

Calendar of Events

TERM 3

July

Mon	21 st	Year 10A commence PDE lessons
Wed	23 rd	P - 4 Pupil Free Day - Interviews
Wed	23 rd	Year 10A conclude PDE
Thurs	24 th	Northern Zone Badminton: Yrs 7 & 8
Mon	28 th	Year 10B commence PDE lessons
Wed	30 th	Year 10B conclude PDE
Wed	30 th	Yr 5/6 to Sovereign Hill Camp
Wed	30 th	VCE Subject Selection Meeting at 7.30 pm in Room 21

August

Fri	1 st	Yr 5/6 return from Sovereign Hill
Fri	8 th	'Beyond the School Gate' Yrs 9 – 12
Mon	11 th	Prep 2009 Information Night 7.30 pm
Mon	18 th	School Council Meeting at 7.30 pm
Tues	19 th	VSSSA Badminton Final Yrs 9 & 10
Fri	22 nd	VSSSA Badminton Final Yrs 11 & 12
Mon	25 th	Cave Hill Creek Camp begins Gr 3/4
Mon	25 th	Prep Late Stay
Wed	27 th	Cave Hill Creek Camp concludes
Thurs	28 th	Careers Expo Yr 10 - Charlton Park

September

Fri	5 th	P – 6 House Athletics
Mon	8 th	Yr 9 Grampians Camp commences
Wed	10 th	Yr 9 Grampians Camp concludes
Fri	12 th	Calder Athletics (P-6) at Boort
Mon	15 th	School Council Meeting at 7.30 pm
Wed	17 th	Year 3 / 4 Environmental Festival at Wycheproof
Wed	17 th	VSSSA Badminton Final Yrs 7/8 Boys
Thurs	18 th	VSSSA Badminton Final Yrs 7/8 Girls
Fri	19 th	End of Term 3 – 2.30 pm finish

From the Principal
John Harley

Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Term 3

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope that all staff and students had a good rest and are ready for a productive term. For our Year 12 students this is a vital term.

Staffing Changes

With the departure of Ms Gould we have been able to employ, over the holidays, Mr Steve Wilson to take over her teaching role. Welcome to Mr Wilson. In two more weeks Ms Hayley Bowen will commence and work with Grade 5/6 for two days a week.

School Council Meeting

A short School Council meeting will be held this Monday, 21st July at 7.30 pm for those Councillors that are available. The purpose of the meeting will be to approve the tender for the Music / Drama Room. Apologies for the late notice.

Reports

These went out to parents on Wednesday. This will be the third set of reports using the new format and so there will be 2 sets of dots on reports comparing the progress in the last 12 months. Please have a good look at the reports and discuss each report with your children. Of course if you need to follow up any or all of these reports please contact the school and an interview can be arranged.

Driver Education

Our Year 10 students will start Driver Education over the next 2 weeks. With a large group of year 10's, 10A and 10B will be undertaking the instruction separately. The course will run for 3 days.

National Tree Day

We have been asked to support this event and are currently arranging several groups of students to be involved. We have chosen Grade 3/4 as many are members of Junior Landcare along with 10B Advance class as this program has a community service focus. We are looking at Thursday July 31st from about 11.00 am till 3.30 pm. Morning tea and a barbecue lunch will be provided and the students will be bussed to the site at no cost. This will also be a chance for the older students to provide some mentoring and support for the younger ones. Further details will follow.

Music programs

Over the holidays a number of our students attended several different music programs; the band school at St Arnaud and Kool Schools in Melbourne. Congratulations to all the students involved in these programs.

Lauren Watts – Hockey

Congratulations to Lauren Watts on her selection in the Victorian Under 17 Hockey Team to compete in Singapore in September. Lauren was selected as a goalie.

Tessa Burton

Congratulations also to former student Tessa Burton on her gaining a 12 month contract to play netball in the English Super League. She will play for the Northumbria Club and will continue her university studies whilst she is there.

John Harley Principal

Starts Buses – town service

Jamie Start has informed the College that the cost of the town bus service will increase from Term 4.

1st child - \$35.00

2nd child - \$25

Wanted – Magazines

Donations of magazines (old or not so old) are required for the Science Department. Please leave them at the College Office if you have any to donate.

