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PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

As I write this report, parent student teacher conferences are about to commence. This is an incredibly important aspect of our teaching and learning at Warrnambool College as it provides us with the opportunity to provide direct feedback on your child's learning journey so far in 2024. It allows our teachers to hear directly from you regarding what supports your child might need for their learning moving forwards. And of course it allows us to grow into a greater partnership between school and home to ensure we are working together to set high learning expectations for every student at Warrnambool College. If you weren't able to be involved in the conferences today, please consider booking appointment times for the conferences on 17th April.

Many people have commented to me over the course of this term that it has felt like a more settled start to the school year in 2024. I have wholeheartedly agreed with such a sentiment, as we have been able to find our learning groove quickly in February and classroom expectations have been set to ensure we are focusing on our core purpose – learning. There has been a lot of work happening in the background to set up our school learning environment for success this year and I thank the countless staff, working in partnership with families, to care for and support our students with the rigour of the learning occurring each day.

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Dave Clift
Principal

Within this newsletter, you'll have the opportunity to read through a number of class based and extra-curricular events that have occurred throughout the term. We are a very big school with a lot of moving parts and amazing opportunities abound for students to grab hold of every day. If your child hasn't had the chance to be involved in a lot of the extra-curricular activities at school yet this year, I encourage you to support them to grasp these opportunities into term 2.

We continue to face challenges in our school community on a regular basis and we don't shirk away from these moments that pull us out of our comfort zones. Throughout the term though I've been reminded again and again how our school community pulls together to care for one another and lift others up to be at their best. It's a very special place to be part of and I thank you for your support and positive contributions to make Warrnambool College the great school that it is.

I hope you have an amazing Easter break, full of fun filled memories and time spent with family and friends.

Kind Regards,

Dave Clift - Principal



COUNTRY BUSES

Please note country buses will be running from the earlier time of 2:30pm tomorrow, Thursday 28th March, being the last day of Term 1.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



Our Athletics Carnival was held at Brauerander Park on an overcast March day. As students converged on the track dressed brightly in their House colours the friendly rivalry was in abundance. We had great participation across all events, with a number of age group heats in the running events and staff kept busy measuring the efforts of students in the various field events.

Special shout out and congratulations to the following students who broke records in their respective age groups.

Kota Randall Reid in the Boys 17 years 200m running 24.62 beating the 2016 record by 0.26 of a second.

Ashlee Pavletich in the Girls 17 years Shot Put, throwing 10.37m beating the 2008 record by 67cm.

Sophie Burrows in the 14 year old Girls Long Jump by jumping 4.55m beating the record set in 2013 by 10cm.

Year level champions:

12-13 Girls	Tahnee McDonald
12-13 Boys	Tommie Matera
14 Girls	Sophie Burrows
14 Boys	Andy Walz
15 Girls	Hollie Whelan
15 Boys	Brandan Lynch
16 Girls	Edith Stretch
16 Boys	Ryli Hall
17 Girls	Bryanna Willie
17 Boys	Lewis Duerden
18-20 Girls	Mia Mills
18-20 Boys	Wil Rantall

Logans took out the overall Athletics Cup, followed by Belfast, Childers, Merri, Hopkins and Flagstaff. Congratulations to all students who participated, who cheered on their peers and who made the day enjoyable and a great success.





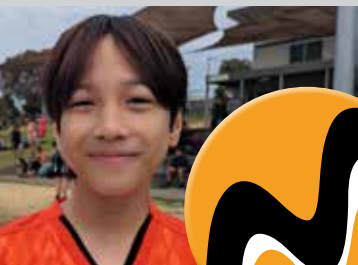
BELFAST

Last week of the term and, as always, it has flown. We have had the swimming sports, photos, NAPLAN, Open night and, our Belfast fundraising day for the Gillin Boys Foundation raising money to find a cure for Muscular Dystrophy. Lots of students and staff dressed up in their best hats and caps, and a MASSIVE thank you to all our wonderful Belfast families for donating lots of baked goods to sell on the day. Thanks also to Bakers Delight Norfolk Plaza, Saputo, Town and Country Pizza, Subway and the Capitol Cinema for donating goods for the day. Over \$3500 was raised which will be donated to the Gillin Boys Foundation. This was an incredible effort, thanks so much to our 2024 Belfast Student Leaders for helping organise the day.

