

Principal Report

The tragic news of our own Julian Mroczkowski's passing was recently communicated to the school community. This has effected many staff and students within the college and it has certainly been a difficult fortnight for all. As a tribute to Julian's contributions to our college, I would like to say a few words about his time at Lalor Secondary College.

Julian started work at Lalor Secondary College in January 2008. This year was his 10th year at the college teaching in the areas of English, EAL, Literacy Support, Humanities and Senior Psychology. He was a passionate teacher who worked hard to get the best out of his students. However, Julian's most unique talent within the college was his ability to develop close relationships with students, who were often struggling with personal or family related issues. He had the ability to recognise and support our most vulnerable students, and ensured they had an adult to speak to within the college. There are many students at our college who have now lost their go to person, and this will have a lasting effect on our college. He is not someone that can be replaced for these students.

When I reflect on Julian as a Lalor Secondary College staff member I think of his contribution during the RUOK day BBQ on the second last day of last term. He organised the BBQ and worked closely with a variety of students from various social groups, took these students under his wing and made a difference to their lives during that day. He was fun and the kids enjoyed his company. This was his special talent. I have said for a long time that students don't often remember what they learnt at school or even what they thought about school, but they will always remember how they were made to feel. Julian made the students feel valued, supported and important.

For our community this tragic event has emphasised the importance of forming those special connections with all our students and friends, and in honour of Julian we should keep that at the forefront of our thoughts and actions moving forward.

He will be sorely missed by all within our college.

Additional counselling support has been offered to all students and staff within our college, however if any member of our school community needs support around this matter or recognises someone that may need assistance around the issue of grief and loss please contact me via the general office for that assistance to be arranged.

If you have questions in regard to any of this information please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours

Mr Corey Jewell

College Principal

YEAR 11 & 12

There were many exciting events during Term 3, but for the SRC, the 'Kids Teaching Kids' program and the RU-OK? Day activities were highlights. For the Kids Teaching Kids program, our SRC invited 40 primary school students from a range of local schools to give those students some leadership experience. Our students did an excellent job and the primary schools were grateful for their efforts.

For the RUOK? day, we had students wearing yellow head bands with positive messages and a free BBQ for all students. It was important for us as a school community to make the time to support each other and ask some important questions. Both events could not have happened without the hard work of our teachers Mr Tim Cottrell, Mr Simon Matzke and Mr Julian Mroczkowski. Nor would it have been possible without the generous support of the Whittlesea Council Baseline youth team who provided lunch and have spent many sessions working with our SRC to help prepare these days.

Last week we ran our school and sports captain elections which involved the candidates delivering a speech to all of the year 11 and 12 students which takes courage and dedication. Our candidates were Clare Freeman, Elly-May Drier, Anastasia Aliotta, Mateenah Munkayilar, Joshua Golledge, Sasho Lumakovski, Michael Perri and Kolose Tanimio. The speeches were of an extremely high standard and we are very proud of their efforts. We will announce the results during Orientation Week.

At the time of writing, we are celebrating the Year 12's final day which started with a pancake breakfast and a range of celebrations before students paraded out of the college at 12.30pm. A huge thank you to Mr Hill and Ms Domm for their organisation of this event and all of their work with the Year 12 cohort this year.

After the 20th October, Year 12 students are able to come in and see their teachers but they must make an appointment to let the teacher know, wear full school uniform and sign in at the office. I encourage all year 12 students to use the time now and prior to exams to gain as much teacher assistance as possible.

I'd like to thank all staff who came in over the holidays to supervise the Year 12 indicative exams. These were a valuable opportunity for feedback and necessary experience for our students as they will soon be facing 'the real thing' when most students start their exams on November 1st with the English and EAL VCAA exams. A number of our students have already started completing language exams. We wish all of our year 12s the very best of luck. Please see below for some important dates.

