

SENIOR NEWS

Every Student, Every Opportunity, Success for All

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Student ID Cards

The new gate next to Galvin Hall has been setup to allow students to use their ID card to enter and exit the school. The College policy for leaving the school grounds has not changed and you must have written permission from a parent or guardian to leave the school grounds. To enable your 2015 Student ID card to work, you will first need to enrol your card into the gate system, instructions on how to do this can be found on the College website: http://www.wssc.vic.edu.au/?p=25267

If you have lost your ID card, a replacement can be printed at the cost of \$10, please see the front office to arrange this. If you have not received a card, you are entitled to one card for free, please ask at the main office to arrange this.

Lynne Kosky Memorial VCAL Scholarships

Students in Year 10 are invited to apply for the Lynne Kosky Memorial VCAL Scholarships. The scholarships recognise the outstanding contribution that Lynne Kosky made to education and training in Victoria.

One of her greatest achievements was the introduction of the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) as an alternative to the Victorian Certificate of Education.

Two scholarships are available for students in Year 10 who plan to study VCAL in Years 11 and 12 as a pathway to further study, employment or training.

Each VCAL Scholarship will be valued at up to \$25,000 in \$5,000 grants each year over 5 years of study, training or apprenticeship.

Financial need is one of the eligibility criteria. Students receiving the Youth Allowance or the student's parents/guardians holding a Health Care Card, a Low Income Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card meet this criterion. Applications close Friday 18th September.

Removal of portable classrooms

Over the past year the College has undergone a great deal of physical change, with the construction of the Regeneration building and the redevelopment of the old Library just to name two. This week the last of the portable classrooms are being removed (Pictured below), the classes that were utilising these rooms have been relocated into other classrooms throughout the College.



Vern Hilditch Principal **ISSUE NO: 32**

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CALENDAR

Thursday 17th September Parent Teacher Interviews

Friday 18th September Last Day of Term

Monday 5th October
First Day of Term 4

Wednesday 21st October Year 12 Valedictory

TERM DATES

Term 1

29th January - 27 th March

Term 2

13th April—26th June

Term 3

13th July—18th September

Term 4

5th October - 18th December

YEAR LEVEL COORDINATORS

Year 10 Coordinators

Tim Lamb Brydie Hind Tim Bridgeman

Year 11 Coordinators

Chris North Simon Webb

Year 12 Coordinators

Matt Moylan Naomi Wattie Paul McMullen

YEAR 10 OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAVING

Tuesday the 1st of September the students headed off to Wee Jasper (50km's from Yass) to go caving. We arrived at our accommodation at around 6:00 pm had dinner and headed off to 'Signature cave' for a night cave. The students enjoyed playing in Children's playground with Ky, Abby and Alex winning hide and seek as Holly and Sharna could not find them. We headed home and had our first night's sleep at the shearers quarters.

Wednesday morning we headed off to Careys Cave which is a tour cave hosted by Jeff, our guide. The students could see the difference between an open cave and a closed cave, Jeff entertained us with showing us the difference of light with lighting many candles. We then headed back to camp to have a walk up a hill and have some lunch. We then headed for Daylight Cave were students had to abseil in, students were split up to go into Pirates cave and Chamber number 5, we then had to go down Rats Hole to get out. We jumped onto the bus and the big question was what the time was, the students went without their phones and watches, we received many different responses and it ended up being 9:00pm We headed home where Smithy had cooked a BBQ for us.

Thursday we had a lovely breakfast of bacon and eggs cooked by Braiden and Gregor. We then got our harnesses on and headed for Punchbowl. The rain made it quite slippery but we made our way up. The abseil today was 21 metres and all the students did a fantastic job going down. We split off in groups with one group doing mud crack/mudslide and the other doing the loop with Mr. Moylan. The students enjoyed the sliding, the sculptures and the loop. Once all the fun was had it was time to climb up the ladder, the students did an amazing job blitzing through the climb and we were out by 4:30pm. We had pasta bake that night and played Alex and Connors mind-games which indeed frustrated Teachers and Students!

Last day we went down into Gong Cave which was very wet. The students worked together to get through the Cave. Once they headed back to the entrance it was a short ladder climb and we headed home.

A big thank you to Alex and Connor from Charles Sturt University for helping out on the trip. Smithy and Mr.Moylan also for taking the students. All the students did a terrific job facing some fears and challenging themselves, well-done by all.





Keely McLaren Sports Trainee