Mill Park Secondary College International Student Program 2026

International Student Program Newsletter for Term 2, 2026.

Welcome back to Mill Park Secondary College for another exciting term! We hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday and is ready for the opportunities that Term 2 will bring. Beginning on 20 April, this term offers many exciting events, learning experiences for our international students. We look forward to seeing everyone continue to build friendships, embrace new challenges and make the most of their time at our school.



Cultural Connect

¡Muchas GRACIAS!

Language Club--Exploring Spanish Together

The Spanish Language Club gives students the opportunity to explore a new language while connecting with the wider school community. Led by local students, each session was interactive, engaging and designed to build confidence in a welcoming environment at MPSC.

"Beyond learning basic Spanish, the club encourages cultural exchange, communication and new friendships between local and international students. It is a wonderful example of how language brings people together and helps create a more inclusive and connected school community."--Jiqi Huang







Principal's Recruitment Trip

From 20 to 28 April 2026, our College Principal, Mr Tim Natoli, visited China as part of an international student recruitment trip, travelling to Hangzhou, Nanjing, Shenzhen and Guangzhou to meet prospective students and their families. A highlight was visiting the Confucius Temple in Nanjing, where Mr Natoli took part in a local tradition to wish our international students future success, while also strengthening connections with families and our wider international community.

Student Achievement

Congratulations to **Rojan Malekpour** on receiving the **Victorian Global Learning Awards** – Year 11 Resilience Award.

On 26 May, College Principal, Mr Natoli, Assistant Principal, Ms Stephens, and International Student Coordinator, Ms Pan attended the awards ceremony with Rojan to celebrate this outstanding achievement.

Since arriving in Australia, Rojan has demonstrated strong academic commitment while making a positive contribution to the international student community. As International Student Captain, she has supported students through all kinds of initiatives promoting confidence, connection and cultural diversity.

We are incredibly proud of Rojan's achievement and the positive impact she continues to make within the Mill Park Secondary College community.



"Being an international student is never a barrier to achieve your goals"--Rojan



Campus Showcase

Senior Campus Music Night-19 June 2026

Parham Kazemi and **Zimeng Liu**, proudly represented our international students at the Senior Campus Music Night. Parham performed on the guitar while Zimeng showcased her pipa skills, captivating the audience with their confidence and musical talent. Congratulations on a wonderful performance and for sharing your passion for music with our school community!



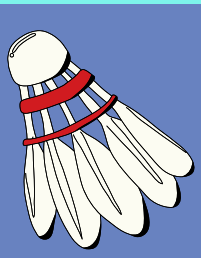
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Parham: Guitar











Sports Highlights

Badminton Tounament--5 May 2026

Our international students recently participated in an exciting interschool badminton tournament, enjoying a fun and friendly day of competition with students from other schools. The tournament provided a wonderful opportunity to build new friendships, develop teamwork, and demonstrate great sportsmanship while representing Mill Park Secondary College.



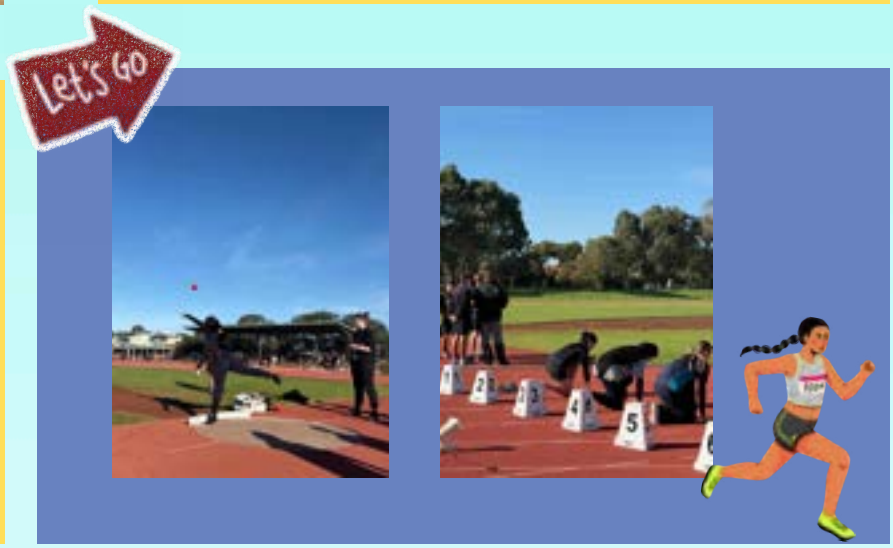
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Jinxiang Luo shared that: "I felt excited and nervous because it was an honour to play for my school. Before the game, I prepared well and told myself to stay calm. During the match, I scored six points in a row and made a comeback. Although the competition was difficult, I learned the importance of never giving up. It was an unforgettable experience, and I was proud to represent my school."

Whittlesea Division Athletics-22 May

Sport plays an important role for our international students by encouraging students to stay active, build confidence and develop meaningful friendships. Through participation in sporting events, students strengthen teamwork, resilience and their sense of belonging within the Mill Park Secondary College community.

Congratulations to **Ngan** and **Bao Uyen** on their outstanding achievements!



Congratulations to Tuyet Ngan Nguyen on her outstanding achievements at the Whittlesea Division Athletics. She earned 3rd place in the 800m event and helped her team claim 1st place in the relay. We are proud of her fantastic effort and sporting success.

Congrats



Phuc Bao Uyen Nguyen delivered an excellent performance at the Division Athletics Championships, earning 2nd place in both the 800m and 1500m events. Congratulations on this impressive achievement—we are proud to celebrate your success!

Campus Update

Career Expo-27 May

The Careers Expo provided students with the opportunity to explore a wide range of future study and career pathways. By speaking with university representatives, training providers, industry professionals and community volunteer organisations, students gained valuable information about further education, career opportunities and volunteer opportunities available within the local community.







"The Careers Expo was both enjoyable and informative. Being able to speak with representatives from different institutions helped me learn more about university life, course options, and scholarship opportunities. It was a great experience that encouraged me to start thinking more seriously about my future goals."--Nguyen Tuyet Ngan

"The Careers Expo was a really informative and worthwhile experience. It was great to learn more about university pathways, ATAR requirements, and scholarship opportunities from a range of institutions. Thank you to the school for organising such a helpful event and giving students the chance to explore their future options."--Quang Vinh Nguyen





2026 Year 12 Formal-12 June

For our international students, the Formal was more than just a celebration—it was an opportunity to strengthen friendships, create lasting memories and feel connected to the Mill Park Secondary College community.

As Year 12 draws closer to its conclusion, we wish all students every success in the exciting journey ahead.

"The Formal was one of the highlights of my Year 12 experience. It was wonderful to celebrate with friends from different cultures and create memories that will last a lifetime."--Nguyen Tuyet Ngan



English Language Center

Author Talk: Wandi

ELC students had the exciting opportunity to meet the author of Wandi, Favel Parrett. During the visit, Favel shared her writing journey, discussed the inspiration behind the novel and introduced students to the unique characteristics of dingoes. Students enjoyed asking questions and learning more about Australian wildlife and storytelling. The visit was a memorable experience that inspired students to think more deeply about literature, creativity and conservation.

From Book to Conversation

English Language Centre students were lucky to have Favel Parrett, an Australian author entertain them with stories of the Dingo Wandi. ELC Students studied Wandi in their class in order to develop their English reading and writing skills and learn about Dingo conservation.



Every ending marks the beginning of a new adventure. We wish all our students the very best for Term 3. We look forward to sharing more stories and updates in our next edition.

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