# YESHIVAH COLLEGE 2022

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT



ישיבת אהלי יוסף יצחק ליובאוויטש YESHIVAH COLLEGE תחת נשיאות כ״ק אדמו״ר מליובאוויטש

Yeshivah College Educating for Life

# **PERFORMANCE INFORMATION REPORT 2022**

This document is designed to report to the public key aspects identified by the State and Commonwealth Governments as linked to the performance of Schools in Australia. Yeshivah College remains committed to the continual review and improvement of all its practices, policies and processes.

We are suitably proud of the achievements of our students, and the efforts of our staff to strive for excellence in teaching and outcomes.

*Please note: Any data referencing Yeshivah – Beth Rivkah Colleges (or YBR) is data com*bined with our partner school, Beth Rivkah Ladies College. All other data relates specifically to Yeshivah.

# Vision

To provide an affordable, high-quality, Jewish education so our students can succeed in all spheres of their lives and positively impact the world.

# **Our Values**

Yeshivah – Beth Rivkah students will be inspired with: Ahavas Yisroel: to

- Love and have concern for others
- Give to others

Pride in being Jewish: to

- Be G-d fearing
- Be inspired by the Rebbe and his teachings
- Feel a personal connection to Hashem
- Be Torah-committed
- Love their Torah studies, especially Chabad Chassidus

Respect: to

- Be welcoming
- Have respect for themselves, others and the environment
- Be mentschen

Striving for excellence: to

- Demonstrate persistent commitment to learning
- Pursue the highest quality education
- Fulfil their potential

Empowerment: to

- Take risks
- Demonstrate initiative

- Think positively to engender positive results (tracht gut vet zein gut)
- Encourage themselves and others
- Engage in lifelong learning

# **Our Mission**

To refine each student's character, to foster a passion for Judaism inspired by Chabad Chassidus and to produce outstanding academic and personal results in all endeavours.

# **1. PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT**

# **STAFF ATTENDANCE**

In 2022, Yeshivah – Beth Rivkah Colleges (YBR) have been privileged to have a staff committed to the development of all aspects of school life.

Teaching methods were thorough, innovative and motivating, and there was involvement in improving behavioral outcomes, curricula, professional standards and maintaining the duty of care of which the school is proud.

Teaching staff at YBR had an absenteeism rate in 2022 that was 2% \*.

\*This figure does not include days missed as a result of staff attending professional learning activities, or days missed by teachers on Long Service Leave or Family/Personal Leave where replacement teachers took over all of the relevant classes.

# **STAFF RETENTION**

From 2021 to 2022, YBR had a staff turnover for all staff including teaching, administration, and support staff across the whole School equivalent to 12.30%.

\* Staff turnover figures are calculated on the basis of the number of staff members and are independent of whether staff are part time or full time. It includes permanent staff only and not casuals. Staff turnover calculations include all new positions that have occurred during the course of the entire year. Turnover figures do include replacement positions to cover staff on maternity leave.

# **EXPENDITURE AND TEACHER PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL LEARNING**

Yeshivah staff participate in regular Professional Development throughout the year. This is overseen by the Senior Staff and can take the form of organised conferences and professional development outside the school, presenters within the school, webinars and online forums and sessions as part of regular staff meetings, covering a range of activities and educational advancements.

