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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.
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Berwick College was very pleased to host Principal for the Day, Cr Susan Serey on 19th August. Susan is one of our local City of Casey Councillors and has a strong interest in our school. She toured our facilities and met our students, including our School Captains, Danielle Galea, Mikaela Vincent, Luke Artner and Eddie Singh. It was wonderful to have Susan participating in this program and experiencing a day in the life of our school.

This Tuesday, 2nd September, we will be finalising our school review. Using our data, the surveys completed by parents and students, and measuring our progress against our goals set in 2010, we will discuss and set our direction for the next four years. On Tuesday, our Leading Teachers, Assistant Principals and School Council representative, Mr Roger Hall, will sit down with myself, reviewer Mr John Haines, Ms Sue Peddlesden, Principal of Glenaeages Secondary College and Mr Henry Scholtes to discuss where we are now and where we want to go in the future. We have been very strongly concentrating on improving the learning over the last few years and whatever our chosen pathway, this will continue to be our focus.

Our Presentation Evening was held last week, a wonderful evening that showcased the academic and sporting achievements, and outstanding effort of our students. Our School Captains, Danielle, Mikaela, Luke and Eddie were excellent Masters of Ceremonies, and our performers were outstanding. Thanks go to all who were involved in the evening, particularly to Ms Dee Longwill for her work in getting everything organised.

Thank you to all of our parents and families for coming on the night, and also for the support of the College and these young people. Congratulations to all students who participated in the evening, along with your families and friends, I am very proud of you.

We have also had some wonderful sporting achievements, with our netball teams, in their stunning new uniforms, competing at State level and winning the Southern Metropolitan Region Netball Championships. The Intermediate Girls A team are not only the Southern Metropolitan Region Champions but they also entered into, and won, the Netball Victoria Schools Championships. What a fantastic result!

It is so close to the end of the term, with Parent/Student/Teacher interviews coming up in the last week. Arrangements will be as follows: On-line bookings open Tuesday 9th September at 9.00am and close at 3.00pm on Wednesday, 17th September. Interviews will be conducted on Thursday September 18th – 4.30pm to 8.00pm (last appointment 7.50pm) and Friday September 19th – 9.00am to 2.00pm (last appointment 1.50pm)

Now that the weather is starting to improve, uniform is varying from Winter to Summer. Variation is fine as long as the uniform is worn well, and with pride. If you are unsure about what it should look like, please check page (xvii) of the Student Planner.

I am sure the last three weeks will pass very quickly, and we will be in to term 4 in no time. Year 12 VCE students have access to the TSSM September Holiday Exam Preparation Program in the holidays and I encourage them all to attend. This is an amazing opportunity not usually available outside the city, but thanks to Mr Mulcahy, we have these occurring at our school. We have also made these sessions available to some of our local schools.

I will see many of you at Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews in just three weeks. Once again, no more zero days….no more days when we do zero towards the achievement of our goals.

Ms Kerri Bolch
Principal
WINNER OF THE BERWICK PHOTO EXPO

Congratulations to Tiffany Brady of Year 10 on being awarded first prize in the Secondary School Students Competition for her beautiful photograph titled Full Bloom.

The Expo was held at the Old Cheese Factory from Friday 25th to Sunday 27th July.

Tiffany also won a Merit award for Purple Haze

ILLFORD SCHOOLS PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Congratulations to Brooke Mulvaney and Kim Cannon for receiving Merit Certificates for their imaginative photographs. Kim gets a special mention as she received two certificates. Well done girls and well done to all students who entered work.

‘Nest’ Brook Mulvaney

‘Strongman’ Kim Cannon

Untitled’ Kim Cannon
PRESENTATION NIGHT

Congratulations to all the students who received an award on Presentation Night, in particular the following students on their Dux awards for their year levels.

Year 7 - Allyssa Taukei-Gatt and Olivia Brown
Year 8 - Kayla Bashford and Piper Van Hout
Year 9 – Bethany Thompson and Christie Cooke
Year 10 – Tiffany Brady and Amy Ashman
Year 11 – Theresa Yeoh and Madyson Carter

WELL DONE!!

