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**Weekly**

- **Monday** Science Club A10 lunchtime, 1pm
- **Tuesday** Students Free Breakfast 8:30-9am
- **Wednesday** Maths Help 3:30-4:30pm B4
- **Thursday** Concert Band Rehearsal 3:30-5pm

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### Welcome from Miss Holt, Principal

Welcome back everyone to Term 2! I trust that you have all had a wonderful and restful holiday, enjoying quality time with family and friends over Easter, and like me, eating far too many Easter eggs!

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### Teacher Professional Learning - Day 1 Term 2

I am delighted with our return to school this week, where over 10 Primary Schools from our local area combined with our college teaching and education support staff to learn about the most effective ways to develop student’s skills and abilities in their writing tasks.

Our students “write” things all day, every day at school - such as stories, essays of different kinds, letters, and reports. Over 120 teachers from across our local area, both primary and secondary, shared an outstanding learning experience, which will unfold immediately within our student’s classrooms.

Our teachers have learnt new and improved ways on how to guide and assist our students to complete writing tasks (e.g. their stories, essays, reports, information pieces, arguments) with more structure and detail, and how to make these tasks easier for students to complete.

What is even more exciting is that both our primary and secondary teachers now have a common and shared approach to teaching these things.

So, what does this all mean? It simply means that with better-understood teaching and learning practices within our classrooms, our students will be able to create more detailed, coherent and structured pieces of writing that meets the purpose of the writing task. This will without doubt assist our students to achieve at higher levels as they progress through their education and into their future careers.

An outstanding day was certainly shared by so many teachers within our local community!

Also thanks to our support staff Ngaire McKay, Sharon Santurini, and Barb Olver. A special thank-
you to parent volunteer Bonnie Howell, who set up her coffee machine and dedicated hours of her time making coffee for our guests and assisting with the catering needs for the day. Days like today are not possible without Ngaire, Sharon, Barb and Bonnie’s dedicated and continued support and assistance! Greatly appreciated by all!

**Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews**

Thanks to all parents and students who attended our Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews held in the last days of Term 1. Our teachers have reported seeing record numbers of parents actively engaged in their child/children’s education, and many positive discussions around ways to assist your child’s learning. This is wonderful news! I certainly cannot express enough the importance of parent involvement and interest in their child’s learning in order for the best outcomes to be achieved.

Parents who may have been unable to attend these interviews can still meet with their child/children’s teachers by contacting the College directly by phone and requesting a meeting time or contacting their child’s Learning Community Manager as follows:

- **Junior Learning Community (Year 7 & 8)**  
  Mr. Roger Gooding
- **Middle Learning Community (Years 9 & 10)**  
  Ms. Natalie Kirby
- **Senior Learning Community (Years 11 & 12)**  
  Mr. Nick Pethica or Ms Trish Matthews.

Parents may also make a request via the new “Contact Us Now” function located on the “Contact” page of the college website.

**Values Awards**

This week I am delighted to have acknowledged and presented over 40 Values Awards to students across Years 7 to 12 at our Junior, Middle and Senior Learning Community assemblies. These students continually demonstrated our College values of Respect, Endeavour, Cooperation, Honesty and Courtesy throughout Term 1 and thus deserve to be rewarded, congratulated and thanked!

Please see inside the newsletter the names of all students who received one of these awards.

**Coming up this Term**

Important dates and items to remember:

- **ANZAC Day Ceremony** Wednesday 25th April: Our College Captains, Angus Peri and Emily Thiesz will speak at the dawn service, and Vice Captains, Maddie Jansen and Declan Ryan will represent our school at the laying of the wreath ceremony.
- **Debating** Ms Robinson is currently working with our College debating teams in preparations for this year’s Debating Competitions. I am pleased to say we have even more teams involved this year, and we look forward to even more success, something our College has a very proud history of achievement!
- **National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)** Parents of students in Years 7 and 9 should have received a letter at the end of Term 1 advising of this year’s NAPLAN assessment dates (Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th May) and the process required should they wish their son/daughter to not participate in these assessments. Parents should contact Mr. Bob Grisdale at the College if they require any further information.
- **Annual College Production** Mr Pickering has recently been working on auditions for this year’s College Production. Any students who may still be interested in participating in the production should see Mr. Pickering in the coming days.
- **House Cross Country** May 17th to be held at Lake Jubilee. More information will be provided to students and parents soon.
- **Grade 6 to Year 7 Information Evening and Transition Day**
  - Year 7 Information evening for 2013 students Tuesday 8th May starting at 6pm.
  - Transition Day for students currently in Grade 6 Tuesday 22nd May.

**NOTE** Year 8 students are NOT required to attend school on this day.

**Miss Holt 😊**

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### Senior Learning Community

**Years 11 & 12**

**2012 Written Examinations - Unit 3 & GAT**

Year 11 students studying a Unit 3/4 subject will sit the GAT - General Achievement Test.

