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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

"...Our staff are continually striving to ensure that all our students have the opportunity to participate in extra-curricular activities which help cultivate skills, competencies, attitudes and character."

I would like to commend our school community for our strong finish of Semester 1. We were thrilled to receive the news that our Dance Academy students will represent Berwick College at the Nationals in Queensland and our Basketball Academy students have qualified for the State Championships. Congratulations to the coaches, staff, parents and students - we are very proud of your efforts. Over the past few weeks, our Year 9 to 12 students have undertaken assessments from Maths exams in class to 283 students undertaking the General Achievement Test (GAT) on 7th June. I have been very pleased with our student’s approach to the exams and student reports will be available online through the parent portal today. Select students were tested by The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) in Digital Technologies, Science, Writing and Spelling. The Digital Technologies Results arrived this week with 3 Distinctions, 11 Merit and 23 Credits being awarded to Year 7-9 participants.

Our staff are continually striving to ensure that all our students have the opportunity to participate in extra-curricular activities which help cultivate skills, competencies, attitudes and character that will enable them to become well rounded citizens. Our 22 students and 3 staff who participated in the Central Australia Camp returned and reported on their wonderful learning experiences over the past week. Fifty students from the Dunlop Learning Team organised activities for Dunlop Day which raised nearly $500 for the Mates4Mates organisation. This week, students from Frost Learning Team rode bikes to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation and Brain Cancer Research. Students were encouraged by both a current and past student who shared their journey in being treated for blood cancer disorders. The Year 12 formal was held on Thursday 9th June at the Cardinia Cultural Centre. It was a celebration of work completed in Semester 1 with certificates presented to 35 top students in each subject area.

Our 2017 student numbers are looking very strong, a testament to the positive relationships we have in our local community, the connection with our feeder schools and the hard work of staff in providing Grade 5 and 6 students a positive introduction to secondary school in the Kick Start Program. The College welcomed 175 students over three days from Berwick Lodge Primary, Beaconsfield and Upper Beaconsfield Primary. The 25 parents who happened to be on a school tour during one of these days were very impressed with the engagement and excitement of the primary students in the Science classroom.

We had the youngest presenter in the College history to present to College Council on Tuesday 21st June. Isabella Nicholls (pictured), a Grade 6 student at Berwick Primary presented her project ‘Free Range Eggs VS Caged Eggs’ which included website design as an introduction to looking ahead at how ICT will be taught in the future. Digital Technologies is a new curriculum starting next year. The course content will focus on computational thinking, coding and problem solving when creating digital solutions.

On Friday 17th June, the Federal Minister for Education, Senator Simon Birmingham and local Federal Liberal Member for La Trobe, Jason Wood MP visited our College (pictured) to hear about our Health and Wellbeing Centre. I again stressed the importance of this centre to the school, our students, staff and families and to the community in the City of Casey.

We congratulate Mrs Alison Birkett in being appointed Acting Assistant Principal and we wish our staff and students a safe and well-deserved rest.

Ms Kerri Bolch—Principal
As Term 2 draws to a close, a well earned rest for all students and staff is well deserved. So how about grabbing some books to read over the holidays on those cold, wet days. We have new books on the shelves which includes a new series called Vampire Academy.

The Library Ladies wish everyone a safe, relaxing holiday and look forward to seeing you in Term 3.

Booklover Problem:
Never realizing how many books you have until you have to move them!

The Library Ladies
On Saturday 11th of June, 23 students and from O’Donoghue, Flynn, Dunlop, Kenny, Hollows and Frost and three teachers, Miss Lewis, Mr Nettleingham and Miss Greenstreet embarked on a community service trip to Watarrka, Central Australia.

Leaving very early in the morning, we had some very excited students heading up north full of curiosity, wondering what the next week would have in store for them. Many of the students had only met each other once or twice and came from a range of year levels across the College.

When we arrived in Alice Springs, we were picked up by Reg, our tour guide and put on ‘Alvin’ the purple tour bus, that we would grow to love and respect throughout our trip.

Our first stop was at the reptile centre in Alice Springs where students met many animals familiar in the outback such as bearded dragons, goannas, spiders and snakes. We were also given instructions on what to do if we come across a snake, and how to use appropriate first aid. We then went across the road to the Flying Doctors Museum, where we watched a hologram about the work of the Royal Flying Doctors around Australia.

After some lunch put together by Reg and Justin (our other tour guide and cook for the week) we headed out to the Earth Sanctuary, which was where we were staying for the next two nights. The first night was bitterly cold, however we spent some time together as a group around the fire playing ‘getting to know you’ games, and playing an impromptu soccer game. Our dinners and lunches were amazing throughout the tour, with Justin cooking up big pots of roast, Chicken Schnitzels, sausages, pies, as well as lots of veggies and salads every night.

The next day, we were up very early at 6:00am to begin our trek to the West McDonnell ranges. After much walking we went to Ormiston Gorge for a swim, which was a refreshing two degrees!! We then went to Glen Helen Gorge and Finke River. At Glen Helen Gorge we also saw original paintings from Aboriginal artist Albert Namitjira, which were amazing.

