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## CARPENTRY NEWS

Carpentry students have been working tirelessly at developing their core skills in basic tool handling and usage throughout term 1. As they practice a range of skills in the workshop with Carpentry Teacher -Paul McLay, students will progress further into more complex construction practices in coming weeks. Check out p5 for more Carpentry related news!

## ELECTRICAL NEWS

Electrical students have been learning how to identify a large number of electrical accessories., find a catalogue number and price for each accessory. From that information students will produce a quotation for the installation of various electrical equipment in a new house. Check out the pics on p5!

## PLUMBING NEWS

Plumbing Literacy students spent the day at the Western Water Treatment Plant in Werribee examining the intricacies of Melbourne's water system. With an extensive 'behind the scenes tour', students were amazed at the size and magnitude of the Western Water Treatment



We have commenced 2015 with solid enrolments in all our full time courses as well as continued strong growth in our VET in Schools program, servicing over 10 schools from our neighbouring communities. It is great to commence the year with full access to our Trade Training Centre facilities.

The College welcomes all its new and returning students and also four new teaching staff including Karen Hind and Samantha Forbes joining our Mathematics/Numeracy Department, Scott Haselden joining our Building and Construction team and Janeden River who has joined the Engineering team. We also extend a warm welcome to our Admin team Danielle Ferraro in the Front Office.

As part of the re-development of Sunshine College, our 'parent' school, there have been some organisational changes over the summer break. The Harvester Technical College leadership, including myself and our assistant Principal, Mark Natoli, have been given the opportunity to develop a Year 7-12 education precinct incorporating the Year 7-10 North Campus of Sunshine College. Mark and I are now operating as Principal and assistant Principal over both sites. In anticipation of these

changes, Daniel Monigatti has been promoted to Campus Manager for the Harvester site and we have created an additional position of leadership, taken up by Maryam Sulaiman, as Daniel's Deputy to support him in Student Management. We are confident that the new management structure will ensure the maintenance of the high quality leadership that we have come to expect at Harvester, whilst strengthening the connections with our Junior Campus neighbours.

We are very delighted to have been entrusted with the challenge of building two strong facilities into a vibrant educational precinct that provides effective pathways for local young people. The precinct model creates a comprehensive service from Year 7 to 12 with both a vocational pathway to Harvester and academic pathways to Sunshine College Senior Campus. I will keep you informed about our future plans for the precinct as they are developed.

Our other major development for 2015 is the establishment of our Industry Reference Group. The purpose of the group is to guide our programs and ensure that the skills and knowledge delivered through our programs best prepares our graduates to transition successfully to the world of work in their chosen

trade. The Reference Group includes representatives from a range of local companies and Trade suppliers as well as local education and community partners.

So here's hoping for another very successful year for our students and our College community generally. I look forward to catching up with parents and guardians at our upcoming Parent Teacher events but feel free to drop by for a visit at any time.

**Mandy Patmore**  
Principal

## CAMP NEWS 2015

**Students have been busy preparing for their school camp to Murrindindi scheduled for later this term. Students have been completing a range of activities from equipment lists, preparing menus, navigation exercises and doing learning practical skills like setting up the school tents and cooking a lunch with the Trangia stoves.**

**The purpose of the camp is for students to visit both a natural and replanted forest to see the difference between the two. They will also visit a logging coupe and learn the process of timber production and re-generation of the forest for future logging.**



## FAST TRACK WORKSHOP PROJECT

Fast Track students' bread board projects are shaping up nicely as students learn to measure, design and shape their bread boards. With our new staff member Scott Haselden on board students look set for a busy and productive year in the workshop!



### FAST TRACK WORK REALTED SKILLS UPDATE

Students in Year 12 Fast Track have been covering a number of Occupational Health and Safety issues in the workplace. Students have successfully completed their Safe@work certificates. We have been discussing various safety aspects looking at identifying potential hazards on the worksite, what personal protective equipment that they should be supplied with and wearing when carrying out specific jobs. Students will be attending a Surf Coast Camp in April and we have been looking at potential hazards during the numerous activities that they will be participating in such as surfing, bushwalking and kayaking.



# CARPENTRY PROJECTS TERM 1

Foundation 1 students have been working on basic joins in their Workshop subject with teacher Nick Maxwell. As the semester progresses students will develop increasingly more complex skills in construction prac tasks.



The 2 Integrated Carpentry classes have settled in well and are producing some good work. They are working on the carpentry hand tools unit of the certificate II in carpentry. It is a good sign when you can see skills developing and students enjoying the work and feeling pleased with their efforts.



