



EAST LODDON P- 12 COLLEGE PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Dates for Your Diary

JULY

24th Year 10 & 11 students

VCE/VCAL/VET information Session 2.15 to 3.20pm **25th—27th**

Splendour Street Art Camp

27th Pyjamas Day
Gold coin donation

AUGUST

1st Parent Teacher Student Interviews
1.30pm—5.30pm

Buses leave 3.30pm
3rd Sausage Sizzle

10th Yr 5/6 Mars Expedition Incursion

17th Year 7 Ecolinc Excursion

30th Year 9/10 Term 3 Sports Day

From the Principal

***** Semester 2 Parent Teacher Student Interviews – Wednesday 1st August *****

Parent Teacher Student Interviews will be held on Wednesday 1st August, with details of the format contained in Mr Wilkinson's Assistant Principals report today. Please ensure that you read this carefully and make contact with the College Office if you have any questions.

Lions Junior Public Speaking Club Finals

Once again I had a wonderful time on Tuesday night when attending the Lions Junior Public Speaking Club Finals at the Lion's Den. All 6 students who represented the College in this terrific competition did an amazing job, with such great voice projection, clarity and confidence displayed by all. Family members, College staff and community members in attendance marvelled at how impressive our primary aged students were once again this year. Thanks are extended to the Lions, particularly Jo Guthrie, for running such a valuable event for our students. All the very best wishes to Emily S and Amy T who now go on to represent us at a regional level.



Congratulations Miss Pilkington!!!

Congratulations are extended to Miss Pilkington and her **fiancé** Jayden on their recent engagement! We were all blinded by the sparkling diamond ring being proudly displayed on Monday and those of us who were in attendance at 'the big lift' thought that this was the greatest way in which Jayden could make up for the fact that he broke Miss Pilkington's heart when he introduced his working dog 'Chief' as his best mate to our friends from Sydney Uni!

Well done Jayden, and seriously, congratulations to you both on this terrific news!

The Big Lift – Thanks To All Who Were Involved!

During the second week of the holidays the College was excited to welcome an enthusiastic group of 40 students from Sydney University. These students attended the College as part of a paying-it-forward initiative known as 'The Big Lift' and it was really heartening to see so many young adults want to do something positive for a rural College. Our students from Sydney arrived late in the afternoon of the 10th July and were welcomed by a lovely bonfire and an impressive array of food. The lamb spit (expertly prepared by Jayden Gladman and donated by Bill Twigg), bbq meats and wide range of salads went down a treat before we settled in for 'an evening with our farmers', which saw Micheal Lawry, Jayden Gladman and Neil Lister discuss farming and country-life with our city-dwelling friends. This was absolutely terrific and something that would also be great for our students and local community members to be part of!

On the morning of the 11th, we woke early and after a hearty breakfast, got straight into a 4-hour working bee in which a great deal of painting was undertaken. We managed to repaint yellow safety lines around the College grounds, wooden posts behind the staff

1st August Parent Teacher Student Interviews 1.30-5.30pm Buses leave 3.30pm

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tea room, College value colours in front of the multi-purpose room, on bin-holders and a couple of doorways, as well as adding some consistent colour on many exterior walls starting from the entrance to the home-economics room and extending all of the way around the front and side of the multi-purpose room, library, staff tea room, College weights room and Year 9 and 10 lockers. This amount of painting would have easily taken us 4 or 5 College working-bees to complete and it was really satisfying to see such a great deal of work take place in such a short time frame.

Once again, events such as this do not simply 'happen' and a great deal of time and effort was expended by many. At the risk of inadvertently missing someone, I would like to extend a huge thankyou to College Councilors Adam Bish, Micheal Lawry and Richard Hicks, our Parent Association, Leanne Welsh, College staff Sarah Pilkington, Sandy Lister, Scott Wilkinson, Sarah Byrne and Ricky Wright, College community members Jayden Gladman, Adrian Tuddenham, Neil Lister and Bill Twigg, and College students Jasmine Lawry and Keira Lawry. You all contributed significantly to this event and we very much appreciate what you have done!!!



Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

Shortly, our College will be taking part in the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC), which is a nationwide census of early childhood development and helps our school and community understand how children are developing before they start school. This census focusses on our current Prep class, with Mrs Lister completing the census based on her knowledge and observations of each child in the class.

