

NEWSLETTER ISSUE 2

Friday 6th March 2020

KEY DATES	
Friday 6th March	Professional Learning Day - Student Free Day
Monday 9th March	Labour Day—Public Holiday
Wednesday 11th March	Life Changer Mentor Workshop 3:30pm—6:30pm
Thursday 12th March	Year 7 Immunisation
Friday 13th March—Saturday 14th March	VCAL Students— Casey Relay for Life Fundraiser
Monday 16th March—Friday 20th March	Year 7 Camp 1—Dunlop, O'Donoghue, Hollows and Frost Year 7 Camp 2—Flynn, Chisholm, Kenny and Monash
Tuesday 17th March	Free Dress Day (Gold Coin Donation)—Raising money for the Cancer Council—Sausage Sizzle at lunchtime
Monday 23rd March—Friday 27th March	Year 10 Game of life—Work Experience
Thursday 26th March	Parent Teacher Interview 4:30—8:00pm Leisure Centre
Friday 27th March	Final Day Term 1—Parent Teacher Interviews 9:00am—2:00pm Leisure Centre
Term 2	
Tuesday 14th April	First Day Term 2
Wednesday 22nd April	ANZAC Assembly
Thursday 23rd April	ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Wednesday 29th April	Year 7 2021 Information Evening 6:30pm Stadium

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Monday to Friday: 8:15am - 4:00pm

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



...continuing to build on the positive relationships and partnerships within our school community.

As a school we prioritise student learning, offering a broad and diverse range of curriculum choices and pathways while offering a wide variety of extracurricular activities that help our students to grow. I am proud our College is part of the Casey Relay for Life community event

next week. Thank you to all the staff, parents, students (past and present) who support our VCAL students with their organisation and commitment to raise funds for Cancer Council's research.

The activities our students and staff have undertaken in the past few weeks have been testament to our priorities. The annual Swimming Carnival and Division Swimming, Kayaking and Surf activities, Year 8 Coastal Fieldwork, Chicago Live Performance, Year 9 & VET Dance performance, Indonesian cooking, RSPCA excursion, field trips and the opportunity to be a part of the live studio audience for Q&A all contribute to the growth of our young people.

Today in our Professional Learning Day our staff will be focused on many areas of professional learning, looking to improve our practice to improve student achievement outcomes. We have clear priorities in our College Annual Implementation Plan around improving literacy and numeracy outcomes together with student engagement and staff and student wellbeing. Parents and students have mentioned they are enjoying receiving a green chronicle as part of the ICARE Values being introduced this year. Adolescence is a challenging time to navigate for both teenager and parent. It is wonderful when we work together to support our young people to develop positive mindsets and behaviours, resilience and the skills to face and overcome challenges. These skills will serve them well into the future. Yesterday, Kenny Day was a huge success and the money raised will be used to assist the RSPCA Bushfire Appeal and the CFA Volunteers Bushfire Appeal.



Brad Battin MP visited our school last week for the whole school assembly on Thursday 28th February for the formal induction of our College Captains and recognition of our new Learning Team Captains. We appreciated Taya leading us with an amazing rendition of the National Anthem and Mr Roger Hall, College Council President who attended and assisted in presenting our 2020 leaders with their badge and certificate. Congratulations to O'Donoghue for winning the Swimming Carnival Learning Team Cup and to our Swimming Age Champions and 2019 Year level Dux students who were also acknowledged.

Harriet Shing MP toured our school, met our Architect Daniel from MUSK and the builders of our future Health and Wellbeing Centre. The future Community Health and Wellbeing Centre will provide proactive and preventative wellbeing programs, parent forums and appropriate counselling spaces for students who are disengaged or facing challenging situations, teaching life skills and providing programs aimed at improving self-worth. There will be appropriate space for our College Nurse Tracey to provide medical treatment for 2,250 students a year.



We had 95 people attend for a College tour recently and year 11 students have started practising for the two Presentation Balls which will be held in May with the support of The Rotary Club of Berwick. In a couple of weeks our Year 7s will enjoy a range of activities such as canoeing, raft making, low ropes courses and the Flying Fox while on camp at Phillip Island. I am sure they will have a fabulous time. As we are well into the term, students should be very focussed on their learning, ensuring all work is handed in for assessment as interim reports will be written shortly.

