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Cherie Kilpatrick
Principal
This has been a fortnight in which the students of Camperdown College have had many opportunities to demonstrate leadership and they have well and truly risen to the occasion. Tuesday’s Student Leadership Assembly was an opportunity for us to induct all student leaders into their various positions of responsibility, handing them the privilege, but also the significant responsibility of leadership. We also continued the tradition of our Year 12 students formally introducing our Prep students to the school community. The ritual of our oldest students introducing our youngest students is of special significance in a P-12 setting as we appreciate and celebrate the growth and development of our students over their thirteen year journey through school.

Our Year 12 students and Senior House Captains demonstrated their leadership last Friday when they modelled positive participation and teamwork at our House Swimming Sports and our Prep students are already showing that they will be very active and enthusiastic members of our school community, both now and in years to come. Our Year 6 students have taken on the responsibility of being our Junior Campus role models and leaders and they have a very important role to play in maintaining a positive school environment.

Our 2015 School Captains were inducted into their new positions this week and I am confident that they will be fine role models and great ambassadors for our College. Our Junior Captains Ruby Bennett and James O’Neil have taken on the important duty of running weekly assemblies and are taking this responsibility in their stride. Our Senior School Captains Tilly Morgan and Noah Boyle have had a particularly busy week which has included representing the College on Tuesday in the annual Lions Youth of the Year Quest. It was a real pleasure to hear Tilly and Noah present their prepared speeches and respond to impromptu questions and both should be extremely proud of their efforts. Special congratulations to Tilly who was declared the winner of the public speaking component of the competition, impressing the judging panel and the audience with her insight and poise. Thank you to the Camperdown Lions Club and the National Bank for their ongoing support of this youth development program.

Next week, we will be welcoming our new Student Wellbeing Officer to the school as the selection process has now been finalised. Angela Brown will be sharing her time between the Junior and Senior Campuses, providing wellbeing support for individual students and overseeing the implementation and delivery of wellbeing programs. Angela will be spending time in the early weeks getting to know our students at both campuses.

In this newsletter you will see the official declaration of the 2015 School Council election process. Our students are the beneficiaries of the efforts of a highly co-operative and dedicated School Council and we are very appreciative of the contribution that our parents make to this governing body. There are three parent vacancies for 2015, including two full term positions (two years) and one casual vacancy (one year). Council meets on the third Wednesday night of each month (during school terms only) and most Councillors also join a sub-committee: Finance, Policy or Buildings and Grounds. Please consider nominating for School Council as new ideas and perspectives are always welcomed. Nominations for School Council will close on Thursday 26th February 2015 and can be handed in to either campus office. I would be more than happy to hear from you if you have questions about joining School Council.

Ms Cherie Kilpatrick
Principal

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Swimming Sports:
We were expecting beautiful sunshine for our swimming sports and the start of the day didn’t disappoint. We managed to get through all of the individual events before we were asked to leave the pool due to lightning strikes. After a brief break in the Senior Campus Hall, we headed back to the pool and were able to complete all of the relays. Unfortunately, we had to clear the pool area again due to more lightning so we were unable to conduct the novelty events. Our house captains did a terrific job organising and encouraging all competitors to have a go regardless of abilities. It was wonderful to see students of different year levels mixing so confidently, encouraging each other and participating with a healthy spirit of competitiveness. Congratulations to Manifold on taking out the shield and to all of the age group champions.

VCAL students Tara-Jane Johnson-McCallum, Maggie McLean and Margaret McInnes worked tirelessly all day cooking sausages and selling drinks and lollies. Their endeavours were greatly appreciated by staff and students. Well done to these students on showing excellent initiative and independent working skills.

Lions Youth of the Year:
Camperdown College School Captains once again participated in the Camperdown Lions Youth of the Year competition earlier this week. Noah Boyle and Tilly Morgan proved to be excellent ambassadors for the College and confidently engaged in all facets of the competition. They were interviewed by a panel of judges made up of a representative from the Corangamite Shire and National Australia Bank and a local agriculturist about their achievements (sporting, cultural and academic) and their understanding of current affair issues.

