



BROADFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER

No: 15

September 18th 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER

Monday 5th
Term 1 Starts

Tuesday 6th
Hume Athletics

Wednesday 7th
STEM Punk incursion

Thursday 8th
Food studies Edgars
Mission Excursion

Monday 12th
VCE Art Overnight
Camp

Tuesday 20th
Last day for Year 12 VCE
Students

Friday 30th
Staff PPD Day

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As we come to the end of Term 3, it has been another busy and rewarding few weeks at Broadford Secondary College.

We held our second week of Broadland Stalls, which once again received fantastic support from our community. We greatly appreciate everyone who came along and supported our students. We were also pleased to host a private session for students from one of our local primary schools, who came along to experience the stalls for themselves. Thank you to everyone involved in making the event such a success.

Congratulations to our Year 10 students who have completed their week of work experience. We are extremely grateful to the many workplaces and organisations within our local community that supported our students by offering placements. Work experience provides an invaluable opportunity for students to experience life beyond school, develop new skills and gain a better understanding of the pathways they may wish to pursue in the future.

I would also like to thank our staff who are generously giving their time over the school holidays to provide additional classes for our senior VCE students. I strongly encourage students to take advantage of these opportunities as they prepare for their final assessments and examinations. Details can be found on Compass.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

Work on our new classrooms has been progressing well throughout the term. We look forward to bringing some of these new learning spaces online during Term 4, pending the progress and completion of the remaining building works.

To all of our students, I hope you enjoy a well earned school holiday break. I encourage you to stay active, spend as much time away from screens as possible, and return refreshed and ready to finish the school year strongly in Term 4. And, a special good luck to our Year 12 students as they enter the final stage of their secondary schooling.

The end of Term 3 marks the conclusion of my time as Acting Principal at Broadford Secondary College. I would like to thank the students, staff, families and broader community for the way you have welcomed and supported me throughout the term. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Broadford and have greatly appreciated the opportunity to lead such a wonderful school community. I wish everyone connected with BSC every success for the remainder of 2026 and into the future.

Finally, a very big welcome back to Tania Pearson, who will resume her role as Principal at the beginning of Term 4. We hope Tania has enjoyed her long service leave. I know the students, staff and wider Broadford Secondary College community are very much looking forward to welcoming her back.

James Blay
Acting Principal



Messages From Mr Willison

Student Collection Reminder

If a student needs to leave during the school day, their parent or carer must contact the General Office directly and arrange collection. The office will then confirm the arrangement and organise for the student to leave.

Students cannot ask a teacher for permission to leave or leave after contacting home themselves. This process helps us keep students safe and maintain accurate attendance records.

Work at the Victorian State Election

The Victorian state election will be held on Saturday, 28 November 2026. The Victorian Electoral Commission is seeking people to work in paid roles at voting centres.

Broadford Secondary College is expected to be used as a voting centre, but this has not yet been formally confirmed.

To register, visit vec.vic.gov.au/electionwork. If you would like to be considered for work at our school, write Broadford Secondary College in the free text section of your application and email workingatelections@vec.vic.gov.au to confirm you have registered.

The VEC will determine all placements.

End of Term 3

Term 3 concludes this Friday, 18 September, with Term 4 beginning on Monday, 5 October.

It has been another busy term at Broadford Secondary College, with students participating in not only their classes and normal subjects, but also excursions, Round Robin sport, Book Week, Broadland Stalls and many other activities across the school.

Thank you to our students for their efforts, our staff for the work they continue to put into supporting students, and our families for their involvement throughout the term.

We wish everyone a safe and restful break and look forward to welcoming students back for Term 4.

Preparing for 2027

As announced in our last newsletter, Broadford Secondary College will move to five 60-minute lessons per day in 2027.

To help prepare for this change, we will run a Step Up program near the end of the year. During Step Up, students will move into their subjects and classes for 2027 and begin following their new timetable.

This will give students and staff an opportunity to become familiar with the new five-lesson structure and begin preparing for the year ahead. We will share further information about Step Up as planning is finalised.