We are looking forward to meeting parents in the upcoming Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews, continuing to build on the positive relationships and partnerships within our school community. **Ms Kerri Bolch**—Principal

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

While we were not blessed with the weather we would hope for, the Berwick College Swimming Carnival was still a huge success. A large number of students dressed in their house colours, and the year 12 students with their best costumes, to support and participate in the individual and novelty swimming events ran on the day. Despite minor setbacks with the rain, thunder and lightning, all individual events were swam on the day and a number of students achieved some excellent results.

Congratulations to the following students on achieving the overall individual age group champion title:

12/13 YRS – Filip Trpenoski and Mackenzie Auhl

14 YRS – Brodie King and Samantha Sellers

15 YRS – Callum Ryan and Phoebe Gorozidis

16 YRS – Joshua Mitreski and Amber Henderson

17 YRS – Mason Imhoff, Ellyana Batty and Mor Flenner

Finally, a big congratulations to the O'Donoghue Learning Team for taking out the house swimming carnival trophy, knocking Chisholm out of their 7 year winning streak.

Congratulations to O'Donoghue!

















DANCE ACADEMY

TOP CLASS EXCURSION

Last Monday our senior students in the VET Dance & VCE Dance classes travelled into Melbourne to watch 'Top Class Dance'. They saw exemplary solos from last year, all which scored A+ at the end of year external exams, and gained a valuable insight into the assessment process for themselves this year.



YEAR 9 & VET DANCE PRODUCTION

Congratulations to all Year 9 and VET Dance students on the performances of their student-led productions. You should all feel very proud of your efforts, not only on how you performed on Wednesday night, but also how you all came together to create, choreograph and rehearse an entire dance show.

Julie Wotherspoon

Acting Dance Academy Director – Junior School

Amy Pyke

Dance Academy Director - Senior School





RELAY FOR LIFE FUNDRAISING

Currently the Senior VCAL classes are fundraising for the Relay for Life and the Cancer Council. They will be participating in the Casey Relay for Life on Friday the 13th of March. This is a 24 hour event.



While participating in fundraising for Relay for Life they will meeting a range of outcomes for Unit 1 Personal Development. Between both classes, we hope to raise at least \$2000. We will be running a basketball game between students and teacher at the stadium on Tuesday the 17th of March at lunchtime. Students wishing to watch will be required to make a gold coin donation.

During the match, we will also be selling pizza, Mr Donut donuts, soft drinks and Cadbury chocolates. We will also be holding a Free Dress Day for all students on Tuesday the 17th of March. Students will be required to bring a gold coin and all proceeds will be donated to the Cancer Council.

RELAY FOR LIFE – SWIMMING CARNIVAL BBQ

On behalf of the 2020 Year 12 VCAL Senior class 2, we would just like to say thank you all for your kind donations at the 2020 Berwick College Swimming Carnival Sausage sizzle. We would like to acknowledge students Makayla Faraday, Alexandra Grant, Claudene Parker, Naomi Boonstra, Sarah Cannon, Lexi Hillbrick, Arij Chaudhry, Punara Jayathilake, Emma Butler and Hetvi Dave for all their hard work on the day, selling Sausages and Cans of Drink. We thank Mr Doble for transporting the School BBQ to and from the Swimming Venue. Moreover, we would like to acknowledge Mr Juan Hompart for his support and giving up his time to ensure the Sausages would be delivered on time. The Sausages were kindly donated by parent Kerry Stanley and her employer, New World Honda, Narre Warren. We thank them for their generous donation and Kerry for her amazing effort on the day! All the proceeds (\$724.00) raised on the day go to Cancer Council's 2020 Relay for Life Fundraiser from Berwick College. The event is a 24 hour fundraiser, commencing 6pm on March 13 and finishing 6pm on March 14.

