



Heritage College

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

Newsletter

Term 1 Week 5

Thursday, 2nd March 2017

Principal Spotlight

Future Plans

On Thursday, 2nd March, we have three guests coming from Independent Schools Victoria (ISV) along with Mr Ricardo Schaffers (Accounts manager for Adventist Schools Victoria), to our Officer campus. They will be here to discuss the final stages of an application for the funding for the Multi Purpose Centre (MPC) or as some refer to as the gymnasium.

The plans and all other documentation have been submitted and we are now waiting on a final phase of the application process before we can start any building on the MPC. So, as was mentioned last year in some of our correspondence, there will be an MPC built at the Officer campus. The date is yet to be confirmed. Please watch this space!

Cancellation of Before and After School Care @ NWS

It is with sadness that I inform you that Before and After School care at Narre Warren South will be cancelled from this Friday (before school care, next Friday for after school care) if we do not receive more enrolments. Unfortunately the surveys last year revealed a greater number who were interested than who actually enrolled. I also understand that

there may be a range of reasons why families are not using the service. So, if you are reading this and are still interested please log into the extend website and enrol.

Child Safety

Next week, on Wednesday and Thursday, we will have two guests from the 'Victoria Registration and Qualifications Authority' (VRQA). These guests will be based at the Officer campus for two days. Their role is to perform a standard audit on Heritage College regarding child safety. They have already been to Gilson College and will head to another of our Seventh-day Adventist Colleges after us.

We have prepared policies and procedures for the guests to look through and we will also facilitate conversations between members of staff and our guests.

We look forward to their visit and sharing with them our journey thus far in creating a culture of child safety for all.

Mr Sonny Aiono
Principal



Victoria Police Student Presentations



Here at Heritage College, we are committed to developing and maintaining a culture of safety and proactive behaviours.

A couple of the ways we are encouraging safe behaviours and choices at Heritage College is through information sessions and interactive learning time.

Over the next few weeks, across both campuses, Heritage College students and staff will be taking part in Victoria Police lead presentations surrounding laws, online behaviour, the sharing of images, bullying behaviours online, digital footprints and stranger danger.

Please contact Naomi Moss n.moss@heritagecollege.com.au if you would like further information regarding these sessions.

School and Bus Fees

School and Bus fees are now overdue. If you haven't paid or made a payment arrangement, please contact Mrs Tigist Alemu on 5943 2910 or email bursar@heritagecollege.com.au. Thank you.

Mrs Tigist Alemu
Bursar

Value for Term 1 Week 6 is 'Excellence'

General Information

Primary PB4L Value Awards

'For being resilient'

Officer Prep/1W - Penelope
Officer Year 2/3/4N - Lincoln
Prep DH - Goanor
Year 1W - Joshua
Year 1/2K - Mighty
Year 3C - Euan
Year 3J - Heavenly
Year 4W - Tom
Year 4/5RC - Kate
Year 5/6E - Elizabeth
Year 6MJ - Georgia

Primary Merit Awards

Year 1W - Brandon
Year 3C - Reat and Evan
Year 3J - Dannica
Year 4/5RC - Nyamer
Year 5/6E - Alex and Mai

ICAS Testing

These tests are available again this year for anyone interested in their children participating. Information regarding the tests, dates and costs per test are available on request from either Office in hard copy, or by emailing Mrs Dobson at admin@heritagecollege.com.au.

Registrations and payments need to be returned by Friday, 24th March.

Thank you.

Mr Sonny Aiono
Principal

Upcoming Events

March

- 1-3 Year 8 Camp
- 3 Clean Up Australia Day for Schools
- 5 Cardinia Run CANCELLED
- 9 Primary Swimming Carnival
- 10-13 Pathfinder Mini Camporee
- 13 Labour Day Holiday
- 14-17 Year 10 Camp
- 14 ASV Years 11/12 Volleyball
- 15 Year 8 SEISS Basketball
- 16 ASV Combined Primary Sports Day Years 1-3
- 19 Sunday Funday (cancelled)
- 21-26 Avondale Year 12 Trip
- 21 Year 7 SEISS Basketball

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Centrelink Healthcare Card Holders

Have you presented your Healthcare Card and signed your CSEF form at the College Office for this year?

If not, please do so as soon as possible at either Narre Warren South or Officer campus.

This is compulsory for all Healthcare Card holders and your urgent attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Janine Smilek
CSEF Coordinator

A few words from our School Captains

We hope all is well and you have been richly blessed this week! The value of the week is: RESILIENCE.

