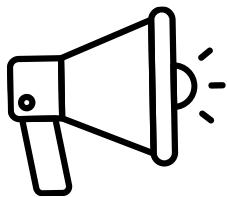


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2026  
Issue 001



#### 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

**Wednesday February 4**

**Foundation day off**

**Friday February 6**

**Primary and Secondary  
Swimming Sports**

**Monday February 9**

**Induction Day ceremony**

**Wednesday February 11**

**Foundation day off**

**Thursday February 16**

**Primary Mallee Division  
Swimming**

**Wednesday February 18**

**Foundation day off**

**Tuesday February 24**

**School photos**

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

### Sea Lake ~ Tyrrell College ~ Silo Teams



2026 Vision – a leader without vision is like a team without a coach.

As an accredited coach, this will be where I focus on our growth.

I know a lot more about the Tyrrell College team now and the improvement focus will be driven by creating goals.

The first day of a new school year is one of my favourite school events and I refer to this address as my 'Speech to the Nation' (actually College!)

I believe education opens doors to opportunities for all. Every day, as educators we have the opportunity to support our students to open every door in the corridor of life, and learn.

Opening doors will offer them further knowledge and experiences, and they can move on and open other doors. I believe Tyrrell College should - and will - be the corridor.

As educators we must seek to politely open doors for some who have not had opportunities to flourish and thrive due to the heavy weight of their past doors.

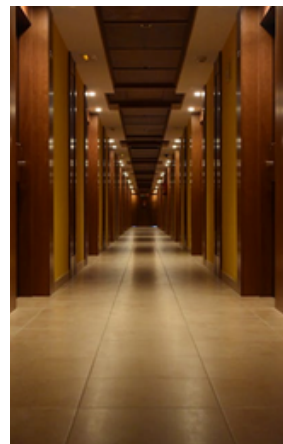
... every student - every day will open the doors to learning; and we will be there to support them to stay and learn or move on ...

In subsequent Newsletters I'll share the new structure of the Tyrrell College School Improvement team (SIT).

However, I eagerly present our new Primary teachers; Wendy Larcombe is our new Year 5/6 teacher and Primary school coordinator and Jess Prendergast is our new Year 2-3-4 teacher. Both have spent many hours preparing their classrooms and planning to present an engaging learning curriculum. If the first day represents the way we expect things to progress, I feel we are on 'the right track'.

We also recently farewelled Kat Widderington-Oliver who has returned to Western Australia.

**Sally Naylor**  
Principal



# TYRRELL TIMES

## Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#) and the [Schools' Privacy Collection Notice](#).

### Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/privacy-information-sharing/policy>

describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use [Microsoft 365 / Google Workspace for Education](#) safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using [Microsoft 365/Google Workspace for Education], please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/Schools-Privacy-Policy-information-for-parents.aspx>

This information is also available in ten community languages:

- Amharic
- Arabic
- Chinese
- Dari
- Gujarati
- Mandarin
- Somali
- Sudanese
- Turkish
- Urdu
- Vietnamese

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# Induction Day Ceremony

To formally announce and induct our 2026 School Student Leaders.

Time: 8.50am

Date: Monday, February 9

Place: Sea Lake Community Centre

SAVE THE DATE



*Parents, careers and community members all welcome.*



# Congratulations



Congratulations to Miss Abby Walklate, her partner Gardean and daughters Millie and Hallie on the arrival of their beautiful twins, Paddy John and Lottie Sarah.

Wishing them all the best with their new bundles of joy.







## 2026 Australia Day Ceremony

The Sea Lake Youth Fest High Tea was organised by the 2025 Tyrrell College Year 9 CLIP students: **Mia Austerberry, Phoebe Bailey, Elise Barry, Teyana Barton, Ewan Conlan, Oscar Conlan, Seth Halliday, Tom Irwin, Hamish Landry, Ryder Newick, Cooper Symes, Coby Wight and Zander Wight** and was the winner of the 2026 community event award, with recipients presented their awards at the Australia Day breakfast and ceremony.

