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LET IT SNOW!!



I WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN...



NAIDOC WEEK



# WHAT'S COMING UP AT THE COLLEGE?

## JULY

<b>31</b> <b>Year 7 Transition Session 9.00 am - 12.30pm</b>	<b>1</b> P-12 Assembly 9.00am	<b>2</b> School banking day  <b>Senior Subject Selection Night for Years 9-11 - details to follow.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Long Tan Awards - nominations close</b>  <b>Principals' Day</b>
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## AUGUST

<b>7</b> <b>Parent Opinion surveys open online</b>	<b>8</b> P-12 Assembly 9.00am	<b>9</b> School banking day  <b>VCE Physical Education Excursion</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Newsletter home  <b>Parent Opinion survey session 10.00am - 11.00am</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> P-12 Assembly 9.00am  <b>Rochester Farm Safety Expo Excursion</b>	<b>16</b> School banking day  <b>Parent Opinion survey session 2.30pm - 3.30pm</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>21</b> <b>CBCA Book Week</b>  <b>Parent Opinion survey session 5.30pm - 6.30pm</b>  <b>College Council 7.00pm</b>	<b>22</b> <b>CBCA Book Week</b>  P-12 Assembly 9.00am  <b>BOOK WEEK PARADE 1.30pm ALL WELCOME</b>	<b>23</b> <b>CBCA Book Week</b>  School banking day  <b>Year 5/6 Nillahcootie Camp</b>	<b>24</b> <b>CBCA Book Week</b>  <b>Year 5/6 Nillahcootie Camp</b>	<b>25</b> <b>CBCA Book Week</b>  Newsletter home  <b>Year 5/6 Nillahcootie Camp</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> P-12 Assembly 9.00am  <b>Primary Athletics Carnival (Years 3-6)</b>	<b>30</b> School banking day  <b>MINI MARKET MORNING TEA 10.30am -12.30pm</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>

# News from the Principal....

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone. I trust you all enjoyed time together and managed to stay warm on those very chilly days that we had during the break.

## In Pursuit of Excellence

College Council met on Monday evening and we revisited our Annual Implementation Plan and discussed the work we are doing to educate every student. It is important that we continue to reflect on our progress together so that we can celebrate successes and address our deficiencies openly and collaboratively.

We have received our initial Student Attitudes to School Survey data and again we shared this at College Council. I am looking forward to discussing the results further with the students and working in a united fashion to ensure that we are an inclusive school that is providing excellent teaching and learning. I have found it very interesting to link the questions to our own three values of being respectful, responsible and resilient. It has also been of interest to differentiate between the feedback that related directly to the children's relationships with our staff and the relationships they have with each other.

I was most pleased that students felt that their teachers had high expectations and that they felt respected by them also. Our focus is on *building practise excellence* and our teachers are continually developing their skills in delivering effective lessons that cater for a variety of learning needs. This then means we enter a class expecting our students to be able to participate and can clearly convey what we are expecting them to achieve each lesson. Students also felt respected by staff which is incredibly important. There is always room for further improvement and I am not claiming that we have climbed to the top of the mountain yet, however, we are moving in the right direction and we should all celebrate that together.

The **Parent Opinion Survey** is your opportunity to provide feedback to us. We are wanting to get as much feedback as we can so we know what you feel we are doing well and what areas we still need to address according to your experiences. It is an online survey this year and we are going to provide opportunities at our college for you to complete this survey if you are unable to do so at home. We really are trying to ensure that all of our families' voices are heard. Please don't hesitate to make contact with either myself or Kerrie Raglus at the college if you have any queries.

## Positive Community, Positive Outcomes

Our first transition days are commencing for our 2018 Year 7 students next week. I am asking that you share the positive stories with our community to promote us, your local school, to prospective families. Our 2018 Foundation students will begin visiting the school in the near future too. Please don't hesitate to make contact with us if you have any enquiries. We would love you to join our college community and will work alongside you to meet the needs of your child.

*With regards and happy reading*

**Leanne Miller**

**Principal**

*Currently reading: The Shadow Girl by John Larkin*



Happy Principal's Day  
for August 4, Ms. Miller.