**Starting times**

Each examination commences with a 15-minute reading period. The reading period is included in the times shown in the timetable. Students should check the starting time of each examination and arrive at least 30 minutes before this time. Students should familiarise themselves with rules about late admission to examinations. This information will be provided to each student in the near future.

**Examination responses**

All written responses must be in English, unless otherwise instructed in the question book for that particular examination.

**June examinations and GAT timetable**

**Important to note:** Each examination commences with a 15-minute reading period, which is included in the times shown in the timetable.

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**English**

**Years 7 & 9 NAPLAN English Tests**
Over the next few weeks, students in Years 7 and 9 will be preparing for NAPLAN. Whilst there will be some explicit reference to the literacy tests during this time, all of the preparation will form part of the normal curriculum. The English tests take place 15th-16th May.

**Year 12 English Unit 3**
By now, the Year 12 VCE students will have completed two of the SACs for Unit 3; their third SAC will take place within the next fortnight.

We will soon be studying Arthur Miller’s ‘The Crucible’, so it would be a good idea to read the play (or view the film if you prefer) so you can discuss the different types of conflicts experienced by the characters as part of your child’s study.

Families of students studying for their VCE can assist by revising metalanguage using flashcards (chapter in English textbook) and discussing current issues portrayed in the Australian media. There is a sample of metalanguage for Year of Wonders in the DSC Year 12 English website (search for metalanguage.) See details of the website below.

Most Year 12s will already be aware of the website that has been created for their benefit. The site contains information relevant to their English studies including outlines of what has been covered in class, SAC details, activities, handouts and links to useful websites. Both students and parents are encouraged to subscribe to the website at [http://dscyear12english.wordpress.com/](http://dscyear12english.wordpress.com/) in order to keep up to date with what is happening in English. In the lead up to SACs, we also hold after school or lunchtime sessions for those students who express an interest. Students should speak to their teacher if they would like to make use of these sessions.

**Royal South Street College Debating Teams**
Teams will need to be finalised and submitted in the next few days.

If you haven't spoken to Ms Robinson and wish to be part of this program, please see her on Monday.

**LOST College Blazers**
Dear parents and community members. Could you please have a look in the back of wardrobes and cupboards just in case there is a Daylesford SC blazer lurking there from some past community event? The debating season is starting and the only blazers that have not disappeared make our students look like they are playing dress-up.

**Maths**

**Year 7 & 9 - NAPLAN Numeracy Tests**
All Year 7 and Year 9 students will be sitting their NAPLAN tests in Numeracy on 17th May. There are two 40-minute tests. Students are permitted to use a calculator for one of the tests. All students need to equip themselves with a calculator for this day.

**Science**

**All Students, Science Club**
Now that the weather is getting cooler, you may be on the lookout for something to do on a Monday lunchtime. Come along to Science Club in A10 at 1pm. We will be entering some great science competitions, doing some fun experiments and we can even help out with homework if needed. Every Monday in A10 at 1pm – see you there!

**Volleyball Champions**
In the recent interschool sports at the ARC, all three volleyball teams progressed to the next round.

**Daylesford senior girls** Sophie S, Kara C, Tess H, Maddie N, Brittany H and Ashlee showed why they have been a dominate force in volleyball from Year 7 when they finished 4th at the state championships in Melbourne in that year.

They once again showed their skills and great teamwork to overpower their opposition in three straight sets.

The **intermediate girls** of Jenny B, Isabel V, Jade E, Jessica P, Angie M, Sharlee O and Lotus H won decisively over its rivals Ballarat Secondary College and Phoenix College. Both games were won 2 sets to love with total point 40/28 for each game.

The **intermediate boys** progressed straight to the next round, had a practice game against BASC senior boy's team, and helped umpire the girl's games.

Congratulations to all teams on such great teamwork and commitment.

**Junior Volleyball Year 7 & 8** 3.30 to 4.30, at the ARC each Monday during school terms, $2

**Senior Volleyball** Monday at the ARC 6.30pm, $5.

Come along and have a go to enhance our school volleyball team’s success.

*Colin Priest*
School & Victorian Volleyball Coach 5348 7674

**Student Wellbeing & Engagement**

**Bags are packed for Rotary RYPEN camp**
Daylesford Rotary sponsored four Daylesford Secondary College senior students to attend the annual Rotary RYPEN camp, held at Camp Weekaway, Lancefield.

The weekend-long camp involves youths sponsored by Rotary Clubs from all over Victoria.

On camp, they experience a range of outdoor and active team building activities, leadership workshops and just plain fun with other enthusiastic and forward thinking young adults.

After their return, the students are invited to a rotary meeting to reflect upon their experiences at the RYPEN camp.
Daylesford Secondary College and Daylesford Rotary are pleased to be able to collaborate on projects that benefit our local students.

Values Awards

The College values are Respect, Courtesy, Honesty, Cooperation, Endeavour. These students have demonstrated these values consistently throughout term 1.

WELL DONE.

