

## NEWSLETTER ISSUE 10

Friday 21st October 2016

DATE	2016 KEY EVENTS
Monday 24th October	Performing Arts Week
Wednesday 26th October	Year 12 Exams commence ( <i>concluding Wednesday 16th November</i> )
Thursday 27th October	Dance Night 'Evil-Lution' - PAC 7:00pm
Friday 28th October	Dance Night 'Evil-Lution' - PAC 7:00pm
Tuesday 1st November	<b>Public Holiday—Student Free Day</b>
Monday 7th November	Year 10 and Year 11 Exams commence
Monday 14th November	'Headstart 2017' begins
Thursday 17th November	<b>MONASH DAY</b> —Students may wear one item of non uniform dark green clothing
Tuesday 22nd November	Year 12 Valedictory 6:00pm Berwick Church of Christ
Monday 5th December	Year 7 2017 Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 6th December	Orientation Day—Grade 6 students
Wednesday 14th December	<b>Presentation Night</b> —Reports available on-line
Tuesday 20th December	<b>Final Day—Term 4</b>
<b>2017 TERM DATES</b>	
Tuesday 31st January	First Day Term 1—Students Return
Friday 10th March	Staff Professional Development Day—Student Free Day
Friday 31st March	Final Day Term 1 (Parent Teacher Interviews 9:00am—2:00pm)
Tuesday 18th April	First Day Term 2—Students Return
Wednesday 3rd May	Staff Professional Development Day—Student Free Day
Friday 9th June	Report Writing Day—Student Free Day
Friday 30th June	Final Day Term 2
Monday 17th July	First Day Term 3
Friday 22nd September	Final Day Term 3
Monday 9th October	First Day Term 4
Friday 22nd December	Final Day Term 4

### OFFICE HOURS—2016

**FINANCE OFFICE:** Monday to Friday: 8:30am–4:00pm  
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### BERWICK COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

Berwick College notifies parents by email when newsletters are published. Newsletters are published three times per term. Newsletters can be accessed on the Berwick College website. Please keep up-to-date with all College news by reading the Bulletin and following up with the appropriate Home Group Teacher if you have any concerns.



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

"We encourage all our students to take advantage of every opportunity to finish this year well"



**Welcome back to Term 4.** There is a buzz of excitement and for some, nervous anticipation as our Year 12s finished their formal schooling on Tuesday and students prepare for exams and assessments. Our Year 12 teachers have been working very hard to support our students and they should be commended for the work and extra hours they have invested into helping our students achieve their goals. I also extend my thanks to the Year 12 Coordinators Mr Chris Sacco and Mrs Lexie McGill, all teachers, support staff, parents, guardians and families who have supported and encouraged these young people to achieve their goals throughout their entire time at Berwick. It is with some sadness that we farewell these young people we have watched grow from little Year 7s, in too big uniforms and with a bag as big as themselves, to young adults, through all the turmoil of teenage years, and we wish them every success in the future.

The College is privileged to be Victorian Education Excellence Award finalists for Outstanding Koorie Education and Outstanding Education Support Team (Wellbeing Team). These awards recognise our staff who each day improve young lives and give students the skills, courage and curiosity they need to be their best. Twenty-seven finalists from government schools across Victoria have been shortlisted for the 2016 awards, which will be presented on Friday 28 October.

Our 2017 School Captain candidates will be presenting to the school on Tuesday 25th October with the new School Captains being announced in our next newsletter. Our 2016 College Captains, **Rebecca Potalej, Samantha Neil, Harrison Cock and Joshua Angwenyi** have been excellent ambassadors this year and on behalf of the College, School Council and myself, I extend our thanks for their service.

We have had over 500 members of the community tour our facilities and thanks to the hard work of our Maintenance team, the grounds could not look more resplendent. To continue our strong enrolment and positive promotion of our College, the fifth Kick Start Program will be offered to Grade 5 students at our local feeder primary schools from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Feedback from both the students and primary coordinators has been very positive and it has helped students feel comfortable with their upcoming transition to secondary school.

This week, our VCE Art and Technology Exhibition showcased the wonderful work of students and staff in the areas of Art, Studio Art, Visual Communication and Design, Music, Media, Design Technology, Textiles, Wood and Food Technologies. Congratulations to Mrs Filomena Henderson— The Arts Domain Leader, Mr Ian Venables - Technology Domain Leader and all of the teachers and students involved in this fantastic exhibition. Next week is The Arts Week with an iPhone Photo competition, Year 7—11 Art exhibition, lunchtime performances and the Dance Academy presentation of 'Evil-Lution' on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th October from 7:00 to 8:00pm. Tickets are \$10 and are available on TryBooking - <https://www.trybooking.com/234484>.

