

ELIZABETH COLLEGE E-NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to our Elizabeth College e-news. With over a thousand students enrolled this year, the college is buzzing with activities: assemblies, camps, art challenges, driver education, auditions, student leadership meetings and fully utilised gyms to help our young people remain fit and energised.

But most importantly, learning programs are well under way. Each student has received individualised counselling to ensure they are on a pathway that leads them to success in further study or future employment. We can't stress enough, how important it is for students to complete two years of college as they transition to adulthood.

Our vision of 'inspired, resourceful learners' is made possible by our enthusiastic teachers and I am often inspired myself by the quality teaching I observe each day in and outside classrooms. We know that your son or daughter is more successful if you are involved in their education, so please continue to support them to attend each class on time and complete assignments. Join us for parent evenings and feel free to contact us at any time.

Dr Dianne Purnell

CHALLENGE 45 EXHIBITION

Over the summer, current and former students, staff as well as artists from interstate took part in Challenge 45: to produce 45 self-portraits in 45 days. The aim was to work fast and focus on "light and looking/seeing". Our B-block Art corridor is now home to this mass of fascinating portraits, as well as recent work by Photography and Mixed Media students. Come and see for yourself. Each portrait tells a story and many have intriguing connections to our college community.



Self-portrait by Year 12 student, Mary Scully



Enthusiastic students in assembly on their first day of school for 2016

STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

- Tyson Walker and Jordan Webb were both award winners at the VET TASC Awards and were presented with medals at a ceremony held at Government House. Jordyn has secured a Traineeship at Kingston High School in their HPE Program and Tyson has secured a Traineeship at Dominic College in their Outdoor Education Program.
- Congratulations to Jarrah Day, who received a TASC award for outstanding academic achievement at Government House. Jarrah's results placed him in the top 0.5% of Tasmanian students.
- Robbie Chapman has been selected for the Tasmanian Under-21 men's hockey team and will travel to Sydney for the National Championships in April.
- We have had a wonderful representation of ex-students nominated for awards this year at the Tasmanian Theatre Awards including Bryony Geeves, Scott Farrow, Jessica Davies, Katie Robertson, Maeve Mhairi Macgregor, Benjamin Brockman, Rob Manion, Cassie Xintavelonis, Bella Young and Ellen Roe, some of who have multiple nominations.
- Meriem Daoui competed in the 10km Bridge Run in February and placed 14th in the Elite Women's category with a time of 38:40. Staff members Oliver Close (5km) and John Schuringa (10km) also competed in the race.
- Congratulations to our students who participated in the State Rowing Championships. Isobel Robertson came first in the paired race with Lauren Conway (non-EC student). Isabel Grotaers and Portia Cook came sixth in the doubles final.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 3 March	Parent Group Meeting Library 5.00pm
Monday 14 March	8 Hour Day - Public Holiday
Tuesday 15 March	Staff Moderation - Student Free Day
Wednesday 16 March	Term 1 reports to students
Thursday 17 March	Prize Night
Tuesday 22 March	Meet the Teacher Evening