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# School Newsletter 2019

## Term Three, Newsletter

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The start of Term 3 has been very busy. Whilst filling in for Paul, I have enjoyed getting to know the students, it has been fantastic to see some of the work that they have been doing. Some of the highlights included:

A student has produced a short movie which was screened today at the Art Centre as Part of Nova Employability Focus on Ability short film festival. People with disabilities are asked to tell their story on film. This year there were over 250 entries over 26 countries. His story 'This is Me' can be viewed on <https://www.focusonability.com.au/FOA/films/1795.html>. Whilst his film did not win, it was a great opportunity to represent the school. His family attended and were very proud.

Another student who is interested in photography and fishing, was delighted to discover a VCAL program was capable of providing work that met both his main interests. So far he has produced a wide range of work including pieces on legal size limits for fish caught off his local pier (to meet measurement outcomes) demonstrating the correct way to set and cast a rod (for oracy outcomes) and has been reading articles and guides to improve his understanding of how his camera works. He has been taking his own camera out and about in the school and shooting photographs to experiment with his camera settings and practice his knowledge.

Students have been investigating post school opportunities and some have decided to apply for a TAFE course at various institutions.

Students are preparing for school sport this term, learning the skills of AFL Football.

In relation to staff teaching and learning meetings, we were fortunate enough to have specialist teacher from the Chelsea Oakwood campus come out and update us on the new numeracy curriculum for VCAL.

This was a great opportunity to share resources and reflect on the way we deliver Numeracy in VCAL.

We have our Student Led Conferences in the last week of term. These conferences are a great opportunity to celebrate the students learning and their work. They will run on Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th.

I encourage you to make contact with the school office to book an appropriate time.

To those of you who I have met, I thank you for welcoming me into the school community. For those of you I am yet to meet, hopefully I will meet you soon. I welcome you to make contact if there is anything I can assist you with.

Regards,  
Nathan Vogt  
Acting Principal

### Daily Timetable

8:30am	School opens
9:00am	Period 1
10:00am	Recess
10:15am	Period 2
11:15pm	Period 3
12:15pm	Lunch
1:45pm	Period 4
2:45pm	School Ends

### Please note:

Students are to arrive from **8:30am** and be prepared and ready to start class at **9am**.

Term Dates 2019	Start	Finish
Term 3	15 July	20 September
Term 4	7 October	20 December

School Council Dates: 6PM
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December

Important Dates	
<b>CIRRICULUM DAY – Student Free Day</b>	Monday – August 12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Student Led Conference's - SLC</b>	Tuesday – 17 <sup>th</sup> September Thursday – 19 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Melbourne Cup – Student Free Days</b>	Monday – November 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday – November 5 <sup>th</sup>

### Student Led Conferences (SLC):

Student Led Conferences are a chance to celebrate the student's learning and work. It is also an opportunity for students to discuss further learning goals with their Parents/Caregivers and Teachers. Meeting's will be held in the final week of term three. Letters will be sent home as a reminder to schedule a time.

### YOGA:

In Term 3 at Montague School we are pleased to welcome back into the Thursday schedules our Flexed Yoga program, run by the wonderful Fiona. Our students have been enjoying the experience, with many taking the opportunity to use the Yoga class, as a time to unwind and clear their minds and benefit from the many stretches and meditation.

### VET Programs:

We have just received the Inner Melbourne Vet Cluster course guide for 2020 and there are a large number of interesting courses available for returning students next year.

Many of our students have enjoyed part-time IMVC VET course this year with students studying hospitality, acting and animal welfare courses.

IMVC always make sure that students place in VET courses are well supported and we can provide opportunities for students to complete coursework during class time if required. Don't hesitate to contact the school if you would like to talk further about VET options for 2020.



### Student Achievements:

Each year **Hear For You**, hosts a Film Festival highlighting the talents of deaf or hard of hearing teenagers.

Together with their supporting partner, [Hearing Australia](#), Hear For You gives Australian deaf or hard of hearing secondary school students the opportunity to script, shoot and edit a film for entry into a nationwide competition.

This year's theme was Friendship. One of our students and budding film producers Massimo Zurzolo, participated in and attended The Hear For You National Film Festival 2019 in Sydney.

Along with his co-producers (Lachlan Rosenberger & Richie Huang) Massimo won best film for their submission: **Please Help.**

A massive congratulation to them on their achievement.

More information on this organisation and competition can be found here:

<https://hearforyou.com.au/what-we-do/program-overview/film-festival/>

If you wish to view the winning film, the link is provided for you below:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsTEQ\\_6YKIQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsTEQ_6YKIQ)

Hear For You 

### Team Sport:

Well done to all, that participated in soccer, in Term 2.

It was fantastic to see the Montague team working hard each week to improve their skills and to start to think about, and understand the value of, teamwork. The hard work paid off with Montague fortunate enough to take home first place, winning an exciting Grand Final against Berendale, 7 goals to 2.



The Interschool sports program enables participants the chance to learn how to work and play as a team. The ability to cooperate and strive towards a common goal is an essential part of teamwork, as well as an important life skill. Participation in team sports allows the students to make lasting friendships, develop communication skills, feel a sense of community, and learn to respect their teammates and coaches.

For Term 3, the sport program is AFL. Students have been training hard Wednesdays and already their ball handling skills are improving. Montague has joined forces with Officer School and will play, a modified, 10 players per side, game each Friday. Although the weather is wet and cold, the Montague Officer team are ready to play!

