As we approach the final week of Term 4, it’s important that we take the opportunity to pause and reflect on the substantial achievements of McClelland students and staff throughout the year.

Much has been achieved in this year and whilst I won’t recap all the wonderful things our students have done I think it is fitting to focus on the end of year awards celebrations which are the pinnacle of our achievements. It was great to be a part of the Connect end of year awards night recently and what made it really special was seeing the excitement on the faces of the students when they saw at the end of the night a limousine there waiting to pick them up to take them to a Doyle’s restaurant in Mordialloc. This was organised by Danielle Harry using funds that the students had raised throughout the year such as at the Bunnings sausage sizzles.

The Academic Excellence Awards Night was a very special night where we celebrated the academic achievements across the school for 2016.

We got to celebrate the successes of many students who achieved the best results in their classes as well as their year levels. One very special story was our very first international student to complete VCE Alex Zhang who received the amazing ATAR of 99.35. This means she can now study whatever course she wants and has already been offered university scholarship opportunities to help support her due to her outstanding achievement. Just to explain how significant this score is the manager of the International Division called me personally to not only congratulate our staff for Alex’s success but on how well our school has embraced our international students into our community. Our school is now being heavily promoted locally and internationally as part of a social media campaign by the department as a fantastic place to study. I think this year has proven that together as a community we have taken ownership of our future and have set the foundations for success and growth as a College.

I wish all students and their families a safe and relaxing summer break and look forward to another successful year at McClelland College.
2016 McClelland College Year Level Dux’s

Year 7
Morgandy Walker

Year 8
Bela Cetkovic

Year 9
Bonnie Reid

Year 10
Taylah Simpson

Year 11
Chloe Chilvers

Year 12
Yu Chen (Alex) Zhang with an ATAR score of 99.35

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**COLLEGE CAPTAINS**

College Captains – Karabo Tlokotsi & Cody Green
College Vice Captains – Tara Issa & Eliza Scott
Sport Captains – Georgia Gourlay & Taylah Simpson
Environment – Chloe Chambers
Music – Michael Ferdinand
Science – Chloe Chivers & Amber Redhead
Health & Well being – Jack Hawkins, Hayley West, Caitlin Anderson, Lachlan Anderson
International – Winifred Wang
VCAL – Kayla Wilson & Alex Radenovic
VCAL Vice captains –Laura Visser & Steven Tapolcay

**SCHOOL VICE CAPTAINS**

I am Tara Issa and I am one of the vice school captains for 2017. The subjects I am currently studying are English, Business Management, Japanese, Media and Visual Communication & Design. These subjects will support me with my future plan of becoming a graphic designer. As a captain I plan to support the other captains on their ideas as well as work with them in order to make our school community stronger.

My name is Eliza Scott and I’m really excited to be taking on the Vice Captain role in 2017. I will be studying Legal, Business, Maths, Media and English in VCE. I hope to go on to work in the music industry when I leave McClelland to produce my own music and work with other artists. I love writing music and playing guitar in my free time. As vice captain I hope to make the students at McClelland feel welcome and happy at school and like they are part of a fantastic community of teachers, students and staff.

**IMMERSION DAY**

Year 12 VCE - Save the date - On February 22nd there will be a year 12 immersion day. We are still in the planning phase but at this stage the day will be at Monash University Peninsula Campus. Students will be required to make their own way there and home.

The day will begin with a brief talk about University life followed by a range of presentations and workshops, including workshops on goal setting, motivation, ATAR score and what it means, keeping healthy and also a presentation from Elevate Education on Student Elevation.

A panel of past students will also talk about their individual pathways.
**PRESENTATION BALL SCHEDULE 2017**

McCLELLAND COLLEGE
PRESENTATION BALL 2017
DANCE LESSON SCHEDULE.

**Ball Date Friday 21st April 2017**

**Lesson Schedule:**

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**School Holidays**

| Tuesday  | April 18   | 6.30pm     | 8.00pm      | Ticket Collection                  |
| Wednesday| April 19   | 6.30pm     | 8.00pm      | Grand on Cathies Lane              |
| Thursday | April 20   | 6.00pm     | 8.00pm      |                                     |

Last rehearsal at The Grand on Cathies Lane, (Compulsory)

Wednesday 19th April 2017. Please note this rehearsal at the Grand may be subject to change due to function bookings.

Please consider car-pooling as no parents or friends permitted at rehearsal due to students being distracted & the surprise of the dancing for the Ball.

There is a coffee shop not far, The Coffee Club – Knox Ozone 425 Burwood Highway, Melbourne 3152 (03) 9887 3500
Pride Squad News
The Pride Squad had a visit from Joel and Matt from Safe Schools Coalition and they were presented with a certificate to state that McClelland is now a member of the Safe Schools Coalition.

