Important Dates:

TERM Two

Tuesday 7th June—Year 8 Sport

Monday 13th June—Queens Birthday

Tuesday 14th June—Junior Girls Football

Thursday 16th June—Intermediate Sport

Monday 20th June—Senior Girls/ Boys Football

Thursday 23rd June—SMR X Country

Friday 24th June—End of Term 2

Monday 11th July—Term 3 Begins

Annual Year 12 Easter Brekky!

BELL TIMES 2015

Warning Bell 8.45am
Period 1  8.50 am - 9.47 am
Period 2  9.51 am - 10.48 am
Recess
Period 3  11.12 am - 12.09 am
Period 4  12.13 am - 1.10 pm
Lunch
Period 5  13.58 pm - 2.55 pm
The Principal

Principals Report
Already Term 2 is well underway! Although it is a longer term, it is still only three weeks until students start their Semester 2 subjects and units so it is important that all students stay up to date with all their classwork and homework in all subjects.

Anzac Day – 101st Anniversary Commemorative Assembly
Recently we held our annual 101st Anniversary ANZAC Day Assembly in the Gym which was a moving memorial to those who have served our country. My particular thanks go to the many students who were involved in various aspects of the service – they did an excellent job, particularly Marisa Vinson and Adrian Di Constanzo who delivered the ANZAC day address, and Delaney Kupsch and Ayla Gallagher who sang the Australian and New Zealand National Anthems respectively. I was very pleased and proud of the highly respectful behaviour displayed by each and every student in the assembly and the way they participated in it.

Our school was also represented by the College Captains and staff in services on Anzac Day at both Crib Point and Hastings.

STEM Catalyst Project
The Department of Education and Training recently announced the school has been selected from 1 of only 27 in the state, as a STEM Catalyst school. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) education is becoming increasingly important for future employment in a variety of professions and we are excited to be part of the project which focuses on curriculum and improved Teaching and Learning programs in these areas.

Year 7 2017 – Enrolments, Scholarships and YES program
Enrolment information is available to parents through their Primary Schools or by contacting the General Office. School 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.

District Athletic Sports
It was a pleasure to distribute medals at the District Athletic Sports last Thursday. It was a perfect Autumn Day and great to see so many of our students willingly participate. In the short time I was there in the morning we won 3 gold medals, 2 silver and 1 bronze and broke a long standing record in the Javelin competition! Congratulations to all medal winners and the team on finishing 4th overall!!!

Staff Changes:
After several years Mrs Margaret Jolly is retiring as our Business Manager at the end of the term. We wish Margaret all the best for the future. Ms Nicole Fraser has been appointed as her replacement commencing Term 3.

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Website - www.westernportsc.vic.edu.au
TiqBiz – register via the website
Facebook – friend us via 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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/ GUARDIANS

Parents/ guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance and any other transport costs.

Student Accident Insurance can be purchased from commercial insurers.
Earlier this week I took a group of Year 8 students to visit McClelland Sculpture Park in Langwarrin. This is part of the new Year 8 ‘Infinity’ Program which provides students with the opportunity to experience ‘authentic’ learning environments and to work with mentors and experts from within and outside the College.

Year 8 students are developing projects that they will be working on throughout the year. They will be working on specific areas within the school grounds. Some students will be setting up a community/school market in our café precinct; others will be developing the bush block site at the back of the school and a sculpture in the student recreation area in the center of the college.

What we know from current research is that universities and employers are looking for students who are able to think creatively, solve problems, work as part of a team and communicate effectively. The capacity to work on developing self directed projects, be entrepreneurial and socially/community minded is sought after.

Year 8 students have selected projects that they want to work on. The Young Entrepreneur group took part in an activity which encouraged them to think outside the square and use the creative part of their brain. They completed ‘pop up’ maquettes in preparation for the McClelland excursion and will be looking at the role of the artist in society and how the ability to think creatively is a skill that is valued in today’s complex world.

Hannah Lewis
Assistant Principal

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Point Nepean

The Year 9’s visited Point Nepean and explored the history of this picturesque place. We looked at the significance and development of Point Nepean, from being a sacred place for Indigenous Australians, to early European settlement and its use as a quarantine station, to later becoming a military base and finally a National park. Our walk helped us to appreciate this unique place on the Mornington Peninsula.