Holiday Works

Works to upgrade our College septic system were completed over the holiday period and we have our fingers firmly crossed that these works may also address the 'toilet-smell' that we often noticed in the College gym. The College also had an arborist undertake works on tree pruning and removal after our recent tree audit, and our College meeting room was re-carpeted. Together with the work from the big lift, a great deal has taken place over the two-week break.

Family Statements

Family statements have been sent out today. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Sue Cail, Business Manager.

I hope you have a great week!

Steven Leed
College Principal

Assistant Principal's News

Here's a couple of good news stories that will no doubt be mentioned in other sections of the newsletter

The Big Lift. How good was that? 40 students from Sydney (University of Technology) donated 4 hours each of their holiday time to give East Loddon a Big Lift! I can't believe how generous they were to do this AND **they** thanked **us** at the end. Things have changed since I was at Uni.

Miss Pilko is soon to become Mrs Gladman or maybe Ms Gladman or Ms Pilko or maybe she is already Ms Pilko. Either way, she's getting married. How fantastic is that news! We are all so happy for you both Sarah and Jayden.

Mr Vernon is a grandad! Welcome to the world Mya Rose. I'm tipping the sale of kids' books at Dymocks is about to skyrocket. Best wishes to Eliza.

I'd also like to finish the good news stories by saying Carlton won on the weekend. I'd like to, but alas.

Straying a little from the good news theme, Parent Teacher Student Interviews is on Wednesday the 1st of August. Which is about two weeks away. Bookings are through Compass. What's that you say? What's Compass? Well it's an online system that some teachers are trialling this year and the entire staff will transition to in 2019. More info on this to come. Your child will be bringing home a letter today explaining how to **book interviews via Compass**. If your internet connection is terrible please call the Office and we will arrange interviews the old fashioned way. We would strongly encourage you to try the online booking system though, so as you can tell us if there are any issues.

The format of interview day will be as follows

Parents book interviews with as many class teachers as they wish to see (preferably all of your child's teachers). Please refer to instructions on letter sent home today with students.

Interviews will run from 1:30 – 5:30 with a break from 3:30 – 4:00 pm.

Buses will leave at normal times.

Students will be supervised from 1:30 until 3:20 by staff who do not have allocated interviews. Students will spend this time in composite classes.

Students attending interviews during school time will be released from class to do so. They may then leave school with their parents at the conclusion of interviews by 'signing out' at the Office, or they can return to class and catch the bus home at usual time.

Students who have interviews booked between 4:00 and 4:20 can be supervised at school until parents arrive. All other students are required to return home on buses at the end of the school day. If you wish to discuss implications of this please call the College.

It is our strong preference for students to attend interviews with parents.

Have a great weekend

Scott Wilkinson.

Assistant Principal

College Fete – Wednesday 19th September 2018.

Well it is time for the fete again this year (two years go very quickly) once again this will be held in the last week of Term 3 on the Wednesday. Remember to keep this day free so that you can come along and enjoy what is usually a great day in the College calendar.

This year we have a company called YOLO who has kindly offered to sponsor the fete in the way of Novelty Rides – these are usually expensive and out of our price range – but YOLO have kindly offered two excellent rides for the older and younger students at a heavily reduced price. In return for this, you will notice their logo in our newsletter each week during Term 3.



Throughout Term 3 notices regarding the fete will be included to keep parents up to date with what their children's year level will be offering on the day. Stay tuned.

Sue Cail
Business Manager

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Victorian State School Spectacular

Tickets for the Victorian State School Spectacular go on sale today Thursday 18th July.

Students participating in the performances do not need to purchase a ticket for themselves but all family members and friends wishing to attend as an audience member will need to purchase a ticket from Ticketek. The link below will send you directly to the page.

Also, a reminder is extended to families with children involved in the performances that our first rehearsal in Melbourne is Wednesday 25th July. Students should have each received an excursion consent form outlining times and costs associated with this rehearsal late last term. Please contact the school if you need another form sent home. Payment is now due.

