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David Clift
Principal Report

Our family has a Labrador dog at home that we love dearly. He’s a retired guide dog and has only been in our family for the past year. When I get home, he’s the first to greet me at the door, letting me know that he’s missed me throughout the day and wanting a cuddle for reassurance. Unfortunately his health has gone downhill over the past few months and we’re having to make some very difficult decisions in the coming week. It’s made me somewhat introspective with respect to the qualities that ‘Wally’ brings to our home and those that we’ll miss shortly. The most enduring memory I’ll have of Wally is his optimism when it comes to food. If you’ve got a Labrador, you’ll know what I mean. He only gets fed twice a day (at similar times) and yet he’s always expectant that something else might be coming his way. He visits his food bowl regularly throughout the day, just in case. He hangs at my feet whenever I’m heading toward the kitchen. His sense of positive thinking is inspiring. The other quality I’ll miss is his ability to know when any one of our family is a bit down and then to simply lie down somewhere near them, looking for an occasional pat but just being there for us. I see both of these qualities within the environment of Warrnambool College each day.

As we head into the second half of the year, I have a great sense of optimism about where our school is heading. Our recent provisional appointment of our Assistant Principal, Dan Lee, is brilliant news for our school. He brings a fantastic balance of long term visioning and short term grit in the way he approaches his role. Our proposed leadership restructure was shared with the staff this week and for me there is a positive vibe around how this will help our school community to align more fully with our strategic plan heading forward. I have high expectations of our students and our staff.

For some in our school community however, the past month has been very difficult. Emotional, social, physical and mental wellbeing has been compromised and it has made it hard for some to focus on learning in the classroom. Our WAVE school is currently going through significant changes which will ultimately present incredible opportunities for our alternate learning setting, but not before experiencing some short term uncertainty. It’s been important to support each other through these times and I’d like to thank the many people who take the time to listen to student’s stories and are ‘just there’ for each other when needed. Such care for one another is a gift and is not to be taken for granted – it’s a quality that strengthens our school and makes it so great. I’ll go home tonight and give my Wally an extra big cuddle and pat. I’ll cherish every day with him in the coming week. I encourage you to cherish the ones you love each day and look forward with optimism to the learning journey that we’re all collectively on.

Kind Regards,

Dave Clift
Principal

Please offer your support if possible:

Two past students of Warrnambool College in Jet Dowie and Kristy Trotman are facing anyone’s worst crisis at the moment, the critical illness of their 14 month old son Noah. He has a rare disease, Diamond Blackfan Anemia. As a College we are looking at avenues to support Jet & Kristy though if you would also like to offer your support please go to www.gofundme.com/23n39h9g.
Assistant Principal Report

Adam Matheson, Emma Miller, Dan Lee

Sporting Pathways Program:

Thank you to the families who attended the Sporting Pathways Program information sessions that were held last week. This was highly successful and we received a lot of positive feedback from the families that attended. If your child is interested in pursuing this program please be aware that applications close on the 10th of June. If you missed the information session and would like to find out more about the program please speak to Adam Matheson. You can also find the slides of the presentation and additional information on the College website.

Attendance:

If you phone the College you will notice that our automated message system has changed. In relation to attendance we wish to advise that according to Department Regulations all information must be in writing. If your child is unable to attend then you can personally approve details for this via your Compass log in, provide a hard copy note when your child returns to school, or provide a text message to the dedicated number. We will shortly be turning off the absence hotline and requesting that parents follow these guidelines.

Safe Schools Coalition:

Warrnambool College has joined the Safe Schools Coalition and made a commitment to becoming a safer and more inclusive school. Safe received training last year and will participate in further discussions next Friday 10th of June, presented by staff from the Coalition. We encourage all members of our school community to challenge homophobic and transphobic language or behavior every time they hear or set it. We want to make an impact on our culture and community.

In 2013, amendments to the federal Sex Discrimination Act made it illegal to discriminate on the basis of transgender status. This means that transgender and gender diverse people cannot be excluded or unfairly treated on the basis of their gender identity. Schools must also under law provide gendered spaces for trans and gender diverse people.

If students or parents would like additional support or have questions regarding this you can receive this via Kids Helpline, Minus 18, ReachOut.com, Lifeline or the Safe School Coalition.