We received congratulations from the Science Teachers' Association of Victoria of Victoria for our College participation in the Science Talent Search competition. Our thanks to Ms Kylie Duncan and the Science staff for their work in submitting 8 entries and for winning \$110 for the Science Department. Berwick College also had 95 students compete against 48,000 students from different schools in the Big Science Competition with outstanding results, including 3 High Distinctions and 8 Distinctions.

There is strong competition between our Learning Teams. As at 18th October Chisholm is at the top of the ladder with 113 points, Frost a close second at 102 points and Kenny a closer third at 97 points. Significant planning and work is undertaken by staff and students to foster positive relationships, leadership growth and promote awareness and willingness to make a difference in the lives of others through the fundraising for their charities. We look forward to seeing which Learning Team will be the 2016 champions.

We encourage all our students to take advantage of every opportunity to finish this year well and we look forward to celebrating together, with families, students and staff, the achievements and successes of 2016.

**Ms Kerri Bolch**—Principal

# THE ARTS DOMAIN—ART MATTERS

## VCE ART & TECHNOLOGY EXHIBITION 2016

On the 17th of October Berwick College held its annual Art and Technology exhibition.

On display was work from the following subjects, Art, Studio Art Photography, Visual Communication, Media, Product Design Technology Food, Wood and Textiles.

A big thank you to all staff involved with the organisation of the exhibition: Ms Danni Vitalich, Ms Danni Edwards, Ms Rimma Campos, Mr Jesse Nugent, Ms Fiona Bultjens, Mr Jim deVries and Ms Carla Hobbs.

The artwork showcased the hard work, dedication, creativity and talent of our students and teachers at Berwick.

**Ms Filomena Henderson** - Art Domain leader



## FROM THE SCIENCE DOMAIN

On Thursday 13th October, the year 10 Biology and Environmental Science students went to Werribee Zoo. While at the Zoo, the students attended a Ranger-lead lesson that related to the conservation of the Eastern Barred Bandicoot.



Students learnt about Werribee Zoo's part in the breeding program and that less than 0.05% of the native grasslands are left in Victoria. This poses a huge challenge for conservation efforts as Bandicoots are territorial, liking large areas and have not been able to evolve to survive predation from introduced species.

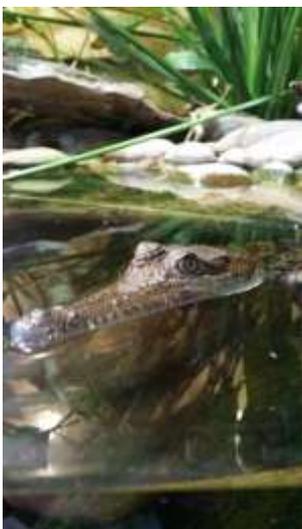


The students then created quadrants in the Zoo grassland and identified native and introduced species of grass to determine whether the area could sustain a bandicoot population. The students should be commended for their engagement and efforts during the lesson.

**Hayley Blight** and **Jordan Stewart** won the awards for the most engaged student during the lessons. On the day we also ran a competition for the best photo of an animal. Honorable mentions to:

**Ebony Leighton, Caitlyn Ferruccio, Aaliyah Chater and Kaitlyn Flude.**

**1<sup>ST</sup> JORDAN STEWART**



**2<sup>ND</sup> MIA LESSNER**



**3<sup>RD</sup> JENNIDER GARESKI**

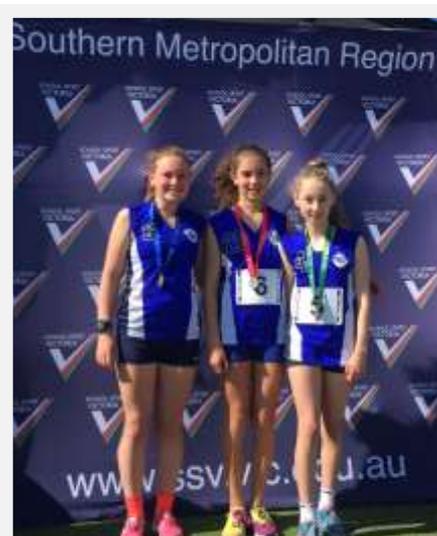


## SPORT/PE/HEALTH DOMAIN

Berwick College had another successful day at the recent Southern Metro Regional Athletics Championships at Casey Fields on Thursday 5th October. The following students were particularly successful, qualifying for the State Championships at Albert Park on Monday 17th October.

- Lachie Auhl – 1500m
- Jasmine Colbert – 1500m Walk
- Bec Henderson – 1500m Walk & 1500m
- Mikayla Cipriani – Hurdles
- J'Lee Code – 3000m & 1500M
- Kane Foster – 100m, 200m & 400m

Overall, Berwick finished 7th out of the 50 schools competing in the Southern Metro Region. **Go team! Mr Pete McCall**—Sport Coordinator



## MELBOURNE CUP EVE—MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER

Dear Parents,

Over the last number of years we have had a declining number of students attending on Melbourne Cup eve and as such have made the decision to run a special program of instruction on that day in place of the normal timetable. Students who attend will follow the alternative timetabled classes listed below.

