



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

MON 14/5	
TUE 15/5	NAPLAN ASH– After School Home-work Club
WED 16/5	NAPLAN
THUR 17/5	NAPLAN
FRI 18/5	NAPLAN Orienteering
MON 21/5	Early DAY—School Finishes at 12:37pm
TUE 22/5	Inter and Senior Girls Football Vic Chess Zonal all day ASH– After School Home-work Club
WED 23/5	
THUR 24/5	Junior Girls Football
FRI 25/5	Year 10 & 11 Careers Expo

### Principal Report

#### EARLY FINISH

All staff are completing first Aid Training relating to Asthma and Anaphylaxis on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> May to ensure their skills are regularly revisited and up to date. To allow this training to occur School council has approved an early finish to the school program on this day. This means all students will finish school at the conclusion of period 4 on this day – 12.37pm. All parents and students should make the necessary arrangements for pick up in line with the early finish.

The extra-curricular program and school excursions are an important part of engaging students with the curriculum and often provide a unique way to engage students with the content they are learning. In the last couple of weeks students from all year levels have been involved in variety of events ranging from the Year 9 High Potential class visiting the State Library, the Year 7 & 8 Humanities fieldwork excursions, VCE Biology Excursion, Year 12 Careers Expo, Chess Zonal Competition, Senior Boys Netball, Unit 3 Top Arts Excursion, the Model UN conference and the upcoming Year 10 and 11 Careers expo.

This wonderful events make our school rich with opportunities that otherwise may not be experienced by our students. Thank you to all of the parents for supporting these programs, the teachers who have arranged and supervised each event, and the students who have been exemplary in the behaviour and contributions.

As previously mentioned Lalor Secondary College is going through a year of review to reflect on the successes and challenges faced over the past 4 years to develop a strategic plan for the next 4 years. As part of this process all parents have been invited to participate in a parent forum to be held in the college library at 6pm on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of May. Currently we have 30 parents who have returned their confirmation slips and I look forward to working with these parents on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Any parents who still wish to attend should contact the general office as soon as possible for catering purposes.

There are some important event weeks coming up soon. Education week commences on the 21<sup>st</sup> of May with the theme of Celebrating the Arts. I encourage all students to get involved in the activities organised for this week. The following week beginning the 28<sup>th</sup> of May is Reconciliation week, were we will celebrate our indigenous community with a number of special events that all students will be involved in. A highlight will be our Indigenous Colours day were we will ask students to come dressed in one of the colours of the Aboriginal flag. We hope all students take the time to learn something about the Indigenous community during this week.

A reminder that it is now the end of week four of term 2 and all students should now be in their Winter Uniform. If any parent is having an issue providing their son/daughter with this uniform please contact your relevant student manager so some assistance can be arranged.

Best regards,

Corey Jewell

College Principal



## Year 11 & 12

I'd like to share an opportunity for all students in the college to get involved with their local community by contributing your feedback to 'Whittlesea 2040'. There is some information on how to do this at the bottom of this newsletter.

All students have been given a unique school email address. Students are asked to use this email address to communicate with their teachers rather than their private email addresses. Compass uses the student email and it is good practice for life after school for students to use their email addresses as they would for work and official school communications. This is also the primary way that staff are able to communicate with students who may be absent, need additional help etc. All students have been given an introduction to this over the last two weeks as well as having had their own unique login details reprinted for them. All students should have logged on, changed their default password and should now easily be able to access their email. Please see the Compass news item titled 'LSC Student Email' for a 'how to' guide, or go to the IT department for help if you are having issues!

On Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> May, there will be a casual dress day for State Schools Relief run by the SRC. This is a worthy organisation that provides uniform for families that have difficult financial circumstances. If you find that you have some spare uniform that your child has outgrown, please feel free to donate this to our wellbeing department so that we can help students in need. There is a gold coin donation required on the day, with all proceeds going straight to the charity.

Julie Ryan

Assistant Principal

**Whittlesea 2040** (W2040) is an exciting project at the City of Whittlesea that aims to develop the long term vision for the municipality. Through this project the community can explore their own aspirations for the local area and the next generation. It is anticipated that the collected information will form overarching directions, guiding the Council and community to realise their aspirations for the area in which we live, work and play. Consultation aims to play a particular focus on groups and people whom have struggled to participate in the past, in this case children and youth.



