CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2013
MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year 12 final days:
Last week we farewelled our class of 2013 in the best celebration we’ve seen to date. This mature and responsible group of over 100 year 12 young men and women began their celebrations with an assembly extravaganza. They have certainly set a very high standard for upcoming year 12 groups with their witty and entertaining assembly. Our year 7’s provided a guard of honour as the year 12’s left the assembly for their very last time. The group then moved on to a celebratory lunch with their teachers and mentors. The following morning Elcho Park was the venue for their breakfast function before the all important graduation on Tuesday evening. The praise and thanks given to their teachers at these events highlights the special group they are. We wish them the very best in their exams and final outcomes over the coming weeks.

This week’s focus:
As the Year 12’s prepare for their final weeks of secondary school the remainder of the school remains a hive of activity. The Year 7’s recent Big (Science) Day out was a sight to behold – rockets, planes and catapult competitions were just a few of the events of the day. Year 8’s were intrigued by a visit from Adam Hill (aboriginal story teller) to support their language study and Integrated Studies investigation of the ‘big question’ of “What if change never happened” and interviews have been completed for the Alpine School 2014.

Year 9’s are involved in or preparing for their Connections Urban camps Year 10’s are looking to an end to their excursions this week as they prepare for upcoming exams and preparation for Year 11.

Year 11’s, last week, completed oral presentations to panels of teachers – with some very convincing arguments and clearly impressive preparation by many of the students in readiness for their first SAC in Unit 3.

Parent Opinion Survey:
Thank you to all parents who completed the official DEECD parent opinion survey. This was sent in hard copy to randomly selected parents. It’s very impressive to see that there has been a significant improvement in parent perception since our last official survey in 2011. At that time we had only 5 of 18 areas above the state average (mean) with this year 13 areas above state mean in the following:

Stimulating learning
Behaviour management
Reporting
Learning focus
Transitions
Social skills
Connectedness to peers
Connectedness to school
Student motivation
Approachability
Teacher morale
School Improvement focus
General Satisfaction

This week teachers have access to reports to begin their work for the final reporting for the year. At the same time we are finalizing classes that will run in 2014 and working to complete staffing for the new year. Glenda has outlined the major events and activities for the remainder of the year in her report.

Lyn Boyle - Principal
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Students may purchase these during recess or lunchtime.
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Check out the State Schools Relief webpage for more information about this great organisation.
ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS REPORT

Countdown to the end of the year

On Wednesday our Year 12s started their VCE examination schedule which signals to us that we are really beginning the countdown to the end of the year. It is important that we give the College community an overview of this process as different groups of students finish the school year at different times and there are many key dates for different class levels. So here goes…

Wednesday 30 October through to Monday 18 November: Year 12 VCE final examination period

Monday 4 November: a Curriculum Day. No students are required at school except those completing Year 12 exams.

Tuesday 5 November: is a normal school day but is a casual clothes day with wheelbarrow races and fashion on the fields happening at lunchtime.

Tuesday 5 November through to Thursday 7 November: Year 12 VCAL students will be presenting their final portfolios. If they have completed all requirements they will not be required to attend after these presentations.

Monday 11 through to Friday 15 November: Years 10 and 11 revision week

Monday 18 through to Friday 22 November: Year 10 and 11 Exam week.

Monday 25 through to Friday 29 November: Commencement Week where students progress to their 2014 classes with their 2014 teachers. This involves students in Years 11, 10 and 9. (2013) Year 11 VCAL students will be completing portfolio presentations during this week.

Monday 2 December: Contract signing day for students in Years 12 and 11 (2014). Students and parents/carers meet with Pathways teachers to clarify expectations for students. Year 10 and 11(2013) students will not be required at school after this date unless they have outstanding requirements that still need to be completed. If this is the case they will be required to attend until this work is submitted.

Wednesday 4 December For current Year 9 students this their final Roundtable Presentation for Connections. There will be no formal program after this. Students who have not completed all work requirements will be required to attend until they have completed these assessments.

Tuesday 10 December: Orientation Day for our 2014 Year 7s. Year 8 students will not be required at school to enable our current Year 7s to move into their new rooms and our new Year 7s to get use to their area.

Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 December are End of Year Activities Days.

Friday 13 December: Curriculum Day

Monday 16 December: 2014 planning days– no formal programme

Tuesday 17 December: Awards Day

Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 December: - no formal programme

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Brains for Life- Year 7 Students and Parents

Parents of year 7 students will or have received an invitation to attend a special parent evening on November 26th.

