



Westall News



News from the Principal, Mr. Lanarus

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 3 and 4, 2017

Sept 22—Last day of Term 3

TERM 4

Oct. 9—First Day of Term 4

Oct 9-31—Year 12 LOTE Oral Exams

Oct 12—SMR Athletics

Oct 18—Year 12 LOTE CCAFL Exams

Oct 19—VCAL St. Kilda Beach Excursion

Oct 20—Last Day of Year 12 Classes

Oct 23—Year 12 Celebration Day

Oct 23-27 – Arts Week

Oct 23—State Athletics

Oct 23—U14 Girls Rugby

Oct 24—Year 12 SWOTVAC Begins

Nov 1—School Council Meeting at 4.30pm

Nov 1-22—Year 12 VCAA Written Exams

Nov 7—Melbourne Cup Day

Nov 16—Year 8 State Volleyball

Nov 17—Year 7 State Volleyball

Nov 21—Pupil Free Day

Nov 27-30—Year 11 Exams

Nov 29-30—Year 10 Exams

Dec 4-8—Year 11-12 Headstart Program

Dec 4-15—Year 8-10 Headstart Program

Dec 12—Grade 6 Orientation

Dec 18-22—End of Year Activities

Dec 22—Last day of Term 4

**REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS/
GUARDIANS TO UPDATE
EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS
AND MEDICAL INFORMATION AT
THE FRONT OFFICE, IF CHANGES
HAVE OCCURRED DURING THE
RECENT HOLIDAYS**

Dear Westall Secondary College Community,

As Term 3 draws to a close, we have much to celebrate and be proud of here at Westall.

A perfect example to celebrate excellence, was the recent school production “Disney High School Musical”. This was our first school production in many years and was a resounding success. Those who attended were thoroughly impressed and entertained by the performance. Special mention to Mrs Casey-Dalgleish, Mrs Lynch, Mr Graewolfe and Ms Burns for their leadership. Congratulations to all students from the Singing, Dance and Drama I-Create class that formed the cast for the production. This was another demonstration of the success of our new I-Create program. Every Wednesday afternoon, students engage in one of the twelve programs running. Irrespective of the I-Create subject students are enrolled in, they all work with students from different year levels, they all complete an activity in a local primary school and they are all assessed against personal capabilities such as critical and creative thinking, ethical understanding and physical, personal and social development.

Our I-Create program is an example of a more personalised approach to learning for our students. This focus on personalisation will be further developed as we look at ways to better meet the needs of our students. Our biggest need across the school is lifting the English levels for all students and we are putting significant time and resources into getting this right. More targeted activities and class groupings will be organised in 2018, such as the Targeted Reading Intervention Program (TRIP). The success of these programs will inform the structure of our school for our next Strategic Plan (2019-2022). I want to ensure that when students finish at Westall, they have outstanding English skills, along with the range of other skills and knowledge they leave with, to enter further education or the workforce equipped with the tools for success.

When students return on Monday 9th October for Term 4, they will have a brand new locker to store their gear. The lockers are in the school colours of navy blue and yellow. Existing padlocks will need to be taken home, along with gear from existing lockers prior to leaving for September holidays. All students will be allocated a new locker that they can store their gear in and lock with their current padlock upon return from holidays. Sub School Leaders and Year Level Coordinators have shared this information with students.

Our new Westall Community Hub has just opened. The facility is very impressive and the services operating out of the Hub will grow as time passes. I encourage you to visit the hub, sign up as a library member and see what other services are available. The Hub is operated by Kingston Council.

Have a fantastic holiday period and stay safe.

See you all in Term Four!