Please come down and support us students on Friday, March 13. It starts at 6pm at Akoonah Park. You will need to register in order to attend. To register and/or provide a donation to our Fundraiser, see link below: http://fundraising.cancer.org.au/goto/berwickcollege Chelsea Talbot, Year 12 Senior VCAL Student

ICARE REWARD - UPDATE

Berwick College has implemented the ICARE reward system this year. Students who demonstrate the new school values can be given a green positive behaviour chronicle by their teacher.

Parent/Guardians will then receive an email regarding this. The student then attends their Learning Team office, to receive a postcard, along with the choice between a lollypop and a reward ticket. These tickets can be saved to earn larger rewards such as bouncy balls, puzzles or canteen vouchers.

The new school values are the ICARE values of:

- Inquiry
- Cooperation
- Achievement
- Resilience
- Empathy

At the end of week 4, the following student from each year level was in the lead regarding the number of green positive behaviour chronicles:

Environment

Empathy

Resilien

- Year 12: Sarah Cannon
- Year 11: Ridham Mittal
- Year 10: Sebastian Campbell
- Year 9: William Boddy
- Year 8: Natasha Lay
- Year 7: Kirstyn Woolcock

The student from each year level with the most of these chronicles at the end of the year will be recognised at our Presentation night.

MEDIA EXCURSION

On Monday the 17th of February, twenty-five students and staff from Berwick College had the opportunity to be a part of the live studio audience for Q + A on the ABC.

Hosted by Hamish Macdonald, we had the opportunity to hear the following discuss and debate the topic of trust; Jacqui Lambie Senator for Tasmania, Simon McKeon Director, National Australia Bank, Dr Katie Allen Doctor turned Victorian Liberal MP, Jack Manning Bancroft Founder and CEO of Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience and Clare O'Neil Victorian Labor MP.

It was a great opportunity for students to see behind the scenes of a live show as well as the inner workings of a studio.

A big thank you to the ABC for having us along as it was an experience many of us will remember for a long time.





KENNY CARERS



It has been a busy and exciting start to Term 1 with the Swimming Carnival, Attendance and Achievement Awards and Year 7 ICARE Day. However, the excitement is not over yet with much more still to come in the final 4 weeks of the Term as we look forward to the fun and excitement of Kenny Day and the adventures of Year 7 Camp.

ICARE DAY

On Wednesday the 12th of February our Year 7 students participated in the Year 7 ICARE Day dedicated to familiarising our newest students with the college and each other. On the day our Kenny Year 7 students learnt more about the College values and designed their own Kenny Learning Team chant.

Students also participated in a Goose Chase around the college, exploring the grounds and getting to know key members of staff and finished off the day by tapping into their competitive spirit during the Amazing Race which involved activities such as an obstacle run, three-legged relay and giant Jenga. All our new students enjoyed the day, made new friendships and worked well as a team to complete all the activities.



KENNY CARERS



ATTENDANCE & ACHEIVEMENT AWARDS

A big congratulations to all of our Kenny students who received attendance and achievement awards for 2019 during our Academic Awards Presentation on Tuesday 11 February at the Performing Arts Centre. Ms Alison Birkett, Assistant Principal joined us on the day to present all the awards to students and we are immensely proud of the number of Kenny students who achieved an attendance rate of over 95% in 2019 as well as being recognised for their achievements during Semester 2, 2019. Congratulations to all!











SWIMMING CARNIVAL

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CFA & RSPCA BUSHFIRE APPEAL FUNDRAISING

All Kenny Homegroups were busy individually raising funds towards the CFA and RSPCA bushfire appeals on Kenny Day. Support for the two appeals has been strong amongst the school community and we would like to thank all Kenny Students, Kenny Homegroups and students throughout the school for donating towards these two appeals so that as a community, we can contribute towards those effected by the fires and our native animals which have greatly affected by the fires throughout the country.

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Ms Irena Arney and Mr Rafal Kaplon

Kenny Learning Team Leaders

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/HEADSTART

Introducing Jared Cameron HEADSTART School based apprentice – first Berwick College sign up 2020

Congratulations to Jared who is our first **HEAD**START student apprentice to sign up for 2020 from Berwick College.

