David Clift- Principal Report

During this week I have had the privilege of chairing an interview panel to appoint 13 leading teachers at our school into 2017. It’s been an exhaustive process and I have certainly gone home tired every night, but the energy and passion for leadership that each candidate has presented to our panel has left me inspired. Internal and external candidates have outlined their visions for our school community that align with our strategic plan over the next four years. Whilst I can’t reveal specific details for reasons of confidentiality I can say that the collective ideas for growth in our school community have been awe-inspiring. Teachers want to be at our school. They want our school to be on a continual journey of improvement. They feel a sense of ownership about supporting such a journey. I feel blessed to be a part of this enthusiasm for initiatives that will carry our school forward in such a positive light. Our school is in very good hands indeed.

Over the last couple of weeks I’ve also been privileged to briefly look in on some of the extra-curricular pursuits of our students. The presentation ball rehearsals are full of engaged year 11s, listening intently, focusing on how their feet coordinate with the rest of their body and enjoying the company of their dance partners. The rehearsals for the school musical, Legally Blonde, are showcasing the incredible performing arts talent that our students have. And our school captains last week provided considered and thought-provoking reflections to our school councillors on their time at Warrnambool College. This is of course combined this with the recent success in eisteddfod school debating, the school leaders philanthropic congress, sporting events and other student achievements outside of the classroom. Once again, I have been inspired by the thinking, the learning and the talents on display by our students who are clearly taking up all the opportunities offered to them at our school.

And last night I thoroughly enjoyed being part of the subject expo held in the school Auditorium and Hall. It was great to see so many parents and students there, seeking out information with respect to subject and pathway choices to be made in the coming weeks. If you haven’t already booked a time in Compass for the subject selection interviews on 11th August, please ensure you do so in the next couple of days. The next cycle of reports will also be published in Compass on 5th August – please log in and see how your children’s learning is progressing. I hope that, like me, you’ll be inspired by their growth.

Kind regards,
Subject Expo Evening
The subject expo evening was a resounding success. It was great to see so many parents, students and staff having positive conversations about potential educational and career pathways. Anyone unable to attend can find all presentations on compass.

Subject Selection Day
The Subject Selection day is on Thursday 11th August. Please log onto compass and book an interview time. There will not be any formal classes on this day; students are only required to come in for their subject selection interview. Year 7 students are not required to come in at all on this day and will be given an opportunity to select their 2017 LOTE subject at a later date.

School Musical
The College musical “Legally Blonde” is showing at 7:30pm on Thursday 11th and Friday 12th of August at the Lighthouse Theatre. All year 7 students will be viewing the performance on Friday the 12th of August during the day.

If you are wishing to purchase tickets for the show contact the Lighthouse theatre on 5559 4999. Please come along and support our amazingly talented students.

Pride in the School
In term three we are having a school wide focus on having pride in the school. There are so many reasons to be proud to be a Warrnambool College student including:

Since the introduction of our House system in 2011 our enrolments have increased from 900 to over 1200 students. Our school is now at capacity.

We have the best VCE results in Warrnambool with the highest percentage of subject scores above 40.

Our Sporting academies are well supported by staff and students who give up their own time to train, compete and attend extra curricular sporting events.

Our bands and musicals are amazing!

We have the biggest subject selection range in the south west allowing for a diverse range of individual pathways.

Students can demonstrate pride in the school by wearing uniform, picking up their rubbish in the yard, displaying mutual respect to staff and students and respecting their environment.

High Performance Centre - HPC
The new HPC is very close to being fully functional with the advanced Matrix IC7 Spin Cycles arriving today. The HPC was open last night during the Subject Expo and many families were really impressed with what we have achieved in this space. The HPC will be used for senior Physical Education sessions and will be utilised by the Pilot SPP this semester and will be a valuable resource for our 100 SPP students next year. There will be an official opening for the HPC in the upcoming weeks.

Parents and students are encouraged to read over our Student Engagement Policy and Code of Conduct, available for students to read in the Student Handbook and also available online on the College website under the ‘About’ tab in the menu.

