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STUDENT FREE DAYS QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY—Monday 10th June, 2019 REPORT WRITING DAY—Friday 14th June, 2019

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Deputy Premier and Minister for Education, James Merlino, Local State Member of Parliament, Vicki Ward, Kate Thwaites, Principal Allan Robinson together with students Jackson Smith, Callum Dorsett, Tanna Ridgeway, Lauren Giles, Sebastian Tripunovski, Rylie Gunasekera, Chloe Robinson, Ryan Siede, Chayla Reeves and Sarah Van Putten



Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

On Wednesday 15th May a special 'Opening Ceremony' was held at the College to celebrate the 'opening' of the \$14 million refurbishment and redevelopment of our College buildings and facilities. The official opening was conducted by Deputy Premier and the Minister for Education, James Merlino. Also present was our Local State Member of Parliament, the Honourable Vicki Ward who together with former Local Member for Eltham, Steve Herbert, was responsible for securing the \$14 million grant for our community. At the opening ceremony were more than 200 of our Year 8 students (as almost 100 of them were attending round robin sports at various venues), our College Council President and Vice President, Shane Penrose and Nicola Rooks, College Councillors past and present and the former Regional Director of the former Northern Region, Victoria Triggs. We also had the Assistant Area (NEMA) Regional Director, Andrew Nipe, and SEIL Silvana Sena, as well as many secondary and primary principals from the Nillumbik and Banyule networks. The Mayor of Banyule, Councillor Wayne Phillips and Greg Jeffers and Peter Meehan from the Eltham

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Wildcats Basketball Club also attended to support the College.

In August 2014, Minister Merlino visited the College to announce the funding and now he has officially declared our new buildings and facilities open. The Minister said that 'a \$14 million investment had seen the transformation of this wonderful wonderful school building the Education State right here at Montmorency Secondary College.'

It was pointed out that this is the largest rebuild of a government school that has taken place and has included:

A purpose built Science Wing with new classrooms and laboratories for Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

A newly designed material technology area for Woodwork, Metal Work and Textiles.

A new Visual Arts Centre with purpose built studio classrooms for Art, Ceramics and Visual Communication and Design. A new Drama Room.

A new PSD area to support students with a disability.

A new Student Welfare area.

A newly constructed wing of multi-purpose and generalist classrooms and learning spaces with modern architectural features.

A new College entrance, administration wing and staffroom.

Four new locker areas for students including newly designed and constructed lockers.

The Dobson Road College entrance has been redesigned to include extended carparking and more practical drop-off zones for students.

A number of other important guests and organisations were also invited to the opening ceremony to thank for their significant part in our rebuilding project. This included:

Crosier Scott Architects, especially Andrew Koster and Carol and Roger Veith for their wonderful work and support. Melbcon Pty Ltd Builders, especially Tom Louws, Kiah Beaumont and Paul Newlands who we have been closely associated with us on this project.

The Aurecon Company, our Project Managers, especially Claude Di Rosso and Michael Brown.

Anish Shah, the Quantity Surveyor from the Turner Townsend company.

Bruno Imeneo from the Victorian Schools Building Authority.

This building project has been a long drawn out process for students and staff and they have seamlessly adjusted to building and construction conditions around them on a daily basis since we were hit by a random arson attack late in 2015 that destroyed our Science wing. As well as students and staff playing such an important role I would like to thank my leadership team at the College who have put in years of planning, meetings, negotiations and a massive amount of work, both in a team and individual sense. The tireless work and leadership of Lisa Ball, Mark Lohrey and Clara Rocca for the past nine years has led to this amazing transformation of our College facilities in what can only be described as a quality project.

On another very positive note, we have now completed our School Review for the Department of Education, which had been delayed by the Region for the past 12 months. Our external reviewer was Victoria Triggs, herself the former Regional Director of the former Northern Region, and she was also shadowed by Trudi Thompson, the former Principal of St. Helena Secondary College. The other members of the Review Panel were myself, Assistant Principals, Clara Di Biase and Mark Lohrey, Leading Teacher, Glenn Blackmore, College Council President, Shane Penrose, Critical Partners, Leanne Sheean (Principal of Montmorency South Primary School), Jon Morley (Principal of Gisborne Secondary College) and Silvana Sena (Senior Education

Improvement Leader). The panel met over 4 days:

March 22 – Validation Day March 26 – Field Day One April 1 – Field Day Two May 1 – Final Review Day.

