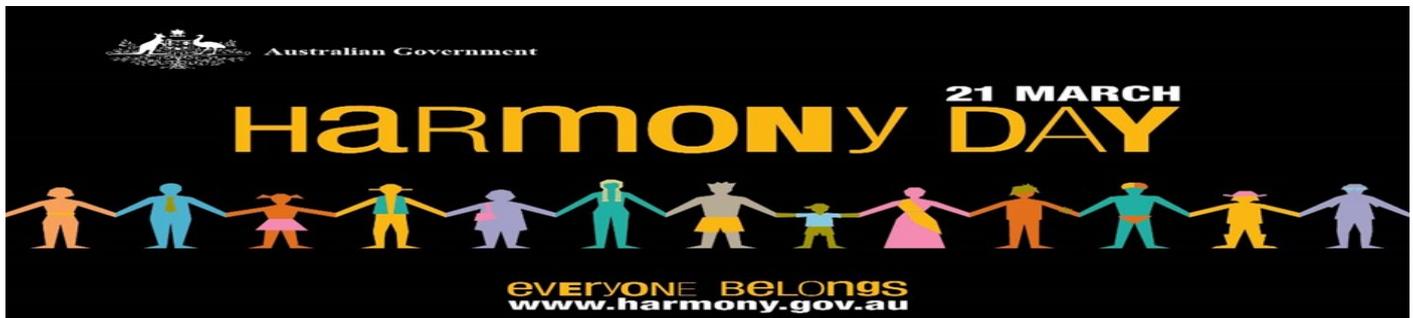




EXCELLAMUS *'Let Us Excel'*

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our school is situated and where we work and live. I would like to pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging."



I'd like to acknowledge national Harmony week 2019, particularly in light of the events happening around the world and more recently across in New Zealand. The images that we have seen on the TV, heard about on the radio, in the print media or read online have been truly horrifying. I urge all parents to check in with your young person to see how they are travelling. The following is a list of organisations that you can access if you have any concerns or your child has any concerns about the images and content they may have seen through the media or online.

It is fitting that here in Australia the theme for this year's Harmony week is: 'EVERYONE BELONGS'.

It has come to my attention that some of our young people have been viewing the graphic images from the New Zealand incident online and that they may have shared them. This is very concerning on so many fronts. Our young people are exposing themselves to a mental health risk without any identifiable way to address issues or concerns that this may raise for them. It may trigger other issues for a young person that in fact has nothing to do with the incident. Some students may have a distorted view of what this actually means for people in real life. This incident was not a video game!

Ochre Health Medical Centre Cohuna Phone: (03) 5456 2609

NDCHS Appointments: ndch.org.au or phone 5451 0200

HEADSPACE: 1300 22 46 36



KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 55 18 00



Australia is one of the most successful multi-cultural countries in the world. From the oldest living continuous culture of our First Australians; the Chinese who came during the gold rush; the Afghan Cameleers who worked in some of the harshest conditions in Central Australia; the more than 30 nationalities who helped build the Snowy Mountain Hydro Electric Scheme so that we could have water and irrigation; the Greek and Italian migrants who wanted a better life for their families; the Vietnamese who escaped a brutal war; and to the cultures of our newest arrivals from around the world including our Filipino community. They have all made a contribution and enriched our way of life.

The following are some interesting facts about Australia's diversity that came from the 2016 government Census:

- nearly half (49 per cent) of Australians were born overseas or have at least one parent who was;
- we identify with over 300 ancestries;
- since 1945, more than 7.5 million people have migrated to Australia
- 85 per cent of Australians agree multiculturalism has been good for Australia;
- apart from English, the most common languages spoken in Australia are Mandarin, Arabic, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Italian, Greek, Tagalog/Filipino, Hindi, Spanish and Punjabi; and
- more than 70 Indigenous languages are spoken in Australia.

