

Friday, 22nd September 2017

## NEWSLETTER ISSUE 9

DATE	2017 KEY EVENTS
<b>Friday 22nd September</b>	Parent Teacher Interviews 9:10am to 1:55pm ( <i>staff break 11:30am—12:30pm</i> ) - No Formal Classes
<b>Friday 22nd September</b>	<b>Drive In at Akoonah Park—Despicable Me 3</b> —7:00pm—Chaplaincy Program Fundraiser
<b>Monday 25th September—Friday 6th October</b>	Year 12 TSSM Exam Preparation
<b>Monday 9th October</b>	First Day—Term 4
<b>Wednesday 11th to Friday 13th October</b>	Year 12 Trial Exams - No formal Year 12 classes
<b>Monday 16th —Friday 20th October</b>	THE ARTS Week
<b>Monday 16th October</b>	BCDA <u>Dark Side of the Woods</u> 7:00pm—8:00pm PAC
<b>Tuesday 17th October</b>	Casual Dress Day— Raising funds for the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade
<b>Monday 30th October</b>	Parent Forum ' <u>Is my Teenager "normal"?</u> ' 7:00pm—9:00pm PAC
<b>Tuesday 7th November</b>	Public Holiday—Student Free Day
<b>Monday 13th November</b>	Year 11 Exams Commence
<b>Tuesday 14th to 17th November</b>	Year 8 Camp—Cape Otway National Park
<b>Thursday 16th November</b>	<b>Monash Day</b> —Students may wear one item of non uniform green clothing
<b>Thursday 23rd November</b>	Year 12 Valedictory
<b>Monday 11th December</b>	Grade 6 Parent Information Evening - 2018

### OFFICE HOURS—2017—Telephone: 8768 1000

**FINANCE OFFICE:** Monday to Friday: 8:30am—4:00pm

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE:**

Monday to Thursday: 8:15am—4:30pm

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

*...I am so proud of State Education, the talent shown and the efforts of all our students and of the staff.*

This week, 100 Year 10 students gained valuable learning experiences in their structured workplace learning as part of the Game of Life curriculum. Some of the placements were in education, retail, veterinary, legal firm, administration, childcare, butcher, pharmaceutical research, medical and carpentry. In 1982 it was reported in the local papers, the proposal to offer our 100+ Year 10 students Work Experience and local businesses were asked to assist our school in providing vital "real world" work experience. This has continued today and we are grateful for this partnership with employers which ensures that young people have the opportunity to develop an insight into the skills and attitude required by business and to raise awareness of future career opportunities. The diligence of our careers team is much appreciated in the liaising with students and businesses and ensuring all the OH&S and DET requirements are completed. Thank you also to staff who visited these students at the workplace or called to check on their progress.

Our students have enjoyed a range of learning experiences over the past few weeks such as: Year 7 dance Academy students going to the Flying Fruit Flies Circus, Outdoor Education - Year 12 Snow, Year 11 Ski, Year 9 Cathedral Ranges and Cycle camps. Year 9 media were in the audience of Millionaire Hotseat, Year 12 VCAL went to the Mornington Peninsula, Year 11 Legal to Lodden Prison, Year 9 Healthy Me to 1000 steps, Advance to Wilsons Promontory, Year 9 English to see "A Monster Calls" and Commerce held a workshop for students on Passport to Democracy. Students competed in the State Netball and School Sport Victoria Competitions. Year 9 & 10 Basketball Academy students have assisted with Hooptime coaching at Berwick Chase and Berwick Fields Primary Schools and we hosted the primary school transition meeting. Staff time in planning for these experiences is considerable but these enable our students to further their learning, reinforce achievement of outcomes and social skills development.

The student performances on the VCE & VET Dance—Night of the Stars were outstanding. I attended the State Schools Spectacular last Saturday. I am so proud of State Education, the talent shown and the efforts of all our students and of the staff who have supported them over the years of the Dance Academy. We are excited to have three featured performers in Dance: **Emily Sebastian** (Principal Dancer – year 10), **Jaycee Kerslake** (Ensemble Dancer - year 8), **Shaylah Westwood** (Ensemble Dancer - year 9) in addition to 19 students involved in the mass dance. **Anthony Nicholls** (Bass Guitar – year 12) is part of the 64-piece orchestra, balancing practise and studies for this unique experience. An article was published in the [Berwick News](#).

Congratulations to **Sheridan Venables** on achieving an Australian Scout Medallion. Also, past student Britt Mashado was featured in the [Berwick News](#) as centre for the Narre Warren Magpies. Past Assistant Principal Mr Terry Trevena, was featured last weekend in [The Age](#) and our VET Electrotechnology teacher Mr Rupert Cranswick will be featured in the Education Section of The Age in the coming weeks.

Helping others is a protective factor in building resilience and our students are outstanding at helping others. As part of their Service Learning Project students participate in Homegroup activities to earn points for their learning team and promote awareness of a charity that delivers social benefits for the community. The Hollows students 'climbed Mr Everest' raising \$3,115.45 for the Fred Hollows Foundation. The O'Donoghue Learning Team raised \$1,429.55 to send to the Watarrka Foundation to go towards building a secondary school in the remote Watarrka region of the Northern Territory. Last week the Flynn 'Battle of the Bands' Competition was held in the Stadium, with gold coin donation for the Watarrka Foundation, and was an amazing demonstration of the talent of our students. The Learning Team ladder results are closely monitored by staff and students, and together with the points gained from our Athletics Carnival, the Chisholm Learning Team holds first position, closely followed by Kenny then Hollows.

Photos of our 20 students and staff who are currently on the Indonesian Cultural Tour show some amazing cultural experiences. Extra-curricular activities and overseas tours have a profound impact on student learning and we look forward to reports of these special learning opportunities in the coming weeks. Stay tuned to our Facebook page and to the Flexibuzz App.