Tristan Lanarus

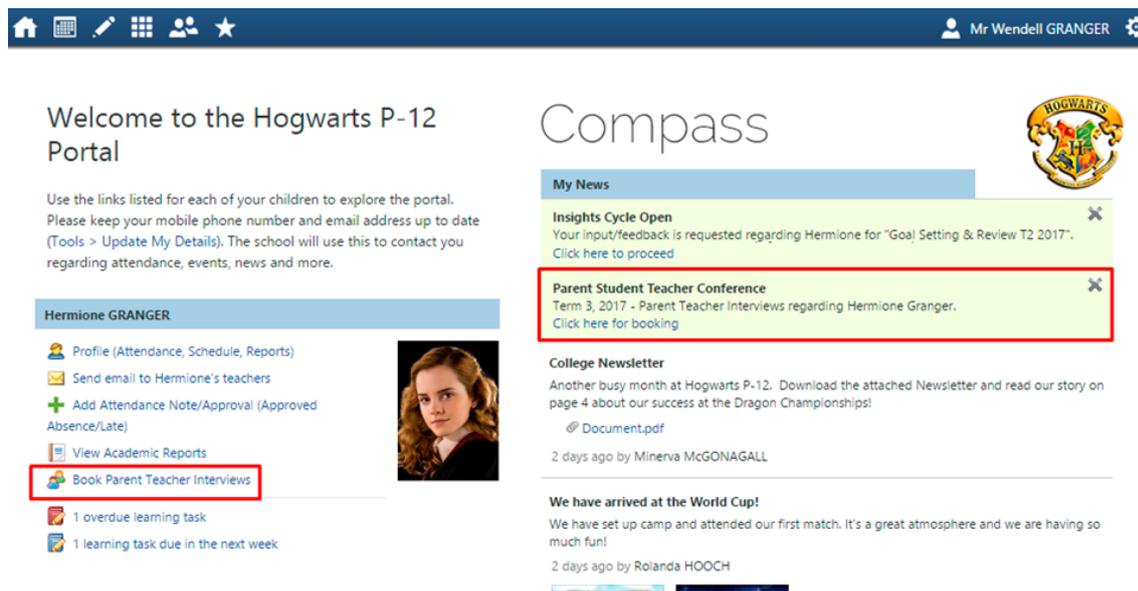


Progress Reports and Parent-Teacher Interviews

Progress reports provide parents and guardians with a brief snapshot of how your child is progressing during the second semester. Progress reports cover the areas of Progress, Effort, Behaviour, Attendance and Punctuality, Meeting Deadlines and Preparation for class. Progress reports are now available for parents to view on Compass.

Parent-Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Thursday 21st September from 4pm. The interviews provide an important opportunity for you and your child to discuss his/her progress and to build communication between parents and the College. It is expected that students accompany their parents to the interviews and participate in the discussion of their progress and areas for improvement. Interview sessions on this day are: 4.00pm – 6.00pm and 6.30pm-7.30pm. Once again, we will operate with an online booking system. Parents can access the online booking system via the parent portal using your Compass Username and Password. Bookings will be 7 minutes in duration. The booking portal was opened last Wednesday and will close on Thursday 21st September at 11am. For assistance with bookings, contact the office.

This is what you look for on Compass:



You can make bookings by clicking the 'Book Parent Teacher Interviews' button available next to your child's photo on the Compass homepage, or by clicking the Dashboard Alert at the top of your Newsfeed.

NAPLAN

This year's NAPLAN results are out for our Years 7 and 9 students and were posted home to parents earlier this term. A reminder to parents that this is a snapshot of the assessment over the testing period and should be read in conjunction with other reports from teachers. As a school, it gives us data to compare the learning growth of our students and is one of the many measures we use to determine the effectiveness of our programs and improvement strategies. Please contact your child's sub-school if you need any help in interpreting your child's NAPLAN report.



Parents of students who have been marked absent, and who have not previously advised the College of their child's absence, will have been receiving an SMS by approximately 10.00am. This is the third week since we began informing parents using this process. It is extremely important that your child's non-attendance is accounted for; please let us know in advance if they are going to be away, respond to the SMS by 3.00pm on the same day you receive the SMS, or, send in a note explaining your child's absence when they return to school. If you have any concerns or questions in relation to this requirement or to the SMS process,

please contact the College office on 9546 3233.

