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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Parents and students of Year 7, Year 8 and Year 10 have had the subject selection videos of the choices that their children have for 2022, shared with them.

Subjects available as electives for 2022 are linked below:

**Year 11 – 2022**

(deadline is Friday 20th August 2021)

**Year 9 – 2022**

(deadline is Friday 13th August 2021)

**Year 8 – 2022**

(deadline is Friday 13th August 2021)

Please note that the deadline for the current Year 7 and Year 9 cohorts is today.

This week we received the NAPLAN results of our Year 7 and Year 9 cohorts. They are really very impressive, with Year 7 averages in the top 2 bands across the board and Year 9 also averaging Band 8 and 9 across the board. Congratulations to both Year groups on these results. When we receive the hard copy of each student's results from NESA they will be posted home.

Ms. Bambach has reported that *"This term Year 7 have been learning about the Archibald Prize and the judging processes involved in it.*

*We have been unable to attend the Archibald in person this year, so we decided to launch our own Reddam House Portrait Prize! The rules for the prize were generated and voted on by Year 7s.*

*The competition is open to all Reddam students from Years 7-12 with cultural points and prizes to be won.*

*More information and the entry form can be found [here](#)*



The Year 7 students also selected the judging panel and since I have had the honour of being voted onto this astute group of people, I am now completely engaged in this project and will need to do some research of my own to ensure that there is an informed opinion coming from me. This is real pressure for a Science teacher I might add.

Duke of Edinburgh participants from Year 9 and above have once again had to stall their progress due to current restrictions. That said, Mr Wallace reports that some students have pivoted to alternate activities such as:

- learning Portuguese online
- transcribing documents for museums
- creating online material for charities
- knitting pouches for orphaned joeys
- logging their daily runs to improve on their pace and distance

If students are involved in interesting activities and would still like to enrol please contact Mr Wallace at [guy.wallace@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:guy.wallace@reddamhouse.com.au)



This term our Music students were due to hold the Reddam Idol Vocal Competition as a live event, so we have transitioned instead to an interactive online event. We invite you to participate in this and hope this format allows us to reach an even wider audience within the school. Each of the finalists has prepared a video entry, which can be viewed at your leisure on the website below. When you have enjoyed these performances, students are welcome to vote for the Audience Choice awards in each category. Voting is restricted to Reddam House email addresses for security, so please ensure you are logged in to a student's Reddam House account.



This week, our assembly featured the talents of Year 12 student Miles Bornman, in his Gold medal performance at this year's Instrumental Competition, as well as the debut performance of our String Orchestra (Viva La Vida) and excellent work from the High School Jazz Band (In A Mellow Tone), in addition to other news and student features.

**REDDAM IDOL 2021**

Welcome to our 2021 Reddam Idol Finals event. We are pleased to present this competition in a new, interactive format this year. Each of the finalists below was selected by an external adjudicator. Please enjoy the work of our students by clicking on each student's name below, and then cast your vote using the form at the bottom of this page.

