Upcoming Dates

26th Year 11 English Skills Day
Year 12 Looking After Your Mates
30th Year 10 Careers Day
31st P-4 Science Works Excursion

AUGUST
5th—10th Year 9/10 ODE
Bogong Ski Camp
8th Year 9/10 Term Sports day

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From the Principal

On Tuesday, 21 students from Year 4 to 9 attended the regional final of the AGTV German Poetry Competition at Bendigo South East College. Kyen M, Emily S, Fynn C, Ava M, Isaac J, Jye R, and Ciaran G all earned a medal. Congratulations to all our students and a big thank you to Frau McNamara, as well as Belinda Clymo and Kylie Addlem who helped to transport our students to the event.

Congratulations are extended to Yr 11 student Hugh C who recently came 3rd in the Northern Shears competition at the Australian Sheep and Wool show. Top work Hugh!

A ‘Future of Work/Careers’ session has been offered to all year 10 students next Tuesday. This will involve a seminar with Ivan Neville and a visit to 2 TAFE campuses in Bendigo. It should be a terrific and very informative day for our students! Parents are also able to attend a session at 7:00pm on Tuesday night at Ulumbarra Theatre. This is free of charge and should also be terrific. Interested parties can register at the following link—https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-future-world-of-work-tickets-64290945950

Students in years 7, 8, 10 and 11 will take part in an ‘About You’ survey next Thursday from 9:00am. This survey is largely about health and wellbeing, and is not mandatory.

Parents who do not wish for their child to participate, must inform the college of this before this coming Thursday. Information will be sent out to parents before the end of the week, via a Compass News Feed.

Parent Opinion Surveys will be distributed to a random selection of families next week, with the survey period coming to an end on Sunday 11th August. Should you receive an ‘invite’ to the parent survey, please take the time to fill in the survey honestly as your opinions and thoughts are vital for the college.

Planning and discussion around our capital building works project has been a constant focus this week as staff, leadership and college council all have a focus on the first stage of planning. Next Thursday, myself and Mr Wilkinson will work with the department and Victorian Schools Building Authority to interview tenders for the work ahead of us. These interviews will take place at the college and we thoroughly look forward to seeing the ideas and designs that are presented to us.

Former East Loddon P-12 College Chaplain Sue Allen is to be inducted as Pastor to the Gannawarra Cluster tomorrow evening. This event will take place from 7:30pm at the Anglican Church in Kerang. If you would like to attend and support Sue as she moves into the parish ministry, then please pop along tomorrow night.

Regards, Steve Leed
Reading wishlists

One way to keep the fun alive with reading is to make and regularly update a reading wishlist. This helps to motivate students to keep reading so they get to the next book sooner. It certainly helps with the Christmas shopping too!

Another thing you can do to help encourage your child to read is try to provide a welcoming reading space. This might be a little nook with some cushions and good lighting. During winter, you could also include a blanket so your child can snuggle up and read a good book.

27 ways to use maths at home

Have you ever sorted Skittles or M&Ms into even groups? Have you asked your child to follow your journey on a map, or plan their own route?

How do you divide pizza equally in your family? Does it involve some maths?

If you’d like to know more about how you can include maths in everyday activities, go to http://bit.ly/27mathstips

Sarah Clare

Its been a busy week again at East Loddon and this week its been all about Lions!

Tuesday night saw us meet at the Lions Den for the Junior Public Speaking competition. Not only were we entertained by a number of very fine young public speakers, but at the half way point Lion David got out the ukulele and we had a sing along. No prizes for guessing what the song was…. The Lion sleeps tonight. Fantastic singing by the entire crowd. Well except for Mr Clayton who mimed and Nick Marlow who sat stone faced.

Winners of the public speaking were Chloe T and Chloe H. I was also really impressed with Sianna T’s speech. Nothing like toilet humour to make me laugh! Also Keira T giving dad Simon a poorly disguised back-hander was also hilarious.

