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As I write this report we have 11 excited students who are about to leave on the 2015 Baw Baw Cultural exchange to Juijiang Province in China for two weeks. They will join students from Warragul Regional College and St Paul’s Anglican Grammar School on the biannual cultural exchange. I will be fortunate, with two other staff members, to accompany our students on the trip and look forward to visiting our sister school in Juijiang.

COLLEGE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The College Council elections concluded this week and the following parents and staff were elected. We still have one parent vacancy on College Council. If you are interested in nominating to this valued group of parents please contact myself or Josie O’Connor at the College.

Parent Representatives  Staff Representative
Mrs Jeanine Taylor  Mrs Josie O’Connor

The representatives have been elected for a two year term and I thank them for making to commitment to the life of the College.

HPV - WONTHAGGI

The HPV team competed in their first event at Casey three weekends ago. We entered two teams and our senior team finished 3rd in their division in the six hour event.

On the weekend they will compete in the 24 hour Wonthaggi event. We not only have two student bikes entered but also for the first time a community vehicle driven by staff members, parents and ex-students. We wish them all the best for the weekend.

GIPPSLAND SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

We had 18 students who went down to Sale and competed against some of the best swimmers from across all of Gippsland. 19 schools were represented on the day and Drouin finished a very creditable 6th overall. It was impressive to see all our competitors work hard to achieve some good results. Often we had teams or individuals finish 4th, 5th or 6th which when competing against all of Gippsland is an excellent result.

Congratulations go to Julian Wainwright who won five individual medals on the day including four gold. This means that Julian now goes onto the State Finals in April in four events – good luck Jules!

Daisy Hastig won a bronze in her 200 metre freestyle – well done Daisy.

LEADERSHIP ASSEMBLY

The College conducted its Leadership Presentation Ceremony last week to recognise our student leaders across the College. We wish each leader every success in their leadership role. I am particularly pleased with the number of senior students nominating to have a role on College Council, its subcommittees or the Student Representative Council. Having greater student voice on these college wide groups is very positive. Thank you to Anne Marie McCabe who attended the ceremony to represent College Council and made an excellent speech. Thanks also to Raeleen Fry who attended on behalf of the Parents and Friends Association.

THANK YOU AND WELL DONE

If members of our community know of excellent performances of students around our community please send us this information so I can acknowledge this in the College e-news.

- Well done to the senior VCAL students who are conducting our now annual Pink Stumps day on Thursday 26th March. They have already put in a large effort setting up for this event. They hope their organisation will raise their target of $5000.
- A special thank you to Parent and Friends on again sponsoring the Badge Presentation and for conducting the hot cross bun fundraiser which raised $500. Thank you also to families who supported the fund raiser.
Last week on Friday the 13th of March, the Year 10 and 11 History classes made their way down to Elsternwick to the Jewish Holocaust Museum, as part of the topic we are studying. It was a truly memorable experience for all of us. We took everything in that we were told and shown, and developed a real understanding of what it was actually like for the Jews through WWII.

The museum contained many artefacts and artworks, such as a model of the concentration camp Treblinka which was destroyed at the end of the war. The model had been reconstructed from the memory of one of the few survivors. We also saw striped uniforms that were mandatory in the concentration camps and posters that had been saved from the wall of a ghetto.

We had a firsthand experience with a 92 year old survivor, Willy, who told us a beautiful sad story about how he managed to get through The Holocaust and all he experienced. He personally told me that he went into the memorial part of the museum every year on the anniversary of his parents’ death and lit a candle because he had no grave or other memorial to dignify the loss of his parents, it was the closest thing he had.

Thank you to Miss Andrews, Miss Brooker, Mrs Williams and Mr Lyons for organizing the day, and thank you to all of the staff at the museum. It is a memory that will definitely stick with us.

Gabrielle Fawns 10B

THE ANZAC STORY
ANZAC DAY

- MONDAY 20TH APRIL

Drouin Secondary College Auditorium
For all students in year 7, 8, 9 and 10
Period 1: Year 9
Periods 2 & 3: Year 10
Period 4: Years 7 & 8

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On Monday 2nd March, the first half of our Year 7 Learning Groups - 7A to 7C, set off by bus at 7.30am, with their LG teachers, Mr Russell, Mr Hasley and Miss Andrews, to begin their three day experience at the Rawson Village in Rawson.