Late that afternoon we did a tour of the Earth Sanctuary. The tour guide Dan showed us his amazing eco houses and how he and his family are trying to live sustainably. It was very inspiring to see how they live and the changes we can make in our own lives to look after our planet. After dinner we did an astronomy presentation, where we were shown constellations, how to find north, and also saw the craters on the moon through a telescope and also the rings of Saturn, which was just amazing!! It was a definite highlight of the trip!!

The next morning we were up early again to start the 450km trip in Alvin the bus out to the Lilla Community. We had two new travellers with us, dogs Jake and Madiwa, who belonged to our tour guide Reg. Jake was still recovering from a bite from a brown snake 5 weeks before which nearly killed him, so we helped Reg look after him for the rest of the tour and made sure he was comfortable at all times. After stopping for a quick lunch, we arrived at Lilla and were ‘smoked in’ by the aboriginal elders and the traditional landowners of the Watarrka region. This was a very humbling and powerful experience. Lilla has very little running water, no phone reception and no flushing toilets...we really were in the middle of the outback!! We then had a tour of the camp and community site, and also went with Louis, one of the elders, to the sacred watering hole, and sacred sites of Watarrka, where we saw paintings that were thousands of years old in the caves and rock faces. After an early night, we then got stuck into the community service project the next morning, where we had groups of students weeding and creating vegetable gardens, collecting fire wood for the community, levelling out an area for a shipping container delivery, creating a path and weeding the school vegetable garden as well as weeding buffel grass, an introduced grass by cattle farmers which is destroying native plants in the area. We really worked our fingers to the bone, and after four or so hours on the back of a shovel, or lifting and picking out firewood, it was looking great!!
That afternoon we drove out to Kings Canyon and walk 6.5km up the side and around the top. The views were breathtaking. Our tour guide/cook Justin was very informative, telling us all about the formation of the canyon and the wildlife and plants that live there. It was an amazing hike, all the students felt it was well worth it the very steep climb to get up to the top!!! The next day we did more community service, and started building the bike track for the container of mountain bikes, which were being donated to the school for the students to ride. Then we did some traditional dot painting with Vera, one of the aboriginals who lives at Lilla. It was nice to sit and rest out of the heat! That afternoon we spent time with the Aboriginal school students at the Watarrka School, toured the school building, which was tiny! We also played games with the students including poison ball and cricket. Later on we split the group in two with some students going to another remote water hole, led by Louis and Buster the Camp dog, while the other group drove to the resort with Reg to have a much needed shower. That night the students were treated to kangaroo tail on the open fire, cooked by Louis, and some damper as well. Those brave enough to eat the roo tail enjoyed it thoroughly, although the teachers couldn’t get past the cartilage that was exposed when it was all cut up!!

We were up early again the next morning, and ‘walked off land’ which was very moving and powerful. You could have heard a pin drop! The students were just taking in all the sounds and smells, further cementing their connection with this amazing place. Soon we were off in Alvin for the big drive to Uluru and Kata Tjuta, two amazing, spiritual and overwhelming places that students found very humbling and peaceful. We loved listening to the aboriginal stories Justin told us about on our tour of the rock.

On our last night in Uluru, we sat around the fire one last time for a chat about our experience and what we have learned from it. All the students were inspired by the work of Justin and Reg, and also wanted to come back in the future to help out some more. Students told of their appreciation of their parents, and how they will never take for granted the flushing toilets at home and running hot water they were so used to. The students really felt a deep connection to the land and each other, and it was great to hear how some students who didn’t think they could handle the zero phone reception, being so far away from home, the long walks and early mornings had actually survived okay and were very proud of how far they had come and how much they had changed.

The students were also very grateful with their new friendships, with everyone saying how wonderful they all were looking out for each other while we were away. It was quite a powerful and emotional discussion with the students, and one I am sure none of us will ever forget. It was a camp that bonded us all, created lifelong friendships and really opened our eyes as to what we can do to help others who are less fortunate and how incredibly lucky we all are.

Yummo!!

Ms Anna Greenstreet
Recently, the year 10 Law and Order classes attended an excursion to the Dandenong Magistrates Court. The students have been focusing on criminal and civil law recently, and getting to see the cases in real life certainly was exciting. Cases including drink driving, shoplifting, assault, domestic violence and drug possession were just some of the areas of the law that students were exposed to. Better understanding our community and the issues that effect people, is one of the many benefits of going to the courts. The students had a fantastic day out, and learnt a lot about the law.

Ms Jocelyn Spinks

Getting out and about is one of the many benefits of studying Geography! Friday afternoon saw our year 7 HAP students hit the streets of Berwick to assess the liveability of our community. iPads in tow, the students collected data on the environmental factors, housing features, community facilities, recreational opportunities and low level crime that is present in Berwick. Focusing on what makes a community liveable, the students were able to get out of the classroom and put their skills and knowledge to use.

The opportunity to see their learning applied in ‘real life’ was something the students thoroughly enjoyed, plus a lovely walk on a sunny day is always a winner! Ms Jocelyn Spinks & Ms Linda Bourke

Does your child need some extra help in Maths?

On Wednesday after school there is help available for students to work on maths problems and complete homework.

