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There has been a lot of talk about a referendum to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution

The Australian Constitution came into effect on 1 January 1901, having been passed as a British Act of Parliament and given royal assent by Queen Victoria in 1900. It united the colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, Tasmania and later, Western Australia as a federation known as the Commonwealth of Australia. As well as being a set of laws, a Constitution reflects a nation's values, its idea of itself.

The Australian Constitution demarcates the powers and roles of each of our three branches of governance; the Parliament, the Executive and the Courts and was intended to unite Australia under the original and continuing agreement of the Australian people, but the first peoples of Australia were not included in this agreement. When the Australian Constitution was being drafted Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, along with women and members of ethnic communities were excluded from the discussions.

Many Australians don't know that our Constitution still permits racial discrimination in Sections 25 and 51. This makes Australia the only country with a Constitution that allows for discrimination against its Indigenous peoples based on their race.

In January 2012 an Expert Panel - which included Indigenous and community leaders, constitutional experts and parliamentarians - reported to the government after it had consulted extensively across the nation. It recommended that Australians should vote in a referendum to:

- Remove Section 25 - which says the States can ban people from voting based on their race.
- Remove section 51(xxvi) - which can be used to pass laws that discriminate against people based on their race.

- Insert a new section 51A - to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and to preserve the Australian Government's ability to pass laws for the benefit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
- Insert a new section 116A, banning racial discrimination by government.
- Insert a new section 127A, recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages were this country's first tongues, while confirming that English is Australia's national language.

The Australian Constitution can only be changed by referendum. A referendum is a vote by Australians over the age of 18 on a specific change to the text of the Australian Constitution. For a proposed change to be accepted a national majority of voters in a majority of states must vote 'yes'.

There have been 44 referendums held since 1901 and only eight of these have been successful. The most successful referendum in Australia's history was in 1967 where 90.77% of the nation voted 'Yes for Aborigines'. The 1967 referendum amended the Australian Constitution to give the federal parliament the power to make laws in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and to allow for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to be included in the census.

When people talk about recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in our Constitution there are usually two main areas they're talking about changing. The first is changing the wording in the preamble. A preamble is a statement that introduces a constitution but has no legal power. Changing the preamble to acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians would be an important statement about the place and value of Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander people as the original inhabitants - the first people - of Australia.

The second possible change that people talk about is changing or adding to the main part of the Constitution where the laws are set out, which would have legal significance.

For example, if a non-discrimination clause was included in the body of the Constitution, a government would no longer be able to make laws which discriminate against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

Acknowledging Indigenous Australians in the preamble in a way that recognised and valued their special place as the first Australians would not give them more rights than other Australians. Changing the body of the Constitution to include equality and protection from discrimination would give all Australians the benefit of better rights protections.

Over the coming years the proposed referendum will generate much public consultation and discussion

There is often greater support and strength for a referendum proposal that is championed by the people. This can be achieved through comprehensive debate and opportunities for public involvement. It is important that any referendum is not perceived as owned either by politicians or the elite, but by the nation as a whole. Past referendums have demonstrated that greater understanding among the Australian public of the issues being proposed increases the chances of a yes vote.

Bipartisan political support is also essential for the successful passage of any referendum. Currently there is bipartisan support for the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution.

Information in this article supplied by Australian Human Rights Commission, Reconciliation Australia and Parliamentary Education Office.

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BEWARE TAX SCAMS

This time of year sees the increase in emails, SMS or phone calls allegedly from the Australia Taxation Office (ATO). The ATO has received 40,225 reports of impersonation scams so far in 2019 with just over \$1 million in losses. Cyber criminals use sophisticated technology to impersonate legitimate tax office phone numbers, email addresses etc.

The ATO warns that taxpayers should be wary of any unexpected phone call, text message or email claiming to be from the tax office. While they may contact you in these ways, if it doesn't seem right, independently find our phone number and check if the contact was legitimate. If you receive a pre-recorded message claiming to be from us either hang up or simply delete the voicemail.

While the ATO regularly contacts taxpayers by phone, email and SMS, there are some tell-tale signs that it isn't the ATO. The ATO will not:

- send you an email or SMS asking you to click on a link directing you to a login page
- use aggressive or rude behaviour, or threaten you with immediate arrest, jail or deportation
- request payment of a debt via iTunes or Google Play cards, pre-paid Visa cards, cryptocurrency or direct credit to a personal bank account
- request a fee in order to release a refund owed to you.

VALE JOHN GLEN

Former resident and past Dingley Village Rotary President and District Governor, John Glen recently passed away. John was very active within the community of Dingley Village and Rotary and is well remembered by many long-time residents.

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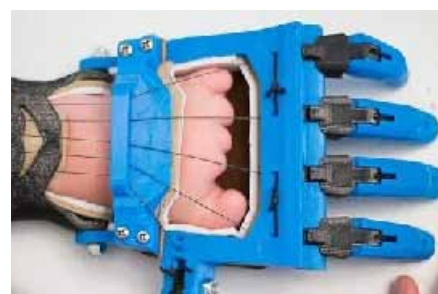
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AGM

Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, publisher of the Dingley Dossier, will hold its Annual General Meeting of members at the Neighbourhood Centre on Tuesday 27th August at 8am. A light breakfast is provided and members of the community are welcome to attend. RSVP admin@dvnc.com.au or 9558 1866

DINGLEY TENNIS CLUB

If you play tennis or played in the past and would like to have a hit again we have three nights of night competition and would welcome anyone that is interested in joining. For more info please call 9547 4839 or email admin@dingleytennisclub.com.au.



