



PCC BULLETIN

TERM 1, WEEK 5
Friday 27 February 2026

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

As we reach the midpoint of Term 1, I would like to congratulate our entire school community on what has been a genuinely positive and purposeful start to the 2026 school year. It has been wonderful to see our students return with enthusiasm, pride in their learning, and a commitment to making the most of every opportunity on offer. I would also like to extend a very warm welcome to all our new students and families joining the College this year. Starting at a new school is an important milestone, and we are delighted that you are now part of our community. We look forward to building strong partnerships with you and supporting your child to thrive academically, socially and emotionally.

Our Year 7 students have settled into secondary schooling exceptionally well. The recent Year 7 Camp provided a fantastic opportunity for students to build new friendships, strengthen connections with staff, and develop confidence and resilience outside the classroom. Camps are such an important milestone in the transition to secondary school, and it was pleasing to see our students challenge themselves and embrace new experiences.

Over the past few weeks, we have also celebrated the success of several of our specialist program camps. The Creative Arts Program Camp was an inspiring experience, allowing students to immerse themselves in performance, visual arts and collaboration. The High Achiever Program Camp challenged students academically and fostered curiosity, problem-solving and teamwork in a stimulating environment within the city. Meanwhile, our Athlete Development Program Camp focused on skill refinement, goal setting and personal growth, reinforcing the importance of discipline, commitment and balance.

I would also like to acknowledge our High Achiever Maths Program operating at Point Cook Senior School. Our students have been working exceptionally hard as they access advanced mathematical learning, demonstrating perseverance, academic courage and a commitment to excellence. Importantly, they have represented the College with pride, consistently modelling our College values in their conduct, attitude and approach to learning. Their dedication to extending themselves academically is something we are incredibly proud of.

Our Prep students have made a wonderful start to their schooling journey and are settling into routines with confidence and enthusiasm. It has been delightful to see them building friendships, developing independence and embracing their new learning environment. Early in the term, our Prep teachers undertook a range of assessments to better understand each child's individual strengths and areas for growth. This important work ensures that teaching and learning programs are carefully tailored to meet individual learning needs and provide every student with the strongest possible foundation for success.

Each of these opportunities reflects our commitment to providing diverse pathways that nurture talent, passion and personal excellence. They are made possible by the dedication of our staff and the strong partnership we share with families.

Fundraising will be a high priority for the College as we work towards installing air conditioning in the main building to better support the comfort and wellbeing of both students and staff. Creating optimal learning environments is essential to maintaining focus, engagement and productivity, particularly during the warmer months. We are committed to pursuing funding opportunities and community support to help make this important upgrade a reality. We will be running a Hot Cross Bun Drive and Easter raffle to kick

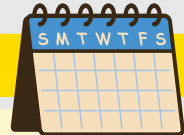
things off for the year. We greatly appreciate the ongoing support of our families and community as we strive to enhance our facilities for the benefit of all.

Thank you for your continued support as we build on this positive momentum. I look forward to an exciting and productive remainder of the term.

Kind Regards,

Tracy Peters
College Principal





UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 4 Mar	2027 Prep Information Session
Mon 9 Mar	Labour Day Public Holiday
11-18 Mar	NAPLAN Testing Window
Tue 24 Mar	Year 7 Immunisations
Thu 26 Mar	Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 27 Mar	Year 4-9 Athletics Carnival
Thu 2 Apr	Last Day of Term 1 - 2:30pm Finish
Fri 3 Apr	Good Friday Public Holiday
Mon 6 Apr	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Mon 21 Apr	First Day of Term 2

PREP-YEAR 2 PLAYGROUND UPGRADE

As you will have seen, the works to replace the College's Prep - Year 2 playground have officially commenced, marking the beginning of an exciting upgrade to the much-loved play space.

