



# MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE

## Newsletter *your child - our world*

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

July 24, 2015

### Calendar TERM 3 2015

**Wednesday 29th July**  
Years 10, 11 & 12 (2016)  
Information Night

**Monday 3rd August**  
Year 12 (2016) Course  
Counselling (No Year 11 classes)

**Tuesday 4th August**  
Education & Policy Committee  
Meeting  
P.T.C.A. Meeting

**Thursday 6th August**  
Year 11 (2016) Course  
Counselling (No Year 10 classes)

**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

### Affirmation:

*"Take into account that great love and great achievements involve great risk."*

Dalai Lama XIV

*Welcome back, I trust that everyone had an enjoyable break Semester 2 is always an exciting time in the College as there is so much to look forward to. For some of our students it will be their last semester at the College, so to those students I encourage you to make it as positive and as exciting as you can, 'a semester to remember'. It is great to be walking around the College and seeing our students excited to be back and enthusiastically engaged in their learning.*

### **CHINESE VISITORS**

*We are excited to welcome guests from our sister school in China, Wujiang Senior Middle School. Our ongoing relationship with Wujiang is a very positive aspect of our College that is bringing many new opportunities to our students and we as teachers are learning a great deal from each other. Between the 21st July to 5th August, we will be hosting teachers and students. This is a wonderful opportunity for our College and a great experience for our guests who have not been to Australia before and most have not been out of China. We will learn a great deal from this experience and we will have a reciprocal visit by a group of our students later this year and it is planned for a group of our teachers to make a return visit in the near future.*

### **IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP**

*Sleep well, think well! There is strong research that indicates loss of sleep hurts attention, executive function, working memory, mood quantitative skills, logical reason and coordination. Further loss of sleep is cumulative and compounds. The loss of one hour a day means that by the end of the week a person has lost the equivalent of one night's sleep, which has a very real impact.*

*As parents it is important to monitor your children's sleeping patterns. Teenagers need more sleep than adults. It is critical that they get this sleep in a consistent routine. For more information on this visit the website [www.brainrules.net](http://www.brainrules.net).*

### **AWARDS**

*At the end of Semester 1 and the end of the year the College presents Academic Awards to students who have achieved marks that place them in the top 20%. The successful students will be awarded their Certificates at House Assemblies. Congratulations to all the students who will receive awards.*

### **COURSE SELECTION**

*Students currently in Years 8, 9, 10 & 11 will be required to make decisions about the courses they intend studying in 2016. I urge all students to take this process very seriously and make time to discuss their options with teachers at the College and their parents/guardians.*

*Please include the following important dates into your planner:*

*Wednesday 29th July—Years 10, 11 and 12 (2016) Information Night*

*Wednesday 12th August—Year 9 (2016) Information Night*

### **COLLEGE CAR PARK**

THE COLLEGE STAFF CAR PARK OFF  
ROSS PINCOTT DRIVE

**MUST NOT BE USED TO DROP OFF OR  
PICK UP STUDENTS AT THE START AND**

**FINISH OF THE SCHOOL DAY.**

THE RESULTING CONGESTION IS  
PRESENTLY A HAZARD TO THE  
STUDENTS AND ALSO MAKES  
PARKING DIFFICULT.

PLEASE DROP YOUR CHILD OFF IN THE  
NORTHERN CAR PARK OFF  
MANCHESTER ROAD OR ON THE ROADS  
BORDERING THE SCHOOL AND ARRANGE  
TO PICK UP IN THE SAME PLACE.

THE **NO STANDING** SIGN ON  
MANCHESTER ROAD MUST BE ADHERED  
TO.

A **REMINDER** TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS  
THAT THE SPEED ZONE AROUND  
SCHOOLS IS **40KPH**.

Simon Reid  
Principal



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## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### 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 it's students.

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

### COLLEGE SCHOOL BAGS

A reminder that in 2015 Mooroolbark College school bags are a compulsory uniform item for all Year 7 and 8 students.

