Principal’s Report

Parent /teacher/student interviews will be held on Monday 25th August from 9am to 7pm. As was the case in term 1, bookings can be made online. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au, enter the code KKWEA and chose the teachers you wish to see. Whilst there will be no formal classes on the day, students will be expected to attend the interviews with their parents.

This term, as part of the Strategic Review process, the School will be working with a panel of reviewers from outside of the School to reflect on our current progress and to identify the key areas for action and improvement across the next four years. Our external reviewer is Carolyn Woodhouse and I have invited John Richmond, Principal of Birchip P-12, and Dr Joanna Day, Acting Principal Nhill P-12 College to be part of the process. The curriculum day on the 23rd July provided staff with an opportunity to work on the following...

- The identification and recognition of current good practice taking place in the College
- The challenges that may exist in program delivery, achieving and consistency in the delivery of high quality student outcomes from both an individual and ‘systems point of view’

Most families by now will have received Parent Surveys and I would encourage you to return them at your earliest convenience. Your input and feedback is important as we look at determining the direction of the College for the next four years.

Branko Lukic

Principal

WINTER SPORT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Next Friday 15th August is Winter Sport Day. Students have selected events and will now know where they are travelling to, what uniform they need to wear and what they need to bring from sport specific meetings that were held today. There will be no cost for the day and no permission slips needed as this trip is covered by the permission slips filled out at the beginning of the school year. Students who have not selected a sport are expected to be at school in full uniform for classes. Any questions please contact Miss Lonergan at school.

Year 9 and 10 Science and/or Maths students

You are invited to apply for The Science Experience at Federation University. It is being held over 3days starting Monday 22nd September, the cost is $115 for the 3 days. Registration can be made online at the following link: http://www.scienceexperience.com.au/

Indulge yourself and spend three fun-filled days exploring your passion for science, making new friends, discovering rewarding career opportunities and experiencing life on the beautiful Mount Helen campus at Federation University.
**** Year 7 News ****

This week our focus in support groups has been on having support mechanisms in place if students are having a hard time or need someone to talk to. One of the activities was the ‘Hand Activity’ where students were asked to trace around their hand and in each finger write someone they could turn to for support. Thumb – a family member/s, index – a friend/s, middle – someone at school, ring – someone in the community and the little finger – a professional.

Many students could only come up with one or two people who they felt comfortable talking to which was a bit surprising and something which we, as a Year 7 support group, need to work on and I am sure you can also do so at home.

On a behaviour front there has been considerable turmoil amongst the boys in the group. They are getting quite physical with one another to the point where students have been hurt or become very upset. There is also much name calling between friends which is turning into arguments and then fights. This type of behaviour is unacceptable and is occurring right across the group – your child may be a witness (and therefore a bystander) or may be directly involved. Please speak to your child to assist us in reducing this issue.

A reminder that our Fun Run is occurring this Friday and it would be great to see you attending to support your child at 2pm at Lord Nelson. Students have been expected to fundraise through sponsorship for this activity and this money is due next Friday.

What’s happening in classes??

PE – students have been creating 3D models of the male and female body and the changes that they go through doing puberty. This interactive class was very interesting with some students feeling really comfortable doing these activities whilst others were more hesitant. I have asked students to anonymously write down questions if they don’t feel confident to ask.

CERAMICS: All 7 ceramics students must have their drawn colour design finished for their Aboriginal tile - due the 15th August. They have 2 weeks to finish this homework due to the school Fun Run

HUMANITIES - Students have just started a new Geography unit on 'Rainforests'. They are learning about the different layers of a rainforest, the importance of rainforests to the environment and the impact of deforestation on civilisation.

ENGLISH – students are about to start a new unit on persuasive techniques and oral language. They will be giving oral presentations throughout this unit

 Homework/Events/Subject topics – Year 7

 English Basics – Unit 11 English Basics unit due 5th August
- Students could be working on their Red Dog projects (due 14th August)
PE – puberty revision and research (Test in Week 5)
Ceramics – coloured design for Aboriginal tile (due 15th August)
Maths Mate Term 3 Week 4

Roxanne Egan (Yr 7 Coord) on 54 951811 or egan.roxanne.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

PARENTS’ CLUB

Meeting Dates 2014 – 7pm at the Botanical Hotel for tea. It would be great to see some new faces, and obtain some fresh ideas on our committee and everyone is welcome to attend.

