

Lavers Hill K-12 College



College Newsletter

5-10-2016

Welcome back to our Spring Term. As I write the rain is pouring down and we are wearing our woolens and jackets again. We have seen a glimpse of Spring and look forward to warmer and brighter days to come. I do hope all our families are well and our students have had a good rest and are ready for an engaging fourth term.

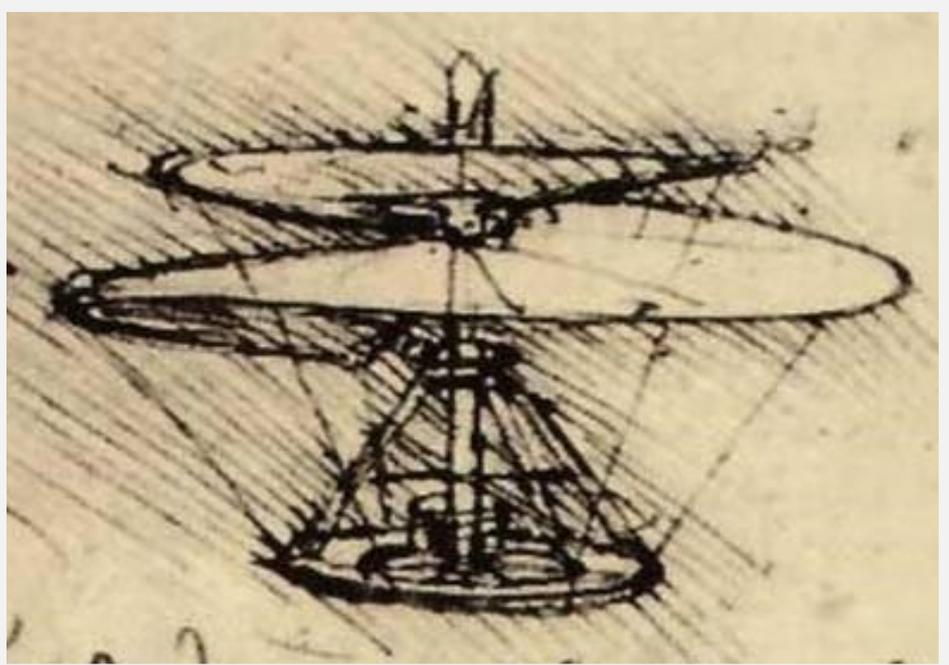
This Term we will be exploring our College Values and looking at how our behaviours align with the values.

Our College Values are Respect, Equality, Integrity, Humour and Resilience.

We will focus on one value each 2 weeks this term beginning with Respect. Respect is often a leading Australian value and I do believe it capture many of the qualities we hold dear as a community. I do like the threefold elements: **Respect for Self, Respect for Others and Respect for our Environment.** Please do talk with your family and young people over the coming weeks about how we can live 'with Respect' and the challenges involved in having 'positive regard' for all members of our community. I look forward to sharing with you how we are deepening our belief in and commitment to Respect at the College.

We begin the term with an exciting visit to the College by the **Da Vinci Helicopter Project.** Through the hands-on challenges, members will use various forms of technology to develop skills in project management, resource allocation, information accessing, systems understanding, team work and problem solving.

The workshop addresses the following curricula: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM).



The Lavers Hill K-12 College mission is to provide every student with the best possible education in a warm, caring, secure environment in which we develop the students' self esteem and provide programs that address the students' individual needs and ensures they attain their full potential this newsletter can be viewed on our website www.lavershillp12c.vic.edu.au

This Weeks News

Principal Report

Grade 3 & 4 Spelling Bee

Da Vinci's Helicopter

Preschool News

Walk to School Program

Interesting fact: Though the first actual helicopter wasn't built until the 1940s, it is believed that Leonardo da Vinci's sketches from the late fifteenth century were the predecessor to the modern day flying machine.

Our **Year 12 students and teachers** are very focused in their preparation for upcoming exams and we wish them 'clear minds, strong memories and a steady, relaxed and strong disposition' as they excel through this challenging time.