Finally, today at 7:00pm is our annual Drive-In Movie Night, fundraising for the Chaplaincy program in our school. Twenty-three local businesses have kindly sponsored this event and will be acknowledged by the Committee. We hope this event is strongly supported by our school community.

Have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable break before the final term of our year begins. **Ms Kerri Bolch - Principal**



## YEAR 11 LEGAL STUDIES—PRISON EXCURSION

Berwick College's Year 11 Legal Studies students embarked on their annual prison excursion to the Loddon Prison Precinct on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August and the 4<sup>th</sup> September. The "Prison Schools Program" gives students the opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the criminal justice system by not only hearing real life cases but also giving the students the opportunity to interview the prisoners about their experiences with the police, lawyers, the court system, the sentencing guidelines, fellow prisoners and the prison system itself. In addition to enhancing the students' Legal Studies knowledge, the excursion also taught students valuable life lessons in regards to their choices.

**Some student comments are below:**

*The best aspect of the visit was:*

*- "Talking to the prisoners about their crimes and their reasons for doing them. Also discussing what/how they feel towards their sentencing"*

*- "Getting a prisoner's view on the legal system and getting an insight into what prison is actually like"*

*Do you think your visit to Loddon Prison will have any impact on personal decisions you make in the future?*

*"It will make me more cautious about the decisions I make. It provided me with a good perspective about how one mistake can change your life for ever"*

*- "I will think about the consequences of my decisions in the future and who they will impact"*

Thank you to the students for their exemplary behaviour, the

Legal Studies teachers who attended and Victorian Corrections/Loddon Prison for making this excursion such a success.



## YEAR 9 COMMERCE—MOCK ELECTION

### YEAR 9 COMMERCE – VICTORIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION MOCK ELECTION

During their study of 'Democracy' Year 9 Commerce students learnt about how Australia is a democratic society and how as citizens we can participate in democracy. To demonstrate how we can be active citizens, students in groups created and branded their own 'political parties' and promoted an issue that was important to them.

In relation to their chosen issue, students were required to create party values, a promotional video, a team logo, produce brochures, create a survey and interview stakeholders and also prepare and present a persuasive speech detailing the issue supported by statistics and evidence.

On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August students participated in a presentation with the Victorian Electoral Commission. Students promoted their issue to the other groups and participated in a mock election which demonstrated how preferential voting works. All students did a fantastic job for their 'political parties' and congratulations to the 'Equal Pay Party' who was the winner of our mock election.

**Mrs Erin Silfo—Year 9 Commerce Teacher**



# BERWICK COLLEGE DANCE ACADEMY

## CONGRATULATIONS – VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR PERFORMERS

CONGRATULATIONS to all of the students who performed at the Victorian State Schools Spectacular “Anything is Possible” shows on Saturday 16th September.

- Principal Dancer = Emily Sebastian
- Ensemble Dancers = Jaycee Kerslake and Shaylah Westwood
- Mass Dancers = Ulani Volk, Taya Kibblewhite, Ellyana Batty, Chloe Williams, Shinae Cruse, Keira Thomas, Mia Sama, Ashlee Clancy, Emma Smith, Mikayla Adams, Hannah Mollard, Courtney Brooks, Kira Range, Jessica Walker and Amber Hamblin
- Electric Bass in the Main Orchestra = Anthony Nicholls



After months of rehearsals students performed two shows on Saturday to huge crowds at Hisense Arena and were fantastic!

Thank you to all the staff who attended rehearsals, drove buses, accompanied students to rehearsals at Hisense Arena and were there to support students on the day. The students and staff very much appreciated your support.

**Well done all – you were spectacular!**



## SAVE THE DATE – ‘DARKSIDE OF THE WOODS’ DANCE PRODUCTION

Save the date for the BCDA 2017 Dance Production ‘Darkside of the Woods’ on Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Friday 20th October. Years 7 to 9 BCDA students have been working hard rehearsing the production and hope to see you at the performances. Tickets can be purchased on Trybooking = <https://www.trybooking.com/317341>

## 2018 NEW YORK TRIP FUNDRAISER

Support the BCDA students heading to New York in 2018 by purchasing a 2017/2018 Entertainment Book.

The Books sell for \$70 and give you over \$20,000 of value with thousands of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 deals for the best restaurants, hotels, travel and activities. They can be purchased at

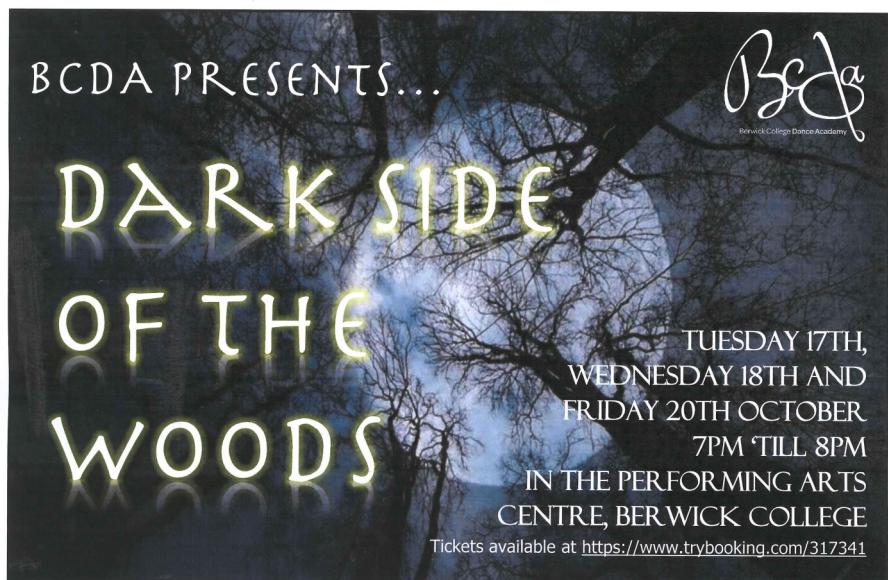
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Entertainment Membership from you through your Online Order Page will now receive a **bonus \$20 iTunes Gift Card!** With the additional bonus, you should definitely get a boost to your fundraising. Hurry, stocks are limited!