Resilience is the ability to recover from difficulties and toughness. Resilience is patience to grow, strength to continue and power to fight through the trials that life continually throws at us.

Resilience isn't something that just happens, it takes time to grow and demands nurture to do just that. A time in my life where I've had to use resilience is moving to a different country, different school and overall a different environment. Times like these were difficult to adjust to and involved major lows, yet the only way I am here today is through resilience, with the help of my family and with the help of God! (Prayer = Life guys, trust..)

2 Timothy 1:7 says: 'For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline'.

God knows our limits, our strengths and our weaknesses. He allows the toughest battles to His strongest people. With God and with the support of our families, our friends and our school family, be resilient toward what life throws at you, encouraging to all around you and supportive of everything that is good in The Lord.

God Bless!

Tylah and Tristan
School Captains



**DO YOU WANT TO SEE THE PHOTOS IN THIS NEWSLETTER
IN COLOUR?**

Contact Tam at the NWS Office to have your email address added!



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 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:

- \$25 for primary school students
- \$25 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



VICTORIA
State Government



General Information



When: TOMORROW

Where: In and around Heritage College
NWS and OC Primary

Who: Students, Teachers and Parents are
welcome to come and help

Time: 9am - 10am NWS
11:15am - 12:55pm OC

Bring: Hat and gloves (**no hat, no go**)

Why: To help keep Heritage College and
Australia Clean!

Uniform Blitz

Uniform excellence is the aim, showing respect and pride in our College is everyone's gain...

There is an ongoing 'Uniform Blitz' competition happening on each campus of Heritage College. Students are being carefully checked and a points score is being allocated to each class, each day. Teachers are specifically checking for correct uniform items eg. black, polishable school shoes, as well as neat and tidy uniforms in the form of clean and ironed shirts.

Last week our Year 11 class were victorious in the Secondary School and this week our Primary classes have started their own version of the 'blitz'. With a food prize on offer there is not only fierce competition to win, but pride at stake to be the best uniform wearing class in the College.

Please provide clean and correct uniforms for your children every day and feel free to do your own uniform checks as your little cherubs walk out the door.

Mr Roger Sevenhuysen
Deputy Principal Primary

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2017-21 Child, Youth and Family Strategy Consultation

Cardinia Shire Council is inviting students, family and teachers to "have their say" about Council's 2017-21 Child, Youth and Family Strategy.

To develop the Child, Youth and Family strategy, Cardinia Shire Council wants to hear from our community including others who work with children, young people and families to tell them about what it is like to live, work, study and plan in Cardinia Shire and what is important for them to:

- Have health and happiness
- Be connected
- Realise potential
- Be safe and;
- Achieve economic wellbeing.

Participation in the survey further provides an opportunity for students to develop their understanding of:

- Civic engagement and participation
- Local government and how it makes decisions in collaboration with its community
- The role of Local Government and services it provides.

These surveys are now open and will close on the 10 March 2017.

Family survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017P>

or the surveys can also be accessed via the Cardinia website:

https://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/info/20008/children_youth_and_seniors/386/child_youth_and_family_strategy_2017-21

Mrs Irene Chee
Chaplain: Welfare

Safety Drills

We have updated our safety procedures around fire and lockdown drills and this is to inform our College community that there will be practice drills carried out this Term.

Teachers will discuss the nature of these drills with children and we ask that you talk about them at home, to reinforce the message of safety and how to respond in an emergency.

Fire drills and lockdown drills have and will occur on both campuses in the coming weeks.

Mr Roger Sevenhuysen
Deputy Principal Primary

General Information

PB4L Community Competition

Our Heritage College community of students, parents and staff voted last year and decided that **Respect, Excellence, Resilience and Service** would be our four core values of focus.

The next stage of Positive Behaviour For Learning at Heritage College is to develop character icons that depict each of our four values. We are now opening up a competition to all members of our College community; individuals, families or small groups, to design characters that will be displayed around our College.

Competition Details:

- Design a character icon to represent our school values
- Characters need to have some connection to our values – they could be Biblically based, Animal icons, Superhero Icons,
- Characters need to be simple in design
- Presentation – hard copy using art materials or e-Copy using digital apps
- Prize: \$50 Koorong Book Store voucher per winning character icon
- Submit by Friday, 24th March 2017
- Winners announced early in Term 2

Mr Roger Sevenhuysen - Deputy Principal Primary

Library Assistant Officer

Heritage College is seeking a Library Assistant to maintain the library and research services for its Officer Campus. This role is offered on a permanent part-time basis for 10 hours per week during term weeks.

