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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Mrs Debbie Fieldwick

Welcome to our first Newsletter for 2020. It is always a little bit scary for our year 7 students as they settle into high school, however this group of year 7 students have settled very well. The year 7 staff have been working hard to get to know them and help them to feel supported in their new school. I have enjoyed catching up with so many of our returning students over the last few weeks and seeing just how much they have grown. Exciting times are ahead for our year 10 students who are beginning to attend interviews for their workplaces this year. We all remember so clearly when they were our year 7 students!

This term we have welcomed a new staff member, a year 10 teacher, Miss Fieldwick. We are also, sadly, saying a farewell to Mrs McGrath, an Education Assistant who has been at our school for over 15 years. Mrs Gillian McGrath is retiring and we wish her all the best in all her future adventures beyond her time at our school. We also said a sudden, but equally sad, farewell to Mrs Jayde Halls who has been a teacher with us since May 2011. Mrs Halls was offered an exciting opportunity in another school and we wish her all the best in her new role. We welcome back Mrs Doorn who has returned from her Long Service Leave. Mrs Doorn will resume her Principal role on Wednesdays.

We have had a productive start already introducing our revised Positive Behaviour Program to students with new posters displayed across the school. (See below). Our new CALM mornings initiative has also been implemented and has already made a difference to classroom tone in the mornings. Students are now appointed mentors from our class staff teams and these staff members individually check in with them each morning as part of our CALM routine. We are also welcoming Wednesday morning visits from Jodie Toy and Charlie an Assistance Dog who assists students with all aspects of their schooling. The **Working With Charlie Program** is a fun and unique program that supports students with their social, emotional, behavioural and communication skills.

There has been loads of camp planning happening behind the scenes for our Year 8, 9 & 10 school camp at Point Peron. Our year 7 students will be enjoying a day camp with their class team. Camp is happening in week 2 of term 2. We will celebrate Harmony Day on Friday 20th March and I look forward to the students and staff sharing their family cultures. Celebrating diversity and sampling foods from many cultures should make for a lovely day.



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	We CARE about each other	We have COURAGE to do our best	We show COMMITMENT to sustainability
School Rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep hands, feet and objects to ourselves. (HFO) Use courteous language (CL) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow staff instructions (FSI) Stay on task with your learning (OT) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear the school uniform (SU)
In The Classroom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mobile phone off and away Be kind and considerate to others Be Punctual & plan my time well Contribute to class discussions Listen to instructions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attempt hard work before asking for help Persist with difficult tasks Strive towards achieving goals Do my best in all areas of work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have equipment ready for the lesson Put things away Consider sustainability when using resources.
In & Around School Grounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be kind and considerate to others Work well with others Resolve disagreements peacefully Make new friends Help others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay in school boundaries Be respectful of others rights to learn Mobile phone off and away. Follow school rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice sustainability in the environment Show care for the school chickens Put your rubbish in the appropriate bin Move around the school respectfully and safely
In Our Community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be kind and considerate to community members Represent our school confidently 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow the rules and expectations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect the values and ethos of your school
As A Digital Citizen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Show respect to others online Use social media appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report inappropriate use of social media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow school protocols when using ICT Follow PED Policy (Portable Electronic Devices)