YEAR 3 TO YEAR 6	YEAR 7 TO YEAR 9	YEAR 10 TO YEAR 12
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Janie Kogan - Everlasting</li> <li>Amiel Gokan-Ende - When Will My Life Begin?</li> <li>Dean Pulmano - Good Mornin'</li> <li>Lou-Anh Lam - Skyfall</li> <li>Elise Siboulet - People Help The People</li> <li>Elise Allen - A Million Dreams</li> <li>Niha Katarde - Fight Song</li> <li>Billie Snow - The Call</li> <li>Sylvie Pavlovsky - Halleujah</li> <li>Pia Martin - When We Were Young</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adi Aroy - Evemore</li> <li>Sophia Glasson - At Last</li> <li>Ella Kirby - Moon River</li> <li>Jacinta Shevlev - Vienna</li> <li>Nafasha Green - La Vie en rose</li> <li>Skye Narunsky - I Have Nothing</li> <li>Mae Angus - No Time to Die</li> <li>Chun Hong Andrew Lok - Empty Chair</li> <li>Julia Gabrielsen - And Dream of Sheep</li> <li>Alex Marucci - Being Alive</li> <li>Jazz Wilson - Lovely</li> <li>Tiley Edwards Hill - Requiem</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ella Gottscheiner - People Help The People</li> <li>Oliver Sen - Let's Fall In Love For The Night</li> <li>Sienna Peadar - Don't You Remember</li> <li>Sophie Whitting - Pretty Funny</li> <li>Zoe Topper - Pulled</li> <li>Yael Miller - Don't Know Why</li> <li>Li Ogrin - New York State of Mind</li> <li>Jamie Hakaroff - Tears In Heaven</li> <li>Ella Stal - The Winner Takes It All</li> <li>Jazmyrn Bailey - Hopelessly Devoted to You</li> </ul>

[View the Website](#)

[Go to the voting form](#)

Voting will be open for one week, closing at 5 pm on Wednesday, August 18. We look forward to sharing results with you shortly thereafter.

Please use the links below to enjoy our recent assemblies. Last week, we featured some excellent performances from all the Year 7-12 singers in our Senior Choir from their Sydney Eisteddfod entry (Aya Ngena), as well as our Reddam House Concert Band in the Sgt Pepper's Lonely Heart's Club Medley. You can also enjoy a highlights video of the Gershwin ballet from this year's full school ballet production, and features from the Year 9 Executive.

<https://youtu.be/gxkPY7WjkMs>



<https://youtu.be/xf4aHjt73GQ>



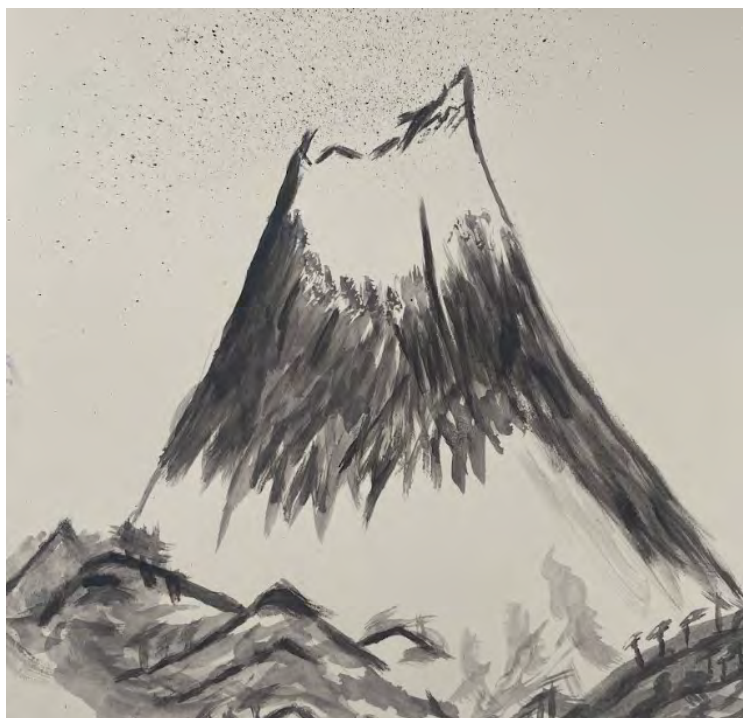
We are aware that not all Year 7 - Year 9 students are loving online learning and that the isolation can have negative effects on their mental health. If you are worried about your child and would like to take this opportunity for the school psychologist, Jacinta Lynch, to check in with your child please [book a meeting](#) and use the **code: k395n**

Year 10—Year 12 students can contact Glynda Blomson at [glynda.blomson@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:glynda.blomson@reddamhouse.com.au) for assistance should they need her help.

All the very best in these crazy times, I hope you have a wonderful weekend and week ahead.

