22nd April 2016

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 2 and I’m sure to what will prove to be another vibrant learning and teaching experience for all here at PCW. We’ve already hosted the SCSA Cricket and our students did very well with the final results being: Juniors - 2nd, Intermediates – 1st and Seniors – 2nd.

A positive transition from primary school to secondary school is a key factor for student success in later years. Our Year 7s spent Term 1 getting to know each other, settling in to the newness and differences of a secondary school and building crucial partnerships with their teachers, peers and senior students at the College. This Monday our Year 7s headed off for a three day camp at the Phillip Island Adventure Resort. At the camp they challenged themselves and each other in physical activities, worked on continuing to build positive relationships and to further develop team building skills. The girls gave me courage and cheered me on as I went on the giant swing and participated in the dance competition. We all really enjoyed the disco on the Tuesday night with resident PCW DJ, Mr Sparkles. We could not have asked for better weather, a great experience for all.

Over the school holidays, Kelly McGurn, Antonella Rosati and I completed an online course for Heads of School Heads of school/MYP coordinators: Implementing the MYP curriculum. We explored the philosophical, pedagogical and administrative implications of implementing the IB Middle Years Programme curriculum. This will hold us in good stead with the implementation of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program at PCW.

“We will remember them”

Anzac Day, 25 April, is one of Australia’s most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. This day is special to Australians because when war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a federated nation for only 13 years, and its government was eager to establish a reputation among the nations of the world.

The original Unknown Soldier was entombed in Westminster Abbey in London on 11 November 1920, two days after being brought from France. Plans to honour an unknown Australian soldier were first put forward in the 1920s but it was not until 1993 that one was at last brought home. To mark the 75th anniversary of the end of the First World War, the body of an unknown Australian soldier was recovered from Adelaide Cemetery near Villers-Bretonneux in France and transported to Australia. After lying in state in King’s Hall in Old Parliament House, Unknown Australian Soldier was interred in the Hall of Memory at the Memorial on 11 November 1993. He was buried with a bayonet and a sprig of wattle in a Tasmanian blackwood coffin, and soil from the Pozières battlefield was scattered in his tomb. The Unknown Australian Soldier represents all Australians who have been killed in war.
Principal’s Report (cont.):

Today, here at PCW, we recognised 25 April as a day of national remembrance with a moving ceremony attended by all staff and students. As we brought forward our National Flag we remembered that in these turbulent times around the world, ANZAC Day reminds us that the cause for peace and freedom in our world is an ongoing one.

“Lest we forget.”

Best wishes,

Filina Virgato
Principal
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Prayer: ANZAC Day Reflection

Growing up in Bendigo, I would often go to the local milk bar to buy milk for my parents. On one of my visits, a young man Paul Reidy who lived in my neighbourhood was there having a milk shake. Paul was explaining to the shopkeeper that he had been called up for military service to fight in Vietnam. Sadly some months later Paul age 21 was killed on the battlefield.

It was such a tragic loss of life. I attended Paul’s military funeral with the rest of my school friends. We formed a guard of honour as a mark of respect for Paul. Paul’s tragic death left an indelible mark on my memory as to the sadness and futility of war.

So as we approach Anzac Day, we remember our own family members and those of our community who have been affected by war.

May they find peace and hope in Christ our Lord.

Prayer

Lord, We ask your blessing on the souls of all those who gave their lives and who suffered in the service of their country during times of war.

We gratefully acknowledge their supreme sacrifice to the building of the nation we live in today, with such freedom and safety. Help us to appreciate the preciousness of life and its fragility.

We pray for all the relatives, friends and loved ones in our school community who have been affected by war. May we also pray for all those including family members, relatives and friends who have died as a result of war.

May they and Paul find peace.

