As we complete week four of what is a very short Term 1, I wish to congratulate our student body for the outstanding way by which they have maintained a fabulous beginning to 2012. This is evident as I move around our College and see our students actively engaged in their learning and participating in daily College activities.

**College Swimming Sports**

Well done to all our students on the way you performed at our College Swimming Sports last week. I saw a true testimony to our College Values of Endeavour, Cooperation and Consideration, with participants trying their hardest in all events, the cheer squads shouting loud with support and encouragement for their peers. Our value of Respect was clearly evident for both our environment and for each other, ensuring that we looked after the pool grounds and by generally being so well behaved and polite. Students were also helpful to their teachers and generally well mannered throughout the day.

Well done to everyone on what was a fabulous day! I especially want to thank Mr. Bones and our College House Captains for their preparation for the day, and to all students who assisted in leadership roles within their Houses and who assisted our staff.

Thank you also to all our staff who worked so hard to make the day such as success. It was also fantastic to have two staff teams race in the Open boys relay, and I do believe the Under 45 Staff team placed a healthy 3rd! Congratulations to Flinders House who won the overall carnival.

**College Values**

I would also like to congratulate our students for modelling our College Values throughout our school photo day, and we were all delighted to see them wearing their College uniform with fine presentation and pride. We look forward to having a celebration day in the near future as a way to say, “thanks and well done” for all your great efforts.

**Teaching and Learning**

I would like to acknowledge the work our teachers are currently doing towards improving the teaching and learning opportunities within our school currently.

We are very pleased to be providing literacy support for students. Some of our teachers are soon to be trained in a new numeracy support program known as ‘QuickSmart Numeracy’. This program has demonstrated amazing development in a student’s mathematic skills and we can’t wait to have it up and running within the school.

I have been delighted to see our teachers working closely “team teaching” within our Junior Learning Community, and our College is currently working on re-establishing our shared philosophy and best
practices around Teaching and Learning in order to achieve the best student outcomes possible.

Whilst our College has always delivered a fabulous Teaching and Learning Program, it is very important that we continually assess and refine our own practices to ensure we are meeting the needs of our students. Part of this new drive towards quality Teaching and Learning will involve a shared teacher Professional Learning day on the first day of Term 2 (Monday, April 16th- Pupil Free).

Our staff and teachers from 10 local primary schools will be working together to develop a shared practice and understanding for teaching writing skills, that is, how to structure and actually write different types of things, such as essays, reports, persuasive arguments, fictional stories etc. It will be wonderful to work with our local primary teachers on this day to ensure that we are all providing our students with the same learning experiences.

Opportunities like this don’t come about very often, and this is proof that we ALL NEVER STOP LEARNING, even the most experienced professionals can and do keep learning new things.

**New Link for Parents to Contact the College**

I am pleased to inform all parents of a new way to make contact at any time with our College. If you would like to make a comment, give us feedback, ask us a question, or you wish for one of our staff members to make contact with you, you are now able to send us a message through our college website [www.daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au/dsc/contact/](http://www.daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au/dsc/contact/). Look about half way down the contact page, on the left, to see a “Contact Us Now” link where you can send us an instant email with your question, concern or request.

The appropriate person will be in touch with you as soon as possible. We encourage all parents to use this new service. This is a great new way to contact your child’s or children’s teachers or to simply ask a question about something you may not be sure about. We are always looking for ways to improve communication between home and school, and we hope this further meets the need for our parents.

**Uniform Review - FSPC**

The Family School Partnership Committee is currently working on a full uniform audit for our college. This has not occurred for approximately 18 years, so we feel it is time to re-assess where things are. Students and parents will be able to share their opinions and wishes on the uniform at school.

**College Council Elections**

**Parent Representatives**

Currently there are TWO (2) positions available for “Parent Representatives” on our College Council for the duration of 2012 and 2013. Thank you to the following parents who have either nominated or been nominated for these positions:

- Maureen Gleeson
- Terry Judd
- Donna O’Mara

As such, the College will now need to go to an election for these positions. Information regarding this election will come home with today’s Newsletter. I encourage all parents to vote during this ballot. Ballot papers must be returned to the General Office by 4pm Tuesday 6th March.

**College Council AGM & Meeting**

College Council AGM and our first meeting of the new council will occur on Wednesday 6pm 21st March 2012 at the college.