POSITIVE CLIMATE = CORNER =

STUDENT OF THE MONTH! 

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

THOMAS HARTWICH

= (YEAR 7) = 



Staff celebrated Thomas at morning briefing this week, where he received his certificate and voucher.



OUR SCHOOL VALUES



RESPECT

We treat others with kindness and consideration.



RESPONSIBILITY

We take ownership of our actions and choices.



ORGANISATION

We are prepared and ready to learn.



PERSISTENCE

We keep trying and never give up.



EXCELLENCE

We strive to do our best every day.

WHY THOMAS WAS RECOGNISED

Thomas embodies the 'Positive Behaviour' category. He is always polite and respectful to others, he always helps pack up the room and put away resources, he follows classroom rules and expectations, strives to do his best work, is focused and on task and absolutely contributes to a calm, safe, and supportive environment.



Thank you, Thomas, for being a positive role model and showing what it means to live our school values every day. We are proud to have you as part of our school community!



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



ORGANISATION



PERSISTENCE



EXCELLENCE

Year 7 Awards

On Monday, the Year 7s came together for their final Term 3 assembly. We shared some exciting events to look forward to, including the House Zwar Regatta (House Boat Race), Step Up and Activity Week in Term 4.

The assembly was also a chance to celebrate our Year 7 cohort's fantastic achievements. This term, they have consistently demonstrated our school values and earned the most positive behaviour acknowledgements across the school. Miss Majerczak is determined that Year 7s will keep this lead through to the end of the year!

Special [congratulations](#) go to our SWPBS leaders for their efforts and commitment this term.

The Junior School team wishes everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break, and we look forward to welcoming you back in Term 4 for a strong finish to the year.

Rylee Majerczak
Year 7 Coordinator



Vet News



Today marked the final day of VET Building and Construction for our second-year students.

We would like to congratulate all of our students on completing their course and commend them for their hard work, commitment and dedication throughout their two years of training.

We wish them every success as they take the next step in their pathways, whether that be further study, an apprenticeship or entering the workforce. We are proud of their achievements and look forward to seeing what they accomplish in the future.

Ann Brown

VET Coordinator & VASS Administrator

LIBRARY NEWS

Holiday Reading

The library has eBooks and audiobooks for students and staff to borrow 24/7, including the holidays.

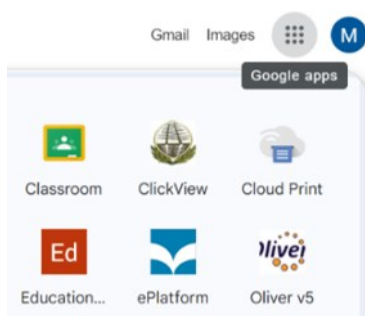
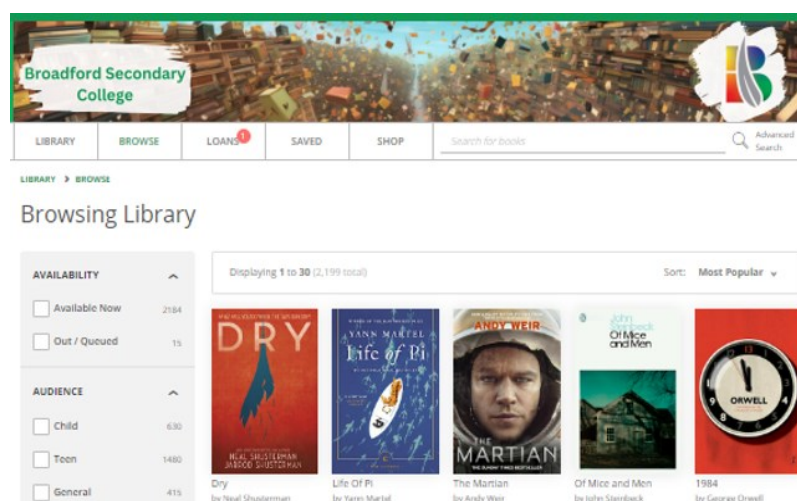


Figure 1 Google apps.

