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We value: Achievement, Respect, Commitment, Community

## Principal Team Report



Deb Gentle

**Rob Monk** 

At the halfway point of Term 2 students are well into the learning cycle. We have Progress Reports going out in week 7.

#### **RECENT EVENTS**

Recent College community events include: Year 7 2019 Information Day and the Parent Information Evening, House Cross Country, Mother's Day Classic, Year 10 & Year 11 Careers Expos, the Cyberia performance and inter-school sporting events. Thanks to all staff who organised and supported these events and to students for your positive participation.

#### **MOTHER'S DAY CLASSIC**

Every year our VCAL students organise the Mother's Day Classic including school based events and the run or walk around the Drouin Golf Course. This year's event was again successful and fun for all involved with a significant sum raised in donations for breast cancer research. Well done and thank you to the VCAL students and all the DSC staff who supported them.

#### **PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY**

The Professional Learning Day on May 4th was positive. Many of our support staff completed First Aid training and teachers collaborated to develop a better understanding of the teaching and learning cycle and how to apply this in our classes.

#### NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing was in full swing last week. We are among the first schools in Australia to do the NAPLAN online. This has required some new learning for all. Our students responded positively to the change and the ICT systems we have in place supported the smooth running of the NAPLAN sessions.

#### STUDENT ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY

The annual Student Attitudes to School Survey is currently being completed by students.

#### GENERAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST (GAT)

The General Achievement Test (GAT) will be held on 13th June for all students studying Units 3 and 4.

#### **ASSETS MANAGEMENT PLAN PROGRESS**

An impressive amount of dirt has been shifted and concrete poured. The next major (noticeable) work will be putting the steel framing in place. This is due to start in approximately 4 weeks. I hope to be able to show everyone visuals of interior and exterior spaces very soon.

I am currently seeking advice as to how the proposed solar installation will interact with the upgrades to power infrastructure currently being done as part of the project.

#### CHANGES TO PROGRESS REPORTS

There is a change in format for Year 10, 11 & 12 Progress Reports, which will indicate if the student is at risk of failing a unit or is on track to complete the unit successfully.

#### CHANGES TO END OF SEMESTER REPORTS

Parents and students will notice that the teacher's comments will not be included.

For Year 7 to 10 students End of Semester reports will include Common Assessment Task results and Progression Points.

At Year 10, 11 & 12 students will be given an overall S (satisfactory) or N (not satisfactory) for each unit. Year 11 students will still receive a grade for their unit outcomes and Year 12 students will still receive an S or N for each outcome.

Data on learning behaviours, attendance and classroom progress will be included for all students.

#### **MODERATION DAY – 8TH JUNE**

In the past this has been tagged "Report Writing Day". Students are not required at school this day. As we are no longer writing comments on reports, we are able to shift focus to our Guaranteed & Viable Curriculum to work collaboratively in unit teams ensuring assessments across all units are consistent.

Finally, as we move towards the end of Term 2 we are working to ensure students are engaged in class and completing learning tasks to the best of their ability.

Thanks to all staff for your great work and to parents for supporting our student's learning.

#### Deb Gentle, Principal (On behalf of the Principal Team)

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." Aristotle.

# Building Works Update

While the weather has been miserable this week, we are starting to see some of the buildings taking shape on the upgrade project which includes a new canteen and flexible learning centre. We will keep you posted on their progress via the newsletter each month and also on Twitter and Facebook.

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# SCHOOL PHOTOS PHOTOS PHOTOS College Photo Day is on Monday 28th May. All students will be photographed with their Learning Group and individual portraits will be taken. All students are expected to wear full College uniform.

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Your child will have received a SchoolPix photograph order form last week which has your student's unique code. Order online using this code or if paying by cash, return the form on photo day to the photographers in a clearly labelled envelope with the correct money.

Please contact the general office with any queries.

# Mother's Day Classic

## Celebrating mothers and contributing to breast cancer research

On Sunday 13th May, we were lucky enough to have the rain stop for the Drouin Mother's Day Classic. The walk or run was organised by our VCAL students in support of raising funds for breast cancer awareness. It was great to see families walking the track at the Drouin Golf Club supporting each other young and old.

As a part of the VCAL team, we were very excited to supply the community with medals of completion and we also provided a sausage sizzle, bake sale, raffle and activities for the young ones. All in all, combined with the proceeds from Pink Stumps Day, we raised \$8,070.

We would like to thank the community for your support on this special day. We would also like to thank the Year 12 VCAL team for running this day as well as Karly Goss and Kevin Thorpe who supported us in this program.