Jared is embarking on his Certificate III in Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology and will be commencing his Apprenticeship while still at school.

He will be working for Beaconsfield Automotive Services Pty Ltd assisting staff with mechanical repairs to motor vehicles and attending Chisholm TAFE one day per week.

HEADSTART Apprenticeships & Traineeships is a new government initiative that allows secondary school students access to a wide variety of apprenticeships

and traineeships while they are at school. If you would like to find out more information, please contact Karen Crawley, your Careers & VET Leader/Literacy Teacher in the Careers Centre or see Alison Finlayson the HEADSTART Industry Coordinator in the Senior School Building. *Will you be our next HEADSTART apprentice or trainee?*



HOLLOWS HAWKS

We have a great start to the year in the Hollows Learning Team, with our meet the Homegroup Teacher evening. With a few changes to our homegroups this year our homegroup teachers found it greatly beneficial to meet new students and their families. We held our Learning Team Assembly for Recognition of Achievement which was fantastic to see so many students being recognised for their attendance, academic achievements and outstanding application for their classes in Semester Two 2019.







UPCOMING YEAR 7 CAMP INFORMATION For all Year 7 students and parents please remember that we have our camp coming up from March 16 – 18th. If you haven't paid and given consent yet, please ensure you organise it A.S.A.P. Payments can be made on Compass. If you have any concerns regarding this please contact the front office.

ATTENDANCE: A reminder that absences must be logged on Compass on the day that your child is away. If you have an issue logging in to Compass please don't hesitate to contact us.

HOLLOWS HAWKS continued...

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Students were amazing as they had to contend with lightning and thunderstorm interruptions. Our Hollows students represented extremely well with plenty of green

paint and hairspray, we cheered on the Hollows Hawks to an overall third place. We had many exceptional efforts and results throughout the day and it was exciting to see the participation of our students to create an amazing event. Congratulations to our numerous competitors that have made it to the upcoming regional championships and a special mention to our age group champions John Lawtey (Year 10), Brodie King (Year 9) and Tiah Nettleingham (Year 10).













YEAR 7 ICARE DAY, formally TRIBE Day, is aligned with our 2020 College values regarding Inquiry, Cooperation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy. Our Year 7s had an amazing day. We started the day together as a learning team, discussing our team and college values. Year 7 students along with Learning Team Captains completed many games and team building activities. It was awesome fun and our Hollows students loved the day.







PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: Congratulations to **Andy Bull** in Hollows 8 (year 10), who competed in the Athletics State Championships. He had a good result for his first State Championships in senior athletics U18s:

- Pole Vault he achieved the 4th highest height but was relegated to 6th for final placings
- 110m Hurdles, he placed 6th
- 400m he registered a PB of 0.25 sec

So a very solid result for the first weekend, and we wish him the best of luck for three more events next weekend. He has also qualified for 3 events at Nationals at Olympic Park in Sydney later this month. **Deana Mihalos & Neil Gould** Hollows Student Learning Leaders (03) 8768 1094



FLYNN PHOENIX

The annual swimming carnival was held on Tuesday 18th February. Despite the stormy weather it was a fun day and it was great to see so many Flynn students donned in purple and ready to give the events a go. A special thanks to our junior students, including the Year 7's who displayed great enthusiasm for entering in all the events. We lost our title of winners in the staff relay, coming second to the Hollows Learning Team. Overall Flynn placed a credible 5th place.









The Year 7 ICARE day was a great day for our Year 7 class to get to know each other and for us to get to know the Year 7's. Lots of fun was had trying to navigate and complete all the challenges. Our Learning Team captains, Isabella Johnson, Emma Guthrie and Matthew Shambrook did a fantastic job, guiding our Year 7 students through the day.

Our Flynn captains were presented with the captaincy badges at a school assembly on Thursday.

At this assembly 3 students from Flynn were awarded their prize for winning the 'Book in a Day' competition held last year. Of the all the Learning Teams, ours was deemed the best story by the judges. Congratulations to Isabella Johnson, Emma Guthrie and Maddy Lane (pictured right) for their fantastic literary efforts.