Belfast narrowly finished second in the overall Swimming Sports Cup. Special mention to our age champions: Oscar Woithe, Rory Fawcett and Dayna Haberfield. Congratulations to Deny Fawcett on a new 50m Butterfly record. Athletics Day had us clinch another close second in the overall House Cup! Special mention to age champions Tommie Materia, Sophie Burrows and Mia Mills. Sophie also produced a new 14 year old Girls Long Jump record! Big shout out to our superstar athlete Sophie Burrows who has qualified for the VAL – Victoria Athletic League series finals to be run at the 2024 Powercor Stawell Gift on Easter Monday. Good luck Sophie!

We hope all of our students and families, especially our new Year 7 families, have had a great first term at Warrnambool College.

Be Bold, Be Brave, Be Belfast !!!



MERRI

Its been a very positive start to the term in Merri with students engaging in a number of opportunities. Our values of zest and unity were on display as we participated in the Athletics carnival. It was great to see the support and encouragement our students were giving to one another and we would like to thank those who attended with such a positive attitude. Congratulations to Tahnee McDonald and Bryanna Willie who were age group champions for their efforts on the day.

We would also like to congratulate Charlee Brown for being awarded the Marrung Education Scholarship and Zach Jervies who was awarded a spot in the Melbourne Theatre Company’s Youth Ambassador program. A great reward for the hard work you have been putting in.

We have welcomed a new member to our House team this term with Ms Jacqueline Palmer joining as one of our Merri Assistants. We are very excited to have her supporting our Merri students to thrive and achieve their best.

The Merri Team





LOGANS

Term 1 has proven to be an exciting one for Logans, with students celebrating the spectacular achievement of back-to-back 2024 Swimming and Athletics Cup wins! A massive and well-deserved congratulations goes out to all participants. It was brilliant to see so many of you thrilled to show off ribbons, share your excitement about events with teachers, cheer on your fellow Logans competitors and congratulate solid efforts from other Houses.

An additional huge congratulations goes out to Swimming Age Group Champions: Cooper Karcew, Sienna McDougall, Thomas Dufty, Tahlia Vesey and Beau Turner, along with Athletics Age Group Champion Andy Walz. Thomas Dufty also won his Age Group Championship at the Warrnambool District Swimming competition on February 26th.

Finally, Logans House and Warrnambool College would like to acknowledge the incredible bravery shown by Logans students Bonny Albert, Iris Beckel and Jerry Dixon, and Belfast students Zoe Graham and Foteini Agrafioti Rapti during a recent surfing excursion. These students rushed to the aid of a distressed family stuck in a rip and calmly guided the group safely back to shore. We are so very proud of this outstanding group of students!

We look forward to a hopefully equally exciting Term 2, which brings with it our Logans Celebration Day supporting Western District Food Share!

Live, Laugh, Learn, Logans!



FLAGSTAFF

A busy period over the past few weeks in Flagstaff, our year 7's have settled in excellently showing sustained resilience, persistence and mutual respect in their new classes and house space. They showed this through their participation at our hotly contested athletics and swimming carnivals. We will be having a hot chip lunch in week 9 to celebrate.

Congratulations go out to our swimming year level champions in Zaine Atkins, Lilly Goodman and Charlie Gleeson, we also congratulate Hollie Whelan in the athletics win and Kota Randall Reid in breaking the 200m Under 16 Boys record.

Have a wonderful Easter break and see you all for a big term 2.

