From the Principal

School Council Elections

At the close of nominations, the School had received four parent nominations and two DEECD nominations. As this matches the number of positions available on School Council, I have great pleasure in announcing Paul McNamara, Lesley Ryall, Justine Puls-Welsh and Michele Simpson as the successful parent candidates, and Jill Treeby and Claire Bloom as the successful DEECD candidates.

Swimming Sports

Unfortunately we have had to postpone the swimming sports that were planned for tomorrow, Thursday 20 February, due to predicted inclement weather. The swimming sports will now be held on Thursday 6 March.

Student Achievement

Bendigo Bank is a wonderful supporter of the school and the young people in our community. This week one of our Year 12 students from 2013 received a substantial scholarships to assist him in his transition into university. Nik Henkes was the very worthy recipient who has been recognised for his hard work and commitment.

Warrandyte High School
Open Evening - 25 March
34 days to go
Claire Kopietz and Mollie Wilkins from our 2013 VCE class will be represented in Top Arts 2014 presented at the Melbourne Museum in a few weeks’ time. Top Arts is part of the VCE Season of Excellence managed by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority. The exhibition runs from 11 April until 20 July.

The VCE Season of Excellence comprises twelve concerts (Top Class and Top Acts), two exhibitions, (Top Arts and Top Designs) and screenings of short films (Top Screen).

All work is produced by outstanding VCE students who completed technology, design, visual or performing arts studies in 2013. Events are presented in Melbourne’s major cultural venues.

The exhibition and associated educational programs are a valuable resource for current VCE students. For program times see: www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/seasonofexcellence.html

Students enjoyed the IMPACT multimedia presentation last week. This program fitted in well with the Growth Mindset work that the school has been undertaking. The theme for the presentation was: ‘From the moment we take our first breath we are bombarded with sights, sounds, emotions and actions which will shape who we are to become. The impact of some events may leave us fearful and hurt. Others may challenge us and even empower us to do great things. We in turn can impact on the decisions and directions of those we come in contact with. Understanding the power of such impacts should make us consider carefully what actions we take.’

Stephen Parkin  
Principal

From the Assistant Principal

Dates and Deadlines

An electronic copy of this year’s Dates and Deadlines (the school calendar of events) is now available from the Newsfeed section of Compass. It will be posted there until the end of March. This document has many of the key dates for the year and will be further supplemented with information from the soon to be released fabulous new school website.

Student Laptops

With the new school year starting, the Technicians and the Library have been inundated with students experiencing minor issues with their computers such as inability to download eBooks and essential programs working at a reduced rate. The main cause of many of these problems has been programs and online content that have been downloaded and saved onto student computers. Although students should all have administrative rights to their own computers, parents and students need to be aware that some programs do affect the speed at which essential programs work. It’s a great idea to regularly clean out your computer, being careful not to delete any software that has been provided by the Education Department. We are currently working on a ‘Troubleshooting Guide’ for students to lessen the time they have their computers ‘offline’ and increase their effective use in the classroom.

Pamela Dunstall  
Assistant Principal
**Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)**

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided by the Victorian Government to lower-income families to help with education-related costs.

If you have a child under 16, and you hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible to receive the EMA. The allowance is paid in two instalments, one in March and one in August.

The payment is intended to assist with education-related costs such as; uniforms, excursions, textbooks, and stationery. You can elect to have your EMA paid in one of the following ways:

- Paid by direct deposit (Electronic Funds Transfer) into your own nominated bank account; or
- Paid to the school to be held as credit which you can use towards education expenses; or
- Paid by cheque which will be posted to the school for collection.

In 2014, the annual EMA amount per student is:

- $300 for year 7 students
- $250 for students in year 8 – until age 16*.

* A pro-rata amount is payable for students turning 16 in 2014.

**How to Apply:** Contact the school general office to obtain an EMA application form.

**Closing Date:** You need to obtain an EMA application form from the school office and return by **28 February 2014**.


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**Student Accident Insurance**

A reminder to parents that DEECD does not provide personal accident insurance for students.

Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers.

*Jill Treeby*

*Business Manager*

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**From the Office**

All students in Years 7 & 10 along with the Year 9 boys have been issued with immunisation cards. These cards need to be returned to the office by Thursday 6 March. The immunisations will take place on Thursday 20 March, Thursday 29 March and Tuesday 7 October.