PRESENTATION NIGHT PHOTOS

Colour or black and white photographs of students presented with awards are available for purchase from rainerkphotography.

Simply log onto www.rainerkphotography.com and click on the “school pix” tab to view your student’s award portrait.

To order photograph/s of your child/ren, please contact rainerkphotography on 0401 413 504 or email at info@rainerkphotography.com

The cost for one 8”x10” plus two 5”x7” prints is only $20.00 with delivery within 7 -10 days.

VISIT TO THE WAR MEMORIAL

On Friday, August 15, the Year 10 History students travelled to the Shrine of Remembrance as part of our World War studies. It was a memorable experience! We arrived at around 10.30am and first we visited the Eternal Flame. I had seen the Eternal Flame on TV before but never really understood the significance of it. Our guide Ken explained to us what the Flame symbolised.

My favourite part of the day was when we were standing in the entrance of the Shrine and were given poppies. We were asked to attach our poppies onto the walls around us. That was a really good experience because in 10 years’ time those walls will be full and we will know that we contributed to it.

We also paid our respect to our fallen heroes by observing a minute’s silence in the Shrine.

I really enjoyed going and would like to go back once the new renovations are finished in November this year.

Jessica Egan
Year 10 History Student

Attendance – reporting your child’s absence

We have updated our contact details for reporting a child’s absence from school. The contact details are as follows:

Chisholm, Frost, Hollows, Monash, Year 12
Absence line: 8768 1051 (24 hours) to speak to Sharyn or leave a message
OR
Go to the website http://www.berwickcollege.vic.edu.au and scroll down to Attendance – learn more and provide details and email will be forwarded to Sharyn
OR
Email directly to berwick.college.attendance@gmail.com

Dunlop, Flynn, Kenny, O’Donoghue
Absence line: 8768 1086 (24 hours) to speak to Robyn or leave a message
OR
Go to the website http://www.berwickcollege.vic.edu.au and scroll down to Attendance – learn more and provide details and email will be forwarded to Robyn
OR
Email directly to berwick.college.attendance@gmail.com

Remember, student attendance makes a difference to student learning outcomes.
INTERSCHOOL NETBALL

Over the past few weeks Berwick College has participated in the Southern Metropolitan Region Netball Championships as a result of winning the Casey North Division competitions. The results are:

Year 8 Girls
On Wednesday 6th August the Year 8 Girls competed in the Southern Metropolitan Region Netball Competition at the Dandenong Netball Centre. Both the A and B squad not only stood out with their highly developed ball skills, but with their flash new uniforms. The B squad won both their preliminary games, and despite the A squad only winning their first game, still proceeded through to the finals due to their impressive overall score percentage. Both the A and B squad put up a courageous fight against Mentone Girls in the finals, our long term rivals, both teams only losing by a couple of goals in the second half. Mentone certainly looked under pressure, with the girls certainly instilling fear in them for next year’s play off! Well done to the following girls, on yet again another fantastic season. I have no doubt they will present an even bigger fight next year!


Ms Ashleigh Manning
Yr 8 Girls coach

Senior Girls
On the day of the division competition, the girls headed off to play under their coach Mrs Carolyn Bates. With some fine netball skills displayed, they won the day easily and progressed to the SMR day. Here their new coach was Mr Costantino. They played against Frankston and Carrum Downs. They won their first game comfortably against Frankston but went down to Carrum Downs in a valiant effort, especially as the opposition had a 193.04 cm goal shooter.

The players are: Gemma Stacey, Jaime Armstrong, Chloe Purcell, Rachel Williams, Lauren Ward, Amy Rae, Kaitlyn Szakacs, Zoe Wills and Mikaela Vincent

Senior Boys
The Casey North Division boy’s netball day saw a raw team turn up to COBNA ready to play their first competition. With some learning of rules, a bit of refining on their play and some good skills, the boys won the day undefeated. Next came the Southern Metropolitan Region competition day. The competition level really stepped up and the boys had tough games over the day. Alas, in two tight games against Kooweerup and Elizabeth Murdoch the boys fell short of a victory, and finished 3rd in their pool, missing the grand final.