Students have been given the opportunity to share their vision of the City of Whittlesea by 2040 by answering two questions:

**The things I love about my local area are...**

**My hopes for my local area by 2040 are...**

This link will take you to a survey that all students can participate in. <https://www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/whittlesea2040>

**This is an opportunity for the next generation to contribute to the development of the vision for Whittlesea by 2040.**

## Year 9 & 10

Next week years 7 and year 9 students will complete their Naplan Tests. Three tests will be completed across Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning. Language Convention and Reading tests will be completed on Tuesday and Wednesday with the Numeracy test to be held on Thursday morning. All parents of students in these year levels will have already received an information letter. If your child is absent during any of these tests, catch up tests will be held on Friday.

As part of their work for the *Explore - Community Links Project*, all year 9 students headed out on Tuesday afternoon on a mission to survey local community facilities. We had groups visiting University Hill, Epping Plaza, and Plenty Valley. This fieldwork and supporting workshops enables our students to *explore* their local community in an attempt to develop an understanding of their world, and to challenge pre-existing perceptions of their role as citizens in the community in which they live, and to encourage greater community awareness. At school in follow-up Explore sessions, they will investigate their results and then formally make recommendations to the local council in an attempt to make community facilities more engaging for all ages. This project will culminate in an Expo of student work and a Melbourne City excursion to make comparisons in relation to the facilities available there.

I would like to thank Ms Carmody and the teachers of Explore for their organisation of this valuable project and for accompanying our students on the day.

I look forward to the Expo and the wonderful ideas put forward by this great group of students



The year 10 team are still waiting on a several work Experience forms to be returned. They are due back as soon as possible. Please check with your child to ensure they have organised and returned their forms. A reminder that work experience is a compulsory part of the year 10 program. Please do not hesitate to contact Krystal Bussell or visit the school website for specific details relating to the Work Experience Program.

I would also like to thank Krystal Bussell and Chris Danher for their organisation of last Friday's year 10 Careers Expo. From all accounts, the day provided valuable information to the students about school pathway options, beyond year 10, and was an excellent starting point to begin their planning of future career directions.



Ms. Laura Forster  
Assistant Principal

### Year 7 & 8

Winter is now very much upon us, and it is important that students are appropriately and correctly dressed to keep the cold at bay. Please ensure that students keep spray jackets and correct shoes at the ready to face the external conditions, while jumpers, even warm hidden under-garments, are kept dry for the climate-controlled classrooms.

Last fortnight I mentioned the topic of road safety, and the dangers where students fail to follow road rules when approaching the College. Parents must not allow students to cross the road anywhere other than the supervised crossings after 'drop off'. It may take a minute or two longer to be safe, but this is critical practice to avoid accidents on busy David Street and Dalton Road.

So much has been happening with sport outings, field excursions to the Docklands in Humanities, preparations for the College musical and the many lunchtime clubs. I note also the excellent turnouts for Homework Club on Tuesday afternoons, and the Breakfast club on Wednesday mornings. It was great to see around forty students enjoying a free breakfast and sharing with staff last Wednesday morning from 8am.

We are all set for the Naplan at year 7 commencing this Tuesday. Please re-assure students that the program is not something to be anxious about. The best preparation is a good sleep the night before to be ready to do your best. The information we gather is useful to support students in their learning.

Many families continue to seek College tours in the hope of joining our community in 2019. It is very gratifying to hear the many compliments towards our young people from the public, and our students can be proud of the courteous way they welcome visitors. Should anyone know of a family that may wish to join us, please encourage them to take part in the tours run by our Peer Leaders.

There are a couple of 'out of uniform' days on the horizon, and students should pay careful attention to the guidelines for these days. One such day is Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May, a gold coin donation from participating students will raise much needed State School Relief assistance for families experiencing financial difficulty. We also have our 30<sup>th</sup> May Indigenous Colours Day which celebrates both our Education Week focus on creativity in the Arts, as well as Reconciliation in our country.