If you would like to join a great team at Heritage, please submit your resume and covering letter to Lorraine Anthony at asvhr@adventist.org.au. ASV schools are child safe environments.

Mr Darren Martin - Deputy Principal Secondary



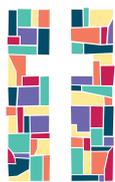
Heritage Church News



Every Friday night at Narre Warren South Campus Chapel at 7pm Café, followed by worship service. This service is run for teens by teens.



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



Heritage COLLEGE CHURCH

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

Service 1

At 9:30am we have Jazz inspired worship Service followed by Sabbath School at 11:15

Service 2

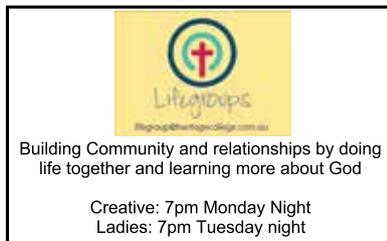
At 9:30am we have Life Groups followed by our worship Service at 11:15



Heritage PATHFINDERS

Mini Camporee 10 to 13th March. Registration via website.

pathfinder@heritagecollege.com.au



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.



Club meeting 18th March, 3pm to 5pm.



From the ELC

The ELC has been very busy over the last few weeks, learning about the creation story and how God made a beautiful place for us to live. The children are enjoying being immersed in the story, by sharing their ideas, making crafts and helping to tell the story themselves.

We are also exploring the natural environments available to us so that the children are able to make their own discoveries about God's creations. The message we are also teaching is that everyone needs to care for the world that God made for us. To help children understand what this actually means in terms of sustainability, we have been looking after our very own veggie patch. They have taken such good care of the plants and have seen them grow at super speed.

The lettuce was ready to be picked within two weeks of planting little seedlings and the children thoroughly enjoyed harvesting the leaves and making a salad to eat. In this way we are also learning about good foods to eat, which keep our bodies healthy.



Driven by the children's interest in the toy medical equipment, we set up a hospital corner and began to expand their ideas about the human body. To make community connections and relate this to our creation unit, an exciting event we had for this week was having a nurse come in to visit. She gave us great medical information and let us listen to our own heart with a real stethoscope. Everyone also had a turn at measuring blood pressure with the pump and arm band. This is just the beginning of us learning about our own bodies and how to take care of them.



In amongst all this, we are continuing to learn our letters and phonics, attend the chapel services with the primary school and recognise and begin to write our names. Busy is the name of the game in the ELC!

Miss Ness



From the NWS Campus

Extend After School Care at Heritage College NWS

This week at Extend we explored sustainability and healthy living!

Together we discussed ways in which we can look after our *earth* and our own *health and wellbeing* – such as recycling, reusing, composting, eating healthy and getting active!

In terms of healthy living, we spoke about '*Eating a Rainbow*' – did you know that the colours in your fruits and vegetables carry disease fighting chemicals! For this week's cooking we made healthy Banana Bread which was super scrumptious!

Attention! As part of the sustainable practices embedded within our service, we would love it if anyone would kindly donate any recyclable materials such as cardboard boxes – we use them for lots of things such as craft, imagination creation, drama and science experiments!

Our Extend Superstar is: **Raphael!**

For supporting new students in Before School Care, showing respect to his peers and educators as well as displaying his ever growing confidence within the service!

Well Done Raphael!

Bethany Carrick, Team Leader



From the Secondary Campus

Uniform Pride Part II

Weeks 4 through 6 sees our secondary students competing to see which year level can have the best uniform over the course of one week. The reward for the winning year level sees the Deputy Principal buying lunch for those students and teachers.

It is great to see many students wearing the full correct uniform each morning with shirts ironed, shoes shined and the correct jumpers being worn.

Congratulations go to the Year 11 students for winning the competition in Week 4. Unfortunately, as this article is being written the winners for Week 5 are yet to be determined.

Following up from the article last week, following the school guidelines, below you will find the correct answers for "spot the 9 things that are wrong with the Deputy Principal's uniform". They are listed from top to bottom. Well done to all those that had a go.

1. Hat being worn inside (page 23)
2. Facial hair; not clean shaven (page 23)
3. Undershirt worn for warmth is visible (page 23)
4. Tie not worn appropriately (page 23)
5. Scarf is not in school colours (page 22)
6. Shirt untucked (page 23)
7. Shorts worn on top of the uniform (page 23)
8. White socks; incorrect colour for boys (page 21)
9. Sports shoe; not black and leather (page 21)



Mr Darren Martin
Deputy Principal Secondary

Next week's activities:

Monday 6 March: Cooking – Celestial Cookies

Tuesday 7 March: Astronaut Self-portraits

Wednesday 8 March: Painting with Gravity

Thursday 9 March: Cosmic Painting Pendulum

Friday 10 March: 'How High Up?' & Alien Soccer

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From the Secondary Campus

Splash in the Pool!