# Outdoor Environmental Studies Camp

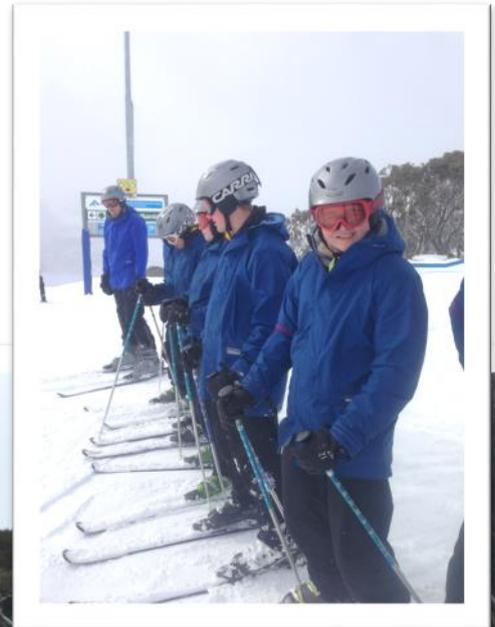
Five days of making memories with the snow falling down from above....

That's what the Year 11 and 12 Outdoor Environmental Studies students got to experience on their first week back this term.

They were all lucky enough to get the opportunity to study first hand what qualities the alpine environment presents to us. They had guest speakers from Parks Victoria and the Falls Creek Resort Management council as well as our extremely knowledgeable Mt. Bogong staff.

Although the trip was focused on helping us all experience and learn about the Alpine environment, its safe to say our favourite part was learning to downhill ski. With many falls and high speed snow ploughing, we all ate well, slept heavy and nursed our wounds so that we could tackle the slopes again the next day!

A huge thank you to Mr Daff for organising such a worthy camp and the key knowledge it has geared us with in preparation for our end of year exam.





**What a perfect opportunity to excel at our College values than in an environment that demands ...**

**RESPECT,  
RESPONSIBILITY  
and  
RESILIENCE**



## We're conducting a survey to find out what you think of our school.

The Parent Opinion Survey is completed annually by the Department of Education and Training and is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at every school in Victoria. This year, we will be asking all of our parents to participate. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement, and relationships. Our school will use the results to inform school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd and only takes 15 minutes to complete. It can be accessed from Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August.

Letters will be sent home next week, which will contain details of how to access the survey, and your unique log on code.

To assist our parents in accessing the ONLINE survey we have set up the following dates where you are most welcome to come and use the computers in our computer lab here at the College;

***Friday 11 August 10.00am -11.00am***

***Wednesday 16 August 2.30pm - 3.30pm***

***Monday 21 August 5.30 - 6.30pm***

Kerrie Raglus will be on hand to welcome you, assist you with any issues and provide you with a tea/coffee if you would like to participate.

The survey is available in English, Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha) and Hindi.

Results will be sent back to our school at the end of September, where we will share the results with the College community.

**Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Resilient**

# NAIDOC WEEK

This week the College celebrated the National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee with learning activities and cultural presentations. Held in the first week of July, NAIDOC week celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements and is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society.



As the week officially occurs over the school holidays, we like to begin Term 3 by ensuring that students in the College don't miss out on this important formal acknowledgement of our indigenous people's cultures.

Some of our students' regular classes based learning activities on these cultures. Suited to the week's theme of 'Our Languages Matter', Year 9 English class learned about words of Aboriginal origin that have entered the English language, such as "yabba" and "hard yakka".

In Year 3-4 Art, students crafted and decorated a large rainbow serpent, using indigenous-styled principles and elements.

On Thursday, our Koorie Education Support Officers, Lee Wanganeen and Wayne Cowley gave cultural presentations to all students at the college, detailing their personal experiences and stories and educating students about the history, purposes and reasons of traditional cultural practices. It was great to see all our students being respectful and immensely engaged by the stories and artefacts.

*Peter Bovell*







# DRUMBEAT

BUILDING RESILIENCE THROUGH RHYTHM

## Is here at Rushworth P-12....

DRUMBEAT is an acronym for Discovering Relationships Using Music, Beliefs, Emotions, Attitudes and Thoughts.

