PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

August 7, 2015

CHINESE VISITORS—WUJIANG SENIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

It was a very exciting opportunity and experience for all the Mooroolbark Community to have teachers and students from our sister school, Wujiang Senior Middle School in China. There is immense value for both schools to have the cultural and educational exchange between our students and teachers. We have gained a great deal from this visit and strengthened the relationship between our schools, creating more opportunities for the students and teachers from both schools.

Principal Li Xuelin and myself are very grateful to the families who opened their homes and hearts to provide the students from Wujiang a wonderful lasting experience of Australian life. This was the first time for these students to be away from home and travelling out of China. It is a credit to those families that the students have had a positive impression of Australia and Australians and have certainly supported the two schools in further enhancing the developing relationship between our schools.

COLLEGE PRODUCTION

Congratulations to all involved with the College Production. This year’s production was a terrific success with all students performing well and enjoying being on stage. This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to perform demonstrating their skills they have learnt. I would like to congratulate all the students on their very polished performance and providing a very entertaining night. I would also like to thank Peter Marz for his skill and dedication, for guiding the students to put a wonderful production and David Innes, Glenn Ford, Christian Standing, Graham Small, Adam Lorkin, Evan Maddock, Sandra Wood, Tracey Benness the PTCA and all those who helped in any way for their support. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated staff and talented students.

CANTEEN WEEK

Last week was Canteen Week across Australia. The canteen staff do a wonderful job in providing a great service to the students and staff of our College. I unashamedly say that our canteen is one of the best I have seen such dedicated staff and talented students.

AWARDS

We are an outstanding College where students regularly achieve notable results. Each semester students are recognised for, excellence, effort and achievement. I congratulate all the students who received certificates for the following awards:

Dux – Highest achieving student in each year level
Honours
High Distinction
Distinction
Credit

Simon Reid
Principal

August 7, 2015

Affirmation:
"Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is indicated.
You can’t cross a chasm in two small jumps.

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Calendar TERM 3 2015

Tuesday 11th August
Resources Committee Meeting
Yr 10 (2016) Course Counselling

Wednesday 12th August
Year 9 (2016) Information Night

Monday 17th August
Winter Music Concert 7.00pm

Tuesday 18th August
College Council Meeting 7.30pm

Wednesday 19th August
Year 9 (2016) Course Counselling

Tuesday 25th August
Community Relations Meeting

Tuesday 1st September
VCAL (2016) Preparation Evening
Education Committee Meeting
PTCA Meeting

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VCAL (2016) Preparation Evening
Education Committee Meeting
PTCA Meeting

Tuesday 8th September
SRC Carnival Day
Resources Committee Meeting

Friday 11th September
Year 10 Social
Year 7 Immunisation

Thursday 17th September
Parent/Teacher Interviews

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P.T.C.A. FUNDRAISING

Year 7 and 8 students received an Entertainment Book as part of our fundraising last term. If you have not already done so could you please return any unsold books to the College as soon as possible.

Fundraising is important so that we can continue to provide the best resources for Mooroolbark College and its students.

We thank you for your continued support of the College and this major fundraising event.

ACCOUNTS—INSTALMENT

Just a reminder to families on a Direct Debit Payment Plan, the final Instalment for 2015 is due to be deducted out of your account on Thursday 20th August 2015.

- China Tour Instalment Thursday 20th August $800
- QLD Tour Instalment Thursday 27th August $200
- Rubicon Instalment Friday 11th September $110
- China Tour Instalment Thursday 17th September $800
- German Camp Instalment Thursday 17th September $140
- QLD Tour Instalment Thursday 29th October $150
- German Camp Instalment Thursday 12th November $100

Please ensure funds are available in your nominated account. If your need to update or change your account details, please contact the General Office on 9727 8100.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

VALEDICTORY DINNER 2015

Year 12 students and their families are invited to attend our Valedictory dinner on Thursday 19th November 2015. Tickets and further information are available online at www.trybooking.com/147254 or follow the link off the College website.

A reminder that first round ticket sales close on Monday 24th August at 8.00am.

Only 4 tickets per booking (Year 12 student plus 3 guests)

Samantha McIntosh
Year 12 Coordinator

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 go to the website: www.dermatology.svhm.org.au

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.

Completed forms can be handed into the Student Administration Office.

We would appreciate your continued support and collecting your Earn & Learn points. This supports the College in our endeavours to purchase further resources.