Appointment of Substantive Assistant Principal

Many in the College community would know Dan Lee. He has been a fantastic member of staff and long term House Leader for Belfast. In January of this year he commenced an Acting Assistant Principal role and has been working steadily in this capacity for the last 6 months. Dan has done an amazing job leading a vertical team of staff and also working hard with VCE teachers to shift data, attitude and effort of our senior cohort. It is with great joy that we announce that he was recently provisionally appointed to the position of Assistant Principal for a substantive permanent role. Congratulations to Dan Lee on his appointment. We wish him continued success in the role.

June 10th Pupil Free Day:

Reminder that there will be no scheduled classes running on June 10th. This day will be held as a Professional Development day for staff. The major focus for teaching staff will be data analysis and assessment processes. Education Support staff will also participate in a session based on conducting ‘Difficult Conversations’.

New semester 14th June:

Semester two classes will commence following the Queen’s Birthday long weekend. Monday the 13th is a public holiday and with new classes and timetables commencing on the Tuesday. If students wish to make changes to semester two electives please speak with your tutor.

Multi Industry Trade Taster

Year 10 students have an exciting new elective available focused on vocational pathways for semester two. It is titled the Multi-industry Trade Taster. It is fully funded by the Federal Government and administered by Westvic. This elective will take place on Thursday afternoons so students that are currently completing a VET course will not be able to choose this elective. If you would like further information please speak to your tutor or Mr Lee.
Monday 30th May

A busy start to the school day saw 140 Year 9 students loaded on buses and excitedly taken out to SWTAFEs Sherwood Park campus to attend the ‘Try a Career’ Expo.

One of the biggest challenges for a young person is how and where to commence the career journey. The ‘Try a Career’ Expo was purely about giving young people the chance to try ‘hands on activities’ and talk to people about what is involved in a range of different careers. This was also the first introduction to Year 9s about the VET is (Vocational Education and Training in Schools) program.

Students were welcomed on site by the TAFE in Schools Coordinator Susan Pettigrew who took us through how the sessions would run and where to go. She then rang the bell signalling the start to the morning and off we went, in all directions, like ants disturbed at a picnic.

Over a ninety-minute period, students experienced three different ‘hands on activities’ from preferences they had made in the weeks leading up to the excursion. Industries and careers represented on the day were:

- Building
- Community Services
- Electrical
- Engineering
- Furniture and Cabinet Making
- Hairdressing
- Health
- Hospitality
- Make-up
- Media
- Plumbing
- Early Childhood
- Arts
- Agriculture / Conservation & Land
- Sport and Recreation
- Business Administration

As the final bell rang marking the end of the expo, the students boarded the buses back to school armed with things they had made, eaten or learned. It was a great success and importantly, the first of many introductions to the vocational opportunities available to students at Warrnambool College.

Kerry Cheeseman,
Pathways & Transitions
ICE Challenge Summit

To fight back against the ice epidemic in the South West, 4 Warrnambool College students (Louis Osborne, Jemimah Smith, Josh Bermingham and Liam Stow) with a few other students from the other high schools came together to represent the youth team for the ice summit. We met at TAFE and listened to the up front and real life stories 2 ex ice users, who are now happily living a fully drug free life. After this we learnt the surprisingly high use of ice in Warrnambool and reasons people have taken them. The thing that surprised me was that Drugs don't discriminate! Any one can have a drug issue and there are many various reasons why people end up taking them. After listening from another area which has successfully got on top of the drug epidemic, the youth team, representatives from other councils and the police; brain stormed and discussed various strategies on tackling this issue. After collecting our ideas, we took them back to the other teams and shared our solutions. Warrnambool College had highly praised ideas partly thanks to the wonderful wellbeing program we have. We now have 100 days to go away and try to implement as many plans as possible before meeting up again at the summit at the end of August. We will then compare notes again with other teams and see what has been successful and what hasn't worked.

- Louis Osborne
Parent please note - Parents are required to approve absences for your children in one of three ways:

1. Via Compass at wblcoll.vic.jdlf.au or
2. Via text message to 0400 455 708. Please save this number into your phone
3. Hard copy note to the College

Due to legal requirements, we require your approval in writing or electronically. We cannot accept verbal notification.

