

MONTMORENCY SECONDARY COLLEGE

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STUDENT FREE DAYS

REPORT WRITING DAY—Friday 10th June, 2016

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY—Monday 13th June, 2016

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

In 2016 it has been significant for the College to have a new subject operating as part of our VCE offerings for students. For the first time we have a 'Theatre Studies' class undertaking Units 3 and 4 and this trail blazing class has quickly made itself known to our College community. After meticulous preparation, long hours of study and practice and a lot of personal sacrifices along the way by both the students and their teacher, Joshua Cetin, this class delivered three amazing group performances in our auditorium that had audiences enthralled. Our class presented three performances of 'Gulls' written by Robert Hewett and I was lucky enough to attend the Friday evening premiere on the 13th May. The quality of acting, performance, stagecraft and presentation was superb. I have since had an amazing level of positive feedback on all three performances and both students and Joshua are to be thoroughly congratulated.

The VCE study design for Theatre Studies is very rigid in its requirements and requires students to choose two stage crafts. Teacher Joshua Cetin gave a very good explanation of this when he said that

".. I had to make sure that I chose a play which would challenge each student and ensure there was a maximum potential for a range of different stage crafts. A strong component of Outcome One is to make their own interpretations of the play script. With this in mind, I decided to choose a play that the students had not heard of and had no knowledge so that they could put their own spin on the show."

I know that the audiences agree that the students certainly achieved this. Impressively all the ticket profits from the three performances are being donated to the 'Oakleigh Centre', an organisation that works to improve the quality of life of adults with intellectual disabilities and their families.



Year 12 Theatre Studies Class

Pictured (Left to Right) Grace Millers, Emma Jaeger-Pound, Leni Law-Davies, Hayden Marks, Will Martin, Edward Burke,
Danielle White, Lucy Sinfield-Jones, Natasha Sikkes, Jessica Edwards

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Cont...

On Wednesday the 11th May the Interact Club organised an outstanding fundraising event with proceeds going to Disability and Recreation Sport Victoria program. For a gold coin donation our students were able to watch a demonstration game of wheelchair basketball in our stadium between some of our senior students and a team of Paralympian wheelchair basketballers. It was a wonderful spectacle and played with a high level of skill and sportsmanship. It also served as a curtain raiser for the 'Wheelchair Marathon' that will be taking place at Willinda Park on Friday 27th May from 3:30pm to 10:00pm. Please read the article later in this Newsletter about this event.

On a very positive note we would also like to congratulate Year 7 student, Tara Kinder who has been selected in the School Sport Victoria 2016 Victorian Swimming Team which will compete in Darwin from the 15th to 21st of September this year. Well done Tara.

Regards

Allan Robinson Principal



Tara Kinder

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Victorian Government has recently introduced an initiative that will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. This initiative is the **Camps Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)**. The CSEF will assist eligible families to cover the cost of school trips, camps and sporting activities. It is an annual payment which is made directly to the school that the eligible student attends and is tied to that student.

IF YOU HOLD A VALID MEANS—TESTED CONCESSION CARD, OR ARE A TEMPORARY FOSTER PARENT, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE CSEF.

The amount payable for eligible primary and secondary students is:

- \$125 for Primary school students.
- \$225 for Secondary school students.

Please note that the allowance <u>will not be paid to parents</u>, but will instead be paid <u>directly to the school</u> to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The CSEF payments are for the application year only and cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

The next round of applications close on Friday 3rd June, 2016. Please contact the Bursar on 9422 1500 if you have any queries.

LOTE NEWS

Melbourne French Film Festival 2016

This year, our Year 9 French students had the chance to attend the Melbourne French Film Festival at the Westgarth Cinema, where they watched "Belle est Sebastien", a story of friendship between a boy and his dog. This story is set in September 1945, at the end of WWII. Sebastien and his family are looking forward to Angelina to come back home, but her plane crashes

in the Alps. Sebastien, his grandpa, and Belle set out to look for .

her.

