**Calendar of Events**

9th March  
Mid West Swimming - selected senior students

12th March  
Labour Day - Public Holiday

14th March  
Year 7 & Year 10 Vaccinations

15th March  
WPPSSA Swimming - selected primary students

19th March  
MWD Triathlon @ Lake Bolac - interested secondary students

23rd March  
Greater Western Division (GWD) swimming @ Ballarat - selected primary/secondary students

26th March  
Young Leaders Day @ Melbourne - Year 6 students

28th March  
Derrinallum P-12 College X Country

29th March  
Last Day of Term 1

16th April  
First Day of Term 2

20th April  
Derrinallum P-12 Athletics

27th April  
Mid West Athletics - selected students

1st May  
WPPSSA Cross Country Year 3-6

10th May  
Sports day @ Skipton - Year P-2

29th June  
Last Day of Term 2

16th July  
First Day of Term 3

21st September  
Last Day of Term 3

8th October  
First Day of Term 4

21st December  
Last Day of Term 4

Camps/Excursions  
Term Dates - Start  
Term Dates - End  
Sporting Events  
Student Free Days & Public Holidays

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**Youth Council**

Congratulations to Liam Maslin and Imogen Craven who have been selected to represent Derrinallum on the Shire’s Youth Council. They join Hannah Thompson who has already completed a very successful year in this capacity. I am confident both Liam and Imogen will be excellent ambassadors for our community and I would like to wish them well as they embark on this leadership journey.

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**Swimming Sports**

Well done to all students who participated in last Friday’s events. Congratulations to Max Uren who broke a very old record (1986) during the 100 m Freestyle event and another record during the 25m Butterfly event. Congratulations also to Hunter Thompson who broke the 25m Butterfly record and to the Banongill/Larra Relay team who broke three records. Thank you to Simon Mansbridge (Sports Coordinator) for his excellent organisation of the day and to the many families who were able to attend and encourage all participants.

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**Lions Youth of the Year**

Congratulations to Hannah Thompson who was the overall winner during last week’s Youth of the Year selection. Congratulations to all students who participated and to the Lismore and District Lions Branch who organised a successful evening enjoyed by all.

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**School Council**

I would like to congratulate School Councillors Suzanne White, Jayson Thompson, Angela Bignell and Janette Devlin who are joining us again this year. I am looking forward to working with our new School Council, with our first meeting taking place on the 14th of March. Thank you to departing School Councillor Leanne Mulraney for her contributions over the last four years.

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**Year 7/8 Camp**

I had the pleasure of joining our Year 7/8 camp group on Wednesday night and can report on their excitement following a range of activities including a hike, a tour of J Ward in Ararat, tennis and tenpin bowling in Horsham as well as completion of a challenging obstacle course by all involved. Teamwork and support were apparent during these activities as students were actively supporting each other to conquer their fears. Thank you to Kristy Riley and Rod Rantall (organiser) for giving up their time and taking the group on this wonderful camp.

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**Corangamite Youth Council**

Congratulations go to Imogen Craven and Liam Maslin, the 2018 Corangamite Youth Council delegates.
**Students Of The Week**

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<td>Austyn Howarth</td>
<td>For his fantastic and informative ‘Behind The News’ summary.</td>
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<td>Marshall Howarth</td>
<td>For his persistence in using his pencil grip to improve his handwriting.</td>
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**Requests for assistance for Derrinallum athletic sports carnival**

Dear Parents and Friends

Derrinallum P 12 College will be conducting their athletic sports on Friday the 20th April, which is in the first week of Term Two. Traditionally this is a very busy day in the school sport calendar and we would greatly appreciate any assistance that the parents and friends of our community can give us on the day. Areas that we would benefit from your help include areas such as:

- organisation of student competitors/managing of a station, particularly for field events (i.e. shotput and discus)
- Assistance from the community would go a long way to ensure the smooth running of our athletics carnival. We are limited when it comes to staff on the day as we don’t have any student helpers as they are competing. If there is any role you feel that you could offer we would be very grateful. Please notify us of your intention to volunteer by March the 23rd so we can make plans for staffing allocations.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Kind regards,

Simon Mansbridge - Sports Co-ordinator

**Coles Sports for Schools Program**

Dear parents and friends of Derrinallum College,

Our school is registered for the Coles Sports for Schools program in 2018. Whenever you shop at Coles Supermarkets we would like to encourage you to collect and save the vouchers which will go towards sports and associated equipment for our school. Any vouchers collected need to be brought to school by the 11th of May as this is the last day for collection. We appreciate your support.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Simon Mansbridge (sports co-ordination)

**Netball Disaster**

O.M.G. I am so excited! Is all the girls can say. It was Thursday night at the Derrinallum netball court. All of the eight girls were buzzing with excitement. They had been training for the weekend’s netball game. All except for Georgie. Georgie had lost her netball dress and her parents couldn’t afford a new netball dress. So she could not play. She was devastated.

The next day seemed to stretch on. That night she couldn’t sleep. She dreaded the next day. She cried and cried knowing that she would be the left out on the bench.

Finally she was there on the bench, in her old jacket and leggings. Just as she was walking to her car to go home, Holly (her best friend) ran up and said “Georgie! Wait, I have your uniform!” “Really?” said Georgie, as her eyes lit up.

“Where did you find it?” “Just in the change rooms, but hurry! The games about to start!” Georgie ran into the change rooms and slipped on her dress. In the end she played a terrific game of netball. Thank you Holly!

By Anna French

**Lions Coffee Stop**

Volunteers are required to man the Lions Coffee Stop in Lismore from Friday March 9th to Monday March 12th, 9am to 7pm each day with 5 X 2 hour shifts to choose from. Please contact Jane or Sandra in the school office to book a shift on 55976625. We greatly appreciate your time.
Kick Start 2018

After visiting the NGV Triennial and having a thoroughly immersive experience in the many artforms on show as well as visiting other areas of the NGV International, Imogen and April were a part of KickStart 2018 to hear Studio Arts VCE students from 2017 discuss their approaches to their folios and artworks.

This program aims to give students insights into their VCE studies in Studio Arts.

NGV Triennial is an interactive arts program over the 3 levels of the gallery that involves the viewer in many different forms including placing a flower into a room, walking on an interactive floor, string art, amazing garments, and many more fascinating artworks.

Year 7/8 Camp
House Swimming Sports