Families are able to notify and approve absences such as family holidays, illness, etc. in advance or retrospectively.

If you have lost your Compass log in details, please contact the College on 5564 4444, we are able to assist.

It is a legal requirement for parents to log in to Compass and approve an early departure before a student needs to leave. Alternative a note is to be sent if your child is signing out of the College early. Unfortunately we cannot accept a text message sent to the student’s phone as permission, nor verbal permission. It can sometimes be very difficult to contact a parent to seek permission at the time the student is signing out if they don’t have prior permission. In this case we are not permitted, by law, to allow the student to leave the College.

OUTSTANDING FAMILY PAYMENTS -

All families with outstanding balances owing to the College would have received an updated statement within the last week. This statement only detailed the outstanding charges, not those already paid.

For those families who have made payment plan arrangements or are paying your school charges in instalments, please view this statement as an update of your balance.

As we are about to enter term 3, we have noticed that some families have not finalised their payment or payment option plan for their Essential charges.

For those families with outstanding charges, perhaps the matter has slipped your mind, so please treat this letter as a reminder to pay this balance or contact the College to make an arrangement.

If you believe an error has occurred, or if you are experiencing financial difficulties and wish to discuss your circumstances confidentially, please contact our Business Manager, Chris Dickson.

Schoolkids Bonus: Your Next Payment

If you are eligible for the Schoolkids Bonus, the next payment is due to families this month. This payment is to assist families with school charges.

All families with outstanding balances recently received updated statements - these payments may be paid via B/Pay, cash, cheque or Eftpos. Families are also welcome to contact the College directly on 5564 4444 re making payments from credit cards over the phone.
WHATS BEEN HAPPENING IN MUSIC???

Our VCE music class have been performing their solo and group pieces over the past couple of weeks. The music teachers and families were especially impressed with the quality and commitment of these budding musicians at the VCE Music night on Tuesday 17th May. A special thank you must go to teachers Aradie Walters and Erin Toulmin music for guiding these students towards their VCE music achievements.

YEAR 8 Music classes have also enjoyed performing their radio shows. This is a CAT where students work in groups to plan, write and perform a live radio show within our class. They have been using their IPads to create original songs, record their own commercials and edit current commercial music releases. They have also done live news broadcasts. The standard of these shows has been fantastic and they are very entertaining. Mr Clisby is impressed!!

MUSIC ACADEMY T’SHIRTS

If you play in a school band (any school band), choir, or are getting instrumental or singing lessons, you can now order a Music Academy T’Shirt as part of your school uniform! They will cost $35 (payable to the front office) and are a great asset to have coming up to performances. Any student or teacher wishing to order a T’Shirt please contact Jon Clisby in the music department with your name, size and how many t’shirts you wish to order by this Friday 3rd June. There are also sample T’Shirts to try on for size at the Music Dept every recess this week. Orders taken by this Friday will see the T’SHIRTS arrive early in term 3.
Warrnambool Cheese and Butter are pleased to announce that Finn Hickey from Year 10 will participate in the Adrian Meade Dairy Innovation Program 2016. Finn successfully completed the application and interview process and was selected from over 20 students from around the region. The program will be held in the June / July holidays 2016 and include a 5 day structured workplace learning opportunity in the following areas of interest.

Agriculture, particularly the Dairy industry
Trades associated with Manufacturing
Supply Chain Management and Logistics (Transport)
Food Technology, Food processing and Process Engineering

Participants are given the rare opportunity to see the entire dairy industry supply chain the paddock to the plate. Finn will also learn about the wide range of careers available in the industry and meet a range of innovative leaders in their fields. The program emphasizes leadership in all aspects of the industry and promotes student’s leadership skills development. Congratulations Finn.

