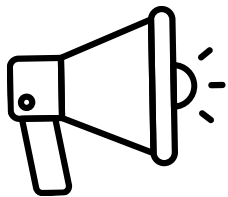




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Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Wergaia peoples as the traditional custodians of the lands upon which Tyrrell College is situated. We pay our respects to their elders – past, present, and emerging – and we acknowledge their deep care of the lands we live on. We also acknowledge that for tens of thousands of years our First Nation's peoples have engaged in – and passed on – excellent teaching and learning practices on the spaces upon which our community members learn today.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday February 25

School Photos

Wednesday February 26

Secondary Mallee Division

Swimming

Foundation Day Off

Thursday February 27

SSS first rehearsal

Tuesday March 4

Yr 7 & 10 immunisations

Wednesday March 5

Year 8 Outdoor Ed excursion

Friday March 7

Pupil Free Day

Term Dates

Term 1: 29 Jan - 4 April

Term 2: 22 Apr - 4 July

Term 3: 21 Jul - 19 Sep

Term 4: 6 Oct - 19 Dec

Purpose Statement & Values

To provide a safe, positive and challenging environment where everyone aspires to aim high and become responsible, caring and contributing community members.

Respect

Responsibility

Honesty

Aim High

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Tyrrell College Community,

Wellbeing Day

On Wednesday all Years 7-12 students participated in a Wellbeing Day. The male students participated in the Man Cave program. The Man Cave is a preventative mental health charity, empowering communities to raise generations of healthy young men. The remaining 7-12 students participated in a Wellbeing Day tailored specifically to our college community. This day was run by our Mental Health Practitioner Rashall Roberts, in conjunction with Emily Noonan from Headspace in Swan Hill. This day was aimed at equipping girls with the essential knowledge and confidence they require to manage their own social and emotional health, and unique wellbeing needs.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Tuesday February 25. Students are asked to be in full uniform.

Bus Travellers

Just a reminder that if your child will not be travelling on the bus, can parents please send a note in the student's diary so the bus roll can be adjusted.

Attendance

Regular school attendance is vital for student success. Everyday counts, and missing school means missing out on important learning opportunities. Consistent attendance helps students stay engaged, achieve better academic outcomes and build strong social connections. However, if your child is sick, it is important that they stay home to rest and recover, and to prevent the spread of illness to other students and staff. If your child needs to be absent, I kindly ask that you inform the school.

Student Crossing / No Parking Zones

A reminder to all parents, carers, and community of the no parking zones around the college along Sutcliff St and Complex Dr, please be mindful of these areas when picking up or dropping off students. I also would like to remind everyone about the importance of safety at the school crossing, especially for our younger students. I kindly ask that if you are a parent/carer that picks up our younger students to please make yourself visible to the staff member on duty, preferably by meeting your child on the opposite side of the crossing.

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School Council Elections

Attached again to this week’s newsletter is an information sheet about being part of the Tyrrell College school council. Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills and a range of experiences and knowledge that can help inform and shape the direction of the school. We currently have three parent, one student and two staff positions open. Student positions are open to all students in Year 7 to 12. You can nominate yourself or someone else to be part of school council, nomination forms are available from the office.

School council election process and timetable		
Name of the school: Tyrrell College		
	EVENT	DATE
a)	Notice of election and call for nominations	7 February 2025
b)	Closing date for nominations	21 February 2025
c)	Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	25 February 2025
d)	Close of ballot	14 March 2025
e)	New Council Meets	19 March 2025

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mr Craig Kelly
Acting Principal





Reminder....

School Photos day is nearing,
next Tuesday February 25.
Please ensure all orders are
placed online before Monday
February 24 at 6pm.

Any queries please contact the
school.

 (03) 5070 2106





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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AFTER SCHOOL CARE

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
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PROGRAM AND YOUR FEEDBACK TO HELP BUILD
THIS INTO A SERVICE THAT BENEFITS OUR WHOLE
COMMUNITY.**

**AN OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)
SERVICE PROVIDES EDUCATION AND CARE FOR
PRIMARY SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN (GENERALLY
AGES 5 TO 12 YEARS) OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS
AND DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. OSHC
SERVICES ALSO OFTEN PROVIDE EDUCATION
AND CARE ON STUDENT-FREE DAYS**

**PLEASE TAKE 2 MINUTES TO
FILL OUT THIS SURVEY**

<https://forms.gle/fsKny637pvvbmPYU6>



Interhouse Secondary SWIMMING SPORTS



Friday February 14, students and staff filled the Secondary halls in their house colours yellow for Banyan and red for Springfield, ahead of the Interhouse Swimming Sports.