The WAVE School has relocated to 86 Lava Street, directly opposite Centrelink, where we are continuing to run our programs in a much nicer building.
Assistant Principal Report

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Sporting Pathway Program

The Year 9 Pilot SPP has been happening this semester with all students undertaking many new and exciting strength and conditioning/fitness sessions. These activities include:

- Federation University Trip – AFL Draft Combine testing
- Battle Ropes
- TRX strength and conditioning sessions
- Slam Balls
- Plyometric Boxes
- Warm Up Rollers
- Kettle Bell activities

With the arrival of our new spin cycles students will be able to link their heart rate monitors to the feedback computer to identify which heart rate training zones they are working in.

You can follow the Pilot SPP on the Warrnambool College Facebook site OR our school website under the Sporting Pathway Program tab.

New Enrolments for 2017

As per the Departments Timeline and Processes all offers of year 7 places for 2017 will be sent to parents from the 11th of August. This information will also include any offers for the Sporting Pathways Program and recipients of Scholarships for the College. If you need assistance with this process in the interim please speak to your local Primary School.

Signing out policy

Parents and students are reminded that there is a strict policy regarding students signing out and leaving the school grounds.

Students can only sign out and leave the College grounds if:

- A parent/legal guardian has entered an approval on Compass
- A note from a parent/legal guardian has been sent with the student to school and handed into the front office
- An email has been sent to the school from parent/legal guardian giving permission for the student to leave the school grounds
- A parent/legal guardian/or emergency contact that is listed on our records to come into the school and sign the student out.

Due to legal obligations, Warrnambool College cannot accept verbal permission for students to leave. Permission must be given before the student leaves the school grounds.

Written permission must come directly to the school (ie. Not via text message to the student’s phone).
The Clontarf boys from Brauer and Warrnambool College were busy over the holidays participating in a number of NAIDOC week celebrations. It was a great effort by the boys to give up their time to help out at community events and support organisations recognising this important week.

Some significant activities/events that the boys have been involved in this Term include...

Warrnambool Clontarf boys were extremely fortunate to be extended an invitation to visit Fox Footy Studios in Melbourne. The boys were led on a tour around the studio followed by sitting in on their two live shows that evening, Fox League teams and AFL360. The various panellists were very obliging and affable with the boys which created a really relaxed atmosphere. The boys had their 1 minute of TV stardom when they were on a segment of the AFL360 show! This was an incredible behind the scenes experience and an opportunity that the boys will remember and cherish!

Warrnambool Clontarf was privileged to have 3 proud young men from Elcho Island, off Arnhem Land. Raven Marika, Lochlan Durrkay & Ralph Dhamarrandji performed traditional song and dance in their first language, Yolngu.

Year 9 students from Warrnambool College were also privy to this incredible experience.

The Year 7 Warrnambool Clontarf boys participated in their end of year ‘Gariwerd’ Grampians Discovery Camp last week. Accompanied by the other Vic Clontarf Academies, Mildura, Robinvale, Swan Hill and Bairnsdale the boys built upon their leadership and team building skills, taking charge in delivering a fitness session to primary school students in neighbouring Ararat and collaborating with Year 8 Ararat Secondary College students. They also furthered their understanding of the natural environment and cultural heritage. All the boys had a brilliant time in the chilly conditions.
Elle Woods a natural blonde, starring Eden Agnew is a typical girly girl who's president of her sorority. She is a Hawaiian Tropic girl but this show sees her go from the popular girl 'it' girl without a care in the world to one that struggles with her peers and professors when her life is suddenly turned upside down. Regardless of that Elle Woods is a determined young and sophisticated woman who uses her sassy glamour, as she realises her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world. When her boyfriend Warner Huntington (played by Keelan Mast) dumps her so he can start getting 'serious' towards life to attend Harvard Law school, Elle instead reacts by trying to get into Harvard Law School, determined to get her boyfriend back, she wants nothing more than to be Mrs Warner Huntington III.

Paulette Bonafonte (Phoebe Sloane) is the funny owner of ‘Hair Affair’ at the local salon. She becomes friends with Elle and longs to marry a man from Ireland, Elle and Paulette help each other to achieve their dreams. Professor Callahan (Will Bonney) is a manipulative law professor at Harvard Law school. Emmett Forrest (Gabriel Tejano) is a smart, quirky, sensitive and personable law student, he ends up taking Elle under his wing and believes in her when it seems that no one else does.