**Year 10 Work Experience:** Over the last 2 weeks we have had over 100 students attending work experience in a wide range of placements. Most of the placements are for the full 5 days and students commence work at 8.00 or 9:00 am and then work a full day. The emphasis is not just about the career field but rather more about learning the finer personal skills of communication with adults they do not know, following instructions, punctuality, work discipline , initiative and motivation. Students need to learn not to use their mobile phone whilst on the job and also need to be organised in terms of what to wear, what happens for lunch and how do I find where to go on the first day. Students and parents need to remember that employers do not have to take students on Work Experience, the employer offers this opportunity as a community service and it costs them time and effort to take a student for a week. The student is a guest in their workplace and should respect the employer and supervisors whilst learning new skills and about the industry. Mr Finns Humanities Groups commences Work Experience for the week beginning 25 July and Mr Darts group goes on 14 November.

**Year 12 – Lunchtime Workshops:** This year we have conducted a range of lunchtime workshops for interested Year 12 students. These have included: Applying for accommodation at the University of Melbourne, Nursing Pathways – Deakin university, Courses at the Swiss Hotel Schools, Commerce , Business and Law Pathways – Deakin University, Careers in Health – Latrobe University Courses and Accommodation, Volunteering for your Gap Year – Programs in the Philippines, JMC Academy – Careers in Design, Animation and Performance Studies. Future workshops will include: Successfully applying for Fine Arts and Performing Arts, Accommodation at Monash University, VTAC and interstate applications, Navigating the VTAC Website, How to make a SEAS Application.

**Year 10 Mock Job Interviews:** Over 200 students participated in the Year 10 Mock Job Interviews. This involved students via their humanities classes, learning how to prepare and make a successful application for a job. This included, researching a job, preparing a letter of application and personal resume and then presenting for the actual interview with a local business person they do not know. Students did exceedingly well and comments from employers were very favourable. A special thankyou to the 50 business people from Warrnambool and district who gave up 2 hours of their time to conduct the interviews for our students.

**Eager Anticipation – Students waiting for their interviews to commence**

**WIRL – Careers Resource – What’s it Really Like:**

WIRL enables you to explore a wide range of careers with an interactive component on-line. You can search for a specific career such as Physiotherapist and then listen to someone who is doing his job. They will outline why they chose the job, the basic school subject requirement and modes of study. The real emphasis is on the job and what you do on a day to day basis. Also they talk about the environment in which you learn. You can also look at the list of institutions that offer courses to become qualified and the package also a quick Careers Quiz to help students look at possible career pathways.
The Engineering Challenges students in year 9 had the opportunity to see what goes on behind the scenes at our local Airport in Koroit. Students listened to presentations by Shane Hicks from Sharp Airlines, Terry O’Sullivan from Warrnambool Council and the Airport’s Director of flying Janelle Wright. Students learned about the operations side of the airport including the safety and security systems, the communication systems including the purpose/design of the landing strip lights, the weather reports, wind socks and other important signals. Students also learned about the various careers that are available in the Aviation Industry, and Shane made a particular reference to the shortage and need for female pilots within the Industry. Terry spoke of the future plans to extend the runway to enable larger aircraft to use the airport—he said once the runway’s extended even the PM can be accommodated in one of the RAAF’s VIP Jets.

Students then had a tour of the HEMS4 Helicopter base operated by Ambulance Victoria. Students had chance to look closely at the Air Ambulance and the opportunity to have a good chat with the resident Aircraft Engineer Andy Blain. Andy talked of his background and his journey from the Amy to his current role. He spoke about the daily checks that he does and the processes in place which allow the helicopter to be airborne within 10 minutes from receipt of a call.

Chenae Moore and Nick Bellman handed over a cheque for $100 from the school to recognise the great work The Air Ambulance team do.

To finish off the morning, students had a drive around the airport to see the new hangars, the improved East/West runway and we further discussed the future development plans for the Airport. The students enjoyed the excursion and would like to thank Shane, Terry, Janelle, Andy and the Paramedics team for their time and effort.

