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Upcoming Dates

7th P-6 Special Persons' Day
7—14th Yr 10-12 Exams
10th Queen's Birthday Holiday
12th GAT
13th Artvo Photography Excursion
14th Melbourne Arts Centre Excursion
Yr 10 Monash Murder Mystery

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From the Principal

Special Persons Day is sure to be a great event tomorrow and I look forward to seeing a great number of you at the college. I am more than happy to run a brief tour of the college at the completion of this event if community members are interested in seeing the many wonderful areas of our college. Thanks are extended to our Parent Association for co-ordinating this day.

At our recent 'Rock The Loddon' Chaplaincy event, the actual music played on the day was an absolute highlight! Recently, the college has been playing songs by the band 'Mayfair Lane', who rocked the gym a few weeks back. If you are interested in checking out their terrific music, visit—
<https://mayfairlanemusic.bandcamp.com/>

Myself and fellow leadership team member Mr Cameron have spent time in Melbourne this week, attending the Education State School Leadership Conference. The speakers to this point have been brilliant, as I am hopeful that they are again today! We have thoroughly enjoyed keeping up to date with the most recent initiatives and research and look forward to sharing this with staff and college council in coming weeks.

I am back in Melbourne once again next Thursday, for an important day regarding the college rebuild that was recently promised. With the further announcement last week of \$450,000 planning money, I expect that the mammoth task of planning for our works will begin shortly after next week. As further details

come to hand, they will be discussed at length with college council, staff and our community.

As part of an exciting arts project, Archie the cow has been making it's way around the college. Archie has featured at assemblies, assisted students in the office and canteen, visited classrooms and even went for a canoe last week! Shortly Archie will be 'decorated' as part of an exciting competition which we will be trying hard to win! Should you have any creative ideas for Archie's next adventures, please let us know of them through the college office.

I would like to give a brief mention to two VCAL boys, Zac and Gad, who interviewed me yesterday for the 'Getting to know your staff...' series of articles that feature in our newsletter each week. What a great initiative this is! Well done boys, keep up the good work!

As mentioned last week, please assist us in collecting plastic bottle caps for a really good cause! These bottle tops will eventually be recycled into fibre that can be used in 3D Printers to make prosthetics for children in third world countries or war ravaged countries. Please send any of these items to the college office so that we can add them to our collection.

I hope that all families are able to have a fantastic long weekend!

Regards, Steve Leed

Literacy & Numeracy

Learning new vocabulary

To flow on from our whole school focus on vocabulary, you can help your student to learn new words as they are reading.

When they see a word they don't know, they should:

- Say, read and spell aloud.
- Break the word down and predict how it relates to similar sounding words.
- Re-read the sentence
- Find the meaning
- Visualise the sentence
- Practise.

Myth-busting Maths



Not everyone is confident with mathematics, or believes that they can do mathematics. One of the best ways we can help our children is to promote positive attitudes towards mathematics. For example, avoid making statements such as, 'I was never any good at maths either'.

Follow the link below and consider whether some of the statements on the list have crept into your conversations.

<http://bit.ly/mathmyths>

Sarah Clare

Curriculum Learning Specialist



Keep going Jackson! I think he is signaling '2 more km to go'.

For not the first time, in her life, Leanne Welsh has once again smashed all records in the area of community support, by securing a \$25,000 grant from Rural Aid, for the East Loddon Food Share which is operated from the 'EL Community House'. This group is amazing and continually supportive of our community with regular food box distributions. Hats off to all involved. Thanks also to

Rotary club of Bendigo Strathdale for ongoing support with this project.

Please visit ruralaid.org.au when you get a minute. They have assistance available including \$1500 for example for electricity bills. Details on their website.

Pictured this week is Jackson Smith who is currently no doubt enduring some saddle soreness after riding 59km

Assistant Principal's news

Check out this website. Very useful for all primary producers.

Supporting Rural Communities & Families:

- Fodder Assistance
- On Farm Help
- Counselling

We're here to help!

1300 327 624

yesterday with the 9/10 O Ed class. Thanks Byrnsie and Mr Smith for donating your time to make this camp possible.

In week 1 of the holidays Golden Square FNC are again running their footy and netball program. Suits boys and girls of all ages. Cheapest and healthiest baby sitting ever. Flyers will be in the bottom of your child's bag. (Near the old apple).

Notices



Check out Archie's blog

<https://eastloddonarchiebull.weebly.com/>

it's our Archie blog



Sub-School Updates

AROUND ELP SRC Report

Last week many of the Yr 7-12 reps met with Jamie Roberts from YMCA Victoria, Haylee from HeadSpace and Rory from the CoGB's Youth Participant Officer Rory White. We discussed how we could address the issue of youth mental health through a wellbeing day at school next term. This week we began planning for this event.

Junior

Special Person's Day

Tomorrow is our highly anticipated Special Person's day. Families with multiple students in P-6 will have an opportunity to work all together in Period 2. Students without a Special Person attending tomorrow will join a peer's group.

Bottle Tops

Classes are currently collecting plastic bottle caps as part of a recycling effort. Please encourage students to bring these to school.

Grade 2 Update—Poetry

Students have been working hard in their writing classes to create different types of poems. Below is an outstanding acrostic poem written yesterday by one of our Grade 2 students.

*Out at night they swoop around
With sensors all around them
Like a jet plane they fly
Something is there for them"*

Zali C.

