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Welcome to 2023 @ Wurun

Chris Millard

Dear students and families of Wurun Senior Campus,

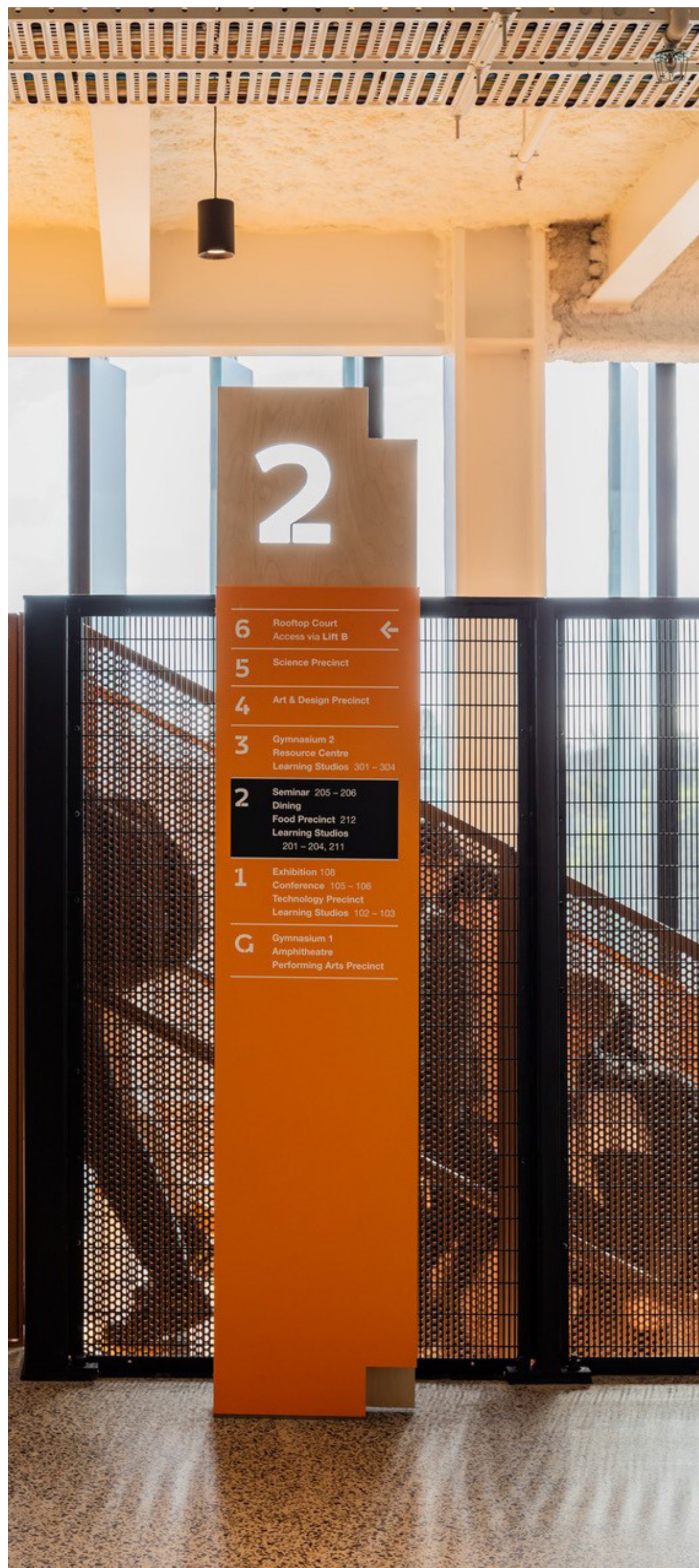
I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new students and families to our campus in 2023. I know many of you have attended tours and were part of the early commencement program at the end of 2022. For some of you that are joining us for the first time, we welcome you to our community and hope that you are enjoying your new senior school surroundings at Wurun Senior Campus.

It's an exciting time for our Year 11 students as subjects commence and they learn the different aspects of the Senior program. For our Year 12 students, I am sure you are starting to better understand what's ahead in your final year and are fine tuning the use of your time in study sessions throughout your timetable.

This is the second year of the shared campus in operation between Collingwood College and Fitzroy High School. There has been great interest in our campus during the first year, we've even managed to pick up some architecture awards from Learning Environments Australia (LEA) and Victorian School Building Authority. It was a very successful year and our graduating class of 2022 achieved some fantastic results.