House spirit was felt throughout as students headed to their respective team meetings to finalise races before gathering to walk together to the Sea Lake Swimming Pool.

Upon arriving at the pool, students were guided through a group warm up by house captains and anyone with a dance move to share!

Soon enough participants in the 200m Freestyle event – in honour of past student Billy McClelland – were marshalled for their events and the day was well underway. Before long we moved into individual events for butterfly, freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke. Our final competitive events of the day were medley and freestyle relays, which saw students filling positions wherever needed to claim valuable house points.

While the points were being tallied and the winners determined the captains ran a selection of novelty events that allowed everyone to participate, followed by some free swim time.

Before long we gathered again for age champions to be announced.

Finally, the moment we had all been waiting for arrived - Would Banyan claim their 12th year of victory in the pool, or would Springfield finally gain their place on the shield?

With the announcement made that the final tallies differed by 25 points (600-625) both sides of the pool eagerly waited. As it was revealed that Springfield had been victorious cheers emerged, with everyone celebrating their first swimming house win since 2013. What an exciting day it made for!

Thank you to everyone who made this day possible, Mrs Hannig and Mr Griffiths as sports coordinators, all the staff for their various roles and the Parents and Friends for catering. Finally thank you to all the students who gave the day their all and made it so enjoyable!

-Jenna Alday and [redacted] (Springfield House Captains)



Interhouse Secondary SWIMMING SPORTS



Interhouse Secondary SWIMMING SPORTS

Age Group Champions

Age Group	Champion	House	Runner Up	House
13 Years Girls	Milana Barry	Springfield	Alyssa Smith	Springfield
13 Years Boys	Finn Austerberry	Banyan	Harry Wight	Springfield
14 Years Girls	Elise Barry	Springfield	[Redacted] (swam in higher age group)	Banyan
14 Years Boys	Jack Hodgson	Springfield	Aydan Smith	Springfield
15 Years Girls	Mia Austerberry	Banyan	Teyanna Barton	Banyan
15 Years Boys	Ryder Newick	Springfield	Cooper Kelly	Springfield
16 Years Girls	Zaida Tait	Banyan	Darcey Hodgson	Springfield
16 Years Boys	Nate McClelland	Banyan	Jacob Cox	Springfield
17 Years Girls	Jada Symes	Banyan	Scarlett McGarry	Banyan
17 Years Boys	Judd Durie	Springfield	Callum Mott	Banyan
18-20 Years Girls	Dayna McKenzie	Banyan	Ellie Stacey	Springfield
18-20 Years Boys	Jet Newick	Springfield	Jack Stacey	Springfield

Billy McClelland Memorial 200m Freestyle

Open Boys: [Redacted]

Open Girls: Dayna McClelland

House Points Total

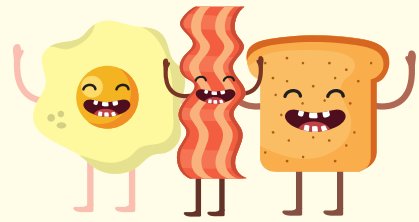
Banyan	Springfield
600	625



Winning House: Springfield (for the first time since 2013)

Link to video: [Interhouse Swimming Sports Photo Collage Video](#)

Breakfast Club



** Week of February 24-28

Monday February 24 - Scrambled eggs, hash browns, scones, jam and cream

Tuesday February 25- Croissants

Wednesday February 26 - Yoghurt, custard, raisin toast, cereal, chocolate brownies and chocolate milkshakes

Thursday February 27- Pancakes

Friday February 28- Spaghetti and baked beans on toast

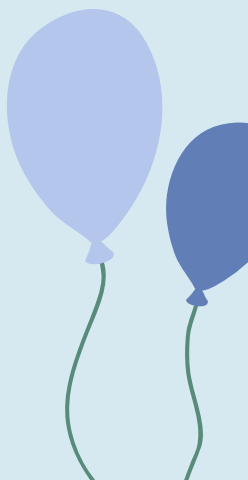


HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the students who are celebrating a birthday this week-

February 20- Dean Watson
Messer Bailey
Seth Pearce

February 22- Ryley



Term 1 Parent Support Series

Free Parent Webinars

Join us and Elevate Education for FREE 60-minute webinars designed to help you support your child's studies at home.

