Term 3 Calendar
Please go to the McGuire College Website to view all Term 3 calendar dates.
http://www.mcguireco.vic.edu.au

Dates to Remember
Thursday July 28th - Year 10/VCE/VET/VCAL Parent Information Night – 6.30pm
Wednesday August 3rd - Pupil Free Day
Wednesday September 7th - Pupil Free Day
Thursday 18th August – School Council Meeting

Senior School Formal
The Senior School Formal will be held on Friday August 19th, 2016 at the Shepparton H Racing Club for students in Year 10, 11 and 12 from McGuire College only.
  Ticket Price: $42 each and are available from the General Office
  The theme is: FORMAL students must wear formal clothing
  Time starts: 8pm to 12.00 (Midnight)
* More information will be available after students have purchased their tickets.

After School Help
Available on Mondays and Tuesdays: 3.30pm - 4.15pm
Monday – Maths help in C6
All students welcome!
Welcome back to the school routine for the start of Term 3 and I must say the weather hasn’t let us down with a traditional winter, cold and wet blast. Despite the challenges of cold weather it has been wonderful to see our students quickly move back into the school routine and hear of the significant number of students being recognised at the start of term for being prepared to learn, completing holiday homework and having all their materials ready for work this week.

After a two week break I cannot stress enough the importance of a regular routine for our Year 11 and 12 students at this time of the year. Year 12 VCE students are now well and truly engaged in their Unit 4 studies. Students must now be revising their notes from Unit 3 as well as completing practice exam questions in preparation for final School Assessment tasks and the end of year examinations. Our dedicated staff are here to support all of our students and are working hand in hand with students to ensure a successful preparation for final assessments. Our students though, do need to be at school and regularly. This includes attendance at every scheduled class and on every day, Monday to Friday.

The commencement of Term 3 has seen a couple of staffing changes with Anna Madafferi accepting a position at the Shepparton English Language Centre for Semester 2 and Alison Hutchison tendering her resignation to pursue life beyond the classroom. We extend our best wishes to both Anna and Alison on their new ventures.

PUPIL FREE DAY
A reminder to all students and parents that Wednesday 3rd August is a Pupil Free Day for McGuire College. Our staff will be utilising time on this day to fine tune and enhance our approaches to managing student interactions and building positive, engaging and connected classrooms. This is in direct response to the needs of our students and staff, as identified in the 2016 Student Attitudes to School Survey. Our work on this day is planned to build on our strengths of Student Learning Confidence, Student Morale, Student Motivation and Stimulating Learning.

COURSE SELECTIONS
Students currently in Years 9, 10 and 11 will be required to make decisions about the courses they intend studying in 2017. I urge all students to take this process very seriously and make time to discuss their options with teachers at the College and their parents/guardians. Please note the following important dates into your planner:

Senior School Information Evening – Thursday 28th July at 6:30pm.
Audience: All Year 9, 10 & 11 students and their families

STUDENTS RINGING OR TEXTING PARENTS
On occasions, students take it upon themselves to telephone or text their parents/guardian and request that they be picked up due to illness. This is not appropriate and parents/guardians are requested to speak with their children and remind them that in such a situation, the son/daughter needs to report to Sick Bay, where they will be assessed and treated as required. Parents/Guardians will be contacted by College staff if students need to be collected.
ATTENDANCE

It is very timely to remind all students and parents that attendance at school and is important. We want to make sure your son or daughter has every opportunity to succeed and we can only do this when they are at school regularly. As a rule of thumb and based on state wide attendance data, students should be missing no more than one day every three weeks if they are to make the most of their schooling opportunities and set themselves up for a wide array of options beyond Year 12. If your son or daughter is struggling to make these attendance commitments, please do not hesitate to contact us to see how we can work together to ensure your son or daughters success.

