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STUDENT FREE DAY

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

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

I am pleased to report that our annual mid-year Music concert, held on the evening of Monday 30th May, was a resounding success. We did have a number of our students unavailable due to a nasty virus that is prevalent in the community at the moment, but we still enjoyed a great turn out that practically filled our auditorium. Parents, families and friends were thoroughly entertained by a variety of student talent and musicality. Our bands, ensembles, choir and individual students, entertained the large audience and it is very rewarding and affirming to see the gathering momentum and development of our Instrumental Music Program over recent years, not only in the number of students now involved, but also in the quality and development of music performance. Congratulations to all our Music students and special acknowledgement to our team of Instrumental Music teachers for their dedication to our students and the program. Our team is led by Instrumental Music Director, Anthony Citino (Percussion and Bass) and includes Sharon Cooke (Strings), Cheryl Clark (Woodwind), Andrew Laveglia (Brass), Natalie Ruiz (Vocals), Joanne Siegersma (Piano) and Hugh Thorneycroft (Guitar).

In Week 6 of this term (16th-20th May) the Work Experience Program at the College has been overseen by Work Experience Coordinator, Bronwyn Mackey, Careers and Pathways Co-ordinator, John Hallsworth and Senior School Assistant, Leora Levacic who have all played important roles in directing students through this process. It has been a most beneficial experience as it helps to inform students as to their work and career choices in the future. The experience not only helps to identify and work on their employability skills, it also helps to direct their course of study undertaken to achieve each individual student's career and study goals. The process now sees each of our Year 10 students counselled at the College level into their career pathways and each student now develops a career action plan.

On Tuesday 31st May, 50 of our Year 9 student leaders and SRC students attended an 'Altitude Day' at the Docklands with a focus on student leadership and making a difference in the community. This was organised by Year 9 Level Co-ordinators, Marjory Creta-Ireland and Matt Pickett, and also Middle School Leader, Krista Durham. The students enjoyed networking with other schools and took away important messages from the keynote speakers on the day.

On Wednesday 1st June our student leaders conducted another most impressive whole school assembly. A very full agenda covered speeches and presentations on National Reconciliation Week, the Interact Report on 'Shave 4 a Cure' and 'Wheelchairs for Kids', a report on the House Athletics and presentations to our Athletics Champions, an outstanding report by Marli Evans on the NASA tour, a report on Year 10 Work Experience and also the 'Beyond Blue' campaign. The assembly concluded with a segment of entertainment from 'Dragonfly Entertainment' which featured well-known artist Mahalia and our own Margaret Wozniak of Year 7.

It has again been a very busy term for our sports teams and individual students who have achieved a high number of outstanding successes. We have had some very successful baseball teams who have progressed to State Finals. Other teams who have had impressive wins and progressed to the next level include our Year 7-9 Girls Football team and the Intermediate and Senior Boys Badminton teams. Our Division Athletics Team recorded an impressive 14 Firsts, 22 Seconds and 29 Thirds.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Cont...

From this 21 students have qualified to compete in 37 events at the Northern Metropolitan Region Finals.

We have also had some outstanding results in the Banyule/Nillumbik Division competition for Cross Country in which we fielded a very strong team.

During the course of this semester, we have had numerous meetings with, and presentations by, Andrew Koster and Carol Veith from Crosier Scott



Clara Stolezenburg-Manning, Tess Dillon & Grayson Malloy



Year 7-9 Girls Football Team

Architects in relation to the \$14m redevelopment of the College. There has been many layers of consultation with College Council, faculties, groups of teachers and education support staff to achieve the 'detailed design' phase that is necessary for the project to go out to tender. Our staff has put in many extra hours and have shown a high level of enthusiasm and commitment throughout this process and I believe we are on track for building works to commence on the 22nd November.

Regards,

Allan Robinson Principal

CROSS COUNTRY—BANYULE/NILLUMBIK DIVISION

Last week, on Thursday 2nd June, twenty-eight Montmorency Secondary College students competed in the Division Cross Country races at Eltham Lower Park.

Below are the place results for the nineteen students who have each qualified to represent our school and our local Division at the forthcoming Northern Metropolitan Region Cross Country competition, to be held at Bundoora Park on Wednesday 15th June.

Two groups of students did particularly well, the 14 year old girls and the 14 year old boys, to winning first place for the Team competition for their age group, with all five competitors of each team progressing to Northern Metropolitan Region as a team.