Other sporting calendar for the remainder of this term:

**Monday 6th June:- Greater Western Region Cross Country**

**Wednesday 8th June:- Warrnambool Division Intermediate Winter Sports:**
- Football – Intermediate Boys
- Netball – Intermediate Girls
- Soccer – Intermediate Girls & Boys **
- Badminton – Intermediate Girls & Boys
- Table Tennis – Intermediate Girls & Boys
- Basketball – Intermediate Girls & Boys

**Friday 17th June:- Warrnambool Division Senior Winter Sports:**
- Basketball – Senior Girls & Boys
- Soccer – Senior Girls **
- Badminton – Senior Girls & Boys
- Table tennis – Senior Girls & Boys

** These events also have the next round of competition this term if our students are successful at this round.
CROSS COUNTRY

After 3 attempts we finally held our school Cross Country on Friday 13th May. Students from Year 7-9 set off at the beginning of period 3 to complete the 3km course around the Albert Park precinct. Year 10-12 students had the option of competing the course during lunchtime. There were some great times recorded and the competition between the various houses was very close with only 5 points separating 1st and 2nd.

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The following students were awarded our age champions:

- 13 years: Lily Johnson & Alistair Artz
- 14 years: Stella Bridgewater & Luke Wilson
- 15 years: Ashlea Ferguson & Jay Rantall
- 16 years: Naticia Varley & Matthew Rea
- 17 years: Ben Warren
- 18-20 years: Molly Owen & Tom Cowling

WARRNAMBOOL DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY

57 students travelled to Jellie Reserve, Woodford last Friday to compete in the Warrnambool Division Cross Country. They all put in fantastic efforts and should be proud of the way they represented our school.

We had some stand out performances with 4 students winning their age group:
- 14 year girls – Stella Bridgewater
- 15 year boys – Jay Rantall
- 16 year girls – Naticia Varley
- Senior boys – Ben Warren

A number of students have now qualified for the Greater Western Region event to be held at Victoria Park Reserve, South Warrnambool on Monday 6th June.

TENNIS

Our Senior and Intermediate Boys teams recently travelled to Boroondarra Tennis Centre in North Balwyn to contest the State Finals. The Senior boys team of Ben Wilde, Matthew Dunn, Ben Warren and Tom Cowling came up against some tough competition and finished 3rd in their pool.

The Intermediate boys team of Harry Boyd, Patrick Drake, Lachie Wilde and Jaxen Dalton finished on top of their pool at the completion of the preliminary rounds. After a good contest they went down in the Semi-Final to Box Hill Senior Secondary College.

GOLF STATE CHAMPION

Last Monday Caleb and Jhett Perry ventured to Churchhill Park Golf Club in Endeavour Hills to compete in the State School Victoria Senior Golf State Final. Having qualified through divisional rounds at Port Fairy Golf Club, the boys took on a field of 65 players in very blustery conditions. At the end of play Jhett prevailed and took out the title with a round of 74, with Caleb only 1 shot behind tied on 75. After a count back Caleb was placed 4th. Jhett has now been selected to represent Victoria at the School Sports Australia Championships in Adelaide in August.
STATE SWIMMING

Warrnambool College travelled to MSAC on Tuesday 19th April with 8 swimmers supported by Robert Dart and Sonia Prewett for School Sport Victoria State Swimming. We were privileged once again travel with Emmanuel College. The team consisting of Gabrielle Good, Brittany Leach, Denbi Lamb, Rachel Vickery, Blake Turner, Rhys Kent, Sebastian Good and Noah Best swam in a total of 18 individual events and three relays. It is truly an honour to be at State Swimming and watch the Warrnambool College Swimmers proudly represent their school and compete against other swimmers who in the future may well be in the Olympic Swimming Team. State Swimming is highly competitive and very exciting to watch. There were many highlights and memories made from the day. Exciting swims and finishes kept us on the edges of our seats. If the swimmers weren’t excessively short of breath from their swim, they certainly were when they climbed the steep set of stairs to our seats in the grandstand. Congratulations to all swimmers for qualifying for State Swimming and the amazing performances on the day. Out of 134 schools that competed Warrnambool College came 19th in the points tally.

TABLE TENNIS

The Warrnambool College Table Tennis Academy numbers continue to grow- up to 21 now! Each Friday after school the year 7-12 students learn some excellent new strategies & skills from coach Trevor McDowell (ably assisted by Gordon) from the Warrnambool Table tennis club. Academy training is each Friday 3:40-5pm during terms 2 & 3. The Academy students are enthusiastically participating in the regional competition at all levels & divisions as well as getting involved in the Table Tennis club activities. The academy Bullants tops are still being put together & we are looking forward to their arrival. Table Tennis academy parents please note that there is an upcoming Student free Day and Coach Trevor McDowell has confirmed that we will not do Friday training that week. Best of luck to academy students participating in the upcoming intermediate regional completion.

