

gang gang

warrandyte high school



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Dates for your Diary

May

Friday 31 Year 10 METEC Driver Ed

June

Monday 3 Cam Smith 13 a Side Rugby-Year 7 & 8 boys

Monday 3 African Drumming

Tuesday 4 Year 10 Keys Please Presentation

Wednesday 5 Year 10 Exams

Wednesday 5 Year 7 Sports Round Robin

Thursday 6 Year 10 Exams

Monday 10 Queens Birthday

Tuesday 11-Friday 21 Year 11 Exams

Tuesday 11 Junior Girls Football

Wednesday 12 GAT

Friday 14 Report Writing Day (student free day)

From the Principal

The months of May and June are testing times for many of our students. Our Year 7 and Year 9 students undertook their NAPLAN tests in Literacy and Numeracy during May. On 12 June, all our Year 12 students and the majority of our Year 11 students will be completing the General Achievement Test (GAT), and our Year 10 and Year 11 students will be sitting their mid-year exams over the next few weeks. For our Year 10 and 11 students this testing regime provides them with the opportunity to demonstrate the knowledge and skills that they have learned and also helps prepare them for the rigours of the external VCE exams they will be sitting in later years.

Warrandyte High School featured on the front page of last week's Manningham Leader newspaper with an article about 'The Big History Project'. I have referenced this exciting initiative a number of times in my Gang Gang articles this year and it is fantastic to see it get acknowledgement in a local paper. Well done to teachers Claire Bloom and Dave Davies and also to students Cassie Roberts and Jack Poole who feature in the article.

Last week our year 11 students were able to meet with author Alice Pung, who wrote 'Unpolished Gem' a memoir based on her experiences growing up in a migrant family. Alice is a writer, editor and lawyer and has worked as an art instructor and an independent school teacher at primary and secondary schools. She is an engaging and insightful speaker and her book is one of the texts being studied by our students this year. The opportunity to hear her speak and to have her discuss her book and her life experiences was an invaluable experience for our students.

Stephen Parkin
Principal

From the Assistant Principals

Student Drop Off

The drop off and collection zone for students is at the front of the school off Warrandyte Road. Parents are to enter from the Warrandyte end and to take great care as they depart and behind the gymnasium to drop off or pick up children. Parents are **not** to drop off or pick up their children in the top staff car park, nor are they to stop illegally outside the school office in the lower car park.

Both car parks are full of activity just prior to the start of the school day and are similarly hectic at the end of the school day.

Cars double parked and students moving through this area while cars are being parked or backing out of parking spots is a recipe for disaster. Please consider the safety of your own child and others, rather than the 30 seconds in the day that you can save by this dangerous behavior.

Kathy Hooke and Pamela Dunstall
Assistant Principals

Camp RYPEN 2013

This year we were once again given the opportunity to send students from Year 10 on a leadership camp.



'It was an amazing experience for us all to develop future skills and improve our confidence. We made heaps of new friends that we will keep in touch with for a long time, we also had the great opportunity to meet inspirational leaders.'

Maggie, Chloe, Holly & Dale

'The highlight was making new friends and getting to develop many new skills. Another highlight from the camp was flying upside down on the flying fox. The food was great.'

Maggie Elvin

'This camp was an amazing experience. We had so much fun and learnt a lot. We got to spend the weekend getting to know our great leaders and making new friends. If I had to pick a highlight it would be the masquerade ball on the last night, but the flying fox, amazing race and getting four bulls eyes in archery where also highlights. It was such a great opportunity to go on this camp and I was lucky enough to go with Maggie, Holly and Dale and all the other amazing people I met. I recommend this camp to everyone. The food was amazing.'

Chloe Davies

'The highlight from my weekend on RYPEN leadership camp 2013 was making new friends and hearing other inspirational stories. There were lots of fun activities like the flying fox, amazing race and the masquerade ball. I had lots of fun with Chloe, Dale, Maggie and all the others. I recommend this camp to all. The food was amazing.'

Holly Mulder

'I really feel that I developed my confidence and my understanding of other people's feelings. My favourite part was when we all dressed for the masquerade party and I got to wear a bowtie. The food was great.'

Dale Smith

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat!

Rehearsals have just started and our students are already sounding amazing and the stage design is looking to be as amazing as Joseph's coat.

