Newsletter 11

Thursday July 24th 2014

Calendar of Events

July

25th  Aquarium Excursion  
Year 7

28th  Primary ACMI Excursion

29th  ACMI Film – 8A & 8B

30th  Primary Crepe Day

ACMI Film – 8C & 8D

31st  VCAL Bike Riding

August

1st  Biology CSIRO Excursion

Year 12

6th  High Resolves Initiative

Year 8

7th  Maths Competition

8th  Deakin Experience Day

Year 10

Principal's Report

Welcome back to the start of semester two. I hope that parents have had the opportunity to read and discuss end of semester reports with their sons and daughters during the break and reflect on the comments made by teachers. We are looking forward to a very productive term, with plenty of exciting learning opportunities for our students.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind students of the high expectations we have of them. We wish to ensure that every student makes the most of the opportunities provided for them. This term, we are particularly focussing on productive use of class time, submitting work on time and appropriate use of electronic devices. Parents can help by talking to their sons and daughters and ensuring that they come to school fully prepared for their learning.

This week we celebrated French Bastille Day with a “Crepe Day” for Secondary students. This will be followed next Wednesday with a “Crepe Day” for our Primary students. This has become a special tradition at Carwatha, thoroughly enjoyed by all involved.

Rehearsals have begun for our annual Presentation Ball. Students are enjoying learning the dances and we can look forward to a very special night on August 29th. Our primary choir are also rehearsing for the State Schools Spectacular to be held at Hisense arena in September. We wish them well for this great event. Other upcoming activities include numerous excursions for many year levels, Science Week and Variety night.

Now that winter is well and truly upon us, I would like to remind secondary parents about our requirements regarding jackets. If students choose to wear a jacket, only school approved jackets are permitted. Students purchasing new jackets should be purchasing the jacket in school colours available from PSW our uniform suppliers. Other jackets are not permitted.

A reminder that wearing complete school uniform is a college requirement. additional items are not permitted and those students who do not comply will spend time with their Year level coordinators.

The college is proud to announce that we will be holding our P-12 Multicultural Day on August 12. Students are encouraged to come in national dress and to participate in our special assembly at the start of the day. We also welcome parents to attend and participate.

Rhonda Potter
Acting Principal
Prep -12 News

Starting Monday 14th of July after the holidays: By placing your family and friends outgrown or unwanted clothing in bags and bringing them to the school, you will be raising money for our school! (Look out for the collection bins provided.)

Collection bags have been provided to families. Extras available at office.

What to Bag:
Clean, undamaged clothing, paired footwear, jackets, hats, belts, ties, swimwear, underwear, bras, socks, handbags, sheets and blankets.

Fundraising to Date: $54.45.
Thanks to all the parents and staff who have contributed towards this fundraising program.

Carwatha College P-12 Fundraiser

This term Carwatha College P-12 is running a fundraising event aimed at raising money towards much needed student resources.

You can help by selling items to family and friends.

Order Back by: Thursday 31st July
Pick up: Friday 8th August from the office.

The person who sells the most items will win themselves an iTunes voucher! (1 Primary and 1 Secondary).

Compass Competition

Congratulations to super sleuth Tiffany Hughes of 10C who solved the Compass Who Dunnit? Competition in 5 days from the daily clues provided. Tiffany won a $5 Canteen voucher.

Primary News

Student of the Week 18/07/2014

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Secondary News

The Murder Mystery Chemistry Excursion

On the 16th of July, the year 11 Chemistry class visited Monash University to participate in the murder mystery case which showcased a variety of techniques involved in determining the murderer. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to get involved in a fun and educational day in the field of Chemistry and Forensic Science. We were broken up into different groups with different schools in order to challenge our teamwork skills. At the fingerprint station, we were given the chance to evaluate the fingerprints present at the crime scene. Using our newly gained
knowledge of the different types of fingerprints, we were able to match and eliminate possible suspects. We also got the opportunity to play around with our own fingerprints.

By further analysis of the crime, we found a mysterious white powder in the victim’s wine glass. Using UV-Visible Spectrophotometry to analyse the concentration level of the powder, we were able to determine whether the victim was possibly drugged or not. Our results confirmed that the dosage in the glass was not lethal.

Using Infrared Spectroscopy we were able to determine what the white powder in the wine was by directing infrared radiation on to the powder. The amount of infrared radiation absorbed is unique to certain groups of atoms called functional groups. By analysing the spectrum produced we discovered that the white powder was aspirin.