I would also like to thank our Year 12s for being such fine leaders and role models for our College. As they focus whole heartedly on their studies we realise just how much we will miss their leadership and presence next year, and how, in turn we look forward to our new leaders stepping up in 2016.

Parent- Student Learning Progress. Early Term 4 is a good time for parents to catch up with teachers in regard to our students' progress in their learning. If you would like to make a time to meet or talk on the phone please contact your teachers. Each Learning Community is arranging for this contact in a way that best suits the needs of parents.

Andrew Kohane

Grade 3 /4 Lavers Hill Spelling Bee



Throughout the last week of Term 3 the Grade 3 /4 students participated in a Spelling Bee similar to the show on TV. Each student needed to prepare and be familiar with a list of spelling words relevant to their Spelling Groups that had been learnt in class over the past year.



Challenges included Spell Gate, Spelling Knockout, Whiteboard Spell, Letter by Letter Knockout and What word is that? The **Championship day was held on the last day of term 16th September.** Our finalists were Emily Marriner, Chloe Ewert and Dean Constantinou we the grand final came down to Emily Vs Dean. We crowned our

Lavers Hill Spelling Bee Champion - Dean Constantinou.

Well Done.



Coming soon!



We are excited to present

Da Vinci's Helicopter through Regional Arts Victoria's travelling program.

This program is adapted for all ages and explores ways to solve engineering problems by building a model based on Da Vinci's helicopter and programming it to function.

The workshop addresses the STEAM approach to education. [that is, Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics.]

On **Thursday October 13th**, we will run three work-

shops; for years prep and one, three to six and seven to ten.

This day will be challenging and fun and an excellent starting point for the prep –four Term 4 inquiry into

How Things Work.

NOTE; If you have a special talent for explaining How Things Work and are handy with a screwdriver the prep -4 students would love you to help us pull things apart on Tuesday afternoons in October!

If you have broken toasters, computers, torches [anything with interesting parts] send them along to the school. Note; YOU WILL NEVER SEE THEM AGAIN !! as they will then be transformed into artworks.

PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back to kinder!! It was great to see everyone's smiling faces again as they entered the room excited and ready to play with their friends. We have some new adventures and are ready for an interest based learning program.

The room had been moved around a little bit. It now has a theatre, which has been very popular, and some new chairs for our book corner. We have also welcomed back Nicolas this week, as he has been away for a couple of months visiting family in Kazakhstan. Thank you for bringing some pictures to show us, it looks amazing.



Upcoming Events

Thursday 6th October – Carnival of the Animals @ COPACC. Please drop children off at kinder as usual, we will return at **1.30pm** for pick up.

Please remember to bring along a wide brimmed hat each day of kinder, for term 4.





Walk to school has started and runs throughout the whole of October. If you missed the Colac Herald yesterday there was a colouring competition that is being run in conjunction with this fantastic initiative.

Students can win some great prizes, so get drawing or colouring!!

See the attached sheet :)



Get creative for Walk to School month!

Send entries to Walk to School competition, PO Box 283, Colac, by Monday, October 24.

Walk to School

Draw your favourite thing about your Walk to School or colour in the shoe.



Walk to School

PRIZES

1st - Malvern Star bike & helmet



2nd - Giant Inflatable Park family pass



3rd - Sports pack



Encouragement awards - SUBWAY vouchers & pen

Winners announced Friday 4 November in The Colac Herald

All local primary schools are encouraged to get involved in VicHealth's 2016 Walk to School Campaign. Walking to school can be a fun activity just like this colouring and drawing competition.

Thanks to our sponsors, there are some great prizes up for grabs.

WALK TO SCHOOL

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Calendar

October/November 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3 October	4	5	6 Carnival of the Animals at COPACC	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Da Vinci's Helicopter programs	14	15 Lavers Hill Community Garage Sale	16
17 School Council meeting	18 Melbourne Camp (Yr 5-6)	19 Melbourne Camp (Yr 5-6)	20 Melbourne Camp (Yr 5-6)	21 Melbourne Camp (Yr 5-6)	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1 November Melbourne Cup	2	3	4 Colac Show Day holiday	5	6