**Calendar 2013 - TERM 4**

Friday 11th October, 2013
Newsletter Published

Monday 14th - Friday 18th October, 2013
YR 8 RUBICON CAMP

Friday 18th October 2013
Yr 8 Phillip Island MOTO GP Excursion

Tuesday 22nd October, 2013
Yr 12 Farewell General Assembly
LAST DAY FOR YR 12s
Community Relations Committee Meeting - 4.30pm

Wednesday 23rd October 2013
YR 12 CELEBRATION DAY

Thursday 17th October 2013
Yr 7 Girls/Boys Immunisations
Yr9 Boys immunisations

Tuesday 29th October 2013
Education Committee 5.30pm
PTCA Meeting 7.00pm

Tuesday 5th November 2013
MELBOURNE CUP DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

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**COLLEGE CAR PARK**

**The College Staff car park off Ross Pincott Drive**

**MUST NOT BE USED TO DROP OFF OR PICK UP STUDENTS AT THE START AND FINISH OF THE SCHOOL DAY.**

**The resulting congestion is presently a hazard to the students and also makes parking difficult.**

**Please drop your child off in the Northern Car Park off Manchester Road or on the roads bordering the school and arrange to pick up in the same place.**

**The NO STANDING sign on Manchester Road must be adhered to.**

**A REMINDER to parents/guardians that the speed zone around schools is 40KPH.**

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**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

October 11, 2013

Affirmation

“Positive self-expectancy is pure and simply optimism, in the face of all odds. Winners have positive self-expectancy which creates desire. They are dissatisfied with the status quo. They want change for the better.”

Denis Waitley

**CENTRAL AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA TOUR CAMPS**

The Central Australia Tour is an outstanding camp that we run each year. The students have a fabulous experience and come away with knowledge and understanding that will be with them for life. The camp requires a great deal of work and commitment to ensure the students enjoy a wonderful experience. I wish to thank Andy U’Ren for his organisation and hard work in organising the camp. I would also like to thank the following people for volunteering to go on the camp: Chris Seabrook, Dane Keogh, Todd Zarebski, Dannielle Clarke, Melissa Cameron, Rachael Lane, Jenna Mason and Ash Hosier.

**EXAMS**

Over the next 6 weeks there will be exams for our Year 10, 11 and 12 students. It is important that students are well prepared for the exams by studying effectively and by keeping healthy, eating well and getting regular sleep. Support your child by providing them with a quiet place to study, helping them to be organised and be interested in what they are learning.

Technology and the distractions that they can provide is a real challenge at this time of the year. As parent/guardians it is critical that you are proactive in providing direction in managing these distractions. Having the computer on or the mobile phone close by while studying, can and does create interruptions to thinking and working. We suggest that they have a place, ie the kitchen, where they can be left while they study.

**Key dates**

**Year 12 student’s final day at the College will be on Tuesday 22nd October with their Celebration Day on Wednesday 23rd October.**

**Year 12 exams commence on Wednesday 30th October.**

**Year 10 and 11 students commence their exams on Monday 18th November.**

**INTERNATIONAL TEACHER’S DAY**

Each year, the community celebrates UNESCO’s World Teachers’ Day to draw public attention to the important role of teachers in their community. World Teachers’ Day is celebrated in over one hundred countries and in Australia this year it was on Saturday 5th October.

In 2013, World Teachers’ Day acknowledges the many ways teachers make a difference through their teaching and commitment, and celebrates teachers as a significant force in building communities.

Teachers ‘make a difference’ every day. In the curriculum they teach and how they teach it, through the connections they make with and for their students and by the way they encourage learning. Very often, they make a significant contribution to their local community and the wider community.

We are very fortunate to have a highly committed and talented staff of teachers. They make Mooroolbark College a great school for students to come learn and grow.
SAFETY MONTH
I would like to bring to your attention that it is Community Safety Month. Community Safety Month is held every October and reminds us that we all have a role in making our communities safer.