# **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

YESHIVAH PRIMARY	YESHIVAH SECONDARY
JEWISH STUDIES	JEWISH STUDIES
<ul> <li>Jewish studies teachers engaged in sharing pedagogical ideas in staff meetings.</li> <li>Variety of staff members attended various PD sessions including a session</li> <li>Developing good behaviour in students / Using the Tzivos Hashem program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Using MyEd to facilitate learning</li> <li>Regular Gemara Faculty meetings</li> <li>Gemara Teacher Training</li> <li>Regular Chumash Faculty meetings</li> <li>Halacha and Chassidus Curriculum Workshops</li> </ul>
GENERAL STUDIES	GENERAL STUDIES
<ul> <li>General Studies meetings were used as a professional discussion forums for a range of behavioural and pedagogical matters</li> <li>Structured Word Inquiry by Fiona Hamilton of Word Torque</li> <li>First AID</li> <li>Numicon Training</li> <li>Zones of regulation</li> <li>Math PD</li> <li>Team meetings with Year level head teachers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>MAVS: VCE Further Maths, Maths Methods, Spec Maths</li> <li>VCE Assessment for Business Subjects (Legal Studies, Business Management and Economics</li> <li>Professional Development: MAV Maths</li> <li>Chemistry Conference, Meet the Examiners and Development of Chemistry SACS for Unit 3 and 4</li> <li>ISLearn: Chemistry – Teaching VCE Chemistry Untis 3 and 4</li> <li>ISLearn: Creating &amp; Structuring SACS Application Task (Methods &amp; Spec)</li> <li>MAVS: Mini Conference – Maths</li> <li>VCAA Assessors Training</li> <li>2022 VATE State Conference</li> <li>STAV- Chemistry</li> </ul>
ALL STAFF	ALL STAFF
<ul> <li>Anaphylaxis Review</li> <li>Series on Social Thinking</li> <li>16 week training on collaborative problem solving (CPS)</li> <li>Child Protection &amp; Child Safety Review</li> <li>Lockdown / Evacuation Protocol</li> <li>Behaviour management</li> <li>Implementing Well Being Framework run by PIC</li> <li>Auditory processing</li> <li>ADHD with Rebecca Perkins</li> <li>Protective Behaviours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cognizance Project, Jared Cooney Horvath</li> <li>Learner Agency, James Anderson</li> <li>Managing ADHD, Rebecca Perkins</li> <li>Child Safety &amp; Code of Conduct</li> <li>Professional Development – Behaviour Management</li> <li>CPR training</li> <li>Training Session Uploading LE Documents in SEQTA</li> <li>Protecting Children- Mandatory Reporting and other</li> <li>Obligations</li> <li>Anaphylaxis Management</li> <li>Lockdown/Evacuation Protocol</li> </ul>
EDUCATION SUPPORT	EDUCATION SUPPORT: TEACHER
• SEQTA Training which included one on one training if needed	<ul> <li>Network meetings with Len Hain</li> <li>LE Review and Moderation Sessions</li> <li>Regular Staff Sessions</li> </ul>
	SHLUCHIM and EDUCATION SUPPORT: AIDES
	<ul> <li>School Aides attended the JCAS Aide Training Day at the start of the year</li> <li>Student Welfare Professional Development Session</li> <li>Two day on-boarding process to familiarise Shluchim with policies, procedures and the like</li> <li>Shluchim attended the weekend long Shluchim Conference via zoom</li> </ul>

# 2. KEY STUDENT OUTCOMES

Yeshivah College students enjoy a positive schooling experience and are continually striving to achieve improvement, both academically and personally, to develop the ability to work independently and collaboratively, to act as role models and leaders in the school and in the community and to contribute positively to the school and to society at large.

The students come from a variety of backgrounds in terms of their education and religious observance, but all are catered for in the comprehensive Jewish and General Studies curricula.

# **STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

The total student enrolment figures in 2022 were 391 students in Years Foundation to 12 at Yeshivah. In 2022, students in the Primary and Secondary schools averaged approximately 92% attendance.

Sample data on attendance figures are forwarded to the Australian Government, as part of the funding accountability.

# NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY NAPLAN TESTING DATA

NAPLAN assessment is administered by the Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority (VCAA) for students across Victoria in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 to provide a measure of student numeracy and literacy skills. Please see below our 2022 percentages of our students <u>AT OR ABOVE</u> the national benchmarks.

National benchmarks have been supplied to the School in the areas of Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation and Numeracy.

# **2022 NAPLAN RESULTS**

Year Level	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Spelling (%)	Punctuation & Grammar (%)	Numeracy (%)
Year 3	93	95	95	95	89
Year 5	95	91	81	95	90
Year 7	100	97	100	97	100
Year 9	90	88	100	97	100

## **COMPARISON OF STUDENT RESULTS ABOVE NATIONAL BENCHMARKS FROM 2021 AND 2019**

#### **2021**

Year Level	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Spelling (%)	Punctuation & Grammar (%)	Numeracy (%)
Year 3	83	85	67	83	83
Year 5	88	85	93	90	88
Year 7	100	96	96	96	100
Year 9	100	96	100	100	100

#### **2019**

Year Level	Reading (%)	Writing (%)	Spelling (%)	Punctuation & Grammar (%)	Numeracy (%)
Year 3	90	100	94	98	96
Year 5	91	94	94	97	97
Year 7	100	96	100	100	100
Year 9	100	100	100	100	95

# **SENIOR SECONDARY OUTCOMES**

#### VCE RESULTS 2022

Yeshivah has an open entry policy in VCE, with students in year 10 receiving ongoing advice on suitable subject selection and career aptitude through testing (optional).

