SEPTEMBER

9th  P-8 Assembly 9.00
     BER Foyer All Welcome
     VCAL Ladies Spa Day
     10.00 am til 2pm
     BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
     Interim reports to be sent home
     College Council & sub committees 7pm

12th Parent Teacher interviews 4pm - 7pm

13th Market Day - lunchtime

16th  P-8 Assembly 9.00
     BER Foyer All Welcome

17th  CFA Excursion - Wangaratta
     Yr 3/4 SAFE Education Excursion

18th Junior Summer Sports Day
     Yr 9 Health & Community Services Taster Day - Echuca
     Pizza & Milkshake Day
     Tom Tehan Oratory Competition

Above: Our Year 9 YEP students held a very successful Cupcake Day last week, read more about it on page 5.
Below: CFA team member, James Moore - Wiggett enjoyed some pizza at the Rushworth Community House on Wednesday after a busy morning with the CFA.
News from the Principal....

As week eight of the term comes to a close we have seen staff busily completing student reports or putting the finishing touches on student learning journals for our P-6 students. Whilst we are almost three-quarters of the way through the year the interim reports and student learning journals provide parents with a great conversation starter to engage their children in meaningful and positive discussions about their schooling. Early next week families of our Year Prep – 6 students will receive home the Student Learning Journal for Term 3. The Journal provides parents with annotated work samples that each student has produced throughout the term, together with feedback from their teacher. I would encourage all parents to discuss the work with their children and to set some goals for Term 4. Our P-6 students have 200 days of school each year and with your support we can make the most of every day and ensure that your children continue to achieve great things.

Student Interim Reports for students in Years 7-12 will also be posted home early next week and these too are a great tool for parents and their children to discuss and plan some goals for Term 4 and beyond. Students in Years 7-12 are diligently working their way through their curriculum and if each student choose two or three things to really focus on and improve in Term 4 then we would see an amazing shift in the level of student achievement and engagement. Parents, please work with your children and establish some goals for the term ahead. Write these goals down, review them regularly and celebrate the successes that come.

If you haven’t yet booked in for the Term 3 Parent Teacher Interviews times are filling quickly and we will make every effort to accommodate parents who would like to come in and speak with their son or daughters teacher. Bookings can be made via our College website at www.rushworthp-12.vic.edu.au or by phoning the office on 5856 1230 and speaking with either Pat or Christine.

Celebrating and recognising the work of our Education Support Staff

Earlier this week the staff team celebrated the achievements and hard work of our dedicated and talented Education Support Staff Team. This group of staff work tirelessly within the College, often providing either frontline or behind the scenes support for students, staff and parents. Their roles are many and varied and in the day to day running of the College their hard work can often go unseen but is fundamental to our success as a College.

On behalf of our students, staff and College Community I would like to thank and congratulate the following staff for their dedication and commitment to our ever improving College:

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Pushing the Positive

As Principal it is always a delight to see the positive College culture and experience that we provide being recognised beyond the College gates. This last week we had the pleasure of hosting State Member of Parliament, Mr Paul Weller for a College tour. The tour provided Mr Weller with a firsthand experience of the positive changes that have been phased in by staff and students overt the past two years and certainly highlighted to Mr Weller the vibrant College community that we have and the wide number of opportunities...
that we provide for each and every students as they make their way through the College from Prep to Year 12. Mr Weller also paid a visit to our Year 9 CFA students down at the Rushworth CFA station as part of our Year 9 Advance Program.

While talking about the positive coverage of College events we must thank our local newspaper the Waranga News for the outstanding coverage they provide to our College and all educational providers within the local area. Each fortnight we are privileged to have a local paper that values the contributions of their local schools and so willingly supports us in informing the broader community of the great things occurring at Rushworth P-12 College.

As a College we view successful and positive links with our community as an essential element of our improvement plan, if at any stage you have any suggestions or great ideas about how we can enrich the lives of our students and local community further by working in partnership please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Have an enjoyable and safe week ahead.