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They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them."
Lest We Forget

Phil McErvale
Mission Team
Upcoming Events

Week Beginning Monday 25th April
Monday 25th April  ANZAC Day
Wednesday 27th April  PCW Melbourne Open Day
Thursday 28th April  SCSA Badminton
                      St Vincent De Paul Sleep Out (Year 9)
Friday 29th April     Year 10 Retreat
                      Year 7 Immunisations
Saturday 30th April  Class of 1996 Reunion (20 Year)

Week Beginning Monday 2nd May
Monday 2nd May        Year 11 & 12 2017 Senior Subject Expo & Information Evening
                      (for Year 9 & 10 Parents)
Friday 6th May         SCSA Athletics

Week Beginning Monday 9th May
Tuesday 10th May      Finance Meeting (5.30 pm)
                      Board Meeting (7.00 pm)
                      Parent Association Meeting (7.30 pm)
                      Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN Testing
Wednesday 11th May    Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN Testing
                      PBVM Formation Session at PCW (3.30 pm - 5.00 pm)
Thursday 12th May     Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN Testing
Saturday 14th May     Class of 1986 Reunion (30 Year)

Week Beginning Monday 16th May
Tuesday 17th May      Class of 2015 Reunion (1 Year)
Wednesday 18th May    Writers in Residence Program
Thursday 19th May     SCSA Indoor Soccer
                      Writers in Residence Program
Friday 20th May       Writers in Residence Program
                      PA Annual Social Function
Scholarships

PCW Melbourne will again be offering Scholarships for 2017. The following scholarships will be offered:

- The Nano Nagle Scholarship (for a student entering Year 12)
- The PCW Melbourne Young Achiever Award (for a student entering Year 11)
- The Seven Sisters Dreaming Indigenous Scholarship (for a current student or student entering Year 7)
- The Ruby Tout Academic Scholarship (for students entering Years 7, 9 & 11)
- Music Scholarship (for students entering Years 7 and 9)
- Community Scholarship (for students entering Years 7, 9 & 11)

All details, including application forms can be found on the College website: http://www.pcw.vic.edu.au/Enrolment/Scholarships.aspx

Applications for all scholarships will close on:

- Year 7: Friday March 18, 2016
- Year 8—11 (& Seven Sisters Dreaming): Friday June 17, 2016

If you need further information or clarification please contact Trish Chester (Principal’s PA) on 8517.2704 or office@pcw.vic.edu.au

Parents Dropping Off / Picking Up Students

We respectfully ask parents/guardians to take extra care when dropping off your daughter in the morning or picking them up after school. PCW Melbourne has enjoyed a very harmonious relationship with our neighbours in Hornby Street but some are concerned that parents are just stopping in the middle of the road to drop girls off. This practice is unsafe and illegal. Please note that some families have received infringement notices over the last few weeks.

Dandenong Road is also a busy and often congested road and parents are advised to drop their daughters off or pick them up from further along the road to avoid dangerous situations with bikes and cars.

Parents should NEVER drive into the College and park on College grounds unless a previous arrangement has been made. Please do not park in Disabled or No Parking spaces.

These guidelines will assist us in keeping your daughter safe in the College grounds.

Thank you for your support.

Antonella Rosati
Deputy Principal, Students
Canteen Specials

Week Commencing Tuesday 26 April
MUFFIN: Apply Rhubarb crumble
MEAL: Chicken Parmagiana Roll
SOUP: Vegetable

Week Commencing Monday, 2 May
MUFFIN: Peppermint Crisp
MEAL: Lasagna
SOUP: Potato & Leek

Students can place LUNCH ORDERS before school and at recess. They can pick up their orders at the back door and avoid lining up with the crowds at lunchtime.

Breakfast
The Canteen is open for breakfast every morning from 7.45 am until 8.20 am

The following is available for $1.00:
2 x slices of toast—butter, jams, vegemite and juice
Cereal & Juice or Yoghurt & Juice
Ham & Cheese Croissants $3.50
Plain Croissants $2.00
Cheese & Vegemite Scrolls $2.00

College Uniform

The Uniform Policy of PCW Melbourne addresses the total appearance of the student travelling to, from and whilst at school. The uniform is seen as an external statement of the quality education offered at the College. In effect, it presents to the public an image, which is in line with the College ethos. The uniform is a means of developing unity and pride within our community. It is the expectation that all students comply with this policy in all its requirements.

Winter Uniform (Term 2 and 3)
Blazer Navy College blazer with emblem
Jumper Navy College jumper with emblem
Skirt Winter skirt
Shirt Green chambray with white collar
Tights Navy blue only – No Socks
Scarf College scarf only

*The College blazer must be worn to and from school every day.*

Antonella Rosati
Deputy Principal, Students
Parent Association Trivia Night

The PCW Parent Association “GAME OF LIFE” Trivia Night is fast approaching on **May 20th**. Funds raised will go towards providing a dedicated common room area for the students involved in the VCAL & VET programs.

