Calendar
TERM 2
Monday 11th June
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY
Tuesday 13th June
Resources Committee Meeting - 7.00pm
Mon 4th June—Thursday 14th June
Yrs 10, 11 & 12 Exam Period
Thursday 14th June
Yr 12 GAT
Friday 15th June
Report Writing Day
STUDENT FREE DAY
Tuesday 19th June
College Council Meeting - 7.00pm
Friday 22nd June
Yr 12 Social—Chateau Wyuna
Tuesday 26th June
Community & Community Relations Committee Meeting - 4.30pm
Friday 29th June
Last Day-Term 2

You can advise us of your child’s absence by phoning our 24 hour absence line on 9727 8198 and leave a message.

COLLEGE CAR PARK
The College Staff car park off Ross Pincott 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.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
June 8, 2012

Creativity represents a miraculous coming together of the uninhibited energy of the child.

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. It is full of information on the wonderful things that have happened in our College.

REPORTS
Please be aware that Reports for Years 7-9 will be distributed to students at a special home group assembly on the last day of Term. Years 10-12 will be posted out at the end of this Term. If you do not receive your child’s report, please contact the College on 9727 8100 as soon as Term 3 begins and we will ensure you receive a copy.

WORK EXPERIENCE
On Monday 18th June to Friday 29th June we will have 200 Year 10 students going out on Work Experience. Many of our Year 10 students have successfully organised Work Experience for the two week period. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to gain firsthand experience in the workforce. I urge those students that have not organised work experience that they do so as soon as possible. I would like to thank Mrs. Eva Woodward and Ms. Maria Pisano 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 please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Woodward or Ms. Pisano our Work Experience Coordinators at the College on 9727 8100.

PUPIL FREE DAY
Reminder that Friday 15th June is a Pupil Free Professional Development Day for the teachers of Mooroolbark College and students are not required to attend on this day.

NAIDOC WEEK 2012 – Change: the next step is ours
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 in the first full week of July from the 1st to 7th with this year’s theme being “Spirit of the Tent Embassy”. All Australians are encouraged to participate. For more information about NAIDOC and local events go to: http://www.naidoc.org.au/. Copies of this year’s poster can be accessed online at http://www.naidoc.org.au/naidoc-poster/order/

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

Simon Reid
Principal
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
The Earn and Learn program is designed to support primary and secondary schools across Australia in the purchase of valuable learning resources.

The College has again partnered with Modern Teaching Aids to bring these resources to you over the coming months.

Students have been given Sheets to start filling up when shopping at Woolworths. If you are in need of any more, please visit Woolworths as they have further copies available in store.

As the program has already started please keep shopping at Woolworths to receive these points. This supports the College in our endeavours to purchase further resources.

GENERAL OFFICE
This is a reminder to all community members including parents/guardians who visit the school.

It is a requirement that all visitors to the school report first to the general office and sign in.

It is not appropriate for visitors to approach staff or students in the yard or to go to individual staff offices without first going to the general office.

Thank you for your support.

REPORT WRITING DAY
On Friday 15th June reminder that it is Report Writing Day and students are not required to attend the College on this day.

FINANCE MATTERS

WISE ANIMAL TRUST A NON FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATION
On the 31st of May the Circle of Friends held a Sausage Sizzle fundraiser for the Haven W.I.S.E. (Wildlife in Secure Environment). The weather was fine and they had lots of participation. The girls raised a total of $229.20 which was much appreciated.

A BIG THANKYOU to all concerned and thank you to Andrew and Nadine from The Haven for bringing their animals and to Kerri Hague for organising the event.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2012

REMINDER—PUPIL FREE DAY
Due to circumstances we have had to change the Pupil Free Professional Development Day for Term 3. The new date is Monday 30th of July. It is the beginning of the 3rd week of Term 3. Please make a note of this date in your diaries and calendars.

HEAD LICE
Head lice appears as an issue from time to time in all schools. Checking for head lice is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. I would appreciate it if you could undertake a periodic check of your child’s hair in order to contain any potential problem.

For further information got to the website:
www.dermatology.svhm.org.au
Lyn Godrey
Assistant Principal

INTERSCHOOL TABLE TENNIS
On Friday The Senior Boys played the Yarra District round Robin competition.

Supported by each other, they combined well, finishing Runners up to Lilydale High in the finals.

Our legends are Alex, Komissarenko, Liam Hodgett, Matthew Parkington, Gareth de Souza, Andre Eramo, Lyam Anthonisz, Alex Hayhow.

MOUTHGUARDS
As the winter season comes upon us many of the school’s PE and Interschool Sport activities focus on traditional cold weather sports. These can include Soccer, AFL Football, Rugby, Hockey, Basketball, Netball and Olympic Handball which is presented in several year levels in PE.

