Calendar TERM 4 2015

Tuesday 6th October
Education Committee Meeting

Thursday 8th October
Mooroolbark College Film Festival 7pm

Monday 12th—Friday 23rd Oct
2015 China Tour

Tuesday 13th October
Resources Committee Meeting

Tuesday 20th October
Year 12 Farewell Assembly
College Council Meeting

Wednesday 21st October
Year 12 Celebration Day

Thursday 22nd October
Showcase Evening & VCE Arts/ Technology Exhibition 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Tuesday 27th October
Community Relations Meeting

COLLEGE OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY—THURSDAY
8.15AM—4.00PM
FRIDAY 8.15AM—3.30PM

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
September 18, 2015

Affirmation
A river is not aimless.
It has direction and purpose. So also must a good life have a definite aim; all its strength and fullness must be turned in one direction.
Grenville Kleiser

Third term is always a busy term, there are numerous events that occur that engage students from Year 7 to Year 12. When I cast my eye over what has been provided for our student this term and the two terms before, it is clear that our students at the College certainly have outstanding opportunities.

YEAR 10 SOCIAL
The Year 10 students had a fabulous night at their annual Year 10 Social held on Friday 11th September. The students danced all night and are to be congratulated for their behavior and positive approach to the night. I want to thank Grant Olarenshaw for his efforts in organising the night along with the numerous staff who attended to support Grant and enjoyed the night with the students.

CARNIVAL DAY AT THE COLLEGE
On Tuesday 15th September, the College had it’s annual Carnival afternoon. It was an enjoyable afternoon with students enthusiastically participating in a range of events and activities. All the money raised goes to charity which will be decided on by the Student Representative Council. The afternoon is a major event on the College calendar. We are all grateful for the efforts of Robyn Cooper and the students on the SRC for organizing such a wonderful day.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY BAND PERFORMANCE
On Monday 7th September the Royal Australian Navy Band performed at Mooroolbark College for the Year 7 & 8 students. They were treated to an amazing performance and they then went into the Music department for an intensive Workshop with some of our music students. Thank you to Lisa Gaudion for organising such a wonderful entertaining event.

YEAR 12 PRACTICE EXAMS
On Thursday 17th September and during the first week of the school holidays, the Year 12 Practice Exams are being run for Mooroolbark College students. The practice exams give our students the opportunity to prepare thoroughly for their final exams in a real life examination environment. I encourage the students undertaking these exams to prepare and revise thoroughly and to use the experience to achieve their potential in the final VCE Exams.

PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY
The ‘Principal for the Day’ is a program which enables business leaders to come into schools and share their knowledge with our students. This is a fabulous experience for our students and supports them with choices in their lives.

We had the privilege of having James Merlino MP, Member for Monbulk, Deputy Premier and the Minister for Education come to our school. He taught a Year 12 Legal Studies class and had morning tea with the staff. James shared some personal leadership experiences and insights with our Senior Captains spending time with some of the College’s Pre-Service Teachers.

Simon Reid
Principal

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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

ACCOUNTS—INSTALMENT

QLD Tour Instalment
Thursday 29th October $150

German Camp Instalment
Thursday 12th November $100

Please ensure funds are available in your nominated account.

STUDENT CROSSINGS

Students are reminded that when crossing any roads as they are walking/riding to and from school to please ensure it is done in a safe manner.

Please encourage students to use the supervised crossing at Manchester Road/Bellara Drive rather than crossing via the median strip. During our wet weather months, the tanbark used in the median strip becomes quite slippery and dangerous for pedestrians.

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

If you need to update or change your account details, please contact the General Office on 9727 8100.

Ann Stratford
Assistant Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Kobe Shannon of Year 10 competed in the State titles for Karate in his division on the weekend. After a lot of hard work Kobe managed to take out first place in his division and is our new State Champion in Kumite. Kobe is also a member for the State Team for Karate. Congratulations Kobe.

Grant Olarenshaw
Red House Leader

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

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, behavioral 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 www.engage1on1.com.au

John Nichol
Student Welfare Coordinator

College Uniform Policy

Tattoos cannot be visible and must be covered at all times.

In Victoria the legal age for a Tattoo is 18.

Department of Health; Regulations of tattooing and body piercing: Legal restrictions on tattooing in Australia).
YEAR 12 NEWS

MASTER CLASSES
The Yarra Ranges and Yarra Valley VCE Network is currently running the annual Master Class series. Last week was Drama, Maths Methods, Media, Psychology and English. The classes provide students with an opportunity to review, refine and reflect on the course content.

ELEVATE
Year 12 students attended an exam preparation session run by Elevate. Feedback from the students indicated that this session was beneficial and timely.