A very small number of students opt to undergo their final two years of secondary school without formal VCE assessment.

Highlights of the 2022 results include:

- 33 % of ATARs in the top 10% of the State
- Dux ATAR 97.90

- Median ATAR 87.05
- Median Study Score 36
- Ranked 18th in state

These are outstanding achievements for all of our students and we are justifiably proud of their efforts.



# COMPARISON OF VCE RESULTS FOR 2020 - 2022

	VCE 2020	VCE 2021	VCE 2022
Dux ATAR	98.15	99.15	97.90
Median ENTER/ATAR score	82.35	84.3	87.05
Median study score	34	35	36

# **POST - SCHOOL DESTINATIONS:**

23 students who applied for tertiary courses all received offers 60% received 1st preferences 70% received 1st or 2nd 80% received 1st, 2nd or 3rd 100% received an offer

COMMERCE/BUSINESS	5
SCIENCE/ BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE/IT	2
DESIGN/ARCHITECTURE/MEDIA	1

# VET

VCE VET Workplace Skills and VCE VET Small Business Operations was offered to students in Years 10-12 in 2022 with students successfully completing the nationally recognised qualification. The course provides the knowledge and practical skills necessary to work efficiently in business/office environments.

The VCE VET program aims to:

• provide students with the knowledge and skills to achieve competencies that will enhance their employment prospects within a broad range of business and industry settings

• enable students to gain a recognised credential and to make a more informed choice of vocation or career paths.

Employability skills are embedded within each unit of competency. They are as follows:

- Communication
- Team work
- Problem solving
- Initiative and enterprise
- Planning and organisation

- Self-management
- Learning
- Technology

# **3. VALUE ADDED**

The school program offers a range of social and recreational activities such as seminars and camps, in addition to Jewish studies and general academic studies. An inclusive Jewish studies and general studies program is offered, whilst equally encouraging the acquisition of a wide variety of skills and interests. This broad-based and well-balanced program creates a positive environment in which our students can flourish.

At Yeshivah College, students undertake a wide range of additional activities and programs in numerous academic areas including sport, art, music, drama, chess, choir and debating, to broaden their developing skills and interests. Furthermore, there have been significantly effective new programs introduced to enhance our already successful support programs in areas such as pastoral care, counselling, special education and integration, extension/ enrichment, and literacy and numeracy development. At Yeshivah College, we firmly believe that value to its students comes not only in the form of providing ways to enhance academic achievement, but also concerning personal welfare and safety, and social wellbeing.

# **STUDENT LEADERSHIP**

At Yeshivah we believe in the boys receiving a well-rounded education that prepares them for the challenges that face them in the real world and have consequently encouraged our students to gain a sense of leadership during their studies. This has many advantages as it supports the boys with the confidence and skills required to be able to stand up for themselves, while empowering them to take on a sense of 'ownership' in keeping with our school values of, 'I am respectful', 'I am a learner', 'I am safe'.

The Student Leadership Program is very successful and boys look forward to participating each year. The Year 6 students attended an all-day Leadership Conference where they focused on their own strengths, how they see themselves as a school leader and a role model. Students had the opportunity to analyse Jewish leaders and their successes. The finale of the day is students breaking into their leadership groups and planning leadership activities for 2022. The leadership team is totally inclusive – at Yeshivah Primary, there are 2 School Captains, 2 Vice Captains and committees including Sport, Environment, Jewish Life, Technology, Wellbeing and Tzedoko. The Year 6 students are encouraged to be a good role model, show school pride, be an effective leader and lead school assemblies. Throughout the year, the Year 6 leaders ran various fundraisers and school inclusion activities for the primary years such as Hot Dog Days, sporting competitions and well-being activities. In addition to the Year 6 Leadership Program, Yeshivah is proud to run an SRC (student representative council) which meets fortnightly to discuss issues relevant to school improvement.

Our Secondary students elected a school captain and vice-captain, and each year level then elected a class captain and vice-captain. Student Leadership meetings were held to discuss the various programs being run in the school. Student leaders organised fund raising activities throughout the year, as well as sporting activities and competitions.

# STUDENT WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT

An essential part of our school philosophy is to care for each individual student by being receptive to his needs, thus enabling him to thrive and reach his potential. Both our Primary and Secondary student well-being coordinators work meticulously with the school psychologists, educations support team, teachers and parents. They also form part of the whole school welfare committee ensuring the wellbeing of not only the individual students but the family as a whole.

