

COMING EVENTS

Date	Event
29 January	EGC Office opens
5 February	Students commence
5 February	VET parents information night
12 February	VET Induction Day
14 February	Last day for Semester 1 course changes

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL *Mel English*

Welcome to the 2025 school year – I look forward to meeting and working with you as we share the responsibility of providing the best possible launchpad for our students into their future.

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide general information to ensure students have a positive start to the 2025 school year.

We expect that students will take advantage of the many opportunities for learning and achievement offered across the college while they attempt to achieve their personal best in their fields of endeavour. We also expect high standards of conduct and performance. Our core business is teaching and learning, and our focus is clearly on student achievement and the expectation that all students will achieve to their potential. We anticipate making regular contact throughout the year and look forward to working with you to ensure the best possible outcomes for our students. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of our staff on 9092 3100.

Commencement Date - Students commence on **Wednesday 5 February 2025 at 8.20am with a full school assembly in the Goldfields Arts Centre.** Our office will be open from 29 January 2025. All teaching staff will be involved in professional learning on Monday & Tuesday 3 & 4 February.

Structure of the week - Classes are normally scheduled on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. However, as **we are commencing school on a Wednesday**, we will follow the whole school assembly with a modified Monday timetable. Classes commence at 8.20am and finish at 3.15pm each day. Students are to be in class ready to learn for their first lesson. It is important they arrive in time to do this. Arriving late disrupts their learning and interrupts that of other students as the teacher must stop to explain to the late arrival what the class is doing.

Parents - please note that the College needs your support to ensure students do not view Wednesdays as a 'day off'. Students may be required to attend workshops, seminars and academic programs on this day. These sessions are designed to assist them in achieving their personal and academic goals. They may also use the day to complete homework and study and are welcome to use the College's facilities on Wednesdays.

Priorities 2025 - 2028

TEACHING FOR IMPACT



PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS



IDENTITY & BELONGING



The profile of the administration and support team within the College is as follows-

Principal – Ms Mel English

Deputy Principal – Year 11 Ms Pippa Baxter

Deputy Principal – Year 12 Mrs Vicki Bogensperger

Manager Corporate Services - Mrs Tash McCormack

Program Coordinator Teaching & Learning - Mrs Ashley Kingston

Program Coordinator Student Services - Mrs Kelly Dowling

Program Coordinator VET – Mr Chris Chidlow

HOD Mathematics & Science - Ms Aneela Nawaz

HOD Humanities - Mr Lee Bell

HOD Practical Courses – Mr Nick Reghenzani

Year 11 Coordinator – Ms April Garforth

Year 12 Coordinator - Mrs Amanda Fowler

Student Coordinator – Mrs Rachel Bellman

Communication to Parents - Each student will be allocated a Mentor Teacher. The role of the Mentor Teacher is to provide support for students to achieve their personal and academic goals. The Mentor Teacher will be in touch with their contact details to you within the first weeks of school. Parents are encouraged to communicate regularly with the Mentor Teacher. In addition to this, we are aiming for a newsletter to get to you via Connect/email/post to you at regular intervals. You may also like to log onto our website - egc.wa.edu.au – which will have regular updates along with our Facebook page - facebook.com/egcollege. To assist the College, please ensure your contact details are up to date.

Parents are encouraged to contact the College if they have any concerns at the commencement of the school year. Please note: for queries regarding the academic program please contact the Course Teacher or Mentor Teacher; for wellbeing please contact the Year Coordinators. If you wish to discuss a matter pertaining to a classroom issue, please contact the teacher first. Other avenues can be explored later if further action is deemed necessary. Parents visiting the college are requested to come to the Administration Office (HUB). Please do not go directly to classrooms.

College Uniform - A great deal of planning and consultation was involved with the designing of the College uniform. Students are required to wear the correct uniform to ensure they are easily identifiable on an open campus. There have been students in the past wearing thongs or other backless footwear. These are not suitable for school, as they are a safety hazard in many areas. For students, the school is their workplace, and we seek your support as parents in ensuring that your son/daughter comes to school dressed appropriately for that workplace. While ripped jeans may be in fashion, they are certainly not appropriate for our workplace. The uniform is available from the Green Door Gallery, Brookman Street, Kalgoorlie.