*Bev Lang*

*Office Manager*

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**Working Bee Sunday 16 March**

Our first Working Bee for 2014 will be on Sunday 16 March. There is lots of mulching and tiding up to be done in readiness for our Open Day on the 25 March. We will start at 10am and stop for lunch at 1pm.

*Helene Butterworth*

*Executive Assistant*
Year 10 Peer Support

This year twenty five Year 10 students are participating in the Peer Support Program. This program is set up to help the Year 7 students settle in and adjust into secondary school.

Three Peer Support students have moved into the Year 7 locker bay to help them with any difficulties they have during their transition. We have been able to help with locks, lockers and helping the Year 7 find their way to class.

As part of this program we had Kate Wild come out and have a training day with all of the Year 10 peer support leaders. We participated in a range of games. We learnt the skills of how to help the Year 7 with transition and how to help with the changes and difficulties they may face.

We also learnt how to form bonds with the new students and how to make sure that the Year 7 students are able to come and communicate with the Peer Support students. Part of this training day was to make plans for the Year 7 Clans Day and to set up lunchtime activities just for the Year 7 students.

The Peer Support Leaders are looking forward to working with the Year 7 students and hope that we are helping them with their successful transition to high school.

Tylar Findlay, Brett Watkinson, Ben Willis and Sarah Nassour
Year 10 Peer Support Program

Year 12 Theatre Studies Production Coming Soon

The Year 12 Theatre Studies class have begun the year with buckets full of enthusiasm and heaps of creative talent. Rehearsals begin next week for their Term 2 Production “The Golden Key”.

Each student in the team will have two roles in the play, which is reminiscent of the Theatre Studies production a few years ago “Epic Theatre”. This time the show is based around a band of Travellers, Irish gypsies, who will warmly engage the audience and invite them into their world. The Travellers have been going through hard times, so they will entertain you with a wonderful storytelling performance of their magical tale.

Students will also have a backstage role designing costumes, make-up, set, sound and lighting, as well as working as a promotions team and stage managers.
Later this term we might be putting a call out for help with making or altering costumes, set building and volunteers for a front of house team. Drop me an email if you would be interested in hearing more about opportunities to be involved. Keep an eye out for our billboard advertising the show that will go up on Warrandyte Road.

Keep the dates Production dates free: April 30, May 1 &2. Make sure you get your tickets early!

Niki Na Meadhra
Theatre Studies/Drama

Music News

The year has started well and we’re straight into Symphonic Band rehearsals, directed by Mr Maillardet, in preparation for the Warrandyte Festival on Saturday March 22. Our year 8’s began rehearsing with the Symphonic band in term four last year and have gracefully risen to the occasion, doing a remarkable job.

Recruitment night was informative last Monday with many expressions of interest to join our music program. Our final and official tryout sessions were also conducted last Friday. Our aim is to create a thriving Junior Concert Band to be directed by Mr Darling this year. Places will be limited, however, having said that, the bigger the band the better!

Our Year 12 VCE Music class is off to an excellent start. They are intrinsically motivated and all arrive before the period 0 bell Monday morning to start the week. All the students are extending themselves and keeping up with the study, technical and investigation demands. We are running both the Investigation and Performance streams this year. The Investigation focus areas are ranging from prolific songwriting conventions to epic music for media to youth issues as conveyed through music and the inception and study of thrash double kick drum. Our Performance students have made headway into selecting their recital and are now identifying challenges to write their technical exercises for their first technical SAC on March 26.

Kal Stavropoulos
Head of Music

Canteen News

Daily specials are as follows – ordering would be appreciated.

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The Canteen is selling hot toasted sandwiches at recess for $2.50, ham & cheese and ham, cheese & tomato are available. Egg and bacon rolls are periodically available at recess as well.

Please find attached the 2014 Canteen Price List.

Volunteers are always welcome in the canteen. If you are available on a Friday only, Karen is always able to change her day. The canteen staff look forward to seeing you in 2014.

