Term 2 - 2016:
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APRIL:
Mon 18: Yr 10 Keys Please 
Tue 19: Yr 11 Road Safety Day 
Fri 22: Whole School Assembly
Mon 25: Anzac Day Holiday

MAY:
Wed 4: Yr 7 Vaccinations - Gardasil and Boostrix.
Fri 6: Yr 11 VECE careers Expo
Wed 11: Responsible Serving of Alcohol 3.30pm-7.30pm
Fri 13: District Cross Country
Wed 18- Fri 20: Yr 7 Camp
Tue 24: School Production Matinee
Wed 25-Sat 28: School Production Evening

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL:
Welcome to Term 2:
On behalf of the whole learning community we welcome everyone back from the end of term one break. It was lovely to be part of our whole school assembly this week and recognise the amazing talents our students have on the sports field in our athletics and cross country carnivals and in the pool at our swim carnival.

Uniform:
A reminder to all our families that as the cooler months draw closer, we are still a full uniform school. If a student’s daily uniform, or part of the daily uniform is not available for whatever reason then we request that students attend school in their full sports uniform with a note from home. Alternatively, students can come to the Main Office before home group where we can supply any missing items of uniform.

There have been comments made within our community about the length of girls winter and summer skirts. As per our uniform policy, we ask that all girls skirts and dress are of a suitable length. We thank all our students and families in supporting our Uniform Policy.

Buildings update:
Over the break our renovations have continued, and they are now starting to be more noticeable. ‘A’ Block has been cleaned and painted internally, and the external work on ‘A’ block has been completed. We are still working on the gardens at the back of this block. With ‘A’ block completed, ‘B’ block external work has begun, and as we move onto the new building program over the next 12 months, the internal renovations will begin.

With the cooler and wetter months around the corner it is with great relief that the new steps down to the oval have also been completed. With the removal of the portable, we are looking at options for bleachers where the old portable once stood.

As I have mentioned, one of the old portables has now been removed over the break, and the wooden double portable is currently being deconstructed. The current integration portable won’t be moved until after the new building program has been completed. There will be a fence put in across from the technology classroom to where the old wooden portable is with car parking on the outside. This will enable us to create safer playground space for our students.

During the break, Williams Ravi Architects were appointed to begin to review our buildings, and design the new spaces as part of James Merlino’s pre-election financial promise. It is hoped that as part of the new building program we will be able to also build an outside covered space that can be used as a classroom, play area or seated canteen area at lunchtime. This will be adjacent and connected to the new building and canteen/gym. We are also hoping that a further development from this, if possible, will include the much needed change rooms for EPAC.

Once draft designs have been developed we will make these available to our whole learning community for feedback before any work is begun.

Jodie Doble
Principal
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS:

College Uniform:
The College staff wish to thank the parent community for their support of the College Uniform changes implemented for the start of 2016. Students also need to be congratulated for their understanding and commitment to wearing the uniform correctly and with pride. There are many benefits of a College uniform not the least the community being able to recognise our students.

The College has recently reminded all students about some of the following points as we head into the colder months and we also wanted to make parents aware of these:

• Students are only able to wear the College rain jacket (with the old style jacket okay for 2016)
• Students are unable to wear a hoodie under their clothing – if they do they risk getting a detention
• This term the College is also having a focus on socks. School socks can be white, navy or black and they should not have logo’s on them. Navy or black tights/pantihose to be worn under the winter dress.
• Dresses/skirts must be of suitable length and no shorter that 10 cm above the knee. The College reserves the right to ask students to make necessary changes to reflect this.

From time to time a student may be unable to wear a uniform item, in this case students have been told that they can wear their sport uniform for the day, with a note, or they can come to the front office before homegroup to borrow a uniform item. Feedback from the parent community is positive with the tightening of the uniform policy and the associated changes.

The Secondhand Uniform Shop is open every Friday from 2.45pm - 3.15pm. Please note the uniform shop is now located at the end of A block.

New uniform items can be purchased from Beleza Uniform Suppliers who are located in Pakenham and Mountain Gate Shopping Centre.