The players included: Daniel Wren, Andrew Parker, Matt Christou, Tim Mashado (captain), Lachie Marie, Nathan Aliotta, Jono King and Kyle Nagel.
Intermediate Girls
The girls have had a stellar start to the school netball season. Both the A and B teams went through the division level undefeated, no other school could get close to either team. The next step was the region championships held at Dandenong.

The B team played against KWR and Frankston, both games were tight affairs but Berwick won both matches to earn the right to play Mentone in the grand final. In a tight tussle, the B team were victorious and were crowned the Southern Metropolitan Region Champions.

The players in the B team are: Courtney Tetof, Mel Loughridge, Meg Hamilton (captain), Jess Purches, Shayla Cosgrave, Sharna Perkins, Kaisha Stacey, Ellie Williams, Hayley Rae, Bec Johnson, Bec Cousins (scorer).

The A team were fantastic at the division level, proving they are the team to try and beat. As the division champions, they moved onto the region competition. Here the girls played against Alkira who gave them a good run but we still won, and then we beat Frankston. This put them into the grand final against Parkdale, who the girls beat resoundingly. We ended the day as the Southern Metropolitan Region Champions. Next step is the State School Sport Victoria Finals to be played on 8th September.

As an extra practice for the upcoming State School Victoria Championships, the intermediate girls were entered into the Netball Victoria Schools Championships where both public and private schools compete. We headed to the Waverley Netball Centre where the girls played against Kilvington Grammar, Carey Grammar, Mater Christi College, Mentone Grammar, St Leonards College, Mornington Secondary College and Wesley College. Over the 7 games played, the girls won by an average of 11 goals and saw us win the pool. The team now goes on to play in the State finals day for the Netball Vic Championships on Sept 15.

This is a terrific effort by the team to make two state championships, and we wish them all the success for both days.

The players in the team are: Zoe Mason, Karla Brook, Katelyn Vincent, Kim Mashado, Caitlin Armstrong, Samantha Neil, Taylah O'Hagan, Jess Egan, Bec Potalej.

Ms Janelle Graham
Casey North Division Secondary Coordinator

**WELL DONE DYLAN!!!**

Congratulations to Dylan Thompson of Year 12 who is the N2C (No Second Chance) Top Gun winner!

Dylan has won an experience at the Porsche Sport Driving School in Queensland, including flights and accommodation. The N2C program is a unique and revolutionary Youth Safety Campaign with the clear objective of saving teenage lives arising from the tragic consequences of Youth Violence and Road Accidents.

Berwick College was fortunate to have the N2C team visit the college on May 8th where all Year 12 students were given the opportunity to enter the Top Gun competition.

**Senior School Team**
WORK EXPERIENCE AT THE AUSTRALIAN BALLET

After waiting almost twelve months I finally started my five days of work experience at The Australian Ballet, in the production and wardrobe department.

In the first hour I was toured around the building, shown rooms only the staff members were allowed to see like ‘the bible room’ and learnt of the Ballet’s amazing history. I was introduced to the costume staff and shown the area I was to be working in for the next five days.

I was sat down at my work station, given a task sheet and put to work straight away. Starting on upcoming Ballet of La Bayadere just sewing press studs on the little undies so that the dancers can attach and secure their chiffon skirts and don’t have to worry about wardrobe malfunctions. A lot of the tasks I was given was to mend, repair, replace, add or take away hooks, bars and netting (tulle) to a costume. I was fortunate enough to be working on the Nutcracker’s, Waltz of the Flower costumes that hadn’t been worn in about seven years. It was interesting to find that one of the dancers, Lockett, was wearing the same costume that she wore when the Australian Ballet first presented the production with these particular costumes.

To finish off my work experience, I was invited along to a costume run for La Bayadere’s Act One and I was so appreciative of the amount of time, work, effort and people who are involved to make a production perfect.

I am please to have further developed my skills and passion for costuming and I am very thankful for the help and support I received during my work experience.

Meaghan Venables.

VET NEWS

Year 10 Work Experience
All Year 10 students are able to participate in Work Experience during the last week of Term 3 (Monday 15th – Friday 19th September 2014). Work Experience contributes to better informed careers, course and pathways options for young people.

