



# Boort District P - 12 School

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## VISION STATEMENT

**Our vision is to empower our students and staff to work together to become active and valued community members. We provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which fosters independent, resilient lifelong learners.**

**BDS Motto: 'Achieving Excellence Together'**

**BDS Beliefs and Values: Pursuing Excellence in all Areas**



### DIARY DATES

#### **JULY**

21<sup>st</sup> 4/5/6 Netball Bendigo

26<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> Year 11 Trip

29<sup>th</sup> GAT

30<sup>th</sup> Working Bee

#### **AUGUST**

2<sup>nd</sup> Parents' Club Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> House Athletic Sports

9<sup>th</sup> Curriculum Day Pupil Free Day

16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Book Week

24<sup>th</sup> Interschool Athletics Yr 7-12

26<sup>th</sup> Calder Athletics F – Yr6

#### **September**

6<sup>th</sup> Parents' Club Meeting.

8<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Interviews

### **Principal's Report**

#### New Term and Welcome!

I hope everyone had a good break and was able to enjoy their time away from school.

We welcome Kylie Cummins who is taking over the Years 2/3 class while Pam Adams is on Long Service Leave. Sarah Featherby will be away the rest of this week and her class is being taken by Jenny Ritchie.

At the end of last term, we said farewell to Guorong Chen. He has taken up another position at a school closer to Melbourne and his family. We have employed Leanna Moresi for a couple of weeks to fill in while we go through the process of engaging another maths teacher.

Finally, I want to welcome **Pauline Ugle** to our staff as our Mental Health Practitioner. Pauline will be working on Fridays and will be available for students, staff and families to discuss any concerns about mental health. Pauline will work closely with Merryn Rees.

Pauline will be supporting some classroom activities and running various events throughout her time with us.

#### Forward notice of dates

At this stage, we have a Parent Teacher Interview session listed in our diaries Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September. We may very well run these interviews as we did the ones in March where the option of WebEx interviews were given along with face-to-face interviews. More information will come out soon. Interviews will be booked via Xuno.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August will be a pupil-free day for a whole staff Curriculum Day.

#### August Census

At the beginning of August every year I am asked to predict our student numbers for the following year. Students will be asked during Home Group sessions if they will be attending BDS in 2022. If any families know they will not have current students attending in 2022, could you please call the Office and let me know?

### Concerns to be raised

At some point, every family has an issue or concern that they need to discuss. The best way to do this is to contact the school and arrange for a meeting or a phone call. The question then becomes, who do I call? Ring the school on **5455 2201**.

Here is a list of people to contact regarding issues:

**Merryn Rees:** Wellbeing, uniform, Mental Health (Merryn will also be able to link people with Pauline, our Mental Health practitioner)

**Pam Adams:** Concerns with F-6

**Adrian Grogan:** Buses

**Brooke Chamberlain/Drew Crilly:** Careers, Work Experience

**Hayden Rowley/ Chris Hatcher:** Sports

**Tom Bleicher:** Student behaviour concerns, harassment, School based Apprenticeships, Work Placements, VET.

**Home Group and Classroom teachers:** subjects, holidays, progress in classes

We will endeavour to support all students and families with their concerns. If we know about an issue, we can help.

Lee-Anne Sherwell  
Principal

### **Principal's Availability over the Next Week**

| Thursday  | Friday    | Monday    | Tuesday   | Wednesday |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| At School |

### XUNO

Did you know that you can still contact staff directly via Xuno email? Check out the instructions below for how to do this. Our new website also has the email protocol policy if you are wondering about when to email or what to put into an email.

