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W1B Ronald Llewelyn
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Leanne Miller

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K7B James Ginnivan
K8A Erin Pllikington
K8B Amanda Southcombe / Kellie Roberts
K9A Christine Edgar
K9B Paul O'Shea
K1A Alan Aylward

SCHOOL TIMES
Start 9.00am
Lunch 11.41am - 12.34pm
Recess 1.44pm - 2.05pm
Finish 3.15pm

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8.15am – 4.00pm

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
Tuesday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 8.30am – 12.00pm
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Congratulations to our WCB College Council Office Bearers for the 2013/2014 year:

President: Robert White
Vice President: Sonia Evans
Treasurer: Andrew Pollock

As per our college council standing orders, congratulations to students Isabelle C and Chloe S who have been co-opted to our council. I am sure that they will do a terrific job of representing all students.

I presented the Weeroona College Bendigo 2012 Annual Report (a copy of which can be found on our school website) at our AGM on Monday night.

One of our Sub Committees this year will be a Celebration Day Committee to plan for an official opening our school to the community and we are looking at this being held on the first Sunday of Education Week, 19 May, 2013. All ideas gratefully accepted, along with any other parents also interested in being part of this committee. Please contact Sonia Evans or myself if you are interested.

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
At this time of the year the college would normally be preparing for distribution of the first student progress reports. This year that process has been compromised by the industrial action being taken by teachers who are members of the Australian Education Union, which has placed a ban on some aspects of reporting to parents. As a consequence, parents and students will not receive our normal printed mid semester reports. However, parents and students will be able to meet with teachers at our Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences which will be held on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd of May to receive full updates on student progress. Details of how to book for these interviews will be provided to parents through the mail shortly.

Leanne Preece
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S

Student Learning
By now all students at WCB should have completed On Demand Testing for the first term. The On Demand Testing Program has been developed to enable teachers to assess student achievement through access to tests prepared by the VCAA. This program is available for students in Years 2-10. Data collected from the completion of these tests is used to establish individual learning goals with students around the key areas of Literacy and Numeracy. On Demand tests can also be used for:

- Pre-testing students’ knowledge prior to beginning a topic.
- Applying the same test to post-test a topic.
- Testing new intake students.
- Identifying strengths and weaknesses in individual students.
- Confirming teacher judgments.
- Assisting in the planning of student programs.

Homework
Homework benefits students by complementing classroom learning, fostering good study habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning. Homework at WCB consists mainly of: reading, research, assignments, assessments tasks and independent projects. It is also expected that students who are not completing set work during class time will be completing this work for homework. Students not submitting work by due dates will be provided the opportunity (and expected) to complete this work during our after school catch up classes.

Jason Bysouth
Assistant Principal
IT’S MY SCHOOL TOO

Weeroona College Bendigo is committed to a whole school program called ‘It’s My School Too!’ The program is built on the following beliefs...

- Everyone has a right to participate in school life without being bullied or harassed.
- The majority of students at Weeroona College Bendigo support this belief AND live it.
- There is power in a majority to make a big difference for the better.
- It’s really not that hard to get through a school day without harassing others!

As part of the program, each Learning Community will have their own ‘It's My School Too’ pledge board to display the names of all students in that Learning Community who have pledged their support to the programs belief statement. This creates a very clear and highly visual reminder to the whole college that the vast majority of students (if not all) do not believe it is OK to bully and harass others.

Students were asked on Start Up Day to commit to the pledge by signing it.

The pledge was:

“All members of the Weeroona College Bendigo Community have a right to participate in school life without being bullied or harassed.”

If you have not returned your signed pledge please return it and give to your Learning Advisor.

_Helen Tuohey_
_Assistant Principal_

FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE

_Centrepay_

Weeroona College Bendigo is now registered for Centrepay. Centrepay is available for any family receiving a Centrelink payment. You can elect to put a nominated amount into your child’s family account held by the college to go towards any school charges ie. Camps and excursions throughout the year. Centrepay is a great way to help families budget for school costs. Application forms are available from the college Office.

_Absences_

If your child will be absent, please call directly to our absence line on 4433 4911 or SMS 0427 016 199.

Students who need to leave throughout the day will need a written note from a parent or a phone call to the Office.