On behalf of our extremely hard-working teams – Samantha Laird / Luke Carey at Year 7 and Adriana Trajkovic / Lauren Christian at year 8, all lead by Acting Sub-school Leader, Josh Simpson, thank you for your support of our College and students. A big shout out to our world-beating Wellbeing Team Laz and Amanda who are always ready to assist our students with any difficulties they may face. Please encourage your children to seek them out for advice on any wellbeing matter.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us with any queries you may have in support of students.

Tim Cottrell  
Acting Assistant Principal

## Library News



The **Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge** is well underway at Lalor Secondary College. The Reading Challenge is designed to encourage Victorian school students from Prep to Year 10 to read more books. Students read a certain number of books over the seven months from February to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

The program has been explained to all Year 7 students at the end of Term One. All Year 8 students have also been assigned usernames and passwords which were given to them by their English teachers. It is also pleasing to note that there are some Year 9 and 10 students who are also participating in the Challenge this year. It is still not too late to join up! Any students from Year 9 and 10 who wish to participate, please let the Library staff know.

Lalor Secondary College has been participating in this program since 2011. Last year, we congratulated a record highest number of **117 students** who completed the challenge! . Our registered students have read a total of **3,125 books**. This was a truly amazing achievement. We are hoping we can beat this record.

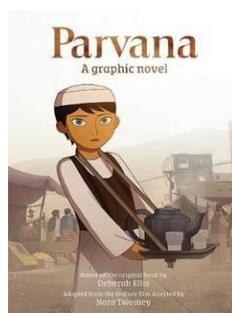
To complete the 2018 Challenge, students will need to read 15 books. A minimum of 10 books must be selected from the **Victorian Premiers' Challenge Booklist**, a copy of which will be available from the Library Resource Centre and online from the Victorian Department of Education website (<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc/>). The Challenge is not restricted to books in the English language. Students can read books in any language, such as Arabic, Italian, Vietnamese, Macedonian and Greek.

Students must keep a list on paper of all the books they read and after they finish each book, they must ensure their English Teacher or a Teacher Librarian signs their record. Once students have fulfilled all the requirements, they hand in their paper record, as well as the printable online book record, to the library.

To keep our Challengers engaged and inspired to read more books, we will be providing **rewards**. This includes students receiving a **School Value Card** for every five books read, to encourage them to read

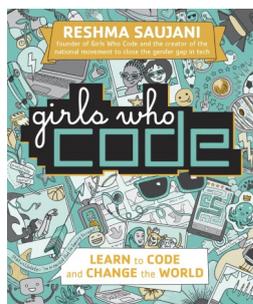
15 books. The other major reward is every student who completes the Challenge will receive a special invitation to a Fun Lunchtime Party

### New Books



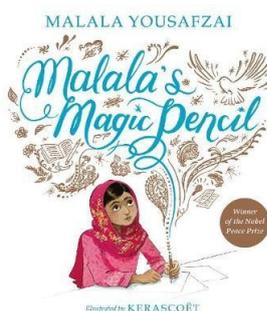
#### ***Parvana : a graphic novel* by Deborah Ellis**

This is a stunning graphic novel edition of the well known novel with the same title, *Parvana*. The story tells of a eleven-year-old girl called *Parvana*. When soldiers burst into her home and drag her father off to prison, *Parvana* is forced to take responsibility for her whole family, dressing as a boy to make a living in the marketplace of Kabul, risking her life in the dangerous and volatile city.



#### ***Girls Who Code: Learn to Code and Change the World* by Reshma Saujani**

This book is filled with dynamic artwork, down-to-earth explanations of coding principles, and real-life stories of girls and women working at places like Pixar and NASA. It also shows what a huge role computer science plays in our lives and how much fun it can be. This book clearly explains how coding works to help you to your own apps, games, and robots to make the world a better place.



#### ***Malala's Magic Pencil* by Malala Yousafzai**

As a child in Pakistan, Malala made a wish for a magic pencil that she could use to redraw reality. She would use it to give gifts to her family, to erase the smell from the rubbish dump near her house, to sleep an extra hour in the morning. As she grew older, Malala wished for bigger and bigger things. She saw a world that needed fixing. And even if she never found a magic pencil, Malala realized that she could still work hard every day to make her wishes come true.

