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WARRNAMBOOL COLLEGE NEWSLETTER Persistence, Resilience & Mutual Respect



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PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

As I was walking to my car after our school council meeting last night, there was a glorious sunset stretching across the horizon and I had to stop, take stock and marvel at just how beautiful Warrnambool is. We are indeed incredibly fortunate to live and learn on Peek Whurrong country – it's nice to be reminded of this as we enjoy the warmer months of the year.

I hope you and your family were able to enjoy a safe, restful and fun-filled start to the new year. I also hope the start of the school year has gone smoothly for you at home – for the vast majority of students it has been a very positive and smooth transition into learning at Warrnambool College in 2025. I thank all families for working in partnership with the school in setting up our students for success in the first few weeks of term 1. I also thank the countless staff that worked through the summer holidays to set up our school and classrooms to enable a very settled and supportive start to the school year.

One of the central tenets we live by at Warrnambool College is 'high expectations and authentic relationships'. This applies equally to staff and students at our school as we together establish positive learning environments for all students to thrive. As we start another school year, it's important to remind everyone of our high expectations around behaviours at school.

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE





Dave Clift

Principal

During the first few weeks of the 2025 academic year I've witnessed calm and orderly class environments, testament to the predicable routines that staff have consistently put in place for students across all parts of the school. It's great to see students lining up and entering into classrooms calmly and ready for learning. It's great to see students positively practicing the behaviour expectations during classes. And it's great to see students working hard right until the end of lessons, then resetting the room ready for the next class and demonstrating to their teacher that they are ready to leave the room as they entered – calmly and respectfully. These are all small things that add up very quickly to support everyone to teach and learn to the best of their ability.

As you support your child at home, could you please remind them of the government's expectations around mobile phone use at school. Mobile phones are to be turned off and stored in student's locked lockers throughout the school day (9am to 3:30pm) and not to used during this time. Mobile phone can't be used for payment at the school canteen – students need to use either cash or a physical card. If staff see students using a mobile phone during the school day (including at the canteen), they will ask the student to hand over their phone so that parents and carers can collect it from the front office at the end of the school day. For the small number of students that require mobile phones during the school day for medical reasons, please contact the school to discuss how the medical exemption process can be approved.

We also have high expectations around students wearing full and correct school uniform. It's great to see almost every student demonstrating their pride in Warrnambool College by wearing the correct uniform around school each day. Text messages are sent home to parents and carers if we note that students are not in uniform and consequences apply if this is repeated behaviour. If you get a text message from the school regarding uniform, please have this conversation with your child at home to ensure they understand the school's expectations, including getting a temporary uniform pass if clothes are in the wash.



This year we've also provided staff and students with clear guidelines on how headphones/airpods/etc. are to be used at school. Research tells us that student's attentiveness to learning is severely hampered when attempting to attend to two things at once, including listening to music and learning new content in class. Students should not be wearing headphones in class (or when entering class) unless their teacher has given them explicit permission for a short period of time. I've been delighted to see and hear how quickly students have adapted to this change in expectations in support of their learning at school.

Many parents will be aware that the state government brought in new legislation last year for all organisations regarding 'the right to disconnect' from work. This applies to schools where staff absolutely have the right to not work outside of school hours so they can spend time with their own families and friends and support their personal mental and physical health. Our school staff do not send emails to one another between 7pm and 7am to respect everyone's right to switch off from school each evening. I appreciate that when communicating with staff via Compass it's sometimes hard to do this during the school day, but where possible I do ask that parents refrain from sending emails after 7pm (and before 7am). Staff will do their best to respond to your emails within two school days.

I hope to see many of you at Swimming Sports next Friday, or Athletics Sports in March, or at other upcoming school events. In the meantime, keep on enjoying this beautiful summer weather and the great start to the school year that we've had.

Kind Regards,

Dave Clift - Principal



EMMA VESEY Assistant Principal



HIGH EXPECTATIONS

Continuing with the theme of 'high expectations' for behaviour expectations, we also have 'high expectations' for students when it comes to their academic progress. The teaching practices we use at Warrnambool College allow for each student to reach their full potential at their level. Student success is best achieved when school and home work in a partnership to support the student.