HOME GROUP	P.E.	MATHS	ENGLISH
Periods 1 & 2	Year 7	Year 9	Year 8
Periods 3 & 4	Year 8	Year 7	Year 9
Periods 5 & 6	Year 9	Year 8	Year 7

**Year 7, 8 and 9 students are expected to bring their PE uniform.**

Year 10 and 11 students have a scheduled **STUDY DAY**. This is in preparation for their forthcoming exams. A supervised study area in the senior school will be available for all students who attend on this day

**Mrs Alison Birkett**  
Acting Assistant Principal

# HEADSTART PROGRAM

Friday November 11<sup>th</sup> is the last day of the 2016 academic year. On Monday November 14<sup>th</sup> students will start the 2017 academic year. This program is called the HEADSTART PROGRAM and details are outlined below.

## **YEAR 12 (2017) HEADSTART PROGRAM - Monday 14 November to Friday 25 November 2016**

All current Year 11 students intending to continue their studies at Berwick College in 2017 will complete a two-week Year 12 Headstart Program.

### **PROGRAM IN PREPARATION FOR 2017**

Students will begin their 2017 studies during this time and will have the opportunity to use the holiday period to reflect, review and continue with this work.

As some programs are run outside the College the following expectations apply:

- **Students doing a complete VCE course** will be required to attend Monday to Friday.
- **Students doing VCAL** will **not** be required to attend on Wednesday **and** Friday as these are the days their VET study and Work Experience is scheduled.
- **Students doing VET within a VCE course** will **not** be required to attend on **either** Wednesday **or** Friday as one of these days will be the day their VET study is scheduled.
- **Students undertaking a VET course** that is scheduled **within the timetable** on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday are **required to attend**.

## **YEAR 11 (2017) HEADSTART PROGRAM - Monday 14 November to Friday 2 December 2016**

All current Year 10 students intending to continue their studies at Berwick College in 2017 will complete a three-week Year 11 Headstart Program

### **PROGRAM IN PREPARATION FOR 2017**

Students will begin their 2017 studies during this time and will have the opportunity to use the holiday period to reflect, review and continue with this work.

As some programs are run outside the College the following expectations apply:

- **Students doing a complete VCE course** will be required to attend Monday to Friday.
- **Students doing VCAL** will **not** be required to attend on Wednesday **and** Friday as these are the days their VET study and Work Experience is scheduled.
- **Students doing VET within a VCE course** will **not** be required to attend on **either** Wednesday **or** Friday as one of these days will be the day their VET study is scheduled.
- **Students undertaking a VET course** that is scheduled **within the timetable** on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday are **required to attend**.

## **YEAR 8, 9, 10 (2017) HEAD START PROGRAM - Monday 14 November to Friday 9 December 2016**

- All current students in Years 7-9 are expected to attend school and begin their 2017 program during these four weeks. Students will do the next year's work.
- Students will be in their Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 classes for 2017 and will have timetables that reflect the composition of classes for 2017.
- The College will try to keep staffing changes to a minimum but some will be inevitable due to staff leaving the College for employment elsewhere in 2017.
- The teacher will assess the work completed during Headstart which will contribute 10% to the student's grade. Teachers will then file the work and the grades so that the work and the grades are readily available for use in 2017.

## STUDENT INFORMATION & EXEMPTIONS

- Students must attend classes with workbooks or folder (paper) and pen/pencils.
- Students will not be expected to have textbooks at this time. Teachers will provide resource material for students.
- There will be NO opportunity for students to “catch up” on work missed in 2016 in preparation for the 2017 year unless the student has been granted an exemption from the program.
- **There needs to be a good reason provided before an exemption is granted.** Parents may ask the appropriate Student Learning Leader to exempt a student from the program at the end of the year. Student Learning Leaders will compile a list of exempt students and will provide written confirmation to parents.

### **Student Learning Leaders may grant exemptions for the following reasons:**

- new student to the College
- other educational activity – e.g. World Challenge Program
- serious medical issue – e.g. student has a medical condition supported by a medical certificate to explain any on-going absence during this time.
- urgent or serious family related issue – e.g. death in family.
- **All other requests for exemptions should be directed to the College Principal – Ms Bolch**
- Students granted an exemption may choose to do the work provided at home either in 2016 or 2017 whichever is appropriate.

## APPLIED LEARNING (VCAL) – STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Students moving in to **Year 10 Foundation, Year 11 Intermediate or Year 12 Senior VCAL in 2017** will be required to attend the Headstart program on **Monday, Tuesday and Thursday**. They will not be required to attend school on Wednesdays or Fridays, as these are the days they will be at VET or Work Placement in 2017. VET and Work Placement do not commence until 2017.