ENVISION HANDS PROJECT: TURN YOUR BOTTLE CAPS INTO PROSTHETIC HANDS FOR KIDS

Dingley Village CWA is supporting Envision, a not-for-profit charity that provides support to long-term and disadvantaged job-seekers.

Envision is delivering the Envision hands project which uses 3D printers to turn recycled plastic bottle tops into prosthetic hands for children in developing and war-torn countries. The aim is to collect one million used plastic bottle tops and you can help by dropping off caps from soft drinks, juice, water and milk bottles at the Neighbourhood Centre. All #2 and #4 plastic recyclable bottle caps are acceptable, if in doubt check inside of the cap.



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.

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.

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.



COMPUTERS AVAILABLE FOR USE

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



NORTH WARD MEETING 2019

Deputy Mayor Steve Staikos and Councillors Tamara Barth and George Hua, invite North Ward residents to attend a Councillor Ward Meeting to help shape the future of housing and neighbourhood character in Kingston.

Invites will be sent to all North Ward residents in the coming weeks.

Date and time

Tuesday August 6, 2019 6pm - 8pm

Location

Clarinda Community Centre

58 Viney Street Clarinda, VIC 3169

Current estimates show that Melbourne will grow to 7.9 million people by 2051. Melbourne can't keep sprawling outwards, so we're facing the challenge of how to accommodate more people without losing the character and amenity of our neighbourhoods. Kingston Council has long-planned for population growth to be centred around our key activity centres, close to public transport, shops and services. This has allowed us to protect the neighbourhood character and amenity of our quieter residential streets.

To address these challenges, Council is undertaking a Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study with consulting firm, Ethos Urban. The Housing Strategy component is a twenty-year plan to manage housing growth and change across all residential areas in Kingston. This strategy also provides a basis to review residential zones across the municipality. We need to undertake this work as we currently have interim zones in place. The new residential zones need to be implemented before the interim zones expire.

The Neighbourhood Character Study involves a detailed assessment of neighbourhood character in Kingston's residential areas and the creation of design guidelines to influence what new development should look like.

Council has been working collaboratively with our community to develop a first draft of both the Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character

Study. Kingston Council has held Ward Meetings, community meetings, online and hard-copy surveys, listening posts, guided and self-guided walking tours and established a Community Panel – representing a wide cross-section of Kingston residents.

We'd like your feedback on the draft Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study.

As Councillors, we ourselves still have some queries about the proposed draft, such as the removal of two protections that General Residential Zone 3 residents currently enjoy under our local planning policy – average lot size subdivisions limited to two dwellings and double storey developments encouraged to the frontage (discourage two storey in the backyard), so we're keen to hear community feedback before anything is finalised.

FIND OUT MORE

Visit yourkingstonyoursay.com.au/ HSNCS to submit your feedback, view the full draft Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study, a short guide outlining the changes plus a two-minute explainer video.

LOOK UP YOUR PROPOSED ZONE

Visit housing.kingston.vic.gov.au to see which zone, change area and neighbourhood character type has been proposed for your property. Please note: when looking up your property please enter your street address with a house number, but do not include a unit number.

COMMUNITY GIVES FEEDBACK ON COUNCIL SERVICES

Residents have given Kingston Council positive results in the annual independent Community Satisfaction Survey, with strong improvement across a number of service areas.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley welcomed Council's consistent overall performance score of 64, above the state-wide council average

of 60. "Kingston strives to deliver great services, value for money and the survey shows people appreciate this with our overall score remaining stable and above the state average," Cr Oxley said.

Four hundred randomly selected Kingston residents took part in the annual survey - coordinated by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and conducted by independent group JWS Research in February this year.

Kingston's strongest performing areas were appearance of public areas (score of 76), our recreational facilities (score of 74) and Kingston's Art Centres & Libraries (73).

"The areas we showed most improvement in were the appearance of public areas, planning and building permits, Council's general town planning policy and decisions made in the interest of the community – with all these areas jumping 3-4 points since last year's survey which was great to see," Cr Oxley said.

Cr Oxley said 74% of residents believe Council is heading in the right direction – up from 66% last year. "When compared to the previous year, over 60% of service area scores have either improved or remained stable. While there's plenty to celebrate, we are also keen to hear from the community about areas for ongoing improvement."

The areas identified by the community as being of most importance and needing improvement were planning for population growth, parking facilities and decisions made in the interest of the community.

The results also recorded a drop in the areas of waste management, environmental sustainability plus community & cultural activities.

"In light of the recycling crisis facing Australia and concerns about Melbourne's increasing population these results are not surprising," Cr Oxley said.

"Kingston is responding at a local level and has already planned major improvements in our waste management with \$1.5 million set aside in our budget to introduce a Food and Organics recycling service. Council is also consulting the community on a draft Neighbourhood Character Strategy and Housing Strategy to help guide development in local suburbs."

Are you Ray White Ready for Spring?

RayWhite

As the Real Estate market becomes more competitive in spring, Ray White is here to help guide you through the process of selling and buying. With experience and the Ray White Know How your home can be Ray White ready for spring. Here are a few helpful tips to get you ready for your spring campaign.