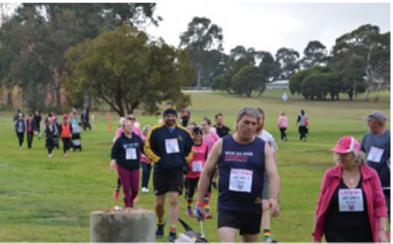














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## Out & About with 8HOL...

This has been a very busy term for the team

- Preparing our vegetable patch, cleaning out the veggie boxes, measuring the amount of soil required, filling the boxes and planting out.
- Planning for Leos events such as our BBQ at Woolies and supporting The Crossing.
- Participating in fitness/ self-defence classes at the Dojo Factory.

Great work team.



# Unit 3 OES Sea Kayaking

The class completed an overnight kayaking trip in Corner Inlet departing from Port Welshpool. The first day was taken up with packing the kayaks and waiting for the tide to come in before paddling around Little Snake Island to a camping spot on Snake Island. Tide times meant a 4:30am wake-up call so the group could be on the water by 6am to catch the ebb tide prior to the shallows becoming unnavigable. In great paddling conditions, the group paddled to a beach on the northern end of Wilson's Prom with a few penguins swimming nearby. We followed the Prom around to the entrance waiting for the tide to change and caught the flood back to Port Welshpool. Covering over 30km in the two days, the group enjoyed great weather conditions.



# Sport Rules!



### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Cross Country was a fantastic event with record numbers of students participating in perfect weather conditions. Overall winners on the day were a very excited Gordon House. Gordon last won the cross country in 2002. Great effort.

The top 3 place getters for each age group were:

#### GIRLS:

#### **13 Years**

- 1. Ainslee Phillips
- 2. Taylah Clark
- 3. Jessica Hickford

#### 14 Years

- 1. Shakira Pearson
- 2. Tiarnee Brown
- 3. Isla Thorpe

#### **15 Years**

- 1. Ava Grace Forbes
- 2. Amy Reid
- 3. Teneal Jackson

#### 16 Years

- 1. Lily Carrison
- 2. Isabelle Harvey
- 3. Raine McAlister

#### 17 Years

- 1. Alisha Major
- 2. Natasha Cameron
- 3. Ella Hurst

#### OPEN

- 1. Rani Grenville
- 2. Alyssa Fritzlaff
- 3. Chelsea Anderson

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#### BOYS: 13 Years

- 1. Tom Smith
- 2. Tarryn Stephens
- 3. Declan Sellick

#### 14 Years

- 1. Trent Fritzlaff
- 2. Henry Wallace
- 3. Nic Caddy

#### **15 Years**

- 1. Riley Feil
- 2. Corey Heagney
- 3. Lachlan Fernandez

#### 16 Years

- 1. Heath Morgan-Morris
- 2. Dominic Cole
- 3. Beau Jones

#### 17 Years

- 1. Blake Roberts
- 2. Wil Trewin
- 3. Tighe Brown

#### OPEN

- 1. Harry Phillips
- 2. Josh McNally
- 3. Aaron Marsh

## Coming up...

Monday 28th - Cross Country (West Gippsland Championship at Chairo).

(Students will attend after college photos have been taken)

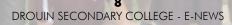
Tuesday 5th June – Intermediate RR sports.

Thursday 7th June – Senior RR sports.

Thursday 14th June – Gippsland Cross country at Lardner Park.

Wednesday 27th June – Year 8 RR sports.

Thursday 28th June – Year 7 RR sports.







#### **SSV SPORT RESULTS**

We've had several teams representing DSC. They have done us our proud. Congratulations to all teams on your achievements.

















DROUIN SECONDARY COLLEGE - E-NEWS



The school farm has had some new additions this term. We have added:

The Year 9 and 10 class have been doing a wonderful job of feeding, weighing and caring for these new animals.

- Three Hampshire Down sheep
- Three Angus cross calves
- Three Jersey calves for Cows Create Careers



# CYBERIA Staying Safe Online

On the 10th May, all Year 7, 8 and 9 students watched Cyberia – a show about cyber-safety and cyberbullying. Students saw the decisions made by young people online and the effect this had on their lives. Students were also given strategies for dealing with cyberbullying and staying safe online. Everyone participated respectfully and asked great questions of the performers.





