**NOVEMBER**

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<td>All VCE Exams at the Shire Hall, Rushworth.</td>
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Year 3/4 students recently had a great time on camp at Billabong Ranch. See more on page 9.

We farewelled our Year 12 students recently, check out pages 4,5 for more.
Leadership Change

Thank you to the many College community members that have wished me congratulations for my recently announced move to Principal of McGuire College in Shepparton for 2016. We really should be proud of the work that we have achieved together over the last four and half years and of our students adaptability and willingness to be part of this journey. As advised in our letter out to parents earlier this week, the Regional Office of DET will be calling for Expressions of Interest for an Acting Principal in Term 1, 2016 and this will then be followed by the state-wide advertising for a substantive Principal to join the College in Term 2, 2016. As these processes take place I will keep you informed of our progress and look forward to informing you of our Acting Principal for Term 1, 2016.

Our College Staff and College Council are well positioned for this change with a strong and detailed Strategic Plan in place to guide the work of the next four years. Our Strategic Plan sets forward a continuing improvement agenda that builds on our work from 2012-2014 and introduces our College and students to the next level of work to ensure that Rushworth P-12 College is a school of choice in the local area by providing each and every student with a pathway through and beyond their formal years of schooling, and a pathway that is rich in educational, social and cultural experiences. The ongoing support of our parent and broader communities is an essential component of this work and the future success of the College.

Personalised Learning 2016

Thank you to the parents who came along and joined us for the 2016 Year 9/10 Information afternoon earlier this week. Next year our Year 9/10 students will be introduced to Tier 1 of our Personalised Learning Improvement Plan with the introduction of elective subjects. On Wednesday our students heard from key staff about this program, the subjects on offer and how they can make choices for their learning in 2016. If your son or daughter is yet to return their preference form, please do so as soon as possible.

Stay tuned over the coming weeks as we share information with you in regards to our Year 7-12 Advisory Groups and our Year 7-10 English and Maths groups and how they will operate in 2016.

Student Attendance

Attendance matters! If you want your son or daughter to excel and achieve at school then it is really important that they are attending school each and every day. The odd day off here and there soon adds up and before long, over several years, your son or daughter may have missed a month, term or half year of schooling. Help us to bring out the best in your children by having them here each and every day, unless of course they are ill.

Each fortnight we will give you a snapshot of our student attendance rates over the previous fortnight. Our goal is to have our P-6 attendance rate above 93% and our 7-12 rate above 90%. Classes that are ahead of their goal each fortnight will be coloured green, those on track coloured yellow and those with room for improvement coloured red. As you can see, we have some awesome attendance rates by our Year P-8 students, keep up the great work.

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Our Year 9-11 students are really encouraged to be at school every day and to lift their attendance rate over 90%. Parents, your support is really needed with these students so please get behind us and support your students to lift their attendance rate for the rest of the year.
Principal availability for the next two weeks

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Kind regards,
Brad Moyle, Principal

REMINDER

Year 6 - Year 11
Students Booklist 2016 needs to be handed into the General Office no later than Friday 13th November

Rushworth P-12 College is a SUNSMART School

ALL staff and students need to wear a hat when outside during Term 4.

If you need to you can purchase one from the General Office for $12.

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Year 12 Farewell Assembly

Ellie Lockwood

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Kristie Crute

Alex Gelsi

Andrew Gelsi

Elise Jones

Brandon May

Jak McMillan

Grace McDonald

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Our Prep—2 students sit listening intently - wondering what it will be like when it's their turn in 2025 + !!
State Finalist

On October 20 Mitchell Coughlan and Matthew Lange-Richards headed down to Melbourne to represent the P-12 College at the Victoria State Schools Athletics finals.

Both boys competed in the 1500m and finished with respectable placing’s. U/16 year old Matthew finished 6th, while U/14 Mitchell finished 10th in his age group.

We are proud of both boys and the achievements they have worked hard for. Well done!

Larissa Carr
Health & PE Dept.

Well done Matt and Mitchell
Campaspe Outdoor Pools

2015/16 Pre-Season Community Catch Up

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*Meetings will take place at the pools, alternative venues may be sought if weather dictates*

This is your chance to discuss:

- 2015/16 Operations
- Partnership Opportunities
- Event, Activity and Programming potential

& How we can work together to get more people using their community pools!

If attending please RSVP to:
Ash Crimmins, Aquatic and Leisure Services Coordinator
Phone: (03) 5480 2994
Email: a.crimmins@campaspeaquatics.com.au

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**PREP - YEAR 8 News...**

**Prep - Year 2**

WOW! How this term is flying!

Congratulations to our weekly award winners!! **Emma Marshall** for trying her absolute best in Literacy! **Jacob Horrocks** for showing Resilience in class! Well done to you both!

We have been discovering what lives under the sea in Inquiry, entering our final week on this topic we will be moving onto Fantastic Fairy tales next!