### How to read and send messages to teachers

1. Click on the School menu and then click on the Messages item. If you're using a mobile device, you'll need to tap on the menu icon in the top right first, before you can tap on the School menu.
2. Your most recent conversation will load by default. All of your previous conversations are listed in the left pane and you can click on a name to view its contents or to continue the conversation. Your most recent conversations are shown at the top. If you're using a mobile device you can tap the down arrow in the top header bar, to view your list of previous conversations.
3. To start a new conversation, click on the plus icon in the left pane above your previous conversations, then choose a name from the list. On a mobile device you'll need to tap the down arrow in the top navigation bar, then click on the plus icon. Parents are able to send messages to all teachers and coordinators of their children, whereas students are only able to send messages to their current teachers and coordinators.
4. Type your message into the field at the bottom labelled New message.
5. You can also attach files by either dragging or dropping the file into the New message text area, or clicking the Attach button and selecting your file.
6. When you are ready to send the new message click on the Send button. Once a message has been sent you will not be able to stop it or delete a previously sent message.

## Year 7/8 Lacrosse Program

During Week 10 of last term, students from Years 7 and 8 were fortunate to receive some additional sport time in the form of “the fastest game on two feet,” Lacrosse. This was thanks to funding provided by the Australian Government and the Sporting Schools program. The funding allowed us to update our Lacrosse equipment as well as provide a double session of coaching for each of the two year levels. It was fantastic to have professional coaching from the Australian Lacrosse Association, providing their knowledge and skills for a challenging sport like lacrosse. Students were then able to progress these games into a round robin of QuickStix Lacrosse, a modified 3-on-3 version of the sport, run by the PE staff of our school. It was excellent to see students’ skills developing in scooping, throwing and catching and we look forward to providing further opportunities for this throughout whole school PE classes and lunchtime activities.





My work experience at Bat City Music in Bendigo was so much fun and I really enjoyed it. I loved being able to have casual conversations with my employers and some of the customers, and rearranging the window display was fabulous too. I learned how to tune instruments, which I had a great time doing.

Emma Zanker

The highlight of my work experience at Eaglehawk Primary School was being in a classroom interacting and helping the kids.

Sam Barraclough

The best thing about the Goodstart Early Learning Centre was being around the kids and watching how the centre works and what the kids' routine is during the day. I really enjoyed talking to heaps of new people and watching the physio do things at the Swan hill Physio and Sports Clinic.

Zarlie Featherby

I quite enjoyed the experience of what a physio does. I don't see myself doing this career, but it was a great experience doing ultrasounds, answering the phone and booking appointments, cleaning and home visits. I enjoyed doing home visits and communicating with clients.

Emma Gawne

I had an amazing experience at Mill Valley ranch; I got to see what goes on behind the scenes to running a camp. I was lucky enough to help run activities such as horse riding, archery, rope courses and helping in the kitchen. I loved every day working there.

Grace Hall

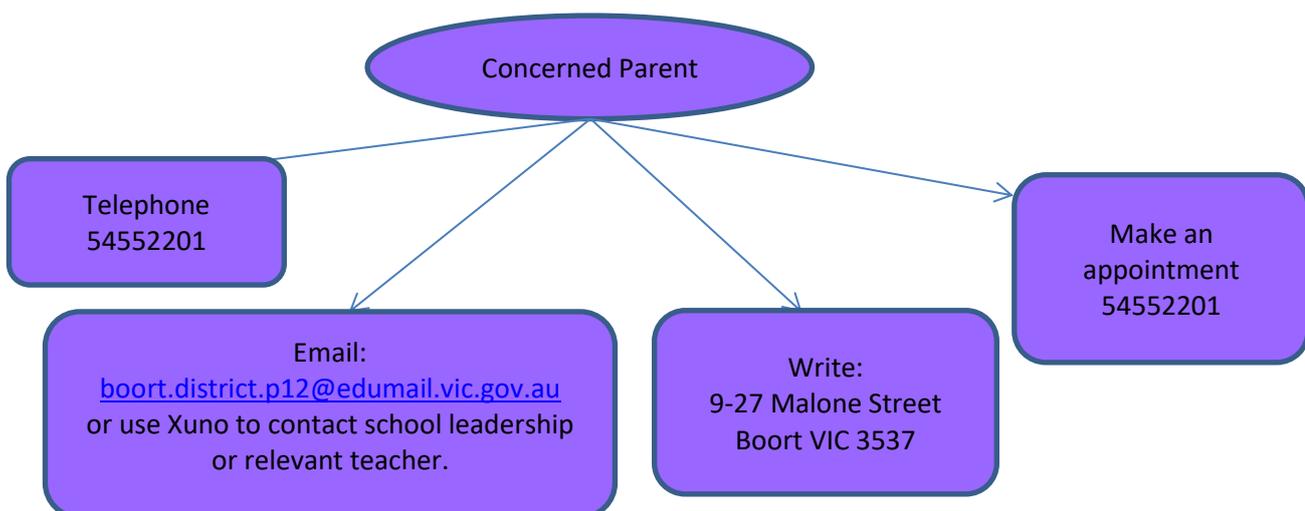
My favourite part of work experience with the Verleys was feeding the lambs and spreading urea.

