We are now well into Term Two and I am thoroughly enjoying getting to know Lavers Hill P-12 College. Many positive ideas are emerging in regard to programs we can develop at the College. I am enjoying hearing from students, teachers, parents and the community. School Council had an excellent initial conversation at our May meeting in regard to initiatives we can develop with our local community and potential partners.

I was very pleased to see how well the year 7 & 8 camp to the Grampians went. Our students were inspired, challenged and educated about the indigenous culture of the area. Cooperation with other schools, in joint ventures such as camping, sporting and the academic curriculum is definitely the way forward for Lavers Hill K-12 College. A special thanks to Randall, Sarah and Peter for leading the Camp.

We have just enjoyed a visit from two Indonesian teachers, travelling with their host school Camperdown College. Sarah Douglas has been in regular contact with her Camperdown College counterpart to enliven the delivery of LOTE across the two schools.

We are currently reflecting on the curriculum offered at the College and how we can develop subjects and topics that draw on the knowledge and skills of our teachers, students and community.

It has been a pleasure to begin meeting parents and community members and please do feel welcome to contact the office to arrange a time to come and talk with me.

Andrew Kohane
Dates to remember:

Thursday 29th May - Open Day
Thursday 29th May - fundraiser for breast cancer. Everyone to dress in pink.
Tuesday, 3rd June – Yrs 1-6 visit ‘Nourished.’ History inquiry.
Tuesday, 3rd June – SRC Leadership visit to Geelong, Dr Jane Goodall.
Thursday 5th June – World Environment Day excursion. Primary.
Monday 9th June – Queen’s birthday holiday

Primary News

STARS OF THE WEEK

Willem Bubica-Smith – Willem received the STAR AWARD for trying his best in all his subjects. Well done Willem, keep it up.

THE PRIMARIES NEW 3 STEP PLAN

As a primary group we discussed some new strategies in terms of dealing with students that are misbehaving. Students put forward their suggestions and then the top three were voted for. Here is our new plan.

Step 1 – Students will be moved to a new seat

Step 2 – Students need to run 3 laps of the oval (in their own time ie. Recess or lunchtime)

Step 3 – Students will have to call their parents and explain to their parents what they have been doing.

A new day means a new start to our 3 step plan, so far we have only had a few students make it to step 2.
**PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE**

Students in the primary have been enrolled to take part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge which has begun so start reading!!!! Miss Ferrari will collect student’s lists and record their readings so make sure students are filling in their lists with the titles of the books they have read.

**NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK**

Grade 1-2 have been discussing volunteers and what volunteers we have in our community. We would like to thank all the wonderful people in our community who volunteer. Here are some of our messages.

To the S.E.S,
Thank you from all the people that you will save in the future.

From Georgia

To the S.E.S,
Thank you for helping to save lives, for clearing trees off the roads and helping with car crashes. We know you out in floods and with searching. Thank you for volunteering.

From Jasper.
Thank you to the S.E.S for saving people. Saving people from floods and saving people from bush fires.

By Zeke
Thank you for **SAVING OUR** LIVES. For helping when trees **fall on our houses** and when there's car crashes.

From Chloe

Thank you to the fire brigade for saving people, the fire brigade puts fires out.

By Dean

To the **C.E.R.T team**

**THANK YOU FOR SAVING people's lives.**

By Jaeger

Thanks to our school helpers. Thank you for helping in the canteen plus in our classes.

By Jack
We had a great Education Week! We did science experiments. My favourite was the sherbet. It smelt good, looked good, felt powdery and tasted the best. It was an awesome day.

By Ryan

This morning we did a couple of experiments like the fizz inflator, Blob in a bottle and tornado in a bottle. My favourite part was making sherbet because it tastes good. The smell of plastic milk was disgusting.