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Year 7 with Dr. Enoma

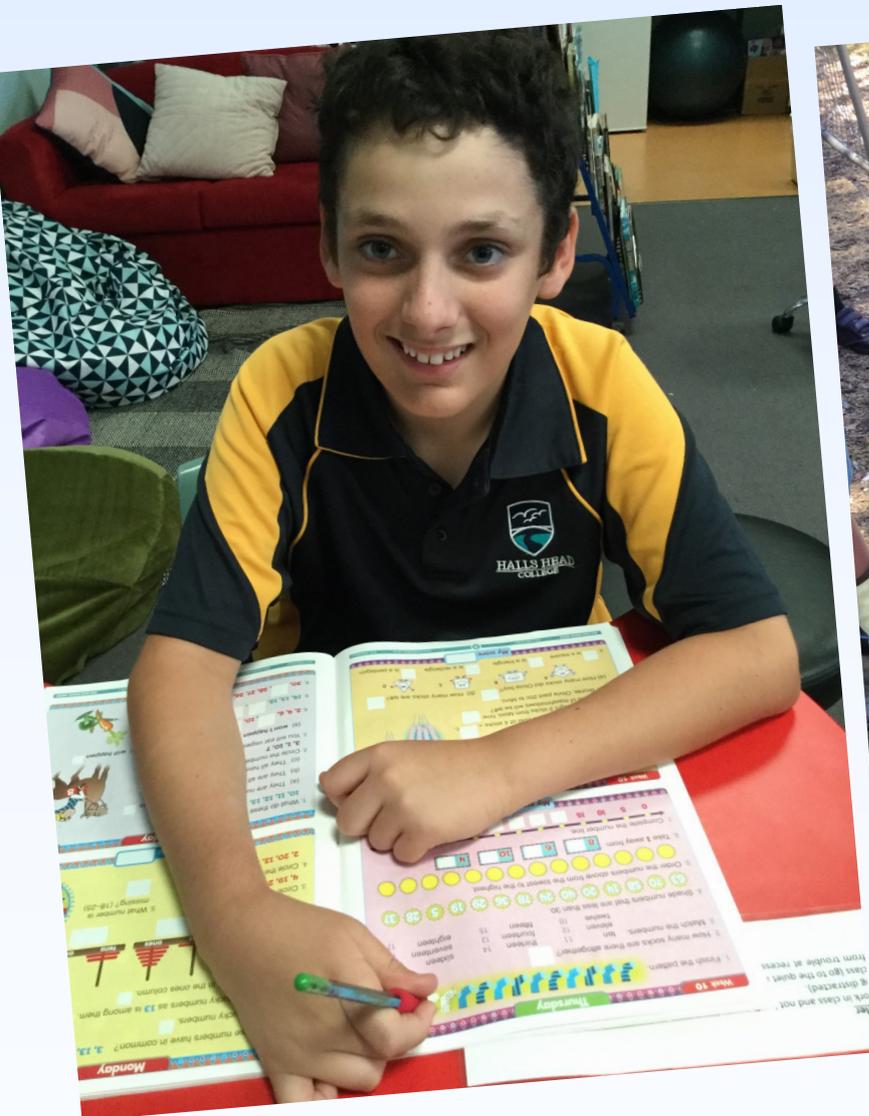
Our Year 7 Team, Dr. Enoma (Teacher), Mrs Dean, Mrs Verdon, Ms Cavanagh and Mrs Turner are delighted to see how well the Year 7 students have settled into their new environment. We are mindful and respectful of all the changes students have to navigate when transitioning from Primary to Secondary School. Many are making new friends and finding their way around the school with staff support.

Our class is focusing on different positive aspects each week as our class theme. In week 4 the focus was on 'smiling' and in week 5 it was 'be kind'. All the students have a shared goal of 'emotional self regulation and self control' which they are working on.

Our daily points system encourages the students to meet our behaviour expectations such as — Acceptable language, Keeping hands, feet and objects to yourself, Emotional regulation and Being a good student, both in and outside the classrooms. Students receive points for each of our five behaviour areas during each period of the day including recess and lunch. Rewards include icy poles, freetime (daily), receiving a blue key and 'Student of the Week' canteen voucher (weekly).

We are all looking forward to our first excursion of the year on Friday 3rd April — an adventure on the Pirate Ship and some lunch on the Mandurah foreshore. Letters with more information will be coming home soon.

Our school staff are looking forward to meeting the parents of our students on Wednesday this week, 11th March at 1.30pm. Please sign in at the ESC