The project is focused on enhancing safety, functionality and the overall quality of the area. Planned improvements include new concrete works, surface upgrades and the complete replacement of existing playground equipment. Due to the time required for the concrete to properly cure and reach full strength, construction is expected to continue for the remainder of the term. The playground is scheduled to reopen at the beginning of Term 2.

Throughout the construction period, the playground will remain closed to ensure student safety. Staff will supervise alternative play areas and implement appropriate arrangements to ensure students continue to enjoy safe and active break times.

Pedestrian access via Tom Roberts Parade will remain open in the mornings and afternoons to facilitate student drop-off and pick-up. Temporary fencing will be installed to maintain safe, clearly defined walkways during the works.

The College acknowledges the inconvenience caused by the initial works and temporary gate closures and thanks families for their patience and understanding as these important improvements are completed.

Further updates will be provided as the project progresses. Families with any questions are encouraged to contact the College office.



CONSENT & PAYMENT DUE DATES

1 MAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class Clowns Comedy Excursion Australian F1 Grand Prix - HAP/ADP
12 MAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Conference
18 MAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4-9 Athletics Day Year 9 First Aid Course

COLLEGE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Following the close of nominations for the College Council Elections, we are pleased to share the outcome with our community. There were three vacant parent electorate positions available for appointment to the College Council, each for a two-year term from March 2026 to March 2028.

As the number of nominations received matched the number of vacancies, a ballot was not required.

We are delighted to announce that all three positions have been successfully filled. Please join us in congratulating the following parents on their appointment:

Stefanie Bamford
Fecility Parker
Danielle Woods

We thank them for their willingness to contribute their time and expertise in support of our College community. We look forward to formally welcoming our new Council members at our first meeting in March.

NAPLAN 2026

It's that time of year again that we begin preparing for NAPLAN.

On Compass, our Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 families can find the NAPLAN Information Brochure, which outlines all key information for families. Translated versions of the brochure are also available for families who require information in another language.

The NAPLAN testing window begins on Wednesday 11 March 2026 and concludes on Monday 23 March 2026. On Compass, you will also find our College timetable outlining the specific dates and times for each year level.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's Homeroom Teacher or Year Level Coordinator.



EASTER FUNDRAISER

Get ready to enjoy some delicious hot cross buns this Easter!

Here's everything you need to know:

Order Forms: Will be sent home on Friday, 27th February with the eldest family member.

Final Orders & Payment: Must be returned by Monday, 24th March with the correct money so your order can be placed.

Delivery & Collection: Hot cross buns will be ready for pickup at school on Friday, 31st March.

⚠ Important: No late orders will be accepted, so be sure to get your form in on time!

Need an extra form? You can collect one from the main office.

Treat your family to the warm, delicious taste of hot cross buns this Easter!



IT DIGITAL FORMS

This years required digital forms have been distributed via Compass.

These forms can be accessed through the Insights section or via Compass notifications.

If you have more than one child at our school, you will need to complete the digital forms for each child.

Please remember once you have answered the questions, tap save.

If you experience any issues, please contact help@pcc.vic.edu.au with your name and your child's details.

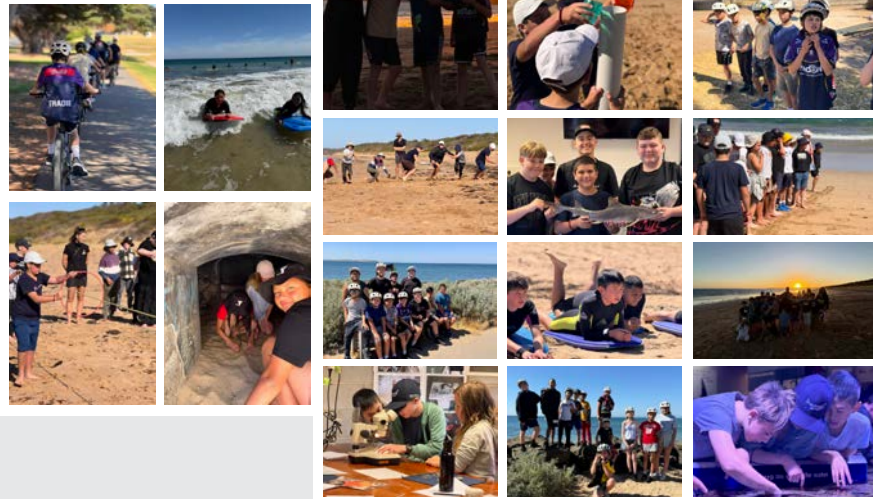
Please Note: Photo/Video Consent form
If Photo/Video consent has already been provided in previous years, this form will be greyed out and no further action is required. The form cannot be saved.