PRACTICE EXAMS
There is no rest for our dedicated and hard-working Year 12 students. Practice Exams for all Unit 3/4 studies commence on Thursday and continue through the first week of the September break. Thank you to the students, staff and parents/guardians for supporting this new initiative.

YEAR 12 CAMBODIA TOUR
This year a group of Year 12 students have been focused on raising money for an orphanage located in Siem Reap, Cambodia. As a group we have been overwhelmed by the generosity of our community in providing donations for this fantastic cause. As a group, the students and staff involved in this project would like to publicly thank those generous people that have provided donations and assisted that Year 12s in reaching their fundraising goals. Your support is greatly appreciated.

MUSIC NEWS
On Monday 7th September, the Royal Australian Navy Band visited Mooroolbark College to perform for our Year 7 & 8 students. The band put on a very impressive and entertaining show including classical, jazz and popular pieces. We were also treated to an exciting performance by some of their marching band drummers, and afterwards, three of our students were invited to conduct the Navy band.
After the performance, members of the band ran a workshop with some of our Concert Band students, which was an amazing opportunity for our students to play with some highly talented and professional musicians.
This week we have also had three of our music students performing in the Bimbadeen Primary School production at the Karalyka Centre in Ringwood. Forest Stevens-Dobby, Logan Thomson and Daniel Lee rehearsed with the production manager, and then helped out with the band on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings this week.
We have been very fortunate to have had so many opportunities for our music students this term.
STUDENT INFORMATION

RICHARD GALBRAITH VISIT TO MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE

On Wednesday 16th September, Richard Galbraith, the author of the Year 7 novel, Snowfire, visited Mooroolbark College. He gave a presentation to all Year 7 students as well as Year 11 Literature students. It was fantastic for the Year 7 students to meet the author of the novel they have been studying and to hear about the writing process. The insight that Richard gave students into the creative writing process will no doubt help students with their own creative writing.

Not only is Richard an author, but he is also a cartoonist. He dedicated a section of his presentation to explore cartooning with the students to demonstrate another form of storytelling. Richard’s presentation was enjoyed by all!

Sallie Groves & Matthew Neil.
English Teachers
**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.

Four easy ways:

1. **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.

2. **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.

3. **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!

4. **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

**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 devises and computers.

Mobile:
- Android™
- BlackBerry®
- iOS (iPhone®/iPad®/iPod touch®
- Windows®
- 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.

**FUNDRAISING - P.T.C.A.**
MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE
FILM FESTIVAL
T-BLOCK
8TH OF OCTOBER
7PM
GOLD COIN DONATION
MANCHESTER
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SATURDAY 10th OCTOBER 2015
10am till 3pm

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COLLEGE INFORMATION

ARE YOU CONCERNED THAT YOUR CHILD IS SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME PLAYING VIDEO GAMES?

Video games are a popular form of entertainment. However, there is a growing body of anecdotal and academic evidence about concerns with:

- Social isolation and why computer generated worlds is appealing to young people
- Identifying the interaction between excessive video game playing and mental health issues
- Interacting with gamers and understanding motives for play

Come and meet our new Families and Modern Technology counsellor/project worker from EACH’s Youth & Family and Gamblers Help service, for information and possible referral.

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GIVE IT A GO!
SEEKING U14 & U16 PLAYERS

Montrous Cricket Club, a family friendly Club, invites boys and girls in the U14 & U16 age group to come along to the next training session and give cricket a go!

Montrous CC has a few places available in both age groups.

We will have a U16 team, and are hoping to have a 3rd U14 team, which will be perfect for beginners.

Perhaps you already play, or have played in the past?
Then you would be happy to hear from you, too.

U16 training – normally at Toplane Indoor Cricket Centre

Monday 5pm

U14 training – same venue but Sunday 11am

Please head to our website www.montrouscricketclub.org for further information. We would love to welcome you to Montrous Cricket Club.

Toplane Indoor Cricket Centre
1/31-35 Burgess Rd
Kilsyth
U10 will be at Craigie
Indoor Sports 2/19A
Conobe Road, Kilsyth on
309 & 69

Remember to bring your gear & wear Club uniform (if you have it)

All players will require their own protective box

Bringing a drink is thirsty work!

Have fun

SHELLEY STORM
Junior Coordinator

www.montrouscricketclub.org

Email

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The Great Mooroolbark College Bake Off; is in its second year and students and staff have the opportunity to once again put their creative skills to the test and decorate a cake based on their favourite book.

Participants are asked to bring their finished cake to school on Thursday 22nd October. All participants will have their creations displayed and prizes presented at the Year 7 Showcase Night.