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Dear Families and Friends,

Our amazing Year 7 students have been exploring a range of challenges, ideas and issues through an interdisciplinary Project Based Learning (PBL) approach.

An essential element of Project Based Learning (PBL) is having students demonstrate their learning through public exhibition. This requires students to share their learning, their products or their actions in a public forum to an audience. Our semester two exhibition will be held on **MONDAY 29th NOVEMBER from 3:45pm - 5:30pm** in our new Arts Exhibition Space. This will require all students involved to be at school supervised by their PBL teachers until 5:30pm.

These exhibitions rely on the attendance of parents/carers and family as active audience members. Students do 'good' work for their teachers, but do their **BEST** work when given the opportunity to share with a real audience.

A Project Based Learning (PBL) approach develops students' skills in collaboration, communication and critical and creative thinking. These are future focussed skills that are essential for student success in a fast changing, technologically driven world. Students have been demonstrating these skills throughout the semester, however, they become essential when required to meet a deadline for exhibition with the added incentive of presenting to family and friends.

Public exhibition also builds a range of skills including, but not limited to:

- Confidence
- Resilience
- Organisation
- Communication in formal settings
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Presentation and Digital Literacy skills

As you will see, exhibitions are a wonderful opportunity for students, and a great opportunity for you to see your young person in action.

We look forward to seeing you next week.

Regards,



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