We have been building our knowledge on 2D and 3D shapes, in numeracy; as well as working on our subtraction skills! Everyone has been working very hard with both of these topics. It has been brilliant! In literacy we have been focussing on building our hand writing skills, building our understanding of texts and our vocabulary! We have a couple of students who have reached 150 nights of reading!

Brilliant work boys, keep on going!!! 😊

*Miss Belinda McDonald*

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**Year 3/4**

**Billabong Ranch Camp**

On Wednesday the 21st of October we packed the bus and left school at 9:10am and arrived at Billabong Ranch at 10:00am. Roxy met us when we got off the bus and showed fireplace, the rec shed and our rooms.

Our first activity was Bush First Aid how to bandage a snake bite. Our second activity was Orienteering and we learnt how to use a compass! We then finished off the day with a Trivia Walk around the camp and visit to the Animal Nursery. After we had dinner we went on a Night Walk with the students from Yenda Public School, we all got to have a go at leading Muffin and Tank the sheep.

On Thursday we had breakfast with the students from Yenda before we did Horse Grooming— which we all really enjoyed. We then did Frisbee Golf and Low Ropes Course, followed by a very yummy lunch of Hot Dogs with cheese. After lunch we did Archery, Initiative Games and Mini Golf. We had dinner with Yenda Public school, followed by a Campfire Night with Marshmallow Toasting and a Fire Twirling Demonstration.

On Friday morning we cleaned out our rooms and said goodbye to our friends from Yenda after breakfast. We did Bouldering and Bikes and Trikes before we had lunch.

After lunch it was time to load the bus and head home.

*Miss Megan Flynn*
A great time was had by all on Camp:
- Toasting Marshmallows
- Bikes & Trikes ride
- Mini Golf
- Low ropes course
- and more!!
Relax to Focus - Year 3/4 students practice mindfulness

The Year 3-4 students have been participating in a mindfulness session each morning and after recess to help us relax and focus our minds before we begin our learning, visit [http://smilingmind.com.au/](http://smilingmind.com.au/) for more information.

The students have also made glitter jars to assist them when they are feeling upset/angry/confused/frustrated, they shake the jar and it becomes their mind/emotions and as they watch the glitter settle in the jar their emotions start to calm and settle.

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LITERACY HINTS

When sharing a book with your child, please take a few minutes to discuss it prior to and after reading. The pre-reading discussion prepares your child for the topic being explored in the text and generates the vocabulary that will help them to make informed predictions. Start by asking - “What do you think this story will be about?” Talk about the title, a blurb if one is present and pictures.

At the end of the story ask some basic questions to build comprehension skills (The most important component of reading). Try to ask questions that cannot be answered with a simple ‘yes’ or ‘no’. Ask questions that will probe and expand their level of thinking about the text, for example, “Why do you think ………………….?”. Sometimes the answers will not be directly stated in the text but are inferred. These inference questions require the child to bring knowledge from outside the book and to make connections.

Thanks for sharing a few precious moments listening to your child read and to discuss the book, it makes the world of difference and will help to determine their future opportunities and pathways.

*Sue Bradley, Literacy Coordinator*
LIBRARY LEARNINGS

Interesting Books for ALL in the College Library

For our keen readers who love the likes of ‘Where’s Wally’ - why not try these great titles packed with things to SPOT and facts to DISCOVER!!

For our keen readers who love graphic novels. Why not try these titles, packed with ACTION and COLOURFUL GRAPHIC PICTURES!!

For our secondary students, how about trying ........Freedom Ride - By Sue Lawson

Blurb: Robbie knows bad things happen in Walgaree. But it’s nothing to do with him. That’s the way the Aborigines have always been treated.

But in summer of 1965 racial tensions in the town are at boiling point, and something headed Walgaree’s way will blow things apart.

It’s time for Robbie to take a stand. And nothing can ever be the same again. A novel based on true events.

Kerri-Anne Nurse, Library Manager
Don’t forget….
You can keep in touch with the College regularly via the following Social Media sources.

If you would like us to promote your upcoming event or organisation please email the details to:
rushworth.p12@edumail.vic.gov.au

Next SAKG Mini Market Morning Tea
Monday 23rd November 10.30 am - 12.30pm
Come along for some great food, relaxing coffee, produce and goodies—You may even collect some Christmas Gifts.

P-12 College, Kitchen Deck

Waranga Medical Centre
8 High Street, Rushworth Vic 3612
P: 03 5861 8400 F: 03 5861 8425
E: warangamedical@gvhealth

Dr. Joe Swiss
MBBC1, ACM, MSHIM
Dr. Adel Asaid OAM
MBBC1, AMC, FRACGP

Opening Hours:
9am – 5pm
Monday – Friday
Pathology Clinic
9am –11.30am Wednesdays
Psychologist Judy Mann Every second Wednesday

“Achieving a healthy community is our mission”

✓ Free childhood immunisations at a time that suits you

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