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Student Achievement: International Women's Day – Pauline Toner Prize

The Pauline Toner Prize was created by Local MP Vicki Ward in 2015 to recognise the achievements of local young women active in areas of social justice, the environment and/or gender equality.

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The following is an editorial by Year 12 student (): "On the 7th of March local MP Vicki Ward hosted the annual International Women's Day Celebration that hosts the Pauline Toner Prize.

I attended along with our School Leaders Jules Broeren (Year 12, Everard House) and (12,) our nominees Cassie Tibbits (Year 9, Rutter House) and Shahla Paynter (Year 12, Rutter House), Mr Sicari and Mrs Devlin.

A number of speeches were delivered by Vicki Ward, Federal Member for Jagajaga Kate Thwaites, and guest speaker Melanie Kwee who has been "breaking the bias" in the construction industry, and currently holds a directorial role at Major Road Projects Victoria.

The Pauline Toner Prize was named after Pauline due to her inspiring time in politics. She was not only the first woman to be elected to the Victorian Legislative Assembly in our area but also the first Victorian female Minister.

Our two student nominees for the Pauline Toner Prize joined seven other young women from surrounding high schools.

Cassie Tibbits was nominated due to her commitment to our school value of 'Social and Environmental Responsibility', which she showed through her work in the Do It In A Dress Campaign and volunteer work at Scouts Victoria.

Shahla Paynter was the other nominee from our school, and winner of the prize, as a result of her hard work in including more women in jazz (including starting the female jazz ensemble). She has been a part of Harmony Team for several years, supporting people in the LGBTQIA+ community and running the Do It In A Dress Campaign.

Shahla's amazing work throughout the years won her this Prize, and all of us here at school could not be prouder of the astonishing work our students do. Great job Cassie and Shahla."

I congratulate all nominees from the various schools for the amazing work they are all doing within their school and amongst our community. I encourage them all to forge on with this work as I am certain that it will make a difference.

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• Premier League Volleyball - Round 1

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Student Progress Interviews

Bookings for the Student Progress Interviews will open on Friday 11 March at 9:00am. Interviews will be held this term on the following dates;

Student Progress Interviews allow for the opportunity for a three-way conversation; between the teacher, the parents/guardian and the student. Where possible we encourage students to be present for the interviews.

As a result of the remote learning experience Eltham High School made a decision to continue with the option of online interviews. The current context means that all interviews will be conducted online in semester one.

In preparation for the Student Progress Interview families are encouraged to book in early. Interview bookings will open on Friday 11 March at 9:00am. Interim Reports will be published prior to the interviews. The Interim Reports provide information on student progress to date. Some teachers may request a Student Progress Interview via the Interim Report.

Information about joining interviews via Webex will be available via Compass leading up to the interviews. Where families have not used Compass in the past they will be encouraged to allow time before the commencement of the interviews to check their connection. Students in years 8-12 will be familiar with Webex having used it in 2021 for remote learning. Further information about Compass logins can be provided by the Support Staff in each of the Sub-Schools.

- Junior School - Lestina Theodosis: the@elthamhs.vic.edu.au
- Middle School - Rhonda Bonfante: bon@elthamhs.vic.edu.au
- Senior School - Susan Inglis: ing@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

Bookings for the upcoming Student Progress Interviews will open on Friday 11 March at 9:00am. Interviews will be held this term on the following dates;

Families are encouraged to book early as times do fill up quickly. All interviews will be conducted online via Webex. Bookings are made through the Compass Parent Portal.

If you have any difficulties with accessing our booking system please contact your child's Sub-School Office to seek assistance.

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FRAN MULLINS, A a P c a

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Reminder - 2022 School Council Approved Contributions on Compass

A reminder that 2022 School Council Approved Contributions are available to pay in Billing via the Payments Centre on Compass. Your generous support towards these Contributions allows us to continue to provide and build on the innovative programs and opportunities for our students that our community values and expects. For a full explanation of Contributions, please refer to the Compass Newsfeed.

Any credits on your account can be used towards Camps, Excursions and Extra Curricular programs that are invoiced via the Family Statement. Alternatively, you may request a refund of credits to your bank account by completing the Family Refund Request Form. A copy of your family statement will be sent to your nominated email address in the coming weeks.