Scan the QR code to register

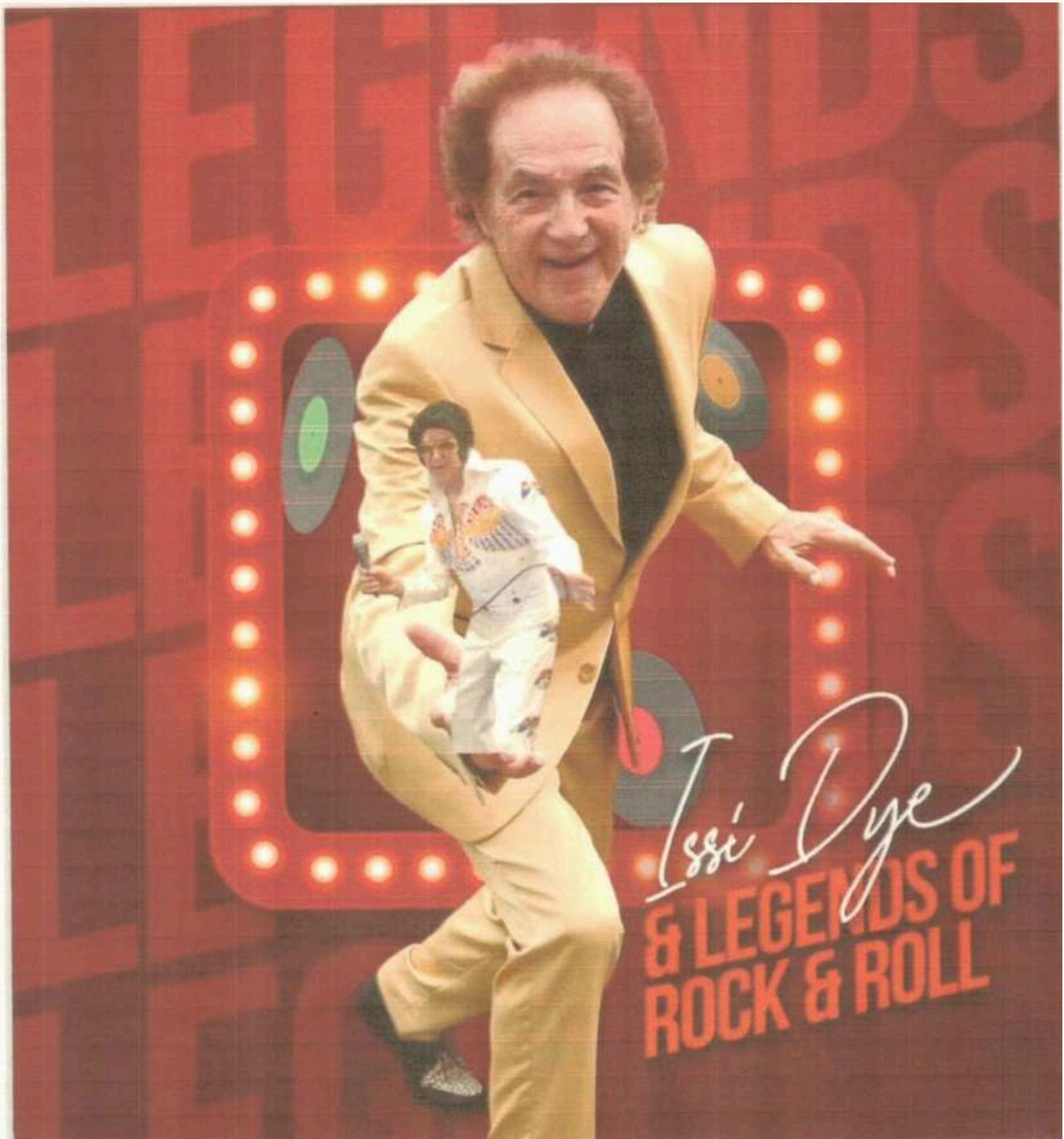


In Term 1 we'll cover:

- 1. How to Get (And Keep!) Your Child Motivated**
- 12th February @6:30
- 1. How You Can Help Your Child Manage Their Time**
- 26th February @6:30
- 3. How You Can Make Technology an Ally (& Not the Enemy!)**
- 12th March @6:30
- 4. How You Can Help Improve Your Child's Memory**
- 26th March @6:30



Sea Lake RSL Sub-Branch Inc. presents.....



