Welcome back! / Sun Smart

Welcome back to the new term! I hope you all had an enjoyable break. As I mentioned at the end of last term and also at our assembly on Monday, the school’s Sun Smart policy is in place to protect students from the dangers of exposure to the sun’s UV rays. As such all students in the school are expected to wear a broad-rim hat when outside during this term and also in first term next year. It would be appreciated if parents could ensure that children have a school hat to wear each day; we do often have students saying that they have left their hat at home!! Hats are available for purchase from the school.

On Monday staff attended a Cancer Council presentation on the dangers of UV radiation and one of the strongest messages was that the sun doesn’t have to be shining brightly for UV damage to occur. The danger is still present on a dull, cloudy day and begins early in the morning.

P-4 Class Captains:

At Monday’s P-12 assembly the P-4 class captains for Term 4 were presented with their badges and certificates. I would like to congratulate these students on being selected for leadership roles, and I’m sure they will set a great example for their peers. Also, I would like to thank the students who fulfilled these roles last term. The new captains are as follows:

Year Prep: Sarah Russell and Carl Lehmann
Year 1/2A: Khadheshia Burgess and Hamish Hobbs
Year 1/2B: Chelsea McCosh and Josh Slater
Year1/2C: Daniel Fowler and Eion McCosh
Year Three/Four A: Katy Jarvie and Jacob Canning
Year Three/Four B: Grace Wareham and Zoe Boyden

Staffing changes:
This week we welcomed Chris Fairbairn and Sophie Barr to our teaching staff. Chris and Sophie are replacing Jess Courtney and Olivia Campbell respectively.

Greater Western Zone Athletics

On Friday 27 students from Years 7-12 will travel to Ballarat to compete in the GWZ Athletics carnival. The students qualified for this level of competition at the inter-school sports held early in second term. Good luck to all our competitors!

Graeme Good
Mechanical Systems in VCE Systems Engineering

As part of VCE Systems Engineering this semester, all students have had the opportunity to construct a mechanical project. Many of the students elected to purchase and construct robotic kits.

Pictured below are Jake and Triston engaging in robot wars. Jake constructed a caterpillar like machine while Triston constructed a robot arm.

In Systems Engineering we are always looking for both electrical and mechanical items to dismantle and/or examine. Recently, three four stroke engines were donated to this class. Pictured left is Triston dismantling one of two four stroke engines kindly donated by Robert and Connie Mann. Thank you to Colin and Connie Ruddle for also donating a four stroke engine that Will and Mason dismantled. The boys really enjoyed this activity and it gave them a better understanding of the workings of a four stroke engine.

Can you help?

Students in this class will soon be investigating the workings of remote control devices, so I am keen to obtain some broken remote control toys to examine and dismantle. Hopefully we will also use some of the parts and the hand controllers for other projects and for further experimental investigation.

If you have any broken remote control toys that cannot be repaired, please think about donating these toys to our Systems Engineering class.

Mr. Bell (Systems Engineering Teacher)
**Inspire**

“Monster Day”

Friday 17th October

** Monster Fashion Parade - dress up in your best monster outfit **

** Pizza for sale **

** Gold Coin Donation - help raise money for sick kids **

More information in next weeks’ newsletter
JAPAN TOUR VACANCY

Due to a cancellation, we have one vacancy on the school tour to Japan in March 2015. The cost of the tour is $3250 and includes flights, land transport, accommodation, meals, admission to sights and personal insurance. If you are interested in having your child participate in this tour, please contact me at school or via email: blomeley.danielle.j@edumail.vic.gov.au for further information.

Danielle Blomeley

Uniform Shop Opening Times

Tuesday afternoons 1pm – 4pm
Thursday Mornings 8.30am – 12 Noon

Parents please note - 2015 will see a price increase of all Mortlake College uniform (some of these are a significant increase). The stock that we have on hand now, will remain at the 2014 prices...so if you think you are in need of new uniform come in and see us Term 4! We may not have all stock in all sizes but we will do our best to help!