Students enrolled in **Year 9 ALP for 2017** will be required to attend the Headstart program on **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday**. Students will not be required to attend school on Tuesdays, as this is the day they will be at their TAFE program in 2017.

## REDEMPTION PROGRAM

Students who do not satisfy the College’s Promotion Policy in 2016 will not be directly promoted to the next year level. These students will have the opportunity to redeem their results by undertaking a Redemption Program during the Headstart Program. The program will provide students with the opportunity to prove they are capable of advancing to the next year level with the real potential for success. During this program students will be under direct supervision of the Principal class and will be required to work independently.

For students who are not meeting the expectations of the program a place will be held for them in their current year level. Students who are clearly meeting the expectations during the Redemption Program may be promoted to the next year level.

To satisfactorily complete the Redemption Program students will be required to:

- Complete all set work to a satisfactory standard
- Arrive on time for all classes
- Follow all teacher instructions the first time they are given

## END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR (Monday 12 December to Tuesday 20 December)

Friday December 9th is the last day of the Headstart program. From December 12<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>, students will undertake work set by teachers however no new work will be introduced and the work the students undertake will not be included in assessment.

During this time teachers will be correcting Headstart work and finalising marks that are part of 2017 assessment. The Headstart work contributes 10% to the students’ overall 2017 assessment.



The countdown is officially on as both **Berwick College** teams get ready to embark on a **28 day adventure** of a lifetime to **Cambodia and Vietnam** on November 18<sup>th</sup>!

Both teams have been busily organising their visas, vaccinations and doing their last efforts to fundraise as much money as possible for their community projects! In the following weeks both teams will be holding a **Final Farewell Fundraiser Night** . We would love for you ALL to come along!

#### **Team 1**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> of November**

**Cardinia Beaconhills Golf Links Club @ 7pm**

**Tickets are: \$30 (adults) \$20 (children u/12)**

These can be purchased online at <https://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=230387>

**For more information. please contact:** Miss Ashleigh Manning or Paul Roberts on 87681000

#### **Team 2**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> of October**

**Cardinia Beaconhills Golf Links Club @ 6pm**

**Tickets: \$25**

These can be purchased online at: <https://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=235119>

**For more information. please contact:** Miss Sally Mitchell or Julian Walton on 87681000



## **COLLEGE CAPTAINS REPORT**

Day by day we are getting closer and closer to the last day of school. It's the last 'draw' and some are stressing out while others pay more attention to the fact that they don't have to endure the pressure from teachers anymore. Some are just excited to get to experience 'schoolies'.

As exams approach everyone has their heads in the books in preparation to do well in exams. The hardest thing will be saying the last goodbyes on our final day to all the students that we only meet in school. Even though we claim and act like we don't like teachers, they will be truly missed. It has been an emotional ride for all of us. We have cried and laughed, but we all agree it has been good time and a good year at Berwick College—with all the ups and downs we have gone through, we will cherish the school. Being the last report from the Captaincy board I gratefully appreciate the heartfelt efforts of Mr Sacco, Ms McGill, Ms Edwards and Mr Mulcahy that have enabled us to have a swift if not fabulous year. I believe that I'm talking on behalf of each student this year. Thank you Berwick College, **Joshua Angwenyi**

# BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE PROGRAM (BYOD)

## BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) PROGRAM - YEARS 10-12 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

### Who needs a new device for 2017?

- All students will be required to use a device as part of their learning at Berwick College. Students have access to digital classroom activities, curriculum, our online communication systems as well as timetables and homework information.

### What is happening in 2017?

- The College is moving to a BYOD program for students in Years 10-12 as an extension to the Year 7-9 iPad program. Parents will now have a range of devices at different price points to choose from. The JB Hi-Fi BYOD portal, login 'BC2017' has a number of devices listed appropriate for the College's network which has a Wi-Fi operating speed of 5 GHz.

### What will happen to the existing IPAD device Year 7-9?

- The iPad will continue to be suitable as a device for students moving from Year 9 into Year 10 however, the purchase of a Bluetooth keyboard is recommended.

### What software and administration access will be available?

- Students will continue to use their devices for the submission of work through 'Edmodo', email etc. In 2017 it is the College's intention to use 'Google Docs' as a cloud based share platform where students can store work and access it from home, provided there is access to a Wi-Fi network.

Students in Senior School will now have the majority of their curriculum delivered electronically and use the device to access 'Edrolo'; an on line VCE tutorial program aimed at giving students wider access to the top tutors in their given subjects, with up to date resources, activities, tests, practice exams and discussion forums.

### Why is this change taking place?

- Berwick College believes that Senior School parents should have a choice in the type of device that their child brings to school, and we have identified a range of devices that allow for price, performance and reliability dependent upon their child's course requirements.
- Having access to a reliable device allows our students to not only participate in the evolving digital elements of education but to develop digital literacy and 21st Century work skills.