Student Attitude To School Survey:
Shortly, students across the College will be undertaking an Education Department survey that is completed by all Government schools across the State. This survey provides some real data that we can use as a school to:

• monitor levels of student engagement and wellbeing
• compare school level data on engagement with State-wide benchmarks
• stimulate discussion within the school community about how to improve engagement
• assist in the identification of areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school.

We look forward to the results coming out in Term 3 and reviewing and working with staff, students and parents to analyse and use the data to continue to support both educational and wellbeing programs here at the College.

Mike Jaremczuk and Estelle Alder Assistant Principals

LITERACY NEWS:
Congratulations to Tyler Denboer and Emily Norton, Junior Literacy Leaders who were fabulous ambassadors for the school, as they interviewed local author Pauline Hosking about her new book: Cinnamon Stevens – Crime Buster.

As the hosts for this PAVE event, Tyler welcomed guests, and introduced Mrs. Hosking, and together with Emily and Ruby from Emerald Primary School, asked questions of our visiting author about the writing and publishing of her new novel.

Year 7 and 8 class text study:
Students in these year levels have been reading madly as they prepare for research and writing tasks in connections with their class texts. Year 8 students participated in the debate – “should young offenders be sent to prison, or made to dig holes?” As teenagers – they are skilled at debating and being persuasive, so these were lively and engaging events. To assist your child with work related to these tasks, please engage them in debate about the themes in their texts. By talking and discussing the ideas in these texts you will assist your students to fully engage in the tasks as part of their assessment.

Tracey Ferguson Literacy Leader

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION ASSEMBLY:
On Friday April 22nd a whole school assembly will run from 9am-9.30am in the Gym to commemorate and honour Anzac Day.

We warmly welcome any members of our College Community, parents, grandparents etc to attend this service, which will be followed by a laying of the wreath in our Lone Pine Garden area and a morning tea. Please contact Julie Cross-Gunn at the College if you have any questions.
ANZAC DAY

DAWN SERVICE:
5.30 am - Monday 25th April 2016
Pre-service display.
5.30 am - commencement of Official Dawn Service.
Post Service entertainment.
Dawn Service to conclude at approximately 6.30 am.

MORNING SERVICE:
10.00am - Form up at the Emerald Cenotaph - Main Street,
Emerald opposite the CBA.
March to Emerald RSL alongside Anzac Walk. Escort by
Bagpipes.
All Emerald community welcome to participate.
10.55 am - Commencement of Official Morning Service.
Post ceremony entertainment.
Morning Service to conclude at approximately 11.30 am.

ALL WELCOME at the Emerald RSL after the service.
Food will be available.
Drinks at Bar Prices
TWO UP games throughout the day.
Big Screen TV to watch the ANZAC Day Footy.

MEMBERSHIP Available.

NOTICE
TO CITIZENS OF EMERALD
TO
"REMEMBER"
AND WALK THE ANZAC WALK

Anzac Walk is alive and waiting to be listened to
by Emerald residents.

All you need is:
- a smartphone
- a QR Code Reader App
- and a set of ear buds or headphones

With ANZAC Day approaching it is the perfect
time to take time out and "Do the Walk" and reflect
on the stories you will hear about the 32 Emerald
soldiers who lost their lives in WW1.
And cap off your Walk with a period of reflection in
front of the Statue of the Unknown Soldier.

Lest We Forget
CENTRAL AUSTRALIA 2016
Another year – another Central Australia Tour – another fantastic outcome!

At 6am on Sunday 20th March, 4 staff and 38 students (a lot without much idea of what to expect) headed off on tour, with much anticipation and enthusiasm.

We met our driver Greg and our cook Joan, and settled in to the coach that was to become our home away from home, as we drove across the country to see the vast expanse of land that is the outback of Australia.

The days were packed with amazing sights and experiences that included: exploring mines and sleeping underground in Coober Pedy; watching the amazing landscape of the Australian countryside, including some fantastic salt lakes; visiting the Royal Flying Doctor Service; hanging out with Rex and his reptiles; climbing through Simpsons Gap & Standley Chasm; visiting the School of the Air; swimming in amazing water holes like Glen Helen Gorge and Ormiston Gorge; displaying our entertainment skills in our “Central Australia’s Got Talent” show; gaining an understanding of just how vast our country really is; riding camels; trekking through Kings Canyon; seeing Uluru from a distance at sunset and close up as we walked around it or flew over it; exploring Kata Tjuta; getting to know one another and forging tight relationships with our peers; sleeping in tents and under the stars; sharing great meals (thanks to Joan!) and gaining a greater understanding of the Aboriginal culture.