- First impressions are the most important. Does your home have street appeal?
- Pruning trees, hedges, and weak branches and maintaining the gardens through winter and planting some colourful flowers will create a lot of spring appeal.
- Clean and degrease driveway, walkways and front entrance
- Make sure your front door is warm and welcoming – sand away old flaky paint and prime, seal and paint your front door and trim. Maybe paint your door a fun bright colour... Maybe Ray White yellow!!
- Potted plants and a fresh door mat at the front door always gives an inviting feel.
- Maintain the exterior of your home, repair cracked render, gaps around windows, broken guttering and downpipes and any roof tiles that may need replacing.
- Clean windows from the inside and outside, touch up window seals where needed.

Follow and like Ray White Dingely Village on Instagram and Facebook for more expert advice.

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DINGLEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AUGUST 8TH 2019

If you would like to learn more about your Dingley community and hear our guest speaker, Past Mayor, Cr Steve Staikos, please come along to our Annual General meeting at the Community centre 7.30pm on Thursday 8th August.

All Dingley Village residents are most welcome to attend.

3 STOREY PLUS DEVELOPMENT IN DINGLEY VILLAGE.

The deadline for complaints against The Neighbourhood Character study by Kingston Council, which proposes some of Dingley Village being re zoned for 3 storey development has been extended. Consultations will now close after our

NORTH WARD councillors hold an information session on this issue.

DATE:

Tuesday 6th August 2019 6 – 8 pm

Clarinda Community Centre

58B Viney Street, Clarinda

Presentation commences at 6pm and runs for approximately 30 minutes followed by an informal break-out session, with Council Officers available to answer your questions.

Cr Steve Staikos said “Our North Ward meeting will be much more relevant and specifically tailored to the North Ward suburbs - the format has been formulated based on the negotiated discussions between Cr Barth, Hua and myself”.

The City of Kingston is seeking feedback from the community on its Draft Housing Strategy & Neighbourhood Character Study. DVCA strongly encourages you to share your views by attending the Nth Ward meeting & visiting the project website <https://www.yourkingstonyoursay.com.au/HSNCS>.

You still have time to let the Council know about what you think of this unnecessary proposal for 3 storey development in Dingley Village.

Send your comments to Strategic Planning, PO Box 1000, Mentone 3194.

You can also make a further submission by emailing:

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A NEW SKATEBOARD PARK IN ROWAN RD RESERVE.

Council recently undertook an audit of all our Skate Parks which recommended the Dingley Skate Park be closed off to the public due to safety concerns. KCC engaged a contractor to undertake repair works however on closer inspection they informed us that it is beyond repair due to the age and condition of the equipment.

Therefore Council decided that a replacement was required and have placed an order for the new equipment however there is a 3-4 month lead time on securing it. It is expected that the new Skate Park will be reopened towards the end of October 2019 and we look forward to

seeing many kids back there using the park and having fun. A sign to this effect will be erected on the Skate Park soon.

Other forthcoming Dingley Village building projects to look out for;

- a) Upgraded change rooms and facilities in Chadwick reserve.
- b) A large house on the old Ingham's site in Spring Rd
- c) Possibly a Solar farm on the old Springvale tip (the section in Greater Dandenong.

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 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 on 9551 5442, 2 Mungari St Dingley Village, or email: david@lildam.net



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FARMERS' MARKET

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Next Market is on Saturday 17th August 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.

The temporary site and layout is working well and all our regular stall-holders have committed to the Dingley Village Farmers' Market during the relocation, so we hope residents will continue to attend and support this wonderful monthly community market.

Did you know that 280 Fresh Veg is grown just down the road on the stunning Mornington Peninsula?

Sam and Josie make use of every square inch of their 2 acre plot in Boneo, producing over 25 different types of fruits and vegetables, many of them heirloom Italian varieties, for his loyal customers



DINGLEY VILLAGE FARMERS' MARKET SATURDAY 17th August

31 Marcus Rd,
Dingley Village

8.30AM—1 PM

Free entry & parking
www.dvnc.com.au/farmersmarket

at markets across Melbourne and the Mornington Peninsula.

So when you buy your fresh veg from Sam and Josie, you are supporting Victorian farmers 100%.

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



Arancini 4 All

Congratulations to Crystal and crew on their accreditation with Victorian Farmers' Market Association. This means that 100% of their ingredients are sourced in Australia.

Arancini 4 All is also officially the only coeliac accredited Arancini in Victoria.



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.



Cancer Council Daffodil Day Appeal

Friday 23rd August 2019

The Daffodil gives us hope. Research is saving lives.

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The Daffodil Day Appeal is Cancer Council's most iconic and much-loved fundraising campaign. It is a day for Australians to give hope to those affected by all cancers by donating to support a cancer free future.

This year the Daffodil Day Appeal aims to raise more than \$4 million for life-saving cancer research. Raising awareness and money throughout the month of August, the Daffodil Day Appeal culminates in a public show of solidarity on **Friday 23 August 2019**, with volunteers collecting donations at sites across the country.

With one in two Australians diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85, this is a cause that affects us all.

That's why we're encouraging everyone to volunteer your time, donate online, or donate in person to receive a pin or bunch of fresh daffodils at a site near you.

Help fund Australia's brightest researchers as they work to uncover breakthrough cancer treatments to protect the ones you love.



Information and images provided by Cancer Council Australia, www.cancer.org.au,

SAFE COMMUNITY

SCAMS AWARENESS WEEK

National Scams Awareness Week 2019: 12-16 August

Every year, scams cost Australians, businesses and the economy hundreds of millions of dollars and cause emotional harm to victims and their families.