Maths staff will be available in A13 for students from Year 7 to 10 and students in VCE will be in A12.

VCE students have an opportunity to get help on Monday after school as well.

The help session will be conducted from 3:15 to 4:15 but there is no minimum time requirement for attendance, come for as little or as long as you like.
On behalf of the College could I take the opportunity to thank those of you that recently took part in the online Parent Opinion Survey. The feedback that we receive from the survey allows us to look at perceptions around a number of areas including Transition, Student Wellbeing, and Teaching and Learning.

This information is then used by different focus groups in the College to support the development of our students in order to maximise their potential and ensure consistency of our processes.

Yours Sincerely

Mr James Doble
Assistant Principal

The VCE Dance students have had a very busy Term 2. On Tuesday 24th of May the students performed their learnt group performance, self-choreographed technique solos and choreographed group piece in front of their parents, teachers and friends at the VCE Dance Assessment night. The students are now using the feedback received on their performances to further refine their work for their performance examination in early October.

The students then went on to perform their choreography, including additional work they had created outside of class at the Berwick Choreographic Competition. Congratulations to the girls who won 1st prize for their group piece “To This Day”, Morgan Downs and Delaney Mc Gill who received 2nd place for their Contemporary Duo, and Delaney McGill who entered and placed in several of the other individual categories throughout the day.

We would also like to congratulate our very own Year 11 student Molly Mc Millan who did an outstanding performance in Indefinite Dance Company’s performance of “Echoes Of The Mind” in North Melbourne last weekend. It was a pleasure to attend!

Ms Ashleigh Manning—VCE Dance Teacher
BERWICK COLLEGE DANCE ACADEMY

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BCDA ARE OFF TO NATIONALS!!

The Year 7, 8 and 9 Dance Academy competed at the State Dance Star Competition at Yarra Valley Grammar and achieved some fantastic results. The Year 7 Contemporary Troupe “Ghost Sky” came 1st place and the Year 8 Contemporary Troupe “The Moment I Said It” placed 3rd in the same section with only .4 of a margin separating the competitors!

Both teams are off to represent Berwick College at Nationals in Queensland on August 6th!

The Year 9 Jazz Troupe “Matrix” will also be joining the contemporary dancers at Nationals, placing 2nd in their section!

The Year 7 Jazz Troupe received 3rd place in their section, and whilst Year 8 Jazz Troupe did an exceptional job, they both unfortunately did not receive an invitation to nationals.

A HUGE congratulations to all BCDA students, you have worked so hard and no matter what the outcome, you should be so proud of what you have achieved. You all performed and behaved with such maturity and professionalism, something which we as an Academy are incredibly proud of!

Ms Melissa Quenette
Director of Dance

GRADE 6 KICK START PROGRAM A SUCCESS

From June 1 to June 3, 175 Primary School students from some of our closest feeder Primary Schools (Beaconsfield Primary School, Beaconsfield Upper Primary School and Berwick Lodge Primary School) were involved in our Kick Start Program. The Kick Start Program sees Berwick College invite students from our main feeder Primary Schools to attend fun classes at our College based on a range of different teaching areas.

This allows them to engage with the College in a positive way, break down any barriers and misconceptions about secondary school, meet some of our teachers, learn about our facilities and try something new that they can't necessarily learn in Primary School.

Some parents on school tours were lucky enough to see this program in action and positive engage with our transition program during their visit.

This year we had students complete a cycling lesson, produce photography in our darkroom, play fun sports, learn to dance, cook in our kitchens, launch rockets in a Science lab and create putty.

The feedback on the visits from the Primary Schools have been fantastic and none of this would be possible without the following people: Ms Quenette, Mr McCall, Ms Arney, Mr Garton and his VET class, Ms Hann, Mrs Edwards and Mr Nettleingham.

We look forward to Grade 5 Kick Start in November!

Mrs Lauren Manolitsa—Junior School Leader
On Thursday the 9th of June it was Dunlop Day, the Student Leadership Team worked very hard in preparation for this day to create a range of activities, which gave every student the opportunity to participate. Some of the leaders ran a round robin of Dodgy Dodge Ball games down in the stadium, whereby Hollows and Chisholm quickly took out their competition. We also planned a successful ‘Where’s Weary’ scavenger hunt around the school, and a visual ‘Find A Weary’ activity in HG.

Congratulations to KENNY who took out first place and DUNLOP who took out second. Later that day we held a BBQ and doughnut sale for Mates 4 Mates (our charity organisation that supports current and ex-servings Australian Defence Force member and their families who have physical or psychological wounds, injuries or illnesses as a result of their service). This was a very successful fundraiser as we raised approximately $400 for Mates 4 Mates.

Dunlop celebrations are continuing over the coming months with an upcoming excursion for the Student Leadership Team to the 1000 steps. We are all looking forward to experiencing something that would usually be outside of our comfort zones, giving us cause to reflect upon those who have served in the Defence Force and made many sacrifices for the betterment of our nation. The students of Dunlop leadership have also been invited to a ceremony in Melbourne to commemorate Sir Weary Dunlop’s legacy, we are all looking forwarded to this insightful and memorable experience.