I would also like to extend thanks to NT Toursim, who made available a monetary grant for which schools could apply. Our successful application meant our students had access to an additional fantastic cultural experience, learning about the history of our Indigenous people, sampling some true bush tucker (how was that witchetty grub, Lucy?!), being exposed to some of the weaponry used for hunting and having access to some original artwork by local artists. Just a fascinating activity all-round.

We kept a journal of our thoughts each day, and just a few of the comments from students at the conclusion of the tour included:

• Central Australia trip was amazing. I will remember it for the rest of my life.
• I loved Central, it was so amazing! All the experiences we had were great, thank you so much.
• I’m really happy I chose to come on this trip. I’ll treasure the memories I have made for the rest of my life.
• Easily the best school trip I have been on. Thank you teachers for making this happen.
• This has been a massive eye-opener and I’ll cherish the memories.
• This trip will be the highlight of my whole school experience. I have loved every bit of it.
• One of the best experiences of my life. I loved seeing parts of Australia I had never been to and how close everyone became.

Heading back into school 10 short days later, we were all sad to leave our Central family behind – we could easily have done it all again!

To all the students who attended the trip, on behalf of the teachers, I would like to express our thanks for your enthusiasm, co-operation, great spirit, willingness to help out, sense of humour, terrific contributions, outstanding conduct and exceptional representation of the College - so thanks to you all!

On a personal note, I’d also like to thank Mr Ignacio, Ms Phillips and Ms Bonaccorso for giving up their family, holiday and weekend time, and working so hard to make the trip such a memorable one.

Ms Stephens
SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY WRAP:
On the last day of term the whole school headed down to Emerald Lake for the school’s annual Cross-Country. Congratulations to all those who attended and competed on the day and especially to the winning House Hobbs - Home group champions 13G and to the place getter in each age group listed below.

CHAMPS!!

Home Group
1st -  13G
2nd -  14G
3rd -  11G
4th -  16G
5th -  15G

Boys:
Aged 12/13:
1. Patrick O’LEARY
2. Tiarnan HUNTER
3. Byron JORDAN-HILL

Aged 14:
1. Kai GELASTOPOULOS
2. Hudson JENNER
3. Liam RUSSELL

Aged 15:
1. Zandis BAUMANIS
2. Wilson JORDAN-HILL
3. Daniel OUDYK

Aged 16:
1. Isaac BOREHAM
2. Hudson STRATFORD
3. Liam WESTAWAY

Aged 17:
1. Bradley PEPI
2. Kealy JORDAN-HILL
3. Corey GRUNDMANN

Aged 18/20:
1. Valters BAUMANIS
2. Matiss BAUMANIS
3. Sean BARTELS

Houses
1st  Hobbs
2nd  Geysen
3rd  Hawley
4th  Greetham
5th  O’Neil
6th  Jeffreys

Girls:
Aged 12/13:
1. Ashlee BOWDEN
2. Ashleigh GASSON
3. Meg ROBINSON

Aged 14:
1. Montana LACSNI
2. Bianca MOODY
3. Charlotte READ

Aged 15:
1. Jaymie HALL
2. Jillian DOUGHTY
3. Bridgette POPPENBECK

Aged 16:
1. Kim DOVAN
2. Lily RAY
3. Emily DE HAAN

Aged 17:
1. Kirrily DOWSETT
2. Catherine THOMPSON
3. Georgia TIDEY

Aged 18/20:
1. Caroline JONES
2. Matilda SINCLAIR
3. Brianna WARFORD

ZANDIS BAUMANIS AGE GROUP CHAMP IN ALL THREE SPORTING EVENTS:
Zandis Baumanis is the first student in my memory to become age group champion across all three sporting events – Swimming, Athletics & Cross Country.