**Ms Julie Clish**  
BCDA Acting Director

**Mrs Erin Silfo**  
BCDA Director Assistant



## SCHOOL LEAVERS— DET ADVICE FOR PARENTS

For Victorian school leavers , schoolies is a time to celebrate an exciting milestone in their lives but this shouldn't mean impacting their health and safety, or causing problems for the communities where they decide to celebrate. It's a good idea to know where your school leaver will be and what their plans are for end of year celebrations:

- Where they are going? For example, what is the address of where they will be staying?
- The names of their friends who they will be travelling with
- How you can contact them if you need to

Encourage your school leaver to register where they are going and find out more about safe partying at [www.goodtimesgreatbreaks.com](http://www.goodtimesgreatbreaks.com)

## VET SMALL BUSINESS—CINEMA EXCURSION

On Monday, 11th of September, the three VET Small Business classes took a trip to Fountain Gate Village Cinemas as a part of the “Assist in Public Events” competency.

This assignment involved students planning an excursion within a small group of classmates. First, we began by brainstorming possible excursion ideas that we would enjoy to partake in, and then assessed each to determine which would be the most suitable in terms of cost, time restrictions and educational value. Once groups began settling on their final excursion idea, the finalised propositions were presented to the classes. All students worked tremendously hard to put forward the most suitable and ideal excursion suggestion, some of which included ice skating, laser tag and a trip to the city.

Each class then voted for the top three excursion ideas, and it was left to the teachers to decide the final excursion location, which happened to be a trip to Fountain Gate for lunch and to watch the heist comedy film ‘Logan Lucky’, a movie that depicts the devastating impacts of being fired from a job for legal reasons due to health liabilities.

This excursion was a great experience and would not have been possible without the help and organisation skills of the two VET Small Business teachers, Mr Chris Sacco and Mr Gavin Watson.

We also thank Ms Deana Mihalos and Mr Mark Mitchell for attending on the day.

**Caitlyn Ferruccio**  
VET Small Business student



## ARTS WEEK—OCTOBER 16-20

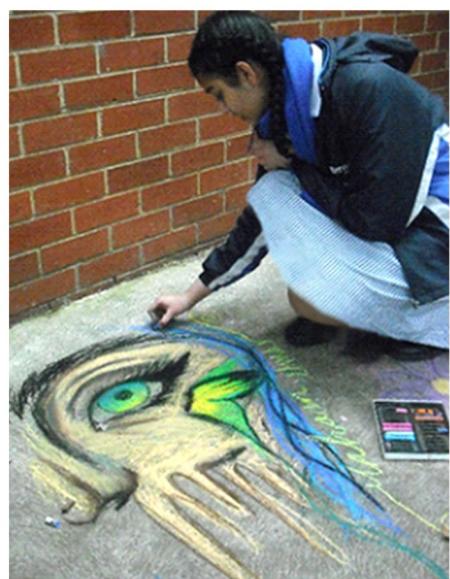
### LEARNING TEAM “PAVEMENT ART” COMPETITION

#### Calling all Artists!

Decorate our school grounds with amazing chalk drawings

Enter your illustration/design to the Art office in C6s.  
(Make sure your drawing is clearly labelled with your name and Learning Team.)

**Entries close Tuesday 10th of October**



# Is my teenager “normal”?

*“How to establish a stronger relationship with your child and navigate the teenage years?”*

**Parent Forum**

**30th October 2017 7-9pm**

**Berwick College Performing Arts Centre,  
Manuka Rd, Berwick.**

**Special Guests:**

**Dr Christiane Kehoe**, University of Melbourne,  
Co-author and Project Manager for Tuning into Teens

**Brett Ryan**, CEO Focus on the Family

**Nick Teo**, Centre Manager for Headspace  
Narre Warren and Dandenong

**Free**

*Limited tickets available. Book online at  
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**ENGLISH AND LITERATURE ASSISTANCE:** A reminder to all parents that English and Literature assistance is available after school on Mondays in E9. The sessions run from 3:15-4:15. Staff members will be available and students can complete homework, prepare for CATs/SACs, ask questions or work on specific skills. All students are welcome and do not have to sign up before attending.



# HOLLOW NEWS

It has been a remarkable few weeks for the Hollows Learning Team.

The Athletics Day results finally came through and confirmed that we finished in **1st place**.

We were really pleased with this result, particularly given the enthusiasm and efforts of those that were involved on the day. We won by just 10 points, meaning that every single student that got involved made a big difference. We will be awarding some students for their performance/involvement at our next assembly and we will be putting on a pizza lunch for all of those that contributed positively on the day.

The success continued into Hollows Week, which was the undisputed highlight of the year so far. Each Learning Team has a day on which they run the homegroup activities for the entire school and aim to raise money for charity. We run our charity event over the course of a week and, once again, we looked to build on the tradition of the 'Everest Climb'.

Throughout the week, our students aimed to climb the equivalent distance and incline of Mount Everest using the stairs of the college. Students that participate in the climb aim to raise money (with a target of around \$25 per student) before participating. Our students combined throughout the week to do enough laps of the stairs to climb the equivalent distance and incline of Mount Everest nearly **FIVE times**, which was an incredible effort.