If you want to find out how Elle Woods went on her spectacular adventure and see if she achieved her dream of being nothing more than to be Mrs Warner Huntington III get online now and go to www.ligh housethetre.com.au or call 5559 4999 and book your tickets quick before you miss out on the students from Warnambool College, performing the phenomenal showcase that is Legally Blonde; The Musical.
On Thursday July 21st The Warrnambool College Senior Bullants Football Team travelled to Ballarat to take on Ballarat High School and Marion College (Ararat) for the title of Greater Western Region champion and the opportunity to take their place in the State Quarter Finals.

When studying Outdoor Ed at Warrnambool College, my teacher Kathy Stacey explained to me about the conditions that Sir Edmund Hillary faced while climbing Mount Everest. In Ballarat our Bullants faced similar conditions. The wind was cutting you in half and favouring the Ballarat town end, the ground was heavy and slippery which made for tough conditions.

In our first game, we played Ballarat High School. Ballarat High jumped us early and got off to a flying start, using the wind to their advantage. We won plenty of the ball, however, we turned it over and Ballarat High made us pay. We didn’t stick our tackles and were second to the footy. We didn’t make good use of the breeze and although we mounted a late challenge, Ballarat held the advantage and controlled most of the game. This was a disappointing result and I challenged the group to respond in our second game against Ararat and address the things we didn’t do well in our first game, such as 100% effort and commitment, to use the footy better and make our tackles.

Score

**Ballarat High**
5 Goals 5 Behinds = 35

**Defeated**

**Warrnambool College Bullants**
2 Goals 5 Behinds = 17

Goal Kickers v Ballarat High: Liam Antonio 1, Sam Alberts 1.

Better Players v Ballarat High: Davis Lindsey, Taylem Wason, Keegan Picken, Tom Baker and Matt Dennis.
In our second game against Marion College, we were playing for second position as Ballarat High defeated Marion College to go through to the next round.

We started off on fire with Oli Love Davies winning the tap straight down to Liam Boyle who pumped the ball into our forward line and this set the scene for a dominant midfield display in the second game. We were able to get the ball into the forward line quickly to give our forwards a chance. Darcy Johnstone was like ‘salt and pepper’, as he was in everything and was getting to good spots such as front and square for marking contests. Jesse Johnson-McElgunn was also proving elusive in our forward line and had clean hands setting up a few goals while also kicking goals. Oli Love Davies desperation was evident and his 2nd and 3rd efforts around stoppages for a big man was inspirational.

Our attack on the ball and the player put Marion College under enormous pressure, which caused them to turn the ball over. We made Marion College pay for this and were able to take the ball from our defence into attack and kick goals with precision movement of the footy by hand and foot. Our use of the footy was brilliant and as good as I’ve seen from any previous Bullant teams. James Howarth-Green, Ben Oates and Liam Stow off half back were damaging and like a brick wall that Marion couldn’t get through. Liam Antonio was lighting the field up with his run and carry along with Tom Baker who kept working hard and tackling hard. The ball was following Darcy Johnstone around that much that Darcy didn’t see the footy coming and it landed on his head with a beautiful ‘falcon.’ At 3 quarter time the game was ours and we took a photo (see above). The last quarter was all one way. Liam Boyle put on a great celebration after kicking a goal and the Bullants were home. The Bullants ran Marion College into the ground, shared the footy and used the footy well to win comfortably. This win was some consolation for the disappointing loss in the first game! The Bullants showed great spirit to respond the way they did in the second game.

Next year, The Warrnambool College Bullants enter a new exciting phase after being offered a place in The Premier League Competition from 2017. We believe with increased participation in our academy along with the introduction of the Sporting Pathway Program, that we’ll be competitive against metropolitan teams and provide a structure for our Senior Bullants to gain experience against different schools and exposure to different grounds and opportunities. A special thanks to Adam Matheson (Assistant Coach/Statistician), Tate Nedrie (runner/boundary umpire), Brad Edge (Goal Umpire, drinks) and Darren Baker (Team Manager/Goal Umpire).

Go Bullants!