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Many hours of preparatory work went into the documentation and organisation required and this included all of our policies and VRQA documentation. Special acknowledgement for the bulk of this work that was undertaken by Clara Di Biase, Glenn Blackmore and Rose Taranto. The panel was very impressed with the College in the period of our 2015-2018 Strategic Plan and this was thoroughly verified by the feedback from our students, parents and staff.

We can now prepare our 2019-2022 Strategic Plan and the 2019 Annual Implementation Plan for the College.

On Tuesday 30th April, we held our annual Open Day and Evening to showcase what Montmorency Secondary College has to offer prospective students and families enrolling at the College. We had an audience of more than 370 in the afternoon session followed by approximately 390 in the evening.

Our students and staff were wonderful ambassadors and the faculty displays and information provided were again highly impressive. All staff were highly professional. Our student leaders, speakers and helpers were true ambassadors and were informative and confident young individuals who displayed true commitment and leadership qualities. Once again, the success of our Open Day/Evening is also predicated on many hours of planning, teamwork and commitment from all staff and *Pride in Achievement* was certainly on display in abundance.

On Friday 29th March, all of our Year 7 students participated in the *Elevate* program, organised by the Year 7 team for the second successive year. This session focussed on time management and study skills and over two periods, the students participated in a number of workshops overseen by an impressive motivational speaker. On the preceding evening, almost 100 Year 7 parents attended a meeting in our auditorium which explained the purpose and scope of the program.

In the last week of Term 1, on the 2nd and 3rd April, we held our annual Student Progress Interview Days and Evenings. This is the opportunity for parents and guardians to receive valuable feedback on the progress of their child's learning and school experience. For the third consecutive year, we held this event over two days and evenings, affording parents and teachers more time to discuss any relevant issues, concerns and learning strategies.

I would like to congratulate our Year 7 and 10 student leaders and also our Year 7 co-ordination team of Sonia Culcasi, Belinda Bell, Gemma Pearson and Cathy Green, for another inspirational *Thinking Carnival* on Thursday 21st March. 137 Grade 5 and 6 students from Greensborough, Lower Plenty and Montmorency Primary Schools were involved. The teamwork, problem-solving and creative thinking achieved by the students in their groups on the day was outstanding and rewarded the planning, hard work and efforts of all concerned. Impressively, the 'student voice' of our student leaders facilitated the day under the guidance of our staff.

On Saturday the 23rd and Sunday 24th March, our College celebrated its 10th year of involvement supporting the Cancer Council's *Relay for Life* community awareness and fundraising event. Our Montmorency Secondary College team had more than 150 participants and, at the end of the weekend, had raised \$11,337.05. In the 10 year time span, our students have almost raised an incredible \$100,000. Our student leaders and community were led by Leading Teacher, Kim Faulkner, who again organised a highly committed team. Kim, together with student leaders, was responsible for leading this great effort, which resulted in three awards in our College name. These were, firstly, the *Passport Challenge Award*, secondly, *the Top Fundraising Team* and thirdly, a *Research Award*. Twenty of our senior students stayed overnight to ensure we were represented on the track at all times. A special thank you to staff members, Rebecca Culnane, Michelle Clark and Stephanie Short who stayed with a number of ex-students during the night to supervise team members.

