



EXCELLAMUS *'Let Us Excel'*

*"I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which our school is situated.
I would like to pay my respects to Elders past, present and future."*

The year has been one of challenge and learning for me. I am truly humbled by the support I have been given over the course of this year. I couldn't have done this job without the wonderful support of all staff at the college. I'd like to personally thank each staff member for their contribution, their support and the care they have for each and every one of our students. Our staff go above and beyond to ensure that the opportunities and learning experiences of our young people, here at Cohuna Secondary College, are second to none.

Finally, I'd like to thank the work of School Council President Andrew Rigg and the Cohuna Secondary College School Council who have worked tirelessly with us as we strive for improvement in all that we do at our college. I look forward to continuing to work together with you to further improve our college and the opportunities available for our young people in 2019. Together in partnership we can excel!

Staffing 2018 and 2019

As is the case at the end of most school years we have some staff moving off to retirement or to pursue other opportunities. I would like to acknowledge the work of Helen Hall and Bill White (retired term 3), who for many years have been integral members of our college community. Mrs Hall and Mr White have challenged our students, sparked an interest or ignited a flame of wonder over many years. After 39 and 40 years respectively Mr White and Mrs Hall plan to enjoy their retirement. Thank you to both of you for your wonderful service to the students of Cohuna.

This year we also farewelled Melisa Sincock who had worked at the college for five years in the careers room and Sarah Stainer from the Home Economics area, while welcoming the return of Tina Munzel. I'd like to thank Jenny Brain and Sarah Martin for their work as both will pursue other opportunities and return to further study beyond teaching, in 2019. I'd also like to thank Lea Lockwood for the work that she has done with the young people of our college. Lea will also pursue other opportunities next year. I'd like to thank Doug Morrison who has worked alongside Ruth in the music department. Doug is also retiring and moving to the Mornington Peninsula. Mrs Frisby once again stepped in to help us when Mr White retired. We cannot thank her enough for the work that she has done here with us over the last term and a half. Thank you so much Mandy. I'd like to thank each and every one of these staff members for the work that they have done during their time at Cohuna Secondary College and wish them all the very best for their future.

We have appointed four new staff to our college for the 2019 academic year:

Mr James Croker, a highly experienced VCE teacher of English;

Ms Eki Chan, an experienced Mathematics/Chemistry teacher; and

Ms Louise Oliver and Ms Letitia Spicer have stepped into the Generalist positions.

We look forward to working with our new staff in 2019.

Thank you Maxine

On behalf of Cohuna Secondary College I would like to thank Maxine Power for her service to the bus travelling students of Cohuna. We appreciated Maxine's care for all students in her charge over many years. I knew that our young people were in safe hands when on Maxine's bus. We will miss you Maxine but I know you will enjoy your retirement.

Merry Christmas

Finally, have a wonderful Christmas. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful families for their support during the year. If you are travelling over the Christmas period please be safe and ensure that you arrive home safely so that we can begin the 2019 school year with recharged batteries and a fresh outlook on the new-year. A reminder that students return to school on January 30th. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Together as partners, we can excel!

Mrs. Fiona Miller - Principal



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STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 1 ON WEDNESDAY 30TH JANUARY, 2019

Last Tuesday night we celebrated the many successes of our student population. The night was a wonderful opportunity for our wider college community to celebrate the many achievements of our college. Thanks to all families for their attendance on the night and also thanks to the many staff and students for their support in organising the evening.

Below are the Honours & Dux for each year level.



YEAR 12: Subject Dux

Back row L-R: Blake Cooke, James Kervin, Zac Dingwall, Patrick Baxter, Jamie Harrison
Front row L-R: Claudia McFarlane, Charlotte Nemtsas, Oscar McGraw, Taitum Mason, Sharna Goulding & Ethan Richardson



YEAR 11:

L-R: Claudia McFarlane, Prince Caburnay, Hayley Harrison, Zac Dingwall (Dux), Taitum Mason & Emily Gray.



YEAR 10:

L-R: Jack Kervin, Patrick Doyle, Emily Wight (Dux), Xavier Mitchell & Kaila Wilson. (Zoe Tooley absent)



YEAR 9:

L-R: Ethan Rooney, Kye Treacy, Nathan Taylor (Dux), Lilly Robinson & Lucy Palmer. (Cass Crichton absent)



YEAR 8:

L-R: Ashtyn Wright, Brylie Dehne, Alicia McFarlane (Dux), Olivia Griffiths, Alyssa Bourke & Riley Mason



YEAR 7:

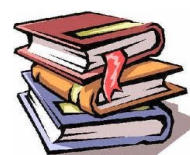
L-R: Lainie Hawken, Hayley Rooney, Kiara Robins (Dux), Brittney Tierney, Mitch Treacy & Daisy McGlone



FEE'S & BOOKLIST'S 2019



Collection and payment of books is
TUESDAY 22nd JANUARY 2019



8.00am to 5.00pm at the College.

Books not collected on this day will have to wait for the Office to reopen the following Tuesday 29th Jan, 2019

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Accounts will be sent in January itemising the fees and booklist charges. This will allow families to pre-pay for books using BPAY prior to the collection day. Please note that BANK CARDS, Debit or Credit are NOT ACCEPTED. The other options for payment are cash or cheque payable to Cohuna Secondary College, on the day.

CAREER NEWS

Mrs Lauren Dehne

PART TIME JOB AVAILABLE @ COHUNA DENTAL CLINIC:

A part time job is available at the Cohuna Dental Clinic on Monday and Tuesday after school.

Drop off your resume to the clinic on a Tuesday and call Mrs. Mohan on 0407 800 741 for further details.

If you would like assistance with your resume see Mrs. Dehne.



Plastering Apprenticeship Opportunity

An employer is looking to put on an apprentice Plasterer in the Echuca area asap - they are willing to do a work trial to make sure the applicant is interested in the trade. Reliable employer will not tolerate drugs and random drug tests in the workplace will occur.

Preferred applicant to be fit and reliable with hands on skills and a good work ethic. Anyone interested please call Lynda Magill 0408 056 035 @Sarina Russo Apprenticeships.

2019 WORK EXPERIENCE - YEAR 10

In 2019 all Year 10 students will only complete **ONE** week of work experience, therefore students are encouraged to choose their placement carefully and get organised!

10Y work experience week is Monday 20th to Friday 24th May, 2019

10Z work experience week is Monday 16th to Friday 20th September, 2019

Once students have contacted and arranged their location they will need to collect 'work experience forms' from Mrs Dehne. The paperwork should be completed asap.

If anyone has any questions or would like assistance or guidance, students are to see Mrs Dehne.

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 1

JAN - FEB		10.30AM TO 1.30PM		LUNCH 12.30-1.00
MONDAY	28			
TUESDAY	29	STAFF COMMENCE		
WEDNESDAY	30	Karen Thrum	Carol Dove	
THURSDAY	31	Cecelia Palmer	Kate Hucker	
FRIDAY	1	Kylie Kervin	Amanda Buckley	Leanne Gibson

IMPORTANT DATES

TUESDAY	22nd	JANUARY	BOOKLIST COLLECTION DAY @ CSC 8.00am to 5.00PM
TUESDAY	29th	JANUARY	STAFF RETURN
WEDNESDAY	30th	JANUARY	STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 1, 2019