Turkey Trip Update

Thanks to everyone who came along and supported our Lion King movie fundraiser! It was such a great night and proved yet again what an awesome community we have at East Loddon - we could really ‘feel the love tonight’ with a cinema full of family and friends! We also had a busy afternoon approaching businesses for sponsorship and are thrilled to have Lady Sultan Turkish Takeaway, Beck Legal and MGR Accountants come on as major sponsors. Finally, pie drive orders must be returned to the school with payment by Wednesday 31st August – perfect meal for these cold winter nights!

Assistant Principal’s news

Archie snuck in to the Lion King without paying! He is seen here with our 2020 Turkish crew.

Last night, more Lion stuff and singing at the Bendigo Cinemas. The screening of the Lion King was chock a block with East Loddonites and friends. Sometimes you’ve got to sit back and watch to see how awesome our school community is. My wife and kids can’t believe how much I love my job. They start to appreciate it when they see nights like last night.
AROUND ELP
SRC Report

Last Friday, all students from P-12 completed surveys based on our focus groups. These surveys focused on the canteen, a microwave for the senior school, school uniform options, a well-being day that we would like to plan for later in the term. Next week, we will analyse the results of these surveys.

Junior

**Lions Club Public Speaking**
Well done to all participants who competed at Tuesday night’s Lions Club Public Speaking club-level competition. Chloe T was the winner of the grade 3/4 division of the competition with Chloe H taking out the grade 5/6 division. Both of the girls will be going on to the next level of the competition in August. East Loddon would like to thank the Lions club for extending this opportunity to our students once again.

Middle

A group from the Middle Years went down to Bendigo South East to recite their German poems at the AGTV Poetry Competition. Before the Lion King fundraiser on Wednesday the students going Turkey went to businesses asking for sponsorships and donations. Also Chloe, Sienna and Keira presented their speeches at the Lions Club on Tuesday. Lastly, today the Year 5/6’s are making their own radio show. By Gemma and Josh.

**Lions Club Public Speaking—Chloe H**
At the regional finals on Tuesday Chloe spoke about the Jungle Book—following the prompt about something special to family/friends. She prepared by practicing a lot out loud to different people. She was happy she felt more confident and used more expression this time. Chloe will next compete in Cohuna on August 11th. Congratulations Chloe.

**Year 7 2020 Parent Information Afternoon**
Monday the 19th of August at 4:00-4:45pm (alongside VCE Information Afternoon)

Senior

**Y10 & 11 Subject Selection Expo**

**SAVE THE DATE : August 19th**
Parents/guardians of current Year 10 & 11 students please keep this date free; Monday August 19th from approx. 2:15-5pm. La Trobe Uni, Bendigo TAFE and GO TAFE will be in attendance. More details to come

**Congrats to Hugh C**: He received 3rd place for his efforts in the Novice Shearing Section at the Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show.

**Tertiary Information Session event**
Year 12 students participated in an informative VTAC session on Monday. We will start our VTAC applications after I return from Ski Camp. I will make contact with parents/guardians to organise an interview to explain this process also. Thanks.
GETTING TO KNOW YOUR STAFF

Nathan Twigg left East Loddon as a VCE student and has returned this year as our Business Manager. He had been toiling as a tax accountant but couldn’t resist returning to East Loddon. He has found it really interesting to see the school from a new perspective. He has learnt that there is a lot happening that he took for granted when he was a student. He can see that so much care and work goes into every decision every day and he is enjoying working in such a positive team.

On the last school holidays, he treated himself to a trip to Canada to celebrate earning his CPA. This was a huge achievement which required three years of both working full time and studying full time.

Mr Twigg loved his childhood in Tandarra and having so much space and freedom. He inherited a strong work ethic from his parents. He saw his Mum and Dad run a Dairy farm on their own and he grew up seeing them work hard for everything they wanted. He still loves getting up early and making the most of every day. He fondly remembers long overnight hours in the tractor and he wants farming to be part of his future.

As a student, he enjoyed East Loddon and spending everyday with his best friends. This friendship group is still an important part of his life. He loved how much support he got as a student here and he wanted to come back and be part of the effort to help our kids now get the amazing experiences, friendships and education that he did.

Canteen Roster

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