The Tyrrell College Year 9 CLIP students, with the guidance of Kellie Matthews, put their creativity, leadership and teamwork into action when they hosted a delightful High Tea for R U OK? Day at the Sea Lake Neighbourhood House as part of Victorian Youth Fest 2025. The event wasn't just about tea and cake – it was about connection, conversation, and show casing the amazing talents of our local young people. From logistical round table mishaps to perfectly set tiered cake stands, the students showed off their problem solving, leadership and teamwork skills. One young student entertained the crowd on violin while others had organised a trivia, which had a few people scratching their heads and lots of laughter.

The event created a safe and inclusive space for all ages to come together, share stories, and check in on one another – living out the RU OK? message in a very real way. Community members commented on how special it was to experience something different in Sea Lake, while the students themselves shone with confidence as they hosted, entertained, and served with pride. The High Tea gave our community the chance to slow down, share a cuppa, eat some delicious food, check in on each other and enjoy the amazing efforts of our young community members.

Those students who could not attend, received their certificates at school assembly. A big congratulations to these students, and Miss Matthews, they created an amazing event.





# Y-Lead Conference

Five of our senior school leaders **Georgia McClelland, Sienna Allan, Archie Alday, Darcey Hodgson, and Zaida Tait** spent a three-day residential personal growth and leadership development conference in Melbourne called Y-Lead in January. Tyrrell College has had many student leaders attend throughout the years with fantastic feedback. The conference is open to students with a leadership role or an interest in leadership and unites student leaders from their regions across Australia.



The program presents an important opportunity for newly elected student leaders to be empowered with the skills and confidence to implement exciting initiatives and create cultural changes to make their school and broader community a better place.

Student leaders return from the conference:

- Empowered with a stronger sense of self-awareness, self-worth & self-belief
- Prepared with essential skills & tools to effectively lead
- Motivated to make a difference in their school & community
- Equipped with clear goals & action plans
- Connected to a powerful network of young leaders from across Australia

We look forward to seeing what our school leaders have learnt and can implement in 2026.



## SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL



We kindly ask all families who use the bus service to inform the Front Office if their child will not be travelling to or from school by bus on any regular days throughout the year.

If your child will not be travelling home on the bus on a particular day and this change is not recorded in their diary, please contact the Front Office before 2:30 pm.

Your cooperation helps us ensure the bus system runs safely and smoothly for all students. Thank you for your support.







TYRRELL COLLEGE  
*Your opportunity to succeed*



# YEAR 3-12 INTERHOUSE SWIMMING SPORTS

AT THE  
SEA LAKE SWIMMING POOL

Parents and Friends are catering

FEBRUARY 6  
2026

09:15 AM  
START



Tyrrell College Parents & Friends

School Swimming Sports	
Price List	
Sausage	\$3
Burger	\$3
Chicken steak	\$4
Zooper Dooper	50c
Water bottle	\$1
Cupcake	\$2
Fruit cup	\$2



TYRRELL COLLEGE  
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## TYRRELL COLLEGE AWARDS CEREMONY 2025

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of December, Tyrrell College held its annual awards ceremony. Hosted by the 2025 senior school captains, Scarlett McGarry and Ellie Stacey, and junior school captains, Randy Bailey and Oscar McKenzie, the event recognized and celebrated the achievements of Tyrrell College's Foundation to Year 12 students. This included the Graduation of five Tyrrell College Year 6 students and eleven Year 12s.

Congratulations to all award recipients.

### Ethos of the School Award recipients

**Commitment to Learning** awards were presented to the student in each year level who has been the most enthusiastic participant in all aspects of their learning, as voted by all their teachers. They are sponsored by Eloise and Jeremy Watson, Sea Lake FoodWorks, the Tyrrell College Parents & Friends Club and the Nandaly Community Hotel Co-Operative.



Year 1 Commitment  
to Learning –  
Emma Allan



Year 2 Commitment  
to Learning –  
Tessa Allan



Year 3 Commitment  
to Learning –  
Mia Elliott



Year 4 Commitment  
to Learning –  
Lacey Allan



Year 5 Commitment  
to Learning –  
Messer Bailey



Year 6 Commitment  
to Learning –  
Oscar McKenzie

Foundation Commitment to Learning – Violet South



Sponsored by Advance Sea Lake Inc., the **Community Leadership Award** recognizes a Year F-6 student who has demonstrated leadership and commitment to the values of the school and made a significant contribution to the school and/or the local community.