Elective Fees

A reminder that Elective Subject Contributions for students in Years 9 – 12 are available to pay in Events via the Payments Centre on Compass and do not appear on your Family Statement. Your payment towards Elective Subject Contributions allows the school to enrich our student's learning experience by providing materials above the minimum standard funded by the DET for these subject.

To view the Eltham High School Parent Payment and Refund Policy, please visit the Policies tab on the Eltham High School website.

2022 CSEF Applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like:

- School camps or trips
- Swimming and school-organised sport programs
- Outdoor education programs
- Excursions and incursions

Applications for 2022 are now open, through until the end of term 2, 2022. If you applied for CSEF at Eltham High School in 2021, you do not need to complete an application form in 2022 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. Eltham High School will apply for the CSEF on your behalf.

You will only need to submit an application form in 2022 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- New student enrolments: your child has started or changed schools in 2022 or you did not apply at the same school in 2021 or
- Changed family circumstances: such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2022.

Schools are able to accept and process applications up until the end of term two each year. CSEF payments are made to schools from March onwards each year.

CATHERINE ZERNA,       

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Junior School News

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Year 8 Excursion To UrbnSurf

As part of our focus on student wellbeing, all Year 8 students have the opportunity to participate in a day trip to a new wave pool at Tullamarine. In this full day activity students will participate in a 1 hour and 45 minute surf lesson in a safe, controlled and predictable environment. After a lunch break students will have an opportunity to apply their newly developed skills in a 50 minute free surf session.

This really is an opportunity not to be missed. Further information is available on Compass. Dates for all form groups are shown below:

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Oxfam Trailwalk 2022

100km at a Snail's Pace or 20 hours for the Galloping Gastropods?

For the tenth consecutive year (let's pretend 2020 & 2021 didn't happen) Eltham High School will be supporting a team in the Oxfam Trailwalk on 2 & 3. The Trailwalk is a 100km fundraising event in which all four team members walk the whole 100km. Whilst participants (about 750 teams) have 48 hours to complete the distance, our Eltham High School team are aiming for an ambitious time of 20 hours or less. Training for this target is progressing well, with recent training sessions up around the 50 km mark.

The 2022 team consists of Cameron Laurence, Peter Seymour and Ross McKinnon. The Trailwalk is Oxfam's biggest fundraiser, with the 2022 Victorian Trailwalk aiming to raise over two and a half million dollars to support Oxfam's work both nationally and internationally. If you would like to support the fundraising efforts of the Eltham Gastropods, the simplest way is to make an online donation by following this link:

<https://trailwalker.oxfam.org.au/t/eltham-gastropods>

Thank you in advance for your support for this great event.

ROSS MCKINNON, M Sc T a L a

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

2022

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We are always seeking new members for our Grounds Committee.

If you would like to get involved please contact Anna Panas via email: pan@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

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- Sunday 3 April
- Sunday 19 June
- Sunday 4 Sept
- Sunday 16 Oct
- Sunday 4 Dec

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- Wednesday 23 March
- Thursday 9 June
- Thursday 25 August
- Thursday 6 October
- Thursday 24 November

Compass Attendance Reminder

Please ensure that you log into the Parent Compass portal to approve any student absences. If you have forgotten your password please make contact with the school to reset it.

Special Exam Arrangements Applications Now Open

Special Examination Arrangements may be approved for students with disabilities, illnesses or other circumstances that affect their ability to access a VCE external assessment. Each application will require professional, educational and academic assessments, along with school-based evidence and will be considered by the VCAA on a case-by-case basis. The VCAA will make a decision based on all evidence received with an application.

Please see your relevant Senior School Coordinator if you would like to begin an application or discuss your eligibility in more detail.