## What's cooking in the kitchens?

Our Food Tech students have been busy creating a variety of products over the past few weeks, including Year 7's Fried Rice and Chicken Skewers, 8/9 Food Glorious Food's Apple Raspberry Pies and Year 10 Food and Culture's Russian Pelmeni. We try to focus on healthy eating using fresh, seasonal ingredients whilst teaching skills for the future. As subject selection gets closer, consider choosing a Food Tech subject in 2019! Talk to one of the friendly Food Tech team about what is available next year.

As always, we're looking for fresh lemons, so if you have any spare, please send them to school when you can. Many thanks in advance.

# MUSIC CONCERTS

#### VCE Music Recital Tuesday 29th May

Come along and see a showcase of DSC's Unit 1 and 3 Music Performance class. Students will be performing solo and group pieces on a range of instruments as required for their studies. The evening commences at 7pm in the auditorium.

### Mid-Year Instrumental Concert -

#### Tuesday 5th June

DSC music talent will once again be on display on Tuesday 5th June, 7pm, in the Auditorium. Come along and see many of our ensembles perform as well as individual music students. There will also be artwork displayed in the foyer, created by some of our own students.

# Year 7 Reading & Literacy

Year 7 students read over seven million words between 21 April and 18 May, and the following students successfully completed quizzes:

Byron Anderson (4), Lauren Austen, Conor Avery, Tyler Bain, Alex Baker, Chelsea Bell, Jacob Bennett, Lilyanna Bentley, Rylan Berryman, Sienna Bickle (5), Sharni Boote (4), Tarilyn Bottrell (5), Lachlan Braybon (3), Chloe Browney (3), Amber Burke, Jack Cannon, Patrick Carter (4), Holly Cheyne (2), Emilia Christensen (2), Hamish Cook-Whiting (2), Kalinda Crook, Ryan Davey, Gabrielle Dawson (2), Bailey Deveny (3), Jaiden Doyle, Lachlan Duiker, Christopher Eccles (2), Echo Firth (2), David Forbes (2), Lillyen Forsyth, Benjamin Fort, Hannah Fowler, Riley Fowler, Talia Gerlach, Brycen Green (9), William Grimsted, Timothy Henschel, Jessica Hickford (2), Lachlan Hogben (2), Allanah Jagoe, Kaedyn Jeffery, Cailee Jenkins, Cameron Jenkins, Olivia Jones (2), Serena Jordan, Dominic Keane (2), Cadence Kennedy, Liam Kirkman, Toby Kuiters, Ace Leeman, Ella Lester (3), Kyra Manukau, Sean Marsh (7), Holly Martin (2), Isabella McEwan (2), Jayden McHale (2), Natalie McInnes (3), Mackenzie McLaughlin, Ashla McMaster (2), Jasmine McRae, Andrew Mills, Kelly Mills (2), Montana Mott (2), Makayla Mullen, Tahj Murphy, Grace Murray, Harley Murray, Tasharni Murray, Ayden Narayan (2), Ella Nash, Gemma Norton, Chloe Olivier-Rowan, Harrison Paine

(2), Laura Palmer, Francis Pastrana (4), Madison peck (2), Willow Petrov, Ainsley Phillips (2), Rachelle Pratt, Jamie Rowe (4), Rose Salce, Erica Sartori, Stacey Shaw, Brianna Slegers, Emma Smith, Charna Rae Stephens, Tarryn Stephens (2), Brianna Stewart (2), Jacob Stewart (2), Shayne Stock (2), Alexia Strahl Declan Strong (2), Bailey Studd (2), Riley Swallow (2), Caitlin Thomson, Ashlee Trewin (4), Bethany Uptin, Tikya Walker, Bridie-Rose Whalebone-Attewell, Kasey White, Kieran Williams (4).

Students need to be supported at home with a routine of regular reading. Reading might take place straight after dinner, upon going to bed or at an alternative time of the day during which reading can be carried out on a daily basis.

At this stage of the year, students should all have completed reading at least two books with quizzes. The target for each semester is to read a least three books and successfully complete quizzes on each.

Progress can be tracked at https:// auhosted1.renlearn.com.au/1458054 using the student's username and password for Moodle.

Thank you for supporting your child's reading.

DSC English, SURFF and Library Staff



## From the School Nurse...



It is time for Flu vaccinations. The Royal Children's Hospital advises children to be immunised each winter with the flu vaccination.

## Influenza vaccine (the flu-shot)

The influenza vaccine is the most effective way to reduce the chance of your child becoming sick with influenza. The vaccine can be given to any child over six months

of age. It is voluntary, but encouraged for everyone.

