



Welcome to Term 2!



A BEAUTIFUL RAINBOW WELCOMED STUDENTS BACK TO TERM 2!

Outdoor Education - Forrest to Apollo Bay Bike ride



Rock Stars & Band Bash



Wednesday 27 March



What's On

DATE	EVENT
Tue 30 Apr	Cross Country (Years 3-11)
Wed 1 May	International Trip 2025 (7pm info session)
Thu 2 May	VCE Top Design Excursion, Melbourne
Mon 6 May	Visiting Jazz band
Tue 7 May	School Photos
Fri 10 May	Junior Cross Country, Colac (for qualifiers)
13-17 May	Book Fair week
Wed 22 May	Bee Day
Thu 30 May	Y7/8 Girls Netball/Boys Footy, Colac
Fri 31 May	Student Free Day (report writing)
Thu 6 Jun	Y5/6 Soccer, Colac
Mon 10 Jun	King's Birthday Public Holiday (no school)
Fri 14 Jun	Y5/6 Girls Netball/Boys Footy, Colac
Mon 17 Jun	Year 9 Careers Interviews
Tue 18 Jun	GAT exam
17-21 Jun	Year 10 Work Experience
Fri 28 Jun	Last Day of Term (school finishes @ 1:30pm)

Cradle Mountain 2024



"Apollo Bay P-12 College acknowledges the Aboriginal community, their ancestors, elders and families here in Gadabanud country. We strive to include our whole school community in our quest to learn about, understand and respect the traditions and culture of Indigenous Australians."



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From the
Principal



Principal's Report

Term 2 - Week 2 | Fri 26 April 2024

We are already at the end of Week 2 and winter looks like it is about to arrive. I would like to firstly congratulate all the students who were involved in the Anzac Day service, they all did a fantastic job of representing the College. I would like to highlight the outstanding job that both Lyra Philp and Mae Thomas did in reading the ANZAC requiem.

This week we hosted students from both Trinity College and Colac Secondary College for the Big Band Workshop including representatives from Yamaha. The students enjoyed two hours of intensive workshop practice before combining as one large band. Later in the afternoon the junior students and families enjoyed an outstanding performance. I would like to thank Kate Doherty for her continued leadership of the band program together with Patrick Liederbach and Susan Nicholls for their support of the program.

A group of students from Year 5-10 were lucky enough to participate in a Graphic Novel Workshop earlier this week organised by Sue Gillet our Librarian and facilitated by local author Isobel Carmody. The students enjoyed having their creative writing skills extended and also developing their own cartoon strip.

Outdoor education continues to be a large part of our education program at Apollo Bay P-12 College. In the last week of the school holidays, Darren Gill took the Year 12 OE students to Cradle Mountain to complete the world-famous Overland Track. For the second year in a row, the students were unfortunately not blessed with a great deal of sunshine but all enjoyed the experience. Meanwhile, the Year 11 OE class undertook a short bike camp travelling between Forrest and Apollo Bay through the Otways last week. Again the weather wasn't great but I would like to thank Pat Liederbach, Nic Lister and Meg Arthur for giving up their time to provide this opportunity.

The first two weeks have also seen a number of senior students representing the College in athletics events. Teyvia Williams travelled to Adelaide as part of the Victorian team to compete in several middle distance events coming second in the steeplechase event, improving her personal best by over 30s which is an amazing achievement.

A group of 20 students also travelled to Colac on Wednesday 17 April with many winning their events and moving on to the next level of competition. Next week, the school cross country will take place at the Marengo Reserve and I look forward to seeing a high level of participation again this year.

On Wednesday night we also held a successful Senior School Formal, with all the students looking great all dressed up in their suits and dresses. I would like to thank all the staff who gave up their time to allow this event to take place. I would also like to thank Carla and Adam Marshall for their catering of the event.

Finally, I would like to thank all the parents who attended the recent Parent Teacher Interviews; it was the highest level of participation in several years. School photos are happening in a couple of weeks on Tuesday 7 May so please ensure that you have ordered and paid online before this time.

Brian Humphries
Principal
Apollo Bay P-12 College

Wednesday 22nd May
gold coin donation

WORLD BEE DAY

Dress up in bee theme (if you wish!)

