



NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 1

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The Newsletter is designed to offer an information service to the parents of Wedderburn College students and local people interested in Education.

DATELINE

April

- Thurs 14th Peacefulkids Information Session
- Fri 15th Studio Arts Top Arts Excursion
Grade 6 Famous People in Australia's
History Dress Up Day
Whole School Assembly 2.45pm KLC
- Mon 18th SRC Leadership Conference
Labyrinth in the Library P-6 Performance
2-3PM
- Mon-Thurs 18th-21st Year 8 Coastal Camp
- Tues 19th SSV Swimming Melbourne MSAC
Year 10 Work Experience Information
Evening 5-6PM
- Wed-Fri 20th-22nd Street Art Camp
- Fri 22nd MIPs in attendance
- Mon 25th ANZAC Day Holiday
- Wed 27th Grs 5-6 Federation University Outreach
Day-Charlton
- Thurs 28th Year 7 Immunisation-9:30am
MIPs in attendance
- Fri 29th NCD Sports Day-Secondary

May

- Mon-Wed 2nd-4th Great Ocean Walk-Duke of Ed Year
9/10
- Tues 3rd Yr 12 Legal Studies Excursion Loddon
Prison
- Fri 6th VCAL visited by MMTC Murray Mallee
Training Company
- Mon 9th House Cross County
- Mon 16th NCD Cross Country
College Council
- Wed 18th MIPs in attendance
- Thurs-Fri 19th-20th Indigenous Workshop P-12
- Tues 24th Yr 9 Federation Uni Workshop 2-2:30pm
Year 9 Parent Workshop (Federation Uni)
6-7:30pm
- Wed 25th Year 10/11 Fed University Workshop 9-
9.45am
Year 12 Fed University Workshop
9:45-10:45am
- Fri 27th Deb Ball
- Tue 31st LMR Cross Country St Arnaud

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome to Term two at Wedderburn College. All staff participated in a very successful Professional Learning Day on Monday.

Term 2 is a busy and long term of eleven weeks and we have lots to focus upon.

We will welcome a French Exchange student to the College for the term in week 3. Alexis will be hosted by Julie Benaim and Gavan Holt and we are excited about the contribution he can make to our College and the development of our understanding of the French culture.

We have some minor changes to the timetable this term to accommodate a staff change. Ms Gurm has resigned and her classes have been re-assigned. We have endeavoured to make these changes so that the impact on student learning has been minimal.

The assembly that was postponed on the last day of term one has been rescheduled for this Friday April 15th at 2.45PM. It will be wonderful to see many parents on Friday attending to celebrate the students achievements for the term.

Margaret-Anne Wright, Principal

P-6 NEIGHBOURHOOD

Welcome back to all of our amazing families. So great to see all of the primary students and staff returning to school excited to begin a new term of learning.

UNIFORM

During Terms 2 and 3 hats are not compulsory. As the weather gets colder, it is important that students come to school with appropriate clothing to keep them warm. All jumpers should have names written on them. Tights/stockings worn under dresses are to be navy, and so are trousers/pants.

VALUE FOCUS

The first three weeks of term, classes will be focusing on the importance of being honest.

OTHER REMINDERS:

Playgroup is held each Tuesday morning in the BER building.

Whole School Assembly this Friday, 2:45pm in the KLC. Grade 5/6 students will receive their digital licences, and

Neve Nisbet and Eliza Turnbull will share their reflections on last term's excursion to Bendigo. There will be no Student of the Week or Value Awards presented.

Students are expected to read at home each night and have their diary signed. The diary should be used as a communication tool between parents and staff.

A parent information session on how to use Compass is to be held this Thursday, April 14th, 2:30pm, at school. Compass is an essential tool for parents and families to access their child's reports, assignments, College calendar and other day to day information. Compass can also be used to contact your child's teachers, and to give permission to attend camps and excursions.

After school drama club is not on this week.

Grades 6 have Dress Up Day for History Unit this Friday.

Hockey Victoria will visit Grades 3-6 Monday 18th April.