Yeshivah is proud to be a partner school in the Social Thinking Program. The program is designed to support children of all ages in Emotional Literacy, Personal Strengths, Positive Coping Strategies, Problem Solving, Stress Management and Help Seeking. The program is designed for all students from Foundation through to Year 6.

Yeshivah staff have reinforced our anti-bullying policy and practice in the Primary school with extensive staff training and student discussions and workshops. Simple and powerful anti-bullying posters have been mounted around the school to re-enforce the steps a student should take should they feel bullied. Social Skills Program at Yeshivah is a popular and enjoyable program which is designed to support students who need additional help in managing socially. The Head of Student Wellbeing, together with aides, runs numerous weekly activities and support groups to enhance the resilience and social and emotional development of students identified as needing social skills support.

# **EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT**

Yeshivah College provides ongoing educational supports to all students through the collaboration of educators, parents, and external professionals. Support systems include a multi-disciplinary approach across Education Support and Inclusion, Early Intervention and Enrichment and Extension. Additional funding provided through the NCCD and JCAS (Jewish Children's Aid Society) has allowed us to expand our support systems and educational aids, who provide support within the classroom and through individual tutoring sessions when necessary. The MSL Sounds Write program for Year 1 students and the 'Understanding Words' reading program for students in Year 3 to 6 has also been initiated.

Small group literacy and numeracy support as well as personalised learning tools is provided for every student. Ongoing formative assessment to inform the learning support program. Learning Enhancement Staff liaise regularly with teachers, therapists, external agencies and all stake holders. Opportunity for math enrichment and competitions occur during the year.

Education Support in the Secondary school, took the form of either extending advanced and able students or supporting students in need of additional assistance either across the board or in various subjects. The extension included students taking a subject in a higher year level e.g. a Year 8 student in Year 10 mathematics, as well as extension within the classroom.

#### ORIENTATION

The best start on the road to success is to be prepared in advance. Valuable orientation sessions are held for our incoming foundation students, those entering high school, and their families include active expos, information evenings and thorough handovers and collaboration with the children's previous educators.

In the secondary school, regular meetings are held to guide our Year 10 students in their Work Experience Choices and our VCE students are provided ongoing information re subject selections, VET options, and tertiary courses and prerequisites. In addition, numerous workshops by external presenters were offered to our VCAL students in areas such as Leadership, Public Speaking and Stress Management.

# **INCURSIONS, EXCURSIONS AND SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES OR PRESENTATIONS (Yeshivah Primary)**

Some of these include:

- · Science incursions- Monash University
- Como House
- · Change Makers
- Exploring Biomes through the Melbourne Zoo
- · Political Parties and Voting
- Parliament
- Scienceworks
- Brochos Program

- Holocaust Centre
- Siddur Presentation
- Chumash Presentation
- $\cdot$  Year 6 Graduation
- $\cdot$  Courage to Care
- · Shrine of Remembrance
- Sovereign Hill
- Backflips against bullying

# ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS (Yeshivah Primary)

In 4-year-old kinder, parents are provided with an opportunity to attend a Foundation + School Readiness Evening.

The following programs enhance an already rigorous curriculum:

- Literacy Support (Foundation to 6)
- Numeracy Support (Foundation to 6)
- Hebrew reading support (Foundation and Year 1)
- · JS remedial support
- $\cdot$  Pre-prep testing before entering Foundation
- Hebrew Language support
- Ulpan program

• Swimming and athletics programme culminating in a swimming and athletics sports day

- · Book week and associated activities
- $\cdot$  Family Maths Evening
- Year 6 Chesed activities
- $\cdot$  Year 6 Leadership programme

 $\cdot\,$  Coding classes and STEM challenges – Foundation to Year 6

 $\cdot\,$  Change Makers curriculum study and presentation Year 4

 $\cdot$  Sound and Light exhibition Year 1

 $\cdot$  Courage to Care Exhibition- Holocaust and personal history study

 $\cdot\,$  Civics and Citizen Study including a visit to Parliament House, school elections, visit by David Southwick MP

- Protective Behaviours Program Foundation to Year 6
- Social Thinking Curriculum
- Values Program Foundation to Year 6

 $\cdot$  Anti-bullying sessions 4-6 through Dave Vinegrad – Behaviour Matters

- $\cdot$  Debating in Year 6
- "Olden Day" experience, Year 2
- $\cdot\,$  Public speaking Year 5- culminating in a Public

speaking competition

- $\cdot$  Resiliency program, F 6
- · Special fundraising projects throughout the year

• Year 6 to Year 7 transition programs including sessions

in the secondary school science laboratory and library skills research session

 $\cdot$  Whole school program to integrate the use of technology and devices to support learning

 $\cdot\,$  Whole school program to focus on Thinking Strategies to support learning in all areas.