On ANZAC Day, our College was well represented by our students and staff, firstly at the Dawn Service in Eltham and then at the Montmorency RSL commemorative service. Two of our student leaders, Sarah van Putten and Lauren Giles, laid a wreath at the Eltham memorial service. Then, approximately 80 of our students, their parents and College staff paid their respects and attended the Montmorency march to the RSL in Petrie Park. At the ceremony, our four College Captains, Callum Dorsett, Tana Ridgeway, Chloe Robinson and Ryan Siede presented and laid a wreath on behalf of the College. Student leader, Clara Breese, spoke to the massed audience on the *Meaning of ANZAC.*

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On Monday 6th May, our College Athletics team competed in the Divisional Finals at the Meadow Glen International Athletic Stadium in Epping. Impressively, we had 36 students in our team and collectively they amassed 39 first places, 17 second places and 15 third places. Of the 86 events competed in by our students, 60 of these resulted in progression to the Regional Finals. Congratulations to our Athletics team and Sport Co-ordinator, Bruce Collins, for organising the team.

This year we have had a high level of sporting success with many of our teams progressing to divisional and state finals. Later in this newsletter we have specific articles on three of our teams as well as the amazing sporting achievements of Hannah Scott of Year 8 and Keeley Harrison of Year 10. I would also like to congratulate Year 9 Student, Brooke Plummer, who has been selected to play in the Under 15 State Schools Victorian girls football team. Brooke will compete this July in Launceston for the Under 15 Australian Football Championships playing as a midfielder and key forward. Brooke has represented Montmorency Secondary College every year in football and she has also been identified in the *Future Knights* development squad for female footballers. Congratulations to Brooke, Hannah and Keeley.



This year our College was invited to participate in the Rotary Club of Greensborough's "Pride of Workmanship" award scheme. This has been an annual award since 1975 and it was my privilege to nominate our Information Technology Technician, Jayden

Brooke Plummer Will play in the Under 15 Australian Football Championships this July in Launceston



Jayden Stenton Recipient of the Rotary Club of Greensborough's *Pride in Workmanship* Award

Regards, Allan Robinson Principal Stenton, for the award, which he won. This was presented to Jayden at a special ceremony at the Greensborough RSL on

Monday 29th April with the Principal Team and Jayden's fiancé, Stephanie, and family also attending. Rotary's Mantra behind this award is "Do it once, do it right" and the citation for Jayden read:

In the past eight years, Jayden has displayed an amazing work ethic and IT skill set. He has expertly managed our one to one computer technology for students, staff and parents. He has both innovated and managed our IT systems including our security cameras and sound and light needs. He always helps everyone.

Congratulations Jayden.

Evan Clements has been appointed to the Instrumental Brass teaching position for the remainder of 2019, replacing Ken Gardner. Evan's mother, Helen, worked at Montmorency for many years as one of our Educational Psychologists and it is a nice connection to now welcome Evan as a member of staff.

TERM 2 AT A GLANCE

Mon 3rd—Thur 13th June	Year 10 & 11 Exams
Mon 10th June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Wed 12th June	7:30pm School Council
Fri 14th June	Report Writing Day—Student Free Day
Mon 24th June	Mid Year Music Concert—7pm
Fri 28th June	END OF TERM—Finish 1:22pm

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2019



Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and Montmorency Secondary College is excited to be taking part to earn valuable equipment for our school. During previous campaigns, we have been able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

It's simple to participate. From Wednesday 1st May and Tuesday 25th June 2019 or while stock lasts, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator, via team members at the self service checkout or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There will be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box here at the College. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

Resource Centre Notice

Resource Centre staff ask parents to consider donating any magazines that have been read and are no longer required. Our students enjoy browsing fashion/food/sport/computer and technology magazines and use them for project work.

Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated.

Junior and Middle School Homework Club 2019 (Year 7, 8 and 9)

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Junior and Middle Schools are offering a program to help Year 7, 8 and 9 students to keep up to date with their work. This program will run each Wednesday after school for 55 minutes from 3.20 until 4.15 p.m., beginning on the 13th February in the Resource Centre.

If your son/daughter would like the opportunity to undertake homework at school, teachers will be on hand to help them with their work.

Let me know if you wish to have your son/daughter permanently booked into the Homework Club each week via my email address.

stapleton.john.w@edumail.vic.gov.au

Please leave a contact number or email address so that I can notify you if your son/daughter has not shown for Homework Club.

Teachers will also be booking in students who are getting behind in their work into this class. In this instance, a notice will go home for you to sign to give permission for your child to attend. Your son/daughter **must** return this notice to the teacher on duty.