Year 8/9.1

with Mr Barker

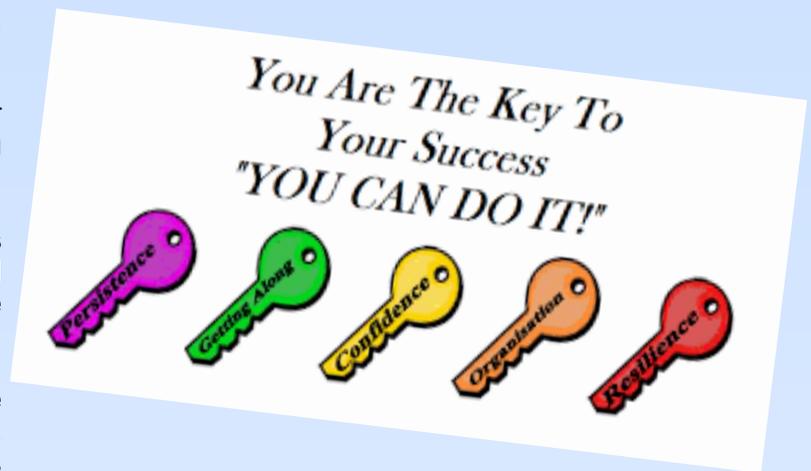
Welcome to our Year 8/9.1 class. Our team this year is Mr Barker (Teacher), Mrs Tindale, Mrs McColl and Mrs Kennedy.

We've had a very busy start to 2020 with our class theme being Media orientated, covering areas of technology and social media.

All students are working hard to achieve our focus goal of 'Getting Along' by encouraging and supporting each other. We are also following the 'You Can Do It' program.

The class has been learning how to use technology with confidence and independence. We are all looking forward to making some films in the near future.

Exciting upcoming activities include going on an excursion and celebrating special dates on the calendar, like the Chinese New Year and St. Patrick's Day.



Year 8/9.2

with Mrs Enoma

The theme in our classroom this term is 'The Academia' - Literacy and Math wiz.

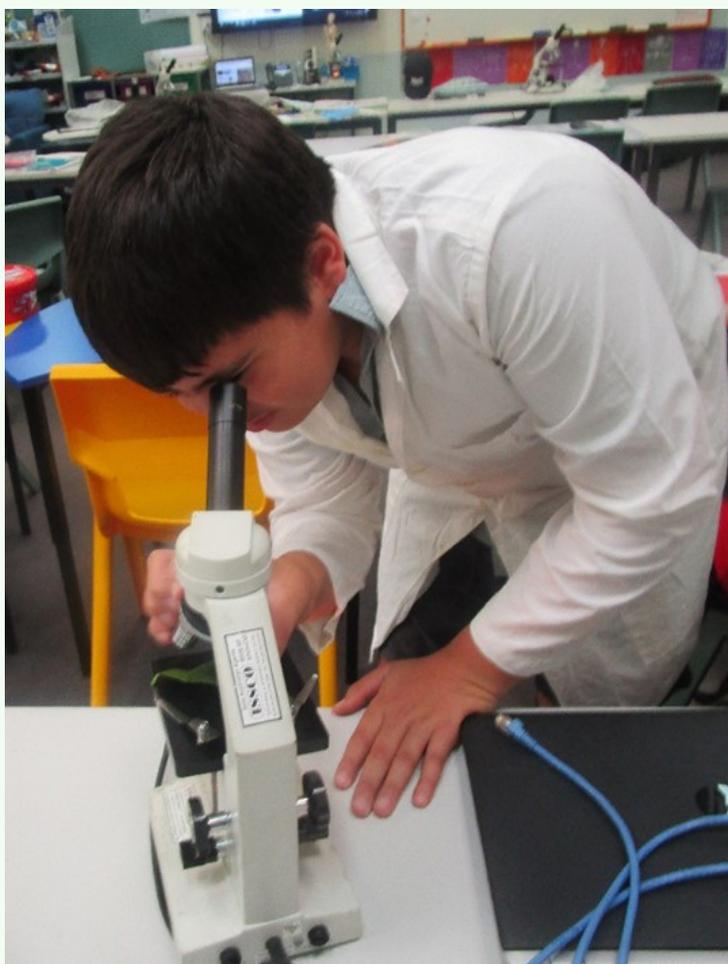
Our students are enjoying solving challenging maths problems and reading various books and completing creative writing. Students are studying all the times tables from 1 to 12, developing text comprehension, and completing their own Vision Board of their future job.

The Year 9 students really enjoyed the Science investigation — dissecting chicken wings and identifying the tendons, muscles, joints and cartilage. Whilst, the Year 8 students viewed onion cells using the microscope.

