PAKENHAM SECONDARY COLLEGE

















PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that 6 years ago our Year 12 students entered Year 7 ready to begin their journey through Secondary School. It has been a journey that has taken them to remarkable heights.

They have encountered trials and tribulations along the way but soldiered on and have come out stronger for them. They have experienced exceptional moments between them and created memories that will last forever.

Never in your wildest dreams could anyone have imagined that Year 12, 2020 would involve the challenges that our students have experienced this year; a global pandemic, two terms working from home, lessons accessed through video conferencing.

The adjustments our students have had to make to fit into this new paradigm has been significant.

What they have achieved and the manner in which they have approached this year has been truly inspiring.

As Principal of Pakenham Secondary College, I am so very proud of what our students and teachers have been able to accomplish this year. They have faced and met the many challenges that have confronted them and have grown and demonstrated a high level of resilience and skill in the pursuit of their goals.

We wish them every success for the future!!

Ray Squires

YEAR 12 COORDINATOR'S MESSAGE

A year to remember and time to reflect.

Year 12, you have shown great **C**ourage in the face of challenges none of us could have imagined.

You have all been great **H**umanitarians, caring for each other when you struggled.

Your Attitude has remained positive, your attendance amazing. You remained Motivated when it would have been easy to give up. When situations changed and things were difficult, each of you showed great Perseverance.

You have Inspired those around you, I am one of them.

You look to the future with \mathbf{O} ptimism and hope.

You have been ${f N}$ urtured by people who believe in you. Parents, harmateachers, siblings and friends, remember to thank them.

Whatever the future holds, **S**uccess will be yours, if you can complete year 12 in a pandemic year you can do anything.

I know this is true of each of you, as each of you are CHAMPIONS.

The future is yours, don't look back with regret. Grasp every opportunity with both hands.

A cohort that I will never forget. Fondest memories of an amazing year. Mrs. Duggan.

MESSAGES FROM TEACHERS

Dean Blight - A year like no other and a group like no other. So many obstacles but you overcame all of them. It has been a pleasure being a part of your final year of schooling, I am so proud of you all.

SOAR into the future.

Emma Robinson - The spirit and determination this group of young adults have shown towards their education is inspirational. I wish them endless happiness in their future endeavours

Brad Matthews - An exceptional group of young adults who have had a lasting impact on myself.

They are the most resilient bunch of individuals I have ever had the pleasure of teaching and I couldn't be prouder of each and every one of them.

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Rachel Hoy - My dear class of 2020, I feel so privileged to have grown alongside this cohort over the last 6 years, and so devastated that you're not being celebrated in the way you truly deserve. Your resilience and positivity this year has blown me away, and I am sure will serve you well on whatever adventure awaits you.

Ruby Bulach - The class of 2020 will forever be the most resilient and adaptable group.

Congratulations on getting through a very difficult year.

Stephen White - You are amazing. to have had such a disrupted and difficult year, yet still persevere and still be able to laugh and smile shows your great character and resilience which will stand you in good stead for whatever you need to deal with in your bright futures!

Yvette Sangster - The year's have shown amazing strength and resilience this year. They have endured a lot of hardship however they attend each class prepared and ready to learn.

Nicole Erjavec - No matter what happens after this year, you will all find success and happiness because you are all good people. Believe in that.

Adrian Lim - I am amazed by how strong all the Year 12 students of 2020 in Pakenham Secondary College have been. Keep positive and I wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

David Telford - Our year 12 students are Dumbledore's army fighting Covid and study stress at PSC.

Amanda Peterson - I have had the pleasure of watching this year level grow up from year 7, all the way to now in year 12, and what I have learnt is they are an incredibly resilient, positive, supportive group of students who have faced incredible challenges over the past 6 years, that give me reassurance for their bright futures

Sushila Kumar - We've been on the mountain and in the valley this year but embrace all life experiences and cherish these moments. Look back to it after a few years, shed a tear and smile as well. This is life.

Deanna Belevski - Congratulations on the class of 2020 in completing your studies in this difficult year. Nothing is impossible and you have all proven this. This is the beginning of the rest of your lives. Best of luck in your future endeavours.

 $\bf Prema\ Thomas$ - To all our year 12 students, Thanks for all the effort this year. Wish you all the best.

Nazir Azadzoi - Congratulations year 12 for your amazing 2020. It has been a year full of challenges.

You all have worked extremely hard and deserve all the successes you get now and in the future. I wish you all the very best and remember to believe in yourself and make the most of every opportunity in life you get. I really enjoyed teaching all of you. All the very best!!!! Mr Naz

Michelle Scheiwiller - Congratulations on completing Year 12. This is certainly a year you will never forget. Covid has made this year unique but the way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you have to get through the rain. Best wishes in the future and I hope you achieve all of your goals.

Nevicia Reynolds - Congratulations class of 2020! You have faced a unique challenge and should be proud of everything you have achieved this year. You are guaranteed to have a strong bright future with all the resilience you have shown this year. All the best, I hope all your dreams come true.















COMMEMORATION FOR LEAH

On 11 th March 2015 Leah Turga, a gorgeous girl with the most amazing smile, arrived at school, suffered a significant health issue and passed away despite the unwavering efforts of the paramedics. She has been remembered each year with the annual SOAR award named in her honour. She has and always will be a part of the 2020 year 12 cohort.



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