The local community organisation ‘Keep ‘em Safe’ has a primary focus on the wellbeing of the youth of Lara, with special focus on delaying the drinking of alcohol by young people. ‘Keep ‘em safe’ is a partner with Deakin University and Communities That Care Ltd who are inviting school communities across Australia to participate in this National project that aims to prevent community alcohol problems by assisting young people and their families to adopt Australian Alcohol Guidelines that discourage adolescent alcohol use. The project has been funded by an Australian Research Council Linkage grant to the Deakin University School of Psychology and is being supported by the Centre for Adolescent Health at the Murdoch Children’s Research Institute in Melbourne.

‘Brains for Life’ is a combined initiative through ‘Keep ‘em Safe’, Deakin University and Lara Secondary College. It is a curriculum program aimed at educating students about alcohol and supporting them to make wise decisions about the consumption of alcohol during their teenage years. “Brains for Life” includes National Health and Medical Research Council recommendations, effects of alcohol on adolescent brains, emotions and school commitment and strengthening positive community/parental attitudes towards delaying initiation of alcohol. You may have seen an article recently in the Geelong Advertiser about the program, and the support we are receiving from Deakin University.

Year 7 students have been studying the Brains for Life curriculum this term, and we would really appreciate your attendance on November 26th to allow them to share what they have learnt with you.

Your role in supporting your child to make sensible decisions when it comes to their wellbeing is of course of utmost importance, and we are very aware that we need to work together in a partnership with you to support your children through their adolescent development.

The evening will commence at 5:30 with a free BBQ. At 6:15 we will meet in the Middle Years Centre to hear from Helen Torpy, the president of Keep ‘em Safe, and to look at the projects the students have completed over the term. There will be prizes awarded for the best student projects. We would really appreciate your attendance at this very important event.

Faye Smith and the Year 7 Team

ATTENTION ALL YEAR 12 STUDENTS.

Thinking of the end of exams and what to do with your text books?

Then look no further as the Parents and Friends group will be holding a VCE 2nd Hand Book Sale on Monday December 2nd from 1pm – 4pm.

Books will be able to be dropped off for selling on Friday November 29th from 1pm-5pm. Books will need to have a label attached with your name, contact details and price. Labels will be available from the office.

Parents and Friends Group will take a 20% commission on books sold which will go back to support programs at school.

ALL CURRENT YEAR 10 and 11 STUDENTS mark the date of the book sale, so that you can purchase your text books at great prices for 2014.

A 2nd hand uniform sale will also occur on Tuesday December 10th from 8.45 – 11am. Clothing in clean condition will be able to be dropped off on Monday December 9th, 9am-3.30pm.

Labels will again be available from the office for each item of clothing.
Breakfast Club

Welcome to all
Every Monday & Thursday 8.00—8.45am
Available: Toast and spreads, assorted cereals.
(Hot meals available occasionally).
Sponsored by the Gateway Church Lara.

Lara Secondary College Presents

UNDER CONSTRUCTION
A night celebrating students' creative talents from years 7 – 12
Please note: Your child will receive a personalised invitation for this event if they have been selected to perform or exhibit an artwork

$ Gold Coin
We invite you, friends & family to join us on:
THURSDAY, 7th NOVEMBER 2013
6 - 8:30pm
Lara SC Middle Years Building & Drama Room

The evening will feature the following: ART EXHIBITION, DRAMA PERFORMANCE, MUSIC PERFORMANCE & MEDIA PRESENTATION
Hope to see you there!!!

WHOLE SCHOOL - ARTS/TECHNOLOGY EVENT

Lara S.C. is holding its annual Arts/Technology event in room 311 on Thursday, 7th November from 6-8:30pm.
The event is designed to celebrate the artistic achievements of students from years 7-12.

The night will feature an:
- ART EXHIBITION
- DRAMA PERFORMANCE
- MUSIC PERFORMANCE
- MEDIA & IT PRESENTATION

Students who will be preforming or have an artwork on exhibition will receive a personalised invitation soon.
All other students including family, friends & wider school community are invited to attend also.
–GOLD COIN DONATION UPON ENTRY–

Great night for all. Hope to see you there!!!
Please see Mrs Alic if you have any questions.