Students achieving skills in the 'You Can Do It' program (Getting Along, Confidence, Resilience, Organisation and Persistence) and being nominated as 'Student of the Week' are able to chose a reward from the class prize box.

We are all looking forward to a Team Building excursion at the end of term — further details to be forwarded to parents soon.

Staff supporting your student in our class are Mrs Rhodes, Mrs Wilson, Miss Graham and Mrs Hughes.



Year 10.1

with Mrs Hodge

Our Year 10.1 class team is Mrs Hodge (teacher), Ms Randall, Mrs McQualter, Ms Jelleff and Mrs Smith.

Our class theme is focused on 'Work Readiness and preparing for adult life'.

Students are working towards participation in end of term activities. On a daily basis they are encouraged to acknowledge intrinsic reward for the work they do and the skills they develop. We also implement the 'Keys for Success' system and encourage personal growth and responsibility.

All students work through their program and are provided with down time where they can share a hot or cold drink and time for cooperative play with the use of games and music.

The students have adjusted very well to the Year 10 learning environment and have shown great maturity in developing learning skills that see them achieve success. In Maths, students are starting to look at how we get money and budgeting. In English, they have begun the initial set up of a personal resume which they will update as the year progresses and they participate in Work Place Learning (WPL). They have also been brainstorming ideas of how the interview process looks in preparation for their WPL employer interviews.

Students and staff are looking forward to camp and starting their work placements in term 2. An end of term corporate day activity is currently being planned and further information will be sent home closer to the date.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

It is important that students are at school each day and arrive on time so that they receive full educational benefit from the programs we provide and have continuity of learning.

If your child is absent from school **it is essential that you inform us before or on the day of absence** either by email to HallsHead.CESC@education.wa.edu.au, by phoning our school office on 9581 0613, or by SMS to 0437 514 507.

For email or text messages, we need to know who you are, who your child is, an explanation for the absence and when we can expect your child back at school. Usually a brief explanation will suffice, although we may ask for more details if we feel it is necessary.

Absence should always be for a genuine reason. If we do not hear from you we will follow up your child's absence by contacting you. Please ensure that your contact numbers are always kept up to date. It is an important administration function keeping track of our students, and you can help assure us that our students are safe each day by promptly advising the school of any absences.

Year 10.2

with Miss Fieldwick

We have enjoyed a very positive start to the year with our senior students setting a great example for new students. We've had Charlie the therapy dog visiting our class where we also heard from his trainer Jodie about how to interact with him.

The Business Enterprise students have completed their advertising for their enterprise and have already started selling coffee to staff with fantastic reviews.

Students are planning and writing healthy meal plans in Health classes and are looking forward to the shopping excursion later this term when they purchase their chosen ingredients and are able to cook up a storm in the Life Skills room.

Our Eco-Leader students have been planning and prepping and are looking forward to their Friday excursions out in the local community.

Staff supporting your child in our class are: Ms Baker, Mrs Sharratt, Mrs Furr and Ms Gallagher.



CALM MORNINGS AND MENTORING

In 2020 our school has introduced CALM Mornings and Mentoring. The idea is for a very calm start to the day for all students and staff.

- 8.30am to 8.35am - **C** - Check in — Mentors check in with students in very small groups
- 8.35am to 8.45am - **A** - Advocacy — Mentors support students to problem solve, set and reflect on goals
- 8.45am to 8.50am - **L** - Learning — Teacher presents/reinforces YCDI focus or virtue
- 8.50am to 9.00am - **M** - Classroom based mindfulness activities ie: meditation

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Term dates for students 2020

Term 1: 03.02.2020 — 09.04.2020
Term 2: 29.04.2020 — 03.07.2020
Term 3: 21.07.2020 — 25.09.2020
Term 4: 12.10.2020 — 17.12.2020

Pupil Free Days

Term 1: 30th & 31st January 2020
Term 2: Tuesday 28th April 2020
Term 3: Monday 20th July 2020
Term 4: Friday 27th November 2020 and
Friday 19th December 2020