The DRUMBEAT program has been delivered in schools, youth centres, juvenile justice centres, prisons, mental health services, aged care facilities and disability, servicemen, refugee and migrant services. The program offers a non-confrontational and safe environment where difficult discussions can take place.

It is a nine week program and each session focuses on one of the following relationship themes: identity and social responsibility, values, dealing with emotion, peer pressure, harmony, communication and teamwork. The program ends with a performance where participants have the opportunity to showcase their new found skills and confidence and share their progress with family and friends and other respected people in their lives.

The program will be facilitated by our social worker, Kirsty Turner, and co-facilitated by Tammy Nancarrow, the school nurse educator.

We were very lucky to have secured some funding from the Bendigo Bank in Rushworth to purchase six drums, students will use these drums when participating in the program. With the first groups starting this week, we look forward to sharing some photos along the way and showing off during our performances at the end of each term.

## earn & learn

Families can collect stickers each time you shop at Woolworths and bring these into school.

Our total number of stickers at the end of this promotion then allows us as a school to purchase some much needed equipment for our students.

Please help us by collecting stickers and bringing these to the office. A sticker sheet has been sent home with Primary students this week, if you require more sheets, please collect from the office. Thank you.



## 2018 Year 9 Leadership Camp

Expressions of interest are open to current Year 8 students for the Alpine School Leadership Camp in 2018.

If you are a parent of a student in Year 8 this year and interested in having them attend a term-long camp you can find out more from the below website and discuss this opportunity with them or contact **Mr. Bovell** for more information.

<http://www.alpineschool.vic.edu.au/>



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# Year 7 Transition Timetable

TERM 3	1 9:10 – 10:10	2 10:10-11:10	3 11:30-12:30	4 12:30-1:30	5 2:20-3:20
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Introduction/ Health W2 Miss Carr	Physical Education Stadium Miss Carr	Outdoor Skills N-block Mr Daff		
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Maths W1 Mr Akan	Sport Science W2 Mrs Kelly	English N-Block Miss Matthew		
<b>TERM 4</b>			<b>R E C E S S</b>		<b>L U N C H</b>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Science W1 Mr Barnes	Science W1 Mr Barnes	Food Technology W3 Mrs Bolding	Food Technology W3 Mrs Bolding	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> No- vember	Humanities N4 Miss Dupuy	Humanities N4 Miss Dupuy	Design Tech DT Room W4 Ms Klinberg	Design Tech DT Room W4 Ms Klinberg	PBL W1 Mr Daws
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> De- cember *SWT	ART S4 Miss Duthie	ART S4 Miss Duthie	Library skills/ BYOD Library FRA/NUR/YOU	Physical Education Stadium Mrs Kelly	Fun Maths N-Block Mr Tinning

9.00-9.10 am Advisory Group —with Ms Carr. (\*State-wide Transition Day)

## 100 DAYS SMARTER

**Congratulations to our Prep students who this week have celebrated 100 days at school.**

**Isaac Chester-White**

**Erik Demillo**

**Helena Edward**

**Michelle Fung**

**Declan Hawking**

**Eden Jones**

To commemorate the event we will be holding a special ceremony at our assembly on August 1— 9.00am in the N block.

We hope our Prep families can join us, but everybody is welcome.

*(Keep an eye out in the next newsletter for a special ‘centenary’ article!)*

## Library Learnings

### CBCA 2017 - Theme: 'Escape to Everywhere'

During Term 2, primary students focused on the CBCA shortlisted book 'Gary' in their Art class. Students worked on certain aspects of the book. Years 4/5/6 worked on their own individual travel journals and P/1/2/3 focused on making colourful pigeons and large versions of stamps that reflect an icon of different countries.

Their handy work is now on display in the College main hall for all to see!!

