

Beginning of the 2018 School Year

Dear Parents

Thanks for your patience with the new buildings it will definitely be worth the wait. Further to correspondence sent out in the information pack last month I want to provide some information around day 1 next year and other management issues. The first day for all Yarrowonga College P-12 students is Tuesday January 30, can you please ensure that your child arrives at school around 8.50 am. Students in Prep will not be required Wednesdays for the month of February when individual student assessments take place. Letters with your child's prep assessment times will be mailed in January so if you don't receive a letter, please see your child's classroom teacher on day 1.

Prep – Year 4 Information

For Prep to Year 4 parents, working our way back from the front of the new P-4 buildings, the 5 Year 3/4 classes will be in the front half, closest to Gilmore Street. The Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) is in the middle of the new P-4 building and the 3 Year 1 classrooms are adjacent to the MPR. At the Eastern end of the new building, (closer to Woods Road) the 4 Prep classes are situated. The 3 Year 2 classes will be situated in the newly renovated portable classrooms.

Can younger students who would normally catch a bus on the first day please be dropped off by their parents so that we have a chance to show them what to do at some stage during the day and set up some buddies for the younger students. At the end of each day the students catching buses will assemble at the P-4 Campus MPR and be led by the teacher on duty across to the bus pick up area.

Administration

The Administration building is situated in between the P-4 and 5-8 campuses, if you need information on books, etc you can access Administration staff through designated car parks on site or in one of the 47 angle parks on Gilmore Street. Please do not park in the on-site spaces for school drop off or pick up. (only short term visits to the Administration Building). There will be an Administration staff member at the 9-12 Campus that can be accessed on the Pinniger Street site.

Year 5 – Year 8 Information

For Year 5 students new to the 5-8 Campus, can parents please ensure that their children arrive at around 8.50am. The Year 5/6 area of the Campus is the Portable buildings behind the large building at the front of the Campus closest to Gilmore Street. All 5-8 families, please remember to drop students off and pick them up in the Showgrounds space provided.

Year 9 – Year 12 Information

For Year 9 students new to the 9-12 Campus, can parents please ensure that students arrive around 8.50am on the Pinniger Street site, please do not drop students off in the Staff Car Park.

Kind Regards



Damien Keel

Gilmore Street Area and Traffic Safety



Hi Everyone

Thanks for a fantastic 2017 and on behalf of all the staff at Yarrowonga College P-12, have a safe and happy Christmas and a fantastic New Year. To ensure everyone's safety next year, please follow the fact sheet as provided by Moira Shire along with a map of what the area will look like for the start of next year, I also have some requests that I would appreciate you following in relation to school drop off and pick up.

Please ensure that everyone;

- sticks to the 40km speed limit, this will be enforced by the police.
- stops when anyone is standing at the pedestrian crossing on Gilmore Street whether the Crossing Supervisor is on duty or not. There is a legal requirement for you to stop.
- does not use staff car parks for student drop off/pick up, there are areas provided.

P-4 Campus Pick Up/Drop Off

- As parents of P-4 students can you please give preference of parks to Prep parents in the 47 angle parks along Gilmore Street, especially on the first day of the school year – (Tuesday January 30). On this day, there will be signs directing students to their learning areas of the new building and staff will also be wandering to assist with this.
- Parents of students in Year 3/4 can you please drop off and pick up on the Showgrounds area to keep parking spaces free along Gilmore Street. There will be appropriate walking paths available for your child/ren to walk safely to the P-4 Campus.
- As a college, we understand how excited everyone is about our new buildings but we would ask that on the first morning if parents could please drop their children off and exit quickly so as not to hold up car spaces. When you come back at pick up time, we will have the building open for all parents to walk through until 4pm, so everyone gets the opportunity to view this fabulous new building without interrupting student-learning time.
- As a college, we would love all parents to congregate under the shade sails in the outside amphitheatre areas during drop off and pick up. Due to the child safety standards, parents are asked not to enter the school buildings during school hours. All questions or appointments to meet with teacher are to go through the office.

5-8 Campus Pick Up/Drop Off

- Can all students please be dropped off/picked up in the Showgrounds area as usual.
- Parents can also use Pinniger Street to drop students off in the pick up/drop off loop on the 9-12 Campus and students can walk safely through the 9-12 Campus and across the supervised crossing onto the 5-8 Campus.

9-12 Campus

- Can all students please be dropped off either on Pinniger Street or in the drop off/pick up loop on the 9-12 Campus.

Kind Regards

Damien Keel, College Principal

FACT SHEET



Parking upgraded at Yarrawonga College P-12

Yarrawonga College P-12 has undergone an extensive upgrade with all three campuses – Junior, Middle and Senior – now located along both sides of Gilmore Street.

With the resulting increase in the student population, and to ensure the continued safety of students, parents, guardians and other road users, the car parking, bus zones and drop off and pick up points have been redesigned.

The redesign works will take place during the January school holidays, to be completed for the beginning of the 2018 school year.

