VIEWBANK COLLEGE
“Caring for Excellence”

NEWSLETTER: Number 17 ~ June 12, 2015

VIEWBANK CALENDAR

June

12 Year 7 Cultural Enrichment
15 Semester 2 begins (Yr 7 - 12)
   Deb Dance Rehearsal 4-6pm
16 Friends of Viewbank (FOV) Meeting 7.30pm
   Friends of Performing and Visual Arts (FOPAVA)
   Meeting 7.30pm
17 NMR Cross Country
   Year 10 into 11 Parent Information Evening 7.30pm
18 Year 10 Pathways Expo (p1&2)
   Year 9 Pathways Expo (p3&4)
   Year 9 into 10 Parent Information Evening 7pm
19 Casual Dress Day
21 Year 9 Camp depart to 26th June
22 Year 10 Work Experience to 26th June
   Deb Dance Rehearsal 4-6pm
   ICT Meeting 5.30pm
   Buildings & Grounds Meeting 6pm
   Finance Meeting 6.30pm
24 College Council Meeting 7.30pm
25 Year 9 Alternate Program Excursion
26 End of term 2 - 2.30pm dismissal

July

13 Term 3 commences
14 General Assembly

STUDENT ABSENCES

Please be advised that Student absences are to be reported to Attendance Officer at absences@viewbank.vic.edu.au not viewbank.co@edumail.vic.gov.au or by accessing Compass by clicking on the following link

Principal’s Report

Semester 2 Starts:

As we look at the two busy weeks of Term 2 that are left, it is important to note that this coming Monday, June 15th, Semester 2 officially commences and with it a completely new timetable. For Year 12 students studying Unit 3 and 4 studies it means that they have only till October with us and that time will fly. For students in Years 9 and 10, there will be new electives to look forward to. Certainly, with a new timetable students may find some changes to the teachers who had them in Terms 1 and 2. I hope for all of our students that this coming semester is a positive one.

Last Week of Term:

In the last week of Term, the Year 9s will either head off on their Queensland Camp or for those not attending the camp, there will be a special program at the College. The Year 10s will be undertaking their Work Experience week which is also in the last week of term.

Early Dismissal:

Please note early dismissal for 2.30pm on Friday 26th June. Buses will be notified about the early dismissal.

Semester 1 Reports: The Semester 1 reports will be released on Friday 26th June, 2015.
Language Perfect 2015 - First Place for German!
Ms Clare Fleming has spurred LOTE students on to be their competitive best in the 2015 Language Perfect Competition and the results are astounding. Language Perfect is an online language learning program designed to enable students to reinforce knowledge particularly listening, reading and breadth of vocabulary. This year it was evident that the program included more grammar structures and sentence writing. Therefore for LOTE students the competition aspect makes it a fun way to extend the retention of their language learning.

Viewbank College came first in German out of 836 schools and nationally out of 569 schools. In Victoria, Viewbank College was first out of 173 schools. How amazing! For Japanese, Viewbank College came second in Victoria out of 173 schools and 15th overall in Japanese which is a very exciting effort too. All up our students answered a total of 1,162,904 questions to achieve an overall Global Ranking of 18th place.

This competition is an exciting one and at Viewbank College we had a total of 672 students who participated. Our students were very competitive with 4 elite awards, 19 Gold Awards, 21 Silver Awards, 66 Bronze Awards and 106 Credit Awards. The following students received Elite Awards, in order of their scores:

- Christian Popovic
- Lucinda Derrett
- Sophie Post
- Mila Olsen

I would like to congratulate all participants and acknowledge the extra-ordinary efforts of these four students. I cannot imagine the hours these four students devoted to this online LOTE Competition but they contributed to the total of 4,027 hours that all students spent on this competition and this is mind-boggling. I would also like to thank Ms Clare Fleming for her enthusiastic promotion of this key LOTE activity and also the LOTE Domain for their great support. Well done LOTE students and teachers.