Zandis was the Boys 15 Years Champion for all three events held in Term 1. This is an amazing effort and he should be very proud of his efforts.

WELL DONE ZANDIS!
Yvonne Mauger Sports Coordinator
CROSS COUNTRY 2016
Interested in joining headspace Narre Warren YAC?
Visit our website for a position description and application form or send us an email enquiry for more information.
Visit www.headspace.org.au/narrewarren or phone 1800 367 968 and ask to speak to Justine Irons

Passionate about Youth Mental Health?
Are you aged between 16-25 and live, work or study in the City of Casey or Cardinia Shire Council? Do you have something to say about youth mental health and drug and alcohol issues?

Why not join our headspace Narre Warren Youth Advisory Committee?
By getting involved you will:

- Have your say and direct youth mental health services in Australia;
- Develop new skills;
- Meet and work with other young people who are passionate about youth mental health;
- Have the opportunity to take part in training

Make a difference in your community!
headspace Narre Warren invites registrations from young people aged 12-17 years interested in participating in a fun and interactive My FRIENDS Youth Skills for Life program.

Using an early intervention framework and evidence based practice, My FRIENDS Youth program aims to provide young people with the skills to:

- Build resilience and confidence
- Develop mindfulness and relaxation
- Explore thinking in positive ways
- Develop problem solving strategies
- Learn ways to deal with conflict

The program will provide **9 sessions over 8 weeks** in term 2. A parent and young person information session will be held on **Thur 21st April from 5:30pm to 6:30pm**

**Participation criteria:**
To ensure a safe and productive learning experience for all participants, program participation criteria is as follows:

- Completed and returned a Registration Form
- Completed a headspace phone intake Assessment
- Committed to attending all sessions

For more information on the program visit: [www.friendsprograms.com](http://www.friendsprograms.com)

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**Program info for term 2**

**Dates:**

- **(Parent info night 5:30pm—6:30pm)**
  - Thur 21st April

- **(Program nights 4:15pm—6:15pm)**
  - Thur 28th April  
  - Thur 12th May  
  - Thur 26th May  
  - Thur 2nd June  
  - Thur 16th June  

**Who:**
Young people aged 12-17 years old

**Where:**
headspace Narre Warren  
66 Victor Crescent, Narre Warren

**Cost:**
FREE (incl materials & snack foods)

**Availability:**
- *Limited places available*
- *No new registrations accepted after 5th May*

**Interested?**
Complete the Registration Form on the reverse side and return via **Fax:** (03) 8738 9888 or **Email:** L.belshaw@headspacenarre.com.au
Caring again?
Are you a grandparent or other family member caring for someone of school age?
You are invited to a free public forum

Wednesday, April 27
10.00 am for a 10.30 am start
Forum concludes by 12.30 pm
Lunch provided at 12:30 pm

The venue is “Functions on Chapel”
(in the Prahran Town Hall)
Chapel Street entrance
(corner of Greville Street)

Getting there:
• The venue is near Prahran Train Station
  (Sandringham line)
• By tram route,
  # 78 (North Richmond – Balaclava) or
  # 6 (Melbourne Uni – Glen Iris), or
  # 72 (Melbourne Uni – Camberwell)
• Off street parking; Coles/Safeway
  car park; paid parking also nearby.

Hear from a panel of speakers, followed by Question & Answer

What services are available if I’m a carer again?

What can I access through school?

How do I get “time out”?

Who else can help or support me?

Speakers include representatives from
• Grandparents Victoria
• the Australian Department of Human Services (Centrelink) and
• the Mirabel Foundation

RSVP by Wed 20 April
to the Inner Eastern LL EN on 9510 5444
or email iellen@iellen.org.au
Supported by Melbourne Gospel and Blues legend Kerri Simpson.

16 April
7.30pm
Emerald Performing Arts Centre, Emerald
$25 / $20 concession

Inspired by the mass gospel choirs of the USA, Melbourne Singers of Gospel aims to capture their energy, excitement, harmonies and foot-stomping rhythm to offer you a performance that is engaging and moving and will have you dancing in your seats.

Musical Director: Dr Darren Wicks
Accompaniment: Andrew Ogburn

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2016 PAVE Festival
April 10-17
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