## Welcome Entry and New Families

#### Acknowledgement of Country

Mount Alexander College proudly acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people as Australia's First People and custodians of the land and water on which we gather today.

We acknowledge the Ancestors, Elders and families of the First People for they hold the memories, the traditions, and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Australia.

We also recognise their continuing responsibilities to care for country at these sites of learning, work, play and living.

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#### School Council President Welcome

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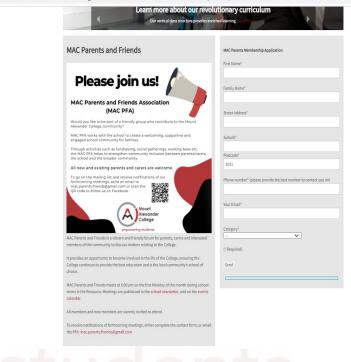
#### **Principal Welcome**

#### **Principal** Dani Angelico

#### **Parents and Friends Association**

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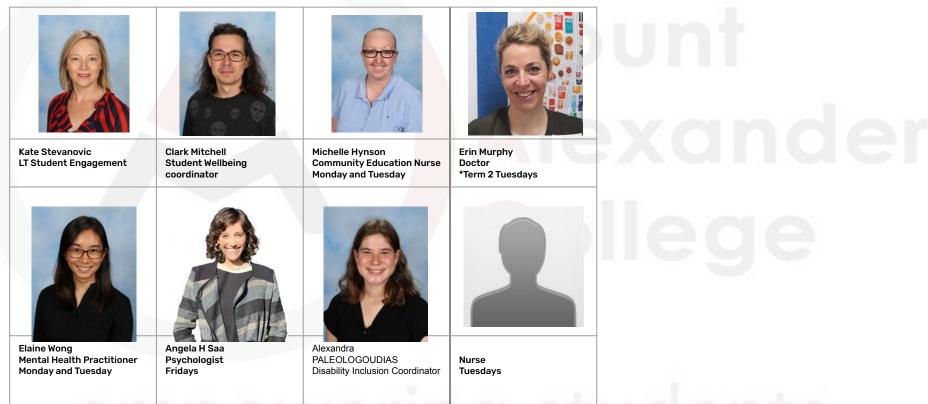


**Principal** Dani Angelico



Assistant Principal Meg Rawlins Claire Runci Junior School Transitions and Program leader

#### MAC STUDENT WELLBEING TEAM 2023



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#### Meet the MAC team:



Joanna Krasopoulaki Transitions and Enrolments Coordinator



Helen Gatford

Attendance Officer

Helen would like all parents to save the school number in their phone

Alison Lovett Careers and Pathways Coordinator

#### MAC team continued

#### Heads of House









Artemis Tom Grocott Athena Maddison Whyte

Apollo Jordan Donnelly

**Poseidon** Shannon McVeigh

#### Junior School Programs and Transitions Role:

- Entry parent and student enquiries
- Managing PAT and NAPLAN
- Overseeing the Victorian High Abilities Program (VHAP)
- Supporting academic progress of students in Entry -Above Entry 9
- Course counselling and subject selection
- Entry Inquiry Projects
- Student Led Conferences
- Other programs such as camps (Entry and AE8)

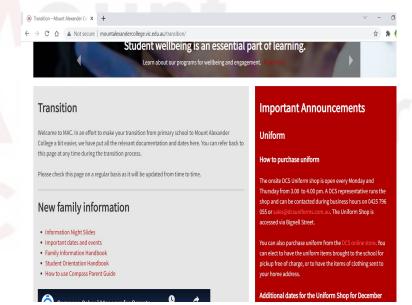
#### 2023 Enrolment Process

- The first part of your child's enrolment (residential 100 point address check,) was due by Wednesday, 6th September
- Electronic enrolment forms that were emailed out were due 7th September. This has been extended to Wednesday the 13th of September
- All families should have emailed copies of their child's birth certificate or passport, immunisation, parent/guardian drivers licence and a utility bill to the school. (by 13th September)
- Unfortunately you cannot proceed onto the next stage of the enrolment until these requirements are sent through. Thank you to those who have already done so.
- If you need assistance with this, call the general office between 8am and 4pm Monday- Friday



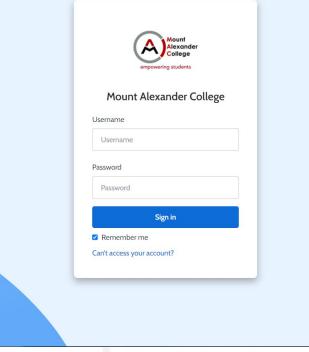
#### **MAC Website: Transition Information**

- Next term, parents/guardians of all 2024 Entry students will have unique access to a page on our school website that will provide links to various useful resources and important transition information required for their child's enrolment and commencement at MAC.
- The link will be made available via email and Compass next term so please continue checking your emails regularly for all correspondence.



#### **Compass: Electronic Enrolment**

- Parents/guardians have been emailed a link to complete their child's electronic enrolment via Compass.
- For assistance with your Compass login, contact the general office from 8-4, Monday -Friday.
- Students will be issued with their Compass log ins when they commence in term 1.