**Dave Pitcairn**







## YEAR 7 SCIENCE

The Year 7 students have begun their topic 'Earth and Space'. Here are a few examples of the Flipgrid videos they have been making in Science about concepts such as 'Day and Night', Structure of the Solar System and the Heliocentric Model of the Solar System. Being in lockdown means these students have had to be innovative and creative in order to provide props for their presentations. I'm sure you'll agree they've been doing a great job. Mrs Lowery

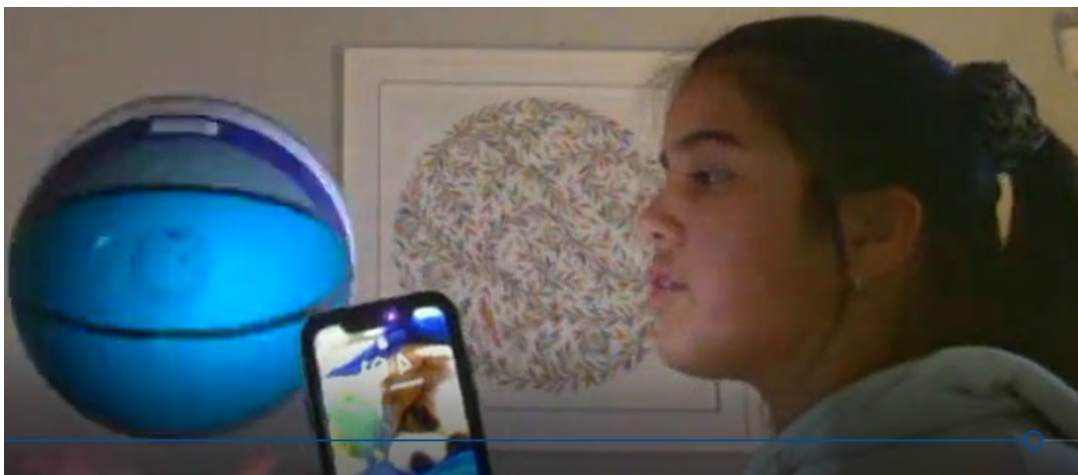
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# 10 WAYS YOU CAN IMPROVE YOUR MENTAL HEALTH TODAY

**02**   
Take a break from technology. Switch off from social media

**03**   
Engage in some fun exercise for 30 minutes. It is great for boosting mood and reducing anxiety


**04**   
If you are feeling anxious or low then try speaking to a friend or family member about how you are feeling

**05**   
Write down 3 good things that you have achieved today


**01**   
Try and eat a well balanced diet throughout the day

**06**   
Make sure you are getting a good nights sleep

**10**   
Stay in the present moment and focus on one thing at a time

**09**   
Challenge your negative thoughts in a thought diary

**08**   
Engage in some deep breathing or progressive muscle relaxation

**07**   
Practice some self care. Take a break, have a bath or go for a walk. Do something for yourself

Brought to you by Glynda Blomson & Jacinta Lynch



# THE GREAT BARRIER REEF

HI, WE'RE THE YR 9 ENVIRO PORTFOLIO!

DURING LOCKDOWN WE WANT TO INFORM OUR COMMUNITY OF THE CURRENT SITUATION WITH OUR PLANET AND THINGS WE CAN ALL DO TO HELP.

STAY TUNED!  
-THE ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO

## Did you know?

The Great Barrier Reef was considered to be placed on the UNESCO list of world heritage sites in danger!

The Australian Government heavily lobbied this to protect its beloved tourist industry.

