The longer second term has started well and business continues with Year 8 and 9 students starting their term with a range of camps. I also would like to take the opportunity to welcome new staff to the College for Term 2 onwards

- Ms Natalia Grechko who will work in the Music and English areas
- Ms Marie Henshall who will work in Mathematics
- Mrs Catherine Thorpe who will work in the front office
- Mrs Sharon Page who will work in the Year 7 area.

**COLLEGE COUNCIL PARENT REPRESENTATIVE**

The new College council met in March and our next meeting is on 28th April at 7.30pm. Adam Tyson remains President and Anne-Marie McCabe continues as Vice President. We are looking forward to another productive 12 months.

We still have one parent vacancy on Council and are looking for a parent to nominate to fill this position. If you have any interest please contact Josie O’Connor at the College on 5625 1002.

**COLLEGE SPORT**

**DROUIN ATHLETICS RESULTS**

Can I congratulate Paterson on winning the athletics at the end of last term. That is two years in a row and five house sport victories in a row for Paterson. Next will be the Cross Country where hopefully another house can step up and break Paterson’s winning streak. Mr Marks has a full report later in the DSCN.

**OTHER SPORT NEWS – STATE LEVEL SUCCESS**

Last week the SSV State Swim Carnival was held and for the first time in many years we had a State Medallist in this carnival. Julian Wainwright raced in four events winning Silver in the 50m Butterfly and Bronze in the Open 100 metre Butterfly. He also finished 4th in the 50 metre Backstroke and 7th in the 50 metre Freestyle.

Congratulations also to Georgia Fisher who was selected for the State Metro Youth Girls’ Football Team. Georgia will fly to Perth in early May as part of the team and we wish the Vics every success.

**ANZAC ASSEMBLY AND ANZAC DAY PERFORMACE**

The Years 7 to 10 students were fortunate to attend a fabulous performance of “The ANZAC Story” delivered by a professional cast live here last Monday. It was a great way to build students’ understanding of war and Australia’s history at Gallipoli on this 100th year anniversary. Can I thank Ms Brie Brooker for all her organisation and work to bring the performance to the College. We also had a range of sponsors who helped the College pay for the performance for the students. Our sponsors were Drouin & District Community Bank (Bendigo Bank), Gary Blackwood MP, Russell Broadbent MP, Drouin Rotary Club and Drouin Lions Club. I would like to thank them for supporting this worthy cause.

The College also conducted an ANZAC Assembly on Thursday morning with Drouin RSL President Rod McNab as our guest speaker. Our College captains and a number of students represented our College at the Dawn Service and the morning march. It was great to see so many people out on this special and significant day.

**JUIJIANG SISTER SCHOOL TRIP**

I was lucky enough to travel with 21 students and 4 other staff on the recent Cultural exchange to Juijiang China. It was a great trip with many highlights for myself and the students. We had 11 of our students in the group and they were a credit to the College and their parents. They mixed well with the other students on the trip and the Chinese students in Juijiang. There is more information later in the newsletter. Thank you to Lauren Clapperton and Brian Griffin for all their work in leading the trip on behalf of the College.

**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 DSCN.

- Well done Peter Mascadri on being selected for the George Collins Award which includes representing the Baw Baw Shire in the Kokoda Trek next year.
- Well done to the senior VCAL students who conducted our now annual Pink Stumps day last week of term and raised $3800 for the cancer research.

Julian Wainwright  Georgia Fisher     Peter Mascadri
The ANZAC Story
- Lest We Forget

On Monday 20th April, students from Drouin Secondary College had the opportunity to watch ‘The ANZAC Story’ performance. This professional production gave students the chance to reflect on the experience of Gallipoli from the perspective of both soldiers and nurses and to commemorate ANZAC Day.

We were very privileged to have this production sponsored for us by several of our local community groups. This sponsorship ensured students a rich and valuable learning experience. Our thanks go to:

- Drouin & District Community Bank Branch
- The Rotary Club of Drouin
- The Lions Club of Drouin
- Gary Blackwood MP
- Russell Broadbent MP

Some student reflections of the performance were:

“ANZAC Day is for remembering the men and women that went to war. The play focussed on the remembrance of the people who lost their lives at Gallipoli and re-enacted the story of the 18th Battalion. They were ordered to join the ‘big push’, but this push failed. So they made a plan to trick the Turks while they left the battlefield. During the Gallipoli campaign, many died, some survived - either way we will remember them.”