Happenings & Highlights at PCC WEEKS 1-5 OF TERM 1!

YEAR 7 CAMP

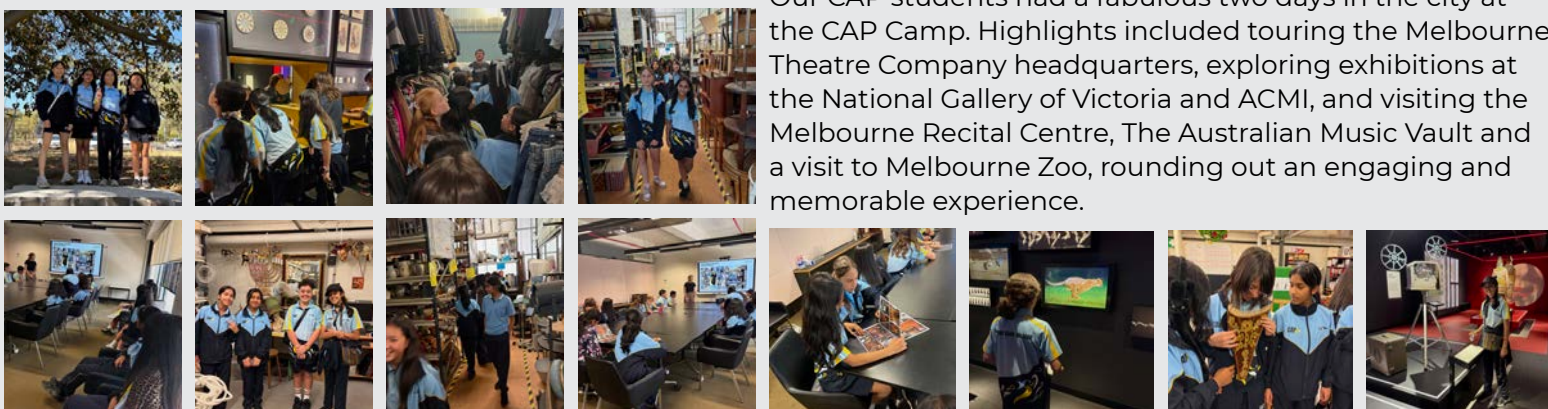
Students enjoyed an action-packed camp filled with memorable experiences. They explored marine life at the Marine Discovery Centre, played beach games at sunset, rode bikes along the coast, and took part in fun team challenges and a beach carnival.

Highlights included boogie boarding alongside a curious seal, canoeing, and making wood-fired pizzas from scratch. It was a fantastic few days, and everyone showed great enthusiasm, teamwork and resilience throughout the camp.



CAP CAMP

Our CAP students had a fabulous two days in the city at the CAP Camp. Highlights included touring the Melbourne Theatre Company headquarters, exploring exhibitions at the National Gallery of Victoria and ACMI, and visiting the Melbourne Recital Centre, The Australian Music Vault and a visit to Melbourne Zoo, rounding out an engaging and memorable experience.