Active After-School Communities **Term 3**

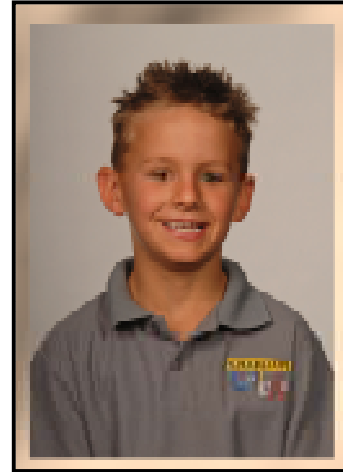
Sessions will run on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** for **7 weeks** with activities focusing on 'Football'.

Sessions will run from 3.30 – 4.30 pm.

All students in P-6 classes have been given a note today outlining the program and the delivery details. If you have not seen this note please ask your son/daughter about it. We look forward to having lots of students involved in this very worthwhile program. Remember one of the main aims of the program is to stay active while having fun!

Student of the Week: Trent Cossar

Trent is a co-operative student who considers others. He works to the best of his ability in all subject areas.



Values Winners From Last Week: *Peacefulness*

Prep / One: *Cobi Fitzpatrick*

Two: *Lachlan Start*

Three / Four: *Will Fitzpatrick*

Value For This Week: *Helpfulness*

Responsible Citizens: P/1

Student Led Conferences

Next Wednesday the 23rd July the P-4 students will participate in our Student, Parent and Teacher conferences. This day is a **PUPIL FREE day** for P-4 students only. There will be no school for the students on this day. **However each student is expected to come to their conference with their parents**, as they are the central focus of the interview and have specific tasks to perform.

Please complete the **Interview sheet** and **return to school by Friday**. Students will be given interview times on Monday the 21st July.

Years 5 – 8 News
Judy Stanley, Coordinator

Kerry Meets Lee

During the holidays, Year 7 student Kerry Shovan had the honour to meet and talk with 'Australian of the Year' - Lee Kernigan.

In Term 2, Year 7 students were asked to select and explore a topic of personal interest to them. Kerry wanted to find out more about a group called "Aussie Helpers". She knew of this group and that it helped the plight of farmers doing it tough during the drought.

Kerry produced an excellent powerpoint presentation that she delivered with thorough knowledge and understanding. But Kerry had a greater desire to spread the word of the work this group does, particularly living in a farming community, and so she organised a speaker from the group to come on the day of her presentation. Year 7 and 8 students listened to some of the things 'Aussie Helpers' had done to ease the stress for farmers all done on a volunteer capacity.

Kerry has shown such maturity, drive and initiative which is a credit to her and her parents on an issue that is very close to many in our community. As a result of her efforts, when Lee Kernigan was giving a concert to assist fundraising for 'Aussie Helpers', Kerry was invited to have some time with this year's Australian of the Year. Kernigan is renowned for his support of promoting the life of country Australia when so much focus seems to be in the city regions.

Kerry was thrilled with her experience saying 'It was awesome and very exciting. I thought it was a dream.' Lee Kernigan was so impressed after meeting Kerry, he has asked to meet her again later this year. Who knows - we may have a developing notable Australian in our midst. With the compassion and empathy shown by Kerry at this age for the bigger issues, it is not beyond the realms of possibility.

We hope this article will make farmers more aware that this organisation is available to them as a lot of people don't like to say they need help and sometimes people just don't know where there is help. If people wish to contact 'Aussie Helpers', phone 24/7 Australia wide on **1300 665 232**.



Above: Kerry with Lee Kernigan

Years 9 - 12 News
Barry McKenzie, Coordinator

**VCE SUBJECT SELECTION NIGHT Wednesday
30th July 7:30pm in R 21**

Parents are invited along to a night for the Year 10 students to investigate their options for VCE/VCAL in 2009. This night will help parents and students get a clearer picture of what they need to do, how they will make selections and how subject offerings will be decided by the College. It is essential any student going into Year 11 attends this night. Year 11s may find the night useful also, any Year 9 students thinking of doing VCE subjects in Year 10 might find the night useful as well. (Speak to BMcK if you have any questions).

10A Driver Education next week (10B the week after)

All times are approximate, but students will be given a timetable on Monday.

Monday & Tuesday: 9:15 am - 3:15 pm

Wednesday: 9:15 am - 4:15 pm

6:15 - 8:00 pm (night drive)

Students need to bring their own lunch; some snacks are available at the track.

JOB VACANCIES

More info on the server, see BMcK or contact Jessica Tyshing at WorkCo.

