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# RUOK?™

A conversation could change a life.

## R U OK? DAY - THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2019

**TRUST THE SIGNS, TRUST YOUR GUT & ASK R U OK?**

R U OK? Day is a national day of action dedicated to reminding everyone that every day is the day to ask, "Are you ok?" and support those struggling with life's ups and down.

### Because life knocks us all down.

- Illness can rob us of confidence and energy
- Work - or lack of work - can make us feel frazzled or inadequate
- Falling short of our goals can make us feel hopeless
- Death of loved ones can sap us of energy and hope
- Relationships breaking up can make us confused, sad or angry

We all need conversations.

And that's why we all need to ask people around us "are you ok?"

By giving someone the opportunity and the time to share what they're feeling, we're giving that person something truly invaluable.

We're giving that person a sense of connection and a sense of belonging.

Got a niggling feeling that someone you know or care about isn't behaving as they normally would? Perhaps they

seem out of sorts? More agitated or withdrawn? Or they're just not themselves. Trust that gut instinct and act on it.

By starting a conversation and commenting on the changes you've noticed, you could help that family member, friend or workmate open up. If they say they are not ok, you can follow these conversation steps to show them they're supported and help them find strategies to better manage the load. If they are ok, that person will know you're someone who cares enough to ask.

### How to ask

1. ASK R U OK?
2. LISTEN WITHOUT JUDGEMENT
3. ENCOURAGE ACTION
4. CHECK IN



1. Ask



2. Listen



3. Encourage action



4. Check in

More information, help and tips about Asking R U OK can be found <https://www.ruok.org.au/how-to-ask#preparingtoask>

**Its 3 little words we can all ask, and if we all did, we could change the world. So, Who will you ask?**

Some conversations are too big for friends and family to take on alone. That's why we encourage people to connect with expert support.

You can call Lifeline 13 11 14 24/7 for crisis support.

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## LIVING IN DINGLEY VILLAGE

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Station: **9583 9767**

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**1800 123 400**

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Community Association

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Men's Shed

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VicRoads Faults and  
Hazards:

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RSPCA

**9224 2222**

# COMMUNITY



### HAPPY FATHERS' DAY TO ALL THE DADS & FATHER FIGURES IN DINGLEY VILLAGE.

Father's Day is celebrated worldwide to recognize the contribution that fathers and father figures make to the lives of their children. The Dingley Dossier wishes all paternal role models in children's' lives a very enjoyable Father's Day.

### VALE JOHN GLENN CORRECTION

Johns' surname was spelt incorrectly in last months' Dingley Dossier, our sincere apologies.



### E-WASTE BAN

To help protect our environment and recover more precious resources, the Victorian Government is banning all e-waste from going to landfill as of 1 July 2019. That means, e-waste can't go in any bin.

E-waste is any item with a plug, battery or power cord that is no longer working or wanted. It covers a whole range of items from phones and refrigerators to fluorescent light tubes. Don't forget to properly remove your personal data from computers, phones and devices. See flyer further in Dossier for more information



### DINGLEY CHELTENHAM VIEW CLUB 2ND ANNIVERSARY.

Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club (Voice Interests and Education of Women) celebrated their second anniversary on the First day of June with a Warming Winter Lunch enjoyed by over 40 members. It was a celebration of the values of VIEW. Fun, Friendship, Learning and importantly supporting the most vulnerable in our community through our partnership with The Smith Family.

They raised enough funds over the year to increase support for The Smith Family Learning for Life Programme which provides ongoing financial, emotional and practical support for the education of the most disadvantaged Australian children in our community.



### FAMILY FUN DAY

October 5 from 12pm, Shedlock Training Systems, 2/32 DeHavilland Road, Mordialloc.

To celebrate their first Birthday Shedlock Training Systems is holding a "Family Fun Day" is a fundraiser for Mindful-Makings a program that will help the most vulnerable people in our community.

The program seeks to provide participants, who are challenged by mental health issues, the tools that can improve their quality of life.

Jumping castle, face painting, Food/drinks, PRIZES, PRIZES, PRIZES,

Market Stalls and much much more.





## PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

Opportunity for paid participation in neuroscience research. A local Monash University researcher is looking at memory throughout ageing and is seeking interested people aged 65-85, to volunteer to participate. Participants will experience a range of different scientific methods including: taking images of their brain with MRI, recording their brain's activity using EEG (a cap placed on the scalp), and using a special type of brain stimulation that activates specific regions of the brain with a magnetic field. You will be paid \$100 for your time and help out research into healthy ageing. If you're interested, contact the research team on 9905 4031 or email [med-bmh-wm@monash.edu](mailto:med-bmh-wm@monash.edu)

## LIBRARY SERVICES

Don't forget, you can drop off and collect library books from the Neighbourhood Centre Office, Mon – Friday 9am – 3pm. Library staff are at the Centre Mondays 2.30 – 3.30pm to assist and answer any questions.

Library books ordered online are available for collection after 2.30pm the following Monday.



## COMPUTERS AVAILABLE FOR USE

You can access the computer lab at the Neighbourhood Centre Monday – Friday 9.30am – 3pm (except Tuesday afternoon). There are 10 workstations with internet access and printing also available.

## ACCESSING THE DINGLEY VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE & MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICE

The front carpark at the Neighbourhood Centre is now closed for 6 months, whilst drainage and car park works take place during the library works. Car parking is available behind the construction area on the old basketball courts. You can access the carpark via the roadway to the rear ovals.

Entry is via a pathway and ramp to the rear doors of the building, just continue along hallways to the foyer.



## TINY TOTS STORY TIME

Come and enjoy songs, rhymes, stories and finger play with your little one. Enjoy the company of other babies and parents in an entertaining twenty minute session. Get first choice of new books for toddlers and babies.

Tiny Tots Story time is suitable for children aged 0-24 months.

Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre Mondays 2.30 pm.