### Where can the device be purchased?

- The College has worked with JB Hi-Fi Education to create a portal that allows Parents / Carers to see the types of devices that are suitable for a range of courses/ needs in the senior years. This was done with the intention of the identified devices being robust enough to withstand the rigours of school life. (**The device does not have to be purchased from JB Hi-Fi as long its Wi-Fi operating speed is 5 GHz.**) As with all devices the purchase of a suitable protective case is recommended.

Website – [JB Hi-Fi BYOD Portal](#) / Login [BC2017](#)

Any further questions relating to the type of device suitable for your child's course can be directed to either the College's ICT department or to Assistant Principal, Mr James Doble at [doble.james.r@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:doble.james.r@edumail.vic.gov.au).



## Book Week in the LIBRARY

A great celebration of Literature



**Welcome back. Term 4 is such a huge term!**

All students are welcome to come to the Library to study, before school, lunchtime and after school. We would also like to remind students, that all resources will need to be returned by the end of October.

Reminders will be handed out.

***" You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book." - Dr. Seuss***

**The Library Ladies**

## 2017 ENGLISH & LITERATURE EARLY BOOKLIST INFORMATION

LAMONT

2017 Booklist  
Ordering Information



### EARLY ENGLISH & LITERATURE ORDERS (YEARS 10, 11 + 12 ONLY):

Early English orders can now be placed online.

Orders **MUST** be placed by **16 November**, and must be pre-paid.

Orders will be delivered to school on 23 November for distribution to students.

To order, go to [www.lamontbooks.com.au](http://www.lamontbooks.com.au).

### 2017 BOOKLIST ORDERS (ALL YEARS):

The 2017 Booklist ordering portal will open on 7 November.

Order by **12 December** to receive **FREE** postage and handling (orders over \$60) or **FREE** packing and handling for orders collected from school.

Booklist orders have the following two delivery options:

- **HOME DELIVERY -**
  - Orders are sent to your nominated address. Pre-payment is required.
  - Delivery is free for orders over \$60 placed by **12 December**.
- **SCHOOL COLLECTION -**
  - Orders can be collected from school on Saturday 21 January, between 10am—4pm.
  - Pre-payment is **NOT** required. Payment can be made on the collection date.
  - Orders must be placed by **13 January** to be available for collection on this date.
  - Packing and handling fees are waived for orders by **12 December**.

Save money by placing your order before **12 December 2016!**

If you choose to come to our office in January, we will assist you to place an order that will be home delivered. You will **NOT** receive any books on the day.

## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION FOR MALE STUDENTS—YEAR 12 2017



### The Dafydd Lewis Trust

The Dafydd Lewis Trust was established in 1943 by a businessman who believed in education and hard work. He created a charitable trust to give future generations of young men the benefit of a university education.

#### Who is eligible?

Male students who have attended a Victorian state school or college for at least five years are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Exceptions apply for boys entering or remaining in Australia on asylum, refugee or other humanitarian grounds (see FAQ). Age restrictions also apply (see FAQ). Applicants' parents must also meet the requirements of the means test (see below).

#### What can students study under this scholarship?

A Dafydd Lewis Scholarship is available to full-time students attending any Victorian university. There are some restrictions, ineligible courses are Arts, Education, Music and Theology (see FAQ).

#### How are scholars chosen?

The Dafydd Lewis Scholarship Trustees make the selection, after they assess the applicants' academic performance, ensure means test compliance and conduct interviews.

#### How many scholarships are awarded?

Multiple scholarships are awarded each year.

#### Means Test

The Dafydd Lewis Trust aims to help students who might not otherwise be able to afford a university education. For this reason, an applicant's parents' combined gross income must not exceed annualised average weekly earnings (see FAQ).

#### Scholarship Value

The Dafydd Lewis scholarship offers generous financial support. The scholarship is for three years and is currently valued at \$10,000 each year.

Scholarship payments can be used to cover items such as fees, living and travel costs, books and equipment.

#### Interested students

Interested students can check their eligibility against the criteria listed in the FAQs.

Application forms are available at [lewisscholarships.org.au](http://lewisscholarships.org.au)

Completed application forms, including supporting paperwork should be sent to:

The Dafydd Lewis Trust  
C/- Equity Trustees  
GPO Box 2307  
Melbourne VIC 3001

Applications must be received by the second Friday in December.

#### Who was Dafydd Lewis?

Dafydd Lewis was a successful businessman who emigrated to Australia from Wales at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. He was an entrepreneur who believed in hard work and education.

When he died in 1941 he left a sum of money to be held in a perpetual charitable trust. The trust now provides scholarships to young men for full-time study at any Victorian university.

Many young men who might not have otherwise received a university education have benefited from Lewis' foresight and generosity. Since the first scholarships were awarded in 1943, over 300 young men have received assistance from the Dafydd Lewis Trust.

#### Further information

For more information please visit [lewisscholarships.org.au](http://lewisscholarships.org.au) or telephone Equity Trustees on (03) 8623 5000.

