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## WCB UPCOMING EVENTS

### JUNE

**25<sup>th</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> July** | Year 10 Queensland Trip  
**29<sup>th</sup>** | Last Day of Term 2 – 2.30pm finish

### JULY

**16<sup>th</sup>** | First Day of Term 3  
**26<sup>th</sup>** | Parent / Teacher Interviews – 4.30pm – 7.30pm  
**27<sup>th</sup>** | Parent / Teacher Interviews – 9am – 1pm – No  
scheduled classes

### SEPTEMBER

**14 & 15<sup>th</sup>** | Debutante Balls  
**21<sup>st</sup>** | Last Day of Term 3 – 2.30pm finish



### **SCHOOL TIMES**

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

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Friday  
8.15am - 4pm

### **UNIFORM SHOP HOURS**

Tuesday 2.00pm – 5.00pm  
Thursday 8.30am – 12.00pm

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Congratulations to everyone**

As we come to the end of first semester and I reflect on all of the fabulous things that we have been involved in and achieved, I would like to congratulate all members of our school community. Well done to our students who have taken on board our new learning protocols and expectations of our student promotions policy. Well done to our staff who had taken on board our new learning support plan and worked together to ensure that we offer the very best opportunities for each and every one of our students. And to you our parents, thank you for your support of all that we are striving to achieve.

Term two is always busy in our school year and an eleven week term, such as we have just had, is no exception. Currently we have year 10 students out on either Work Experience or on the Queensland trip, we have had students participate in a myriad of winter sporting activities in which the Weeroona Warriors have much to celebrate, we have two students flying solo, our primary students participated in a clinic with members of the Australian Opals and Bendigo Braves Basketball teams, our year 9 and 10 Outdoor Education students have braved the elements on their end of semester camps at Melville Caves and to add to all of this, a fabulous Music Week concert last night.

### **Building Update**

We are really hoping that next term will be the last term that we are in any temporary accommodation as we hope to get the keys to Katyl Learning Community and the Think and Inquire building near the end of September. At a recent school council meeting we decided that we are going to put together a committee to plan a school celebration that will incorporate our 50<sup>th</sup> year (last year as we were moving) and an opening of our entire, new school. If you are interested in being a part of this committee or have any interesting memorabilia please contact me.

**A safe and relaxing break to all of those who get one and if not; at least a break from the routine of school and all that involves.**

*Leanne Preece*  
**Principal**

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## **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Shawn Ilsley- our new KESO**

I would like to officially welcome Shawn Ilsley to our school. Shawn is our newly appointed Koori Education Support Officer (KESO) who has replaced Sam Nolan. Shawn will be at our college each Tuesday and will work with our Koori students, their families and staff.

### **eSmart School**

Weeroona College is now one of the many schools across the state who are part of the eSmart initiative to address cyberbullying and bullying. The eSmart program has been developed by the Alannah and Madeline Foundation and two staff members have attended the training and begun the journey to become a fully recognised eSmart school. To date the planning stage has been completed and the implementation stage begun. More information about the eSmart program will be included in future newsletters.

*Helen Tuohey*  
**Assistant Principal**

**FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE...****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.

**MUSIC NEWS****Junior Band**

Junior Band members participated in a workshop with Roland Yeung on Tuesday morning 19<sup>th</sup> June. He is a well-known and much celebrated International musician, conductor and adjudicator who is currently based in Melbourne. He was impressed with the way our students listened and took direction. He believed they have the makings to be an excellent band in the future and encouraged them to keep going with their music making.

**Music Week**

Some happy snaps at Music week on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2012.

Students were totally engaged and focussed on learning new pieces that were presented at the concert last night. They were all enjoying this experience immensely.



*Therese Johnston*  
**School Music Coordinator**



## WEEROONA WARRIORS NEWS

### Year 8 Boys Football

The Year 8 boys travelled to the Strathfieldsaye Rec Reserve for the annual Year 8 Boy's Football Carnival. WCB had the chance to play against teams from all over the region. Both government and non-government schools competed (CCB and Girton). The teams were split up into 2 pools, in WCB pool the boys faced two tough challenges in Girton and BSE. Our first match we faced Girton Grammar. Girton was coming off a close win against the highly fancied BSE outfit. WCB didn't disappoint, downing Girton by 7 goals. Best players on the day were Brayden D, Chris G and Brayden E.

The Warriors didn't have to wait long after, to shape up against the BSE Dragons. WCB and BSE have created a fierce rivalry over the past few years, and the boys knew the importance of the game. The Warriors were able to break free early through some handy work by the rucking of Brayden E and the roving of Brayden D. We were able to get a sizeable lead until the dragons fought back hard. To the boys credit they were able to withstand the fight back and stretch their lead beyond 4 goals at the full time buzzer.

After 2 wins WCB had the chance to play off in the decider with the winner of the opposite pool, CCB. After 2 gruelling games, the Warriors found the going tough against a bigger and more experience side. The effort and pride put into by the boys representing Weeroona was unquestionable, but in the end CCB proved too strong. Brayden E was awarded the best player of the Carnival, but everyone put in a solid effort.