JUNIOR SCHOOL
Alex Preston  Kyle Snape
Brad Hart    Lachlan Snape
Bry Geurts   Lachlan John
Cameron Lovig Natasha Pasahidis
Claire Russell Ngahuia Thompson
Daisy Bell Kilbourne Primo Clutterbok
Ethan Brown  Shania Slater
Isabella Thomas Shelbi Picone
Kirstie Ford  Sophie Sutherland

MIDDLE SCHOOL
Aaron Faulkhead  Edwin O’Connor
Adam Dunseath   Jesma Peri
Amy Gamble      Julian Hobson
Andy Polandakis  Kelly Matheson-Miller
Dace Callahan    Lydia Edwards
Daniel Lendrec   Madeline Johns
Ebony Torrance   Makaela Watson

SENIOR SCHOOL
Chris Costales  Matthew Roberts
Dylan Godfrey   Melanie Rae
Grace Easton-Roche Taylah Godfrey
Jake Vernal     Tia Harrison
Jassy Macs-Martin Zana Rosini
Jess Gjerkes

Special Student Breakfast
Rotary Club, Daylesford is hosting a special breakfast of bacon and eggs next Tuesday 24th April.

Stanley Hammond Award Winners

Brandon received a Stanley Hammond Award for opening doors for a staff member carrying heavy load and Laura for handing in car keys.

Brandon
Laura

Careers & MIPS Update

Week 1 Term 2 2012

Year 10 Work Experience Update

We have addressed all Year 10 students and handed out their Work Experience packs. All parents and guardians should also have received a letter with information.

We need to emphasise the need for haste in identifying placements and proceeding with the paperwork.

We are willing to assist in finding placements but this must be done as soon as possible.

Students simply need to make an appointment to see us.

Yet another reminder that students who think they will or even ‘may’ have a placement on a construction/building site MUST complete the Construction Induction training. We are running a full day session on 26th April at school. Interested students need to give their names to Ms Bosch ASAP, as there are limited places.

Help Needed - Second Hand Uniform Sales

Second hand uniform sales help the school community by reducing the cost of uniforms and promotes the recycling of good, quality clothing.

The FSPC are trialling a second hand uniform sale once a term for terms 2 & 3 and a few more in terms 1 and 4.

For this to be a success 6-8 volunteers are needed for 2-4 hours on those days and some help with the management.

If you can help please contact Donna on 5348 7970. I will also be contacting parents who have expressed an interest in volunteering at the college.

Why not bring a friend and it is a great way to meet other families.
Cyber Safety Session

I am excited to announce a cyber safety session is on 8th August for parents and carers. It is open to the whole community. More details will be available closer to the date.

Tips - Year 7 & Year 8 Homework

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For more about this topic


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- Good digital citizenship follows the same basic rules as good citizenship in the offline world.
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community News

Daylesford & Hepburn United Soccer Club

The Daylesford and Hepburn United Soccer Club (DHUSC) are keen to enter numerous Junior Soccer teams into Ballarat league for the 2012 season, starting from Under 8s through to Under 17s if possible. Parents and players are encouraged to discuss the exciting 2012 season.

The club is very inclusive and encourages boys and girls of all age groups to try the world game. The club is also looking for Senior Players, with training commencing at 6.30pm on Wednesday nights at Victoria Park.

Further information about junior and senior teams for the 2012 season can be obtained from Club President

Zoran Drogriski 0437 039 108

L2P PROGRAM - Local Mentors Needed

The L2P program provides access to driving practice for young learner drivers who have difficulty gaining experience without community support.

Do you want to make a positive contribution to your local community?

Do you enjoy spending time with young people?

Do you have an hour to spare each week?

Why not consider becoming a Volunteer Mentor with the Hepburn L2P Program?

The Hepburn L2P Program assists 16-21 year old Learner Drivers who need support to obtain the driving practice required to move from ‘L’ plates to ‘P’ plates.

Full training, support and vehicle are provided.

For further information contact Janine Fleming

Hepburn L2P Project Coordinator
5321 6556 or 0457 851 953

Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre

Homework Group

Come along on Tuesday from 3.45pm to 6pm. Start with a snack first which we provide.

Then our experienced tutor Amanda will assist you with any problems you may have with your homework. Computers are available if required.

Phone the Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre on 5348 3569 to book your spot.

Youth Group, Daylesford

Youth Group
Friday 27th April

The Zone—Bendigo

1 Go-Karting & 1 Laser tag game or 1 Go-karting and skating (Your choice)

Cost $ 28.00 a head

Time: 5.30pm– 11.00pm

Depart & Return- "The Rock"

16a Camp St. Daylesford

Limited spots bookings essential, to book contact Elaine 53485555 or 0403355992 (NB. hitting attend on Facebook will not confirm a seat.)

Macco’s stop on way home if time permits

Run by Daylesford Community Church & Daylesford Presbyterian Church. Sponsored by Hepburn Shire Council