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## DUNLOP DIGGERS—NEWS



On Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> of October Miss Manning, Mr Baston and Miss Adams took the **Dunlop Leadership Team** and a select group of their wonderful Year 7 – 11 Dunlop students out to the **1000 Steps** to celebrate their hard work and commitment to the Dunlop Learning Team in 2016.

In Dunlop we pride ourselves on mateship and looking out for each other, the 1000 steps was yet another opportunities for Dunlop students, home group teachers and their leaders to work together and further build upon the Dunlop team spirit, getting up the stairs! A special mention goes out to **Shannon Boggie**, who showed great **perseverance** as she courageously battled her way up on a recently mended fractured foot! After we accomplished the steps, we all sat down and had a picnic lunch and reflected on the successful year that had passed – it was a great day!

We are incredibly proud of our team, and it's supportive and inclusive nature, and look forward to all the new and exciting opportunities that await in 2017!

### Student Achievements

A big congratulations to Ms Jessica Adams (Dunlop 5 HG teacher) and her two Year 7 English High Achiever students; **Leisha Allen** and **Kyle Lim** who achieved an impressive **Distinction** in the **ICAS English Competition**. This means that both students are in the top 10% of the state! Well done!!

**Mr James Firth and Miss Ashleigh Manning**  
Dunlop Student Learning Leaders



## FLYNN LEARNING TEAM



Year 7 Academy students take centre stage  
Flynn are very fortunate to have two academy classes, Dance and Basketball.  
The students in 7.4 have represented the school fantastically this year and we are showcasing these amazing young people in this edition of our Newsletter.

Basketball Academy boys in 7.4 represented at pre-regionals earlier this term, winning by a whopping 35 points. They are off to Regionals this Friday and we wish them the very best of luck!

Dance Academy girls in 7.4 have been involved in many of our College's fantastic Performing Arts events this year including Hairspray Junior, but it is the upcoming "Evil-Lution" where they will really get to shine and showcase their amazing talent. We can't wait to see this production and encourage all parents to come along and support our talented young ladies.

Well done 7.4! You are working towards your learning goals whilst doing the things that you love most!

**Mrs Michelle Lewis and Adam Nettleingham**



## ELIZABETH KENNY

**Elizabeth Kenny** was an Australian nurse and health administrator who was known for her alternative approach to polio treatment, known as the Kenny method. Her fight to gain the medical community's acceptance for her method was the subject of the 1946 film.

Polio, also known as infantile paralysis, was a devastating disease in Kenny's time, with muscle fatigue and spasms in the limbs causing severe pain in many of its victims. Sister Kenny worked tirelessly to help children with polio. Her caring ways and determination make our Kenny Learning team proud to be named in her honour. In her personal achievement she persevered with her good work showing respect and integrity. Her resilience to continue on under great hardship were exceptional qualities that we do our best to mirror in our own college values.

The Year 7 Kenny Art students are in the process of planning and executing a large mural adjacent to the Kenny locker bay. Please watch this space in the time ahead to follow our progress with this creative challenge as we launch our new mascot and become **Kenny Kangas**.

**Ms Jenny Hart**  
Kenny Student Learning Leader

# TEAM FROST



Team Frost had a Learning Team assembly last week to congratulate many of our students for amazing mid-semester report results, outstanding attendance data and participation in athletics, basketball and dance competitions.

## It is so great to see many of our students excelling.

In Term 3, we had a total of 147 out of 171 Frost students achieve 1 or more 'very good' grades in their mid-semester report. We also had 72 of our Frost students at or above 97% attendance. Our attendance as it stands is the best out of all the Learning Teams. Shout out to the following students from Frost who represented Berwick College at either Division Athletics, Regional Athletics and National Dance competitions.

Division Aths	Regional Aths	National Dance Comp
Aaron Davidson	Jaimee-Lee Code	Ellyana Batty
Brodie Rodwell	Dante Schmutter	Alyssa Browning
Chetan Noor	Lachlan Chisholm	Jaime Diamond
Cody Norma-Hade	Thomas McCormick	Tiarna Christie
Dante Schmutter		Shinae Cruse
Isabelle Imhoff		Maneli Mirzadeh
Jaimee-Lee Code		Ulani Volk
Lachlan Chisholm		
Millicint Utber		
Renee Welch		
Tai Ngo		
Thameshi Vijamanne		
Tom McCormick		

In the next couple of weeks we will be sitting down with our year 10 students who would like to run for Frost Captain for next year. There will be nominations, speeches and voting occurring to determine our learning team captains for 2017.

**A reminder to parents:** We are currently sorting class placements for next year. If you are not intending on returning or wish to discuss future pathways in more detail please contact Mr Scott Antony or Ms Deana Mihalos as soon as possible.