The Foundation to Year 6 Community Leadership Award was presented to **Randy Bailey**.

The 7-12 Community Leadership Award was presented to **Tye Griffiths**.



Sponsored by the Speed Lions Club, the **Citizenship Award** recognizes a Year 7-10 student who has made a significant contribution to the school community; has shown a positive attitude towards classmates, school and the community; actively participates in their civic responsibility within the community; possesses strength of character and has the courage to do what is right; and promotes citizenship within the school community through other activities.

The Year 7-10 Citizenship Award was presented to **Elise Barry**.



The **Leading Senior Constable Dennis Cox – Shining Star Citizenship Award**, sponsored by the Police Cycling Club, recognizes a Year 11 or 12 student who consistently displays a positive attitude and cooperative nature; is motivated and hard-working; is honest, reliable and trustworthy; is considerate and patiently supportive of others; and is community minded.

The recipient of Leading Senior Constable Dennis Cox – Shining Star Citizenship Award is **Tye Griffiths** (pictured with Leading Senior Constable Malcolm King and Senior Constable Nathan Lain, who presented the award to Tye).

### Encouragement Award Recipients

Sponsored by Bailey Family Ag, the **Junior School English Award** is made to a student in Years F-2 and Years 3-6 who has worked to the best of their ability throughout the year and has shown significant growth in their writing and language skills.

The Years F-2 and 3-6 Junior School English Award recipients are **Amelia Carr** and **Mayah McClelland**.







Sponsored by CrispyClean Seed Cleaning, the **Junior School Mathematics Award** is made to a student in Years F-2 and Years 3-6 who has worked to the best of their ability throughout the year and has shown significant growth in their numeracy skills.

The Years F-2 and 3-6 Junior School Mathematics Award recipients are **Milo Elliott** and **Lucas**.



Sponsored by James Considine, the **Junior STEM Award** is made to a student in Years F-2 and Years 3-6 who has worked to the best of their ability throughout the year and has shown aptitude and demonstrated interest and passion in the area of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

The Years F-2 and 3-6 Junior School STEM Award recipients are **Milo Elliott** and **Logan Higgins**.



**The Goldsworthy Memorial Award**, sponsored by Eloise and Jeremy Watson, is made to a student from Years 5 to 9 who has striven to do their best and shown improvement in all areas of school life.

The Goldsworthy Memorial Award recipient is **Oscar McKenzie**.



**The Maggie Stacey Memorial Award**, sponsored by the Stacey family, is made to a student from Year 7-9 who dares to be different and is comfortable with who they are; a unique and happy individual who cares for everyone and everything. Maggie's motto in life was to "be the best *for* the world, not the best *in* the world". This award is for a student who embodies this sentiment.

The recipient of the Maggie Stacey Memorial Award is **Ruby Gniel**.

Sponsored by former Tyrrell College English teacher, Mrs Terri Dean, the **Terri Dean English Award** is made to a student in Years 7-10 who has worked to the best of their ability throughout the year and has shown significant growth in their writing and language skills.

The Terri Dean English Award recipient is **Sienna Allan**.



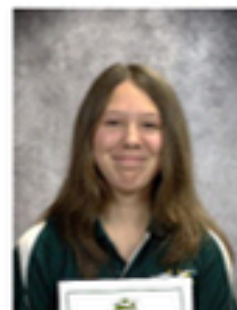


Sponsored by CrispyClean Seed Cleaning, the **Middle School Mathematics Award** is made to a student who has worked to the best of their ability throughout the year and has shown significant growth in their mathematical skills.

The recipient of the Middle School Mathematics Award is **Teyana Barton**.

Sponsored by Rachel Pearce and Damien Leo, the **Middle School Science Award** is made to a student who demonstrated consistently throughout the year a passionate interest in all things Science.

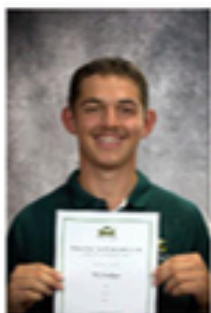
The Middle Years Science Award recipient is **Ruby Gniel**.



