



Peter Lalor Vocational College

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Calendar of Events

TERM 4

OCTOBER

8th **Term 4 starts**

15th VET Info Night 6.30 – 7.30

18th & 19th Sailing Camp

22nd PLVC Info Night 6.30 – 7.30 &
Day Tours (10am & 3pm)

23rd RIJI

26th Last VET Classes

NOVEMBER

6th Melbourne Cup

15th Senior Graduation

23rd Last Intermediate Day

30th Last Foundation Day

Principals Report

This Term has been one where a lot of hard work has culminated into a lot of successes. It is important to acknowledge and celebrate our success.

It is a really exciting time in the college as we start to see our Year 12's completing all their outcomes and commence preparations to take the next step on their journey. Our philosophy at Peter Lalor Vocational College is a commitment to ensure that all our students are prepared and ready to take this next step. I would like to acknowledge the staff that have contributed to the education and development of these students over the past years. We have started planning the Year 12 graduation that will celebrate this success, I am sure this will be a night to remember.

We recently had an information session to evaluate and celebrate the success of the partnerships between the Outer Northern Trade Training Centre (ONTTC) and partners in the TEC program (Diesel Automotive). Industry partners include: Cummins, Kenworth, Mercedes Daimler, Komatsu and Bayford Group. Both the Cummins South Pacific CEO and the Ethical and Social Responsibility Manager from the USA attended. I am so proud of this initiative that is a world-class program. I would specifically like to thank Kristina Lambkin, Raman Badekar and Kate Evans for their relentless dedication, support and commitment to make this program the flagship program of ONTTC that we envisioned.



Principals Report Continued

I would like to thank Jason Austin for organising a professional development day for staff undertaken during our recent curriculum day. Jason organised and worked with Bill Rogers, an internationally recognised expert on behaviour management in schools. This equips our staff with the best possible tools to allow the very best outcomes for our current and future students.

We recently held our 3-Way Conferences and also an Open Night for prospective students. The art elective class worked hard, in collaboration with other elective, classes to develop a display of student work to showcase the work undertaken by both staff and students in the college. Thank you to Gabby Panozzo who instigated and coordinated this initiative.

Each year students complete a survey on their attitudes to school. We have recently been provided the raw data for 2018, which will be followed with information about how the college compares with all Victorian secondary schools. Our data from last year put Peter Lalor Vocational College in the top 6% of the state across all areas surveyed. These survey results highlight the quality and commitment of our staff at the college. The 2018 raw data indicates that our college continues to be in a similar position and we wait in anticipation for the school comparison information to be released.

I continue to encourage all students to work hard to ensure completion of their work to ensure that they receive full completion of their VCAL and VET at their respective level.

Rod Sheehan
Principal

Information Evening

Feel free to share the following information evening details to future students, friends and family.

18th September
6.30pm to 7.30pm

All Welcome

PETER LALOR VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

Information Night

18 September 2018

Auto Building & Construction Childcare Hair & Beauty
Multimedia Photography Hospitality Horticulture Plumbing
Bricklaying Community Services Telecommunications Cabling
Sport & Recreation Allied Health Electrotechnology Business

VCAL and VET Courses
for Years 10, 11 & 12

Year 9 Hands-On Learning

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Parent Teacher Interviews

Student, Parent/Carer, Teacher conferences were held on Monday 17th September. If you were unable to attend please feel free to contact your child's teacher to arrange a time to discuss any concerns.

Belinda Batty
Senior VCAL and VET Coordinator

Northern Melbourne VET Skills Competition

Two of PLVC students competed in the Automotive section of the Northern Suburbs Skills Competition on 31st August at ONTTC.

This competition is designed around selected skills from the first year VET Certificate II in Automotive Vehicle Preparation work units such as:

- Use and maintain tools and equipment in an automotive workplace
- Carry out basic vehicle servicing operations
- Inspect service and test batteries

Isaac F a Year 10 Foundation student was successful in gaining 1st place.

Jake C a Senior student was successful in gaining 3rd place.

Well done and congratulations to both competitors.





VET - Retail Cosmetics

Northern Melbourne VET Skills Competition - Retail Cosmetics was held at Peter Lalor Vocational College. The competition provided an opportunity for students to compete against one another to demonstrate their talent in Retail Cosmetics, using tasks derived from real life and industry situations. We were very proud of all students that competed. They all demonstrated a professional approach and attitude while completing the following competition tasks:

- Brow wax and tint
- Facial treatment
- Make-up application



All students demonstrated a high level of skill which made the judging difficult. The results were:

First: Imogen W (Brunswick Secondary College)

Second: Kayla O (Whittlesea Secondary College)

Third: Artemis E (Peter Lalor Vocational College)

I would like to thank Julie and Jenny from Macleod College for hosting the competition. I appreciate the work that was done behind the scene getting everything organised for the event.

Thanks to Zac S (Epping Secondary College) and Kass P (Peter Lalor Vocational College) for judging the competition.

Thank you to our competition sponsors:

- Angel Face Beauty Therapy (first prize)
- Half Price Salon Supplies (second, third and participation prizes)

I want to acknowledge the work of our VET Retail Cosmetics teacher, Nancy. The quality of her teaching was demonstrated in the high standard work produced by students yesterday. Thank you for supporting and engaging young people in vocational educational and training.

Belinda Batty
VET and Senior VCAL
Coordinator





Foundation A - City Experience

PDS2 Project

Students in Foundation A have been studying City Experience this term. The topic we have been looking at is homelessness. We have decided to put together some care packages for the homeless people in Term 4. We chose to do this as part of our PDS2 project.

How you can help?

We are asking that you help us out by donating items and money. You can donate a range of items from non-perishable foods, hygienic items, new blankets, pillows etc. These items can be handed into the General Office and we greatly appreciate all donations which will be put to good use.

What is homelessness and how is it caused?

Homelessness is when someone doesn't have a permanent home or house to come to at the end of each day/night. They are then forced to try and survive by themselves with limited food, money and resources. Homelessness can be caused by a lot of different reasons. Some of these reasons include accommodation issues, financial issues, mental health issues, etc. The biggest cause reported for someone becoming homeless is due to family and domestic violence with 24% of people experiencing it.

Where they live?

The homeless people stay in a range of locations. Homeless people live in tough conditions as only 18% have public housing or supported accommodation. It was reported that 44% of homeless people lived in overcrowded dwellings while only 7% actually live on the street.

Thanking you in advance from Foundation A students.

Rachel Villani

Foundation Teacher