Lyn Godfrey
Assistant Principal

JUNIOR CLUB 3/4

Junior Club 3/4 is a designated homework club for students in Years 7-10. It runs from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in Library every Tuesday and Thursday.

During this time students have the ability to use school computers, printers, work in groups or individually as well as getting extra one on one support from teachers.

We try and create a relaxed work friendly environment and there are always biscuits and drinks available. So come along as we would love to see you there.

Grant Olarenshaw
Red House Leader

ASSEMBLY—STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations again to our College Leaders for another successful General Assembly held on Monday 3rd August. What a great way to show our Community to our Chinese Guests.

Well done.

COLLEGE OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY—THURSDAY 8.15AM—4.00PM
FRIDAY 8.15AM—3.30PM

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STATE FINALIST.

Thomas Hardstaff of Year 8 made the State Cross Country Final at Bundoora Park on Thursday 16th July.

Congratulations to Thomas who finished a very creditable 25th place out of the 83 runners that qualified from all over Victoria.

Thomas is in the Boys 14 Age Group and represented Mooroolbark College, the Maroondah District and Eastern Zone and finished 2nd at Regionals.

Keith Clapp
Sports Coordinator

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to former student, Daniel Molesworth who won the 2014 Australian Vocational Student Prize and Australian Award for Skills Excellence in School. The Australian Vocational Student Prize recognizes the achievements of students who completed their senior secondary studies while undertaking vocational education and training while at school or a VET program.

It was a national award of which only 70 were presented throughout Australia.

The College is very proud of Daniel’s achievement both within and outside the College.

Jenny Roache
Pathways Coordinator

STUDENT WELFARE

HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE ENGAGE WITH LIFE

Engage 1 on 1 are a team of child/adolescent psychologists, specialising in work with children, adolescents, parents and families in schools across Melbourne. Our services are now available to students and their families at Mooroolbark College, and are provided at no cost to parents or the school.

We help children and families cope with a wide range of issues, including anxiety, behavioural problems, low mood, anger management, social skills, attention problems, and family difficulties. This service is professional, confidential and provided on-site at your school, offering evidence based counselling strategies to help your child ‘engage with life’ and improve their happiness and well-being.

If you are interested in obtaining our services, or would like more information, please contact Mr John Nichol, Student Welfare Coordinator, at Mooroolbark College on 9727 8100 or wwwengage1on1comau

John Nichol
Student Welfare Coordinator

YAPANEYEPUK YOUTH FORUM

On Wednesday 29th July, four students from Mooroolbark College met at Mooroolbark Station at 6:15am to begin the long trek to the IBIS Hotel in Melbourne Central. These four students had been chosen to represent our College in a student forum with approximately twenty other private, catholic and government schools across Victoria. The discussions at this forum were focused around the recognition of aboriginal culture and history within Australian society and the Australian school curriculum. All the student that attended presented valid and educated view points on of the finer points of the discussions. Our very own Jacob Ellum was even chosen to sit on a panel at the end of the forum to give his personal view points on a number of specific questions raised by the forum.

This was another successful endeavor for our College. Well done Samantha Learmont, Jarrad Robinson, Matthew Blackley and Jacob Ellum on representing the school so well.

Matthew Donald
Green House Leader/Student Leadership Coordinator

MUSIC NEWS

WINTER CONCERT

The Mooroolbark College Music Department would like to invite students, family and friends to the 2015 Winter Concert on Monday 17th August at 7.00pm.

All music students will be participating in this evening concert, with performances from our Choir, Concert Band, Year 7 Band, Keyboard, Percussion and Guitar Ensembles, as well as many individual performers and groups.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to hear some of the wonderful music our very talented students have been preparing.

Our concert will be held at:

The Mooroolbark Community Centre,
125 Brice Avenue, Mooroolbark.

Prices are:

$10.00 Adult (18 years & over)
$7.00 Child (0-17 years or current Mooroolbark College students)

$27.00 (Family of 4)

Tickets can be purchased at – www.trybooking.com/150144 or at the door.

Lisa Gaudion
Instrumental Music Coordinator
FROM THE P.E. DEPARTMENT

**FUNDRAISING - P.T.C.A.**

It’s that time of year again – the frenzy of sales & bargain hunting.

Did you know you can help raise funds for Mooroolbark College without even trying & without spending any precious time.

Three easy ways:

**AMART CHIRNSIDE PARK.**

Sign up to their Loyalty program & swipe your card every time you make a purchase. Mooroolbark College gets 5% of the sale as a fundraiser.