Julie Martin, P-6 Neighbourhood Co ordinator

YEAR 7-10 NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS

Welcome back to all students and families. Term 1 was a short term that seemed to fly by. Term 2 is longer but already is packed full of activities. Things to look out for: Year 8 Coastal camp, ANZAC Day, Cross Country, School sports, Athletics, Year 10 Driver education, Year 9 First Aid Course and plenty more. It will be important that students remain focused and make sure they stay up-to-date with their work requirements.

STREET ART CAMP

Some students are heading off to Melbourne next week for a Street Art camp where they will explore Melbourne's laneways, taking part workshops in Blender studios with contemporary street artists as well as visiting the National Gallery of Victoria. Look out for the influences from this camp in upcoming artworks around the school and town.

YEAR 8 COASTAL CAMP

Year 8 students are off to the Mornington Peninsula next week for the annual Year 8 camp. Students will be visiting the Quarantine Station and touring the forts and history of the World Wars at Point Nepean, exploring the protection of coastal landscapes and rock pools at the Marine Discovery Centre and Point Lonsdale and take part in a guided tour of the amazing sand sculptures at Frankston.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE INFORMATION SESSION

There will be a parent/student information session on Tuesday 19th April at 5pm - 6pm. Abby Shay and Barry McKenzie from the LLEN will be in attendance to assist students and parents in preparing for their Work Experience. Light refreshments will be served.

UNIQUE STUDENT IDENTIFIERS – USIS

Under changes made by the federal government, all nationally recognised certificates and training require students to have an Unique Student Identifier (USI). All current Year 10, 11 and 12 students should have theirs by now. Year 9 students will require a USI by the 1st June 2016 as they will be completing their First Aid certificate later that month. To apply for a USI is a straightforward process. You do require some form of identification - we have found a Medicare card is usually the easiest. To apply for a USI go to <https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi>

Richard Dougall, Year 7-10 Neighbourhood Leader

YEAR 11-12 NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope the term break was enjoyable and offered some opportunity to relax and prepare for this busy Term ahead. Term 2 is 11 weeks long, finishing on the 24th of June.

You will find below a range of upcoming events for our Year 11 and 12 students this Term:

FRIDAY 15TH – SATURDAY 16TH APRIL – RELAY FOR LIFE WITH OUR VCAL STUDENTS AT FLORA HILL ATHLETICS TRACK, BENDIGO.

Relay for Life is a fun and moving overnight experience that raises vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services. Relay this year for VCAL will be a chance to celebrate local cancer survivors, patients and their carers, to honour and remember loved ones lost to cancer and to help raise money to help save more lives. Donations are welcome. It would be fantastic to see some local school and community members' support our VCAL students across the two days.

FRIDAY 15TH APRIL – STUDIO ARTS 'TOP ARTS' EXCURSION

Year 11 and 12 Studio Arts students will visit the National Gallery of Victoria for a full day of folio and artwork viewing and writing about artworks. They will also be lucky to visit the Andy Warhol and Ai Weiwei exhibition whilst they are there.

FRIDAY 27TH MAY – WEDDERBURN COLLEGE DEBUTANTE BALL

Our much-anticipated Debutante Ball will be held during the middle of this Term. Our Year 11 students will no doubt show their poise, grace and dancing skills during this wonderful annual event.

TUESDAY 7TH JUNE – GAT

All students undertaking a Unit 3 & 4 VCE subject will sit the General Achievement Test on Tuesday 7th June. Closer to the date, students will receive information and advice from their VCE Coordinator.

Mrs Barker, Year 11-12 Neighbourhood Leader/VCE Coordinator

COMPASS

COMPASS SMS NOTIFICATIONS

Whenever your child receives a positive Compass chronicle highlighting them meeting one of our five values (Respect, Responsibility, Honest, Doing Your Best and Positive Relationships) or they receive a confiscation, out-of-uniform or late work chronicle, parents will receive a SMS reminder to check Compass to see the details of the chronicle. The sender ID will say COMPASS.

GENERAL NEWS

POWER HOUR

The Power Hour allows students a quiet and supervised space and time to complete homework and get support. This year it is on Thursday, straight after school.

HOMEWORK CLUB

The College provides support to students by offering teacher assistance at a lunchtime Homework Club. The Club is in the Library on Tuesdays at lunchtime (2nd half) and Mrs McHugh supervises. Any students who require assistance with any form of homework should attend.

