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

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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

Senior News
Every Student, Every Opportunity, Success for All

Wodonga Senior Secondary College
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.

 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/ut9C3MS
• Click here for information on their Asia Studies courses: http://goo.gl/srLv22

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