PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
March 30th, 2012

Affirmation
When our life is full, we can reach out and touch the limits of our being.
Remember the possibilities in life are endless...

George D Norris

EXPLORATION NIGHT
A reminder that our ‘Explore Mooroolbark College’ Night will be held on
Thursday 19th April at 7pm. We invite current and new parents/guardians
to come to our College and find out about the fabulous opportunities that are
available to the students who attend our College.

DEBUTANTE BALLS
On Friday 16th March and Saturday 17th March, 120 Year 11 students
participated in our annual Debutante Balls. We are very grateful to the
Hon. Christine Fyffe, Member for Evelyn and Mr Andrew U’ren for being the
special guests at Deb Ball 1 and Mrs Carol Wells, College Council President
and Mr Andrew U’ren as special guests at Deb Ball 2.

It was wonderful to see so many family and friends enjoying the opportunity
to see the debutantes and their partners being presented. Each year I am
always proud of the students who step up to the demands and commitments
required of a Debutante Ball. This year is no exception, I am proud of them
as individuals and as a group.

Many thanks to the following staff for their support of the evening and
ensuring its success:

- Melissa Cameron, Brad Magri-Olson, Chris Seabrook, Chris Stephen, Jodie
  Tilley, Graham Small, Dane Keogh, John Nichol, Andy U’ren, Jenny Roache,
  Robyn Cooper, Sandy Woods, Tracey d’Unienville, David Innes, Ntina Del-
  gas and Rhonda Harker and Carmel Gibbs.

DAYLIGHT SAVING
Just a reminder that Victoria’s period of daylight saving will end on
Sunday 1st April 2012. At 3:00am move clocks backward one hour to
2:00am. This is the last week of the school term.

TERM 2 COMMENCEMENT
Reminder that Term 2 commences on Monday 16th April.

MID-SEMESTER REPORTS
Mid-semester reports have been posted home, please read the report
carefully and discuss it with your son or daughter. Parent/Teacher
interviews will be held Thursday 26th April, 2012. This is an important
opportunity for you to meet with your children’s teachers. The link for
bookings will be on our website and have been open from Wednesday
28th March with the closing time of 1.00pm on Monday 23rd April.

The College web address is: www.mooroolbarkcollege.vic.edu.au. A
computer will be available in the library during school hours if you do not
have internet access at home or elsewhere.

Simon Reid
Principal
MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE

Exploration Night

Thursday April 19th 2012
at 7:00 pm

You are cordially invited to attend our
‘Exploration Night’. This is a great
opportunity to view our College and meet
our dedicated staff.

Mooroolbark College can provide
your child with a
“Go Anywhere” approach to life.
The College develops the “whole child”
through a diverse curriculum at all
year levels, leading into VCE or VCAL
and through our caring culture of
College Houses.

College tours are available throughout the year.
Contact the College on 9727 8100 to book an appointment.

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‘a place to inspire discovery, value and seize opportunity’
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

SHOES
The school uniform policy clearly states that the school shoes need to be black leather or similar vinyl shoes. Canvas shoes are not acceptable.

Girls shoes cannot be slip on, they need to be lace up or have a strap. Ballet type shoes are not safe or acceptable. If you are unsure, there are photos of acceptable shoes on the College website.

LOST PROPERTY
Attention Year 7 students who attended Camp Rumbug. There are still several items of lost property to be collected. Please see Ms Blackburn at the library as soon as possible.

Lyn Godfrey
Assistant Principal

COLLEGE INSTALMENTS
A reminder that the second instalment for School Levies will be coming out from the 18th April. Receipts will be given to students via homegroup to take home.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

EMA CHEQUES
A reminder to parents/guardians that the Semester 1 EMA Cheques can now be collected from the General Office where they must be signed for. If you require your child to collect your cheque please issue them with a note.

Carmel Gibbs
EMA Administrator

SPORT

EASTERN ZONE SWIMMING.
Daniel Ringer has won his way through to the State Swimming Final on Thursday 29th March with a superb effort on Tuesday 20th March at the Eastern Zone finals.

He competed in 5 events (the maximum allowed) and achieved medals in all of them.

A Gold Medal for 1st place in the Boys 20 metre Backstroke ensured another State appearance for Daniel, but only tenths of a second separated him from his two main opponents in many of these races, as they swapped places in the different strokes. Daniel has previously made the State Final in the Individual Medley as he is strong in all four strokes and more suited to distance events.

Our other students who have swum so well in previous meets and who qualified for the Zone events were: -

Chloe Martin, Jake Findlay, Jason Thompson, Beau Haslam, Thomas Peacock, Cameron Carroll, Daniel Clark, Braden Dobie, Cameron Dobie, Sean Ackroyd, Bryce Szaraszek, Jesse Louw, James Collins, Matt Palmer and Jason Owen.

