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WCB UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY
21st | College Council – 7pm AGM – All Welcome
7.30 – 8.30pm – College Council Regular meeting
25th | Immunisations – Year 7 Girls only

JUNE
6th – 7th | Year 10 Exams
11th | Queen’s Birthday Holiday
18th | College Council – 7pm
18th – 28th | Year 10 Work Experience
25th June – 2nd July | Year 10 Queensland Trip
28th | Last Day of Term 2 – 2.30pm finish

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS
Tuesday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 8.30am – 12.00pm

SCHOOL TIMES
Start 9am
Lunch 11.43am - 12.33pm
Recess 1.44pm - 2.04pm
Finish 3.15pm

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8.15am - 4pm
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Congratulations Anjaly C

I would like to offer Anjaly our congratulations on her selection by the Loddon Mallee Region to participate in a five week intensive Science program at the prestigious John Monash Science School. Anjaly is an outstanding student both academically and through her contributions to extra-curricular activities at our school and she is a most worthy recipient of this opportunity. Anjaly will be joined by four other students from our region along with other students from across rural and regional Victoria and we wish her well.

Eleanor Davis School Leadership Program

I have been fortunate to have been selected to be a mentor for a participant in the Eleanor Davis School Leadership Program which means that I will be mentoring Ms Debbie Spencer-Jones from Crusoe College. This program celebrates the life and work of Eleanor Davis, who died in 1991 after earning widespread admiration and affection during a career in education that spanned more than 30 years. Eleanor Davis was a highly respected school educator. She was a role model, remembered for her own achievements and also for the encouragement she offered to women teachers to seek promotion, especially to the Principal class. The program prepares high potential female leaders for the role of Principal. A field of leadership where women are still under-represented, especially in the secondary school sector. This program is undertaken over an eight month period. It includes: four workshops, pre-reading and pre-program tasks, formal mentoring from Principals throughout the program, three shadowing and observation placements, and peer learning groups conducted both online and face-to-face.

We look forward to hosting Debbie for three, three day placements where she will shadow me and learn about what is involved in being a school principal.

Leanne Preece
Principal

FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE...

EMA / SCHOOL START BONUS CHANGES FOR 2013:

• Eligible year 7s will receive $300 per year.
• Eligible year 8 -12 will increase from $235 to $250.
• All EMA will go to parents and there will no longer be a school portion in the allocation.
• Removal of EMA to schools will go to savings and 50% to help low SFO schools through the SRP from January 2013 (maybe 200 highest SFO schools).
• School start bonus to eligible parents removed.
• partly offset by redirection of equity based funding to govt and non govt schools.

Communications

Newsletters will now be emailed out to parents with whom we have email addresses. Please ensure your email address is up-to-date with the Office so we can send these out. We will also be endeavouring to email out notes applicable for whole school activities.

If you have any other communication ideas please contact Sonya Fergus on:
fergus.sonya.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

Contact Information

Please contact the school if you have changed contact information for your children, i.e. address, home phone, mobile numbers or work contact details.

Late Arrivals / Leaving the College

Students who need to leave the College during the day MUST bring a note signed by a Parent / Guardian to their child’s Learning Community Leader or Parents can phone the College to give permission for their child to leave.

It is a DEECD requirement that when picking up a student from school that identification be shown i.e. Drivers licence. This will be completed at the General Office. Please understand that this is now a directive of the Department of Education for schools, for the protection of your children.

If students come late to school, they MUST sign in also with their Community Leader. They should have a note signed by a Parent / Guardian or a Parent can phone the college letting us know their child is late; otherwise they will be marked ‘late unexplained’ and receive a text message from the college.
WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
We are taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program again this year. Simply start collecting stickers at the checkout of your local Woolworths supermarket (self-service too) until July 22nd and send them in to the collection box located in the General Office. For every $10 spent you earn one sticker (excluding purchases of liquor, smoking/tobacco products and gift cards).

If you don’t have any children at school, you can still help support a local school simply by dropping your stickers into one of the collection boxes found at the front of your local store. And every sticker counts! Last year Woolworths gave away over $4.5 million worth of resources to more than 6,900 schools that participated across Australia.

RACV TRANSMISSION PROGRAM FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS
Congratulations to the following students who have won a place in the Semi Finalist Workshop for the RACV Transmission Program. The students have worked diligently over the course of last term to create designs for community service advertisements which targeted Drink Driving, Passengers and Driving and Speak Up and Look After Your Mates.

The students who were successful with their submissions are Shaun C, Zac S, Tyler M, Brianna D, Brianna G, Cody M, Maddison J, Courtney C, Taylia B, Corey P, Ashleigh M, Lachlan H, Travis H, Michael O and Shaun S.

YEAR 10 NEWS
Year 10 Keys Please Evening - Tuesday May 22nd in Wannop Community
An important evening with John Dingle from Vic Roads will be held on Tuesday 22nd May for all Year 10 students and their parents. There will be tips for learner drivers, tips for parents/carers to help teach their child and the new learner laws. All Year 10 students are encouraged to attend.

PARENTS’ CLUB
Parents Victoria Online
Parents Victoria Online conference is open for all parents to participate from May 20 -26. It is free to register.

