



Wanniassa School

Preschool to Year 10



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Message from Shane Gorman, Principal

We would like to welcome you to Semester Two and thank you for engaging with us to support your child's education. Showing children that education is important by connecting with the school helps to shape their learning and well-being and I would like to thank you for attending the Learning Exhibitions earlier in the year. Wanniassa School believes that rigorous, connected and relevant education builds the foundation for life-long learning and it is through personal projects we provide a context in which young people can flourish. We are committed to excellent classroom practices based on quality teaching and learning and our teachers and leaders work tirelessly to continually improve student outcomes. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their commitment to personalising learning for our students. We are also committed to providing students with a positive and respectful environment which focuses on high expectations for success and which builds resilience and future-mindedness. We recognise both teachers and parents play an important role in children's learning and well-being and we are looking forward to continuing to foster positive family-school partnerships. I look forward to seeing you at the Learning Exhibitions during the semester.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another action-packed semester at Wanniassa School. We look forward to continuing to work with you to support your child's education. A big congratulations to the Year 7 students on completing their first semester of high school. It is a big step from primary to high school and it is an accomplishment worth recognising.

In Year 7 we are focussing on personalising learning through project-based activities in MAPs (Mastery, Autonomy, Purpose) classes. The students have freedom to select any topic and are guided by their MAPs teacher to investigate deep connections to ensure their learning is authentic and challenging. During these times the teachers provide explicit instruction supporting students to plan, create and present a passion project to the class. There is rich inquiry learning happening across all key learning areas during these times and the students show high levels of engagement and motivation when talking about their projects. We would like to provide you with an opportunity to hear more about how we personalise learning at a **Parent Meeting on Wednesday 17th August at 5:00pm in the Year 7 Learning Space**. There is an emphasis for the MAPs teachers to develop positive relationships with students in their class and to be the first port of call for all students and parents to ask questions and celebrate learning. The year 7 MAPs teachers are Mr Bond, Mr O'Brien and Mr Carter. These teachers also have some very specific skill sets that the students are able to utilise to enhance their projects.

We have an open door policy, if you would like to speak with your child's teachers please do not hesitate to contact the school and make an appointment.

Yours sincerely

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