**Student Diaries**

As a way to monitor your child’s progress and requirements at school, we are asking all parents to sign their child’s diary each week. Diary checks will be occurring during Homegroup meetings on most Thursdays. Students are aware that they need to have their parent/guardian sign their diary every week.

I ask parents to support their child/children by doing so. We hope that student diaries will also become an essential part of communication between home and school.

**Student Expectations and Consequences**

At the end of the newsletter is the College document that details the college student expectations and consequences. All students should have a copy in their diary. Please cut off and keep this for your reference.

**New Attendance Policy**

Regular attendance at school is VITAL to ensure that your son/daughter is receiving their best possible education, and that they remain up to date and aware of all that is happening within their classes. All students are required to meet a certain level of expectations in order to successfully meet the requirements of their subjects. Attendance is now one of these requirements.

Our college aims to reach the level that 90% of our students will attend school for 90% of the required time. When students have a legitimate reason as to why they cannot attend school, this will not affect their level of attendance. ALL STUDENTS now must meet a level of 90% attendance in order to satisfactorily meet the requirements of their subjects.

Please see our college web site [www.daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au/dsc/school-policies/](http://www.daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au/dsc/school-policies/) for the new Attendance Policy, ratified recently by College Council. I will continue to update parents around attendance requirements in each coming newsletter.

**Miss Holt ☺**

**Junior Learning Community**

**Year 7 BBQ - TONIGHT 23rd February**

The whole family is invited to the Year 7 BBQ on Thursday 23rd February at 6pm in the canteen area. The BBQ is free but please bring your own drinks.

The College Music Program information night will follow the BBQ at 7pm.
Year 7 Camp
The Year 7 camp (Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd March) is an integral part of the transition a student makes from one of our various primary schools to our secondary college. The objectives of the camp include students accepting responsibility within a team environment, sharing and exploring the ideas of others, working cooperatively to achieve a shared purpose and involving parents in the process. The Year 7 Camp was reintroduced several years ago and has been well supported by parents/guardians, students and staff alike.

The Year 7 camp will be held at Camp Curumbene, which has 60 hectares of rural bush land. The camp is located near Corop, in Central Victoria, between the large regional towns of Bendigo and historic Echuca on the Murray River. Camp Curumbene offers a variety of activities, suitable for achieving our goals.

A booklet was distributed to students this week with relevant information and forms that need to be returned.

PAYMENT - We appreciate that $200 is not a nominal amount of money; however, the potential benefits of this camp are worth the investment. Payment plans have been organised to optimise each and every student’s chance of attending this enrichment program. Full payment is due by 17th March 2012.

Scheduled payments for the camp are:
$50 deposit by Tuesday 13th December 2011
$50 second payment by Wednesday 8th February 2012
$50 third payment by Wednesday 22nd February 2012
$50 fourth payment by Wednesday 7th March 2012

FORMS - PLEASE return the confidential medical information form, permission notification form and code of conduct form in an envelope marked with your child’s name to the office ASAP. If any of your child’s details change prior to the camp, please inform the college of the change.

Contact Roger Gooding or Shayna Williams if you have any queries.

Senior Learning Community

Year 11 & 12 - 1:1 Netbook Program
The College is very excited by the arrival of 160 new Netbook Computers for distribution to our Year 11 & 12 students in the coming weeks.

Parents will be required to attend an information evening in the near future where we will explain all the requirements around the 24/7 use of these computers by our students. They are a fabulous new Netbook, and we can’t wait to have our students using these to assist in their learning both at school and at home.

It is also on this night when students will be able to collect their machine and take them home for the first time, after the bond of $100 is paid.

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College News & Office Notices

Uniform - Double C Jeanery Pricelist
The Double C Jeanery uniform pricelist is available from the office (collect or ring) or from Double C Jeanery at 44 Vincent St, Daylesford or phone 5348 2433.

Uniform - College Black Winter Jacket
From Monday 27th February, the office will have samples of the jacket for parents and students to view. The college will order the jackets from the supplier before the end of term and the expected cost is $65.

Immunisation Information Factsheet

This new resource assists parents to be aware of the school-based immunisation program for Year 7 and Year 10 students, what they need to do, and how they can access a free vaccination for their child if the vaccine is missed at school.

Student Accident Insurance
Parents are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance and must be arranged by the parent/guardian for individual students.

