CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Yellow House for winning the House Trophy this year. It was a tight contest between all the Houses with Yellow coming out on top.

Although Yellow House won I would like to congratulate all the Houses and their House Leaders. All the Houses were superbly led by the House Leaders and their Cluster Leaders: Yellow House: Adam Lorkin, Rhonda Harker, Katrina Bateman. Green House: Mark Levins, Matthew Donald, Jenny Roberts. Blue House: Luke McCormick, Katie Lindsay, Tracey Lackman and Red House: Grant Olarenshaw, Glen Esnouf and Grigor Cummings. All these teachers genuinely care about our students; they go beyond the call of duty to support the students in our College. This is reflected in high levels of engagement by students in House and College activities.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to the following students for being selected for a leadership role in the College for 2013:

**COLLEGE CAPTAINS:**
Aimee Jenkins and Adrian Paoletti

**HOUSE CAPTAINS**

Blue  Patrick Spratt and Brad Dick
Green  Melanie Briant and Tommy Hore
Yellow Jake Findlay and Sarah Barry
Red    Staci Radcliff and Nathan Daniel

They are all excellent students and I know that they will lead our College with distinction.

YEAR 12 VCE VISUAL ARTS DISPLAY

On Tuesday the 30th October the students studying VCE Visual Arts, Art, Studio Art and Visual Design and Communication displayed their work at the College. The creativity is outstanding and represents the hard work of students and the skill of the teachers. It is still on display and I recommend everyone to come to the front office and view the art work. I want to acknowledge and thank the professionalism and hard work of the Visual Arts Team of teachers.

RED EARTH ALL ROUNDER DAY

On Tuesday the 30th October the College ran its inaugural Red Earth All Rounder Day. It was extremely successful with over 370 primary Grade 5 students coming to the College for an exciting introduction to what Secondary School is all about. Ms Cathy Blackburn did a wonderful job in organising the day. I would also like to thank all the teachers who organised activities and made the day a success for the Grade 5 students.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE DAY

Music performance students and Year 7 to 10 Instrumental Music students had a Performance Day on the 1st November. The students performed well both solo and in groups. I would like to acknowledge the commitment, enthusiasm and professionalism of our music staff, their passion and dedication make a real difference to the students.

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**Affirmation**

O! it is excellent
To have a giant’s strength, but it is tyrannous
To use it like a giant.

William Shakespeare
BEGINNING OF 2013

The College has two Professional Development days at the beginning of 2013, they are on the 29th and 30th January 2013. Students in Years 7, 11 and 12 will commence on Thursday 31st January with Years 8, 9 and 10 starting on Friday 1st February.

ORIENTATION DAY FOR 2012 YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Orientation day for the Year 7 students will be on Tuesday 11th December, the current Year 7 students are not required at the College on this day. Years 8 & 9 students will be participating in school organised activities. No alternative program will be offered at the College on this day.

Simon Read
Principal

STATE ATHLETICS RESULTS

On Tuesday 23rd October the State Athletics final was held at the new Albert Park ground. Four students from the College qualified and competed on the day achieving the following results.

Lateisha Willis of Year 7 had a wonderful day competing in 3 finals – the 13 and under year events of 80 hurdles, 100 metres and 200 metres. She came 5th, 6th and 5th respectively, setting new personal best times as she went. Lateisha is still 12 so she will be in the same age group next year!

Darren Delahoy of Year 12 won a Bronze Medal in Javelin for a third placing in the Boys 20 and under division. He will be greatly missed next year as he has been a champion participant all his years at our College and holds 10 individual House records.

Emilie Garside of Year 11 came 4th in the Senior Girls walk (combined ages of 16-20). Although just one spot off a medal Emilie has shown consistent improvement in her pet event and to win Eastern Zone and come 4th in the State is a wonderful achievement and a fine reward for her dedication and effort.

Our final finalist is another Year 12 Liam Dell. Although an all rounder (Liam competed in 5 Eastern Zone events) he was the zone representative for Steeplechase for Senior Boys 20 and under. Liam has qualified for the Nationals at Steeplechase in the past and we wish him well at the All Schools Track and Field trials coming up on Sunday 11th November.

