This will be our last Newsletter for the term. It certainly has been an exciting one with many memorable moments. Please look out for our College Bugle coming out at the end of the term which will be full of information on the wonderful things that have happened in our College.

**YEAR 12 STUDY CENTRE**

Tuesday 4th June saw the opening of the Year 12 Study Centre. Christine Fyffe MP Member for Evelyn, was present to officially open the building. We are very grateful for her ongoing support of the College. I would like to thank the tireless efforts of Ann Stratford and Matthew Wildner for ensuring the building was completed to a high standard. Thank you also to the IT team for their work in ensuring that all the classrooms have state of the art technology.

I would also like to acknowledge the whole staff for the support and patience to allow the building process to be completed. The current Year 12 students and the students in years to come will have a first class facility to support them in their quest to perform at their very best.

**40 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

2013 is our 40th Anniversary, and I would like to thank Lyn Godfrey, Cathy Blackburn and the members of the Community Relations Committee for all their efforts in ensuring that we have a steady array of events throughout this year to commemorate this occasion. We have a great deal to celebrate as the College has been responsible for educating thousands of students. We are presently in the process of organising a major event in September in conjunction with the SRC Annual Fair. There will be more information later in regards to this event, but it looks to be a special day in our calendar.

**REPORTS**

Reports will be posted home at the end of the term, please look out for your child’s report. If you do not receive it, please contact the College as soon as possible. Reports will be posted home at the end of the term, please look out for your child’s report. If you do not receive it, please contact the College as soon as possible.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

From the 24th to 28th June, we will have 200 Year 10 students participating in work experience. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to gain firsthand experience in the workforce. It will clarify an understanding around their subject choices and their possible pathway through to employment. I would like to thank the Careers Team of Danielle Clarke, Eva Woodward, Maria Pisano and Steve Cameron for their organisation of the program and the support they have provided to the students. I am sure that the students will gain a great deal from this experience.

If you require further information, or need support finding a placement for your child please do not hesitate to contact our Careers Team at the College on 9727 8100.

**PUPIL FREE DAY**

A reminder that the 14th June is a Pupil Free Professional Day for the teachers of Mooroolbark College.
PRINCIPAL

NAIDOC WEEK 2013

Australia is very fortunate to have a vibrant and dynamic indigenous culture that has stood the tests of time and gives so much to our National identity. Each year we celebrate and acknowledge this culture and the contributions that indigenous people have made to the broader Australian Society.

NAIDOC Week is a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and an opportunity to recognise the contributions of Indigenous Australians in various fields.

Activities take place across the nation during NAIDOC Week from 7—14 July, with this year’s theme being “We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963”.

This marks the 50th Anniversary of a landmark petition by Aboriginal people, to be recognized as having the right to have a say over the use of land in significant traditional areas. All Australians are encouraged to participate.

NAIDOC www.naidoc.org.au

Do you know the history of NAIDOC Week?

NAIDOC stands for the National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920s which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of Indigenous Australians.

FACEBOOK PAGES

On the topic of social media it is also important for all students to be aware when using online sites such as Facebook that there is a safe and responsible use to ensure theirs and others safety. The College has provided workshops on the importance of cyber safety, but it is up to the students to also ensure they set up privacy settings correctly. Students need to be aware that inappropriate use of Facebook could result in them being in trouble with the law. To prevent this we recommend that all Guardians/Parents be a friend of their child and monitor to some degree their activities.

Simon Reid
Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

YEAR 12 STUDY CENTRE

On Tuesday 4th June, the Year 12 Study Centre was officially opened by Christine Fyffe, Member for Evelyn.

The Year 12 Study Centre is a wonderful new addition to the College’s facilities and will provide an outstanding educational setting for teaching and learning. The Year 12 Study Centre provides an adult learning environment where students can work both with other students and staff.

The official opening included representatives from the College’s School Council, Year 12 Parents, suppliers and Year 12 students.

Later in the evening a Year 12 Movie Night was held to mark the opening in a less official manner.

ICTEV - IT TAKES A VILLAGE

On Saturday 25th May, Assistant Principal Rachael Williams and Melissa Cameron along with Librarian Bonnie Ahles from Lilydale High School presented at the ICTEV state Conference titled ‘It Takes a Village’.

Rachael Williams
Assistant Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

This conference captured the essence of good teaching and learning, acknowledging that Information Communication Technology is pivotal to future thinking and directions, and that people are the key. The team presented a hands-on workshop titled ‘Investigate, Innovate and Invigorate!', presenting curriculum based programs that are running within Mooroolbark College and Lilydale High School and shared various units of work, policies and best practices with the participants.