In order to support teachers help keep all students up-to-date with their work, after school Coordinator detentions will be given to those students who do not have a valid reason for non-attendance.

Please contact me on the above email address if you would like more information.

John Stapleton On behalf of the Junior and Middle Schools

KRYAL CASTLE

Last term, the Year 8 students made a two hour journey to Kryal Castle. The scenery we saw on the trip was peaceful and cleansed our tired minds. The castle is on the top of a hill. The walls were lined with bright green bushes and trees. Banners hung over the towers with flagpoles above them.

We were welcomed into the castle and introduced us to the acting staff of Kryal Castle, then we were led off to the 'armour and weaponry.'

First, we saw the protection used in the medieval period and were told why the armour was designed in particular ways. The armour was demonstrated on Jamie Fielder. The armour was put on him and then he was hit with different weapons (swords, spears and axes).

After that, we were led to the torture chambers and dungeons. The torture devices used in that period of time are extremely gruesome and not for the faint of heart. We then were taken downstairs to a dark dungeon. All that could be seen were spiderwebs and flashing lights and bloody manequins. The sounds of shrieking torture victims and squealing rats, alongside the splashing of blood filled the room. We could not see it, we just knew... when we finally got out of that gruesome monster's lair, we were told about the reasoning behind the punishments.

We were then directed to the arena for a briefing on siege weapons and tools. We were told about weapons such as the catapult, the trebuchet and the battering ram. My class had the opportunity to try the battering ram. We were led over to a small building with doors battered and worn. We were then divided into two teams. Each team had a turn of battering down the door of the building while the other team were inside. The team inside the building gathered sticks to lock and barricade the door to make it harder to let the opposition in. The team outside with the battering ram rolled the device close to the building's door, put down the brakes, swung the battering log back and then pushed it forward to hit the door down.

Next, we sat on the steps facing the arena for lunch and an exciting tournament of Jousting. At this the Queen's Rider (the Black Rider) versed Sir Dylan. The tournament was exhilarating. Singing, shouting and cheering came from the audience. I almost forgot to eat my lunch! I did not want to miss a single detail. Sir Dylan and his horse were confident and sturdy, brave and off putting. But then came the Black Rider! He and his horse were packed with tricks, speed, poses and an honest spooky vibe about them.

The tournament began. Music played and the crowd cheered. The two opponents approached each other with their lances aimed for each other. In the end, the Black Rider won. Sir Dylan congratulated him and he ran a victory lap. At the end of his lap, the horse went up on his two hind legs and balanced for about three seconds. It was remarkable to see.

After we had finished our lunch, we said hello to the horses then we went to the kitchen where we made a herbal paste to put on sores to sooth them.

I am glad we do not have to live with all the problems and punishments of the Middle Ages!

By Vanessa Wilson





KRYAL CASTLE













Tickets Now On Sale!



The high-energy show is sure to be a big hit, so secure your tickets now.



Our students have been working hard after school and even on weekends to ensure that the show is ready to entertain audiences Friday, June 21 Saturday, June 22 School Auditorium at 7:30pm

Tickets can be purchased through the School website

https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=500913&

\$15 for adults and \$11 for children and concessions, you'd better get in quick - these tickets won't last!

CAREERS NEWS

Australian Catholic University

University Experience: Tuesday 2 July. This is a great way to experience university life. Visit acu.edu.au/uni-experience.

Open Day: Sunday 11 August 2019. 10:00am - 3:00pm. 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy. There are prizes for students who register to attend the Open Day. First prize is a \$5,000 study trip to ACU's Rome campus. Register at openday.acu.edu.au

Campus Tours: Book a personal campus tour to see what sets ACU apart from the other universities. Register at acu.edu.au/campus-tours.

Community Achiever Program: This is for students who contribute to our society by volunteering. It is for students who want to grow their volunteering and leadership while completing an undergraduate degree at ACU. To be eligible for the Program students must be regularly volunteering in their community, school, community organisation or cultural or religious group. If you are accepted into the Community Achiever Program, you will receive and an early offer into an undergraduate degree. When you apply to ACU through CAP your application will be assessed with a reduced minimum entry score. Applications open 1 May 2019. Visit acu.edu.au/community-achiever for how to videos and advice on preparing an application.