Thanks to Mr Currie for coaching the team on the day and the VET Sport and Rec Students who helped in convening the competition.

The WCB Year 8 team were 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in the Sandhurst District Football Carnival. Well done to all involved.



### Matt C's Athletics Tour Of Britian

Year 10 student Matt C is an extremely high achiever in relation to Track and Field events. He has consistently won events at WCB and at District, Zone and State level in the School Sport Victoria structure. Currently Matt is currently overseas competing in a variety of Athletic Carnivals. Matt is competing extremely well and has established several personal best times. Well done to Matthew on his performance so far on this tour. Below is a breakdown of his results.

#### Results:

Cleethorpes - 20th May day of arrival 800 m 3rd 2.06 400m 52.3 pb  
 2nd June - Cleethorpes trophy meet - 800 1st 2.04 400m 1st 51.3 (pb) 4x400 relay 1st  
 7 June - Isle of Geurnsey - 800m 1st 2.06  
 Back sore due to all travel and being squished due to height  
 12 June - Bultins track meet - 800m 1st 2.01  
 16th June - Wales Junior Champs - 800m 1st 159.3 pb

#### Competitions Still To Come

27th June Isle of Man  
 29th June Scottish League Champs  
 1st July Grangemouth Track meet  
 7th July Highland Games in Forres  
 8th July Inverness Games

*Shawn McCormick*  
**Sports Coordinator**

#### UP-COMING SPORT DATES

##### JULY

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July – Year 7 & 8 Sports Day  
 (Basketball, Table Tennis, Hockey)

##### AUGUST

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August – Year 9 & 10 Boys  
 Football – Strathfieldsaye Football Ground  
 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August – Year 9 & 10 Sports  
 Day (Table Tennis, Hockey, Basketball)

## PATHWAYS

### La Trobe University Bendigo Year 10 Parents' Information Evening

The La Trobe University Parent Information Evening is designed to help Year 10 students and their families navigate through the process of subject selection to ensure they are fully prepared for VCE and beyond. It also includes general information to assist parents in helping and guiding their son or daughter as they make decisions about their post-school options. Topics to be covered at this evening include:

- Making career decisions
- Gaining entry to university
- Life as a university student
- Transition to university and support for students
- Study costs and financial support
- Resources available for parents and students

**DATE:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

**Follow the link to register**

**Register now** to confirm your attendance at the Parents' Information Evening.

### Experience Latrobe Bendigo For A Day

Experience La Trobe is designed especially for future students to get a taste of what it's like to be a La Trobe student for a day. The event is structured around discipline-based workshops. Future students will get an opportunity to meet our world class Academics and chat to our team of student ambassadors about our highly regarded student experience.

**Bendigo campus:** Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2012

**Follow the link to register (Registrations close Monday 2 July)**

**Register now** for the Bendigo campus event

Registrations close Monday 2 July

Program:

9.30am	Registrations
10.00am	Welcome and morning tea
11.30am	Session A
12.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Session B
2.45pm	Session C
3.00pm	Finish

### CONSTRUCTION INDUCTION TRAINING - POSTPONED

Year 10 Students are being given the opportunity to complete Construction Induction Card (CIC) Training. This was previously known as the RED CARD TRAINING. A CIC card is required for workers on trade work sites. This is a very valuable certificate as many employers ask students to complete this training before they start work experience or work as an apprentice. **The training was due to be held on Tuesday July 17, however due to lack of numbers; it has had to be postponed until later in the Semester.** The school is offering this training at a heavily reduced rate of \$20. To complete this course at an external provider it is in excess of \$200. If you are interested in gaining your Construction Induction Card please see Ms Hodge.

Bree Hodge

Pathways Leader

### BATTLEBOT CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGE 2012

After weeks of preparation, the Year 9/10 robotics class took to the ring to determine once and for all the champion robot for the semester.

Within a circle with a diameter of 1 metre, the winning robot had to disable the other, or move the opposing robot outside the circle. Seven robots started the tournament-, "Absolute Power"- designed by Josh P, Dan and Josh M, "ACE"- designed by Jack, Tyler and Alec, "ATOM"- designed by Sam and Jessie, 'The Stud Muffin'- designed by Zac and Fred, "The Doomsday Machine"- designed by Josh N, Dan and Nathaniel, "Zombie" designed by Jacob and "The Original" designed by Josh P-L.



Grand final bout- "ACE" versus "The Doomsday Machine"

Some innovative designs and/or well developed programming made for some close bouts. Each match was determined across 3 bouts with the winner advancing to the next round. After 4 rounds, 'ACE' emerged victorious, winning 2-1 in a close match.



### HORSE RIDE FOR CANCER

The new barbecue was "christened" when the Active Leaders ran a sausage sizzle to raise funds for 'Horse Ride for Cancer'. One of our Active Leaders, Caitlin G of Merin Year 10, will ride her horse from Bendigo to Heathcote then to Seymour next term to raise funds for cancer.

All students had a role to play in organising the barbecue. Caitlin thanked her classmates and Ms Toose for all their hard work.