We have a number of ways that we communicate with families to ensure success of our students:

Attendance

Each day text messages and emails are sent to families when a student has an unapproved absence, acting on these messages and contacting the school, allows for discussion about why the student was absent and possible supports that might be needed. If the absence is planned and approved by parents then approving this on Compass prior to the absence will prevent you receiving messages. We know that when students are at school, their academic and social and emotional learning is significantly improved. 'Every day counts'.

Compass and Pulse Reports

Staff update Compass on a regular basis with results of assessment tasks, this information is then compiled in the Pluse Email that is sent to families two weeks prior to reports. The first Pulse Email will be sent to families on Friday 28th Feb. These emails are a great way for you to track how your child is achieving at school, if there are items of concern on a student's Pulse Email, this can be redeemed prior to the reports being written. Again, communication with teachers and House will support students to be successful.

Report Cycle #1

Our first reports will be published in week 6 - Friday 14th March. These will be available on Compass for you to access from 4pm on Compass. We again encourage you to access these reports and discuss the results with your child. Copies of the reporting matrix were given to families on WC Day and can be found on Compass.

PUPIL FREE DAY

Friday 7th March will be a pupil Free Day. All staff will be completing Professional Development on this day.



Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

To allow all families the opportunity to check on a student's progress, PST Conferences will occur on **Wednesday 19th March**. These will be online allowing families to see a large number of teachers from the comfort of your home. Interviews can be booked on Compass and more information will be sent prior to conferences opening. It is important for students to attend these discussions so they can maximise their learning. If you wish to discuss wellbeing or academic concerns, please make contact with your House to arrange a meeting.

NAPLAN

All year 7 and 9 students will undertake NAPLAN testing over four days from the 12th – 17th March. Students will need to have a charged device with a keyboard and headphones. The data collected from NAPLAN is important as it is used to develop the best possible learning plans for each student. 'Every day matters'.

Values Survey

As a school we are reviewing our school values to ensure they align with our current school community. We are asking for parents and students to complete a short google form selecting three values that they feel best represent our school. The survey can be found on Compass and will be available until the 26th Feb.

KEY DATES TERM 1



PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE MANY IMPORTANT KEY DATES WE HAVE TO KICK OFF 2025!

TUESDAY FEB 18

School Photos

WEDNESDAY FEB. 19

SEAL Welcome Night

FRIDAY FEB. 21

Swimming Carnival

FEBRUARY 26-28

Year 7 Camp

TUESDAY MARCH 4

Careers Expo

FRIDAY MARCH 7

Pupil Free Day

MONDAY MARCH 10

• Labour Day Public Holiday

MARCH 12 - 21

NAPLAN

WEDNESDAY MARCH 19

Parent/Student/Teacher
 Conferences

FRIDAY MARCH 21

Belfast Dress-up Day

MONDAY MARCH 24

• Open Night

TUESDAY MARCH 25

Athletics Carnival

FRIDAY APRIL 4

• Term 1 ends

MONDAY APRIL 22

Term 2 commences

For updated events & dates please see the College calendar via Compass or the College website: www.wblcoll.vic.edu.au



CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS

A reminder to parents that the 2025 school fees can be found at the top of our Compass page under the "Payments Centre". Government funding meets your students' basic educational needs though the ongoing support of our families' voluntary contributions ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for your students. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

The support of our families allows us to provide:

- Wellbeing support through the provisions of our wellbeing team, counsellors, house staff and programs.
- High quality programs and specific subject materials and equipment for: English, Mathematics, Science, Art, Technology, Music, Humanities, Languages and PE
- Sufficient class sets of books for students.
- Additional classroom support in literacy and numeracy,
- Enhanced digital learning opportunities within all subjects which supported the continuity of learning during the offsite lockdown periods.
- Our Select Entry Program and Sporting Pathways Program
- First aide for all students.
- Maintain and develop the school facilities and grounds.
- The upkeep of our computer devices to enhance learning opportunities.