On behalf of the other captains, I would also like to thank ALL the following students who helped out on Dunlop day.

Angus Herriot
Zach Stewart
Danielle Mosterd (Captain)
Eden Turner (Captain)
Mor Flenner
Shannon Boggie
Surharya Bandara
Ashleigh Cooper
Bella Rose
Leisha Allen
Carly Montgomery
Maddy Nelke
Jessie Wallace
Taya Annand
Imanya Kodituwakku
Brooke Elmer
Grayson Dauphin
Sarah Powh
Mae Ovenden Rose
Panchali Liyanage

This year we are proud of the number of students who have actively participated in Dunlop initiatives, making the student leadership team the biggest and greatest yet! Dunlop Day was a great day filled with laughter and success. I can’t wait to see what Dunlop has in store next!

Sabrina McNulty
Dunlop Student Leader/Captain

Monash News

Congratulations to Gabriel Reedy – Bartlett on his selection to represent Victoria in the Under 14 NRL team.

He will be competing in the Country Rugby League Championships to be held in Wagga Wagga in June.

We are very proud of your outstanding achievement Gab and wish you the best of luck!

Ms Donna Marcus
In the coming week, Monday 20th of June to Friday 24th of June, Frost Learning Team is having a massive fundraiser for the Leukaemia Foundation, “Le Cure To Berwick”. This is the third year in a row that the Frost Learning Team have done this fundraiser week. Mr Scott Antony and Ms Deana Mihalos the Frost Learning Team Leaders, have done a wonderful job in organising this event and collectively, the students and teachers in our team and the rest of the school have raised over $7000 for the Leukaemia foundation (the last two years), which goes to helping find a cure, as well as supporting families and people diagnosed with Leukaemia. This year our goal is to break the $10,000 mark over three years and have more than 150 Frost kids participate in the riding and fundraising.

During Frost week, students and teachers, will be riding bikes set up on wind trainers for 30 minutes blocks. The bikes will have odometers attached to them and the kilometers ridden will be added up and measured to complete riding around the perimeter of Australia. With the combined efforts over the past two fundraising years, the students and teachers of Frost have ridden the equivalent distance from Melbourne to just past Perth.

The Leukaemia Foundation and Berwick College have been working closely together for a number of years with having a few students, past and present, having gone through treatment for Leukaemia and battling it whilst being at school.

Last week a learning team assembly was organised on Thursday 16th of June and we had two speakers come and speak to us. Past student and school captain (2011) Kristy Allen, and current student from Chisholm Learning Team, Milli Polan, spoke about their treatment for Leukaemia and what they had to go through, and what they are going through now. Their speeches were very moving and brought a tear to many of the students and teachers.

This week is very important to me on a personal level, having known and lost a dear friend to blood cancer, and watching other close family and friends battle various other forms of cancer. Because this cause is so close to me, I have elected to ride for the whole Monday, raising as much money as I can for this amazing cause. I have also put my name down to ride for another 30 minute block of the Thursday of Frost week. I will be joined by over 150 other Frost students who will all be doing their part in supporting and raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Renee Welch, Frost Learning Team, Year 11 Student.
Mrs. Michelle Lewis and I have just returned from Central Australia, along with Ms. Anna Greenstreet and 23 students from Years 7 to 11. Five students from Flynn were lucky enough to be part of this camp. They are Piper Van Hout, Lachie Hayes, Declan Scott, Mitchell Fearn and Makayla Charles. Our students were able to experience the beauty of outback Australia as well as contribute to the indigenous community of Lilla. It was a fantastic experience that I am sure the students will remember for the rest of their lives.

Well done to Year 8 Flynn students who sang “Ngara Burra Ferra”, an indigenous song, during reconciliation activities held at the school a couple of weeks ago.

By the time this newsletter is published, parents should be able to access their son/daughters end of semester reports through the parent portal. It is important that all students read their reports and take note of their teacher’s comments. Parents are encouraged to discuss their child’s report with them and highlight areas where improvements could be made for next semester. Students will have the opportunity to reflect on their reports in home group early next term.

We wish all Flynn students a restful midyear break.

Mr Adam Nettleingham and Mrs. Michelle Lewis
Kenny student Khya Kerr Excels at Casey Operation Newstart

Operation Newstart has grown from the ground up. Newstart was developed by teachers and police who came in contact with students disengaged from education on a daily basis. They recognised together they all do better. Operation Newstart is a partnership between the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development and Victoria Police. Newstart is passionately supported by community organisations, health professionals, other emergency services, further education providers, local businesses and industry, parents and sponsors who see Operation Newstart works!!!!

Eight students spend a school term with a Police and Teacher Facilitator. Together they provide a multi-layered intervention of activities that creatively engage and challenge each student in a process of change. They include adventure based activities, involving problem-solving and team-building, music therapy, TAFE taster vocational orientation visits and working in sessions with parents/carers and students to rebuild relationships. The students develop a wide range of skills, building self-esteem and respect.