Job Title	Town	Contact	Closing Date
Warehouse Traineeship	Melbourne	Deena Sleiman	25 th July 2008
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1st Year Apprentice Auto (Light Vehicle) Mechanic	Melbourne	Deena Sleiman	25 th July 2008
Apprentice Carpenter	Melbourne	Deena Sleiman	25 th July 2008
Apprentice Cabinet Maker	Melbourne	Deena Sleiman	18 th July 2008
Automotive Electrical Apprenticeship	Warracknabeal	Kate Clarke	15 th August 2008

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MIPs – Years 10, 11 and 12 Students

This term, Lizzie Wilde, Managed Individual Pathways (MIPs) Co-ordinator from the North Central LLEN, will once again be working with students in years 10, 11 and 12. Generally, Lizzie will have a half-hour one-on-one session with each student, guiding them through their own 'Pathways Plan'. In Term 2, most Year 12 students had the opportunity to work with Lizzie and hopefully by the end of Term 3 all senior secondary students will have had at least one session.

During the program, Lizzie will guide the students through activities relating to general pathway planning, goal setting, job hunting skills, self-reflection, time management, motivation, self-esteem and study habits. In doing so, students will develop the capacity to manage their own 'pathway' throughout the duration of their working lives. Lizzie will also assist students to gain a thorough understanding of the opportunities available to them upon completion of compulsory education (VCE, VCAL, School Based Apprenticeship, TAFE, Apprenticeship / Traineeship, direct employment) as well as helping with subject selection and applications for tertiary education or employment.

Lizzie encourages parents to become involved in the MIPs process by discussing their child's Pathways Plan with them. Parents can also contact Lizzie on 0429 148 399 or email lleen5@bigpond.com if they have any concerns.



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Career Advice Australia

MIPS TIPS – Attention all year 10, 11, 12 Students

Open Day Season starting soon! Even if you are only remotely thinking of going to a University or TAFE when you finish School, getting to a few open days can be a real eye opener!

Go to www.vtac.edu.au – download the list of ALL Open Days.

Keep an eye on your School Newsletter – there could be a 'free' bus going from your School. Swinburne www.swinburne.edu.au will have a 'free' bus from Bendigo to all campuses – leaving 7am 17th August. Ask your MIPS Coordinator or Careers Teacher for any further information.

Core of Life Program

In May, Tulsa Andrews kindly gave up her time to take the Yr 10 B Health class for a pregnancy information session called 'The Core of Life'. During the session Tulsa explained each development stage of pregnancy and discussed how looking after yourself is important during this time. While not promoting teenage pregnancy, Tulsa explained the importance of staying positive as this has a detrimental effect on the health of the mother and unborn baby. The culmination of the session saw the students involved in a birthing scenario, where Zane Sullivan proudly gave birth to a cabbage patch doll.

At the completion of this term the students had all participated in the 'Baby Think It Over Program'. They were required to take an infant simulator home for 3 nights. We were lucky enough to purchase a new 'baby' which required the student to feed, burp, rock, and change nappies. This new infant, while more demanding than the others, gave student's more of an understanding of what is required to care for a newborn, and how it impacts on their physical, social and emotional health.

Pictured below: 'Mother' Zane with the baby



Community News

Charlton Karate Club
Training now at 6.00 pm
Friday nights
Uniting Church Hall
New members most welcome
No training Friday 18th July
Enquiries: Stacy on 5491 1209



“Getting through Tough Times”



East Wimmera Health Service is offering a short **Information/Training Session** to assist staff in local businesses & organisations who regularly come into contact with people affected by the ongoing difficult seasons.

The session will provide:

- 1.) A brief overview on mental health issues for people confronting stressful times.
- 2.) How to recognise and respond to signs of stress or depression in customers and clients.
- 3.) Self care for employees who find themselves dealing with customers and clients under stress.
- 4.) Information on who you can refer people to for help.

VENUE: Charlton Hospital

DATE:

- 1.) Wednesday 30th July
- 2.) Wednesday 6th August
- 3.) Wednesday 13th August
- 4.) Wednesday 20th August

Times: 5.30pm – 8.30pm

Light refreshments provided

If the above date is not suitable, please register your interest as further sessions and dates will be offered.

To register your interest please contact:

Rebecca Bennett on (03) 5477 2177

Email: rebecca.bennett@ewhs.org.au