VCAL students are quickly finishing off the last of their assessments and project work and the Year 11 students move closer to the end of Unit 2 and move towards their final examinations. I encourage all year 11's to work as hard as they can to get every advantage in 2017 that can help build a firm foundation for VCE and VCAL success in 2018.

Lastly, I'd like to let the school community know about the upcoming Lalor Secondary Fun Run. This is an annual event that will occur on Monday 31st October and is coordinated by Mr Stevce Krstevski. Students from all years 7 -11 will be involved this year. This event not only gives students an opportunity to do something healthy, the money raised goes to support our Schools Sponsor Child, with the additional revenue to be spent by the SRC on a charity of their choosing

Ms. Julie Ryan

Assistant Principal

Monday 9th – Tuesday 31stOctober	Language Exams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language Examinations take place at their respective venues.
Thursday 19th October	End of Unit 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last day of scheduled classes in all subjects.
Friday 20th October	Celebrations Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last day of school for all Year 12 Students.
Monday 23rd – Tuesday 31stOctober	SWOT VAC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> During this time students should be at home studying, revising for exams. If it is necessary to see a teacher then you must phone/email ahead and make an appointment. This will ensure that no time is wasted in the case of a teacher being absent etc. Students must be in school uniform when at school visiting teachers.

Wednesday 1st November – Friday 24th November	Examinations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All students should have a copy of their timetable. Ensure you are on time for all exams - there can be no allowances for students who miss an exam or arrive late. If an unforeseen circumstance arises affecting your attendance you must contact the school. Special Provision applications for the exam period must be lodged with the Year 12 Student Manager. Students must be in school uniform when at the school during
Friday 17th November	Final Date for Return of Netbooks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failure to return net book by the 17th November will result in students being banned from the formal and Presentation Evening.
Friday 24th November	Year 12 Formal – Waterfront Receptions Docklands <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evening will begin at 7:00pm and conclude at 11:30pm.
Thursday 7th December	Second Hand Book Sale <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Books are brought to school between 10am and 1pm. Books will be sold between 3.20pm and 5pm. Please see information sheet for terms, conditions and prices.
Friday 15th December	Year 12 Results Released <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statements of Results and summary statements of grades sent to students by VCAA. Students have been given information on how to access their results by phone or internet from 7.00am.
Wednesday 20th December	Valedictory/Presentation Evening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents and students to attend an awards presentation and speech night starting at 7.00 p.m. sharp – Parade College.

YEAR 9 & 10

On behalf of the teaching staff, we would like to thank all of our year 9 and 10 parents who made time to attend the Parent Teacher Conferences held on the last week of term three. We greatly value the partnership we have with our families and the role it plays in improving learning and pathways outcomes for your child.

These interviews gave parents the opportunity to discuss their child's progress in detail and to work together with the teacher to support continued learning. Your support and encouragement at home is pivotal to the overall progress your child is able to attain at school. If you have any concerns about your child's progress or wellbeing, please make sure you contact the year 9 and 10 Student Managers.

Late last term we also saw, the year 9 Advance students under the supervision of Ms Christian complete some landscaping work around the administration area. The students worked hard to lay pebbles and complete planting around the perimeter of the fence. Their hard work is very much appreciated. Thank you to both classes.

On Tuesday this week, the year 9 students were treated to a lovely day at The Enchanted Adventure Gardens. From all accounts, both students and teachers had a great time, and some even conquered their fear of heights during the tree surfing activities. I would like to thank Ms Kotsopoulos and Ms Storer for all of their work organising the day, and the following staff, Ms Zdraveska, Ms Saltmarsh, Ms Moore, Ms Lister, Ms DeSantis Mr Kumar, Mr Murcott Mr Danher and Mr Krstevski for accompanying them and ensuring an enjoyable time for all.

Year 9 students are encouraged to apply for the Senior School Scholarships. These scholarships are for students entering year 10, who display the school values of Pride, Achievement, Caring, Cooperation and Honesty. We have many students who display these values and who are hardworking and striving to achieve their best. There are four scholarship areas available; Sport, Community, Academic and Leadership.

