

# TURRAMURRA

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## HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that your families are feeling well rested as we head into the new term after a very busy first term. Some highlights for ourselves as Year 7 Advisers was getting to see the Year 7 cohort settle into the high school routine, making new friends and getting to know their teachers. Year 7 Camp was also a great highlight! Students demonstrated their creativity, resilience, enthusiasm and teamwork as they embraced the many physical and social challenges thrown at them. We look forward to school routines returning to somewhat 'normal' after many months of restrictions to schools due to Covid-19.

The beginning of Term 2 is a time when most assessment tasks are due. We know that this can be a stressful time as students get used to managing their time and balancing the work required for all their subjects. We encourage students to be making the most of their student diaries and Google Classroom to ensure that they can stay on top of their assessment tasks.

Please remind your child to regularly check Sentral, their school email and Google Classroom for announcements from their teachers and Year Advisers.

### Events and Important Information for Term Two

Week 3 – **Athletics Carnival** on Tuesday 4th of May at Bannockburn Oval. Please note students must come to school in their sports uniform or house colours, however, it is not a mufti day. Students are encouraged to participate in as many events as they can.

Week 4 - **NAPLAN** will be conducted from the 11th of May until the 13th of May, more information will be provided soon.

Week 6 – **Year 7 Vaccinations** on Monday 24th of May. Parent Information Kits were distributed during Immersion Week for the first round of vaccinations. If your child had the first round of vaccinations earlier in the year, you do not need to give permission for this second round. If your child has not had their first round of vaccinations and you would like them to participate, please collect an information kit from Ms Kourdis in the HSIE faculty in C block.

Week 10 – **Turrafest** will be a week-long event at school where we will celebrate the achievement of students throughout Semester 1. There will also be many events to help promote student wellbeing at school.

## Extra-Curricular Opportunities

A reminder of the following activities that are available for your child to get involved in. Further information about each group and how to join can be found on the school website. Any updates for each group will be posted on the Year 7 Google Classroom, in the daily announcements given by teachers in Period 1, and via their student emails.

- Concert Band - Tuesday afternoon
- Stage Band - Friday afternoon
- Social Inc - Friday lunch times
- Turrumurra Learning Club (TLC) - Monday and Thursday after school.
- Maths Club - Monday after school
- The Cover Band - Wednesday lunchtime
- Big Hill - before school
- Dance - Tuesday lunchtime
- Rhythmic gymnastics and Ballet - Tuesday before school
- Theatre Sports - Wednesday lunchtime
- String Ensemble - Monday lunchtime
- Debating - Friday lunchtime
- Various Knockout sport competitions
- Jazz Improv - Friday after school

We look forward to the term ahead as we continue seeing our Year 7's settle into life at THS.

Warm Regards,

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### Year 7 Content Overview, Term 2, 2021

Subject name	Description	Assessments*
ENGLISH	Study of Shakespeare – <i>Will's World</i>	Visual Representation & Reflection based on the Elizabethan world
MATHEMATICS	Please check the school website under Year 7 for the complete Scope and Sequence for the year.	Week 7 – In class Exam
SCIENCE	Students will be studying a topic called “All Creatures Great and Small”. They will explore a range of science topics around Life: What is Life? How was life created? Where is Life? Where did it come from?  Please see the school website under Science for the science faculty website which contains more information.	TBC.
GEOGRAPHY	Place and Liveability	Task: Ongoing class topic tests re Geography skills
HISTORY	Studying Ancient Civilisations - Egypt & China	Ongoing assessments as assigned by your classroom teacher
TECHNOLOGY Mandatory – Industrial Arts	In the beginning of the term 2 Industrial Arts students will be completing the final race of their Bottle Car Racer and evaluating its performance. Students will then focus on developing their skills in the Timber Materials area with the design and construction of a timber device holder. At the beginning of week 8 all Technology Mandatory classes will rotate and start their new area of study in either Industrial Arts or Home Economics.	Bottle Car Racer final race day and design folio submission  Timber Device holder and folio submission Week 7
TECHNOLOGY MANDATORY– Home Economics	Half of all Year 7 classes will be studying Technology Mandatory with the Home Economics faculty in Semester 1. Those students will be completing two units of work over the semester on Food and Agriculture and Materials (Textiles).	

	<p>Food and Agriculture focuses on the theme of 'Farm to Fork'. In the Food and Agriculture area students will develop and produce a Noodle dish, that can be sold at the school canteen and uses a herb. Students will research aspects of the agriculture industry in Australia.</p> <p>Materials (Textiles), students will be producing a tie dyed and embroidered cushion using brightly coloured dyes onto calico.</p> <p>Students are required to purchase their own fabric or it can be purchased from the Home Economics Department for \$10.</p>	<p>Food and Agriculture (Food to Fork)</p> <p>Written work in their design folio and booklet.</p> <p>In practical lessons at school students are required to bring a tea towel, dish cloth, a container for the prepared food and a plastic bag for the wet tea towel and dish cloth.</p> <p>Materials (Textiles)</p> <p>Practical lessons at school, Written work in their design folio and booklet.</p> <p>Fabric and elastic may be purchased from the Home Economics staffroom for \$10</p>
PDHPE	<p>Health - Completing the "You've Changed" unit and starting a new unit "Check Yourself, Don't Wreck Yourself".</p> <p>PE - Fundamental Movement Skills/Athletics</p>	Promote My Health Activity
SPORT	<p>Thursday Sport</p> <p>School Cross Country Races - Week 1</p> <p>School Athletics Carnival - Week 3</p>	Nil
Visual Arts	Students will finish off their ceramic sculptures from Term 1 and then commence a unit of work on "moving portraits". Students will investigate Vincent Van Gogh as an artist case study.	<p>Practical work</p> <p>Reflection Writing Task</p> <p>Frames Writing Task</p>
Music	<p>Topic: <b>Instruments of the Orchestra</b></p> <p>Learn about how storylines are conveyed through effective orchestral scoring.</p>	Listening Exam
My Learning	Students will continue to explore the learning dispositions in detail and communication as a focus area. Investigation into positive, respectful relationships and how we communicate can influence others.	Half-Yearly Self Reflection
* Please note that the timing of tasks may change due to unforeseen circumstances.		