Planning for the room has continued. The members have renamed the room from the ‘Squad’ room to ‘The closet’.

The design for the room has been completed and the cupboards have now been removed to allow for more space. One wall will be painted black which will be a feature wall with splashes of colour’s of the rainbow. Students are planning to hold a working bee early first term to paint the feature wall.

Students are busy preparing for the Pride March on the 29th January. The students wanted to keep the design simple, the plan is a Rainbow Flag with the McClelland Logo on it. Mrs Ward and Ms Lindemann are in the process of fine tuning the design. On the day student’s will make their own way there and back. We are marching with EMC, under the Umbrella of Peninsula Pride and Safe School’s coalition. All welcome. Further details will be made available on the Facebook page, closer to the date.

During term 1 we plan to visit EMC’s, QSA (Queer Straight Alliance Group) for a combined meeting.

McClelland is hosting the 1st Action meeting for the year on 6th February. See below

Frankston Mornington Peninsula Lesbian Gay Bisexual Trans Intersex Queer (FMP LGBTIQ) Action Group 2017

The FMP LGBTIQ Action Group was established early 2015 to enable organisations and community members to engage in a coordinated approach to acknowledging, celebrating and including our LGBTIQ communities locally. The students are looking forward to the event as it is an opportunity to plan events for the local community.

Varsity Jacket
The year 12 varsity jacket has arrived and the majority of the jackets have been distributed. There were 91 students who ordered them. Any student’s who missed out on placing an order there, will be one more opportunity to place an order first week back. Payment will be required at time of order.
Special Provision – for students undertaking a VCE study

Students who we are aware of that meet eligibility requirements for special provision have been mailed out packages today. If you do not receive a package and feel that your son/daughter is eligible for special provision please contact Robyn Andrews – Year 12, Andrew Harms – Year 11 or Marley Richards Year 10.

What is special provision?

Special Provision provides students in defined circumstances with the opportunity to participate in and complete their VCE. It is designed to help students achieve their VCE within the timeframe comparable to their peers.

Students granted special provision are not exempt from meeting the requirements for satisfactory completion or from being assessed against the outcomes for a study.

Underlying principle of special provision is to ensure that the most appropriate, fair and reasonable arrangements and options are available for students to demonstrate their capabilities, if their learning and assessment programs are affected by illness, impairment or personal circumstances. Special Provision should provide equivalent alternative arrangements for students but not confer an advantage over other students.

Meet and Greet for Year 12 VCE Parent’s and Guardian’s

On Tuesday 28th February from 6pm there will be an opportunity for parent’s/guardians to meet with Mrs Andrews, Mr Doherty and Mr Holt to answer any questions you may have about Year 12 at McClelland. There will also be a brief presentation from 7pm on Special provision and non-assessed VCE.

VCAL Vision

Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning
Introducing the VCAL Student Leadership Team 2017

We are pleased to announce the following students as the 2017 VCAL captains.

Aleks Radenovic

Aleks has been an outstanding contributor to VCAL since he has been here. Not only is he proficient with his VCAL studies, but he has also shown excellent leadership skills and a very good work ethic, when it comes to volunteering for and completing hands on tasks.

Aleks is studying to become an electrician. We have every confidence that he will become a truly valued member of the work force.

Kayla Wilson

Kayla has been at McClelland College since Year 7. She is a reliable young lady, who has driven and participated in a number of catering opportunities for the college. In 2017, she will be one of a team responsible for running the new, renovated VCAFE in its new location.
Kayla has been studying Child Care at TAFE. She has remained consistently interested in pursuing a career in Early Childhood and is well on the way to achieving her ambition. Kayla’s enthusiasm for everything that she takes on will continue to be an asset to VCAL.

**Steven Tapolczay**
Steve is a keen sportsman, who has shown a lot of promise and teamwork skills, as he has gone about his work in VCAL. He has been particularly interested in restoring the weights gym and has planned individual training programs in the process. Steve has been studying a fitness course and works at PARC, supervising members in the gym. He will be able to further his commitment to the fitness industry in the future.

**Laura Visser**
Laura has recently joined us in VCAL. She has ambitions to work in Community Services and hopes to gain a work placement in Social Services. Laura is also interested in becoming a correctional officer. In the future, Laura sees herself continuing with acrobatics and hopes to be successful in cheer leading, a fast growing sport in Australia. Laura’s bubbly and responsible personality will ensure that she is an excellent representative of the VCAL students.

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**THANKS, ROWLY!**

VCAL students and staff would like to say thank you for all of your work, encouragement, patience, expertise, workmanship, welfare, interest and leadership during the time you have worked in VCAL.