In 2023, one of the key goals of the Wurun Senior Campus team is to continue to refine our policies and processes, with a particular focus on attendance. In this edition of the Wurun Bulletin you will find a graphic that explains some of the key organisational and personnel structures that support student learning and wellbeing needs. I encourage you to utilise your young person's mentor and subject teachers as the first point of contact for concerns that you may have.

Wurun Senior Campus has an excellent team of leaders who are here to support student learning and wellbeing. I have asked our key leaders to introduce themselves as part of this edition.



You may have [read an article in the The Age](#) on Friday 10th February, in which both Collingwood College and Fitzroy High School were attributed to a letter sent to both the VCAA and VTAC CEO calling for ATAR to be scrapped. This is an oversimplified headline that doesn't truly represent the work that we are involved with University of Melbourne research project - New Metrics. We have included more information about this program that we are running as part of the Senior Program. We are proud to be working towards students at our campus having the opportunity to graduate with a learner profile in addition to the traditional ATAR scores obtained. There is no doubt this is the best option for us as the learner profile continues to evolve and become warranted as a legitimate part of the entry process to further education pathways across Australia.

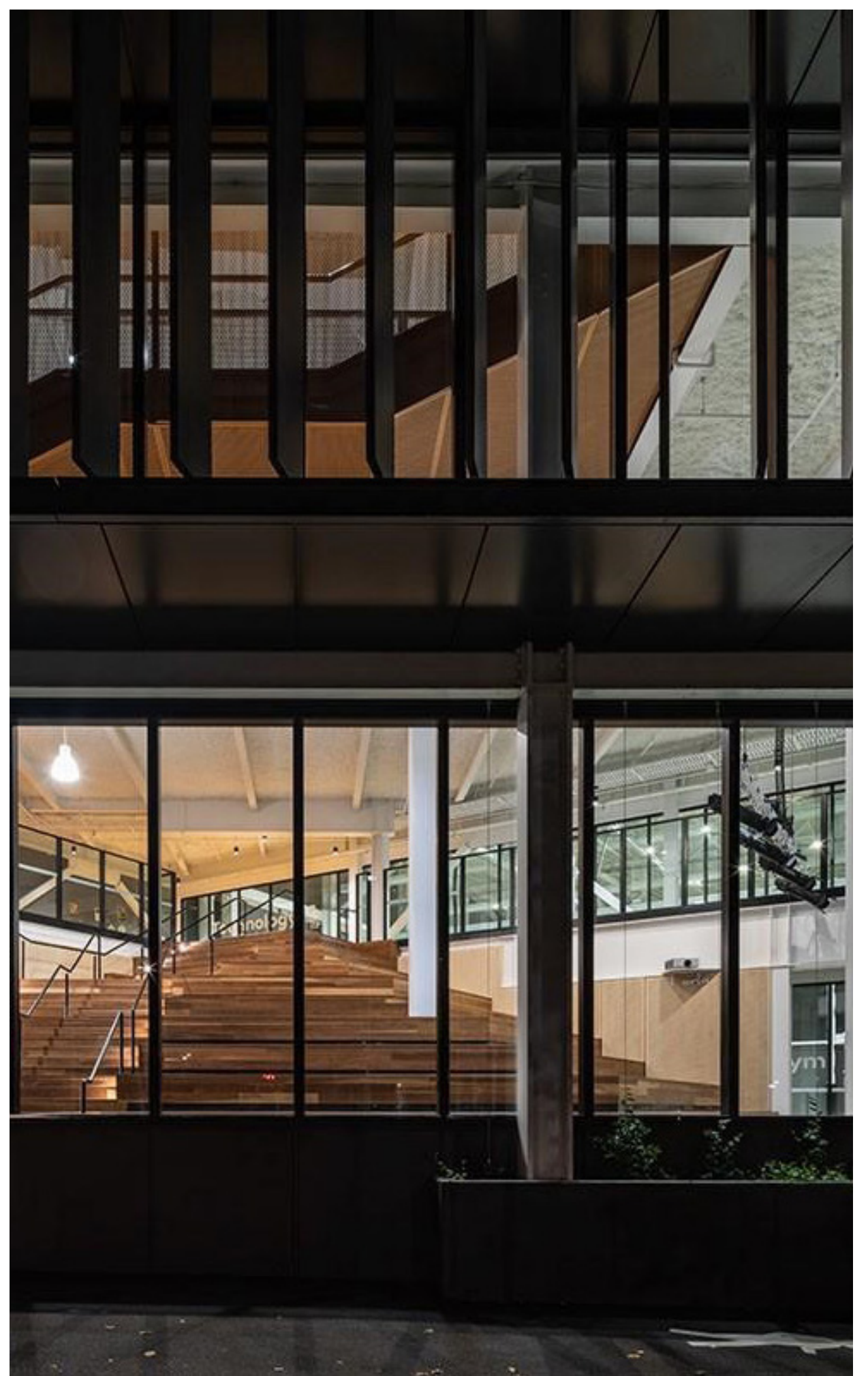
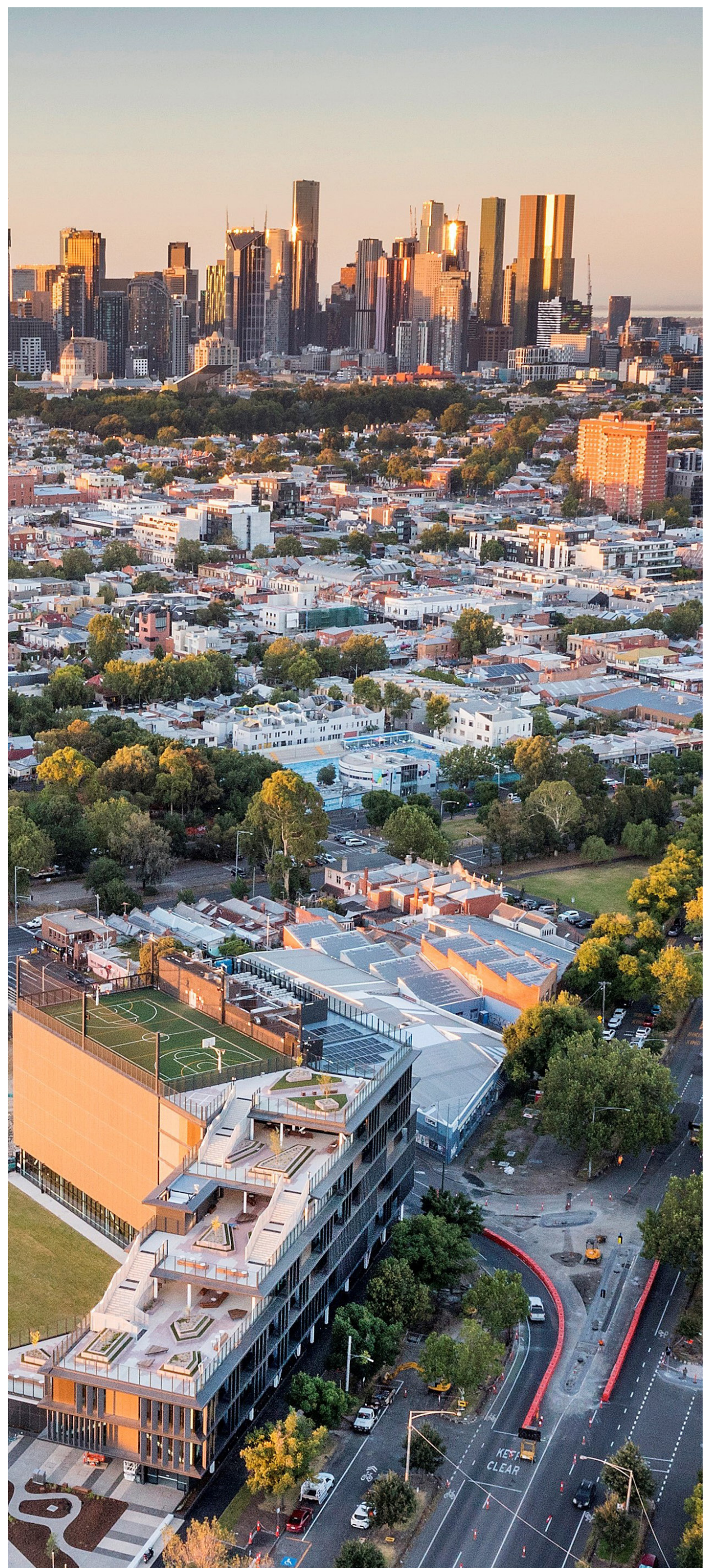
You can expect over the course of this year for at least one edition of the Wurun Bulletin each month. Our Year 11 and 12 Level Leaders - Layal and Travis, will post more regular administrative reminders via Compass to each year level.