*Our school has a wonderful, diverse and talented community of parents and we are asking for your donations. We need items for silent auction and prizes.*

*If you own or work for a business that has a product or service to donate we would be delighted to promote your venture to the wider school community at our event.*

*You don’t need to attend on the night to show your support but you can be there in spirit with a generous donation, big or small.*

**WHAT TO DONATE?**

- Bottles of wine or spirits
- Vouchers for your business, beauty services or restaurants
- A weekend at your holiday house!
- Vouchers for any amount easy to purchase from supermarkets or post office (eg. JB HIFI, itunes, Sportsgirl, Coles Myer etc)
- Signed sporting memorabilia
- Beauty products, artwork, handmade crafts

**ITEMS CAN BE DELIVERED TO RECEPTION, c/- Trish Chester.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CLEARLY MARK ITEMS “TRIVIA NIGHT” AND INCLUDE YOUR NAME SO WE CAN SHOWER YOU WITH APPRECIATION**

Thank you all for considering how you can help!! We are looking forward to a fun night, to join us just go to trybooking for tickets! [www.trybooking.com/190755](http://www.trybooking.com/190755)

**Trivia Night Committee**

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Parent Association Meetings

**Fourth Meeting: Tuesday 10th May**

**7.30 pm in the Staff Lunchroom**

The PCW Parent Association work hard to encourage social interaction among parents so that they develop a sense of belonging to the school community. All parents are invited to be a part of the Association and come along to monthly meetings or be involved with activities. All meetings will be advertised in the Lantern—College E-Newsletter and dates are also available on the school calendar, published on the school website: [www.pcw.vic.edu.au](http://www.pcw.vic.edu.au)

Once a month the Parent Association meets—the hearing from the Principal and other members of the Leadership Team and Faculty Heads. This unique interaction between the Leadership, Staff and Parents is an opportunity to hear firsthand about developments around PCW and to provide timely feedback to the school from parents.
PCW Melbourne Lantern Newsletter
Friday, April 22, 2016

Parent Association—Trivia Night—20 May, 2016

PCW MELBOURNE PARENT’S ASSOCIATION

The game of LIFE

TRIVIA NIGHT

FRIDAY 20 MAY 2016
7–11pm, PCW School Hall

DINNER TRIVIA GAMES LIVE BAND:
THE BIG FRONT

Raising funds for the VCAL senior pathways common room.

Drinks purchased from bar.
Tables of 10 (make up your own table or join a class table).
Bookings: www.trybooking.com/190755
“Women of Windsor” Annual Event

Save the Date!

Women of Windsor
Annual Event

Saturday 12th November, 2016

Last year was the inaugural event for the Alumnae group, now known as ‘Women of Windsor’.

The panel last year consisted of:

Anna Burke who was previously the Speaker of the House of Representatives
Sister Mary Kavanagh – past Student, Principal and Head of our Boarding House
Judge Katherine Bourke – County Court Judge
Judge Claire Quin – County Court Judge
Erin O’Brien & Vy Nguyen (Leaders in 2016)

Whether you are a regular visitor to the school or returning for the first time since graduation to see what has changed, we are very excited to welcome you to the College for this event.

Please pass this invitation on to other PCW Alumnae who may be interested in attending.

Further details will be available on the website throughout the year
Contact: Trish Chester
85172704 or womenofwindsor.vic.edu.au
Easter Liturgy

On Holy Thursday, our last day of Term One, students and staff gathered in the Hall for our Easter Liturgy. The Mission Team worked closely with the Year 12 Liturgy Leaders in planning the liturgy. It featured a range of students from each year level leading the assembled through the events of the Easter Triduum – the three days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

In recalling Holy Thursday, the gift of, and call to service was celebrated with the washing of the feet. We were asked, whose feet are we called to wash today? Are we prepared to serve those who might offend, frighten or upset us? And we were reminded of the challenge of Easter, that the call to discipleship impels us to try to love and serve as Jesus loved and served.

The most important day in the Church’s year, Good Friday, was re-enacted through the Stations of the Cross. Jesus’ passion was paralleled with modern day justice issues. We ‘walked’ with Jesus and were invited to consider how we could ‘fill his shoes’ in the world today. After each station, we acknowledged, ‘The Suffering of Christ is the suffering of Humanity’. The Year 12s’ dignity and presence during their portrayal of the stations were very powerful and many staff and students commented later that this section had moved them, and enabled them to see the Easter message in a new and vital way.