To access the eBooks and audiobooks, log into your Google account, open a new tab, click on the Google waffle icon, and scroll down the list of apps until you get to the bottom list (Figure 1), then select the platform icon and log in with your Google account details.

To find genres, go to the Browse tab and choose which category you like to read. Click on a book image to see if you are interested in reading the book.

You can read a sample of the book before borrowing it. There is also text to speak options for eBooks, or you can listen to audiobooks directly. If you have an iPad or tablet, you will need to download the ePlatform app first.



Victorian Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Bilal and Kevin for reading 10 or more books throughout the year and successfully completing the 2026 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge. Thank you to all the students who participated in this year's VPR challenge



Book Week Costume Day

Here are some of the costumes from Book Week; visit to the library to see more photos.



Costume Day Book Week



Ridley Day



Ridley Day, on the 10th of August, raised \$514 through 'out-of-uniform' gold coin donations, the sausage sizzle, and 'temporary tattoos for teachers' donations. This money was donated to Edgar's Mission in Lancefield. Matt, from Edgar's Mission, has passed on the following message:

I just want to say how incredibly touched we are to hear of the money raised by the students for donation to Edgar's Mission. It's so humbling to know that young people put their faith in us to care for vulnerable animals. Edgar's Mission is a sanctuary for rescued farm animals. Goats, sheep, chickens, cows, pigs and other animals who have, in one way or another, arrived at Edgar's Mission, are cared for and given the opportunity to live the life they were meant to have. There are over 500 animals at the sanctuary and every one of them is treated as an individual and with dignity. As a not-for-profit, Edgar's Mission relies on the generosity of donors, supporters and community and school groups like Broadford SC. The money raised by the students will be put towards the construction of a fully netted enclosure for our chickens, ducks and turkeys, who are currently at risk with the advancement of bird flu. Broadford SC will be named on a special plaque in Roosters' Roost to thank those who donated over \$500!

On behalf of Ridley house, a huge thanks goes out to all the students who wore red and donated a gold coin, bought a sausage and/or tattooed a teacher, and to all the teachers who volunteered to get a tattoo. A special thanks to Gira Leithhead, Will Hustler, Hugh Porthouse, Kane Lemmar, Christopher Duffin, Kyron Seddon, Ms Wate, and Mr Burn for all their help to make this day a success.



Melinda, Mr Birks, Raelene, Ms Brenkovich, Mr Bourke, and finally Mr Burn who went over and above with his support for Ridley Day.

Woodwork World

These are examples of the wonderful cheeseboards constructed by the current Y8 Wood class. There certainly some creativity and technical skill among this term's submissions. These models were made by Amelia, Layla, John Rey, and Matty. Great work, kids!



CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

The conveyance allowance is a form of financial assistance to help families in rural and regional Victoria with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest appropriate school/campus. The conveyance allowance is available to eligible students travelling by public transport, private car and private bus. The conveyance allowance is also available to eligible students whose nearest school is not serviced by a free school bus.

Eligibility criteria:

The eligibility criteria varies depending on the type of school attended and where it is located.

Students attending a government or non-government school must:

- Attend their nearest government or non-government school/campus appropriate to their year level at which admission is permissible
- be enrolled at a school/campus outside Melbourne's metropolitan conveyance boundary
- reside 4.8km or more by the shortest practicable route from that school/campus attended
- be of school age (5 to 18 years old at time of application) and reside in Victoria.

Please follow the link:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/PAL/conveyance-allowance-form-1-car-private-travel.docx>

Closing Dates:

Claim period	Claim submission closing date	Estimated pay run date
Term 3	28 August 2026	11 September 2026
Term 4	20 November 2026	4 December 2026



Help your learner get on the road with a free driving lesson!

The myLearners Free Driving Lesson program offers a FREE 60-minute Lesson with a professional driving instructor for learners aged 16–21 who have completed 10–50 hours of driving practice.