A letter explaining the criteria's and containing application forms has been mailed to all families with children in year 9. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Ms. Laura Forster
Assistant Principal



YEAR 7 & 8

The 2017 School based vaccination program at Lalor Secondary College was completed this week. The Year 7 students received their third HPV dose on Wednesday. Over the course of the year, the City of Whittlesea Immunisation Team have visited the school three times and the Year 7 students have been immunised against five serious diseases.

- First visit of two jabs – Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Dose 1 and Boostrix (which protects against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough)
- Second visit of two jabs – HPV Dose 2 and Chickenpox
- Third visit – HPV Dose 3

The Immunisation Team made an extra visit in August as a part of the State Government School based vaccination program for Meningococcal W for 15 to 19 year olds. The Year 10, 11 and 12 students received Meningococcal W vaccination at this time.

If your child missed out on a school immunisation session you can bring them to any of the City of Whittlesea's public immunisation sessions or a doctor to receive the missed vaccine. For more information contact the Council's Immunisation team on 9217 2170.

Mr. Peter James
Assistant Principal



Year 12 – The final countdown!

Firstly, I would like to congratulate the class of 2017 on successfully completing their year 12 VCE and senior VCAL certificate, well done. To the year 12's at Lalor Secondary College who are about to embark on their end of year exams, good luck!

Remember this period can be daunting and sometimes overwhelming for students, however there are various activities that can be undertaken to make sure individual performance is the best that it can be.

Remember to:

Be prepared – Make the most of SWAT VAC. This period should be dedicated to revision and study. Extra study could give you the edge needed to increase your final year ATAR score.

Rest – It is important to get adequate sleep. Did you know that teenagers should be averaging around 9.25 hrs per night?

Eat right – Food is fuel for the brain. Make sure you eat healthy and regular meals. Food is packed full of essential vitamins and nutrients which will help you to perform at your peak level.

Relax – When feelings of nerves begin, take a few deep breaths and use positive self-talk. Saying things like 'I have studied for this, I know the work, I will be OK' can help to alleviate feelings of anxiousness.

Change of Preference

Year 12's should be aware the VTAC application process allows students to make changes to their preference listing. This gives individuals the opportunity to re-arrange, add or delete courses based on the results achieved. All students will receive a letter in the coming weeks outlining the process and the option for students to make an appointment time to meet with Miss Chantry during this time.

VCE results & ATAR	Online	Post ⁵	Fees
VCE results & ATAR	15 December (7am)	20 December	no fees

Your VCE study scores, ATAR and VTAC Scaled Study Scores will be available to you via internet services. All current VCE students will receive a statement of VCE study scores from the VCAA in the mail. However, only students who have applied for courses through VTAC this year and have paid their VTAC processing fees will be sent an ATAR statement in the mail.

How to access your results online

The VCE results and ATAR Service will be available from 7am, 15 December.

To view your results online, log on to **resultsandatar.vic.edu.au** using your **VCE student number** and Results Service PIN. (*The default Results Service PIN is the first four digits of your birthdate*)

Results will be available online from mid-December.

Note: The Results Service PIN is separate from your VTAC PIN

I would like to wish all year 12's the very best for their exams and future endeavours and will be available to assist year 12's with change of preferences and any other assistance needed by calling the school to arrange a time.

Miss Chantry

Careers and transition coordinator





ENCHANTED ADVENTURE GARDENS

Year 9 Excursion

Monday 16th October

On Monday 16 of October, the year 9 students traveled to the 'Enchanted Gardens' which was located in Arthurs Seat. Many students had the opportunity to tree surf. The tree surfing course was gigantic! Many students completed all the levels while many students stopped at one. Each level seemed to get harder and harder by eventually leaving students to walk across a single rope of metal. The tree surfing was a very enjoyable experience and I'm sure plenty of students would do it again.