SCHOOL PHOTOS 2025

Annual school photos including sibling photos will be taken by Arthur Reed Photos on **Tuesday 18th February 2025**. In order for students to have their photo taken **students must be in full school uniform** (winter or summer).

There is no need to return any forms or money to school. Unique image codes will be issued to all students on/after photo day so families can register online to view images when they become available in the webshop. Please see Compass newsfeed for further information.



COMPASS

Please ensure you log into Compass to update your family contact **details.** This ensures we are able to contact you, your partner or your emergency contacts should an emergency arise. Please check to confirm the phone numbers and email addresses on your details are correct, or alternatively amend as required.

Please also ensure we are aware of any updated living arrangements, independent students, students living in 'Out of Home Care' or any legal documentation the school should be made aware of.

Our front office administration staff and House offices can support families who need some guidance on using Compass, including resetting passwords. Please contact the school for assistance if needed.

PRIVACY COLLECTION NOTICE

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in our Warrnambool College Schools' Privacy Policy and the Schools' Privacy Collection Notice.

Our Warrnambool College Schools' Privacy Policy describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn. We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use Microsoft 365 &/or Google Workspace for Education safely at the school and what parents can For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy

do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using these packages, please contact the College on 5564 4444. — information for parents. This information is also available in ten community languages:

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- Amharic
- Gujarati
- Sudanese

- Mandarin
- Turkish

- Arabic Dari
- Somali
- Urdu

Privacy Policy

Warrnambool

College Schools'

Vietnamese



STUDENT INJURIES & INSURANCE

The Department of Education and Training does not hold accident insurance for school students.

Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including transport costs. Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may be able to claim transport or other expenses from the fund.

Families are able to access student insurance for your children through various supplies who can provide cover on a 24/7 basis.

COLLEGE PROCEDURES FOR ACCIDENT & INJURY EMERGENCY

Unfortunately, accidents and injury can happen. There are guidelines which Warrnambool College staff follow in an emergency.

- 1. Staff in attendance take all necessary steps to ensure the safety of the injured person and other people in the vicinity.
- 2. Trained first aid staff are promptly summoned to the scene, or, if possible, the injured person is taken to sick bay.
- 3. The first aid staff assess the injured/ill person and decide whether an ambulance will need to be called, or if that person can be treated at school or can be taken home by parents.
- 4. Simultaneously, every attempt is made to contact parents or emergency contacts. It is important that all families keep their emergency contact information up to date to enable prompt communication.
- 5. If a student has to be transported by ambulance, they will be accompanied by a staff member who will remain with them until a parent or responsible adult arrives at the hospital.
- 6. Parents are responsible for the cost of ambulance transport and medical treatment. It is strongly recommended that all families have ambulance cover where necessary.

SCHOOL INFORMATION



BUS SERVICE INFORMATION

Students are able to apply to travel on a school bus if they live further than 4.8km from their nearest government school. At times, there may be a need for a student to seek temporary access to the school bus service. Written permission is required and students will be issued a bus pass prior to travel on a particular service. Permission to use the school buses will be given only where a serious need can be shown. Students seeking to attend a friend's house overnight, travelling to sports training etc, or for social functions will not be accepted as serious need and permission to use the bus service will be denied.

The Shuttle Bus Service between schools within the Warrnambool boundaries is restricted to students who have received permission to travel on a country bus service and may not be used to travel to sporting venues on the opposite side of the city.

Students using the shuttle bus system must obey instructions given by the staff at the bus interchanges and students must remain within the boundaries of the Interchanges. They are not permitted to leave the Interchange areas. Safety rules regarding queuing and entering the buses must be strictly observed.

Failure to obey bus and interchange rules may result in temporary or permanent withdrawal of travel privileges.

Warrnambool Bus Lines provides a Town Bus Service for local transport needs and a fare is payable.