Sunday March 2nd, 2025

1pm onwards: 2 x 1 hour concerts, with costume changes

Light refreshments plus, drinks, coffee and tea

(alcohol at bar prices)

\$20 per ticket, Please if you can book, it will help with catering and seating.

Looking forward to seeing you there for a great afternoon of great music!

HAVE YOUR SAY



Buloke Shire Libraries

Are you a regular library visitor?

Or not yet a library user?

This is your chance to help us shape the future of Buloke Libraries.

How can you get involved?

Complete our survey - 10 Feb to 2 March

Scan the QR code to access
the online survey.

OR

Pick up a hard copy from one
of our libraries.



Drop by for a chat - 24 to 28 Feb

Come and have a chat with our consultation team at one of our
pop-up community consultations at any of the following locations:

24 Feb	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb
10am - 3:30pm Wycheproof Resource Centre, 280 Broadway	10am - 1pm Charlton Hall Supper Room, Armstrong St	10am - 1pm Tyrrell College, 10 Sutcliff St Sea Lake	10am - 12pm Birchip P-12 School, 45 Campbell St	10am - 2pm Donald Hub, 70 Woods St
4pm - 5pm Birchip Pool	1:30pm - 4pm Charlton Neighbourhood House, 30 High St	1:30pm - 4pm Sea Lake Foodworks, 65 Best St	1pm - 3pm Sharp's Bakery, 47 Cummin Ave Birchip	2pm - 4pm Donald Pool
	4pm - 5pm Charlton Pool	4pm - 5pm Sea Lake Pool	3:30pm - 5:30pm Birchip P-12 School, 45 Campbell St	

For more information
visit our website buloke.vic.gov.au





ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME

FOR STUDENTS IN YEAR
9, 10 OR 11 IN 2025



WHAT IS ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE?

Rotary Youth Exchange Australia provides the opportunity of a lifetime for Australian high school students to live & study abroad. Students spend approximately 12 months living in their host country where they attend school and stay with local host families. In your host country, you will experience different foods, study different subjects, enjoy a new culture and most likely learn a new language.

Rotary Youth Exchange is recognised as the best student exchange program by schools, parents, and students around the world for safety, cost and benefit.



WHO CAN APPLY?

To be eligible to depart in 2026 students must:

- Be in year 9, 10 or 11 in 2025.
- Be born between 01/07/2008 and 31/12/2010.
- Be outgoing, self-confident, friendly, adaptable, adventurous, willing to learn a foreign language and have above-average school grades.



SELECTION AND PREPARATION

The selection and preparation process for Rotary Youth Exchange is comprehensive to ensure all participants are suitable and adequately prepared.

Interested students should contact their local Rotary Club or submit an Expression of Interest on the Rotary Youth Exchange Australia Website:
<https://ryea.org.au/apply-today/>

Rotary Clubs will interview prospective candidates and nominate suitable students to the District 9780 Rotary Youth Exchange committee.

All nominated students from across the district will attend a selection weekend and a formal interview. Students will find out after the interview whether or not they have been offered a place in the program.

Successful students will attend one preparation day and a preparation weekend before their departure.



Key dates for 2025 are:

April 25th - Applications due. Club interviews to follow
May 31st - June 1st - Selection weekend in Halls Gap
June 21st or 22nd - Formal Interview in Ballarat
July 20th - Briefing session in Horsham
November 8th - 9th - Briefing Session in Swan Hill
Mid Jan 2026 - Departure from Melbourne

THE SPONSOR CLUB PROVIDES:

- A mentor for the student. The mentor is responsible for assisting the student with the application process, attending selection and preparation events with the student and family, encouraging the student's involvement in the Rotary Club and checking in with the student throughout the exchange among many other things. Your mentor is you and your parents' 'go-to' for anything exchange-related.

THE STUDENT/FAMILY PROVIDES:

- A global fee inclusive of flights, insurance, clothing, selection and preparation events etc.