After a meal at the Commercial Hotel in the evening with Lions Club members, judges and staff, the students ventured to the RSL Hall for the public speaking component of the competition. The students had to present two impromptu speeches and a five minute prepared speech. The impromptu topics asked about what could be done to retain post school students in the Corangamite Shire and the other asked students about the best day of their life so far. Both Tilly and Noah spoke confidently in the impromptus and made very good points showing their ability to think on their feet. The Ice Epidemic was the topic of Noah’s prepared speech and Tilly spoke about the impact of underage drinking. Tilly was announced as the winner of the public speaking section of the competition. Congratulations Tilly!

Year 12 Camp:
Year 12 students travelled to Federation University in Ballarat last week for a combined rural schools Year 12 camp. Students listened to experts in each of the fields that they study and participated in a number of excursions to complement their studies. Students also enjoyed making new friends; goal setting and learning about study techniques. Students completed a survey on their time on camp when they returned to school with many identifying highlights such as:

- socialising with students from other schools.
- receiving lots of exam hints.
- getting to see exemplar folios.
- visiting the Magistrates court, Sovereign Hill and art gallery.
- leading teams and learning to mix with people you don’t know.

Next Gen Art Exhibition in Ballarat:
Oscar Currell who studied Studio Arts in Year 12 last year has folio and art works exhibited at the Ballarat Art Gallery as part of the Next Gen Art Exhibition. This is a wonderful achievement for Oscar!

VCE/VCAL Parent Expectations Evening:
Parents/Guardians of VCE/VCAL students are strongly encouraged to attend our expectations evening next Tuesday 24th February. The VCAL Session will run from 5.30pm – 6pm and the VCE Session from 6pm – 6.30pm. During the session, participants will be informed of program requirements (VCE/VCAL); subject expectations; how VCE is scored and expectations with regards to homework and revision. SAC dates will also available for the parents so that they are aware of times of peak stress for their students.

Debutante Ball:
Save the date: our Debutante Ball will be held on Friday 28th August.

Hearing Screening Test:
All Year 7 students will be provided with the opportunity for a Hearing Screening Test next Wednesday 25th February. Forms have been sent home with the students and need to be returned to the Senior Campus Office by Tuesday 24th February.

School Photos:
Students looked resplendent in their uniforms for school photos this week. The photographers commented on how well behaved and well mannered our students are. It is very pleasing to receive feedback like this and it is often received when we have visitors to the school or take our students on excursions.

Leadership Induction:
Congratulations to all students who received their leadership badges at the Leadership Induction Ceremony. Badges were awarded to:

**School Captains:**
- Tilly Morgan and Noah Boyle

**House Captains:**
- Bullen Merri: Caitlin Teal, Declan Lown, Alexandra Eastwood and Callum McIlveen
Congratulations to all students on the excellent manner that they have settled into school for 2015. Students have settled into their classroom routine and every time I walk into a class, I see them working diligently. Our Junior School Captains have led their first assembly and the students listened attentively. I encourage all parents to come and attend assembly and share in our school celebrations.

Last Wednesday, we held our Parent Teacher Interviews. It was wonderful to meet many parents as they arrived for the interviews. We hope that you found them valuable and that you gained useful information to support your child in their progress this year. Partnerships with parents really do make a difference to student success and happiness.

When parents support the school work by showing a genuine interest, taking time to listen and learn with their child and help them through the issues that arise and helping them to solve them, you build a life time of trust and also resilience in your child.

One of the best things that you can do for your child is to give them time to practice: practice reading, writing and assist in the development of numeracy fluency activities. We have such a large curriculum that it is important that practice occurs at home. This only needs to be short times frequently. They say that to embed some new skills that it can take one hundred repetitions. Also ask your child to teach you what they have been taught at school. When they explain things to someone else, it actually reinforces their understanding. Please show your passion for learning. If you are positive about mathematics, reading or writing, they will value it more and make a greater effort. We really hope we have positive partnerships to help all our children achieve the best that they can.