Parents/Guardians of students in Years 9-11 are encouraged to buy a Mooroolbark College school bag if they need to replace their existing one. These can be purchased from the College's uniform supplier PSW (Primary School Wear).

Ann Stratford  
Assistant Principal

### TASMANIA TOUR

Once again in 2016 Year 9 students from Mooroolbark College will be venturing to the Convict Isle.

If you would like your child to attend please return permission form and deposit to the College by Thursday 30th July.



#### GROUP A DEPARTS

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016

#### GROUP B DEPARTS

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016

(first week of Term 2, 2016)

Jodie Tilley & Janet Whitby  
Tasmania Tour Coordinators

### 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).***

## COLLEGE PRODUCTION

The College Production *A Rather Amusing 93 and ¾ Minutes* was performed at Mooroolbark College from Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2015. The sketches and short plays performed tonight were selected by the 2015 Production Studies and Drama students. Many of the acting and directing choices came from the rehearsal period and experimentation of the students. Unlike previous productions, *A Rather Amusing 93 and ¾ Minutes* has probably had the most student involvement and direction than other shows in recent history. The enthusiasm and dedication of the students is to be commended. It has been absolutely wonderful to see so many Year 7 and Year 9 Drama students in particular take such a great leap in being involved in the show. It is also wonderful to see many senior students take the opportunity to balance their busy VCE and VCAL schedules to participate in the show.

Peter Marz has done an exceptional job directing this show and leading the rehearsal process. Peter was supported by the talents of Christian Standing (Director's Assistant), Glenn Ford (Technical Director), Sandy Wood (Costumes), David Innes (Production Assistant), Mark Quigley (Poster and Art Design), Tracey Benness (Photography), Jodi Mathieson (Ticketing), Carmel Gibbs (Printing) and Deb Alsop and the PTCA (Catering). Special thanks also to the following staff who have assisted in the Production: Alex Smith (Student Teacher), Evan Maddock, Daniel Smalley, Adam Lorkin, Rebecca McMillan, Sarah Garnaut, Sam McIntosh, Karen Ellis, Lyn Godfrey, Ann Stratford, Rachael Williams and Simon Reid.

David Innes  
Production 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 [www.engage1on1.com.au](http://www.engage1on1.com.au)

John Nichol  
Student Welfare Coordinator

**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

**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](http://www.love2read.org.au)



**WINTER MUSIC CONCERT POSTER COMPETITION**

Congratulations to Lachie Denelzen-Davey who won 1<sup>st</sup> Prize for our Art/Visual Communication Design Competition. Lachie's winning poster will be placed around the College to promote our Winter Music Concert, as well as being used for the front cover of our Concert program.

Well done to all of the students who participated in this competition. The staff were very impressed with the high standard of art/design work, and had a difficult time deciding on a winner.

Lisa Gaudion  
Instrumental Music

# Mooroolbark Cricket Club

## Junior Cricket

### FINAL Registration Day

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 12pm-3pm

Mooroolbark Heights Reserve, Longfellow Ave



FREE sausage sizzle for the kids  
MCC apparel available  
Coaches on hand to answer any questions

This is your final opportunity to ensure your child's place in the 2015/16 season

Join our family friendly club!

Mile: In to Cricket (5 to 6 yrs)  
Mile: Have a Game (6 to 8 yrs)  
Under 10's, 12's, 14's & 16's

### Join the Mighty Barkers

A fun social environment with a winning attitude & a long proud history as one of the most successful clubs in the RDCA

For all enquiries please contact  
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## WEP Student Exchange – Learn and Discover the World!

WEP Australia is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation registered with the Education Departments in NSW, QLD and VIC. Applications for short and long-term programs commencing from November 2015 onward are open now. Students can choose from over 25 countries to live with a volunteer WEP host family and attend an overseas high school for a summer, semester or year. To request program information for your family, visit [www.wep.org.au](http://www.wep.org.au), email [info@wep.org.au](mailto:info@wep.org.au) or call 1300 884 733.

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### 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.**

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For restaurant locations [www.pancakeparlour.com.au](http://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.