_Duty of Care- Returning Excursion Permission Forms_

Our college has now changed its practice to obtaining explicit parent signed permission forms for all excursions within the local Bendigo area. Previously we were able to have parents sign a letter to cover all local excursions; however DEECD policy now requires explicit written permission for all excursions. It is important that when your child brings home a permission form to attend an excursion or a sporting activity that it is signed by the parent and returned to the school with the child by the expected date. It is no longer appropriate to receive verbal permission over the phone. For further information, please don’t hesitate to contact the General office on 5443 2133.

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

_Medications_

If your child suffers from Anaphylaxis, it is your responsibility to provide the general office with an up to date Epipen. All Learning Communities will carry a spare Epipen in the event of an emergency. If your child wishes to carry a second Epipen on them (or in their locker or bag) they are more than welcome to do so. We recommend notifying your advisor and learning community leader on Start-Up day.
If your child suffers from Asthma, all communities carry a spare puffer. However, we highly recommend your child has their own puffer and spacer with them, either in their school bag or locker.

**Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes, Epilepsy (any medical condition)**

Weeroona College Bendigo takes individual student illness and medical conditions very seriously. If you have a child that may suffer from one of the medical conditions below it is vital that we are made aware. We have an overall responsibility for implementing strategies and processes for ensuring a safe and supportive environment for students at risk of any of these conditions:

- Anaphylaxis
- Asthma
- Allergies
- Diabetes
- Epilepsy
- Or any other medical condition.

Action plans for any medical condition is highly recommended. Some can be found on our school website. Please print them off and then complete them with your doctor's signature.

If you are unable to print off the action plans you require, please see myself (Sarah – School Nurse) or the General Office and copies will be available.

Depending on your child's condition, medication is either kept with your child in their bag or locker. Some medication will be kept in the General Office such as Epipens.


*Sarah Warburton*
*School Nurse*

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**SPORT**

**Year 9 & 10 Boys Cricket**

On Thursday 7th March, the Year 9 & 10 boys from Weeroona College Bendigo took part in the cricket carnival held at Catholic College Junortoun. The WCB team were scheduled to play Eaglehawk in their first game. The boys batted in a strong manner, combining to score a total of 4 for 103. Top scorers for WCB included Brayden S (38) and Tallis M (30).

In return, WCB fielded in an extremely tight manner and bowled with a disciplined approach, restricting Eaglehawk to a score of 6 for 71. Wicket takers included Mitch W (3 for 19) and Tallis M (2 for 16), plus a run out. Brayden S kept in an exceptional manner.

The second game, which would decide the finalist (to be played later this term), saw the WCB side take on Girton Grammar. While the boys didn’t perform to the best of their ability, they finished up with a score of 8 for 65, which would be hard to defend. However, in a nail biting finish to the game the WCB team were victorious by 2 runs. Tallis M took 3 wickets, with Mac W and Trent D picking up 2 each.

Many positives came out of the day, with all team members conducting themselves in a positive manner. The play-off game against Catholic College Bendigo will take place before the end of the term.

Special thanks to Barry Findlay who is on board again as coach of all Weeroona College Cricket teams. All up an enjoyable day was held by all. Thank you for everyone who was involved for their efforts.

*Shawn McCormick*

**Frank Barr Presentation**

Long standing Throws Coach Frank Barr was presented with an inscribed pen on his nomination for the Sports Focus Administrator of the year. Frank was nominated by the Bendigo Harriers for his dedication and commitment to juniors and the sport. Frank, at the age of 82, spends countless hours coaching athletes in the throwing events of Shot Put, Hammer Throw and Discuss. He has gained a lot of his knowledge from
videos, books from the Library and trips to Melbourne to learn off other coaches, and is now passing this knowledge on to the athletes that he coaches.

As part of the Building Stronger Links program, Frank has been offering his knowledge to all Year 7 students at Weeroona College Bendigo. He assists with their Athletic House Sports and is currently providing coaching sessions to year 7 students as a part of the Physical Education program. This also acknowledges the clubs recognition of their volunteers.

Frank Barr has been coaching Weeroona College Bendigo student Karly M, who is the Victorian Country Champion in Discuss and Hammer Throw and record holder and State Hammer Throw Champion. On behalf of the Bendigo Harriers, Karly M made the presentation to Frank Barr at the Weeroona College Bendigo whole school assembly and he was also thanked by School Principal, Leanne Preece.