Danny Finn (Senior Bullants Coach)

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**Score**

**Warrnambool College Bullants**

9 Goals 10 Behinds = 64

**Defeated**

**Marion College**

2 Goals 1 Behind = 13

Goal Kickers v Marion College: Darcy Johnstone 2, Jesse Johnson-McElgunn 2, Liam Boyle 1, Davis Lindsey 1, Mitch Bidmade 1, Taylor Johnstone 1, Harry Bond 1.

Early on Thursday morning the intermediate girls badminton team headed to Ballarat, all rugged up for typical Ballarat weather that greeted us there. As we exited the bus the senior boys football team gave us a good luck cheer, which inspired us to play to the best of our abilities. The team consisted of Kiara Billington, Erin Crowe-Owen, Hannah Loughhead and Danielle Warren with Laura Billington as team organizer. The team were placed in pool A and played against Mount Clear College and Balmoral K-12 Community College. The girls played well playing singles and then doubles. The team showed genuine sportsmanship when assisting the opposition with which side of the court they need to stand on to serve etc... In both rounds the girls didn’t drop a set which put them straight through the grand final against the winner of Pool B – Ballarat Secondary College. The girls had some hard sets in the grand final playing best of three sets to 21 in the singles and the doubles. But once again the girls were victorious! We returned to the bus with another cheer from the senior boys footy team (thanks guys!). The girls are now preparing for the state finals on the 9th of August in Melbourne we wish them all the best.

Michelle Ladhams (aka Bu Badminton)
Proud Warrnambool College Badminton Coach.

Year 7 Netball

The siren goes as our first game starts against Brauer, it was a tight game but we won 8-3. Our second game was against Monivae A, it was a tough game, we tried our best but the score was 12-3 their way. Our third game was against our own Warrnambool College A team, we were winning for most of the game but in the last half we dropped off and lost by 2. The score was 15-3. Our second last game was against Monivae B, the score was 12-8 our way. Our final game was against Hamilton & Alenandria, we just won by 1 goal in a tough game. Overall it was a great day and we would like to thank Tanya for coaching us!

By Isabella Baker and Jordi Bidmade.

Tanya McDonald Year 7 Netball Coach
End of Semester Activity
Childers ended term 2 with a bang with our celebration event at Inflatable World. Students donned the Velcro suit for the Human Fly apparatus and made the most on the inflatable slides and the duelling ring. A lot of pizza was consumed between stints on the inflatable course and many were well entertained when Liam Boyle challenged Mr Dart to a duelling match, resulting in Liam giving him a very lucky but well deserved smash to the face with an inflatable jousting stick. Thanks for a great afternoon and we trust that all students and staff enjoyed their well deserved break.

Bunnings Barbecue
Childers is running the Bunnings Barbecue on Sunday August 7th fundraising to support out Daffodil Day efforts. Please make sure you swing by and purchase a sausage or drink and support a great cause.

Daffodil Day
August is rapidly approaching meaning that the Childers’ Daffodil Day preparations are underway. This week our student leaders are selling the potted Daffodils and Jonquils that we planted in April already having raised $200. There are still plants available for sale. Students can purchase them from the Childers Office.

Congratulations to all our Childers Champions who have been involved in the Starlight Foundation Game-a-thon, State Cross Country, The Music Eisteddfod and the recent public speaking events.
CHILDERS WOW POINTS UPDATE

These students were recently acknowledged at the Childers House Assembly for their consistently positive behaviour in our community.

Ali Rowe (50 point level)

Emily Ward, Marli Cooke, Zara Fenton, Samara Howie, Gemma Lake (40 point level)

Grace Szegi, Issy Finnigan, Caitlin Musico, Sophie O’Brien, Kayla Shears, Sophie Lenehan, William Janssen, Meg Reuel, Sophie Lake (30 point level)

Anna Barker, Zacc Dwyer, Elijah Saulitis, Leah Bell, Sam Stephens, Shantelle Murray, Jai Langenberg, Harry Boyd, Joe Johnstone, Erin Kavanagh, Naomi Noll, Kara Graham, Corey Johnstone, Daniel Lewis, Heath Yates (20 point level)

Max Owen, Clare Jenkin, Millie Locke, Merrick McDonald, Jordan Telford, Tyler Cust, Maggie Gardiner, Benjamin Graham, Casey Harradine, Zara Harris, Lachlan Roberts, Tom Buckley, Pennie Davey, Wil Kelly-Merrifield, Jack Patterson, Liam Boyle, Vanessa Hirst, Sophie Keane, Maya Netherway, Brad Osborne, Tate Porter, Caleb Stewart (10 point level).
The year of 2016 has brought much excitement for Belfast and continues to look like it'll just keep getting better. To start the year off we were proud to announce our student leadership team of 15 students led by Drew Garner and Maddie Solly and Mr Dowie. This group has dedicated many recess and lunch times to producing many different and exciting activities for the rest of the house and the school to participate in.