You will also start to see us use the Wurun Senior Campus website - wurunseniorcampus.vic.edu.au, more over the year. At the moment, it has some of the basics of our campus, ways to take a tour and enrolment. Something to check out is a our Wurun Senior Campus story - <https://wurunseniorcampus.vic.edu.au/about/the-building/>

I wish all our families the very best for 2023. I encourage our students to embody our campus values of Inspire, Connect and Innovate by striving excellence, developing positive learning relationships with peers and teachers and by thinking critically and creatively about the different tasks they encounter in the classroom each day.

Happy reading!

Chris



Key Roles at Wurun Senior Campus

The graphic below outlines the key organisational structures in place at Wurun Senior Campus to support our students.

ROLES TO SUPPORT SUCCESS AT WURUN

Mentors

- liaise with classroom teachers around student learning and wellbeing needs
- support student wellbeing
- monitor attendance in subjects

Subject Teachers

- support student learning in the classroom
- provide feedback on student learning
- work with year level leaders and mentors to support wellbeing in the classroom.

Wellbeing Team

- team that includes mental health practitioners, psychologist, social worker, counsellor, community liaison and international student support.

Careers and Pathways

- support students with careers advice, one on one support sessions, VTAC applications, employment and apprenticeships.
- advise community of opportunities for all students in the careers space.

Learning Specialist (Applied Learning)

- lead the implementation of VM and VPC programs
- lead professional learning of teachers
- coordinate and liaise with external providers for VET program

Year Level Leaders

- Coordinate year level events and administration
- oversee wellbeing and identify student support
- oversee student engagement and participation

VCE Leader

- coordinate submission of special provision applications
- oversee subject changes
- support with VCAA and internal exam periods

Leading Teacher (Positive Climate)

- lead wellbeing program and coordinate services
- lead student learning adjustments and student support groups
- support student leadership, campus culture and life
- lead design and implementation of Step Up program

Lead Teacher (Teaching and Learning)

- support student program and pathways
- assessment and reporting
- support curriculum design and implementation
- lead design and implementation of Step Up program
- coordination of Year 11 and 12 exams

Campus Principal

- lead the implementation of the vision, philosophy and value of the campus
- oversee the operations and administration of the campus
- work with the Wurun Senior Campus Management committee and subcommittee for school councils.

Wurun Senior Campus Management Committee

- oversight of the operations of the campus according to MOU
- includes principal and assistant principals of Collingwood College and Fitzroy High School

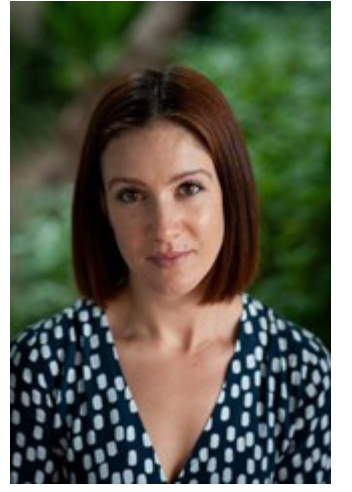


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Introduction to Wurun Leaders

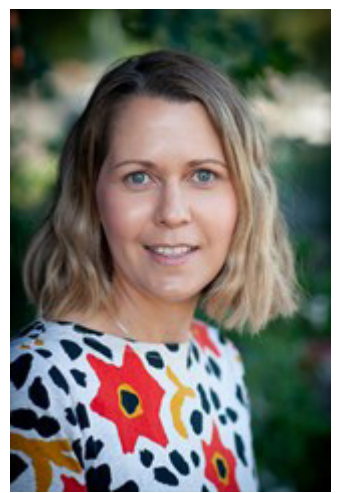
Senior Program Leader (Positive Climate)

Hi there everyone, I'm Mel Singleton, leading teacher for Positive Climate. I am highly experienced teacher, having taught every year level from Prep to Year 12 prior to this position. I am part of the Wurun Senior Campus Management Committee and part of the school council subcommittee for the campus too. The Positive Climate role primarily aimed towards developing student engagement and participation, with focus on - student voice and agency, student leadership, transition and culture. I am really enjoying the challenge of working with our Wurun teachers to utilise the "tertiary-like" learning environments to develop independence and self motivation. Ultimately, I am striving for an inclusive, positive learning culture that allow our students to flourish.