Below gives you an insight of what they have done 😊



#### Shortlisted for...

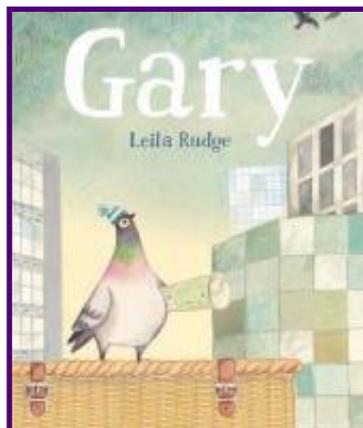
The Book of the Year: Early Childhood

Title: Gary

Author/Illustrator: Leila Rudge

**Blurb:** Any bird can find an adventure  
EVEN GARY.

A story for birds who dare to dream.





Rushworth P-12 Primary Students

and

Rushworth Kindergarten (4-5 year olds)

CBCA Book Week Parade, 2017

Theme: 'Escape to Everywhere'

E.g. mermaid (ocean), Statue of Liberty (travel), dragon (fantasy)

When: **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2017**

Time: **1.30 to 2.20pm**

Where: **Front of Library**

**Stadium (if poor weather)**

**Parents/family are welcome to come and support the event. Please bring a picnic lunch.**

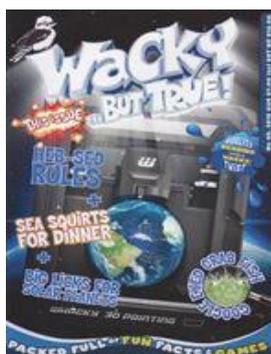
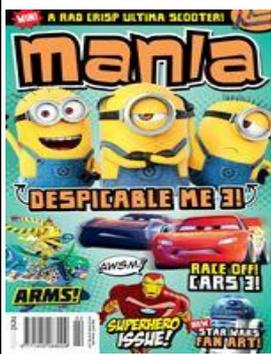
**Party food will be provided after the parade.**

*Secondary students are welcome to dress up on the day :)*

cbca. 2017. Children's Book Council of Australia. [ONLINE] Available at: <http://cbca.org.au/>. [Accessed 19 July 2017].

We are looking for regular newspaper donations, in particular, 'The Weekly Times,' 'Herald Sun' and 'The Age' to help develop *current world knowledge* in our students.

If you are wanting to donate them to the College rather than your recycle bin then please drop them off to the College General Office.



**The College Library has just recently signed up for junior subscriptions for the following magazines.....**

**Mania**

**Wacky... but true!**

**Krash**

**K-Zone**

**Pets**

**Students are welcome to visit the Library to enjoy these interesting magazines before school or at lunchtimes.**



## **Tatura Basketball Spring Competition will commence August 21<sup>st</sup> .**

This competition is open to ages 8-16  
(must still be 16 on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2017).

Registration is available online via the Tatura Amateur Basketball Association website from Monday July 24<sup>th</sup> and will close Wednesday August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please contact Lisa Cullum, President, on 0428242889 for more information.

