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### From the Principal's Desk



#### End of Term 3

As Term 3 draws to a close I commend our community for persevering in these difficult times. I know many families are finding Remote Learning more difficult with each passing day, and that is ok. I am also acutely aware many of the staff are finding it difficult too, balancing their families, their students and the increased workload remote learning brings. I am proud to say they never complain.

The biggest concern I get from staff is their concern for our students, particularly as fewer students are engaging with their work each day. For many parents this can be stressful. Please be assured we will do what is required to make up this time when we can get back to face-to-face teaching.

Congratulations to our students who have remained self-motivated enough to attend your live lessons and keep on top of your work.

#### Have a Safe Break

Although we will not be able to travel during the school holidays, I wish you all a safe break, free from the pressures of online learning.

#### Scott Tully | Principal



### Key Dates

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September  
**Last Day Term 3**  
2.30pm Finish

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
**First Day Term 4**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October  
**GAT Units 3 & 4**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
**Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December  
to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
**Beanstalk: A Fractured Tale of Best Friends, Wizards and Flying Cars**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
**Grade 6 Orientation Day**  
*Brian Way Theatre*  
8.50am - 3.05pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
**Last Day Term Four**  
12pm Finish



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# STUDENTS OF WEEK

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For engaging in online learning and completing all tasks to a high standard:  
ALFRED SEKONA

**Year 7**



For demonstrating excellence and maintaining outstanding attendance in Remote Learning:

KADE PARTEL  
**Year 8**



For 'smashing' English and for helping other students with their work:

CHARLOTTE BARWICK  
**Year 9**



For Excellence and Responsibility in all subjects, engaging in Live Lessons and encouraging others to get involved:

TAHLI HIRD  
**Year 10**



Forexcellent attendance and engagement in Remote Learning:

KAYLA MERCURI

**Year 11**



For dedication to his studies and attention to detail in all his classes:

LUKA KUC

**Year 12**



## Year 11 Outdoor and Environment Studies - Mt Stirling



The Unit 2 Outdoor and Environmental Studies class was fortunate enough to have a window of opportunity to complete their practical experience at Mount Stirling in Term 3. On Tuesday August 3rd, the class piled into a minibus and set sail toward the regional town of Mansfield. After a quick stop for fuel and wheel chains, we wound our way up the unsealed road from Mirimbah to Telephone Box Junction (TBJ).

Day 1 saw the students finding their feet on cross country / telemark skis. There were many thrills and spills, but all returned to the carpark unscathed and smiling. After a comfortable night at the local caravan park, we set out from 'TBJ' once more, this time with rucksacks containing essential overnight camping equipment and food. A well-received lunch break at King Saddle Hut was followed by several hours on the 'practice slope' and various adjoining trails. Dinner concluded not long after the sun had set, and following this, everyone made their way to their tents in our quaint little campsite in the snow.

On Thursday, we were greeted by fleeting blue skies as we packed up camp and made our way back down the trail by ski toward TBJ. An obligatory 'pie stop' was made at the local service station in Mansfield on the return journey from what was a fantastic experience.

The trip served as a great opportunity for students to further consolidate their outdoor living and travel skills. It also created a platform for students to apply key knowledge, such as the impact of natural changes to environments and the different types of environments within Victoria.

**Morgan Clark | Year 11 Outdoor and Environmental Studies**





Lila Kelly



Anna Wilson



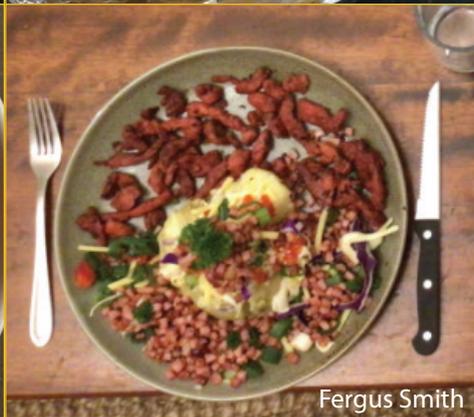
Emily Brown



AceIn Baker



Charlotte Hubbard



Fergus Smith



Peter Carlyon

## Food Studies Remote Learning Update

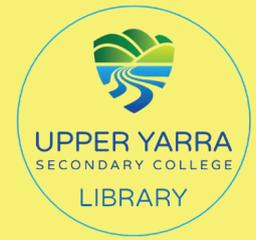


The Food Studies students have been cooking up a storm during our remote learning.