Kind regards,
Brad Moyle, Principal

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<td><strong>Carrigan Horsley</strong> for receiving a Melbourne Theatre Company Scholarship to attend a week long intensive drama &amp; production program this upcoming holiday period.</td>
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<td><strong>Blake Rosenberg</strong> for a very detailed design brief and persistence in Design Technology</td>
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<td><strong>Jayson Andrews</strong> for not giving up on his project/product and continuing to improve it</td>
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<td><strong>Elli Bertram</strong> for being thoughtful and considerate towards staff members.</td>
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<td><strong>Year 9 Advance - CFA Fire Crews</strong> for their excellent behaviour at the Community House yesterday.</td>
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<td><strong>Brett Anderson</strong> for his excellent attendance and work performance in English.</td>
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<td><strong>Jamiee &amp; Taylor Cornford</strong> for a positive start to their schooling here at Rushworth</td>
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<td><strong>Taylor Warren &amp; Brittany Kouroupakis</strong> for their positive attitude towards settling into the Senior School at the College.</td>
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<td><strong>Carly Hamilton</strong> for her efforts in VCE Theatre Studies.</td>
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<td><strong>Natalie Zonneveld</strong> for her honesty and maturity.</td>
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<td><strong>Lillian Gelsi</strong> - Always trying her best in class and being a helpful student.</td>
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<td><strong>Andrew Robinson</strong> - Trying his best in maths and taking on new learning in division.</td>
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<td><strong>Baylee Bons</strong> - using her time productively in writing and producing a great narrative.</td>
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<td><strong>The Year 12 VCAL Literacy</strong> class for their ‘GO GREEN’ initiative.</td>
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<td><strong>Bailey Mimmo</strong> for bringing in and sharing souvenirs from worldly travels as part of our ‘Art around the World’ project.</td>
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CFA students create smoke screen!

This Wednesday our CFA crew have been out and about in the community again, this week their training focus has been on working in a smoke filled environment. After the training session they adjourned back to the Rushworth Community House to enjoy some wood-fired pizza with the Community House members.

Above left: On the way to find the trapped victim through the smoke. Above: Saige Gilmartin, Cass Alexander & Brian Wright vote YES to wood-fired pizza again. Below: Smoke victim found! Now to get them out safely.
The name of our Y.E.P. project was called ‘Cupcake Day’. The goal of our project was to raise money for our Year 9 room. The people involved in our project were Gabby, Mikayla, Hayley, Taylah, Kylie, Ebony, Mr Daff, Miss O’Toole & Dean.

Some of the planning leading up to our project was, we had to ask for permission from Mr Moyle, advertise around the school for our cupcake day, buy our ingredients from the IGA and ask Mr Daff for permission to use the kitchen.

The hardest part about the project was the time frame on the day we had our cupcake sale. We found it challenging to get it all done in the first two periods of the day.

The community links for our project was to buy our ingredients from the Rushworth IGA.

Our project was very successful for our first time running a fundraiser. We know that it was successful because we made a profit and sold around 100 cupcakes!

If I was to run this project again I would change the time available to make this day happen. We could start preparing earlier next time or could sell the cupcakes at lunch. The skills we have learnt through this project are how to run a fundraiser successfully, and how to plan a project well.

The most enjoyable aspect of the project was making the cupcakes and seeing how much everyone enjoyed them. We would like to thank Mr Moyle, Mr Daff, Dean, Miss O’Toole, Kylie, Ebony and Taylah for supporting our project.

Gabby Finnigan, Hayley McIntosh, Mikayla Marshall

Money raised from the event will be spent on the Year 9 common room.

Students finding solutions for each other...

Right: Mikayla Marshall, Hayley McIntosh & Gabby Finnigan putting the finishing touches on their cupcakes. They were very popular!
Primary – Year 8 Happenings...

We also enjoyed another visit from the Rushworth Kinder on Tuesday 3rd September. Students and kinder children enjoyed Physical Education activities such as shooting goals, jumping on mats, kicking soccer balls, egg and spoon races and then a very entertaining warm down (including facial stretches). A massive thank you to Miss. Cray for organising and setting up the activities and to Robert Newbiggin for volunteering his time to prepare our morning tea. Thank you to the Rushworth Kinder for making the walk down to visit us and to Marg, Karen and Shelley for supporting our activities.

We look forward to the next round of transitions!

Top: Miss Cray and students doing warm down stretches, Below left: Jackson and Charlie playing quoits. 
Below middle: Chelsea Robinson doing some facial stretches as part of the warm down.
Below right: Jason and Ziggy completing an egg and spoon race during Kinder Transition visit this week.
Prep—Year 8 Awards

Prep/1/2:  
**Bronte Pearson** - for having a positive attitude to class and trying her best in her writing  
**Bradley Bons** - for his efforts in independent writing

Year 3/4:  
**Geordie Aburrow** – For showing persistence in his Narrative Writing. Well Done!  
**Baylee Bons** – For writing a fantastic Narrative in class and using her time productively. Keep up the great work!