Upcoming Key Events:
LOTE Theatre Tickets: The Annual LOTE Theatre takes place on 23rd July; the second Thursday after resumption for Term 3. This is the night of extroverted linguistic fun and frivolity when the senior LOTE students perform in Japanese or German. It does not matter that you may not understand a word, the acts are usually highly entertaining skits from pop culture. Friends of Viewbank will be catering sushi and kuchen [cake] at Interval to celebrate the evening. This is the night all LOTE students should come along to support the evening and enjoy seeing our senior LOTE students in their Japanese or German performances.
Tickets are on sale for: $12 for adults and $6 children/students.
To book, click on the following link - http://www.trybooking.com/IAPR

College Production Tickets: In a meeting with the Creative Team yesterday, I learned that about a third of the Production tickets have already been sold. If you are keen to see the 2015 show, please get in fast. Tickets are on sale for $27 Adults, $20 Children/Students/Concession and $85 Family ticket (2 adults & 2 children/students/concession). Tickets can be purchased at http://www.trybooking.com/HDYP

Presentation Ball: The Year 11 Presentation Ball is on Saturday, 8th of August and this year’s candidates have begun their dancing classes. This is the premier evening for the Year 11 cohort and we hope to make their night a wonderful experience to remember. Usually it is a special night of parents, grandparents, siblings and friends all coming together to celebrate and we hope to see as many families and friends as possible attending to support their candidate.
Tickets for this grand occasion on August 8th, at The Centre, Ivanhoe are $90 and bookings can be made at http://www.trybooking.com/HGNN

Champion for this Week:
Connor Rutland is a very talented young cricketer and next week he will be in Darwin representing Victoria in the National 16 and Under Cricket Competition. He plays District Cricket for Essendon, who invited him to train with them when he was 13 and then offered him a playing place at the club at 14. Connor is an all-rounder but his specialty is as an opening batsman. During the summer months, Connor plays for his junior Bundoora team on Friday evenings and then travels to Essendon for his district team on a Saturday. Currently, as part of the state squad, he has a very solid training commitment of two nights a week and Sundays; all up about 16 hours a week. I learned that Connor likes to fit in football during the week too. Connor we hope Darwin is an exciting experience that extends your cricket even further. Best wishes.

Judith Craze
Principal
“Caring for Excellence”
Assistant Principal Report

SRC Out of Uniform Day

The SRC will be holding an out of uniform day on Friday, 19th of June to raise money to help those who have been affected by the earthquakes that have devastated Nepal since the 25th of April. A $2 donation is required on the day. Your support will be greatly appreciated by those in need.

Thank you very much,

Chloe and Craig
SRC Leaders

Friends of Viewbank (FOV)

FOV have a special "Winter Pamper Special Offer" when you buy the Entertainment Guide and Time For Me you receive them both for the reduced price of $99.99. That's a saving of $14.99 off the original prices.

Books are also available at the usual prices when sold separately.

Entertainment Book: $65.00
Time for Me: $39.99 (was $49.99)

Limited offer and supplies so be quick and grab a bargain and help support FOV fund raising for Viewbank College.

Dear Parent / Carer / Friend,

We are running the ME Wellbeing Guide Fundraiser!

The Friends of Viewbank (FOV) is running this project to raise funds for the College to build shade shelter in the Year 7 area.

The ME Wellbeing Guide is an indispensable handbook for Melbourne women. It contains wellness vouchers with a focus on promoting some of the most integral parts of modern life - health, wellbeing and a stable work-life balance.

We chose the ME Wellbeing Guide as a fabulous way to raise funds. It provides 20% profit – we sell 100 books and raise $800.

It’s also a life positive way to raise funds the – The ME Wellbeing Guide provides a comprehensive listing of carefully selected organization/service providers. Each provides superior client service and discount offers from 20% up to 50%, buy one get one free offers, complimentary sessions or free gift offers.

www.itatimeforme.com.au

Purchase the ME Wellbeing Guide for just $39.99 and you’ll receive over $4,000 in wellness vouchers you can use until 31st December, 2015.

The ME Wellbeing Guide can be ordered through the College by forwarding the order form below with payment in an envelope clearly marked, “ME Wellbeing Guide ORDER”. We have a supply of the books at the College, so when payment comes in we will be able to give you your book.

This is a fantastic way to do something for yourself while supporting your FOV. Make sure you don’t miss out!

If you have any queries please contact Maree Gaffney, Assistant Principal, 9458 2811.

Maree Gaffney
Assistant Principal
Senior School News

Key dates
- Semester 2, Units 2 & 4 begin June 15
- VCE Parent information Evening – June 17
- Pathways Expo (Yr 10) – Periods 3 & 4 June 18

VCE Parent Information Evening & Pathways Expo

On Wednesday June 17 and Thursday June 18, a more formal approach to the transition to VCE begins for students in Year 10. At the VCE Information Evening, a range of speakers will present information on VCE Programs and subjects, promotion policies and alternative pathways. Students will be given their 2016 - 2018 Senior School Subject Handbook and their subject selection forms on the night. Please ensure that you attend this important event with your Year 10 student.