While Rugby is played as just Touch Rugby, and many of the other sports are called Non Contact, accidental and unintended contact can be made at times. The wearing of mouth guards can avoid many unpleasant and inadvertent problems and are recommended at all times.

While the College has published the professional mouth guard manufacture website for schools Playsafe Mouthguards in earlier Newsletters, but even the purchase of a $10 plastic Mouthguard from the Chemist can give some protection for little cost.

CLOTHING
During the winter season students need to have a full change of clothing in a separate bag, including shoes and socks in case of indelent weather conditions.

EMA
A reminder to parents/guardians 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
INTERSCOL CROSS COUNTRY
Mooroolbark runners came a respectable third place in the District Cross Country on Tuesday 29th May. The Senior Boys came first and the 13, 14 and 15 Boys second. The competitors were all excellent representatives and supported each other well. Individuals to progress to the next round at Healesville on Friday 22nd June are:

Breadon, Dobie, James Tilker, Fynn Sainty, Brody Morgan, Lachlan Eagleton, Joshua Mung, Oscar Laybourne, Mark Butler, Cameron Dodd, Connor Hughes, Dylan Mather, Ari Pearson, Kealan Flannigan, Jonathon Egan, Cameron Dobie, Rhys Hubben, Aaron Fernandez, Jake Stanbury, Liam Dell, Sarah Mullens, Sarah Weir, Kirra Abrehart, Paula Hubben, Jade Hubben, Anna Mullens, Emilie Garside.

Thanks to Mrs. Loft for her recording duties.

Keith Clapp
Sports Coordinator

ARTS

The Technology Department are excited about the range of new project options that open up for our students with the purchase of a 3D Model Printer, Electroplating System and Printer Cutter.

These pieces of equipment will be able to be used by students across all areas of Technology. The Robotics area will be able to make custom parts for the Lego System to enhance the project builds. Electronics Systems can now make housings that fit exactly the projects they are making and can even build gears and drive systems to their own requirements rather than having to modify existing parts.

Both the Textiles and Foods areas will find use for the Printer Cutter with design printing for fabrics and product packaging in the Foods area.

Our VET Building and Construction students are involved in a project for the local community centre in partnership with the Chirnside Park Rotary Club and with students from local primary schools visiting the College to undertake lessons in the Technology areas, we are confident we will see strong growth in this area of the College for many years to come.

Robert Forbes
Head of Technology

PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL

PHOTOGRAPHY & MEDIA

Thankyou to all the students who participated in the Performing Arts Festival. It was a great success with lots of entertainment and visual artworks on display. Staff worked particularly hard from the Music, Drama and Visual Arts areas to setup and organise such an event.

We have year 10 Art, Photography and Introduction to Media work, year 9 VCD noodle boxes and ceramics on display in the Ron Smith gallery and breezeway at the moment. So if you are in the area, please come and have a look at the amazing artwork. The display will be changing soon, so keep your eyes open for the final artworks of Year 11 Art, Studio Art and VCD.

For the year 9 to 12 students that have expressed interest in the Airbrush Venturi one day course on the 23rd July, please ensure that you get your permission forms and money in asap to the Student Attendance Office to gain a place. The 24 places are filling fast.

Hopefully, the Year 10 students that are participating with the Chirnside Park Community Childcare Mural will survive the elements when painting commences in the July holiday period.

If any person has any clean empty ice cream containers (especially with white lids), plastic jars and margarine containers they would like to donate to the Arts department, we would greatly appreciate the recycled items.

Karen Ellis
Arts KLA Head and Arts teacher

MUSIC

With three festival stages operating simultaneously, the audience wandered around to see the various musical talents. The VCE and Year 10 music students were being assessed on their performances, as were the drama students. The Manchester Primary School drummers played the loudest; the PTCA provided tea and coffee refreshments and the Art Dept displayed fabulous student artwork to provide a great festival-style atmosphere. Congratulations to all the students for their great performances and thanks must go to the following people for all their help in making our first Festival a resounding success!

Mark Quigley designed an inspiring poster, our instrumental and classroom music staff prepared the students and were on hand all afternoon. Peter Marz prepared the drama students and was also on hand throughout, Karen Ellis and Di Mollison set up the Art displays, Judy Patten co-ordinating the primary school drummers and the PTCA organised the refreshments. Our student music technician was Joel McDonell and Aidan Couacaud did a fabulous job as MC in A3.

Music team/Ms Palmer, Mrs Whity and Mrs Donald
AUSTRALIAN AUTHOR - PAUL COLLINS VISIT

On Friday, 25th May, 2012, critically acclaimed Australian author, Paul Collins visited the College. Paul, an author of over 140 novels, is a fantasy and science-fiction author that is best known for his series, The Jelindel Chronicles and The Quentaris Chronicles. Throughout the day, 80 students attended workshops that allowed them to work through the process of writing a plot to their own fantasy novel.