Kind regards,

Brad Moyle
Principal

Dante Alighieri Society State-wide Italian Poetry Competition

Well done to the eighteen McGuire College students (Year 8 – 11) who participated in this year’s competition at the University of Melbourne on Thursday, June 16th.
Results of the Dante Alighieri Society State-wide Italian Poetry Competition

(NB: The competition is for students in Years 9 – 12, so the Year 8 students named below competed in the Year 9 section)

Three students were called back to participate in the Finals having achieved a score of 99 – 100.
- Emily Chalmers (Yr 8)
- Daemonette Curran (Yr 9)
- Joshua Nyangela (Yr 9)

All 3 students will compete for a prize in the Year 9 section.

Seven students will receive a Certificato di PREGIO (High Distinction), having achieved a score of 90 -98.
- Katharine Parker (Yr 11)
- Christina Vincetic (Yr 10)
- Conner Stewart (Yr 9)
- Caitlyn Morris (Yr 9)
- Summer Keane (Yr 8)
- Kayla Di Bella (Yr 9)
- Blake Brewer (Yr 9)

Three students will receive a Certificato di LODE (Honourable Mention), having achieved a score of 80 -89.
- Anna Duke (Yr 8)
- Anita Pringle (Yr 9)
- Nicolas Runciman-Forster (Yr 9)

Two students will receive a Certificato di MERITO (Merit / Competent) having scored 65 – 79.
- Bethany Duke (Yr 9)
- Zoe Lyle (Yr 9)

Three students will receive a Certificato di PARTECIPAZIONE (Participation) having achieved a score of 50 – 64.
- Benji Jenkin (Yr 8)
- Claire Hardy (Yr 8)
- Lachlan McNair (Yr 8)

Mrs Mary Calandro –
LOTE Area Leader
• **OPEN DAY REMINDER** – University and TAFE Open Days are just around the corner. These are an opportunity to **check out campuses and courses** which interest you. Year 10 is a great time to commence these visits.

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<td><strong>Sun 28 Aug</strong> – ACU (Ballarat); Box Hill Institute (Box Hill); Deakin University (Burwood); Federation University; Victoria University (Footscray campus)</td>
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**HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF OPEN DAY VISITS** – Don’t wander aimlessly….try these:

- Get an [Open Day Guide](http://www.deakin.edu.au/openday), eg from [www.deakin.edu.au/openday](http://www.deakin.edu.au/openday), [www.openday.unimelb.edu.au](http://www.openday.unimelb.edu.au), or [www.monash.edu/openday](http://www.monash.edu/openday) and be there when relevant information sessions are on.
- Allow **sufficient time** for your visit; two hours or so would be advisable
- Speak to **staff/students** about courses which interest you - note your **questions beforehand**
- Collect information/brochures
- Ask about **industry based-learning** (IBL) opportunities; these can assist with gaining employment
- Ask about **international study** opportunities – a popular option
- Consider **transport** issues; is the campus accessible from where you live?
- Check the **environment** where you will study; will you be happy there for three/four years?
- Consider the **facilities/clubs** offered at your preferred institution
- Consider a **rural campus** - ATAR’s are often lower at rural campuses and they often offer other advantages.

**NOTE**: If you plan to apply for a course involving an **interview/folio presentation/audition** as part of the selection process, **attendance is A MUST!** You might be asked what you learned at Open Day.

**YEAR 12 NEWS – APPLYING FOR COURSES**

Applications are usually made on the [Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) website](http://www.vtac.edu.au), opening on **Mon 1 August**, with timely applications **closing on 29 Sept** (see [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)). You will be able to apply for up to **eight courses**, placing them in **the order you most want them**. You will be offered a place in **the highest course in your list** for which you meet the ATAR/Selection requirements/pre-requisite subjects.