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- 10C, 11C, 12C: Michael Doherty doh@elthamhs.vic.edu.au
- 10D, 11D, 12D: Danielle Cotter cot@elthamhs.vic.edu.au
- 10E, 11E, 12E: Ashlea Oates oea@elthamhs.vic.edu.au
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- 10G, 11G, 12G: Matthew Hapsberg haz@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

ELTHAM HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS

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When: Wednesday Lunchtime
Location: Library
Gabriel Piras

When: Wednesday (Junior)
Thursday (Senior)
Location: 111 Drama Space
Time: 3:20pm - 5:00pm

Location: Room 420
Monday 3:20 - 5:00pm

Location: 111 Tuesday 3:20 - 5:00pm
Ryan Patterson, Drama Teacher

When: Wednesday Lunchtime
Location: Room 420
Matthew Hapsberg
StandOUT Leader

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When: Monday Lunchtime
Where: Room 612

Years 7 - 10 at lunchtime
When: Week A - Thursdays
Week B - Wednesday
Where: Room 610.

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When: Wednesday Lunchtime
Where: Room 613
Lisa Foote Year 7 Art Club Coordinator

Wind Ensemble - \$1100.00
Chamber Strings - \$1200.00
String Orchestra - \$1100.00

Payment of the Music Fees can be made by completing and returning the credit card details on the Credit Card Payment Form emailed to you on 25 February 2022 or by cash, BPay, credit card (over the phone by calling 9430 5118) or by cheque made payable to "Eltham High School". We previously advised that the instrumental music fees would be added to Compass, unfortunately there has been a change to this policy and they will not be added to Compass. The music fees will appear on your family statement, not in the Compass Parent Portal.

If you make a payment via BPay please ensure you email accounts@elthamhs.vic.edu.au advising the funds paid are for music fees. If you do not email they may allocate the funds to other areas.

If you do not know your BPay reference number or would like to set up a payment plan for the Music fees please contact the school's Revenue Administrator, Jacinta D'Avoine on 9430 5118 or by email at accounts@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

The second instalment is for the Main Ensemble levy which is due for payment by 2 May 2022.

The third instalment is for any other items i.e. instrument hire, percussion equipment hire, other ensembles like Stage Band, Jazz Band, Big Band, Choir etc. The third instalment is due by 24 June 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact Jane Nicholson in the Music Office if you have any queries.

Jane's telephone is: 9430 5127 or email: nio@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

Your prompt payment of the music fees is appreciated.

Strings Music Camp – 21 to 22 March 2022

Students enrolled in String Orchestra and Chamber String Ensembles are invited to the 2022 Eltham High School Strings Music Camp. This will be held in Healesville, Victoria staying overnight at Ferngully Lodge.

The music camp is a highlight of the ensemble year, giving valuable extra rehearsal time along with access to guest tutors and small ensemble projects.

All students are to arrive at school by 8:30am on Monday 21 March 2022 and will be returned to school by bus on Tuesday 22 March at 5:00pm.

Lessons and Ensembles 2022

Please ensure you check Compass for your scheduled lesson and rehearsal times.

Please see a list of the 2022 large ensemble rehearsal times listed below.

String Orchestra	Monday 7:30-8:40am in Room 306 (Students to arrive by 7:15am)
Stage Band	Monday 3:30-5:30pm in Room 306
Training Band	Monday 3:30-4:45pm in Room 111 (commences 04/04/2022)
Training Strings	Tuesday 7:30-8:45am in Room 306 (Students to arrive by 7:15am) (commences 26/04/2022)
Chamber Strings	Tuesday 3:30-5:30pm in 700 Open Space
Concert Band	Tuesday 3:30-5:30pm in Room 306
Big Band	Thursday lunchtime (Start date TBC)
Symphonic Band	Wednesday 3:30-5:30pm & Friday 3:30-4:45pm in Room 306
Wind Ensemble	Thursday 3:30-4:45pm in Room 306
Jazz Band	Thursday 3:30-5:30pm in Room 101
Choir	Friday lunchtime in Room 111

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RICK KEENAN, D - c - M c

2022 Community Kick-Off

On Monday, the 2022 Community Kick-Off was held at Franco & Co by our local representative of Parliament, Vicki Ward, MP. The purpose of this event was to connect with people in our community, and to gain an insight into others' views on how the community is managed and its connections overall. We went along with our Student Growth and Agency Leader, Nadia Devlin, and our two school captains, J (12,) and I (12,)