Ivan Kitt

**Athletics Carnival**

Weeroona College Bendigo held their Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 20th March at the Bendigo Regional Athletics Complex, Flora Hill. It was fantastic to see many students wearing their community house colours, which added to the atmosphere of the day. It was great to witness many of the student body making a defined effort in both track and field events. It was also good to see that the student relay team powered away to a conclusive victory against the staff based relay team in the 4 x 100 metre relay challenge. Well done to all competitors and congratulations to all those who won events.

Event winners will now represent the college at the Sandhurst Divisions Athletics carnival, to be held Friday 17th May at the Bendigo Regional Athletics Complex, Flora Hill.

These are the results -

**Junior Aggregate Results**
1st. - Katyil (446 points) 2nd. - Merin (376 points) 3rd. - Kappen (343 points) 4th. - Wannop (215 points)

**Senior Aggregate Results**
1st. - Kappen (458 points) 2nd. - Wannop (293 points) 3rd. - Katyil (218 points) 4th. - Merin (160 points)

**Overall Results**
1st. - Kappen (801 points) 2nd. - Katyil (664 points) 3rd. - Merin (536 points) 4th. - Wannop (508 points)

**Individual Age Group Championships**

**Boys:**
16 (Open)- Leone S (Wannop) 15 Boys- Bailey E (Katyil) 14 Boys- Adam D (Kappen) 12-13 Boys- Jordan W (Katyil)

**Girls:**
16 (Open)- Zoe D (Kappen) 15 Girls- Karly M (Kappen) 14 Girls- Meg R (Merin) 12-13 Girls- Gabrielle R (Katyil)
Below are the individual winners of each particular event, and the individuals who will represent Weeroona College Bendigo at the Sandhurst Division Athletic Championships to be held on Friday 17th May at the Bendigo Regional Athletic Complex.

**12-13 GIRLS**
- 1500 Metre: Gabrielle R, Jess S
- 800 Metre: Gabrielle R
- 400 Metre: Gabrielle R
- 200 Metre: Gabrielle R
- 100 Metre: Shay P
- 100 Metre Hurdles: Gabrielle R
- 4 x 100 Metre Relay: Shay P, Gabrielle R, Adrienne M & Jess S
- Shot Put: Reese McH-B
- Discus: Tahlia D
- Javelin: Tahlia D
- High Jump: Jess S
- Long Jump: Shay P
- Triple Jump: Adrienne M

**12-13 BOYS**
- 1500 Metre: Jordan W, Jarrett M
- 800 Metre: Jordan W
- 400 Metre: Jordan W
- 200 Metre: Dan D
- 100 Metre: Jordan W
- 100 Hurdles: Daniel M
- 4 x 100 Metre Relay: Jordan W, Daniel M, Dan D, Daniel S
- Shot Put: Coen C
- Discus: Jack B
- Javelin: Caleb E
- High Jump: Caleb E
- Long Jump: Jordan W
- Triple Jump: Jordan W

**14 GIRLS**
- 1500 Metre: Sally W, Meg R
- 800 Metre: Meg R
- 400 Metre: Meg R
- 200 Metre: Ta Eh P
- 100 Metre: Alanna M
- 100 Metre Hurdles: Sinead B
- 4 x 100 Metre Relay: Alanna M, Ta Eh, Maddy R, Emily F
- Shot Put: Mikayla P
- Discus: Chloe B
- Javelin: Meg R
- High Jump: Sally W
- Long Jump: Jazz H
- Triple Jump: Sally W

**14 BOYS**
- 1500 Metre: Luke B, Tom McK
- 800 Metre: Adam D
- 400 Metre: Adam D
- 200 Metre: Adam D
- 100 Metre: Adam D
- 100 Metre Hurdles: Brayden T
- 4 x 100 Metre Relay: Adam D, Per S, Jake H, Aung Kway S
Shot Put- Lachlan C
Discus- Adam D
Javelin- Per S
High Jump- Brayden T
Long Jump- Adam D
Triple Jump- Adam D

15 GIRLS
1500 Metre- Karina R, Georgia C
800 Metre- Karina R
100 Metre- Karly M
400 Metre- Karina R
200 Metre- Karly M
4 x 100 Metre Relay - Karly M, Caitlin G, Ebony M, Shanae S, Emily H
100 Metre Hurdles- Karly M
Shot Put- Solsonaima P
Discus- Karly M
Javelin- Karly M
High Jump- Brooke L
Long Jump- Ebony M
Triple Jump- Ebony M