Griffin Lanyon

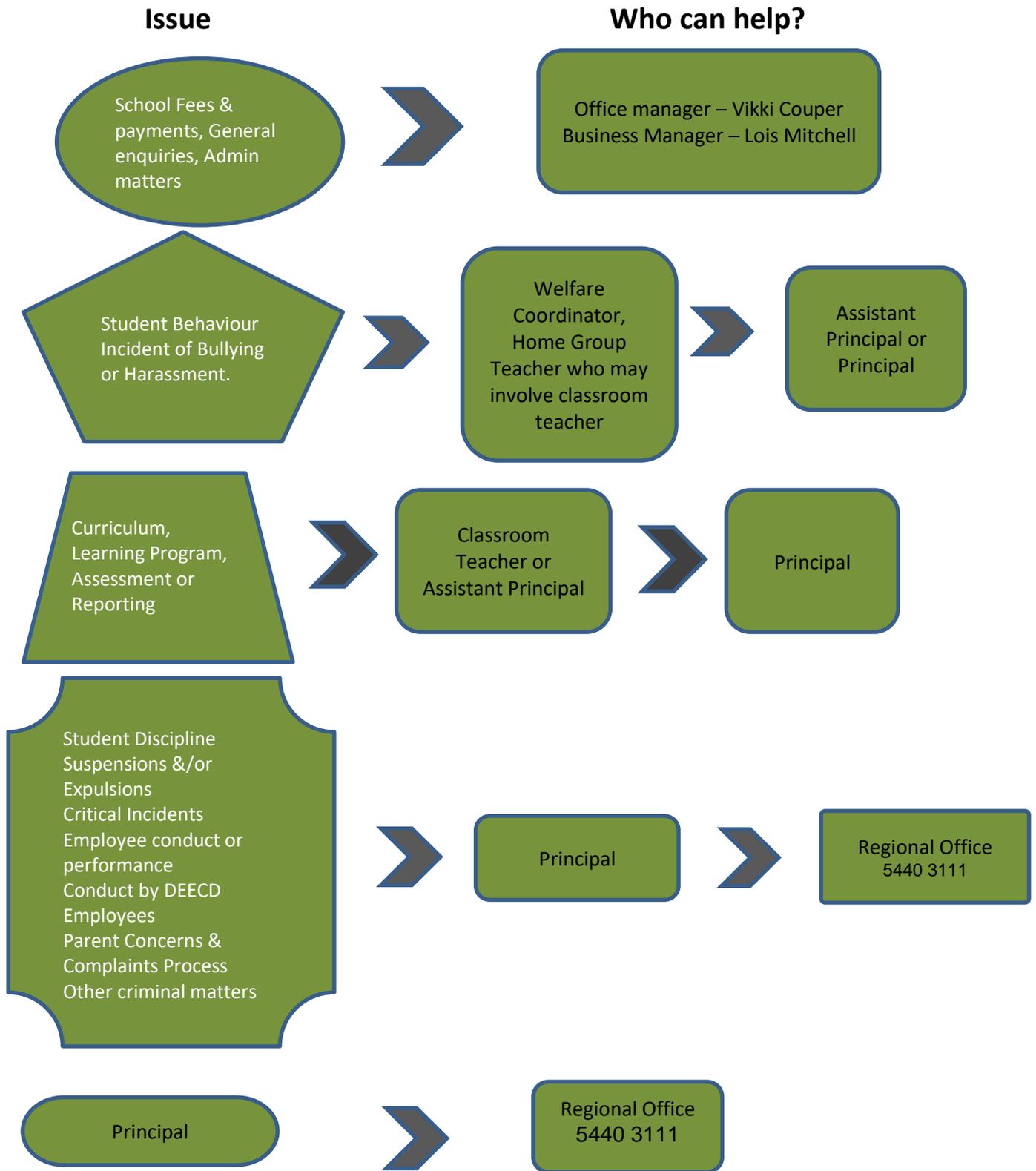
## Student of the Week

|          |                 |  |
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| Year 1/2 | Summer Nuttall  | For beautiful expression when reading.                                   |
|          | Beau Kane       | For beautiful expression when reading.                                   |
|          | Lucy Lanyon     | For trying new words.  |
| Year 2/3 | Jacob Edubos    | For speaking more confidently in front of the class                      |
|          | Ella Howe       | For always greeting people with a friendly smile                         |
|          | Xavier Junor    | For using terrific multiplication strategies                             |
| Year 4/5 | Jacob Malone    | For taking pride in his presentation of work tasks.                      |
|          | Cooper Gooding  | For his exceptional manners.   |
|          | Charlotte Junor | For working hard to improve the neatness of her work.                    |
|          | Jake O'Flaherty | For working hard to master the measurement of angles using a protractor. |

## Parent Concerns and Complaints Protocols – School Contact Details



# Parent Concerns and Complaints Protocols



All concerns, complaints and queries can be directed straight to the Regional Office.

**Working Bee Term 3 July 30<sup>th</sup>.**

Arnold, Mr J & Mrs K  
 Lanyon, Mr S & Mrs K  
 Maxted, Mr W & Mrs D  
 Perryman, Mr D & Mrs T  
 Rothacker, Mr C & Mrs K  
 Stringer, Mr G & Mrs S  
 Velleley, Mr K

Bremner, Mr D & Mrs S  
 Leerson, Mr G & Mrs L  
 Moresi, Mr B & Mrs V  
 Perryman Mr T  
 Rye, Mr L & Mrs J  
 Toose, Mr V & Mrs T  
 Whykes, Mr D & Mrs A

Gleeson Mr C & McPherson Mrs K  