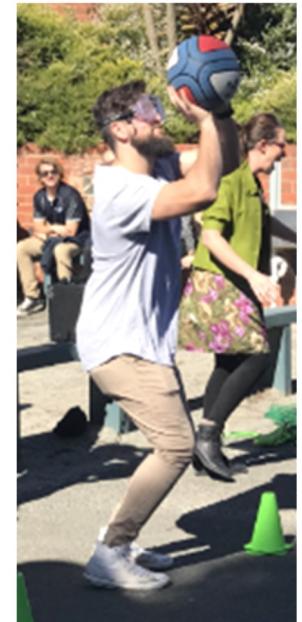
The Hollows Day homegroup activities created some competition between the learning teams, and our positive few weeks continued with Hollows coming 1st on our own day. During lunch-time on Hollows day we ran a blindfolded basketball knockout competition to highlight the impact of vision impairment. One student and one staff member from each learning team participated and it was an enjoyable event. During lunch, we also sold food and drinks with the proceeds also going to the Fred Hollows Foundation.

After combining the Hollows Day events and the Everest Climb fundraising, the Hollows Learning Team were able to raise **\$3200** which was a remarkable achievement. Some of our students made remarkable contributions by raising over \$100 or by volunteering to assist throughout the week.

It only takes the Fred Hollows Foundation \$25 to help cure someone that is needlessly blind, so our contribution could help up to 128 people.

**It has been an awesome few weeks and we are super proud of our students.**

**Ms Deana Mihalos & Mr Matthew Oke**



# FROST FALCONS



## ATHLETICS DAY

Well done to all of our Frost Falcons who participated in the Athletics Day Carnival on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August. It was a fantastic day with students participating in different sprints and running races, long jump and triple jump, shot-put and discus, high jump and novelty races to name a few. The day was action-packed and even though we didn't come in the top 4, it was excellent to see and hear the amount of support and cheering to our fellow falcons! Go Frost Falcons!

## FROST ASSEMBLY

We would like to thank all of our Frost students, parents and teachers who helped make Frost Week so amazing! On Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> August we had a Frost assembly to celebrate academic achievement and outstanding attendance from Semester 1 as well as our top riders and fund raisers for Frost Week. We also gave special thanks to our 9 students and Mr Park for sharing their stories about the 10 charities that were selected.

**Mr Scott Antony and Ms Irena Arney**

*Student Learning Leader and Assistant Student Learning Leader*



# CHISHOLM CHARGERS



Term 3 is done and dusted and what a great few months it has been for Chisholm. There has been Course Counselling, Dance Nationals, Basketball Tournaments, House Days such as Chisholm, O'Donoghue, Hollows and Flynn Days, the Athletics Day, Walk for Wattarka and Battle of the Bands. Chisholm has performed magnificently in all events and it is a credit to our students!

## HOLLOW DAY 2017

Another outstanding performance, Chisholm finished 2<sup>nd</sup>; behind the Hollows Student Learning Team. There were a number of events; including a Scavenger Hunt (see right), Guess the Green Characters and a blind-fold Basketball tournament. Chisholm were represented by Cooper Pantano (**CH4**) and CH7 Home Group Teacher, Ms Sasha Lanyon!

Well done team. Special shout out to our Chisholm Captains, Tegan Langeveld (**CH4**) & Tia Lacey (**CH7**) and also our Year 11 team of Isabelle Lieutier (**CH1**), Hesha Maudhoo (**CH1**), Sarini Bandara (**CH1**), Lachlan Wilbourne (**CH7**), Sam Psyhakis (**CH7**), Arjun Sritharan (**CH4**) & Karl Zervaas (**CH7**) for stepping up and assisting with the organisation of the activities on the day.

## FLYNN DAY 2017

Another memorable event in the College is Flynn's Battle of Bands. Organised by Flynn Coordinators, Mrs Michelle Lewis and Mr Adam Nettleingham, Berwick College was treated to some outstanding talent. Chisholm was represented by **Alisha Pace** (CH5), **Tim White** (CH1) and **Sarini Bandara** (CH1). Each student represented Chisholm with pride. Tim came 1st and Sarini 2nd. What an outstanding achievement! Well done to all those who participated in the event! Another successful day for the Chisholm Learning team!



## CHISHOLM DAY: RECOGNITION & ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday, September 19, the Chisholm Charger Coordinators recognised the outstanding achievement our students. These included:

- Chisholm Charger Dance Academy students; for their hard-work and great results at the Dance Nationals,
- Chisholm Charger students who participated and performed at Athletics Day
- Sarini Bandara; for your performance at Flynn Battle of the Bands.

Alisha Pace and Tim White were absent at the Assembly due to other commitments. **Well done, Chisholm Charger students.**

On behalf of the Chisholm Learning Leaders, we would like to thank the Chisholm Charger students on an outstanding term three. We look forward to a big term four. Have a wonderful September break.

**Mr Chris Sacco and Ms Miranda Snowball – Chisholm Student Learning Leaders**



# FLYNN LEARNING TEAM

FLYNN PHOENIX



Flynn held its annual 'Battle of the Bands' on Thursday 7th September. We are now calling this event the Flynn 'Rock your Socks' day. Students were also encouraged to wear their crazy socks to help us raise funds. Flynn is raising money for the Watarrka Foundation to help them get the funds needed to support the building of a secondary school building in the community of Lila.

At present, many indigenous children have to leave their country to attend secondary school in Alice Springs or beyond, or leave school altogether. Flynn students and staff are committed to helping the community achieve their goal as it is the Lila community and the Watarrka Foundation that host us and welcome us into their community for the Berwick College Central Australia Camp.