Immunisations

Recently, we ran an immunisation program for our Year 10 students to protect them against meningococcal disease. If your child was absent on the day, and you would like to have your child immunised, please see the information Included at the end of this newsletter.

Senior School Report

Message from Director of Learning - Senior School: Ms. Hari Nikolaou

Well, it's definitely busy in the senior school with lots of great learning occurring. It is a time for students to develop better understanding of concepts, and a time to stop and think about the struggles that you or someone close to you might be experiencing. In line with all learning, it is about knowing, seeing or feeling something new that now informs your thinking. That is the learning journey, which can occur around a specific topic or involve wellbeing or pathway skill development. Please continue to "Think and Grow"; your education is not just in the classroom but all around you.

Year 12 Biology excursion to Ecolinc

As part of their Unit 4 studies, the Year 12 Biology class have been learning about the use of biotechnology to manipulate DNA. On Tuesday 5th September, we visited Ecolinc (the Science and Technology Innovations Centre), located outside of Melbourne in Bacchus Marsh. Students completed several experiments as part of their school-assessed coursework, allowing them to investigate whether or not certain processed foods contain genetically-modified ingredients. This gave them the opportunity to carry out techniques such as polymerase chain reaction and gel electrophoresis, using tools and equipment that they would not normally have access to in a high school laboratory. Our students are to be congratulated for the way they actively participated in each experiment and asked questions throughout the day.



Ms Chomiak, Year 12 Biology teacher

Aspirin preparation and Chemistry excursion to VSSEC

Learning all the theories behind the analytical techniques (that we were taught at school) was a big task. Thanks to Ms. Buyya and Ms. Blias for organising this trip to the VSSEC, where we had an amazing opportunity to visualise the equipment in the lab and to expand our knowledge by using these instruments. In addition, we would like to thank our school and the VSSEC program for subsidising the excursion.

The preparation of Aspirin in the school lab was time-consuming and required a lot of attention. Luckily, no one was hurt and we had a lot of fun. One of the samples that we prepared, was contaminated during the process, and some of us volunteered to help with the recrystallization of the samples in our spare time. Sadly, we could not save the contaminated sample but we chose to take it for analysis at VSSEC and compare the results with the uncontaminated samples.

It was very exciting for all of us to see various equipment and to get 'hands on' experience with it. The presenters gave clear instructions and procedures and guided us through the experiments. We worked in two groups of 6 to get through all four different sessions in the day, including: Infra-red spectrometry, High Performance Liquid Chromatography, UV-Vis Spectroscopy & Melting point experiment. Each session was reasonably long and we only had a short break of half an hour. Although it was a really tiring day, overall, the excursion was well worth it!



Hung Nguyen (on behalf of Year 12 Chemistry class)

Senior School Report Cont'd...

Deakin University

Year 11 and 12 students visited Deakin University last week providing them with the opportunity to make informed decisions about their post year-12 options. Year 12 students are reminded that additional support is available in the Careers office, and that they are strongly recommended to organise a time to meet with Ms Geraldine.



Black Dog spoke to all Year 11 and 12 students on the topic of Anxiety and depression, and the continued increase in the number of young people who are affected in one way or another.

In line with our school values, the message must be—**CARE for SELF, CARE for OTHERS.**

A reminder that if you're feeling a little flat and need someone to talk to, please reach out and speak to one of your teachers, your Year Level Coordinator or Ms Kristi.

Senior School Excursion – Interview Skills Workshop at Optus Centre in Mulgrave

On Wednesday 13th September, a small group of eager Year 11s and 12s attended an interview skills workshop hosted by ABCN at the Optus Centre in Mulgrave.



Before settling into serious interview preparation, our host Peta introduced us to our mentors who we were going to spend the next few hours with. At first, they held a certain air of elegance and wisdom (and they upheld that), but the icebreakers loosened us up and their goofy and humble sides shone through. We found it easy to relate and talk casually to them despite them being much (not that much) older than us.