**Swimming:**

Yesterday, our Year 3 – 6 students commenced their formal swimming program under the direction of the Splash Factory instructors. Swimming is a skill for life and participation in our program is strongly recommended. If you can assist with escorting the students to and from the pool, please let us know. Our thanks to Ms Duynhoven for coordinating this program.

**2015 Preps:**

Our new Prep students have quickly adapted to the routine of school-life at Camperdown College and are quickly becoming accustomed to learning in the classroom and engaging in fun activities in the playground. On Tuesday morning at our Induction Assembly, our Prep students were formally introduced to the College community. I am positive that any parents and families who attended the ceremony felt a huge sense of pride and belonging to our College community.

Our Prep parents attended a *Kick Start to Prep* session last night with Miss Clark and Mrs Tolland which was a highly informative, valuable session, providing valuable information to our Prep parents that will help them to assist their child at home. Many thanks must go to Miss Clark and Mrs Tolland for organising the evening, as well as their everyday practice in making the school experience for our new Preps so enjoyable. I would also like to thank Judy Downie and Claire Tucker for assisting with the child-minding duties.

**Induction Ceremony and School Photos:**

It was a big day for all involved on Tuesday as the school photos were successfully run at the Senior Campus, with our students looking very smart in their school uniform. Thank you to those families who made the extra effort to ensure their child was in full school uniform. Congratulations to all students who were inducted into leadership positions; I know that you will fulfil your duties diligently.

**Skoolbag App:**

Our Skoolbag App is available to be downloaded to all smart phones through the Apple App store for iPhones and the Google Play Store for android users. It is free of charge. Skoolbag is a very effective communication tool in the home-school partnership. It certainly assists in knowing what is happening at Camperdown College and is an easy way of advising of absences. If you require more information, please see Amy in the Junior Campus Office.

**Clare Monk, Junior Campus Assistant Principal**

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**Vicki Angus, Senior Campus Assistant Principal**

**Junior Campus News**

**Bus Captains:**
Saffron Scott, Alice Evans-Pyke, Tilly Morgan, Soraya Clark, Ellie Walsh, Ebony Prout, Brooke Hedrick and Sierra Ryan

**Student Representative Council:**
President: Sierra Ryan   Secretary: Gavin Boyle   Treasurer: Callum McIlveen

**VETis:**
Seventeen students commenced their first day at TAFE last Thursday. Students are participating in a variety of courses such as: Sport and Recreation, Furnishings, Community Service, Building and Construction, Automotive, Hairdressing and Hospitality. Students catch a bus from the Senior Campus to Warrnambool at the end of recess and travel back to Camperdown on the train.

Leura: Stephanie Davis, Kale Wyles, Brooke Hedrick and Ben Blackley
Manifold: Sierra Ryan, Gavin Boyle, Molly Helmore and Devon Coates
Year 7 - 12 Swimming Carnival

Last Friday 13th February, Camperdown College had their Year 7-12 House Swimming Carnival. The day began in perfect weather, however, some events had to be postponed and students evacuated from the venue just before lunch as a thunderstorm rolled in. We were fortunate that all individual events were completed in the morning before students returned to complete the relays. Unfortunately, the novelty events had to be cancelled due to a second thunderstorm later in the afternoon. I was very proud of all students as student participation was at an all-time peak. There were some outstanding results on the day. Our individual champions were:

15 Years: Olivia Maskell & Khris Clementson
14 Years: Annabel Lucas & Jack Helmore
15 Years: Bernadette Bellman & Brody Peach
16 Years: Bridget Moyle & Kurt McDonald
17 Years: Molly Helmore & Devon Coates
20 Years: Sierra Ryan & Ben Blackley

Well done to all these students for their great performances, but also to all of the students who had a go and supported their team on the day. Manifold was the winning house with a score of 1454 points. A big thank you must go to staff that helped on the day and worked together to make it run as smooth as possible in the trying conditions.