Welcome AATIS as Official Partner

CICA is excited to welcome the Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service (AATIS) as an Official Partner for National Careers Week 2019.

Since 1998, the Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service (AATIS) has been the leading source of Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships information for students, job hunters, employers, career advisers and service providers.

A key resource from AATIS, the Australian Apprenticeship Pathways website (<u>AAPathways.com.au</u>) provides accurate and updated Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships information and resources to people considering career options, employers looking at recruitment, and those providing support and advice to students and job hunters.

Finding an Australian Apprenticeship can be tough. There is a huge amount of information out there, and it can be difficult to navigate and understand. AAPathways makes it easier than ever to learn about apprenticeships and traineeships. The website also has a range of <u>helpful resources</u>, including printable resources, that can be used to help career research.



Melbourne Connect

Year 10 Montmorency Secondary Students have been invited to participate in the 2019 Melbourne Connect program hosted by the University of Melbourne.

Offered to select schools only in the city's metropolitan regions, Melbourne Connect encourages students to explore their future study options by connecting them to current University of Melbourne students who lived and studied in the local area. By sharing examples of successful transitions to university life from students of similar backgrounds, Melbourne Connect helps to foster the aspirations of students motivated to pursue tertiary study. The on-campus Discover Melbourne day focuses on HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences). If you are interested please contact Mr Weeding ASAP.

Discover Melbourne HASS—Year 10 students

Wednesday 26 June—9.30am – 2.30pm Parkville Campus Mr Weeding—Careers & Pathways

CAREERS NEWS

Year 9 Careers Advisory Service

The Department of Education and Training is supporting all secondary schools to provide comprehensive career education this includes a new, free, career advisory service for Year 9 students.

The careers advisory service forms part of the Victorian Government's \$109m investment to transform career education in Victorian schools. This service is being provided by Career Education Association of Victoria (CEAV) in partnership with the Department of Education and Training.

The service is designed to help students make better choices about subject selection, vocational education and training, senior secondary school certificates and further study. All year 9 students in Government Schools will have access to:

- an online personal career discovery tool that identifies potential suitable careers in a report
- analysis of their career assessment report by an accredited career practitioner
- a follow-up one-on-one career counselling session to discuss the outcomes of their assessment and future options.

As part of the overall career planning process for young people, the career advisory service recognises the importance of learning career planning skills over time and of understanding an individual's strengths and preferences.

The service uses a personal online career discovery tool (Morrisby Online) which provides objective and relevant information about the student and the opportunities available. As part of the service, your child will receive a confidential profile generated through the online career discovery tool. As a parent or carer, your child is able to invite you to view their profile via a secure website.

Once the assessment has been completed, the student will be provided with a report and a 1:1 career counselling session. There is an opportunity for you (the Parent/Guardian) to attend this thirty minute session with the qualified Careers Consultant with your child. The Careers Consultant will provide you and your child with a 30 minute one on one interview about what your child's profile suggests and how they can use it to help them with subject choices and to explore future career options and pathways.

Please note the career advisory service is not intended to replace the regular career planning activities undertaken at your child's school. The service is provided to support career education in schools at no additional cost to you or the school.

Career Advisory Service—Parental Consent Form

The career advisory service is being provided on behalf of the Department of Education Victoria by the Career Education Association of Victoria (CEAV) and Career Analysts (on behalf of the Morrisby Organisation). Information for the purposes of delivering and managing the career advisory service for Year 9 Students in Victorian Government Schools.

Information privacy:

- Information collected is treated confidentially in line with Department of Education Victoria, CEAV and Morrisby Organisation privacy policies.
- Information collected is accessed and used only for the purpose of providing the career advisory service and school career guidance activities.
- Individual students will be able to access and manage their stored information via their Morrisby login once they have established their profile (app.Morrisby.com).
- Information collected is accessible only to the necessary CEAV and Career Analysts staff, including the assigned CEAV Careers Consultant, authorised school staff and the Morrisby Organisation.
- Some personal information is required to create the student's profile in the online personal career discovery tool. If elements of this information are not provided, the results and service may not be as useful to the student as it otherwise may be.

