

WYNDHAM COLLEGE

A partner within the Nirimba Collegiate Group of Schools and the Nirimba Education Precinct

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NOVEMBER 2019

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Deputy Principals

David Macleod-Jones & Brian Ewin - Relieving

Collegiate Deputy Principal

Beth O'Connor

NOVEMBER

November 26th – Year 11 2020 Orientation Day and **Parent Orientation Evening**

November 27th – Nirimba Education Precinct Art and Film Festival

DECEMBER

December 5th – Year 11 Presentation Day

December 17th – HSC Results released by NESA

December 17th – ATARs released by UAC

December 18th – Morning tea for Year 12 class of 2019

December 18th – Last day for students

FROM THE COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Year 12, 2019 have completed their HSC exams. Robert Keys, the Presiding Officer, congratulated our students on their behaviour at the exams. Year 12 celebrated the culmination of their schooling at the Year 12 Formal. The evening was enjoyed by all. They will now nervously await their results.

A reminder to the Class of 2019 regarding the morning tea at the College after receiving their HSC results at the College. We will love to hear what results you received, what you are going to do in 2020 and just a general catch up.

Staffing / Curriculum 2020 - Our current Year 11 students have now moved into Year 12 and have commenced the HSC course. On Wednesday 16 October we held a very successful My HSC Conference Day. Many thanks to Brian Ewin, Dallas Richmond, David Ryan and Nathan Hulands and their team for organising the day. A focus of the Conference was to highlight to students the importance of assessment and attendance at school, to ensure they meet the requirements of the 2020 HSC.

FRIENDS OF **WYNDHAM** COLLEGE (e-P&C)

Wyndham Whispers will be emailed to all members

Parents can join the e-P&C at any time

Please contact the school and leave an email address

Congratulations – I am able to report success by our students studying with WSU College. They were: Neveen Alam, Amelia Attard, Sadaf Azimi, Amneh Chaker, Luke Dickson, Shiann Downes, Grace Jones, Alanna Kaufmann, Yashvi, Viktoriya Li, Alex Piercy and Ashlee Whitehead.

Students who have achieved a distinction or high distinction will be offered a scholarship by WSU. These results ensure our students receive a priority offer and a \$20,000 scholarship should they choose to study at Western Sydney University. Congratulations and good luck to them all.

Many thanks to **Natasha Craig** the school coordinator of the program for her coordination and guidance she offers these students. Again thanks to the support provided by WSU. We are extremely proud of all students and look forward to many more success and recognition stories.

Congratulations to all our students and the staff who have given so much time to our students.

Library Agreement – a reminder to all, that there still exists an agreement with the Nirimba Education Precinct TAFE/WSU library that enables our students to not only use the library for research but to have borrowing rights. This gives a significant advantage to our students as the library has a wonderful collection which complements our own Wyndham/St John Paul II library resource.

Students interested in accessing this facility should see our own librarians to complete the necessary documentation.

Uniform – I would ask that we pay some attention again to uniform. It appears to me that a small number of students have fallen into bad habits. I ask that all students ensure that they are in uniform each day and that in the rare event where it is not possible to be in full uniform, that a note from home be provided. Finance should never be an excuse as we have a Student Assistance Scheme which can be accessed via the office and is confidential. If students need a uniform, our uniform shop is opened Tuesday morning 7.30 -10.30 am and Thursday afternoon 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm.

Leaving School Grounds – a reminder to all that students are not permitted to leave the school grounds if they do not have a timetabled lesson. Students are to utilise this time in the library, focusing on school work. If students need to leave they must have a signed note from parent/caregiver and this note needs to be signed by one of the Deputies. I seek your support and cooperation in this matter.

Year 11, 2020 – On Tuesday November 26 we will welcome the year 11 cohort for 2020. There will be a parent meeting for these students at 6.00 pm in the hall on Tuesday 26 November. Thank you to **Sue Beamer, Beth O'Connor** and **David Macleod-Jones** and their team for organising this important event. Many of these students come from a very small cohort to a substantially larger cohort and some can find this transition challenging. We are focusing in on improving this process for our students.