The day was a huge success and great to see Mooroolbark College sharing with the wider education community across Victoria.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

iTunes U - AUSTRALIA WIDE

We are excited to announce that Daniel Smalley and Melissa Cameron have been selected to attend Apple Australia’s iTunesU Curriculum Development seminar in Sydney on the 26-27 June 2013.

They will be working together with secondary school teachers and curriculum leaders from across Australia to collaboratively plan and publish exemplary courses aligned to the Australian Curriculum.

Daniel and Melissa will

• Develop best practice for content development, when using iTunesU

• Engage with ACARA curriculum specialists and Apple experts in digital content creation

• Build and publicly share the course created globally via iTunes U

Rachael Williams
Assistant Principal

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Simon Reid
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PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE 2013
85 DAYS TO GO!
The Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2013 is now well underway with only 85 days to go until the end of the challenge. Already over 850 have been read with 18 students already completing the challenge.

All students in Years 7-10 are automatically registered. To complete the challenge students only need to read 15 books before 31st August, 2013. All students that complete the challenge will receive 10 house points, a certificate and a free pizza lunch.

The current house standings are as follows:
Red house - 80 points
Blue house - 50 points
Green house - 50 points
Yellow house - 30 points

This year we are also running a special year 7 competition with the form group that completes the most books winning an extra special prize. The current standings are:

7D - 91 books completed
7B - 67 books completed
7C - 66 books completed
7A - 61 books completed
7J - 55 books completed
7H - 52 books completed
7I - 41 books completed
7E - 38 books completed
7F - 33 books completed
7G - 22 books completed

In the coming months, to celebrate Children’s Book Week, the College will be hosting some very special events with Australian author, George Ivanoff. Keep an eye out for more details soon! For more information please visit his website www.georgeivanoff.com.au.

George Ivanoff is an author and stay-at-home dad, living in Melbourne. He is best know for his Gamers books – teen novels set within a computer game world. The first in the series, Gamers’ Quest, won a 2010 Chronos Award and is on the reading lists for both the Vic and NSW Premiers Reading Challenges. He also has two other books (Life, Death and Detention and Real Sci-Fi) on the reading list for Vic Premier’s Reading Challenge. George has written over 50 books for the education market, as well as many stories for magazines and anthologies. His latest novel is Gamers’ Challenge.

If you require more information, please contact Mr Neil at the College on 97278100 or your child’s English teacher.

Matthew Neil
Library Coordinator

UNIFORM POLICY CHANGE

Further to the College Council meeting held recently the following amendment was made in relation to the College Uniform Policy - "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)."

MUSIC NEWS

Mooroolbark College Music Department is excited to announce new openings for students to learn musical instruments this term.

Is your child interested in learning how to play the Saxophone, Trumpet or Trombone?

We have four vacancies available with our Brass and Woodwind teachers.

Places will fill up fast. If you would like to take advantage of this rare opportunity please contact the Music Department at the College on 97278100.

Remember – anyone can learn to play music, and no prior experience is necessary!

Lisa Gaudion
Instrumental Music Coordinator

FINANCIAL MATTERS

PLEASE NOTE

On 20th and 21st June the 3rd instalment for the College Levies will be directly debited from your account. If you need to change any of your account/card details, please call Jodi Matheson at the College on 97278100 before this date.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

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A unique cultural experience?

A week of your time could reap a lifetime of benefits.

Mooroolbark College has become truly international, with student tours to the United States and Canada, and exchanges with China currently being planned for 2014. As part of this program, a number of Chinese students from our sister school in Wujiang will be visiting us for a week of intercultural education in the first week of August, 2013 - (Arriving 31st July—Leaving Melbourne 6th August).

We are looking for families prepared to host these students for seven days (including a weekend). Not only will you have the opportunity to share the Australian way of life with these young people, but you will be able to enrich your own children’s education through the cultural exchange.

This is a fabulous opportunity.
This year marks the 40\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary of Mooroolbark College. In 1973, the College opened its doors for the first time to provide dedicated and committed secondary education opportunities to the community of Mooroolbark.

Throughout the year, we will hold a range of activities to celebrate our 40 year presence in the Mooroolbark community. The first of these occurred at a whole College Assembly, where guest of honour Mr. Geoffrey Flett, former Principal of Mooroolbark College, reflected on his time at the College, a time of growth and transition to the integration of learning technologies.

Mr. Flett spoke about the development of culture, and in particular, the positive culture that has evolved at Mooroolbark College where the individual is valued and the pursuit of excellence in all endeavours is expected, recognised and rewarded.

Over coming months there will be several celebratory events and projects, including the production of a Commemorative Booklet which will be available soon. Please watch this space for information about forthcoming events.