 Malone, Mr M & Mrs N  
 O’Flaherty, Mr C & Mrs S  
 Poxon, Mr H & Mrs A  
 Scott, Mr C & Mrs M  
 Talbot, Mr R & Pickering Ms S

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**HEYWIRE STORYTELLING WORKSHOP**

Join ABC Producer, Katie McAllister for a LIVE workshop for the annual Heywire Storytelling Competition.

Open to 16-22 year olds living in regional or rural Australia, Heywire encourages young people to tell stories about their life outside the major cities in text, photo, video or audio format, with amazing opportunities for winners!

FREE Zoom session - 2.30pm, Sunday 18 July

Register- [mywarra@gsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:mywarra@gsc.vic.gov.au)

Learn more - [abc.net.au/heywire](http://abc.net.au/heywire)

GANNAWARRA Shire Council

**NOCH**  
 Northern District Community Health  
 Supporting healthy rural communities

**CELEBRATING NAIDOC WEEK**

**NAIDOC WEEK 2021**

During the last week of the school holidays we celebrated NAIDOC week.

**CELEBRATE NAIDOC WEEK**

**What does NAIDOC stand for?**  
 NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee.

**What is NAIDOC Week?**  
 NAIDOC week invites the nation to embrace First Nations’ cultural knowledge and understanding of Country as part of Australia’s national heritage and equally respect the culture and values of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islanders as they do the cultures and values of all Australians.

**What is the theme for 2021?**  
 The NAIDOC 2021 theme – Heal Country! – calls for all of us to continue to seek greater protections for our lands, our waters, our sacred sites and our cultural heritage from exploitation, desecration, and destruction.