Everyone is vulnerable to scams so everyone needs information about how to identify and avoid being scammed. Some people think that only the gullible and greedy fall victim to scams. The truth is scammers are clever and if you don't know what to look out for, anyone can fall victim to a scam.

Have you received an offer that seems too good to be true, perhaps a phone call to help fix your computer or a threat to pay money you do not owe, an alert from your bank or telecommunications provider about a problem with your account or even an invitation to 'befriend' or connect online?

Scammers know how to press your buttons to get what they want. They are getting smarter, moving with the times to take advantage of new technology, new products or services and major events to create believable stories that will con-

vince you to part with your money or personal details.

The best way to protect yourself is through awareness and education.

Be alert to the fact that scams exist.

When dealing with uninvited contacts from people or businesses, whether it's over the phone, by mail, email, in person or on a social networking site, always consider the possibility that the approach may be a scam.

Remember, if it looks too good to be true, it probably is.

Know who you're dealing with.

If you've only ever met someone online or are unsure of the legitimacy of a business, take some time to do a bit more research. Do a Google image search on photos or search the internet for others who may have had dealings with them.

Do not open suspicious texts, pop-up windows or emails—delete them.

If unsure, verify the identity of the contact through an independent source such as a phone book or online search. Don't use

the contact details provided in the message sent to you.

You are due to receive an ATO refund of \$2675.51. Visit www.atorefund.com and logon with your phone number **0401266440** and ATO PIN: **80171337076** to claim.

Keep your personal details secure.

Put a lock on your mailbox and shred your bills and other important documents before throwing them out. Keep your passwords and pin numbers in a safe place. Be very careful about how much personal information you share on social media sites. Scammers can use your information and pictures to create a fake identity or to target you with a scam.

Beware of unusual payment methods.

Scammers often ask for payment by wire transfers, preloaded cards and even Google Play, Steam, or iTunes cards and Bitcoin. These are nearly always a sign that it is part of a scam.

Keep your mobile devices and computers secure.

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Choose your passwords carefully.

Choose passwords that would be difficult for others to guess and update them regularly. A strong password should include a mix of upper and lower case letters, numbers and symbols. Don't use the same password for every account/profile, and don't share your passwords with anyone.



Beware of any requests for your details or money.

Never send money or give credit card numbers, online account details or copies of personal documents to anyone you don't know or trust. Don't agree to transfer money or goods for someone else: money laundering is a criminal offence.

Be careful when shopping online.

Beware of offers that seem too good to be true, and always use an online shopping service that you know and trust. Think

twice before using virtual currencies (like Bitcoin)—they do not have the same protections as other transaction methods, which means you can't get your money back once you send it.

This information comes from the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC), the national consumer protection agencies, The Little Black Book of Scams.

The Little Black Book of Scams is recognised internationally as an important tool for consumers and small businesses to learn about scams including:

- the most common scams to watch out for
- the different ways scammers can contact you
- the tools scammers use to trick you
- the warning signs
- how to protect yourself, and
- where you can find help.

The Little Black Book of Scams is available online at www.accc.gov.au/littleblackbookofscams

The Australian Government has some great resources on how to stay secure and safe online.

- Stay Smart Online Service—www.staysmartonline.gov.au
- CyberSmart website—www.cybersmart.gov.au
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ST. MARK'S CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

St. Mark's Catholic Church Community celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the first Catholic Mass held in the Harold Box Hall, Dingley Village and the 20th Anniversary of the Consecration of the first Mass at St Mark's Catholic Church, Lower Dandenong Road, Dingley Village on Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 April, 2019.

The celebration of the Holy Eucharist was presided by The Most Reverend Peter A. Comensoli, D.D. Archbishop of Melbourne, Fr. Joseph Truong Nguyen, O.F.M. Conv., Parish Priest and Fr. David Blowey, O.F.M. Conv., Provincial of the Conventual Franciscan Friars, amongst over three hundred past and present parishioners, local religious and government dignitaries.

Archbishop Peter Comensoli, in his homily, not only paid tribute to the Friars and the Community of St. Mark's for their unconditional commitment on their long journey of fifty years to celebrate two significant achievements; but added that "it was a joyful leap into the future".

He reiterated that we have a responsibility to our young people, to protect and nurture them; to our elderly, to meet their needs in a changing world; and to the community around us, to proclaim the good news of salvation and to be examples of Christ's love.

Fr. Joseph in his welcoming speech, proclaimed "Let the stories of faith, commitment and service that are told today as we remember the history of this parish – strengthen you, prepare you and propel you into the next fifty years of your ministry in this place. As a parish family today, our anniversary celebration naturally turns our gaze back on our history. But we must let history be part of our movement into the future.

"We come together, with our Archbishop Peter Comensoli, to recognise that for twenty years in THIS church we have been alive in the spirit, blessed in God, and to say ... today is our moment! God Bless you all."

After the service, the congregation was treated to refreshments where there was much excitement greeting Archbishop Peter Comensoli, and delightful to watch parishioners mingling and exchanging stories from the last fifty years.

The celebration continued on the Sunday, 28 April, with a morning service presided by Fr. Joseph Truong, followed



by a family BBQ, hosted by St. Mark's Primary School, Dingley Village.

Parishioners also reminisced on the display of photographs and memorabilia of the last fifty years, together with the congratulatory and well-wishes from past Friars and parishioners who were not able to attend.