Individual achievements include: Flora Radomin 2nd, Sarah Street 3rd, Molly McCormack 2nd, Matthew Christopoulos 2nd, and Matthew Smith 3rd.

Congratulations to each of our students for their effort and achievement.

Bruce Collins
Sport Co-ordinator

Results:

12-13 Year	12-13 Year	14 Year	14 Year	15 Year	15 Year	17-20 Year
Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Boys
Harly Gray 12 th	James Mountain 7 th	Flora Radomin	Ryan Hoffman	Molly McCormack 2nd	Fraser Jones 4th	Matthew Christopoulos
		1^{st} and 2^{nd}	1st* & 5th			2nd
Rachel King 18 th		Sarah Streat	Devon Noons		Callum Dorsett 13th	Matthew Smith
		1 ^{st*} & 3 rd	1st* & 11th			3rd
Marlo Gardam		Jasmine Wood	Mitchell Brownhill			
20th		1 ^{st*} & 6 th	1st* & 12th			
		Madison Bickerton	Dechlan MacLean			
		1 ^{st*} & 7 th	1st* & 13th			
		Lily Chlopek	Shane Harris			
		1 ^{s*t} & 15th	1st* & 18th			
		*1st as a team of five	*1st as a team of five			

Montmorency Secondary College is

proud to announce this year's

College Production

Showing on 5th & 6th August, 2016

TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Purchase tickets via the College website www.montysc.vic.edu.au

All tickets \$10.00 each

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!



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.

YEAR 7 CYBER-BULLYING TALK

On Thursday 16th June, Class Act Theatre Incorporated will be presenting "Cyber Busters", a 50 minute presentation exploring all facets of electronic bullying, including: Internet, Emails, Web Sites, Social Networking, Chat Rooms Mobile phones and Text messages. The presentation will be viewed by all year 7 students in the Auditorium period 4 and there will be a follow up session with their home-group period 5. There is a \$6 fee for the students to see the presentation and payment and forms will be distributed via the parent portal on Xuno.

Junior School Team

YEAR 7 UNIFORM PACKAGE INITIATIVE

As part of the Victorian government's uniform expansion program, every Year 7 (in 2016) government school student who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a free uniform package.

If parents have not already received a uniform package for 2016 please contact Lubby in the Bursars Office to complete a form.

YEAR 7 DRAMA

Over the last few weeks the Year 7 Drama students have been busily working on their Melodrama performances. 7A, 7B and 7D students have enjoyed performing their melodrama plays to their parents, friends and family in the evenings. A huge thank you goes to the parents and family who braved the cold and came to see the kids strike a pose!



LIVING SPIRIT FELLOWSHIP

The Greensborough RSL Sub-Branch Living Spirit Fellowship (LSF) is **now in its seventh year**.

The LSF is open to Year 10, 11 and 12 students who attend one of the **18 secondary schools and colleges** in the suburbs surrounding the Greensborough RSL or reside in this area. In previous years, Applications have been received from students residing in Box Hill North, Briar Hill, Bundoora, Diamond Creek, Doreen, Eltham, Eltham North, Greensborough, Heidelberg, Heidelberg Heights, Hurstbridge, Lower Plenty, Macleod, Mill Park, Montmorency, Plenty, Rosanna, Viewbank, Watsonia and Wattle Glen.

The LSF provides for the successful applicant and his/her guardian to join an **escorted** group for an 8 to 10 day tour of Thailand and Myanmar which includes the ANZAC Dawn Service at Hellfire Pass on 25 April 2017. It covers their airfares, accommodation, most meals and related expenses.

Please obtain a copy of the Application Form from: secretary@rsl-greensborough.com.

Applications close on Friday 21 October 2016 but early applications are welcome.