Taken from the Operation Newstart web site

Ms Jenny Hart—Kenny Student Learning Leader

At the Newstart graduation I was presented with the most improved award...which I should mention. As I progressed through the program, without thinking about it, I learned to be more respectful to other people in the group. When I started the program it was a bit annoying because I was pretty selfish...like the whole world revolved around me...and I was constantly upset with the world. I think I hardened up a bit, learned I was not the only person with issues and that I actually felt good when I helped others. My last 2 weeks on the program were brilliant. I helped teammates on the hike and felt brave about the solo camp experience and abseiling. Caving was fantastic and my behaviour was generally calm and I did the right thing. I seemed to improve at school and I have accepted help from Headspace. I am working on relationships at home.

I highly recommend this program to anyone that is having struggles with life at the moment, there are so many things you can change, in ways that the program can help. The program and the people helped me so much and hopefully they are willing to help everyone that needs it. By the end of the program I achieved so many things and I am happy that I did because without the program I wouldn't be much different to the guy I was before.

Khya Kerr Year 10
OPEN DAYS – MELBOURNE UNIVERSITIES AND TAFE PROVIDERS - 2016
A number of institutions are holding their Open Days for 2016 as listed on our website. If you are a Year 12 student (or a Year 11/10 student) who has identified a course you might be interested in, then it would be a good idea to attend an Open Day to gain an insight into the Institution, its location, course information and specific entry requirements into your selected course, including alternative pathways.

YEAR 12 CAREERS APPOINTMENTS
If you are a Year 12 student and have not made a Careers appointment yet, please contact Mrs. Crawley in the Careers office.

YEARS 9 TO 12 STUDENTS
La Trobe University offers the Aspire Early Admissions Program for Year 12 students applying for La Trobe degrees (applications opened on 1 June and close on 31 August at www.latrobe.edu.au/aspire).

The Aspire Generation is about celebrating volunteers and leaders, and recognising their commitment and positive impact. As a member of the Aspire Generation, you will be rewarded with access to a series of service and leadership opportunities, with the added benefit of unlocking your early Aspire offer to study with La Trobe. La Trobe also offer Aspire Generation members the opportunity to participate in leadership coaching with some of Australia’s largest corporations.

Are you eligible?
If you are a high school student currently in year 10, 11 or 12 and have a passion for giving back, you are eligible to be part of the Aspire Generation. If you are a year 12 student interested in applying to study with La Trobe through the Aspire Early Admissions Program, check your eligibility.

Please see Mrs. Crawley in the Careers office for further information.

MONASH UNIVERSITY YEAR 10 INDEPENDENCE DAY
Monash University Year 10 Independence Day. This day is designed for Year 10 students who would like to find out about courses, prerequisite subjects, meet Monash staff, explore the campus, get advice on management of Year 11 and 12, and attend workshops. When: Thursday 20th June, 2016, Time: 10am-2.30pm, (lunch included), Where: Robert Blackwood Hall, 49 Scenic Boulevard, Clayton. For further information or to make a booking visit the website at - www.monash.edu/year10-day

CHISHOLM INSTITUTE – OPEN DAY – AUGUST, 2016
Chisholm Institute is holding an Open Day on the 20th August from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. The Open Day is held at the Dandenong campus only, although there are seven locations other than Dandenong where you can study. Chisholm’s Open Day is a chance to meet teachers, fellow students and see live demonstrations. Register your interest on their web page form via the link below.

APPRENTICESHIPS
Are you interested in pursuing a career in a Trade such as Plumbing, Carpentry, Electrotechnology or Hairdressing? If so, visit the Australian Apprenticeship Government website to find out what an Apprenticeship is and how to obtain one. Use the link below for further information.
THE WOW FACTOR IN TEXTILES

Students in year 9 and 10 Textiles classes have enjoyed creating garments that they have proudly shown off in the photos you see here. The year 10 class, ‘Winter Fashion’, have made warm and cosy onesies learning many new skills. Some of the complex processes included insertion of a zip, applique, attaching pockets, sewing seams using the sewing machine and overlocker to name a few.

The year 9 Textiles class, ‘Glamorous Gowns’ have made a bath robe commencing with plain white satin fabric. They have used transfer printing techniques to create their own individual patterns on their fabric to great effect.

They have also learnt construction techniques and have developed their skills in hand sewing and the use of the sewing machine and overlocker.

It’s been fun, well done girls!

Ms Jenny Hart

THE ARTS DOMAIN—ART MATTERS

Murray Pearce

Murray has been an exceptional student this semester in Visual Communication and Design and strives to achieve his best. He is very talented with manual drawing and in particular a unique cartoon style. Murray has been given the opportunity to decorate the room in the D12 pod, with a range of characters that he designed and developed through teacher consultation. He is a very passionate student and has a very bright future ahead of him in the Arts Industry. Congratulations on a great piece Murray and we welcome viewers at either recess or lunch to come and have a look at the work of art.

Connor Doble

Earlier this semester the Year 11 VCD students were privileged to have Connor Doble (double recipient of Top Design) come and run a small workshop in Copic Marker Rendering. Students were exposed to the material and trained in how to use them effectively. This technique has now been applied to a range of design briefs completed this year. Connor is currently studying Industrial Design at Monash University and was able to inspire many of the students to strive for success and aim for Top Designs next year. He discussed what is required in terms of a folio, as well as technical abilities and how they can best prepare themselves for a successful Year 12 program in VCD.