Pop these dates for your diary:

Thursday	5 September	8.00 pm
Friday	6 September	8.00 pm
Saturday	7 September	2.00 pm *matinee
Saturday	7 September	8.00 pm

Helene Butterworth
Executive Assistant

Library News

The colder days are perfect times for coming into the library and borrowing a book. Every week we have new releases and there are still the old favourites on the shelves. Some suggestions:

- Rise of the Nine – Pittacus Lore
- The Girl Under the Olive Tree – Leah Fleming
- The Road – Cormac McCarthy
- Stronger Now – Nicole McLean
- Persuasion – Jane Austen
- The Maleficent Seven –Derek Landy
- The Clockwork Princess – Cassandra Clare
- Devil's Food – Kerry Greenwood
- Netball Dreamz – LEEANNE VERNON
- American Gods – Neil Gaiman
- My Invisible Boyfriend - Susie Day
- Zom-B Underground – Darren Shan

Get Caught Reading!

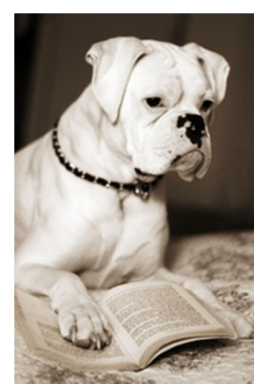
Competition

The library is running a **new competition** where you need to submit a photograph of yourself or a friend reading...

We are looking for creative photographs of people reading books in interesting or comfy or unexpected places.

BUT NO DANGEROUS OR INAPPROPRIATE PLACES PLEASE.

The photograph submitted must be of a WHS student ... not a photograph from the internet like the examples provided here



CONDITIONS:

1. Photograph a Warrandyte High School student reading in a safe but interesting environment.
2. You could get someone in your family to photograph you or you could team up with a friend and photograph each other.
3. Submit the photograph to the Library drop box...put it in the Caught Reading Folder... make sure it has the name and class of both the student and the photographer clearly on it.
4. The competition will be judged by a panel of photography experts
5. Photographs should be submitted by Friday 14 June.
6. All entries will be displayed on the digital noticeboard in the library.
7. Winners will be announced in the last week of term.



FABULOUS PRIZES!

Get snapping now!

Judy Steel

Library Coordinator

Sport News

Boroondara Division Cross Country finals

We took a team of runners from all age groups to compete in the championships at Balwyn. It was quite a cool morning which was good conditions for running, however very cool whilst waiting. All our runners worked hard, they dug in deep to their energy reserves and did exceptionally well. They represented our school with pride and passion. Well done to everyone who took part, in particular our individuals who made the top ten places in their age levels. These students will progress to the next round.

Natasha Wirz (5th) 17 – 20 girls

Taylor Padfield (5th) – under 16 girls

Isabella Cooper (7th) – under 16 girls

Callum Khaw (7th) – under 13 boys

Clare Rayner
PE Leader

Canteen News

Daily specials are as follows – ordering would be appreciated.

Specials @ \$5.00

<u>Monday</u>	Chilli Chicken Sub or Falafel Wrap
<u>Tuesday</u>	Meatball Sub Chicken Burger Spaghetti Bolognaise
<u>Wednesday</u>	Butter Chicken & Rice Hot Dog Cheese & Sauce
<u>Thursday</u>	Chicken Schnitzel Fish and Wedges
<u>Friday</u>	Souvlaki – Chicken or Lamb

Roster



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 2013.

Thursday 30 May	Help required
Friday 31 May	Greg Rowell
Monday 3 June	Lauren Propert
Tuesday 4 June	Help required
Wednesday 5 June	Kirsten Campbell-West
Thursday 6 June	Help required
Friday 7 June	Karen Paul
Monday 10 June	QUEENS BIRTHDAY
Tuesday 11 June	Help required
Wednesday 12 June	Help required

Cheryl Hart
Canteen Leader



**Warrandyte
Masterchef Rules
TRIVIA NIGHT**

**Warrandyte High School
Parent Association**

Proudly Announce our 14th Annual Trivia Night

Fundraising for the installation of a kitchenette in the Media centre.
Tie on those apron strings
Pull out your wooden spoons
Bring your egg beater and
wear your Chefs hat with pride....

Saturday 27th July 2013

**7pm for 7.30pm sharp start
Warrandyte Primary School
(Forbes Street, Warrandyte)**



\$20.00 per head – BYO drinks and nibbles

Will your table have what it takes to create a master dish with a team of masterminds?

Please come along and help the school help our kids.
Don't know anyone? Don't worry..... You can either make up a team with friends or family
or let us help you put you on a table with others. Call Alicia on 0438 220 266
It's a fun night, lots of laughs and a great way to meet new parents!



With thanks to MOAT for being our major sponsor of the evening.

Ticket Reservation

Name: _____

No of tickets required: _____ Total Paid: _____

Payment Method: Cash Cheque Credit Card

Credit Card Number _____ Exp Date ____ / ____

Signature: _____

Please forward payment to the School Office