Senior Program Leader (Teaching and Learning)

I am Lucy Marshall, the Lead Teacher for Teaching and Learning at Wurun Senior Campus. I am a core member of the Wurun Leadership Team and the Wurun Senior Management Committee who make key decisions about teaching and learning and wellbeing at Wurun. In my role I work closely with all Learning Area Leaders and subject teachers to support the implementation of high quality teaching and learning in all senior pathways. I support the Wurun Senior Campus assessment and reporting process and work with the level leaders and careers team to support student pathways in Year 11 and 12. I work with staff to implement Year 11 exams and am the coordinator of the Year 12 VCE exams at the end of the year. I look forward to supporting students with their chosen pathways in 2023.



Learning Specialist (Applied Learning)

Hi everyone - my name is Louise Speirs-Bridge and I oversee applied and vocational learning programs at Wurun. These include the VCE Vocational Major (VCE VM), Victorian Pathways Certificate (VPC) and VET (Vocational Education and Training). I have been a member of the Fitzroy High School teaching team since 2015.



Year 12 Leader

Hey there, my name is Loyal Faour and I'm the Year 12 Leader at Wurun Senior Campus. I come to this position, having taught at Fitzroy High School for 12 years. My role is to work with students on a day to day basis; managing well-being and helping students find success in their chosen pathway.



Year 11 Leader

Hi everyone, my name is Travis Marke and I'm the Year 11 Leader at Wurun. My role is an exciting one, as it involves working with our teaching staff and mentors to help shape a safe, enjoyable and highly rewarding entry for students into their final years of high school. With a focus on Wellbeing, as well as supporting students with attendance and campus expectations, I look forward to supporting our Year 11 students throughout 2023.



VCE Leader

Hi, I'm Maddy. I am in the new role of VCE leader at Wurun in 2023. Whilst this is a new role I have experience as a year level leader of 11 and 12 at Fitzroy High School prior to Wurun starting last year. I'll support students and families with Special Provision applications, subject changes and students who are studying a subject through Virtual Schools Victoria (VSV). I'll support Lucy in her role during exam periods as well. I am looking forward to this year.