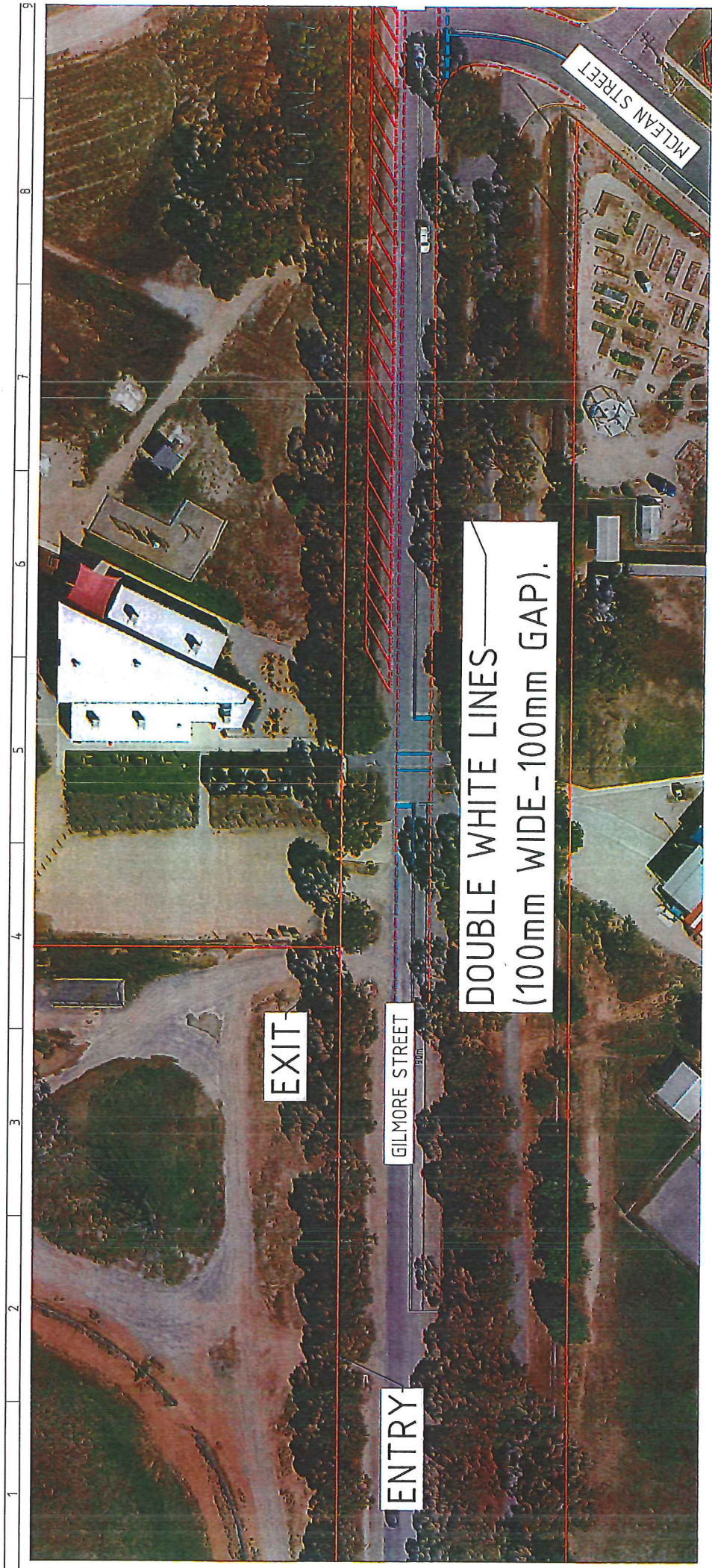
Some problems with the existing traffic management plan were identified including -

- Increasing student population bringing increased demand on bus and car traffic;
- No defined pick up and /or drop off point for parents;
- Ill-defined traffic flow with cars entering and exiting the Showgrounds carpark from both gates;
- Vehicles doing U-turns along the length of Gilmore Street;
- A general absence of dedicated car parking along Gilmore Street.

The new design and works will incorporate key traffic improvements including -

- Provision of a dedicated bus zone able to safely manage the ten buses that currently transport students to and from school;
- There will be 47 dedicated parking spaces for parents and visitors to the school along Gilmore Street;
- Senior Campus students' (years 9-12) drop off and pick up point will remain in Pinniger Street;
- Separate pick up and drop off points for parents and students;
- Pedestrian access for those walking and/or cycling to the college;
- Parking for staff and parents visiting the school;
- Safe traffic flow in and around the precinct;
- The permanent 40km/h zone will be extended to the cemetery;
- The Showgrounds entry point will be altered to facilitate improved traffic flow;
- Increased signage to manage directional flow of traffic on and off Gilmore Street including the enforcement of double lines;
- U-turns will not be permitted in the 40km/h zone.





DOUBLE WHITE LINES
(100mm WIDE-100mm GAP).