A LIMITED NUMBER OF FRANKIE THE MUSICAL PERFORMANCE DVD’s ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR $25.00. THIS PERFORMANCE WAS PROFESSIONALLY FILMED BY VIDEOWORKS ON THE CLOSING PERFORMANCE NIGHT.

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Gap Year - Projects Abroad - Information Evening Details -
Melbourne and Online
Students interested in overseas volunteer programmes:
Date: Saturday 9th November
Time: 1.00 – 3.00 (drop in anytime for as long as you like)
Venue: Northcote Town Hall, 189 High Street, Northcote, 3070
Details: Projects Abroad organises volunteer and work experience programmes in 28 developing countries,
in areas such as teaching, childcare, conservation, human rights, healthcare, and community work
In countries such as Kenya, Nepal, Cambodia and Peru. The evening will feature presentations from
staff and past volunteers, along with lots of opportunity to chat and ask questions.
For people who can’t make this event, we are running an online information session on Tuesday 19th November,
The Science Big Day out was held last Thursday on the 24th of October for all year seven students. The Science Day is where, in tribes, students have to create different flying objects to test the physics of flight. There was an event for each aircraft. They were rockets, gliders, egg drop, hot air balloons, catapults and tumble wing. We created these in the weeks before to put them to the test and try to beat all the other tribes on the day. There was a class winner and an overall one too. It was a great day and a big thank you to Miss Gunning for her work to make the day run so smoothly.

By Emily P 7B
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2013

Last week we had lots of fun celebrating the end of Year 12 with our respectful, charismatic and talented Year 12 students. On Monday 21st October our Year 12 students farewelled the rest of the school at a special assembly and then headed to the Lara Sporting Club for a celebratory two course meal for lunch. The following morning students and teachers headed to the Elcho Park Golf Club where we enjoyed a pancake breakfast and fun games. That night, we celebrated in style at the Graduation ceremony at The Arena. Our students looked very glamorous with magnificent outfits chosen to celebrate the event. Once the formal ceremony was over we enjoyed a delicious dinner and danced the night away to a DJ. Thanks very much to all the teachers who helped to organise these special events. We wish the Class of 2013 the best of luck in their future endeavours.

Mrs Lana Ryder
Senior Years Leader

BOOKLISTS 2014

Booklists will be available shortly for all year levels.

OfficeMax is the provider for 2014. Ordering from the Booklist processes have changed from previous years in an endeavour to benefit families and Lara Secondary College by reducing costs.

All OfficeMax orders:
- Need to be placed on-line.
- Will be home delivered, or to a place of your convenience eg: your work place, grandparents, etc.
- Will be processed and delivered as they are received by Officemax, which means if you order soon you will have your order prior to the end of the year.
- Are being delivered to families, so there will not be a booklist pick up day prior to the commencement of 2014 at the college.

Families still have the option of buying their stationary at other retailers if they prefer.

A second hand book sale will take place later this term. More information will be distributed later this term in our College Times and Family Informer.

Levies can be paid during the 2014 school year at the Lara Secondary College Office, if you do not wish to pay them when placing your OfficeMax order.

If you would like to place an order with OfficeMax, but do not have the internet, or credit card/debit card facilities please contact the College Office for assistance.

Artist of the Month

Congratulations to Julie K 11QL for winning artist of the month

Melbourne Cup Festival

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Fabrics

is looking for donations of any old patterns you may have at home that you no longer require. If you have any lying around and would like to donate them to the fabrics room can you please bring them into the office.

Also if anyone out there has experience with a felting machine and would like to give me some basic lessons on how to use it, can you either contact me at the school or give me an email.

Meaghan Clark

Immunisation

Monday 11th November—Year 7 and Year 9 last visit

VCAL Students

- 12 VCAL students will be presenting portfolio from their years’ work on Tuesday 5th to Thursday the 7th of November.
- Year 11 will be doing the same on Monday the 18th to Wednesday the 20th November
YEAR 12

1. **CHANGE OF PREFERENCE PERIOD** – After you obtain your results on Monday 16 December, there is a period when you can change your VTAC preferences. You may have changed your mind, or done better (or not as well) as expected. It is a good idea to review your preferences at this stage, up till 12 noon on Monday 23 December. Universities and TAFEs offer the following assistance to Year 12 students at this time.