Some of the benefits for students include:
• Better understanding of the work environment and what employers expect of their workers.
• An opportunity to explore possible career options.
• Increased self-understanding, maturity, independence and self-confidence.
• Increased motivation to continue study and/or undertake further training.
• Better understanding of how the school curriculum can help prepare young people for work.
• An introduction to workplace recruitment practices.
• Enhanced opportunities for part-time and casual employment.
• Opportunity to include the employer’s work experience evaluation in future job and course applications.
• Opportunity to develop work-related competencies and acquire skills.

Students have received the Work Experience Arrangement Form that needs to be completed and signed by the employer, student and parent by Monday 25th August 2014. In addition, two online Occupational Health and Safety Modules need to be completed prior to the placement. If you require any further information please contact the Careers Centre on 8768 1060.

Open Days and VTAC applications
The VTAC registration and application process opened at 9am on Monday 4th August and timely applications close on Tuesday 30th September at 5pm. Mrs Alison Birkett and Mr Adam Nettleingham will be available to meet with all Year 12 students to discuss their application and plans for 2015. Senior students are encouraged to attend Open Days at the institutions they are considering applying for to learn more about their courses, the application process and pathway options. A list of Open Days and dates can be obtained from the Careers Centre.
VTAC APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

All Year 12 students have been briefed at an assembly about the requirements of applying for university and TAFE courses through VTAC (Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre). The main dates to be aware of have been published for the students to note and all Year 12 students have been invited to make an appointment with the careers staff if they would like assistance in completing their VTAC applications. These appointments will be open until the end of term.

Applications can be completed at any time until 5th December, however it is advisable to complete these as timely applications by 30th September. Students should also check whether the courses they are applying for require additional information such as supplementary information forms or compulsory attendance at information sessions.

Students applying for courses that are not through VTAC will need to check the requirements and deadline with the relevant institution.

The major dates for VTAC are outline below

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*The Careers office staff at Berwick College will be available to assist with change of preference after your results have come out (during school term). Change of preference closes December 22nd at 12 noon.*

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TSSM SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY EXAM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Berwick Secondary College will be running Unit 3 and 4 revision sessions for the following subjects during the school holidays. Sessions start at 9.00am and finish at 6.00 Pm. TSSM Study Session Dates:

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The sessions will be run in the PAC and Library and will cost $50 each. TSSM run these sessions in Melbourne at a cost of $149.00.

The sessions will run for 9 hours, each student will receive a package that includes a comprehensive set of revision notes bound, written to an A+ level. Each student is presented with at least 80 exam style questions. TSSM use teachers to deliver the sessions that have been or are examiners, reviewers or publishers. Please encourage your students to attend. There is a sign up list in the Senior School.

Below is a brief description of what the session will cover however if you want more information visit the TSSM website: tssm.com.au

TSSM’s September Holiday Exam Preparation Program is designed to help you thoroughly review all key areas of study as outlined in the VCAA Study Design for each subject prior to the exam rush.

Core benefits include:

- Detailed content revision
- Essential exam practice
- Superior exam techniques
- Effective problem solving strategies
- Powerful study habits
- Time management skills

TSSM’s September Holiday Exam Preparation Program will improve your VCE performance with:

- Advanced exam techniques
- Assistance on examination tricks, common student pitfalls and errors
- Individual motivation and support
- Interactive teaching that reinforces concepts taught at schools
- Open, ‘ask questions’ teaching environments
- Powerful study habit tips
- Practice on an extensive range of likely examination questions
- Problem solving strategies
- Professional concept revision that reduces pre-examination pressures
- Thorough tuition on core VCE concepts Emphasis on learning and reviewing examinable content

As Assistant Principal responsible for the Senior School I believe it is in the best interests of students to attend as many of these sessions that they can.

I have spoken to students in the past who have said that the information and resources that they have been given has helped them improve their grades dramatically.

Please contact me if you wish to discuss the value of these programs.

Mr Patrick Mulcahy
Assistant Principal
mulcahy.patrick.n@edumail.vic.gov.au
87681000
CAREER NEWS:

Any students interested in a school based apprenticeship in Plumbing in 2015, please contact Kate in the Careers Office.

