



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Vietnam Veterans' Commemorations

This commemoration was an opportunity for the country to pause and reflect on an extraordinary chapter in Australia's military history. Those in attendance were given the chance to acknowledge and remember past and present servicemen and women.

Two of our Junior School Captains, Brittany Dunstone and Wendy Tshuma, proudly represented Swan Hill College and laid a wreath.



### End of term

The upcoming parent teacher interviews on September 6 will provide an opportunity to discuss student progress. With only four weeks of term remaining, and less than seven weeks in total left for Year 12 students, it is important that students are working to the very best of their ability. From now until the end of the year we will be addressing students who have not completed minimal work requirements and are at risk of not being promoted to the next year level.

Julie Robertson - Principal

## Parent-Teacher Interviews

This term, parent-teacher interviews will take place on Wednesday, 6th September between 1.00pm and 7.00pm. There will also be a parent forum for both junior and senior parents to attend located in the library from 6.00-6.45pm. You can make an interview appointment by visiting <http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au> and entering an access code.

A letter containing this code was sent electronically to all parents and guardians who have registered an email address with the College. Also, this letter can be found on the College's website and Facebook page, with paper copies sent home with students August 22. These are also available from the general office.

For further information, please contact the College on 5032 9360.

## AFL Women's Meg Downie visits SHC

On Wednesday 16th August we welcomed our first ever AFLW player to Swan Hill College. Meg Downie, who was a part of the history making first ever Women's AFL competition, played with the Melbourne Football Club in the 2017 season and will continue to play with them next year.

Meg worked with some of the Swan Hill College and Woorinen Youth girls for the afternoon. She spoke to the girls about the highs and lows of her football career,

what it's like to be an AFLW player and semi-professional athlete, and what the future of female football may look like.

Of course, it wouldn't be a visit from an AFL player without a kick to kick to finish.

The girls were motivated and inspired by Meg and her story. What a fantastic opportunity and how lucky these girls were to share in this experience.

We very much look forward to



following Meg's progress and cheering on her and the Dees in the next AFLW season.

Whitney Kennedy - Physical Education/Health Learning Leader

## Green Team

During the term, the Green Team have been coming up with ideas on how to reduce the amount of waste produced by Swan Hill College that goes to landfill. For the past couple of weeks, we have had a sustainability expert, Ellen White, visit us and help make action plans for our ideas.

One of the projects we have recently started is the BYO container program at the canteen. Students and staff can bring their own container for lunch orders and receive a \$1 discount. Foods this applies

to are: pasta, homemade pizzas, fried rice, salads, salad rolls etc. This will definitely save you some money. We started this project in Term 3 and it will continue for the rest of the year.

This campaign aims to reduce waste from lunch orders, and encourages students and staff to use reusable containers for their food.

Congratulations to Lavinia McCann and Brittany Dunstone who were the first two

students to bring a container for their lunch orders. The Green Team have achieved so much towards our waste goal this year and hope to accomplish our second star very soon. If you are interested in helping out please pop in to our meetings, we would love to hear your input!

Stay tuned for updates on our other projects - recycling bins, composting, our new bush tucker garden.

Wendy Tshuma - Green Team member

## Clontarf Year 7 Grampians Camp



Four Swan Hill Clontarf students recently joined up with other Clontarf members from Mildura, Warrnambool and Bairnsdale for the Year 7 Grampians camp. Hayden Heritage, Elijah Moore, Conner Arif and Noah McCaig made the most of their four days, participating in activities such as bushwalking, basketball, mountain bike riding, an AFL match against Ararat College and conducting a fitness session at a primary school.

The fellas thoroughly enjoyed the trip and are to be commended on their overall participation, leadership, behaviour and engagement whilst on the camp. Elijah Moore received the Clontarf Spirit Award for his effort over the four days.

Danny Fraser - Clontarf Manager

## Swan Hill College Calendar 2017

SEPT 4	NWR School shooting carnival
SEPT 5	Clontarf Murray Employment Forum, Robinvale
SEPT 6	Student free day - Parent Teacher interviews
SEPT 11	Year 12 Drama solo performances
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SEPT 14-15	PreCal First Aid course
SEPT 18-21	Clontarf Year 8/9 Mornington Peninsula Camp
SEPT 21	Year 11 Chemistry La Trobe excursion
SEPT 22	Year 12 English practice exam 9am - 12.15pm Year 12 assembly 12.15 - 12.45pm Last day of term - 2.15pm finish
OCT 9	Term 4 begins
OCT 9-10	Year 12 practice exams. No year 12 classes
OCT 11&12	VET Music performance exam - Harrison Hall
OCT 15	Alpine students leave and return on December 16
OCT 17	Year 7 immunisations
OCT 24	Year 12 teacher presentations
OCT 25	Year 12's last day. Whole school assembly