



Heritage College

*Building a brighter future...
on the Best Foundation'*

Newsletter

Term 2 Week 3

Thursday, 4th May 2017

From the Deputy Principal's Desk

Mateship

Growing up, when the concept of war was discussed, I often thought of bullets and bombs, hurt and pain, destruction and death. However, it is from the theatre of war that the concept of mateship, being there for your friend no matter what, was embedded in Australian folklore.

Today, when I think of war, I reflect on the sacrifice and service that men and women have made in order to protect what they held dear. It is for this reason that Australia as a country paused to remember the loss of friends and family on ANZAC Day. It is a time where all differences are put to one side and mateship is celebrated. At Officer Campus we also came together as a school from ELC to Year 12 and paused to remember. You can read about this later in the newsletter.

Later in the same week, the Secondary Campus held our annual Cross Country Carnival. Students and staff came together to compete and celebrate the gifts and talents of today's youth.

As I stood out on the course I saw an amazing display of dedication, commitment, encouragement and friends helping each other. Our young people truly display the concept of mateship and I am proud to have this in our College.

You can also read about this later in the newsletter.

But what about society? The concept of being friends is universal. No matter what cultural background we come from, we can all appreciate that having friends and being friendly is something that we all desire. However, too often we focus on our differences, the things that divide.

In John 15:12-13 the Bible gives advice on this very topic: "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." While many of us would find it difficult to give up our life for someone else, it is my prayer for our College community that we would join together and celebrate what we have in common, love. It is only by doing this can we truly find friendship.

With that in mind, I implore you to join us this coming weekend at the College as we celebrate our school community through Sunday Funday. I look forward to seeing you there from 10am.

**Mr Darren
Martin
Deputy
Principal
Secondary**



Reminder

**Student Free Day
Monday, 15th May
Restorative Practices
Staff PD**

Value for Term 2 Week 4 is 'Respect'

General Information

Primary PB4L Value

Awards

'For showing respect'

Officer Prep/1W - Jinub
Officer Year 2/3/4N - Mikael
Prep DH - Tibba
Year 1W - Ebissa
Year 1/2K - Nyasha
Year 3C - Subodhi
Year 3J - Amelia
Year 4W - Spencer
Year 4/5RC - Buomkuoth
Year 5/6E - Michelle
Year 6MJ - Eden

Primary Merit Awards

Year 3J - Lulu
Year 4/5RC - Mannat
Year 5/6E - Asha and Nyamal

Book Club is here for Term 2

Scholastic Book Club Issue 3 catalogues have been distributed to students. All cash orders need to be handed to the Office by Monday, 8th May. Don't forget you can order and pay with your credit card online through the LOOP system. Just follow the instructions on the order form. Any queries can be directed to me at p.tan@heritagecollege.com.au.

Mrs Penny Tan
Librarian

Upcoming Events

May

- 5 Bus Fees Due
- 7 Officer Sunday Funday
- 8 School at Work - Open Classrooms OC
- 9-12 NAPLAN
- 9 Year 10 SEISS Soccer/Futsal
- 12 Mother's Day Community Walk and Morning Tea
- 14 Mother's Day
- 15-19 State Education Week
- 15 Staff Professional Development Restorative Practices
NO SCHOOL
- 17 NWS Alphabet Ark
- 17 VCC Basketball
- 18 Year 9 SEISS Soccer/Futsal
- 18 Year 7 Immunisation
- 20 Pathfinder Club Night 5-8:30pm

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From the Staff

NAPLAN

Next week sparks the beginning of NAPLAN throughout Australia for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN (National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy) is a series of tests that focus on skills in the areas of Reading, Writing, Language (spelling, grammar, punctuation) and Numeracy. These tests are administered annually by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). Tests will occur during school hours, from 9th - 11th May 2017.

While I'm sure that many of you will have read the letter that went viral last year regarding NAPLAN, originally written by Mary Ginley (1998 Massachusetts Teacher of the Year) in 1999 regarding the MCAS in America, I thought it quite relevant to share again as a reminder that NAPLAN is just a snapshot of learning on a particular day at a particular time and does not assess or depict everything that makes your child great!

*"Dear Students,
Next week you will sit the NAPLAN tests. Before you take these tests, there is something very important for you to know:*

The test does not assess all of what makes you exceptional or unique.