We used Atomic Emission Spectroscopy (Flame Test) to determine the presence of metal ions within a sample of dirt. Different metals ions will emit different wavelengths of colour depending on energy released, when exposed to heat. We tested a range of different metals and compared them to the unknown metal ions found at the crime scene and on the suspect’s shoes. By doing this we once again were able to narrow down the possible suspects.

The Murder Mystery case provided us a fun yet educational day which helped us all to gain valuable knowledge of the area of Forensic Science which will assist us in our further studies of Chemistry. On behalf of the Year 11 Chemistry class, we would like to thank Mr. Verkhatsky and Mrs. Thomas for organising and making this day the great success. Thanks to Matt Smith for driving the bus.

Andrew, Jenny, Christina, Lee, Jessica, Shinead, Fidela, Alexandra and Tony of Year 11

**RMIT SNAP-Media Excursion:**

The excursion was kindly provided to Carwatha via RMIT’s Media and Communication department. Students were able to explore future study and career options in Media and Communications. All students participated in 2 hands-on workshops as well as have the opportunity to speak with RMIT teaching staff, media industry professionals and current media students. The first workshop allowed students to get an inside view of what public relations is about. We followed steps and brainstormed ideas to come up with a promotional event for a real client, ‘Maltesers’. Our task was to research the target audience, which was men aged 18-30 for the primary purpose for promoting Men’s Health Awareness. (Prostate Cancer)

The second workshop was based on the production and editing, where our main focus was on sound. We were able to explore different areas of sound by completing a task where we were given a microphone and a head set. Our task was to record ‘sounds’. Overall the excursion was a fun and an informative experience. The experience gave insight into available media and communication courses. Plenty for us to consider. Deborah, Julien, Evan and Mima.

**VCAL City to School Walk**

The VCAL students are really excited to organise a 35km City to School Charity Walk on the Monday 13th October. The students want to raise awareness and acknowledge the hard work of the Salvation Army in the local community. The City to School walk will commence at 7:30am at Federation Square and end at approximately 2:30pm at Carwatha College P-12 at a special college assembly. It will involve all VCAL students and the Year 11 VCE PE students walking a variety of distances between 10-30km on the day. We would love the support of the local community by making cash donations to the college office or by handing in non-
Homestays

Carwatha College P-12 is currently looking to expand our team of homestay providers for our International Students. An outline of the responsibilities of a homestay provider are:

- ensuring that the student has their own bed (they do not have to have their own room) and a place of their own to work and study
- overseeing the student’s wellbeing.
- providing all meals including lunch.

It is compulsory for all families (everyone in the household over the age of 18 or even frequent residents of the house) to have a current Working With Children Card. The current rate of payment for homestay providers is between $200 and $270 per week. This may be negotiated depending upon the homestay provided. If you are interested in the possibility of becoming a member of our homestay team, please contact Lynne Ramsay at the college for full details and an application form.

Multicultural Day

The Multicultural Day will take place on the Tuesday, 12th August. SRC students have been working very hard on organising this day, inviting students to showcase their cultures at the Multicultural Assembly. A number of students have signed up for dances, singing of songs, playing musical instruments and reciting of poems. The students are encouraged to come dressed up in their cultural clothes to celebrate their backgrounds and be part of the multicultural parade. We are asking for students to bring in any display artefacts from their cultures for our special multicultural display.

The Year 11 Business Management class is running a Multicultural Business at lunch on this day. Running this business is part of the class’s Marketing Outcome for their School Assessed Coursework (SAC). The success of the business is important to the class because they are putting all their theory work from the previous unit into action. Some of the Multicultural Food that are being offered in the menu are; Curry Chicken, Skewers, Kebabs, Cevapi, Churros and more. The food will be available to purchase by the students on this day. We are requesting the school community to support us in this real life business experience.

Kimberly Hughes, Treasurer, SRC
Year 11 Business Management Class

Community

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Event Details:
Date: Saturday 11th / Sunday 12th October 2014
Time: 4:00pm ( Sat ) – 10:00am ( Sun )
Venue: Ross Reserve Athletics Track, Memorial Drive, Noble Park.
Reminder to Register online!!
It would be very much appreciated if team captains could make an effort to get as many of their team members to register online - saves volunteers being too busy on event weekend!!
Please also tick for survivor or carer’s attending to assist the committee in catering and numbers for the first lap.
Any questions?
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