SRC Pyjama Day Fundraiser: Out of Uniform Day next Friday 27th July

This term we will be running a fundraiser for the Pyjama Foundation. The Pyjama Foundation supports children in foster and out of home care throughout Australia to be linked in with mentors to assist them with homework completion and as a positive role model in the lives of the children they support. In exchange for a gold coin, students are encouraged to wear their pyjamas or onesies to school on Friday 27th July. Please note that students with PE or other practical classes on this day will need to bring adequate footwear and/or sports uniform to change into in order to fully participate in their classes.



CONGRATULATIONS and well done.

During the term break I entered 2,393 books onto the Premier's Reading Challenge site which our Prep to Yr 9 students have read, so far this year. 52 students have completed the Challenge and many more are almost there. We still have 6 weeks until the end of the Challenge so plenty of time to reach the target of 15 books for Years 3-9 and 30 books for Prep to Year 2. The last day for books to be added is the 7th September, and as it is a huge job I request students' hand their log sheets into the library as soon as possible.

Thanks to all the students who are putting in such a huge effort to complete the Challenge, and to the teachers and parents who continually encourage their student/child to read and get to the finish line.

Brenda Drury

Premier's Reading Challenge Co-ordinator.

Marngrook

Yesterday the Year 3/4 class invited all students to come and play a game of Marngrook. Marngrook is a game of football that the Aboriginal people from Western Victoria used to play. There were 50 people on each team and the winner was the person who kicked the ball the highest.

Yesterday's game involved a few changes to the rules like having goals and using a soft soccer ball rather than one made from a possum skin. We also had a highest kick competition to decide our winners. Well done to the Shaw/Evans team who won 4-1, thanks to Harry C who kicked the ball to an impressive height!

Mrs Clare



P-4 Update

Building Strong Foundations



Student of The Week

Prep—Shania for being focused and doing great writing.

Year 1—Travis for always doing his best.

Year 2—Sienna for trying her best in all areas.

Year 3—Jayde for being focused and putting in good effort.

Year 4—Brayden for trying hard in all areas.

You Can Do It! Awards

Prep—Penny for being organised and getting straight onto her work.

Year 1—Logan for always being ready to help out other students.



Year 2—Teagen for always being one of the first to start her work.

Year 3—Matilda for growing organisation prior to class.

Year 4—Aidan for using initiative to get things done.



Reading Club

150 Nights of Reading	Y4-Oliver and Keira Y3- Alex, Miles, Emily, Kiara, Kyen and Emma Prep- Jack
125 Nights of Reading	Y4-Joe and Will Y3-Harry Prep- Joseph and Ava



Prep Letters in Focus

The letters in focus this week are **k**, **c** and **u**.

Prep Words To Fluency

Our Preps are practising their 100 most commonly used words. These can be found in their Reading Logs. Automatic recognition of these words helps to build fluency, which in turn fosters comprehension and the ability to make predictions.

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Literacy Hints- Scanning the Page

Prior to reading a new page, it is extremely important that students scan it. Encourage them to look at the picture (most of which are extremely supportive), and scan for headings and captions. These often provide key information that may support predictions by adding to meaning.

Other valuable sources of information include the blurb at the back of some books, and in some books- the Table of Contents.

COLLEGE Fete- Reminder

Just a reminder that it is 'count down' to our College Fete at the end of this term. We are hoping that all families will contribute in some way. Our P-4 staff revolves around crafts, cooking and gardening (including plants and garden features- such as bird houses) so there is plenty of scope for everyone to get involved.



Rochester Road and Farm Safety Expo P-4 Excursion

We have received permission to attend the Rochester Farm and Road Safety Expo on Tuesday 21st August. An information page and consent form will be going home early this coming week. The cost is \$11, which is for bus travel only. There is no cost associated with entry and a sausage and bread will be provided courtesy of the Rochester Rotary Club. We had planned to attend last year but the weather was extremely wet on that day and we chose to cancel.

Peter Vernon

On behalf of the P-4 Teaching and Learning Team

Year 3/4 Anglesea Camp Payment Plan

Date	Amount
Friday the 24th August (if unpaid on the booklist)	\$90.00
Friday 14th September	\$70.00
Friday 28th September (all monies paid to this date are non –refundable due to the Colleges financial commitment to the camp).	\$70.00
Friday 12th October	\$60.00
Friday 26th October	\$60.00

P-4 Sub School (cont.)

