



Respect

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Upcoming  
Dates

## MAY

Tomorrow  
IDAHOBIT DayWed 22nd  
9/10 Boys Netball  
7/8 boys netballThurs 23rd-24th  
Yr 9/10 Bike Camp

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## From the Principal

IDAHOBIT Day Tomorrow

After running a fantastic 'Do It For Dolly' initiative last Friday, our Student Representative Council (led by Alex Fletcher) are continuing their theme of kindness tomorrow with the recognition of IDAHOBIT Day.

IDAHOBIT Day is recognised globally on May 17th and although there are specific reasons around this date, we as a college are simply using the day to recognise the importance of being kind to everyone, regardless of their sexuality, gender, identity or culture.

Students will start the day tomorrow as part of a P-12 assembly, with guest speaker Damien Stevens-Todd talking about the importance of being kind to all.

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Year 12 + Staff – Rainbow (mixture of colours)

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Building Works

The frame for our current building works is continuing to be erected as we speak and the progress has been fantastic once again this week. The I-Farm, which is a key part of our senior agriculture program

was relocated today, with students now being able to access this terrific resource in the same area as the junior school chook pen and middle years vegetable garden beds.

The next couple of weeks will see further progression with the framework for the build, and we will shortly see the vision for the actual building take shape.

**\*\*\* Canteen Volunteers Needed \*\*\***

Our college canteen desperately requires volunteers if we are to keep it open 5 days per week and with prices that are affordable. We do employ a canteen manager 2 days per week, but the remaining 3 days are proving very difficult to staff.

Please have a think about whether you would be able to volunteer even once per term in our college canteen and call the college office if you would like to put your name down, or even enquire further about volunteering in the future.

Upcoming School Review—Feedback Please

As part of the early stages of our upcoming college review, we would love to receive parent/carer feedback on the following prompts -

- 1—What does East Loddon P-12 College do really well?
- 2—What could East Loddon P-12 College do better?
- 3—If you were Principal for a day, what would you do/change?
- 4—Any other comments or 'Shout Out's to individuals or teams at the college?...

Please feel free to forward feedback to the college office. Anonymous feedback is also most welcome.

Today's Photo

The photo at the top of this page shows the current build, with the pic below showing the 'finished product' that we can look forward to.

Steve Leed—College Principal



## Assistant Principal News

### Spotlight on Art

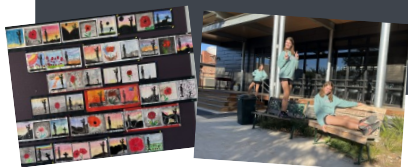
Did you know the Art curriculum encompasses Visual Arts, Media Arts, Visual Communication and Design (VCD), Music, Dance, and Drama? Students at East Loddon explore a variety of art forms, with a focus on Visual Arts from Prep to Year 12, incorporating some VCD in secondary years.

In the P-4 years, students alternate between Art and Digital Technology each semester. Currently, Prep, Year 1, and Year 2 students are delving into colour and shape through painting and collage.

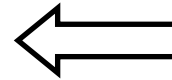
Meanwhile, Year 5/6 students are honing their skills in grid drawing and more advanced collage techniques. Year 7 students are learning about proportion drawing and sculpting, while Year 8 students are creating plaster sculptures using Modroc.

Year 9 and 10 students are offered a variety of elective options including 2D Art, Ceramics, Digital Photography, Printmaking and Wearable Art. Year 11 and 12 students have the opportunity to take their artistic interests further through subjects like VCD and Art Making and Exhibiting.

Art is an integral part of a child's education, nurturing creativity, self-expression, critical thinking, and social skills, and we are very impressed by the works our students produce.



Guess the NRL player



Our seniors students have been treated this week to some guest speakers.

These were not originally planned for the same week, but its sort of worked out for the better to have some themes reinforced.

Last Friday of course was Do it for Dolly Day, which focussed on kindness to each other, On Monday we had a speaker from the Danny Frawley centre, which focusses on mental health and Tuesday we had Josh King from the Melbourne Storm, who had big messages about the importance of physical and mental fitness. Tomorrow we will have IDAHOBIT day and our assembly guest speaker will be Damien Stevens-Todd who will also reinforce the importance of kindness and inclusion.

These messages are so im-

portant for all of our kids p-12 to hear, as we know that some of our kids (and some of us as adults) aren't always as kind as we would hope they would be. We also know that some of our kids aren't always as open to the thoughts of others, if the thoughts are not the same as their own.

All of that is understandable, as we also know, that our kids are learning. We will keep pressing the message that its important to treat others as you would expect to be treated, its important to be accepting of others, its important to look after your physical and mental health. That is our agenda and it is deliberately transparent.