Ms S. Graetsch  
Library Resource Centre Manager

## BOOST Corner

With NAPLAN just around the corner, BOOST has been focusing on strengthening student's spelling, punctuation, grammar, reading skills, narrative and persuasive writing skills and techniques. Students have been working diligently to improve in all areas of literacy and we hope they will continue to do so throughout their schooling.

**The more that you read,  
the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn,  
the more places you'll go.**  
-- Dr. Seuss

## BOOST Student Awards

Sunny Sghendo - 07A  
Max Stewart - 07C  
Kristina Velkov - 07D  
Katerina Souroulia - 07G  
Amiira Muridi - 07G  
Paris Tsaketas-Chiu - 07E  
Micheal Mahmoud - 07F  
Talen Waters - 08G  
Tiba Mohammad - 08I  
Ariana Antica - 09D  
Daniel Samuel - 09G

Tram Nguyen, Kayla Van Der Weyde & Cameron White

The BOOST Team

Can't find a larger view of this infographic? Check out <http://www.loogguitars.com/blog/2012/00/your-kids-brain-on-music-infographic> for the original

**01** **Music rewards the brain**  
Music stimulates the brain regions involved in rewards and emotion. The result? It's a fun, awesome mental exercise that improves your self-esteem.

**02** **Learn to actually listen**  
Kids that study music are better at picking up foreign languages and detecting speech in noise - even if they only studied briefly, long ago!

**03** **Do better in school**  
Studies show that kids involved in music have better reading skills, know their math and tend to be brighter. SAT takers that studied music scored 47 and 43 points higher on their verbal and math tests, respectively.

**04** **Best way to stay in school**  
A staggering 98% of school principals agree that music education encourages and motivates students to stay in school.

**05** **Helps kids grow up**  
Learning music enables kids to better express their ideas, accept criticism and improves their critical thinking and problem solving.

**06** **Makes kids nicer**  
Kids hooked on music are better team players, less aggressive and more cooperative with teachers. There are less fights, racism and hurtful sarcasm in schools with good music programs.

**Your Kid's Brain on Music**

Sources:  
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## Education Week is Coming!



The theme for 2018 is *“Celebrating the Arts”* and as such, there will be a range of lunchtime activities in which students can participate.

These activities will include musical performances, origami sessions and painting and drawing sessions.

I encourage students to get involved to celebrate all the wonderful artistic opportunities that Lalor Secondary College has to offer.

Education Week is coming to Lalor Secondary College. It will be celebrated between Monday 21 and Friday 25 May.

Ms Kat Carmody  
Curriculum Leader



## OUT OF UNIFORM DAY

The school will be participating in Reconciliation Week from the 27<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The theme for 2018 is **Don't Keep History a Mystery**. This year, we are inviting all staff and students to participate in student led activities. There will be an **“Out of Uniform” Day on WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MAY**. We kindly ask students and staff to dress in the colours of the Aboriginal flag in either **RED, YELLOW** or **BLACK** in order to participate meaningfully in the whole school activity that will be organized on the day.

**National  
Reconciliation  
Week 2018**  
27 May - 3 June

**don't keep  
history a  
mystery**   
learn • share • grow

## Year 7/8 Boys Netball

Our junior boys netball team played two exciting matches against some tough schools on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

Hazel glen were too strong, taking the win in the first match. However, the Lalor team worked together and fought back in the following game with a convincing win against Epping.

The boys should be very proud of their achievements and excellent sportsmanship on the day.

Hope to see them all again next year!





Games, Hobbies  
and Special Interest



**GEAR UP!**

# Mill Park Library Comic-Con

## Mill Park Library

394 Plenty Road

Mill Park  
94378189

**Saturday 19 May  
10.00am – 5.00pm**

Supported by City Of Whittlesea Community  
Development Grants, Northern Cosplay  
Society and Minotaur Books.

