann – Latest Miura exchange teacher sharing her experience and value of the Sister City**	Brooke Altmann
4.20	**Message from the Mayor of Miura (video or written message read on behalf)** **Japanese Consulate Message - TBC**	Mayor
4.25	**Tree planting ceremony**	Mayor & Brooke
4.25	**Ceremonial watering of the tree**	Anyone
4.30	**Group photo**	All participants
4.35	**Closing remarks**	Mayor
4.36	**Afternoon tea and garden walk**	All



The stunning conclusion to the beloved Wylah the Koorie Warrior series is coming this August! To celebrate, we're throwing a mega-party.

Kids are invited to draw, build, write, play and create their way around a series of Wylah-themed activity stations at One Day Studios, letting their imaginations lead the way.

Morning tea is provided, and books will be available for purchase and signing.

COLOURING COMPETITION

Want the chance to WIN the full Wylah collection, encased in a boxed cover personally created by author Richard Pritchard?

Pick up a colouring sheet from Collins Booksellers Warrnambool or print one of your choice. Once complete, write your name, age, and parent/guardian contact details on the back, and hand in to Collins by Saturday 1st August. The winner will be judged by the authors and announced at the event.