Ms Campos

VCD Teacher
Victorian State Schools Spectacular – Get your tickets!

We are proud and excited to have some of our students participating in the 2016 Victorian State Schools Spectacular: The Elements.

This year’s Spectacular will be held at Hisense Arena on Saturday 10 September, with two shows at 1pm and 6:30pm. The three-hour Spectacular will be filmed for broadcast by Channel 7.

For a fun, family entertainment experience, and to cheer on our students from the audience, be quick to secure discounted tickets.

Talented young skaters, musicians, dancers and singers will feature on stage, while many other students will work behind the scenes, gaining unique, on-the-job, professional experience.

This program, run by the Department of Education and Training, helps to develop each student’s performance skills, discipline, perseverance, cooperation and confidence under the training of industry professionals.

Buy 10 tickets and get one adult ticket free (for group bookings please call 1300 364 001)

General Admission tickets – available from 9am on Tuesday 14 June

Adult – $40
Concession – $30
Child Under 15 – $20

Buy 10 tickets and get one adult ticket free (for group bookings please call 1300 364 001)

To purchase tickets, visit www.ticketek.com.au or phone Ticketek on 132 849.

For more information about the event and program, go to the Spectacular Facebook and website page:

https://www.facebook.com/performingartsunit


31st August to 2nd September

Coming Next Term!
CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

Congratulations to the following Berwick College students who qualified for the Southern Metro Regional Cross Country Championships at Ballam Park, Frankston on June 23rd.

17/20 Boys  
Kusal Hengodage  
Louis Hadfield  
16 Boys  
Jacob Brady  
Jake Mitreski  
16 Girls  
Lilli Anderson  
Tamsyn Pentland  
15 Boys  
Will Stirling  
Mitchell Walker  
Dylan Clutterbuck  
Jayden Defilippis  
Joshua McCormick  
15 Girls  
Bec Henderson  
Pheobe Wallen  
Abbey Johnson  
Tegan Langeveld  
Christie Lane  
Tara Kaur  
14 Boys  
Lachlan Chisholm  
Vaughan Westwood  
14 Girls  
Millicent Utber  
Chantelle Dale  
Tarah Page  
Brodi Chattington  
Shaylah Westwood  
Chloe Preston  
Tori Taia  
12/13 Boys  
Lachlan Auhl  
Jesse Justice  
Aaron Davidson  
Alex Lowden  
12/13 Girls  
Jamie Lee Code  
Stacey Langeveld  
Mikayla Cipriani  
Jasmine Colbert  
Taleah Read  
Panchali Liyanage

A special mention to the following students who competed at the All Schools Championships on Saturday the 18th June. Lachlan Auhl who finished 7th, Jamiee-Lee Code who finished 8th, and Bec Henderson who finished 27th in their respective age groups. Well done guys!

Mr Pete McCall

CONGRATULATIONS REBECCA HENDERSON

Rebecca headed up to Hervey Bay on Monday 18th April with the School Sport Victoria Triathlon Team after being selected to represent Victoria in the School Sport Australia Triathlon Championships in the Intermediate Girls Division.

As part of the trip, the athletes went on an excursion to Fraser Island and took part in a World Record Mass Open Water Swim Start with all of the other State’s athletes and also did some sightseeing. Wednesday was down to business with the Individual races taking place. Bec’s race comprised of a 750m Swim, 16km Bike and 4km Run.

Bec started well and came out of the water in 1st place, however she found it tough to keep up with the more experienced triathletes from Queensland and WA on the bike and dropped back. She was able to pick up some places on the run and ended up finishing 13th overall and was also the 1st Victorian.

On Thursday it was another early start with the Relays starting at 7am. Bec raced the 1st leg for the Victorian Intermediate A Team along with another girl and 2 Boys. Their team ended up finishing in 3rd position (an amazing effort by a Victorian team as we are usually overshadowed by the Northern and Western States).

Unfortunately for Rebecca their team was later disqualified for a minor infraction of putting their gear in the wrong spot in transition. This was very disappointing but the team put it behind them and will learn from this error for next time.

All in all it was a great experience for Rebecca who only took up Triathlon last May and was thrilled to be selected in the Victorian team after placing well in a series of Selection Races over summer. She is looking forward to working on her bike skills and hopefully representing Victoria in the Intermediate age group again next year.
ADVANCE SURF RESCUE

The Advance Surf Rescue class have been working tirelessly on their First Aid knowledge since the start of the year and last week we had Stitches First Aid Education come out and assess the class.

Students had completed a range of theory work and had plenty of practical experience with their First Aid prior to this in the classroom.

All students passed their exam with flying colours and now have a nationally recognised certificate that will last for the next 3 years.

Big congratulations to all students involved!

Miss McCarthy

COLLEGE CAPTAIN REPORT

On the 9th of June, the year 12 students had the pleasure of attending the Berwick College Year 12 Formal, held at the Cardinia Cultural Centre. The girls were able to dress up in elegant dresses, whilst the boys suited up to strut their stuff. Academic and outstanding application awards were given to those students who achieved outstanding grades, and worked tirelessly to maintain grades, and achieve outstanding grades in particular subjects.