Rock Pooling at Ricketts Point

Despite the weather being extremely cold and miserable the Year 9’s pushed on and conducted an ecological survey of the intertidal environment at Ricketts Point. They identified and catalogued the species present and looked at the how these interact within the ecosystem.
**2 Fruit / 5 Vegetable Campaign**

During the first week of May we celebrated the 2 Fruit / 5 Vegetable Campaign to remind everyone of the importance of eating well by including at least 2 serves of Fruit and 5 serves of Vegetables into your meals on a daily basis.

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**VCE Outdoor and Environmental Studies**

Early on May, the combined VCE Outdoor and Environmental Studies group travelled to the Yarra River near Wonga Park to participate in an overnight white water kayaking camp. During the day one section of the river was quite short, however, the weather proved challenging with gusty winds and intermittent rain. Nevertheless, all students were able to traverse each rapid successfully despite the kayaks taking on water as they did.

Over night the group camped at Clifford Park Activity Centre. Amongst multiple clothes lines in attempt to dry the wet clothes from the day, some ‘gourmet’ trangia meals were cooked and campfire games played before the students and staff retired for the night ready to do it all again the next day.

Day two dawned bright and sunny which made for a pleasant change. After packing up the students retook to the river to complete a longer, more technical section. And it indeed proved to be just that. Unfortunately, there were several occasions where the river proved too low and walking the kayaks through was undertaken. However, at another section of the river, appropriately names Arthurs Mistake, many students found themselves in ‘the drink’ and obligatory capsize drill has to be performed many time. So much for keeping dry on this day. The group continued to develop their paddling skills through further rapids until reaching Jumping Creek Reserve and the solace of dry clothes and the bus heater.

Thanks must go to the OES teachers as well as Callan Iles and Sally Kiven, both former students of WPSC, who gave up their time to assist with the excursion.

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**HPV KNOX GRAND PRIX**

Congratulations to our HPV Team! The results speak for themselves!
Western Port Secondary College Student Wellbeing Support

Life for students is not always easy. Problems and worries can put a strain on school progress, family life and friendships. Personal concerns can get worse if help is not sought.

The Wellbeing Team at Western Port Secondary College has grown over the year. Each staff member is committed to increasing our proactive approach that looks to increase the wellbeing resources of the whole school community.

_The Student Wellbeing team at Western Port Secondary College includes:_

**Assistant Principal: Hannah Lewis**
Hannah oversees the Wellbeing Team. Hannah worked as Student Wellbeing Coordinator for 7 years prior to becoming Assistant Principal. As well as being the Assistant Principal responsible for the Middle Years, Hannah is part of the Mind Matters and Health Promoting Schools Teams. Hannah believes in a holistic approach to education and that part of a well-rounded education is supporting students with early intervention programs that build self-esteem, resilience and coping capabilities. Providing students and families with referral to outside agencies, counselling and programs that build these capabilities are also part of the Wellbeing Teams job.

**Leader of Student Wellbeing and Positive Programs: Matthew Bodley**
Mr Bodley is the Leader of the Wellbeing Team, Positive Programs and School Wellbeing Curriculum at Western Port Secondary College. He is a teacher in Project 9 and the Healthy Mind Body and Spirit elective. He has worked at the school in student wellbeing for 7 years and his main roles are the support of students, the coordination of the wellbeing team, positive programs and school wellbeing curriculum. He has a background in counselling, chaplaincy and teaching. He is available from Monday – Friday by appointment and can assist with all issues regarding student wellbeing and welfare.

**School Chaplain: Anna Marie Steyn**
The school provides the services of a chaplain for 2 days a week. The Chaplaincy role is very varied but the main function of the role is to support the school community as part of our wellbeing team. Anna Marie’s days of service are normally a Thursday and a Friday and she oversees our breakfast club on a Thursday morning, as well as co-hosting a girls group on a Friday lunch time.

**School Nurse: Jeanette Trembearth**
The role of the School Nurse is to assist the College in reducing negative health outcomes and risk taking behaviours among young people, and promote better health in the school and wider community. The School Nurse works as a member of the Student Wellbeing Team to improve the health and wellbeing of students via health education and health promotion activities. All students can access the school nurse for confidential health information, advice and /or referral to other health services for further support. Jeanette is available in the College on Thursdays and Fridays and can be contacted via the front reception.

**Student Wellbeing Practitioner/ ADF Transition Mentor: Donna Nairn**
Donna is available in the school on Mon. Tue. Thur. & Fri. Donna has been part of the Wellbeing Team at WPSC since 2012. She has extensive experience working with young people and their families to address issues and concerns specific to adolescent mental health & wellbeing. Donna has a background in teaching drama, clinical psychology and creative arts therapy, which shows in her creative approaches in working with students. She has numerous role in the wellbeing team including working with our students individually to support and enhance their personal wellbeing; facilitating groups; coordinating external agency supports such as headspace, coordinating the Year 10 Student Leadership Team and more.