**RUSHWORTH P-12 COLLEGE TERM 3 2017 MENU****Canteen Manager** *Christine Williams*

<u>Recess Menu</u>	<u>Lunch menu</u>	<u>Lunch menu</u>
<b>Hash Brown</b> .80c	<b>Sandwiches</b>	<b>SALAD TUBS</b>
<b>Dim Sims (with tom or soy sauce)</b> .90c	<b>Vegetemite or Jam</b> \$2.00	<b>Aussie Salad - Lettuce, tomato, Cucumber, Carrot, Cheese, Beetroot</b> \$4.00
<b>Chicken strips</b> \$1.00	<b>Cheese</b> \$2.00	<b>Tuesday Lunch Specials</b>
<b>Party Pie</b> \$1.00	<b>Ham</b> \$2.00	(must be order at recess)
<b>Good Eating Beef Pie (200g)</b> \$3.50	<b>Ham and Cheese</b> \$3.00	<b>Homemade Sausage roll</b> \$3.00
<b>½ Chicken chilli wrap</b> \$2.00	<b>Egg and lettuce</b> \$3.00	<b>Bake Potato</b> \$5.00
(lettuce&mayo)	<b>Salad - Lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot, beetroot and cheese</b> \$3.00	with coleslaw, cheese, bacon, sour cream
<b>Tomato sauce</b> 20c	<b>Ham and Salad</b> \$3.70	<b>Pizza's (12in)</b> \$5.00
<b>Honey/Satay Roasted Wing Thing</b> \$1.00	<b>Chicken and Salad</b> \$4.00	<b>Hawaiian- sauce, cheese, ham and pineapple</b>
<b>All day snacks</b>	<b>Tuna and Salad</b> \$4.00	<b>BBQ Chicken- BBQ sauce, chicken, Cheese, onion and capsicum.</b>
<b>Ovaltines</b> \$1.00	<b>Rolls - add 80c</b>	<b>Vegetable Pizza- Sauce, roast pumpkin, fetta</b>
<b>Red Rock Del</b> \$1.00	<b>Chicken Schnitzel Wrap</b>	<b>Friday lunch Specials</b>
Honey soy chicken or sea salt	with lettuce and mayo (cold) \$4.00	(must be order at recess)
<b>Drinks</b>	<b>Chicken Sweet Chilli Wrap</b>	<b>Lasagne</b> \$5.00
<b>Water</b> \$2.00	with lettuce and mayo (cold) \$4.00	<b>Mrs Mac Quiche</b> egg/cheese/bacon \$3.50
<b>Fruit Juice</b> \$2.00	<b>Recess/Lunch orders</b>	<b>Spaghetti and Italian meatballs</b> \$3.50
Apple or Apple blackcurrant	<b>ALL STUDENT Recess/ Lunch orders to be placed in Library return book box before 8.55am</b>	
<b>Oaks 300ml</b> \$2.00	<b>Staff orders to canteen by 10.00am</b>	
Strawberry and Chocolate	<b>Except Tuesday &amp; Friday, lunch can be ordered at recess at the canteen</b>	
<b>Oaks 600ml</b> \$3.00	<b>Thank -you</b>	
Chocolate, Caramel, Vanilla, Strawberry and Banana		
<b>Lipton Ice tea peach</b> \$3.00		



# 2017 Gators Tryouts



All players interested in playing in the 2017-2018 Shepparton Basketball Junior Representative Squad (Junior Gators) are invited to trial.

Final trials will be held at Shepparton Stadium on Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> :

U14s 4.30-6

U16s 6-7.30

U18s 7.30-9

(U12 trials will be held later in August)

For more information please see the GSBA website or follow the link:

[http://websites.sportstg.com/assoc\\_page.cgi?client=1-13-0-0-0&SID=956&&news\\_task=DETAIL&articleID=57280219](http://websites.sportstg.com/assoc_page.cgi?client=1-13-0-0-0&SID=956&&news_task=DETAIL&articleID=57280219)

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Evolving the art of music through compassion, kindness and community

**music moving  
mountains  
playgroup**



**Where:** Dhurringile P.S  
605 Langham Rd

**When:** Wednesdays 9–11am

Music Moving Mountains Playgroup will be held each week of the school term. All families are welcome from surrounding areas. Dhurringile P.S is a peaceful, welcoming, safe setting surrounded by views of local farms. Loads of musical fun along with a great opportunity to meet others and encourage learning through play.

<https://www.facebook.com/dhurringileprimaryschool/>

[www.musicmovingmountains.com.au](http://www.musicmovingmountains.com.au)



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Kyabram Theatre Group Inc.  
presents



**Judith Prior's  
THE LAST RESORT**

Tickets sold at the Merrigum Café, Post Office & via Sally on 0408 674 097

**Saturday August 19th**  
\$20 Adult \$15 Concession

**BYO nibbles, drinks available for purchase**

An outrageous comedy set in a retirement village where the aging but active residents' tour bus breaks down, bringing their sightseeing and gambling trip to an abrupt halt... Things look pretty grim before they get better...

**MERRIGUM HALL**  
DOORS OPEN 7.30PM  
FOR 8.00PM START

ADULT THEMES



"The Last Resort" by Judith Prior  
by arrangement with David Spicer Productions [www.davidspicer.com.au](http://www.davidspicer.com.au).

**The Portsea Teenage Camp**

**Ages 13 years / 16 years .**

**Cost \$160.00 per child.**

**Dates 2 - 6 October 2017 .**

Applications close with Avis Weller at the end of July as transport has to be organised.

Contact: Avis Weller on 0409438386 only.