At the end of each workshop, students walked away with a comprehensive map of their created worlds, detailed characters and plot progression points that could be fleshed out later on, at home or in class.

At the end of each session, Paul spoke of how impressed he was with the level of student engagement and the ideas that each group of students were coming up with.

Students who participated in the workshops discussed how enjoyable and informative the workshops were and how they couldn’t wait to continue working on their plots and stories.

Matthew Neil
Library Coordinator

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Markus Zusak’s The Book Thief is uniquely narrated by Death. Set in Germany’s during the crisis period when Hitler governed the country, the novel follows the story of Liesel Meminger.

Travelling by train, Liesel and her brother Werner were been taken to their new town called Molching, just outside of Munich, Germany, to settle into their new home with their foster parents Hans and Rosa Huberman. In order to satisfy her thirst for knowledge, Liesel is forced in to steal books and is destined to be the Book Thief.

The novel is a best seller and is well written for mature or advanced audience. I would recommend this book to anyone who enjoys Markus Zusak’s books, such as The Messenger, as it is a very stimulating and distinctive novel, assuring you it will have you hooked from the very beginning.

The Forest of Hands and Teeth by Carrie Ryan

The Return, a zombie plague that wiped out all known civilization, is a distant memory, and our main character Mary is among the last few human survivors. Together they live a strict and isolated life in a village guarded by a chain link fence and governed by the Sisterhood.

Mary, longing to find out what lies beyond her village, decides the answers she seeks can only be found by crossing the fence and venturing into the outside world; a world infested with the unconsecrated.

A novel, far superior to recent teen fiction, such as Twilight, The Forest of Hands and Teeth will have you hook from the first shocking death, moments in.

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RUNNING
GROUP

Tuesday & Thursday
7:30am
Meet at the ECA
Breakfast provided

GET FIT IN 2012!!!

VCE MASTER CLASSES

In support of students studying Units 3 & 4 at Healesville High School, Lilydale Heights College, Lilydale High School, Mooroolbark College, Yarra Hills Secondary College and Upper Yarra Secondary College, a Master Class program has been developed to assist students prepare and revise for their upcoming VCE examinations.

This program is part of the Yarra Ranges & Yarra Valley VCE Network commitment to improving VCE achievements through increased teacher capacity and by enhancing students’ opportunities to succeed.

The Master Classes are considered essential exam preparation by the Unit 3 & 4 teachers in the Yarra Ranges & Yarra Valley VCE Network. Classes are usually held on nominated weekends in May & Sept/Oct at Swinburne University, Lilydale Campus.

Follow the link below to book upcoming Master Classes:
http://www.trybooking.com/21511
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**MOOROOLBARK FIRE BRIGADE IS RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS NOW!**

Have you always wanted to help your community, learn new skills and make new friends? Well becoming a CFA brigade volunteer could be just what you were looking for. Mooroolbark Fire Brigade is currently recruiting volunteer firefighters to join our team, especially active men and women, 18 years or over for emergency response.

The Mooroolbark Volunteer Fire Brigade provides a professional emergency service. This includes attending house fires, car accidents, grass and bush fires.

You will be fully trained and issued with protective equipment at no cost to you. Being a CFA volunteer is extremely rewarding and enables you to challenge yourself in a supportive, fun and friendly environment.

For more information please contact Brigade Support Officer Sue Harley on 0417 108 440 or the Fire Station on 9726 9483

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**For Term 3 Only New Store Hours**

Dear Parents,

Please note the below changes to your PSW Uniform Shop hours.

**Trading Hours**

Commencing July 1st

- **Monday:** CLOSED
- **Tuesday:** 8:30am - 5:00pm
- **Wednesday:** 8:30am - 5:00pm
- **Thursday:** 8:30am - 5:00pm
- **Friday:** 8:30am - 5:00pm
- **Saturday:** 9:00am - 1:00pm

The key changes for you to be aware of are that we are now closed Mondays and close at 1:00pm on Saturday.

**From Your PSW Team**

- Visit www.psw.com.au
- Select Shopping For Parents
- Find your school
- View price list or select ORDER NOW!
- Proceed to Check Out

Note: Peak trading hours move to the following from September 27th: 8am - 2:30pm; 4:30pm - 5:30pm

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**Bubble Dome July School Holiday Courses - Don't miss out! Book Now!**

For students aged 6 to 18 years.

Learn the latest in 3D Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop these holidays! We run other exciting courses in Ultra Animation & Games Design, Claymation, Science and more!

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