



**MOUNT WAVERLEY SECONDARY COLLEGE**

# Alumni Monthly Newsletter

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**Welcome**

# Merry Christmas

Welcome to December's issue of Mount Waverley Secondary College Alumni Newsletter.

As the school year grows to a close we wish the Class of 2022 all the best for a successful journey ahead. We look forward to sharing their achievements and memories with all our Alumni community.

We also extend our best wishes to our Alumni friends and family for a happy new year and a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

If you have any updates or news to share or any suggestions as to what you'd like to see in future newsletters, please email me at [alumni@mwsc.vic.edu.au](mailto:alumni@mwsc.vic.edu.au)

## Community. Choice. Engagement.

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### Alumni of the Month

This month's Alumni Spotlight is on our former student April Glare, class of 2015.

A detailed description on this Spotlight can be seen on the next page of this newsletter or on our Alumni Facebook page. Click here to [view](#).

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone for a future Alumni Spotlight, I would love to hear from you.



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

# APRIL GLARE

## CLASS OF 2015



*When April was young she thought she wanted to be a physiotherapist and was sure it was going to be the career path she would follow.*

### WHAT HAS SHE BEEN UP TO?

Four days after Year 12 exams finished in 2015, April started a position working in Finance which she stayed in for the duration of her studies. In 2019 April completed a Bachelor of Health & Physical Education at Deakin University. Her initial decision to become a teacher was cemented after a positive conversation she had with a Mount Waverley Secondary College teacher (shoutout to an absolute legend & gem of a human being Kerry Trevillian (now Dragwidge) on the night before preferences were due. Kerry gave April one very valuable piece of advice that she would never forget as that gave her the courage to choose what deep down she knew she wanted to do – ‘my advice is to follow your heart and not your head. What do you think will give you the most amount of satisfaction?’. For so long April could remember all she wanted to be is a physio, without really thinking too much about the actual job, she had thought it was prestigious career path. However, the more April thought about it, the more she realised that helping people, specifically students in the state education system was her passion and that is what she wanted in a career. Having been brought up in a family of teachers (both parents & multiple grandparents), as well as through positive experiences with teachers during her own schooling, she knew she wanted to be that person, a teacher.

### WHERE IS SHE NOW?

She is in her third year of teaching at a Norwood Secondary College and absolutely loves it! April teaches Health & PE (and sometimes Maths) and last year took on the role of Head of Health & Physical Education. Teaching is definitely an exhausting, yet extremely rewarding career that April is so grateful to be a part of.

### SOMETHING YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT HER

April absolutely loves cooking and baking up a storm!





# Congratulations to the Class of 2022



Athletics



Are U OK Day



Yearbook Committee



Careers Expo Day



Swimming Carnival





# Congratulations to the Class of 2022



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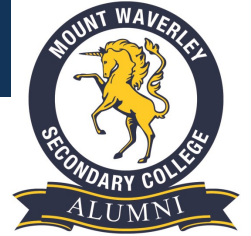


Camp



PJs and Pancakes





## Best memories of Mount Waverley Secondary College from the Class of 2022

*"The school productions. Also class discussion time in any subject, especially moments when the social boundaries of the classroom were broken and all the students (and the teacher) were able to interact with each other in a positive manner class-wide to contribute ideas and crack jokes"*

**Kyra Hatzikosmidis**

*"Winning the hunger games competition in year 8 English"*

**Johanna Lindsay**



*"I'd have to say that year 8 camp is one of the memories I keep looking back on!"*

**Vishwa Patel**

*"The school was good to me in a lot of ways, and I enjoyed the six years at Mount Waverley with my friends"*

**Jace Jikson**



*"Exchange trip and special events"*

**Elena Horaitis**

*"I loved all the teachers I had. They have been very relaxed and allowed me to work without getting stressed"*

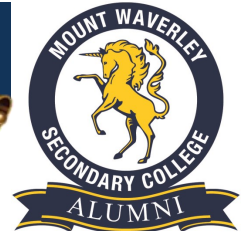
**Mitchell Marrow**

*"The people. Teachers, friends and those around the school that made it worth it. Mwsc gave us many opportunities to look back on which I'll forever be grateful for. I will deeply miss the connections I made during school, especially with my teachers"*

**Amalmees Dias**



Photos fresh from the Archives



School Life **2003**



Year 10 **1987**



Year 11 Fancy Dress **2013**

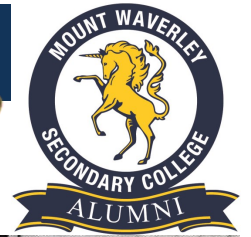


Year 12 **1994**



Year 12 Formal **1998**

Photos fresh from the Archives



Victoria Science Talent Search 2013



School Life Year 7 1982



Year 8 Boys Soccer 1998



Sports Day 2003



Year 7 da Vinci Decathlon 2012



## Giving Back - Work Experience Opportunity for Students



## Work Experience

Another way alumni can get involved is to provide work experience placements for a student.

We have **250 + year 10 students** who need to find a place for work experience.

If your workplace can hold a student, or if you have any contacts that could offer this opportunity, please let us know. Email [✉alumni@mwsc.vic.edu.au](mailto:alumni@mwsc.vic.edu.au) or phone 9803 6811.

It is a great way to give back to your school community!







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## I wonder what they're doing now?

What are all the former students of Mount Waverley Secondary College doing nowadays? We still want to maintain recognition of your achievements big or small. Take advantage of our alumni network to connect with other alumni.

So how about it - to all of you ex-students out there - let's hear from you.

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