HOUSE CONTACTS

Our House system offers great support for our students and families, phone numbers for each House office are below. Parents may call these numbers directly for any student or attendance queries.

• Belfast 5564 4425

Hopkins 5564 4428

• Childers 5564 4426

Logans 5564 4429

Flagstaff 5564 4427

Merri 5564 4430





CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND APPLICATIONS

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amount this year is \$256 for eligible secondary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

Families who have more than one child at the same government school can combine (or pool) their CSEF to use on one child or for a specific activity (for example, a camp).

CSEF provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like:

- school camps or trips
- swimming extension activities and school-organised sport programs
- outdoor education programs
- excursions/incursions that are extracurricular as defined in the Parent Payments policy
- graduations/valedictories.

The CSEF payment cannot be used towards:

- books
- stationery
- school uniforms
- before or after school care
- formals or debutant balls.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. New Year 7 families will need to complete a form. Please contact the school office on 5564 4444 and ask for an application form. Alternatively you can download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page, via the QR code.



CSEF website

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.



MOBILE PHONE POLICY

A reminder that the Department of Education has in place a mobile phone ban that requires students who bring mobiles phones to school to have them switched off and securely put away during school hours. The Department is requiring all schools to ensure this ban is in place and enforced from the start of the 2024 school year. The ban applies equally to all government schools right across the state. This helps ensure that school is a learning environment free from unnecessary distractions and disruptions. By ensuring mobile phones are kept away at recess and lunch times, students can interact with each other face-to-face, without the distractions and social pressures that mobile phones can cause.

Further information

Exceptions: For students with particular health needs, an exception to the policy may be granted. Please contact one of our Principal team if you would like to discuss this.

Emergencies: In the event of an emergency or if you need to immediately contact your child, families may contact the school office who will pass on a message as required.

School mobile phone policy: A copy of our school's local mobile phone policy, which implements the government's mobile policy in line with our local context, is available by scanning the QR code.

Parent support: The Mobile phones in schools webpage provides links to resources for families to help them balance their children's time using mobile phones.

If you have further questions, please contact the administration office.



2025 CANTEEN MENU

Please refer to our revised canteen menu for 2025. Please note that students **CANNOT** use mobile phones to pay for goods during school hours.

MENU

SANDWICHES

(GF available on request)

| Cheese & Tomato (V) | \$4.50 |
|----------------------|--------|
| Ham & Cheese | \$5.00 |
| Ham, Cheese & Tomato | \$5.50 |
| Chicken & Cheese | \$5.00 |
| Egg & Lettuce (V) | \$5.00 |
| Chicken Salad | \$7.00 |
| Ham Salad | \$7.00 |
| Salad (V) | \$6.00 |

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

DRINKS

| Water | \$2.50 |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Flavoured water | \$4.50 |
| Gatorade | \$5.50 |
| Nippy flavoured milk | \$4.50 |
| Juice | \$5.00 |
| Soft Drink - bottle | \$5.50 |
| - can | \$3.50 |
| Up & Go | \$4.50 |
| Iced tea/ Kombucha | \$5.50 |
| Iced: Latte/Long Black/Chai | \$6.00 |
| | |

Alternative milk/ extra shot 70c



ICE-CREAMS

| Zooper Dooper | \$100 |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Snap Stix | \$1.50 |
| TNT | \$1.50 |
| Calipo Mini | \$2.50 |
| Icy Twist | \$2.50 |
| Paddle Pop | \$3.50 |
| Twister | \$3.00 |
| Frozen Yoghurt (Strawb'y/Mango) | \$3.50 |
| Splice | \$4.50 |

DAILY SPECIALS

500ml container \$7.50

SALAD

COFFEE

| Fruit Salad (GF, V, DF) | \$6.00 |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Caesar (add chicken + \$1) | \$7.00 |
| Falafel Salad (GF, V) | \$8.00 |

WRAPS

| Sweet Chilli Chicken | \$8.00 |
|----------------------|--------|
| Ham Salad | \$8.00 |
| Chicken Salad | \$8.00 |
| Falafel (V) | \$8.00 |
| Chicken Salad | \$8.00 |