Ashleigh Bloomfield, Year 7 – 12 Sport Coordinator
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Camperdown College

You receive these 3 items for $20

A3 Pencil Sketch

10x13” family portrait

Or

Plus

Keyring

Wallet sized portrait

Note: An adult member appearing in the fundraising portrait must be present to collect and view their family portraits or the offer is void

Location: Camperdown College Jnr Campus
30 Brooke Street Camperdown 3260
Date: Sunday, 1 March 2015
Contact: Amy Stephenson
Phone: 5593 1438
Email: stephenson.amy.l@edumail.vic.gov.au
(to prepay and book your photographic session)

Don’t wait until it’s too late!
Book now and secure professional portrait images of this special time in the life of your family
Parents & Friends Pool Party

Friday 6th February was a fantastic night to hold our annual Parents & Friends Pool Party. The weather was a perfect balmy evening, which assisted with the success of the event! There was a fantastic number of Prep – Year 12 students who all enjoyed the plastic tube that the YMCA supplied for them to roll around in. Plenty of sausages and cordial were consumed by adults and students alike.

Thank you to the Parent & Friends Association who cooked and served this up. It was also fantastic that our Principal, Assistant Principal and teaching staff attended the evening, even though they were quite reluctant to get in! Hope to see you all next year.

Marie Jopling
Parents & Friends President

Year 12 2014

Our 2014 Year 12 students are now off making new lives for themselves in a variety of ways. All students are either going on to further study or have sought employment.

We have students going off to study at La Trobe University, Federation University, Melbourne University, Deakin University and South West TAFE. A number have taken up their university/TAFE offers and will be studying in Orthoptics, Community and Human Services, Personal Training, Visual Arts, Civil Engineering/Business, Nursing, Agriculture and Electrotechnology.

Six of our students have deferred their placements (Commerce, Sports Management, Criminology/Forensics, Primary Teaching, Nursing, Interior Design) to take up employment. We have a number of students who have already gained full time or part time employment and in apprenticeship and traineeship positions.

Suzanne Maskell, Careers Coordinator

Congratulations to Oscar Currell (class of 2014) for being selected to exhibit in the Next Gen Art Exhibition at the Ballarat Art Gallery. The exhibition opened on Friday 13th February and will run through to Sunday 22nd March. Oscar is exhibiting two of his artworks alongside some of the best young artists from Western Victoria. Oscar won the RADArt award on the opening night which is a great achievement.

Chelsea Fox
Senior Campus Art Teacher
Pupil Free Days
Monday 9th March: Labour Day Public Holiday
Monday 16th March: Staff PD Day
Please note that students in Prep – Year 12 are not required at school on these days

Mt Leura Fun Run/Walk
Open to all members of the community
Come and have a timed run or take a leisurely walk up Mt Leura Rd. (approximately 1.8kms) or tackle the longer course (approximately 4kms) with some off-road sections.
Medals and prizes for age category winners
Every child participant receives a small prize for competing

Date: Friday 13th March 2015
Time: 5.00pm onwards for registrations
6.05pm start long course, 6.15pm short course
Cost: $5 Adults, $3 Children
Registration: Forms available from the Camperdown College and St Patrick’s Offices or on race day at the showgrounds entrance.
Please note: pre-registration by posting forms to schools preferred, money to be paid on event day.
Enquiries: Claire Kempson 0402 332 963 or Kathy Hallyburton 0419 671 300

Sausage Sizzle Giveaways
Prizes
Camperdown College & St Patrick’s would like to gratefully acknowledge the following organisations for their support: Corangamite Shire, Wannon Water, Pollard’s Electrical and Bendigo Bank.
Proceeds from this event will be donated towards the new Camperdown Playspace, for all families to enjoy.