“The dangers at Gallipoli were things like the nurses risking their lives to treat the soldiers that fought. During the final push many soldiers knew they probably wouldn’t make it but they still tried. The ANZAC Story showed us the resilience and courage of soldiers and nurses in Gallipoli.”

“The soldiers paid a sacrifice. They didn’t understand what they signed up for. 8000 soldiers died and 19000 were wounded. Others had to be brave and continue fighting. The supplies were always low. The ANZAC Production shows us the sacrifice and the bravery of the ANZACS.”

We would like to thank the sponsors that made this possible.
On Sunday 22nd March, 21 students and 6 staff from Drouin Secondary College, Warragul Regional College and St. Paul’s Anglican Grammar embarked on a journey of a lifetime – what an awesome experience!!

The next two weeks were jam packed as we were travelling around China learning about the history, culture, food, shopping and most importantly visiting our sister school, No. 3 Middle School in Juijiang. It was here where students made lifelong friendships and are eagerly awaiting the Juijiang students’ return in 2016. During our time in China, we were lucky enough to visit some of China’s most famous landmarks, such as The Great Wall, Tiananmen Square, The Forbidden City, The Summer Palace and The Terracotta Warriors.

Our students quickly adapted to life in China and made the most of every opportunity, became experts at bartering at local markets and quickly picked up the art of eating with chopsticks at every meal.

Kesha, Bailey, Tara, Jemima, Ben, Alyssa, Drew, Darcy, Josh, Mikayla and Lachlan were a credit to the Baw Baw Shire and Drouin Secondary College. They represented the community in a positive way and contributed to the 20 year friendship between the Baw Baw and Juijiang schools.

If you are interested in participating in this exchange program in 2016 or beyond, please contact either Lauren Clapperton or Brian Griffin – it will be an experience you will never forget!
Peninsula Camp

Ace-Hi camp was enormous! The DSC contingent of 43 Year 8 and 9 students were bravely lead through activities such as surfing, horse riding, archery, giant swing, flying fox and tree surfing. The instructors we encountered were first class and the facilities and food were outrageously good. The group also enjoyed a trip to the Dromana Drive-In to watch Mall Cop 2. I rate this camp 10 out of 10.
2015 HOUSE ATHLETICS RESULTS

PATERSON HAVE GONE BACK TO BACK, WINNING THE ATHLETICS FOR A SECOND YEAR IN A ROW, BY A SMALL MARGIN OF JUST UNDER A 100 POINTS FROM DENNIS.

The day started out in cool conditions and finished in wet and cooler conditions. However this did not seem to dampen the enthusiasm of those who attended the day and participated. All of the events were contested with competitors keen to do their best. The day was all about participation and in the end it was Paterson who managed to fill more events with competitors than the other houses and came away as winners on the day.

3 new College records were set on the day by: Dane Johns in the U/17 Long and Triple Jump events and Piper Hastings in the U/13 High Jump event.

A big thank-you to all the students and staff who supported their houses and participated in all aspects of the day.

ANDREW MARKS
SPORT COORDINATOR

OVERALL RESULTS OF THE HOUSE ATHLETIC SPORTS

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Year 7 students read over four million words between 20th March and 17th April 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
DSC LIBRARY
OPENING HOURS

Class-time

**Before School:** 8.30am until the first bell.

**Recess:** Only on Mondays and Wednesdays (SURFF and LG Days)

**Lunchtime:** After the first 7-8 minutes of lunch until 3 minutes before the bell for Period 4.

**After School:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays until 4.30pm (ideal time for private study)

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**2015 MOTHER’S DAY CLASSIC**

WALK OR RUN FOR BREAST CANCER RESEARCH

Are you looking for a way to celebrate Mother’s Day that is a little bit different? Why don’t you come to the FIRST EVER Drouin official Mother’s Day Classic?! It will be on 10th May at the Drouin Golf Course and starts at 9am.

For those of you unfamiliar with the Mother’s Day Classic, it is a fun run/walk which helps raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research and to support those people in the community suffering from this horrible disease.