So in this big world of intolerance we encourage our young people to; practice kindness, respect, patience and tolerance. After all, we are all one people in this world and 'everyone belongs'

College Council Elections

It is with great pleasure that I announce the outcome of the election of our new School Councillors for 2019. I sincerely thank Tim Mitchell and Julie McLoughlan who have re-nominated and are returning for another term as councillors. Thank you Tim for once again stepping into the role as Vice President of School Council. We are still in need of two parent representatives. I encourage anyone who would like to work with us, to continue to make our school a great school, to get in touch with me. I will work with the School Council President, Andrew Rigg, to recruit new members. I'd like to acknowledge all the work and support that Andrew has done with us over the last twelve months as School Council President and thank him for continuing in that role in 2019. We welcomed our two College Captains in Bella Robinson and Prince Caburney to their first official College Council meeting. I'd also like to thank Matt Hill and Sharon Payne for renominating for Council. I look forward to working with each member of the college council over the coming year.

Maths Pathways Program

We began trialling and using this program during term 4 in the preparation classes for 2019. It is a different way of learning to what our students have been used to over the last few years. However, the Maths Pathways program combines a range of teaching methods and classroom practices with an online learning platform to support individualised learning for each student. This model of teaching is research driven and has been developed to support success for all students in mathematics. Maths Pathway teachers are able to address each student's individual learning needs. This includes developing their problem solving skills, independent learning and group work skills, and helping students develop a growth mindset toward their mathematics learning. A parent information session will be held here at the college on **Monday April 1st 2019 at 7pm.**

Cohuna Secondary College students continuing to shine...

Congratulations to Ashtyn Wright who competed at the Loddon Mallee Regional Finals yesterday and placed 3rd in the 50 metre Butterfly event.

A big shout out to Kye Mason and past student Jamie Harrison on making the Australian Nationals and Victorian State Athletics teams. What an awesome achievement.

Random act of kindness

Reegan O'Rourke, Hunter Anset, Kody Borchard, Cohen Webb and Zac Levings who all demonstrated 'random acts of kindness' in different situations over the last week. Your actions were noticed and very much appreciated.

Together as partners, we can excel!

Mrs. Fiona Miller - Principal



IMPORTANT DATES	MONDAY	25th	MARCH	DEFENCE FORCE PRESENTATION
	MONDAY	1st	APRIL	CURRENT YEAR 7-10 MATHEMATICS PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT 7PM
	FRIDAY	5th	APRIL	TERM 1 ENDS
	TUESDAY	23rd	APRIL	TERM 2 COMMENCES
	WEDNESDAY	24th	APRIL	ANZAC CEREMONY @ CSC 11AM
	THURSDAY	25th	APRIL	PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS SESSION 1
	MONDAY	29th	APRIL	ANZAC DAY - NO SCHOOL
	FRIDAY	3rd	MAY	PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS SESSION 2
	FRIDAY	3rd	MAY	VCE CAREERS DAY @ MEBOURNE
	MONDAY	6th	MAY	LODDON MALLEE VOLLEYBALL MILDURA

For more calendar dates visit our website:
www.cohuna-sc.vic.edu.au

PAYMENT REMINDERS:

⇒ **ALL Student charges** due and payable in full by 29th March

⇒ Any queries please contact Bernadette (03) 5456 2555.

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COHUNA SECONDARY COLLEGE - SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT REPRESENTATIVES:

Matt Hawken, Julie McLoughlan, Tim Mitchell, Karyn Peace, Andrew Rigg & Jo Wight

Interested in a Career with the Australian Defence Force??

The Australian Defence Force will be at the school at lunchtime on **MONDAY 25th MARCH**. Grab your lunch and head to the theatre room by 12.45pm to hear all about opportunities with the ADF.