Sponsored by Elgas, the **Elgas Scholarship Award** is presented to a Year 9 and a Year 11 student showing potential in their studies.

The Year 9 Elgas Scholarship Award recipient is **Elise Barry**.

The Year 11 Elgas Scholarship Award recipient is **Georgia McClelland**.



The **Buloke Shire Council Scholarship Award** is presented to a Year 10 student showing potential in their studies.

The Buloke Shire Council Scholarship Award recipient is **Taj Borlase**.

### **Achievement Award recipients**

Sponsored by the Nandaly Grain Co-Operative, the **Bradley Youren Memorial Sporting Endeavour Award** is presented to a Year F-12 student received recognition of endeavour and success in their commitment to House, Interschool, Region and State level school sporting activities, displayed exemplary levels of sportsmanship, willingly given support and provided leadership in all sporting events in the College's sporting program, had an established record of commitment throughout the calendar year in all Tyrrell College sporting event, and demonstrated co-operation with the College's sporting program policies.

The Bradley Youren Memorial Sporting Endeavour Award is presented to **Ryder Newick**.





To be eligible for the **Best All Rounder Awards**, students must have consistently shown academic commitment and application, a high level of citizenship and exemplary behaviour, and enthusiasm, sportsmanship and competency in sport. They are sponsored by Ampol, the Tyrrell College Parents and Friends Club, Colin Durie Plumbing and CrispyClean Seed Cleaning.



The Year 5-6 Ampol Best All Rounder Award recipient is **Randy Bailey**.



The Year 9-10 Terry Collier Memorial Best All Rounder Award recipient is **Thomas Irwin**.



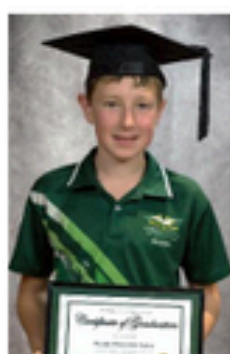
The Year 11-12 Mark Jolly Memorial Best All Rounder Award recipient is **Tye Griffiths**.

The Year 7-8 Paula Sutton Memorial Best All Rounder Award recipient is **Harry Wight** (absent).

The following students completed a VET Certificate I in Active Volunteering at Tyrrell College last year: Mia Austerberry, Phoebe Bailey, Elise Barry, Teyana Barton, Ewan Conlan, Oscar Conlan, Seth Halliday, Thomas Irwin, Hamish Landry, Ryder Newick, Cooper Symes, Coby Wight and Zander Wight.

Charlie Mitchell completed a VET Certificate II in Engineering Pathways.

The following students completed their Primary Schooling at Tyrrell College in 2025.



Randy Bailey



Logan Higgins



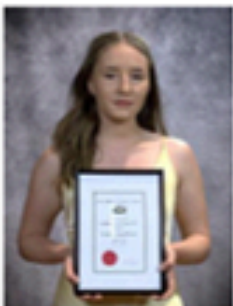
Oscar McKenzie

Absent: Jim Symeoy

The following students completed their Secondary Schooling at Tyrrell College in 2025.



Jenna Alday



Maddisyn  
Brooks Dalton



Tye Griffiths



Brody Kelly



Jack Leo



Rachel McClelland



Scarlett McGarry



Dayna McKenzie



Jet Newick



Ellie Stacey

Also Jack Stacey (absent)



### External Award recipients



The University of Melbourne **Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program** is an academic enrichment program designed to support high achieving Victorian Year 11 and Year 12s, and select secondary students living close to the New South Wales and South Australian borders. To be eligible, students must have achieved high levels of academic performance and have leadership potential.

The 2025 Kwong Lee Dow Scholar is **Archie Alday**.

The **Mallee Excellence Award** is sponsored by Federal MP, Dr Anne Webster. This award is made to a Year 10 student who demonstrates leadership skills, demonstrates excellence in attitude and achievement, demonstrates commitment to both school and community activities, and exhibits awareness of others and their own needs.

The recipient of the Mallee Excellence Award is **Sienna Allan**.