The host touched on the importance of active listening, first impressions, the intimidating 'small talk', and of course interview tips. We listened attentively and absorbed everything that was said.

After helping ourselves to several servings of wraps and sandwiches, we had our mock interviews. Their comforting presence made the experience genuinely pleasant (and it was virtually pain-free!). They complimented us and gave us practical and constructive feedback on areas that needed strengthening. Having revised and learnt new things, I feel as though I'm more equipped and confident in presenting at my next interview, and I hope that others share the sentiment as well. The skills and tips we picked up was well worth our time.

Thanks to Ms Nikolaou for organising the event, and Ms Nguyen and Miss Chanter for supervising us.

Lily Ung—Yr 12 student

Year 11 Business Management – Egg Drop Marketing Project



As part of the Business Management course in VCE, students were required to plan, budget for, create and design a marketing strategy for a product. The brief was to design a product that would protect an egg from breaking when dropped one metre from the ground. Materials for the design of the product were limited to cardboard, paper, sticky tape, straws, balloons and paper cups. There were some complaints about the cost of materials, but suppliers remained firm.

Students presented their product to the Year 10 Humanities students, employing various marketing strategies to lure potential investors. Once the Year 10s had decided on the product they would invest in, testing the products proved to be a messy task. Newspapers managed to soak up a couple of disappointments.



In the end, the Egg Project was not all that it was cracked up to be!

Middle School Report

Message from Director of Learning - Middle School: Mr. Tom Tahos

Congratulations to our Year 9 and 10 student cohorts for a great term. The middle school has been involved in a variety of careers, wellbeing and other learning events, some of which are highlighted below.

One of our popular programs is the iRead program where students and staff read for 15 minutes everyday. I encourage all students and staff to continue with their reading over the term break.

When students return, they will be issued with a new locker. The locker area for the middle years (Years 9 & 10) will be at the end of B corridor. Please ensure that you bring your lock back with you when you return next term.

Have a happy and healthy term break and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, 9th October.

Robogals Workshop



On Friday, 8th of September, we had some mentors from Monash University run a Robots workshop to promote STEM subjects for females called Robogals. Robogals' mission is to inspire, engage and empower young women to pursue engineering and related fields. The students had the opportunity to play around with the Lego Mindstorm robotics and complete challenges such as moving around to form a shape, using the ultrasonic sensor so the robot won't hit into objects in front of them, Robotic Mexican wave, etc. The students thoroughly enjoyed the workshop as many of them have not been exposed to robots before and are considering STEM fields in the future.



TAFE Taster Day

The last of the tasters session for the Pre-Cal class was with the industry, 'Sport and Recreation'. We were lucky enough to get a staff member who is also trained in martial arts, as he was able to incorporate this into the session. And the students loved it!!



I would like to take this opportunity to thank staff who have shown an interest in the program either by asking me how the kids are going and/or by providing positive feedback to the weekly posts. Thanks also to Scott Newton for visiting us, to Kim Phung for escorting some students on public transport, to Barb Hose for the last minute 'taxi service' and to the wonderful staff at Chisholm for doing what they do best!!

For some students, the taster program confirmed their career pathways, while for others, it opened their eyes to potential opportunities. For all of them, they developed confidence in using public transport and they experienced the functions and expectations of being a part of an adult learning environment, all of which will be a part of their VCAL program in 2018.



Finally, a huge THANK YOU to the Principal, Tristan Lanarus, who took a risk in financing this program, not being entirely sure if students would be engaged or even attend. His risk (and faith in these lovelies) paid off. Their attendance has been consistently 'present'. Their written evaluations on how much they enjoyed each session averaged 4/5 to 5/5 and their comments were that they enjoyed the sessions were looking forward to the next one. Watch this space for more happening in Term 4!