CANTEEN NEWS

For all P-6 students - please make sure your lunch orders are in your class boxes that are taken to the office.

For all students in Years 7-12 please remember to have your lunch orders in the order box at the office by 10am.

ROSTER FOR TERM 2

Fri	22nd	Apr	Sharyn Lockhart
Fri	29th	Apr	Susie Lockhart
Fri	6th	May	Karen Holt
Fri	13th	May	Susan Keller
Fri	20th	May	Stacey Reeves
Fri	27th	May	Julie Gould
Fri	3rd	Jun	Dede Williams
Fri	10th	Jun	Alex Holt
Fri	17th	Jun	Leanne Holt
Fri	24th	Jun	Christine Coombes

Jen Dougall, Canteen Manager

NEEDED IN THE ART ROOM

If anyone has any of the following items that they no longer need and can donate to the Art room, it would be greatly appreciated.

- Newspapers
- Ice-cream containers with lids
- Yoghurt containers and lids
- Margarine containers and lids
- Old tiles or crockery (to be used for mosaics), especially black or dark colours
- Old mirrors

Mrs Sue Prevos, P-8 Art Coordinator

CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

Now that we are back again after a good break, it is good to look forward to another great term and all it has to offer.

Over the holidays I was fortunate enough to take a number of students to a camp at Camp Howqua which is around the back of Lake Eildon near Mansfield. Three of those students were from Wedderburn College, Jazmin Kalmar, Dylan Johnstone and Coby Cunningham. We had an enjoyable time at this beautiful campsite involving activities like raft building, low ropes, campfire and night walk, rope bridge building, water balloon war and a Mine-craft disco.

The weather was kind to us, the accommodation was extremely high quality, and the meals were the best I have ever experienced on a camp.

There were a number of schools represented with approximately 40 students in all.



Graham Veal, College Chaplain

COMMUNITY NEWS

WEDDERBURN COMMUNITY OP SHOP

Wedderburn Community Op Shop is in DESPERATE need of second hand uniforms. If you have any school uniforms that no longer fit your child or you no longer need, can you please donate them to the Op Shop? You can drop them at the shop when we are open on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or the last Sunday of the month (Farmers Market). We also have a drop off bin located right next to the Tyre Centre coming into town from Bendigo direction.

FOR SALE

North Central Schools Cluster Hospitality Black Shirt JB'S Wear size L. Chef pants Hepworths Size S/57cm. Both for \$50.00.

Please call Suzanne on 0408 943 505

WANTED (ALIVE): HOST FAMILIES FOR AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENT

Are you interested in hosting an exchange student from another country? It is a wonderful experience for the host family as well as the exchange student. The student would be 16 or 17 years of age and would be enrolled at school here.

The Rotary Club of Charlton is seeking expressions of interest from potential host families.

The placement at each home would only be for about 6 to 8 weeks, with the student arriving this year for the start of term 3 and staying in Australia until the end of June 2017. It is envisaged that they would probably stay in Wedderburn for 6 months (attending Wedderburn College) and Charlton for the other 6 months, attending (Charlton College).

If this sounds like you, please let John Shaw know at Wedderburn College by email (shaw.john.j@edumail.vic.gov.au) or leave a message at the office. (John is a member of the Rotary Club of Charlton.)

Thank you in anticipation,

John Shaw

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

On the 8th & 15th May I will be running a Mental Health First Aid course in the Centre of the Universe, (aka Wedderburn) at the Community House. This is a free course for any resident of the Loddon Shire due to the drought declaration. This is particularly suitable for club committee members who often see the first signs of a mental health decline. Register at the website or email me with any questions. <http://bit.ly/loddon16>

Ric Raftis, ric@bushsong.com.au/0407 412 100

AUSKICK

Auskick will start tomorrow after school.

For more information please contact Shayne Lowe on 0432 176 014

North Central LLEN has a Facebook Page which is aimed at students in Years 10, 11 & 12 as well as parents and past students.

If you 'friend' "North Central LLEN" you will receive up to date information on apprenticeships, traineeships, university courses, University and TAFE Open & Experience Days, VTAC information, courses available at Neighbourhood/Community and Resource Centres, study tips, motivational quotes, links to scholarships, plus lots more.