Middle

Well done to all students who represented East Loddon at the regional Cross Country on Tuesday, especially **Bridget B** and **Marley A** who came 2nd and 7th respectively and will now compete in State championships.

Our Year 5 and 6 students are very excited about Special Person's Day tomorrow.

Don't forget to check Compass tasks for feedback about how your child is progressing in all their subjects. Andrew Cameron.

Education Perfect Science Competition

Well done to all 5-8 students who worked extremely hard on our recent Science Competition! We ended up finishing 11th out of 343 schools in our category.



We beat Girton by over 1000 points!

Six students will be receiving personal awards for number of points achieved, with Jaxon A receiving the highest total:

Jaxon A—2153 points—Silver Award

Senior

Exams coming soon

At our Senior Sub-School Assembly on Friday we discussed various study skills, strategies and tips for students. I encouraged staff to also share their ideas. Mr Young's tip was to complete practice questions to help prepare for the real exam, just like training for a sporting final. Mrs Clare wanted to encourage students to reduce their procrastinating by telling themselves to 'eat the frog'. In other words get the big stuff / tasks over with first. My advice was to use flash cards, mind maps, charts, tables and create study notes based on the Study Design Key Knowledge and Key Skills.

I strongly encourage students to discuss study and revision methods with their current subject teachers also. If any students/parents/guardians have any questions please let me know. I am happy to assist students.

ASPIRE applications open: I am encouraging Year 12 students to speak to me regarding drafting these applications.

Year 9 & 10 Outdoor Ed Bike Camp : All going well, by the time this newsletter is published we will have road 120km along the Great Victorian Rail Trail. I'm tipping the students will be keen to see some flat country after seeing the undulating hills of Mansfield to Tallarook.

SPORTS

Regional Cross Country.

Congratulations to all of our runners who competed at the LMR Cross Country on Tuesday. We had 3 runners who qualified for the State Finals:

Bridget V = 2nd
Jasmine C = 3rd
Marley A = 7th



Upcoming Sports Days:

Wednesday 12th June
Year 7/8 Netball (Girls)
Year 7/8 Badminton (B + G)
Wednesday 19th June
Year 7/8 Boys Football



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR STAFF

Mrs Johns teaches Chemistry and Maths and is the Maths Leader. She became a teacher to share her passion for science particularly Chemistry in which she began her PhD. This drive helped her overcome her initial trepidations when she began University in Queensland. The campus had more people and resources than her hometown and she worried that she would get lost.

Before teaching, she worked as an environmental scientist at an aluminium smelter. There were only 1 in 50 women working there. With the odds in her favour, she met her now husband. She is a bit disappointed that the STEM messages encouraging women into science when she was in school are still the same and works hard to help our girls overcome barriers to pursuing science fields.

The Johns' family's care for the environment has motivated them to begin building a sustainable home. They intend to take advantage of Australia's sun to live without reliance on fossil fuels. To live off the grid! There are many wonderful things to aspire to but if we don't look after our planet then what is the point?

Another passion that has helped shape Mrs Johns is her love of travel, having new experiences and learning about the world. She is excited to be part of another amazing exchange to Turkey. This opportunity is valuable to our students. Turkey will allow our students to not only meet new people but forge friendships that have overcome language and historical barriers. Travel also makes us value what we have here. Mrs Johns has travelled a lot but is always comes home and appreciates how great we have it.

Canteen Roster

		2019 JUNE	
Fri 7th	Michelle Balic Lisa Twigg		
Mon 10th	Queen's Birthday Holiday	Mon 17th	Lynda Cartwright
Tues 11th	Sue Pickles	Tues 18th	Sue Pickles
Wed 12th	Kylie Addlem	Wed 19th	Louise Hocking Breeanna Hocking
Thurs 13th	Sue Pickles	Thurs 20th	Sue Pickles
Fri 14th	Kristie Cullinan Lisa Twigg	Fri 21st	Mel Primrose Narelle Neiwand

Calendar JUNE

Mon 10th	Tues 11th	Wed 12th	Thurs 13th	Fri 14th
Queen's Birthday Holiday	Yr11/12 PhysEd Yr11 Food Yr 12 Germn Yr10 Maths Yr 11(10) Spec Maths Yr11General Maths Yr 11 Methods Yr 11/12 English Yr 10 English	GAT Yr 10 Science Yr 10 Humanities Year 7/8 Netball and Badminton	Yr 11/12 Ag & Hort Yr 11 Psychology Yr 12 Methods Yr 12 Further Maths	Yr 11/12 Biology Yr 12 Chemistry Yr 12 Studio Arts Yr 11/ 12 Studio Art Melbourne Arts Centre Excursion
Mon 17th	Tues 18th	Wed 19th	Thurs 20th	Fri 21st
Yr 12 Chemistry Excursion Melbourne Uni Street Blender Art Camp	Yr 10 & VCAL Mock Interviews	Street Blender Art Camp returns Year 7/8 Boys Football		
Mon 24th	Tues 25th	Wed 26th	Thurs 27th	Fri 28th
Yr 10/11 Work Experience starts				Yr10/11 Work Experience returns End of Term 2 buses leave 2.30pm
Mon 15th July	Tues 16th	Wed 17th	Thurs 18th	Fri 19th
Start of Term 3	Monsters In My Wardrobe Incursion			