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Quote of the week:

'We learn wisdom from failure much more than success. We often discover what we will do, by finding out what we will not do.'

Samuel Smiles

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

At the conclusion of our second week of Term Two, I am pleased to note that our students have gotten down to the business of improving on their Interim Reports from Term One. Term Two is a crucial term in the school calendar as the major assessments begin to occur for all our students. Before we realise it, students in Years 9 to 12 will be sitting their various mid-year exams. So it is really important that students keep on task and meet the deadlines as they come upon them so that they are ensured good outcomes.

On the morning of Friday 20th April, a group of students attended the Whittlesea Cluster SRC Breakfast at Plenty Ranges in celebration of Youth Week. Our students were facilitators of the event which included a number of students from our local primary and secondary schools, guest speakers including MP Harry Jenkins who presented students with the challenge of leading the future. The event was a huge success and our students must be commended for being excellent mc’s and for their input in organising the event with the Whittlesea Youth group. Thanks needs to also go to Mr Krstevski and Assistant Principal Mr Jewell for rallying our students to not only participate but to take on a major role in the event. Well done to all of you!

On Monday 23rd April, we had our first Whole School Assembly for the year. We anticipated that the weather would not be in our favour so we held the assembly in the school gymnasium. While all our students may have been somewhat cozy in the space, I am really pleased to say that they showed due respect for the occasion, for the speakers and for students receiving awards. The assembly had the dual purpose of commemorating our ANZACs in anticipation of ANZAC Day and to present our students with their awards from this year’s Athletics Carnival. Our School Captains Monique and Philip spoke about our ANZAC history and the entire school observed a minute’s silence to remember those who fell in wars past and present. We also had the fortune of having Lalor High School former student and former Carlton star footballer, Anthony Koutoufides talk to all of our students about striving for their best and contributing as individuals to the collective achievements of their peers through the school’s new House Program. Anthony had our students captivated and his own experiences and background at the school provided our students with a better understanding of the possibilities that students of Lalor Secondary College have. Anthony also presented students who achieved excellent performances at the Athletics Carnival with their medals.
As you know this is the first year for the school’s House Program and the launch of the program was seen at the Athletics Carnival in Term One. At the assembly the winning house with regards the Athletics Carnival was also announced, with Cowan (Blue) House being awarded the inaugural House Athletics Award. I congratulate all those students from Cowan House who participated in the Athletics Carnival and ensured their House name is the first on the board for House Athletics.

On Tuesday this week we had a Curriculum Day which focussed on student reporting and the new Australian Curriculum. The day was an extremely productive one that included presenters as well as hands on work for our teaching staff. I would like to take the opportunity to thank our Curriculum Leaders Ms Chomiak and Ms Kubeil along with Ms Cain, Assistant Principal responsible for curriculum, who ensured the day was not only well-organised but useful for all of our teaching staff.

Ms S. Sena
College Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS’ REPORTS

VCE STUDENTS

Term Two is always a busy time in schools particularly for the senior students. Year 11 and 12 students have been completing oral presentations in English and most students have a number of assessment tasks and activities each week.

Many of our Year 11 and 12 students also have midyear exams. While it can be a stressful time it is important that all students remain focused in class and also stick to a study routine and complete all homework set by teachers. For some Unit Three (Year 12) subjects; Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Accounting and Psychology there is a midyear exam in June. Now is the time for students to start organising notes and ensuring that they are clear about the material for the exam. Students are encouraged to seek help from their teachers both in and out of class.

I have been impressed by the attitude and commitment of our VCE and VCAL students. The Year 12 students have been using the Senior Study Centre in a productive manner and have made effective use of their study time.

Curriculum Day – April 24th

On Tuesday all teaching staff were involved in a curriculum day that covered a number of important areas. The first session covered reporting and assessment and gave teachers an opportunity to analyse reports and KLA teams discussed the types of comments their KLA could use to provide constructive and informative advice and feedback to parents and students.

During the second session teachers had an opportunity to hear more about Powerful Learning and Learning Intentions and to hear Mr David Howes, General Manager Curriculum, ACARA, speak about the Australian Curriculum. After lunch staff worked in KLA and subject groups on planning and examining the Australian curriculum in depth. Office and Education Support staff had a meeting and were able to work on programs during the day.

A special thanks to the College Curriculum Leaders, Ms Sara Chomiak and Ms Kaylene Kubeil, and Ms Mary Snowball for their excellent organisation and preparation of the day. Thanks also to the KLA Leaders who facilitated a number of teams, the ES staff for their support and to all of the staff who participated in such a positive manner.

The Australian Curriculum will be introduced in English, Science, Mathematics and History in 2013. Teachers will be forming working parties to continue to develop an exciting and relevant curriculum for our students.