Year 9/10 Chinese Cultural Day in the City

On the 23rd of August, the Year 9 and 10 Chinese students went on an excursion to the city (the Melbourne Town Hall) to participate in the Chinese Cultural Event held by the Chinese Language Teachers' Association of Victoria. The main purpose for the whole event was to bring in schools from all over Victoria that teach Chinese to come together and socialize, a total of 1700 students and teachers.



The event started off with numerous workshops set up for students to have fun, some of these workshops included Chinese fashion, art, games, calligraphy and more. The hosts introduced a number of events that formed part of the show, including a singing and dancing performance by students from different schools. There were occasional lucky draws and a trivia between the performances, this got everyone hyped up. Unfortunately, we did not win anything!



Overall the event was fun and we will be happy to go again next year.

By Kenneth and Abhay—Year 9

Junior School News

Message from the Director of Learning Junior School: Ms. Alice Paget

Term 3 has flown by for our Year 7 and 8 students. There has been some exciting events and programs, including the Australian Mathematics and ICAS Mathematics Competition, School Athletics Carnival, Weekly Sport, Girls Talk Club and the School Musical. It will be great to see students with their parent and guardians at Parent-teacher Interviews discussing their goals and progress. Please take the time to discuss your child's progress report with them; what they are doing well, and what the key areas for improvement are. It is a three-way partnership (student-parent-teacher) that can bring out the best possible outcomes for your child.

A few reminders:

- All students must have a combination lock on their locker at all times. These can be purchased from the front office for \$15.
- All students need to bring a book of choice to Period 1 and 2 for the i-Read program. The library is open before and after school, as well as at recess and lunchtime.

Upcoming events in Term 4:

- All Year 7 and 8 students will be going to IMAX and the Melbourne Museum for an excursion in Term 4 (Year 7 students on the 17th October and Year 8 students on the 24th of October). Students will be watching 2 films that will link in with the Science and Global Literacy Curriculum, including: Prehistoric Planet 3D, Mighty Micro Monsters, Egypt: Secret of the Mummies and Forces of Nature.
- Year 7 students will be involved in an Aboriginal Culture Virtuality Reality experience on the 10th October. Without leaving the classroom, students will fly to the far North Queensland Rainforest, where they'll witness the Aboriginal dances of rain forestation. There will be interactive exercises about Aboriginal life pre 1788, 360 degree feature about 'The Dreaming' and much more!
- Arts Week, including a Lion Dance Workshop for the Year 7 and 8 students.
- Our Year 7 Girls Volleyball Team will be competing for the State Titles on the 17th November; good luck girls!

Have a safe and relaxing holiday and I look forward to what will be jam-packed Term 4!

Junior School Social

The Junior School Social was held on the 13th September, for all Year 7 and 8 students and teachers. It was a great opportunity for students to let their hair down and dance the night away! The students had a great time using the photo booth, creating many lasting memories!



Author visit: Jack Heath

On Thursday 31st of August, Jack Heath an Australian author visited the Westall Secondary College and spoke to the Year 7 students about his journey as a student to become a well-known bookseller. Jack Heath is an Australian writer of children's and young adult fiction. He has been shortlisted for the CBCA Notable Book Award, Nottinghamshire Brilliant Book Award, the Aurealis Sci-Fi book of the Year, the National Year of Reading "Our Story" Collection, a Young Australians Best Book Award, a Kids Own Australian Literature Award and the Young Australian of the Year Award. It was a great experience for our students.



Charles Tran
Year 7 & 8 Coordinator

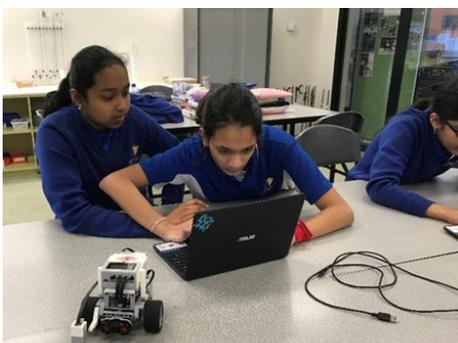
Junior School News Cont'd...