Both students and staff have been very fortunate to work with such a fun and caring teacher!

We wish you all the best as you move onto Year 9 and will be able to take a lot of inspiration from your time working in VCAL.

**Thanks from Aleks Radenovic**
Rowly Richardson has played a big part in VCAL. He has organized projects, taught classes, helped students in time of need, and always found a way to help students follow their pathway to what they want to do. He also put through a scholarship application which was successful and I couldn’t be any more grateful.

Sadly, Rowly has left VCAL and will be missed for his humour and encouragement. When Rowly was the VCAL Leader, he made sure things got done and put in a lot of his own time and effort ensuring everything got done and was running smoothly.
Congratulations to the following students who received Excellence and Values Awards on Tuesday 13th December

Year 10 EXCELLENCE
Aislin Lewis-Williams for Literacy and Work Related Skills
Braden Loxton for Numeracy
Mitchell Reid for Personal Development Skills

Year 10 VALUES
Samara Madden

Year 10 DUX
Mitchell Reid

Year 11 EXCELLENCE
Brooke Hermans for Literacy
Rileigh Standley for Numeracy
Kayla Wilson for Personal Development Skills
Michelle Besanko for Work Related Skills

Year 11 VALUES
Kayla Wilson

Year 11 DUX
Brooke Hermans

Year 12 VALUES
Grace Savea

Exciting NEW Opportunity for VCAL 2017
VCAL students working with Karingal Heights Primary School

In 2017, VCAL students will embark on a new program that encompasses the school values of Community, Ownership and Growth at Karingal Heights Primary School. Rowly and the Principal of Karingal Heights, Mick Cowden have been liaising throughout the year to develop and plan activities and projects that our students will pursue with the primary school students in 2017.

Some of these activities will include:
- Reading with Grade 2 and 3 students
- Numeracy with Grade 4 and 5 students
- Practical lessons, including art and P.E
- Help with computer classes
- Cooking classes creating simple recipes

Students will also participate in the following:
- Ground maintenance
- Planning community events
- Gardening and planting
- Creating a watering system

Both students and staff are looking forward to starting something new and innovative. By completing these activities, students will not only learn from and help younger students, but they will also complete multiple VCAL learning outcomes, including but not limited to transferrable skills.
YEAR 9 (2017) NOTES
This year, the Year 8s into 9 have made the transition look seamless! It can often be one of the most challenging moves to make; with a whole new area of the school to get to know, brand new elective subjects to get to know, and all the while being leaders of the junior school! Congratulations to all of you for making the leap!

Here are some introductions from key Year 9 team members, both old and new.

Hannah McDermott
Year 9 Educational Leader
I enjoyed working with this cohort so much that I have decided to follow them up! I am heading into my third year at McClelland College, and first as Year 9 Educational Leader (having done two years at Year 8). So, whilst the curriculum is new to me, I will enjoy continuing to see the massive improvements this cohort will make in; academic terms, personal learning growth, and in maturity. You genuinely are a very special group of students and I look forward to continuing the journey with you.

Rowly Richardson
Year 9 Educational Leader
First of all let me congratulate all staff and students and parents for another wonderful year at McClelland College.

It is with mixed emotions that I say farewell to leading the VCAL program and say welcome to the next crop of year nine students. After many years looking after VCAL I am very excited about the change of environment and am really looking forward to being a member of the Year 9 Team.

From a classroom perspective I am happy to be teaching English and Humanities again and we have some really interesting stuff planned for next year. From a leadership perspective I would encourage students and parents to feel free to contact me at anytime should you have any queries, concerns or just need a chat.

Looking forward to another exciting and fun packed year.

Nemanja Lojanica
Year 9 Coordinator
I am very pleased to be the Year 9 Coordinator for 2017. Not long ago I was here on placement as a university student, and now I am heading into my second year at McClelland College as a coordinator. The cohort of students in year 9 have made my job very enjoyable and fulfilling. I look forward to next year and all the adventures that come with it.
YEAR 10 (2017) NOTES

I’d like to welcome the 2017 Year 10 cohort to senior school.

Overall, it has been a pretty good start to Headstart by our year 10 cohort.

The transition from year 9 to 10 can be quite a jump for students, though most have taken it in their stride.

Students and parents/guardians should regularly check Compass for details of student attendance, learning tasks and notices.

If students are absent, Alison Fox should be phoned on the day of absence so this can be authorised (9788 2046).