For our current Year 11 students (now HSC) the upcoming Christmas holidays needs to be a time for consolidating major projects, IRPs, PIPs etc. When they return in 2020, they have only 3 terms of formal schooling remaining and I encourage all students to utilise this time wisely. I bring to the attention of all parents a website called School A to Z, a practical help guide for parents. It can be found at www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au. There is a useful section on how to help the whole family survive the challenges of Year 12. This may be particularly useful for Year 12, 2020 and their families.

Classa Martinuzzi – Relieving Principal

FROM THE YEAR 12 DEPUTY

The examinations for the Higher School certificate have finished and on Friday 15th November, we celebrated the Year 12 formal at the Grand Pavilion, Rosehill. It seems amazing that their time at Wyndham has gone so quickly. The Presiding Officer and his team were very complimentary about our students and the way they conducted themselves during the examination period period. We are all certainly very proud of them. Crunch time comes when results are released on December 17th. I wish them all the very best.

David Macleod-Jones - Deputy Principal

FROM THE COLLEGIATE DEPUTY

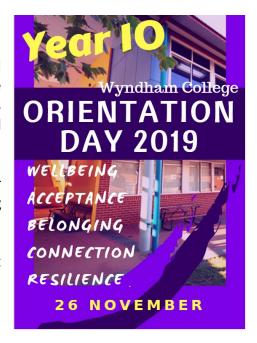
The second semester in the Collegiate has been a busy and exciting time for students and staff. I only have space for some of the best highlights:

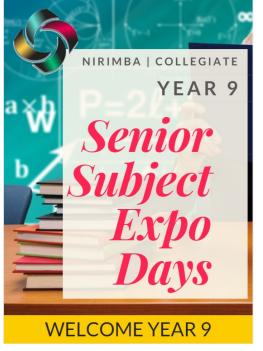
Last steps towards Senior School for Year 10

All students from the Year 11 Class of 2020 have been invited to attend an **Orientation Day on Tuesday 26**th **November**, and parents are invited for an **Orientation evening at 6 to 6.30 pm** in the Hall. On this afternoon, the new uniform shop will be open from 4.30-6.00 pm and 6.30-8.30pm with a fitting room at Tradewynds for the uniform.

This is an important first day for students to meet together with their entire Year group and enjoy a range of activities that foster wellbeing and build friendships.

Our parent evening is an opportunity for parents to learn more about the College and have any questions that they may have answered.





Year 9 students *start* their journey towards Senior study

Year 9 students from the Nirimba Collegiate have been invited to visit Wyndham College for two days (Riverstone High School & Seven Hills High School 18th & 19th November/ Quakers Hill High School 2nd & 5th December) to find out more about the array of courses that the Collegiate schools will offer for Stage 6 in 2021. This is the first cohort to move through into their senior years under the recalibrated Collegiate model wherein students will have the option to remain at the school they have completed years 7 to 10 for their senior studies OR undertake Years 11 & 12 at Wyndham College. Students may also have the opportunity to remain at their current school but also undertake one course at Wyndham College. This will be determined on the basis of demand and feasibility with regard to timetabling.

Nirimba Collegiate Support Students Sports Gala Day

Thursday 14th November saw the students and staff of the Support Units from the four Collegiate schools converge on the fields of Quakers Hill High School for the Inaugural Collegiate Support Students Sports Gala Day.

The 17 different activities that students could participate in were led by the Sports Coaching students from the Wyndham sports Academy (Go Wolverines!). The coaching students were able to demonstrate competencies in refereeing for their accreditation, and the support students had a day of laughter and fun as they sweated it out playing Flag football, soccer, basketball, and volleyball, or engaged in Zumba, cheerleading, yoga or badminton – just to name a few.





Healthy food and plenty of iced water was provided to refresh the sportsmen and women, all enjoyed in the newly established Support BBQ garden at QHHS.

The success of this day will certainly lead to it becoming a fixture on the Collegiate calendar.

Many thanks for the assistance of the organising committee: Jennifer Payne, Shannon Finemore, Nathan Hulands, Rachel Kelso and Daniel Nash.