As a way for our student leadership team to get to know each other, become better leaders and plan out our year, we had an after school leadership session with Ben Walsh who has recently returned from Perth where he helped run leadership programs with SEDA. Ben was able to encourage us to rethink our conceptions of who a leader is and how we can become better ones ourselves. This was followed by us going out for dinner and planning what the year had to offer as well as a chance for us to become closer friends. This was a great night and one of which helped Belfast to make quite a few changes in order to become a better house.

Starting with the school swimming sports in Term 1, we had a massive increase in participation for Belfast across all year levels. This is an indicator of how our house has grown to become more supportive towards each other. Not to mention that Belfast finished fourth overall! The athletics carnival was very similar with overwhelming amounts of support passed around from student to student throughout the day. Here we finished third which we'll definitely try to beat next year. Cross country came and went with many Belfast students participating which is a sure sign of improvement from past years.

For our house celebration day this year, on the 15th of March, everyone was encouraged to come to school dressed as something starting with the letter ‘B’. This proved to be a great success with a live band and BBQ, all to raise funds for our house charity, Oxfam.

During Term 2, we also put on activities throughout the week of May 30th. This included indoor games, music in the auditorium and a basketball competition up in the gym. All three were extremely successful and provided a chance for students to get out of the cold! To finish off the week, there was a BBQ put on by our student leaders for all Belfast kids and proved to be a great idea.

For the end of term, we joined up with Flagstaff house and travelled down to the cinema and had the opportunity to watch Ice Age Collision Course or Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 2. The two were great and the afternoon gave both houses a chance to get to know each other better.

Obviously we are only halfway through the year and Belfast have heaps more up our sleeves, so keep a look out for more exciting house opportunities to come.
Mr Clisby’s Year 9 Music class rocking it out!

Congratulations to…

- Katrina Van Someren and Susan Malikoff – for ‘wowing’ the audience at the Chaplaincy ‘Winter Fushion’ fundraising dinner on Saturday the 30th July at St Brigids, Crossley. They even inspired a sing along to Elvis Presley’s ‘I can’t help falling in love with you’ during their set, which was truly magical!

- Junior and Senior Rock Band, for performing during the school assembly on Thursday 21st July. For some band members this was their very first performance with these bands!

Good luck to…

- The brave students completing their AMEB exams this Saturday 6th August!
- All cast and band members performing for our school musical ‘Legally Blonde’ next week, you’re hard work is about to pay off!
At Warrnambool College we achieve success through persistence, resilience and mutual respect

**VERY OPEN DAY**
Sunday 14th August • 11am - 3pm

**VERY OPEN**
**FOR FOOD & FUN**

- The Fresh Market Warrnambool
- A fabulous feast of food
- The South West Region Apprentice Chef & Barista Competition
- FREE face painting, jumping castle, fairy floss, music & roving fun!

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    - FREE mosaic making
    - FREE rustic bread baking
    - FREE growing tips for green thumbs
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Community Notices / Useful Information

**SICK BAY**

Any parents picking their child up from the sick bay will need to enter via the Russells Creek entrance and drive past the pool and follow the signs located on the school buildings. There is a short term car park near the new climbing tower. Please follow the signs to the location of the sick bay.

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**Financial Support for Families**

In light of the financial difficulties in the Dairy industry, we remind families of the support provided by State Schools Relief. State Schools Relief do not provide money directly to families; though they do assist with school clothing, footwear, socks and underwear. If your family would like further information regarding accessing this support please do not hesitate to contact the Warrnambool College Administration Staff on 5564 4444. All requests are strictly confidential.

State Schools Relief is an organisation set up to assist you and provide help where required.

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