Neerim District Secondary College
News and Views
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LEADERSHIP BADGE CEREMONY

Our Sponsors
We would like to thank all of our generous sponsors for their support throughout this year. With your continued generosity and commitment we have been able to improve the educational opportunities available to students. We strongly encourage our parents and the wider community to please support these wonderful local businesses that sponsor our school so well.

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Ph: 5628 1454

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Phone 5628 1513
129 Main Road, Neerim South 3831

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Nothing's too hard.
**Principal’s Report**

**Debating Win**

Congratulations to our debaters: Loki Bromilow, Jordyn Komsky, and Andy Entsch for winning yet another debate, this time against Marta Christi. Thank you also to Ms Clark for giving up her free time to support the students.

**Badge Ceremony**

Congratulations also to all the students who received leadership badges last week. Our new School Captain’s: Sebastion O’Connor and Tamika Clancy gave an outstanding keynote speech. Their speech about doing one’s best and committing to excellence was a major highlight for me of the ceremony. In attendance at the awards were Gary Blackwood, and John and Beth Delzoppo. We are extremely grateful to have these people as passionate supporters of our school. It was fantastic for them to see the leadership growth of students that they have known since they started high school. Darcy O’Connor and Tash Walker also spoke on behalf of a group of students who had been involved in the Upwey Billy Cart Race. Mrs Delzoppo had mentored a number of this group when they were in Year 9, and remarked that she could also remember the very first speech that Tamika had made at High School. Our young people are a credit to our community and we should be very proud.

**National Success**

Congratulations to Isaiah Abrahams for his outstanding success at the National Junior Championships. Isaiah has been training for 6 months. He came 8th in Javelin. Isaiah has been training for 6 months and he performed against participants who have been training since they were 12 years of age. This is a phenomenal effort and a great testament to the training he has put in and the coaching he has received over the last 6 months. Isaiah’s sister Chandra also participated in the Under 16s Long Jump at this event.

**Vaya Cross**

Principal

**Calendar of Events**

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Good News Postcards

Congratulations to the following students who received a good news postcard: Shae Maxwell, Thomas Richardson, Kyle Bright, Dakota Dawson, Mitchell Dawson, Lucy Liefman, Kodi Smith, Lucas Flegg & Darcy O'Connor.

Thai Restaurant & Take away,
115 Main Rd,
Neerim South.
5628 1064

The Country Bean Café
Main Neerim Road
Neerim South Vic 3831
5628 1155

PBS Link is Here!

Don’t forget to register details of receiving a postcard by ringing NDSC on 5628 1455 or 5628 1201 after hours to go in the draw to win a community sponsored prize.

PBS is a Marathon. Not a Sprint.

AAA Award

The AAA award rewards consistent effort and citizenship in our students and recognizes the contribution that they make to the life of the College.

This week’s winners are Tamika Clancy and Lauren Potts of Year 12. These girls have assisted Glenys in the canteen on many occasions during Trish’s absence. Congratulations to you both. A cheque will be heading your way shortly, courtesy of the Walter Haines Foundation.

China Trip 2016

Last call for students who are interested in a trip to China with the school in 2016. We are looking at heading off on Monday 12th September for a fabulous 13 day trip through magical China. Imagine visiting the Great wall, seeing the Terracotta Warriors and exploring the Summer Palace.

The trip will cost approximately $3000 plus spending money. The school will work out a payment schedule to help you budget. If you are interested please let Mrs Guerin know (you will find her in the Kitchen). A $100 deposit (paid at the office) will be due by the first week back term two to secure your place. Be adventurous and come and join us.

Updating Your Contact Details

A reminder to parents to please keep the school informed regarding any changes to your address, phone number, email, emergency contacts and your child’s medical conditions. If you do need to make any changes to this information please contact the office for assistance.

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If you wish to become a sponsor please contact Stuart Nicolson at the school on 5628 1455 to discuss.
**UNIT ONE OUTDOOR ED CLASS EXPLORE MELBOURNE BY BIKE**

On Tuesday, the Outdoor Ed class spent the day exploring the Capital City bike trail around Melbourne. We started off on the Gardiner Creek trail near Kooyong and rode to the Yarra River under the Monash Freeway. From there we turned right and followed the Yarra up to Dights Falls. There were lots of nice homes and new apartments in this section. From here we followed the Merri Creek trail and arrived at Rushall Train Station. This was a beautiful section of the ride through the bush crossing over the creek a couple of times.