The Pathways Expo will take place in the gym during Periods 3 & 4 for students to peruse the broad range of VCE studies that will be offered in 2016. Information stalls will be set up by each Domain with displays, handouts, examples of work and folios for students to view, ask questions and receive relevant feedback. Teachers and students will be on hand to answer questions and assist the Yr 10s in making more informed decisions regarding their own subject choices. Last year, the students benefited greatly from visiting studies they were interested in, asking their questions and receiving helpful advice and information from teachers, past and present students was a hugely successful event and we are anticipating a similar outcome this year so please avail yourselves of the opportunity to arrive half an hour prior to the start of the VCE Information Evening to peruse the stands yourselves.

VCE Parent Information Evening

When: Wednesday June 17
Where: College Gymnasium

Time: 7:00pm – perusal of Pathways Expo and 7:30pm – formalities begin

Living Spirit Fellowship 2015 - 2016

The purpose of the Fellowship is to nurture in young people in our local community an understanding of the role that many Australians played in securing the great freedom that we enjoy today. The Fellowship enables a secondary student, with a parent, to visit an historic off-shore war location where Australians have sacrificed their lives.

Years 10, 11 & 12 students are encouraged to apply. Please see Mrs Calder in the Coordinators Office for more information.

Thank you,

Sue Calder

AFTER SCHOOL STUDY GROUPS

Mondays in G3 with Mr Papadakis
3.20pm - 5.00pm

Thursdays in C5 with Ms Morris & Ms Pastro
3.15pm - 5.00pm
Middle School News

Pathways Expo and Parent Information Evening

The Pathways Expo for Students:
Thursday 18th June, periods 1 & 2

Students will have the opportunity to ask teachers for more information on particular subjects of interest to them. During this expo, they will gain a better understanding of the content learnt, the types of assessment tasks to be completed and the pathways that can be taken when enrolled in certain subjects. Students will also be able to talk to VCE students, teachers and past students, to gain better clarity of subject matter and what is expected of them in the different subject areas.

Year 9 into 10 Parent Information Evening: Thursday 18th June, in the Gym

7.00 pm: perusal of Pathways Expo
7:30 pm: formalities begin

Parents are invited to attend a Year 9 into Year 10 information evening to explain future pathways including the subject selection process, an overview of the Year 10 curriculum structure and key dates for forms to be submitted and subjects chosen. During this evening, teachers will also be available to ask for more information on particular subjects.

Kate Butler
Middle Years Leader

Sport News

Nillumbik and Banyule Sports Division
2015 Program

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| TERM 3         |         |              |              |              |
|----------------|---------|--------------|--------------|
| 16/7/15        | THUR    | SSV cross country | Basketball, Table Tennis, Hockey, Futsal |
| 3/8/15         | MON     | INTER ROUND ROBIN | Basketball, Table Tennis, Hockey, Futsal |
| 19/8/15        | WED     | YEAR 8 ROUND ROBIN | Basketball, Table Tennis, Hockey, Futsal |
| 8/9/15         | TUES    | YEAR 7 ROUND ROBIN | Basketball, Table Tennis, Hockey, Futsal |
| 10/9/15        | THUR    | NMR athletics | VENUE = Meadowglen |

Mark Eagling
Director of Sport
Sport@viewbank.vic.edu.au
LOTE News

LOTE THEATRE NEWS

In the last weeks of term, the Senior LOTE rooms, after the demands of exams, start resounding with the sound of Abba and the Spice Girls and many others, which have been carefully translated into Japanese or German in readiness for the LOTE Theatre Restaurant - a great event which this year celebrates its 22nd Anniversary.

It will be held on the evening of Thursday 23rd July at 7.30pm in the Banyule Theatre, and not only provides superb entertainment, but also delicious food. Both Sushi and delicious Kaffee and Kuchen will be served at interval. We always have fun and would like you to join us, so please book your ticket/s by clicking on the following link:

http://www.trybooking.com/IAPR

*Ticket Prices:

Adult $12
Children/Students $6

*Please note that there is a 30cent Trybooking fee per seat.

Bookings close on Trybooking at 3.00pm sharp on Thursday 23rd July

***** Student Performers—$5 *****

Please pay Maria Rosewarne, Cashier in the General Office for your tickets as your seats have already been allocated.