Mrs Marjory Creta (French Teacher)





TERM 2 AT A GLANCE

Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th May Primary School Leadership Days

Monday 30th May Mid-year Music Concert—7.30pm

Friday 3rd—Thursday 9th June Year 10 & 11 Exams

Tuesday 7th June VCE GAT—No Year 12 Classes

Wednesday 8th June College Council Meeting—7.30pm

Friday 10th June Report Writing Day—Student-Free Day

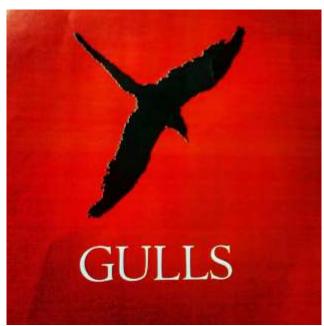
Monday 13th June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 17th June—Friday 24th June Year 9 City Experience

Friday 24th June End of Term 2

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS Year Level Excursion Venue Staff Member Cost Payment Date in Charge Due 24-26/5/16 Year 10 Outdoor Cumberland Cameron Cost Camp Education River Doyle included in fees 26/05/16 Yr 12 **Discovery Forum** Latrobe Uni Deb Metcalfe \$9 23/05/16 Yr 9 31/05/16 Leadership Training South Wharf Michelle Clark \$35 plus 26/05/16 (50 selected) Myki 02/06/16 Yr 8 & 9 Dance Southbank Josh Cetin \$25 plus 30/05/16 Sydney Dance Company Theatre Myki 09/06/16 Yr 9 Japanese Shiki Japanese Restaurant Greensborough Melissa Broso \$22 06/06/16

MONTMORENCY SECONDARY COLLEGE THEATRE STUDIES



Thank you again for all of your support last week regarding our VCE Theatre Studies play 'Gulls'. The support we received was tremendous. The students really enjoyed the experience last week and we had an outstanding attendance from the College community. It was a fantastic show. With all the proceeds from ticket sales and refreshments, we raised over \$2,000 for the Oakleigh Centre. It is really warming to see the money going towards a charity that specialises in helping people with mental disabilities, which is a main theme of the play.

Thank you again for your support in what was a tremendously successful season.

Joshua Cetin (Theater Studies Teacher)











BORNEO 2016 TRIVIA NIGHT FRIDAY 19TH AUGUST

Planning for this year's Borneo expedition is well under way and excitement levels are rising. Flights are booked, vaccinations are being given, passports have arrived and we have started organising our major fundraising event.

On Friday 19 August, we will be holding a trivia night in the College Gymnasium. Please put this date in your diaries. Tickets will be \$15 each with tables of 10 people. These are great evenings and usually sell out early. As well as supporting our students on this expedition, we also donate money from this toward orangutan habitat conservation. Tickets are not on sale yet. They will be available in Term 3. However, to make this a successful night, we rely on the generosity of the school community for donation of goods and/or services to offer as prizes. Can you help? We will acknowledge your donation both in the School Newsletter and on the night to all our trivia buffs.

If you can help us, please contact Leora Levacic <u>levacic.leora.l@edumail.vic.gov.au</u> or Cameron Doyle doyle.cameron.m@edumail.vic.gov.au







"MSC students working at the Matang Orangutan Sanctuary, 2014. This is one organisation that will receive a donation from the College"

WE NEED DONATIONS



We need your help, please donate...

TOWELS DOG TOYS DOG FOOD

As part of the Year 9 Endeavour program, our students are collecting items to assist The Lost Dogs Home. Your donations will make a huge difference.

Please leave donations at the General Office.

GLASS JARS NEEDED

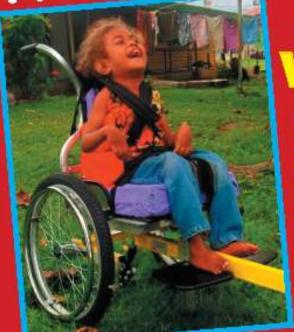
THE YEAR 9 ENDEAVOUR CLASS IS SEEKING
DONATIONS OF CLEAN GLASS JAM JARS FOR
MAKING CANDLES TO SELL AT
THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

GLASS JARS CAN BE LEFT AT THE GENERAL OFFICE.

YOUR HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.



Wheelchairs for Kids CHANGE THE LIFE OF A KID IN EAST TIMOR



Register a team for the

WHEELCHAIR MARATHON WILLINDA PARK FRIDAY 27 MAY 3:30 till 10pm

Every \$200 provides a wheelchair

COLLECT TOUR REGISTRATION, PLEDGE AND PERMISSION FORMS FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE OR SIGN UP AT THE CANTEEN AT RECESS

Get family and friends involved, they can sign-up on the day.

Entertainment, novelty wheelchair races

and free food for student participants

Sponsored by Eltham Rotary Club and Montmorency Secondary College Para Road Montmorency



Contact the School on 9422 1500 or call in to the General Office to collect information about how to participate.