In the final section, we celebrated the joy of resurrection with the scripture of the empty tomb, the Hallelujah chorus and a photo story reminder that we have a lot to be grateful for at PCWM for we are people journeying to be full of hope, justice and love. Interspersed through all three sections of the liturgy, Arli Giles-Watson of 9 Blue played her guitar and sang an Easter version of Leonard Cohen’s ‘Hallelujah’. It was fitting that her beautiful rendition captured all that the Easter liturgy was hoping to commemorate – the pain and joy of the Easter story, and the call for us to use our talents to make those vital Easter messages present every day.

Fiona McKenna
PCWM Mission Team
Eco Squad

The Year 12 Environment Captains would like to welcome the Eco Squad to PCW in 2016. PCW has established a student based committee to help combat the environmental issues within the school. The environmental leaders, alongside Ms Sally Borrman, work in conjunction with The Port Phillip Eco Centre and CERES in Brunswick. In Term 1, the team initiative was presented to the school, open to students from Years 7 to 11, and it was safe to say our first meetings were a success, over 70 students attended. The team has been working with Ange from the Port Phillip Eco Centre, and Jane from CERES identifying the key issues within the school, and creating ‘plans of attack’ for how we will improve them within the school. We look forward to implementing our plans during the year, including: nudie food days, energy efficiency, the collection of waste, and generally creating more awareness of the environmental issues within the school.

We are always looking for more students to join, so if you would like more information, see your House Environment Captain and come along to a meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday 21st April 1.00 – 1.50pm in K101
With Ange from the Port Phillip Eco Centre
Bring your lunch and enthusiasm!
Tim Watts MP Gellibrand

Appealing to the Know Your Rights class, Legal Studies class and Politics class could have been a difficult task; but Tim Watts, ALP Member for Gellibrand handled it with ease. On the 12th of April, Mr Watts visited PCWM to discuss his position as a politician, and what it has brought for him.

Tim engaged the audience by asking questions like What is a democracy? And why do we need a democracy? He further explained the need for the importance of the youth vote. If you don’t vote you will not get your concerns heard. Tim also advocated the importance of women in parliament. By having more women in parliament the conversation changes and a greater depth of issues are bought to public attention. Tim used the example of domestic violence in our community. In his constituency Tim has researched this topic as this is an issue of grave concern in his community and for all Australians. Tim eloquently answered questions about his stance on Australia’s approach to a range of topics, such as refugees, parliamentary processes, maritime disputes and gay rights. It was obvious Tim’s passion for politics, as he spoke with enthusiasm and unbridled truth about the ups and downs of his job. No matter what subject the girls were from, I think everyone brought something home from the lecture. A big thank you to Tim Watts for taking time out to talk to us, and another one for Ms Borrman for organising this incursion.

Vy Nguyen
Year 12 Global Politics
Prahran RSL ANZAC Ceremonial Service

On Sunday 17th April, PCW participated in the Prahran RSL 2016 ANZAC Ceremonial Service. The service was held in Victoria Gardens and was attended by Mr Sam Hibbins MP, State Member for Prahran and Cr. Melina Sehr, City of Stonnington. Returned veterans, their family and friends marched from the RSL Club to the gardens prior to the service commencing. The College led the prayers, scripture reading and hymns throughout the ceremony. We then went back to the RSL Club for some light refreshments and a sharing of stories from our ‘diggers.’ We thank Rod Coote, President of the Prahran RSL, for inviting us to be part of the ANZAC ceremonial service for our community.
Year 7 Report—Phillip Island Camp

Our three day camp at the Phillip Island Adventure Resort was a great success. The weather was perfect and our girls took part in a wide range of activities with inspiring enthusiasm. The girls challenged themselves to conquer the high ropes, the giant swing, the twin flying fox, canoeing, raft building, team rescue and the initiative course. All experienced a sense of achievement as they overcame fears or attained personal goals. New friendships were formed as girls worked in teams to complete the physical and fun activities.
Year 7 Report—Phillip Island Camp (cont.)

The camp gave the girls opportunities to take on leadership positions and experience success by working with their peers.

The Monday afternoon activities included a beach walk, table tennis, volleyball, origami and creating friendship bracelets. Both nights were organised around getting to know you activities with a trivia competition, a group dance-off and the disco.

Our Principal, Ms Virgato, joined in the dance competition and added a particularly animated element to the night. The girls loved it!
Year 7 Report—Phillip Island Camp (cont.)