- Other novelty awards were also given;
- Best Dressed male- Bobby Richardson
- Best Dressed Female- Alysha Cowell
- Best Dancer- Josh Angwenyi
- Formal Queen- Jessica Egan
- Formal King- Callum Tomlin

Congratulations to all the award winners.

A special thanks to Mr Sacco and Mrs McGill for all their time and effort spent on organising an amazing evening.
Foundation VCAL students started this semester researching healthy food and exercise. To meet learning outcomes students had to complete an exercise and food journal. This journal was used to encourage students to exercise 3 times a week and make better choices regarding the food that they consume. As part of this unit students studied nutrition and prepared a meal in a practical cooking class. Students also predicted the cost and had to purchase the food. Some of the meals are pictured here.

To complete the semester and as part of Reconciliation week students have been listening to stories and researching indigenous art. Students painted a tree and were given wooden leaves that were cut from the Laser Cutting machine in Wood Technology. Students designed their own artwork and had to transfer this to their leaf. The Foundation VCAL tree will be used to display students artwork as well as for students to write down what they are grateful for.

400 DAYS DOWN, 154 DAYS TO GO, AND COUNTING!!

World Challenge Team 1 have had a very eventful last couple of months as their Vietnam and Cambodia Expedition closely approaches. We have done handfuls of fundraisers including: athletics day, VCE dance night, the choreographic competition and will be fundraising at the upcoming election! The team, along with their leaders, has been working hard in order to continue to raise money for their community project and an overall better experience overseas. So far, Team 1 has raised a whopping $5150.00, and we’re still going!!

On the 29th of May, Miss Manning and our newest recruited Leader, Paul Roberts, went up to Melbourne to dine at an authentic Vietnamese restaurant, ‘Mama’s Buoi’. Little did we know that our leaders had a challenge in store for us, to navigate our way there! Once we arrived we tried many different traditional Vietnamese foods, it was a great experience for the team to bond even further!

The link below is for our team blog that we have made. There are updates on new fundraisers, and news on how our team is going! We will be using this Blog whilst overseas to update everyone on our adventure!

Check it out!

http://vietnamandcambodiablrl.tumblr.com

Don’t forget to come to Berwick College to vote on election day, and buy a sausage and a drink!
Charlotte Ford – Year 11
EVENTS IN THE CITY OF CASEY

Winter Treats
Saturday 2 July 2016, 11:30 am - 4:30 pm

Satisfy your winter cravings with Winter Treats at Wilson Botanic Park Berwick
Tastings Entertainment Workshops Activities

TICKETS: Visit trybooking.com.au/LKDB or drop in to the Visitors Centre at Wilson Botanic Park Berwick

Who’s in Charge?

Does your child hurt, intimidate or abuse you? Do you feel you are losing control? Want to better handle conflict?

"Dear Daddy — How are you? Your mother and I are fine. We both miss you and hope you are doing well. We look forward to seeing you again this month, please don’t move your computer without warning and you room does not look good. Love, Mum and Dad.”

The Who’s in Charge? group is a 7-week program for parents or carers of young people (8 to 18) who are beyond control, violent or defiant.

The group aims to:

- Provide a supportive environment to share experiences and ideas
- Reduce the guilt and shame which most parents feel
- Offer ideas to help you develop individual strategies for managing your child’s behaviour
- Explore ways of increasing safety and wellbeing
- Help you feel more in control and less stressed

Starting — Tuesday 26 July 2016 @ 7 pm - 9:30 pm
Finishing — Tuesday 6th September 2016 (longer session)

At Connections Narre Warren
55 Webb Street, Narre Warren 3805 (John Garrett Room)
Enquiries & Enrolment (essential)
Contact the Group Workers at Cranbourne on 69508400
Gold Coin Donation
Further info on violence to parents: www.adilagalahor.id.au
connections.org.au

Mid Year Courses Starting Term 3

Are you looking to advance your career or begin a rewarding new career working with children or the aged? There are jobs that can give you that great work/home life balance. Enrolments are now open.

Certificate IV in Education Support CHC40213
When: Wednesdays (6 Months) Commencing 13th July 2016
Time: 9:30 am—2:30 pm

Certificate III in Individual Support CHC33015
Certificate IV in Ageing Support CHC40315
When: Tuesday & Friday (9 Months) Commencing 12th July 2016
When: Tuesday & Thursday (12 Months) Commencing 12th July 2016
Time: 9:30 am—2:30 pm
Time: 9:15 am—1:15 pm

Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care CHC50113
When: Tuesday & Thursday (12 Months) Commencing 12th July 2016
Time: 9:30 am—2:30 pm

Certificate IV in Training and Assessment TAE40110
When: Mondays (6 Months) Commencing 11th July 2016
Time: 5:15 pm—6:15 pm

Conducted by Mernda Park Learning and Community Centre RTO 3062

Location: Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre
10-12 Salisbury Road Beaconsfield Upper Vic 3808
Contact: Cathy Fischer
(03) 5944 3484 cathy@ubcc.org.au

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German Exchange Students and Host Families

A number of German Exchange Students, both girls and boys aged 15-18, hope to be coming here this July for 3, 5 or 10 months. If you and your family feel you would like to host a German student during their stay here or even part of it, can afford an extra person at meal times and have a spare bed, please contact Klaus Schumann, their coordinator, on 03 97584279 or by email to let me know of your interest. There is no payment involved.