This fee will be confirmed in early 2025. For reference, the fee was \$10,000 in 2024.

- An emergency fund (returned to the student if unused).
- Day-to-day and entertainment expenses, new clothes etc.
- Optional tours e.g. 'Eurotour' or Amazon trip.

THE HOST CLUB/DISTRICT PROVIDES:

- A mentor for the student. Similar to the Sponsor Club mentor, this is the student's 'go-to' in their Host Country. The Host Club mentor also assists with school enrolment, ensuring the student's phone is set up, involving the student in the Rotary Club, required travel for the student etc.
- Room and board with approx 3-4 host families.
- A monthly allowance of approx AUD \$180.
- In some cases: Orientation camps, exchange student activities/trips, language lessons

DO I GET TO CHOOSE WHERE I GO?

The range of countries available for exchange varies each year. Some of the countries that have recently been on offer for exchange include but are not limited to:

Brazil Denmark Finland Belgium
Germany Argentina Italy Taiwan
Spain France Canada USA

Students will be advised which destinations are on offer during the selection process. Students will rank the countries by preference and then the District Committee will allocate Host Countries to successful candidates.

Students should have an open mind and be prepared to accept an exchange in any available country.



APPLICATIONS CLOSE 25TH APRIL 2025 FOR EXCHANGES DEPARTING IN JANUARY 2026

APPLY NOW AT:

<https://ryea.org.au/apply-today/>



CONTACT US:

chairye9780@gmail.com

Media Release

The Hon Melissa Horne MP
Minister for Ports and Freight
Minister for Roads and Road Safety
Minister for Health Infrastructure



Friday, 20 December 2024

WE'RE HELPING BUSY FAMILIES WITH FREE DRIVING LESSONS

The Allan Labor Government is helping busy families with the cost of living – and the cost of learning to drive – by funding a new, free program for learner drivers and supervisors.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne today announced the start of *myLearners Free Lesson*, a free 60 minute in-car session designed to help parents confidently guide young drivers.

The session will be delivered by an accredited driving instructor to teach learner drivers essential road safety skills and help supervising drivers gain the confidence to support their learners to complete their 120 hours.

The initiative is expected to support around 15,000 families.

The Labor Government is also making the training and accreditation free for professional driving instructors to become accredited to deliver this program.

Victorian learner permit holders aged 16 to 19 – who have completed 10 to 30 hours of driving practice and have a fully licensed supervising driver available to attend the lesson with them – will be eligible to participate.

The course is targeted at young drivers as this cohort is almost four times more likely to be involved in a fatal or serious injury crash than more experienced drivers in their first year of driving on their Ps.

The myLearners Free Lesson is another way the Labor Government is helping learners develop safe driving habits, with Victoria's world-class Graduated Licensing System reducing fatal and serious crashes among young drivers by more than 40 per cent since its introduction in 2007.

It is just one cost-of-living measure the Labor Government is delivering for drivers, including free rego for tradies, a 25 per cent discount on rego renewal fees for safe drivers, and free learner lessons for disadvantaged new drivers.

Registrations for the myLearners Free Lesson are now open. To book your free lesson or learn more about becoming an accredited driving instructor, visit mylearnersdrive.com.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne

"A single professional lesson can cost up to \$100 – we're putting that money back in the pockets of busy families and giving young Victorians the skills they need to be safe on the road."

"Teaching your kid to drive is a right of passage – but it also comes with worries. Every parent wants to make sure that their kids will be safe when they hop behind the wheel, and this free lesson will help them do just that."





myLearners

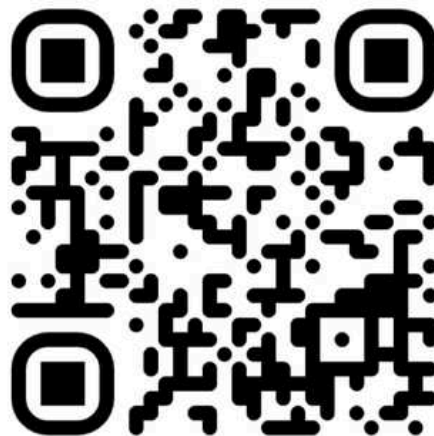
Free Lesson



Website Link

<https://mylearnersdrive.com.au/>

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