 $\cdot$  Year 5 instrumental programme where students will have the opportunity to learn 4 instruments over the year

- $\cdot$  Touch typing program Years 2- 6
- $\cdot\,$  Choir and instrumental groups
- $\cdot$  GS enrichment
- $\cdot\,$  Thinking Skills and discussion groups Year 3
- $\cdot$  Social Studies Research Group Years 4 5
- Weekly JS enrichment sessions Year 4 6

#### **EXTRA AND CO-CURRICULAR**

Yeshivah students are given the opportunity to participate in a number of extra and co-curricular activities to support their formal and informal learning. Interschool sport competitions continue to be a popular activity with the students as does the bridge building competition. In addition, our music ensembles have grown in numbers and students regularly perform at school assemblies, soirees and externally at Aged Care Facilities.

All students have continued to participate in the Social Thinking program. Students have learned about recognising and managing emotions and strengths and weaknesses, enabling them to develop stronger relationships with other students.

Yeshivah College continues to encourage their students to be contributing members to both their school and the wider community though participation in charitable and community service programs. This includes fundraising events, visiting old age homes, a weekly out-reach program for the older students, assisting in cooking for the needy and other activities. The VCE students attended a special VCE Shabbaton, and all students have had the opportunity to take part in Year level weekend retreats, organised by our school youth workers.

Complementary and enhancing their curriculum, students in all year levels participate in numerous incursions, including guest speakers and presenters to both Jewish and General Studies classes, guest speakers at Melave Malkas, and excursions to present hands on experience in the topic being studied. These programs reinforce the subject matter in an enjoyable and informal manner.

Some of the activities provided through the Informal Education Program included:

- Alumni versus students sport competitions
- A Talent Quest competition
- Shushan Feast and Purim Spiel
- School wide quizzes
- School sport leagues
- School and Class Captains Induction and Lunch
- Fund raisers: Funny dress Day, Hot Dog days
- Davening focus campaign
- Rosh Chodesh Kislev BBQ

- MBP campaigns included special lunch, hot dogs, pizza
- School Houses sports competition lunchtime volleyball and futsall
- Year 7-9 Students Presentation by Victoria Police regarding cyber safety and cyber bullying

# Regular School Assemblies with a Focussed Purpose often including a Guest Speaker:

- ANZAC DAY Assembly and Commemoration
- 28 Nissan Assembly urgency of Moshiach
- Pre Shavuos Assembly
- Assembly for Yom Hazikaron
- Rosh Chodesh Av Assembly Rabbi Gordon
- Holocaust Memorial Erev Tisha B'Av
- Tu B'Av assembly Guest Speaker Mr Yudi New Melbourne Jewish Charity Fund
- Student presentations for Gimel Tammuz
- Presentations on Hilchos Bais Hebchiroh Bais Hamikdosh
- Campaign for the last 12 days of Elul as a lead up for Rosh Hashonoh – students submit a survey describing the significance off each day
- Chai Elul assembly

Additionally, there is a special after-school program for Year 7 students entitled 'Man Up' that is aimed at the Bar Mitzvah aged boys (boys turning 13). It provides additional awareness of areas related to being Bar Mitzvah, hands on activities, guest speakers and fund-raising activities. This program enhances the boys' understanding of their responsibility to their community and the wider community.

The Shluchim (student mentors) have greatly contributed to the informal education program and have a very positive influence on the students.

The following are some of the activities that they organised over the year.

- Tishrei Mivtzoim and learning program (Rosh Hashana, Sukkos, and Simchas Torah Tahlucha)
- Pre-Yud Tes Kislev campaign
- Purim night festivities (In conjunction with Chabad Youth)
- Purim day Mivtzoim
- Pre-11 Nissan Campaign
- Pre Gimmel Tammuz Campaign
- Pre Yud Alef Nissan Campaign
- Pre Yomim Tovim crafts
- Buddy learning sessions
- Shavous learning drive
- Siyumim
- Birthday club