Ute Slizys
LOTE Domain Leader

Uniform News

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will next open on:

Saturday 1st August, 2015
10.00am to 12.00pm
(Gymnasium Cloakroom)
Doors do not open until 10am
(Cash Only – No EFTPOS)

VIEWBANK COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP

Open every Wednesday morning (during school terms) in R13
Hours: 8.15am - 9.00am
Music News

A.M.E.B (Australian Music Examination Board)
Please note the enrolment date for the last session of AMEB exams for the year. Any students wishing to enrol for an A.M.E.B exam should speak to their music teacher before enrolling. These external exams give students a goal to work towards and are an experience that enhances their playing/singing skills immensely. Enrolment forms are available from the Music Office. The relevant dates are as follows:

Cut off date for enrolments  Exam dates
5th session: Monday 20th July  (5th October – 15th November)

Upcoming and Important Dates:

Please check the following dates carefully as there are a few new dates for upcoming events.

*New additions

*Saturday 15 August Senior Band performance at the Diamond Valley Vietnam Veterans Community Memorial Service. Greensborough War Memorial Park (corner of Henry St and Ester St Greensborough) 10am - 12pm.
* Monday 17 August Piano, Flute, oboe and bassoon Soiree – all piano, flute, oboe and bassoon students. 7pm Library.
Monday 17 August Senior Band performance at the Victorian School Music Festival. 12pm – 4.15pm Hawthorn Arts Centre, Burwood Rd Hawthorn.
Tuesday 25 August Stage Band performance at the Victorian School Music Festival. 3.30pm – 8.15pm The Australian Institute of Music, 120 King St. Melbourne.
Monday 31 August Guitar and electric bass Soiree – all guitar and electric bass students. 7pm Library.
Monday 7 September Vocal Soiree - all vocal students. 7pm Library.
Tuesday 15 September Gala Concert, Plenty Ranges Conference Centre – All large ensembles.
Monday 19 October Jazz Night: Watsonia RSL 6pm – 9pm. Jazz Band, Stage Band, Funk Band and Junior Latin Jazz Band.
Wednesday 28 October String Soiree – all violin, viola, cello and double bass students. 7pm Library.

Sarah Williams
Director of Music
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Canteen News

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Year 8 News

Mt Buller Daytrip 2015
During Term 3 the Year 8 Cohort will have the opportunity for an exciting day trip to Mt Buller Alpine Resort. Students will learn either Skiing or Snowboarding in a 1.5 hour lesson and then spend the afternoon on the slopes with their classmates. 8A to 8D will attend on the Thursday 27th August and then 8E to 8H will attend on Friday 28th August.

Trip cost is $200 and includes coach travel, gate entry, 1.5 hour lesson, lift ticket, ski/snowboard hire, boots, helmet, wrist guards. This payment, plus any additional equipment hire cost is due on Friday 31st July and can be paid on Compass. Please note that Ski Jacket and Ski Pants can be hired and this requires a separate form that is attached on the following page.

Itinerary
5:45am Students arrive at the College for a sharp 6am departure (No Waiting!)
8.00am Toilet stop in Mansfield.
9:30am-11.00am At Buller Sports (Mt Buller Village), students collect equipment.
11:30am to 1.00pm Ski or Snowboard lesson.
1.00pm to 1:45pm Lunch at the ABOM restaurant.
1:45pm to 4:15pm Free Ski/Board time with supervising teacher.
4:15pm Students return their equipment at Mt Buller Village.
5.00pm Bus leaves for Yea.
7.00pm – 7:45pm Dinner in Yea.
7:45pm Bus leaves for Viewbank College and returns between 8:30 and 9pm.

Compulsory Gear List
Due to the changing nature of alpine weather, all of the following equipment is compulsory regardless of the weather forecast.
- Waterproof ski jacket and ski pants. Mt Buller do hire out a jacket and pants for $36. (The form for this is attached)
- Beanie, scarf, ski goggles and ski gloves
- Warm jumper/fleece, thick ski socks, thermal pants/leggings
- Packed breakfast (no breakfast stops) and snacks for the day
- Packed lunch and dinner or bring $30 (ish) to buy both

Andrew Blair
Year 8 Level Leader
Mt Buller Additional RENTAL Form:

Name: ………………………………………………………………………
Form: …………………

Mt Buller rent a Ski Jacket and Pants for $36 and this needs to be paid by July 31st.

Please complete your Credit Card Details Below and return to the General Office.

Please note that this is an additional extra and that skis and boots and snowboard and boots are included in the $200 trip price - which is payable on Compass.

Students are also required to bring beanie, scarf, ski goggles and ski gloves, warm jumper/fleece, thick ski socks, thermal pants/leggings. Mt Buller do not hire these items, however they can be purchased at the rental shop on Mt Buller (this is an expensive option).

