

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and our school is built, the Barapa Barapa people. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, traditions and the culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia.

Cohuna Secondary College is committed to acknowledging, building and sustaining respect and understanding between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. "

Debutante Ball 2021

Once again COVID has impacted on the routine that we are so used to, the annual Debutante Ball has been postponed three times this year. Oh My Gosh! It was certainly worth the wait! It was an absolutely amazing night. However, last night nine debutantes and their partners were presented to a smaller than 'normal' audience of family and friends.

Tess Doyle	Hunter Anset
Tasha Crilly	Cohen Webb
Ebony Smith	Aiden Konopka
Alicia McFarlane	Kody Borchard
Meha Patterson	Jaspar Wilson Keir
Haylee Forster	Abel Prout
Jemma Baxter	Bailey Cummins
Chanel Farrugia	Toby Lambert
Charli Taylor	Liam Mathers



I would like to acknowledge the work Jo Dehne and John Hawken have done, to take the young people presented last night, from little to no formal dance experience to one where they have clearly developed this skill and acquitted themselves admirably.

To the small deb committee of Cath Donehue, Sallie Hawken and Sharon Payne the work that you do and commitment you have had to this event over many years has not gone unnoticed nor unappreciated. This year was more difficult that ever before with the new COVID rules that had to be navigated to allow this event to successfully take place. We at Cohuna Secondary College cannot thank you enough for your support of the young people of our college and community who choose to do the Deb. To Sallie Hawken whose leadership, passion and commitment to ensuring this event continues, and the staff of Cohuna Secondary College who have contributed in numerous ways including making the arch the Debs walked through, attending practices every week, making the disc and the lettering, helping to set up and decorate the hall, users, packing up and cleaning up and all the behind-the-scenes work....our sincerest thank you. To our partner Cohuna Neighbourhood House, particularly Tanya Black, thank you for your support and partnership in ensuring this event continues in our community.

Virtual Awards Night

Once again, we will be holding our annual Presentation Night virtually. The school community will be able to tune in next Tuesday night at 7pm. *A link will be emailed to all parents and students on Monday, feel free to share with your family and friends.*

Let's work together to make this beautiful world even better for everyone

Mrs. Fíona Miller - Principal



Reports & Meanders

Our Semester 2 reports (and Meanders) will be handed out to student's at the end of the day on Thursday 16th December. For those students not at school, reports can be picked up from the office between 8:30am - 4:00pm on Thursday 16th December, and from 8:30am - 12noon on Friday 17th December.

Year 12 Results and Course Counselling

Have you registered to receive your Year 12 (Unit 3/4) results?

The 2021 ATAR and Unit 3/4 results are released to students at 7:00am on Thursday 16th December. To receive your results, you need to either:

- Register in advance at www.resultsandatar.vic.edu.au OR
- Download the Results and ATAR app and follow the prompts on your smartphone

When you register, you will need your **VCAA student number** (this is you 8 digits & 1 letter number). Contact the school if you do not know your number.

What to do next?

TALK TO US!!

The Careers' Team (Cath Donehue, Sharon Payne & Kristie Carter) will be available to help you with your options at the following times:

- Thursday 16th December from 8:30am to 4:00pm
- Friday 17th December from 8:30am to 12.30pm
- Other times by appointment

We recommend that you contact us (Microsoft Teams, Email or Phone) to make an appointment during these times, so that we can be available for you.

VTAC Change of Preference closes on Monday 20th December at 4pm

We recommend that you log in to you accounts **before next Thursday**, to check you current preferences. Remember that you can still add and subtract courses, and change the order. Then, when you get your results, make an appointment to talk to us, and we can help you to make sure that your preferences are in the correct order.

Preference order is vital! No matter what your score, keep your dream course at number one.

If you do not get the score that you were after, do not panic. We are here to help you, and we will assist you to put together a backup plan. Parents are more than welcome to come in to school (assuming vaccination requirements are met) to be a part of the course counselling.

Ms Sharon Payne

ACTIVITIES WEEK - next week

We have a full week for our Year 7-10 students planned to finish off 2021.

Canteen - The canteen will not be serving lunches/hot food during this week. Students will need to bring their own lunch when at school. The canteen will open for snacks (drinks, chips, ice-creams etc.).

MONDAY 13th DEC - Aqua Island Excursion

This is going to be a fun day for students (and staff!). A reminder that you must have returned your permission forms to attend this excursion. The bus will leave Cohuna Secondary College at 9:45am, and return to school at 3:00pm. The weather forecast is for a hot, sunny day. Make sure you bring:

- * Swimwear and towel
- * Hat and t-shirt to cover up
- * Sunscreen
- * Water bottle and snacks
- * A light lunch is provided there is a kiosk if students would like to bring money for a snack

For those students not attending the excursion, we have a day of Christmas Art planned for you.

TUESDAY 14th DEC - Nacho Station

This is a great opportunity for students to work with Nacho Station artists to complete the Spray Painting Art work along the Arts/Tech wing. Students have been working with Mr C Hill to prepare for this day. Suitable casual clothes can be worn - no thongs or singlets please.

For those students that are not involved in Nacho Station, we have a day of activities planned for you. Suitable casual clothes please. Make sure you bring your sports gear if you would like to participate in the ECA games. You will get to choose from:

- o Scarecrow making
- o Tie dying
- o Movies, board games & colouring
- o Games in the ECA

WEDNESDAY 15th DEC - Pupil free day. Staff will be completing First Aid training.

THURSDAY 16th DEC - Activities

Students will get to choose from activities, including:

- o School improvement (fixing seats) with Mr Hill
- o Board games/colouring/movies
- o Physical activity
- o Christmas art

Semester 2 reports & Meanders will be given to students at the end of the day.

FRIDAY 17th DEC - Last day of Term

- o Activities in the morning
- o School will finish at 12:25 for all students including bus travellers
- o Please note that the canteen will not be open on Friday.



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IMPORTANT DATES COHUNA SECONDARY COLLEGE - TERM I. 2022

STAFF COMMENCE FRIDAY 28TH JANUARY

Office opens at 8.30am Friday 28th January Welcome Back, Students!

Monday 31st January 2022

YEAR 7 CAMP WARRNAMBOOL/GEELONG

Tuesday 1st to Friday 4th MARCH

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY THURSDAY I7th FEBRUARY



BOOK COLLECTION DAY

TUESDAY 18th JANUARY

8.00am to 5.00pm





HOUSE SWIMMING SPORTS FRIDAY 11TH FEBRUARY