



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As the end of yet another term approaches we are all reflecting on the changes that we have experienced over the past few months. While it is human nature to focus on the negatives we have also experienced quite a few positive changes. From initial feedback it seems that the new format of completing Parent Teacher Interviews via video conferencing has been a great success for staff and families. Thank you to our school community for adapting so positively to what could prove to be a new way of completing these interviews in the future.

### Student Opinion Survey

The Student Opinion Survey was completed this week. I hope that the online version of this survey was easy to complete and didn't cause too many issues at home.

### Term 4

With the recent release of the Roadmap out of COVID-19 we have been informed that schools will remain in remote learning for the remainder of this term and for the first week of Term 4. Term 3 will finish on September 18 and the school holidays will end on October 4. Week 1 of Term 4 will be remote learning. On Monday 12 October Years 7, 11 and 12 students (as well as any Year 10's completing VCE subjects) will return to school. On Tuesday 13 October all students will return to school.

This has been yet another difficult term. Please ensure that you enjoy a well-deserved break over the holiday period.

**Andrew Sartori - Principal**

## SWAN HILL COLLEGE CALENDAR 2020

<b>September 16</b>	End of Term Assemblies via Webex Period 3 - Years 10-12 Period 4 - Years 7-9
<b>September 18</b>	Last day of term
<b>October 5</b>	Term 4 commences via remote learning
<b>October 5-9</b>	ALL students undertaking remote learning
<b>October 7</b>	VCE Unit 4 GAT - held onsite @ FLO campus
<b>October 12</b>	Years 7, 11 and 12 students return to school
<b>October 13</b>	All students at school

## FLO

A group of dedicated FLO students have been tuning in weekly to Mrs Hunter's Remote Dance sessions. Students have been working on a particular dance that they hope to perform at the end of year break up evening. Credit to these students for showing great commitment during remote learning.



## CLONTARF EMBRACING REMOTE LEARNING

Clontarf has had an extremely busy last week engaging all the fellas in a variety of activities to enjoy. On Monday and Friday mornings we had our Clontarf Webex "Blokes Circle Time" chat. This is a great opportunity to catch up with the boys and the special guests supporting the program. Tuesday was a massive highlight with a zoom experience with the famous Paul Kelly in a Q&A session followed by him singing to us. On Wednesday Tobie (pictured) led all the Victorian academies in a WebEx Indigenous Art Painting session which will be held over three weeks. Thursday night was an Alumni COVID-Couch live session through Microsoft Teams having a yarn with three past students. Well done to everyone who was part of a fantastic week.

**Danny Fraser - Director, Swan Hill Academy**



## ISO "RED HOT TIPS"

At the end of the first remote learning stint, I ran an activity with my classes. I asked what was their "red hot tip" for how they survived ISO last time. The top three of each class received "virtual" PBS stickers.

It goes to show that even during such a challenging time the students are able to adapt and evolve. Below are some of the great strategies our students implemented to get through isolation:

- To create a challenge during this time - This girl's challenge was to be able to run 5kms without stopping - which she achieved. This gave her something to look forward to every day.
- To learn something new every day e.g. cooking a new recipe, drawing.
- To find something positive about each day.
- To have some alone time - especially if you have younger (annoying siblings) e.g. she would read in her room.
- To get outside each day for some exercise.
- To have a positive attitude - When you wake up each day be positive about it and the rest of day will go better.
- To learn a new hobby - This student learnt how to paint with water colours.
- To have a routine - This student followed her timetable and worked at getting everything completed by doing this.

They have certainly inspired me and given me some great "tips" for ISO V2.0.

**Sharrelle Lahy**

## NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY - SEPTEMBER 11

Today it is National Walk to school day. The PE Department along with the Moving Minds team encourages everyone to get out and complete your daily 10,000 steps. Email a picture of you with your device (phone/watch/fitbit) showing you have completed your 10,000 steps to your PE teacher or to Mrs Hunter before 7pm on Friday and you will go into the draw to win Sportspower vouchers and Voyage merchandise. There will be five lucky winners. Get involved and be active on Friday!