Skoolbag
Download the Camperdown College Skoolbag App, free from the Apple App Store for iPhone users or Play Store for Android users to take advantage of the following:
★ Choose your push notification preferences in the Setup menu to receive friendly reminders about upcoming events at school.
★ Lodge your child’s absences.
★ Have the latest canteen and uniform price list at your fingertips.
★ Moved house recently? Update your details on Skoolbag.

Junior Campus Citizenship Awards
Friday 6th February
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our School Council with its current membership, met for the final time this week and we now move into the process of filling vacancies. We have three parent positions and three DET staff positions to fill and I encourage all parents to give careful consideration to this opportunity.

School Council meets on the third Wednesday night of each month and is a forum for discussion and decision making regarding school policy and development. Information about the School Council nomination process is included in this newsletter.

Nomination forms are available on page 10 or from the Junior and Senior Campus Offices and all nominations need to be submitted by 4pm on Thursday 26th February. Please see page 11 of this newsletter for more information for parents.

Please feel free to contact me at either campus if you have any questions.

Cherie Kilpatrick
Principal
I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the

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Name:

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Residential address:

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Contact phone (mobile or landline):

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Email:

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I am the parent/guardian of ................................................................., who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training but not engaged in work at and for the school

Yes / No  (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

• an undischarged bankrupt

• of unsound mind

• currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence; or

• a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate ................................................................................................................. Date ............. / ............ / .............

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable).

Further, the name, membership category, gender, term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on .................................................................................................................

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted. If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.
Appendix A: School Council Elections – Information for Parents

School Council Elections 2014
What is a school council and what does it do?
All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within statewide guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?
For most school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected Parent category – more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.

- A mandated elected DEECD employee category – members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.

- An optional Community member category – members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DEECD employees are not eligible to be Community members.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is Parent membership so important?
Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

How can you become involved?
The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might seriously consider

- standing for election as a member of the school council
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?
No. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.
Hi, I am Andrea Lane, a clinical hypnotherapist that has assisted parents to help their children through a program called *The Goulding SleepTalk®* process.

This three month program is a two minute gift you give your children that lasts a lifetime. The *Goulding SleepTalk®* process is easy to learn, takes parents only a few minutes daily at bedtime, and it can’t be done wrong. It’s absolutely safe, ethical and positive. *SleepTalk®* is for people who are looking for a simple, non-intrusive self-esteem and behaviour change process for children that can help parents achieve what they want most – happy children and happy families.

The process is about developing a child’s emotional resilience, the mind’s firewall, which protects against negative suggestions; much like a firewall on a computer protects it from outside interference and damage.

It’s a powerful self-help program developed by educator, speaker and hypnotherapy professional Joane Goulding which parents and childcare professionals have been using for more than 30 years, because it WORKS.

The Goulding SleepTalk® process has helped many children with the following:
- ADHD
- Adoption
- Anxiety
- Asperger’s
- Autism
- Babies
- Bedwetting
- Behaviour issues
- Bullying
- Burkitt Lymphoma
- Calmness
- Chronic Illness
- Co-ordination
- Concentration
- Confidence
- Diabetes
- Discipline
- Disobedience
- Eating
- Education
- Emotional outbursts
- Eyesight
- Fear of the dark
- Feedback
- Foster care
- Habits
- Hallucinations
- Happy children
- Hearing Illness
- Lack of respect
- Nail-biting
- Nightmares
- OCD
- Panic attacks
- PTSD
- School
- Selective Mutism
- Self-confidence
- Self-esteem
- Separation anxiety
- Sibling rivalry
- Sight-impaired
- Sleeping
- Social skills
- Speech
- Stress release
- Swimming
- Tantrums
- Toileting Poos
- Bedwetting
- Trauma
- Waking tearful

For further information about *The SleepTalk®* process, the cost or any other issues please contact Andrea Lane, Dip Clinical Hypnotherapist on Ph 0400 536 553.