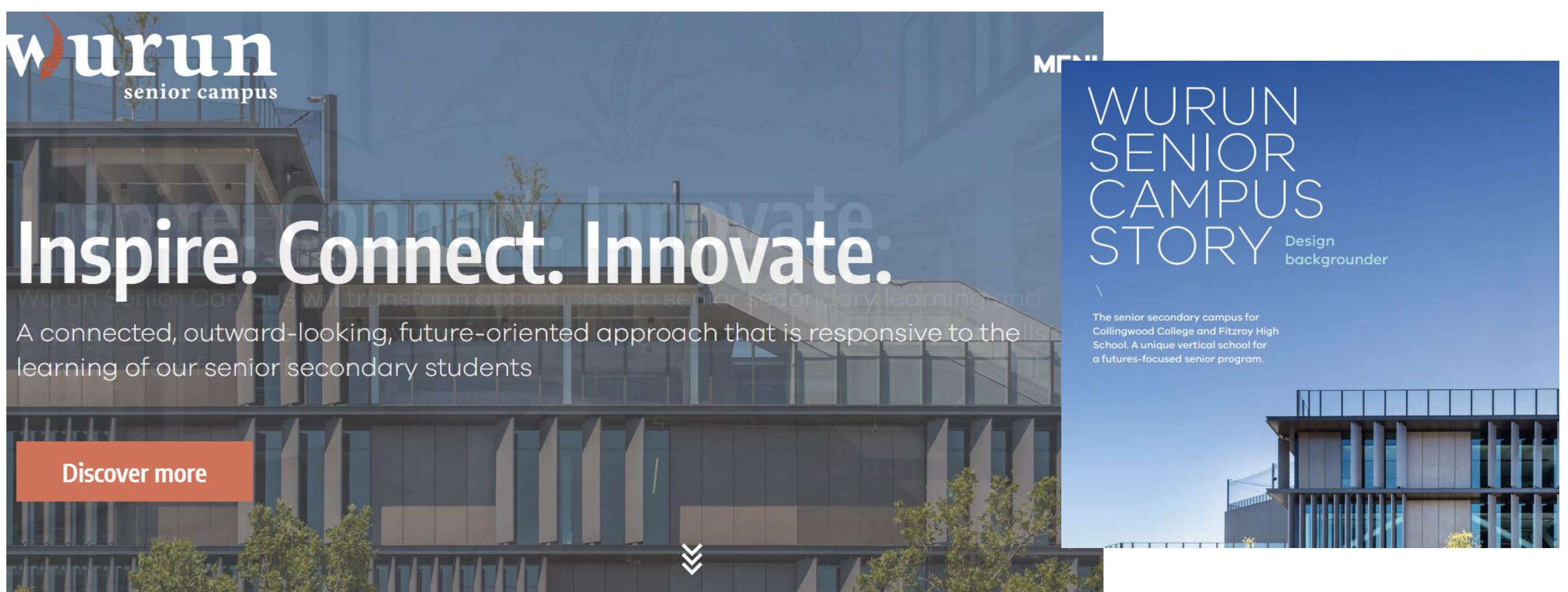
Mentors - contact list

Our mentors play an important role for every student at the campus. The mentor works within the Step Up program to understand each student, get to know their strengths, support their learning and wellbeing and assess learner agency. If your inquiry is general in nature - your mentor is a great person to contact first.

Class	Mentor teacher	Email
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Wurun Website

Our [Wurun website](#) has been launched. Over the next few months we will start to build the content. You can find our Senior Program Guide, The Wurun Senior Campus Story and our school tour bookings.



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The Building

Collingwood College and Fitzroy High School formed a senior program partnership in 2007. The partnership was a smart way of providing senior students from their



Senior Program Guide

Our guide illustrates our shared vision for a modern, diverse senior program. Please read about our programs, learning areas and subjects that are offered in 2023.



Campus Tours

Take a tour of our amazing facilities and explore the environment and possibilities at Wurun Senior Campus.

Graduating Class of 2022 - results

Celebrating our Class of 2022

To our first graduating class at Wurun Senior Campus - congratulations on completing your secondary studies.

With results being announced On Monday 12th December, 2022 there was much to celebrate. Our students have excelled in many areas and should feel very proud of their efforts. We will share more of our many destinations of our students via our careers newsletters upcoming editions.

Dux of the Campus

Duy Nguyen achieved an incredible ATAR of 99.5. Duy studied EAL, Specialist Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematical Methods.

Duy has an incredible story, a student with an EAL background who managed to achieve some of the highest results in the state after 2 years of interrupted learning. Duy is looking to study Biomedicine



VCE Season of Excellence

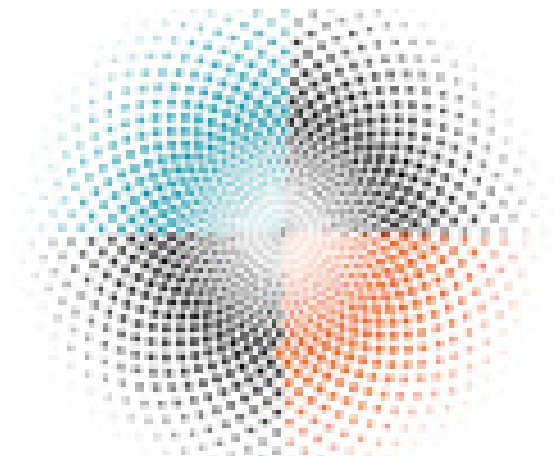
The VCE Season of Excellence is a five-month annual festival showcasing outstanding senior secondary student work from Victorian schools. The Season presents work created by VCE and VET students in design, technology, research, multimedia and cinematic, visual and performing arts through exhibitions, screenings and performances supported by education talks, forums and panel discussions, catalogues, programs and online material.

We've had a number of students from Wurun Senior Campus selected for the Season of Excellence. Hattie Bagin, who has been selected to perform in Top Class Theatre Studies at the Malthouse Theatre in March. Casper Bergman-Carthew and Milo Strangio has also been selected to exhibit their work at Top Arts at the NGV in March.