Even though some people didn't do tree surfing, they had the opportunity to instead, go in multiple mazes and have multiple shots at the tub slides. There were many activities in between each maze, for example, the kid's maze had many cardboard cut outs of animals and even had snakes and ladders which occupied us for quite a bit. The tub slides were very long sides which went very fast. The slide was very fun since water would splash on you and in some cases, help you go faster.

Overall even though it became very hot very quickly, the majority of the year 9 students had an amazing time. This was an excursion and experience that I don't think we will ever forget.

Elizabeth Pirpiris 9D



INCURSION – TIM FORSTER Year 9

On Wednesday morning, 18th of October 2017, during our Explore lesson, we got to meet a police officer named Tim Forster. He told us about crimes that are committed at our age and how to stay away from trouble.

We found out that the most popular crime committed at our age is car theft, followed by shop lifting. His speech was long but informative and I'm sure it inspired many students. The most important thing that I got out of this experience is that it is important to protect yourself as well as making others feel protected.

Annie 9F



VICTORIA POLICE

Law School Mooting Competition – La Trobe University

On Tuesday 29th August, eight year 11 legal Studies students participated in the Law School Mooting Competition at La Trobe University Law School. Students includes Mateenah, Munkayilar, Mara Todorovski, Jaylan Chaabanm, Nevjeet Singh, Jordan Kelly-Smith, Cindy Tran, Emilia Pejcinovski and Elly-May Drier.

There were 32 teams participating in the competition from schools all over Victoria. The two teams of four competed all day using their legal research, reasoning and advocacy skills. Students were well prepared and delivered excellent submission. At the end of the day one of our student Mateenah was awarded the **Best Advocate Award** for the day.

One of our teams made it through to the finals. The top four schools competing in the finals were announced; Lalor Secondary College, Marcelline College, Sirius College and St Monica's College. Team two - including Mateenah, Jaylan, Mara and Navjeet - attended the Federal Court on Thursday at 7th September at William Street in the city. They competed in the Semi-final against St Monica's College. Ms Bruno, Mr James and I attended the Federal Court together with parents of the students to offer encouragement and support.

Mateenah and Jaylan presented their arguments as prosecutors in a Murder trial. The competition was really tough but our students presented calmly and in a professional manner. Navjeet and Mara should also be commended on their contributions as instructing solicitors. In fact, all four collaborated well and showed excellent team work. Unfortunately, the judge sided with the defence and St Monica's narrowly won the round.

All eight students should be commended on their outstanding efforts. They performed as advocates at the highest level and demonstrated pride when representing our school. Well done and congratulations to all on an excellent effort and achievement!

Mr Sam Kotsopoulos
Humanities Leader



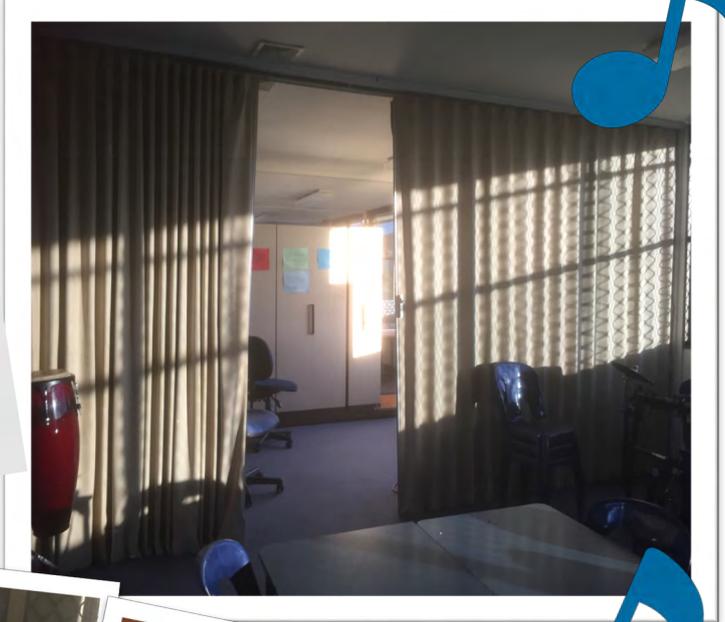
Music

IT'S HERE! "13 DIGITAL WORKSTATIONS & RE-
CORDING STUDIO"

BEFORE & AFTER THE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

Music at Lalor transformed an old storeroom into a Digital Suite with 13 Workstations.