Keith Clapp
Sports Co-ordinator

SPORT

YEAR 7 CRICKET
Congratulations to the Year 7 Boys Super 8 Cricket Team for the wonderful efforts in the interschool cricket tournament. They finished second narrowly missing out on the regional finals. Also a big thank you for the cricket coaches who assisted.


Thanks also to coaches Mark Butler, Patrick Parker & Jake Puckering.
Well done boys.

Matthew Bell
Teacher in Charge

INTERSCHOOL TENNIS
On Tuesday 13th March the Year 7 Tennis boys competed in the District competition. They had great success winning their first 3 rounds to make the Grand Final against Lilydale High.

In a very close match they finished 2 sets all, being declared Runners Up, as they were just behind in games.

Our team mates were: -
Lachlan HUNTER, Jackson LUTGENS Ryan HAYNES Harry CLARKE, Sean ACKROYD and Cooper STEVENS.

On Friday 16th March the VCE Boys Tennis team competed in the District competition as well, finishing Runners Up on the day.

Our team were: -
Adrian BRUGMANS, Joel McDONELL, Scott CHATWIN, Ben HARTLEY, Jason THOMPSON, and James ACKROYD.

Keith Clapp
Sports Co-ordinator

EMA CHEQUES

ANZAC APPEAL
BADGES FOR SALE BY STUDENT LEADERSHIP
MONDAY 16TH—24TH APRIL
$1.00 badges through to $10.00
Wrist Bands and Tags
all available from the General Office
“Lest we forget”

Carmel Gibbs
EMA Administrator

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SPORT contd.

VCE BOYS TENNIS TEAM
On Friday 16th March the VCE Boys Tennis team competed in the District competition as well. They finished Runners Up. Our team were:
- Adrian BRUGMANS
- Joel McDONELL
- Scott CHATWIN
- Ben HARTLEY
- Jason THOMPSON
- James ACKROYD
- Keith Clapp, Sports Co-ordinator

MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE RUNNING GROUP
This term has seen the introduction of our Mooroolbark College Running Group. Each Tuesday and Thursday morning students are able to take part in a supervised running program around the streets of Mooroolbark. The program aims to provide an opportunity for all students with varying fitness levels to participate and have a go at improving their general fitness including times for the upcoming Athletics and Cross Country Carnivals.

The program to date has been a pleasing success, with roughly 20 different students from Years 7-12 participating. The word has definitely started to spread with lots of new faces turning up each week. All students involved have shown an excellent amount of dedication and commitment, arriving at 7.30am prepared to run - RAIN, HAIL or SHINE!!

Even after three weeks we are beginning to see an improvement in fitness levels. A highlight for many students so far is the breakfast after training which allows them to chat to other students and staff members about their running and morning training session and importantly how much fun they are having!

Any student who is even slightly interested in the program is encouraged to come along and have a go. We guarantee they will enjoy themselves and will feel better for it. Permission forms can be collected from the Yellow House Office. We look forward to seeing you bright and early Tuesday and Thursday morning……

Katrina Bateman, Curriculum Support Co-ordinator

SPORT

YEAR 7 USING IPADS FOR JAVELIN TECHNIQUE
Students have been using their I-Pads this term to record their fitness and athletics results. They have also used I-Pad video footage and reciprocal teaching to assess and improve self and partner techniques in a range of athletic events.

Paul Ryan, Outdoor Ed Co-ordinator

WANTED
Curriculum support students and staff have been involved with the Salvation Army Guardian Angel Knitting Program for the past 2 years. During this time they have made over 50 woollen blankets which have been distributed to kids in need.

As we are participating this year again and in order that we can make even more blankets, we are asking for support from the wider community. We are requiring the following items:

- 8 ply knitting wool
- Size 8 or 4.0m knitting needles

If you can help, please take them to Carmel in the General Office.

Thank you very much for your support.

Sharyn Clarke, Curriculum Support Co-ordinator
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 re-discover 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.

PAUL COLLINS

As part of Library and Information Week from 20th – 26th May Mooroolbark College is proud to host Paul Collins an award winning Australian author who specialises in science fiction and fantasy. Paul has written many books for young readers in which we have many in our library. He is best known for his fantasy series The Jelindel Chronicles along with The Quentaris Chronicles.

Paul Collins will be hosting workshops on Friday 25th May with Year 7, 8 and 9 students focusing on the 12 steps of writing fantasy novels. This session will further equip the students with the necessary skills to continue their writing dreams. For the Senior students Paul will share his insights into the publishing industry that continues to allow him to follow his passion.