The 'Rock your Socks Off' event was fantastic. We had twelve performers ranging from bands performing a cover of Stevie Wonder's 'Superstition', solo vocalists like **Tana Carter Castelli** singing 'I wasn't expecting that' to **Tapea Wade** rapping the Alphabet Aerobics. It was great fun and fantastic to see students get behind all of the students who performed. We truly have some great musical talent among the students of our school. Congratulations to the following students for coming in a place during the competition.

- **1st- Tim White (Chisholm)- Solo improvisation on keyboard.**
- **2nd- Sarini Bandara (Chisholm)- singing solo**
- **3rd- The students of 'Jeremy's Band" performing 'superstition'**

Thanks to our judges, Mr Frank Jetmar, Ms Robyn Batch, Mrs Tracy Anastasi and Mrs Jo Morgan. A special thank you to Mr Michael Couche and Mr Andrew Tomlin for all their work with the technical staff.



# O'DONOOGHUE DRAGONS

Athletics Day on the 25<sup>th</sup> August was a huge success. The weather was lovely and it was great to see so many students giving it a go. A fantastic effort was done by our O'Donoghue students, the names of which are placed on the right. The contribution these students made is very much appreciated. Unfortunately O'Donoghue came 8<sup>th</sup> place overall. Hopefully next year we can improve upon our result.

A special mention to **Lacey Ewenson** (Yr 7) and **Mitchell Hendricks** (Yr 8) who both participated in an outstanding 8 events. **Grace Bickerton** (Yr 7) and **Emily Hessler** (Yr 7) who participated in 7 events each and to **Cameron Smith** (Yr 7) and **Ryan Walsh** (Yr 7) for each participating in 6 events.

The following students placed in their respective ages:

- 13 Girls
  - Grace Bickerton – 1<sup>st</sup> in discus, high jump and javelin. 2<sup>nd</sup> in long jump.
  - Lacey Ewenson – 3<sup>rd</sup> in javelin throw.
- 13 Boys
  - Ryan Walsh – 1<sup>st</sup> in shot put and discus, 2<sup>nd</sup> in javelin and 3rd in 100m.
  - Xavier Foelmlie – 3<sup>rd</sup> in shot put.
- 14 Boys
  - Mitchell Hendricks – 1<sup>st</sup> in long jump, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 200m and 3<sup>rd</sup> in 100 and 400m.
- 15 Boys
  - Dylan Gonzalez – 3<sup>rd</sup> in 800m.
- 16+ age group
  - Joaquin Alba – 1<sup>st</sup> in long jump, 2<sup>nd</sup> in triple jump and 3<sup>rd</sup> in 100m.
  - Ryley Pentland – 2<sup>nd</sup> in high jump and discus.
  - Mitch Walker – 1<sup>st</sup> in 800m, 2<sup>nd</sup> in 400m and 3<sup>rd</sup> in 200m. Well done everyone.

## Hollows Day

It was great to see many O'Donoghue students at lunch time buying a sausage or watching the lunchtime activity to raise money for the Fred Hollows Foundation. A big thank you to Mr Shannan Davey (teacher) and **Brayden Davies** (Year 11) for participating in the blind basketball throw competition. Both were very impressive!



## Flynn Day

September 7 was Flynn Day and the yearly Battle of the Bands played out. All of the contestants did a wonderful job and should be very proud. **Sean Mclean** (Yr 11) participated as part of "Jeremy's Band" who were awarded an honourable mention but unfortunately did not gain a place.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> August **Jake Mitreski** a Year 11 student competed in the Victorian Country Swimming Championships. Jake swam very well placing 3<sup>rd</sup>. Well done Jake.

Joaquin Alba  
Benjamin Andersson  
Wenuka Bandara  
Grace Bickerton  
Quentin Bonne  
Jack Bridson  
Deelan Brown  
Ryan Cheyne  
Dylan Clutterbuck  
Kai Degen  
Jackson Dines  
Kasey Dines  
Dimitra Economou  
Lacey Ewenson  
Xavier Foelmlie  
Nathan Ford  
Sanab Furqan  
Zaeem Furqan  
Chloe Godwin  
Dylan Gonzalez  
Bailey Granich  
Mitchell Hendricks  
Emily Hessler  
Grady Hiskins

Ryan Ho  
Jonathon Houghton  
Justin Jian  
Eddie Knight  
Jacob Koppel  
Reeana Kumar  
Monica Mardini  
Kairo Marshman  
Joshua Mitreski  
Ryley Pentland  
Joshua Pettenuzzo  
Hayden Poretti  
Jordan Ricketts  
Kye Rowland  
Kris Schirmacher  
Yujurv Seth  
Cameron Smith  
Victoria Tsekouras  
Mitch Walker  
Ryan Walsh  
Carlee Webber  
Grace Wilson  
Ashley Worthington  
Keenan Zammit



## O'DONOGHUE DRAGONS CONTINUED...

On the 30<sup>th</sup> of July Kasey Dines (Year 7) participated in the YMCA Geelong (Judges Invite) Gymnastics competition. Kasey trains 10 hours a week at Waverley Gymnastics Centre, the same club as dual Australian Olympian Larissa Miller and competes at ALP level 5.

Kasey had a very successful competition with all of her hard work paying off. Her individual results are below:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Vault
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Beam
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
- 8<sup>th</sup> Bars

Kasey was also the All Around Champion (1<sup>st</sup>) for her level. A fantastic achievement.

Her team of four gymnasts also won the Team Title. All of O'Donoghue would like to say a very big congratulations to Kasey .

**Mr Jesse Nugent and Ms Rebecca Abernethy—O'Donoghue Learning Team Leaders**



## KENNY TALENT!

A big congratulations go to Flynn Learning Team for hosting the annual Rocks your Socks (Battle of the Bands) again this year with so many talented students performing and clearly enjoying themselves. We are particularly proud of two of our Kenny students who sang at this event.