All funds raised from this great event are going to be donated to the National Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

There will be a sausage sizzle, jumping castle, henna tattoos, face painting and other activities on the day - grab your family and friends and come along for a great day, helping support research for breast cancer.


Or visit our Facebook page at: [https://www.facebook.com/drouinmothersdayclassicfunwalk](https://www.facebook.com/drouinmothersdayclassicfunwalk)

Year 11 VCAL Class of 2015
On 13th March, Years 10 and 11 History students embarked on an excursion to the National Holocaust Museum in Melbourne. We had the pleasure to talk to Willy, who survived the Holocaust and multiple concentration camps.

Talking to Willy was a huge experience and I know that every single student took something away from it. Willy’s story was both sad and uplifting. It taught us all about the grievances of war and what one person can do to millions of people. Willy told us about how he lost his little sister and his mother and father to the Holocaust and he told us about how he managed to survive.

Travelling to the National Holocaust Museum was one of the biggest eye openers that we had experienced. Everything that we learnt from Willy and from the museum will stay with each student hopefully for the rest of their lives, and I know that everything we learnt will help significantly in the studying of World War II for both the students and the teachers involved.

During our visit we also had the pleasure of walking through the museum and talking to the volunteers about the Holocaust and how it affected so many people. We learnt that 6 million Jewish people were killed during the Holocaust, 1.5 million being children and babies. For us that was such a surreal number, so they put it in perspective; 15 MCGs full of children and babies were murdered during 1939-1945. For us this number was unfathomable.

Our visit to the Holocaust Museum was amazing; it was an experience that will stay with us for years to come. To all the volunteers at the museum, thank you for doing such a wonderful job. To Willy, thank you for sharing your incredible story and thank you for the amazing opportunity you gave each and every student, to listen to your story and to understand the hardships you went through; you truly are an inspirational person.

Clare Benfell, Yr 11
FROM GENERAL OFFICE

Welcome back to our students for Term 2 we hope you all had a lovely Easter Break.

Reminders:

• **All Camps** are to be paid for before students leave for camp (No payment plans are available on camps). If you have an outstanding camp payment please make sure this is paid at your earliest convenience.

• If your **child needs to leave early** please provide a note to the student so they can leave the classroom if need be.

• If your child is **sick** and calls home please ask them to go to the relevant Learning Culture Centre and report to sick bay.

• If your child is **late** please provide a note stating reason for lateness.

• **All fees** were due at the end of Term 1 please organise to pay in full or make a payment plan with Josie O’Connor (Business Manager) at your earliest convenience.

• **Uniform Shop** is open every Thursday 10am-6pm and every first Saturday of the month from 9.30am-12.30pm.

Thank you

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CAREERS VCE AND CAREERS EXPO

The Age VCE and Careers Expo is being held once again this year. There will be more than 170 exhibitors with VCE resources, tertiary course and career information. This is a great opportunity to gain information at one location.

**When:** 9am-3pm, Thurs 7th and Fri 8th May and 10am – 4pm on Sat 9th and Sun 10th May

**Where:** Caulfield Racecourse.

All Year 11 students (VCE & VCAL) have received permission forms to attend an excursion to the Expo on Thursday 7th May. All forms are to be returned to the General Office ASAP. The ticket that each student receives on arrival is valid for all four days of the Expo.

**Info:** www.vceandcareers.com.au.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

So far, 60 students have finalised Work Experience placements for the end of this term. Please encourage your child to contact possible employers as soon as possible. An arrangement form (pink) needs to be completed by the student, parent/guardian & employer. A blue form will also need to be completed if it is likely that the student will be travelling with their employer in work vehicles while at work. Both forms are available from the Careers Office and must be returned there once complete.

VET

A reminder- All students must contact their VET provider and the College to provide notification of any absence.

UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

University Open Days can provide you with insight into what life at University/TAFE could be like post-school, available courses, entry requirements, accommodation options etc. Go to http://www.vtac.edu.au/opendays.html to find out dates for Universities/TAFEs/Colleges etc in 2016. If you are in Year 10 or 11, this is a great time to attend Open Days. If you are in Year 12, some last minute checking out could help you make some final decisions.
Are you the mother of a high school child? Do you feel alone? Would you like some support? Then this is for you! Come along to...