Year 5/6:  
**Chloe Laurie**: for excellent persuasive writing  
**Dan Newbiggin**: for excellent persuasive writing  
**Emily Vanderdonk**: for improved attitude towards her work and in the quality of her work  
**Jaimee Cornford**: for making an excellent start to her schooling at Rushworth P-12 College

Year 7:  
**Abi Clarke** - Excellent homework completion and attention to detail with her English work in class.  
**Matt Lange- Richards** - Outstanding use of English class time to produce high quality written responses

Year 8:  
Congratulations to **Tommy Coyle** who has been applying himself to completing task in class and participating enthusiastically in class discussions

Ms. Fraser’s Music Awards:  
**Dana Rodgers** – For participating with a smile in music classes  
**Kannika** – For participating with a smile in music classes and enjoying singing ‘We Got the Beat’  
**Tom Jones** – For having a positive attitude toward his reading

P-8 Focus this fortnight

P/1/2:  
**Literacy Focus**: In literacy we will be finalising our work on narratives and completing the steps to create and write one independently. As always we are continuing work on building our reading and written vocabulary. We will also be looking at writing procedures and will be using easy recipes which we will also attempt to create!

**Numeracy Focus**: In numeracy we are consolidating our work on time for the Grade 1’s and 2’s, and Preps will be finishing their work on skip counting (2’s, 5’s and 10’s). We are also look at directions this fortnight including clockwise, anticlockwise, forward, backward, left and right.

Year 3/4:  
**Literacy Focus**: Students will be continuing to use the CAFÉ Reading Strategies in their Daily 5 Reading Groups.  
We will be looking at Comprehension (back up and reread, use text features), Accuracy (chunk letters and sounds together, use beginning and end sounds), Fluency (use punctuation within the text) and Expand Vocabulary (using dictionaries).

In Spelling, students will be working on utilising a range of different spelling strategies that will assist in spelling unknown and challenging words. We will also be revising prefixes, base words and suffixes.

In writing, we will be adding the finishing touches to our stories by finalising our typing and illustrations. All Grade 3/4 students have put in a lot of effort into writing their narratives. Possibly ask your child to give a recount of their story to you! Stories will be shared with the class and Primary Area.

**Numeracy**: In Maths, students will be continuing on with investigating division strategies and ways to divide groups evenly and with remainders. We will be looking at real life examples of where we use division and the different strategies that people use to divide objects and people.
In our Applied Maths, students will be investigating, creating and interpreting simple grid maps to show position and pathways

**Year 5/6:**

**Literacy Focus:** In writing, we will continue to learn about the structure and content of information reports. We will also revise our knowledge of common punctuation and of correct sentence structure.

In reading we will be looking at inferential comprehension, and how we make sense of what it is we read. We will also be practising reading with expression.

Throughout the week, students will be presenting the 3 minute talks that they have prepared.

**Numeracy Focus:** Students will be comparing, ordering and representing a range of fractions and decimals. We will also begin learning about the cartesian co-ordinate system using all four quadrants. Times tables will continue to be a focus, with students now beginning to be able to recall random times tables facts. Well done Year 5/6's on the practise you are putting into learning your times tables!!

**Year 7:**

**Literacy Focus:** In English Year 7 students have been looking at the presentation of advertisements in the media, analysing advertising techniques and designing their own persuasive advertisements. We have also been looking at idioms and their meanings. On Demand testing to monitor growth in student's reading will be conducted this week.

**Year 8:**

**Literacy Focus:** Students have completed reading the class texts “Holes”/“Z for Zachariah” and have begun a new unit on Visual Texts learning how images are used to convey messages and persuade us. The students have been studying newspapers photographs and are now studying film. They are currently enjoying watching “Holes”.

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**SAFE Education Day**

Grade 3/4 students will participate in a SAFE Education Day at Stubberfield Sports and Entertainment Centre in Echuca on Tuesday 17th September 2013.

Notes for this excursion have been given out to all Grade 3/4 students.

Money and signed note need to be returned to school by **Friday 13th September 2013**.

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**VCAL Spa Day Monday 9th September 10.00am til 2.00pm**

Book yourself in for a manicure, pedicure or new set of gel nails.

Gel Nails $20  Manicure $10  Pedicure $15

Money raised will be donated to **BCNA**.

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - RING NOW** so you don't miss out on this opportunity.