**How can we continue to honour the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples beyond NAIDOC week?**

- ♥ Learn more about the Country on which you live, go to school and/or work on using the AIATSIS Map of Indigenous Australia
- 👉 Find a book to read, written and published by indigenous authors and illustrators. Why not start with ‘Hello and Welcome’ by Gregg Dreise?
- 🗣️ Learn how to deliver an Acknowledgement of Country at Assembly
- ♥ Try colouring in the NAIDOC Week poster (pop into the NDCH office in Kerang or Cohuna to get a copy of the poster)
- 👉 Find more ideas to celebrate and honour NAIDOC week by visiting [naidoc.org.au](http://naidoc.org.au)

[www.ndch.org.au](http://www.ndch.org.au)



**North  
Central  
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# CAREERS NEWSLETTER



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12<sup>th</sup> July 2021

## Year 12 Student Reminders



### EARLY ENTRY PROGRAMS

**Latrobe ASPIRE** – Close Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September

**ACU Guarantee** – Close Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**Charles Sturt Advantage** – Close Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August

### VTAC APPLICATIONS

Open Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

### YOUTHRIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

UNIVERSITY – Open 21<sup>st</sup> June – 23<sup>rd</sup> August

[www.youthrivevictoria.org.au/scholarships/uni-scholarships/](http://www.youthrivevictoria.org.au/scholarships/uni-scholarships/)

**RURAL CHANCES (TAFE/Apprenticeships)** – Open  
September 3<sup>rd</sup>

[www.youthrivevictoria.org.au/scholarships/rural-chances/](http://www.youthrivevictoria.org.au/scholarships/rural-chances/)

### VTAC Applications Q&A Webinar

**Wednesday July 14, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

Please join tertiary education representatives and VTAC as they walk you through the VTAC application process. This online event is best suited to Year 12 students considering further education, their parents and guardians, and career practitioners.

To register for this online event visit:

[www.tis.org.au/event/vtac-applications-qa-webinar/](http://www.tis.org.au/event/vtac-applications-qa-webinar/)



### UPCOMING ONLINE INFORMATION SESSIONS

**Certificate III and Diploma of Early Childhood Education  
and Care**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July – 10:30am

**Certificate III Health Services (On-Campus)**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – 3:00pm

Wednesday August 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> – 2:00pm

[www.eventbrite.com.au/o/bendigo-tafe-information-sessions-3348285028](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/bendigo-tafe-information-sessions-3348285028)



To Register for these Webinars, Visit:

[www.rmit.edu.au/events](http://www.rmit.edu.au/events)

### Discover what's next: Building

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

Discover all you need to know about studying  
**Building at RMIT.**

Our accredited Building programs connect you with industry mentors. By studying with us, you will gain professional skills to design, plan, shape, finance and manage the urban spaces we work and live in - getting you ready for the builds of the future.

This is the perfect session if you're in secondary school and are considering studying Building courses at RMIT.

You'll hear from our staff and a current student on:

- Course options
- Industry Experience
- Global Opportunities
- Prerequisites and Pathways
- Clubs and societies
- Our graduates

You'll have the chance to ask questions and find out where Building at RMIT might take you.

### Discover what's next: Property

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

Discover all you need to know about studying  
**Property at RMIT.**

Delve into property and valuation when you study Property at RMIT.

This is the perfect session if you're in secondary school and are considering studying Property courses at RMIT.

You'll hear from our staff and a current student on:

- Course options
- Industry Experience
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- Our graduates

You'll have the chance to ask questions and find out where Property at RMIT might take you.

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s.clay@ncflen.org.au

Birchip, Boort, East Loddon & Wycheproof  
Angela Poxon  
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Pyramid Hill  
Barb Bear  
0477 242 485  
b.bear@ncflen.org.au



**Webinar: Explore Engineering at Federation**

**Tuesday July 13<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM**

Help shape the future with an industry-recognised engineering qualification at Federation. Our programs include study options in civil, manufacturing, mechanical, robotics, project management, mining engineering and more.