#### BYOD

Mount Alexander College has a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy that requires you to bring a laptop to school on a daily basis.

Please note any form of tablet is not compatible with schools network

Mount Alexander College can only provide limited support if device is purchased from an external supplier.

Please use order portal to reference specification if purchasing from external supplier

Recommended devices order portal - \$0 Delivery if ordered before 15th November 2023 https://mountalexandercollege.orderportal.com.au/

- Lenovo 500w Yoga Gen 3 11.6" Pentium, 8GB 256GB Dark Blue
  - Lenovo 500E G3 Yoga Chromebook 11.6" Touch, Cel N5100, 4GB, 32GB, Stylus
    - Devices delivered with vinyl skin with students name on device
    - Extended warranty and insurance options provided Highly recommended to be considered
    - Prompt onsite warranty and insurance repairs \*where applicable
    - prompt onsite repairs out of scope of warranty and insurance at cost of replacement part only (no labour charges)

#### **Recommended Devices - Windows**

Lenovo 500w Yoga Gen 3 - 11.6" Pentium, 8GB 256GB Dark Blue



11.6" Touch Notebook designed with robustness in mind for education use with the new Pentium N6000 processor and an Active Stylus for writing.

#### Recommended Devices - Chromebook

Lenovo 500E G3 Yoga Chromebook - 11.6" Touch, Cel N5100, 4GB, 32GB, Stylus



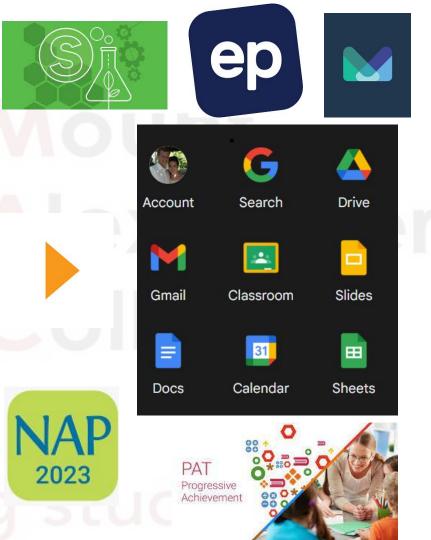
A convertible touch 11.6" Chromebook designed for education with stylus. Great for web surfing, note taking and document creation. Uses the Google Chrome Operating System.

#### Device usage at MAC

-MAC behaviour matrix and BYOD agreement stipulates on task device usage

-Cyber safety addressed in Entry Induction in week 1

-Cyber bullying also addressed in Mentoring



### PAT testing

- PAT testing is the way our school takes a snapshot of student numeracy and reading data and one of the ways that we measure individual student growth
- All students from years 7-10 complete these tests in Term 4.
- Onsite PAT testing for Entry 2024 students will occur from 3.30pm-5.00pm, November 28th, 29th and 30th.
- You will be notified via email and Compass of your allocated date for testing.
- Students must attend to ensure that we have their data in our system and can plan for the following year according to their needs.

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## Curriculum structure

#### **Entry Curriculum**

#### **Core Subjects:**

- Quest English 3 periods
- Quest Humanities 3 periods
- Mathematics 3 periods
- Greening the Apocalypse (GTAP - Science) – 3 periods
- Physical Education 3 periods

#### **Electives:**

 2 student led electives – one per semester (Vertical 7 – 10), 3 periods

#### **Personal and Social Capabilities:**

- House Mentoring 1 period
- Specialised incursions
- Enhancement Literacy 1 period per week

#### Music Program at MAC

Instrumental lessons offered at MAC are: Brass: Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium Woodwind: Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone (alto, tenor, baritone) Guitar (acoustic and electric) and Bass Guitar Drums and Tuned Percussion Piano (Classical/Contemporary)\*TBC Vocal (Contemporary) Free music program MAC Pop is a performance-based elective which focuses on ensemble groups. Students who choose MAC POP as one of their electives in either semester 1 or 2 are eligible to receive free instrumental lessons for the duration of 2024.

To arrange your music lessons, visit this link

#### **Subject Selection Process**

- Families were emailed the information regarding the process for subject selections last Thursday
- Subject selections are made through EDVAL
- Each student will be provided a unique web code to access their subjects
- Students will have their core subjects already added. They will then choose 2 electives and 2 back up electives
- Due date for elective submissions is Wednesday 13th of September (to allow adequate time for follow up)



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#### Camp

25th-27th March, The Summit Trafalgar

Compulsory for all students to attend

More information in term 1, 2024

### Inquiry Project

#### Student Leadership-

#### Questions

- Enrolment questions or Compass questions? Ring the general office from 8am-4pm weekdays 9376 1622
- If you would like to talk to me about your student or if you have concerns or questions, please email claire.runci@education.vic.gov.au and I will arrange a time to speak with you.
- If you have general questions for our current Entry students or the staff presenting tonight, please out your hand up.