I would like to take this opportunity to officially introduce myself to the Warrandyte High School Community. Since starting as the new Assistant Principal on Monday August 10, I have thoroughly enjoyed introducing myself to as many teachers, students and parents as possible. My first impressions are exceedingly positive. It is clear to me already that Warrandyte High School is a safe and caring school where students can be challenged academically. I have been struck by the overwhelmingly polite nature of the students here. I lost count of the number of students, from Year 7 through to Year 12, who spontaneously, after introductions were exchanged, said to me, “It was very nice meeting you Mr Caruana, have a nice day!” I must say, all of the staff and the parents who I have already met personally have also made me feel very welcome.

A little about myself: I was the Head of Professional Learning at Doncaster Secondary College for 5 years. Prior to that, I was the Head of Curriculum and English at Lilydale High School. My teaching methods are English, Mathematics and Italian. I have also taught in Vancouver, Canada and in Zurich, Switzerland. It became apparent to me after just a few days how Warrandyte High School offers a rich and wide range of educational opportunities as well as programs aimed at the academic, social and emotional development of our students. The activities in which our students participated just in my first few days included the “Out Loud Poetry Competition” (a feature of the Writer’s Festival), a Year 10 excursion to the Ringwood Magistrates’ Court, the Year 10 Respect, Protect and Connect Program (which engaged our students on many levels) and our School Production students performing to a captivated audience comprising 90 Prep – Year 2 students from Warrandyte Primary School.

**Victorian young leaders to china program**

An exciting opportunity exists for our current Year 8 students who will be in Year 9 next year! Discover and Learn in China! Stay at our sister school in China! Sight see and travel around China! The Victorian Young Leaders to China Program is a life changing opportunity for Year 9 students in 2016 to live in and attend school in China for 6 weeks. The Education Department will instantly contribute $3000 per student towards this program. Interested? Want to know more? Come to the student and parent information night. 6pm – 7pm, Wednesday August 26 in the DLC at the high school.

Applications for this program must be submitted to the Education Department by September 18. We will help with all that. At this stage we are merely exploring the possibility of our 2016 Year 9 students participating in this life changing opportunity. Gaining an idea of the level of interest is the first essential part of the process. If your son or daughter or legal guardian will be in Year 9 next year and you would like to know more, come along to the scheduled information night or contact me or Natalie Manser at the high school on 9844 2749 or email either one of us via Compass. Speaking or studying Mandarin is not required. Students will be all together – not in separate homestays. I could say more but I will leave it for August 26.

A presto (speak soon) – Joe Caruana

Assistant Principal

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**Diary Dates**

**AUGUST**

- **Friday 21 August**
  - Casual Dress Day

- **Wednesday 26 August**
  - Year 8 Young Leaders to China Program parents info. Night

- **Friday 28 August**
  - Michel House Day

- **Thursday 27 August**
  - The Addams Family Performance 1, 6.30pm
  - The Addams Family Performance 2, 7.30pm

- **Saturday 29 August**
  - The Addams Family Performance 3, 1.30pm
  - The Addams Family Performance 4, 7.30pm

**SEPTEMBER**

- **Wednesday 2 September**
  - VET Rec Sailing Camp – Day 1

- **Wednesday 2 September**
  - Year 7 Sport Round Robin

- **Thursday 3 September**
  - VET Rec Sailing Camp – Day 2

- **Friday 4 September**
  - VET Rec Sailing Camp – Day 3

- **Friday 4 September**
  - Anderson House Day

- **Friday 4 September**
  - Junior Poetry Competition

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**Principal:** Dr Stephen Parkin  
**Assistant Principal:** Joseph Caruana  
**School Captains:** Jessie Thomas-Connor, Hugh Prescott

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**Performances are**

- **Thursday 27 August**
  - Early show at 6.30pm,

- **Friday 28 August**
  - Show starting at 7.30pm &

- **Saturday 29 August**
  - Matinee 1.30pm & 7.30pm shows.

**Tickets costs are**

- Primary school age students $12.00
- Concession $18.00
- Adult ticket $23.00
- Family (2 adults & 2 children) $68.00
August is Book Week (or month!…….)