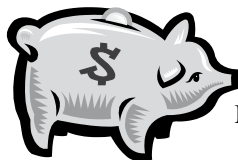
It was certainly a wonderful celebration dedicated to the men and women who collaborated and were committed to bring to fruition the beautiful church of St. Mark's, Dingley Village.



Top: 2019 St Mark's Anniversary Committee. Above: 2019 St Mark's Leadership Team and Anniversary Committee and Archbishop of Melbourne Peter A. Comensoli below.



DOLLARS & SENSE



By
Michael
Ryan

WHEN IS A GOOD TIME TO RETIRE?

There has been much social and political debate since the federal government proposed pushing out the age at which Australians can access the age pension. Although most occupations don't have a legislated retirement date, there is little doubt that our tax and social security systems do have a significant impact on when many of us retire and how we plan to do it.

Here are a few examples:

- **I'll retire when I can get the age pension**

For some people this will be a necessity. They can't afford to retire unless the pension is there to support them. Access to the age pension depends on your date of birth. Since 1 July 2017, the qualifying age for the age pension for men and women is 65½ years. It rises by six months every two years until it reaches 67 by 1 July 2023. The government is keen to see the pension age increase to 70 by 2035 but that has become a political football.

If your retirement doesn't line up exactly with the relevant pension age, there may be some good alternatives to consider. If you leave work earlier, would you consider drawing on your retirement savings for a year or two before the pen-

sion begins? Alternatively, working for a couple of years past pension age could qualify you for the Work Bonus which financially rewards age pensioners who wish to continue working.

- **I'll stop work when I can get my hands on my superannuation**

Generally, unless you die, become disabled or suffer financial hardship, the earliest time you can draw on your super is when you reach the so-called 'preservation age'. Again, this is different for people of different birth years: 55 if you were born before mid-1960 and rising gradually to 60 for those born after July 1964. There are also political rumblings that the preservation age could be increased.

There could be other options you may want to consider, such as drawing on non-super savings if you retire earlier, but careful weighing up the pros and cons of this beforehand is crucial.

- **I will wait until my super is tax-free**

Waiting until after you reach 60 to access your super tax-free is a good option if you're ready to retire at what is, these days, a relatively young age. The downside of retiring "early" at 60 is that your retire-

ment savings must last the distance and given that Australians are living longer, this could be at least another two decades. However, with good advice, there can be many opportunities to structure a suitable tax-effective retirement plan no matter when you plan to leave the workforce.

The decision of when to call it quits can be a difficult one emotionally and financially. Your licensed financial adviser can assist in ensuring that the date you choose puts you in an optimal financial position.

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TIME LIMITS ON INITIATING PROPERTY PROCEEDINGS

Under the Family Law Act 1975, there are strict timeframes determining how long you have to reach a formal property settlement where your relationship has ended. If you fall outside these deadlines, it may be too late to initiate property proceedings or execute a Binding Financial Agreement. Please note there is no time frame on initiating proceedings in parenting disputes.

De Facto Separation

After a de facto separation, you and your partner have precisely two years from the date of separation to formalise your agreement.

The date of separation is not necessarily calculated from the date you stop residing in the same premises. This is because it is possible to live separately under the same roof, and still be separated. Where you are in this situation, the court will consider a number of factors to determine whether or not you were in a relationship. These factors include the following:

- Whether you kept your finances separate;

- The nature of the household;
- The social aspects of your relationship;
- Whether you have a sexual relationship; and
- The nature of the commitment between the parties.

These factors enable the court to make a considered decision if there is a dispute as to when the separation occurred.

Divorce

Once you and your husband or wife get a divorce, you have only one year to reach a formal agreement from the date of the divorce. The reason for this shorter time frame is that prior to divorcing, you and your former spouse must have been separated for exactly one year prior to making an application to the courts for a divorce. During this year, you may reach a formal agreement and therefore after you divorce, you are only allowed one year to finalise your property settlement.

The length of separation prior to divorcing will not affect the one year time period you have to initiate proceedings. You can be separated for many years before divorcing and you will still have the additional one year after you divorce to reach a formal agreement.

Out of Time Applications

If you do not initiate proceedings within the legislated timeframes, you may make an out of time application to the courts for the courts 'leave' to file proceedings. The courts will allow your application if you can demonstrate that you will suffer hardship if leave is not granted. This hardship must be something more than loss and you must be able to demonstrate that your case is worth pursuing.

Your case is worth pursuing if you have a genuine chance of being successful. Finally, you must also be able to provide a valid reason that demonstrates why you did not initiate proceedings prior to the expiration of the allotted timeframe.

The courts powers in this regard are discretionary meaning they do not have to accept your application. Therefore, such applications can be a costly with the possibility that you will not receive the orders sought.

If the court rejects your out of time application, you can appeal the decision. You have 28 days to make this appeal, and to do so you must file a Notice to Appeal and provide a copy of the order with the court. You will also be required to pay a filing fee.

If you are ever experience a breakdown of a de facto relationship or marriage, you should seek legal advice as soon as possible to ensure any agreement you reach is binding under the Family Law Act.

To discuss the issues raised in this article, please feel free to telephone our office at (03) 8555 3895.