Prep Enrolments for 2015

It is important for our 2015 planning that we finalise our prep enrolments as soon as possible.

If you haven’t as yet enrolled your child for 2015, could you please do so at your earliest convenience.

If you have not received an information pack, please call the General Office on 03 5599 2204.

Thankyou
Dot Jenkins
Business Manager
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
TERM 4

Soccer

Each Monday 3.30 — 4.30
Starting Week 2 (13th October) for 7 weeks.

13/10/2014 20/10/2014 27/10/2014
24/11/2014

Cricket

Each Wednesday 3.30 — 4.30
Starting Week 1 (8th October) for 7 weeks

08/10/2014 15/10/2014 22/10/2014
29/10/2014 05/11/2014 19/11/2014
26/11/2014
(Note: No Cricket 12/11/2014)

Barwidgee Equestrian Club together with
The Hamilton & Alexandra College

DRESSAGE COMPETITION
(Official and Restricted) in Hamilton
Saturday, 18th October, 2014

Includes:

Restricted class for students Year 7 and Under
Restricted class for students Year 8 – 12

Entry forms on the Equestrian Noticeboard
Prep Notes - In the prep classroom we have been enjoying writing about our holidays.

Caleb “On the holidays I went to Mark and Carl’s house. I watched Ice Age”

Sarah “On the weekend I went to the Werribee Zoo”

Carl “I went to the beach”

Ella “On the holidays I went fishing to catch a fish. But we didn’t catch a single fish!”
Our new class captains for this term are Carl and Sarah.

“What are you most looking forward to about the role Sarah?

“Helping people”

We wish them well with their new responsibilities.

Wanted for Grade 1/2

Gardening classes

- Clean medium to large sized glass jars.
- 1 litre cardboard milk cartons, rinsed clean please.

Please bring items to Mrs Maher in preparation for gardening activities. Thank you!
**Lunch time Sport**

Lunch time sport results after Term 3.

- Endeavour: 30 points
- Inspire: 28 points
- Succeed: 26 points

This week is senior mixed basketball.

Students must be in a full change of sports gear to participate.

**MWC 7-9 Basketball**

Students travelled to Derrinallum late last term to compete in a basketball round robin against Derrinallum and Lake Bolac.

Boys lost to Lake Bolac and Derrinallum in two close games whilst the girls won quite convincingly over Derrinallum.
Your colour guide to healthy eating

EVERYDAY
Green foods are great foods!

SELECT CAREFULLY
Amber is OK, but not every day.

OCCASIONALLY
Red in moderation, only on the odd occasion.

Plant
fruit and veg
in your lunch

Tip into water
Menu
Sweet potato and apple quinoa salad - G
Basic bread rolls - BLA
Herb polenta chips - R
Tomato sauce - ?
Pumpkin Burgers - BLU
2014 Interschool Dirtbike Team Challenge

It’s finally here again! Were you there last year at Lake Gillear? You weren’t? Forget all the other sports; this is the real thing. Motocross is the name and fun is the game. If you are an EXPERIENCED MOTOCROSS rider we would love you to be at Lake Gillear for the Interschool Challenge. Does your school team have the skill and determination to get the 2014

Friday October 24th

Wet weather backup day = Friday, November 28th

Lake Gillear, Allansford

8.30 to approximately 3.30pm

$20 entry fee

Entry forms and details from your school’s Dirtbike Team contact person.

Get your entry forms in and return to your school’s contact person.