Montmorency Secondary College

The career advisory service will begin towards the end of term 2 with the Morrisby Online career discovery tool for each student and career counselling interviews being undertaken during the first 2 weeks Term 3.

CAREERS NEWS

TRADE TASTER DAY

Some Year 9 students had the opportunity to participate in the Trade Taster day at Melbourne Polytechnic on Thursday 9th May. This was an excellent opportunity for students to have a hands on introduction to a range of trades.

Trade Areas

Students participated in seven sessions throughout the day.

- 1. Electrical
- 2. Fabrication
- 3. Locksmithing
- 4. Plumbing
- 5. Bricklaying
- 6. Painting
- 7. Carpentry, Joinery & Cabinent Making

Michael Weeding

Careers and Pathways















Nepal Fundraising Dinner Dance

Thursday evening the 9th May was the culmination of many weeks of planning and promotion of this Interact Club event in the College Gym. 130 guests Including Rotarians, staff, parents and local community members enjoyed a night full of entertainment and a presentation by the Consul General for Nepal, Chandra Jomzon. Highlights were a group of Nepalese university students who treated the audience to examples of traditional, colourful Nepalese dancing and a wonderful Jazz band 'Dr Jazz and the Gangster Palace'. Our Local member of State Parliament, Vicki Ward was also in attendance, who is always supportive of our College.

The Bell Street Canteen, Nepalese restaurant from Pascoe Vale, provided a mouth-watering traditional three-course meal.

The night would not have been a success without the planning and hard work done by Interact Club President Jade Upton and her team of 15 Interactors, many of whom worked from 2:00pm till after 10:30pm.

Thanks is also due to the College Principal team who were supportive of the event as an example of our significant community involvement.

The total raised from bookings and the raffle was just under \$4,000 which will go towards the \$40,000 needed to fund the training facility being built with the assistance of a team of 'traddies' and Eltham Rotarian starting this year. I feel privileged to be leading a team of 10 to Nepal in September to work with Nepalese tradesmen on the construction site.



 Pictured Left to Right: Prakash Thapa, Treasurer of Nepal Association of Victoria, Allan Robinson, Principal, Laxmi Yonzon, wife of Hon. Consul General of Nepal to Victoria, Chandra Yonzon, Hon. Consul General of Nepal to Victoria, The Hon. Vicki Ward MP, Member for Eltham and Parliamentary Secretary for Public Transport Infrastructure, Ian Toohill, Interact Co-ordinator.





Nepal Fundraising Dinner Dance









STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

Welcome Back! This term is off and running and everyone is very busy with College life. We have a new member to the Wellbeing Team and he is melting hearts all around the College! Mika comes to the College each Friday with our Social Worker Luke Mitchell and students have found Mika to be a calming influence, not only in the Wellbeing Hub but also as he walks around the school ground (on his lead) with Luke. Luke has written this snippet about Mika:



"Mika is a 22 month old Lurcher. His mother is a Kelpie and father a Whippet. He was one of a litter of eight from a pet rescue organisation from Bendigo. We hoped that he would be a good mix to be both smart and gentle to become a therapy dog and a pet. At eighteen months old he was accepted to do the pet therapy course K9 Support in Benalla. This course had a great reputation and was run by Tessa, both a counsellor and an ex-vet.

Mika and I had to complete the course and pass an International Pet Therapy Test before we could be accredited. He has been coming to school now every Friday to work in the welfare area with Sue Muir and myself. He has been made to feel very welcome by both staff and students, and I think more people know his name than mine. Many kids wonder where he goes after school. I'm not sure if they think he stays in a special kennel or something. He comes home with me and when he finishes work and removes his jacket and lead he acts like a normal dog, chasing balls, tugging ropes and jumping on the beds. Although he is pretty exhausted on a Friday after school, and normally curls up into a ball and sleeps.