ROLLS

| Salad (V) | \$7.00 |
|-----------------|--------|
| Ham & Salad | \$7.00 |
| Chicken & Salad | \$7.00 |

BURGERS

| Chicken Schnitzel | \$8.00 |
|-------------------|--------|
| Chicken Parma | \$8.00 |
| Beef Burger | \$8.00 |

HOT FOOD

| Chicken Tender Sweet Chilli | \$2.00 |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Hot Dog (sauce extra) | \$5.50 |
| Dim Sim | \$2.00 |
| Potato Cake | \$2.00 |
| Wedges (V) (sauces extra) | \$5.50 |
| Bowl of Noodles (GFA, V) | \$4.50 |
| Sausage Roll | \$5.00 |
| Pie | \$6.00 |
| Pizza | \$5.00 |
| | |

FOCCACIA (Toasted)

| (Tousteu) | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Chicken Parma | \$8.00 |
| Roast Vegetable | \$8.00 |
| Sweet Chilli Chicken | \$8.00 |
| Italian Salami | \$8.00 |
| Chicken Avocado | \$8.00 |

GF Gluten Free

GFA Gluten free available (let our staff know)

DF Dairy Free

Vegetarian Vegan options on request.

SNACKS

| Popcorn | \$2.00 |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Assorted Slices | \$4.50 |
| Muffin | \$4.00 |
| Cookie/Rumballs | \$3.00 |
| Mentos/Zappos | from \$2.50 |
| Potato Chips | \$3.00 |
| Frog in Pond | \$3.00 |



BREAKFAST BEFORE 9am

| Fruit Salad (GF, V, DF) | \$6.00 |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Granola Cup (GF, V) | \$7.00 |
| Muffin | \$4.00 |
| Yogurt Pouch (GF) | \$4.00 |
| Hash Brown (2) (GF, V, DF) | \$2.00 |
| Bacon, Egg & Cheese Muffin | \$5.00 |
| Jaffles | \$6.00 |
| Bacon, Egg & Cheese Wrap | \$6.50 |
| Crossiant - Ham & Cheese | \$5.00 |

HOT DRINKS

Coffee Tea **Hot Chocolate** Chai

Small Large \$5.00 \$4.50

70c

COFFEE

Alternative milk/ extra shot Marshmallows extra 50c





2025 has started off full of smiles on Belfast faces. Our year 7s are getting into the swing of high school and learning all about their new classes, tackling learning experiences head-on, and the Year 12s are soaking up their last few months at the College.

Our Belfast House Captains, **Bella Clifford** and **Calder Nicholson**, graciously accepted the 2024 Philanthropic award and we couldn't be more proud of the work that Belfast students have done to support The Gillin Boys Foundation. This is an award to be truly proud of; we look forward to continuing our support of Christopher Gillin and the incredible work he does.

Swimming sports is this coming Friday and the Belfast Student Leaders are eager to support our House in participation. Belfast will host a raffle with some great prizes up for grabs! Belfast students will receive an entry in the raffle for attending, one for every time they

get in the pool, and one for participating in any novelty event. Belfast will also have an esky full of Zooper Doopers for any Belfast student who competes!



Be Bold, Be Brave, Be Belfast





The start of the school year in Childers has been full of enthusiasm and anticipation. With students settling into their routines, their longing for learning and connecting has set a positive tone for the term.

Our dedicated 2025 student leaders, led by House Captains **Jet Sullivan** and **Jake Goddard**, have already initiated meetings this term, demonstrating their commitment to enhancing the Childers experience. Our student leaders are focused on fostering a positive school culture and engaging in philanthropic efforts, with fundraising for Warrnambool Coastcare Landcare as a key initiative.

We wait with anticipation to recruit Year 7 Childers Student Leaders for 2025. The process will begin following our Year 7 Camp, which will be an opportunity for the cohort to familiarise themselves with each other and identify individuals who have potential to be a role model and represent student voice.