NETBALL

On Tuesday 17 May six year 7 and 8 netball teams braved the cold conditions to play a number of games at the ARC. The Warrnambool Blue year 7 team came out on a mission, winning their first 4 games by an average margin of 20 goals. The midcourt was consistent all day and attackers and defenders lined up well against a variety of opponents. We met our match however when we came up against the two Emmanuel teams who managed to read our play too well and shut us down. It was a great day for all teams to enhance our netball skills, play with new teammates and see some of our old friends too!
Regional Chess Tournament.

They came do battle to even the score
Kings and Queens, Knights and Bishops and foot soldiers galore
On this battlefield of black and white
they had better be ready to put up a fight
As mayhem and chaos, took hold of the night
They will break through their defence
And topple their knights
And walk away victorious
with gold in their hand

Congratulations to the fantastic students who represented Warrnambool College at the recent regional chess tournament. We had 17 students in total make the long journey over to Brauer, with many Year 7s taking part for the first time and led by our senior players Corey Johnstone, Daniel Barker and Keiren McDowell.

Overall results:
Middle school: Team 4<sup>th</sup> place - ½ point outside 3<sup>rd</sup> place and only two points from 1<sup>st</sup>
Senior team: 2<sup>nd</sup> overall – again only ½ point outside 1<sup>st</sup>.
Fantastic effort here by all, with many Year 7’s participating in the open division and picking up points
Daniel Barker – 1<sup>st</sup> overall in the senior division
Corey Johnstone – 2<sup>nd</sup> in the senior division
Balin Duthrie – 9<sup>th</sup> in middle school
Lochie Worden 13<sup>th</sup> in Middle school
Charlie Brown 18<sup>th</sup> in middle school

In total over 100 students participated in the event, the biggest turn out for a local comp in many a year.
Congratulations to all.

University of New South Wales: English and Mathematics Competitions

Dear parents/guardians,
The University of New South Wales, are again conducting English & Mathematics competitions in 2016. Warrnambool College will be providing the opportunity for all students in years 7-12 to participate in the competitions. All SEAL students in years 7, 8 & 10 & 10 plus will be completing both the English and Maths competitions, while other students can enrol in either of the two competitions.
This is a fantastic opportunity for your child to participate with approximately 1 million other students worldwide. Every student who participates in the competition will receive a report and certificate out-lining their personal achievement.

Competition dates are as follows
English – 2<sup>nd</sup> August
Maths – 16<sup>th</sup> August
Daffodils
Our student leaders spent a lunchtime in May potting Daffodil bulbs in pots donated by Childers families and staff. The intention is to sell these Daffodil plants in August as a part of our philanthropic project raising money for the Cancer Council. A huge thank you to all the members of the Childers community who donated pots and a special thanks to the Hands on Learning program which prepared the soil and provide the tools to complete this task efficiently.

End of Semester Celebration
This year the student leaders have opted to return to Inflatable World for their end of semester celebration. We had an awesome time last year with the leap of faith and the sibling duels and are returning this year to test out the new sumo suits and the human fly apparatus. The event will take place on the last day of term at the subsidised cost of $15 per person. This includes admission and a pizza lunch. Payment for this event open can be made via Compass.

Exchange Students
Childers has been blessed in recent years with a series of exchange students calling Warrnambool College and more particularly Childers home during their stay in Australia. Our Swedish exchange student, Sofia Martensson, has definitely made the most of her time in Australia, proudly donning the Childers yellow for all of our house events. Sofia leaves us in late May having made friends that she have for a lifetime. She has developed a special second family in the Greenwoods who she has lived with for a year and we wish her well on her departure and all the best for her future. We hope that she returns to Warrnambool some day in the future.

While Sofia is leaving us, the cycle continues with Lucie Munoz from Italy and Lisa Schuler from France replacing her for their exchange visit for a three month period. We welcome both students to the College who will become a part of the current Year 10 Childers cohort.