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## CITY OF KINGSTON ANNOUNCES NEW CEO

The City of Kingston announced the appointment of Julie Reid as its new CEO.

As the first female CEO of the City of Kingston, Ms Reid brings a wealth of experience to the role most recently as Director of Engineering Services at the City of Greater Dandenong where she led the delivery of a number of major initiatives.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley said Ms Reid's skills and experience have positioned her perfectly to lead the City of Kingston.

"I am proud to welcome Julie Reid as the new CEO of the City of Kingston and look forward to working together for great outcomes for our community," Cr Oxley said.

With 30 years' experience in the public sector in Australia and the UK, Ms Reid has expertise in major infrastructure projects, strategic planning, urban design, economic development, tourism, arts, events and more.

In 2017 she was named in the top 50 Public Sector Women in the state. She has worked at a number of Victorian local councils including Whitehorse, Bayside and Casey and also has experience in the sector in NSW and the UK.

In her current role, Ms Reid is responsible for delivering a \$50 million capital works program at the City of Greater Dandenong, was the project lead for the delivery of the \$7million refurbishment of Springvale City Hall and is an active member of Council's Preventing Family Violence and Gender Equity Committee.

Ms Reid said she was proud to accept the role of CEO and is excited to be joining the team at Kingston.

"I look forward to working in such a diverse Council that has a positive reputation for quality service and delivery. I have a strong commitment to engaging with Councillors, Staff and the Community to build on the great work of the Council."

Cr Oxley also paid tribute to retiring CEO John Nevins who served as CEO at Kingston for 14 years.

"John has left an incredible legacy at Kingston with our Council in a strong financial position, high-quality community facilities, an enormous range of services offered and a strong local economy."

Ms Reid commenced as CEO on 26 August 2019.

## COUNCIL AWARDS \$1.46 MILLION IN GRANTS TO KINGSTON COMMUNITY GROUPS

Kingston's community groups will share in \$1.46 million to continue their good work thanks to the City of Kingston's annual community grants.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley said the grants will assist many not-for-profit groups and help them deliver a wide range services, programs and special events to the community.

"There are so many fantastic community groups doing great work across Kingston, Council is proud to be able to support their efforts," Cr Oxley said.

The 2019–20 Community Grants funding includes:

- \$1.13 million for three-year Partnership Grants to key organisations that provide important social and welfare services to Kingston residents, including community centres, neighbourhood houses and organisations which run community events
- \$305,916 in Annual Grants of up to \$10,000 for not-for-profit community groups for once-off activities which help develop a healthy, active and socially connected community, and
- \$26,715 in Arts Grants.

This is in addition to \$116,258 to be allocated throughout the year in Irregular Grants, Individual Development Grants, Schools Development Grants, and Culturally Diverse Meals Grants.

The 2019–20 Community Grants Program attracted a total of 220 grant applications, which includes 75 Partnership and 145 Annual Grants applications. Successful grants included:

- \$539,533 to support local neighbourhood houses and community centres
- \$72,172 to support the Chelsea and Moorabbin SES units
- \$47,756 to support local multicultural and seniors' groups
- \$367,749 in funding for a range of community welfare organisation programs, including \$34,218 towards Mentone Community Assistance and Information Bureau \$38,495 towards Peninsula Community Legal Centre and \$14,279 towards Pantry 5000; and
- \$3090 each to the Dingley Village Historical Society, Mordialloc Historical Society and Chelsea Historical Society.

IT IS ONLY COLD IF YOU ARE STANDING STILL  
WHY NOT JOIN US ON THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 11 – 12 noon  
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# DINGLEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## KINGSTON COUNCIL CEO RETIREMENT - JOHN NEVINS

DVCA congratulates John Nevins for his significant contribution to Kingston Council over the past 14 years in his role as Chief Executive Officer. His highly professional approach and engagement in our issues has been much appreciated, benefiting our Dingley Village community. We wish him all the best for the future.

DVCA also extends a warm welcome to Julie Reid, the newly appointed CEO for Kingston Council.

### DVCA Retirement - Steve Donohue

DVCA wishes to acknowledge the outstanding contribution given by

Steve Donohue over the past 10 years during his membership of the DVCA.

Steve's service and hard work on the DVCA Committee and as DVCA Vice-

President has been a terrific contribution to both the DVCA and the Dingley Village community.

Always a passionate resident and supporter of Dingley Village, we wish Steve continued enjoyment living in our great 'Village'.

## NORTH WARD COUNCIL MEETING - A RESOUNDING NO TO 3-STOREY HOUSING

Over 200 attended the Council's North Ward meeting on August 6 2019, held to seeking community feedback on the recently released Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study.

At the meeting a clear and loud message was given to our Councillors - WE DON'T WANT

## 3-STOREY HOUSING IN DINGLEY VILLAGE.

The Study has been developed over the past 2 years and sets out the types of development preferred in different parts of Kingston to manage housing growth over the next 20 years, designating where areas of minimal, incremental and substantial change may be appropriate. DVCA supports Council's overall concept of undertaking of the Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study.

However DVCA DOES NOT SUPPORT THE DRAFT STUDY released by Council, which would allow medium density 3-storey housing to be built all along Centre Dandenong Rd, on the Kingswood Golf Course Driving Range and around Dingley Village shopping centre, including the streets adjacent to Corrigan Oval.



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Website: [www.caringsupportathome.com.au](http://www.caringsupportathome.com.au)

DVCA is strongly of the view that Dingley Village is unique due to its size, location, and current neighbourhood character. There is no 3-storey housing in Dingley Village and we believe there is no need or justification to alter our zoning to higher than 2-storey housing development. Especially as huge developments elsewhere in Kingston will cater for the proposed population growth. Dingley Village does not have the infrastructure, roads, parking, and the schools are already stretched to the limit.

## TO THE END OF LANDFILL & ON THE PATH TO THE CHAIN OF PARKS

Over the last few months, Council's long-term plan to see the end of landfill in Kingston has moved a few steps closer, with closures at the Victory Road green waste transfer station in Clayton and the Enviromix green waste facility in Dingley Village.