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Contact lenses, though a medical device, are also single use plastics. In the USA, an Arizona State University (ASU) Study found that almost 10 tonnes of contact lenses end up in wastewater systems annually. The different types of plastic materials that make up a majority of the disposable contact lenses on the international market, do break down physically, but only to smaller plastic particles, which leads to "microplastic" development. These microplastics enter ecosystems above and underwater, and are likely to have a negative impact on the plants and animals that reside there.

A big concern is the impact these microplastics can have on marine life and

humans indirectly. If an animal ingests microplastics, and are a part of the food chain, these can ultimately find their way into the human food supply.

In a move by Bausch + Lomb that began in 2017, contact lens wearers now have the option of participating in a free recycling program. In conjunction with recycling company TerraCycle, any brand of used contact lenses, blister packs and contact lens cases can be shipped to undergo recycling. TerraCycle breaks down, washes and melts the waste into raw plastic materials into new products, such as park benches.

For more information about the Bausch + Lomb/TerraCycle contact lens recycling program, and how you can sign up, visit <https://www.terracycle.com/en-AU/brigades/bauschrecycling>. Or as Dingley Eye Centre have been a part of this program for well over a year now, please feel free to bring your own used blister packs, contact lenses and cases and we will send them to TerraCycle directly.

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1. Get into the 'saving' habit.

Having a reasonable deposit gives many options with regard to choosing a lender. It also assists in proving you can manage your spending, with proven lower living expenses increasing your ability to obtain a loan.

2. Control existing debt.

Be responsible with existing debts. How you manage your credit cards, car loans or personal loans, determines your credit profile in buying a house. Making repayments on time is important, having a debt default is a major hurdle to overcome. Speak to your broker about if it is best to pay out existing debt or not, there is a balance between needing deposit and needing free monthly cash flow, this will vary person to person, you should seek personal advice.

3. Understand property costs.

Learn the actual cost of buying and owning a property. Repaying the loan is only the start. There are fixed expenses such as council and water rates and on-going variable expenses like utilities and maintenance.

4. Know your limits.

Only go house hunting after you know how much you can borrow and what

purchase price you can afford. There is no point in setting your heart on a house that is out of your price range.

5. Compare lenders, and loan products.

There are hundreds of loan products in the marketplace, each has its place and purpose. Shop around for the loan product most appropriate to your personal requirements, one that suits your budget and your circumstances.

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DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

July has seen our members enjoying dinner, live music and dancing at our local Night

Clubs. Our Saturday night dinner dates were at Highett - Vietnamese, Hampton - Indian and Mentone - Turkish. The group had a Friday theatre night at Clayton and a Sunday brunch at Mordialloc.

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 August is likely to be a dinner steak night at Cheltenham

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.

Potential members often wonder should I or should not go along and continue to procrastinate at home alone however there will never be an earlier time to join our scene in 2019.



ROTARY CLUB DINGLEY VILLAGE

Good afternoon fellow Dingleyites on a cool winter's day. Shock and horror, this will no doubt be the shortest Rotary dossier article written by your Rotary Scribe. No, I have not retired or been sacked from my lucrative occupation, but I have little to report, for your Club has gone into recess for the whole month of July, due to your President being overseas enjoying a well-earned rest, whilst most of our other

members have fled the cold of glorious Melbourne for warmer climes.

Before we packed up however, our final meeting was spent being addressed by the charming Members of the Kingswood Primary school Early Act Committee. This Club is a joint initiative of the School and the Rotary Club, and a keener bunch of children would be hard to find. The children had already raised in excess of \$1000.00, added to this was the \$400.00 raised by the national Election Day barbeque and a Rotary Club top up, to reach a grand total of \$2000.00. The Early Act Club is now functional, financial and keen to make a difference.

As always fellow Dingleites the various works your Club performs on your behalf, and to your advantage, cannot be accomplished without manpower. Apply for membership to the greatest job you'll never get paid for, the personal rewards are astronomic and cannot be quantified in monetary terms. We await your contribution with open arms and a very warm welcome.

The Rotary Club Dingley Village, meets Thursday 6.30pm for 6.45pm star: Dinner meeting
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No more to report and so I will sign off until next month.

Your Rotary Scribe,
Dudley Podbury.

DINGLEY VILLAGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INCORPORATED

Members had a very nice luncheon at the Lynbrook Hotel last month. Our Member June has now celebrated her 90th birthday. On a sad note, one of our past Members, Val Caple, passed away and our condolences are extended to her family.

We would also like to wish all of those able to escape Northwards (to a somewhat warmer climate we are assured) safe travelling and all the best.

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

5th - Committee Meeting - followed by cards, Scrabble® and Rummikub® - however if you would prefer to knit or

crochet then you would be welcome to join our Knitters Group;
12th – Bingo eyes down at 1:00 p.m., followed by afternoon tea;
19th – our Annual General Meeting – this will be followed by a pizza lunch and entertainment;
26th – Bingo, followed by afternoon tea;

For those who are over the age of 55 and have a free Monday Afternoon, 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.

While renovation works for the Library and Hall, are in progress, we are meeting at the Neighbourhood Centre from 12:30 p.m. of a Monday.

PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL



Our day tour this month was to the Port of Melbourne. Our guide gave a most interesting insight into all aspects of the port operations, before taking us on a tour of all the facilities. Operating around the clock, the Port unloads 7000 containers a day.

Lunch followed at the Mission to Seafarers, a delightful heritage building, located at Flinders Street, Docklands. This organisation is run by a dedicated team of staff and volunteers. They provide a place for rest and relaxation, to the Seafarers who dock at the Port of Melbourne throughout the year.