Music students at Lalor Secondary College are coming out of the woodworks to collaborate with classroom music students and create music in our new digital audio suite on one of 13 digital workstations. Each workstation is running Mac-Book Pro equipped with a 41 key USB keyboard and a Focus rite interphase unit to plug in other instruments or a microphone. The programs students are operating include Pro-tools, Sibelius and Garage band. Music students are creating diverse expressive music in a range of styles from Hip Hop, RAP, R&B, and Pop Music.



Cheerleading

Over the holidays, the Lalor Eagles cheer team competed in their second competition for the year. Whilst they weren't able to match their third place from the first competition, they did extremely well in their performance and should be very proud. The team have trained all year, putting in over 50 hours of training. Whilst cheerleading has ended for this year, all students are encouraged to consider being part of the team for next year.

Daniella Kotevska 7A

Niki SANGAS 7G

Sukniti Patial 7H

Tahniah DUNCAN 7I

Taylia BRUNO 7J

Imogen MCKAY 8A

Oriana DRAGARSKI 8C

Shaylee HARRIS 8E

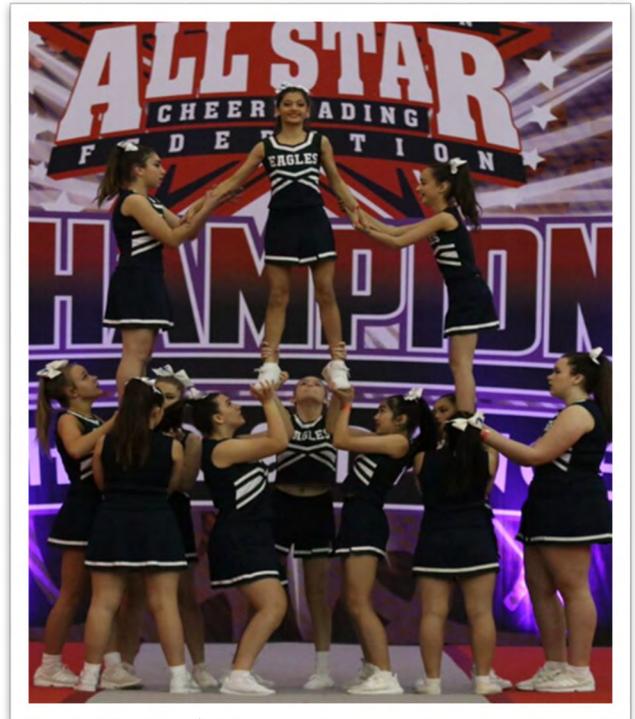
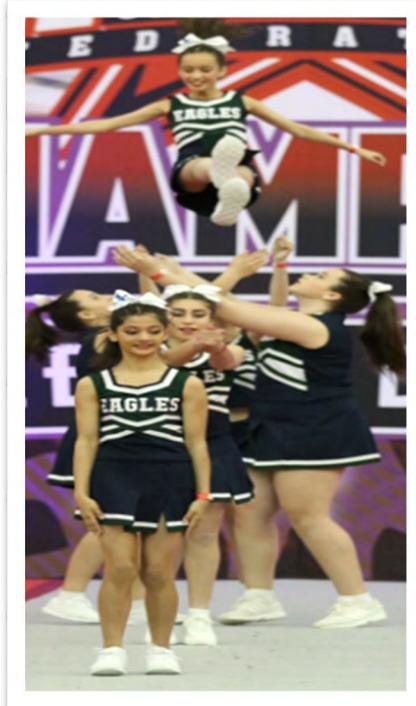
Asalah Khodragha 8F

Kristen VUONG 9A

Michelle LU 9C

Katie NGUYEN 10C

Tina NGUYEN 10H



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop requests that the exact money (or as close as possible) be used when making a purchase by cash.

