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WCB UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

21st Celebration Day for Year 10’s
22nd Year 10 Exams begin at BSSC
25th School Council Meeting (7pm)
26th Year 10 Celebration Dinner
27th BSSC Orientation Day

DECEMBER

3rd Year 6 Orientation Day – Classes for Year 6 and 7 only.
Booklists Due back
6th Last Day of 2013 Classes
9th Kick Start Week Begins
10th College Awards Evening
16th Learning Community Activities

JANUARY – 2014

20th Book Collection Day
24th Office Opens
29th Start up Day (pm)
30th Start up Day (am)
31st First Day of School

SCHOOL TIMES

Start 9.00am
Lunch 11.45am - 12.35pm
Recess 1.45pm - 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

eLearning @ WCB - Bring a Specified Device (BSD)

Information and Communications Technology (ICT) is now an integral part of the everyday life of our college just as it is in society. At Weeroona College Bendigo, we aim to offer all of our students the opportunity learn in a variety of ways and to access the information and tools required for successful learning easily and in a timely fashion.

2014 marks the beginning of two new technological initiatives at Weeroona College Bendigo. We will be launching our new Weeroona Learning Support Dashboard which will enable regular, up to date communication between teachers, students and parents regarding learning, attendance and conduct. This exciting new initiative will provide up to date information regarding your child's education. For the last part of this year, our teachers have been trialling the dashboard and recently we opened it up for our students who can track their attendance and conduct. Ask your child to log in and show you what is currently available to them. Next year, more features will be introduced and parents will be brought online. Stay tuned for more details regarding this.

2014 also marks the beginning of new opportunities in how we use ICT to support and enhance the learning of our students. ICT has been an integral tool for delivering, facilitating and assessing student learning at the college for several years. All students at Weeroona College Bendigo have had access to Netbooks to support their learning while at the college, providing access to accurate, relevant information, communication and learning opportunities. As always, technology is changing. Major manufacturers are now moving away from netbooks and towards tablets and other touch devices, in addition, there have been recent changes to the funding of technology initiatives in schools. As a result, we have recognised the need to alter the ICT devices which our students use to facilitate the best possible learning opportunities and outcomes.

After much research and consultation with experts in both education and ICT sectors and discussion with a number of our feeder primary schools, we have decided that Year 7 students who attend Weeroona College Bendigo in 2014 will be required to have an iPad or Windows RT/Windows 8 Tablet device. In addition, we are changing from the current lease model to a parent purchase model. This is the Bring a Specified Device (BSD) program. For all students in years 8, 9 and 10 in 2014 the expectation will be that they continue to use their netbook under current co-leasing arrangements. Once we have established the BSD program the year 7 students, we will look at implementing this with the remainder of our students. Again, stay tuned for more information on this.

Leanne Preece
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Key Dates for Year 10 students

As the end of the College year is fast approaching, the following responsibilities and activities have been planned for Year 10 students to celebrate the end of their time at Weeroona College Bendigo.

The following indicates Year 10 students’ requirements:

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<td>Year 10 Celebration Dinner at Bendigo Pottery</td>
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Students and parents are reminded to check the Eligibility Criteria below to ensure they are able to purchase a ticket.

Jason Bysouth
Assistant Principal

BOOKLISTS AND 2014 ARRANGEMENTS

Booklists were posted out to all families this week. Booklists are due back in on Tuesday 3rd December to the General Office. Book collection day will be on Monday 20th January in the College Gym. If you have any queries with the booklist, please contact JI Supplies on 5444 2242.

Information was also included regarding Book Hire and IT arrangements for 2014.
SPORT

Year 7 Boys Cricket
The Year 7 Weeroona College Bendigo Boys cricket team took part in the Year 7 Sandhurst Cricket carnival played at the Bendigo South East College oval on Thursday 24th October.

The qualifying game saw the Weeroona squad play Bendigo South East. The boys posted a competitive total of 120 with Jack B scoring a brilliant 62. In reply the WCB boys bowled good line and length, the game was a thriller with WCB winning a hard fought contest by 2 runs.

Consequently, we then played the Catholic College outfit in the final with the winner representing the Sandhurst division in the upcoming Loddon Mallee finals. WCB bowled first. The boys fielded in a great manner and bowled in a disciplined way. The team kept the CCB batting line up to a score of 100. This total was definitely in reach of the team but sadly early wickets saw the team put under pressure and ultimately we fell 17 runs short.

All involved in the team conducted themselves in a positive manner. Well done to all involved.

SSV State Track and Field Carnival
The SSV State Track and Field carnival took place on Tuesday 22nd August. Weeroona College Bendigo was well represented with students competing in 5 events. The highlight of our students was the performance of Iliesa S who produced a fantastic result winning the 15 year boys event in the 100 metre hurdles. A fantastic effort. Well done Iliesa.