Our guest speaker this month was the inspirational Anne Catchpole, from Cottage By The Sea. Established in 1890 at Queenscliff, this non-profit organisation, offers support to underprivileged children, with challenging programs, to build positive relationships with peers and adult role models. Over 1200 children attend annually.

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Activities for August, General Meeting on the 5th, Camera Club the 8th, Morning Coffee on the 12th, Film Day the 14th, FAC and Legs on the 16th, followed by lunch at Lynbrook Hotel on the 21st. We then have craft on the 26th, Games Day on the 29th, and finally Morning Melodies on the 30th

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.

BOOMERANG BAGS FOR DINGLEY VILLAGE



Boomerang Bags Dingley Village is a community group who use donated and recycled fabrics to create reusable shopping bags for use within our community.

Our group meets each Thursday morning at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 9:30-12pm and on the 4th Sunday of the month 1:30-5pm. If you can sew then we would love to have you. If you can't sew, we would love to teach you! All materials and machines are provided, and we always need extra hands for non-sewing jobs as well.

We have a stall at the monthly Dingley Village Farmers Market where you can purchase a 'Bought to Support' bag or collect a free 'Borrow and Reuse' bag. Everyone is welcome, no skills required we badly need more volunteers to assist

in the community project of creating reusable bags.

If you would like to participate in any way, please contact either of the names below and we will be willing to chat and answer any questions. Debbie 9551 6521 or Helen 9551 1658.

PROBUS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE INC.



Our Guest Speaker at the July general meeting was one of our members, Neil Smillie who shared some of his many memories from frequent visits to Dubai. With the aid of a number of photographs, members were able to see Dubai as it is today with so many tall buildings and magnificent hotels, and historic sites that portray Dubai in its early days. Thanks to Neil for a most interesting presentation.

The Guest Speaker at our August meeting will be Alain Young, an accredited exercise physiologist. Alain will be presenting a Healthy Ageing and Wellness Seminar and advising on a free follow up healthy lifestyle program available for Probud members.

Activities in August will include the General meeting at the Sports Club on the 1st, movie lunch at the Waverley Cinema on the 8th coffee morning at The Nest on the 13th, and the "Three Tenors" at the Frankston Arts Centre on the 16th. There will also be a Dine Out at the Cheltenham RSL on the 22nd, and Morning Melodies

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at the Waltzing Matilda featuring "Buddy Holly and Friends" starring Steve Lawson on the 30th.

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.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DINGLEY VILLAGE



The craft day at the home of Irene was a challenge for the member's artistic talents. "Decoupage" which is decorating china surfaces with patterns, this time vases, will take pride of place on the shelves of a few homes when we get to finish them at our next craft day in August.

Our show and tell in June was a reminder of the Wedding Day Parade Dingley CWA members held in 2013. The photo album was passed around for the members to remember what was a great day.

Dates to remember:

Craft for August is Wednesday 14th 2019 at 10 am.

Association Day Luncheon is Wednesday 28th August 2019, after our monthly meeting.

Dingley Village CWA AGM is Wednesday 23rd October 2019.

For our November meeting Wednesday 27th November 2019, we have a guest speaker from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning. Should be interesting.

The members have been asked by our President to think how we can celebrate 40 years of Dingley Village CWA next May 2020. There is still a few of the original members and we would like to make a special effort for them.

The next meeting will be Wednesday 28th of August at the DVNC in Marcus Rd Dingley at 10 am. President Carmel at 9551 1874 and Secretary Diana at 9580 6150 will pass on any information you may require about Dingley Village CWA. Visitors most welcome.

DINGLEY VILLAGE MEN'S SHED



Even though it is cold out the shedders have been busy, 24 intrepid members and partners left Braeside Park in two mini buses and a private FWD bound for Point Nepean. All were rugged up and an enjoyable lunch at the Rye Hotel helped keep the chill away. Member and their partners also visited Lexington Gardens Retirement Village for a guided tour.

To be involved in the organization or conduct of this tour your Christian name had to be "John". Tour organizer was JOHN Legge, and our two drivers were President JOHN Bach and Secretary JOHN Prestt.

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



We are in need of new members to help to continue our projects, if you are interested please would you call Lynne 9551 3770.

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.

If anybody has any of the following items they can be left at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre.

Pre loved spectacles, sunglasses and hearing aids and used stamps are still needed. Thank you to all who have donated, please keep them coming in.

Please help us make a difference to our community – our members are our greatest asset.

Contact – President Lynne 9551 3770
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Cheltenham Life Activities Club conducts three classes a week with an experienced teacher in the Cheltenham East Community Hall in Follett Rd. These sessions are every Monday 10.30am – 11.30am (Beginners) and 11.30am – 12.30pm (Experienced), while on Fridays there is a class 9.00am – 10.00am (All standards).

There are no classes during school holidays or on public holidays. A session costs \$6, with the first three sessions free for learners. If you are interested ring Betty on 9583 6345, and she'll send you a newsletter with the details.

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Our Vision and our Mission

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What's On

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First Friday of each month

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Email: admin@villagechurch.org.au

www.villagechurch.org.au

Our Church program for AUGUST is as follows:

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, 5th August

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Life Groups:

***Wednesday nights** – Fortnightly 7-8.30pm, Dingley. 14th and 28th August.

Sunday nights – 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 7-8.30pm. Keysborough. 4th and 18th August.