I thank each and every girl for making our camp such a positive event. I appreciate your willingness to be open to new experiences and your ability to care for and value each other. I am very proud of you.

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful staff of PCW Melbourne who gave up time with their families to make the camp possible for the entire Year 7 group. Thank you for your hard work, enthusiasm and detailed planning to ensure the camp ran so successfully.
Year 7 Report—Phillip Island Camp (cont.)

Jude Wright
Year 7 Coordinator
Career News

It has been a busy start to Term 2 with Year 12s having their first information session about the VTAC process and their futures beyond PCW Melbourne. This has been followed by group interviews to explain things further and allow them to ask questions. There will be another important session in late July for parents and students and all girls will get an individual interview in August once registration opens and they start entering information about themselves and their course selections.

On the evening of May the 2nd we kick of the Year 10 Pathways Program with a subject selection information session. This is followed by three days where students reflect on their learning, interests and values, applying this to possible career options. They will also complete the Career Voyage vocational ‘testing’, look at their employability skills, get some useful VCE preparation tips, hear from past students, prepare for work experience and attend the VCE and Careers Expo. A jam packed three days that will help your daughters make informed decisions about their pathway in their senior years; VET, VCAL or VCE and the subject prerequisites they will need for tertiary courses. This program will be followed up with individual interviews during May. Parents are encouraged to attend these with their daughters where possible.

Last Friday I attended the RMIT Careers Practitioner Seminar and was reminded that the world is a very fast changing place and with our girls possibly not entering the workforce until 2020 and beyond with many jobs automated or very much changed from what we know of it now. The main growth areas being health care with things like aging populations and problems such as obesity and diabetes on the rise, technology, design, business and entrepreneurship. The latter all being important with countries wanting to have the next big idea that can be sold to the rest of the world as are the many employability skills students are expected to have instead of just academic results. It was interesting to hear about their industry programs which really provide a student with real experiences as they study plus the bonus of links to future employers and the start ups packages they offer to help students get their ideas up and running.

Please take the time to read the Career Newsletter #5 attached.

Mr Pearce and I both have a few VCE and Careers Expo passes available to Year 11 and 12 students so pop down and collect one.

Megan Larritt
Careers Counsellor
Career News: No 5

Reminders:
- Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT) – Register by: 3 June;
  Test date: 27 July (for Monash Medicine)
- ‘INSIDE MONASH’ SEMINARS: 26 April – Architecture; 27 April – Industrial Architecture; 28 April – Psychology; Information and Bookings: www.monash.edu/inside-monash
- ‘FOCUS ON MELBOURNE’— seminars (6.30-8pm) Engineering Tues 17 May; Veterinary Science Wed 18 May; Information/registration; http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/focus2016

1. VCE AND CAREERS EXPO 2016
   REMINDER – This annual event is coming up VERY soon. It’s a great opportunity to start collecting information and to talk with representatives from a wide range of education providers. It is thoroughly recommended for student in Years 10-12. Hopefully Year 12 students have already done a lot of career research and they will find Open Days at institutions particularly useful as well. Universities, TAFE and training providers will be at the EXPO, along with GAP year and study advisers. When: Thurs 5 – Sun 8 May; Where: Caulfield Racecourse; Admissions: $10 and $25 per family; Information: www.vceadvocacy.com.au

2. WHY RESEARCH CAREERS? Researching ideas for careers and training while at school is becoming increasingly important. With automation of many jobs developing rapidly, many unskilled jobs (and many skilled jobs as well) are rapidly disappearing. A willingness to obtain qualifications and to retrain when necessary will be VITAL for a young person’s future. It is believed that at least Certificate III level qualifications (preferably higher) will be essential to obtain on-going work (ie Certificate IV, Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas and Degrees). Resilience, determination, and education will be essential to remain in employment.

Remember too, the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) careers. These are some of the areas offering growth and opportunity in employment. Research shows that 75% of the fastest-growing occupations now require STEM skills, so we must build a workforce of tech-savvy future employees. Digital literacy is vital for everyone. The digital revolution has led to many new jobs and new ones will develop that we have never begun to think of.

An excellent website to check out is www.joboutlook.gov.au. Here you will find details of what jobs involve, average salaries, and, perhaps more importantly, the likelihood of employment growth in that job.