This decision follows the continued construction of Adani's Carmichael Coal Mine – only 300 km from the reef

## THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP OUR REEF:

BUY SUSTAINABLY SOURCED SEAFOOD - REMEMBER TO LOOK FOR THE MSC LOGO



TREAT YOURSELF - BUY LESS PACKAGED FOODS NOW WE LEARN FROM HOME



CUT OFF EAR HOOKS FROM DISPOSABLE MASKS GOING IN THE BIN TO STOP AN ANIMAL GETTING CAUGHT



THANK YOU FOR DOING YOUR BIT TO HELP OUR REEF! FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THE REEF AVOIDING THE LIST OF WORLD HERITAGE SITES IN DANGER, PLEASE SEE THIS ARTICLE:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2021-07-23/great-barrier-reef-avoids-in-danger-unesco-tag/100319652#:~:text=The%20Great%20Barrier%20Reef%20will%20not%20be%20added,agreeing%20to%20reconsider%20its%20inclusion%20in%20February%202022>





# MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH A MEDIEVAL BANQUET

TO IMMERSE THEMSELVES FULLY IN THE CONTEXT OF CHAUCER'S  
'CANTERBURY TALES' STUDENTS IN YEAR 9 RESEARCHED,  
MODIFIED AND PREPARED A MEDIEVAL DISH TO SHARE VIRTUALLY  
IN AN ONLINE BANQUET.

THEY HAVE PRODUCED A COOKBOOK OF THEIR RECIPES  
FOR YOU TO TRY!

[HTTPS://DOCS.GOOGLE.COM/DOCUMENT/D/1TUNQQF1KGDFQFEYLQJQWVL-AHLXGDHNWBCDJALOHHHO/EDIT](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1TUNQQF1KGDFQFEYLQJQWVL-AHLXGDHNWBCDJALOHHHO/edit)



## YEAR 9 ENGLISH MEDIEVAL COOKBOOK



# POETRY MONTH 2021

## August 1-31

Running 1-31 August, Red Room Poetry will be releasing a new daily writing prompt created by one of our 30in30 commissioned artists. To view the daily prompt, follow us on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#) or keep an eye on the 30in30 webpage: <https://redroompoetry.org/projects/poetry-month/30in30/?fbclid=IwAR2lvRYR3-niVBalDUI7K-XNNrpzulVPV3Ojgm8RcJ-Z8lcCk1N041nhv2c>

You'll have 24 hours to compose a poetic response comprising of no more than three lines (this can be an excerpt from a longer poem). One winner will be selected and contacted each day. One weekly poem will also be selected to feature in our newsletter.

Create a [Tweet](#) or drop a comment on our [daily Facebook post](#) using the #30in30 hashtag before 3 pm AEST the next day (Remember: the clock starts ticking again on the new day's prompt at 3 pm AEST each day, so make sure you get in within 24 hours).

- A daily winner will be selected by Red Room Poetry staff, who will get in touch with you via Twitter or Facebook to arrange postage (only within Australia)
- Each writer can submit once per day across the month. You're welcome to enter the competition on as many days as you like for the chance to win a book of contemporary poetry daily.
- You must have a postage address within Australia to enter, as unfortunately, Red Room cannot post overseas.

Please note that that submissions will not be accepted via email or on social media platforms other than Facebook and Twitter. [To use either you must be 13+ years old.](#)

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# POEM FOREST

Write a poem  
Plant a tree

## *Middle School English*

### *Write a poem and plant a tree!*

With lockdown creating a little more time for reflection students are urged to consider the competition organised by Red Room Poetry.

The following link will offer students more information about this competition, learning resources and an entry form.

If students are in Year 7 or Year 8 their planning, research editing and indeed their final poem can also be included in their IIC Journal.