To calculate the amount required, the current uniform pricelists are on the school's website (*see Enrolments*). They are also on display at the uniform shop.

Please note the uniform shop has **EFTPOS** available.

As a reminder, the shop's weekly trading hours are as follows:

Monday (10:30 - 2:30 pm)

Tuesday (10:30 - 3:30 pm)

Wednesday (3.00 - 6.00 pm)



Thank you in advance.

Mrs Leenders (Direct Tel: 9463 7331)

CSEF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or
- on the first day of Term two
 - be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, or
 - be a temporary foster parent, and Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

It should be noted that a Special Consideration category also exists.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$225 for secondary school students.

2018 CSEF APPLICATION NEWS

If your child received CSEF funding in 2017 no new application form will need to be completed for 2018.

All 2017 CSEF recipients will be rolled over as part of the new process.

If you are currently not sure about your application status please contact the General Office for confirmation.

All families who did not hold a Health Care/Pension Card in 2017 and have since received one, you will be required to complete the forms for 2018

2018 CSEF Applications Forms are currently available from the General Office.

2018 Northern Knights Girls Talent Search



Think you have what it takes to play TAC Cup Girls Football?

We're looking for motivated girls born in 2000-2002, wanting to pursue football at an elite level and join the AFLW Talent Pathway. No experience required, high level athletes strongly encouraged!

If this sounds like you, register your interest at:
www.nthknights.com.au/girls

BOOKINGS CLOSE MONDAY OCTOBER 23

DETAILS

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25

Trial Games & Skills Session

Time: 5:00pm

Venue: Parade College
Plenty Rd, Bundoora

FRIDAY OCTOBER 27

Fitness Testing

Time: 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Venue: Parade College
Plenty Rd, Bundoora



FREE TEEN GIRLS TENNIS PROGRAM

Our Free 6 week introductory tennis program is a great opportunity for girls to get together, form friendship groups and play tennis in an all girl environment.

WHEN: *STARTS FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER*

WHO: *OPEN TO GIRLS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 - 17*

SESSION TIME: *FRIDAYS 6PM*

WHERE: *WEST LALOR T.C,
118 KINGSWAY DVE, LALOR*

**RACQUETS PROVIDED,
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!**



For further information or to book your place in our program please contact Yvonne on 0411 443 627 or email topseedtennis@iinet.net.au

www.topseedtennisacademy.com.au



RECONNECT WHITTLESEA

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The Reconnect program intensively supports participants to get into vocational education and training.

Learning Support Officers will work with you to develop a learning plan based on your needs and career goals. You will be assisted to complete an accredited course and move on to further training or employment.

We are partnering with Mill Park Community House to provide you with the support you need.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Early school leavers and long-term unemployed people aged 15–24 living in the City of Whittlesea.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stacey Allden
☎ 9422 5633
✉ SAalden@bsl.org.au
Epping Community Services Hub
713 High St, Epping, VIC 3076



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Funding for the Reconnect grant program is being provided by the Victorian Government, through the Department of Education and Training.



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Making a positive difference everyday

Are you between 16-25 years old?
Passionate about gender equality?
Want to learn new skills in leadership?

Come along to this FREE education program to develop your skills in:

- Respectful Relationships
- Peer leadership
- Public speaking
- Community campaigns
- Event management and more

Training course delivered over 6 weeks with guest speakers, discussions, activities and dinner.



STARTING 1 NOV

Wed evenings 1 Nov - 6 Dec
6pm – 8.30pm

Thomastown West Community Hub
98-112 Main St, Thomastown, 3074

To register: Jess Bigby
jbigby@whittleseacc.org.au
9401 6666

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