Lions Club Junior Public Speaking Competition

On Tuesday evening our student finalists competed at Club level with judges nominated by our local Lions Club. The presentations were outstanding and the competition was tough, with well- articulated speeches entertaining the audience.

Representing Years 3 and 4 were: Chloe, Keira and Emily.

Representing Years 5 and 6 were: Lachlan, Marley and Amy.

The judges commended the students on their outstanding presentations and after much consideration, announced the following students would progress to the next level:

Years 3 and 4- Emily

Years 4 and 5 –Amy

Thank you to the families who took their child to the venue and provided moral support, your presence meant so much to your child.

Thanks also to Jo Guthrie who organises this great learning opportunity, and to the Lions Club for sponsoring the event.

Middle Years Parents, please join Bloomz to get regular updates from your child's classroom.



Bloomz Snapshot



100% attendance certificates awarded for Term 2.

Yr 8 Geology—rock analysis



Yr 7/8 Big Picture—excursion presentations



Yr 7 English—engaging with the novel "Hatchet"

Middle Years Captains Report



Welcome back to school for the first week of Term 3. There has been a few changes to the school and middle years throughout the holidays with "The Big Lift". Thank you to all families who supported this. Well done to the Year 5's and 6's at the netball day yesterday, particularly to the girls team who won. We have now got the gymnastics equipment set up in the gym for a few weeks. Have a good weekend.

Alicia and Levi

State School Spectacular

An email has been sent to parents of all students who are involved in our State School Spectacular group. This email contains some important information. If your child is involved in this event and have not received this email, please contact Ms Chelsea Harrington through the School Office.



Senior School News

Year 12 Tertiary Information Session Excursion

Year 12 students have been invited to attend the Tertiary Information Session TIS event in Charlton this coming Monday 23rd of July. Tomorrow is the last chance for students to return consent forms. We will depart the College at 10:20am and return part way through period 5.

The event is set up much like a Careers expo with Universities, TAFE institutions and Colleges available for students to talk to. There is also a presentation from Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre VTAC regarding the VTAC process, applying for special entry access schemes (SEAS) and scholarships also.

VCE VCAL & VET Information Session for Year 10 & 11 students

Tuesday 24th of July 2:15pm-2:45pm Year 10 Presentation regarding VCAL VCE and VET pathways.

Tuesday 24th of July 2:45pm-3:20pm Year 10 & 11 Subject Expo – staff available to speak to regarding subject choices.

The College VCE VCAL & Vet Handbooks have been distributed to students to this week. A copy can also be found on our school website.

Student/parent/teacher interviews for subject selections

On Wednesday August 1st I am hoping to prioritise time to speak to all Year 10 & 11 students and parents/guardians regarding their subject preferences and pathways for 2019. I will start to make contact with parents/guardians about this. I anticipate the interviews will take approximately 15-20minutes.

The available meeting times will be consistent with our Student/Parent/Teacher interviews which is 1:30-5:30pm.

If this date doesn't suit please let me know and I will aim to arrange another time.

Subject selections for Year 10 & Year 11 students are due August 10th.

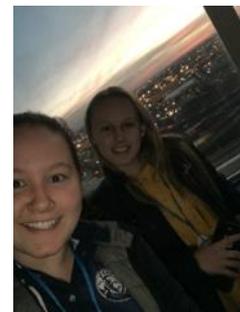
Young, Rural and Driven?

Expand your future and become a youth ambassador by winning an all-expenses paid 'power trip' to Canberra. Students have the chance to win flights, leadership, public speaking training, mentorship and a behind the scenes tour of parliament house and meet trailblazing CEO's and politicians. If interested students need to submit 400 words or a 2 minute video addressing 'Life is a roadtrip with twists and turns. How can we support one another to navigate the road to gender equality?'

More info at www.countrytocanberra.com.au

DOXA Camp Experience Tameka B & Macey M

Both Tameka and Macey have continued their association with the DOXA Careers Pathways Program by attending a 3 day camp in Melbourne in our recent school break. The students had plenty of time to navigate the CBD of Melbourne, socialise with like-minded people but also learn about potential careers, identify their own strengths and weaknesses, develop group work, team work and co-operation skills. It is a terrific program to improve independence and assist students with taking that next step post secondary school. I am really impressed with Tameka and Macey having the courage and initiative to take up this opportunity. Well done, ladies. They are pictured here checking out the views of the city.