15 BOYS
1500 Metre- Bailey E, Tallis M
800 Metre- Spain N
400 Metre- Spain N
200 Metre- Iliesa S
100 Metre- Bailey E
100 Metre Hurdles- Iliesa S
4 x 100 Metre Relay - Bailey E, Spain N, Connor A, Barry M
Shot Put- Connor A
Discus- Iliesa S
Javelin- Chris G
High Jump- Harry B
Triple Jump- Bailey E
Long Jump- Connor A

16 GIRLS
1500 Metre- Bree E, Brooke D
800 Metre- Brooke D
400 Metre- Brooke D
200 Metre- Brook D
100 Metre- Zoe D
100 Metre Hurdles- Zoe D
4 x 100 Metre Relay - Zoe D, Sophie M, Brooke D, Claire S
Shot Put- Ruby C
Discus- Zoe D
Javelin- Ruby C
Triple Jump- Ruby C

16 BOYS
1500 Metre- Tom P, Dylan H
800 Metre- Kyle H
400 Metre- Mitch F
200 Metre- Leone S
100 Metre- Leone S
100 Metre Hurdles- Leone S
4 x 100 Metre Relay- Leone S, Josh P, Eh Soo S, Michael M
Sport Dates for Term 1 and Term 2

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MATHEMATICS NEWS

The last week of term will see your child completing assessments to show their understanding of the work studied in Unit 2. It is an open book test so students who have used class time well and completed homework on a regular basis will benefit from this work ethic. It is vital that your child attends during this last week to ensure they complete the formal assessment.

It is a requirement that your child has a scientific calculator and brings it to every maths class. The college does not supply these for students. If you are uncertain of which type of calculator to purchase, please speak with your child or their maths teacher. The scientific calculators are not expensive (not to be confused with the Graphics calculators) and available at various outlets. They are used regularly. Children in Years 7 and 9 will be sitting NAPLAN testing in the second term and one of the tests is a calculator test. Familiarisation with their calculator really helps them perform at their best so ensuring that they have their own to use in our normal classes will assist them. Calculators on phones are not acceptable as they are prohibited in formal testing situations, such as NAPLAN, exams and end of unit tests.

DOBSON’S UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday 2:00pm – 5:00pm
Thursday 8:30am – 12:00

The uniform shop will be open on first day of Term 2, Monday 15th April from 8:00am - 9:30am for any uniform purchases.
WORK EXPERIENCE 2013 WEEROONA COLLEGE BENDIGO

Year 10 Students have now received WORK EXPERIENCE PACKS. Most Year 10 students will be taking part in Work Experience during the last week of Term 2, from Monday 24th June to Friday 28th June 2013.

Students who wish to go on the Year 10 Camp need to agree to do Work Experience during the Term 2 vacation, Monday 8th July to Friday 12th July. If unable to do a placement during the holidays, students must seek to organise a placement on Monday 9th September to Friday 13th September.

Only students with Work Experience placements organised will be permitted to participate in the Year 10 Camp.

Work Experience is an integral part of the Year 10 Pathways Program. Students need to consider carefully which job they would like to experience for a week. The Job Guide, Horizons vacancies system and the database of past work experience employers on the college computer network are good resources. The Work Experience Act works to ensure that students are well cared for during the week they work.


Recent changes to legislation require all students undertaking Work Experience to complete TWO online safe@work Occupational Health and Safety modules. To achieve a Certificate valid for 12 months a student must score 75% or better. Students will commence study for these modules in Pathway classes.


Students will be asked to make contact with an employer with whom they would like to work. This will give students experience in making initial contact with employers.

Students should not work with family members or businesses with less than 3 employees.

Students must return the ‘Work Arrangement’ Form by Thursday 30th May with:
1. All Employer Details completed
2. All Student Details completed
3. Parent/Guardian, Employer and Student signatures
4. Placements will be refused after this date

Linda Quarrier
Pathways

BALLET, JAZZ & HIP HOP DANCE CLASSES
SHORT TRIAL CLASSES & OPTIONS TO ENROL FOR TERM 2
Where: 161 - 167 Barnard St Bendigo (IDANCE STUDIO)
When: 15th & 22nd March
For more information you can:
- Go to www.ucandance.com.au,
- Email Alesha Spence on alesha@ucandance.com.au or,
- Phone: 0419398230
The **Epsom Soccer Club** is having their **MEET THE COACHES DAY**.