15th September
10th November
Year 8 News....

Time flies when you are having fun! Year 8s have been very busy this term across a range of subject areas, participating in a range of subject activities. Over the past week I have been lucky enough to take students in different subject areas as teachers have been absent and needed a replacement.

In Humanities, students were studying “Mountains” and the different mountain landscapes which exist across the world. Purposes for these included farming and keeping native monkeys away from crop, mining for sulphur deep in the volcanoes and setting up traps to catch food.

In Information Technology, students are looking at Technology Issues – the benefits and problems surrounding these. iPhones, iPads, GoPros, Playstation 3 were all topics for discussion, as was the use of “Social Media”. If you have a spare 5 minutes, YouTube the short film “Look Up” – it gives an interesting perspective in the use of social media.

In PE, students have just finished studying Nutrition and the culmination of this Unit was making nutritional snacks for the class. Students showcased their culinary skills and produced fruit smoothies, guacamole dip, energy bites and fruit salad. All were able to leave class with their bellies full with healthy snacks.

Today, students participated in the St Arnaud Fun Run, alongside the primary schools and it was a great success. It was great to see the number of students having a go and being positive role models to the younger students.

Friday the 15th of August is the Winter Sports Day. Students are reminded to participate in a positive manner and most of all, have fun!

We are already nearly half way through the term and students are reminded that it is important to stay on task in class and stay on top of their homework as well. Homework group is still running after school and utilising this time is a great way to ask for any help and to keep on track.

“Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships.”

Michael Jordan

Mr. Knight

St Arnaud Secondary College acknowledges the support from East Wimmera Health with the hosting of last Thursdays Breakfast. Students were treated to Banana Pancakes, French toast, juice and fruit. Pictured are School Chaplain Garry Allen, Sonja Dennis, Kevin Book, Rebecca Kiffen EWH and Tracey Myers EWH.
Round two saw two matches played: the Blue Bunnies versus the Black Magic and the White Thunder vs The Fluro Flannies. The Red Rovers were the duty team. Due to wet weather, the games were played at the stadium and were two ten minute halves, rather than the normal two twenty minute halves.

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**Match report for the Blue Bunnies vs Black Magic**

The match that I watched was between the Blue Bunnies and the Black Magic. The score at half time was 10 to 14 with Black Magic leading. Dillon Baldock and Bradyn Medlyn played well sharing the ball around, showing fantastic team work. They worked well together to achieve a 3 point goal and some tricky game play. The score at the end of the game was 19 to 22 with Black Magic coming away with the win. Nathan Grigg and Billy Egan worked well to share the ball and were involved in a lot of play. Alysha Dodd, Kayla Walker, Jade McIntyre, Hayley Wilson and Tahla Hicks also worked well in the game, shooting some good goals and being involved in some good play.

**Match report for the White Thunder vs Fluro Flannies**

The game that I watched was between the Fluro Flannies and White Thunder. The score at half time was 2 to 12 with White Thunder taking the lead. Toby Pickthall played well in the attack and Tom Amos was playing well in defence getting some good rebounds. All players fought hard for the ball. At the end of the game White Thunder won 4 to 20. Josh Hunt was very versatile in the second half and received many rebounds. Billie Baldwin showed a good effort and improved throughout the game. Brooke Williams, Ben Lloyd and Mia Smith also worked well during the game and showed great improvement. Well done to all players involved.

**Upcoming matches**

Disruptions to play – Fun Run, Winter Sport and Enviro Week.

Round 4: Thursday 28th August – White Thunder vs Black Magic Red Rovers vs Fluro Flannies
Calendar

Term 3

Wednesday 13th August
Thursday 14th August
Friday 15th August
Monday 18th-22nd August
Monday 25th August
Tuesday 26th
Monday 1st September
Tuesday 9th September
Friday 19th September

Semester 2

Interim Reports Distributed
Boys State Hockey
NCD Golf
Winter Sport
Year 9 Enviro Week
Parent Teacher Interviews
Immunisations
Year 12 Relay 4 Life
NCD Athletics
Last day of Term 2.30 dismissal
Broader Horizons Week 3

Daily schedule: 31st July 2014
Morning - OT (Occupation therapy)
Midday - Health promotion
Afternoon - CH nursing

It was a big day!!!

The Broader Horizons group would like to thank Emma, Emily, Rebecca and Tracey for another wonderful day at the hospital.