As we know, some **circumstances** can spoil a student’s academic achievement. Tertiary institutions are aware of this and offer **alternative entry schemes** taking into account **short- and long-term disadvantage**. While many are offered through the single [Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) SPECIAL ENTRY ACCESS SCHEME (SEAS) application process](http://www.vtac.edu.au/applying/seas.html), others require application to the institution. **Note**: SEAS applications cannot be completed until you have made a course application through VTAC. See: [www.vtac.edu.au/applying/seas.html](http://www.vtac.edu.au/applying/seas.html)

**MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS –**

- **MONASH GUARANTEE AND SEAS FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS** – Monash operates two **access schemes**, the Monash Guarantee and the SEAS that can help you enter your preferred course, **even if your ATAR is below the clearly-in ATAR**. It is possible to be eligible for one or both schemes. The **Monash Guarantee** can get you into a course even if you don’t reach the course’s clearly-in ATAR. You could be eligible if you have experienced **financial disadvantage** or if you are an **Indigenous**
Australian (Note: the Monash Guarantee also applies to students who attend a Monash under-represented school). Every course has a Monash Guarantee ATAR. For Info:
http://www.study.monash/how-to-apply/entry-schemes/the-monash-guarantee/monash-guarantee-atar

SEAS adjusts your ATAR in recognition of circumstances that may have affected your education. See: http://www.study.monash/how-to-apply/entry-schemes/special-entry-access-scheme.

- **MONASH ART, DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE (MADA)** is holding workshops which offer a way to get tips on the application process for MADA courses. When: 26 & 27 Sept; Where: MADA (Caulfield campus); For: Year 11 & 12 students; Bookings: www.monash.edu/mada/workshops.

- **NEW VERTICAL DOUBLE ARTS DEGREES** – This means that students can gain a Bachelor of Arts degree and relevant Master’s degree in four years. The offering will be accessed either commencing directly into a planned vertical course program or electing to move into the double degree structure while undertaking their Bachelor’s degree. Students will need to achieve a 75% average in their first two full time years to progress to the Master’s course.

- **NEW PATHWAYS INTO LAW** – For students with the determination to succeed in the B. Laws but just miss out on the clearly-in ATAR, and identify as an Indigenous Australian, live in a low socio-economic area OR have experienced financial hardship. The new courses allow students to study law units from day one so they can try law before committing to the full degree. New courses:
  - Bachelor of Arts (Law pathway)
  - Bachelor of Commerce (Law pathway)
  - Bachelor of Science (Law pathway)

  In the first year they will study four first year law subjects along with four Arts, Commerce or Science subjects. Students who pass all eight units with a credit (60%) average in all four law units and a credit (60%) average overall, will be guaranteed a place in either B. Laws/B. Arts, B. Laws/B. Commerce or B. Laws/B. Science OR second year of the B. Laws (Honours) single degree. Info and eligibility: www.monash.edu/law/future-students/undergraduate/pathways.

- **MONASH BUSINESS SCHOOL** – has a City location at Level 7, 271 Collins St Melbourne. Learn about their B. International Business degree taught there at Open House, 11am-3pm, Sunday 14 August. Register: www.business.monash.edu/programs/undergraduate-programs/find-out-more/business-open-house


**LA TROBE UNIVERSITY’S ASPIRE PROGRAM** – Applications are open. Aspire recognises the positive impact a student has had on their local community. La Trobe has updated the ‘How to Apply’ page with tips and given a sample application. Frequently asked questions:

- What ATAR must I achieve for the Aspire program? Most courses have a minimum ATAR of 50, although some professional degrees have higher requirements.
- Do I have to arrange anything for my school recommendation? No, La Trobe will contact the school so you only need to advise which school you attend.
- Do I still have to apply through VTAC if I get an Aspire offer? Yes – your Aspire course should be your highest eligible preference. If you list a different course that you are eligible for above your Aspire offer, you will be made an offer into the different course and your Aspire offer will become void.