SHOOTING HOOPS WITH THE BEST

Monty senior students who play for the Eltham Wildcats tried out their skill against a composite national wheelchair Basketball team in our Stadium. Held over a lunch time so students could watch, the match was designed to promote wheelchair sports and the major fundraiser taking place at Willinda Park on Friday 27 May to raise money to send Wheelchairs to Kids in Timor Leste. The opposition team featured a member of the 'Gliders' (the Australian Women's Wheelchair Basketball National team) and a past Gold Medallist at the Paralympics. Sports chairs were kindly provided by Basketball Victoria for our Wildcats boys and despite the final score of 12 to 44 they acquitted themselves well. The event was organised by the Interact Club and all who attended enjoyed the spectacle. Gold coin donations to attend raised nearly \$200 for Disability Sport and Recreation Victoria.







ONE WEEK TO GO -WHEELCHAIR MARATHON

Next Friday the student run Interact Club at our College together with Eltham Rotary Club, is running its biggest event in its 17 years at MSC. Running from 3:30 till 10pm at Willinda Park Athletics track Greensborough, student teams and community members will wheel each other around the track to raise money for wheelchairs for needy Kids in Timor Leste.

The Rotary Run 'Wheelchairs for kids' registered charity based in Perth, has made and distributed thousands of rugged terrain wheelchairs to children in the developing world. This fundraiser aims to provide at least 20 wheelchairs at the cost of \$200 each to kids in Timor Leste, our nearest neighbour and the poorest nation in South-East Asia.

The event includes novelty wheelchair races, live music, food, and other entertainment. All participants are encouraged to dress up as there is a prize for the best costume of the night.

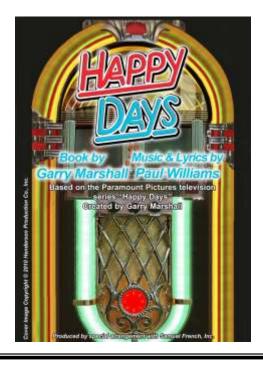
Students, families and friends are welcome to collect signup and pledge forms from the General Office, register and join in the fun next Friday 27 May. Registration is \$10 per team for students and \$20 for adults. Students also need a signed permission form. For further information call Ian Toohill at the College on 8422 1500.

Montmorency Secondary College is proud to announce this year's College Production

Goodbye grey skies, hello blue! Happy days are here again with Richie, Potsie, Ralph Malph and the unforgettable "king of cool" Arthur "The Fonz" Fonzarelli. Based on the hit Paramount Pictures television series, *Happy Days, A New Musical* reintroduces one of America's best loved families, the Cunninghams -- yes, Howard, Marion and Joanie are here too -- to a whole new generation of kids and parents.

If you like Grease you will love *Happy Days*. A power house, rock and roll trip down memory lane, HAPPY DAYS IS NOT TO BE MISSED!

Showing on 5th & 6th August, 2016



HAPPY DAYS

A New Musical Book by Garry Marshall Music and Lyrics by Paul Williams

BY ARRANGEMENT WITH ORIGIN™ THEATRICAL ON BEHALF OF SAMUEL FRENCH INC.

HAPPY DAYS REHEARSALS

Rehearsals for cast and ensemble are happening every Monday and Thursday after school until 5.00pm.

Students are busily learning lines, dance steps and singing the songs in readiness for their Production in August.







YEARS 7 & 8 BASEBALL TEAMS THROUGH TO STATE FINALS

In a very successful week for the school, the Year 7 and 8 baseball teams won through to the State Finals to be held in November. Both teams were dominant during the Zone finals, winning all games convincingly. Leigh Snelson, who pitched for the Year 8's and Mitch Nolan, Bronson Neave and Jordan Barrett who shared the responsibility for the Year 7's, performed exceptionally well and deserve special recognition for their efforts.

Run scoring was shared by all boys and the base running was generally of a good standard, demonstrating a positive level of development and understanding of how to steal bases and advance around the diamond. The boys have all been prepared to train hard during lunchtimes and their efforts have been well rewarded.

A special thank-you to Year 11 students, Christian Snelson and Mayson Hoverd, who have assisted in coaching both teams. Christian especially provides a great deal of technical pointers, which he has learned through his own experiences of playing junior AND senior baseball.

We look forward to the next level of competition later in the year.