PLEASE SUPPORT these BEAUTY students.
Newcombe Secondary College Band visit our College.

The College were very fortunate to receive a visit from the Newcombe Secondary College Band on Thursday 29th August.

The band played several musical items for our students and they were very well received. Some of our students were even inspired to create our own band in the future.

Newcombe Secondary College is situated in Geelong and has a strong music program that supports individual and team performance through three College bands and middle and senior school ensembles through both instrumental and classroom music programs. Each year as part of their curriculum the performance band visit different regions of Victoria to perform for other schools. This year they were in our area and played at several schools in our area. The Newcombe Secondary College students got to see a little of the area as well, camping out at the Waranga Basin during their stay.

We thank them immensely for performing for us and helping to inspire some of our musically talented students to ‘dream big’.
PARTY SAFE TIPS FOR PARENTS

Parents are often faced with tough decisions about teenage parties. Parties are part of growing up, yet no parent wants their teenager to be unsafe.

YOUR TEENAGERS PARTY

Parents often need to face questions such as:
What do I do when my teenager wants to have a party?
Should I supervise the party?
Should I allow alcohol to be available?
What are my responsibilities and obligations to the guests and other parents?

Before saying yes to allowing a party, give yourself time to think about it:
It’s okay not to respond to the request immediately.
Clarify how involved in the party your teenager wants you to be.
Decide on the bottom line conditions you would agree to; and
Discuss your proposal and concerns with your teenager.

Put forward your proposal to your teenager:
Adequate supervision of teenage parties is essential - even though your teenagers may not want you present or involved in the party - a responsible adult is lawfully required at a party for children under 18 years of age that is held in your home. Remember, you will be held responsible and liable for the outcome, so advise your teenager about this as it helps to demonstrate that you are not attempting to "spy" or be "over controlling". If your teenager has a negative reaction to your proposal, you could negotiate with them over certain conditions. For example; restrict your presence in the party area in exchange for an agreement to have an alcohol free or low alcohol party, or, you may be prepared to allow up to 40 guests if your teenager agrees to use formal invitations or wristbands for identification. Remember, that more guests means more supervision required. And if you do allow alcohol at the party, you’ll need to take measures to control it's consumption.

Managing the Party
No pass-outs! Make it clear that any teenager leaving the party will not be allowed to return. This reduces the chance that teenagers will leave the party to consume alcohol or drugs and later cause trouble at the party.
Supply all the drinks, including non-alcoholic drinks, this helps to prevent the smuggling of alcohol into the venue. Read the Party Safe Checklist for more advice about managing parties.

Inform other parents about the party. Some ways to do this include:
Phone or visit the parents' of teenage guests
Send out any party invitations via the parents
See if your teenager can organize other parents to contact you
Ensure invitations require an RSVP from parents, and encourage parents to call you for more information; and
Write separate letters to parents informing them about the party.
It’s a good idea for you to inform other parents about the location, and start and finish times of the party. You may even invite them to help in supervising the party.
YOUR TEENAGER AT OTHER PARTIES

Decisions about your teenager attending a party can be difficult, here are some points to look out for:

- Does your teenager have an official invitation?
- If alcohol is to be offered, how will it be controlled and supervised?
- Can you speak with the host or the host's parents about the party?
- Will the police be notified about the party, or registered with them?
- Will there be adequate supervision at the party?

Other things you can do:

- Make plans for your teenager to travel to and from the party safely.
- Speak with your teenager about having a good time without coming to harm.
- Arrange backup plans for your teenager in the event that things 'go wrong'.
  This could include emergency transport and an exit strategy.

PREVENT GATE CRASHERS

Gate Crashers a very real problem but there are a number of measures you can take to reduce the risk of unwanted guests. These include;

- Limit the number of guests at the party to a manageable size
- Inform invitees about the above limits, and do not allow friends to invite other friends.
- Send official invitations to guests
- Supply wristbands at the door, or with your invitations.
- Be sure to write the name of the guest(s) on the invitation.
- Include and require an RSVP.
- Require guests to bring their invitation to the party
- Hold the party away from publicly accessible areas such as front yards.
- Organise transport for guests to arrive at the party
- Only inform guests of the location of the party at the last moment. But do give them the date and party time earlier.
- Organise for responsible people to check invitations at the door.
- Minimise the entry and exit points to the party.
- Monitor the number of guests and ensure it matches your planned numbers.
- Organise for people such as parents, or hired security personnel to be responsible for security.
- Ensure you have a backup plan in place, this may include calling the police or their parents.