### TRANSMISSION 2D COMPETITION



#### Want to make a difference and have a chance to win an Apple iPad\*

Come up with a road safety graphic design showing people looking after their mates on the roads. Your 2D image can be a drawing, photograph or graphic design.

Judges are looking for an original concept that has a positive message showing people looking after their friends. This is not a drawing competition, rather the best road safety concept will win!

The competition is open to all Year 7-12 Victorian Secondary School students and offers the winner the chance to work with a professional graphic artist and have their design feature in RoyalAuto as well as winning an Apple iPad.\* Terms and conditions apply.

What do you need to do:

1. Choose one of the road safety topics below and come up with an idea for your 2D image (drawing, photograph or graphic design) and message. *Remember it is about the best idea, not the best drawing.*
2. Send your entry form and design by **27th July 2012** to:

Transmission 2D Competition  
Education Program Coordinator  
550 Princes Highway, Noble Park North, VIC 3174

or email the design with your contact details to [publicpolicyadmin@racv.com.au](mailto:publicpolicyadmin@racv.com.au)



### Transmission YouTube Competition

The Transmission YouTube competition puts the camera in the hands of the students and is open to all Year 7-12 Victorian Secondary School students.

So pick up a camera, grab a few mates and put together your own short video clip showing how you would look after your mates in the road environment.

#### Criteria for video clips

- 30 - 120 seconds in length
- Tackles a road safety topic relevant to young people, for example, driver distraction, mobile phones, passengers, drink driving, speeding, wearing seatbelts etc
- Includes a positive message and shows people looking after their mates
- **Doesn't** have any crashes, injuries, funeral or hospital scenes or illegal behaviours

#### The Prizes (\*Terms and conditions apply)

Five finalists will be chosen by the judging panel and have their films shown on the RACV Transmission YouTube channel. The entrant whose film is judged to be the best, most original and creative will win \$1000 in Coles Myers gift cards and the remaining four finalist will each receive \$250 in Coles Myer Gift Cards. (An entrant can be an individual or a group of individuals, but the prizes are per entry not per person).

**How to enter**

1. Choose a road safety topic (e.g. driver distraction, mobile phones, passengers, drink driving, speeding, wearing seatbelt) and film you **positive** road safety message.
2. Send in your entry form (including having it signed by your teacher and for those under 18 by a parent/carer) and video clip by **21 September 2012 to:**

Email: [publicpolicyadmin@racv.com.au](mailto:publicpolicyadmin@racv.com.au) or Mail: RACV Education Program Coordinator  
550 Princes Highway, Noble Park North, VIC 3174

**Things to think about when making your road safety video clip -**

**How do I send in my video clip?** You can mail it on CD/DVD or upload your clip to your YouTube channel and tell us your YouTube URL.

**When filming - remember safety first.** Don't put yourself, cast or crew in danger. So don't film whilst in a moving vehicle, film from a safe location off the road and don't be a distraction to others on the road.

**Filming people?** Take great care in filming people and have their permission. Hidden cameras should never be used.

**Can I use music on my video?** You will need permission to use music in your Video. Using copyright free or original music is the least complicated thing to do. There are a variety of websites offering a diverse range of Royalty and Copyright free music for use. For example [www.musopen.org](http://www.musopen.org) or [www.freemusicforvideos.com](http://www.freemusicforvideos.com). Some sites will request a donation for music use, others have a one off fee attached and there are also a number of sites that provide public domain completely free. If you wish to use popular music in your Video, you will need to gain the right to do so, check out [www.apra-amcos.com.au](http://www.apra-amcos.com.au) to find out more.

See Mrs Andrea for entry forms.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES****Students Of Sustainability Conference July 2012**

Come join us for the 21st year of the largest Environmental & Social Justice conference in Australia. This annual 5 day event is held at different universities around the country, featuring workshops, forums and discussions about everything from food, land, energy, transport, community to bike polo.

Happening right here in Central Victoria at La Trobe University in Bendigo, from [Wednesday 4th - Sunday 8th July, 2012.](#)

To encourage local high school students to attend, we have a special price of \$10 a day. This includes lunch and all events on the day. Local community members can access the conference for just \$30 a day.

For more information please see: [www.studentsofsustainability.org](http://www.studentsofsustainability.org)

**Junior Learn To Row**

Would you like to learn to row? The next intake will be happening soon.

The Junior Learn To Row program is suitable for students already in Year 8 and above. Students in Year 6/7 can also get involved as coxswains.

An information session will be held at 6pm on Monday 23 July 2012 at the Lake Weeroona Pavilion. Students MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Visit our website <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~bgorow> or direct your inquiries to Esmae Barnes [bendigorc@live.com.au](mailto:bendigorc@live.com.au) or Ph 5449 3355 (AH) / 0487 390 542.

An adult learn to row program is also available.

**URGENTLY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!!**

We are **urgently** seeking Parent Volunteers for our college canteen. We only have 5 wonderful parent volunteers currently and two of them no longer have students here anymore! If you can spare a few hours can you please call the college on 5443 2133.