To Register Visit:

[https://events.federation.edu.au/event/sessions?id=Webinar\\_Explore\\_Engineering\\_at\\_Federation3637425089](https://events.federation.edu.au/event/sessions?id=Webinar_Explore_Engineering_at_Federation3637425089)

**Performing Arts Audition Q & A (Online)**

**Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Federation University Arts Academy invites students applying for our Bachelor of Performing Arts to an online audition Q & A session. We want you to feel confident and well-prepared when you record your audition video. This one-hour workshop will guide you through the process of applying for the Bachelor of Performing Arts, what we're looking for in our students and what's required in an audition video. Our highly-respected Arts Academy teaching staff and current students are looking forward to meeting you.

To Register Visit:

[https://events.federation.edu.au/event/sessions?id=Performing\\_Arts\\_Audition\\_Q\\_A3190290899](https://events.federation.edu.au/event/sessions?id=Performing_Arts_Audition_Q_A3190290899)

**ACU | Year 12 Revision Webinars**



**23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

Worried about your Year 12 exams? You're not alone. We know this can be a stressful time, which is why we've teamed up with InspirED to help you do your very best and get you ready for what's to come. Join us for a series of free online webinars run by experienced Year 12 exam markers and assessors. They'll guide you through how to respond to possible exam questions, help you get your head around the class content to deepen your understanding, and offer plenty of tips and strategies along the way. You'll also have an opportunity to get your questions answered during a live 30-minute Q&A.

Find out more:

[www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/year-12-revision-webinars/vic](http://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/year-12-revision-webinars/vic)

**HARVEST CASUALS**



Looking for casual work this harvest?

To Register your interest for the 2021/22 Harvest season, visit: [www.graincorp.com.au/harvest-casuals/](http://www.graincorp.com.au/harvest-casuals/)

**GrainFlow**

Charlton, Birchip, Dimboola, Sea Lake

To Register your interest for the 2021/22 Harvest season, visit <https://skilledworkforce.programmed.com.au/grainflow/>



**ONLINE INFORMATION SESSIONS**

[www.melbournepolytechnic.edu.au/information-sessions](http://www.melbournepolytechnic.edu.au/information-sessions)

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July @ 4:00pm**  
Music Industry

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July @ 4:00pm**  
Diploma of Information Technology

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July @ 1:00pm**  
Hospitality and Business (Bachelor & Undergraduate)

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July @ 2:30pm**  
Bachelor of Engineering Technology

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July @ 1:00pm**  
Accounting (Bachelor & Undergraduate)

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July @ 3:00pm**  
Information Technology (Bachelor & Undergraduate)

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**



The 2021 Agribusiness Australia Scholarship is now open for applications from eligible high school students across Australia. Applications close at **Noon on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021**.

Each year, Agribusiness Australia awards a scholarship to encourage young Australians to undertake tertiary education in agriculture, and we'd like to thank our silver member, Prime Super for sponsoring the scholarship. This \$3,000 scholarship is part of Agribusiness Australia's key priority of encouraging students into the sector to ensure that agribusiness continues to be a major contributor to the Australian economy.

The scholarship winner will be announced by Prime Super at the Agribusiness Australia Annual General Meeting networking event on 30 August 2021 (details of the event to be advised closer to the date).

The application deadline is **noon on Monday, 19 July 2021** and further details about the terms and conditions of the scholarship can be found in the application form.

[Click here to download the 2021 Scholarship Application Form](#)

Please contact the team at Agribusiness Australia if you have any questions.



University, TAFE, and Private Provider Open Days are a wonderful opportunity for students to explore course and career options. They are beneficial for students in Years 10, 11 and 12.

With the Open Day season approaching, it can make your tours less overwhelming if you understand what to expect and what you intend to see, do, and explore on campus.

For a list of 2021 Open Days Visit:

[www.vtac.edu.au/opaendays.html](http://www.vtac.edu.au/opaendays.html)