



## From the Principal



### Staffing Update

Jamin Lee will be in the role of Deputy Principal this term whilst Sue Dobrowolski is on leave. New teacher Jamie Maniero will pick up Jamin's counsellor commitments along with other classroom duties. I would also welcome back Joe Scalzi who will take our Ice Factor students each Thursday.

### Future Schools Alliance

Valley View Secondary School is to undertake a journey of school transformation. It is my pleasure to announce that we have recently become a member of the Future Schools Alliance (FSA).

The Future Schools Alliance is a group of like-minded member schools, committed to significantly improving the lives of young people around the world by transforming an education system which was designed on a batch-processing factory model to meet the needs of the Industrial Revolution more than 200 years ago.

Based on proven methodologies and supported by the latest research the FSA provides guidance and professional support to School Leadership Teams on the specifics of HOW to transform existing well functioning schools into unique, future focused learning communities. The collaborative process is guided by current and former Principals, themselves experienced in the implementation of successful innovation in schools, with the aim of genuinely equipping all students for times of exponential change. Naturally, each school retains full autonomy for how it operates and any changes will only take place after broad consultation.

**Future Schools** focus on the uniqueness of the individual living within their community. The school draws on the strength of the family and broader communities to support each student to explore and grow their skills, talents, interests and passions. The flexible and relaxed learning environment focuses on learning-by-doing, creating and contributing. It fosters attitudes of questioning, enquiry, creativity, self discovery, and a genuine, lifelong love of learning.



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## Diary Dates

### Term 2

**Tuesday 15 May—Thursday 17 May**  
NAPLAN

### **Friday 25 May**

Careers & Employment Expo  
Year 10/11/12  
Year 8 Boys 5-a-side Soccer

**Monday 27 May—Friday 3 June**  
Reconciliation Week

### **Wednesday 30 May**

ADF Presentation Year 10/11  
Finance Meeting 6:00pm  
Governing Council Meeting 7:00pm

### **Wednesday 6 June**

White Card Training—Year 11/12

**Wednesday 6 June—Friday 8 June**  
SAASTA—Aboriginal Power Cup

### **Monday 11 June**

**Public Holiday—Queens Birthday**

### **Wednesday 13 June**

SACE Aboriginal Student Pathway  
Conference

### **Sunday 17 June**

Pedal Prix Race 1—Victoria Park

### **Wednesday 20 June**

Finance Meeting 6:00pm  
Governing Council Meeting 7:00pm

### **Friday 6 July**

Last day of Term 2  
Early dismissal 2:05pm

### Reporting Student Absence

If your child is absent from school please contact Valley View Secondary School on 8360 6111 before 9am to let us know a reason for the absence. If your child is marked unexplained for Homegroup and we have not been notified, a text message will be sent to the first Parent/Caregiver's mobile number as recorded in our student database. This text message can only be replied to within 24 hours before the number is deactivated. Please use the student diary for signing students in late or leaving early from school and please contact the front office to complete an Exemption Form if your child/ren will be absent for more than 5 consecutive days.

### Term Dates—2018

Term 1	29th January—13th April
Term 2	30th April—6th July
Term 3	23rd July—28th September
Term 4	15th October—14th December

### House Points (update)

Yellow	2068
Blue	1907
Red	1797
Green	1404

# From the Principal (cont)

## School Car

I would sincerely like to thank Steve Metcalf, General Manager from Stillwell Hyundai at Ingle Farm for their generous donation of a car to enable students to learn various aspects of mechanics and maintenance. We are as yet to decide the process of this student learning however this learning opportunity is a part of our school transformation.

## School Canteen

We are in the process of opening our school canteen from the beginning of next term. I believe not having a school canteen leaves a significant hole in the forming of community. Food can unite people and by opening up there is a fantastic opportunity to start a student run canteen in time. Students who wish to learn all aspects of a catering operation may assist them in achieving a tertiary qualification.

Applications for the canteen manager's position will open soon.



**Greg Cox**  
Principal

# Premier's Reading Challenge



All Year 8 and 9 Valley View Secondary School students have been registered to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge. The cut-off date to complete the reading of their books is September 6<sup>th</sup>. Please encourage your child to read at home, especially if you have concerns about the amount of homework they are completing.



Research is very clear, the quality and skill of a student's writing is directly related to their reading. If you want to be a better writer, you should become a more avid reader. Furthermore, research additionally shows that the best predictor of success in Year 12 is Year 9 Literacy levels. To support these later outcomes, encourage your child to read now.

**Ms Jessica Macdonald**  
Whole School Literacy / English Learning Area  
Year 9 Coordinator

# International Student



My experience at Valley View Secondary School over the last 2 months has been really amazing. I met many people of different cultures. I have made strong friendships with many of my classmates. During these months teachers, classmates and school staff supported me, which really boosted my confidence and helped me to adapt easily. My experience was very different to that I was accustomed too. The stay in this school allowed me to develop my academic, cognitive and physical ability, something that I will never forget.

**Ailin Villagran Saez**  
Year 11 Student



# Year 9 Science



As part of the Year 9 Science biological science topic Ms Anzellotti's and Ms Mitchell's classes participated in a heart dissection practical. Within the practical students were asked to identify different parts for the heart, including ventricles, arteries, veins, valves and heart strings.

**Ms Nakita Anzellotti  
Ms Nicole Mitchell  
Science Teachers**

It was awesome to see the inside of the heart and understand how it works.

**Lathan McNicholl  
Year 9 Student**



# Senior Boys Basketball

On Friday 4 May, our Senior Boys Basketball squad played in a NE Vista competition for the school. Being a 16 team competition it was a long day for the boys and was always going to present a challenge as Modbury High School being renowned for their basketball usually make it a tough outing for all. The first game against Banksia Park International High School was tough but we managed a win 27-22, then 2 more wins against Modbury High School and Prescott College. The lads were on a roll, into our 1<sup>st</sup> semi-final but then lost to Charles Campbell College 24-18. We played off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and had a good win against Prescott College 17-26. Our boys showed real spirit all day and never gave up. Overall a good effort by our boys coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in Division 2 and they behaved like true sportsmen and acknowledged their opposition for a great day. Well done boys.



**Mr Claude Miller  
HPE Teacher**

# Pedal Prix

The Victoria Park race in Adelaide is fast approaching and students both riders and pit crew are very excited to participate in the event. Upgrades and paintwork have slowly been added to get the vehicle ready for race day. Students will be training twice a week to help increase their fitness. We encourage anyone that is interested to come along and support the Viper Racing Team at our first race on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> of June.

We are also seeking out any businesses or organisations interested in sponsoring our team for 2018. If you would like more details please contact Ms Danielle Fattori at Valley View Secondary School.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsor, Auto One.

**Ms Danielle Fattori  
Team Manager**



## ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!

**STARTS MONDAY  
ART & MEDIA CLUBS**



**1st Meeting:**  
Monday 14th May,  
Lunchtime 12.50pm in the  
Visual Art room.

The Valley View  
Secondary School is  
starting a Visual Art Club.

### STARTS TERM 2

We are looking for an elected student  
committee to run the club in conjunction  
with the Visual Art Faculty.

At this early stage, we have received  
positive feedback on how, when, why,  
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