- honey baked snacks for sale
- free face painting
- \$1 candles made by beekeeping students

Scholastic BOOK FAIR

Save The Date
May 13 - 17, 2024
display in Library

Band Bash & Dress-Up



Students enjoyed the lunch time entertainment on the last day of Term 1. The crowd loved it!



Outdoor Education Bike Ride

Unit 1 & 2 Outdoor Education students took part in a bike ride through the Otways on Thursday 18 April. The group rode from Forrest to Apollo Bay in wet weather conditions, but they kept in good spirits. Well done team!



Surfing Elective





Dress like a Music Star!



27 March



Teyvia at Nationals

I am so happy with how this year's Nationals went not just because of the results but it was also lots of fun. Over the week we were in Adelaide I competed in four races which was so exciting because I had not expected to make the final of the 800m. I had to run a personal best to make it into the final and that was one of the most exciting parts of the week because I had not ran a personal best in over two years. The other racing highlight was my silver medal in the steeplechase, it was such a fun race and I could not believe it when I crossed the line. This competition meant so much after a very up and down season and I am so happy my training paid off -- **Teyvia Williams** --



Horsham Swimming

Well done to students who travelled to Horsham on Friday 22 March to compete in the regional swimming events. Special mention to Jonas Murnane on coming 4th in his Butterfly event and to Lila Grocott who finished 3rd in the Individual Medley.



Senior Athletics Colac

The Secondary School Athletics team travelled to Colac for the Coastal Athletics Carnival. As a team we competed fiercely, with all athletes putting their best foot forward and cheering on their peers in each event. Placing results from the day:

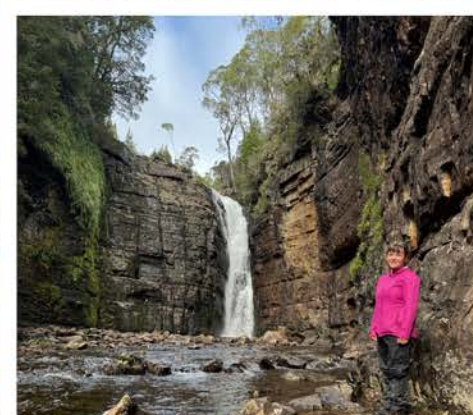
- **Georgia Reif** - 1st discus & long jump; 2nd 400m
- **Noah Newton** - 3rd triple jump
- **Daisy Thomas** - 2nd 800m
- **Tadhg Healey** - 3rd 800m & 200m
- **Kelsy Sandford** - 1st discus
- **Zoey Williamson** - 1st 800m & 2nd 1500m
- **Tayla Bertrand** - 2nd shot put
- **Aron Shields** - 1st shot put & discus
- **Chloe Howell** - 2nd high jump



Cradle Mountain 2024



Another Overland trip completed. Four students braved the wet conditions in Tassie, walking 85km over 6 days. The sun poked its head out for two afternoons, which was much enjoyed. Setting and packing up wet tents was quite amusing (not for students) as was watching water drip off sleeping mats or hearing "Gilly, there is a lake in my tent"! Charlie and Clancy were able to make friends with the wildlife - true mini Irwin's when Charlie decided a possum was good for warmth by having it take a nap on top of him during the night (hint, don't leave your tent door unzipped). More seriously, students did a fantastic job in tough conditions and have certainly learnt how to persist when the world around you isn't quite what you'd like it to be! Many thanks to parents who supported their child in participating in this adventure.



Study Group is Back!



I guess all this yummy food means that **Study Group is back!!!**

What's the link between food and study? Well... I'm glad you asked.

1. In 2022, a study of over 46,000 adolescents from 42 countries confirmed what everyone already knew: eating more healthy foods (fruits and vegetables) and fewer soft drinks and sugary sweets meant that kids had better cognitive, emotional and physical development and better academic performance.
2. Having a culture where sitting together, sharing food and engaging in study are all relaxed, positive, productive and supportive experiences is one thing we know will ensure the long term success of our Study Group. So come along... enjoy some good food with good people, get stuff done and develop habits that will lead to success.
3. As a little side note: the same study found that sitting down to family meals also leads to greater school performance and a better experience at school!