Keith Clapp
Sports Co-ordinator

WANTED

2nd Hand Uniforms for families in need.

With over 200 new Year Sevens arriving in 2013 (as well as new students at other year levels) we are starting to get requests from families for help with uniforms. With recent cuts by the State Government to financial support for families in need, we are expecting even more requests from Mooroolbark families this year than in previous years.

If you have any good quality second hand uniform items we would love to find a new home for them with a family who will deeply appreciate your generosity.

Donations can be dropped off to the office or directly to myself.

(donations of current books will also be accepted)

John Nichol
Student Welfare Coordinator

186 Manchester Rd, Mooroolbark, Vic 3138
Phone: (03) 9727 8100 Fax: (03) 9727 8188 Web: www.mooroolbarkcollege.vic.edu.au
**NATIONAL YEAR OF READING**

**Love2read**

The National Year of Reading 2012 is about children learning to read and keen readers finding further sources of inspiration. This initiative is about helping people discover and rediscover the magic of reading. For more information visit www.love2read.org.au or snap the QR code.

**QR Codes**

Quick Reference codes are 2D bar codes readable by QR scanners and smart phones. Libraries are utilising this technology to link to book trailers and author websites. Load the appropriate app onto your devise and snap away.

Matthew Neil
Library Coordinator

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**FORTNIGHTLY BOOK REVIEWS**

**The Magic in the Weaving**

*The Magic in the Weaving* is a book by Tamora Pierce. This book is located in the fantasy section of the library. The book is about four young children coming to terms and controlling their magic.

Sandry, Tris, Briar and Daja all come from different backgrounds, but they all have one thing in common; their magic. When they all meet at Winding Circle, the place for mages and scholars, they are all out of sorts thinking the place isn’t for them. During their time at Winding Circle the children must learn about their magic because when catastrophe happens, their magic might be the only thing to keep them alive.

*The Magic in the Weaving* is the first book in the Circle of Magic series. The next books are; *The Power in the Storm, The Fire in the Forge* and *The Healing in the Vine*. These books are also found in the fantasy section of the library. This book is great for magic or fantasy lovers.

By Melanie Pauer

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**MEDIA EXCURSION**

**Media excursion to Screen Worlds**

On Tuesday 23rd October, 17 Year 10 Media students boarded the train to visit the stunning permanent exhibition, *Screen Worlds: The Story of Film, Television & Digital Culture* at the Australia Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI) at Federation Square.

The exhibition brings together rarely-seen footage, fascinating objects and interactive displays. Students were given a detailed guided tour of the exhibition and then were given the chance to explore on their own all the that exhibition entailed. ‘The Matrix bullet time interactive display’ and the ‘Ty the Tasmanian Tiger (TM) zoetrope’, in particular captured the students’ interest and imagination.

Many students commented on how much they loved the exhibition and said that they couldn’t wait to attend future exhibitions housed at ACMI.
The College is working on creating a digital archive of the class photos of all students and staff who attended the College since February 1973, when it opened as Mooroolbark High School. This will eventually be open for access through the College to ex-students who have lost their original class photos. We aim to have it completed by September 2013 when the College will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the official opening. An audit of the albums has revealed a number of gaps in our holdings. If you or a friend can supply a copy of a missing staff or class photo for us to scan and return to you, we would be very grateful. Even if your class photo is not in good condition, we would welcome the chance to copy it. If you are able to help, please contact Patricia Hammond at the College.

Missing class and staff photographs – Mooroolbark High/formerly Mooroolbark Heights Secondary College and now Mooroolbark College.

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Pat Hammond
Anniversary Coordinator
GENERAL INFORMATION

Education Maintenance Allowance - information for parents currently receiving EMA

Changes to the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) for 2013:

The EMA continues to help families on lower incomes with financial assistance to cover the cost of educational expenses including textbooks, stationery, uniforms and excursions for their child up until the age of 16.

From 2013, the Victorian Government is restructuring the EMA to better target financial support to families on lower incomes. Payments made direct to parents will be increased for eligible recipients at all year levels up to age 16, with an additional increase for parents with students in Years Prep and 7 in recognition of the additional costs at these transition points.