2014 Interschool Dirtbike Team Challenge

Friday, October 24

Mud, dirt and a smile on your face
Jean Wood Memorial Music Scholarship 2014

Junior Prize - $250
(Years 6 and under)

Senior Prize - $600
(Years 7-12)

Conditions of Entry
You have played an instrument, including voice, for two years or more
You are 18 years and under as of December 31 2014.
You reside in or go to school in the districts of Terang, Mortlake, Camperdown and Timboon
Individuals or Groups of up to 3 members may apply

Audition Date – Saturday 18 October 2014
Venue – Terang Civic Hall

Closing Date – Monday, 13 October

For an Entry Form - Tel: 5592 1989
Find us on Facebook.
Parents Victoria Online Conference
October 2014 & May 2015

First four days: 6am Monday 27 October 2014 to 11pm Thursday 30 October (Australian Eastern Standard time)

Register (for no cost) at: http://www.straighttothepoint.co/pv/register/

*Principals, headmasters and teachers are invited to inform parents of this no-cost opportunity for discussion and debate. *The topics are provided in this email.

7 October 2014

PARENTS of primary and secondary students, in all Australian States, Territories and countries, in government, Catholic and independent schools, are warmly invited to take part in the Parents Victoria (two-part) online conference, which will be held over four days in October 2014 and a further four days during Education Week in May 2015 (there will be no need to re-register for the second section).

No special software is needed, other than an internet-connected computer and a browser (speakers are an advantage but are optional). The online discussions will be very easy to join in; online resources will be provided, and guidelines about how to participate will be available. *You don’t need to be a member of Parents Victoria to take part. Join in for all of the eight days, just some days, or even a few hours, depending on your lifestyle and other commitments. The conference is open 24/7 and is moderated between 6am to 11pm. Posts outside 6am to 11pm may not appear on the website until the following day.
Topics

The four one-day topics are Homework, Access, Reporting and BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). The ongoing topic of Funding, an additional topic, will run for the entire four days. There will also be an opportunity for participants to raise other issues.

DAY 1: Monday 27 October: Homework - how much and when? Hosted by: Victoria Hall, DEECD & Leanne McCurdy, Parents Victoria

DAY 2: Tuesday 28 October: Access. How and why is it important to you for your child to have access to high quality state school education in your local community? Hosted by Christine Hall, Our Children Our Schools & Elaine Crowle, Parents Victoria

DAY 3: Wednesday 29 October: Reporting. What do you really want to know about your child’s progress at school? When and how would you prefer to receive this information? Hosted by Kathryn Patford, DEECD & Nicole Sweeney, Parents Victoria

DAY 4: Thursday 30 October: BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). BYOD is a fast-growing trend in our schools; how is this working for your family? Hosted by Peter Maggs, DEECD & Sharron Healy, Parents Victoria

FOUR-DAY ONGOING TOPIC: 27-30 October inclusive: Funding. What should the government pay for? What, when and how should assistance be provided for disadvantaged students?

How to register
Register and confirm your participation (for no cost) at: http://www.straighttothepoint.co/pv/register/

*Once your registration has been saved, you will receive an email when the conference starts (at 6am on Monday 27 October) letting you know the exact website address of the online conference. If receive this email but you have already registered, there is no need to register again. Simply note the extra information on the topics and the particular days each topic is being discussed. *All those who register will be sent an email with the online conference website address when the conference opens at 6am on 27 October.

Format of the online conference
The first section of the online conference will feature four ‘live’ daily online discussions, each of them hosted, for several hours each day, by a member of Parents Victoria as well as another expert commentator. Each day will focus on a different topic that is currently of concern to parents. There will also be one continuous online discussion that will last for the entire four days.

I look forward to meeting all of you online soon, to discuss these important issues. The more of you join in, the more successful this event will be.
Baby and Child Bonanza

Sunday October 19th

Time: 11am - 2pm
Place: St Pius Church Hall, Morris Road, Warrnambool

What's there: New and secondhand baby and children's clothes and accessories, toys and furniture, coffee by Gloria Jeans to make your morning complete, sausage sizzle, monster raffle, face painting

Come and join the fun

For more information:
Email ABABonanza@gmail.com
WarrnamboolBreastfeeding.org.au
www.breastfeeding.asn.au

Proudly supported by:

Gloria Jean's Coffee
Aqua Zone
COASTFM
THE STANDARD

Breastfeeding Helpline
1800 mum 2 mum
FREE ENTRY for children 0-8yrs & the accompanying adults for the three days.