They were joined by other staff, including Mr Marks, Ms Kamphuis, Mr Hawton, Ms Fanning and Ms Brooker. Steph Morgan and Jack Barnes, two of our fabulous Educational Support people joined us along with four Year 12 VCAL students – Fletcher Boreham, Cameron Clark, Gerard Chaplin and Shakira Gade who gave up their time to help out on camp. We were so lucky to have them join us and all of them did an outstanding job!

Similarly, on Wednesday 5th March, the second half of our Year 7 LG classes – 7D to 7F, left the college with their LG teachers, Mr Axford, Mr Jeffrey and Ms Hill, to begin their three day experience at Rawson Village.

These students were joined by Ms Gentle, Mr Wainwright, Mr Emery, Mrs Mackay, Mrs Mullen, Mr Moss, Rex Solomon, Terry Marks, Jack Barnes, Michelle Ellis, Fiona Lynn and five Year 12 VCAL students – Courtney Bartlett, Emily Salan, Jake Kirby, Shakira Gade and Nathaniel Ogden-Cartwright. Thanks to these staff and students as well, who worked tirelessly with our Year 7 students at camp over the whole week.

Day One, arriving at Rawson Village, students and staff were briefed by Jason, the Camp Director, about the activities and camp rules. Then it was time to begin the fun! All students and staff spent the first day participating in a range of outdoor activities designed to challenge them as individuals to step outside their comfort zone and to encourage them to develop team work as a group. These included high ropes, abseiling, climbing tower, flying fox, bushwalking, and a canoeing session on the Thomson River.

The first night, staff and students were treated to a home cooked dinner and then participated in a reflection session of their achievements from Day One activities with their LG teachers. This included discussing some of the challenging activities, how well their group had worked together and some of the new friends they had made that day. Students were then encouraged to play some indoor games before heading off to bed.

Day Two began early with a hot breakfast, and then students in their LG groups headed off to visit the historic township of Walhalla, which included participating in a two hour Amazing Race, a visit to the cemetery, a tour of the Long Tunnel Gold Mine, a walk to the historic Cricket Ground, a tour of the town and a visit to the Walhalla Lolly Shop, as well as enjoying a barbeque lunch in Stringer’s Park.

Walhalla is significant in the Year 7 curriculum as it is a focus of study in the Year 7 Moondah course for its rich history and geographical location. It was a terrific opportunity for our students to actually walk the streets and visits the sights of this lovely township so they could bring these experiences back to the classroom to be used in further study and investigation.
Most students and staff were exhausted by the time they returned to Rawson Village late in the afternoon. It was really pleasing to see the students complete all the day’s challenging activities and have fun in the process with their friends and the College staff. That evening, our students participated in a self-reflection activity of the highs and lows of the day and we watched a new release movie of “Big Hero-6” which was most enjoyable.

On the last day of camp, students and staff participated in the onsite activities at Rawson Village including the commando course, navigation, team games, team survival challenge and a swim in the local indoor pool. They then had a lunch of homemade pizza and chips and packed their bags and headed home, hopefully having made new friends and developed a better relationship with their LG teacher and other College staff, and challenged themselves on a range of outdoor activities.

During lunch on the last day, an awards session was held, where each LG teacher chose a worthy award winner from their group who displayed courage, team work, perseverance and persistence over the previous three days whilst on camp. These students were awarded a traveling microfibre towel.

Our LG award winners were – 7A – Zoe Hope, 7B – Tasha Mitchell, 7C – Natalia Dijkstra, 7D – Soledad Lano-Landriel, 7E – Ruby Kelly, and 7F – Kiarna Craig. Congratulation to these terrific students!

On a personal note, I would like to publicly thank the huge number of staff and VCAL students who gave up their time to attend this very important event for our 2015 Year 7s. This year, we again modified the camp program, to provide a more interesting and stimulating program for our students, as well as incorporating a whole day in Walhalla to give students an in-depth insight into the history of this town, and why it is located where it is in the Baw Baw Ranges.

We were also blessed with relatively good weather for most of our camp, and even though it was hot and cold and wet at times, we were well supplied with drinking water, hats, sunscreen and shade, and warm clothes.

Thanks too, to all of our students who on the whole, behaved extremely well whilst on camp and survived the food, the living conditions, the bus trip and the sometimes strenuous activities.

Special thanks to Jess Sutton and Chloe Whelan, our Year 7 Administrative Officers, who assisted with organising and collating the paperwork necessary to making a camp work and ensuring we had all the necessary equipment for the week in Rawson.