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
Parents/guardians please note that claims for the first instalment of Education Maintenance Allowance 2012 are due now. You must have a health care card current on 1st Feb to be eligible.

Please note: Forms CANNOT be accepted after Wednesday 29th February 2012

Conveyance Allowance
Application forms are now available from the business manager

Eligibility criteria ~ Students must live more than 4.8km by the shortest practicable route from
- the nearest government school, or
- bus stop

Conveyance allowance is not available to fare paying passengers. Students travelling to Ballarat to attend TAFE or RTOs can also access a small amount per day. Details available from college business manager.

Please note: Forms CANNOT be accepted after Wednesday 29th February 2012

2nd Hand Book Stall - Money to Be Collected
Any families who put books into the Second Hand Book Sale last year can now collect their money.
from the General Office. Books not sold can be held by the school to continue selling.

If your child is collecting the money on your behalf, please send them with a note signed by the Parent / Carer giving permission for them to do so

Any monies not collected by the end of Term 1 – Friday 30th March will be placed in your family account. Books not able to be sold will be donated to charity.

If you would like to confirm if you have money or books to collect, please call Lisa at the General Office.

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**Careers & MIPS Update**

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**Year 10**

Reminder that Work Experience week is: 25th – 29th June. Students should begin to consider their placements now. There is a lot of paperwork associated with this and it must be completed in early weeks of term 2.

**Year 11 & 12 - Defence Technical Scholarships (DTS)**

Students studying any VCE maths and one of Design & Technology (Metal, Wood) or Systems or VET Furniture should contact us urgently about applying for one of these scholarships. Year 11 scholarship is worth $2000 and Year 12, $3000.

You do not have to enter the defence force if successful. See [www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/technicalscholarship](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/technicalscholarship) for more information.

Closing date 2012 - 09 March 2012. See MIPS & Careers URGEN TLY if interested!

**Year 11 & 12 - Design & Art University Courses - Folio Preparation**

Many design courses at university and TAFE require applicants to present a folio of their work as part of the application process for their courses.

You might want to consider undertaking a short course on folio preparation. Most universities conduct these courses at various times throughout the year. These courses can be expensive although costs do vary.

RMIT are currently advertising their courses. For more information: [www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au](http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au) or phone 9925 8111.

**Year 12 - UMAT?**

If you are considering studying medicine or another health-related degree after year 12 you may need to complete the UMAT (Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test) as part of the application process.

The test is required for Monash University medicine, pharmacy, pharmacy/commerce and physiotherapy degrees. Some interstate universities also require the UMAT.

The UMAT is being held Wednesday 25 July, 2012.

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**Please** advise Marg Cattanach or Bronwyn Barlow if you are considering doing the UMAT.

**Open Day - Veterinary Science**

The University of Melbourne is the only university in Victoria to offer a veterinarian qualification. The university is holding an Open Day at the Veterinary Hospital to which all are invited. Attend lectures, pet demonstration, tours and get course advice.

**When:** 10am-3pm, Sun 25 March;
**Where:** 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee;
**See:** [www.vet.unimelb.edu.au](http://www.vet.unimelb.edu.au)

**Seminar Series ‘At Monash’**

The At Monash Seminar Series for students, parents and secondary school teachers to gain an insight into courses and careers. All At Monash Seminars will begin at 6.30pm and finish around 8pm. Attendance registration is essential on the website: [www.monash.edu/seminars](http://www.monash.edu/seminars)

First two are:

7th March - Architecture and Interior Architecture &
8th March - Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedics

**Law at ACU in 2013**

In 2013 Australian Catholic University (ACU) will introduce a law program - the four- year bachelor degree will be launched in Melbourne in 2013.

**Interested in Aged Care?**


**Students in Financial Need - Scholarships**


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**Maths**

The teachers in the Maths faculty appreciate the efforts that parents and guardians have taken to ensure their child is fully equipped for classes. Each student in Years 7 to 10 should have a textbook, a Maths Mate homework pad, a binder book for class work, one for notes/examples and one for homework workings. They also need a calculator.

**Years 7 - 10 Maths Mate Due Days**

Weekly homework due dates.

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Maths Homework and Classwork Help

The Maths teachers at DSC recognise that some students struggle to complete their class work or homework. Please contact a teacher if you need help.

