

## Student Support/Pastoral Care

College is an important milestone for students and gives them the chance to map out a pathway to work or further study.

To support students in their transition to college and beyond we provide the services of trained, experienced, and committed staff.

The Student Services Team works with teachers and families to help students make the most of their college opportunities.

The Student Services Team advises students about course choices and provides guidance and support through the wellbeing program and special consideration.

The Student Services Team includes an Executive teacher, Year Co-ordinators, School Psychologist, Transitions & Careers Advisor, WEX/ASbA Coordinator.

## Support Groups (SG)

Support Groups (SG) are central to the college's pastoral care approach. The SG teacher monitors student progress, general welfare, attendance and educational packages. The Student Wellbeing program is delivered via the SG program.

During weekly SG sessions student receive important information regarding class changes, package checking, personal and career development, and details of upcoming opportunities and events.

## College Links

[www.lakeonline.act.edu.au](http://www.lakeonline.act.edu.au)

[Facebook](#)

[Instagram](#)



## Communication

**Lake News** is the college newsletter produced regularly during term. The articles aim to keep parents informed about college activities and to celebrate student achievements.

**TV Monitors** around the College continuously scroll through notices for student information.

**College Meetings** are organised for items of interest to the whole student body. Awards are presented, and students give information about social, fundraising or interschool activities.

**Reports** are issued at the end of each term. These are either Progress Reports or End of Unit Reports.

**Attendance and/or Assessment Alerts** are issued via email approximately week 5 of each term giving students and parents notice of any attendance or assessment concerns.

**Absences-** Student attendance summaries are provided via email each Monday detailing any unexplained absences and providing overall attendance percentages.

**SMS absence messages** are sent each day. Parents can reply to these SMS messages to explain absences.

## Australian School-based Apprenticeships

Students can participate in a school-based apprenticeship (ASbA) while at the college. ASbA students are part-time at school. Their program is made flexible enough to accommodate the students' school, work and training needs. Points toward certification are allocated for training/work hours

## Careers

Careers advice is given by the Careers advisor who will also discuss courses, career goals, vocational and educational opportunities.

We encourage students to visit Careers

- To check their academic package
- For advice on gaining entry to competitive courses
- To determine pre-requisites for further study outside college
- For advice and guidance about possible career pathways and choices

## Work Experience (WEX)

All students are strongly advised to do WEX during their time at college. Students may select from a wide variety of workplaces, or can choose to organise their own placement with support from staff. Most WEX placements occur in the non-teaching week/s at the end of each semester, but placements during a semester are also possible. There are multiple opportunities to do WEX. WEX contributes points towards their ACT Senior Secondary Certificate.