In 2013 the annual EMA payment for families with children in primary school (years 1-6) will receive a payment of $150. Families with children in secondary school (Year 8 up until the age of 16) will receive $250.

The School Start Bonus which was previously received by EMA families has been discontinued as a separate payment from 2013 and added to the EMA. As a result, parents of children in Prep and Year 7 will receive boosted EMA payments of $200 and $300 respectively in those years.

From 2013, schools will no longer receive EMA payments on behalf of parents.

Eligibility:

To be eligible for the EMA in 2013, you must:

be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; and

be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004* or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a temporary foster parent.

* i.e – the parent/guardian must be the holder of a valid Health Care Card or valid Pension Card.

The eligibility criteria must be met as at 29 January 2013 (Instalment One) and 15 July 2013 (Instalment Two).

The EMA application form must be submitted to the school by 28 February 2013.

Payment Amounts - 2013:

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*Student year level (or age for ungraded and special school students) will determine the amount payable. Parents of students turning 16 years in 2013 are paid on a pro rata basis.

You can receive the EMA by direct deposit into your nominated bank account or by individual cheque which will be posted to the school for collection.

Contact: School Office for an EMA application form and to lodge your application.
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17th November 2012
Theme - Night at the Movies!
BYO Alcohol, Food & Money for great prizes
Get a table together for a night of fun, raffles, giveaways, silent auctions, memorabilia & much more!
7pm for 7.30 - 12am
Min table to 10 people

Hosted by Tony Shaw
Collingwood Hall of Famer
Venue – East Mooroolbark Primary School
$20pp incl giveaways + table prizes
RSVP & payment – 12th November

Jason 0457 970 018
Narelle 0419 006 240
Bank deposit is available
Largest collection of prizes ever!!


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Auditory Processing and Learning
What could your child’s behaviour be trying to tell you?
Information session & question forum with Laila from Blue Horizon

INFORMATION SESSION
Understanding Auditory Processing
Cost $20
Tuesday 13th November 2012
7:00pm - 8:30pm
At: The Remedy Group
1st Floor, 172 Main Street, Lilydale

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Mentoring: We need you!

Youth Services at Yarra Ranges Council is now recruiting mentors, with a particular focus on males, to take part in our youth mentoring program.

The Jindi Woraback program involves a one to one relationship between a volunteer adult mentor and a young person (12-25yrs). The program is based on having fun, sharing interests and recreational activities. Mentors are required to commit one hour per week for a 12 month period.

We are in need of Learner Driver Mentors who will work one on one with learner drivers aged 16-21 years who face significant barriers with obtaining their Provisionary drivers licence. The primary function of the role is to supervise learner driving practise sessions and assist the young person to become a safe and lawful driver.

The L2P program includes training, a safe vehicle and ongoing support for the Mentor. All volunteers must satisfactorily complete a screening, induction and training process. Mentors are required to commit to a minimum of 1 hour a week, for a 12 month period.

The homework group will commence in February 2013 and requires a volunteer coordinator and additional volunteers to support the coordinator. The homework group will take place at Lilydale Library for approximately two hour per week.

For more information, please contact Mentoring Project Officer, Maria Mc Loughlin on 92946775, m.mcloughlin@yarraranges.vic.gov.au

The 2012, 24th ANNUAL STRING WORKSHOP
For Primary and Secondary Students
3rd, 4th and 5th December from 9.00am – 3.00pm
at Blackburn High School
60 Springfield Road, Blackburn

This year we are offering a choice of 3 orchestras:

- Our primary level orchestra conducted by Robyn Carrington
- Our intermediate level orchestra for students of approximately Grade 1
  Grade 5 standard conducted by Kacey Kryvulak
- Our senior level orchestra for students of AMEB level 5 to Ameb A and
  beyond conducted by Philip Carrington.

The three days culminate with a concert on the 5th December at 7.30pm at
Blackburn High School.

Get your registration in now and we will see you for these fantastic days of music
making on the 3rd, 4th and 5th December, at Blackburn High School.

Closing date for applications: Monday 19th November

Early payment discount of $5 if paid before the 19th November

All queries for applications should be directed to:
Maureen Saffa on 8804 6411