**Holly Maskell** sang Neverland by Zendaya and **Hala Sabawi** sang Fight by Rachel Platten.

Both girls did a great job and we admire them for performing in front of the whole school so well.

Also well done to all our fabulous athletes who participated in the recent Athletics day. It was with great enthusiasm that all concerned did their very best to gain a 3rd place for Kenny. It was great to see so many students give it their best shot.

GO KENNY!

Wishing everyone a relaxing and enjoyable term break and look forward to all returning refreshed ready for a happy and productive term 4.

**Ms Jenny Hart**

Kenny Student Learning Leader



# DUNLOP DIGGERS

## What a Term!

Term 3 is officially over and although a long one, what a successful one it has been. With Mid Semester Progress Reports posted on Parent Portal last week, we hope you were able to view your child's report and meet with your child's teachers at parent teacher interviews over the past two days to gain valuable feedback on how they're progressing in their classes, and what they can do to further improve their learning in Term 4. If you were unable to attend parent teacher's interviews, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher (one of us) by phone or email at your earliest convenience.

The last couple of weeks we have been inundated with Learning Team Days and activities - well done to all our students for getting involved and representing our learning team so well.

Congratulations to our team for coming an overall 3rd in the Hollows Day Competitions. This involved students doing a multitude of activities in HG, and Mr Watson and Mitch Szybkowski participating in the blind basketball shoot out competitions. Well done to all the Dunlop students who came out to watch and encouraged both boys on the side lines.

Last week it was Flynn day and a whole school Battle of the Bands Competition was held. A big congratulations to the very brave and courageous Jeremy Bond and Band and duo **Jessie Newey & Shiana Nicholas** who performed in front of 1,500 of their peers to perform for Dunlop. We think you both rock!

Next Term we have an action packed term planned with lots of new and exciting initiatives including: the redesign of our Dunlop locker bay, the Medical Symposium Excursion with the Sir Weary Dunlop Medical Foundation, and our annual 1000 Steps excursion! Keep an eye out!

Have a wonderful and well deserved break, and we look forward to seeing you back rested and refreshed for Term 4!

### Ms Ashleigh Manning

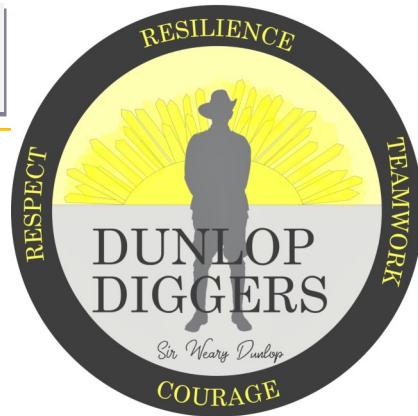
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# MIGHTY MONASH

A huge congratulations to our Monash team member, **Kelsey Dowler** (MO4) who performed on Thursday at the 'Flynn Battle of the Bands'. Kelsey was absolutely amazing and we are so proud of her. It takes a lot of courage to get up in front of the whole school to perform but she definitely outdid herself and had everyone clapping and cheering her on. Kelsey was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place!

At our end of term assembly we recognised students from each home group who have made an outstanding contribution to the College in the past term. Their home group teacher selected these award winners. The following students received these awards:

- Monash 1 **Luka Djordjevic and Mikayla Cipriani**
- Monash 2 **Jai Goillon and Brianna Smith**
- Monash 3 **Seth Mellis and Molly McMillan**
- Monash 4 **Kelsey Dowler and Brooke Tetof**
- Monash 5 **Eden Grace and Olli Dodos**
- Monash 6 **Ruby May Ngaruhe and Tess Vanson**
- Monash 7 **Brianne Cooper and Chloe Turner**



We also recognised the efforts of all our students who participated in the College **Athletics Day** and helped us achieve top 4- we had a pizza lunch to celebrate our achievement!

Guliruh Aizizi	Thevini Pathirana
Jasper Ashton	Riley Perkins
Daniel Bull	Chloe Preston
Lachlan Carr	Lily Preston
Mikayla Cipriani	Casey Purcell
Grace Crennan	Hannah Reid
Flynn Davis	EJ Roewer
Olivia Dodos	Hayley Ross
Cameron Ford	Amie Searle
Jai Goillon	Brianna Smith
Eden Grace	Minaya Somawansa
Nichola Guida	Ryan Speller
Reid Hiskins	Chloe Turner
Christopher Macwhirter-Swindle	Lara VanNoordennen
Sienna Markham	Tess Vanson
Daniel Mazur	Brayden Victor
Brodie McToldridge	Hannah White
Seth Mellis	Braden Wilkinson
Hayden Melsen	Trinity Wright
Liam Metcalfe	Ruby-May Ngarue
Grace Mortimore	Hursh Patel
Shesh Sai Murali	

**The following year 11 students achieved 4 or more VG's on their mid semester report**

- Danyal Bogzaran
- Gemma Duthie
- Ciatlyn Ferruccio
- Dylan Moore
- Rebecca Ogden
- Mitchell Pateman
- Molly Spreckley
- Brooke Tetof



# MIGHTY MONASH CONTINUED...

The following students from years 7-10 achieved 5 or more VG's on their mid semester report:

Guliruh Aizizi	Sanduni Amarathunge
Emma Baxendine	Chloe Bayliss
Lani Davis	Keeley Dempster
Camern Ford	Amber Henderson
Maisie Lindsay	Sienna Markham
Liam Metcalfe	Grace Mortimore
Thevini Pathirana	Riley Perkins
Chloe Preston	Lily Preston
Keanan Preece	Ej Roewer
Carmel Sabet- Rasekh	Austin Shelley
Brianna Smith	Minaya Somawansa
Ryan Speller	Maham Umar
Tess Vanson	Lara VanNoordennen
Hannah White	

We wish you all a happy and safe break and looking forward to Term 4!