Local communities, groups, schools, regional services, businesses, state and local government departments and agencies, are encouraged to build community safety partnerships by organising safety activities with other organisations and groups. For those with established partnerships, Community Safety Month provides an ideal opportunity to showcase existing safety programs or develop new ones.

Participation in Community Safety Month will demonstrate your commitment to maintaining Victoria as the safest state in Australia. By promoting safety and safe practices within your community, you will be contributing to increasing the confidence of Victorians about safety.

The Victorian Safe Communities Network (VSCN) is dedicated to increasing the confidence of Victorians about safety.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 2014 YEAR 7 STUDENTS
This is a friendly reminder that Enrolment Forms for all new Year 7 students attending the College in 2014 are due to be returned to the College by 14th October, 2013.

Early in November you will receive a second package which will include fees, iPad Information, Book List, Second-hand book sale details and the date, an EMA Form and a Uniform List.

A further reminder that there will also be a Year 7 2014 Parents Information Evening held on Monday December 2nd, 2013 in “T Block” commencing 7.30pm. This will also include iPad Information and the opportunity to speak to the Transition Coordinator and the College House Leaders.

Cathy Blackburn
Transition Coordinator

STUDENT ILLNESS
Just a reminder that if students are not well they are to report directly to the Sick Bay to be assessed. Parents/Guardians will then be contacted if students are to be collected. Your assistance in passing this information on to your child/children would be greatly appreciated.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

YEAR 8 RUBICON CAMP
MONDAY 14TH—FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER
Student going on camp are to be at the College at 10.00am with a packed morning tea and lunch.

Parents/Guardians please note that students not going on the Rubicon Camp, are required to attend, as normal classes will still be running.

Lyn Godfrey
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 2013, please telephone Carry On 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 7 November, 2013.

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 at the College on 9727 8100.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

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).”

186 Manchester Rd, Mooroolbark, Vic 3138
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Free Public Screening
Mon 21st Oct

Mooroolbark
Children’s Film Festival
The Best of Local Children’s Film Making
Films written, directed and edited by local children from:
Mooroolbark College
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Mooroolbark East Primary School
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What’s holding you back?
COMMUNITY NOTICES contd.

Growing Gorgeous Boys Into Good Men

Adolescent boys – they seem to disappear into another world where they barely communicate, and where fast cars, alcohol and drugs are constant temptations.

Will they survive and become good men? How can parents and schools understand and help them through such a difficult and dangerous time?

Celia’s entertaining and enlightening view of what goes on inside the world of boys – an entirely different world from that of girls – offers parents practical and reassuring advice on raising their boys to become good, loving articulate men.

Light refreshments provided

DATE: Wednesday 20th November 2013
TIME: 7:00pm – 9:00pm
VENUE: Karralyka Centre
      Mines Road
      Ringwood
HOST: Outer Eastern LLEN
      in partnership with
      Male Health Victoria

Join the fun, spring clean your home and make some extra $$

The Garage Sale Trail
Saturday 26 October

One big day of buying, selling
& old school social networking!

Register now! garageaisletrail.com.au

Auditory Processing and Learning

What could your child’s behaviour be trying to tell you?

Information session & question forum with Lalla from Blue Horizon

INFORMATION SESSION

Understanding Auditory Processing
Cost $20

Tuesday 19th November 2013
7:00pm – 8:30pm

At: Chirnside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Dr, Chirnside Park

We help children with:

- Concentration and short attention span
- Development and language delay
- Learning and reading difficulties
- ADD, ADHD, Autism, Dyspraxia, Dyslexia,
  Sensory Integration,
- Auditory and Visual processing difficulties

Using art, movement and music, we can help transform hindrances that will enable your child to discover their true potential.

Your care could make all the difference...

Contact: 1300 889 335
www.anglicare.vic.org.au/events

Become a Foster Carer and brighten a child’s life
Monkami Presents

A Knight at the Round Table

written by the Monkami drama group

Thursday 24th October 12:15pm & 7:15pm
at the Karalyka Centre, Mines Rd, Ringwood
Matinee Show - $5, Evening Show - $15
For ticket enquiries phone 9725 8677