There are other nationalities also available if you would prefer. Hope to hear from you.

Yours sincerely,
Klaus Schumann
SCCE Community Coordinator
klaus.schumann@hotmail.com
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE 2016
SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
With artist and educator Ali Anderson
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL Phone 5975 4295 or visit www.mprg.mornpen.vic.gov.au
Chic Reserve, Dunns Rd, Morninngton

Tuesday 28 June
SCENIC SENSATIONS
10am-12pm, Ages 5-8, Adult supervision required.
Get crafty with cardboard and productive with plasticine to construct and decorate a playground celebrating the things and places you love!
1pm-3pm, Ages 9-12, Adults welcome but not required.
Create a crazy cardboard construction celebrating your favourite place!

Wednesday 29 June
VCE FOLIO CONSOLIDATION WORKSHOPS
10am-12pm, Studio Art
Further develop your Potential Directions in new and interesting ways as you respond to the ideas, materials and techniques seen in Country and Western: Landscape Re-imagined.
BYO Visual Diary.
1pm-3pm, Art
Add depth to the resolution of your folio work as you gather and explore fresh ideas from Indigenous and non-Indigenous contemporary Australian artists seen in Country and Western: Landscape Re-imagined.
BYO Visual Diary.

Learn how to make cheese
at the Old Cheese Factory

Ever wanted to know how to make your own cheese and yoghurt?

Then come along to these hands-on workshops and learn how to make delicious Blue cheese, sour cream, Camembert and Mascarpone, hosted by Chesorlanks. Each workshop also gets an opportunity to watch a demonstration on Whey Ricotta or Greek Style yogurt.

"Your friends and family will be astounded when you tell them you made it yourself!"

All participants will have the opportunity to get involved and take samples home.

To register for the workshops please contact the Old Cheese Factory on 9722 1919 or via email on ocf@casey.vic.gov.au. Full payment is required at time of booking to confirm placement.

If the date does not suit and you are interested in future programs, please contact the Old Cheese Factory.

School Holiday Program

Winter School Holidays
Moonlit Sanctuary Junior Ranger Program
Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.
Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment, activities, fun and games for ages 7-14 years.

Winter school holiday dates:
- Week 1: Monday 20th June to Friday 1st July 10am - 4pm
- Week 2: Monday 4th to Friday 8th July 10am - 4pm
Cost: $65.00 per day, w $175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days). Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited
Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

Moonlit Sanctuary
350 Tyabb-Ornadi Rd, Pearcedale
Phone 5978 7935
Open daily between 10am and 5pm

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Old Cheese Factory
34 Homestead Road
Berwick
Phone: 9702 1919
Email: ocf@casey.vic.gov.au
Website: www.casey.vic.gov.au/oldcheesefactory
Starting Term 2, we have a psychologist from ‘Futures in Mind’ Child and Adolescent Psychological Services, offering Individual counselling to any students who are in need of a little extra support in (but not limited to) any of these areas.

These sessions are available to individuals with a referral and Mental Health Care Plan (obtainable from GP). These sessions are **bulkbilled** through Medicare and there is no cost to the family or school. Each student is eligible for up to 10 sessions per calendar year. The student would be available to have regular sessions with the psychologist here at school. If you think your student could benefit from this service please contact Paul Roberts (Student Wellbeing Officer at Berwick College) on ph: 8768 1023 for further information.

**FREE ONLINE PARENTING PROGRAM**—Want to know what you can do to raise a resilient teenager? FREE online parenting program empowering parents to make sense of adolescence and parent their teenager with confidence.

As children become teenagers, it can be hard for parents to know the best way to stay connected with their child. **Partners in Parenting** is a new online parenting program that has been shown to help improve parent-child communication and reduce family conflict. Through interactive online activities, parents can develop skills in emotional intelligence, supporting their teenager through difficulties they face, and maintaining a close relationship with their teen. This program was developed by researchers at Monash University and the University of Melbourne, and is based on Parenting Guidelines that were published in partnership with beyondblue, and have been accessed and found helpful by thousands of parents worldwide.

Researchers are currently evaluating the longer-term benefits of the program by offering parents in Australia the opportunity to try it for free. If you are a parent or guardian of a child aged 12 to 15, you may be eligible to participate. Participation will take a few hours of yours and your child’s time over 12 months. Both you and your child will be reimbursed for your time. Find out more or register at [www.partnersinparenting.net.au](http://www.partnersinparenting.net.au), or contact the researchers at med-partnersinparenting@monash.edu or on (03) 9905 1250.

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**ADOLESCENT SUPPORT**

Have you noticed your Adolescent struggling in any of the following areas:
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- Self Harming behaviour
- Bullying
- Self-esteem
- Social skills
- Emotion coaching / Anger Management
- Grief and Loss
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