Read the Party Safe Checklist for more advice about managing parties


Leanne James
School Nurse Educator

A reminder to families and students that Term 4 is a SunSmart Term.

All students at the College will need to adhere to our SunSmart Policy and wear a hat when outside the classrooms.

Use the upcoming school holiday period to find or replace your hat in readiness!
Parents & Friends WELCOME

Spinning Wheels, Guess the lollies and other various stalls!

Market Day

It’s on the 13th of September....
Be there at lunch time at Rushworth P-12 College

Sundaes, popcorn, BBQ, waffles and lollies will all be available for sale.

All activities will be in the vicinity of the Stadium.
Greenham’s at Tongala are offering an information session on the wide range of career paths and training opportunities they can provide at their business. The session is being held on **Wednesday 18th September, 5 -7pm at the Golden Cow venue** in Tongala. You will be able to see videos and footage showing work in the Industry, find out about all our different career and training opportunities, Greenham staff expectations and our rewarding pay rates.

**VET 2014 enrolments:**

Last call for students who are interested in studying a VET subject next year, you need to come into Careers Central and confirm with myself your intention so that I can forward your details to GOTAFE or KCLC.

**Bendigo Bank Scholarships:**

2014 Scholarships are opening soon - 2nd December 2013 until 24th January 2014. The scholarships are available to rural and regional students attending university for the first time in 2014. For further details please pop into Careers Central for a flyer or visit the website; [www.bendigoadaelaide.com.au/scholarships](http://www.bendigoadaelaide.com.au/scholarships)

**Women in Defence ‘Defying Gravity’ Experience - Technical Camp for girls.**

The Air Force is excited to offer girls the opportunity to experience Air Force technical and engineering careers. **1st - 4th October at RAAF Base, Wagga.**

**What you will get to do:**

- Enjoy some hands on experience working on sophisticated Air Force Equipment
- An opportunity to engage and ask questions of Air Force women technicians.
- Experience Air Force life including living quarters, meals, training and some leadership activities.
- A chance to speak with Defence Force recruiting regarding all opportunities for Air Force employment.
- There may be an opportunity to fly in an Air Force aircraft to another base for an overnight visit.

**What you need:**

- Parental permission if you are under 18 years old.
- An interest in Maths and Science related subjects.
- A willingness to extend yourself and experience things that some people will never get to do.
- An ability to commit to the full program.

**How to apply:**

*Kerrie Raglus*

*Student Pathways*
Some of our new Library novels - now available!!!!!!!

Title: Shine on Daizy Star. Book 1
Author: Cathy Cassidy

Blurb: Meet the one and only Daizy Star......
She’s quirky and cool and loving life in Year six with her best friends Willow and Beth.
But when Dad hatches a mad plan that will turn life upside-down, Daizy is too horrified to tell anyone at all...and pretty soon she finds herself tangled up in a knot of secrets.
Will Daizy realize that even when she’s sinking, her friends and family are there to help her swim?

Title: Daizy Star Ooh La La! Book 4
Author: Cathy Cassidy

Blurb: Meet the one and only Daizy Star......
Daizy is searching for a way to shine. Could a class trip to France help her find her hidden talent? At least it’ll be an escape from the embarrassment of Dad’s latest nutty job - dressing up as a giant squirrel!
In Paris with her classmates, Daizy feels inspired - she’s going to be a famous artist! Will her star quality be spotted? Or will it be more splattered, splashed and muddied?

Title: Love, Peace & Chocolate
Author: Cathy Cassidy

Jess and Kady are best friends forever. They think nothing can come between them, but then the gorgeous, blue-eyed Jack Somers gets in the way. He’s melted their hearts - but he won’t break up their friendship...Will he?

But wait, there’s more Cathy Cassidy novels still to arrive.....
‘Strike a pose, Daizy Star’ & ‘Letters to Cathy’
So make sure to check out the next newsletter for the write up on them!! :)

Title: The Look
Author: Sophia Bennett

Ted is tall. Freaky. When she’s spotted by model agency, she can’t believe it. At the same time, her gorgeous sister falls seriously ill.
With her world turned upside down, Ted must choose between fame and family. Can she be a supermodel and a super sister? All in five-inch heels?
Title: **Adventure Time. The Witch’s Garden**  
Author: Sheila Sweeny Higginson  
**Blurb:** Cursed! After eating a delicious doughnut from a witch’s garden, Jake had a spell put on him that takes away his magical powers. Can Finn help Jake rediscover the source of his magic before he’s trapped in a human body forever?