Excitement is building for our upcoming Swimming Carnival! We can't wait to see Childers students proudly wearing their yellow accessories, cheering each other on, and bringing their incredible House spirit to the pool. Whether it's yellow tutus or unique yellow accessories, we know our students will showcase their enthusiasm in style. It's sure to be a fantastic day filled with energy, teamwork, and fun!

The Childers Team





Welcome everyone to 2025. It's with great excitement that we enter another year as proud Flagstaff Flacons looking towards many wonderful and exciting times this year.

Firstly we would like to welcome all our new students joining us this year, namely the Year 7 students coming from a range of local and even state wide school, we hope the first few weeks has been smooth and you are feeling supported in what is no doubt a nervous time. All students have settled in well to their new classes and we also look forward to hearing about the success academically across 2025.

Our first main focus of 2025 as a house has been getting to know the new staff in our space, Miss Racut is new to F1, Miss McAlpine is new to F2, Mr Dennis to F5 and Miss Smith to F6. We look forward to our homegroups working together to challenge each other in our weekly challenges, which have kicked off with a cornhole, ball catching experience.

As always we are looking forward to the **Swimming Carnival** next week and our newly appointed House Captains **Sienna Musico, Zemma Wright and Julia Mokhsin** have been working on some chants and ways to incorporate all levels in the day. We encourage all to dress in red and supports those in the pool. Lets take out the first cup of the year.

We hope you have all settled back into school in 2025 and can't wait for what the year has in store.

The Flagstaff Team





Welcome to a brand new school year! Whether you're new to the College or a familiar face, we're all geared up for what will be an exciting term.

A big, warm welcome to our Year 7 students as you take the exciting leap to secondary school. We know this is a big transition, but rest assured, you've got an awesome community of peers and staff here to support you every step of the way. Get ready to dive in, face new challenges, form new friendships and make great memories! We're also thrilled to announce Abby Callaghan as our fabulous House Leader and introduce Michael Burrell as our new H3 Mentor. We're confident that their experience and guidance will inspire both our students and staff.

We held our first Student Leadership Meeting and kicked off with a lot of cools ideas and positive vibes. It was amazing to see the team brimming with new and enthusiastic ideas. A plan is already in place for an epic homegroup competition and how we can personalise these spaces and get to know our peers. It's great to see our leaders ready to make a difference and lead by example.

Get Ready to make a Splash! We need you!
Our upcoming Swimming Sports isn't just about hitting the pool – we really want to show everything that Hopkins has to offer. Whether you're a seasoned swimmer of just keen to cheer on your friends, we want everyone to be involved. Let's turn the hill into a sea of blue and flood the pool with our unbeatable Hopkins spirit.

Here's to a year full of unforgettable moments.

The Hopkins Team





Welcome new and returning Logans students to 2025! We hope everyone had a relaxing and fun break to help kick-start a positive and engaging year.

Our new Year 7's have hit the ground running; settling into new routines, getting to know their teachers, forming some great bonds and looking forward to their upcoming Camp.

The year started off with a massive celebration for Logans; taking out the 2024 Public Speaking, Swimming, Athletics and Cross-Country cups, along with the 2024 Overall House Cup. A huge congratulations goes out to all students who participated in these events – it was amazing to see the sheer number of students keen to have a go, cheer their Housemates on and step out of their comfort zones.

In keeping with the theme of competitive spirit, all Homegroups have begun fortnightly challenges designed by our Year 12s. Currently L1 and L7 are in the lead, but with several challenges to go this may change soon!

Our 2025 Student Leadership team is stronger than ever, led by House Captains Mackenzie Walker and Zoran Hunter. Mackenzie has also been working overtime in her role as College Captain, and doing an amazing job with the team in planning ways to promote student engagement and House spirit. Planning has already begun for our Celebration Day in May to support Western District Foodshare.

We are looking forward to supporting all Logans students in learning, engaging, achieving goals, experiencing success and making lasting, positive memories throughout 2025.