Kind regards,
Mrs Rosemary Allen
Year 7 Level Leader
On the 3/3/15 and the 5/3/15, the year 7s went to explore the Walhalla town. There were three activities we did on the day. There was the Walhalla town tour, a mini Amazing Race and a mine tour. I liked the town tour the best. We got to go on the alpine walking track, which gave us amazing views of the town. We looked at the haunted hospital. Most people saw three ghosts there. It was very scary for some people, including me! For the Amazing Race, we split into groups of five or six. We then went off and answered as many questions as we could before time was up. The questions were about the old buildings in Walhalla. Then the last activity was the Long Tunnel Extended Mine tour. We got shown where the gold was found, and our tour guide demonstrated how they made the mine. We walked to where there was very wet, sticky ground because the water went through the top of the mine. We got told that if someone had died in the mine, they had to get them out asap. If they didn’t remove the dead bodies, we wouldn’t be allowed to have mine tours today. Removing a body would cost about $1 million! People were saying they saw a ghost in the mine, but we all figured out it was the tour guide’s shadow.

We had a great time in Walhalla!

By Emily Rolfe  7A

Camp was amazing I had so much fun and I really enjoyed canoeing, the flying fox and movie night. It helped me get to know my fellow year 7s and my classmates. Walhalla was fun as well although it was difficult to walk up to the cricket ground. I am so lucky to have been able to go on this extraordinary camp.

Jessica Mackinnon  7D
On Tuesday 10th March, the Pre-apprenticeship Literacy class put into practice what they have been learning about persuasive writing. Looking at the issue of 'coward punches', students wrote, choreographed and filmed a music video expressing their views.

It took a lot of courage for the boys to get up in front of their peers, and the on-looking camera, and not only sing, but perform. Gill and Raeleen, our facilitators for the day, travel all over the country helping groups create music videos and they were especially impressed by the way the students applied themselves to this task.

Well done 9G!

On Tuesday, 10th March the Year 11 VCAL students went on an excursion to The Summit for a day of skill building. It began with an excruciatingly early start. We had to be at school at 6:45am. The Summit is a privately owned area in Trafalgar designed to build skills in team work and courage - all in a fun, friendly environment. This big day began with a very helpful talk about the facilities and how to safely put a harness on. Once that was over we were split into groups and dispatched into our alternative fun activities.

These activities consisted of a timed obstacle course, a large flying fox that flew over the creek, abseiling down a massive vertical wall, swinging with a partner on the biggest swing in Victoria and a game of laser tag out in a specially dedicated field.

This was a fun and relaxing day - definitely worth going. A huge thank you to Mrs Goss for organising the day, and Miss Werner and Mr Thorpe for coming along too.

Jordan Bowey
Year 7 students read over four million words between 6th March and 19th March and the following students successfully completed quizzes:


The target for each semester is to read **at least three books** and successfully complete quizzes on each.

Progress can be tracked at https://auhosted1.renlearn.com.au/1458054 using the student’s username and password for Moodle.

Thank you for supporting your child’s reading.

DSC English, SURFF and Library Staff

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**LIBRARY NOVELS, DVDS, AUDIOS & STUDY GUIDES**

There is a high demand for many of the library’s items. Given this, we encourage students to return the borrowed items as soon as they are read or viewed.

Novels can be borrowed for two weeks, audios and dvds for three days, and study guides for overnight.

Students are welcome to re-borrow the items, if they are not reserved by others.

Reminder e-mails are sent regularly to encourage students to keep up to date with borrowing and returning.
UMAT- Year 12 students

UMAT is a compulsory test that is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into medicine, dentistry and health science degree programs at undergraduate level.

UMAT 2015 will be held on the 29th July 2015. Registration deadline is 5th June 2015, 5pm AEST. Late registrations will be accepted until 5.00pm AEST 19 June 2015, however $65 penalty fee on top of the registration fee applies.

UMAT is available to any candidate whose educational level at the time of sitting the test is their final year of secondary schooling, or higher.

Students can repeat the UMAT if they were unsuccessful the year before.

Students can register for the UMAT only via the ACER website.

UMAT 2015 covers the areas of Logical Reasoning and Problem Solving, Understanding People, and Non-verbal Reasoning. Students are given 3 hours to complete 134 multiple choice questions. Students will be provided with 10 minutes reading time.