He is getting used to the noise and the excitement of Montmorency, so if you see him in the yard, feel free to give him a pat."

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UNIFORM SUPPORT & DISCOUNTED SHOES

For families who are under financial hardship, if you are a holder of a Health Care Card or a Pension Card, you may be eligible for assistance through **State Schools Relief (SSR) for School Uniform.** SSR is a not for profit charitable organization which assists families in need. To see if you are eligible, please contact me for a confidential appointment on 9422-1632. State Schools Relief are now also offering **leather school shoes** at a heavily discounted price **and** with every pair purchased, you are helping SSR provide assistance to tens of thousands of Victorian students that need their help every year.

Shoes are available from The Premium Group, 15 Goodyear Drive THOMASTOWN

Phone 9466 4250

STUDENT WELLBEING NEWS

ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH

Young people will often need additional support with their mental health during times when they feel under pressure or stress at school, in connection to friendship or peer relationships or perhaps when dealing with family issues or concerns. To assist them with additional supports outside of school, you might like to consider some of the agencies available below:

•	Banyule Community Health-General Counselling Program	9450 2000
•	CAMHS Austin Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	1300 859 789
•	Headspace (National Office)	9027 0100
•	Greensborough Headspace	9433 7200
•	EHeadspace	www.eheadspace.org.au
•	LaTrobe Psychology Clinic	9479 2150
•	MIND	1300 286 463
•	MindHealthConnect An on-line option to find mental health and	
	wellbeing information, support and services	www.mindhealthconnect.org.au
•	NEAMI (Rosanna)	9481 3277
•	North Eastern Crisis Assessment Team (CAT)	1300 859 789
•	RMIT Psychology Clinic offers affordable, high quality psychologica	al
	services for children and adolescence	9925 7603

If you have any concerns about the mental health of your child and are seeking support from the school or externally, please feel free to discuss this confidentially with either myself or one of the Wellbeing Team, we may be able to assist you and alleviate some of your concerns. Please feel confident to call to discuss your concerns with me directly on 9422 1632, or call to make an appointment so we can talk privately of your issues.

BERRY STREET SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Berry Street support many families who may need assistance with their young person. They work in a respectful and collaborative way, encouraging all family members to be part of the process in resolving the issue.

See the attached link for more information on Berry Street, and how they could support you and your family.

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v= Vh6g8HtNsM Contact; 677 The Boulevard, Eaglemont Victoria 3084

Eaglemont Victoria 3084 Phone 9450 4700 Email; eaglemont@berrystreet.org.au

PARENTING SUPPORT

Being a parent /guardian or carer can often be such a challenging time, many of us feel that we are alone and without supports and guidance. Assistance and support is available for you and your family. Listed below are some contacts to local agencies, which can provide private & confidential support.

- HealthAbility 9430 9100
- MATTERS (Berry Street) 9450 4700
- Northern Parentzone 8470 9999
- ReachOutParentCoaching www.parents.au.reahout.com/coaching-eligibility
- Orange Door (Domestic Violence Support)
 WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S FAMILY VIOLENCE SERVICES
 Box Hill 9896 6322
 Blackburn 1800 900 520
 Ringwood 9259 4200
 Doncaster 9856 1500
- CHILD FIRST 1300 762 125
- TARA (Teenage Aggression Responding Assertively) A support group for teenagers and program parents of teenagers who respond violently at home 9450-4700

SPORT NEWS

HANNAH SCOTT

Over the Easter school holidays Hannah Scott of 8G represented Australia in the International Easter Classic held in Auckland, New Zealand.

Hannah's coach was from Western Australia and Team manager from Queensland. The team of fifteen girls were selected during the U15 National Softball Championships which was held in Perth in January 2019. Before the tournament started the team had two practice matches against local NZ representative teams and three full days of training. These were really tough sessions, not only did the girls have to get to know each other and the coaching staff, but they were all fighting to make the starting 9 positions.

Hannah got to play just 1 innings in both practice matches and was up against another two girls for the starting position at short stop. During the 3 days of position selection Hannah trained really hard. Her determination, team spirit, skill ability, great game knowledge and leadership saw her grab that starting short stop position for Australia as well as hitting number one in the batting line-up.

