



# Tarneit College Newsletter

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## **ANZAC Day Commemoration**

Barbara, Sky, Karlee, Michealine, Khaled, Ikram, Kerry and Angela were up early on ANZAC Day morning to represent TSC staff and students at the Werribee ANZAC Day Dawn Service. Each of those in attendance left with a greater appreciation for those Australians who served and died in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping missions.



## **Stage 2 Building**

As many parents will have seen when driving past the college, our Stage 2 building is progressing rapidly. We are currently ahead of schedule, which is great. Builders are getting as much work done as possible prior to winter so that they are not held up when the rain comes.



**Auditorium**



**The library**

## **Melbourne City FC & TSC**

TSC has joined forces with Melbourne City FC! Every Thursday after school, coaches from Melb City are working with students to develop their skills in leadership, teamwork and the round ball game.



### **Melbourne Storm & TSC**

TSC has also collaborated with Melbourne Storm to run a rugby & leadership program. Both these programs are designed to lead into future VET Sport & Recreation courses, which will commence in 2019 in our new stadium!

### **Wynspeak**

Yr12 students, Michealine and Aisha, represented TSC at the Wynspeak Public Speaking Competition recently. Michealine challenged us with an engaging slam poetry routine about society's obsession with social media and Aisha delivered a great speech about fast fashion and the negative effects on those who make the fashion we enjoy. Both girls spoke with passion and enthusiasm and represented the school with integrity.

### **Flying high**

Raiane and Khaled were selected to complete accelerated studies at Deakin University this year. As part of their VCE program, they are both completing a first year law subject. While the textbook may be thick, Raiane and Khaled have been flying high, receiving strong results in their first two assessments. Raiane topped her class in the first!

*"Participating in the Deakin Accelerate Program has been challenging for me, it pushes me to my academic limits. Nonetheless, that is what I enjoy the most about it. The course places a demand on critical thinking skills and has enabled me to broaden the way I perceive everyday issues. Experiencing life as a university student has taught me valuable lessons, one of the most significant being the importance of being an independent learner."*  
Raiane, Year 12



### **Keeping in touch**

We love hearing about what you are up to and we are always here to help! It has been awesome to see some TSC alumni recently and we could not be prouder of who they have become. A big thank you to Hazem, Bobby, Aimee and Shannon who helped at athletics. It was great to see Kruti, Aimee, Elkie and baby Amanuel on a recent visit.



### **Bringing theatre to Tarneit Senior College**

*'I am assuming that you both agree that the rate of extinction is out of control?'*

Year 12 VCE English students are currently studying Hannie Rayson's play *Extinction*. Set in Geelong, Cape Otways and Melbourne it forces the audience to consider whether humans should intervene to save animals from extinction and whether money should be accepted from organisations that, in part, contribute to environmental destruction. Through the lives of four characters, issues of ageism and sexism clash as each character tries to reconcile with the ethics of their choices.

Students recently watched a series of scenes performed by Eagle Nest Theatre Company.



### **Free Dental!**

TSC is collaborating with Smiles Onsite to promote healthier, happier smiles at our school! This incredible service is being offered FREE under the federal government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS), and comes along with the chance to grab some amazing prizes.

All students will be given a consent form to bring home so that they can participate, and so that they can go in the draw to win prizes!

#### **How does it work?**

The Child Dental Benefit Schedule grants all eligible parents \$1000 worth of Medicare towards dental per child, over a two-year period. Eligible parents receive a confirmation letter; however if you are still unsure, Smiles Onsite can check for you on completion of their forms.

This service is a great opportunity to get kids into the habit of good oral hygiene.

You can fill out the dental consent form for your son or daughter by inserting this link on the web browser <https://form.jotform.co/73528036340856>

Contact Smiles Onsite directly on 1800 276 453 for more info.

### **Athletics Carnival**

A heavy fog greeted us on Aths Carnival day. The sun broke through as our many gifted athletes started strutting their stuff on the track. Great performances throughout the day from many athletes made the day a great success. Well done all. Penrose House came out Champions in a close race.



### **VCAL taking a stand against food insecurity**

*Did you know that 652,000 Australians receive food relief from food bank agencies every month?*

The Intermediate VCAL students are working on the topic of food insecurity this term. In order to combat this issue, the students are growing their vegetable garden. The produce will be donated to different food banks to support the community.



### **VCAL taking a stand against waste**

*Did you know that every 10 minutes Australians throw out 6000 kilograms of clothes?*

Our Intermediate VCAL students started their business 'VCAL Thrift Shop' this term to reduce fashion wastage. The concept of our business is to recycle fashion instead of throwing old clothes away. The students will source clothing donations as well as wash and organise them. TSC students will then bring an item of clothing that they want to swap for another piece of clothing from the thrift shop, and put in a gold coin donation. All money raised will be donated to a local charity.



### **VCAL Live on air**

This term our VCAL intermediate students visited SYN FM in Carlton, where they were able to experience what it was like to collectively coordinate their own radio program. Students will use their newly acquired radio knowledge to create and present their own digital program that will be accessible via our Tarneit radio website. Stay tuned!



### **Careers & Pathways excursion - Making a difference - Aisha W**

We kicked off the excursion participating in Clean Up Australia Day, picking up rubbish around the neighbourhood. The highlight of the day however was definitely the nursing home visit. The nurses kindly organised activities for the students and the residents to do together. Our wood tech skills were put to the test as we had to sand, varnish and paint; helping the elders on a project, they have been working on. I'll truly never forget this excursion, as I was able to interact and converse with many different and experienced people who were born, or grew up, in the prime decades of our history. People such as George, a retired pharmacist who had a bottomless bucket of wisdom and laughter to share. Currently we tend to forget about the elders but this nursing home visit taught me just how special senior citizens are to our society and I would love to visit again.

### **Student Voice out and about**

Our Student Voice group is an opportunity for students to develop their leadership skills, have a say in school issues, and participate in and develop projects and activities that they believe would benefit the school and the broader community. This term, students have been busy representing the school in three fantastic community activities.

### **Metropolitan Youth Forum**

Mega P and Aisha recently attended the Metropolitan Youth Forum and shared their views on infrastructure and policy plans for the Melbourne metro region. The girls networked with local and state politicians, community members and other young people passionate about the future of Melbourne.

### **Rotary in Action**

Ruweyda and Raiane attended a Rotary in Action brunch event. They heard from local Rotary members and were able to speak to many representatives doing great work in the community.

### **Youth Parliament**

Year 12 students Raiane, Agnes, Jumess, Khaled, Arpandee and Aisha have been selected to represent TSC at the 2018 YMCA Youth Parliament. The group has received full sponsorship for the program, which will see them develop, write and eventually present and debate a bill on the floors of State Parliament in July. These students have been working hard on their bill, which aims to make rooftop gardens compulsory in the CBD to benefit the environment and urban aesthetic. We wish them luck on their road to Parliament!



### **Work Experience reflection - Raiane**

During the second week of our holidays, I was fortunate enough to do work experience with a criminal defence barrister. It was a spectacular experience for me especially as I aspire to one-day hold the same career title. I was able to see first-hand what a week in my life could potentially be like in 10 years' time. Many things were put into perspective for me and I now have a sense of career direction. I met many like-minded individuals, made new contacts and attained a referral letter, which will benefit me in the near future. I am extremely fortunate to have had this opportunity. I was able to work with and meet Amanda through networking and actually putting myself out in the professional environments, which interest me the most. Through going to the courts last year several times during school holidays I was able to meet many lawyers and get their contacts which is highly beneficial, this has served to teach me how important it actually is to get out there and get involved in everything I possibly can.