

The Daily @ Camberwell Girls Grammar

By Anne Devenish

Snapshot

Throughout the first stage of remote learning and beyond Anne Devenish, from Camberwell Girls Grammar School, has produced The Daily – a light, warm newsletter that serves to keep the community connected and bring something of the library's personal service to everyone's email inbox.

The CGGS School Library, always open, always a warm welcoming community space (Ivy, our Library Dog waiting at the front door!) for everybody every single day of the School year! What to do when we can't open our doors to everyone at 7.30am?

We decided that we needed to try and replicate this warm welcoming library feeling and (Ivy ready and waiting!) for everyone every single day in remote learning.

The Daily was born!

Essentially **The Daily** is a creative, newsy individually designed newsletter featuring an attractive infographic interface.

Content includes, but is not limited to:

- Our Library Dog welcome
- Wellbeing messages
- Prayer
- Department messages
- School announcements – eg. School Captain voting, student surveys etc.
- Staff profiles – girls love seeing these!
- Student clubs' announcements
- House Readers Cup tally and encouragement
- Book reviews and recommendations (new books!)
- Research tips and tricks
- Research links and resources
- Health and fitness messages
- Good news stories (nothing COVID!)

The Daily
Friday, 24th July

WHAT IS IVY DOING TODAY?
She is all dressed for Cold Day! and sends you all her warmth and kindness on this day and always.

TODAY IS COLD DAY!
This is an annual CGGS tradition, where we turn off all the heaters for the day, it's a reminder to be aware of our energy usage, and find ways to minimise it. 7-10s feel free to join in the challenge at home!

We are also collecting gold coin donations – this year they will go towards the organisation Solar Buddy, who aim to gift 6 million solar lights to children living in energy poverty by 2030, helping them study after dusk and improve their livelihoods.
Our Year 7 students are making solar lamps in Term 4.

DID YOU KNOW?
According to Sustainability Victoria, energy use is Victorian schools' greatest impact on the environment.
At CGGS, we are delighted to have made significant changes with the successful installation of solar arrays at both Junior and Senior School in Semester 1.

FILM SCREENING TODAY: 2020
Join us to view '2040' an uplifting film about the possibilities and opportunities that exist today for a sustainable future. VCE students can watch in the Common Room Upper Woodstock/AB Level 2.
Use your student login to access via ClickView.


MEAT FREE MASTERCHEF WINNER
Emily Zhang of Year 12 took out the prize with her delicate vegetable tart – congratulations Emily! She has generously shared the recipe with us. [Get inspired by meat free eating on the Pallet.](#)

TALKING POWER WITH DR. REID
In 2009 my family ventured into solar energy by installing a solar hot-water system, with two solar panels and gas-fired back up. In 2017 we expanded this to solar energy for the whole house from 14 solar panels and one fairly small battery. This system is connected to our household internet, and posts continuous data on electricity production and usage.
Because we have a battery, this is recharged before any export to the grid, and during summer can supply power to the household till well into the evening and still export some power to the grid. This system is not big enough for self-sufficiency, so we import power during winter and on cloudy days.

COAT DRIVE
A reminder that we are collecting warm coats as part of the Salvation Army's Off Your Back coat drive. Coats in a plastic bag can be left at the drop-off point outside the Senior School Staff Room when you are next on-site for learning.
Read more about this drive [here](#).






I AM *Grounded.*
I AM *Loved.*
I AM *enough.*

The Daily Friday, 31 July




WHAT IS IVY DOING?
She wants to share all of these new books with you! Check out the New Books page on the Portal. We have new titles for all ages and all genres!


NEW LIBRARY SERVICE!
We are now providing a Pick-Up-Drop-Off service in the breezeway! You can reserve books via email and through the Portal which can now be picked up by your parents.
If you have finished books, we would love for them to be dropped off so we can get them delivered to another keen reader.

CATCHING UP WITH MS. WILSON
Favourite new food/recipe? I like vegetarian curries and made a great curry/carrot soup over the holidays!
Holiday destination after lockdown? I am looking forward to walking along one of our beautiful Australian beaches.
New or unknown skill? I am not very good, but I love singing and playing the guitar.
Currently reading? It won't surprise my Legal Studies students that I am currently reading "Women and Leadership" by Julia Gillard (our first female Prime Minister) and Ngozi Okoro-Iweala.
A message for the girls: One of my favourite quotes is from Maya Angelou "People will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel."



GOOD NEWS FRIDAY
In the city of Herat, this Afghan Robotics Team of 7 young girls finished the design of a mobile ventilator that costs as little as \$700—compared to the \$20,000 needed to purchase a traditional model. The lightweight machine can be powered by batteries that can run for ten hours.
Their robotics team invented an inexpensive new ventilator model that will help the thousands of Covid-19 patients in their homeland, where there is a lack of such machines in hospitals.



CREATE YOUR TOMORROW
1920
2020

100th Anniversary
Camberwell Girls Grammar School
1892-2022

- Week themes- eg. Diversity, Reconciliation, Science etc.
- Sustainability messages
- Inspirational girls/women
- Ted talks
- Video clips

The list is endless really, is it very important however to maintain the creative design and ensure readability and engagement. We aim to always NOT look like a regular School newsletter!

The Daily is set to arrive in the inboxes of all students and staff (Teaching and Professional) at 7.30am. Feedback from students and all staff is that **The Daily** is a wonderful way to start the day, they love seeing what Ivy is up to and it is a soft, warm welcome to their school day.

There are samples of **The Daily** reproduced here as a guide for your own.

Wishing everyone the best in remote learning.

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