3. ‘INSIDE MONASH’ SEMINARS
   CONTINUE – If you would like to explore courses and careers at Monash University, then book into the ‘Inside Monash’ Seminar series as it continues into May with the following sessions:
   - 3 May – Teaching
   - 4 May – Music
   - 5 May – Information Technology
   - 10 May – Teaching
   - 11 May – Medicine and Biomedical science
   - 12 May – Engineering
   - 17 May – Science Advanced
   - 18 May – Law
   - 19 May – Health Sciences

4. ‘FOCUS ON MELBOURNE’ SEMINAR DATES – These seminars provide a great opportunity for you to check out University of Melbourne courses and careers. The series continues with:
   - 19 May – Focus on Biomedicine
   - 24 May – Focus on Agriculture
   - 25 May – Focus on Information Technology
   - 31 May – Focus on Science


5. DREAMING OF FLYING? Discover how you can make it happen at the Lilydale Flying School by attending the Flying School Open Day. Speak with pilots and instructors and discover career and recreation pathways in Aviation.
Career News: No 5 (cont.)

8. CONNECT WITH DEAKIN AT MELBOURNE KNOWLEDGE WEEK – 
The Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment at Deakin University is hosting a number of free events during Knowledge Week – See: [link]

9. SO YOU WANT TO BE A GRAPHIC DESIGNER – Graphic Designers make visual communications for reproduction in print and electronic media (newspapers, books, magazines and websites). The Indigenous Student Experience Day is a chance for secondary students to get a hands on experience of what Monash has to offer. There will be interactive sessions where participants will be able to select areas of study they are interested in. Meet staff and students in all study areas, find out about how to apply for university and what support is available for Indigenous students. When: 10am – 2pm, Fri 24 June (lunch included). Where: Robert Blackwood Hall, Clayton campus. Book: kristel.kaleher@monash.edu Ph 9905 8699. See [link] for more information.

You can find out about career pathways including air traffic control, air force and commercial pilot applications. Also included will be a BBQ, tours, speakers, displays, a women pilots forum, and competitions. When: 12 noon – 4pm, Sat 30 April; Where: 13 Macintyre Lane, Yering. Info: www.yarrellvaluation.com.au info@yarrellvaluation.com.au, Ph 0418310587.

6. INDIGENOUS ENGINEERING WINTER SCHOOL – Do you like to solve problems, like working with your hands and fixing things, and are interested in making the world a better place? If yes, then engineering might be the career for you. Melbourne, Swinburne, RMIT and Monash Universities are collaborating to bring the 2016 Victorian Indigenous Engineering Winter School (VIEWW). This is a 5-day program where students will experience first-hand the work of engineers, meet Indigenous engineering professionals, discover pathways to engineering, explore four university campuses and hopefully open up a world of possibilities in engineering. Who: Year 11 and 12 students; When: Mon 4 - Sat 9 July (applications close 9 May). Cost: No charge. Info: http://www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/engage/indigenous/views. Info: eng.views@unimelb.edu.au.

7. INDIGENOUS STUDENT EXPERIENCE MONASH DAY – Want to get a taste of university life? The Indigenous Student Experience Day is a chance for secondary students to get a hands on experience of what Monash has to offer. There will be interactive sessions where participants will be able to select areas of study they are interested in. Meet staff and students in all study areas, find out about how to apply for university and what support is available for Indigenous students. When: 10am – 2pm, Fri 24 June (lunch included). Where: Robert Blackwood Hall, Clayton campus. Book: kristel.kaleher@monash.edu Ph 9905 8699. See [link] for more information.
Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

CAMP, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb State Postcode

Contact number

Centrelink pensioner or concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

Foster parent OR Veterans affairs pensioner

* Foster Parent must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

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I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation services to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

* DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.

* This consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.

* I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.

* If I withdraw my consent or do not otherwise provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.

* Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and or State schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child’s school.

Signature of applicant __________________________ Date __________
Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) - cont.

CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student’s eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 - Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
  a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004; that is, a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
  c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between 6 and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 16 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Data

For concession card holders, CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

Closing Date

Parents are encouraged to lodge the application form by 29 February 2016, so that payments can be made from March 2016. However schools can accept parent applications up until 03 June 2016.

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: $125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: $225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student’s date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
   Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
   If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide proof of this status to the school.

2. Complete the STUDENT/OCCUPATION section for students at the school.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Quarterly relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.