A reminder to all parents that if your son/daughter is going to be absent, to please enter that absence on Compass, preferably before the school day starts. This way, all teachers will be able to see the reason for their absence and class teachers will not need to mark your son/daughters absence as 'unexplained'.

Mr Vaughan Chaplin and Mr Adam Nettleingham The Flynn Learning Team.



FROST LEARNING TEAM

YEAR 7 ICARE DAY

At the beginning of the term, our wonderful Year 7's were actively involved in ICARE Day. The day commenced with our Year 7's designing and painting Frost inspired t-shirts to forge a sense of belonging within the team! We are so impressed with the efforts of our Frosties (despite some paint ending up on the floor and walls...) Students engaged with a 'Goose Chase', collaboratively cracking codes to score points and finalised the day with fun activities such as the three-legged race, requiring team work and cooperation.







SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Mr Oke and Miss Rees are beaming with pride, and commend all Frost students for their (increased) participation and team spirit this year, despite the torrential rain... If only this didn't cause the end of day relays to be cancelled, Frost most definitely would have finished number one! Congratulations to Ellyana Batty, Grace Daly, Makayla Faraday, Phoebe Gorozidis, Leane Lubbe, Jai Metcalfe and Cody Norman-Hade for making it to the district swimming team; I know for some of you, this was the first time actually participating in the races! # so proud. Mr Matthew Oke (Student Learning Leader): <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.org/

SCULPTURE EXCURSION

On the 14th February, year 8 & 9 Art Sculpture students visited the Tarra Warra Museum of Art in Healesville to see the Robert Klippel exhibition. Klippel is an Australian artist who fascinated with the shape of objects. He would draw random assemblages of object and also turn these into sculpture. He regularly used 'found' objects, these were often old things that others discarded as 'rubbish'. The students will be using this working style of using 'found' objects to create their own sculptures later in the semester. **Mrs Dannii Edwards**



O'DONOGHUE OTELLAS



What a busy few weeks we have had! Firstly, we would like to congratulate all O'Donoghue students who attended and participated in the recent Swimming Carnival. We had an amazing day and came FIRST for the second year in a row!



Our Year 7's recently participated in ICARE Day. The students worked extremely well together as a team displaying inquiry, cooperation, achievement, resilience and empathy. We look forward to heading down to Year 7 Camp with this group in a few short weeks!

We recently held our O'Donoghue Awards Presentation. It was at this event that we formally introduced our Learning team Captains **Mitchell Hendricks and Jack Edwards**, celebrated our excellent attendance in 2019 and various Outstanding Application and Academic Excellence Awards (Top 20 in year level) for their studies in Semester 2, 2019.



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Ms Bree Villella O'Donoghue Assistant Student Learning Leader villella.bree.b@edumail.vic.gov.au 8768 1098

DUNLOP DIGGERS

Our Dunlop Diggers have had a very busy few weeks with the Dunlop Awards Assembly, Year 7 Wellbeing Day, and our whole school Swimming Carnival.

YEAR 7 ICARE DAY

Year 7 ICARE day was a great success, with our students displaying the school values of Inquiry, Cooperation, Achievement, Resilience and Empathy. It was lovely to see the way the students worked together to complete the Goosechase around the school,



and then the mini challenges. One challenge was for half the class to stand on a large piece of cloth, and without anyone stepping off the cloth, turn the entire piece of cloth completely over. Throughout the activities the students realised that it was important for everyone to have a say, and they became much more patient and encouraging of each other.



DUNLOP AWARDS ASSEMBLY

On Thursday the 20th of February we ran the first Dunlop Awards Assembly. This was for outstanding attendance, application and achievement in semester 2, 2019. Congratulations to the students listed below who were recognised for the listed achievements. We are so proud of all of you. We also had 62 students who had 95% attendance and above last year.

FOR OUTSTANDING APPLICATION: Angelina Avram, Oscar Benedick, Sophie Boston, Hayley Brown, Laura Drakeford, Lachlan Grant, Sienna Neavan, Francesca Nigro, Shevon Ratnayaka-Gamage, Abbey Richardson, Illa-Rose Rule, Lithira Weerasooriya and Holly Williams.

FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: Charithri Bandara, Taylor Dietrich, Grace Hallam and Leisha Allen For outstanding application and academic excellence: Elvin Cehic, George Du Bois, Andrea Liew, Charlotte Lines, Sarah Powh, Sarah Purtill and Amy Purtill

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Well done to the 74 Dunlop students who attended the Swimming Carnival. We hope to see a larger participation rate for the Athletics Carnival. Well done to our year 7 students in particular who we received most of our points from on the day. Students who competed in the main swimming events will receive an invitation soon to a pizza lunch as a reward for their representation of the Dunlop Learning Team.

UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES

Unfortunately unexplained absences are creeping up. If your student is away, please log the reason through Compass, or contact our attendance officer Sharyn Collins on 1086.

We hope that all our students have enjoyed the first five weeks of term 1. We are already past halfway!

Ms Rebecca Hann—Dunlop Learning Team Leader Mr Jake Uhlenberg—Dunlop Learning Team Assistant

WELCOME TO YOUR LIBRARY 2020 RESPECT THE SPACE ENGAGE LEARN READ & HAVE FUN #WELCOME BACK

LIBRARY NEWS

What a start to the year! Students have flooded the Library, for borrowing, studying, games and activities! We were so happy to kick off our programs this year with a variety of lunch time activities for students to get involved with.

Monday Chess Club has seen like minded strategic gamers meet regularly and and teach each other the art of the game! On Table Top Tuesday's students have been stepping away from their devices to interact and learn a series of new games, so far we've learnt 'Go Nuts for Donuts' and 'Werewolf'!

Wednesday's Mid Week Kahoot has tested the knowledge of our students and featured a different theme each week including (Have You Been Paying Attention, Gaming History and History/ Weird Facts)! Congrats to the winners

and keep an eye out, you never know what topic we might cover next!

Our Storytellers Society continues to run every Thursday Lunch, this group is for students who love reading, being creative and creative writing! The group has taken on the challenge this term of coming up with an original storyline for our DND group which will be starting later in the year.

We continue to show films at lunch time, and Anime on a Friday! Which is great retreat for students and chance to follow the films based on fiction! We also celebrated Valentines Day this term, with students making custom cards for loved ones and friends.



This term we've really focused on adding new content to our shelves which has seen us purchase over 150 new books! Year 7 Library Orientation, saw so many new students loan content and suggest content to add! Make sure to keep an eye on compass as we announce what's new to our shelves each week! And don't forget you can always request a book we don't have!



CAREERS/VET EDUCATION AT BERWICK

YEAR 12

Year 12 students are currently researching courses, training or employment pre-requisite requirements to ensure they are ready to apply during Term 3 as an integral part of their Career Action Plan. This involves identifying the ATAR and study scores for 2021 and external tests, interview, portfolio, audition or other requirements that are necessary to undertake in 2020.



UCAT

Students who are interested in undertaking a Medicine or Dentistry course at university in 2021 should refer to the link below regarding this test which must be undertaken during this year. Bookings open 11 March, 2020 and close 11 May, 2020. Testing begins 1 July, 2020 and finish 31 July, 2020. Results are provided to the universities early September, 2020. The UCAT is a mandatory requirement for these courses. https://www.ucat.edu.au/ucat-anz/dates-and-fees/

Please contact Karen Crawley (8768 1058) if this applies to your son/daughter.

STRUCTURED WORKPLACE LEARNING (SWL) - YEARS 10, 11 AND 12

All Year 10 FLP (Flexible Learning Program), Year 11 and 12 VCAL (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning) students are required to have a work placement on either a Wednesday or Friday (depending upon which day they attend their blocked TAFE course). Students should now have a work placement or be in the process of finalising a work placement. This placement should complement the VET course your child is undertaking wherever possible.

Students are able to use the SWL portal (https://goworkplacements.education.vic.gov.au) where they will find employers looking for students to work in their business as part of the SWL program.

If you son/daughter requires support, please ask them to visit Narelle Mills in the Careers office or contact her on 8768 1059.