The Year 8s completed an afternoon tea task. They also designed and created a variation on the basic scones recipe and stuffed baked potatoes, choosing their own filling ingredients.

The Year 9 and 10 students have designed a pizza using ingredients you wouldn't normally see on a pizza, designed and prepared an afternoon tea dish, investigated and cooked a dish from a country they were allocated, and are now creating a 2-course meal to serve their families.

**Tracey Leicester | Food Studies**



CHECK OUT ALL THE BOOKS!



**Click & Collect**  
from the  
**UYSC Library**

Families can safely collect and return library books from the UYSC Library.

Log in to the library catalogue:  
<https://uysc.softlinkhosting.com.au/oliver/home/news>

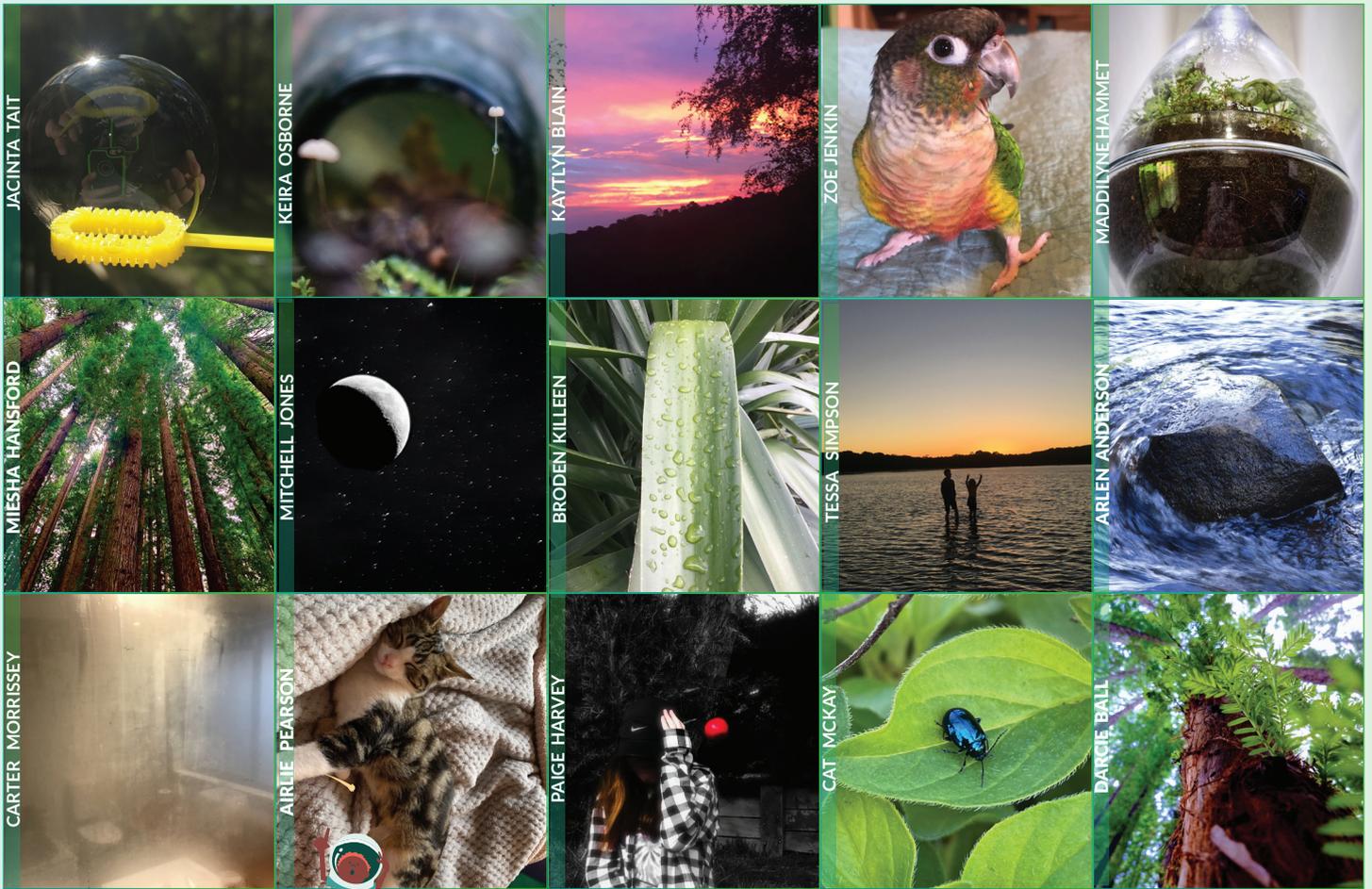
Reserve your book(s).