Greg Twitt
It is with great sadness we farewell Greg Twitt, one of our greatest Childers teachers and supporters. Greg was a member of the original Childers team when the House system was introduced to the College in 2011. In his time at the College, Greg has been involved in the College’s leadership team, has been a teacher of Maths, Science and iLearn in both the mainstream and SEAL programs. He is also one of our Chemistry teachers at VCE level. He has contributed greatly in the field of technology integration and innovation, and has been a keen supporter of all Childers programs. Thanks for your contribution Greg, we wish you well on the next journey.

Childers Champions
Congratulations to Tom O’Sullivan, one of our student leaders who was appointed Warrnambool City Council Deputy Youth Mayor last week.

- Jay Rantall, 15 Years Boys Cross Country Champion
- Makayla Lowther, 2nd, 13 Years Girls Cross Country
- Jayden Brown, 3rd, 15 Years Boys Cross Country
- Charlie Locke, 2nd 17 Years Boys Cross Country

If any parent or guardian knows of an achievement in any field that they feel we should recognise please email me via Compass. We have a Childers Assembly every second Friday to celebrate student achievements in activities that take place both inside and outside of the College.

Reports
The new reporting structure allows us as teachers and parents to better monitor student effort and achievement. At Warrnambool College we encourage students to be proactive about their learning, to ask questions and seek to self improve as both students and young adults. Students who are scoring less that 60% for Attitude and Effort are not putting their best foot forward academically.

If you have a concern regarding your child’s approach to learning feel free to contact your child’s tutor to develop an Individual Learning Plan and set some meaningful goals to improve their motivation and commitment to classes that they might be struggling in.

If you have any questions, queries or concerns regarding your child’s wellbeing or academic progress, I would encourage you to speak with or email your child’s tutor, the Childers House Assistants: Oliver Hodson and Jenette Penn, or myself so we can assist your child to be the best version of themselves that they can be.
This week we would like to acknowledge the Hopkins students that received 60% for attitude & effort in all of their subjects – congratulations to you all and keep up the good work!

H1 - Zoe Campbell, Patrick Clisby, Madeleine Fedley, Jasmine Hoey, Ella McCorkell, Donald Murphy, Michael Platt, Gabby Quarrell, Tim Vincent, Tara Warren
H2 - Harris Anderson, Carly McDonald, Georgia Campbell, Lilly King, Josie Allen, Grace Morton, Maiya Steele, Emily Abbott and Ella Wines
H3 - Georgia Parkes-Holmes, Bree Golding, Amanda Dwyer, Amelia Finnigan, Thomas Davis, Tristan Godfrey, Kiera Leone
H4 - Vijay Chand, Dujon Neoh, Shearna Russell, Katie Dodds, Tahlia Hill, Maya Lowen, Merlin Clare, Lili Cox, Beth Whyte, Declan McGillivray-Priedkalns
H5 - Chelsea Finch, Jack Knight, Bryce McDonald, Alex Drake, Lorcan Hancock, Emerson Knight, Esther Trewin, Eleesha Galbraith,
Jayden Annett, Mitchell Annett
H6 - Connor Bellman, Giarn Richardson, Teri-Lynn Drummond, Eamonn Irvine, Nick Russell, Jacqui Twaddle, Kathryn Ross, Gabriella Richardson, Madison Hunt, Louise Fowler
H8 - Lachlan Abbott, Harrison Bond, Georgina Bull, Ashlyn Croft, Connor Drummond, Kelen Galbraith, Gabby Good, Jess Hollard, Matt Macleod, Stewart Manderson, Glen Moore, Hayley Smith, Alex Twaddle

Student leaders

Hopkins Day - Our student leaders have been working together to organise the Hopkins Day to raise money for The Francis Foundation. This will be held on Friday the 17th of June. All students are encouraged to wear their pyjamas, give a gold coin donation in tute and come along to the undercover area between A and B wing at recess and lunchtime. Those who give a gold coin donation will receive a ticket for the raffle that will be drawn at lunchtime. Hot donuts will be available at recess and there will be sausages, hamburgers, veggie burgers and soft drink available at lunchtime. The Senior Concert Band will also be performing.