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A Victorian Government Initiative

GAMES CONCERTS CRAFTS

PRAMS 2 PREPS
21st, 22nd & 23rd October, 10AM - 1PM EACH DAY

Please join us to celebrate Children's Week, by attending any of the three days of FREE engaging activities at Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village.

Children will have the opportunity to attend an array of craft sessions, heritage games and an interactive concert featuring traditional songs and rhymes.

The historic Lady Bay Lighthouse will be open along with our many boats and buildings. The children can watch traditional trades in action, feed the animals and roam throughout our spectacular 10 hectares, in a safe, car free, open air environment.

Bookings are essential for groups of 10 or more

For information & bookings contact: Jan Barkla (Education Officer) e: j barkla@warmambool.vic.gov.au p: 5559 4600
merri street, warmambool • www.flagstaffhill.com
Student Exchange/Host Families

Experience The Magic Of Hosting

In July our exchange student, Toon, joined our family. And when I say joined he literally did that. He has become my teenage son. Our experience as a family has been amazing and unforgettable.

Toon is leaving this week and I feel like my son is grown up and leaving home. There is nothing negative that I can say about our time with Toon. Toon has been through all sorts of things with our family. Through good times, like the birth of our new daughter, and not so good times (but nothing bad).

I would like to say my respects to Toon’s parents. They have done a wonderful job raising such a courteous, well mannered, well balanced son. We have so many fantastic stories from this exchange experience. We have enjoyed it so much that we are hosting again next July. We will have a friend for life and will never forget Toon.

Thank you WEP for the chance to meet Toon. It wouldn’t have been possible without the WEP team. Only a quick few words to show my appreciation in meeting Toon and to WEP.

Enrich your home with a curious exchange student in January 2015
Request student profiles now to find out more!
www.wep.org.au  1300 884 733  info@wep.org.au

Explore The WORLD With WEP

I hardly seem to have a spare moment here!! After three weeks, things are starting to feel more and more normal and life here is starting to become natural. Sometimes it feels weird to speak English!!

School, at first, was quite difficult because I am living in a small town, my whole class have known one another since they were little. However, they were all friendly and I have made acquaintance with just about the whole school, so there is always someone to talk to or ask questions. The language difference isn’t too much trouble. Mixing is funny anyway and it’s good for breaking the ice!

My host family are very accommodating and always have new things to share and do with me. I am trying my best to do the same back, bringing my own bit of Australia here with me in Belgium. We are celebrating Australia Day tomorrow and I am teaching them how to make pavlova.

See Rome, Paris or New York in 2015 with WEP Student Exchange!
Request a FREE Information Pack NOW!
www.wep.org.au  1300 884 733  info@wep.org.au
Tuning in to Kids program
Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

Dates:
Wednesdays:
October: 22, 29
November: 5, 12, 19 and 26

Time:
6.30pm—9pm

Venue: Centacare,
Level 1, 142 Timor St, Warmambool

Cost: Free

RSVP: Wednesday
15th October

Tuning in to Kids is a six session program for parents of children aged 4 - 10 years.

Would you like to learn how to:
- be better at talking with your child?
- be better at understanding your child?
- help your child learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your child?
- teach your child to deal with conflict?

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence.

Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

(Sorry, no child care available)

For enquiries and bookings please phone Marea on 5559 3000.
Family, Fun and Fitness

Little Athletics is back again for 2014-15

For all Girls and Boys, 5 to 16 years of age.

Registration pack collection and Parent information night Friday 10th October, 4pm.

Competition commences Friday 17th October, 4.20pm

Venue: Aths Track, Fuller/Frederick St (behind Basketball Stadium)

Please register online at www.lavic.com.au and click on McDonalds Registration logo

(Cost $120 for entire 14/15 season, no ongoing costs)

For additional information, contact

Mick Kavenagh (Pres.) 0407353923 or Kathy Hallyburton (Registrar) 0419671300
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