Payment Details:  □  Cash  □  Cheque (made payable to Viewbank College)
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Production News

Tickets are now on sale for our 2015 Production of “The Producers - A New Mel Brooks Musical”

Venue: Banyule Theatre, Buckingham Drive, Heidelberg

Dates and Times are as follows:

- Tuesday 28th July  7.30pm
- Wednesday 29th July  7.30pm
- Thursday 30th July  7.30pm
- Friday 31st July  7.30pm
- Saturday 1st August  1.00pm
- Saturday 1st August  7.30pm

** Ticket Prices:
- Adults: $27.00
- Children/Student/Concession: $20.00
- Family Ticket: $85.00

** Please note that there is a Trybooking fee of 30 cents per seat

The booking URL for this event is: http://www.trybooking.com/HDYP

Trybooking

Viewbank College Production “The Producers - A New Mel Brooks Musical” is managed by "Trybooking".

Trybooking is an online system that has been designed to look after event ticketing.

You can/will:
- Purchase tickets 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- View and select your preferred seating
- Be automatically provided with a booking confirmation, receipt and ticket via the email

Trybooking is simple to book tickets, just click on the link provided, select event, select your seats, confirm quantity of seats (adults and/or children/students), complete booking details and credit card details and then process.

All bookings are to be paid for by credit card (Mastercard or Visa) and incur a 30 cent booking fee per seat.

Any ticketing enquiries please contact Deanne in the General Office on 9458 2811.
Community News

ENROL NOW FOR TERM 3, 2015
Phone 9433 3744 or 9433 3766

We offer a wide range of qualification and short courses at our three centres in Diamond Creek, Etham and Panton Hill.

Short courses offered in:
- Art and pottery
- Career and business skills
- Computers and gadgets
- Crafts and textiles
- Dance and music
- Family history
- Health, fitness and wellbeing
- House, garden and cooking
- Children’s courses
- Languages and creative writing
- Social events and activities

JOIN ONE OF OUR NEW MAKERSPACES TODAY

Qualification courses offered:
- Certificate III in Aged Care/ Certificate III in Home and Community Care Dual
- Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment
- Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care

For the latest information about our courses including how to enrol please visit our website.

www.livinglearningnillumbik.vic.gov.au

119 Cowin St, Diamond Creek 739 Main Rd, Etham 19 Bishops Rd, Panton Hill
Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The Victorian Government have unveiled a new $148 million initiative to ensure all Victorian students can take part in school trips and sporting activities.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) will run over four years and provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. $125 per year will be paid for eligible primary school students, with $225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. Payments will go directly to the school and be tied to the student.

Application forms can be downloaded from this newsletter or alternatively collect a hardcopy from the general office.

Eligibility

Criteria 1 - Eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term two, or;
- on the first day of Term three;
  a) be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  b) be a temporary foster parent, and;
  c) submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend a Victorian school

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility date

CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card successfully validating with Centrelink on either the first day of term two or term three.

A copy of either the Centrelink Health Care card or Pensioner card is required upon application.

Please Note applications close on Friday 26th June 2015.


Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Closing Date

You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

CSEF Application Form

VIEWBANK COLLEGE - 8812

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname
First name
Address
Town/suburb State Postcode
Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession  OR  Health care card number (CRN)

Foster parent*  OR  Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

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I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (the department) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

• the department will use information I have provided to the DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to the DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.

• this consent, once signed, remains valid unless I withdraw it by contacting the school or the department.

• I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from the department and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.

• if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.

• Some personal information may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services, for the purpose of evaluation and monitoring of concession card services.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child’s school.

Signature of applicant ____________________________ Date __ / __ / ___
CSEF eligibility
Below is the criteria used to determine a student’s eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

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• on the first day of Term two, or;
• on the first day of Term three;

1. Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR

2. Be a temporary foster parent, and;

3. Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria
School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date
CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term two (13 April 2015) or term three (13 July 2015).

Payment amounts
CSEF payment amount
The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

• Primary school student rate: $125 per year.
• Secondary school student rate: $225 per year.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student’s date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

How to complete the application form
NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your Centrelink card - unless you are claiming as a Foster Parent or Veterans Affairs Pensioner. You will also need to provide your Centrelink card to the school.

If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, tick the appropriate box. In this case, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

The CSEF payment is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
• enter SURNAME AND FIRST NAMES in full.
• enter the DATE OF BIRTH e.g. 15/09/2008.
• enter the YEAR LEVEL, unless the student is ungraded, e.g. attending a Special School or language Centre, then enter ‘UNGRADED’ in the YEAR LEVEL column.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.
Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

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