The people who score these tests do not know that you can play the violin or paint a picture. They do not know that you take care of your little brother after school, that your friends can count on you or that your laughter can brighten the dreariest days.

They do not know that you write poetry, wonder about space and the solar system, and know that you are caring, thoughtful and try everyday to do your best.

They do not know that you built a shed with your mum and dad

or grew vegetables in a garden last summer. They never saw the Integrated Studies project you did last year. They do not know you at all. But we who know you — your mums and dads, your grandparents and teachers, your neighbours and friends — love you and are proud of all you are.

The scores you get from this test will tell you how you did on that day, but they will not tell you everything. They can't tell you that you have improved on something that you once found difficult or how amazingly special and unique you are."

So come to school ready to do your BEST for the NAPLAN tests and to show the great learning you have achieved, but remember there is no 'one way' to test all of the wonderful things that make you, YOU!

May God bless you all and provide peace and wisdom during your upcoming NAPLAN tests.

Blessings,
The Staff and Teachers at Heritage College
(adapted from Mary Ginley's original letter in 1999 and St Paul's Primary School in Gracemere)

In August–September you will receive your child's NAPLAN results. If you have any concerns, you should speak to your child's teacher, as they know your child's learning best.

For more information about NAPLAN, including fact sheets, FAQs and examples of tests, please visit the NAP website - <http://www.nap.edu.au/>.

Mrs Naomi Moss
Curriculum and eLearning Coordinator



From the Secondary Campus

Cross Country FUN!



Showers of blessings were upon us on Friday, as the Secondary Campus held their annual Cross Country Carnival at the Officer Scout Park. Students and staff were well adorned in their house

colours with princesses, gangsters, lego men, fairies and the characters of Where's Wally making appearances throughout the day.

Congratulations to all who participated in the events. I was motivated to run the track with the Open girls and it definitely was a challenge! Below is a list of the race winners and their times. 15yrs, 16yrs and Open boys completed 3 laps of the course.



U13Girls - Rufe 18:52
U13Boys - Evesso 15:19
U14Girls - Emma 23:38
U14Boys - Daniel 16:24
U15Girls - Ruth 20:32

U16Girls - Kaeyah 20:37
U16Boys - Jacob M 22:46
Open Girls - Aaliyah 20:32
Open Boys - Jasiah 23:52
U15Boys - Rout 22:14



To end the day, students participated in the novelty leg strap team race, which presented fantastic photo opportunities! Thank you to all who attended the carnival and a special mention

to Mrs Ferry for planning and organising the event.

Mrs Palolo Lafaitale
HPE Department



ANZAC Service at Officer



On Monday, 24th April, the Officer Campus took some time out of the day to come together at the College flag pole, to commemorate the ANZACs.

Students from the Early Learning Centre, Primary and Secondary schools joined together to remember what our freedom has cost. The Ode of Remembrance and a minute's silence was observed after we had sung the Australian and New Zealand

Anthems. Student representatives from the three schools laid wreaths under the flagpole.

School leaders, student representatives, some staff and parents, representing the Narre Warren South and Officer campuses gathered in the rain on Tuesday morning, ANZAC Day, to lay the wreaths at the Cenotaph in Main street, Berwick. A massive crowd from the community gathered to pay their respects. Lest we forget.

Mr Evan Varty
Teacher



General Information



SUNDAY SPORTSDAY!

Heritage College



Mini Fair

sunday 7 May

10am – 2pm

Free Admission



Nepal fundraiser

*Home made jams *gifts *Bric-a-brac

Delicious food



\$2



\$1



\$5

66 Starling Road
Officer Campus

Fun Activities

Animal farm face painting
jumping castle crazy hair pony rides



SUNDAY SPORTSDAY! & Mini Fair

This year at Officer we are trying something different for our Sunday Fun Day by having a Sunday Sports Day instead.

We would like to invite you to join us for a

“3-on-3 Basketball Comp” & “6-on-6 Soccer Comp”

Sunday, 7th May 2017 from 10:00 am

Age groups (male, female & mixed comp) *15+ years to adult / *15 years & under

Register your team at www.heritagecollege.com.au
Registration closes Thursday 4th May

**Prize \$100 Top Basketball Team
\$100 Top Soccer Team**

DRINKS FOR SALE AT \$1 EACH*

BBQ

Vegetarian Sausage Sizzle \$2.00
*Tasty Vegetarian Burgers \$3.00

All proceeds go to the Senior Nepal trip 2018.