**AT ACU STUDENTS ARE MORE THAN THEIR ATAR** – ACU’s new Passion for Business (P4B) and Passion for Law and Commerce (P4law-commerce) programs are not just about your ATAR; they are about providing a unique opportunity for students with a passion for business or law. If you are in Year 12 and you want to get an early competitive edge with a guaranteed entry to ACU see www.acu.edu.au/P4B or www.acu.edu.au/p4law-commerce.
Kicking Goals with Goodesy and Magic  
*By Anita Heiss, Adam Goodes & Michael O'Loughlin*

AFL legends Adam Goodes and Michael O'Loughlin are blood brothers and great mates.

They are also two of the best footballers ever to play for the Sydney Swans. Between them, they played over 650 games and kicked over 900 goals.

But what were Goodesy and Magic like when they were kids? What kind of scrapes did they get into at school? And what was it like to go from being normal teenagers to AFL superstars?

Find out all this and much more in *Kicking Goals*, the story of Adam and Michael’s friendship in their own words, as told to Anita Heiss.

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**Endgame**  
*By Chris Ryan*

‘Don’t come after us … remember the first thing I ever taught you - that your first duty is to stay alive’

For some time now, Zack Darke has been operating solo, in total secrecy, for a shadowy government organisation.

When his handlers are abducted by somebody with a serious personal vendetta against him, Zak has no choice but to go after them. And heading across the world to find them - into danger like he’s never known - is something that, this time, he cannot do alone.

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**The Girl Who Rode the Wind**  
*By Stacy Gregg*

An epic, emotional story of two girls and their bond with beloved horses, the action sweeping between Italy during the Second World War and present day.

When Lola’s grandmother Loretta takes her to Siena, Italy, for the summer, Lola learns of her family’s history of heartbreak and adventure, stretching back to the Second World War. In 1945, Loretta’s nickname was ‘The Daredevil’ due to her fearless competing in the town’s famous Palio horse races – until war broke out and led to sadness and loss for Loretta.

Lola jumps at the chance to enter the modern-day Palio on a beautiful horse called Nico – can she win, in honour of her beloved grandmother? And solve a mystery that will bring happiness and hope to Loretta?
Tatura Basketball Spring Competition will commence August 15th
This competition is open to ages 8-16 (must still be 16 on 30th December 2016).

Registration Night: 6-7.30pm Monday July 25th, upstairs at Tatura Stadium.

Registration and Payment must be made on this night. For further information please contact Lisa Cullum, President, at taba@viberts.com.au or on 0428242889.
Can past players please return any playing singlets they may have on registration night.

2016 GATORS TRYOUTS

All players interested in playing in the 2016-2017 Shepparton Junior Representative Squad (Junior Gators) are invited to trial. All trials are at Shepparton Stadium.

First trial dates as below:
Under 18 Girls    Sunday July 31st - 5.30-7pm
Under 16 Girls    Sunday July 31st - 4-5.30pm
Under 14 Girls    Sunday July 31st - 4-5.30pm
Under 12 Girls    Saturday September 10th - 9-10.30am
Under 18 Boys    Monday August 1st - 6.30-8pm
Under 16 Boys    Monday August 1st - 5-6.30pm
Under 14 Boys    Monday August 1st - 5-6.30pm
Under 12 Boys    Saturday September 10th - 9-10.30am

For further details go to the GSBA website

DEMONS BASKETBALL CLUB
SUMMER 2016/17 SEASON
(29/08/16 – 25/03/17 no games played school holidays)

EARLY BIRD $65 Demons Summer Registration before 5th August 2016
ANY REGISTRATIONS MADE AFTER 5th August $85

REGISTER ONLINE NOW
www.gsba.com.au

2016 GSBA Junior Registration Tab

$65.00 Demons Club Registration Winter (payments made before 05/08/16)
$52.03 per player GSBA Insurance Renewal (if you didn’t play Winter Comp)

Total Amount to pay: $117.03 (if you didn’t play Winter Comp)
Total Amount to pay: $  65.00 (if you DID play Winter Comp)

Age Groups for Summer Season 2016/17 born in:
U18  2000/2001

Any further enquiries contact demons@gsba.com.au