- **Australian Catholic Uni.** – Hotline: 1300 ASK ACU (1300 275 228); Info. Expo: 3-7pm, Tues 17 Dec (Melb), 6-7.30pm, Wed 18 (Ballarat)
- **Box Hill Institute** – Change of Preference Evening: Wed 18 December; Hotline: 1300 BOX HILL or Andrea on 9286 9553
- **Charles Sturt University** - Call 1800 334 733
- **Chisholm: Call 1300 CHISHOLM**
- **Deakin University** – COP Hotline: 1300 DEGREE; Info evenings: Burwood 5-7pm, 17 Dec; Geelong Waterfront campus, 5-7pm, 18 December; [www.deakin.edu.au/preference](http://www.deakin.edu.au/preference)
- **Holmesglen Institute**: Hotline: 9564 2720; COP Event: 4-7pm, Wed 18 December
- **Kangan**: Hotline: 13 TAFE
- **La Trobe University** – Change of Preference Advisory Day, 11am-2pm, 18 December (Melbourne and Bendigo);
- **Monash University**: Change of Preference Expo, 3-7pm, Building H, 900 Dandenong Rd, Caulfield; Hotline: 1800 MONASH (1800 666 874), or see [www.monash.edu/cop](http://www.monash.edu/cop)
- **NMIT – Hotline**: 9269 1200
- **RMIT University/TAFE** – Info line: 9925 2260; COP Expo: 11am-3pm, Wed 18 Dec, Swanston Academic Building, Building 80, 445 Swanston St, Melbourne; visit Info Corner, Cnr Swanston and La Trobe Sts, Melbourne; info [www.rmit.edu.au/cop](http://www.rmit.edu.au/cop)
- **Swinburne University/TAFE** - Hotline 1300 275 794 (1300 ASK SWIN); 10am-4pm, 18 December: **one-on-one interviews** in ATC building (no appointment needed); appointments can be made on line for other days
- **University of Ballarat (Federation Uni)** – Info Day, 11am-3pm, Wed 18, Ballarat and Gippsland
- **University of Melbourne**: Course Information Day, 10am -2.30pm, Wed 18 December; see [www.cop.unimelb.edu.au/2013](http://www.cop.unimelb.edu.au/2013) or Hotline: 13 MELB (13 6352) or [13MELB@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:13MELB@unimelb.edu.au), or visit the Information Centre, Gate 3, Swanston St, Melbourne
- **Victoria University/TAFE** – Course Advice appointments – 1-6pm, 16-20 Dec; **Change of Preference Expo**: 3-7pm, Tues 17 Dec (Footscray); **Hotline**: 1300 VIC UNI (1300 842 864)
- **William Angliss Institute** – Experience Angliss Day; 2-5pm, 18 December

2. **INTERESTED IN AGRICULTURE AND/OR SCIENCE?** Are you passionate about agriculture, and want to undertake tertiary study in this area? Would you like to experience University of New England (NSW) life, and see the opportunities that the **UNE School of Environmental and Rural Science can provide?** Then, UNE’s **GENERATION 2050** is for you. 100 passionate agriculture students from around Australia will be chosen to take part in UNE’s inaugural **Generation2050: Project Feed the World** conference. When: Sun 1 – Wed 4 December 2013; **Where**: UNE, Armidale, NSW; **Cost**: Free (residential college, meals, etc); **Travel**: UNE will subsidise this according to the distance travelled;

3. **DID YOU KNOW?** Many TAFE Institutes have articulation arrangements with universities. For example, upon completion of the Box Hill Institute’s Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology, students will receive 18 months credit and so can enrol into the fourth semester of the Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering at Deakin University. This course also leads to further study at other higher educational organisations. Similar arrangements apply to many other TAFE diplomas.

4. **CHECK OUT WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE** – Interested in a career in foods, tourism, hospitality or events? You might wish to book an appointment with a Future Students representative for a tour of facilities, and to learn about programs and applications. **Contact**: Andrew Plisi on 9606 2480, andrewpl@angliss.edu.au or Alex Lloyd on 9606 2444, alexl@angliss.edu.au.