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Year 8 Wednesday 1 June - AFL, Soccer, Netball, Badminton

Year 7 Wednesday 22 June - AFL, Soccer, Netball, Badminton

Timetabled Sport – Year 7 and 8

Students in Year 7 and 8 participate in a Sport session once per week. Students participate in a range of sports throughout the term. Students are involved in the umpiring and scoring duties each week. We aim to provide students with a small taste of a variety of sports, many of which are offered in the Inter-School Sports Program. Participation is the main goal of these sessions and students are encouraged to experience a range of games. There is an expectation the students change into their PE uniforms for this session – we would greatly appreciate your assistance in ensuring PE uniforms are brought to school for both PE and Sport sessions.

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Volleyball Program 2022

The volleyball trials have nearly concluded. Please be aware of training times for your squads. Additional information will be provided to Year 7 students on what the process will be.

Morning Training: 7:00 - 8:30am

Tuesday	Year 8 Boys, Year 9 Boys and Girls.
Wednesday	Year 10, 11 and 12 Girls
Thursday	Year 8 Girls
Friday	Year 10, 11, 12 Boys

State League Opportunity

This year Eltham HS will be entering the Victorian State League Junior Competition. The competition is open to any Eltham HS student who is under 17 years of age. Brief details are:

- Saturday 9am Games
- \$150 for the season running from April to September
- Training to occur at Eltham High School times TBA.

If you are interested in playing please contact Anthony Young for more details and to express interest.

Year 7 - Thursday After School Volleyball

Thursday's after school volleyball will recommence on 3 March. For those that are part of the volleyball program, it is encouraged that you make an effort to attend these sessions. These sessions are open to all Year 7s. So those that were not selected this year are encouraged to attend to gain some training and match practice and increase their chance of making the program in the future. Sessions will be run by multiple Eltham students.

Term 1 - Round 1, 3 March

Time: Thursday 3:15 - 4:15pm

Victorian Beach Volleyball Schools Cup

The first event of the program will be the State Beach Volleyball Championship. This year Eltham is projected to send over 40 teams to the competition.

Please remember to pay and consent for your attendance via compass. All teams will depart from the school at 7:00am, with the approximate return to be 5:00pm.

Wednesday 9 March - Year 7 & 8

Thursday 10 March - Year 9 & 10

Friday 11 March - Year 11 & 12

As always if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything volleyball wise, please feel free to contact me.

ANTHONY YOUNG, V **ba** **C** **a**



After School Drama Program

The Eltham High School Drama Program will again run two ensembles in 2022:

Junior Drama Ensemble (Years 7-8) Wednesday afternoons from 3:20pm - 5:00pm.

Senior Drama Ensemble (Years 9-12) Thursday afternoons from 3:20pm - 5:00pm.

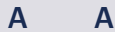
Both ensembles are fun, co-operative and educational cross age experiences and are an Eltham High School institution. It is the Ensembles that create the school's major productions and improvisation performances, and provide the springboard into the school's elite drama performance groups.

Both Ensembles are open to all students. There is no audition, and all participating students are guaranteed a part in any Ensemble production. The emphasis is on the process rather than the product, on learning and enjoyment rather than the production alone. Students can come along for a two week free trial.

There is a fee of \$180 per semester

For further information please contact Ryan Patterson, pat@elthamhs.vic.edu.au or Rhonda Bonfante, bon@elthamhs.vic.edu.au

RYAN PATTERSON, D.a a KLAC ~ a ~



2022 Language Faculty Assistants

Eltham High School has an excellent tradition of employing both Indonesian and French language assistants to work directly with our students in order to help develop student language proficiency.

This year we are very fortunate to welcome back Diana McMahon (Indonesian) and Sandrine Hennuyer (French) who have been working with our students over a number of years. The native speaker assistants will be working with Years 9 – 12 students of Indonesian and French on a weekly basis, starting this week on 15 February.

The language assistant program provides students with the invaluable learning experience of developing verbal skills with a native speaker.

We look forward to seeing our students' linguistic skills grow this year with the support of our wonderful language assistants!

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Canteen Summer Menu Prices			
Hot Food	Cool Stuff	Cool Stuff	Sandwiches and Wraps

