Year 9 and 10 students were lucky enough to have Tom and Oscar McDonald from the Melbourne Football Club, come and talk to them about their background and pathway through their football career. With our students about to start their subject selections for 2017, this was a great opportunity to hear from the players about the importance of focusing on their educational pathway, it was interesting to learn that the top four teams of 2015 were the top teams in encouraging and supporting players in carrying out some form of further education.

The McDonald boys are currently both completing tertiary courses to prepare themselves for life after football. The students also got an insight into what a football career is really like, and what their daily routine involves.
Western Port Secondary College presents

A Musical Spoof

Man of Steel

Thursday 21 July & Friday 22 July, 2016
@ 7 pm
Performing Arts Centre
Western Port Secondary College
Ticket available @ front office from 11th July
$2 Gold Coin donation per ticket
**Principals Report**

Whilst the term has not quite ended, the new semester is already underway. Students should by now be getting down to business in their new subjects or units. For Senior students I hope their study for exams has paid off and they found the interview and feedback sessions valuable.

**Autumn Concert**

We were recently treated to some outstanding talent by a number of students and groups that performed at the Autumn Concert! Well done to all the students involved and my thanks to the staff who organised or assisted with the evening.

**MAN of STEEL – College Production**

This afternoon I watched part of the rehearsal for the upcoming school production. Students and staff are busily preparing for this major event which is sure to be a huge success. I strongly advise you to get in early as both nights are likely to be sold out! Details on page 2.

**Year 7 2017 – Enrolments, Scholarships and YES program**

Enrolment information is available to parents through their Primary Schools or by contacting the General Office. College Tours are available anytime also by contacting the office. Applications for Scholarships and YES program are now being taken and information has been distributed to local Primary Schools. If any further information is required please contact Transition Co-ordinator Nicole Kemp.

**End of Term**

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all students and families a safe and restful break over the holidays and I look forward to a busy and productive Term 3!

**Keep Informed:**

- Website - [www.westernportsc.vic.edu.au](http://www.westernportsc.vic.edu.au)
- TiqBiz – register via the website
- Facebook – friend us via [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

The College does have a Facebook site – please join this for College updates via social media.

**Feedback:**

I always welcome feedback from our parents and the wider community. Please feel free to contact me via phone or arrange an appointment via the office.

Michael Devine  
*College Principal*
Assistant Principal

Reports

The Semester One Reports will be available via Compass on Thursday 23rd June in both the Parent and Student Dashboards. If any parent or guardian needs a hard copy PDF version printed for them, please call the office to request a copy gets sent to your home. Alternatively parents are welcome to use the computer and printer in the General Office to view or print their own copies free of charge.

Exams and Exam Interviews

Over the last few weeks senior students have undertaken formal examinations as part of their Year 10 and 11 courses. The college hopes that this experience of exam preparation and completion helps to support all students to show their knowledge and understanding, along with better preparing them for final grading exams during Year 12.

Students then participated in an Exam Interview, where a senior team member went through individual exam results and help students understand where they went well, what areas they could focus on for next time and how they went overall. These interviews were very positive, with many students and staff remarking on how good it was to be informed and advised of results and areas to improve upon.

Well done to all Year 12 students, along with Year 11 students undertaking Unit 3 and 4 studies for completing the General Achievement Test (GAT). The GAT is a three hour, intense examination. For most, this was the first of many for the year, but students made a good first impression!

New Study Room Furniture

Senior students will notice new furniture in the Study Room. The senior team has worked hard this year to provide a warm, nurturing and study conducive atmosphere. We hope in the cold winter months ahead this space remains an inviting space for students to study and get support with their classwork, pathways and careers needs.

Techie Brekkie

Just a reminder that the weekly Techie Brekkie is on each Wednesday from 8.15am – 8.45am in the Community Meeting Room. Parents and students are welcome to pop in to ask questions or get some help with any IT related matters. If you have had trouble logging in to Compass, have wireless issues with your student devices, have questions around anti virus software etc – this is the perfect time to get some help.

BYOD Update

If you have not yet decided on a device for your son or daughter, the Techie Brekkie is also a good place to start. BYOD software is available to students and the College will be rolling out Office 365 to students later in the year, so if you have not yet purchased a device and would like further support, please contact the I.T Department or the Techie Brekkie.

Donna Geritz
Assistant Principal

Congratulations – Trent Peel

Last year Trent Peel of the Western Port Secondary College Intermediate VCAL class completed a School Based Traineeship in Parks and Gardens with Atep. At the end of the traineeship Trent was awarded the schools ‘Trainee of the Year’ award. In May this year, winners from all schools competed in the State Awards.

