



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 25 June

Year 8 Science ALP

Thursday 26 June

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Friday 27 June

Year 8 Science ALP concludes

Year 10 Work Experience concludes

Reports uploaded to Compass

Last Day Term 2, 2:30pm finish

Friday 4 July

Kakadu Camp returns

Monday 14 July

Term 3 Begins

Thursday 17 July

METEC Driving Course for Year 10s

Thursday 17 July

Cyber Smart Presentation 6:30-8:00pm in the Theatre

Monday 21 July

Music Camp Begins

Wednesday 23 July

Music Camp Ends with Concert at 6:30pm

From the Principal

As usual it has been a very busy end to the term. The Year 11 and Year 10 exams have finished and our Year 12 students have sat for the GAT. Year 10 Work Experience has commenced and the Year 11 Kakadu Trip has arrived in Alice Springs after visiting Adelaide, Coober Pedy, Uluru and Kings Canyon. The Year 8 Science Active Learning Project is in full swing and teachers at all year levels are adding the final touches to their students' reports. These reports will be available to parents via Compass from this Friday. Any parent who needs their password to access Compass can contact the General Office

On Tuesday the 'Taking the Challenge City Experience Expo' was held in our Flexible Learning Space. This was a wonderful event with the Year 9 students doing a fantastic job presenting their research projects to the large, captivated audience. A more detailed article on this event will be included in the next edition of Gang Gang.

Over this holiday period we have arranged to have four old portables removed from the school site. These rooms are superfluous to our needs and are well past their 'use by' dates. We are looking forward to the opportunity to redevelop this extra yard space for student use.

Stephen Parkin
Principal

From the Assistant Principal

As Dr Parkin previously mentioned despite it being the end of term there have been a lot of activities happening in and around the school.

Year 10 Work Experience gives students an opportunity to get out into the work force and try a range of occupations they may be interested in for their future. Some of the work experience places this year have included the Department of Defence, the Melbourne Museum, the NRL and Toyota. One lucky student who has his placement at Melbourne Helicopters has foregone his \$5 a day pay for free flying lessons!

I was lucky enough to visit Maddie Vandermeer who is working at the Savour Chocolate and Patisserie School in Brunswick. She has had the opportunity to help out with the cooking classes while she was there and her employer highly commended her for her initiative and ability to work hard at every job that was given to her, no matter how menial. We look forward to hearing more work experience stories when the students return next term. I am sure we will share these in a later edition of the Gang Gang.

This week I also attended the Year 9 Taking the Challenge Expo night. I could see from the creative displays produced that the students have had a very interesting term on their City Experience. Students have looked at a range of different topics including food, fashion, art and sport. My favourite display of the night came from the group of students which included Andrea Fidock, Erin Roycroft, Tamara Johnstone and Lydia Phelan whose theme of 'Red' was a very creative interpretation of the task that was set for them.

With Friday being the last day of term there will be an early dismissal time of 2:30pm. Each period will be shortened, with amended bell times being placed on the Compass newsfeed for both parents and students.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing students again on the first day of term which will be Monday 14th July.

Pamela Dunstall
Assistant Principal

Would you like to provide a cultural experience, whilst at the same time enrich your family life?



LONG TERM HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Warrandyte High School's International Student Program is growing and we have a need for caring families to provide suitable Long Term "Homestay" accommodation for international students between 15-18 years.

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If you are interested, please ring our Assistant Principal,
Pamela Dunstall on 9844 2749 or email office@warrandytehigh.vic.edu.au

Sport News

Duke of Edinburgh Practice Hike

Well done to our intrepid Duke of Edinburgh students as they undertook their first hike for their Bronze Award. They were dropped off just outside Warburton and had to make their way along the Ada Tree Track toward Powell Town.

The weather was quite interesting for most of the weekend. The constant rain certainly tested the student's tent erecting skills. They had to face many challenges throughout the weekend such as limited water supply, difficult terrain, medical issues and bad weather.

Well done to all students. They worked extremely well as a group and are looking forward to the challenges for the next hike to The Cathedrals in October. We look forward to following their progress throughout the award. Well done!