Miss Marley Richards
Year 10 Educational Leader

Miss Kate Collins
Year 10 Coordinator

MUSIC EXCURSION

It was with great pleasure that my colleagues (Eric Budd and Michelle Cleland) and I took the Flute and Clarinet Ensembles out to perform at several Aged Care Facilities and a Kindergarten last Friday. We started at the William Road Kindergarten and were greeted by a group of enthusiastic four year olds who sang along with us and a couple of chickens who joined us at the end of the performance.

We then moved on to Baptcare in Mount Eliza where our audience included the residents and a group of young adults from a local special needs facility. This made for a lively interaction and much laughter and even dancing.

After a well-deserved lunch break we moved on to Bayview in Carrum Downs where we presented our program in their newly renovated wing. Eric is to be commended for playing the piano, which was a semitone flat, and transposing all the accompaniments on the spot, a great feat and mind stretching endeavour!!!!
The students were a pleasure to take out. They behaved appropriately and respectfully at each venue and presented their program very well. The standard of playing seemed to improve as the day progressed.

This excursion is a most valuable way of allowing our students to play in their smaller ensembles and to gain confidence and performance experience. It gives them the chance of performing to audiences of all different age groups outside the immediate school community, choosing appropriate music for each audience and to realise that they have the ability to affect the emotional well being of others through their music performance.

A special mention should be made to our bus driver Peter Byrden who skilfully navigated our way from place to place (we only got lost once!) and was amazing in working out the logistics of unpacking and packing the instruments and stands at each venue, whilst still maintaining his enthusiasm and good spirits. We couldn’t have done it without him.

Vivien Millar
FRANKSTON Y.C.W. CRICKET CLUB Inc.
STONECATS.COM
Ray Matthews 0413 751 923

PINES JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
Pines Junior Football Club Rego Night
Thursday 15th December Eric Bell Reserve
6pm - 8pm Come down and sign up for season 2017.

Council grant available for those on HCC
Fees 2017: New player & U9’s - $65 Single Player - $130 Family - 2 players $185 Family - 3 players $250 Family 4 - please see a committee member

If you need information please contact Tash Cornell 0416 229 813
Secretary Pines JFC
**Dietitian services**

Eating the right foods can help you stay healthy.

Peninsula Health has dietitian services in Frankston, Mornington, Hastings and Rosebud. Dietitians give advice about your diet. They help you understand what foods and diet is best for you.

You can see a dietitian for support around:
- Weight management
- Diabetes
- High cholesterol or blood pressure
- Coeliac Disease
- Food allergies and intolerances
- Osteoporosis
- Low levels of Iron, Vitamin B12 or Vitamin D
- Eating disorders
- Fussy eating in children

Peninsula Health dietitians provide individual consultations as well as group support around:
- Healthy eating information
- Reading food labels
- Choosing the best food when shopping or eating out
- Healthy ways to prepare and cook food
- Low cost meals

Anyone can make an appointment to see the dietitian. For more information or to make a booking, contact ACCESS on 1300 665 781.
Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide!

Two out of three Australians will be diagnosed with skin cancer by the time they reach 70. We have one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world with over 750,000 Australians being treated for skin cancer each year – that’s over 2,000 people every day.

You are most at risk of skin cancer during times when the UV index is at 3 or above. You can check the daily UV index at [www.bom.gov.au/vic/uv/](http://www.bom.gov.au/vic/uv/).

The Cancer Council recommends these five simple ways to protect yourself from the harms of skin cancer:

- **Slip on a shirt** or other form of clothing that covers your arms
- **Slop on sunscreen** that’s SPF 30+ and reapply every 2 hours
- **Slap on a hat** with a broad brim or one that covers your face, neck and ears
- **Seek shade** away from direct sunlight
- **Slide on sunglasses** that are close fitting and have UV Protection

But what about vitamin D? During summer, most people can achieve adequate vitamin D levels by exposing their face, arms and hands to direct sunlight for just a few minutes most days of the week.

Remember, treating vitamin D deficiency is a lot easier than treating skin cancer!

If you’re in doubt, speak to your doctor about getting your vitamin D levels tested. For more information about the dangers of skin cancer as well as information about vitamin D, go to [www.cancer.org.au/preventing-cancer/sun-protection](http://www.cancer.org.au/preventing-cancer/sun-protection).
Summer School Holidays

Moonlit Sanctuary Keeper Club

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.

Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

Summer school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Monday 9th Tuesday 10th Wednesday 11th January 10am –4pm
- Week 2: Monday 16th Tuesday 17th Wednesday 18th January 10am –4pm
- Week 3: Monday 23rd Tuesday 24th Wednesday 25th January 10am –4pm

Cost: $65.00 per day, or $175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).

Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited

Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

Moonlit Sanctuary

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale
Phone 5978 7935
Web: www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au

Open daily between 10am and 5pm