**REBEL SPORT**

Sign up to their Loyalty program & swipe your card every time you make a purchase. Mooroolbark College gets 5% of the sale as a fundraiser. And you get a 5% discount as well!

**THE GOOD GUYS AT CANTERBURY RD, BAYSWATER**

Bayswater Bucks Program – for every $25 spent - $1 voucher generated for the College.

All you have to do is mention the program when completing your purchase & send the vouchers to the College with your child to drop off at the office. How easy is that!

**BAKERS DELIGHT AT MOOROOLBARK & CHIRNSIDE PARK.**

5% of your purchase is generated as a fundraiser – just remember – Code 22 – simply ask for your purchase to be recorded against Code 22

Thanking you

LIBRARY NEWS

**DIGITAL LIBRARY**

Semester one has seen the digital library continue to be a huge success for staff and students of the College with over 1000s digital books being borrowed.

Staff and students are able to borrow books and read titles anytime, anywhere using the digital library system viewable via OverDrive Media Console which is available for mobile devices and computers

**Mobile:**
- Android™
- BlackBerry®
- iOS (iPhone®/iPad®/iPod touch®
- Windows® Phone 7

**Computer:**
- Windows
- Windows 8
- Mac®

**For iPad**

To log in, simply follow these steps.

1. Download the ‘**Overdrive Media Console**’ app from the iTunes app store.
2. If you don’t already have an Adobe id you will need to go to [www.adobe.com.au](http://www.adobe.com.au) and register.
3. Click add a library and search for Mooroolbark College. Select it once it comes up.
4. Login using your **network username** and **password**.
5. Search for the book that you are after. Click the book’s cover picture.
6. To borrow the book, click **borrow** then click **Download**.
7. The book will then download to your device. Click the **3 lines** in the top left corner to bring back the side menu, then click Bookshelf to find the book that you have borrowed.

www.love2read.org.au

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Monday 17th August 2015
7:00 pm
Mooroolbark Community Centre
Sometimes feel like a square peg in a round hole?
Do your worries get in the way of doing the things you’d like to?
Would you like to be more confident and explore your direction in life?

Mankind is a fun, experience-based program for young men aged 14-16 years of age. The program aims to help participants develop coping skills, enhance self-esteem and confidence, as well as connect with activities that they enjoy.

Who
Young men aged 14-16 years.

Where
EACH - 6 Silver Grove
Nunawading, 3131

When
5 Thursdays, 13th August to 10th September with a follow up session on Thursday 22nd October

Time
9:30am-2:30pm
*May vary depending on activity

For more information or to register please contact
Sean Rayner on 98906833 or Julie Ritchie on 88783807

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COLLEGE INFORMATION

FREE STUDENT EXCHANGE INFORMATION
EVENING IN MELBOURNE
Hear from returned students, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

Thursday, 13th August - 7.30pm
Radisson on Flagstaff Gardens
380 William Street, Melbourne

Visit www.studentexchange.org.au
or call 1300 135 331 for more information

THE PANCAKE PARLOUR

BUY ONE SHORT STACK
(Two buttermilk pancakes with your choice of cream, ice-cream or whipped butter and topped with maple-flavoured syrup)
AND RECEIVE A SECOND SHORT STACK FREE.

For restaurant locations www.pancakeparlour.com.au
Dine-in only. Present this voucher to redeem offer. Valid until 30/10/2015.
Maximum 3 vouchers per group. Not valid public holidays.

Light the Night – Lilydale

Friday 2 October 2015
5.00pm – Event opens, registrations, lantern collection, food and drinks
5.30pm – Entertainment commences
6.20pm – Official Opening.
6.30pm – Light the Night Walk commences
7.15pm – Event closes

Lilydale Lake Park, 435 Swansea Road, Lilydale
Follow us on Facebook on Light the Night Lilydale
(https://www.facebook.com/lilydalelightthenight)

Light the night is a Leukaemia Foundation inspiring twilight walk. Bring your families, friends and colleagues to shine a beautiful lantern of hope as we walk around the Lilydale Lake

Payment and sponsorship opportunities at www.lightthenight.org.au
Enter post code 3140 for Lilydale
For more information contact Brian Hodgson, mobile: 0419 397 650, email: brianhodgson47@gmail.com or Brian Miles, mobile: 0438 326 670, email: bpm945au@bigpond.com

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