TERM 2/3 AT A GLANCE

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

Friday 24th June End of Term 2

Monday 11th July Term 3 Begins

Wednesday 20th July Student Led Conference Day

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS

Date	Year Level	Excursion	Venue	Staff Member in Charge	Cost	Payment Due
14/06/16	Yr 10	Discovery Day	Melbourne University	John Hallsworth	Myki	
16/06/16	Year 7	Cyber Safety Workshop	MSC Auditorium	Yr 7 teachers	\$6	14/06/16
17/06/16— 23/06/16	Year 9	City Experience	Melbourne CBD		\$70 plus Myki	15/06/16
12/07/16	Year 11	Year 11 Psychology students	Melbourne Museum	Kerryn Murray	Myki	
15/07/16	Year 12	VCE Theatre Studies	Abbotsford Convent	Josh Cetin	\$35	13/07/16

ALTITUDE DAY

The Key to Unlocking your Potential and Making a Difference

I found the Altitude Day really good. Daniel Flynn (Thankyou water) taught us that it is possible to turn any small idea into a dream come true – *Kyla Trewella*

Altitude Day is a great opportunity for Year 9s and I think it teaches kids good life skills. The speakers were very inspirational with their stories and I recommend it for all upcoming Year 9s – Ebony Harris

I thought it was really inspiring and it inspired me to reach my goals – *Julian Vanderzee*



I enjoyed hearing what the speakers had to say about their experiences and being able to meet new people in a fun way – Jack Andrew It was a fantastic learning experience, meeting new people form other schools, listening to creative people and to how they changed an idea into a massive company – *Madison Page*

I thought it was a great learning opportunity and a really good experience to enhance my leadership skills – Jack Penrose

Very inspiring and amazing – I learnt so much form everyone – *Callum Dorsett*

ALTITUDE DAY



- I thought it was an amazing experience and I would do it again
- Indiah –Mae Critsilis-Davis

An extremely fun day. I learnt a lot from the guest speakers. It was good we got to meet new people too – *Tess Dillon*

I was very inspired by Daniel Flynn and his remarkable story. He has taught me how to be persistent and to follow my dreams - *Macey Evans*







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.



WHEELCHAIR MARATHON

Friday 27 May saw planning by the Interact Club for this event, become a highly successful reality.

After weeks of preparation, 21 teams of students (about 80 students) from year 7 to 12, supported by some staff and Rotarians from Eltham Rotary Club, wheeled each other around the Willinda Park track from 4:30 till 8:30 pm in wheel chairs the same as those made by 'Wheelchairs for Kids'.

Funds raised on the night, from donations and food sales, raised \$1700 and a bonus was the arrival of two pristine wheelchairs donated by local families.

Despite the cold all had fun and there were prizes for the greatest number of laps covered as well as, best team and individual costumes and novelty races.

Live music and fire twirling topped off the entertainment.

A number of students are still collecting pledged money, which together with pledge forms, can be handed to the cashier at the General Office up until Friday 10 June.

Together with monies donated by Rotarians and a number of corporate business we expect to exceed our \$5000 target to provide rugged wheelchairs at \$200 each, to change the lives of kids in Timor Leste.

As Interact President I was proud of the Club's achievement and appreciative of the support provided by the College and Rotarians.

Leni Law- Davies Year 12 and President Interact Club of Eltham









Does life get a little loud sometimes?



Noise is a group for young women aged 13-16 years who reside in Banyule, Nillumbik, Darebin and Whittlesea with a focus on those who have experienced family violence.

It's a safe space for young women to come together to express their inner noise through participating in activities that help them to develop and maintain a positive sense of self, identify their strengths, learn about emotional regulation and about how to maintain positive relationships.

When

Running for 7 weeks Starting Thursday 21 July 2016 4.00pm - 5.30pm

Where

Watsonia Neighbourhood House 35/47 Lambourn Rd Watsonia VIC 3087

Cost

The group is free to attend. Snacks are provided tool

Contract



For more information and referral please contact: Ana Dour (Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays) on 03 9450 4700 or email: adour@berrystreet.org.au



www.berrystreet.org.au

YOUTH ANXIETY SUPPORT GROUP

The group will offer youth in Year 7 and Year 8 a safe place to talk, learn coping strategies and manage their anxiety with other young people experiencing similar issues.

When: Tuesday 2nd August to

Tuesday 6th September, 2016

Where: healthAbility (Nillumbik Health)

917 Main Road, Eltham

Time: 4:00pm to 5:00pm

Cost: Free

TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF AFTER A HARMFUL RELATIONSHIP

A therapeutic group for women who have previously been in a relationship with someone who has hurt, frightened or controlled them.

When: Thursdays (2nd, 9th and 16th June, 2016)

Where: healthAbility (Nillumbik Health)

917 Main Road, Eltham

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Cost: Free

Bookings: Essential (limited places) – 9430 9100