Title: **Adventure Time. The Enchiridion**  
Author: Sheila Sweeny Higginson  
**Blurb:** The Hero’s Book. When Finn rescues Princess Bubblegum from a crumbling tower, she tells him about the secrets of the Enchiridion, a book meant for heroes whose hearts are righteous. Finn’s sure the book was meant just for him. Now all he has to do is prove that he is a true hero.

Title: **The Last Thirteen**  
Author: James Phelan  
**Blurb:** 13 Books. 13 Nightmares. 1 Destiny  
I click my fingers and everybody dies….  
Sam wakes from his nightmare to discover the terrifying reality. It will come true. Kidnapped from school and finding out his parents aren’t who he thinks they are, Sam is suddenly running from danger at every turn. Nothing will ever be the same again. With his life and identity shattered, Sam’s salvation is tied to an ancient prophecy. He is in the final battle to save the world, up against an enemy plotting to destroy us all. He alone can find the last 13……Are you one of them?…..

Title: **Refuge: many dreams, one land**  
Author: Jackie French  
**Blurb:** When a boat carrying a group of asylum seekers is sunk by a freak wave, Faris wakes from the shipwreck in an Australia he’s always dreamed of. There are kangaroos grazing under orange trees and the sky is always blue. On a nearby beach, Faris meets a group of young people who have come from far different times and places. They are also seeking refuge, and each has their own story of why they had to leave their country to make a new life for themselves. It is only when Faris chooses to return to ‘real life’ and find his father in Australia that he learns the extraordinary truth about the friends he made on the golden beach.  
From one of Australia’s best-loved authors comes a remarkable story about Australia’s long history of migration and the people who make up our country.

Title: **Chasing the Valley. Book 1**  
Author: Skye Melki-Wegner  
**Blurb:** Chasing the Valley is the first book in an epic trilogy of magic, treachery and survival.  
Danika is used to struggling for survival. But when the tyrannous king launches an attack to punish her city - echoing the alchemy bombs that killed Danika’s family - she risks her life in a daring escape over the city’s walls. Danika joins a crew of desperate refugees who seek the Magnetic Valley, a legendary safe haven. But when she accidentally destroys a palace biplane, Danika Glynn becomes the most wanted fugitive in Taladia. Pursued by the king’s vicious hunters and betrayed by false allies, Danika also grapples worth her burgeoning magical abilities. And when she meets the mysterious Lukas, she must balance her feelings against her crew’s safety.  
‘Brilliant! It has such a gripping storyline and I couldn’t put it down!’ Benjamin, Age 11  
‘A cross between Percy Jackson and The Hunger Games. The characters are top class, the story is incredible.’ Charlie, Age 12
Title: The Power of Five. Raven’s Gate. Book 1
Author: Anthony Horowitz

A brand new series of sinister supernatural adventures...

Blurb: He always knew he was different. First there were the dreams. Then the deaths began. When Matt Freeman gets into trouble with the police, he’s sent to be fostered in Yorkshire. It’s not long before he senses there’s something wrong with his guardian: with the whole village. Then Matt learns about the Old Ones and begins to understand just how he is different. But no one will believe him; no one can help. There is no proof. There is no logic. There is just the gate.

Title: The Power of Five. Evil Star. Book 2
Author: Anthony Horowitz

Blurb: It began with Raven’s Gate. But it’s not over yet. Once again the enemy is stirring. After defeating the Old Ones at Raven’s Gate, Matt Freeman thought he could get on with his life. But someone had other ideas. Far away in Peru a second gate is about to open. Only Matt has the power to stop the forces of darkness breaking through, but now they know all about him. This time they’re going to destroy him first.

“A supernatural adventure of the chilling kind...The tension explodes into the sore of chase scenes that makes this author a favourite.” The Times

Title: Collingwood. A Love Story
Author: Paul Daley

Blurb: Every year when Collingwood plays Essendon in the AFL’s annual Anzac Day match, Collingwood president Eddie McGuire carries an old horseshoe into the team’s changing rooms passes it around. The players examine it as he related the great footy club story behind it. It’s early in the twentieth century and Doc Seddon, a Collingwood player, introduces his childhood sweetheart, Louie, to his dashing team mate, Paddy Rowan. Paddy sweeps Louie off her feet and they marry. But war intervenes. Doc and Paddy go off to fight, leaving Louie to raise Paddy’s baby. When Paddy is killed, Doc promises that he will always look after Paddy’s wife and child. Just before the 1917 Grand Final, he sends a horseshoe back from the Somme, where he continued to serve. It brings the Magpies luck - they win.