We are delighted to announce that Trent was successful in winning the Best Overall Apprentice of the Year for 2015. This is a real honor and is an indictment of the hard work, passion and enthusiasm Trent put in to his School Based Apprenticeship. Trent is now successfully completing a full time apprenticeship in his chosen field. What a great outcome for a young man from the college.
Assistant Principal

It has been an exciting term working with students who are so motivated and engaged with a variety of ‘Hands On’ experiential programs. The Hands On Learning students are kicking goals. They have demolished the old fence alongside the carpark and have commenced constructing the new wall. This involves a great deal of hard physical labour securing the old telephone poles into the holes, filling bags with crushed rock, wiring the bags together and rendering the walls. They have developed their social capabilities and are working really well in their teams. I would like to commend Josh, Jay, Corina and Tilly in particular for their leadership. The two groups are also busily preparing their handmade cart for the billy-cart race next week!

SBAT Parks and Gardens students have also been working like Trojans clearing blackberries and other weeds from around the old ‘caretaker’ s cottage’ and preparing the ground for planting. They filled a huge skip in two days. They have developed designs for the landscaping of the grounds and commenced planting this week. They will be planting the area around the cottage with more formal plantings to reflect the era in which the house was built and planting the rest of the grounds with natives and indigenous plants to increase habitat for wildlife.

I would also like to congratulate Josephine, TJ and Cody for being excellent ambassadors when we participated in a seminar with eleven other schools involved in the ‘Entrepreneurial Learning in Schools’ project with Professor Yong Zao. We will be having a Skype session with Yong, who is in America, early next term to update him on our projects and visiting Templestowe Secondary College to do a presentation. We will be making a short film about the YES group’s ‘pop up’ art exhibition.

Ella and Marcia curated the exhibition of the student’s pop up maquettes which toured the school. Stay tuned for the announcement of the winners in the next newsletter! This is all in practice for developing the Western Port Sculpture Park and prize over the next semester.

Hannah Lewis
Assistant Principal
McClelland Gallery

On Wednesday 18th of May, Ms. Lewis and Mrs. Moss took a group of students to McClelland Gallery and Sculpture Park. This group was there for a chance to read into art and understand how our modern day world is influenced by artists and creativity.

The students were encouraged to speak their thoughts about the sculptures that; inspired, created fear and shocked the system. Some saw brutality where others saw twisted beauty. The aim was to see where some saw a random picture others saw a meaning of equality and force. Some inspired and others disheartened.

Symbolism was a big part of the day as students felt the feelings of fear and betrayal or warmth and amazement. A particular piece dubbed ‘The Mickey’ was a cause of conflict. Some saw a prisoner being tortured with shock treatment, others saw the twisted beauty formerly mentioned.

Josephine and Caitlyn

Pop Up Exhibition

We have had the privilege of setting up a pop up maquette exhibition that Year 8 Young Entrepreneurs made following the McClelland Gallery visit a couple of weeks go. We arranged the exhibition according to colour, depth and pattern. We then took the mini exhibition into the staffroom for a week and then the Year 8 Centre to get staff and students to vote for the ‘People’s Choice’ award. Mrs Sheridan and Mrs Moss are our official judges.

Marcia and Ella
It's not long now before our students take to the stage in the Performing Arts Centre to present to you Man Of Steel, a musical spoof.

We have been working on this whole school musical production all year and it’s all about to get very real for everyone involved. In the second week of Term Two we will be in full swing with students from our local primary schools are invited to attend our dress rehearsal on Wednesday 20th July during school time.

There will be two evening performances on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd July at 7 pm in the Performing Arts Centre. Tickets will be available from the front office from the begging of the term at a cost of $2.00 per ticket. Seats are obviously limited so don’t miss out on a night of fun and laughs. Please come and show your support for the efforts and achievements of our students and staff and celebrate being a part of our vibrant school community.
E Week celebration

Students attended a presentation at the Briars to receive certificates of appreciation for their support given during Environment Education Week. The students were praised for their initiative and leadership skills. Thirty year 8 students assisted presenters, while Environment Leaders presented “Hands In the Dirt” activity over 4 days.

Year 7 and 8 Football

On a wet, cold Tuesday 7th of June, Mr. Jackson took the Year 8/7 Boys Football team to Emil Madsen Reserve for the Victorian Secondary Schools Sports Association football competition. Five teams turned up, which meant we had to play four games of 2x 15 minute halves with five minutes for half time. We played Mt. Eliza first, and in a hard fought, frenetic game we prevailed 3.3 to 3.2 winning by 1 point. All played well in this game.

In the next three games we played Dromana, Mornington and Rosebud and lost all of these by about ten goals. The boys didn’t let the different year levels stop their interaction and showed good comradery, fighting strong for each other amongst much bigger opposition. They finished up a little battered and bruised but could hold their heads high. Our stand out players were Toby Andrews a tackling machine and Nick Hill a running machine.

One incident in the final game had emotions rising high with Nick Hill having his head slammed backwards into the cricket pitch. The boys showed maturity by controlling their reactions. The coaching was done by the helpers (Josh Hastie, Ben Paarlberg, Jay Elms and Harrison Jansz) as they were keen to do it, and they did a magnificent job, relishing the challenges, making positional changes and providing the motivational speeches, spur-ons and sparks. Maybe they just enjoyed being boss over someone for a change. Generally speaking, the kids behaved well, got along with each other and had an enjoyable day.