The lesson is taken alongside their supervising driver, helping both the learner and supervisor build safer, more confident driving habits together.

This program supports families by making the learning experience more positive and less stressful. It aims to reduce crash risks for young drivers, strengthen supervising skills, and encourage safer driving behaviours early on all at no cost to participants.

Find out more go to - <https://mylearnersdrive.com.au/>

Scan QR Code





ALL ABILITIES BASKETBALL FUN DAY!

EVERYONE BELONGS
EVERYONE PARTICIPATES
EVERYONE IS RESPECTED



THURS 1 OCTOBER 2026
Seymour Sports Centre, Pollard St.



Toilet



Visual Story



Registration
and more info:



Come & Try Session 11am - 12pm

- Open to all abilities, ages 12-24
- Inclusive, adaptive team sport
- Disability-led by expert coaches
- Safe, respectful and fun!
- Lunch provided by Seymour Rotary Club

Showcase Match 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Join us for an action-packed, high-energy game between the Seymour Goorbils and Greater Shepparton's All Abilities Teams



A Victorian Government
Initiative





Koorie Academy
BASKETBALL
Keeping Culture Alive

Omnia Community Health
is excited to bring

KOORIE ACADEMY BASKETBALL

to Seymour!

Register your child for the
FREE Koorie Academy
Basketball Skills Clinic.



Date:
Monday 21 September, 2026



Time:
10–2pm



Venue
Seymour Sports and
Aquatic Centre,
27 Halpin St, Seymour.



Lunch and snacks provided.



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FREE
ONE-DAY
WORKSHOP

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Barista for Beginners

Are you aged 14-24 and interested in working in hospitality? Join our one-day workshop and increase your chances of finding work as a barista by gaining the essential skills employers are looking for.

Barista for Beginners

Barista for Beginners is a FREE, one-day hospitality workshop. Learn from an industry professional and business owner and gain practical experience making coffee on a commercial machine.

- Hands on learning
- Develop customer service skills
- Learn from an industry professional

Be quick. Places are limited.

This course is funded by Mitchell Youth Services as part of Youth Fest 2026.

Course details

📍 Kilmore Customer and Library Service Centre (John Taylor Room)
12 Sydney Street, Kilmore

📅 Choose from two dates:
29th September or
30th September
10am - 4pm

Reserve your place



Complete our registration form:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/eKivs3JeJn>

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THE SEYMOUR SHOW 2026

Friday 2nd October 4pm - 9pm

Saturday 3rd October 9am - 4pm

Kings Park, Tallarook Street, Seymour

Tickets online
or at the gate

**The Grand
Parade
is BACK**



Kids under 12

FREE



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BROADFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

	LEARNING AREAS	OUT IN THE YARD	IN THE COMMUNITY	ALL SETTINGS	DIGITAL SPACE
BRING YOUR BEST	- Be on time for class with your equipment - Do your best work and take pride in your work - Be prepared to have a go	- Being responsible for the school environment - Be inclusive of others - Going to class when the bell sounds	- Represent the school with pride - Offering to help members of our community	- Wear uniform with pride - Model the school values - Call out poor behaviour	- Use the internet as a learning resource - Submitting work via Compass by the due date - Having our devices charged and ready each day
BE SAFE	- Be safe when moving around the class - Use furniture correctly	- Play safely with others - Play games in appropriate spaces - Remain on the school grounds	- Listen to trusted adults - Be aware around roads and public transport	- Be mindful of ourselves and our surroundings - Follow and observe the school rules - Report bullying to teachers	- Informing a trusted adult if we have trouble online - Keep passwords secure
BE RESPECTFUL	- Follow teacher's instructions - Respecting the learning space - Respect others right to learn	- Showing friendly attitudes toward others - Standing up for others	- Be mindful of the needs of people in the community - Use appropriate language on public transport - Respect the law	- Address everybody with respect - Use respectful language - Being respectful of others right to learn	- Take care of devices - Report cyber-bullying to an adult - Make positive contributions about others