Collect your books (after you receive a confirmation email) from the Library front door any school day **between**

**8.30am-3pm.**

Questions? Just email:  
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## Science Week 2021



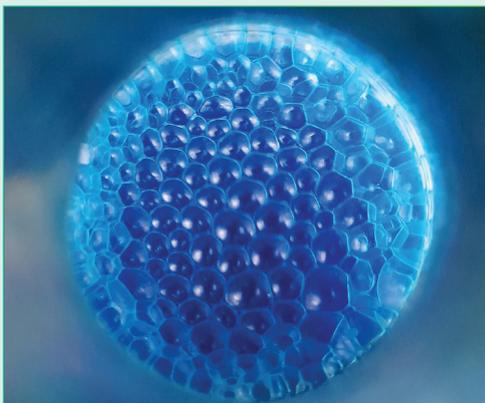
National Science Week is Australia's annual celebration of science and technology. This year at Upper Yarra Secondary College, we invited staff and students to take part in a Science-Inspired Photo Competition. We were looking for photos of anything in life that has a link to science, whether that would be something in the natural world with links to ecology, biology or zoology, or maybe an amazing photo that illustrates an object or technology that we all have science to thank for. A number of students and teachers chose to enter the competition and the variety and standard of photographs was outstanding!

People's Choice Award, as voted for by the public via the UYSC Facebook page: **Zoe Timoney - Winner** and **Josie Mayne - Runner-Up**.

Principal's Choice selected by the UYSC Principal Team: **Talei Whiteside - Winner**. Thank you to all those who participated in the competition.

**Olga Timoney | Science Domain Leader**

Congratulations to our winners!



**"Chemical Close-up"**

Zoe Timoney

This is the chemical reaction between vinegar and bicarb soda. When bicarb soda is mixed with the vinegar the mixture quickly foams up with carbon dioxide gas to form the bubbles.



**"A Bit of Life"**

Josie Mayne

Plants and the ecology - breathing in water and CO<sub>2</sub>, providing oxygen for the planet.



**"Aquatic Biodiversity in my Local Biome"**

Talei Whiteside

Local waters (dams, puddles) under the microscope.



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## Winery Operations Marketing Meeting



The VET Wine Industry Operations and the Year 11 Business Management classes were lucky enough to have a meeting with Utadi Murphy (pictured) who is the Head of Marketing for Dan Murphy's.



Utadi spoke about how to market your product and gave the students tips on the UYSC Wine Label and the Market Week activity.

### Marcus Cook | VET Winery Operations

Students were engaged throughout the presentation, and this is what they learnt...



"A key element of advertising and marketing is often overlooked because it relies on subconscious messaging. A large amount of design efforts often go into creating details that are not consciously seen and interpreted by the viewer."



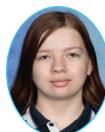
"I found it very interesting to learn about behavioural economics and how you subconsciously appeal to a product."

### Jake Wiffen Yr 11

### Kruse McDonald Jones Yr 11



"Utadi spoke about how to market your product. I learnt that we have a catchy name and should include "hand-picked" on our label."