The northern part of the ride took us through north Carlton and Princess Park and then around the zoo and across to Flemington. Lots of students were using the track to move about. The section of the ride along Moonee Ponds Creek and Footscray Rd wasn’t pretty compared to the rest. We stopped in Docklands for lunch. On the next section of the ride past the Exhibition Centre and Southbank the trail was really busy with runners and walkers and people just going out for lunch. From here we followed the trail back to where we started.

It was a great day for the ride and 32 kilometres was a challenging but achievable ride for us.

*Steve Vincent*

**Outdoor & Environmental Ed teacher**

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**VCE NEWS**

**VCE Study Skills session**

On Thursday, Dan from Elevate Education ran two study skills sessions for our Year 11 & 12 VCE students. These were engaging and informative sessions which I believe all the students would have got something from.

Students filled in small workbooks which are something they can refer to during the year. The study hints and stories that Dan told were extremely relevant to our students achieving their best during their VCE years. Please have a chat with your child about these sessions as you share the VCE journey with them.

**Term Break**

VCE students should ensure they use their time efficiently over the break to complete all study work set by their teachers so they are ready to go at the start of Term Two. This break is also a good chance to get together with friends in Study Groups to revise the work that they have focussed on in class this term.

We look forward to seeing you refreshed and ready to go in Term 2.
OPEN DAYS

Open Days are held at universities and TAFE institutes each year, giving the public the opportunity to see the facilities, talk to staff and students, collect information and attend information sessions. They are generally held on Sundays later in the year, but dates are provided here so that you can put them in your diary now.

Some Open Day Dates for 2016:
- Sun 31 July – Swinburne University
- Sun 7 Aug – Deakin University (Warrnambool); La Trobe University (Bundoora); Monash University (Caulfield & Clayton)
- Sun 14 Aug – Australian Catholic University (Melbourne), La Trobe University (Bendigo); Monash University (Peninsula); RMIT University; William Angliss Institute
- Sun 21 Aug – Box Hill (Lilydale campus); Deakin University (Waterfront & Waurn Ponds); University of Melbourne
- Sun 28 Aug – ACU (Ballarat): Box Hill Institute (Box Hill); Deakin University (Burwood); Federation University; Victoria University (Footscray campus)

HOW CAN I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT LA TROBE UNIVERSITY?

La Trobe holds ‘Experience La Trobe’ days in the school holiday breaks. These are a chance to see facilities, find out about courses and careers, and talk to staff and student ambassadors about La Trobe. You will be able to attend tutorials and lectures; why not attend with friends or family? When: Melbourne campus (Bundoora) 31 March; Bendigo campus 1 April; For more info and to book: See: www.latrobe.edu.au/centre.

DO YOU WANT A JOB WORKING WITH ANIMALS?

- A great way to find out more is by attending Healesville Sanctuary’s ‘Keeper for the Day’ or ‘Vet for a Day’ program OR Werribee Open Range Zoo’s ‘Keeper for a Day’ program. These programs are suitable for students in Years 7 – 12. When:
  - Healesville Keeper for a Day: 9.30am-3.30pm, March 29 & 30, April 5 & 6; Cost: $115
  - Healesville Vet for a Day: 9.30am-3.30pm, March 30 & 31 and April 6 & 7; Cost: $129
  - Werribee Open Range Zoo Keeper for a Day: 9.30am-

3.30pm, March 29 & 31 and April 6 & 8; Cost: $115.

Information/Booking: Ph 1300 966 784; See also: www.zoo.org.au/education/careers-programs

- Another opportunity to find out about working with animals is to attend the WERRIBEE OPEN DAY. This is run by the University of Melbourne's Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences. Find out about the B. Agricultural Science and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine programs, attend course information sessions, explore other careers in science, veterinary nursing and equine studies, tour the facilities and go to food stalls to support Melbourne students. When: 10am-3pm, Sat 19 March; Where: 250 Princes Highway, Werribee; Information: bit.ly/Werribee-open-day-2016.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A NURSING AND/OR MIDWIFERY CAREER?