Since all new landfills were banned with the special planning protection (the Green Wedge A Zone C143 Amendment) introduced in 2015 and existing landfills closing since then, the Chain of Parks concept continues to gradually start taking shape.

Proposed first in the 1970s, the Chain of Parks will be a series of linked parks

in the Green Wedge. The parks, primarily closed and remediated landfills are to be linked by a 10 kilometre dedicated pedestrian and cycle trail running along current and future proposed parks in the Green Wedge from Karkarook Park to Braeside Park.

To read more about Council's plan for the transformation of Kingston's Green Wedge, visit [kingston.vic.gov.au/green\\_wedge](http://kingston.vic.gov.au/green_wedge)

### Facebook

The DVCA is now on Facebook and you can find us at; <https://www.facebook.com>  
Type in: Dingley Village Community

Association in the top search area to see our page

### DVCA

Open to all Dingley residents who genuinely care about our Village. Meetings are held in the Community Centre, Marcus Rd Dingley Village 2nd Tuesday each month (except Dec. & Jan.) at 7.30pm and new members are most welcome to attend. **PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING the DVCA and make a constructive difference in our community.**

### DVCA Contact Details

Please contact the Chairman by email: [david@lildam.net](mailto:david@lildam.net)



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# FARMERS' MARKET

## YES SPRING IS HERE AND SO ARE WE!

Next Market is on Saturday 21st September on the basketball court/carpark between the construction area and the ovals, in the reserve, Marcus Road. 8.30 am – 1 pm. Thank you to all who have supported the market by attending and shopping during the relocation.

**Congratulations La Villa Salumi** who have been awarded not one, but two medals in the 2019 @AusFoodAwards. They achieved a silver medal for their Signature Pork Sausages and a bronze medal for short cut bacon.

**Outback Spirit** - Real Australian Food have a variety of Chutneys, Sauces, Salad Dressings, Jams, Herbs and Spices all made with Indigenous Australian fruits and herbs. Why not try out their 2 new products - Peri Peri Wild Lime Hot Sauce and Chilli Coconut Lemon Myrtle Sauce!

### NEW STALLHOLDER

We welcomed OyShii Mushrooms to our market in August. They have a variety of high quality gourmet mushrooms, such as yellow, pink, pearl oyster mushroom and shiitake mushrooms. Make sure you check them out at September market.



One of our most popular stalls Brasserie Bread regularly sells out so pop in early to see Tony for your delicious specialty bread and bakery items. Each of their artisan products are baked fresh daily with skill and care, many using single origin wheat that can be traced back to the source. Working with dedicated farmers in Australia's renowned wheat growing districts, they work hard to celebrate the source in each and every loaf they bake.



Cash Out facility is available at the Neighbourhood Centre office during the market, if you require extra cash for shopping.

Don't forget that parking is free onsite at the market. Dingley Village Men's Shed members will assist you with parking and you will not have far to carry your purchases back to your car.



## DINGLEY VILLAGE FARMERS' MARKET

SATURDAY  
21st September

31 Marcus Rd,  
Dingley Village

8.30AM—1 PM

Free entry & parking  
[www.dvnc.com.au/farmersmarket](http://www.dvnc.com.au/farmersmarket)





# Breakfast with the Birds at Braeside Park



**Join the Friends of Braeside Park on  
Sunday September 22nd @ 7am - 9:30am**

**Enter Braeside Park from Governor Road, Braeside  
and meet @ Red Gum Car Park**

**Wear appropriate clothing & footwear and bring your Camera  
Breakfast @ Park Offices to finish.**

**Bookings are Essential for catering purposes via email:**

**[braesideparkfriends@gmail.com](mailto:braesideparkfriends@gmail.com)**

**or contact Margaret Hunter on 0417 323 460**





# DINGLEY VILLAGE CHILDREN CELEBRATE CRAZY SOCK DAY FOR LOCAL CHARITY



## DINGLEY VILLAGE IS THE HOME OF GREAT CHILDREN!

Children from Dingley, Kingswood and St Marks Primary Schools, Jacks Ave & Dingley kindergartens along with Little Villagers Occasional Care children took part in “Crazy Sock Day” as a fundraiser for “Make a Difference” the local not for profit charity that supports families in crisis.

The children looked great and posed for many photographs!

They understand the need for financial help for our families is invaluable and that even a gold coin can make a difference in the lives of many. Their input and commitments was inspiring for the future of a caring community!

August 1 will be the “Crazy Sock day” each year, and we thank both the teaching staff and the students for embracing the idea so fully.

Roll on 2020!

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# DOLLARS & SENSE



By  
Michael  
Ryan

## WHAT IS YOUR AGED CARE FUNDING STRATEGY?

We're an ageing population; the media keeps reminding us, as does the government, but are we prepared for what this means? As a society? As individuals? One thing's for sure – it's something we cannot ignore.

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, in 2018 over 3.9 million Australians were aged 65 and over.

Consider for a moment: this figure shows those people contemplating aged care for elderly family members are fast approaching the age when they'll need it themselves.

### Sobering thought.

What this means is that as aged care becomes increasingly important, the need for aged care facilities is growing proportionately. As demand out-grows supply, costs associated with residential care can only go one way.

### Fees are regulated

There are strict regulations governing aged care fees and charges. Aimed at consumer protection, a degree of flexibility within the guidelines enables aged care facilities to adapt the fee structures to meet their own financial pressures.

So as we age, and as we begin to consider the future care of not only ourselves but our older loved ones, what can we expect to pay?