Outdoor Ed class in action

Within our Outdoor Ed class students identified the desire to be outdoors (funnily enough) as the key reason to selecting this subject. As a result we are exploring activities outside even if a little chilly. The weather conditions gave us the perfect opportunity to practice our safe fire lighting skills.



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What have some of our students been up to?

Sarah M reports from the Melbourne Theatre Company

On the last week of the school holidays I went and participated in the Indigenous scholarship program at The Melbourne Theatre Company. We started off with a traditional smoking ceremony with the elders of the Boon Warug (one of the traditional owners of the Melbourne area) and then we had an improvisational workshop with Al Wunder. Later that day we went to the bunjilka exhibition at the Melbourne museum. The next day we had a stand up comedy workshop with sheralie hood and went and saw a production called Gloria, we also went to circus oz and botanical gardens for NAIDOC week. I really enjoyed my week at MTC and I can't wait to go back in October.



Year 12's visit the Experience La Trobe Day

During the July break some of our Year 12s participated in the Experience La Trobe Day. Here is what they had to say about the day;

It was very beneficial in finding out what I enjoyed and what career I want to pursue – Ella H

I realise I want to move to America - Sarah J

Gave a good insight as to what I would like to do next year - Jacinta C

It was good to confirm my thoughts on my career path for the future – Jo C

Congrats to Sarah M, Ella, Sarah J, Jacinta C and Jo C for making the most of these great opportunities.

Thanks for your time,
Sarah Byrne
Senior Sub-School Leader

Wellbeing Report

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The Teeth On Wheels team are coming to our school

Great News! Our school is pleased to announce that the Teeth on Wheels team will be coming out to our School every 6 months to provide Oral Health Education and quality dental treatment to our students.



Remember your forms!

Please keep your eye out for the consent form which can be filled out and handed back into the school reception for your child to be seen.

TeethOnWheels™
a positive dental experience



Canteen News

Pies, Pasties, School Pies, Potato Pies, Sausage rolls are available Term 2 and Term 3.

2018			TERM 3		
TERM 3			Monday 6th	Kathrine Ellis	
JULY			Tuesday 7th	Sue Pickles	
Monday 16th	Lynda Cartwright		Wednesday 8th	Karolyn Campbell	
Tuesday 17th	Melissa Primrose		Thursday 9th	Sue Pickles	
Wednesday 18th	Miranda Smith		Friday 10th	Lisa Twigg	Michelle Balic
Thursday 19th	Melissa Primrose				
Friday 20th	Leanne Welsh	Toyah Ketterer	Monday 13th	Vivian Nicart	Lynda Cartwright
			Tuesday 14th	Rachel Hay	Cheryl Green
Monday 23rd	Margaret Hocking		Wednesday 15th	Sue Pickles	
Tuesday 24th	Mel Primrose		Thursday 16th	Sue Pickles	
Wednesday 25th	Miranda Smith	Ebony Lawry	Friday 17th	Kate Duncan	Breeanna Hocking
Thursday 26th	Mel Primrose				
Friday 27th	Kylie Addlem	Natalie Rose	Monday 20th	Margaret Hocking	
			Tuesday 21st	Sue Pickles	
Monday 30th	Belinda Clymo		Wednesday 22nd	Nicky Lawry	
Tuesday 31st	Michell Diss	Sarah Jane Crabbe	Thursday 23rd	Sue Pickles	
AUGUST			Friday 24th	Katherine Ellis	Mel Primrose
Wednesday 1st	Sue Pickles				
Thursday 2nd	Sue Pickles				
Friday 3rd	Yoli Humphries	Louise Hocking			

College Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
23rd	24th Year 10 & 11 VCE,VCAL & VET Infor- mation Session 2.15pm start	25th Splendor Street Art Camp	26th Splendor Street Art Camp	27th Pyjama Day Gold Coin donation Splendor Street Art Camp	28th	29th
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6th	7th	8th	9th	10th Year 5/6 Mars Expedition Incursion	11th	12th
13h	14th Years 4,5,6 Athletics Sports day	15th Year 7/8 Sports day	16th	17th Year 7 Ecolinc Excursion	18th	19th