Please dress in your classes designated colour tomorrow,

In other news, SACS have

been coming thick and fast for the senior kids. We know that we are a little short of space at times, but we are also a bit concerned that our senior students that don't have allocated class time aren't always using their time effectively. As of next week we have a timetable arranged so that students in year 11 have in most cases, individual spaces to study in, instead of gathering together in groups and sometimes completing less than the desired amount of work. We will also be speaking to the year 12s about 'putting the foot down' with regard to study. We want the best for our senior students and any support that we can offer in the way of extra assistance, will be offered.

Until next week, have a great weekend.

Mr Wilko

# Sub-School Updates

## Junior

### **\*ASSISTANCE PLEASE\***

Our school was fortunate enough to receive over 1000 decodable books for our younger readers this year! We feel so lucky with these resources, but we need your help. Before we can use these books in the classroom or at home, we need them covered. Our librarian can only do so many in a sitting, and we would love to get these books in the classrooms as soon as possible. We are seeking volunteers for the **Wednesday 22nd of May**.

If you are able to give your time, we would love assistance in covering some of these books. Our librarian and other staff will be there to assist and demonstrate how to cover these books. We will be holding a book covering session from

**1:30-3:00pm in the Multi Purpose Room on Wednesday the 22nd of May.**

Please, if you are able to help, email Tami-

ka.colville@education.vic.gov.au or call the office.

Thank you so much in advance.

### **GRADE 3 AGRICULTURE**

Well done to our Grade 3 students who have been incubating eggs this term. This week, the Grade 3's have hatched their first chick! Students are buzzing about the new arrival. The Grade 3 students are continuing to sell their eggs at school and have a steady income to put back towards the maintaining the chickens at school.

### **SRC**

Our SRC committee has been busy these past few weeks. Our Grade 4 SRC Representatives have been assisting in running Do it For Dolly Day and our upcoming IDAHOBIT day. On IDAHOBIT Day this Friday, we ask students to wear the following colours.

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Year 2 – **Yellow**

## 7/8 Sports Day

Today we had our year 7/8 students compete in the Sandhurst junior sports day. Students competed in both soccer and netball. They had a great day and displayed excellent sportsmanship.

It was great to see all students have a go and support one another.

## LMR Cross Country

We have 9 secondary students attending LMR Cross Country on Tuesday the 28th of May. Congratulations— Marley A, Ava M, Joe K, Gus A, Ruby C, Harrison C, Abby T, Bella S and Ollie L.

Once I have the primary school results Compass event will be created.

## Boys Netball

Next Wednesday the 22nd of May, we have entered 3 boys netball teams to play at Red Energy Arena.

Consent and payment can now be completed online. Please complete this before the day.

## Middle

Today, I spent the day at the Year 8 netball competition. It was great to see all nine girls try their best and improve throughout the day. In the end, they were 2nd out of the nine teams. Their only loss for the day was to CMC by just two goals.

The year 7/8 boys also spent the day playing soccer. Even though they were not as successful, all students had a great day and developed their teamwork skills.



## Senior

So many GREAT things and fun things have happened in this last week. I'm trying to squeeze pictures and text in to do it justice!!!

### **Do it for Dolly day**

Well done to the SRC for standing up to kindness and helping to raise funds for the Do it for Dolly Foundation. Nice work on the slice sales Y10 VM students (helping to raise over \$180).



### **Josh King NRL (Melb Storm) guest speaker**

Josh spoke to students about the sacrifices and hard work he endured, the struggles he has faced in life and how he overcame these by talking to friends, family, removing himself from social media, seeking professional help and practicing gratitude and volunteering. "Hard work beats talent"



### **Well done Molly**

Molly spoke beautifully at the Rotary Club of South East in Bendigo after receiving the scholarship at our presentation assembly in 2023. Congrats!



### **Danny Frawley Centre visit: Serene Watson AFLW player**

Students considered a range of 'anchor' activities that are useful when in a high stress situation. Serene spoke to students about the importance of talking about our mental health.



Our wonderful SRC team have a sub committee (led by Alex Fletcher) who have been working on a day of celebration to mark IDAHOBIT Day this Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May. IDAHOBIT stands for International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia. On the worldwide stage, this day is highlighted to create awareness of LGBT rights violations and stimulate interest in LGBT rights. At East Loddon P-12 College, we are **focusing on inclusion of all and kindness towards others**, linking in nicely with the kindness work we focused on this past week in recognising Do It For Dolly Day.



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## Canteen

<b>Fri 17th</b>	Sam Ellis Lisa Twigg	<b>2024 May</b>	
<b>Mon 20th</b>	Sharon Hughes	<b>Mon 27th</b>	Jess Penny
<b>Tues 21st</b>	Sue Pickles	<b>Tues 28th</b>	Sue Pickles
<b>Wed 22nd</b>	Kylie Addlem	<b>Wed 29th</b>	Kia Hooke
<b>Thurs 23rd</b>	Sue Pickles	<b>Thurs 30th</b>	Sue Pickles
<b>Fri 24th</b>	Sam Ellis Miranda Smith	<b>Fri 31st</b>	Wendy Murphy Kristie Noonan