### To help you estimate the costs

The government provides an online Residential Care Fee Estimator to help you estimate aged care costs here <http://www.myagedcare.gov.au/estimate-fees-for-aged-care-services>. As for the type of fees, depending on the facility, one or more of the following may apply (see table below)

[www.myagedcare.gov.au/estimate-fees-for-aged-care-services](http://www.myagedcare.gov.au/estimate-fees-for-aged-care-services). As for the type of fees, depending on the facility, one or more of the following may apply (see table below)

Type of fee	Included
Daily basic	Living costs such as meals, power, laundry.
Means-tested	An additional contribution towards cost of care determined by Department of Human Services (DHS) and based on your means-tested income and assets.
Accommodation	The government may cover part or all of this as determined by DHS income and assets means-test.
Extras/additional options	Applies where higher accommodation standards or additional services are required. Variable depending on the home and available facilities.

### Watch out for "extras"

Although the government capped annual and lifetime means-tested fees, additional charges to cover extras like hairdressing, internet access, excursions, etc, can apply. It's important to check with the facility first to find out how these extra services are offered and their associated costs. They can sometimes be disproportionate to the services supplied and add up to a substantial amount. Aged care providers must give itemised accounts to the resident breaking down each of these services and the associated charge. Legislation also states that these fees cannot be charged more than one month in advance.

### Plan to make it easier

The desire to provide loved ones with the best possible living conditions sometimes forces older people to sell their homes to afford care for an aging partner. Not only can this affect the age pension they receive, but can see the partner not in care seeking accommodation with relatives or alternative housing – a heartbreaking situation for someone wishing to leave an inheritance behind.

The focus on self-funded retirement doesn't always consider increasing life-expectancy and what happens beyond pension-funding projections.

This is where your financial adviser can help. Indicative of our times, strategies for wealth creation with extended pension horizons are increasingly relevant. They help to support appropriate income levels so you are less likely to need a lump sum withdrawal from your investment portfolio.

You've heard it before: you're never too young to plan your future. But you're never too old either!

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# LOOKING AT LOANS



## IS SPRING THE BEST TIME TO BUY PROPERTY?

Spring is widely known as the busiest time in the home buying calendar as the nicer weather draws more buyers out to property inspections, and drives more vendors to list their properties.

But is spring really the best time for buying a home, or is it merely an industry myth?

It's true that spring is often the most active time in the property market. Many real estate agents will advise sellers to hold off in listing their property over winter and wait until spring so that their properties look more attractive to buyers in the warmer weather.

For this reason, there is often an oversupply of houses over spring due to the rush of sellers suddenly flooding the market. This can sometimes work in the buyer's favour, as the volume of sellers to buyer's means there are a larger variety of homes to choose from.

However, the reverse can also be true as buyer numbers often swell in spring. The cold weather can deter buyers from shopping for a home in winter, while many prospective buyers may be planning to go on holidays for the summer months so will avoid buying a home

during summer. That means that buyers are often at their most 'serious' during the spring season, when they have the time and inclination to adequately search for a property.

Of course, the number of buyers on the market will also be influenced by the current economic climate. In a low interest rate environment, demand for property usually increases as home loans become more affordable, while

people will often put off their property investment plans when interest rates are higher.

Heading into a spring property season where interest rates are at record lows, it is likely that the coming spring buying season will be quite competitive. This means it might be more difficult for buyers to negotiate a lower price for the home they want.

If you're thinking of buying your next home soon, we can help. We will talk through your financial situation and goals with you, and find a loan to suit your needs. Make an appointment today, we're here to help you.

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### 7 STEPS TO FINALISING A DIVORCE

When parties separate, one party will often want a "divorce" if they have been legally married. A divorce is separate from a property settlement or children's custody settlement. A divorce is a legal dissolution of the marriage to allow the parties formally separate such that they may remarry etc.

#### 1. Getting started

It does not matter where the marriage occurred, under the Family Law Act you may apply for a "no fault divorce" on the grounds that the marriage has broken down irretrievably and the court will not consider why the marriage ended. At least one party must be born in Australia or is an Australian citizen or has lived in Australia for the last twelve months.

The parties can apply for a divorce provided they have been separated for more than one year. If they have remained living under one roof after separation, they will need to provide proof that they have lived separately during that period. This can be done by an Affidavit stating the parties have lived separately by sleeping separately, keeping finances separate undertaking their own household chores, and as

perceived by others e.g. family, friends and the public.

Where there are children of the marriage under 18 years then parties must satisfy the Court that appropriate arrangements have been made for the welfare, care, and development of the children

If the marriage is less than two years duration then the parties must attend upon family counselling to obtain a certificate confirming that the parties attempting counselling or that one party did not attend. This certificate must be attached to the application for divorce. If the parties do not attend counselling, then they need to file an affidavit explaining why.

#### 2. Completing the Application

If both parties agree to a divorce, you may apply for a Joint Application with both parties required to sign the application. If the other party does not agree to divorce you may still apply by filing a Sole Application.

Once the application is complete it must be signed in the presence of a lawyer, justice of the Peace or any other authorised person.

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### 3. Filing the Application

After you have filled out and sworn or affirmed the Application for Divorce form, you may post, hand deliver or submit the Application and any other relevant documents. A certified copy photocopy of your marriage certificate must also be included.

In the event the parties have been married for less than two years, a counselling certificate will need to be filed with the Application. If the marriage was overseas, then the marriage certificate will need to be translated into English.

### 4. Serving the Application

After filing the Application you will receive a file number from the Court and a time and date for the hearing. In a joint application the Court will hold onto the original copy and provide the other party with a sealed copy, there is no requirement to serve this application on the other party.

In a sole application, you will receive both sealed copies and you will need to serve one of them on the other party at least 28 days before the hearing if the other party lives in Australia, or 42 days if the live overseas. This can be done by post or by hand through a third party.

### 5. Response to the Application

The other party may file a response to the Application after they have been served. The responding party can use the response to disagree with the information presented in the Application or oppose the Divorce.

The two main reasons a party may validly oppose a divorce is if they have not been separated for 12 months or the court does not have jurisdiction to grant a divorce.

### 6. Court Hearing

If you have filed for a sole application and there are children under the age of 18 you will be required to attend a court hearing. The Judge will ensure proper living arrangements have been made for the children as well as resolve any pending issues.