ADP CAMP

ADP students quickly immersed themselves in camp activities, starting with team-building with Life Changer and an inspiring talk from Maisie Nankivell about her journey from the Melbourne Mavericks to the Collingwood AFLW. They completed a values session, beach fitness challenges, surfing, recovery activities, and a hike through Torquay, spotting a kangaroo along the coastline, before finishing with team-building and a recovery swim, leaving them exhausted but energized for the next day.



PREP ASSEMBLY

On February 20, we proudly held our very first Prep Assembly for 2026! Our four Prep classes showcased the College values beautifully, making their teachers and Principals incredibly proud. What a fantastic start to their journey at PCC!



YEAR 1-4 ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all of our amazing Year 1 to Year 4 award winners from the Week 4 Assembly! We are so proud of your efforts!



SWIMMING SUCCESS

We have had some amazing results at the Wyndham Division Interschool Swimming Carnival on Tuesday 24 February and the Year 4-6 Point Cook District Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to the below students on their success!

- Ira Kaushik – 1st Place Backstroke
- Sophie Pham – 1st Place Breaststroke
- Owen Pham – 1st Place Breaststroke
- Erin Lawrence – 1st Place Butterfly
- James McGlashin – 1st Place Backstroke





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HOUSE CELEBRATION DAY

FRIDAY 6TH MARCH

WEAR YOUR HOUSE COLOURS




The more items of clothing you wear, the more house points you will earn towards your house!

GOLD COIN DONATION

Remember to bring your gold coin donation if you're wearing house colours.

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

Dodgeball in the GYM
Cornhole near the stage
and much more!



COMMUNITY HUB HIGHLIGHTS

It has been a fantastic start to the year in our Community Hub, with all programs up and running and wonderful engagement from our school families and the wider community.

Sing & Grow - We were excited to welcome back Sing & Grow; a music therapy program designed for parents and their little ones (0–5 years). This beautiful program supports bonding through music, movement and play. It has been a joy to see parents and children connecting, singing and learning together – a truly positive start to the year for our youngest families.

Playgroup - Our Playgroup has also been off to a great start, welcoming new families from our school and surrounding community. It has been lovely to see friendships forming while children explore, learn and play in a safe and welcoming environment.

Toy Well Toy Library - Our Toy Well Toy Library, located right here in the Community Hub, continues to be a valuable resource for families. Being based on our school grounds makes it incredibly convenient to visit –

- Tuesdays: 11:30am – 12:00pm
- Fridays: 9:00am – 10:00am

Membership is free, and the benefits for children are wonderful:

- The chance to try new toys without pressure to “love it forever”
- The excitement of bringing something “new” home each week
- Imaginative play through costumes, figures and pretend play sets
- Building responsibility by choosing and caring for their own toys
- Seeing familiar faces in a safe and welcoming space



We also warmly welcome new volunteers who would like to be part of the Toy Library team.

Ladies Basketball - This term, our ladies were introduced to basketball — and it has been a huge success! Many participants are trying the sport for the first time and have quickly developed both confidence and a healthy competitive spirit. This program is open to all ladies from Point Cook College and surrounding areas.

Walking Group & Cook and Chat - Our Walking Group continues to grow, offering a relaxed space for conversation, connection and fitness. What began as a simple walk has developed into a lovely weekly catch-up. Cook and Chat has been another highlight, with families sharing and learning traditional recipes from one another. It has been a beautiful way to celebrate culture, food and community.

Arabic Story Time - Arabic Story Time has been a special addition to our weekly programs. It provides a wonderful opportunity for Arabic-speaking families to connect, while encouraging little ones to engage with stories and songs in their home language.

Education Support Course - We have also had a strong intake of enrolments for the Certificate III in Education Support course, which will run on our school premises this year. It's exciting to see so many community members taking steps toward further education and employment pathways.

All programs are held in the Community Hub, located in the portables opposite the double basketball courts on our school grounds.

All programs are free and open to our school families and the surrounding community.

We look forward to another fantastic term of connection, learning and community building!