The Flagstaff Team



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Celebrating student achievements outside of school in their varied passions and endeavours.



Congratulations to 2023 Warrnambool College VCE student Izaak Agnew on being selected to perform as part of the Top Class Music program at the Melbourne Recital Centre. Top Class is an annual concert series coordinated by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) showcasing outstanding performances by VCE and VCE VET students from schools across the state.

Izaak was selected to perform in two categories (which is rare) Music Performance and Sound after he produced elite results in his VCE study. Shout out to Izaak's brother, current Warrnambool College student Josiah who will be playing bass in the backup band.



Our very own talented singer/songwriter/musician/College captain Zoe Borthwick showcased their musical talents at the esteemed Port Fairy Folk Festival over the long weekend in March. Zoe played to receptive crowds who thoroughly enjoyed her set, so much so, that she was recently announced as the Busking Competition Winner for 2024! Congratulations Zoe!



Congratulations to Alex Primmer (yr 11) and James Fowler (yr 12) who played with local Phantoms teams in the Ballarat Skins Volleyball Tournament on the weekend. Alex competed in the Division 3 Womens competition, going undefeated and winning gold. Whilst James competed valiantly in the hard fought Mens Division.



We're thrilled to announce that Zach Jervies (yr 11) has been nominated as a Melbourne Theatre Company Youth Ambassador. This prestigious program will see Zach travelling to Melbourne monthly to participate in workshops and enjoy live theatre experiences with the company. We couldn't be prouder of Zach's dedication to the Arts, and we're excited to see him represent our school on this exciting journey!



TERM 1 HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 12 LEADERSHIP

The Clontarf Leadership Day included a leadership workshop and stand-up paddleboarding in Port Fairy and an opportunity to set some goals for 2024. It has already been amazing to see the growth and sense of pride the boys showed to get to where they are today. We wish the boys all the best for their final year of Clontarf and schooling and look forward to working with the boys in achieving their goals for 2024 and beyond.

YEAR 7 INDUCTION CAMP

The year 7 Induction camp in Torquay offered a range of enjoyable activities including a visit to the chocolate factory, a bounce and boxing session in Geelong and a surf lesson at the main beach. This will be the first of many character-building camps for the boys on their Clontarf journey.

YEAR 8/9 BIG DAY OUT

The Year 8 & 9 Clontarf boys were treated to a day out beginning with a beach clean-up, to clean important marine life areas and create awareness for the issue of pollution in the community. Finding everything from foam mattresses to car tyres, with plenty of bits and pieces along the way, the boys left Levy's Point knowing they had made a significant difference to the environment. We then went to Lake Pertobe to connect and chat with Warrnambool College nurse, Glenistair, who brought a wealth of knowledge around young men's hygiene, healthy habits and caring for your body. We then played some intense team games in the heat, finishing with a healthy lunch and chat about the importance of diet after sport. The day finished off with a movie, with all the boys giving it the thumbs up.

ROAD TO 120

Jyah Chatfield and Richie Glover kicked off a new Clontarf Foundation initiative in Week 8 - the Road to 120 Driving Education Programme, designed to enhance and assist in the young men's license process. Obtaining a driver's license is one of the most important steps in making the transition from school to the world of work or further training. It is expected that the Clontarf Foundation Driving programme will not only have positive outcomes for employment, but also have a positive flow-on effect on the attendance, behaviour, retention, self-esteem, and confidence of our academy members.

EMPLOYMENT FORUM

Academy boys from Year 10-12 took part in the Annual Employment Forum in Melbourne. The Forum showcases employment opportunities provided by the corporate financial partners of the Clontarf Foundation. More than 20 partners also educated the boys about their core business and the requirements to work in their industry. This was followed with a visit to the Melbourne Museum to participate in the TAC's 'Road to Zero' workshop. Boys were given interactive learning opportunities about the importance of road safety. The jam-packed camp concluded with the boys attending the St Kilda versus Collingwood AFL match at the MCG.