If there are no children under the 18 years or the application in joint, then the matter can be dealt with by the Courts without the need to attend Court.

### 7. The divorce becomes final

A divorce order, once granted by the

court, does not become final until one month and one day after its grant. Therefore, you should not finalise any future plans dependant on the divorce (e.g. to remarry) until the divorce has become final.

The Family Law Courts simplify the process as much as possible giving you a chance to do it on your own with guided steps, but if you are more comfortable with a lawyer assisting you, we can ensure everything is done correctly and smoothly as well as help you with property settlements and custody arrangements.

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# EYES RIGHT

By Dingley Eye Centre



## IT'LL BE RIGHT...

As a reformed Bogan from Ballarat, I find myself uttering the phrase "It'll be right..." on a daily basis when it comes to anything I'm unsure about. Australians are known worldwide for our laid back attitude, but a recent YouGov survey in June 2019 found that it is precisely this type of attitude that could be harming our vision!

According to the survey's results, 91% of Australian adults have experienced a certain problem with their eyes, ranging from reduced/deteriorating vision to inflamed or sore eyes and conjunctivitis. Despite the common nature of these eye related issues, 50% of people do not seek any assistance and wait for their issue to resolve itself, under the guise of "It'll be right."

There was a generational variation in the survey's results, with 77% of baby boomers likely to seek advice from an optometrist, doctor, pharmacist or hospital within a week of experiencing any eye related problems. Meanwhile, 70% of millennials chose not to seek advice and waited instead to see if their symptoms improved.

There were a number of reasons behind why these discrepancies existed.

Firstly the perceived cost of attending an optometry appointment was a key factor in influencing the age groups. 25% of millennials and 24% of Gen X avoided seeking treatment because they believed there would be an out of pocket cost involved. Another reason was the lack of awareness as to what optometrists are capable of treating, in particular when it came to symptoms like styes and conjunctivitis. More people are likely to present to an optometrist regarding cloudy or blurred vision and to their GP for infections and inflammations related to the eye.

Optometrists are qualified to identify and assess a range of eye conditions, ranging from seeing floating spots or flashing lights, to inflamed, itchy, sore or infected eyes. If your optometrist is therapeutically qualified (We are), they can also prescribe eye drops or ointments to treat any ocular condition you may have. This is in addition to checking whether there are any visual issues or more chronic eye diseases for that matter.

So, the next time you notice something strange with your vision or your eyes, consider seeing your optometrist

first, so they can confidently say that your eyes "will be right." so you don't have to.

At Dingley Eye Centre, we are passionate about your vision and the health of your families' eyes. Call us to make an appointment, book online or come down for a chat about how we can ensure that your eyes and vision "will be right."

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### CLUB (VOICE INTERESTS EDUCATION OF WOMEN)

Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club (Voice Interests and Education of Women) celebrated their second anniversary on the First day of June with a Warming Winter Lunch enjoyed by over 40 members. It was a celebration of the values of VIEW. Fun, Friendship, Learning and importantly supporting the most vulnerable in our community through our partnership with The Smith Family.

We raised enough funds over the year to increase our support for The Smith Family Learning for Life Programme which provides ongoing financial, emotional and practical support for the education of the most disadvantaged Australian children in our community.

We are a small group and we are very proud to now support five children with their education.

We have enjoyed a year with stimulating guest speakers, wonderful diverse outings and celebratory lunches.

Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club has worked closely with other community groups as we all share the same wish,

to contribute to the welfare of those struggling with in our local community. We are extremely thankful to receive donations and sponsorship from local community groups and individuals as they learn more about the work of VIEW. We wish to thank Dingley Lions, Dingley Rotary, Bunnings Keysborough, Dingley Bakers Delight, Dingley Dossier, Dingley Bendigo Bank, Baldwin Living and private donors.

We look forward to sharing another year ahead knowing our small efforts will make a huge difference for a few of the one million children who currently live in poverty in Australia.

We meet 2nd Tuesday of the month at Keysborough Golf Course, Hutton Rd Keysborough.

Women of all ages welcome to join us. For further information contact

Fran Thomas 0419 309 931 or fran-niet@gmail.com

### THE FRIENDS OF BRAESIDE PARK

The Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Braeside Park, on 11 August, was the venue for celebrating 30 years of volunteer-



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ing. Comparing the early images of our Park with today is a revelation. Empty paddocks have become open woodlands. Wetlands edged with sedges and rushes have developed into a water bird mecca. What a great debt we owe to the earliest members and Park Rangers who showed just how to transform a sewerage farm into an indigenous landscape.

It fills me with hope to think that in just 30 years such a transformation can occur. Now at the present, and into the future, the challenge is to protect this treasure. It is a big task, especially with the prospect of the construction of the Mordialloc Freeway at the bottom of the Park. The mitigation measures proposed are not going to be sufficient to protect the Park. Swales along the Freeway will have to be large, and cleaned out every 5-10 years to cope with the run-off from petrol, tyres and litter onto the road. The noise and lights, regardless of 2-3 metre walls and road surface changes, will affect the endangered Australian Bittern's booming mating call. We, the public, will lose the benefit of a quiet, healthy, green oasis. The Freeway will remove some large trees. This is a big concern. Such trees are like human's high-rise buildings providing homes for possums, bats, birds, reptiles and insects. It is to be hoped that these creatures will be removed to an appropriate habitat, and the trees' trunks re-used within the Park.

The Friends have raised this concern with Major Road Projects Victoria and I hope that the Friends' recommendation, along with those of Parks Victoria, are followed. Braeside Park is our largest open space, which is going to be even more valuable with Melbourne's ever-increasing population. The Friends of

Braeside Park are determined to work with anyone to preserve this space, and welcome any members of the Public interested in maintaining the Park.

## DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

August has seen our members enjoying dinner, live music and dancing at our local Night Clubs. Our Saturday night dinner dates were at Highett – Steak Night, Dingley – Thai, and Cheltenham – International. We also had a Thursday night dinner at the Dingley International Hotel and a Sunday brunch at Bonbeach plus a Sunday lunch at Highett to celebrate our 16th Birthday

If you are in the 60 Plus age group and are at a bit of a loose end any Thursday night come along and join the group for a casual chat and your preferred beverage. We now meet from 7.30 PM at the Dingley International Hotel (DIH) in the Sports Bar.

A list of proposed activities over the next month or so is available at these gatherings. Regular activities undertaken by the group include dinners, theatre nights, movies, BBQs, picnics, breakfasts, concerts, holidays, trips, walks and dinner dances.

The highlight for September is likely to be Polish style menu at Elsternwick

We are always happy to welcome new members to the Group. Any enquiries about the group may be directed to Graeme on 9551 3462 or Shirley on 9551 1398.

Don't worry about the cold weather there will never be an earlier time to join our scene in 2019.

## BOOMERANG BAGS FOR DINGLEY VILLAGE

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Boomerang Bags Dingley Village is a community group who create reusable shopping bags from donated recycled fabrics. So far, our small group of volunteers have made over 1400 FREE shopping bags for our community. You can help yourself to one of our FREE bags at the Dingley Village Farmers market or pick one up at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre reception.

As well as shopping bags, our talented hands also create mesh produce bags, library bags and small toddler size carry bags – some of these items are charged at a small fee to assist with the operating costs of the group.

The group meets each Thursday morning at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 9:30-12pm and the 4th Sunday of the month 2-5pm. If you have clean sheets or fabrics you would like to donate then please contact Debbie 0411 058 804 or Helen 0425 862 718.

## PROBUS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE INC.

The Guest Speaker at our August meeting was Alain Young, an accredited exercise physiologist. Alain presented a Healthy Ageing and Wellness Seminar and advised on a free follow up healthy lifestyle



Kingston and Glen Eira police will be equipped with body worn cameras as the roll out to the local area begins.

The Dingley Bypass is a 6.3km stretch of road that is a designated 80km/h zone. On 29th July, Moorabbin Highway Patrol detected a vehicle travelling at a staggering 132km/h on the Dingley Bypass between Tootal Road and Boundary Road. The vehicle was impounded for 30 days and the male driver will be charged on summons. Please respect the safety of other road users by complying with speed limits.

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program available for Probus members. Subjects covered in the presentation were keys to healthy ageing, mental fitness and brain health, the latest research on nutrition and exercise, and a discussion on the question "is walking the best exercise?"

Our guest speaker at the September meeting will be Frank Carmody, who was injured, but survived the Queen Street massacre in December 1987. On this day 8 people were killed, and 9 injured.

Activities in September will include the General meeting at the Sports Club on the 5th, coffee morning at The Nest on the 10th, movie lunch at the Waverley Cinema on the 12th, and Morning Melodies at the Waltzing Matilda featuring "Arnie Grives One Man Party" on the 20th. Note that this is one week earlier than usual because of the Grand Final public holiday.

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Dingley Sports and Social Club at Souter Oval, from 10.00am. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome at our meetings, and for further information, or to join one of our activities, please contact either President Vi on 9551 1076 or Secretary Davina on 9551 1217.

## PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL



Our guest speakers at our August meeting, were Jenny and Gloria from Austin Health, their subject Advance Care Planning. They stressed the importance of planning ahead, discussing with our loved ones, our preferences for our future health and personal care.

Advance Care Directives are available, and only come into effect, when we are unable to make decisions for ourselves.

Our dine out was at Dawson's Bistro Greyhounds, where members enjoyed a "Christmas in July" Lunch.

Activities for September, General Meeting on the 2nd, Happy Hour on the 5th, FAC and MTC the 6th, Morning Coffee at The Nest on the 9th, I Pad Group on the 10th, followed by Camera Club on the 12th, Dine Out the 18th, Men's Lunch the 19th, Legs and Morning Melodies on the 20th, craft group the 23rd and finally Games day on the 26th.

Our meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month, at the Salvation Army Kingston Gardens Community Church, 12-16 Garden Boulevard, Dingley Village.

New members are most welcome, for further information, please contact Ruth on 9587 0432.

## DINGLEY VILLAGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Our pizza luncheon and AGM was held last month. This was followed by entertainment. Unfortunately a few of our Members are still not well – we wish them a speedy recovery and all the best.

**Planned activities for September, generally of a Monday unless otherwise noted, are as follows:**

- 2nd Committee Meeting - followed by cards, Scrabble®, Rummikub® and Knitting Group activities;
- 9th Bingo, eyes down at 1:00 p.m., followed by afternoon tea;
- 16th Seniors' lunch – fish and chips day;
- 23rd Cards, Scrabble etc. followed by afternoon tea;
- 30th Bingo, followed by afternoon tea.

You would be most welcome to drop in and see what our friendly group "...is all about..." If you have a query, or for any further information, please contact our President, Lyn, on 9585 5039 or our Vice President, Maureen, on 9551 8425.

## COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DINGLEY VILLAGE



This recipe was passed on to the CWA Dingley Village members and we would like to share it with the Dossier readers

It's called "Custard Apple tea cake"

Oven 160 degrees, 23 cm spring form tin, lined with baking paper.

150g butter softened, 3/4 cup castor sugar, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 eggs at room temperature, 2 & 1/2 cups self raising flour sifted, 1 & 1/2 cups of milk. 400g tin of Pie Apple, 300 ml double thick custard (or you can make your own) plus 1/3 cup desiccated coconut.

Cream butter and sugar until pale and creamy, add eggs one at a time beating well after each addition Fold in flour and milk alternately until just combined. Spread half the batter into prepared tin. Arrange 1/2 the apple on top. Dollop 1/2 the custard over the apple. Sprinkle with coconut. Gently spoon the remainder of the batter over the top with the remaining apple and custard. Swirl apple and custard with a skewer. Sprinkle with a little more coconut.