**Connections Through Conversation**

A monthly gathering for women.

A regular, relaxed time to share and gain support from other women in the community.

**Wesley of Warragul**

62 Victoria St, Warragul
7:30 pm to 9:30 pm
Begins: Wednesday 15th April, 2015
Cost: Free (Gold coin donation welcome.)
Call: 5622-1400 or 0418-520-470

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**FOR SALE**

5625 1138

**Baby Spiny Leaf**

**Baby Goliath**

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**YEAR 7 2016 INFORMATION DAY & EVENINGS**

**INFORMATION DAY:** For Grade 6 Students: Thursday 7th May

**INFORMATION EVENING:** For Parents of Grade 5 & 6 Students: Thursday 7th May, 7pm.

Parents will be able to tour the College in small groups. You will see our classrooms, facilities and presentations about the college learning programs. You will also have the opportunity to talk with teachers, students and other parents.

Applications for DSCs ACCELERATED PATHWAYS PROGRAM (APP) are now open.

**Contact:** Mrs Rosemary Allen. Email: allen.rosemary.f@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone 5625 1002 or visit our website: www.drouinsc.vic.edu.au
WEEK 3
28/04/2015 College Council - 7:30pm
29/04/2015 Sport Gippsland Tennis all levels - all day
29/04/2015 Sport and Rec 2 - Drouin PS - 1:45pm to 3:30pm
29/04/2015 Year 11 ODE Wellington River Bushwalk - 4:00pm onwards
30/04/2015 Civil Construction Activities - 4 students - all day
30/04/2015 Federation Uni - 4 students - all day
30/04/2015 Disney Themed Casual Clothes Day
30/04/2015 Science in a suitcase - 8 students - 1:30pm to 3:30pm
30/04/2015 Year 11 ODE Wellington River Bushwalk - 4:00pm onwards
1/05/2015 Year 11 ODE Wellington River Bushwalk - 4:00pm onwards

WEEK 4
2/05/2015 Uniform Shop open 9.30am to 12.30pm
4/05/2015 Student Attitudes to School Survey - Period 2
4/05/2015 Year 9 SOSE Shrine of Remembrance - all day
5/05/2015 Sport West Gippsland Athletics - all day
6/05/2015 Year 10 ODE Sailing - all day
6/05/2015 EPC - 5:00pm
6/05/2015 Buildings and Grounds Committee - 7:30pm
7/05/2015 Grade 6 Information Day & Parent Information Evening
7/05/2015 Civil Construction Overview - 4 students - all day
7/05/2015 Federation Uni - selected students - all day
7/05/2015 Year 10 ODE Sailing - all day
7/05/2015 Year 11 Careers Expo
7/05/2015 Science in a suitcase - 8 students - 12noon to 3:00pm
8/05/2015 Year 12 Top Arts - all day
8/05/2015 Year 9 Geography & Year 12 ODE Phillip Island - 9:00am to 8:30pm
8/05/2015 Year 10 ODE Sailing - all day
10/05/2015 Year 11 VCAL Mothers Day Classic

WEEK 5
12/05/2015 NAPLAN Testing
13/05/2015 NAPLAN Testing
13/05/2015 Year 12 ODE Wilson Prom - all day
14/05/2015 NAPLAN Testing
14/05/2015 Year 12 ODE Wilson Prom - all day
14/05/2015 Federation Uni - selected students - all day
14/05/2015 APP applications close
15/05/2015 Year 12 ODE Wilson Prom - all day

WEEK 6
19/05/2015 AIME Days - Koorie students
19/05/2015 Parents and Friends - 7:30pm
20/05/2015 Finance Committee - 5:00pm
22/05/2015 Vet/VCE Dance Semester 1 Performance Evening

WEEK 7
25/05/2015 DSC Cross Country
26/05/2015 Year 10/11 semester exams
26/05/2015 College Council - 7:30pm
27/05/2015 Year 10/11 semester exams
27/05/2015 National History Competition - Period 2
28/05/2015 Year 10/11 semester exams
29/05/2015 Year 10/11 semester exams
30/05/2015 APP Testing