5. **MONASh UNIVERSITY NEWS** –

- **Federation University Australia** held its official media launch on 1 October. The new university amalgamates the **University of Ballarat** and **Monash University’s Gippsland campus**, and begins operations from 1 January, 2014. VTAC applicants who have included at least one University of Ballarat and/or Monash University Gippsland campus in their preferences are advised that these preferences will be for **Federation University Australia**, with the VTAC codes and university name automatically updated on their preference list. With the exception of the **Graduate Entry Medicine and Surgery degree**, Monash University will no longer assess or make offers for Gippsland courses, however, applicants who received an offer this year and deferred for 2013 will be able to enrol as a Monash student at Gippsland. **Info**: ph 5122 6767; see [www.federation.edu.au](http://www.federation.edu.au).

- **NEW ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATE-ENTRY TO MBBS(MEDICINE/SURGERY)** From 014 there will be amendments to entry requirements. If interested in pathway options to MBBS, register on [www.med.monash.edu.au/medical/gippsland/mbbs-pathways.html](http://www.med.monash.edu.au/medical/gippsland/mbbs-pathways.html)
• PHARMACY AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES – Students who do not meet the entry requirements to enter the Bachelor of Pharmacy direct from Year 12 can enter the program at third year as graduates of science-based degrees. This new entry point means that graduates wanting to become pharmacists will no longer need to commence their studies at first-year level and will qualify for their pharmacy degree in just two years. **Those eligible:** have successfully completed an approved degree with a 70% + GPA in the following disciplines: pharmaceutical science, pharmacology, biomedical science, biomedicine, chemical engineering and science (conditions apply). A six-week summer bridging program will be required. **Info:** www.monash.edu/pharm/future/courses/grad-pharmacy/index.html

5. BUILDING DESIGN – a professional qualification which offers similar career pathways to Architecture, but is studied through TAFE. Like Architects, Building Designers work in Building Design or Architectural practices, where they design domestic, commercial and industrial buildings. Students considering Architecture, may also consider Building Design. In 2014, Federation University will be offering the Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural) for its 5th year. This course runs over 2 ½ years (2 years full time and 3rd year part time). Applications through VTAC [http://programfinder.federation.edu.au/ProgramFinder/displayProgram.jsp?ID=963](http://programfinder.federation.edu.au/ProgramFinder/displayProgram.jsp?ID=963) contact Ron Pickford on 03 5327 8368 or at r.pickford@ballarat.edu.au

6. SCIENCE EXPERIENCE AT RMIT – This is a 3-day hands-on activities program for those entering Year 10 in 2014. Go behind the scenes in the world of science and technology. **When:** 21-23 Jan, 2014; **Cost:** $115; **Register:** www.rmit.edu.au/scienceexperience; **Info:** Sarah, ph 9925 9570.

7. NEW NUCLEAR MEDICINE SCHOLARSHIPS – The Dept of Health (Victoria) is offering scholarships of $10,000 for five nuclear medicine students in RMIT’s B. Applied Science (Medical Radiations) for 2014, 2015, and 2016 intakes. **Info:** evan.read@rmit.edu.au; www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships

8. ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIPS – NECA (National Electrical and Communications Association) Victoria has partnered with E-Oz Energy Skills Australia to provide industry with access to quality apprentices. You can undertake the Energise Oz readiness Assessment free of charge, and if you meet the requirements, your details will be sent to NECA members in Victoria for employment selection. To sit the Readiness Assessment, select the NECA Pre-selection session at: [http://www.energiseoz.com.au/index.php/apprentice/register](http://www.energiseoz.com.au/index.php/apprentice/register).

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10. The minerals processing industry is one of the most diverse, stimulating and rewarding industries in the world today. Federation University is proud to offer the fully revised Bachelor of Applied Science (Extractive Metallurgy) – the perfect pathway into this lucrative and challenging area. A undeniable success rate – 100% of our graduates are full time employed in the minerals industry – and brand new $43 Science and Engineering precinct, our program offers students the best possible start to a rewarding career in this industry. Minerals industry professionals enjoy not only financial rewards and professional advancement, but extensive travel, flexible working and living conditions and opportunities to work in remote, regional or international locations. Students may choose a variety of positions within this industry including exploration, mining (extraction), processing, environmental sustainability, safety, community and indigenous relations, marketing, management and administration. Students who are studying chemistry are perfectly suited to a career in minerals processing. **VTAC Entry Requirements:**

**Prerequisites:**
- Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 15 in any Mathematics or 15 in any Science; and a study score of at least 15 in any English.
- **Middle-band:** A study score of 20 in Maths: Specialist Mathematics equals 5 aggregate points. A study score of 20 in Maths: Mathematical Methods (CAS) equals 3 aggregate points. Satisfactory completion in Biology, Chemistry, Geography, any Information Technology or Physics equals 3 aggregate points per study. Overall maximum of 10 points.

**Selection Mode::** ATAR and middle-band.

**Scholarships** – ranging in value up to $12,000 (refer: [www.ballarat.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.ballarat.edu.au/scholarships)).

Get your **tax file number application** from the careers room before you leave school.

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Career Pathways and Further Education
Lara Secondary College
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Ph.: 5282 8988
Fax: 5282 8188
wilson.nell.n@edumail.vic.gov.au
RECOMMENDED READING

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

Garth Stein’s, *The Art of Racing in the Rain*, is the sweetest and most integral novel since *Marley and Me*. Through the eyes of matured dog on his death bed, we follow his family’s story, from the tragic death of his master’s wife, to the fierce custody battle over their six year old daughter, against her grandparents. The informed and philosophical Enzo is the perfect narrator for a story that tugs heart string and makes tears flow freely. The perfect light novel for a cozy weekend.

The Little Coffee Shop Of Kabul by Deborah Rodriguez

Personally, I have never been too into the war zone reads that are popular with the older Australian generations, but this is an exception. Set in the crime ridden Afghanis streets of Kabul, this little novel follows the stories of five extraordinary woman, chasing freedom and love, in the streets of their mad city. The cast of characters offer insights and integrity into the post taliban living in Afghanistan, for the native and foreigners traversing the streets. Highly recommended!

Many thanks to Ashlea G Yr 11 for these beat reviews.

The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul is in our ePlatform and is currently available for borrowing.

LARA SECONDARY COLLEGE’S EBOOK LENDING LIBRARY

All registered students can borrow. For details how to register and borrow go to [http://larasc.wheelers.co/](http://larasc.wheelers.co/). Registration requests will be processed within 24 hours. This eBook is our latest request and addition:

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New Books (traditional format): in the library and available for borrowing now:

**Plenty** by John Dale

A story of love and loyalty, prejudice and pride. Seventeen-year-old Jed White lives with his mum and dad behind the Ampol service station in the small coastal town of Plenty. His girlfriend Chrissy works in the local fish cannery. When a foreign trawler crashes on the rocks one night, Jed and Chrissy figure from the rolls of stained bedding below deck that the boat must have been carrying a lot of people. They soon discover that dozens of refugees are sheltering at a nearby property.

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**The Long Dark Tea-Time of the Soul**

This Douglas Adams book is Mr Lydall’s favourite book. Ask him about it!

**These Broken Stars**

A young socialite and a war hero crash on an uncharted planet in this timeless and romantic love story about hope and survival in the face of unthinkable odds.

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Attention everyone in our school community concerned about animal welfare

Thanks to Choose Cruelty Free


the library has the following brochures & booklets:

Cruelty-free cosmetics? Student information booklet

Cruelty-free List : Winter 2013

“Your new fur coat used to belong to my daughter” pamphlet

“He’s not going to a good home, he’s going to a laboratory” pamphlet

Stop animal testing post cards

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If you want to check that your make-up, skin care and hair products are cruelty free check the lists. My Sukin skin care products are cruelty free but unfortunately not my perfume.

If you are a concerned consumer do come in and grab some of these resources. They are invaluable if you are researching animal welfare and treatment.

‘Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.’ – Margaret Mead

Library books due back

Parents and carers it’s that time of the year when students have a lot of overdue books. Could you please remind your child to return any library books that are in their locker or ones that you have spotted at home. Books still being read can be renewed and students can borrow over the holidays. I will email overdue notices home before the end of the year. Hopefully most books will be returned by then as I don’t like bothering you with these notices.

Ms Sartori - Librarian

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Advertisements

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Lara Physiotherapy

**Do you know someone who excels in their sport and inspires others?**

_Nominate them for.....

2013 Junior Sportsperson of the Year!

Secondary & Primary School Categories

**CRITERIA:** Outstanding sporting achievements in last 12 months

Positive role model & contribution to their team/club/community

Resident of Lara, Little River or Ararat

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2013 Nominees and Winners

Awards presented at the conclusion of the Lara Fun Run on Sunday November 3rd 2013

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Stop animal testing

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Choose Cruelty Free


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Library Books due back

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Library Times submission for 1st November 2013

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