Congratulations to Hattie, Milo and Casper - we look forward to viewing your work as part of this showcase of outstanding student work in 2022!

Step Up Program - showcasing our work in New Metrics

Lucy Marshall



Step Up at Wurun Senior Campus

In 2023 we are introducing a revamped pastoral care and learning program named Step Up. This program sits alongside our core VCE/VCE VM and VPC pathways as a way of enhancing student connectedness and building key skills for lifelong learning.

Wurun Senior Campus as a campus of Collingwood College and Fitzroy High School has been granted an opportunity to work in collaboration with Melbourne University and 39 other schools across Australia to focus on how we can build and implement programs to support students both in and beyond the classroom.

The Program: New Metrics

The New Metrics Program highlights the need to look beyond the traditional metric or assessment of learning as the ATAR. We know at Wurun that our students are increasingly looking to build their capacity as learners and to seek out different avenues and pathways of success. Whilst we continue to value the ATAR as a strong measurement of student academia and will continue to support many of our students to enter tertiary studies, we also know that there are other assessments of learning that are just as important. Our work in New Metrics aims to support student and teacher assessment of core capabilities that have been identified by the tertiary and employment sector as vital to success.

“As an educational community, we need to learn how to define success for students and schools in ways appropriate to new and evolving contexts. This means adding to and complementing the current measures that are in place to develop literate and numerate students; developing a broader suite of assessment tools. In turn, this requires new approaches to learning, to program design, to careers and pathways support, to pedagogy and – to drive these innovations - new metrics of success.” New Metrics, 2022.

Wurun will therefore be introducing Step Up to support the work of New Metrics as well as continuing the strong focus on wellbeing and pastoral care that our Advisory program has always provided. We believe that with the underpinning support of the New metrics team that we can ensure all of our students graduate with not only their chosen VCE certificate (VCE/VCE VM or VPC) but also a learner profile that they can take to employers and institutions to support their candidacy for a position or place.

Students will engage with the program throughout their time here at Wurun, building a stronger understanding of themselves as learners and how they can get the most out of their chosen pathway. We will work with our students and their Mentors to link the work of the classroom with that of the real world, so they can be prepared for their future.

“New Metrics is an opportunity to do this work in partnership; to work within the parameters of school systems and community expectations, while being able to exert influence to improve learning opportunities and chances for all students on a national scale.” New Metrics, 2022

Already we have been able to work with the Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority, The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre and other tertiary providers to better understand the future of study and work. This will help to inform our Step Up program and will ensure that our students at Wurun are ahead of the trend in educational change.

We invite our students at Wurun to fully engage with and participate in this program in 2023. They will have twice weekly sessions that will see opportunities to learn about themselves, to build their skills in their subjects, to engage in careers and pathways planning, to work with people from industry and to gain credentials. We will continue to update our campus community with our work.

Should you wish to read more about the Melbourne University New Metrics program please do so.

<https://education.unimelb.edu.au/new-metrics-for-success>

Key Dates

February

- 14th - Senior sports day - tennis and volleyball
- 24th - Swimming Sports (sign up approval process)

March

- 6th - International Women's Day (IWD)
- 13th - Labour Day Long Weekend (no classes)
- 22nd - Ramadan starts
- 28th - Senior Three Way Conferences, 11am - 7pm (no classes)
- 29th - 31st - Unit 1 Outdoor Education Camp

April

- 7th - Final day for classes - Term 1
- 20th - Ramadan ends
- 24th - Curriculum day (no classes)
- 25th - Anzac Day
- 26th - Students return for Term 2

May

- 4th - Senior Sports Day (AFL, soccer, badminton, netball)
- 17th - IDAHOBIT day
- 23rd - Careers Expo at Wurun (12 - 3:15pm)
- 26th - National Sorry day
- 29th - Reconciliation day

June

- 5th - 9th - Unit 1 Mid Year Exams
- 15th - General Achievement Test (GAT) - 9am - 3:30pm
- 19th - Senior Sports Day (basketball, table tennis, futsal)
- 23rd - Term 2 ends
- 29th - Eid Al Adha

July

- 10th - Curriculum day (no classes)
- 11th - Term 3 commences
- 31st - Senior 3 Way Conferences

August

- 2nd - Extended Investigation Critical Thinking Test

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