PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

September 12, 2014

Affirmation
It is not only giants who do great things

YEAR 12 STUDENTS
Our Year 12 students have a little over one month left of their time at the College. This is a crucial time for them as they prepare for their exams and final assessments. Parent/Guardians, this is a difficult time for your children. I urge you to guide them to focus on the tasks at hand. Have set study times, take regular breaks, get plenty of rest and eat well. Late nights, Social media such as Facebook and other technology are major distractions and are proven to impact negatively on student performance. Suggest to your child to leave their phone in another room. Limiting them in the short term is essential. The importance of this time cannot be underestimated.

PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY
The ‘Principal for the Day’ is a program which enables business leaders to come into schools and share their knowledge with our students. This is a fabulous experience for our students and supports them with choices in their lives.

We had the privilege of having Lin Bender the CEO of the Helen MacPherson Smith Trust come to our College. She spoke at the whole school assembly, visited a Year 10 Art class and spoke to the Year 11s and the SRC. Lin shared some personal experiences and insights that resonated with the students allowing them to reflect on their own personal lives. Lin also had lunch with the College Captains and myself where she was very complimentary of our students and the mature approach to their lives and studies.

YEAR 10 SOCIAL
The Year 10 students had a fabulous night at their annual Year 10 Social held on Friday 5th September. The students danced all night and are to be congratulated for their behaviour and positive approach to the night. I want to thank Grant Olarenshaw for his efforts in organising the night along with the numerous staff who attended to support Grant and enjoyed the night with the students.

MASTER CLASSES
Mooroolbark in conjunction with our neighbouring government schools have commenced a program of Master Classes to give our students completing their VCE the opportunity to participate in revision presentations by expert teachers and VCE examiners. This is a fabulous opportunity for our students to improve their knowledge in readiness for their exams. For information on these classes and for students to book into these classes please go to our College website.

Simon Reid
Principal
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

ARE YOU EX NAVY, ARMY, OR AIRFORCE?
Then Carry On (Victoria) may be able to help you with education costs if you meet our eligibility criteria.

If you have served in the Australian Defence Forces or Allied Forces and you wish to apply for a Secondary Education Grant for 2015, please telephone Carry On (Victoria) on (03) 9629 2648 to establish eligibility and request an application form.

Carry On (Victoria) assists Secondary School students in Years 7-12 with grants for expenses such as fees, books, uniforms, excursions etc. For those students going on to Tertiary Education a grant may also be available.

Children whose Parent’s or Legal Guardian’s have a need for financial assistance and comply with our eligibility criteria may apply. All grants are income tested and applications should be submitted by 30th October 2014.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
A reminder that on October 5th 2014 at 2.00am please put your clocks forward 1 hour.

HOUSE POINTS
Currently the 2014 House Points are very close. Students should collect their Merit Certificates in order to get their Principal Awards which are worth 50 points each and hand them into your House Leaders. The 2014 House points final date is the end of week 2 Term 4.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

BPAY – REMINDER
If you are making a BPay payment for specific charges such as camps, excursions, iPad programs etc. it is essential that you contact the College for each transaction to ensure that your payment is allocated to the correct charges on your account.

This can be done by either:
email – mooroolbark.co@edumail.vic.gov.au
Phone – 9727 8100
Fax – 9727 8188
Or a copy of your receipt brought in to the College Office.

By not notifying the College, BPay payments will automatically go towards the oldest outstanding invoice on your account.

Please address all your communication to Accounts Receivable at the College on 9727 8100.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

OUTDOOR ED

YEAR 9 DUKE OF EDINBURGH
Recently the Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh class spent a day mountain biking at Lysterfield Park. Students developed skills previously in class then applied them on numerous vehicle and single tracks throughout the park. They encountered numerous obstacles such as logs, raised boardwalks and some small jumps. We even came across some of the native wildlife to the area, which was amazing as we rode our way through bushland.

Students enjoyed the experience and took away some great experiences and interactions that can be used to reflect upon in future endeavours.

Glenn Esnouf
Health & PE Coordinator

Tattoos cannot be visible and must be covered at all times. In Victoria the legal age for a Tattoo is 18. (Department of Health; Regulations of tattooing and body piercing; Legal restrictions on tattooing in Australia).
LIBRARY NEWS

PREMIER’S READING
CHALLENGE 2014
The Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2014 has now finished.
Congratulations to all students that participated. Nearly 2,300 books were read by students with 30 students completing the challenge. The following students completed the challenge and in the process received 30 house points and a free pizza lunch, to be held Term 4.

