Thank you to all members of the school community who have made the most of the opportunity of being actively involved in their young person’s education by attending the Student Support meetings held this term.

If you have not been able to have a meeting with the teachers I am sure they would greatly appreciate the opportunity to discuss the individualised program and learning goals designed for your student with you.

The new school council met last Wednesday. As there was a match between the number of vacancies and the number of nominations an election was not required. The Heatherwood School Council consists of Stephen Worrall (President), Kim Doherty (Vice President), Michael Eefting (Acting Treasurer), Lou Barro, Lynda Hamilton, Michelle Aitken, Ayman Shaheen, Terry Lant, Lesley Foster and Patrizia Sendeckyj.

The School Council has a very important role in supporting the school and representing the whole school community. They are very willing to receive feedback or to raise concerns on behalf of the community. I greatly appreciate their ongoing commitment to the school and its community.

The end of Term 1 seems to have come with a rush. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday and will be looking forward to the exciting times and challenges that the second term will hold for everyone.

Paul Hills
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

FUNDRAISING
Thank you to all parents, carers, students and staff for supporting our fundraising efforts in Term 1. World Vision is a very worthy cause and I am sure that monies raised will be put to good use.

LEADERSHIP SKILLS
Leadership skills sessions have been a great success. Student leaders give up half an hour before school on a Friday to learn about the many facets of leadership and being a positive role model for others. Thank you to all of our student leaders for their attendance and also thanks to our facilitators, Mr Tony Walker and Mr Mark Walker.

DATES FOR TERM 2
April 11th -25th -selling of merchandise for Anzac Day. Cost of items from $2 to $10.
May 6th Free Dress Day-funds raised to support Juvenile diabetes.

Meeting Dates
April 15th and fortnightly on Fridays at recess in Lynda’s room.

On behalf of Heatherwood SRC, we hope you have a great break and we look forward to working with Heatherwood community in Term 2.

Lynda DenElzen
Heatherwood SRC

HEATHERWOOD PARENTS & FRIENDS AGM

Heatherwood Parents and Friends Annual General Meeting

When: Monday 18th April 2016
Time: 7:00pm
Where: Heatherwood House

Refreshments will be served. All welcome, Please come and join us and share your ideas with other members of the Heatherwood community. See you there!

Queries to Parents and Friends staff contacts: Lynette Penrose and Diana Puckey 9842 8319

TRADE KITCHEN NEWS

Congratulations to all our year 10 and senior students who participated in the Trade Kitchen program during Term 1!
Congratulations to the following students, who have been awarded ‘Chef of the Day’ during week 6,7 & 8 for their effort, attitude and cooking!

Nick Dempsey-M6
Britney Munn-M7
Leah Burgess-M8
Scott Williams-M9
Callum Sharp-M9
Jake Booth-S7
Brendan Woodcock-S2

Students are able to order their lunch before school using the order form available at the canteen. Please see over an example of the order form/menu.

Please note, The Trade Kitchen/Canteen will be CLOSED next THURSDAY on THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. Re-opening MONDAY, TERM 2.

Gemma Clements
Trade Kitchen
Grace preparing the base for a slice.

Brendan showing off some very healthy salads.

Eadoinah cooking up a storm!

Jarryd busily drying up the many dishes that pile up during the morning.

The girls working out the takings for the day.
National Disability Insurance Scheme Forum
- Your questions answered -

People with disability, families, carers and professionals across Eastern Metro Melbourne are invited to attend a FREE forum on the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The Forum aims to:
- Increase participants’ awareness and understanding of the NDIS
- Increase capacity of people with disability and their families/carers to make informed choices to achieve their goals, access appropriate services and self-manage their lives
- Increase awareness of rights and entitlements/supports available under the NDIS.

DATE: Tuesday 22 March 2016
TIME: 9:30am for 10am start
       10am - 12:30pm
WHERE: Manningham Function Centre, Room 1
       699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster
COST: FREE - bookings essential as places are limited. Register your attendance via:
       www.eventbrite.com/e/the-ndis-your-questions-answered-tickets-21743083147

For Further information contact:
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For people with a disability

**Theme:** Black & White!

Saturday 9th April 2016

Heimat Centre, 125 George Street Doncaster East

7pm to 10pm sharp

$10.00 per person (Parents/Carers free)

Bookings: Penny 9848 5400 or penny.maher@ymca.org.au

Entry Conditions apply. See over page.
CARERS WEEKEND AT COMELY BANK RETREAT

Do you live in Manningham, Maroondah, Monash, Whitehorse, Knox, Yarra Ranges or Boroondara?

Do you care for someone who has autism spectrum disorder or an intellectual disability or a mental illness?

Do you want to meet with other Carers and participate in a weekend retreat in Healesville?

Then treat yourself to a weekend of self-care and time-out........

We are currently taking EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST for our Winter Get Away at Comely Bank Retreat House in Healesville from

**Friday 17th June until Sunday 19th June 2016.**

This will be a weekend to relax and unwind in a peaceful, rural environment within a charming, rambling retreat set on 5 acres located by the Watts River. Carers will be given opportunities to participate in a range of activities or simply relax and enjoy the peace and quiet. This fully funded retreat will include a day trip to Healesville Sanctuary, relaxation massage and all meals. Please contact Belinda Carney on 9735 7974 or email comelybank@each.com.au to register your interest. Priority will be given to Carers who have not previously attended a Carers Retreat at Comely Bank.
JOIN THE ACTION!

All-Abilities Football...

Two football teams, the Spiders Reds and the Blacks, offer young men and women aged from 14 with differing abilities the opportunity to play Australian Rules football within the FIDA (Football Integration Development Association) competition. Also includes weekly training and fortnightly games.

Fills a void for girls and boys aged 5 - 14, who have a love of football but might not want or be able to participate in a mainstream Auskick program. Supported by Vermont South Special School, we are proud to be offering this unique program, which offers skill development, confidence building, participation and fun!

All-Abilities Juniors...

Weekly competition at Sportlink in Vermont South plus weekly training sessions. Eastern All-Abilities Netball is a program for girls and boys aged from approximately 14 with a mild to medium intellectual disability. The netball program provides skills development, teamwork, friendship and fun.

All-Abilities Netball...

We also provide recreation and social activities, fun, friendship and more.

Like more information?  
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