



Sandringham College VCAL Parent & Student Newsletter

Melinda Gall
VCAL Coordinator
8599 0545
Gall.melinda.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

Volume I
February, 2011

2011



Welcome

A very warm welcome to all VCAL students and parents to what I'm sure is going to be another fantastic year. Once again the program is full with five classes: two Senior (Yr 12) classes and three Intermediate/Foundation classes (Yr 11). The VCAL teaching team have some great projects in mind for 2011 students and anticipate the students will initiate several other s as they do every year!

We warmly welcome some new staff into the VCAL domain.

Enza Sepe will teach a Yr 11 Literacy class– She is an experienced VCAL and VCE teacher who was at Sandringham last year on the Senior campus. Leanne Newson will teach a Yr 12 Literacy class and is new to Sandringham this year. She has taught VCAL for many years and will be a fantastic addition to our team. Glenn Seeary will teach the PD IT unit. He is an experience commerce and IT teacher and is new to the college. Craig O'Shanesy will take Studio Arts– he is an experienced art teacher who has been at Sandringham for several years. Ilya Giannopoulou is a PE teacher at the college who will take Super Coach.

Organisation for first two weeks

The **first week** back is atypical as there are compulsory **induction days** for each year level planned to ensure that students transition smoothly into 2011. These are compulsory.

Friday February 4th, all DEECD students return to school. VCAL students (although they will not have classes) need to attend school for the first part of the day to attend a campus assembly, followed by a program (VCAL) assembly where they will receive timetables and information about the campus organization that they will need to start the year smoothly. I will then be available for the remainder of the day to sort through any problems that may exist. Most VCAL students will be able to leave the campus after the assemblies if they have no issues .

The **Year 12 Induction Day** has been moved to **Friday 11th of February** (from the Tuesday as you may have been advised in Reenrollment interview). Normally, VCAL students are not timetabled to attend classes on Friday as this is designated a 'work day' however we expect that on this occasion students will be in attendance. If a student is required to work on this day, they should bring a note from their parent and/or Employer stating that this is the case. Year 11 students are not required at school on this day. Please note that Year 12 students could possibly work on Monday February 7 instead of the Friday (as they are not required at school that day).

Year 11 Induction Day is Monday 07th of February. All Year 11 students are expected to attend. Yr 12 students do not have to work on this day.

Important Dates

Friday 04-02-2011
Students first day.

Week 1

Monday 07-02-2011
Yr 11 Induction Day

Tuesday-Thursday
Timetabled classes

Friday 11-02-2011
Yr 12 Induction Day

Week 2

Timetabled classes

2010 VCAL Certificates and Reports



There was a problem with the 2010 VCAL Certificates that were issued by the VCAA so we are waiting for the reissued certificates to arrive. We will post certificates to those who have exited. Please notify me asap if your address has changed. Certificates will be distributed to students at school as soon as they arrive.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

Any students who did not pick up their Yr 11 Report at the end of 2010 can collect them from me when they return to school.

VCAL teachers 2011

Literacy	Yr 12	Amal Isac Leanne Newson
	Yr 11	Denise Cornish Amal Isac Enza Seppe
Numeracy	Yr 11	Layal Allaf Ray Stokes/Clive Milne
Work Skills	Yr 12	Amal Isac Barry Oliver
	Yr 11	Melinda Gall
Personal Development	Boot Camp	Barry Oliver
	The Shed	Cony Vards
	My Melbourne	Amal Isac
	Super Coach	Ilya Giannopoulou
	Show me the money	Deb Hanlon
VET studies	Students do a variety of courses	Jenny Marks– VET Manager
VCE	Studio Arts	Craig O'Shanessy
	Outdoor and Environmental Studies	Abbie Taranto
	Agriculture and Horticulture	Lesley Parker
	Visual Communication and Design	Jules Wraight
	Design and Technology– Wood	Cony Vards

If you have any concerns about these units or are having difficulty contacting teachers, send me an email and I will forward it on your behalf. My details are on the front of this newsletter.