Further information will be available from the Library.

www.paulcollins.com.au

FORTNIGHTLY BOOK REVIEWS

MOLE HUNT - The Maximus Black Files

Paul Collins

Special Agent Maximus Black isn’t your average 18-year-old. He is charming, brilliant and deeply determined; he's one of the rising stars within the galaxy’s powerful and mysterious law enforcement agency, RIM. At seventeen he has big plans for his life that are supported by his extraordinary intelligence and mastery of disguise. This will give him power and control over the Galaxy. Nothing and no one is getting in his way. But Maximus is also not what he seems. Black in name and character, he’s a cold-blooded sociopath working on a plan that will throw the universe into chaos and allow him to seize control. Only one person can stop him—the equally clever and fearless agent, Anneke Longshadow. Both characters hide secrets and secret pasts; both have experienced grief and lost family. They are action super-heroes similar to those in comic books, warring against the good and evil both inside and outside of themselves. While the title of Book one in Paul Collins’s futuristic action series for teenagers may sound like junior fiction, it’s anything but. Bitingly clever and imaginative; Cutting back and forth between the two rivals, the plot twists and turns in a thrilling cat-and-mouse chase as each tries to outwit the other, while dodging all manner of obstacles like assassins and alien bounty hunters. It amounts to compelling on-the-edge-of-your-seat reading that will appeal to high-tech sci-fi fans, as well as those looking for a spy story with a difference, and a spirited heroine to boot.

CHINESE CINDERELLA

Adeline Yen Mah

Chinese Cinderella, by Adeline Yen Mah, is the story of a young girl forgotten by her father, despised by her stepmother, and blamed for the death of their beloved mother by her older brothers and sister. This intriguing autobiography tells of Adeline’s miserable life, growing up in communist China. In her earliest days of school, Adeline earned her father’s approval by working very hard at her schoolwork and earning a special medal. As we read the story, we also felt proud of Adeline’s achievements at school, and cringed when we read of her sister snatching away her school medal. Adeline’s writing is clear and powerful, and we imagined how we would feel if we had worked hard for a merit and had it snatched away by a jealous, spiteful sister.

We highly recommend this book to women of all ages; this would be a great book to share with a mother, aunt, grandma or sister.

Aileen, Ashleigh, Molly, Lauren, Kaisa, Nichola, Deanna

Mrs Cameron’s Year 9 English class

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**Free Easter Family Night**

At Bunnings CROYDON Warehouse

**Thursday 29th March 6pm – 8pm**

- Kids D.I.Y. Workshops
- Face-painting / Tattoos
- Visit from the Easter bunny
- Fun Easter egg hunt, Jumping Castle,
  Fairy Floss & lots more!
- Light Food & Refreshments provided

**Adult D.I.Y. Workshop - Outdoor Building Projects – Build Deck**

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL** - speak with our team in-store or visit www.bunnings.com.au/croydon or call us on 9722-4500

Please respond “STOP” if you do not want to be contacted about Special Events.

Regards
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**PLAY BASEBALL, IT’S GREAT FUN!!**

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FREE COME AND TRY & BRING A FRIEND DAY AT THE
Croydon Baseball Club
DATE: SATURDAY MARCH 24TH - 10.00AM TO 12.00NOON
AND MARCH 31ST - 10.00AM TO 12.00NOON

Get come out & try baseball for FREE and enter the jam packed day of fun & games. There are special activities for the under 10’s only and entry is FREE!

For more information log onto www.croydon.baseball.com.au

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**Transition MOOKY**

Invites you to join us for an interactive afternoon exploring Climate Change & Peak Oil

Find out how local responses can create a more sustainable future

**Sunday, April 1st 2.00-4.30 pm**

Mooroolbark Community Centre
125 Brice Ave, Mooroolbark

RSVP to ttmooky@gmail.com or 0408 538 605

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**Montrose Concert Series**

**Cosmo Cosmolino**

Sat 31 March 8.00pm

$30 Adults $24 Concession $16 under 16’s

Cosmo Cosmolino are a musically dazzling and visually entralling string quintet whose performance is inspired by gypsy, tango and even jazz traditions.

Montrose Town Centre
955 Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd, Montrose
9761 9133
www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/mtc 0
MOOROOLBARK
ANZAC DAY SERVICE

An Anzac Day Service will be conducted at the Hookey Park War Memorial at 12 noon on Wednesday 25 April 2012.

The “Last Post” and “Reveille” will be Sounded and Wreaths will be laid.

The Lions Club of Mooroolbark and the R.S.L. invites you all to attend the Service.

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Positions available in all teams
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