Even though the official dates for Children's Book Council Book Week are 22 to 28 August we are celebrating books and writing for the whole month of August.

Our first event was the Out Loud Slam Poetry Competition.

A couple of weeks ago the Year 8 students were treated to a visit from slam poet Emilie Zoe Baker (or EZB as she likes to be known). EZB talked about how to write poetry, demonstrated her expertise and ran a workshop for a select group of students to write and perform their own poems. So impressed was she with four of our students; Alicia Alvarez, Lucy Bice, Fynn Groves and Laura Moorfoot, that she invited them to participate in the 2015 Out Loud Slam Poetry Competition for schools, which is part of the Melbourne Writer’s Festival. This was a great honour because the entry date had already passed but it was also a bit daunting because there was less time to prepare and rehearse for the big event. On top of this tight time frame the four girls have all been involved in production rehearsals and music camp… like they say… ask a busy person!

new acquaintances with students from schools all over Melbourne when we were having a blast back stage doing warm ups. It was a very comfortable place that we all were very proud to be in.

After the nerves had passed, listening to all the other poems which were mind blowing, it was our turn to take the stage. We made some mistakes and some small pauses but all in all we did a fantastic job. We got the crowd cheering and raised awareness of the problems women face.

When the winners were announced, we were unfortunately not in the top two. The two winners were the most deserving. As this was Warrandyte High school’s first entry in the competition we now know what the competition needs. When we return next year we hope to bring a newly formed poem with an ‘out of the box’ idea!

I would like to thank the four poets for their fabulous performance and for the courage and creativity they demonstrated in their poem: ‘We are feminists not femin-Nazis’. It was a wonderful day.

The competition ended and we were slightly disheartened but we were satisfied with our result. We did really well for a small school against big oppositions. As we walked out of Melbourne Central after lunch Laura saw ‘The Yak’! but that is a whole other story.

Our next event is . . .

The Great Warrandyte Bake Off
Monday 17 – Wednesday 19 August

This will be our 3rd year of competition… Students and staff are invited to decorate a cake inspired by their favourite book. We are looking forward to seeing some fabulous entries as we have had in the past. Stay tuned to this space pictures and winners…..

Judy Steel
Library Leader

Cauliflower Cake

Ingredients:
1 small cauliflower
1 medium red onion
5 tablespoons olive oil
½ teaspoon finely chopped rosemary
½ cup basil leaves, chopped
1 cup flour, sifted
1 ½ teaspoons baking powder
1 medium red onion
1 small cauliflower
1 ½ teaspoons baking powder
1/3 teaspoon turmeric
½ cup basil leaves, chopped
5 tablespoons olive oil
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/3 teaspoon turmeric
½ cup coarse grated parmesan or another aged cheese
Salt and black pepper

Method:
1. Preheat the oven to 200C
2. Cook the cauliflower florets in salted water until soft. Drain and set aside.
3. Finely chop the onion. Cook in oil with rosemary until the onion is soft. Remove from the heat and cool.
4. In a large bowl add the onion, eggs, and basil and mix well. Add the flour, baking powder, turmeric, parmesan and salt and pepper. Mix together then add the cauliflower stirring gently, trying not to break up the florets.
5. Line the base and sides of a spring form cake pan with baking paper. Brush the sides with melted butter. Then mix together the sesame seeds and the caraway seeds and toss them around the inside of the pan.
6. Pour the cauliflower mixture into the pan, spreading evenly.
7. Cook for 45 minutes until golden brown. Remove from the oven and cool for at least 20 minutes before serving. Best served warm or at room temperature

Suzanne Martin
Food Technology technician

Other library news . . .

Curriculum support links now on Compass (under the favourites star):
Libguides - http://warrandytehigh.libguides.com/home

Both these resources have an ever-growing supply of resources to support the WHS curriculum… be sure to have a browse and encourage students to make use of them.
morning tea was lovely and the YMCA program. This program was a great experience for our Year 10 students. Overall the program was great representing peace in the community and participated creatively. We made a string of hope, painted rocks to go to another workshop which was interactive and wouldn’t have known otherwise. In the afternoon we discussed different types of violence. I found it really interesting “In the morning we had two ladies talk to us about...” Sue Martin for preparing a fabulous morning tea for students.