**Ms Erin McCarthy and Ms Stella Dikeos**

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## VCAL

The year 10 VCAL students have designed and produced planter boxes as part of their Work Skills and Personal Development Outcomes. The students worked individually in measuring, sawing, drilling, sanding and varnishing their planter boxes. These planter boxes will be sold to the school community, with the funds going towards an end of year activity for the year 10 class. Thank you to Mr Woodbridge who has given up his valuable time to assist the students.



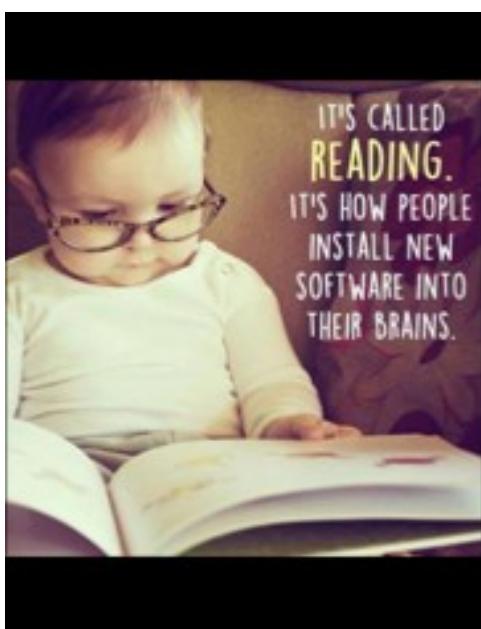
The year 11 VCAL students completed a workshop and a tour of the Salvation Army in the city. The students produced posters to encourage members of the school community to donate blankets and toiletries to the most vulnerable demographics of our society. The students found the experience eye opening and informative. This project is part of their Personal Development Outcomes, and enables the students to engage in their local community, in a positive way.

Sadly the year 12 VCAL students are leaving us at the end of this week to pursue further studies, apprenticeships and full time employment. The students have worked really hard throughout term 3 to achieve competencies in all their outcomes.



Alongside their class work the feedback from employees has been very positive, and each student has demonstrated high level skills in their chosen work placements. All the teachers are very proud of the achievements of the year 12 VCAL class, and we wish them all the very best for their future endeavours.

**Thank-you** to all the teachers for their support and hard work with the Year 12 VCAL students this year.



## LIBRARY NEWS

Turning the pages of a paper book is like leaving one footprint after another on the trail - there is a rhythm to it and a visible record of how far one has travelled. Research has suggested that people comprehend less when they read on a screen as it is more physically and mentally taxing than reading on paper. Ink is easy on the eyes as it reflects ambient light just like a paper book, but computer screens smartphones and tablets shine light directly into people's faces. Glare, pixilation and flickers can tire the eyes.

To date, designers and user-interface experts have worked hard to make reading on an e-reader or tablet as close to reading on paper as possible. The Kindle's screen and Apple's iBooks attempt to simulate the overall aesthetic of paper books including realistic page turning. You have to ask why companies are working so hard to make reading with new technologies so similar to the experience to reading on the very ancient technology that is paper! **The Library Ladies**



## SENIOR SCHOOL

This week marks the final week of schooling for our Applied Learning and VCE Unscored students, providing they are up to date with their work and have been marked as Satisfactory by their classroom teachers. Each of these students is to be congratulated on their efforts throughout the year and we wish them well in the future. The remainder of the year level are set to finish on Tuesday October 24th.

The year is rapidly drawing to a close for students in Year 12 as they head towards their exams, which will commence at the start of November (Languages and Performance Based exams will commence earlier). It is important that students maintain their focus at this time of year, developing a systematic study timetable and making the most of the exam planner provided to them in a recent home group session. Students may also consider checking in with their mentors and devising some strategies around stress relief and time management, as it is common for students to become overwhelmed, as exams grow closer.

Furthermore, students are reminded to make a VTAC appointment with our Careers Team if they have not already done so. It is imperative that VTAC applications are made by the end of this term and that payments are processed, failure to do this by September 28th will incur a late fee of \$103. Timely payments are \$35.

VTAC applications are imperative for all university courses and most TAFE courses, although some TAFE institutions require direct applications.

In an effort to assist students in their preparations for exams, the College have organised speakers from TSSM to run student seminars over the school holidays. Payment should have already been made at the time of publishing; however, students are to see their Coordinators with queries. Session times and dates can be located in Senior School, on the payment form and also on the year level Facebook page.

A reminder to students to communicate with their teachers and coordinators in the event of an absence, this is particularly imperative as final assessments take place prior to the end of term 3.

Once again, wishing many of our Year 12 students across Applied Learning and Unscored VCE the very best of luck in the future and congratulations on completing your secondary schooling!

**Ms Brodie Andersen –Year 12 Coordinator**

## CAREERS

### STRUCTURED WORKPLACE LEARNING – YEAR 12 STUDENTS

All Year 12 VCAL students will have completed their work placement and have requested Reference Letter from their employer as well as asked the employer to fill in an evaluation form. A number of the Year 12 VCAL students have now accepted full-time employment, some with their SWL employer. Alternatively, others have made VTAC or Chisholm tertiary applications to continue their studies in 2018.