**Virtual School Victoria** recognizes academic excellence in a small number of their students each year.

The recipient of the Virtual School Victoria Academic Excellence Award for Dance is **Mackenzie Williams**.



Sponsored by the Tyrrell College Parents & Friends Club, the **Billy McClelland Memorial Hands-On Learner Award** is made to a student from Year 10-11 who is a passionate and capable hands-on learner undertaking a primarily vocational senior pathway, with the intention of entering a trade post-schooling.

The recipient of the Billy McClelland Memorial Hands-On Learner Award is **Nate McClelland** (pictured with Mr Greg McClelland, who presented the award to Nate).



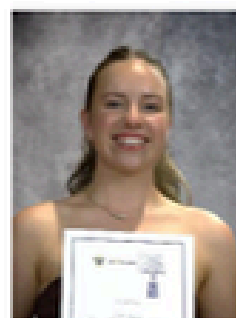
The **Olympic Changemaker Award**, sponsored by the Australian Olympic Committee, is made to students in Years 10-12 who demonstrate attributes consistent with the Olympic Spirit – friendship, sportsmanship and striving for excellence – both on and off the playing field. These students display leadership through sport in the school, local community and/or use sport as a vehicle to improve health and wellbeing and drive social change in our school or local community.

The Olympic Changemaker for 2025 is **Jenna Alday**.



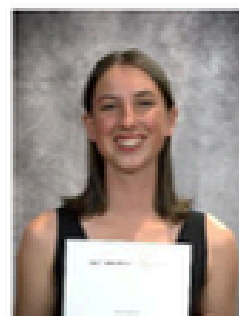
The **Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Awards** aim to recognize students in Years 10 and 12 who demonstrate leadership and teamwork within both the school and the broader community. At the same time, they recognize those who display strong values, such as doing one's best, respect for others and 'mateship', which are integral to Australian society.

The recipients of the Long Tan Awards for 2025 are **Sienna Allan and Ellie Stacey**.



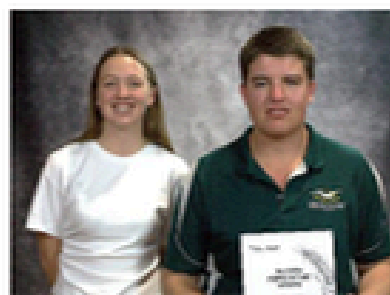
The **Australian Defence Force Future Innovator Awards** aim to recognize students in Years 10 and 12 who demonstrate innovation and motivation in their learning in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

The recipients of the Future Innovator Awards for 2025 are **Darcey Hodgson and Jenna Alday**.



The **Nutrien Ag Scholarship**, sponsored by North Central LLEN and Nutrien Ag Solutions, is awarded to a well-rounded student in VET or VCE Ag subjects who shows a passion and willingness for a career in Agriculture.

The recipient of the Nutrien Ag Scholarship is **Charlie Mitchell** (pictured with Miss Claudia Cox, who presented the award to Charlie).





## Excellence Awards recipients

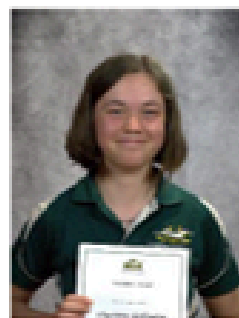
Merit Awards are presented to students who have performed at an "above level" grade score average for the year across a range of learning areas.

Scholastic Awards are presented to students who have performed "well above level" grade score average for the year across a range of learning areas.

The Outstanding Achiever is the highest performing scholastic award winner in year level. The Outstanding Achiever Awards are sponsored by the Speed Lions Club, the Woomelang Lions Club, Riordan Fuel and C&M Pearce Electrical.