If your child has a chronic medical condition, it is strongly recommended that they have an annual influenza vaccination. All household members should also be vaccinated to reduce the chances of your child being exposed to influenza.

Because the influenza virus mutates (changes) slightly from year to year, your child will need a new and updated influenza vaccine at the beginning of each influenza season. Two doses are often required in the first year of vaccination for children aged under nine.

Side effects of the vaccine include pain and redness at the site of injection. Less commonly, children may develop a fever or aches and pains, which last one to two days. The vaccine cannot cause influenza as it contains inactivated (killed) influenza virus.

While the current influenza vaccines are made using small traces of egg proteins, extensive research shows influenza vaccines are safe for children with egg allergy or egg anaphylaxis. All children will be observed for 15 minutes following the vaccination.

#### Key points to remember

- Vaccination is the best way to prevent influenza.
- Influenza is very infectious so good hygiene is important.
- Influenza is caused by a virus so antibiotics cannot be used to treat it.
- Contact your GP urgently if your child has influenza and becomes more unwell, or shows signs of dehydration or breathing difficulties.

#### **SOURCE:**

https://www.rch.org.au/kidsinfo/fact\_sheets/Influenza\_the\_ flu/#influenza-vaccine-the-flu-shot

https://blogs.rch.org.au/drmargie/2018/04/30/how-toprotect-your-children-from-getting-sick-with-the-flu/

For more information about the immunisations, contact Baw Baw Shire Council Immunisation Service on 5624 2519, the next immunisation clinics are on the website:

http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/Resident-Information/ Public-Health-Services/Immunisations



#### IMMUNE BOOSTING FOODS FOR WINTER

Some foods strengthen the immune system and help fight off infection. Eating and drinking immune-boosting foods can help the body stay healthy, which is especially important in the colder months as we don't want to get sick!

#### Some immune-boosting foods include:

- Lemons, oranges, mandarins, berries and grapefruit (high in Vitamin C)
- Carrots, sweet potato and pumpkin (high in Vitamin A)
- Ginger and garlic (have anti-bacterial properties)
- Spinach, broccoli, bok choy and kale (high in Vitamin E)
- Yoghurt (contains probiotics to keep the stomach healthy)

For more information, go to <u>http://www.healthline.com</u> Prepared by West Gippsland Healthcare Group – Health Promotion Team 56243500

#### 3 TIPS FOR PREVENTING COLDS IN SCHOOL

- Washing hands: One of the most common ways to spread colds is by rubbing the nose and eyes. Hands should be washed with warm water and soap for about 20 seconds to get rid of germs, especially after using the bathroom and before eating
- 2. Being cautious of germ 'hot spots': Places such as drinking fountains, toilet seats and sinks are known to contain lots of bacteria. Make sure you wash your hands after touching these and avoid putting your mouth on drinking fountain taps
- **3.** Keeping backpacks clean: Bags can get quite dirty from time to time so it is important to clean them regularly to get rid of germs. Use a wet cloth or wet wipe to clean the inside of the backpack and get rid of any spilled food or other mess

#### For more information, visit:

http://www.webmd.com/children/features/germs-in-school-room?page=3 Prepared by West Gippsland Healthcare Group – Health Promotion Team 56243500



# VCE Geography

On Tuesday 1st May, the Year 12 VCE Geography class embarked on a journey to research the development and sustainability of our hometown, Drouin. This was a part of our assessment for the year as we have been studying land use in the area.

Our first stop saw us visit the Cardinia Road Estate in Pakenham where we found out about sustainable development. The estate has been designed as a micro city with its own facilities and every house has a seven star energy rating with recycled tap water and solar panels.

Our next stop was a visit to a dairy farm in Gippsland where we heard from local farmer Brian Corr about traditional land use in the area. Our final stop for the day was the proposed development at the Drouin Golf Course which will become a new estate to house some 600 people. Our task was to observe the location and judge whether the site will be capable of sustaining this growing population planned for Drouin. We took photographs, made field sketches and did traffic counts. On Wednesday 2nd May, we visited Drouin's main street. We looked at the infrastructure and the congestion in the area. We then interviewed pedestrians about the development in Drouin. Surprisingly our results were mixed.

Prior to the field trip, the Year 12 Geography class was lucky enough to receive information from two guest speakers. These speakers included two members of the Baw Baw Shire Planning Department and even one of our own staff members, Kerry Wales, who has been a part of the Residents Action Group who opposed the Drouin Golf Course development. It was interesting seeing opinions from both sides and the evidence they gave with it.