The tournament consisted of eight games played over four days. Hannah played seven out of the eight games at short stop during the tournament, one of those being the Gold Medal match. The games were really tough. Australia won the grand final 3 runs - 2 runs in a nail biter. Not only was this a wonderful learning experience and an absolute honour to play softball for Australia, but the new friends made and great memories will be cherished forever.



Congratulations to Hannah Scott and her team for this wonderful achievement.

SPORT NEWS

KEELEY HARRISON

During the school holidays Keeley Harrison of 10C played in the Victorian under 16 girls baseball team at the National Championships held in Canberra. The group was a very new playing team which brings both challenges and fresh excitement. They played off for bronze against Western Australia and were 6-0 down. At this point in the game, Keeley was brought in to pitch and not one run was scored off her pitching! The girls then turned the game around, coming back with a 6-7 win over Western Australia.

Keeley was awarded the Golden Arm Pitching Award for the 2019 tournament. Congratulations to Keeley and her team for this wonderful achievement.



INTERMEDIATE GIRLS SOFTBALL

On Friday 3rd May the Intermediate Girls softball team played at Mill Park Softball Reserve in the Northern Metropolitan Regional competition.

The team was unstoppable with zero runs scored against them over four games against Gladstone Park Secondary College,

Pascoe Vale Girls College, Melbourne Girls College and Hazel Glen College. Our team scored a total of 60 runs, with numerous big hits and homeruns made throughout the day. We saw some fantastic batting from Jasmine Bentley, Katrina Dorizzi, Hannah Scott and Claire White. A special mention must go to Hannah Scott and Claire White who pitched and caught superbly the entire day. This team will be representing our region at the State competition for the 4th year in a row.

Congratulations to the following students; Jasmine Bentley, Katrina Dorizzi, Chloe Finney, Sally-Anne Glover, Cailey Noons, Aeryn O'Brien, Ashlyn Reeves, Johanna Ryan, Hannah Scott, Molly Siede and Claire White.

We wish them luck as they defend their 2018 State championship title later this month.

Samantha Shelton



SPORT NEWS

On Friday 3rd May the Intermediate Mixed softball team played at Mill Park Softball Reserve in the Northern Metropolitan Regional competition. The team were very impressive with minimal runs scored against them over three games against University High School, Lalor Secondary College and St Helena Secondary College. They showed great positive support towards each other throughout the day. Our team scored a total of 38 runs, with no shortage of big hits, homeruns and double plays made. We saw some fantastic pitching from Bronson Neave and Keeley Harrison. As well as some reliable and strong support from the catcher Will McFawn.

Congratulations to the following students; Jack Adams, Declan Meaney, Liam Plunkett, Cooper Shackleton, Zane Gibson, Dainton Rowbotham, Will McFawn, Hayden Bickerton, Bronson Neave, Keeley Harrison, Elliot Gyaw and Harry Schell. We wish them luck as they move onto the State competition later this month.



Madeliene Shearer, coach.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS AFL SUCCESS!

On Wednesday May 1, a group of Year 9 and 10 girls competed in the School Sport Victoria Division Competition at the Anthony Beale Reserve in St Helena. The first match was a close contest with St. Helena, the girls rallying late to seal the win. Greensborough was easily accounted for in the second match, giving the girls 1st Place in their pool. The crossover finals saw them play the second place getter Diamond Valley from the other pool. As with the first match, goals were hard to come by, but the superior skills of the Monty team came through in the end to deliver a comfortable win.

The win in the final secured a spot in the Northern Region Competition which the girls will compete in during term three. As Coach I would like to thank the girls for their terrific conduct and sportmanship on the day and also extend thanks to student teacher Maddy for her help on the day. The three games were played with only ten minutes break in between each one, so the girls did a great job of playing through fatigue and maintaining concentration. With only 14 players it truly was a team effort - all of the girls made great contributions. Special metions however must go to Brooke Plummer, April Woodward and Romy Gardam for their performances on the day as well as the leadership they showed.

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Ben Moroni (Coach)