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Cheryl Hart
Canteen Leader
Warrandyte High School       Canteen Price List       February 2014

☐ Eat most           ☐ Eat in moderation           ☐ Stop and think

**SANDWICHES** $4.50
Salad, Chicken, Ham (low fat), Tuna, Egg
Rolls and Pita Bread $5.00
Half Wraps $4.00

**EXTRAS** $0.50
Ham (low fat), Chicken, Avocado, Cucumber, Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Onion, Cheese (low fat)

**SAUCES** $0.20
Soy, Chilli, Mustard, Tomato, Mayonnaise

**HOT FOOD**
- Steamed Dim Sim $1.00
- Chicken Strip $1.50
- Jumbo Sausage Roll $3.20
- Noodles: Chicken, Oriental, Beef $3.00
- Hot Dog (low fat) $3.00
- Soup (home made) & Roll $3.00
- Pizza: Ham & Pineapple; Margherita $4.50
- Pies: Chicken & Veg; Cottage; Beef $4.20
- Vegetable Roll/Cheese & Spinach Roll $4.20
- Lasagne Meat $5.00
- Hot Chicken Roll & Mayo $5.00
- Falafel Wrap $5.00
- Chicken Wraps $5.00

**SNACKS**
- Fruit fresh $1.50
- Frozen Yoghurt $1.50
- Yoghurt & fruit coulis $2.20
- Donuts jam ball $2.20
- Smiths Chips, Shapes $2.40
- Cookies $3.00
- Cakes $2.20-$2.50
- Frozen Pineapple, Grapes & Oranges $0.50

**DRINKS**
- Up & Go Strawberry, Chocolate, Vanilla $2.50
- Milo/Herbal Tea $1.50
- 200ml Just Juice $2.00
- Frozen Prima & Spoon $2.00
- Cans Soft Drink: *Diet/Zero* $2.50
- 375ml Pure Juice – various flavours $3.50
- Bottled Water Pump $3.50
- Mt Franklin $3.00
- 600ml Big M $3.50
- 600ml Bottles Soft Drink *Diet/Zero* $3.50
- Sports Drinks, Iced Tea $3.50

**ICY POLES/ICE CREAMS** $0.60 to 3.20
Fruit Slushy $2.50

**SPOONS & CUPS** $0.50

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**Specials @ $5.00**

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  or
- Spaghetti Bolognaise

**Wednesday**
- Fried Rice
  or
- Hot Dog Cheese & Sauce $3.50

**Thursday**
- Chicken Schnitzel
- Nachos Box

**Friday**
- Souvlaki – Chicken or Lamb
- Fish & Wedges

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**Orders only**

- Salad Plate with Meat Chicken or Tuna $6.50
- Salad plate $5.00
- Salad Tubs $4.50

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**Recess Only**

- Pizza Rounda $2.50
- Hash Browns $1.00
- Dim Sims $1.00
- Cheese & Bacon Roll $2.50
- Hot Pups $1.50

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Prices will be adjusted according to wholesale food prices.
Understanding the risks of under age & binge drinking for young people

The community are invited to attend a workshop that will provide key information to parents and young people about the risks associated with under age and binge drinking. The session will be a combined presentation with Manningham Community Health Service and Victoria Police.

This interactive & informative session will include:

- How alcohol affects adolescent development
- Alcohol legislation – legal implications of serving alcohol to a minor, without parent consent
- Tips on conducting a teen party safely
- Legal, social & health implications for young people – what is the cost?
- Parenting strategies to help talk to your teen about alcohol, keeping the lines of communication open

Date: Thursday 6 March 2014
Time: 6.00pm – 7.00pm
Venue: Warrandyte High School (School Theatrette)
Corner Warrandyte & Alexander Roads, Warrandyte
RSVP: Anissa 9840 9330
Cost: FREE, light refreshments provided

Please note seats are limited
Applicants sought for Rotary Youth Exchange

To have the opportunity to study abroad is a life-changing experience. Rotary youth exchange provides this opportunity.

If you are in year 9, 10 or 11 an opportunity for a Rotary exchange in 2015 is possible. Places are likely to be available in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Norway, Japan, Turkey, Taiwan and Brazil.

The Rotary exchange program provides a unique opportunity for you to experience first hand the culture of a new country, to learn a new language and gain in your personal development. The many friendships that you make will be both lifelong and not just restricted to your host country.