"I learnt that we have two modes of thinking. I also learnt that a simple design is easier for customers to understand what the product is. Value for people beyond just a great price is so important. Promoting this on Social Media platforms is key for success!"

### Miesha Hansford Yr 11

### Charlee Bremner Yr 11



## Student Leadership at Snowy River Marlo



I am Ollie and I am at the School for Student Leadership, Snowy River Campus. I chose to come to this school for a new adventure. My highlights so far have been making new friends and playing table tennis. The meals have been good, we get fed a lot! These photos are from our first Expedition and from MTB2 where we rode into town.

### Ollie Hampton | Yr 9



## Virtual Work Experience

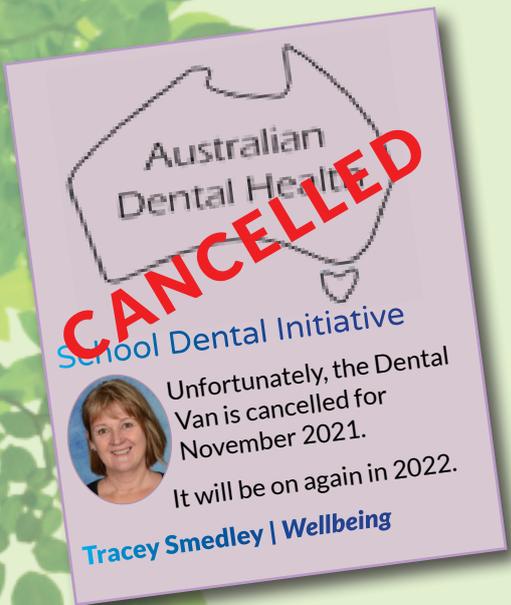
Unfortunately, due to the extension of the current lockdown until at least September 23, Year 10 Work Experience, which had been rescheduled to run this week, was cancelled. Thank you to everyone for your efforts until now, and for your patience. If you are interested, there is a Virtual Work Experience available through the Career Tools website.

1. Create an account (if you haven't already), using your UYSC Gmail, at the Career Tools website: <https://www.careertools.com.au/student/login/uysccareers.com>
2. Go to <https://www.vje.careers/student/login> and log in using the same details.

There is a variety of different experiences you can do, all from home (some requiring willing volunteers - parents looking for a hair wash or pets in need of a health check-up, this is your chance!)

Please don't hesitate to contact us at [careers@uysc.vic.edu.au](mailto:careers@uysc.vic.edu.au) with any questions.

**Alysha Bell | Careers Assistant**



Australian Dental Health School Dental Initiative

**CANCELLED**

Unfortunately, the Dental Van is cancelled for November 2021. It will be on again in 2022.

Tracey Smedley | Wellbeing



### Year 9/10 Textiles - The Chemistry of Natural Dyeing



Students have been exploring the contents of their fridge, spice rack and compost bin to scrounge for scraps that might have a second life, as fabric dye! Turmeric, beetroot, coffee and blueberries provided some of the more vibrant colour ranges for the at-home experiments.



### Fabric Printing Techniques

Throughout the duration of Term 3, the textiles students have been learning a variety of printing techniques, starting with lino carving (block prints) which were printed onto cotton bags.

As we moved into remote learning, the class have been experimenting with repeat patterns, using potatoes, apples and onions as simple stamps.

Penny Hale | Art



### Looking for Mental Health Support?

#### HeadSpace Lilydale

The doors at HEADSPACE Lilydale are NOW OPEN from 10:30am-5pm Monday to Thursday.

216 Main Street, Lilydale.

Call 9735 7900 to make an appointment!

HEADSPACE Lilydale offers young people aged 12-25 a welcoming environment where they can access confidential and free mental health support, health advice, and general information.

They are a team of friendly workers who specialise in youth wellbeing.