NOTICEBOARD

Important information relating to Careers and VET will be communicated via email to parents, advertised on the Noticeboard outside the office or through the Student Bulletin via the Home Group teacher.

WORK EXPERIENCE (YEAR 10 STUDENTS) – GAME OF LIFE CLASSES – SEMESTER 1.

All students in Year 10 Game of Life classes during Semester 1 are required to undertake one week of work experience during the last week of term 1 (Mon 23/2 to Fri 27/3 inclusive – 5 days). This is a compulsory component of the course.

All Work Experience forms should now be with the Careers office (due date was 28/2/20). If you son/daughter has not yet handed their form to the Careers office (Megan Boce), please ensure you contact Megan as soon as possible to discuss (8768 1060).

VET (VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING)

VET at Berwick College for Years 10, 11 and 12 students—Approximately 200 students have elected to undertake a Vocational Education Course at our school or another Technical Educational setting this year. Students are undertaking the following 1 or 2 year courses as follows;

At Berwick College

Applied Fashion Design and Technology, Automotive, Community Services, Construction Pathways, Dance, Electrotechnology, Outdoor Recreation and Small Business.

Off Campus

Animal Studies, Beauty, Computer Assembly, Graphic Design, Early Childhood Education and Care, Equine, Furniture Making, Health Services, Horticulture, Information Technology, Kitchen Operations, Laboratory Skills, Make Up, Music, Plumbing, Retail Operations, Salon Assistant (Hairdressing), Screen and Media, Sport and Recreation, Tourism and Visual Arts.

Important – please note that all VET enrolments for 2020 have now closed. Further, withdrawal from these courses without incurring the course cost closed on Friday 28/2/20 as per an email sent out to all parents of students enrolled in a VET course on Monday 24/2/20. Any queries, please contact either Laura Germano (8768 1073) or Karen Crawley on (8768 1058).

COMMUNITY NEWS



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Berwick College is partnered with DBT in Schools.

They are providing psychological services to our school, placing a school psychologist in our school one day a week. This is very exciting for our school to help student's develop resilience, and coping skills for a range of challenges they may be facing. This may include challenges such as; anxiety, difficulty coping with friendships, grief, and dealing with parents separating, for example. The Psychologist will focus on helping student's build important life skills. For students with a mental health care plan from their GP this service is no cost to the parent. The sessions are confidential and provide an affordable and convenient service. If you would like your child to have some sessions with the DBT in Schools Psychologist, you should contact Kyra from wellbeing (8768 1022) or your students Learning team leader, who can help you engage with this service. For more information about DBT in Schools



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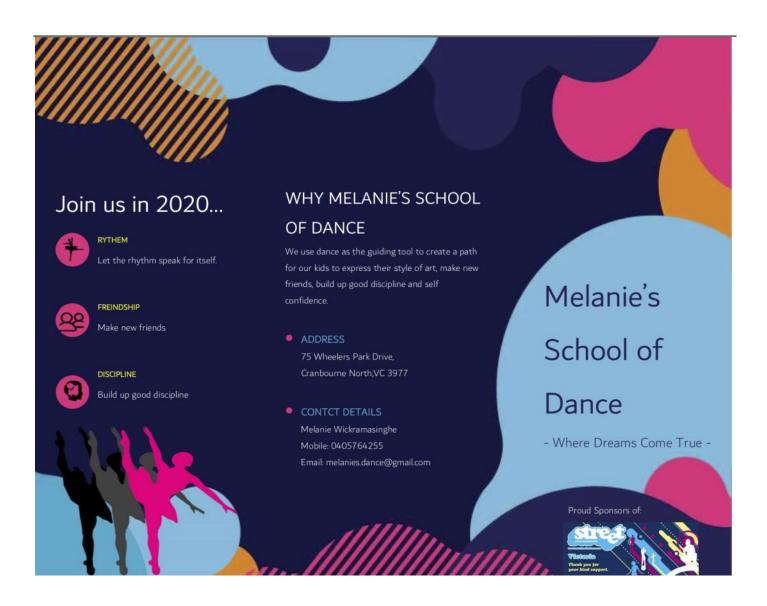
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