Students who participate learn skills that will stay with them for the rest of their lives. Once they have finished their education to seek employment, there is no doubt that employers will look favorably upon those who have travelled with such a program.

Students are selected on application and after a personal interview. Applications close March 31.

Further information is available from -
Stuart McDonald,
Phone 5962 4694 or 0408 388 489
www.rotaryyouthexchange.org.au

Rotary Youth Exchange
A Chance of a Lifetime!
Host Families Invited Now!

Rotary Youth Exchange invites kind and caring Host Families within the community to assist local Rotary Clubs offer an outstanding exchange program to young people from all over the World.

A Host Family is a vital part of this cultural and educational exchange and typically hosts a student on a voluntary basis for a period of between 10 to 16 weeks. In doing so, a Host family officially becomes a Friend of Rotary International. The Host Family plays an integral role in offering the student the experience of a new culture and language, whilst at the same time learning itself about a different culture from a young leader. It is a direct window to the world for all members of a Host family.

You not only share a young person’s hopes and dreams, but more importantly, you make those dreams possible. Hosting is the beginning of a lifelong friendship and connection with a student and family overseas. Whilst it can be challenging to help a young person transition to a new culture and ease into the surroundings, it is always fun and the rewards are immeasurable.

Host Families in the Rotary Youth Exchange program come in many shapes and sizes! Young children, older children, and no children at all, extended families and older generations – all have been successful in hosting exchange students.

Please consider this amazing and rewarding opportunity now. Enquiries are most welcome.

Further information is available from -
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There are community services offered by Information Warrandyte at the Warrandyte Community Centre in Yarra St

Our workers are trained volunteers who always have the time to listen

We are run and operated by volunteers and we are always looking for new people to join us.

If you have a spare 3 hours a week and are interested in becoming a volunteer Please call our Co-ordinator Kathy on 98443082

COME ‘N’ TRY HOCKEY

**Doncaster Hockey Club** is running a **FREE** “Come’n’ Try” clinic for boys and girls aged 5-14 years old on the **Saturday 1 March**! It’s fun, local and a great way to have a go at this exciting, family sport.

**Time:** 10am-11am

**Where:** Doncaster Hockey Club corner of Springvale and Reynolds Roads, Mullum Mullum reserve, East Doncaster.

**Cost:** **FREE**

**More information:** [www.doncasterhockeyclub.com.au](http://www.doncasterhockeyclub.com.au) or

**Contact:** Andrea Snow at andrea.snow@doncasterhockeyclub.com.au
Warrandyte Tennis Club declared February’s Open Day a “heat out” and have rescheduled to Sunday 2nd March
Free Community Open Day
Try tennis for free
@ Warrandyte Tennis Club
SUNDAY 2nd MARCH 2014
9.30am - 12 noon

✓ free fun activities for all ages and abilities;
✓ hot shots;
✓ social play;
✓ cardio tennis;
✓ targets;
✓ BBQ & bar.

Put the date in your diary now.
See warrandytetennisclub.org.au for further information.

Thursday nights for free in February (cute flyer attached - wording from flyer is below)
Needing some fun and fitness?
Come and try our free “Open” nights on Thursdays for the month of February.
7.30pm - 9.30pm.
Social or serious.
Find a game that suits you.
All levels welcome.
Phone Tamsin on 0400 340 940.
Warrandyte Tennis Club, Taroona Avenue.
www.warrandytetennisclub.com.au
warrandytetetc@gmail.com.
Eltham Junior Football Club

New for Season 2014
GIRLS TEAMS

EJFC is seeking girls to play in the following girls teams U12, U15 & U18

Youth Girls Australia Rules Football is the fastest growing female sport in Australia.

Girls Footy TRAINING
Every Tuesday at Susan St Oval for all grades from 5:45 to 7:00 pm

You are welcome with no obligation to our “COME HAVE A KICK” Clinic - Girls Only
Sunday 23 February at Eltham Central Park commencing at 4:00 to 6:00pm

Come and meet AFL stars from Eltham

David Zaharakis
Essendon

Nick Vlastuin
Richmond

Marcus Bontempelli
Western Bulldogs

at the “COME HAVE A KICK” clinic

Email Fiona Allin: pressurework ply[at]bigpond.com or call Paul Smith on 0406 329 379 for any queries