#### Year Long/ Long term:

- Daily Tanya Shiur (voluntary class)
- Daily Rambam Shiur
- Weekly Seder Sichos at Lunch
- Gumsh program for Mesivta (In conjunction with YG)
- Mivtza Torah- Gemarah learning incentive for Mesivta
- Class Mivtzas for Years 8,9,10 (this consisted of multiple events, learning programs and two Shabbatons)
- Consistent VCE minyan
- Farbrengens for respective grades
- Occasional Sunday activities and trips for respective grades
- One on one Shiurim
- Bar Mitzvah Tutoring and Test Revision
- Birthday outings
- Cocoa club
- Sefer Hamitzos
- Mincha Munch
- Tzivos Hashem (In conjunction with Chabad Youth)

#### **RESOURCES**

Yeshivah acknowledges the importance of reading and literacy and, as such, extensive literacy resources have also been rolled out for staff use, and staff have been provided with extensive development and ongoing coaching on the effective use of these materials, including how to incorporate and support their classroom teaching. The library staff have also brought a fresh and enthusiastic presence to the library, with author/illustrators presenting to the primary students and book week activities.

# YESHIVAH - BETH RIVKAH PARENTS ASSOCIATION (YBRPA)

The Yeshivah – Beth Rivkah Parent's Association (YBRPA) ended a successful year of fundraising and events with a family event at inflatable world. A major highlight of the year was the Celebrate YBR event, where all faculties and programs were showcased at a major event at St Kilda Town Hall. Hundreds of attendees flocked to the venue to view just a sample selection of all the wonderful offerings at our school. There was an incredible raffle and a live auction making the evening a great success.

Other initiatives spearheaded by the YBRPA in 2022 included our annual welcome BBQ, Purim cards and a Purim Costume stall, Shavuot flowers, Mother's Day stall, Soup Day, Father's Day Stall and our annual Mango fundraiser. As always, every dollar that is raised goes directly back into the school for specific projects.

We look forward to an even more successful year in 2023. Thank you to all the very dedicated parents who volunteer their time and effort to ensuring that every initiative is a success. We hope to continue to foster a strong sense of community and pride in our schools by acting as a parent liaison between the parents, staff and school board when needed, and raising much needed funds for our Schools so that the students can benefit.

# **INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)**

YBR upgraded the internet to allow for more bandwidth which enabled increased internet upload and download speed. IT continued to train staff with using and implementing our new database, Synergetic, using it together with SEQTA- our software which provides parents with an overview of their child's learning and is a platform for communication between parents and teachers. Each year our 365 Office Portal and Adobe is updated to ensure maximum productivity and efficiency for staff.

# **CHILD SAFETY**

Yeshivah – Beth Rivkah Colleges has a been at the forefront of ensuring the provision of a safe and nurturing environment for all our students. Our resolute commitment to, and our diligent focus on child safety and child protection, has ensured that all our policies and procedures are up to date and follow best practice. Since voluntarily undergoing and achieving accreditation with the Australian Childhood Foundation (ACF) as being a **'Safeguarding Children Organisation'**, we have undertaken a number of policy and practice reviews and ongoing training in numerous child protection areas such as recruitment & screening, peer to peer & sibling abuse, detection & reporting etc. This further confirms our comprehensive and all-encompassing approach to Child Safety.

As part of ongoing reviews of our Child Safety Policies, YBR undergoes an Annual Review and performs a Self-Assessment in line with our accreditation requirements. This self-assessment reviewed by the Australian Childhood Foundation (ACF).

Furthermore, YBR has undertaken the following key initiatives:

- Ensured the implementation of Child Safe Standards and Ministerial Order 1358
- Establishment of a new role for YBR Risk & Governance Officer (the primary focus of the role being Child Safety)

All employees are required to undergo ACF Child Safe Training and must hold a valid employee Working With Children Check (WWCC) prior to commencing their employment. New employee contracts require the acknowledgment and agreement by new employees of an expanded "Commitment to Safeguarding Children and Young People". Compliance and HR software is continually reviewed and updated to ensure the tight control of staff licensing and overseeing accurate and up to date WWCC's. WWCC and Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) registrations are audited internally once per term. VIT audits are conducted twice per annum by VIT.

During 2022 the school's motto and Child Safe mantra of "See something, say something. Don't think about it" was reinforced. Staff were provided with training on their reporting obligations i.e., as Mandated Reporters along with our Child Safe Practices.

# 4. FEEDBACK FROM KEY STAKEHOLDERS

## STUDENT FEEDBACK

Heads of Students and other executive and middle management staff are continuously collecting feedback from students in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the school's curriculum effectiveness, welfare programs and the social environment in which the students interact. This has resulted in the revision of existing, or introduction of various new formal and informal programs in the areas of cultural connection, sport and arts and drama. Welfare programs are also continuously expanded as students feel more and more comfortable in speaking with senior staff.