On the last day of Summer we had amazing weather for the competitive SEISS Swimming Carnival. With 8 girls and 8 boys in the squad, Heritage College came in fifth. Everyone had a go and kept a fighting spirit throughout the day. All the other schools did a splendid job too.



With many standouts, Ammon gave his all for the team by participating in all the events in his age group including the longest event '200m Freestyle'. We also had Harry who competed in every event except one. The best sportsman of the day was Ava, who helped out our friends from Bayside Christian College by swimming in their Under 14's relay events when they were one woman short.

Thanks to all the teachers who helped out; the students had a great time. A special shoutout goes to Chloe who captured our day through photos.



Raunaq - Year 8 Student

Year 9 SEISS Basketball

At the SEISS basketball tournament last week the Year 10 students fought hard and fast. They continued game after game to try their best and do our school proud.



The boys showed their skills and communicated clearly with each other. They shared the light and subbed on and off to give everyone the best chance to play. Tadiwa and Japheth played fantastic games and always managed to get the ball down the court and shoot despite the other teams' well thought out defence.



The girl's team were determined to succeed, with Alana always defending the ball and Brooke shooting, they definitely put up a fight.

Our teams may not have come first but they definitely went home at the end of the day accomplished. They were tired and sore but proud of their achievements, no matter what the scoreboard said.

Zoe
Photographer/Helper

Heritage College Secondary Students Striving for Excellence

Last weekend the youth department of the Victorian Seventh-day Adventist Conference held their annual youth leadership training weekend up at Howqua. South Pacific Division Youth Director, Nick Kross, was the guest speaker who shared about effective discipleship and leadership strategies with youth leaders from around the state. There were also workshops focused on Adventurers, Pathfinders and Youth Ministry. It was great to see five of our senior students striving to improve their leadership abilities in either the Pathfinder or Youth streams. If you see Tanisha, Adam, D'Angelo, Jasiah and Tylah around campus, please feel free to ask them to share one thing they learnt about leadership on the weekend.

It is also fantastic to see our students using their talents to assist in state-wide events such as this. Adam created and edited a video that was used last weekend to illustrate the importance of never giving up on people. Chloe designed the Summer Camps Staff T-shirts which were highly desired by participants over the summer break. The VicYouth Department told me that they had people pleading for her shirt and they had to turn people away!

Miss Jody Lawson
Teacher/Pathfinder District Director



From the Officer Primary Campus

From the Library



Have you seen the brand new library in Officer Primary? If you haven't, here are a few snapshots. The students were having fun reading

library books and enjoyed the storytelling by their teachers.

Students from Prep to Year 4 have their library on Fridays. More new books will be added to the library shelves. Look out for them!! Happy reading.



Mrs Penny Tan
Librarian

Prep/1W Learning

Our learning in Maths this week asked the question "Is it shorter or longer?" Prep students have had fun building towers out of Unifix Blocks, then comparing their two towers and deciding which is longer and shorter.



Year 1 students have had fun measuring different objects using informal units such as counters. They even measured the length of their friends' shoe!



Pancake Day!

Whole School Community Event



What a wonderful way to start the day by eating pancakes with our school community! Tuesday was Pancake Day and one of our mums cooked up a storm by making hundreds of pancakes for students and their families

to enjoy. There were strawberries, blueberries, bananas and honey galore to be eaten - with a little spurt of cream from Mrs Moss to top it off!

We would like to say 'Thank You' to the parents who organised and helped layer the students' pancakes with wonderful yum! A great morning was had by all!



Chapel

This week Year 1/2K caught a bus to Officer and enjoyed spending Chapel time with us. Thank you for coming and sharing our time singing songs and learning more about our great God! We learnt a new Bible verse - Isaiah 53:6



Upcoming Dates/Reminders

Clean Up Australia Day	3rd March
Primary Swimming Carnival	9th March
ASV Y1-3 Athletics Day	16th March
Prep Testing Dates	1st, 8th, 15th March

Reminder for Prep Parents: Thank you for booking a time to have your Prep child tested. Please contact Venitta or Diana at the Officer Campus on 5943 2900 to make an appointment.