We gathered a lot of useful information to help assist us to answer our fieldwork question "Is land use change at the Drouin Golf Course necessary and desirable?" Now all we have to do is produce our reports!

#### Mia Riggio and Meg Miller



## **Exam Time**

Year 10 / 11 Mid Semester Exams are from Monday 4 June to Thursday 7 June. Year 10 and 11 students are only required at school for their timetabled exams. Students must wear full school uniform on exam days.

Year 9 students studying Early Access (Year 10) subjects are required to sit their exams as per the exam timetable and at other times attend normal classes. Where a class is not running, students will sign in to the library to study.

Year 7 to 9 exams will be scheduled in regular classes from Wednesday 13 June to Thursday 21 June.

## FAMILY STATEMENTS

Family statements will be mailed out this week which means you should receive them next week. For those families on Payment Plans these statements are for your records. If you wish to arrange a payment plan please contact the Business Manager, Josie O'Connor, to make an appointment.



See facebook for details and to book for Pakenham event https://www.facebook.com/events/246180505929394

# Students Leaving Early

When signing students out during school hours, please note the following procedures to minimise disruption to classes and make the sign-out process as quick as possible:

- For a scheduled appointment, send your student with a signed note to take to their LCC before school. They can then be waiting at the office when you come to sign them out.
- If you unexpectedly need to collect your child during the day, call the College as soon as possible.
- If a student feels unwell, they need to go to their LCC / Sickbay where they can be cared for. The College will call you if necessary.
- If your child calls you during the day, tell them to go to their LCC / Sickbay and the College will call you if they need to be collected.

We appreciate your co-operation in ensuring that these procedures are followed throughout the College.

## **COLLEGE DATES**

WEEK 7		
Monday	28/05	Whole School Group Photos Year 11 Uniquest West Gippsland Cross Country + Year 11 VCAL
Tuesday	29/05	VCE Music Concert
Wednesday	30/05	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
Thursday	31/05	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
Friday	01/06	8HOL - DOJO Factory Excursion Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
WEEK 8		
Monday	04/06	Year 10/11 Mid Semester Exams Commence Year 9 Focus on your Future incursion
Tues	05/06	Instrumental Music Concert Year 10/11 Mid Semester Exams
Wednesday	06/06	Inspiring Young Women Dinner Year 10/11 Mid Semester Exams
Thursday	07/06	Year 10/11 Mid Semester Exams
Friday	08/06	Student Free Day
WEEK 9		
Monday	11/06	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday	12/06	Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp
Wednesday	13/06	Year 12 General Achievement Test (GAT) Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp Year 7 to 9 Exams
Thursday	14/06	Gippsland Cross Country Year 10 Outdoor Ed Camp Year 12 VCAL Camp Year 7 to 9 Exams
Friday	15/06	8HOL - DOJO Factory Excursion Year 12 VCAL Camp Year 7 to 9 Exams

WEEK 10	)	
Monday	18/06	Year 7 to 9 Exams
Tuesday	19/06	Year 7 to 9 Exams
Wednesday	20/06	Year 7 to 9 Exams
Thursday	21/06	Science in a Suitcase - Labertouche Year 7 to 9 Exams
Friday	22/06	8HOL - The Summit SRC Meeting
Sunday	24/06	Year 11 Central Trip departs
WEEK 11		
Monday	25/06	Year 10 Work Experience starts
Tuesday	26/06	College Council Year 10 Work Experience
Wednesday	27/06	Year 10 Work Experience
Thursday	28/06	Year 10 Work Experience
Friday	29/06	Year 10 Work Experience End of Term 2
DURING	THE HO	OLIDAYS
Tuesday	03/07	Year 11 Central Camp Returns
TERM 3 -	WEEK	1
Monday	16/07	Start of Term 3
Saturday	21/07	DOVE Bunnings BBQ
TERM 3 -	WEEK	2
Tuesday	24/07	College Council
Friday	27/07	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof incursion SRC Meeting
TERM 3 -	WEEK	3
Sunday	29/07	Jiujang Sister School Visit
Monday	30/07	Jiujang Sister School Visit VTAC Briefing Year 10 and 11 Course Selection Assembl Year 9 Course Selection Assembly
Tuesday	31/07	Jiujang Sister School Visit

**2018 TERM DATES** 

Term 2: 16 April to 29 June Term 3: 16 July to 21 September Term 4: 8 October to 21 December Contact Hours: 8.15am – 4.30pm Ph: (03) 5625 1002 Fax: (03) 5625 1297 Email: drouin.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au

