The State Government has launched a new plan and resources for the Education State. Plans were shared at the Principal Briefings over the past 2 weeks and I was very impressed by the resources being allocated to a wide range of programs. At our Colac-Corangamite network meeting on Thursday last week there was a mood of optimism and confidence that we have strong government support and that Regional Networks will be more able to support local schools.

I am also very happy to announce that we will have two Teach For Australia (TFA) graduate students joining us at the College for 2016-7. We have been working through the steps involved matching schools and graduates and I am now able to confirm that Kirrin Brown and Kirra Greaves will be completing their Masters in Education through an ongoing placement at Lavers Hill P-12 College.

The Teach For Australia program has been an initiative to bring experienced and highly qualified graduates into the teaching profession. Kirrin visited the College for three days last week and was very keen to be involved in a range of programs including the Outdoor Learning and International School Partnerships we are developing. Kirrin has a background in Science and Outdoor Education whilst Kirra, who will be here this Friday has completed a Law degree and will be able to teach in the areas of English and Humanities.

Celebrating College Events and Achievements.

Our second Pink Day was a great success. Congratulations Chloe and Hannah.

Anaphylaxis Training with St John Ambulance will be offered to the school and community on the 9th December, for more information please phone Tony Grayden at the College on 52 373 213
A big thank you to our amazing parents who organised a marvellous Halloween Disco. The decorations were frightening and the costumes astounding. All the students and parents I spoke to were very impressed and had a memorable evening. I can imagine the Halloween Disco become a great tradition of the College.

Jasmine Steen has been shortlisted for a VCAA state leadership award. We will be there at Parliament House on November 23 to support her. This is a fine achievement for Jasmine and all her teachers over her years at Lavers Hill P-12 College. There are 7 finalists and we will be barracking for her (that’s if barracking is allowed at Parliament House.

Jasmine Steen relaxes after her last exam

Congratulations to the P-4 team on the beautiful mosaics and creation of the garden. When I saw Michelle over the September vacation busily completing the mosaics I realised the enormous productive work that has gone into this project. As the new lockers were a delight in Term 3 I am sure the garden will be equally enjoyed this term.

The Kinder transition is well underway with 4 very excited young girls enjoying their experiences in the P-2 class. Michelle has been further progressing her Bastow Literacy program with great support from Kath and Kate and we look forward to hearing of this work as a valuable part of our focus on writing and literacy across all our PLTs.

The Insight Forum lead by the Middle Years students was a great success last week and brought together a great Unit of work for the students exploring the values that underpin and strengthen our democratic system. I have heard great reports from the Canberra trip and our thoughts are with Anne, Sarah and the students as they are making their journey to the Capital.

Planning is well underway for the 9-10 Expedition with Melissa, Denise and the students busily confirming the itinerary and preparing the many components of the 10-day journey. Senior teachers have been working with Denise and Tony to plan our students’ 2016 program. We are getting close to confirming the program and it is very impressive to see how diverse and tailored each student’s pathway is.

I would like to congratulate our VCE students and teachers for their dedicated work as they prepared and completed the VCE exams. With just one or 2 exams to go this is a great achievement and we wish them all the best.

A beautiful cake made by Talia for Kathryn’s farewell.

At Turning Point students are busily completing assessment tasks and planning for 2016. I was fortunate to enjoy the farewell dinner for Kathryn Johns. Kathryn has been appointed to a further welfare role in Colac and her work for Turning Point over the past 2 years has been very much appreciated and crucial to the success of the Campus. Talia ensured that a beautiful lime green cake was there on the night and the great affection with which Kathryn is held was very evident as students and staff shared memories of working with Kathryn. These are just a snapshot of the fine work happening across the College.

Looking forward to a steady and most productive second half of the term.

Andrew Kohane
Principal
Community Members most welcome to attend
College Conference

Lavers Hill P-12 College is holding our inaugural ‘Otway Learning Conference’ on the 2\textsuperscript{nd} of December this year. We are working with DLTV to host a Digital Learning Conference.
Details can be found at our College website: http://www.lavershillp12c.vic.edu.au/events/

We are working with Digital Learning Technologies Victoria and are very keen to develop the Conference as a Network PD.
DLTV are keen to continue to work with our network and for us to work together towards hosting a South Western Victoria Conference in 2016.

If you follow this link it will take you to the Conference Plan

If you are interested in joining us please contact the Office.
2016 Prep Transition at Lavers Hill K-12 College

PREP TRANSITION DAYS

Friday 20th November, 8:50am - 3:05pm
Friday 27th November, 8:50am - 3:05pm

For more information please call the College Office on (03) 52373213
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