Come along – every Wednesday, immediately after school until 4pm.

Graphic Novel Workshop



On Wednesday 24 April a mix of students from years 5 to 10 grabbed their scissors, glue sticks and pencils and created works of art (in progress) under the direction of the award-winning author **Isobel Carmody**. Isobel talked to us about how to combine collage and character drawings to produce picture panels that have a story arc. She showed us rough sketches of her beloved "Little Fur", an established character in her novels who is going to become a graphic novel character as well. Apollo Bay is Isobel's hometown and she hopes to be back later in the year to offer us a longer workshop. The free workshop was arranged by the Apollo Bay Library. We thank the Library and Isobel for their generosity.



Ambulance Station Visit



Students from Prep.1.2 enjoyed a visit to the local ambulance station on 21 March. A big thank you to the Damien and crew for facilitating the visit.

21 March 2024





Year 8/9 landscape paintings inspired by local artist Danni Sandford - we thank Danni for giving up her time and ideas.



ART

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Year 5/6 animal portrait sculptures.

Howard Arkley inspired clay houses by Year 5/6



Preps and Year 4 had a go with some ANZAC Day wreaths - we don't do much intentional finger painting so it's usually a hit!



Lest We Forget - poppy artworks by Year 2



Big Band Workshop



Instrumental band students from **Apollo Bay, Trinity** and **Colac Secondary College** participated in a combined school's band workshop day at Apollo Bay P-12 College on Tuesday 23 April. There were over 60 students at the workshop along with 6 staff, 2 parent / community helpers and 4 representatives from Yamaha. We workshopped 4 new songs; *1812 Overture*, *Viva La Vida*, *We Know the Way* and a new crowd favourite, *YMCA*. Throughout the day the students participated in whole band rehearsals, tutorial sectionals and a delicious morning tea catered by our fabulous parents.

The day concluded with an afternoon concert to students and parents in the Leisure Centre where we played 11 tunes, the favourite being *Viva*, *Sweet Caroline* and *Star Wars*. Many thanks go to the wonderful musical support I had on the day from the team at Apollo Bay - **Pat Liederbach**, **Darren Whitwell** and **Susan Nicholls** and from our visiting staff **Kelly Kerr** (Trinity College) and **Penny Serle** (CSC) along with parent support from **Raelene Hyatt** and retired MSO French Horn teacher **Russ Davies** from Simpson. Special thanks also to our 4 dedicated Yamaha representatives; **Mathew Taylor**, **Leigh Olsson**, **Jamie Goff** and **Dan Byrne** who travelled all the way from Melbourne for the day and offered us their expertise, support and kind donations for the band raffle as well as restocking our brass supplies and reskinning and tuning our Yamaha drum kit for us! Thanks once again go to the wonderful parents who sent along such an amazing morning tea to share and for attending our first performance for 2024. We certainly did not go hungry!

To my amazing band captains **Sasha Hyatt** and **Ella Boyd**, thank you for your help with organising the day and for running the presentations and music raffle. Finally, my biggest thanks go to our very talented Apollo Bay musicians. We worked you really hard at the workshop and the music was very challenging, especially when you were playing the same music as Year 9-11 students from Trinity. I applaud those new students who were brave enough to join in for the first time and give their best even though I know you were very nervous. Our new songs already sound amazing and I thank our school community for getting behind us - you brought the house down with your applause. THANK YOU! Well done Big Band. CONGRATULATIONS!

Kathryn Doherty | Music Band Director/Instrumental Teacher



Big Band Workshop



Senior Formal



Senior Formal



2024

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- 3 Enter your Access Key



 Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

How to Order Family Photos

Family / Sibling photos **must** be pre-ordered online **by 4:30pm on Monday 6 May** using the Access Key above.

Families will be unable to order a family / sibling photo after this time.

Apollo Bay Youth Art Group

3.30pm to 5pm Wednesdays

Cost: \$65 (includes 8 sessions in Term 2)

at Marrar Woon Neighbourhood House

1 May to 19 June

for students in Grade 6 to Year 12

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