Topics:

- What we do in the ADF?
- Benefits of an ADF career
- The difference between officer entry and General entry
- General entry roles
- General Entry technical roles (trades)
- Australian defence force academy ADFA (this is the Defence force university)
- Direct Entry officers in the ADF
- Defence university sponsorship scheme
- Gap year program
- Army reserves
- Female enlistment pathways
- Indigenous specific pathways
- Eligibility for the ADF (education, citizenship, police check and Age)
- The recruitment process for all ADF candidates
- Pre entry Fitness requirements
- ADF active App
- Defence Jobs website and 13 19 01 how to apply



FOOD & FIBRE CAREERS DAY

FRIDAY 24 MAY 2019
UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE, DOOKIE CAMPUS
 'THE LARGEST FOOD & FIBRE CAREERS EVENT IN VICTORIA'



SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER AIMEE SNOWDEN,
CREATOR OF LEGO FARMER. WWW.LITTLEBRICKPASTORAL.COM

2019 Workshops

Get Into Genes	Sheep & Wool	Drones - Their Future in Agriculture
Dairy - Robotics & More	Plant Science	Transport, Tractors & Technology
Food Science - The Art of Creating Tasty Steaks	Beef	Bees - Want to get into a Sticky Business?
Agronomy	Hydroponics	Cotton - How to Grow a Pair of Jeans
Poultry	Insect Farming	Agri Tourism/Gourmet Food Trails & More
Veterinary Technology	Indigenous Bush Foods	Agribusiness Careers Panel
Water Efficiency & Conservation	Urban Farming	Future Farming/Climate Change
Conservation & Land Management	Growing Grain and More	
Viticulture	Forestry	
	Equine	



Food and Fibre Careers Day acknowledges the support of the Victorian Government. GOTAFE is the trading name of Goulburn Ovens Institute of TAFE (RTO 3094 | CRICOS 03654D)

Ag Skills Victoria - Young Farmers Challenge

Any students who would like to attend this special event are to register their interest with Mrs Dehne by Friday 29th March.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

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.



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**LET YOUR CHILD HAVE
AN EDUCATION ADVENTURE
THEY WILL REMEMBER**

Information Evening

for 2020 Year 7 students
Wednesday, 1st May at 7pm

You will have the opportunity to discover the many exciting programs on offer and tour our wonderful school. We will introduce many of our staff responsible for the classroom and specialist programs provided at CSC.

Enquiries: 5456 2555

Flying Doctor Dental Clinic

The Flying Doctor Dental team is coming to Cohuna Secondary College Wednesday 1st May 2019

The Flying Doctor Dental team will be visiting Cohuna Secondary College School on Wednesday 1st of May to provide:

- FREE dental check-ups
- Education about healthy teeth and gums

If you would like your child to have a dental check-up, please complete this consent form and return it to Cohuna Secondary College. After your child's check-up, the dental team will send home a report. If your child requires follow-up treatment this will be in the report.

The Flying Doctor Dental team will have a clinic in Cohuna from the end of April – May 2019. If follow-up treatment is required, your child can have their treatment at no cost on our clinic. Alternatively, you can visit your nearest public or private practice.

Who can receive free treatment in the Flying Doctor Dental Clinic:

- All children 0 – 12 years
- All young people 13 – 17 years
- Adults aged 18 years and over, who have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession card or are dependents of concession card holders
- All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
- All refugees and asylum seekers

For more information or to book an appointment at our clinic for yourself or other family members, please contact Flying Doctor Dental Team on (03) 8412 0444.

Free Community Open-Air Movie Night

Come and join us for a family friendly, **free open-air movie night** on **Friday 22nd March** at the **Gunbower Recreation Reserve**, just off Gunbower Island Road in Gunbower.

- 5pm: The Grinch (rated G)
- 7pm: The Greatest Showman (rated PG)

BBQ available from 5.30pm

Lollies, popcorn and drinks available all evening

Raffle

Raffle Prizes:

1st Prize: a nights accommodation at The Butter Factory, Gunbower, valued at \$240

2nd Prizes: two separate prizes - \$75 vouchers for The Gunbower Hotel

3rd Prize: a hamper of local produce

BVO rug or chair. No glass please.

CANTEEN ROSTER

MARCH		10.30AM TO 1.30PM		LUNCH 12.30-1.00
MONDAY	25	Janelle Ladson	Sandra Dodd	
TUESDAY	26	Narelle Clements	Lynne Wells	
WEDNESDAY	27	Jess Hill	Becky Thompson	
THURSDAY	28	Ange Mathers	Cara VanderZande	
FRIDAY	29	Deanne Ford	Tanya Black	