Robogals

Year 7 and 8 female students were fortunate to have a workshop run by 'Robogals', Monash University, this term. Robogals is an international, student-run organisation that aims to increase female participation in engineering and technology through fun and educational initiatives aimed at girls in primary and secondary school. Robogals' mission is to inspire, engage and empower young women to pursue engineering and related fields. The workshop focused on encouraging girls from secondary school to explore an interest and cultivate self-confidence in the STEM areas.

Aditi Krishnan wrote about her experience in the Robogals workshop below:

On 8th of September 2017, select girls from Year 7 & Year 8 were given the opportunity to take part in the Robogals Workshop organised by Monash University. The workshop mainly focused on Robotics, Science, Engineering and Coding. During the course of this workshop, students were given the opportunity to code Robots. At the start of the session, we were provided with "Lego-Mindstorm Robots" & laptops with the "Lego-Mindstorm app." We were given instructions to carry out four tasks.



The first task was to carry out the basic instructions such as coding the distance, speed, time and direction.

The second task was to program the robot to form a square. Task number 3 was a group task, in which each individual robot was coded distinctively to perform the "Mexican Wave"; this task required coordination & timing. The final task was called "Ultrasonic Coding", the Lego-Mindstorm Robots has sensors on the beam in which we had to code the robot for it to sense an obstacle in its direction and can change it, in order to avoid it.

Being chosen in this workshop is a huge liberty to myself and the other girls who were a part of the workshop, all in all this was an educative & amusing workshop & we look forward to more such workshops in the future.

Aditi.Krishnan 8A

Aim high student & participant in the Robogals workshop

Numeracy Week

Westall Celebrates Numeracy Week

Westall Secondary College celebrated National Numeracy Week between Monday 4th September and Friday 8th September. Many activities were organised during lunchtime to make students aware of this wonderful week. This year's participation rate was very high and attracted students from the College and Westall Language Centre. The activities included Dice Games, MULTO, 3D Shape Models, Amazing Race, Game of 24, Treasure Hunt and Guess the number of lollies in the Lolly Jar. A huge thank you to the Mathematics staff who gave up their lunch times to make the week a great success.

On behalf of the school, we would like to extend our thanks to McDonalds, Mt Waverley for sponsoring the meal vouchers to be used as prizes.



Mr. Charles Tran
Numeracy Coordinator

Message from the WELC Coordinator: Mrs. Carmela Santucci

A number of WELC students will be exiting the Language Centre at the end of this term and they have been preparing for their transition into mainstream school. This preparation included a presentation by a student social worker who herself has experienced learning in a new language in a new country. Being of Chinese background herself, she was able to talk about the cultural differences and the expectations in her new learning environment. The students found her story and her challenges very interesting.

Students in WELC have been learning about self-defence in their elective class. David, the instructor, has taught our students what to look out for, how to stay safe and how to manage tricky situations. The focus is to protect oneself and to avoid confrontation. Over the ten weeks of instruction, the students have developed skills and confidence in their ability to stay safe.

The Westall English Language Centre would like to wish all our students a safe and happy holiday.

To our exiting students, we wish you well in your future studies.

Returning students, we look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Classes in the Language Centre will resume on **Monday 9th October**.

Carmela Santucci
Coordinator
Westall English Language Centre



Art Elective

Recently in Art, the students have been focusing on self-portraits. They made 3D portraits using masks and cut outs of their features to stick onto the masks. Another activity required students to draw the other half of their black and white photos using pencil to create the different shades.

Through the art work, students demonstrated their artistic abilities and the enjoyment of the art elective, which is one of four electives offered in the Westall English Language Centre.

Below are the students' work, which can also be viewed on display in A corridor in front of the WELC staffroom.



Ms Anna Kotsiou
Curriculum Coordinator WELC

Monash Access Champions

On Friday 1st September, the Access Champions presented their projects at the Dandenong High School theatre .

There were students from schools all over the South East area who presented projects they had been working on which ranged from fixing the water taps at their schools to educating students about children with disabilities.