UAC Information Night for Parents

re are many misconceptions out there about what the ATAR is and how it is calculated. We have invited the experts to answer all your questions about 'scaling', course choice and the university application process. Representatives from the Universities Admissions Centre will be at Wyndham College from 6.30 - 7.15 pm on Monday 2^{nd} December, 2019.

Bethany O'Connor - Collegiate Deputy Principal



UNIVERSITIES ADMISSIONS CENTRE

THE ATAR & STAGE 6 SUBJECT SELECTION

MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER | 6.30-7.15PM © WYNDHAM COLLEGE

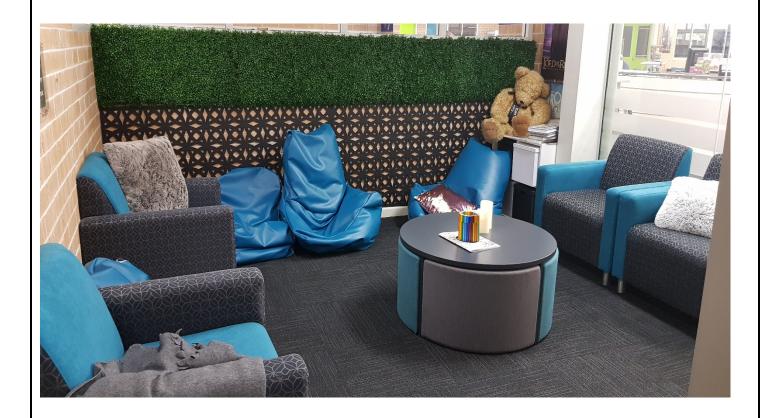
For Year 9 & 10 Parents: The ATAR & Subject Selection

For Year 11 & 12 Parents: The ATAR & applying

to uni through UAC



THE LIBRARIAN'S DESK



The Library has been a refuge for students and staff looking to escape the smoke from bush fires over the past few weeks. There has never been a better time to stay indoors and read a good book or study. We have recently purchased lots of new anime and manga titles which have proven to be popular with students. For a list of new books in the Library you can check out our goodreads virtual bookshelf at https://www.goodreads.com/review/list/52326553-nirimba-college.

The wellness area in the Library has been much loved by students looking to take a break or have some quiet reflection or reading time during the day. The new green wall has enhanced the tranquility in the space and student are welcome here during breaks and study periods. This is a silent area where students can rest and re-energise.

The Library staff have recently created a closed reserve collection of study guides and textbooks in the Library that students may use in the Library to help with their study. We have seen many students and staff using the resources this term and they have appreciated having the books at their fingertips when needed. The Australian Copyright Act contains provisions that allow students to copy or scan a 'reasonable portion' of a book for educational purposes. For example, a student may copy or scan 10% of a book for a class or up to one whole chapter. This copyright provision is useful for students who want to make copies from textbooks, study guides and exemplars in the Library.

Students who have recently finished the HSC must now return all library books as we will start to follow these up. Please check for any outstanding text books that also need to be returned to faculties.



Sally Govett - Teacher Librarian

WANTED

YOUR OLD SCHOOL UNIFORM

Hey Year 12 2019

Please consider giving us your old uniform so we can help others.

Jackets especially!

See Jason (staffroom) or Sally (Library) with your donations



THANK YOU ⁽³⁾

FROM CAREERS



Sue Beamer – Relieving Careers Adviser and Sarah Johnson – Careers Adviser's Assistant

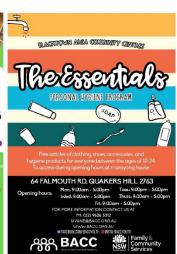


BLACKTOWN AREA COMMUNITY CENTRES INC. (BACC)









TERM 4 PROGRAMS (MONDAY 14th OCTOBER – 13th DECEMBER)