As the end of the term nears, we wish all of our students good luck for their upcoming and final assessments and exams for the year. We have eight current year 11 students enrolled in a year 12 subject and will be sitting their final exam in the coming month.

We wish them the best of luck in the lead up.

The Head Start program in which students will begin their 2017 timetable and enrolled classes begins on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> of November.

**Mr Scott Antony and Ms Deana Mihalos**  
Frost Student Learning Leaders

# VCAL

## FOUNDATION VCAL

Foundation VCAL students continue to complete their own projects which have involved planning and organising a range of excursions that involve working in pairs, teams and focussing on Occupational, Health and Safety. Last week students visited Jump Crazy in Pakenham and participated in a range of activities. Part of this project involved costing the activity, the venue and the school mini bus. Students presented a power point of their chosen activity to the class and as a group students selected the activities they wanted to participate in. We look forward to our final activity at the end of the term.



## INTERMEDIATE VCAL

The year 11 students have been investigating homelessness and the effects it has on individuals and families. As part of Personal Development Skills students have been brainstorming ways to fundraise for this worthy cause. Students decided to plan and organise a sleep out at school to raise money for the homeless. Students participated in various activities and slept in the Senior School, accompanied by Mr Walton and Mr Hammond. Congratulations to all those students who gave up their time to raise money for those less vulnerable in the community.

## SENIOR VCAL

We will farewell the senior VCAL students this week at their last school assembly for 2016. This year we had the largest senior group of students with 70 students completing their VCAL certificate at Berwick College. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the VCAL teachers who continuously work hard to plan and organise engaging activities for the students.

Our senior students started the school year participating in the Casey Relay for Life at Akoonah Park. Our 2016 students raised over \$5000 for the Cancer Council and received a research award. Other activities included visiting the City, Dandenong Market, Minaret College, Pamirs restaurant, Berwick Primary school and the Dandenong Magistrates Court.

Our students have had various guest speakers, including Glenn Manton, Nathan Stempel and Casey Mackinlay. All of our students participated in community service at various organisations, such as Bupa Aged Care, Transit, Brotherhood of Saint Laurence, Wilson Botanic Park and Salvation Army.

We want to wish all of our students the very best for 2017 and encourage them to work hard and hope that their VCAL experiences have helped them to prepare for life beyond school.

**Best wishes and never give up on your dreams!!!**



## METRO MYKI—CONCESSION FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS

Metro congratulates VCE students on a successful end to their academic year, and wishes them well on upcoming exams.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER** for your VCE students: students who have celebrated their seventeenth (17th) birthday are required by law to obtain a Victoria Student Concession Card in order to continue using their concession Myki.

Many students may not be aware of this.

Application forms are available from any Metro premium station, or on-line.

<http://ptv.vic.gov.au/tickets/concessions/students/#p5>

## YEAR 12 STUDENTS

### VTAC Application Process

Year 12 students have been attending the Careers office for one on one Careers counselling appointments throughout this year to discuss courses/pathways for 2017 and beyond.

Students have been applying to universities/TAFE institutes via the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC). Note – all VTAC course applications must be paid by 19 December latest. Payment ensures the application is processed.

### Getting Your Results

Results will be released at 7.00 a.m. on 12 December via SMS or online. To view your results online or via SMS you will need your VCAA student number and VCE results service PIN. This PIN is the first four digits of your birthdate and not the PIN you have chosen for your VTAC user account

- Online - [www.resultsandatar.vic.edu.au](http://www.resultsandatar.vic.edu.au)
- SMS – [www.vtac.edu.au/sms](http://www.vtac.edu.au/sms)
- SMS registration is open from Monday 7 November until midnight Sunday 11 December.

See the VTAC link below for further information or visit the Careers office. <http://www.vtac.edu.au/results-offers/y12-atar.html>

### Change of Preferences

Course preference changes can be made until 20 December (with the exception of the period of 8 to 21 November). Course preferences can also be made between each round of offers. See the VTAC link below for further information or visit the Careers office.

<http://www.vtac.edu.au/applying/courses/cop.html>

### Offers and enrolment

When offers are released Year 12 students can view their offers via their VTAC user account. To accept an offer you must enrol in the course. Enrolment procedures will be outlined in your offer message/letter/email.

### Offer Dates

<b>Early offers</b>	18 November
<b>International VCE early offers</b>	19 December
<b>International offers</b>	9 January 2017
<b>Round 1 offers for graduate entry teaching courses</b>	11 January 2017
<b>Round 1 offers for all other courses</b>	18 January 2017
<b>Round 2 offers for all other courses</b>	7 February 2017
<b>Supplementary offers</b>	February 2017

Offers are emailed to students on these dates above and are available from their VTAC account.