Live, Laugh, Learn, Logans!





The Merri team would like to extend a warm welcome to all families in the Merri community to another school year, especially our new Year 7 families. It was great to see our students on Warrnambool College Day with smiles on their faces, refreshed for another big year.

We have busy term to start the year with our sporting carnivals being a highlight. We encourage everyone to dress up in as much orange as possible and prepare their voices to join our cheer squad. A reminder for students that have no orange clothes to bring in a white shirt to be dyed.

Our values were voted on the end of last year and the students decided our actions would be guided by **kindness**, **unity and zest**. It has been great to see students living up to these values in classes day to day and during our Merri Mash Up competition.

A big congratulations to our House Captains for 2025, **Logan Bray** and **Bryanna Willie**. We know they will do an amazing job along with our student leadership team guiding our House and supporting their peers. They are currently deciding upon our mascot and will provide options for our students to consider. We are always welcoming new members to the team so students are encouraged to ask someone in the Merri office on how to join.

If anyone has any questions throughout the year they are more than welcome to call our office and speak to one of our friendly Merri staff. We look forward to supporting our students to achieve their best with kindness, unity and zest.

The Merri Team





Warrnambool College Uniform

SHIRTS & POLOS

- White polo shirt w/ College logo - long or short sleeve
- Navy-blue polo shirt w/ College logo
- Navy-blue & green Sports polo w/ College logo Students may wear a plain white or navy-blue long sleeve top under their polo/jumper.

PANTS/SHORTS

- Plain navy-blue track pants (no large logos)
- Navy-blue track pants w/ College logo
- Navy-blue & green Sports shorts w/ College logo
- Plain navy-blue shorts (no large logos)
- Dark grey melange trousers
- Dark grey melange shorts
 No skins/leggings or grey/black tracksuits or yoga pants are permitted.

SKIRT/DRESS

- Green, blue & white checked pleated skirt
- Navy-blue & white check fabric dress

SKORTS

• Plain navy-blue skorts (no large logos)

OUTERWEAR

- Striped rugby jumper w/ College logo
- Navy-blue soft-shell jacket w/ College logo (optional)

 Navy-blue puffer jacket w/ College logo (optional)
 Black or non-school jackets/hooded jumpers are not permitted.

SHOES

- Traditional black leather polishable shoes
- · Appropriate runners may also be worn

HATS

- · Warrnambool College bucket hat
- Warrnambool College beanie Peaked caps are not permitted.

SCARE

Navy blue, white or green scarf

SPP UNIFORM

We strongly encourage you to purchase a minimum of the following items:

SHIRTS/POLOS

- 1 x SPP Dress polo (to be worn to school and to formal events)
- 2 x SPP Training tops

Students may wear a plain white or navy-blue long sleeve top under their polo/jumper.

PANTS/SHORTS

- Plain navy-blue track pants (no large logos)
- Navy-blue track pants w/ College logo
- Navy-blue & green Sports shorts w/ inner compression & College logo

No skins/leggings or grey/black tracksuits or yoga pants are permitted.

OUTERWEAR

 As per Warrnambool College uniform outlined above.

Black or non-school jackets/hooded jumpers are not permitted.



FREE EVENT (& FREE PIZZA)



Take part in an inspiring afternoon workshop of learning about ocean conservation, creating positive environmental change, ecoanxiety and climate action.

Hear from leading youth changemakers

Kal Glanznig - leading youth changemaker, TEDx speaker, creator of RISING UP documentary & United Nations COP speaker and delegate

Cooper Chapman - pro surfer, host of Good Humans Podcast & founder of The Good Human Factory

Thursday 20th February 2025

Archie Graham Centre, 118 Timor Street 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Free film screening of RISING UP to follow workshop at 7pm at Lighthouse Theatre

Workshop supported by







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413 SQUADRON AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS RECRUIT INFO NIGHT











6:45PM - THURSDAY 20 FEB Tel el Eisa Barracks Pertobe Road - Warrnambool

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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.



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