By Matt
It’s education week and the theme was Scientists Do Amazing Things. Years 1-6 did lots of experiments. We all put hairspray in our hair and coloured our hair with yellow and pink to make us look like MAD SCIENTISTS. I was in a group with Willie. My favourite experiment was making your own sherbet. I liked the sherbet because we got to eat it and it was great, better than bought sherbet. We learnt lots of new things and I think everybody had a great time.

By willem

Pre-school News

Last week the kinder children had an excursion to Colac, where we visited the hospital and the fire station. The children enjoyed having a look in a hospital room and in the dentist surgery. We also did an activity sorting foods into those we should eat every day, and those just sometimes.

Turning on the hose at the fire station was fun too, as was listening to the sirens when the fireman turned them on the fire truck.
EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

It is now time to apply for this allowance for the second half of the year. If you circumstances have changed in any way and you are the holder of a Health Care Card or Pension Card and you did not receive funding in Term 1 please come to the office for an application form. If you received Term 1 payments and nothing has changed you need not re-apply.

SRC focus on ... leadership

Next Tuesday, 3rd June a number of selected students from the SRC will attend a youth symposium to hear Dr Jane Goodall, renowned conservationist and environmentalist. Dr Goodall is world famous for her work with chimpanzees. We will be leaving the College early and spending the day in Geelong.

Senior School

The General Achievement Test (GAT) will be held at Lavers Hill Community Hall On 11th June 10.00am – 1.15pm.

Year 11 Examinations will be held at the College on 13th, 17th and 18th June.
7-8 Grampians camp

**Our Journey- team Alpha – Jesse & Mark**

**Day 1:** Met with our group Alpha. Then we did some boomerang throwing. Then we had pasta and apple crumble for dinner.

**Day 2:** The second day we walked to the lake Bellfield and canoed across the lake for about 2 hours. Then we walked through a path that dropped and got steeper which was the hardest walk for our group. Then we ate fish and chips.

**Day 3:** We woke up and got ready to go to Boronia Peak. We dropped our bags at about halfway off the mountain and walked the rest to the top. Then we walked to the camp and had a barbeque which I (Mark) had to cook because of cooking duty.

**Day 4:** We woke up at 6:30 so we could do the abseiling and rock climbing. Then we went back with our people from Lavers Hill.

**Our Journey- team Charlie - Andrew and Edward**

Day 1: Edward and I did Rock Climbing and Abseiling. We played spotlight and then ate barbecue for dinner.

Day 2: We threw boomerangs and designed our own art. We also learnt how to play the didgeridoo.

Day 3: We did canoeing and a 6km walk. We got absolutely drenched and it was really tiring going on the hike straight after canoeing.

Day 4: We finished off the camp with a hike up Boronia Peak. We had these weird salad/chicken wrap that tasted bad.

Highlight: The pool was the best thing in the whole camp

**Our Journey Team: Bravo- Harley, Ethan, Zoe.**

Day 1. We got to the information centre and we learnt about the history and the land formation. Then we were learnt how to play the didgeridoo. Once we’d finished we walked to our camp site and set up our tents.
Day 2. We threw boomerangs and played games. Then we took a hike up to the top of Boronia peak. Then after we sat there for a while we walked back down and to our camp site.

Day 3. We went rock climbing and abseiling. Then we walked to the information centre where we were picked up by a bus and taken to our camp site.

Day 4. We woke up and packed up and walked to the lake. When we got there we went canoeing after we hopped on a bus and went home.

**Highlight:** The view from on the top of Boronia peak.

More pics next week!
Pink cupcakes for breast cancer research

Dress up in pink! Eat pink cupcakes! Help in the research to find a cure ...

This Thursday at recess Chloe Suares’ year 7 & 8 class will be selling their freshly baked, delicious, colourful and nutritious pink cupcakes.

Each freshly baked, delicious, colourful and nutritious pink cupcake will cost just $1.00 or you may buy them in bulk (4 cupcakes!) for just $3.00. All proceeds will be going to the National Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

We will also be selling more freshly baked, delicious, colourful and nutritious pink cupcakes on Friday... So come prepared.

Everybody is welcome to join in! Yum!