#### **EMPLOYEE FEEDBACK**

The year was categorised by alternating periods of time in and away from the physical School environment, and a need for our teachers and support staff to move quickly between in person and online learning models. Whilst this placed a lot of pressure on the entire School and Preschools team, a remarkable effort was made by all to ensure students and children were supported and learning was continuous.

Formal and informal feedback loops remained critical to ensuring employee needs and feedback were being addressed during this challenging year. During the periods of both online and in person learning throughout the year, regular meetings (in their most appropriate format) were held which provided avenues for teachers, leadership and support teams to provide feedback and make suggestions for continuous improvement.

Exit interviews were offered and conducted online, via email correspondence, and in person where possible, to continue learning from the valuable feedback provided by staff who left the School in 2022.

#### PARENT FEEDBACK

Parents are involved in their son's education through Parent-Teacher interviews, Information Nights for a) Transition Years 6-7 and Kindergarten-Foundation, b) VCE subject selections and VTAC course applications, c) Years 8, 9 & 10 Elective offerings and choices; school-parent email communications at the senior levels, meet and greet afternoon teas and our general "open door" policy that ensures parental discussion with the school administration.

#### **BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

A robust, close working relationship continues to exist between the Principal and the Board of Management, with regular meetings between the Principal and Board Executive, weekly principal summary reports for the boards and full scale board reports on a periodic basis. These included follow up two way feedback sessions between the Principal and the Board.

#### MYSCHOOLS WEBLINK:

https://www.myschool.edu.au/school/46215/profile/2022

# **5. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

The summarised operating results for the 2022 year are presented below.

#### Yeshivah - Beth Rivkah Colleges Recurrent Income Sources as a percentage of total income 2022

INCOME	
School Fees	31.25%
Donations and Fundraising	7.69%
Government Funding	59.42%
Other Income	1.64%

#### Yeshivah - Beth Rivkah Colleges Recurrent expense sources as a percentage of total expenses 2022

EXPENSES	
Salaries and Staff Related	72.67%
Depreciation	4.45%
Finance Costs	0.20%
Administrative and Operating Expenses	18.08%
Teaching and Curriculum	3.86%

Yeshivah - Beth Rivkah Colleges is heavily reliant on Government support. A concerted effort continues to be made in attracting private inflows with school fees increasing as a percentage of recurrent income in 2022.

The majority of our expenses continue to be wages. We continue to streamline the operational side of the schools to devote more resources to educating the students and enhancing our delivery of education through technology solutions.

The Colleges have significant investment in land and buildings representing the majority of our assets. We have undertaken a number of major capital and upgrades projects in recent years. These upgraded facilities improve the quality of the schools educational offerings and the students' wellbeing.

#### In 2022, Yeshivah College was the recipient of the following Grants which facilitated professional learning:

Program
In Schools \$94,421
Special Education \$21,000
Developing Resiliency \$2,529
Financial Assistance Model - Students with disabilities \$444,257
CSEF Funding \$45,050

During the course of 2022, \$60,912.54 was spent on the provision of professional learning opportunities for our staff across Yeshivah - Beth Rivkah Colleges.

# **APPENDIX A**

# STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

## Yeshivah Primary School Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff Qualifications 2022

Name	Qualification
C. BERELOWITZ	B. Early Childhood and Primary Education, Masters in Special Needs Education
E. BERNSTEIN	B. MUS (HONS), GRAD DIP ED, L. MUS A (PIANO)
K CHANDRARAJ	Honours in Mathematics, Grad Dip Education (Primary, Grad Certificate Education
RABBI Y. COHEN	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
C. DAVIS	
N. GILBERT	Bachelor of Education
S. GLIKSON	B.Ed.
L. GOLDSMITH	Dip. Ed
A. GROSS	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
B. JACOB	B.A. Dip.Teaching
S. LAYTON	B.Ed.
C LAZARUS	B.Ed Early Childhood and Primary
S. LAZARUS	Masters of Teaching
L. LEBRANSKY	Dip.Teaching
J. LANERA	B. MUSIC; POST GRAD DIP. ED; LEVEL 1 ORFF MUSIC TEACHERS TRAIN- ING; LEVEL 1 KODALY MUSIC EDU T (Lower Primary)
J LEVY	Higher Diploma Ed (Johannesburg)
RABBI M. LOEWENTHAL	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
L. LOVEN	Higher Diploma Ed (Johannesburg)
M. MEYER	Bachelor of Education
J.MICHAELS	B.Ed. B.A. Adv.Dip.(Special Ed) M.Ed.(Special Educational Needs)
RABBI Y. ROSENFELD	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
M. SMITH	Masters Teaching
M.TREMIGLIOZZI	B.Ed (Primary), Diploma of Teaching, Grad Dip Information Management
J. VALLINS	Dip.Ed. Grad.Dip
R. WAISMAN	Bachelor of Primary Ed

