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CO-CURRICULAR UPDATE

Exciting Opportunities and Adventures Await Our Students

Our students have had an action-packed term so far, with many exciting events already behind them and plenty more on the horizon. From international travel and performing arts tours to new clubs and outdoor expeditions, our students continue to make the most of the incredible opportunities available to them.

Japan Tour – A Cultural and Educational Experience

A group of 26 students from Years 9, 10, and 11 are gearing up for an unforgettable experience as they embark on the Japan Tour. This trip promises to be a cultural and educational highlight, with visits to iconic landmarks, historic sites, and vibrant cityscapes. A key aspect of the tour will be the visit to our sister schools, Takayama Middle School and Fukuroi High School, where students will engage in cultural exchange activities and experience daily life in a Japanese school setting. A homestay experience will further immerse students in Japanese culture, allowing them to build connections and deepen their understanding of this fascinating country.

Music and Dance Tour to Queensland

The Music and Dance departments are also hitting the road with an upcoming tour to Queensland. Preparations are in full swing, and the students are eagerly anticipating the opportunity to showcase their talents. A sneak preview of their performances was shared at Open Day, and the recent Movie Night featured a special musical performance as well. This tour will give our

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performers a platform to refine their craft, gain valuable experience, and represent the school with pride.

Year 7 STEM Club Launches in Term 2

A brand-new Year 7 STEM Club is launching in Term 2, offering students an exciting opportunity to dive into creativity and explore cutting-edge technology. With the recent establishment of a 3D printing farm in the STEM building, this year's focus will be on 3D printing. Students will explore the world of ready-made 3D models through access to MakerWorld, a large online community. They'll experiment with printing these models using the school's 3D printers and then learn how to design their own unique creations. Finally, students will apply their new skills to exciting STEM design challenges. It will be a fun, supportive environment that will nurture digital design skills, creativity, and problem-solving abilities.

Duke of Edinburgh – Adventure Awaits

The Duke of Edinburgh program is off to a fantastic start this year, with 83 new students signing up for the Bronze Award. Excitement has been high, and students have been eager to get their gear and begin their journey. The program offers a great mix of personal development, teamwork, and adventure, and students are already making progress in their chosen activities. Meanwhile, plans for Silver and Gold expeditions are coming together, with the upcoming information night on Tuesday set to provide further details for Gold students. These hikes will challenge participants as they explore new environments, develop resilience, and create lasting memories. With such enthusiasm from the students, it's clear that 2025 will be another outstanding year for the Duke of Ed program.

Sports Academy Open Week – A Week of Achievements

Open Week for our Sports Academy has just wrapped up, and it was a tremendous success. Parents had the opportunity to watch their children in action, witnessing firsthand the dedication and growth that has taken place over the term. Students thoroughly enjoyed showcasing their progress and demonstrating the new skills they have developed. The Sports Café, running from Monday to Thursday, was also a hit, providing a great space for students and families to connect after training sessions. It was a fantastic week of celebration, and we look forward to seeing continued development in our student athletes as the year progresses.

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As we move further into the year, these exciting programs and activities continue to highlight the diverse opportunities available to our students. Whether they're traveling abroad, performing on stage, innovating in STEM, or tackling outdoor adventures, there's no shortage of ways for our students to grow, learn, and thrive.

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