Session Topic	By the end of the session students will:
"Getting to know you"	Build new friendships/supports (including a rapport with group facilitators) Create a safe learning environment for program Gain an understanding of what the school engagement program entails
Communication	Feel more confident when speaking in a group setting and/or in public Learn a variety of effective ways to share information Communicate their thoughts and feelings with each other
Healthy Relationships	Identify various forms of violence Develop skills to reduce aggressive and/or violent behaviours Better understand their own emotional responses Learn various problem solving skills
Nutrition and Fitness (Run over two sessions)	Identify the 5 different food groups Learn valuable skills in maintaining a healthy lifestyle Prepare a variety of nutritional and healthy meals Understand the health benefits of exercise Learn simple and equipment free exercise routines to complete at home
Assaults and Bullying	Have a better understanding of: The points of law regarding the Department of Education The Young Offenders Act Their responsibilities regarding the Law Their choices in relation to anti-social behaviours or bullying (online or in person) and consequences of these choices
Resilience	Develop a variety of tools to assist them to meet and overcome challenges
Mental Health	Know how to approach conversations with friends and peers Aware of actions to take when someone or themselves are struggling
Showcase - Presentation Night	A showcase of students achievements will be presented and; Students will be awarded with a certificate of attendance and completion of the program.

OUTCOMES

Teachers report marked improvements of participants in:

- Self-confidence
- Self-advocacy
- Social connections
- Extracurricular social activities
- Positive attitudes
- Developing personal connections with peers
- · Improve behaviour out of the classroom
- Increased positive participation in the classroom

All sessions incorporate a range of strategies and interactive activities that support student's educational development.

This program is available to any High School in the Blacktown local government area.

Each session runs for one hour.

Contact us for a request form

www.bacc.org.au

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BACC exists to provide information, activities and supports to our local community.....



January 2020 Youth School Holiday Program

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Does the child have any dietary Yes No If Yes, please supply details:		•	
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SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT REQUEST FORM Term ___/20___

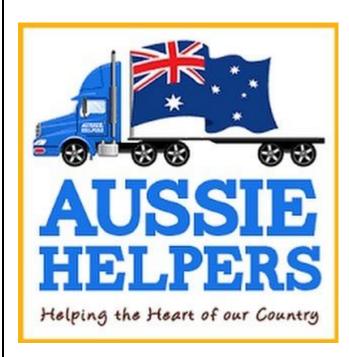
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BACC no later than week 5 of the term prior to	commencement of the	School Engagement Pr	ogram).
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Start date:		Finish date:	
Start time:		Finish Time:	
Total no. of weeks:			
STUDENTS			
School year group:		Medium age	
Approx. no. of students:			
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Approx. no. of female students:			
Approx. no. of gender neutral student			
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TOPICS (each topic runs for one (1) hour)			
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4. Nutrition and Fitness	5. Boot Camp (r	run over 2 weeks)	6. Assaults and Bullying
7. Resilience	8. Mental Healt	:h	9. Showcase / Presentations
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For further information please contact Sivane@bacc.org.au or 9626 5312

FROM THE SRC

Christmas Charity: Aussie Farmers



This year has been difficult for out farmers, especially those in remote areas of Australia. SRC is collecting donations from students and the community to help our farmers celebrate the Christmas holidays and to say thank you for being an important part of Australian culture.

We are looking for the following items to donate:

- hygiene essentials
- toys
- books
- clothes
- long-lasting foods (canned tuna, corn, etc.)
- home decorations
- stationery: pens, pencils, markers, highlighters, etc.
- bags
- pillows and blankets.
- Christmas presents

Please place donations in the library or give them to a student in SRC

Melissa Berry – SRC Co –Ordinator/Science Teacher & Daniel Moss SRC Co-Ordinator/English Teacher



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THE HOWLER

FOR ALL YOUR WYNDHAM SPORTS ACADEMY NEWS



Pawn Stars!

The Wolverines show off their strategic side with a spot in the NSW Interschool Chess State Finals.

BY DENIS VLISMAS & DANIEL MOSS TACTICS AND STRATEGIC ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT WYNDHAM SPORTS ACADEMY

Welcome to the Wolverine fans, when Denis and I left you with the last update of the Wolverine Chess Team, the team had fought hard and qualified for the State Finals. This is a fantastic achievement and we appreciate the support from the Wyndham community. Our little chess club has grown in strength and numbers and has carved out a small section in Wolverine history. Wyndham College qualified to play chess against the top 16 schools in NSW, no big deal!