Visiting Mooroolbark College

During Term 1 and earlier this term, Year 6 students from several local primary schools visited Mooroolbark College to take a tour and experience some sample classes. The purpose of these visits is to provide our local Year 6 students with an opportunity to experience a secondary school setting in preparation for Year 7. This visit also assists Year 6 students and their parents to make a more informed choice about which secondary college will suit them best in Year 7. Former students from these primary schools excitedly agreed to be Mooroolbark College Student Ambassadors and did a terrific job of showing the Year 6 students around and answering their questions.

We are currently processing enrolment forms for our 2014 Year 7 intake.

If you know someone who is in the process of selecting a secondary school for 2015, please encourage them to take a tour of our College. This can be arranged by contacting the General Office on 9727 8100.

Catherine Blackburn
Transition/Publicity
Asthma and Complementary Therapies

Complementary or alternative therapies are becoming increasingly popular in Australia, and many people seek out complementary remedies to support their health. As with any health condition, if you or a family member have asthma and are considering using complementary therapies, we strongly advise that you communicate with your doctor about your asthma treatment. They may even be able to suggest safe therapies to try. It is equally important to communicate to any complementary therapists about your asthma so that they can avoid treatments that are known to potentially make ones asthma worse.

Complementary therapies considered safe for asthma are: exercise programs, vitamin D, low-salt diet, some Chinese herbal medicines, some Indian (ayurvedic) herbs, music therapy, tai chi, butekeyo (breathing technique).

Complementary therapies considered potentially unsafe for asthma are: inhaled salt (small risk of a fungal respiratory infection), echinacea, bee pollen or royal jelly (propolis), and products containing aspirin.

Remember, response to treatments and medications differs between people. Make sure you or your children continue taking any asthma medications prescribed unless otherwise instructed by your doctor. Stopping asthma medications suddenly can result in worsening asthma symptoms and even an asthma attack. For more information regarding complementary therapies and asthma please refer to The National Asthma Council (NAC) [http://www.nationalasthma.org.au] or contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria for your free copy of the new NAC Asthma & Complementary Therapies brochure.

For more information please contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 278 462 or www.asthma.org.au.

The Homework Group for 12-18yr olds operates from Lilydale Library every Thursday from 3.30pm-5.00pm.

Maths tutor available for students who may be struggling with the subject in the classroom.

For more information please contact Maria on 92946774/ m.mcloughlin@yarraranges.vic.gov.au

MOUTHGUARDS

The wearing of mouthguards during PE can avoid the many unpleasant and even inadvertent problems and are recommended at all times.

The College has published the professional mouth guard manufacture website for schools Playsafe Mouthguards in earlier Newsletters.

Even the purchase of a plastic Mouthguard from the Chemist can give some protection for little cost.

Dane Keogh/Todd Zarebski
Health & PE Coordinators

STUDENT INFORMATION

Could all parents/guardians please notify the College on 9727 8100 of any changes to their enrolment information as soon as possible. This will keep your records updated within the College system at all times.

Carmel Gibbs
Administration

BPAY

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 – mooroobalk.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

NO STANDING ZONES

Shire of Yarra Ranges informs parents/guardians that Ross Pincott Drive is a NO STANDING area from 8am to 9am and 3pm to 4pm On the north side

NO STANDING ANYTIME.
Manchester Road has no standing areas. Please check with the VicRoads website re No Standing.

Photos will be taken by Shire of Yarra Ranges and infringements will be posted out by the Shire.
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Expression of Interest
School Crossing Supervisor - Casual

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
Phone No: __________________ Mobile: __________________

In expressing my interest I am willing to undertake (please tick):
☐ A Working with Children check
☐ I already have one (<12 months old)
☐ A Police check
☐ I already have one (<12 months old)
☐ A medical check

I am able to work weekdays within the range of hours:
☐ 8.00am to 9.00am
☐ 3.00pm to 4.00pm

At the following locations (please indicate your preferences)
☐ Dandenong Ranges
☐ Upper Yarra
☒ Monbulk and surrounds
☐ Lilydale and surrounds
☐ Healesville and surrounds

(depending on operational needs you may or may not be able to work your preferred location)

After submitting this Expression of Interest you will be contacted about positions that are available.

For more information contact Yarra Ranges Council's Local Laws department on 1300 368 333.

Class of 1993

For anyone who graduated in 1993, or was in our year group at anytime during their schooling.

Saturday 15th June—6pm

Brycees' Tavern, Brice Avenue Mooroolbark

$15 main meals and drinks at bar prices.

Partners most welcome.

RSVPs essential.

Phone or sms Jacqui Walker (de With) on 0479 040 318 to book your place.