Madeleine McSwain
Alumni Coordinator

ALUMNI RETURN TO WARRNAMBOOL COLLEGE

In term 1 we welcomed back Jayda Page as part of the College's International Women's Day assembly. Jayda, who graduated in 2020, returned to share her journey as a female footballer and some of the challenges and gender barriers she has faced.



Jayda spoke of her love of the game which began at the age of five and her progression from Auskick to playing for local teams and representing Victoria. As a junior footballer competing in a boys' league at the age of 13, she recalled being sat on the bench, despite having equal skills and abilities as her male teammates. "In order for women to thrive, we also need men to stand up for us and to be a voice," she said. She urged students to "wholeheartedly never give up" on their passions, regardless of the challenges they faced.

"One day you'll look back and realise the impact you've had for the generations behind you," Jayda said. "Everything we do as young people today paves the path for women coming through to have less of those obstacles to jump over. Be kind be brave and ultimately be you."

As part of International Women's Day we featured profiles on the College Alumni Facebook page showcasing inspiring females who are leading the way in sport. These included alumni Hannah Van Zyl – graduating class of 2022, Kate Lindsey – class of 2006, Sarah Milroy – class of 2000 and GP Dr Karoline Gunn – class of 1991.

ALUMNI OPEN DAY

Warrnambool College is looking forward to hosting an Alumni Open Day on Tuesday April 30 which will provide a chance for past students to have a guided tour of our wonderful College and reminisce about their school days. It's on from 4pm to 5pm. Registration required via Eventbrite or by calling 5564 4444.

CAREERS WEEK

We're excited to work with business and industry with connections to the College as part of Careers Week in May. If you are a College alumni and would like to share your study or career journey as part of the week's activities please get in touch to arrange this.

REUNIONS

If you have an upcoming College reunion planned for 2024 please contact Madeleine at the College to arrange a guided tour of the school grounds as part of your reunion celebrations.

Hi, I'm Madeleine and I've joined Warrnambool College this year as the alumni co-ordinator. I have a journalism background and have been working with and reporting on the College community for the past 17 years.

In my College role, I'm looking forward to growing the alumni data base and connecting with past students from various industries. I'm also keen to expose current students to the different career paths our alumni have taken, how their experiences can help current students make informed decisions and highlight possible future careers they can pursue.

OUR SUSTAINABILITY TEAM



LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

This year, Warrnambool College is proud to announce new and exciting leadership roles within the Sustainability Team.

- **Sustainability Coordinator:** Miss Straw
- **Sustainability Presidents:** Morgan Hayden and Noah Clift
- **Sustainable Futures Garden Managers:** Patrick Stuart, Rylee Bellman, and Fausto Herreraochoer

- **Uniform Drive Coordinators:** Peyton Karlinski and Archie Buchanan
- **Sustainability Education Officer:** Edward Higgins
- **Sustainability Communications Team:** Vidhi Jagad and Juliette Pinkerton

We are thrilled to welcome a total of 22 members to the Sustainability Team for 2024!



SUSTAINABLE FUTURES GARDEN: WORM POWER!

Our sustainability efforts are buzzing with activity thanks to our new and improved worm farms, also known as subpods. Located in the Year 12 VCE area and readily accessible to the food rooms, these five subpods (one for each weekday) serve as a vital part of our food waste reduction system. All food scraps are diverted from landfills and become a nutritious feast for our hardworking worms. In turn, these worms create nutrient-rich castings that help keep the soil healthy for our native, drought-resistant plants, specifically chosen for their suitability to the southwestern region. We're proud to say that through this system, we're able to compost up to 70kgs of food waste per week!