We offer after school help with homework and classwork on Wednesdays, from 3:30 to 4:30. Students should bring their maths work and necessary equipment to B4.

There are some copies of “Maths Fix” still available from the office for $2. This is a handbook prepared by a teacher to assist parents and students with the basics.

The CD/DVD in the back of the Maths textbook and the Illustrated Maths Dictionary are useful for helping with Maths Mate homework and classwork being finished at home.

Concerned about your Child’s Maths?

If parents have any concerns about their child’s maths work, they should contact their maths teacher at the school.

Karel Arndt for the Maths Faculty

College Music Program Information Night

All interested parents and students are invited to the College Music Program information night Thursday 23rd Feb, 7pm in the music room in D4 (after the year 7 BBQ). This night is for students from all year levels not currently in the music program.

Concert Band Rehearsal - 1st March

Students will be notified if there is a rehearsal after the Athletics Sports day.

Music Lessons

Lessons have commenced. Woodwind and Brass lessons are on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays. Percussion and Drum lessons are on a Friday. Singing is on a Monday & guitar lessons are throughout the whole week, Monday-Friday.

Students will be given lesson timetables.

Concert Band Camp

The concert band camp is planned for Thursday 24th May, students stay overnight and return by the end of the school day, Friday 25th May. This is for Concert Band members only. More information will be available closer to the camp.

College 2012 Swimming Sports

On Wednesday the 15th February, Daylesford Secondary College held its annual swimming sports carnival. The weather was warm and many students, friends and family turned up to support the day, which was much appreciated.

Once again, many students made a huge effort to dress up in house colours and cheer on their fellow students to create an exciting atmosphere. The swimming was of a high standard with Jordy Barnes, Billy Johns and Matthew Sundblom all breaking records on the day.

The team result was very much similar to last year with Flinders being the dominant team throughout the day, largely due to the amount of students willing to take up the challenge of competing in most events.

I would like to thank all the house teachers and captains for their hard work and dedication. The results were:

TEAM RESULTS

Flinders 689 points
Sturt 516 points
Hume 456 points
Burke 337 points

AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

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College 2012 Athletic Sports 1st March

Daylesford Secondary College is holding its annual Athletics Sports day on Thursday 1st March at Llanberris sports track in Ballarat. Again, this is a compulsory school event and all students are to support the day whether they are participating or just supporting. Parents and friends are most welcome to come along and support the day.

House meetings will be held at school starting at 9am on the day of the sports. After the meeting, students will be transported to Ballarat via a bus and will return at approximately 3:20pm.

There are canteen facilities available at Llanberris but students are encouraged to bring their own lunch.

Parent volunteers for the day would be appreciated. Please contact me if you are able to assist.

Aaron Bones

Years 7 & 8 PE Levy Reminder

Reminder to Year 7 & 8 parents that the $10 PE levy is now due. Please pay at the general office.

Eureka Interschool Tennis

Last Friday 3 teams competed in interschool tennis in Ballarat. The junior team of Tom Lowe, Cam Lovig, Alister Ferrier, Eamonn Clarke and Harrison Nevill performed exceptionally well and won the overall competition in the final against Ballarat High. They will now progress to the Grampians finals in term 4.

The other 2 teams also played some great tennis and should be congratulated on their fine attitude and sportsmanship. It was a pleasure to take them on the excursion. Martyn Nettleton
Tuesday Student Breakfast

A big thank-you to the Daylesford Ministers Network, who generously hosted a Pancake breakfast for students at DSC on Tuesday 21st Feb (Shrove Tuesday). It was greatly appreciated. Thanks again...Students & Staff at DSC

Family School Partnership Committee

NEW Online College Calendar

A calendar is now available online the online from www.daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au/dsc/calendar. The calendar will have dates of interest to parents, students and the wider college community. It can be viewed and printed by the week, month or as an agenda (similar to the newsletter’s Dates to Remember).

Cybersafety Tips for Your Children

Using Facebook means that you can connect with people everywhere. It can be great to have so many friends but you should be careful who you trust online. Remember that when you make friends with someone you don’t know - there is a chance they may not be who they say they are. Always talk to a parent/carer or teacher if someone you don’t know is asking you for personal details.

TIP: Always keep your password a secret

Next FSPC Meeting

If you have time help plan the activities of this group, please come to our next meeting on Monday 19th March. 9:15am in college conference room.