Tracey Smedley | Wellbeing



### Physical Education Challenge

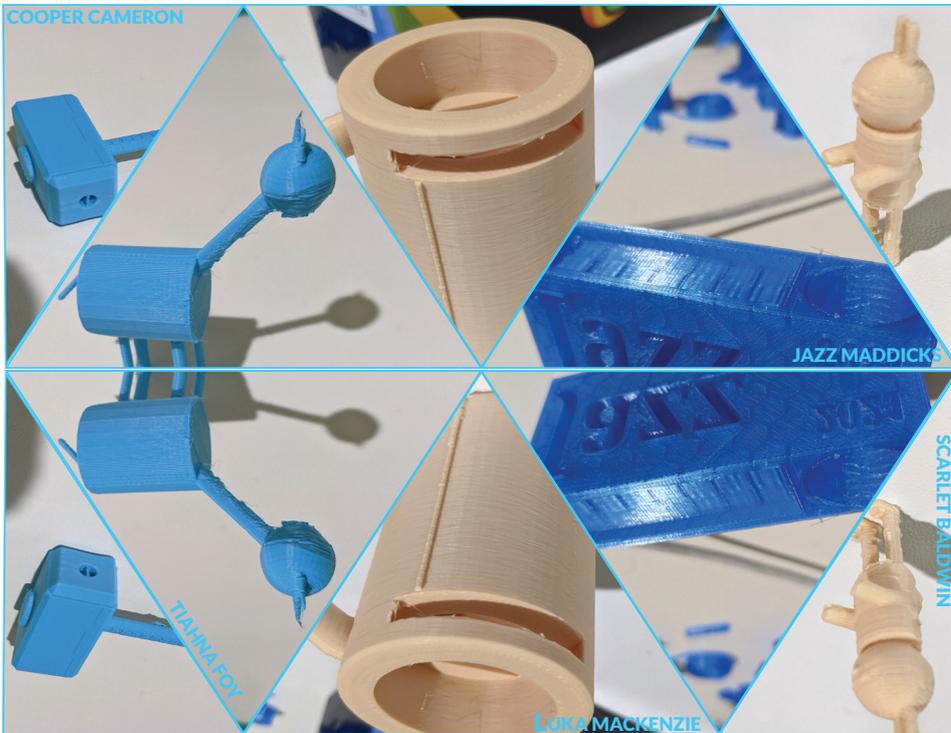


In efforts to get our students off screens and off their seats, and to spend some time being physically active, I introduced a Physical Education challenge for my three Year 7 Support Groups. The students worked in small groups to complete a variety of tasks from a list that was put into their Google Classrooms. To score, we required a picture as evidence of their activity.

There was lots of engagement from our students, with the majority of students getting involved and completing many physical education challenges. A big thanks to Trey Morrissey for adding up the points for the groups involved.

Alex Barnes, Crystal Norris, Skye Comer, Zoe Waldron and Mia Wooley won the overall competition with an amazing 58 points, meaning they completed 58 activities between them over the week. A great effort, well done!

Ben Blattman | Physical Education



## Year 7 ICT



As part of their assignments for this term, students in Year 7 ICT had to write and format a story using Google Docs. They were then tasked with creating a 3D model of something from their stories using TinkerCAD. Due to remote learning, students then sent their models through to me to get them printed off - they'll be able to pick them up when we return to school next term.

Students came up with lots of creative ideas for their stories, and it was great to see these come to life in their models!

**Claire Baillie | Yr 7 ICT**

## Who's Who of the Class of 2021



**Full Name:** Meredith-Lee Rowlands

**Nickname:** Mez

**What are your hobbies and interests?**

I love reading and sudokus, and visiting the city. Also shopping.

**What subjects are you studying this year?**

English, Math Methods, Business Management and a Law unit at Deakin Uni. I completed Legal Studies and Further Maths last year.

**What is your favourite subject? Why?**

Completely nerdy but math. I like working with numbers and that there is a logical way of working out every equation.

**What are 3 jobs you can see yourself doing when you leave school?**

Lawyer, accountant maybe or something else in business.

**What do you enjoy about attending UYSC?**

I like that there's not a lot of people and that we generally have rather small classes, especially in VCE. Also all the events like Athletics and Swimming Carnivals, which I guess we kinda missed out on this year.