## Yeshivah Secondary Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff Qualifications 2022

Name	Qualification
BATES, J	Dip of business, Cert IV in Training & Assessing, Cert III in Commercial Cookery, Cert IV training and assessment, Grad Dip in Tertiary Education, Grad Cert in Tertiary Education
BERLANGIERI, J	Grad Dip Ed, Bachelor of Education ,Accreditation to teach Religious Education Studies
BLESOFSKY, S	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
BRILLIANT, D	Grad Dip (Ed – secondary) Monash, 2013 Graduate – Royal Military College, Duntroon, 2005 Bachelor of Arts, UNSW, 2004
CHEW, B	Post Grad Dip-Ed Bachelor of Social Sciences Bachelor of Arts
COCHRANE-DAVIS, C	Post Grad Dip Teaching, M.Ed
COHEN, M	Bachelor of Arts, University Education Diploma (Post Graduate Teachers Diploma) BA Hons, BEd (Post Graduate, Honours equivalent degree in Education), PHd
FEARN, T	Bachelor of Education Secondary
FLENNER, R	B.A. (Hebrew Literature and History), , Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, 2000 Certificate of Secondary School Teaching, in History, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, 2000 Master of Arts, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 2006
GILL, H	M.Sc. M.Phil (Physics), B.Ed, Dip.Ed.
GORDON, Y	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
GREEN, Y	GradCert in Rabbinical Studies DipPractical Rabbinics Bachelor of Business, Griffith University M.PET, Deakin University
GROSS, A	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
GROVER, N	<ul> <li>2020, Master of Teaching (Secondary) Deakin University</li> <li>Chemistry, General Science</li> <li>2009, Masters of Accounting and Financial Management, La Trobe University</li> <li>2004, Bachelor of Education, Luthra College India,</li> <li>2002, Master of Chemistry, Major: Chemistry, Minor: Maths, D.M College, India</li> <li>2000, Bachelors of Science, D.M College India</li> </ul>
KALRA, A	B.A , Dip.Teaching, Grad Dip in Teaching, Grad Cert in Info Lit, M.Ed, Post Grad Cert
KUPSCH, K	B.A. B.Ed.
LADD, K	B. EC, M EC, GRAD DIP SEC. ED, CERT IV T&A, CERT III LANG
LIPSKIER, M	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered Certificate IV in Training and Assessment
MORDECH, K	Bachelor Of Arts (Majoring In Psychology). Masters In Secondary Teaching (Psychology And Health)
РҮКЕ, F	Masters of Secondary Teaching (Humanities & Languages) 2020 B.A., Archeology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies, Hebrew University, 1997
REDDI, V	B.A.(Hons) Higher Dip.Ed
ROSEN, J	B.Ed. M.Ed. Certificate IV in Training and Assessment

SCHNEIDER, K	Grad Diploma in Information Management, Melb Uni, 1991 B.Ed (Secondary), Melbourne College (MCAE) 1985
SEREBRYANSKI, B	Rabbinical Ordination deemed VIT registered
SIMONS, B	B.Ed (Secondary) Charles Sturt University, 2016 Diploma of Language (Classical Hebrew) Univ of Sydney, 2012 Diploma of Talmudic Studies, Yeshivah Gedola Melbourne, 2006 Bachelor of Commerce, Univ of New South Wales, 2009
STEINER, S	Bachelor of Science Education, University of Melbourne Masters of Education, Monash University
STONE, C	Master of Educational Leadership Bachelor of Secondary Education (English & Humanities) Cert IV in Workplace Assessment and Training Cert III in Systematic Theology
RABBI C D WILHELM	Dip Ed (Secondary) M. Ed. Certificate IV in Training and Assessment
WOOD, M	Grad Dip-Ed (Secondary) Grad Cert in Religious Education Bachelor of Business Advanced Dip of Accounting