A big thank you to all our guest presenters and to Sue Martin for preparing a fabulous morning tea for students. Here’s what a couple of students had to say about the program:

“In the morning we had two ladies talk to us about different types of violence. I found it really interesting and informative. I also found out things that I wouldn’t have known otherwise. In the afternoon we went to another workshop which was interactive and creative. We made a string of hope, painted rocks to represent peace in the community and participated in physical activity. Overall the program was great and I would definitely recommend it to Year 10 students in the future.” - Brigitte Nassour

“This program was a great experience for our Year 1 level. I found out about my rights and consent. The morning tea was lovely and the YMCA program was engaging. We all enjoyed contributing to the Peace Path.” - Yasemin Bekirofski

Krystina McCrory
Wellbeing Leader

An image with a note saying: A big thank you to all our guest presenters and to Sue Martin for preparing a fabulous morning tea for students.

The first 4 weeks has been very busy in the sports department with multiple teams representing Warrandyte High School at both division and Eastern Metropolitan Regional Finals. This included Intermediate Division Boys Netball, Junior Boys Rugby, Year 7 Girls Netball Regional finals, Intermediate Division Girls Hockey, Intermediate Girls and Boys Basketball and Year 7 Girls Soccer Regional finals. All teams represented the school with pride with some excellent results being achieved.

Intermediate Girls Hockey

The intermediate girls’ hockey team went out to Mullum Mullum Reserve on Thursday 6 August to play against Mulluna College to determine who would be the division champions. Despite the dreary weather, the team was in high spirits. Andi Fidock took charge, using her knowledge of the game to help the other players understand what their roles were on the field. Their teamwork was evident, quickly taking control of the hockey ball, and the game. The goalie, Fynn Groves, was ready to show her mettle, but with the strength of the team’s defence, she never needed to touch the ball! Warrandyte took the win 3 – 0, earning them a spot in the Eastern Region finals to be played later in the year. Congratulations goes to Chelsea Black, Elaine Burdett, Lauren Eadie, Andi Fidock, Fynn Groves, Tamara Johnstone, Phoebe Joy, Elish Kelly, Nat Larner, Lydia Phelan and Greer Wade. Well done girls and best of luck at the next round!

Intermediate Basketball

On Thursday 16 August Warrandyte High School was represented by 3 teams (2 boys and 1 girls) in the Intermediate basketball division competition. All teams had trained hard in the lead up to the competition with try-outs being required due to the large number of students wanting to participate – a first time in a long time. The boys had a hard draw with both Warrandyte teams being placed in the same division which led to a very entertaining yet competitive game. The Boys A Team went through to the semi-final losing 1 game resulting in them reaching the semi-final which they took out easily. This lead to a rematch in the grand final against Mullauna. Whilst the boys gave 100% and left everything they possibly had on the court they unfortunately went down resulting in them coming 2nd in the division – an excellent effort.

The Boys B Team were challenged more and whilst there were a few games where they were clearly outplayed they persisted and stood up to the challenge working as a team. The boys ended the day on a high winning their last game convincingly. The girls team started the day off well with 2 good wins developing their confidence and their teamwork. Their 3rd game was a close one with the score constantly changing and some physicality from both schools. In the end the girls went down by 4 points resulting in them finishing 2nd in their division. This meant that they had a challenge of playing Templestowe in the semi-final. Whilst the girls fought hard continually trying to penetrate against a strong defence they unfortunately went down resulting in them finishing 3rd overall.

Again a fantastic effort. Congratulations goes to all players for their efforts and sportsmanship. They all represented Warrandyte High School with pride!