<https://redroompoetry.org/projects/poem-forest/>





*Years 7 - 12*

# *Reddam House Art Competition*

**A postcard serves as a metaphor for visual communication that traverses time and space to connect people with each other.**

**Subject Matter: How are you experiencing isolation? What do you miss and long for? Has this situation changed your art?**

**Your postcard will express a hope, a wish, a view through your favourite window, a landscape or person you cherish or a state of being. It can be anywhere on the art spectrum from realism to pure abstraction.**

**Materials and Size: You may use any materials available to you. Your work must be standard postcard size which is A6.  
148 x 105mm.**

**Submission: To submit your postcard you need to email it to**

**[laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au)**

**On the back of the postcard write your Name, Year Group, Title, and Brief Description. You need to photograph both sides of your postcard.**

**Entries Close: Friday 27th August - Week 6, Term 3.**

**Winning Entries: Students who enter will all receive cultural colours for each entry. You may enter up to 3 postcards. Winners will be announced in the newsletter and prizes will be delivered.**

Postcards from home





# Art in Paradise 2022!

## Hamilton Island Art Retreat

8th April – 12th April 2022

Limited Places Available

Hamilton Island Art Retreat is an exclusive Art Retreat which is open to Elective Art students or students who are passionate about art who may not currently study art as an elective subject. Hamilton Island is one of the most magnificent destinations in Australia and Reddam House students are fortunate to be able to have the opportunity to work with the artist in residence and attend a private art lesson in the studio space on the island. The students will be involved in a range of workshops daily at different vantage points around the island such as drawing, watercolour, environmental sculptural and photography. This is an unparalleled experience to be able to create artworks in such a tropical and lush environment. Students will receive their own extensive art kit, full of materials for the trip. Students will stay in beautiful accommodation with full access to the beach and water sports.

**This is a must do experience for all artists!**

For more information, Itinerary and to Sign-up for an experience of a lifetime.  
 contact: [laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au)



## FRI 8 - SAT 9 APRIL 2022 - Days 1 & 2

- Depart Sydney on the morning of Friday 3rd April and fly to Hamilton Island.
- Arrival Transfer: Airport - Reef View Hotel
- 'Art in Motion' - workshop: photography and sketching on location around the island.
- 'Tropical Discovery' - drawing workshop at marina
- 'Island Lines' drawing and collage workshop
- Workshop with artist in residence at the Hamilton Island Art Gallery
- Options for watersports and swimming during leisure times.

## SUN 10 - TUES 12 APRIL 2022 - Days 3 - 5

- 'Framing the landscape' - photography workshop
- 'Micro and Macro' - mixed media workshop
- Passage Peak sunrise - mountain hike and photography session
- 'Environmental eco art' - sculptural workshop
- 'Marine and Architectural Explorations' - watercolour workshop
- Options for watersports and swimming during leisure time
- Depart Hamilton Island on the afternoon of Tuesday 7th April and arrive Sydney Kingsford Smith airport.

### INCLUSIONS

- Airfare: Sydney/Hamilton Island return.
- Accommodation: 4 nights at 4-star Reef View Hotel. Multi-share rooms. All rooms with private facilities.
- Meals: Breakfast and dinner daily.
- 9 artmaking workshops and studio session at Hamilton Island gallery.
- Transfers: all transfers from airport and around Island.
- Art Kit bag containing all artmaking materials

### ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BUDGET FOR (NOT INCLUDED):

- Lunches, drinks and snacks as required outside inclusions.
- Spending money for small general purchases and souvenirs.

**TOTAL COST: \$1985.00**

**REGISTER BY:** by completing the registration form and completing payment

For registration form further details please email: [laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au)



# UPCOMING EVENTS



JULY-AUGUST 2021 | 5782

**29th July**

*Cake  
decorating*

**5th Aug**

*Babka Bake*

**10th Aug**

*Jewpardy*

**16th Aug**

*Surprise*

*All events will take  
place on zoom at  
8:30pm.  
Ingredients will be  
supplied*

**30th Aug**

*Honey  
cake*

**JEMS CTEEN OF SYDNEY**

**0433578978 • JEMS.ORG.AU/EVENTS**

Reddam Jewish club will be online for the next few weeks. Here are some of the zooms you can join. If it has any baking you sign up and do a contactless pick up and then join the zoom.  
- Shabbat Shalom -