Below is a list of the competitors and their specific results and times.
Iliesa S- 1st 15 Year Boys 100 metre hurdles- 14.99 sec
Karly M- 2nd 15 Year Girls Discus – 29.55 metres
Jordan W- 6th 12 - 13 Year Boys 1500 metre – 5.01.21 min
Gabby R – 8th 12 – 13 Girls 400 metre – 1.10.53 sec

Year 7 & 8 Boys and Girls Cricket Victoria T-20 Cup
On Friday 18th October, the Year 7 & 8 Boys and Girls Weeroona College Bendigo teams competed in the Cricket Victoria T-20 Cup. Both teams produced fine efforts with the girls’ team winning the competition. Well done girls, a tremendous effort. The girls will now represent the district in the regional finals to be held on Tuesday 19th November.

All School Championships
Last week, Karly M competed in the All Schools Championships held at the State Athletics complex, Albert Park. Karly produced very strong results in her events. Karly finished 4th in the 15 Year Girls Discus event and received a Bronze medal for her performance in the Hammer event. An excellent effort. Well done Karly
The Mindshop Excellence Program is a program where students from WCB, BSE, Crusoe College and Eaglehawk College all participated in being workplace consultants for the week of October 14\textsuperscript{th} – 18\textsuperscript{th}. On the first day, the Mindshop facilitators gave everyone a workshop on how to be consultants. They gave us the tools we needed to be able to troubleshoot issues within a company and everyday life. Later on that day, the companies who were hosting us addressed the students with the industry problem.

Our company was Southern Shorthaul Railroad (SSR); they are a locomotive and freight maintenance provider and manufacturer. The issue they gave us was they needed to promote the Bendigo workshop as much as they could. So the next day we all set out to SSR where we found out what they were doing now, on Wednesday we looked at where they want to be and on Thursday we looked at how to get there. We put all our findings and suggestions into a PowerPoint which we presented to the company managers on the Friday.

The week was a very informative week, we all built on our skills to work as a team, find solutions and we all learnt lots. We would like to thank Julie Mason from Mindshop for organising this unique work experience and Bianca Rinaldi for hosting us at SSR.

RAFFLE

It has been decided that the raffle for the Signed Hawthorn Football Jumper will now be drawn at the Awards Evening on December. Tickets are $2.00 each and can be purchased from the General Office.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

The runner up of the best film promoting immunisation to years 7 and 8 is:

Toby M and Hannah T.

Congratulations to them both. They both won $250.00 each. Toby & Hannah can collect their prizes from their Learning Community Leaders.

HUNTLY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

We are seeking Under 17 Footballers for the 2014 season!

If you are under the age of 17 on the 1\textsuperscript{st} of January 2014 and are interested in joining a club on the rise, then the Huntly Hawks should be your choice.

For further inquiries contact

U17 Coach – Lachlan O’Toole 0447 712 231
Senior Coach – Stacy Fiske 0419 512 536
President – Ian Sladden 0427 158 882
Weeroona College Bendigo

Extended Trading Hours
December 2013 - February 2014
(In addition to normal trading hours)

NORMAL TRADING HOURS

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

Contact Marie at the Campus Uniform Shop on 4433 4947 if you need a personal fitting appointment outside normal trading hours.

DECEMBER 2013

Tuesday 03/12/2013 2.00pm – 5.00pm Orientation Day
Thursday 05/12/2013 8.30am – 12noon

Tuesday 10/12/2013 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 12/12/2013 8.30am – 12noon Last Trading Day 2013

JANUARY 2014

Monday 20/01/2014 8.00am – 4.00pm Book collection Day
Tuesday 21/01/2014 11.00am – 3.00pm
Wednesday 22/01/2014 11.00am – 3.00pm
Thursday 23/01/2014 11.00am – 3.00pm
Friday 24/01/2014 11.00am – 3.00pm

Monday 27/01/2014 Australia Day - Closed
Tuesday 28/01/2014 11.00am – 5.00pm
Wednesday 29/01/2014 1.00pm – 8.00pm Start up Day
Thursday 30/01/2014 8.00am – 12noon Start up Day
Friday 31/01/2014 8.00am – 9.30am School commences

As of Tuesday 4/02/2014
Uniform Shop Hours will be resume to normal

Tuesday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 8.30am – 12noon
COMBINED FESTIVAL
Over 2 days, join the 2 community gardens in Long Gully as they celebrate community, food and connections.

***Attend both events = Get a free plant***

facebook.com/LGNCINC
GodFoodPeople.org/FESTIVAL
Diversity Group

headspace Diversity is for anyone between 12 and 25 years whether they are Gay, Bisexual, Lesbian, Straight, Transgender, Intersex or Gender Questioning.

Join us every two weeks at headspace Bendigo, 192 Hargreaves Street, Bendigo between 4pm and 5:30pm.
This will be a social group that provides a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

This is a confidential group.
You are welcome to bring friends with you.
You will not need to disclose your sexuality.

Please contact Kathy if you would like more information.

23 October: Pizza night
6 November Movie night (late finish)
20 November: Chips & Dips
4 December: Safe Place Project
18 December: Christmas bbq – outdoor sports in the park

All welcome!

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