Bake for 1 hour 30 minutes or until cooked. Cool completely in the pan

Sprinkle with icing sugar before serving. THEN ENJOY.

The next meeting will be Wednesday 25th of September at the DVNC in Marcus Rd Dingley at 10 am. Craft meeting is Wednesday 11th September at 10 am at the home of Irene our craft organiser.

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## DINGLEY VILLAGE MEN'S SHED



Picnic tables and park benches are rolling out the back door as soon as they are completed. The finished benches are heading for the storage shed and will be installed at Braeside and Karkarook Parks later in the year.

Thanks to the ingenuity of Graham Giulieri and Geoff Hergt, members will soon be repainting the white lines both in the car parks and around the bitumen road which circles the 10 car parks at the northern end of Braeside Park.

Members Morning Muster: Friday, 9am till 2pm.

The Dingley Village Men's Shed is in Cypress Drive, Braeside Park (near Visitors Centre), Lower Dandenong Road. Ph. 9551 5892, E-mail: dvms3172@gmail.com www.dvms.org.au

New members welcome, drop in to the Shed on Friday mornings to find out more about us.

## LIONS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE



Our meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31B Marcus Road, Dingley Village (Public Holidays excluded). These meetings are informal and friendly.

Contact – President Lynne 9551 3770  
dingleylions@gmail.com

## ROTARY CLUB DINGLEY VILLAGE



The Rotary Club Dingley Village, meets Thursday 6.30pm for 6.45pm star: Dinner meeting (First three Thursdays of the month) Mentone RSL, 9 Palermo St, Mentone. General enquiries 0477 682 576 No more to report and so I will sign off until next month.

Your Rotary Scribe, Dudley Podbury.

## CHELTENHAM LIFE ACTIVITIES CLUB

Spring is almost upon us, as our members continue to embrace our Monday walking group.

Melbourne's weather has thrown up some significantly cold/wet mornings, however our hardy souls continue to meet every week at 9:30am, at one of 13 venues, from Brighton to Edithvale, to walk for an hour (or so), have a yarn along the way and then enjoy a coffee afterwards..... not a bad way to start each week!

However, Cheltenham LAC is not only here to provide regular exercise, we also encourage

Members to enjoy cards, craft, Scrabble, Sat cinema club, daytime mystery outings, guest speakers and a host of other things like Table Tennis, Badminton and Tai Chi. You simply choose what activity suits you.

We are always on the lookout for new members, so come along, bring a friend, and see how friendly our club is. Simply contact our Membership secretary Heather on 9584 4778, and she will send you a copy of our quarterly newsletter.



*Some of the members of the Cheltenham Life Activities Club*



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For further information contact Bob Lorraine on 9589 4939 or 0418 998 714

### BARK AND CHAT GROUP

This group will meet on Saturday, 21st September at 10.00 a.m. This is a group for dog lovers who meet and bring their dogs to the meeting. Terry will be along to share his dog training tips. Morning tea to follow.

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**Weddings:** By appointment only

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**Holy Mass Times:** Monday to Friday: 7:00am in the Friary Chapel

Saturday: 6:00pm Vigil in the Church

Sundays: 9:30 AM Sunday Mass (NB. only one Mass on Sunday)

### Some important dates for the month of September

3rd	St Gregory the Great	–
	Pope & Doctor	
5th	Mother Teresa of Calcutta	
13th	St John Chrysostom- Bishop & Doctor	
14th	Triumph of the Cross	
18th	St Joseph of Cupertino	
23rd	St Pio of Pietrelcina	
24th	Our Lady of Ransom	
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30th	St Jerome - Priest & Doctor	

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Our Church program for SEPTEMBER is as follows:

## FATHER'S DAY

Sunday 1st September - 10.00 a.m. Worship Service at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31 Marcus Road, Dingley Village. The Kids Church children will be presenting a Father's Day item in church and giving out gifts.

## SUNDAYS

**10.00 a.m. Worship Service** at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31 Marcus Road, Dingley Village.

**\*Kids Church** in the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre - 10.30am to 12 noon, children from birth to Grade 6. All welcome.

## MONTHLY LADIES AND MENS GROUPS:

**\* Homemakers** – 1st Monday of each month, 7.45pm Dingley, 2nd September "Sisters in Christ" Ladies Group – 7-9pm. Fellowship and sharing. Tuesday 3rd September, 7 Fiveways Boulevard.

**Men's Group** – 6-9pm. BBQ, fellowship and sharing. Tuesday 10th September, 7 Fiveways Boulevard.

## LIFE GROUPS:

**\*Wednesday nights** – Fortnightly 7-8.30pm, Dingley. 11th September.

Sunday nights – 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 7-8.30pm. Keysborough. 1st and 15th September.

## PRAYER TIME:

Weekly - Wednesdays 10-11am at church office. Tea/coffee afterwards.

Monthly – Saturday 21st September; 7-8am and 9-10am at church office.

## BIBLE STUDY:

**\*Women's** – Precept Ministries study on Philippians. Fortnightly at the church office 10-11.30am. Thursday 12th September.

**\*Open** – Thursday 12th September on the Gospel of Luke. Fortnightly at church office 2pm.

**\*Not held during school holidays.**

## WOMEN'S BREAKFAST – ADVANCE NOTICE

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We believe that now more than ever, Village Church can play a pivotal role in strengthening and encouraging families, as we commit to giving our all to help you out. We have many gifted, equipped and willing members who would love to listen, encourage and give sound advice to you. Village Church desires to help and would love to present practical solutions, to any and every area that brings tension, pain and confusion. Please give us a call on 0481 352 404, we'd love to be able to encourage, support and strengthen you.

Our Church Office is at 7-9 Five-ways Boulevard, Keysborough, and is open from Monday to Friday, 9.00a.m. to 12pm. Our Senior Pastor is Rodney Hole who may be contacted through the Church Office.

