Flying Start
The weeks have certainly flown by! We have had a successful start to the year with our 72 wonderful students. We have had the Investiture Ceremony for our School Leaders, our Swimming Sports, Lions Youth of the Year, the Japan Study Tour and are about to have the Presentation Ball. We have completed the School Council Election and have a new School Council with Narelle Uren as our President. It has been an exciting time with lots of opportunities for our students.

Term 2 commences on Monday the 13th of April and concludes on Friday the 26th of June. During Term 2 we will be conducting our Athletics Sports, Somers Camp, the NAPLAN assessment and Year 7/8 Camp to Cape Bridgewater. Before we know it, it will be Recognition Evening again. Thanks to everyone who has assisted in making it such a great start to the year.

Debating Success
Our “D” Grade student debating team had a positive start in Round 1 of the DAV (Debaters of Victoria) debating competition in Ballarat on Wednesday night. Kasey Baird, Jordyn Martin and Simon Cameron were victorious over Ballarat Christian College 1. The topic was “That magazines should ban photo editing”. Well done to all three students, especially Kasey for her composure in her first debate.

Thank You
I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the students, staff and parents, to thank another very generous community member. During my time as Principal at the College Keith Britton has helped us out on numerous occasions by undertaking many maintenance and improvement jobs around the school. Many thanks Keith!

My Apologies
I incorrectly wrote in last week’s newsletter that Vicky French is our new School Council Vice President when in fact Jenni Gordon was elected our new Vice President. My sincere apologies to both Vicky and Jenni for my mistake.

Collaborating on Health Promotion
In 2012, when our current Strategic Plan was developed we identified the Achievement Program as a Key Improvement Strategy to improve student engagement and wellbeing. We have registered to be involved with the Achievement Program, which is a Healthy Together Victoria initiative which was jointly developed by the Department of Health and Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. For more information please read the article included in this week’s newsletter.

Alan Coffey - Principal

Calendar of Events

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Couples
Rhiannon Glyn Jones partnered by Simon Cameron.
Faith Gordon partnered by Aidan Gardiner.
Brianna Poole partnered by Devon Coates.
Joe Pyke partnered by Jasmine Gardiner.
Jayde Neil partnered by Tyler Maslin Nikita McDonald Partnered by Jesse McDonald.
Maggie Turner partnered by Ben Carr.

Flower Girl—Neave Thompson
Page Boy—Dillon Gordon
Please Help The VCAL Class!

Our worms have outgrown their current accommodation and are looking for a new place to live! The VCAL class would like to ask if there is anyone who has a spare bathtub lying around that they would like to donate to the College. The plan is to transform the bathtub into a new, and larger, home for our worms and all the scraps that our students are collecting for them on a daily basis.

Derrinallum P-12 College has decided to become a health promoting school. We have registered to be involved with the Achievement Program, which is a Healthy Together Victoria initiative which was jointly developed by the Department of Health and Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. The school environment can influence children and young people’s health and wellbeing, which has an impact on learning and development, including numeracy and literacy outcomes. The Achievement Program provides a framework and supporting resources to help coordinate existing and new activities using a whole-school approach to promote the health and wellbeing of students. It’s not just for students; it also supports the health and wellbeing of staff, and engages families and the wider community too.

The program involves 8 key health priority areas, including; Healthy Eating and Oral Health, Physical Activity, Mental Health and Wellbeing, Tobacco Control, Sun Protection, Safe Environments, Alcohol and Other Drug Use and Sexual Health and Wellbeing.

We will be working on two key areas at a time. We have joined forces with a health and wellbeing team that covers Lismore Primary School, Derrinallum P-12 and the Kinder to share ideas and resources. Alan Coffey and Sandra Torney will be representatives for Derrinallum P-12 and we have two Health Promotion Officers from Southwest Healthcare who will be working with us (Jenny Hirth and Nikita Wheaton).

In the coming weeks there will be more information available and we can’t wait to get started on creating a healthy school community. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact a representative at your school or contact Nikita at the Lismore Health Centre on 5558 3000.

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Mr Smith’s Maths Problem!

Last week’s question was:
Three consecutive numbers (three numbers in a row-1, 2, 3 or 8, 9, 10) add up to 60. What is the middle number?

ANS: 20 (19 + 20 + 21 = 60)

For those who wish to get their mathematical minds thinking, try finding an answer to this week’s question:
I am thinking of 2 numbers. When I add the 2 numbers, they equal 20. When I multiply (times) the 2 numbers, they equal 99. What are the 2 numbers?