### YEAR 12 STUDENTS APPLYING FOR UNIVERSITY OR TAFE COURSES FOR 2018

Year 12 students have been attending the Careers office during Term 3 for one on one Careers counselling appointments to discuss courses/pathways for 2018 and beyond. Students have been applying to universities/TAFE institutes via the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC). The timely processing fee of \$35 for these applications closes on **28<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 at 5.00 p.m.** Thereafter the payment does increase considerably. Also, Special Entry Admissions Scheme (SEAS) applications close on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Please visit the VTAC link below for further information. <http://www.vtac.edu.au/dates.html>

Students wanting to apply to Chisholm have made direct applications. In addition, some students have registered their interest in seeking an Apprenticeship or full-time employment. Those students have registered their interest with MEGT, including uploading their Resume to this website and other Australian Apprenticeship Group sites. It is not too late for your son/daughter to make an application via VTAC or Chisholm or alternatively upload their Resume to an Apprenticeship group website.

### TAX FILE NUMBER

Are you looking for part-time work after school or on weekends? If so, you will need to provide the employer with a tax file number. Students can apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at participating Australia Post offices. More information on applying online can be found at [www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au) or you can phone 1300 130 282 between 8:00am and 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.



## CAREERS CONTINUED...

### VET (VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING)

Please be advised of the following end dates for the VET courses in 2017:

Course	Campus	Finish date
Automotive Beauty	Chisholm	18 <sup>th</sup> October
Information Digital media Plumbing Tourism	Chisholm	25 <sup>th</sup> October
Early Childhood Education	Chisholm	1 <sup>st</sup> November
Health	Chisholm	13 <sup>th</sup> September
Electrotechnology Applied Fashion Automotive Building and Construction (Wed classes)	Berwick College (Blocked Courses held on Wednesdays)	1 <sup>st</sup> November (Yr. 12) 8 <sup>th</sup> November (Yr. 10 & 11)
Engineering Small Business Outdoor Recreation Community Services Building and Construction (timetabled classes)	Berwick College (Timetabled Courses held on a Mon, Tues and Thursday)	24 <sup>th</sup> October (Yr. 12) 9 <sup>th</sup> November (Yr. 11) 16 <sup>th</sup> November (Yr. 10)
Information Digital media	Narre Community Learning Centre	10 <sup>th</sup> November
Early Childhood Education Salon Assistant	Narre Community Learning Centre	8 <sup>th</sup> November
Animal Studies	Federation Training	25 <sup>th</sup> October
Equine Studies	Hillcrest – Ayr Hill	20 <sup>th</sup> September
Salon Assistant Screen and Media Health	Hallam Senior College	20 <sup>th</sup> October (2 <sup>nd</sup> year) 10 <sup>th</sup> November (1 <sup>st</sup> year)
Kitchen Operations	Kambrya College	25 <sup>th</sup> October
Music	Narre Warren South P-12	1 <sup>st</sup> November
Electrotechnology	St Peters College	10 <sup>th</sup> November

If you have any queries to the above, please contact the Careers/VET office on 8768 1073.

### VET IN SCHOOLS COURSES FOR 2018

If your son/daughter selected a VET course for 2018 as part of their school program/timetable, please ensure they have completed a VET application form and it has been received by Amanda Wallace in the Careers office. One third of the fees of the total amount due is payable at the front office to secure your child's placement.

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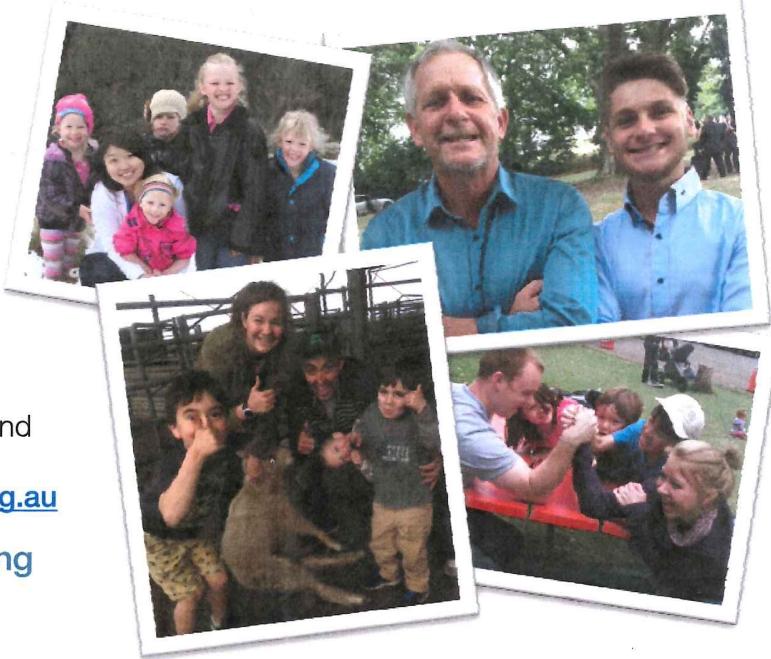
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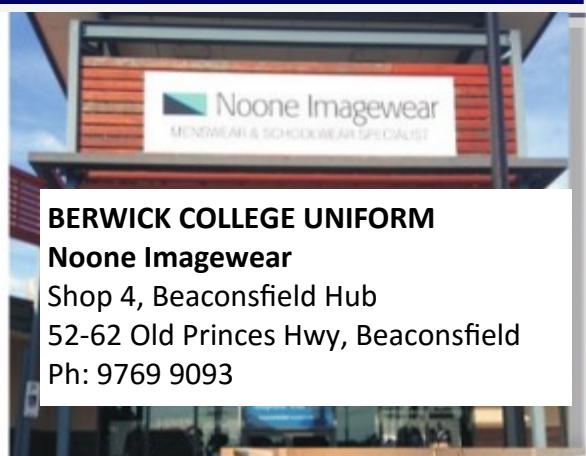
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