Assemblies

Term 1: Thursday 26th March 2020 8.30am — 10.00am (Week 8)
Term 2: Thursday 18th June 2020 8.30am — 10.00am (Week 8)
Term 3: Thursday 3rd September 2020 — Literacy Assembly — Time TBC (Week 7)
Term 4: Thursday 10th December 2020 — HHC & ESC Final Assembly — 8.30am—10.30am (Week 9) TBC
Term 4: Tuesday 15th December 2020 — Year 10 Farewell Assembly — (Week 10)

School Board Meetings — all meetings are on a Monday at 5.30pm

Term 1: 09.03.2020
Term 2: 25.05.2020
Term 3: 17.07.2020
Term 4: 03.11.2020

P & C Meetings — all meetings are on a Tuesday at 5.30pm

Term 1: 11.02.2020 & 10.03.2020
Term 2: 05.05.2020 & 02.06.2020
Term 3: 28.07.2020 & 25.08.2020
Term 4: 20.10.2020 & 17.11.2020

Year 7 Vaccinations

Term 1: 26.02.2020 and 27.02.2020
Term 3: 02.09.2020 and 03.09.2020

Year 10 Vaccinations

Term 2: 17.06.2020 and 18.06.2020

School Photos

Term 2: 25.06.2020

School Camp — Year 8, 9 & 10 students

Term 2: 6th, 7th & 8th May 2020

Contributions and Charges Stationery Lists Uniforms

All parents would have received their Contribution and Charges and Stationery Lists, together with the Uniform information.

Please note: The Education Support Centre office is open for payments and completion of the Education Program Allowance claim forms during school hours — 8.00am to 4.00pm. If payment of your child's account cannot be made in full, a time payment plan must be arranged at the schools' front office.

Education Program Allowance applications close on 9th April 2020. Only the holder of a current pension/concession card can apply in person for the Education Program Allowance (EPA). The EPA provides \$235.00 towards school contributions and charges (paid directly to the school) plus \$115.00 clothing allowance (paid directly to parents).

Uniforms

Matrix Uniforms are open on Tuesdays from 7.30am to 10.30am and Thursdays from 1.30pm to 4.30pm. They can be contacted on Phone No: 0434 211 596 or by email sales@matrixuniforms.com.au

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WHOLE SCHOOL		YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
January	27 Australia Day Holiday	28 Admin & SSS Start date	29	30 SSD Teachers & EA Start date	31 SSD	1/2
1 February	3 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	4	5	6	7	8/9
2	10	11 P & C	12	13 Work readiness excursion Yr 9 @ JTCEC	14	15/16
3	17	18 HorsePower	19	20 Yr 9 @ JTCEC	21 Eco-Leaders	22/23
4	24	25 HorsePower	26 Yr7 Vaccinations	27 Yr7 Vaccinations Yr 9 @ JTCEC	28 Eco-Leaders	29/1
5 March	2 Labour Day	3 HorsePower	4	5 Yr 9 @ JTCEC	6 Eco-Leaders	7/8
6	9 SCHOOL BOARD	10 HorsePower P & C AGM	11 Yr7 Parent session	12 Yr 9 @ JTCEC	13 Eco-Leaders	14/15
7	16	17 Student Leader Elections HorsePower	18	19 Cleanaway- Incursion Yr 9 @ JTCEC	20 Harmony Day Eco-Leaders	21/22
8	23	24 HorsePower Police school talk	25 Camp info session 4pm-5pm	26 ESC Assembly 8.30am-10am Yr 9 @ JTCEC	27 Eco-Leaders	28/29
9	30 Yr 10.1—Coles	31 HorsePower	1	2 First Aid Training Yr 9 @ JTCEC	3 Yr 7 Pirate Ship	4/5
10	6 Yr 10.2—Coles	7 HorsePower	8	9 ANZAC Assembly Yr 9 @ JTCEC	10 Good Friday	11/12
April	13 Easter Monday	14	15	16	17	18/19
	20	21	22	23	24	25/26

Year 8 — 10 Camp 2020

A reminder to families that our ESC camp is early term 2 and all payments are required by 27/03/2020. Please contact the office on 9581 0613 to check your outstanding balance, organise payment or a payment plan.