ZEST NEWS
Green Eggs & Ham Food Bags
In 2012 the Zest College Support Team is happy to announce the introduction of WCB’s foodbank called “Green Eggs & Ham Food Bag”. We aim to deliver nutritious, healthy food to individuals and families experiencing hardship, illness or financial difficulty.

If you require the assistance of a food bag then contact the Zest College Support Team and we will be able to assist you. The food ranges from week to week based on what is available. Unfortunately we cannot provide the same family with a food bag two weeks consecutively.

If you are interested in collecting a food bag you must be able to collect it from Weeroona College, in particular situations a member of the ZEST team may be able to deliver it to your home.

For any further questions, please contact Sarah Warburton (Secondary School Nurse), Karen Dale (Welfare Team Leader) or Carl Rusbridge (Chaplain).

WEEROONA WARRIORS NEWS
Year 7 and 8 Soccer Day
On the 3rd of May 2012 at Epsom Soccer Reserve the Year 7 and 8 Boys and Girls Soccer day was held. The Warriors had quite a few star players in their line up and had high hopes for the day. With a first round bye, the boys went into their second round match fresh and thrashed East Loddon 9-0. The second round match was a much closer affair against Bendigo South East, with a win by a goal, taking them through to the semi-finals. The boys played Catholic College in the semi but went down 3-0, with our opponents slightly better on the day as they went on to be crowned champions. Everyone who participated on the day put in a lot of effort and had fun. Thanks to Josh and James for acting as referees and Isaac for running the line.

Brayden Stepien VET Sport and Rec Student
Soccer Report - Year 7 & 8 Girls
A very excited group of footballers hit the pitches at Epsom last week for the district title, with the Weeroona Warriors drawn in a group with Catholic College and Girton. Catholic College were a little strong for us first up, with a trio of state squad players and multiple reserves making it difficult for us to find our feet. Georgia ran hard in the midfield and Amy was strong in defence.

The second game against Girton became a scratch match with them not having sufficient players, allowing Mackenzie and Catelyn S to strut their stuff in the yellow shirt of Girton and tackle our own players!

The semi-final against Bendigo South East was closely fought, but despite Jess almost hitting the back of the net and sisters Cait and Sam controlling the match from the mid-field, it ended nil all and the result went down to a penalty shootout. Our hero was the singing goal keeper, Caroline, who only conceded one goal and saw the Warriors through to the final.

The final against Catholic College was a high quality affair, but the better we played, the better they did and a couple of brilliant individual efforts by our opponents made the difference. Bianca F gave the backline plenty of grunt and the girls stayed positive all day, with smiles aplenty despite the defeat. Thanks to Year 10 student Jo for her coaching prowess and Kevin for running the line.

Sandhurst Division Athletics Carnival
Monday 14th May saw the Sandhurst Division Athletics Carnival take place at the Latrobe Athletics Complex, Flora Hill. It was extremely pleasing to witness all of the Weeroona competitors making a genuine effort in events that they participated. Well done to all involved.

Special recognition needs to be given to competitors who stepped in on short notice to replace Weeroona competitors who were absent.

Many WCB were successful on the day with special recognition to Karly M who was deemed Age Group Champion for 14 year Girls as a consequence of her excellent all round performance.

The individuals listed below were victorious and will now represent Weeroona College Bendigo at the Loddon Mallee Athletics Carnival to be held at the Latrobe University Athletics Complex on Thursday 11th October.

Loddon Mallee Zone Athletics Carnival Competitors
16 Year Hurdles – Alice G
16 Year 800 Metre- Matt C
16 Year 400 Metre – Matt C
16 Year Boy 1500 Metre – Matt C
16 Year Boy High Jump – Josh D
15 Year Hurdles- Zoe D
15 Year Discus- Kaitlyn B
15 Year Shot Put- Ruby C
14 Year Hurdles – Karly M
14 Year 800 Metre - Bailey E
14 Year 1500 Metre – Bailey E
14 Year Girl Age Group Champion- Karly M

Well done Karly - 14 Year Old Female Age Group
LOTE NEWS

On Thursday 10th and Friday the 11th of May, the Year 9/10 Indonesian class went down to Melbourne, to visit the RMIT University for an Indonesian culture day. We checked into our hotel at 1:30 and at 2:30 we were off for a tour around RMIT, photos and talks with students. After we had finished our tours, we went to a building and listened to people speak about their time at RMIT, how studying a second language can really benefit you and open you up to so many more opportunities in life. Myself and 4 students then had the opportunity to speak about our Indonesian studies, and how it has benefited us already, this was a great thing to do. After that we had fun activities, including learning an Indonesian line dance and martial arts, and games for each school to get to know each other. For dinner that night we had to use our knowledge of the Indonesian language to order our tea off the University students who would serve us our food. On the Friday, we had a tour around the beautiful botanical gardens, made huts, made an offering to put with our huts. Then went out and had our lunch at an Indonesian restaurant.

All up, every one of us had a great trip and loved it. Special thanks to Bu Smith, and Bu Penna for coming along and showing us around.

By Sophie D