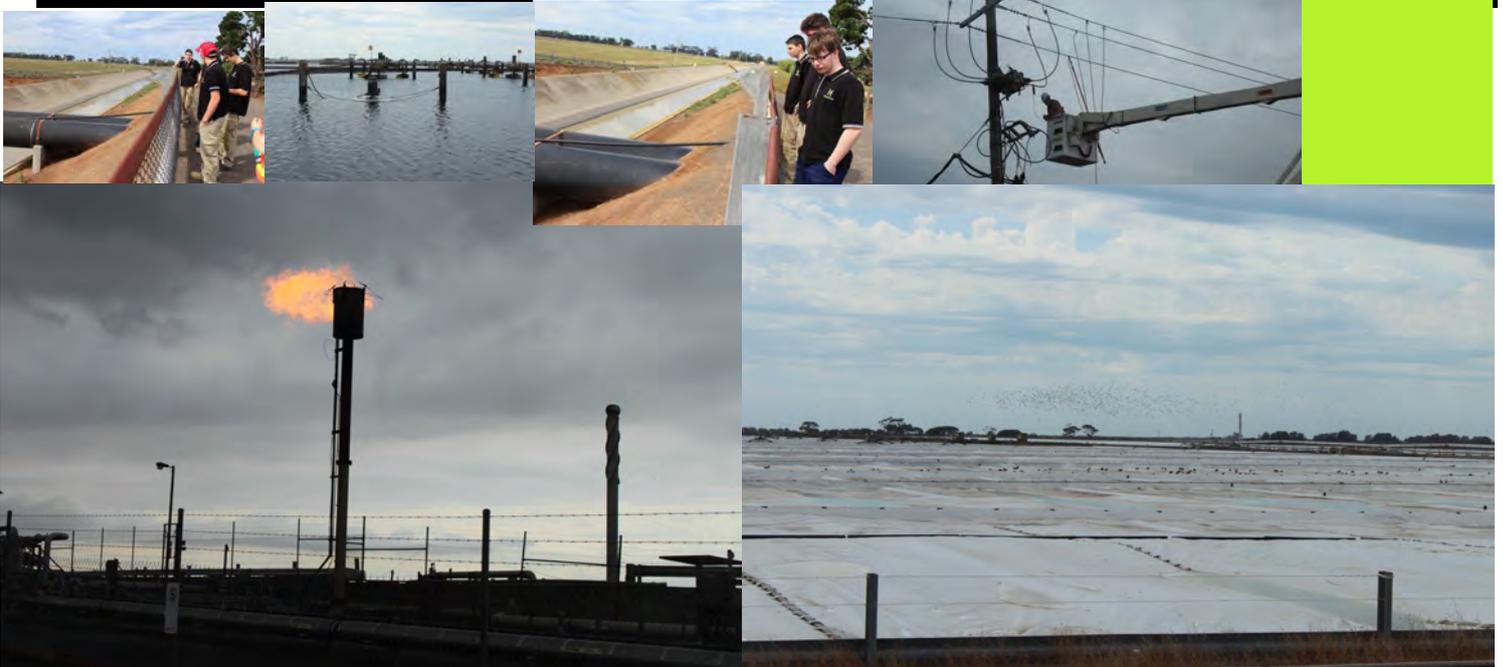
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## PLUMBING NEWS

The Plumbers have had an enthusiastic start to the year. All have completed their Safe@work and White Card tests which is an industry requirement before going out on work placement. We have been looking at hazard identification in the workplace and hazards specific to the plumbing trade. Students have covered a number of OHS issues in the workplace. They have been identifying potential hazards, what personal protective equipment that they should wear and appropriate safety signs.

## PLUMBING FIELD TRIP TO WESTERN WATER

Plumbing students at Harvester attended a field trip to the Werribee Water Treatment Plant. Students were taken on a guided tour behind the scenes to explore the range of processes Melbourne's wastage undergoes as it makes its way through the Western Treatment Plant.



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SPORTS NEWS

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In Sport & Health students have been put through their fitness testing and it was pleasing that almost all students participated with enthusiasm and put in a great deal of effort. The testing will occur at the start of each term and hopefully all students will improve their results as the year progresses.



## CRICKET

Our Senior Cricket team kicked off the Inter-School Competition at Fairbairn Park, Ascot Vale on a sunny and scorching 36 degree day. The boys performed really well in the first game, having a strong and convincing win over Copperfield College. Our second game, against Keilor Downs College, was a tight affair, going down with just eight deliveries to bowl. Keilor Downs and Harvester have built a rivalry over the past couple of years, with Harvester just falling short over the past two seasons.