- Aleisha Hilet
- Arnold Tan
- Brendan Wimalaratna
- Cody Bell
- Connor Hilet
- Emily Forshaw
- Iris Kennedy
- Isabella Kennedy
- Jack Schofield
- Joan Taufetee
- Joshua Carroll
- Joshua Mackay
- Katelyn Balkin
- Kellie Stevens
- Kiara Price
- Kristy Barbara
- Madeleine Thompson
- Melanie Pauer
- Molly Payne
- Paris Hindby
- Penelope Macneish
- Rebecca - John Gideon
- Robyn Thompson
- Samantha Jacobs
- Samuel Allen
- Sebastian Zych
- Sonia Pyrczak
- Sophie Schofield
- Thomas Coote
- Tommy Voigt

Each House earnt the following house points through the Premier Reading Challenge

- **Blue**: 1096
- **Red**: 1056
- **Green**: 1054
- **Yellow**: 978

The final Year 7 Form standings are

- **7A**: 283
- **7C**: 194
- **7G**: 128
- **7E**: 127
- **7B**: 119
- **7D**: 114
- **7F**: 39

Congratulations to all students that participated.

Matthew Neil
Library Coordinator

COLLEGE INFORMATION

JUNIOR CLUB 3/4
Junior Club 3/4 is a designated homework club for students in Years 7-10. It runs from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in X2 and X3 on every Tuesday and Thursday.

During this time students have the ability to use College computers, printers, work in groups or individually as well as getting extra one on one support from teachers. We try and create a relaxed work friendly environment and there are always prizes given out. So come along as we would love to see you there.

Grant Olarenshaw
Red House Leader

5TH ANNUAL SRC CARNIVAL DAY
The SRC Carnival Day will be held on Tuesday 16th September. Students will be able to participate in events, activities and purchase food over an extended lunchtime.

Stalls include, but are not limited to:
- Inflatable Combat Run
- Wot A Kebab
- Fairy Floss
- Rock Wall
- Teacher Bucket Dump
- Mini Games
- Roving Magician
- Face Painting
- Caged Dodge Ball
- Music
- Snow Cones
- Ice Cream
- Sausage Sizzle
- Archery
- Sumo Suits
- Photo Booth
- And plenty more....

Students will be able to change into their PE uniform at the start of lunchtime.

Students wishing to participate in the RockWall must obtain a permission slip (outside Blue House Office) prior to the day.

Robyn Cooper
SRC Liaison

P.T.C.A. NEWS

FUNDRAISING - P.T.C.A.
It’s that time of year again – the frenzy of sales & bargain hunting.

Did you know you can help raise funds for Mooroolbark College without even trying & without spending any precious time. Three easy ways:

**AMART CHIRNSIDE PARK.**

Sign up to their Loyalty program & swipe your card every time you make a purchase. Mooroolbark College gets 5% of the sale as a fundraiser.

**REBEL SPORT**

Sign up to their Loyalty program & swipe your card every time you make a purchase.

Mooroolbark College gets 5% of the sale as a fundraiser. And you get a 5% discount as well !

**THE GOOD GUYS AT CANTERBURY RD, BAYSWATER**

Bayswater Bucks Program – for every $25 spent - $1 voucher generated for the College. All you have to do is mention the program when completing your purchase & send the vouchers to the College with your child to drop off at the office. How easy is that !

Bakers Delight at Mooroolbark & Chirnside Park

5% of your purchase is generated as a fundraiser – just remember – Code 22 – simply ask for your purchase to be recorded against Code 22. That’s all !
MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE FILM FESTIVAL
Mooroolbark College’s annual Film Festival was a huge success on Thursday 28th August. A packed audience remained completely engrossed all night in the short films created by Year 10, 11 and 12 Media students. After a short intermission and an audience vote, the night concluded with the following awards being handed out.

Best Short Film – Year 10
‘Alone’ by Gavin Fullerton and Mikyla Louey

Best Short Film – Year 11
‘Ad Finem’ by Jacob Ellum, Shelby Garrett, Sam Learmont and Glen Pedder

Best Short Film – Year 12
‘Letting Go’ by Bianca Heard

Best Onscreen Performance
Ryan Hunter in ‘Ad Finem’

Audience Award
‘Vote Gibson’ by Lily Benn, Katelyn Mast and Kirsten Sinclair

All students that participated in the festival should be very proud of themselves and their short films, which were all fantastic.

Matthew Neil
Media Teacher
Renew your wardrobe at low cost!

11th of October 2014

10:00am – 1:00pm
Mooroolbark Soccer Club, Esther Crescent, Mooroolbark

Entry $2

- Bring items in good laundered condition: clothes, shoes, accessories
- Exchange each item for a token
- Swap your tokens for something new or pay $2 per item
- Items must be free from faults and pilling. No undergarments, swimwear, polar fleece or trackpants

Croydon Little Athletics Centre invites new and returning families down to the track to register for the upcoming 2014-15 Little Athletics Summer season!

Our Registration Day is on
Saturday September 13th, 9am-11am
Croydon Little Athletics Track
Town Park, Nortons Road, Croydon
* Free BBQ for families
* Athlete’s Foot Eastland will be attending for footwear advice and have shoes available for sale on the day.

Want to know more? Visit our website
www.croydonlac.com.au or
email croydonlavic.com.au
Season starts Saturday October 4th!!