Unfortunately, some of our year 12 chess champions had HSC commitments but we quickly found year 11 substitutes who were more than capable, and happy to adopt the Wolverine mentality and leave everything on the board.

The boys started out extremely strong. Pawn to E4, E5 was quickly followed by Knight to F3, Knight to C6, as they fought to take control of the centre and strategically the game. Our players were brave with their attack, yet maintained a strong defence. A typical Wolverine tactic to defeat the opposition.



PSSA AthleticsWed-Thurs 6-7th
October
SOPAC 8:00am



Collegiate Gala Day Thurs 14th Nov QHHS 10:00am

Street Contract

Upcoming Sport

WYNDHAM SPORTS ACADEMY 1 SPORTS REPORT

The standard was extremely high. The best of the best were playing, and our very own Wolverines, with their "never say die" attitude, continued their individual battles throughout the day. Sadly we did not place in the Finals. However, qualifying is an incredible feat in itself and the boys are to be commended for their strong efforts. A big thank you to all of our Wolverines who participated or supported the Wolverines in our quest for State Glory. They have excelled beyond all expectations.

The chess club continues to grow in size and we are always looking for new players to participate and have fun. Daniel and Denis are available every Wednesday at recess and lunch to illustrate tactics and strengthen your game. The chess sets are always available from the library at any time if you wish to have some fun or just beat your friends. Come along and join the preparations to make another run at the Finals in 2020.

Congratulations to our competitors:

Benjamin (Chess Queen) Rainbow



Bailey (The Wizard) Rebiffe

Ethan (The Iceman) Jamsek

Cheyden (Zero) Ruawhare

Richard (The Lionheart) Vidal

Liam (Mailman) Morall

Joel (The King) Deaves

Marko (Adley) Stojanovic



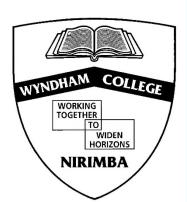




Wyndham

Essential Skills Program

Do you want to perform better in the Assessment tasks?



Do you want to learn how to write good answers to exam questions?

If yes please join us on November 25, 27 & 28 from 11:15am to 12:15 pm in the Conference Room C Block

Session	Focus	Date& Time	Presenter
Literacy	Summarising, Analysing, Essay Writing	Monday, 25/11/19 11:15am- 12:15pm	Jason Ewing- Jarvie
Assessment Tasks & Exam techniques	Chunking and memorising information, planning and preparing for assessments and exams	Wednesday, 27/11/19 11:15am- 12:15pm	Daljit Bansal
Numeracy	Decimals, Basic algebra, Money problems	Thursday, 28/11/19 11:15am- 12:15pm	Kirtana Hariharan

Please see **Daljit Bansal or Shannon Finemore** to find out more and to express your interest. OR

Join the **'Essential Skills' Google classroom** using the code **'wx8x3q'** to get more info and express interest.



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The e-P & C MODEL (FOW)

Wyndham College has been operating as an eP&C (FOW) for all of 2018 and will continue with this model in 2019. This model is designed to both consult and inform as many parents and the school community as possible.

The Senior Executive will email issues as they arise to seek parent advice. Replies are to the email lists of parents who are financial members of the e-P&C. Parents on the e-P&C list are not obliged to respond to every issue.

Meeting schedule

Two parent meetings will be held in a year

Term 1 Welcome reception and AGM - 26 February 2019

Term 4 Parent Forum - HSC Assessment/Information evening - TBA

The e-P&C (FOW)

eP&C will be advertised each year to parents via email and newsletters.

Following the Welcome Event and AGM, the membership list will be compiled and the group formulated by the college computer coordinator. A welcome message will be sent.

At the AGM volunteers are then called for, to take the roles of President, Vice President and Treasurer. A \$2 annual membership fee exists to enable financial members to vote on issues.