Come along and join in the fun!
We look forward to seeing you all there.

Heritage College 66 Starling Road Officer

KUMON

Kumon English or Maths Programme

Just follow these four easy steps:

1. Call your Kumon Instructor by 8 May to register for an upcoming information session.
2. Have your child assessed for the Kumon English or Maths Programme and discuss a study plan.
3. Arrange for your child to attend four class sessions during the period of 15–31 May.
4. Meet with your instructor to discuss your child's Kumon experience.

Register your child for the Free Trial by 8 May!



KUMON NARRE WARREN SOUTH EDUCATION CENTRE

Instructor: VIJI RAJENDRAN

tel: 0401 182 966

Call now to register for the Free Trial

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Places are limited and acceptance for the Free Trial is on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Attendance at an information session is mandatory prior to your child participating in the Kumon Free Trial. Please register for this by 8 May.
- The Free Trial consists of four sessions at a Kumon Education Centre over two weeks, during the period of 15–31 May.
- Workshops are provided for non-centre days during the two weeks.
- Late registration may result in fewer study sessions.
- Class days, operating hours and available sessions vary across Kumon Centres.
- The Free Trial is available for one subject only (either English or Maths).
- There is no obligation to enroll after the Free Trial.

<http://au.kumon.com>

For parents and students.



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As part of our ongoing commitment to financial education, we're introducing the CommBank Youth app, now available from the App Store. This innovative digital banking tool will complement and enhance the School Banking experience, as well as improve the way young Australians learn real-life money skills in an increasingly digital world.

With the CommBank Youth app, your child can:

- Check the balance of their Youthsaver account
- View School Banking deposits as their transaction history
- Track the number of Dollars they collect
- Set up savings goals and monitor their progress
- Create a list of chores they can do for pocket money.

Getting Started

1. Download the CommBank Youth app from the App Store on any iOS device (version 8.0+).
2. Log on with your child's Heribank client number and password.

If they don't already have one, you can set this up by simply visiting a branch with identification documents, like your driver license and your child's birth certificate. Note, only one child can log on per device.

To download the app, or for more information, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

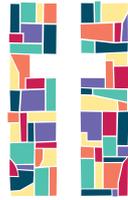


Download on the App Store

Heritage Church News



Back this term on Friday 5th May at the Narre Warren South Campus Chapel at 7pm Café, followed by worship service. This service is run for teens by teens.



Heritage

COLLEGE CHURCH 

0419 806 284

Meet every Saturday at Narre Warren South Campus Chapel
Morning Tea and Coffee at 10:45

Life Groups 9:30am
Worship Service 11am



Club Night 20th May
5pm to 8:30pm

pathfinder@heritagecollege.com.au



Every Saturday morning 9:30am at Narre Warren South Campus Dining Room. Be inspired to create and learn from Bible Stories. Age 12+



Building Community and relationships by doing life together and learning more about God

Creative: 7pm Monday Night
Ladies: 7pm Tuesday night



Every Saturday morning 9:30am at Narre Warren South Campus LOTE Room. Learn Bible stories and creative activities and crafts to take home.

Admit All  Admit All

Multicultural Food Festival 27th May



Club night 20th May
3pm to 5pm.

Social activities for young adults. **18+**

Camp 20th May, more details to come

7:00PM AT NARRE WARREN SOUTH CAMPUS!

LOADS OF PANCAKES.

\$2 DONATION ;)

WHO DOESN'T LOVE FOOD! COME AND BRING A FRIEND!

Night in the Bush

20th-21st May. Join us for a night away in the beautiful hills north of Walhalla. Relax around a campfire, go fishing, 4WD, explore the old gold diggings and make new friends. Everyone welcome. For more information please call Mark on 0412 850 876.

Food and Friendship Night

Saturday, 27th May @ 6:30pm. Come and share some different cultural foods, make new friends, play some sport or watch the kids play. For more information or to contribute some food please call Mark on 0412 850 876.