For more information, contact Donna O’Mara on fspc@daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au or 5348-7970

Community News

NEW Junior Competition for grade 5 & 6 and year 7 & 8 students commenced Monday 13 February. The competition is for girls & boys from 3.30 to 4.30pm Cost: $2 per player.

Senior & Adult Competition commenced Monday 13 February from 6.30pm. Cost: $5 per player.

All students, parents and friends welcome. No experience necessary. Contact: Colin Priest (Victorian State Coach) on 5348 7674

Junior Basketball @ the ARC

Mondays 4-5 pm: Aussie Hoops (5-12 yr beginners) / U10 Rookies - just come along to give it a try
Tuesday 5 - 6 pm: U12/U14 Boys/Girls Training – come & develop your skills
Tuesday 6 - 7 pm: U12/U14 Boys/Girls Matches - anyone in these age groups welcome to play.

12 month Membership $30, Training $3, Match $5.

Enquiries: Shannon Marshall on 0407 833 439 or email springersbasketball@gmail.com

Senior Basketball @ the ARC

Men’s and Women’s Competition at The ARC

Players U18 are also welcome to play Senior competitions.

12 month Membership $30.

Women’s Competition: Tuesdays 7 & 7.50 pm

Men’s Fun Matches: 8.40 pm Tuesdays, balanced sides selected each round, 4 x 12 min quarters (NBL format).

Enquiries: Women - Tania Henderson 0438 540 694, Men - Kieran Prendergast 0408 059 125 or email springersbasketball@gmail.com.

Daylesford Youth Group

YOUTH GROUP... Is back for 2012

Kicking off with Jubilee Lake

When: Friday Feb 24

Time: 4:45-6:45pm

Cost: $8

Canoeing

Games + Fun

And...BBQ

It is going to be GREAT!

See Elaine Anderson for any details.

Run by Daylesford Community Church, Daylesford Presbyterian Church with Hepburnshire

Daylesford Junior Football Club

Registration Night for U12s & U15s Friday 24th Feb at junior clubrooms, Victoria Park, 6-7pm Free BBQ. Enquiries Jan 5348 1761

Free Family Event Daylesford & Creswick - Movie Under the Stars!

Watch a movie under the stars for free!

We Bought A Zoo (rated PG) will be screened in Calumbeen in Creswick Friday 24th February and the Community Park in Daylesford Saturday 25th February – session starts at dusk. Get there early for sausage sizzle and a good spot! For more information contact Jane Barclay, Youth Development Coordinator on 5345 9215.

Creswick Dance and Fitness

This non-profit community dance school in Creswick is now taking enrolments

Limited places are available in

* Classical Ballet
* Hip Hop
* Acrobatic Dance
* Tap
* Singing
* Pointe
* Zumba Exhilerate
* Sculpt Flamenco

Pre-school to adult classes and end of year concert/eisteddfod participation

Paula Keays: 0417 224 144
e: keaysballet@live.com w: www.creswickdf.com
**STUDENT EXPECTATIONS & CONSEQUENCES**

*When you choose the behaviour, you choose the consequence*

**Inappropriate Behaviour**

Inappropriate behaviour within the classroom or yard is defined as

*"Any behaviour that disrupts the learning of another student and/or the ability of a teacher to teach their class, or behaviour that places the safety or wellbeing of another person at risk."*

**CONSEQUENCE**

**Student chooses to behave inappropriately in the CLASSROOM**

1. Classroom Level Behaviour Management Guidelines followed. Details recorded in Student Diary & onto STRIMS.
2. Student chooses to continue inappropriate behaviour.
3. RED Section of Classroom Level Behaviour Management Guidelines are implemented. LC Manager enters incident onto STRIMS.
4. Student chooses to behave inappropriately in the YARD.
   1. Whole School Behaviour Guidelines followed. Yard Duty teacher to enter incident onto STRIMS.
   2. RED Section of Whole School Behaviour Guidelines are implemented. LC Manager enters incident onto STRIMS.