**Inspiring quote or something you live by:**

"No regrets, only memories."

**Favourite song or artist at the moment:**

Thomas Rhett

**What are you grateful for right now?**

Sunsets and sunrises, as watching them is a great way to either start or end the day, especially throughout lockdown.



## VCE Legal Studies - Supreme Court Online Visit



On Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> of August Year 11 and 12 Legal Studies students got to participate in an online visit to the Supreme

Court of Victoria. Students got to talk via Zoom to the Education Officer of the court about the day-to-day running of the courts and ways that the courts have had to adapt due to the pandemic.

Then students were joined by a current Supreme Court Judge and his two Judge's Associates. Students were able to ask the Judge questions about cases he has heard and the process of becoming a judge.

Students who participated got a lot out of the visit and enjoyed the activity.

Well done to all UYSC students who attended.

**Erin McGillicuddy | VCE Legal Studies**

## UYSC Rain Gauge Update

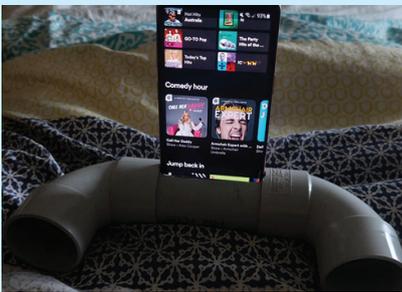


Measurements taken from three different locations

throughout the College in the beginning of September:

Vineyard 25mL  
ICT 48mL  
Library 55mL  
Average = 42.67mL

**Tyler Reid | Yr 8**  
**Steve Listopad | Chaplain**



## Sound Amplifiers

Without the usual access to the materials and tools of the school workshop, students were encouraged to use the resources they had at home to design build and construct a product that amplified the built in speaker of a personal device.

**David Timmerman** | Design and Technology Domain Leader



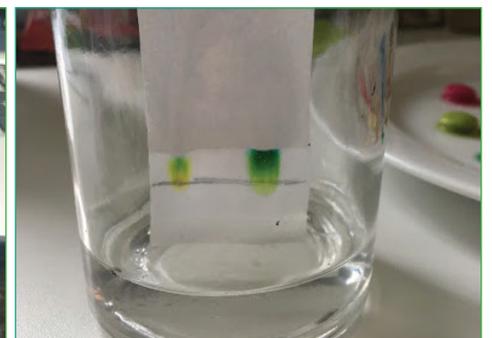
## 'Beanstalk: A Fractured Fairytale of Best Friends, Wizards & Flying Cars'



Our original performance dates have come and gone. The cast and crew were devastated not to be performing in the second week of September. To lift the spirits, Miss Kinsella and Mr Jenkins delivered care/party packages to all cast members. Mr Jenkins then hosted a google meet production party full of games and trivia of UYSC production history. Although we were unable to perform to an audience for the second year running, the friendships which have flourished from this experience will last for a long time to come.

The cast and crew now have their sights set on a rescheduled date to (hopefully) take place in Term 4. If COVID restrictions are still in place we will hold the performances in early 2022. For the time being, we are still working away at making improvements, memorising lines, adding further characterisation and preparing for when we will finally be able to finish off some of our amazing set pieces. When 'Beanstalk' is finally able to spread its wings and fly, it will be a performance not to be missed.

**Tessa Kinsella** | Drama



## Chromatography



Unit 2 Chemistry students are currently studying how substances in water are measured and analysed. One of the techniques we learn about is chromatography. This week, students conducted chromatography experiments from their own homes during our remote learning session. Students were each provided with the necessary equipment and instructions to complete the lab. Whilst not the same as working together in the classroom on site, this activity gave us an opportunity to not only observe first-hand the principals of chromatography, but also provided a welcomed break from working on the computer screens.