Year 10 Work Experience

All Year 10 students will undertake Work Experience in the last week of Term 2, June 22-26. Students are encouraged to find their own work experience placement. A Work Experience Arrangement form needs to be completed by the student, guardian and employer. This can be collected from the Careers Office at any time.

We would hope that all students have finalised their placement by the end of Week 1 in Term 2. If any student needs some assistance, they are welcome to have a chat with any of us in Careers.

Federation Training Ice-cream Day at DSC

On 12th March, representatives from Federation Training came to Drouin SC, bringing Mr Whippy with them. 200 VCE & VCAL students were treated with a free ice-cream. Students made the most of the opportunity to ask questions about further study at Federation Training.

University Open Days/Information

Open Days are a great opportunity to check out tertiary institutions. Most Open Days occur on Sundays in August. The dates for many of them are listed here so that you can get them in your diary for later on. Year 10-12 students (and their families) are encouraged to visit institutions of interest on Open Days so that you can see their facilities, attend information sessions, collect information, get your questions answered, talk to staff, and so on.

DATES:
- Sat 1 Aug – Monash (Berwick & Peninsula campuses)
- Sun 2 Aug – Deakin (Warrnambool); Monash (Caulfield & Clayton); Swinburne (Hawthorn)
- Sun 9 Aug – Australian Catholic University (ACU) (Fitzroy); Deakin (Geelong campuses); La Trobe (Bundoora); RMIT; William Angliss Institute
- Sun 16 Aug – Melbourne; Monash (Parkville – Pharmacy); La Trobe (Bendigo)
- Sun 23 Aug – Box Hill Institute; Deakin & MIBT; Victoria (Footscray)
- Sun 30 Aug – ACU (Ballarat); Federation (Ballarat & Gippsland)

Holmesglen has a number of Open Days during the year, usually the last Thursday of the month.

“The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes”. (Marcel Proust, 19th century novelist)

Volunteer to host an international high school student through Southern Cross Cultural Exchange and prepare to be amazed at how this unique and rewarding experience can help bring your family together, understand themselves better and see the world in a new light.

We have students aged 15-18 arriving from France, Germany, Italy, Spain and Scandinavia in July 2015 who are seeking welcoming families all over Australia, in both rural and urban communities. They will live like a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Capture the spirit of family and friendship - visit us on Facebook or at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501 to request a booklet of international student profiles.
On Thursday 12th March, Tahnae Blight of Year 11, Bryce Howell of Year 10 and a ‘volunteer’ from the crowd, Ben Fenner of Year 9, were very brave and did the World’s Greatest Shave!

Tahnae’s hair is going to be made into a wig for cancer patients. Peta Smith was also very brave, and cut her hair short to help raise cancer awareness.

These students did a fantastic job organising the day, with a BBQ fundraiser at lunch and the auditorium being available to watch the ‘shave’ upon a gold coin donation entry. Almost $250 was raised.

Well done to Bryce Howell who raised $574.15 and to Tahnae Blight who raised $1692.15, smashing her goal of $1000. What a great effort guys!

Thank you to Amber Boyle from Cabello Style and Beauty for volunteering her time to come and shave/cut off the students’ hair.
FOSTER CARERS NEEDED

...There is presently a need for Foster Carers in your local area...

- Foster Carers can be couples, families, singles
- May be heterosexual or same sex couples
- May be working or non-working, renters or homeowners
- May be young people over 21, or older, retired people
- A Foster Carer can provide, short term, long term or overnight care

SalvoCare Eastern- Gippsland will provide free initial training to you so that you can become a foster carer. There is a screening and assessment process to be undertaken before you can become an accredited foster carer. A financial reimbursement is available and 24 hour support.

For more information that is obligation free, or if you would like an information session about foster care please contact GippsCare on 5662 6400 or email: salvocare@aus.salvationarmy.org, and visit http://www.salvationarmy.org.au/salvocaregippsland

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DROUIN & DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION
2015 WINTER SEASON

- Saturday morning competition
- Competition starts Saturday 2nd May 2015

Teams to send Expression of Interest to play to ddnanetball@hotmail.com to receive a team pack

New Players and Teams Welcome!

For more information contact
Donna 0437896120 or Karen 0408275588
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## 2015 TERM DATES

- **Term 2**: 13 April to 26 June
- **Term 3**: 13 July to 18 September
- **Term 4**: 5 October to 18 December

Contact Hrs: 8.15am – 4.30pm

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