The author, Paul Daley travelled in Doc and Paddy’s footsteps on the Western Front, tracing the terrible battles in which each man fought, and stood by Paddy’s gravestone on the Somme to ponder who he really was and whether his wife and best mate really knew him at all. Against this backdrop he reveals the role that the Collingwood Football Club played in the struggling community that gave rise to it.

Until next time, keep on reading!! Library Manager - Kerri-Anne Nurse

Connectedness to Nature and Subjective Wellbeing: A Family Perspective

We are interested in how it is that parents and their children connect with nature, or not, and what impact this has on their wellbeing. We desperately need participants for this survey! This research is being conducted by Josh Armistead (B.AppSci) at RMIT University, under the supervision of A.Prof Andrew Francis. This survey is targeted at children between 8 – 16 and their parents. If you would like to find out more, please visit our Facebook page, or go straight to the survey.

All participants have the option to go into a draw for an iPad-mini 😊

The face book page is www.facebook.com/ConnectednessToNatureAndWellbeingSurvey

The direct link to online survey is https://rmit.asia.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_bCmFec8bb9d0Ryl
UPCOMING HOLIDAY ACTIVITY

GV Rail Club will hold Shepparton’s 8th model railway exhibition at St. Augustine’s Hall, Orr Street, on Saturday the 21st and Sunday the 22nd of September 2013.

The opening times are Saturday 9.00 am to 5.30 pm and Sunday 10.00 am to 4.00 pm and entry costs are $8.00 for adults, $3.00 for kids and $20.00 for families (2 adults, 2 children).

There will be twelve train layouts originating from Benalla, Wodonga, Stawell, Melbourne, New South Wales as well as GV Rail Club and members. Static displays from Moira Miniature Railway (have your photo taken on locomotive, Little Moira), a prototype signalling display and “How To” demonstrations will round-out the show. For those bitten by the rail bug at the exhibition, specialist stores and second-hand stalls will be present selling train sets and model railway goods so you can get your own layout up and running in no time. And for those interested in “big trains”, ‘Railfan’ DVD’s, magazines and books will also be available. There will also be rail-themed art-work for sale, home-made greeting and gift cards and various other paraphernalia.

GV Rail Club members are proud to welcome Railway House of Echuca as Exhibition Patron. They will also be official ‘Austrains’ representatives at the exhibition with a number of specials planned for sale. Our past exhibitions have seen, on average, around 1400 very happy people passing through our doors and we host around 40 exhibitors from around the state and interstate over three days. We are sure that 2013 will be no different.

For further details, please contact Ross Musolino on 0407845247, catch us on facebook Goulburn Valley Rail (G V Rail) or check-out our informative website www.gvrailclub.com

The Echuca Library is hosting a heat of the Australian Poetry Slam, 2013, on Friday 13th September from 6.30 pm.

The search is on to find Victoria’s best spoken-word poet. Perform your original poem at a Victorian heat of the Australian Poetry Slam – a series of electric live events where the audience is the judge! Heat winners score $100 cash and also go on to compete in the Victorian state final at the State Library of Victoria. The winner and runner-up from each state and territory will then battle it out at the national final in Sydney.

For more details contact Wendy O’Hara at the Library on (54821997) Or call into Careers Central for an information pack.
STANHOPE/RUSHWORTH JUNIOR CRICKET SEASON 2013/2014
UNDER 12 AND UNDER 14 TEAMS

Stanhope and Rushworth Junior Cricket are looking for players, boys and girls, for the Under 12 and Under 14 cricket teams to play in the Goulburn Murray Cricket Association.

Under 12’s will play on a Wednesday night in a one day format, 25 overs per side. Players need to be under 12 as at the 1st September, 2013.

Under 14’s will play on a Thursday night. Players need to be under 14 as at the 1st September, 2013.

If you are interested, or know of anyone else who may be, or you want further information, please contact Brendan Densley on 0459 403998 or 58572892.

“MILO IN 2 CRICKET”

Stanhope Cricket Club is conducting Milo In2 Cricket this season for boys and girls aged 5 – 10 years old. There will be 8 sessions and they will commence on Sunday 20th October, 2013 with registration being held on Sunday 13th October at 10am. Cost is $65 per child.