By Mr. Jackson

The Kitchen Garden is coming along amazingly, the garden beds are brimming with winter veg!
Southern Peninsula Division Cross Country Championships

On Thursday May 19th the annual Peninsula cross-country championships were held on the Hastings foreshore against Rosebud, Mt Eliza, Dromana, Somerville and Mornington.

Our junior teams were well represented, but our intermediates teams were down on numbers. More commitment is needed in these age groups, as they let the overall team down on the day. The senior students excelled with the boys coming second and the girls third in their age groups and boys 15 and 16 years both came third. Congratulations to all competitors on their determined efforts and team spirit as cross-country is one of the hardest events to compete in.

_Outstanding performances were Zoe Mitchell winning a silver in 17-20 years and Peter Megee coming 4th in 17-20 years._

Other excellent individual performances were:
- Patty Langdale 7th 17-20 years
- Sean Hewitt 8th 17-20 years
- Scott Martin 14th 17-20 years
- Tom Finn 7th 14 years
- Ben Schneider 8th 14 years
- Lily Snooks 9th 15 years
- Jordan Twaites 10th 15 years
- Matthew Bennetts 12th 15 years
- Zoe Mitchell 2nd 17-20 years
- Bridgette Kupsh 7th 17-20 years
- Jessica Low 27th 14 years
- Ruby Jansz 16th 12-13 years
- Max Piotrowski 18th 12-13 years
- Jordan Watson 19th 16 years
- Tamara Brewer 20th 16 years
- Riley Armstrong 16th 16 years

Eleven students will be representing WPSC and the Southern Peninsula District at the Southern Metropolitan Region finals on Thursday June 23rd at Ballam Park. We wish them every success. Thanks again to Mr. Walsh, Mr Rodwell, students and parents for their support.

Mrs. Hall

**CROSS COUNTRY**

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Thursday 14th July
“Bittern’s 100th Birthday Celebrations”
From 12noon onwards.

12.30 - Guest speakers
1 pm - Free sausage sizzle for lunch plus digging up the time capsule
2.15 pm - Whole school assembly
Tea and coffee available throughout the day in the staffroom, plus photo displays
All welcome!

Available from our school office.
www.facebook.com/bitternprimaryanniversary
Japanese Homestay 2016

We are looking for families to host a Japanese student for six nights, they arrive at the College on the 5th of August and Depart the College on the 10th August. If you are interested in being apart of this amazing annual event please see Bu Thuy as soon as possible.
TUMBLE DRYERS are handy, but can pose risks if not maintained safely.

Do not use the dryer without a lint filter.
Make sure you clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
Let your dryer complete its full cycle, before removing your load, including the full cool-down.
Follow the manufacturer’s operating instructions and don’t overload your dryer.
Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed.
Clothes that have come in contact with flammable substances, like gasoline, paint thinner, or similar, solvents should be laid outside to dry, then can be washed and dried as usual.

For further information go to: www.cfa.vic.gov.au

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BELEZA SOMERVILLE

TERM 2 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TRADING HOURS
LAST DAY OF TERM (24TH JUNE 2016) - 10:00am to 1:00pm
THE STORE WILL BE
CLOSED
BETWEEN
SATURDAY 25th JUNE 2016 to SATURDAY 2nd JULY 2016
WE WILL RESUME BACK TO NORMAL TRADING HOURS AS OF
MONDAY 4th JULY 2016

NORMAL TRADING HOURS
(Effective as of 4th July 2016)
Monday to Friday - 10:00am to 5:00pm
Saturday - 10:00am to 1:00pm

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IMPORTANT Camps Sports and Excursion Fund Information
Any parent/guardian who holds a HCC/Pension Card and has not applied for CSEF please contact general office for an application form

CENTREPAY

WPSC would like to announce that we now offer Centrepay as another means of payment. This is a system to assist families with automatic deductions from their Centrelink payments that can go towards College charges. There are no fees associated with this arrangement and the General Office is happy to assist with registration.

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Social networking tips for parents

Social networking is a great way to keep in touch with friends and family as well as meeting new people with similar interests and hobbies.

Here are some tips to follow when you feel your child is ready to begin engaging with social networking sites like Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter:

- If you haven’t already got an account, set one up so that you can understand what your child can and can’t do as well as learning how to adjust the privacy settings. You can use fake information if you aren’t comfortable using your own.
- Make sure your child is old enough to use the site. Sites like Facebook and Instagram require users to be 13 years or older.
- Tell your child to keep their passwords a secret otherwise other people may log on and pretend to be them. It is important that you know your children’s password however.
- Advise your child to set their account to private so that they will only interact with people they know in real life and aren’t approached by strangers.
- Encourage your child to think carefully before they post any information online. Things they post on social networking can have an impact on them even after they delete it and long into the future.
- Help your children to set up their location services on their device so that they aren’t broadcasting their location to strangers.
- Remind children to be careful when making new friends online as some people may not be who they say they are and ensure your children never arrange to meet an online friend unless accompanied by a trusted adult.
- Make sure you know how to report inappropriate content on social networking sites and show your child what they should do if they come across anything inappropriate.