**CONSEQUENCE**

**Students who attend school “out of uniform” in most circumstances will be required to wear a “replacement” piece of uniform for the day. This item will be given in exchange for the incorrect piece during the MORNING REGISTRATION process, and swapped again at the end of the school day. Parents may be contacted and students living within the Bayleyford area may be sent home to rectify their uniform and then return to school. Parents may also bring the student’s correct uniform item to the school.**

If a Student chooses NOT to REGISTER as out of Uniform:

1. Detention issued. Diary Stamped and entered onto STRIMS
2. If the student chooses for this to occur more than once in a week:
   1. Parent Contacted - After school detention issued
   2. Should these issues persist: Parents will be required to attend a meeting and further consequences issued (support plan where necessary).

**CONSEQUENCE**

**College UNIFORM**

Students are required to wear correct school uniform daily. Correct school uniform is that which is stated in the Uniform Policy and Brochure. This includes correct footwear. Students are required to register at the “Morning Registration Desk” when out of uniform - whether or not they have a permission note from home. THE STUDENT DIARY WILL BE STAMPED & Incident recorded on to STRIMS.

**CONSEQUENCE**

**STUDENT DIARY**

ALL students are required to be responsible for their diaries at all times. The student diary is a means of communication between school and home. Student diaries should be taken to every class and taken home every night.

Your diary MUST be signed on a weekly basis by both the parent/guardian and the Homegroup Leader.

The following information will be recorded in your diaries:

- Any incidents of inappropriate behaviour and subsequent consequences
- Out of uniform
- Late Sign in, Late to Class or Sign Out needs.
- Teacher comments and/or messages for home
- Parent comments and/or messages for teachers/School
- Recording of homework and other important school dates, activities, events.

Diaries are NOT to be deliberately defaced or damaged.

They must NOT contain obscenities

Care must be taken that the diary is NOT lost. Students will be required to replace their diary with a new school diary (at their own expense) in such circumstances.

**CONSEQUENCE**

**Lunch Detention**

**Weekend Detention**

**Weekly Detention**

**LUNCH** - Every Tuesday 1.00 to 1.40pm

**AFTER SCHOOL** - Every Wednesday 3.20 to 4.00pm

Students who CHOOSE NOT to attend a required lunch detention will be issued with an immediate after school detention.

**Signing IN & OUT or LATE to CLASS**

**LATE arrival to SCHOOL - SIGNING "IN"**

Students MUST "Sign In" via the General Office & student's diary will be stamped. Lateness will be entered onto STRIMS.

Student Diary is then also stamped by the classroom teacher when student arrives to class and time is recorded.

**LATE arrival to CLASS - during school day**

Teacher stamps student diary as arriving late without permission, and A+ roll is altered.

**SIGNING "OUT"** - e.g. for an appointment

Students who need to leave class due to an early departure (e.g. an appointment) MUST have this recorded in their diary via the Morning Registration Desk process.

**YEAR 12 Students can have annual parent permission to sign out of school during LUNCH ONLY** - there is NO annual permission to sign out during study periods.

**CONSEQUENCE**

**Student chooses to NOT follow correct procedures**

1. Lunch Detention
2. Parent Contacted & After School Detention
3. If problem persists:
   1. Parent Meeting and possible further consequence or attendance IEP plan agreed to.
22 February 2012

Dear Parents,

Currently it seems that the College is having some issues with a headlice infestation. Headlice can become a major issue for the school if not addressed, and we must all be active towards trying to remove this problem. Students who attend school with headlice can and do infect other students, and so the problem continues.

We are suggesting that ALL parents check their child/children's hair over the weekend, and treat your child and/or children should they have any signs, no matter how small, of eggs or live lice in the hair. We also suggest that ALL children have their hair treated ASAP as a preventative measure.

Should your child/children be free of headlice, use tea tree oil daily or hair products such as gel, wax, mousse or hairspray as lice do not attach to hair with a styling product in it. Also, students who have long hair should tie it back in a pony tail or plait.

If you are having continued problems with headlice at home, we suggest you try the following suggestions:

- KP-24 is an effective product- however, if you are treating regularly, you must change your products as lice do tend to become immune to the same product.

- After treating your child’s hair, all bed linen, including pillow cases, doona covers, sheets, cushion covers, towels etc MUST also be washed and cleaned. Clean (vacuum) under your child’s bed, and wipe over bed heads and bedroom furniture with disinfectant.

- Any brand of Conditioner put onto dry hair and combed through with a fine tooth comb will also remove head lice. Use lots of conditioner if trying this method, and repeat regularly.

In order to remove headlice from our school, we need all parents to be responsible for ensuring their children are headlice free.

Thank You,

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