For further information, please contact Brendan Densley on 0459 403998 or 58572892.

As Football & Netball seasons draw to a close it’s time to consider...what sport will you play this Summer?

Looks like plenty on offer!

Stanhope Tennis Club Inc.
Junior Information Meeting
Thursday 12th September at 5.30pm at the Lawn Courts, Birdwood Ave, Stanhope

All parents of new & existing players are encouraged to attend this session.

For any enquiries, please contact Stephen Browne on 5857 2201 or 0487 398982

BILLABONG RANCH SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

FUN Learning Horses Ride
FRIENDS Memories to last a lifetime! JUMP
EVERY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!
NEXT CAMP: 29TH SEPT - 5TH OCT

PH 03 5483 5122 FOR MORE INFO
2014 SUMMER CAMPS:
5th – 11th JAN & 19th – 25th JAN 2014
THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER GREAT ACTIVITIES TO KEEP THE WHOLE FAMILY ENTERTAINED! *OPEN 7 DAYS*
CHECK US OUT AT www.billabongranch.com.au
Planning is currently underway for Health & PE Week, which will be held 14th - 18th October. As a college we have partnered with GV Health to develop a week long range of activities aimed at encouraging our students and families to be more active and healthy.

The week will come to a BIG finale with the school organising a HUGE BASKETBALL-A-THON and family BBQ tea on Friday 18th October.

More details to come home soon, but please mark the date on your calendar!

Amanda Cray,
PE Coordinator

Other Upcoming Events:

⇒ Friday 6th September   GMDSSV Secondary Interschool Athletics
⇒ Wednesday 18th September   Year 7 & 8 Junior Summer Sports

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**Functional Fitness**

Rushworth & Stanhope Functional Fitness sessions

*Want to feel fit, healthy and lean?*

Join Mel in her fun Functional Fitness sessions.

All fitness levels and abilities catered for -
from Youths to Seniors!

PRICE: $10 casual

I am passionate about helping people to get fit, healthier and happier. So, let’s get moving!

**Monday & Wednesday nights**

Rushworth P-12 College Stadium

7 pm - 8 pm

Contact Mel for bookings

0457 433 534

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Odd socks day is a light-hearted approach to reminding people that anyone can have an odd day.

Stigma is undoubtedly one of the biggest barriers to people seeking help and recovery from mental illness.

So, how you treat someone with a mental illness really does make a difference to their lives and recovery.

If you would like to ‘make a difference’, join our campaign against mental health stigma and discrimination.

On Friday 4 October, pull on your odd socks and help stomp out stigma!

Visit [www.oddsocksday.org.au](http://www.oddsocksday.org.au) for more information, and follow us on Facebook and twitter.
Proudly supporting Rushworth P-12 College

We’re supporting U and your community
Call in and see us at 23 High Street, Rushworth or phone 5856 2122.

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We are getting the SAKG program up & running again for our Primary students and we need YOUR help!!!

- Do you have any straw, manure, seeds, cuttings etc. you would like to donate?
- Do you have time to spare once a fortnight?

Then please contact Kerrie Raglus at the College NOW!!! WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT

Threatened Species Day
Sunday 8th September
Bigger & Better
Heaps of activities; Kid’s Safari Trails, Keeper talks, Face painting & Prizes galore!

Come and see our own Threatened species; Alpine Dingoes, Eastern Barred Bandicoots, the playful Quolls & much more!

The Animals are Coming!
Have a WILD day. See & touch live: pythons, frogs, lizards, crocodiles, birds and possums
Park Opens 9.30-5.30
Activities 10.00-2.00pm
Normal admission prices apply

FOR SALE - from Design Tech Dept.
Weldmaster 195 MIG
90amp - 210 amp 16 volt - 24.5 volt
$350.00 OBO
Contact Ken or Annemaree at the College

PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES
We are seeking your interest in being part of a support and information group for parents of children with Type 1 diabetes in the Echuca/Moama and surrounding areas.

Date: FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER
Time: 9.30am
Where: AMERICAN HOTEL
Location: 239 Hare street Echuca

Come along and meet others who are experiencing similar things to you & your family.

To register your interest or for more information, please contact Raelene 0425759017 rails1@iprimus.com.au
Donna Robertson CDE or Norma Oliver CDE Diabetes Education at Echuca Regional Health Monday - Wednesday Phone: 5485 5801

Enquiries: Kezia Talbot 5852 204 Kyabram Fauna Park