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### Sun 1 Sept – Fathers' Day Services

with Egg & Bacon roll breakfast from 10-10.30am between services.

Tues 10 Sept – **Pleasant Tuesday Communion Service** –, 2pm in the Church. Service includes Holy Communion and favourite hymns, followed by a sumptuous afternoon tea. Transport available on request: 9551 7871.

Sun 22 Sept – **Combined Anniversary Service**. 10am with roast lunch to follow. All welcome.

Tue 24 Sept – Come and Connect over a **Cuppa & Craft**

(4th Tuesday of each month), 1.30-3.30pm at Christ Church Dingley.

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Ministers:

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moMENTum is the Men's Group at Kingston City Church.

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Our focus is to mentor men to develop into great husbands, fathers and be a positive influence in the community. In order to achieve this, we get together every 2 to 3 months and hangout for a chat and social night going ten pin bowling or playing lawn bowls. We also have events to focus on areas of interest that affect men and their progress in our community. Our program is built around encouraging men to develop physically, mentally, spiritually and socially, and our events are driven by that purpose and vision.

We believe in developing good networks and support groups for our men to not only deal with the challenges of life, but to enjoy and cherish the moments in life, with a positive attitude.

If you are a man in our local community and looking for a group of like-minded men to hang out with, then please check us out sometime.

You can email us on [men@crm.org.au](mailto:men@crm.org.au) or call us on 85516600 and we can keep you updated on our events, so you can join us and see how you go.

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# SCANNING THE SCHOOLS



## CORNISH COLLEGE

Cornish Collage celebrated the opening of the Senior Studies Centre, for our Years 11 and 12 students, by the Hon James Merlino MP, Deputy Premier and Minister for Education Friday 26 July at 10.00am. The Minister was assisted by Mr Tim Richardson MLA, State Member for Mordialloc and Parliamentary Secretary for Schools.



Rev Dr Robert Johnson, Chair of the College Board dedicated the building and spoke of the vision shown by Principal Vicki Steer in bringing the project to life. In honour of her significant legacy the landscaped area at the front of the Centre will be known as 'The Vicki Steer Green'. Thank you to the Victorian Government, the Cornish College Community and Parents' Association for creating a powerful learning environment that will make a difference to all our students for future years. As Vicki said so well, 'Today was a real Cornish team effort'.

This new centre will give senior students at Cornish College dedicated spaces to learn in the crucial VCE years.

The design of the building, which incorporates flexible learning spaces, as well as shared informal areas overlooking the stunning natural environment of Cornish, was driven by three key imperatives.

### Learning environment

To create a learning environment for Years 11 and 12 students, where powerful learning, suited to the demands for global competencies, can take place.

### Connection with the outdoors

We recognise the importance of maintaining a visual and physical connection with our beautiful grounds and external environment, as a key design element for student wellbeing.



*The Hon James Merlino MP top and above with members of the Cornish community*

## Sustainability embedded in the design and construction

Sustainability initiatives include orientation of the building to the north; roof design that includes three pop-up roof lights with vertical glazing that bring natural daylight deep into the internal learning spaces; interlinked motorised windows with roof mounted ventilators to provide fresh air during warm days; double-glazed windows; LED lighting; hot water heated by an energy efficient heat-pump.

The building construction also incorporates passive sustainability features including thermal mass in the concrete slab; glue laminated timber structure; acoustic ceiling system of sustainably harvested shredded timber and wool; high volume spaces for thermal comfort and high oxygen capacity; extensive shaded glazing; an airlock at the main entry; low/no volatile organic compound materials.

## ST MARKS

### Plant Donation

On Friday 26th July Bendigo Bank, Dingley donated 3 native trees that our Environmental Leaders planted along the fence line. These trees will hopefully be part of our Bio - Diversity garden that is currently being designed. We would like to thank Bendigo Bank for their ongoing support of our school.

Also during this week the City of Kingston and our local Federal member, Mark Dreyfus also donated some plants. These will be planted near the Stephanie Alexander and Tinker Garden. We also appreciate these and future donations.



### Crazy Sock Day

On Thursday 1st August all the schools and kindergartens in Dingley participated in the "Crazy Sock Day" which was run by "Make a Difference" organisation in Dingley. It was wonderful to see so many children wear their socks in differ-





ent ways and with different styles. The school raised over \$400 and this will go to "Make a Difference Dingley Village" to help families in need.

### World Scout Scarf Day

On Thursday 1st August our school also celebrated World Scout Scarf Day. A number of children who currently participated in cubs, joeys or scouts wore their scarves today.

### 100 Days of Prep

On Friday 2nd August all our Foundation children and teachers dressed up as old people for the 100 days of Prep day. All the children looked amazing. Throughout the day the children participated in activities that related to 100, i.e. making a 100 hat, making bundles of 100, playing games with the number 100 etc. The children had a wonderful time. Thank you to the teachers for organising the activities



and thank you to the parents that assisted on the day.

### STEM/MAD Day

Nazareth College, Noble Park North, has been making connections with other schools, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and Literacy through its LitSTEM initiative.

Students and teachers from Resurrection School, Keysborough, St Elizabeth's School, Dandenong North, St Gerard's School, Dandenong North, St Joseph's School, Springvale, St Justin's School, Wheelers Hill, St Mark's School, Dingley, and St Simon's School, Rowville, have formed a collective with Nazareth College to not only explore STEM but the language around it.

The schools have explored areas such



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burra Theatre. HCC performed at the Hawthorn Arts Centre.

The festival provides schools with the opportunity to work with leading music educators, performing amongst their peers in a real-world experience.

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On another front, HCC performed exceptionally well in the CSEN (Christian Schools Events Network) Cross country recently, where we won in the following categories:

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U15 Boys (U15 Girls 3rd)  
U16 Girls and Boys

### Under 21 Boys

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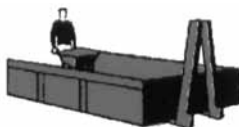
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