The Westall students did a great job of presenting their project, they spoke clearly and their powerpoints were informative and concise. The standard of all the projects was excellent and a tribute to the program which encourages students to excel outside their school environment.



Sports News

Under 14 Boy's Rugby 7s

On Wednesday, August 9th, the Under 14 Boy's rugby team competed in the Eastern Regional competition against Fountain Gate, Hampton Park and Thomastown at Moorabbin Rugby Club. Team captain, Josaiah (Tua) Rima, was ably assisted by Faaifo Vasukicakau, and both boys did a fantastic job in leading the side for the day. We were able to record wins in our opening games against Hampton Park and Thomastown before surrendering to fatigue and the need to rest players in our third game against Fountain Gate, which resulted in a fairly comprehensive loss. However, winning 2 games meant that we qualified for the final against Fountain Gate and the boys put in an absolutely mammoth effort. We matched Fountain Gate blow for blow, at one point we were leading them 19-14 before we ran out of steam and they were able to sneak past us by the final whistle. It was a fantastic match, which drew praise from one and all. The boys were a credit to the school in the way they conducted themselves for the entire day. While it was disappointing to lose the final, we qualified for the state finals, which is a great achievement!

Notable performance on the day included:

- * Khanh Lam scoring a fantastic individual try to pull us level in the last minute of the Hampton Park match before stepping up with 10 seconds left to slot the winning conversion.
- * Camron Karora embarking upon a 50 metre run against Thomastown, breaking through about 5 tackles (and losing his shirt in the process!) before being brought down just short of the try-line.
- * Victor Sims scoring so many tries that everyone lost count. Well, it seemed like that at least!
- * Kane Atai scoring a fantastic individual try against Fountain Gate, carrying a couple of opposition players over the line with a tremendous dive.
- * Rhys Ngavavia scoring a try so sneaky that no one from Thomastown realised he had done it until the referee blew his whistle.

The team for the Eastern Regionals was:

Josaiah (Tua) Rima (C)
Faaifo Vasukicakau (VC)
Khanh Lam
Kane Atai
Victor Sims
Ruben Samason
Vincent (Rhys) Ngavavia
Elijer Su'a
Maje Palalagi-Sundar
Lewis Duncan
Camron Karora



Unfortunately, in between the Eastern Regionals and State finals, we were struck by the injury curse, losing firstly, Elijer to a broken arm, then Kane to a broken leg and Khanh to a dislocated knee cap! To top it all off, Maje was not available to play on State finals day, which left us very short – having said that, I would like to give a big thanks to Thomas Maele, Aaron Be & Gemasba Pani-ani who stepped in at short notice to allow us to at least have 10 players to take to State. I would also like to thank our coaches for State, Jonathan Tran & Sione Misiuepa, who worked with the team in the lead up and travelled with us to finals. Both boys conducted themselves very well and were a great help to me! As we were so short of numbers, the boys didn't win any games at State finals, but, they gave a fantastic account of themselves, and I'm sure that if it weren't for the injuries, we would have definitely given the competition a fierce shake.

Sports News Cont'd...

Hitting Home The Point(s)

Well done to the Westall Year 8 Girls A & B Table Tennis teams who were undefeated in the Bayside District Inter School competition on Friday 15th of September!

A fine effort all round girls and we look forward to playing in the next zone of competition early in Term 4. Our Boys team also played well but will need a little more practice to bring home the winning pennant.



Mr Scott Newton
Health & PE Teacher

Parent Information

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Every Monday starting from 24th July
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

English classes for all parents, carers and guardians of students of Westall Secondary College.

Do you want to learn English?
Are you an Asylum Seeker?
Are you on a bridging visa?
Are you on a safe haven visa?

Classes to be held at Westall Secondary College for only \$12.50 per term.



All enquires and to register for this class please contact Springvale neighbourhood House on 9548 3972.