Division 1 nursing involves a three-year degree at university while Division 2 requires an 18-month diploma. Some students who wish to study nursing also wish to study midwifery. This can either be done through a double degree in nursing and midwifery which will take 4 years or by studying nursing and then doing an 18-month course in midwifery. The double degree is offered at Deakin, La Trobe and Monash Universities. The good news for Year 12 students is that Victoria University (St Albans campus) is introducing this double degree in 2017. The aim is to address the challenges in maternity care. Increasing rates of health conditions such as mental health disorders, diabetes and obesity have increased the complexity of care for women.

NOTE: there are many other combinations of double degrees with nursing, providing more employment and interest options upon graduation. For example, ACU offers Nursing/Paramedics at the Ballarat campus and Deakin offers Nursing/Public Health and Health Promotion, Nursing/Psychological Science (and also a single degree called Nursing (Clinical Leadership)).

CHECK OUT STUDYING SCIENCE AT RMIT

Deciding where to study after finishing school is a challenge...

One way to find out more is to visit the university that interests you and see the facilities. RMIT is offering such an opportunity in the school holidays. Go behind the scenes on a tour of the facilities. Students and parents are invited to visit RMIT’s state-of-the-art learning laboratories and to find out about how RMIT degrees provide the knowledge and skills to tackle real-world problems and advance the way we live.

Programs cover biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental science, food science, nanotechnology and physics. When: 11am-2pm, 30 March; Where: Building 3, Level 1, Applied Sciences Reception, RMIT City; Book/Info: www.rmit.edu.au/events/all-events/tours/2016/
DO YOU WANT TO CHECK OUT WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE IN THE CITY?

William Angliss is a provider of courses in hospitality, food, tourism and events. William Angliss is giving school students the chance to delve into the world of Tourism & Travel and Events in the school holidays.

Tourism, Travel and Events – a hands-on introduction to the travel and tourism industry via an on-site amazing race-style activity. Students will then go to the new aeroplane interior demonstration area and be given a taster of what a career as a flight attendant could be. After a catered lunch, students will get the chance to jump into the world of Event Management with a table theming activity held in the Angliss Restaurant.

When: 9.30am-2.30pm, Thurs 31 March; Where: 555 La Trobe St, Melbourne; Who: Students in Years 9-11; Cost: $120 (including lunch). REGISTER HERE! Enquiries: Marketing@angliss.edu.au

GOOD NEWS FROM BOX HILL INSTITUTE

The good news is that Box Hill Institute has this year reopened the former Swinburne campus at Lilydale, providing tertiary education in this area once more. A broad range of courses will be available, increasing as time goes by. NOTE: William Angliss Institute is conducting cooking and tourism courses at this campus in conjunction with the Box Hill Institute. Box Hill Institute also has plans to offer other programs and facilities on the Lilydale site.

MONASH UNIVERSITY (BERWICK)

Many of you will have heard the news that, after about 20 years in operation, Monash has confirmed that it intends to abandon its Berwick campus at the end of 2018.

MORE SWINBURNE NEWS

In addition to items mentioned in the last edition, Swinburne is proposing the following courses/changes for 2017 (some subject to academic approval):

- Swinburne is considering an Early Entry Scheme (already offered by ACU and La Trobe universities). The ATAR would no longer be the sole determinant for entry.
- Introduction of the Bachelor of Nursing (possibly at Wantirna)
- Revised majors in sports science, nutrition and clinical technologies
- Introduction of Bachelor of Exercise Science
- Introduction of a common first year for the Bachelor of Engineering, giving students a taste of the different fields in engineering before making a decision about their specialisation (similar to Monash University engineering)
- Introducing a Masters in Occupational Therapy.
- More news on all of this when it becomes available from Swinburne.

Where can I use my ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEGREE? Opportunities are increasing all the time with new technological developments, much more so than in civil engineering for example. Electrical engineering can be used in banking, the television industry, mining, automotive (eg driverless vehicles), marketing, solar cells, the health industry and renewable energy to name a few.

- ROBOTICS is another area of growth in engineering (eg drones, robotic vacuum cleaners, humanoid robots, Mars rover).

COMMUNITY NEWS

⇒ WANTED STALL HOLDERS and Musicians for our NEW WINTER MARKET at JD Algie Hall, Main Road, Neerim South on Saturday 11th JUNE; Saturday 9th JULY and Saturday 13th AUGUST. All sites under cover. Ample parking for visitors and stall holders. For BOOKINGS or ENQUIRIES, please call Deb on 03 5628 1234 or 0417 748 884.

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