Visit from the State Treasurer – Tim Pallas, the Victorian State Treasurer, attended our student leaders meeting to present a $5 million cheque to the college. The leaders had a discussion with Mr Pallas about what we want to improve our classrooms at Warrnambool College.

Public Speaking News

That’s a wrap folks! The Speech and Drama section of the Warrnambool Eisteddfod has concluded after two weeks of stimulating and refreshing student contributions. Overall we were very successful with lots of wins and placing’s and lots of fun and an enormous sense of achievement. Tiffany Tracey blitzed the 16 years and under section and won medallions in the senior and Open sections also! The final day finished on a high note with Maya Fary and Gemma Lake winning a competitive first place in Poem for Two. Congratulations to the many students involved from year 7 to 12. We have 17 Debating teams entered in the July Eisteddfod competition. This is always a challenging and rewarding experience. All teams will receive topics this week.

Coming up in June:

Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award (Naomi Noll, Breanna Billing, Grace Prigg)

VCAA Plain English Speaking Competition (Gabrielle Good and Louis Osborne)
Finding Dory Premier Fundraiser for Standing Tall

Date: Thursday the 16th of June
Time: 6.30pm
Location: Warrnambool Capitol Cinema
Price: $20 per ticket
Movie: Finding Dory (PG)
Ticket purchase: Tickets can be purchased from Warrnambool College front office

Free delicious PIZZA (from Town and Country Pizza) provided prior to the screening.

Fundraising Cause: Standing Tall VISION:
Standing Tall is a not-for-profit organisation that identifies, trains and supports schools in achieving the best possible outcomes for young people through the engagement of members of the community as mentors for young people in a school setting.

Below is a link for a more insightful detail of how Standing Tall supports our students at Warrnambool College:
Do you have some spare time during the winter school holidays? Why not volunteer at this year’s Fun4Kids Festival – Sunday 26 June to Saturday 2 July 2016? Sign up now for one or more days and be part of the wonderful Fun4Kids Festival volunteer FUN CREW. Secondary School Students who wish to volunteer must be 14 years of age or over at the start of this year’s Festival.

There is a variety of workshop areas in which to volunteer – art and craft areas, archaeology, animation, painting, scrapbooking & collage, ten pin bowling, cooking, face painting, craft or science and nature! Rosters are flexible and you will receive a t-shirt and lunch on your volunteer day!

OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND IMPROVE THEIR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME

Exchange Student Extraordinaire!

Last Friday we farewelled Swedish exchange student Sofia Martensson. She was with us for one full year and made many friends, most of who are in our current year 12 cohort. As her STS volunteer counsellor, I was delighted with her enthusiasm for sport, family, friends, our country and our school. It was a teary farewell and she will be greatly missed. If you would like to host an exchange student (No payment but cultural enrichment!) get in touch with me at school and I can explain the various options. I believe we have a few new foreign students starting at the college under different umbrella programs. It’s wonderful for our students to make connections and open up the wider world of lifelong overseas relationships and connectedness.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HOSTING A STUDENT IN June/July FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:

www.studentexchange.org.au OR CALL: (02) 9997 0700
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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**Dobson Uniform Shop**

**WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY 7TH JUNE DUE TO GAT TESTING.**

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**Australian Defence Forces**

On Tuesday 24 May Jock and Danny from the Navy and Army forces came to our school to talk to us about careers in the Australian Defence Force. A lot of the jobs were jobs we had never even heard of before which made it very interesting. They explained that there are over 200 jobs within the Navy, Air Force and Army Forces including becoming a pilot, military police officer, acoustic warfare analyst and even a chef! They also explained how you can apply to become a part of the defence force team. You can apply to enter in your Gap year but they recommended doing this early as they receive 7000 applications each year for only 300 positions. Overall it was an extremely interesting presentation.

To find out more visit [DEFENCEJOBS.GOV.AU](http://DEFENCEJOBS.GOV.AU)

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**CSEF & State Schools Relief Uniform Initiative Forms**

Any parents who hold a health care card and who have not filled out a Camp, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) form for this year, please follow the link to print a form. Once completed, please drop it into the front office.


State Schools Relief Uniform Initiative is only available to parents of students who are going into year 7 and hold a health care card. If you have not filled out one of these forms, they are available from the front office.