There are also apprenticeships available in the following for those students leaving school:

Apprentice Cabinet Maker * 1 ..... Dandenong South
Apprentice Cabinet Maker * 2 ..... Braeside
Apprentice Cabinet Maker * 1 ..... Frankston

These apprenticeships are definite career pathways and, whilst these employers are looking for 1st Year apprentices, those with recent experience will be considered.

These host employers are engaged in the high-end of the trade with work in luxury homes, commercial projects, and government buildings. Work could include quality kitchens, luxury bathrooms, boardrooms, amongst others.

The successful applicants will:
- Be able to demonstrate a solid interest in the trade, with some past experience, either through employment or hobbies.
- Be well presented and spoken.
- Generally have car & licence.
- Have reasonable maths skills.
- Be able to demonstrate reliability & punctuality.
- Be prepared to commence and complete Certificate III in Furnishing (Cabinet Making) and complete the TAFE component.
- Understand that an apprenticeship is a 4 year commitment.

If you have clients who are genuinely interested in commencing a career in Cabinet Making please have them forward their cover letter and resume to Peter Gleeson: peter.gleeson@linkemploy.org.au

Structured Workplace Learning

Every week more than 200 students from Berwick College are involved in Structured Workplace Learning in a wide range of industries across the City of Casey and beyond. Zoe Douglas has been working at Gloria Jeans in High Street Berwick to compliment her Certificate II in Hospitality VETiS program.

We appreciate the support of all the employers who provide valuable on-the-job learning experiences for our students. If you are able to host a student please contact the Careers Centre on 8768 1073.

Melbourne Careers Expo

On Friday 15th August Year 11 students attended The Careers Expo at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre. Students were able to access resources from a range of tertiary providers and consolidate their pathway plans for 2015 and beyond.
Structured Workplace Learning

**HMAS Cerberus**
On Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} August 2014 seven students from Berwick College travelled to the Mornington Peninsula to navigate their way through careers in the armed forces at HMAS Cerberus, the Navy’s premier training establishment. We are thankful for the support of the South East Local Learning and Employment Network (SE LLEN) in enabling this opportunity for our students.

**Aviation Open Day**
Moorabbin Airport Corporation in conjunction with the Department of State Development, Business and Innovation (DSDBI) is pleased to invite Berwick College to the Moorabbin Airport Aviation Careers Day 2014 at Moorabbin Airport on Wednesday 8\textsuperscript{th} October 2014.

The aim of the day is to introduce students from Years 9, 10, 11 & 12 to aviation and the wide range of careers available within the industry, with a particular focus on Flight Training.

Any interested students should contact the Careers Centre.

**APPLIED LEARNING NEWS**

In Term 3, Year 9 ALP have been continuing their work on the RSPCA unit and will be making Cupcakes to raise money for the charity in coming weeks.

They have also been caving and to the snow as part of overcoming challenges in the physical environment for Personal Development Studies.

Year 10 PreCAL completed a unit on Community, focusing on the Commonwealth Games. This culminated in the students organising a mini Commonwealth Games morning with both Berwick Primary School Prep students and Edrington Park Kindergarten. The Year 10 PreCAL students planned the activity, sourced the equipment and instructed groups on how to complete the task. The students were very encouraging and full of praise for the Prep and Kinder students and the activities were well received by both groups.

Year 11 VCAL students have also continued with their partnership with Edrington Park Kindergarten with Cooking Rumball tasks. They have been working on their physical fitness with trips to the local gym.

Year 12 Senior VCAL students only have 4 weeks remaining at school, if they have completed all course work by the end of term 3. On Tuesday 16\textsuperscript{th} September all students will be interviewed by Human Resources staff, on their planned destination for 2015. Hopefully all students have completed work on their pathway for 2015 and have finalised where they will be employed or enrolled in further training.

Currently Senior VCAL students are also finalising their PDS projects which include making soup lunches for staff, in their Bite Size business and raising money for Birthing kits with a Footy themed Free Dress Day and Band in the canteen plaza.
PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Semester two Parent/Student/Teacher interviews will be conducted in the Berwick Leisure Centre on:

- Thursday September 18th – 4.30pm to 8.00pm (last appointment 7.50pm)
- Friday September 19th – 9.00am to 2.00pm (last appointment 1.50pm)
  (staff break 11.30am to 12.30pm)

On-line bookings open Tuesday 9th September at 9.00am.
Bookings close at 3.00pm on Wednesday, 17th September.

