

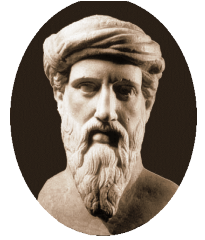
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Newsletter

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Outstanding VCE Results



Congratulations to the Class of 2017 on their outstanding efforts and results. Our twelve VCE students all passed and managed to attain nine A+ and eight A unit results. One student, Leo Kouskouris, here pictured second from the right, ended in the top 9% of the state with a raw score of 40. CONGRATULATIONS TO LEO! According to last year's scaling his result will end up being 44. Between 2011 and 2017 we have had twelve students attain 40+ study raw scores: Yianni Kougioumtzis (44); Nicholas Alexiou, Irene Levou, Michel Liakos (43); Paul Koukoulias, Kyriakos Velos (42); George Mellos, Maria Halkias, Jennifer Liakos, Alexandra Liakos (41), Felicia Mitropoulos (40) and this year Leo Kouskouris (40). A true testament to the educational program of our school and the passion our teachers show from Year Prep to 12.

Registration Form

One form that will need to be completed and returned to the class teacher by the end of February is the Registration Form. Please ensure that all the names of the students and day school are written correctly. If you have any queries regarding this form please contact the office or see the principal.

Parent Information Session & School Blessing

All parents are invited to attend an important information session about the current issues regarding the VCE system. This session will be conducted by the principal Mr Con Roubos. Following the session all parents will have the opportunity to remain for the school blessing. This year the school blessings will occur on the following days and times:

Μονάδα Campus	Ημέρα Day	Ημερομηνία Date	Πληροφορική Συνάντηση VCE Information Session	Αγιασμός Blessing
Preston	Δευτέρα / Monday	12/02/18	6.30 pm	7.15 pm
South Melbourne	Παρασκευή / Friday	16/02/18	6.30 pm	7.15 pm
Elwood	Σάββατο / Saturday	17/02/18	11.30 pm	12.15 pm
Caulfield	Σάββατο / Saturday	17/02/18	4.00 pm	4.45 pm

Apokries - Fancy Dress Day

Apokries is a festival celebrated all over the country with masquerades and parties. This festival dates back to Dionysus, the ancient Greek god of wine and fun. It was meant to worship him as well as to help the earth put forth shoots-hence the many leaping dances. The various kinds of disguises were worn in order to scare away the harmful spirits. In ancient Greece this festival took place in early spring. Today it is celebrated 40 days before Easter, so we can see that this ceremony has been incorporated into the Christian religion. The name APOKRIES means “abstention from meat” as many worshipers begin fasting 40 days before Easter. So what does all this mean for us? Well, all students can come to school in their fancy dress costumes and/or masks to celebrate Apokries on the following days.

Friday 23 February South Melbourne
Saturday 24 February Elwood
Saturday 24 February Caulfield
Monday 26 February Preston

This year there will not be a presentation for parents but rather a small party for students and an opportunity for them to learn about the customs, songs and dances of this celebration.

Keep the 25th of March free!

On the 25th of March, Greeks all around the world celebrate two events. We honour our forefathers who on this day in 1821 took up their arms and began the War of Independence. We also celebrate the annunciation of the Virgin Mary. **This year we will be celebrating our National Day on Sunday 25 March.** All students will be required to attend the parade at the Shrine of Remembrance. We would especially love to see students proudly wearing their national costumes on the day. **All other** students are to wear the school polo top with blue pants or skirts for boys and girls respectively. Parents will have to bring and take their children from the parade. Polo tops cost \$18 and can be purchased from Mrs Alaveras.

Apologies

I would like to extend a sincere apology to our wonderful students Sophie Theodorakis and Natalie Apostolopoulos, both from Year 6, for forgetting to announce their names during the presentation of the Certificates of Academic Excellence during our End of Year Concert. We also extend our apology to their families.

Campus Times

Campus	Day	Lesson Begins	Lesson Ends
Preston	Monday	4.30pm	7.30pm
South Melbourne	Friday	4.30pm	7.30pm
Elwood	Saturday	9.00am	12.30pm
Caulfield	Saturday	2.00pm	5.00pm