Year 7 Girls Eastern Metropolitan Regional Final

On Friday 7 August I had the pleasure of taking out 13 Year 7 girls to represent the school at the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Soccer Finals. Whilst some of the girls had never played a game of competitive soccer before, they had trained hard during their lunchtimes to develop their skills and this definitely showed during the games. The girls were ably lead by Milly Bird Romano and Chloe Wallace who quickly put the girls into their positions and explained their roles on the field. Their first game the other school forfeited providing the girls with more time to warm up and get themselves prepared. When they eventually took to the field their first opponents were Wantirna. The game was tight with both the forwards attacking hard and the defenders who were being led by Milly kept the ball in our position and away from the goals. At half time the scores were 1 all and again Milly and Chloe stepped up providing support, advice and encouragement to all the girls. The girls focused themselves and went into the second half with a positive mindset and a real belief in themselves that they could win the game. Not long into the second half Natalie was aggressive in her offense taking control of the ball and provided a clear pass to Chloe who was able to dribble the ball and score it past the goalie. Warrandyte were up and feeling confident. The girls continued to push hard as Wantirna stepped up in their offense however Caitlin stood her ground making numerous saves in the goal and did not allow them to score another goal. The pressure remained tight however Chloe sealed the win when she received a pass down the line from Alia enabling her to demonstrate excellent soccer skills dribbling past numerous defensive players and scoring. The final result was a win to Warrandyte 3 to 1. After a lunch break the girls regrouped to play off in the semi-final against Glen Waverly. The girls worked together as a team forming a strong defensive line against a very strong attacking team. Unfortunately the girls lost the semi-final.
Hi Everyone

I am still at the Guide Dog Kennels recovering from my operation on my elbow. I am no longer on pain relief just the weekly injections that help to heal my elbow. It has only been four weeks since my operation so keeping quiet is still very important for my healing. An x-ray next week will show how my elbow is progressing. I am now settled into a routine and enjoy visits from Jill.

We don't know yet whether I am still able to continue in the Guide Dog Program. That decision will be made by the Puppy Advisor Coordinating Group. They will look at all the reports from my operation and recovery progress and make their decision.

I believe Weston is enjoying being at school and getting plenty of visits and pats.

I miss everyone and hope to return as soon as I can.

Quinn

2016 Student Diary Cover Competition Is Now Open

Start designing our 2016 student diary cover. How wonderful would it be to have your design on every student diary! Your design may be in the form of any art work or a photo. The only rule is that it must incorporate WHS or Warrandyte High School 2016.

Submit your designs for the cover of the student diary 2016 to Mrs Butterworth in the General Office. The closing date is 28 August 2015.

Helene Butterworth
Executive Assistant

Junior Boys Rugby

On 28 July Warrandyte High School entered a Junior Boys Rugby team into the Cameron Smith round-robin. The boys had been training hard at lunchtime developing their rugby skills (for some students the game was brand new to them). The boys were ably trained and coached by Tim Griffiths and Ryley Douglass and headed off on the day knowing they were up against some tough competition. When they arrived the boys were somewhat shocked by the size of the players from the other schools however this did not dampen their competitiveness with all boys stepping up to the challenge going into each game with a positive mindset. With each game the boys continued to develop their skills and go in hard being prepared to take the tackle and trying to hold up the opposition (which at times required 3 of our boys to 1 of theirs). Whilst the boys did not come away with a win they definitely learnt a lot throughout the entire training and competition phase and should be congratulated on their efforts, sportsmanship and contribution to representing Warrandyte High School in a sport that has only recently been introduced to many of the students.

Thank you also goes to Ernee Greenwood who took the boys out for the day.

Katie Cook
PE Leader

Senior Girls’ Netball

Last Friday the senior girls’ netball team went to the region finals at Jells Park. Unfortunately we lost a couple of players due to a clash with the Biology excursion but luckily we had three Year 11 students who were willing to play.

The girls had trained against the intermediate boys, the teachers and the Year 7 girls so were well prepared for the day’s competition.

We played three matches where the girls tried hard, never gave up and most importantly enjoyed their last opportunity to represent Warrandyte High in interschool sport. Well done girls.

Michelle Barry
Sport Teacher

FCW now has a new online ordering system which is an easier and speedier way to order a uniform. The link is as follows: www.fcw.com.au/schools-online-shop/
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Join in as an individual or form a team
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**When**: 28 August
**Where**: The Grand Hotel, Warrandyte
**Time**: 7.00pm-9.00pm, Tickets: $40/person


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