Mrs J. Cain
Assistant Principal, Years 11 & 12

During the holiday period Lalor Secondary College participated in the Good Friday Appeal with our school captains Monique Wasa and Phillip Te appearing on television to assist in presenting a cheque from the SRC Schools Cluster for money raised through a variety of initiatives. The SRC Cluster also organised a Breakfast for Youth week that was attended by the Federal Member Harry Jenkins and a number of other guest speakers. This was a great success and saw over 20 Lalor secondary College students involved as either organisers or guests. Everyone who attended should be congratulated on how they represented the school and we look forward to future initiatives from the SRC group.

As we move into the 3rd week of Term Two the school community is reminded that all students will now be required to attend school in their winter uniform. We ask that a number of uniform guidelines be strictly adhered to:

1. Girls blouses are not tucked into their skirts.
2. Boys ties are tied up all the way to the top of the shirt.
3. That stockings and socks are not worn together.

I would also like to thank all of the parents who attended the Parent Teacher Conferences on the last week of Term One. This allows those parents to check on the academic progress of their children and receive feedback from their classroom teachers. For those parents unable to attend on the evening I ask that you contact the general office to arrange collection of your son/daughter’s report so you are kept informed of their progress. Student Managers are currently going through the data from those reports and will be contacting parents via letter for those students who are not meeting the academic requirements of Lalor Secondary College.

Once again we thank you for your support in relation to the above issues and look forward to continuing the success of first term.

Mr C. Jewell
Assistant Principal, Years 9 & 10

School Captains: Phillip Te & Monique Wasa; Vice Captains: Michael Thompson & Kristina Miseva; Sport Captains: Julius Ristevski & Jessica De Lima Fernandes
DISCOVERY NIGHT
To discover the opportunities and facilities on offer at Lalor Secondary College, you are warmly invited to attend our Discovery Night on Tuesday 8th May, 2012. Tours of the school will be conducted between 5.00 – 7.00 pm and will showcase our broad range of subjects, excellent resources, special programs, student wellbeing provisions and extracurricular activities. The evening will provide an opportunity to explore and discuss the key elements to consider when choosing a secondary school, with plenty of time to ask questions and speak with our Principal, Silvana Sena, the Leadership Team and staff. The final tour will start at 7.00 pm and the evening will conclude at 7.30 with an address by the Principal.

Ms L. Jewell
Year 7 Assistant Manager

ANZAC DAY CELEBRATIONS
15 students from Years 9 and 10 at Lalor Secondary College joined thousands of other school students at the Shrine of Remembrance on Thursday 19 April. They represented the College at the ANZAC Commemoration Day for students. The purpose of the day was to educate students about the ANZAC tradition and commemorate those who were involved in the first major military action that Australians and New Zealand troops were involved in during World War One. Students and staff remembered and gave thanks to the men and women whose love and sacrifice in wartime has enabled Australians to live in peace and freedom.

Thank-you to all students who attended and to Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Christou who accompanied them to the Shrine.

Ms. Carmody
MY Humanities Leader

YEAR 8 GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION
WERRIBEE ZOO
On the week of the 19th – 23rd March the Year 8 Geography classes embarked on their excursion to Werribee Zoo as part of their study of ‘Endangered Species’. The excursion was a wonderful opportunity for the Year 8’s to see the animals we had spoken about in class and get up close and personal with them. As part of their fieldwork assignment, the students were asked to critically analyse the roles of zoos in protecting endangered species. The issue was analysed and discussed in our education session at the zoo, and the students contributed with some insightful observations. The excursion was a resounding success, with students gaining greater knowledge and bringing their experiences back into the classroom to enrich our discussions. The Year 8 Geography team would especially like to thank Anne Borrell for her hard work in organising the excursion.

James Stephens
Geography Teacher

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL AWARD WINNERS
We have had some fantastic Athletics Carnivals in recent times and this year was no different.

I’d like to thank the staff for their efforts on the day. Without the staff giving up their time and completing their duties, we would not be able to run full school events of this size.

Looking at the results sheets we again had large numbers of participants and many excellent performances across all of the year levels. Well done to all our event winners on the day.

The highest scoring home groups at each year level were 7E, 8F, 9E, 10K, 11D and at Year 12 we had a tie with 12E and 12F.

However we can only have one Home Group champion. With 216 points, congratulations to 7E!

We also need to celebrate the individual winners from each year level. Congratulations to following students;

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<td>12</td>
<td>Julius ristevski</td>
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In addition to the Home Group competition, Lalor Secondary College welcomed its first House Competition into the Athletics Carnival.

The day was an outstanding display of colour and flair, with some very interesting costume selections from the Year 12’s and some staff.

Like the Home Group competition where there was a winner at each Year Level, the House Competition can also be won at each Year Level. These are as follows;

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<td>4th</td>
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Well done to all involved in the Athletics Carnival.

Mr Carey & Mr Danher
Sports Coordinators