**Comic-Con** is a popular culture  
festival that is known worldwide.

Come to our free Comic-Con day with  
popular comics, workshops, super heroes,  
competitions, community and fan clubs,  
demonstrations, technology, video games,  
virtual reality and more.

**DRESS UP!** Enter our Cosplay competition.  
Win a Minotaur Books pack and other  
great prizes.



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## 2018 CSEF APPLICATION NEWS

- CSEF Applications for 2018 will close on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018.  
No late applications or special considerations  
will be accepted after this date.
- If you are currently not sure about your application status please contact the  
General Office for confirmation on 9463 7300.

2018 CSEF Applications Forms are currently available from the General Office.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$225  
for secondary school students.



# EXPRESS YOURSELF FORMAL

for  
LGBTIQ  
young  
people  
aged  
14 - 24  
years

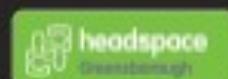
**Saturday 26 th May 2018, 6.00 - 9.00pm**  
**1 Flintoff Street, Greensborough**  
**Level 4 of the Banyule Council/Watermarc Building**

Don't dress to impress, dress to express yourself and affirm your identity! Formal, informal, costume, op shop, dress up! Just be yourself!

DJ | Food | Photo booth | Face paint | Chill out space  
Bookings essential: [2018expressyourself.eventbrite.com.au](http://2018expressyourself.eventbrite.com.au)

[Richard.euston@banyule.vic.gov.au](mailto:Richard.euston@banyule.vic.gov.au) | 9457 9907  
📍 Richo Bayule-Youth or Rainbow Space Banyule

**Strictly a drug, alcohol and smoke free event**





**DPV  
Health**

# Raising adventurous and colourful eaters **FREE** workshops

Delivered by Kate Wengier, founder of Foost,  
dietitian and educator

Are you a parent or guardian who  
wants to learn about Fuss Free  
Family Eating?

Are you an early childhood  
educator who wants to inspire  
healthy eating and influence  
children's food choices now and  
into the future?

Then one of these three hands-on  
healthy eating workshops is for  
you!

A Dietitian will show you how to  
teach children about healthy eating  
through play. You will get:

- Tips to create positive, fuss free meal times
- Easy recipes, food tastings & ideas sheets
- Tips to create an environment that supports healthy eating at home and in early childhood settings



**FREE** positive food  
education kit for **EVERY**  
**CENTRE** that registers  
(3 x Books + 6 x Knives)



## Inspiring colourful and adventurous eaters – Event dates:

**Date:** Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

**Time:** 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm

**Location:** Jacaranda Preschool  
34 Nebel Street, Lalor

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP by Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**Date:** Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

**Time:** 9.30 am to 10.30 am

**Location:** Laurimar Community  
Centre

25 Hazel Glen Drive, Doreen

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP by Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> May**

**Date:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

**Time:** 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm

**Location:** Thomastown Library  
Community Room

52 Main Street, Thomastown

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP by Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June**

**RSVP or enquire:** 8401 1317 or  
[alys.taylor@dpvhealth.org.au](mailto:alys.taylor@dpvhealth.org.au)

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## Tuning in to Teens

**A FREE 6 week Parent programme for parents and carers of young people aged 10 - 18 years**

**Would you like to learn how to:**

- Be better at talking with your teen?
- be better at understanding your teen?
- Help your teen learn to manage their emotions?
- Help prevent behavioral problems in your teen?
- Teach your teen to deal with conflict?

**DATES:** Thursday evenings  
17th May to 21st June  
(6 weeks)

**TIME:** 6.30pm to 8.30pm  
(refreshments provided)

**WHERE:** Parentzone,  
10 Hurtle St, Lalor

This programme is run in partnership with  
Drummond Street Services



For bookings & enquiries contact:  
Parentzone on 03 9465 0322 or 0458 550 071  
parentzone.preston@anglicarevic.org.au





Whittlesea  
**Community  
Connections**  
Making a positive difference everyday

# Youth Advisory Group

Join a fun and informal group of young people to have your say on creating volunteer opportunities, and new employment pathways for youth. Learn new skills and meet new people. No previous experience necessary.



## FOR MORE INFO

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