## BUY AND SELL—SECOND HAND UNIFORMS & TEXTBOOKS

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- Register on the Sustainable School Shop website - [www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

### second-hand textbook & uniform trading systems

- List Wanted & For Sale Ads (Browsers tell each other what they require and what they have to sell).
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- Browse and search the for sale ads for free
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### Pricing Guide

- Like New 70%
- Excellent 60%
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- Good 40%

# CAREERS /VET NEWS CONTINUED

## **How the offer system works**

After the course selection authorities have considered your application, they will advise VTAC whether they wish to offer you a place in the course. Then VTAC advises you via your VTAC user account of the highest offer on your preference list. In subsequent offer rounds, you will be considered for course preferences higher than the offers you have received. VTAC will again advise you of the highest offer made.

**Note:** If you do not pay your course application processing fee by the due date, your application will not be sent to the course selection authorities and you will not be considered for offers.

## **All offers are provisional**

Any offer you receive is subject to you:

- meeting eligibility requirements,
- having provided full and correct information on your VTAC application, and
- attending enrolment at the date and time specified in your offer message.

Otherwise, your offer may lapse or be withdrawn.

See the VTAC link below for further information and dates, or visit the Careers office.

<http://www.vtac.edu.au/results-offers/offers.html>

## **Direct Course Applications**

Some students have applied to a TAFE course via the direct application process (directly via the institution's website). In this case, please continue to check the email provided to the institution for further advice regarding an interview and/or potential offer.

## **Apprenticeships/Traineeships**

In addition, a range of students have registered their interest in seeking an Apprenticeship or full-time employment. Those students have registered with MEGT, Skillinvest and Sarina Russo, including uploading their Resume to these websites.

From time to time Berwick College does receive notification from local employers regarding potential trade Apprenticeships, traineeships and full or part time employment, including work ready programs. Please contact the Careers office on 8768 1060 for further information.

## **VET in Schools courses held at Berwick College or off campus for 2016**

VET in the Timetable (VET Elective at Berwick College)

Year 12 students can finish their VET classes on Tuesday 18 October, 2016, however as all modules may not yet be completed they will only receive a Statement of Attainment. If they wish to gain the full Certificate they will need to attend their VET class until Thursday 3 November or until all modules have been delivered (whichever occurs first). Year 11 students will finish on Thursday 3 November, 2016 and Year 10 students on Thursday 10 November.

## **VET Blocked (VET Blocked at Berwick College)**

Year 12 students can finish their VET classes on Wednesday 19 October.

Year 11 and 10 students will finish on Wednesday 2 November.

## **VET off campus at another school or Institution**

Year 12, 11 or 10 students must check with their teacher at the school or Institution where their course is held to confirm the finish date.

Any queries regarding finish dates, please contact the Careers/VET office on 8768 1073 or 8768 1060.

## **VET in Schools Courses for 2017**

If your son/daughter selected a VET course for 2017 as part of their school program/timetable, please ensure they have completed a VET application form and it has been received by the Careers office.

In addition, all VET course applications require a \$100 deposit to the front office as soon as possible (if you have not already made payment). Any queries, please contact the Careers office on 87681073.

# EVENTS IN THE CITY OF CASEY

## Halloween

at Wilson Botanic Park Berwick

Sunday 30 October 2016

### Trick or Treat Spectacular 3-6 pm

Trick or Treat safely on a 1km trail with spooky but friendly characters, entertainment, activities and lollies included. Dress to impress or scare!

**\$10 per child, adults are free**  
Tickets are already sold out

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- Optional Paranormal Investigation session \$10 - [www.trybooking.com/MQOVS](http://www.trybooking.com/MQOVS)
- Food trucks, and vendors

**\$20 per head**  
Tickets are already sold out

Tickets available at [www.trybooking.com/MQOA](http://www.trybooking.com/MQOA)

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## Girls Only Cricket League Played on Monday Nights

### FREE "COME & TRY" GIRLS CRICKET CLINICS



**What:** All Girls Cricket Introduction  
A series of 2 come and try days especially for girls aged between 10 - 15  
Followed by a 6 week Monday night competition, commencing mid November.

**When:** Friday 28th Oct & Friday 4th Nov

**Where:** Arch Brown Reserve, Buchanan Rd, Berwick

**Time:** 5pm - 6.30pm

**Season dates:** 6 x Monday Nights - Beginning Nov 7th to 12th Dec 2016  
Finals - Monday 19th Dec 2016

**No Fees & All equipment provided**  
Coached by John Mark - former Premier 1st Player and Australian Indoor Cricket Player.

**Contact: Ian Paul - Berwick Cricket Club**  
**P: 0414 716 824 E: [ian.paul@hotmail.com](mailto:ian.paul@hotmail.com)**

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## Berwick Cricket Club Junior Players Required - 2016/17 Season

Age Groups: Under 15 and Under 17

Season Commences: Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Registrations are currently open, we look forward to hearing from you!

For more details please contact  
Junior Coordinator: Ian Paul  
Mobile: 0414 716 824  
Email: berwickjuniors@hotmail.com  
Website: www.berwickcc.com.au

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