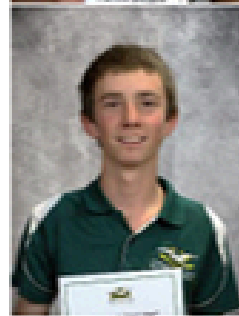
### Year 7:

- **Merit Awards**
  - Finn Austerberry
  - Harry Wight
- **Outstanding Achiever**
  - Charlotte Gallagher (pictured)



### Year 8:

- **Outstanding Achiever**
  - Jack Hodgson (pictured)



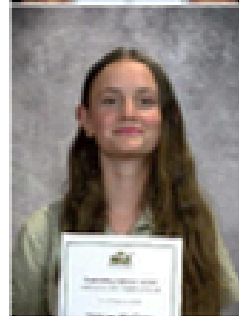
### Year 9:

- **Merit Awards**
  - Phoebe Bailey
- **Scholastic Awards**
  - Mia Austerberry
  - Elise Barry (**Outstanding Achiever**, pictured)
  - Thomas Irwin



### Year 10:

- **Merit Awards**
  - Archie Alday
  - Cooper Kelly
- **Scholastic Awards**
  - Sienna Allan
  - Darcey Hodgson (**Outstanding Achiever**, pictured)



## Year 11:

- **Scholastic Awards**

- Judd Durie
- Georgia McClelland
- Jada Symes (**Outstanding Achiever**, pictured)



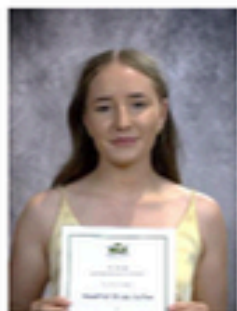
## VCE-Vocational Major:

- **Merit Awards**

- Jet Newick
- Jack Symeoy

- **Scholastic Awards**

- Tye Griffiths
- Jack Stacey (**Outstanding Achiever**)



Sponsored by James and Rachel Bailey, the **Art Award** recognizes skill, aesthetic understanding, dedication, personal motivation and commitment in the area of the creative arts.

The recipient of the Art Award is **Maddisyn Brooks Dalton**.

Sponsored by Rohan Mott, the **Music Award** recognizes excellent results, musical ability and technical knowledge.

The recipient of the Music Award is **Charlotte Gallagher**.



Sponsored by James Considine, the **Design and Technology Award** recognizes excellent application and innovation in the area of design and technology.

The recipient of the Design and Technology Award is **Mia Austerberry**.

Sponsored by C&M Pearce Electrical, the **Vocational Education & Training Award** is presented to a student who completed their VET modules with a high degree of skill and displayed a great deal of commitment.

The recipient of the VET Award is **Jacob Cox**.





The final group of awards recognize excellent results in VCE Units 1&2 or 3&4.



Sponsored by the Tyrrell College Education Support Staff, the **Senior English Award** recipient is Jenna Alday.



Sponsored by Jordie and Darren Allan, the **Senior Mathematics Award** recipient is Jenna Alday.



Sponsored by GWM Water, the **Senior Science/Innovation Award** recipient is Jenna Alday.



Sponsored by Allison and Tyrone Kiley, the **Senior Physical Education Award** recipient is Scarlett McGarry.



Sponsored by NorthWest Ag (Sea Lake), the **Senior Health Award** recipient is Sienna Allan.



Sponsored by Mallee Landscapes, the **Senior Agriculture Award** recipient is Archie Alday.



Sponsored by Sea Lake and District Co-op Hardware Store, the **Work-Related Skills Award** recipient is Darcey Hodgson.



Sponsored by the Royal Hotel, the **Personal Development Skills Award** recipient is Jet Newick.

Sponsored by the the Tyrrell College Parents and Friends Club, the Woomelang Lions Club, CrispyClean Seed Cleaning, James Considine, Riordan Fuel, Bailey Family Ag, James and Rachel Bailey, Allison and Ronny Kiley and the Speed Lions Club, the **Len & Audrey Lloyd Memorial Dux of Tyrrell College** is awarded to the student receiving the highest ATAR at the school, Jenna Alday.



The 2025 **School Council Aggregate Trophy**, determined over a range of sporting, attendance, academic achievement and Token Moment categories, is awarded to **Banyan**. The Trophy was accepted by 2025 Banyan House Captains, Jack Leo and Scarlett McGarry.



The Awards Ceremony also recognized the long service of Wayne Wright and Selina Cox. Wayne and Selina have each worked at Tyrrell for 15 years; we acknowledge and appreciate their tireless dedication and many years of service to our school.



# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

## INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's financial circumstances and their outcomes.

## CAMPS, SPORTS and EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or support an out of home care student you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid directly to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$400 for all school students.

### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

## MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund>



# Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

## APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School Ref ID

### Applicant details

Surname	
First Name	
Address	
Town/Suburb	
State and Postcode	
Contact Number	

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

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**OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)\* **OR** ☐ Special Consideration\*\*

\*Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card.

\*\*Out of Home Care applications must include a letter of support from the institution facilitating the arrangement (for example, Mackillop Family Services or the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH)) as evidence of the arrangement and must be no more than 18 months old).

### Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

### Declaration

I authorise the Victorian Department of Education (DE) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry about my Centrelink customer details and concession card status to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of any enquiry to DE regarding temporary care orders. I understand that:

- DFFH or Centrelink will use information I have provided to DE to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DE personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- This consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to my child's school so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DE.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to DFFH and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You can request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/202\_\_



## Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund eligibility

Applications must be submitted to the school as soon as possible and no later than the end of Term 2.

Where a school or family is unsure if the concession card is eligible, they are encouraged to submit the application into the CSEF system for validation.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

Those who are eligible to apply for the CSEF **must meet both** of the following two criteria or be eligible for special consideration.

### Eligible means-tested cards

Only financially means-tested cards are eligible.

### Eligibility date

Eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink (refer to the department's policy, [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\)](#)), on either the first student day of Term 1 or Term 2.

### Criterion 1 – General eligibility

The applicant must be one of the following:

- a parent or carer who is the beneficiary of a financially means-tested card
- a student over 16 years who is considered a mature minor and holds a valid concession card (such as a Youth Allowance Health Care Card). Applicant to use the 16 and over application form. For guidance on assessing whether a student is a mature minor, refer to the department's policy on [Mature Minors and Decision Making](#)
- a parent or carer whose child is 16 or over and the beneficiary of a financially means-tested card but are not considered a mature minor. Applicant to use the 16 and over parent consent form.

For students over 16 years of age and where the eligible card is in the name of the student, the fund is only granted to that student, not their siblings.

### Criterion 2 – Be of school age and attend a Victorian school

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a registered Victorian school. CSEF is not payable to a student attending pre-school, kindergarten, TAFE or who are home schooled.

### Special Consideration

A special consideration eligibility category exists to assist families and students in certain circumstances. Applications should be made through this application form. For more information, refer to: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Eligibility](#).

### Payment amounts

The CSEF is an annual payment paid directly to the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child. Please refer to the department's policy for the current rates and more information, [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Payment amounts](#).

### How to complete the application form

**Note:** all sections must be completed by the applicant.

1. Complete the APPLICANT DETAILS section.  
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible and no later than the end of Term 2.

### Privacy Statement

The Department of Education is committed to protecting your privacy. All information collected will be handled in accordance with the Privacy Data and Protection Act 2014 (Vic) and the Health Records Act 2001 (Vic). This personal information is collected to assess your eligibility to receive a CSEF payment. Your data is securely managed and only shared with Centrelink and DFFH when necessary for business operations or legal compliance. By submitting this form, you consent to our data practices. For more information regarding correction to your personal information or the handling of personal information please email [csef@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:csef@education.vic.gov.au). For more information about the department's privacy policy, please visit: [Schools' privacy policy | vic.gov.au](#)

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# **ALL SCHOOLS** **SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Friday 13th February, 2026**

**Swan Hill Outdoor Pool**

**at 5.00pm for 5.30pm start**

*Try competitive swimming in a  
FUN and RELAXED atmosphere*

This event is open to all full time students of Primary and Secondary Schools.  
Swimmers do not need to be registered with Swimming Victoria to take part.

*Entering is easy*

- Complete the individual entry form, pay a \$5 entry fee via bank transfer and email entry form to [president.ntbsh@gmail.com](mailto:president.ntbsh@gmail.com) by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of February.
- Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Butterfly events over 50 meters.
- Multi Class Events in both Freestyle and Backstroke 50 meters.
- Students wishing to swim in a relay should indicate so on the entry form
- A BBQ dinner will be available for purchase on the night.
- Bring along your family, grandparents and friends.