Prayer Time:

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

Monthly – Saturday 17th August; 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 1st, 15th, 29th August.

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***Not held during school holidays.**

Marriage & Family Support:

For nearly 80 years, Village Church has served the people of Dingley Village and its surrounding suburbs. We greatly value the involvement that we have always had in our community and desire to make a difference for the greater good of all. As a caring church, our heart is to serve the community, by having an impact in and amongst its families. In today's climate, families and marriages are under attack; many relationships are strained and are at breaking point. Many don't know where to turn, who to trust and as a result become despondent and disillusioned with life.

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Our Church Office is at 7-9 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough, and is open from Monday to Friday, 9.00a.m. - 12pm - Phone Number 8712 8254. Please feel free to call Lesley with any enquiries you may have.

Our Senior Pastor is Rodney Hole who may be contacted through the Church Office.



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Bring your own project to work on (knitting, sewing, quilting, painting, etc.)

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Church Office:

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Weddings: By appointment only

Confession: 5:30pm prior to Saturday Vigil Holy Mass, or by appointment

Holy Mass Times:

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KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



We finished off our last week of Term 2 by participating in different activities in acknowledgement of our indigenous cultures. The Djirri Djirri Dance Group came to visit Kingswood and present to the students in Years 3 and 4 (see picture below). The teachers were impressed with how engaged the students were in the presentation; the students loved learning new dances and the group congratulated Kingswood on the level of knowledge and awareness of indigenous cultures that exists within our school community. On Tuesday we had Boomerang decoration at lunchtime.

All students were invited to join in and demonstrated their creativity and imagination, as well as their knowledge of the Aboriginal flag and the use of symbols and key colours. We also had a reading to the students at lunchtime in the library. They read 'The Outback' by Annaliese Porter and Bronwyn Bancroft.

In the first week back of Term 3 we had a variety of sustainability focused

activities, incursions, excursions, challenges and prizes for the students and the wider school community. This also includes attending a 'Night Walk' run by the Friends of Braeside Park group on a night during the week, hosted at Braeside Park.

Once again, we have been selected as a top finalist for the Leader Local Grant competition. We have submitted an idea to build wicking beds for our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden. Our sustainability Leaders look forward to attending the awards presentation and fingers crossed we will be a winner.



DINGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3 is well under way after the much needed break, with both students and teachers raring to go. You will be aware from previous Dingley Primary School columns that we are a PYP school. We thought we'd enlighten you on what that means, how we approach teaching and learning, and the benefits that accrue

to students from learning under this framework.

What is PYP?

PYP stands for 'Primary Years Programme', and is one of four components of the International Baccalaureate – 'Primary Years Programme', 'Middle Years Programme', 'Diploma Programme' and 'Career-related Programme'. The International Baccalaureate (IB) is offered throughout the world by schools who have undergone extensive training and development in order to be authorised to teach the programme. The authorisation process is extensive, detailed and ongoing.

In essence the PYP develops internationally-minded students who learn how to think for themselves and take responsibility for their own learning through an inquiry-led approach. (The information in this column can either be found on the official IB website or is supported by it: <https://www.ibo.org/programmes/primary-years-programme/what-is-the-pyp/>)

How does PYP differ to other approaches?

It is important to note that Dingley PS, like all Victorian IB schools, teaches to the curriculum standards as described by the Victorian Department of Education for Reading, Writing, Mathematics Number and Applied, History, Geography and so on. The difference is that we do it



under the umbrella of inquiry. Throughout the world PYP schools explore teaching and learning in accompaniment with 6 Units of Inquiry: 'Who We Are', 'Sharing the Planet', 'Where We Are In Place and Time', 'How the World Works', 'How We Organise Ourselves' and 'How We Express Ourselves'.

How does it work?

To illustrate, the Year 2s are currently exploring the Unit of Inquiry 'How the World Works', focusing on the central idea 'Forces change the way things move'. In exploring this central idea we are addressing Victorian Curriculum standards in reading, writing, speaking & listening, design technologies, science, numeracy and critical & creative thinking. We are using students own toys to investigate the properties of force, have an incursion exploring 'Toys in Motion', are using the book Rollercoaster as a framework for reading, writing, speaking & listening and STEM, creating graphs and collating information for numeracy, and exploring push and pull in PE. This in-depth exploration of concept assists students with

taking their new-found knowledge outside the classroom, in effect seeing it operate in the real world and understanding that their learning is not isolated. Our goal is to ensure students never have the need to say 'when will I ever use this again?'

Why do we believe PYP is best?

The Centre for Youth Studies, a well-respected international think-tank, has conducted an analysis of employment trends and predicted that today's young people will have 17 jobs over the course of 5 different careers throughout their lifetime, and the crucial point is that many of those careers have not even been thought of yet. One of the most important skills students require is the ability to learn and to adapt that learning to as yet unknown potential. Fostering in students an inquiry-based approach to life facilitates the predicted requirements for navigating 21st Century life, as well as connecting them wholeheartedly to the world around them.

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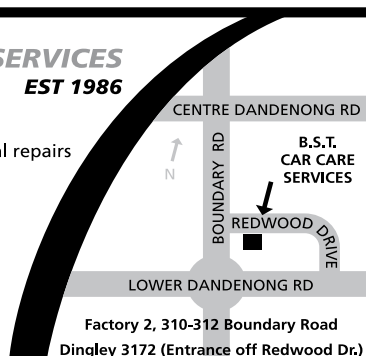


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