Mid Semester reports will be posted home on Friday September 5th.

No classes on Friday September 19th.

As all teachers will be involved in interviews no formal classes will be held on Friday September 19th. An alternative program finishing at 2.30pm will be held for students who cannot be looked after. To access this program please email the College at berwick.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone Mr Mark Woodbridge on 8768 1004.

PARENTS – ARE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS UP TO DATE?

It is very important that Berwick College has up to date contact details for all families.

If you have changed your home address, email address, emergency contacts or telephone number since your student’s enrolment, please call in or contact the school on 8768 1000 to advise the College of any changes.

It is especially important that the Reports are mailed home to the correct address and that emails and telephone numbers are up to date for the College to be able to contact parents when necessary.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

NOONE IMAGEWEAR has reduced the price of ALL new items of the ‘old’ school uniform (jumpers, skirts, trousers etc) to $10.00 per item.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Second-hand Uniform Shop will be open each week at the following times (during the school term):

- TUESDAYS 8.30am-9.30am
- THURSDAYS 5.15pm-6.15pm

Please phone 8768 1042 during these times. If you have any uniform enquiries outside of this time, please contact Diane on 9707 2605.

Second-hand items still required include: dresses, blue polos (larger sizes), grey trousers (larger sizes) and the school jacket. Items must be in good and clean condition. Bring to the shop during operating hours.

All new uniform (both 2013 and 2014) can only be purchased from Noone Imagewear (formerly Graeme Booth), Shop 4, Beaconsfield Hub, Princes Highway, Beaconsfield. Telephone 9769 9093.

Trading hours:
- Monday to Friday: 9am till 5pm,
- Saturday: 9am till 1pm.
Berwick College

Price List Valid Until 30th June 2015

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<td>Iron on Name Labels (pack of 50)</td>
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BERWICK COLLEGE
Pricelist 2015

Berwick College Uniform available at:

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We work closely with Australian manufacturers to ensure the highest quality and performance standards are met in the manufacture of all our schoolwear garments.

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Beaconsfield 3807
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beaconsfield@noone.com.au

* All prices GST inclusive and are subject to change without prior notice
Performing Arts Night Semester 2 2014!

After last year's sell out performances you will not want to miss this year's talent.

A showcase of song, dance, music and drama.

It's not too late to be a part of it!

Tickets on Sale September 2014

CONTACT
Melissa Quenette
8768 10 54
Quenette.melissa@edumail.vic.gov.au

OCT 23RD & 24TH
BORN THIS WAY

Semester Two Performing Arts Night
Students have been working hard every Monday after school to put together this year’s Performing Arts Night which celebrates and displays skills learnt from performing arts classes as well as their natural talent. This year showcases songs and numbers from FAME the musical, A Chorus Line, Michael Jackson, Chicago and Sweeney Todd (just to name a few!).
So add it to your calendars and keep an eye out for ticket sales because BORN THIS WAY is bound to be one not to miss!
BERWICK COLLEGE DANCE ACADEMY

Congratulations to the Grade 6 and Year 7 students who have auditioned for the BCDA and have been successful!

It is refreshing to see so much talent coming from our local community and we’re excited to assist the 2015 BCDA students in advancing their skills and helping turn their dreams into reality.

There are a couple of positions available for the Year 8 2015 Academy class. If you or someone you know are interested please contact Mrs Melissa Quenette for further information on:
(03) 8768 1054 or quenette.melissa.c@edumail.vic.gov.au

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IMMUNISATION PROGRAM 2014

The City Casey Health Department has informed the College that their remaining immunisation program for the year will be offered to students in the following year levels.

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Students who cannot be immunised on the day the Health Department is at the College can still be vaccinated free of charge at any of the other City of Casey vaccination centres. Go to [http://www.casey.vic.gov.au/immunisation/article.asp?Item=16874](http://www.casey.vic.gov.au/immunisation/article.asp?Item=16874) to find the 2014 City of Casey immunisation schedule which provides alternative venues and times.