Our Wellbeing team are here to assist students to increase their personal resources, members of the wellbeing team do not personally offer long term counselling however we can link students up with mental health supports from leading youth mental health organisations-

Some of these organisations include Head Space, Peninsula Youth Services, YSAS (Youth Services and Advocacy Support), AIME Aboriginal mentoring and KESO workers. The Wellbeing Team at Western Port Secondary College believe that by bringing community resources to our school we will support our students to succeed educationally and personally.
Senior Careers and Study Support

The Senior Study Centre is working to provide students with up to date information on their studies, career pathways and futures. The Senior Study Centre contains lots of relevant information for students include ample 2017 Course Guides, Resume and Job Interview Brochures, Supports and Templates, Study Tips and Strategies and resources for studying.

The Senior Study Centre also provides one on one study support for students, regular careers and study appointments and a environment conducive to productive study. This term we are offering students with a space after school to study and make the most of their after school. The dates for our upcoming ‘VCE Study Sesh’ are:

Tuesday 31st May
Wednesday 1st June

All sessions provide free snacks, and hot drinks and run from 3.00pm – 4.30pm. No need to book in just pop by afterschool and set some goals for studying.

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.

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The first week of Term 2 was incredibly exciting! Our Year 10 Leaders ran a Mind Body and Soul Exhibition on Thursday and Friday as part of National Youth Week. We had over 200 Grade 4 students from the local primary schools on the Westernport Secondary College school grounds.

This event was an opportunity for the Grade 4 Students to develop skills and resilience, while meeting and making friends with students from other primary schools and the College’s students too. The College’s Year 10 Leadership Group, in consultation with the Wellbeing Team, did an excellent job of designing, organising and running the four workshops that students took part in. A true celebration of the diverse skills, knowledge and ideas that our young people contribute to our Society – Victoria. Well done to our Leaders: Robert Clohesy, Mitchell Wood, Jordan Watson, Max Harrison, Skye Dejarlis, Khloe McCullagh, Jack Hansen, Riley Ellie, Hayley Rowley and Rhianna Hicklin.

Students explored - healthy eating, cooking rock cakes and salad wraps in our Industrial Kitchen; Team games, to develop interpersonal and team work skills in our State of the art Gym; Hip Hop session, promoting movement and self-awareness; Personal animal totems, identifying personal strengths and contributing to Totems that were presented to each of the participation primary schools.

A great day was had by all with our visitors leaving full of excitement and smiles! Many positive reports have been flowing through from the staff and students who attended.
**Sport**

**Junior Golf**

Junior Golf Secondary State Qualifiers competition was held on Friday April 15th at Mornington Golf Course. Western Port had two entrants. James Hogan-Keogh won the event which now puts him in the State finals at Rossdale Golf Club on October 28th at 12.00pm. Congratulations on such an excellent achievement.

**Senior Boys Hockey are Victorious**

The Senior Boys Hockey are pennant winners beating Dromana 3 goals to 1. It was a great win with 2 goals scored by Aaron Whitford and the other by Matt Foy. All team members contributed to a very impressive and decisive victory. The next match will be against Northern Peninsula in term 3.

**Southern Peninsula Division Athletics Results:**

Gold Medal Winners—Kaylen Jansen, Tom Finn, Alex Devlin, Lily Snooks, Riley Armstrong, Jordan Watson, Jay Reptik and Georgia Baker.

Silver Medal Winners—Sean Hewitt, Bailey Williams, Peter Megee, Bridgette Kupsch, Lily Snooks, Bailey Thompson, Kaila Paarlberg, Josh Hastie, Jordan Twaites, Georgia McNamara, Harrison Jansz, Matt Bennetts and Jordan Twaites.

Bronze Medal Winners—Tom Finn, Peter Megee, Bridgette Kupsch, Nathan Steuven, Sean Hewitt, Jack Holdsworth, Noah Whitford, Jordan Twaites, Alex Devlin, Aussie Dudas Fleetwood, Lachlan Cox, Bella Goddard, Josh Horstra, Makayla Armstrong, Jye Alexander, Monique McNamara, Aaron Whitford, David Hudson, Kaylen Jansen, Sean Hewitt, Keiren Richardson and Patty Langdale.
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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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef