# Senior News

*Every Student, Every Opportunity, Success for All*

## Principals Report

**Evacuation Drill**
To ensure that both staff and students know what is expected of them in the event of the College being evacuated, we will be holding an evacuation drill at some stage during term 1. As part of this drill an automated SMS will be sent to the parents and guardians of the students at the College. In the SMS message it will specify that a drill is being conducted and that no further action is required. In the event of a real evacuation of the College this SMS message will reflect accordingly.

**College Council Nominations**
The College is now calling for nominations for 2016 School Council parent members. Following the initial call for school council parent nominations which closed last week, we still have a vacancy for a parent to be part of our 2016 School Council. Please contact our returning officer, john McVean for more information. A nomination form can be downloaded from the College website: http://www.wssc.vic.edu.au/?p=25558

**GPA Scale and Distribution**
This year the GPA student progress scale will now be measured on a 0 to 4 scale opposed to the previous 1 to 5 scale. Every student can achieve a GPA of 3.0 or above regardless of their academic ability. The first GPA will be distributed on the 22nd March with student progress interviews held on the following day, 23rd March.

**Basketball Court Restoration**
Over the past three weeks the College basketball courts have been undergoing maintenance. The maintenance include increasing the size of the courts, resurfacing and multipurpose lines being marked to enable netball and tennis to be played.



**Vern Hilditch**
*Principal*

## Calendar

**Monday March 14th**
Labour Day Holiday

**Friday March 18th**
House Athletic Sports

**Tuesday 22nd March**
GPA 1 Distributed

**Wednesday 23rd March**
Student Interviews

## Term Dates

**Term 1**
27th January - 24th March

**Term 2**
11th April - 24th June

**Term 3**
11th January - 16th September

**Term 4**
3rd October - 20th December

## Coordinators

**Year 10**
Tim Lamb
Tim Bridgeman
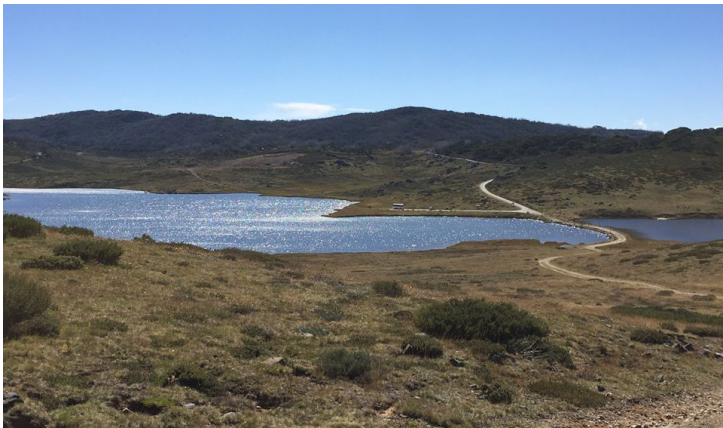Naomi Wattie

**Year 11**
Chris North
Brydie Hind

**Year 12**
Simon Webb
Sheri Parkhouse

## Year 12 Environmental Science

Year 12 Environmental Science students travelled to Falls Creek to participate in catch and release of pygmy possums as part of research into alpine flora and fauna undertaken by Dean Heinze. Great to be part of scientific work in the great outdoors. Dean is an alpine researcher specialising in pygmy possums. Thanks to everyone involved.





**Michael Rosenbrock**
*Maths/Science Coordinator*

## Careers News

**Keep in touch with La Trobe University and win!**
Just by signing up to receive online updates from La Trobe University, you will go into a draw to win a $4500 Qantas holiday travel voucher. Sign up here: http://goo.gl/Gcyv2j

**Destination Monash**
Make sure you bookmark the Destination Monash Tumblr page for updates on study skills, time management, and information about university life. All blogs have been written by current Monash students and are witty and entertaining: http://bit.ly/1j8VzRI

**Interested in a career with the Australian Defence Force?**
The annual Melbourne ADF Careers Expo , Education Day will be held 4 March at the Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton. You will be able to explore career options from over 200 occupations in the Navy, Air Force and Army. There will be recruiting stands and exhibitions.

**Interested in Asia Studies?**
Australia National University (ANU), Canberra, has a wide range of scholarships available to assist their students studying Asia Studies to undertake overseas exchange placements.

• Click here for a full list of scholarships:
   http://goo.gl/rVRAuF

• Click here to read stories from ANU
   students undertaking the Year in Asia program:
   http://goo.gl/u9C3MS

• Click here for information on their Asia Studies
   courses: http://goo.gl/srLv22

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