Please discuss this issue with your child, particularly if your child is anxious about being immunised. In special circumstances, it may be appropriate for parents to attend to support their child through the process.

All parents should ensure that they can be easily contacted on the day of immunisation just in case students need to go home.

While the College is the venue for the program, teachers are not qualified to answer questions about the vaccines or other related medical issues. Parents with such questions should contact the City of Casey Health Department for advice on 9705 5200.

*Mrs Tracey Anastasi*
College Nurse
Education Maintenance Allowance

Information about changes to Education Maintenance Allowance as a result of the School Reform Agreement made between the Victorian Government and Commonwealth Government.

What is EMA?
The Education Maintenance Allowance currently provides financial assistance to low-income families to help meet costs associated with the education of their children.

How it is paid?
Parents can currently elect to have their EMA paid in one of the following ways:
- paid by direct deposit (Electronic Funds Transfer) into the parent’s bank account; or
- paid directly to the school to be held as credit which the parent can use towards education expenses; or
- paid by cheque which will be posted to the school for collection.

In 2013 over 70 per cent of parents receiving the EMA chose to have their EMA paid directly to their school. Each school would then use the funds for a range of expenses for that child.

Who is eligible?
The EMA currently provides financial assistance to Victorian families on a low income to help with the cost of educational items such as textbooks, stationery, uniforms and excursions. It is a means-tested payment - parents must hold a Centrelink or Veterans Affairs concession card to be eligible.

What is changing?
In the recent School Reform agreement signed with the Commonwealth, the Victorian Government has changed the way it helps low income families with education expenses.

From 2015, the Government will distribute the funds previously used for the EMA directly to schools. DEECD will develop the arrangements to be used to distribute these funds to schools – consultation will occur with stakeholders about this.

Why?
Under the recent School Funding Reform an additional $12.2 billion will be allocated to Victorian schools.

Will my child be worse off?
No. Education funding for children will increase but will be delivered to your child in a new way through their school. The new agreement provides that schools with the most vulnerable students will receive the funding they need.

The students who will benefit the most from this funding agreement are those who are the most vulnerable.
Would $500 assist you with education costs?

You could receive up to $500 to help pay for your child’s or your educational costs including:

- school uniforms
- text books
- excursions
- laptops
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire
- TAFE, traineeship and apprenticeship costs!

The Brotherhood of St Laurence delivers Saver Plus in your local area and is looking for new participants.

To be eligible you must:

- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- are at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and
- have a child at school, or study yourself.

To find out more contact Karmen Dayal,
Saver Plus Worker at the Brotherhood of St Laurence
5941 9155 / 0459 190 144 or
kdaval@bsl.org.au

Saver Plus is a matched savings and financial education program, developed by Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, with ANZ providing matched savings for participants.
PLAY SOFTBALL THIS SUMMER

NARRE WARREN SOFTBALL CLUB INVITE YOU TO PLAY SOFTBALL THIS SUMMER

SWEENEY RESERVE BERWICK (MELWAYS Map 110 J 10)

REGISTRATION / COME AND TRY DAYS will be held on
SATURDAY 16th August 10am to 12 noon
SATURDAY 30th August 12noon to 2pm
SATURDAY 13th September 10am to 2pm

ALL AGES WELCOME, JUNIOR AND SENIOR COMPETITIONS FOR MALES AND FEMALES

OUR SEASON STARTS ON SAT 4th OCT

FOR ENQUIRIES, VISIT WWW.NARREWARREN.SOFTBALL.ORG.AU OR PHONE DEBBIE 0414 305 838 or EMAIL: narrewarren softballclub@gmail.com or debcoonan@optusnet.com.au

COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR THE LOST DOGS HOME!!!

DO YOU HAVE ANY OLD TOWELS, BLANKETS, OLD DOG BEDS, DOONAS, PILLOWS ETC?

The nights and days are cold and long for our poor lost and unwanted four legged friends! Any warmth and kindness would be greatly appreciated!

IF YOU HAVE ANY DONATIONS PLEASE CONTACT MS ANNA GREENSTREET O’DONOGHUE STUDENT LEARNING LEADER ON 8768 1089 TO ARRANGE A PICK UP FROM THE SCHOOL