TEAM MEMBERS AND RUNS SCORED

Year 7

Mitch Nolan 5 runs
Brodie Jones 4 runs
Bronson Neave 5 runs
Jordan Barrett 6 runs
Charlie Devine 4 runs
Morgan Cutler 3 runs
Hayden Bickerton 2 runs
Sam Miller 5 runs
Patrick Dooley 1 run
Levi Charles 4 runs
James McDonnell 3 runs

Year 8

Riley Garrard 3 runs
Ryan Hoffman 3 runs
Leigh Snelson 3 runs
Fletcher Pendlebury 4 runs
Yeony Chan Lee 3 runs
Brodie Mc Dermott 3 runs
John Calma 3 runs
Mitch Brownhill 1 run
Shane Harris 1 run
Jack McDonald 1 run

Graham Anderson (Coach)





Voices and Volunteers in Banyule

The bi-annual Banyule Youth SUMMIT was held on Friday 6th of May and three students from Montmorency Secondary College were lucky enough to attend the action-packed day. At 9am, Cooper Houghton, Macy Houghton and Chloe Giles of Year 10 arrived at Heidelberg Gold Club where they were greeted with smiles and show-bags to begin the day ahead.

We were sorted into table groups to discuss key concerns such as: social media, substance abuse, cultural diversity and many other things that youth were passionate about. Mayor, Craig Langdon addressed the group, followed by a truly inspirational speech from environmental activist, Thomas King.

At the first round table discussion, we created recommendations about the set topic that we thought the Council could implement. An hour break at lunch-time allowed us to relax, eat and listen to the entertainment: Morbidly O'beat and also Dex.

After lunch, our second round table discussions began with new topics and new people. One person from the table then presented these ideas at the end of the day and the Council will work on executing the suggestions over the next two years.

Throughout the day, we were able to both share our opinions and listen to what others thought about the topic. It was fantastic to be able to hear other students' points of view and also share with them our own ideas. It was both an educational and exciting day that allowed us to learn, develop new ideas and meet new people. However, the most significant part of the experience was the chance to make an impact on what Banyule City Council will achieve for youth.



On the evening of Wednesday, 11th May students were invited to participate in another Banyule City Council event: the 2016 Banyule Volunteer Celebration and Award Ceremony.

A group of 10 students represented Montmorency Secondary College at the event held the in the historic Great Hall at The Centre Ivanhoe. The evening provided an opportunity to recognise, thank and congratulate volunteers for their contribution to the Banyule Community.

The student volunteers acted to usher the guests to their seats and were recognised for their contributions with a certificate. They were then seated at a table for the evening with a light meal provided.

By Chloe Giles and Macy Houghton

YEAR 7 INCURSION **CARLTON FOOTBALL PLAYERS VISIT**

On Tuesday the 10th May, 2016 the Carlton Football Club came to talk to the years 7s in the auditorium at Montmorency

Secondary College. The players who came were Kade Simpson (6), Sam Kerridge (11), Blaine Boekhorst (12) and Jed Lamb(13). They told us their names and numbers with a little bit about themselves. We got to ask a whole lot of questions.

Some of the questions that we asked included what they eat before a game. They all usually eat pasta before a game, although one of them had an orange Gatorade for lunch and dinner the day before. They told us their favourite stadiums. We asked them if they had any superstitions. Kade told us he always wears the same underwear each game and Jed and Sam wrap their left wrist.

They were really nice and answered all our questions - they even dabbed!

At the end every year seven class got a photo with them. I (Amber) was lucky enough to have my jersey signed, as well as getting a photo with them.

It was really nice that they came and I'm sure everyone learned something.







SENIOR BOYS INTERSCHOOL SOCCER

On Tuesday 10th May, 2016 Montmorency Secondary College finished second in the Competition.

Game 1

Montmorency Secondary College: 2 Eltham High School: 2

In a close game, Montmorency Secondary College equalised in the last minute. Goals: Nathan Latross and Luke Paoli

Game 2

Montmorency Secondary College: 0 St Helena Secondary College: 4

Score was 0 – 0 at half time but St Helena Secondary College was too skilful in the second half.

Game 3

Montmorency Secondary College: 6 Diamond Valley Secondary College: 2

The boys scored easily for a convincing win. Goals: Aaron Ovens 2, Daniel Hook 1, Nathan Latross 2, Kris Steinfort-Gaw 1.

Thanks to Thomas Di Carlo for being a linesman.

Michael Walsh

Coach