Issues for consultation

Sometimes issues arise throughout the year, extra meetings maybe necessary to address these issues. However at least once a year the e-P&C will need to review income they generate and allocate this progressively to the designated school projects that are established this will probably occur at the term 4 Parent Forum. E-P&C will also provide parents for interview panels, and community representatives on projects the College are involved in.

Join the e-P&C

Parents are invited to join the e-P&C. This is a group email of e-P&C parents by which the Senior Executive can seek parent advice on issues that require input from our school community. These issues will periodically be emailed to you with no obligation to respond.

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The School Locker is proud to partner with Wyndham College



The School Locker

Our goal is to provide great shopping experiences for families and our retail stores are centered around a single great idea: one store with everything you need for school.

The Wyndham College uniform range is available online at: www.theschoollocker.com.au

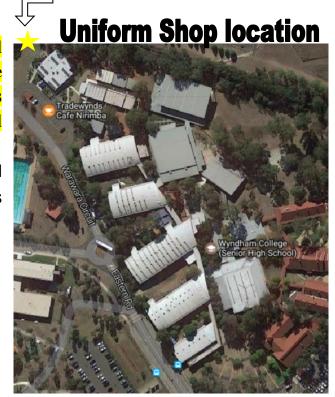
Working in partnership with your school.

UNIFORM SHOP -

The Uniform Shop is open on **TUESDAYS 7.30am-10.30am and THURSDAYS 1.00pm - 4.00pm. Online purchases available www.theschoollocker.com.au**

Wyndham College is a uniform college and students are expected to be in full college uniform from day one 2019. This includes pale blue shirts with the college emblem and fully enclosed black leather shoes.

For information about uniform items and prices, please refer to School Locker's website



http://theschoollocker.com.au/catalogsearch/result/?q=Wyndham+College

STUDENT INFORMATION

CHANGED ADDRESS? VERY IMPORTANT to notify the office as soon as possible!

Student Early Leavers

If you require your child to leave school before the end of the day, please send them with a signed note stating their name, date, time and reason you would like them to leave. This should be brought to the front office upon arrival at school, then an early leaver's pass will be issued, allowing the student to leave the classroom at the correct time.

OFFICE PROCEDURES

If this procedure is not followed, the student may not be allowed to leave the classroom.

Absences

If your child is absent from school or you know they will be absent on a certain day please contact the front office by phoning **9208 7100**.

Email is **not** the most effective point of contact.

Thank you Administration

FREE -MATHS TUITION

YEARS 11 & 12 are invited to join the free Maths tuition held in **C8** every Monday from 3.00pm to 5.30pm. Be there!



FREE -PHYSICS TUTORIALS

YEAR 11 - Mondays - 3pm-4pm



YEAR 12 – Wednesdays -3pm-4pm In B1

FREE - CHEMISTRY TUTORIALS

YEAR 11 – Fridays -1pm-2pm

YEAR 12 - Thursdays -3pm-4pm

In **B1**



CHRISTIAN GROUP

All students are invited to join the Christian Group at recess in B2 on Wednesdays.



There are also free pancakes on Wednesday mornings before class.

Join us for pancakes and a chat.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

CHANGED ADDRESS? VERY IMPORTANT to notify the office as soon as possible!

To keep student records as up to date as possible please complete the slip below if you have changed address or changed phone numbers, and return to the front office.



New Address Home Phone Mobile Phone -Mother	Student Name	
Mobile Phone - Mother	New Address	
Mobile Phone -Father	Home Phone	
EMAILS So we can keep you informed and up to date, please complete the slip below if you have recently changed your email address and return it to the office: Student Name Parent Email Address	Mobile Phone -Mother	Name
EMAILS So we can keep you informed and up to date, please complete the slip below if you have recently changed your email address and return it to the office: Student Name Parent Email Address	Mobile Phone -Father	Name
So we can keep you informed and up to date, please complete the slip below if you have recently changed your email address and return it to the office: Student Name Parent Email Address	Signed	Date
recently changed your email address and return it to the office: Student Name Parent Email Address		
Parent Email Address		
	Student Name	