**Olga Timoney** | Science Domain Leader

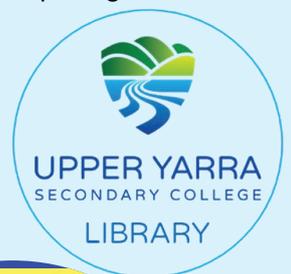


## Library News

The end of Term 3 has been a busy one for the Library! Our foyer has not once been empty of resources prepared for students studying at home, and our Click & Collect book reservation service has been well utilised. The biggest change has been the genrefication and transfer of our Non-fiction collection from old wall shelving to excitingly modern, portable shelving! Perhaps even more exciting for students: the introduction of a dedicated Lego workstation, for all your building needs!

After postponing it due to the start of lockdown 6.0, Book Week 2021 went ahead entirely online. There were a variety of activities and competitions based around the Children's Book Council of Australia's theme 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds', including a mystery map quiz, guessing famous worlds from Fantasy literature on the library's Instagram, creating a magical version of the school, and a flash fiction competition to get those writing muscles moving. The Library Team enjoyed seeing the responses, and we hope that all participants got a little spark of inspiration.

*The Library Team*



# What's new?!



Time travel, serial killers, soulmates

*"Can you ever change your fate?"*

Holly Fitzgerald has inexplicably woken up inside the body of an LA teenager called Trinity Byrne in 1980 - trapping Trinity in Holly's forty-year-old body back in Melbourne, 2020.

Mind. Officially. Blown.

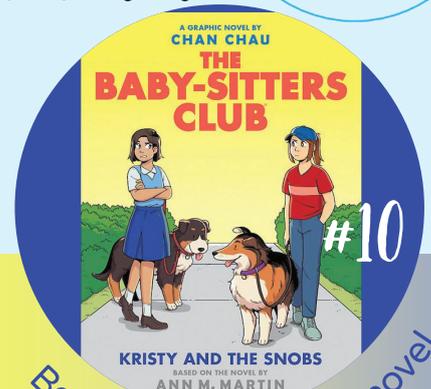


Mystery, crime, secrets

*"No case too odd!"*

Meet thirteen-year-old Agatha (after Christie)Oddly – a bold, determined heroine with nose for mystery.

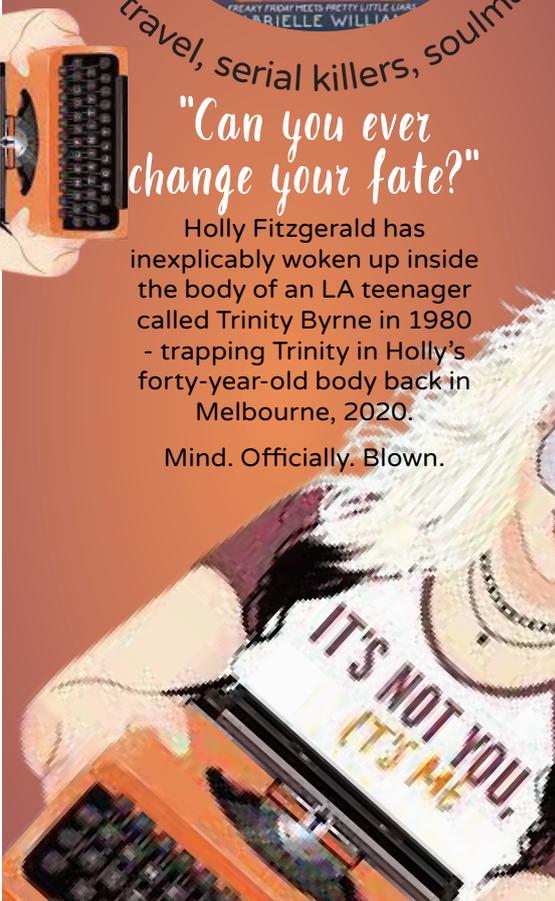
Just as well – a hit and run in Hyde Park where she lives with her dad, leads her into some very strange and really rather dangerous goings on...



Best friends, graphic novel

*"You can count on them to save the day!"*

Kristy's mom got remarried and their family moved to the ritzy neighborhood across town. The other members of The BS Club think it's a good opportunity to get new business, but the kids aren't very friendly... worst of all, they laugh at Louie, Kristy's pet collie, who's getting old and not feeling well. These kids are total snobs!



CONGRATULATIONS  
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