YEAR 10, 11 & 12
SCHOOL IMMUNISATION PROGRAM



Has your child missed the Meningococcal vaccine this year?

It's not too late to receive this vaccination. You may attend one of our free community immunisation sessions or alternatively visit your local GP.

This vaccine is currently free for 15 to 19 year olds until 31st December 2017.

Our schedule is available on our website www.kinaston.vic.gov.au no booking is required.

For further information please call 1300 764 807.

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Homestay Providers wanted

**Do you have a
spare bedroom?** 

Are you able to provide a caring, safe and supportive environment for an international student?

Westall Secondary College's International Program is looking for English speaking families to accommodate for secondary aged International students who require homestay provision.

Our students are predominantly from China, Vietnam and Cambodia. Families receive weekly payment for providing this valuable service.

For further information, contact Mrs Po Sim Ngian on
95463233 during school hours, mobile: **0457369361**
or email: png@westallsc.vic.edu.au



College Blazer—\$110.00—buy direct from the General Office



LOOK GREAT IN 2017!
 The College Blazer can be purchased from the College for only \$110.
 Students are encouraged to wear their Blazer to and from School every day.

Community News

Creative ARTS WORKSHOP 3rd-6th October
 Showcase 7th October

School Holiday Workshops for Youth facilitated by Creative Professionals to engage with your imagination, and develop your skills as you produce a piece of work as a team that is truly unique!

October will have 3 Streams for you to choose from;

TECH HEADS	MUSIC MINDS	ART & DESIGN
Sound Tech	Band	Atmosphere
Multimedia	Dance	Set Design
Lighting	Song Writing	Art Expression
Photography		

Date: 3-6th October
 Times: 10am-4pm each day
 Showcase: 7th October
 Cost: \$50 for the whole week
 BYO: Lunch, Instruments, Ipad, Camera

To Register your interest or find out more information please contact Bec on 9558 2045 or rebecca.ludlow@aus.salvationarmy.org

The Salvation Army KINGSTON GARDENS
 UNIT 13, 12-16 GARDEN BOULEVARD, DINGLEY VILLAGE, VIC 3172



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GET THE FACTS ON FATHERHOOD

- Why Dads Matter to Children
- Developing a Healthy Parenting Style
- Improving Family Communication and Closeness
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- Highly visual – good for all levels of literacy. No exams!
- Relevant for guys just wanting a refuel, tune-up, right through to men in desperate need of a complete rebuild!

WHAT MEN ARE SAYING:

"It was great to get together just with blokes. The guys up front are down to earth. I'm now on track to creating a better a future for my kids."

"I'd be the last bloke to do a parenting course 'cause I didn't like the idea of someone telling me how to parent. But I soon discovered Pit Stop is different... I look forward to it every week!"

"The bond I have with my wife and son since I started Pit Stop has been amazing... She is telling all her friends about it!"

"What a great course!... many simple tools... I would strongly recommend it to every dad!"

NEXT COURSE
 October 24th to December 5th 2017

VENUE: City of Kingston Council
 Mentone Office
 34 Brindisi Street
 Mentone

TIME: Six Tuesday evenings
 7.00pm-9.00pm
 7th November is a Public Holiday

REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL

Registration
 Close on Wednesday 18th October

Enquires:
 Alisa 1300 369 436
 Email: youth_services@kingston.vic.gov.au

Strengthening and raising healthy families



Join us for free program in Strengthening and Raising Healthy Families.....

Day: Every Thursday

Time: 10am-12noon

Date: Starting 12th October 2017
 Finishing 07th December 2017

ADDRESS
 Westall Community Hub
 35 Fairbank Road, Clayton South

The information session will cover:

- childhood development
- children's needs
- the roles of parents and caregivers
- family relationships
- the importance of play
- relevant Australian law
- behaviour management
- safety for parents and children
- prevention of family violence (EMERGE)
- handy resources
- and more

Community guest speakers will be invited to speak about range of topics.

Bookings essential

Registrations close Friday 06th October 2017.
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