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2024 CANTEEN MENU



**DAILY
SPECIALS**
Small Tub - \$5.50
Large Tub - \$8.00

GF Gluten Free
GFA Gluten free available (*let our staff know*)
DF Dairy Free
V Vegetarian *Vegan options on request.*

SANDWICHES

(GF available on request)

Cheese & Tomato (V)	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese	\$4.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$5.00
Chicken & Cheese	\$4.50
Egg & Lettuce (V)	\$4.50
Chicken Salad	\$5.50
Ham Salad	\$5.50
Salad (V)	\$5.00

Gluten free available - add 50c
sandwich extras - add 70c

SUSHI (GF available on request)

Chicken	\$4.50
Vegetarian (V)	\$4.50

SALAD

Fruit Salad (GF, V, DF)	\$5.50
Roast Veggie cous cous salad (V)	\$7.00
Caesar	\$7.00
Chicken Caesar	\$8.00
Falafel Salad (GF, V)	\$8.00

DRINKS

Water	\$2.50
Flavoured water	\$4.50
Gatorade	\$5.50
Nippy flavoured milk	\$4.00
Iced tea/ Kombucha	\$5.50
Juice	\$4.00
Soft Drink	\$5.50
Slushies, fruit juice	\$2.50
Iced: Latte/Long Black/Chai	\$5.50
Alternative milk/ extra shot	70c

WRAPS

Sweet Chilli Chicken	\$7.00
Salad (V)	\$6.00
Ham Salad	\$6.50
Chicken Ceaser	\$6.50
Falafel (V)	\$6.00

ROLLS

Salad (V)	\$6.00
Ham & Salad	\$6.00
Chicken & Salad	\$6.00

HOT FOOD

Chicken Tender Sweet Chilli	\$2.00
Hot Dog with sauce	\$5.00
Dim Sim	\$1.50
Wedges (V)	\$4.00
Cup of Noodles (GFA, V)	\$3.00
Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Pie	\$5.00
Pastie	\$4.00
Beef Lasagne	\$7.00

FOCCACCIA (Toasted)

Chicken Parma	\$7.00
Roast Vegetable	\$7.00
BBQ Chicken	\$7.00
Italian Salami	\$7.00

SNACKS

Popcorn	\$2.00
Slice of the day	\$3.00
Veggie Chip	\$2.00
Muffin	\$3.00
Cookie	\$2.50
Mints	from \$2.50
Banana Bread	\$3.00
Frozen ice blocks (Yoghurt)	from \$1.50
Potato Chips	\$3.00

BURGERS

Grilled Chicken	\$7.00
Beef Burger	\$7.00
Falafel Burger	\$7.00
Cheese Burger	\$6.50
BLT Burger	\$6.50



BREAKFAST BEFORE 9am

Seasonal Fruit (piece) (GF, V, DF)	\$1.50
Fruit Salad (GF, V, DF)	\$5.50
Granola Cup (GF, V)	\$7.00
Muffin	\$3.00
Yogurt Tub (GF)	\$2.00
Hash Brown (2) (GF, V, DF)	\$2.00
Cheese Toastie (GFA, V)	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese Toastie (GFA)	\$4.50
Bacon & Egg Roll OR Wrap	\$6.00
Up & Go	\$4.00
Banana Bread (GFA)	\$3.00
Crossiant, plain OR ham & cheese	\$4.50
Fruit Loaf (2 slices) (GFA)	\$3.00

HOT DRINKS

Coffee		
Tea		
Hot Chocolate		
Chai		
	Small	Large
	\$4.50	\$5.00

Alternative milk/ extra shot 70c

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF



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Country

We, the staff and students of Warrnambool College, acknowledge that we are learning on the traditional lands of the Peek Whurrong people of the Maar Nation.

We pay our deepest respects to their Elders; past, present and emerging and to their continuing connection to the lands and waterways.

We also extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who gather here.

We stand side by side with our First Nations people and commit to building a brighter future together.



Artwork by Hannah O'Brien. This artwork was created as part of the Indigenous Perspectives Project. Thanks to Mel Steffensen author of our new Acknowledgment to Country.