## LITERACY NEWS

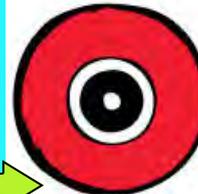
Carpentry 2 Literacy students have been plugging away at their mind map literacy task which requires them to research roof construction in the 21st Century.



MORE LITERACY NEWS



General Intermediate Literacy students have been venturing to the city every Monday to the Syn FM radio studios where they broadcast their own radio shows live at 10am on 90.7FM. Tune in for the lat-



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## WELCOME TO HARVESTER'S NEW STAFF MEMBERS OF 2015

**Janeden River, Samantha Forbes, Karen Hind, Daniela Keeffe, Danielle Ferraro & Scott Haselden**

Harvester would like to extend a warm welcome to Janeden River. With years of experience working in mechanics and general engineering Janeden also holds a Masters of Teaching and has lectured at LaTrobe University. As one of our new Technology & Engineering teachers we look forward to seeing Janeden's exciting work ahead! Also new to the Harvester teaching team is Karen Hind and Samantha Forbes. With backgrounds in Maths both Samantha Forbes and Karen Hind have joined our Numeracy team to deliver robust and exciting Numeracy programs to all year levels. In the Workshop, new staff member Scott Haselden brings with him a raft of skill and experience in trade training having taught in various Tafe contexts around Victoria. Welcome aboard Scott! And finally, last but not least Harvester would also like to welcome aboard our new administration team: Danielle Ferraro and Daniela Keeffe. 2015 looks set to be an exciting year and we're thrilled to have such an accomplished team moving forward into the new year.





## March

11th  
Inter-School Futsal  
13th  
Foundation  
excursion to the Shrine of  
Remembrance  
20th  
School Fun Run  
26th  
Carpentry Camp  
27th-April 13th  
School  
Holidays

## April

20th  
First Aid Course  
Engineering field trip  
23rd  
Maribyrnong  
College School Tour  
24th  
Anzac Service Whole  
College

## May

Curriculum  
planning  
4th-15th  
Work  
Placement  
28th  
Foundation Camp

### VETis @ Harvester Trade Training Centre

Harvester Technical College is proud to announce that our new Vocational Education & Training in Schools program is off and running for 2015. This year the Harvester centre is delivering 4 x Certificate II programs in the fields of: Carpentry, Electrotechnology, Engineering and Plumbing.

The VET programs delivered at Harvester are taught by Trade Certified and qualified VIT registered teachers. All teachers have vast amounts of relevant industry experience under their belts, and are adept at contextualising their knowledge and skills in an appropriate language students will understand. Here is a brief overview of the programs being taught, their instructors and a brief description of what the students are currently doing in programs:

#### Certificate II in Building and Construction

Units 1 & 2 in Building & Construction is delivered by Scott Haselden. Scott, who is new to Harvester for 2015, is previously from a TAFE background where he taught in apprenticeship programs. This term Carpentry students have been learning about OH&S and are in the process of obtaining their "CI-Card".

#### Certificate II in Electro-Technology

Units 1 & 2 in Electro-Technology is delivered by Roger Wells. Roger has vast experience as a Secondary Educator and also a TAFE programs manager. Roger is a qualified Electrical Mechanic and is also an A-Grade Electrician. This term Electro students have been learning about circuit operation, reasoning and cable analysis.

#### Certificate II in Engineering Studies

Units 1 & 2 and 3&4 in Engineering studies is delivered by Aaron Powter. Aaron has many years of experience in both Mechanics and Engineering. He is trade qualified and also has an advanced diploma in Engineering. This term unit 1 & 2 Engineering students have been learning about OH&S and Hand Tools. They have also been completing their soft jaws and bits & bobs tray. Units 3&4 students have been learning how to weld and make their own oscillating steam engine via a CAD – CAM and CNC process.

#### Certificate II in Plumbing

Units 1 & 2 in Plumbing is delivered by Peter Sonneveld. Peter has over 35 years' experience in the plumbing industry. Peter is trade qualified plumber and is also a registered plumber and gas fitter. This term in Plumbing the students have been doing an introduction to sheet metal, basic levelling, technical drawing and use of plumbing tools.

As the Trade Training Centre Manager I officially welcome our partner school students from Brimbank Cluster.

Sincerely,  
Aaron Powter