

## Open Night Tuesday, 29 April

The annual Ashwood College Open Night will be held on Tuesday, 29 April this year.

Open Night is a big event on our calendar as it is the time when prospective parents and students visit the school to see what we have to offer.

Advance warning is given to parents regarding the special arrangements.

Tuesday, 29 April	Open Night 5.00—8.00 pm
12.00 pm	School dismissed
12.00 pm – 5.00 pm	Displays set up
5.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Open Night
7.00 pm	Parent information session

### Wednesday 30 April

**Late start to enable displays to be dismantled**

10.50 am	Home Group
11.00 am	Period 3 starts

***Kerrie Croft—Principal***

## Working Bee

A huge **thank you** to the hard working group of parents and students who supported our Term 2 Working Bee last Sunday. An enormous amount of cleaning up, weeding, mulching, carpentry, painting and repair work was completed.

The grounds surrounding our new Performing Arts Centre are looking wonderful with their new plantings and coverage of mulch. Our green room and green shed are now blue and again look very much renewed with their fresh coat of paint.

***Kerrie Croft - Principal***

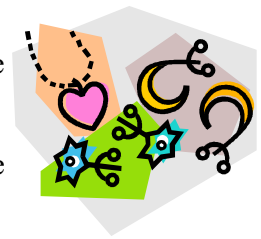
## Mum's Pamper Night

I would like to thank Lyn and Judy for organizing a nice night out for Mums and Daughters. I had a lovely hand spa and Ashleigh got her nails massaged. There was some lovely jewellery on display that you could purchase as well. We bought some bath soaks, bath oil and nail polish.

A lovely supper during the night was great too.

We hope there will be more nights like this.

***Alison Holmes***



### Yarra Valley Railway Upcoming Events

Operating from 12pm ANZAC DAY 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April

4<sup>th</sup> May - Yarra Valley Machinery Preservation Society display

11<sup>th</sup> May – MOTHERS DAY all Mums ride for free

Trolley rides depart Healesville station hourly From 10am to 4pm

Adults	\$9.00
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Family (2 adults + 2 children)	\$25.00
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### Diary Dates:

Friday	25	April	Anzac Day Holiday
Tuesday	29	April	Open Night 5.00 - 8.00 pm - students dismissed at 12.00pm
Friday	9	May	Year 7 Hepatitis B and chicken Pox Immunisation
Friday	16	May	Curriculum day

### **Intermediate Girls Volleyball**

On Monday March 17th, 19 girls from Years 9 and 10 competed in Intermediate Interschool Sport for volleyball. It was a great day and the competition was fierce. Unfortunately, neither our A or B team won any games, but that didn't stop us from having fun! Thank you to Nadia Cirakovic, Steph Farmer and Annie Lui, who all helped out by umpiring several games, and to many other girls who helped by acting as line judges and scorers. Maybe with a little training, we'll do better next year!

*Dianne Ruka*

### **Intermediate Boys Volleyball**

On Monday 17th March Boys Intermediate Volleyball was held at Springers Leisure Centre in Keysborough. The 'A' team boys got off to a flying start winning 2 sets to 0 against Wheelers Hill. Of course after this start the boys were pretty pumped up and after a rest and refereeing a match they were up against Highvale. This was a closer game but the boys still pulled through 2 sets to 1. In the final match the boys came up against Glen Waverley. It was a tight match but unfortunately our team went down 2 sets too. In our Pool it was extremely close on the ladder with Highvale, Glen Waverley and ourselves ending up with 2 wins. However, Highvale actually went through to play Brentwood in the final because they had one extra set. We ended up fifth in our draw. For a team that didn't have much experience playing Volleyball, the boys did an exceptional job against some quality opposition. WELL DONE!

The Boys 'B' Team had some very close matches. They won a few sets but couldn't quite clinch a win on the day! They played well together and encouraged each other throughout the sets. Their sportsmanship was excellent. The 'B' team played against all other schools in our district, which meant they had more games than the 'A' team but they also had to referee more games. They did a fantastic job refereeing and scoring other games as part of their duties for the day. Stephen Tate especially did an excellent job, putting up his hand to do the chair umpiring when it was their duty and taking a leadership role on court. WELL DONE TEAM!