**When:** Sunday 24th March 2013  
**Place:** Epsom Huntly Recreation Reserve  
**Time:** 5.00pm

Any further information please contact the Junior Coordinator: Robyn Braszell 0488393788  
robynbras@gmail.com

South Bendigo Football Netball club are looking for Under 16’s players for the 2013 season. Come and join one of the premier clubs in Bendigo.

For all enquiries please contact:  
Jonas Somerville- 0408 538 486  
Brent Bogaski- 0448 050 588  
Rob Robertson- 0424 575 658

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Bendigo Northern District Community Enterprise continues to assist Community Groups complete projects from Bendigo East, White Hills, Epsom, Huntly to Goonong, including: $1000 towards White Hills Pool for shade and outdoor furniture, $1000 for Epsom Kinder towards furniture, $1000 towards Lighting Trees for Weeroona College School Productions and Drama Classes, as well as funding 4 defibrillators in our local area. You too can assist our local Community Enterprise by completing the enclosed pledge form. With no financial costs to individuals or businesses, simply expressing your interest in your local community by filling in the pledge form and returning to White Hills Bank Branch, the Bendigo Bank and Community Telco pay the Enterprise a commission towards Community Funding. ‘Our towns, Our Future’ is our motto, join us now to make a difference.
Reducing the risk of the “Common cold” of sexual activity

What is HPV?

HPV stands for human papillomavirus. Genital HPV is a very common sexually transmitted infection which usually causes no symptoms and goes away by itself, but can sometimes cause serious illness.

Four out of five people have at least one type of HPV at some time in their lives. HPV infects both men and women.

The virus is spread through intimate contact with genital-skin during sexual activity, via tiny breaks in the skin. Usually this happens without anyone ever knowing it or it causing any problems.

Why a vaccine?

There is currently no treatment for HPV. In most cases the immune system clears HPV from the body naturally over time and has no long-lasting effects.

The Gardasil vaccine is made from tiny proteins that look like the outside of the real human papillomavirus. The vaccine does not contain any live virus, or even killed virus or DNA from the virus, so it cannot cause cancer or other HPV-related illnesses. When the vaccine is given, the body makes antibodies in response to the protein to clear it from the body.

How does the Vaccine Work?

The HPV virus can cause cancers of the penis, anus and mouth/throat in men.

The vaccine has been shown to protect about 90% of all HPV-related cancers in men.

Why boys?

Condoms offer some but not total protection from HPV, as they don't cover all of the genital skin, but are necessary for protection against other Sexually Transmissible Infections and unwanted pregnancies.
The Dads to Dads Program offers fathers (and other significant male carers) of people with a disability or chronic illness the opportunity to meet other dads and to develop the confidence, skills and networks they need to take an active role in the support of their son or daughter.

The focus of Dads to Dads is not on disability or chronic illness; but the strengths and capacity of men and the whole family.

**Weekends Away**

We invite fathers of people with a disability or chronic illness to join a small group of dads on a weekend away.

This weekend includes:

* Two night’s accommodation, most meals
* Entry to an activity or event (eg. Fishing, quad biking, music festival, tour)
* Sharing of stories and skill building
* A $50-00 fee is required to attend a weekend

'It was great to meet other blokes who are in the same boat as me!!'

Dad to 9 year old boy with Autism

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**Program Coordinator**

John Hutchinson: 0418 366 561

Email: j.hutchinson@hotmail.com

**General Enquires & Bookings**

Kylie Cleever: (03) 54 353 158

Email: perrin-dads@bigpond.com
EXPERIENCE LA TROBE

MELBOURNE
Friday 5 April & Wednesday 10 July

BENDIGO
Friday 12 July

ALBURY-WODONGA
Friday 21 June

SHEPPARTON
Wednesday 12 June to Friday 14 June

Participate in workshops
Meet our staff & students
Explore our campus
Discover pathways
Free lunch

REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL
1300 135 045

latrobe.edu.au/experience
LAWN BOWLS
At
Strathfieldsaye Bowls Club
Uxbridge St, Strathfieldsaye

EASTER COME & TRY NIGHT
Wednesday March 27th

6.30 pm Start

Easter Egg Hunt For the Kids
Give Aways

Just bring yourself
Or bring a friend.
Bring the family
and a pair of
flat soled shoes

Bowls Supplied
Free Sausage Sizzle

ITS FREE!

For more Information & to register your interest
Contact
Co-Ordinator Adrian 0429 943 080

All Ages Welcome