It is an easy way for students to communicate with our MIPs staff also. We encourage you to 'friend' us so we can share current information with you all.

Abby Shay, MIPs Coordinator



TALKING MATTERS BENDIGO

(Free Speech Pathology Drop-in Clinic for children under school age)

A speech pathology drop-in clinic is a place where families can come to discuss their child's speech and language concerns without having a referral or a pre-arranged appointment. The service is available for children aged birth to school entry. No appointment is necessary and a 20-30 minute timeslot will be allocated to you on arrival. A brief discussion of your concerns regarding your child's development will occur, with some suggestions provided to assist your child's communication.

2016 Dates and Venues

Date	Venue	Time
Wednesday 24 February 2016	Bendigo Primary School, Violet St, Bendigo	9.00am-12.00pm
Wednesday, 23 March 2016	Kangaroo Flat Primary School, 60-80 Olympic Parade, Kangaroo Flat	9.00am-12.00pm
Tuesday, 12 April 2016	Lightning Reef Early Learning Centre, Holmes Rd, Bendigo	9:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday, 18 May 2016	Bendigo Primary School, Violet St, Bendigo	9.00am-12.00pm
Wednesday, 15 June 2016	Kangaroo Flat Primary School, 60-80 Olympic Parade, Kangaroo Flat	9.00am-12.00pm
Thursday, 14 July 2016	Lightning Reef Early Learning Centre, Holmes Rd, Bendigo	9:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday, 17 August 2016	Bendigo Primary School, Violet St, Bendigo	9.00am-12.00pm
Wednesday, 21 September 2016	Kangaroo Flat Primary School, 60-80 Olympic Parade, Kangaroo Flat	9.00am-12.00pm
Tuesday, 18 October 2016	Lightning Reef Early Learning Centre, Holmes Rd, Bendigo	1:00pm-4:00pm
Wednesday, 16 November 2016	Bendigo Primary School, Violet St, Bendigo	9.00am-12.00pm

Enquiries: Helen Lees
MCH Clinical Coordinator
Phone: 4408 6590



Loddon Community Bash

Stop Carting - Get Dancing

Free Entry

Saturday 16 April 6pm-12pm

(free BBQ tea 6pm - 8:30pm)

Refreshments for Sale

Live Band "Harlem" - 8pm - 11:30

Jumping Castle,

Large Slide, Face Painting

Mechanics Institute Hall

Reef Street, Wedderburn

Loddon Visitor Information Centre (03) 5494 3489



**WEDDERBURN COLLEGE DEBUTANTE BALL
SHARP'S BAKERY - 2016 PIE DRIVE**

Orders & payment in by: WEDNESDAY 25 MAY 2016
Delivery date: THURSDAY 9 JUNE 2016

NAME:

PHONE No.:

VARIETIES	SIZE	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL AMOUNT
APPLE	Family	\$10.00		
APRICOT	Family	\$10.00		
CHICKEN	Family	\$11.00		
CHICKEN	Single	\$4.80		
CURRY	Family	\$11.00		
CURRY	Single	\$4.50		
EGG & BACON	Family	\$11.00		
EGG & BACON	Single	\$4.50		
MALLEE BULL (chunky beef)	Single	\$4.80		
MEAT	Family	\$10.00		
MEAT	Single	\$4.00		
MUSHROOM	Family	\$11.00		
MUSHROOM	Single	\$4.50		
PARTY PASTIES ½ DOZ	Mini	\$6.60		
PARTY PIES ½ DOZ	Mini	\$6.60		
PASTIE	Family	\$10.00		
PASTIES	Single	\$4.00		
POTATO	Family	\$11.00		
POTATO	Single	\$4.50		
SAUS ROLLS ½ DOZ	Mini	\$5.40		
TOM CHEESE & ONION	Single	\$4.50		
TOM CHEESE & ONION	Family	\$11.00		
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE				

Please hand your forms and money to this year's debutantes:
Zoe Coombes & Matt Lockhart, Laura Van de Wetering & Mitchell Stephenson,
Ebony Kleehammer & Darcy Jackson, Sam Kett and Rhordan Holt.

If you have any questions please call Chrisi Coombes on 0400 970 902.

This year's Debutante Ball will be held on Friday 27 May.