*Melissa Worth - PE / Outdoor Ed*

### **Year 8 Girls Tennis**

On Wednesday 5th March we headed to North Ringwood Tennis Club for the Year 8 Tennis. It was a beautiful day, albeit a bit warm. The girls team consisted of Alice Nelms, Felicity Hogg, Shannon Griffs and Tiffany Rassias. With not a lot of experience on their side, the girls contested each game very well and showed excellent sportsmanship on the court. Their skills and knowledge of the game progressed through each set they played. They were a very committed team, turning up enthusiastically to each practice session at lunchtime.

Well done on a great effort Girls. Thanks to Mrs Wain and Mr Wolf for their assistance on the day.

*Melissa Worth - PE / Outdoor Ed*

### **Year 8 Girls Cricket Team**

## **Year 9 Outdoor and Environmental Studies Kayaking Excursion**

On Friday 14th March, yes that scorcher of a day, the Year 9 Outdoor and Environmental Studies Class went to Westerfolds Park for their Kayaking session on the Yarra River. It was a good place to be as there was a nice breeze blowing off the cool water. The students learned the basic skills of being in a double kayak and working with each other. Towards the end of the lesson we paddled upstream for a little while and played some 'kayak polo' (a little bit of keepings off in teams) and then we paddled back to where we started. The students showed good development of skills throughout the session, ready to tackle some rapids in Yr 10 OES. Thanks to Mrs Wain and Mr Wolf for their assistance on the day.

*Melissa Worth - PE / Outdoor Ed*

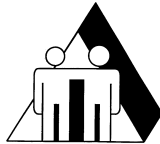
## **Year 10 Work Experience**

The Work Experience Programme will come around sooner than you think. Unfortunately, there are many students who haven't had their contract signed, completed and returned.

There are some students who do not even have a placement organised yet. This must be done **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!** Work Experience is a compulsory part of the College curriculum at Year 10. *Successful completion of the Work Experience Programme* is one of the requirements for completing Year 10 and a pre requisite for entry into many subjects in VCE. See Mr. Bullen for the necessary paperwork! Act now!

*John Bullen - Work Experience Coordinator*

## Free Homework Support Program (Springvale and Oakleigh)



The Southern Ethnic Advisory and Advocacy Council (SEAAC), a multicultural youth service that provides support to young people from migrant and refugee backgrounds is running a new homework support

program at the Springvale Learning and Activities Centre in Springvale (SLAC) 1 Osborne Avenue, Springvale. The program will run on a Thursday from 4pm – 6pm during school terms starting Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April.

This new program offers a quiet space for students to receive free homework support from tutors in a range of subject areas. If you are a student wanting extra support please come along to this great new program.

SEAAC is also continuing to run a homework support program in Oakleigh at the AMES building 1a Palmerston Grove, Oakleigh on Monday evenings from 4pm – 6pm.

For more information on either of these programs please contact Steve from SEAAC on 9563 4130



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## University/Tafe Open Day Dates for your Diary

Many Year 10 and VCE students want to take a look at universities and TAFEs. A great way to do this is to attend their Open Days. These are generally held in August and it would be a good idea to get the dates for some of them in your diary NOW, so you don't double-book yourself! Most are held between 10am and 4pm.

<u>OPEN DAY DATES</u>	
Sat Aug 2	<b>Monash</b> (Gippsland, Berwick, Parkville and Peninsula campuses)
Sun 3 Aug	<b>Monash</b> (Clayton and Caulfield); La Trobe (Bendigo)
Sun 10 Aug	<b>Deakin</b> (Geelong); <b>RMIT</b> ; <b>Gordon TAFE</b> (Geelong); <b>LaTrobe</b> (Mildura/Shepparton); <b>Sunraysia TAFE</b> (Mildura); <b>Victoria Uni</b> (Footscray)
Sun 17 Aug	<b>Deakin</b> (Warrnambool); <b>Melbourne University</b> (Parkville and St Kilda Rd); <b>Sunraysia TAFE</b> (Swan Hill); <b>Swinburne Uni and TAFE</b>
Wed 20 Aug	NMIT Careers Expo (4-8pm)
Sun 24 Aug	<b>Deakin</b> (Melbourne campus, Burwood); <b>Box Hill TAFE</b> ; <b>La Trobe</b> (Albury-Wodonga)
Sun 31 Aug	<b>Australian Catholic Uni</b> (Ballarat); <b>Ballarat Uni</b> ; <b>La Trobe Uni</b> (Bundoora)

*Kath Robinson—Careers*

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**Information Session: April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.**  
**6 Ellingworth Parade Box Hill.**