Alana Guthrie and Coco Hunt who are undertaking Year 10 Sports Leadership who umpired an AFL AusKick Game at the MCG

***Clare Rayner
Sport Leader***

REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY

Warrandyte High School wishes to congratulate Jari Cooper, Harry Deakin, Matthew Baynon, Elaine Burdett, Luke Killey and Aaron Closs who represented the School at the Regional Cross Country championships on Tuesday 17 June. The students had to overcome muddy, wet and cold conditions running around the Yarra Glen racecourse. All students performed exceptionally well and gave 100% to represent the school with pride. We look forward to seeing these students continue to develop their cross country running abilities over the next few years. Congratulations to all.

***Katie Cook
PE Leader***

ACMA: Cyber Smart Presentation

Thursday July 17

6:30pm-8:00pm in the Warrandyte High School Theatre

WHS is pleased to inform the Warrandyte Community that we will be offering a free Cyber Smart Presentation to all parents delivered by expert Greg Gebhart from ACMA (Australian Communications and Media Authority)

The Internet safety presentation will cover topics including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, illegal content, inappropriate contact, identity theft, grooming and predatory activity
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is thorough, non-technical and is conducted by an accredited Cybersmart trainer.

Free Support Material will be available such as:

- Cybersmart Guide for Families
- Say no to cyber bullying
- Sexting
- Socialising on the internet
- Guide to online safety
- Dealing with offensive content
- Mobile phone safety

Greg Gebhart is the ACMA's Senior Cybersmart Trainer and one of Australia's leading cybersafety experts. Greg is recognised across Australia and internationally for his knowledge and passion for cybersafety in education.

Please RSVP to the General Office by Monday the 14th July

Canteen News

Daily specials are as follows – ordering would be appreciated.

Specials @ \$5.00

<u>Monday</u>	Chilli Chicken Sub or Tandoori Wrap
<u>Tuesday</u>	Chicken Burger, Meatball Sub or Spaghetti Bolognaise
<u>Wednesday</u>	Fried Rice or Hot Dog, Cheese & Sauce
<u>Thursday</u>	Chicken Schnitzel, Nachos Box
<u>Friday</u>	Souvlaki – Chicken or Lamb or Fish & Wedges

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.

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.

Cheryl Hart
Canteen Leader

Community Announcement's

FREE IN-HOME TESTING OF YOUR CHILD'S ESTIMATED INTELLIGENCE, MEMORY, SELF-REGULATION AND EMOTIONAL AND BEHAVIOURAL FUNCTIONING

Research is being conducted through Monash University and the Melbourne Neuropsychiatry Centre to better understand the processes underlying self-regulation in school-aged children and any links to emotional and behavioural problems. A benefit of your child's participation is that their estimated intelligence, memory, as well as their ability to self-regulate and any emotional and behavioural problems will be assessed and the results will be provided to you within four weeks following testing in the form of a report. These tested areas of functioning are all important factors contributing to your child's academic performance at school, as well as their ongoing social and emotional adjustment.

The research involves completion of three questionnaires by each participating child's primary caregiver, which assesses their child's temperament, ability to control their thoughts, feelings and behaviours and the presence and severity of any emotional and/or behavioural problems. Each participating child will undertake a 2 hour testing session that will assess their general verbal and visual skills, attention and memory. Testing can be arranged to suit, e.g. after school hours, on weekends or school holidays in your own home, or at one of our research centres.

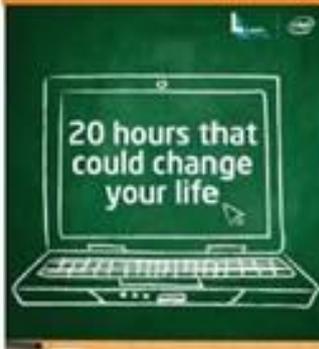
In order to participate children must meet the following criteria: 1) Be aged between 11 years 0 months and 12 years 11 months; 2) Normal, or corrected to normal, vision and hearing; 3) English is his/her first spoken language; 4) No history of a diagnosed learning disorder (e.g. Reading Disorder / Dyslexia); 5) No history of a brain injury or diagnosed psychiatric illness; 6) Not currently take any medications that affect his/her brain function (e.g. psychiatric medications). To register your interest or for more information please contact:

Mr Jeggan Tiego, Phone: 0413 656 166, E-mail: jeggan.tiego@monash.edu

The research project has been approved by the Monash University Human Research Ethics Committee and the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.



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