Friday, 8th April 2011 ........No 10

NIGHT OF NOTABLES – YEAR 8
PRINCIPAL’S PERSPECTIVE

As this is the final newsletter for Term 1 2011, I would like to thank all of the contributors during this term. The newsletter is an essential link with students and parents to ensure that the community is well informed about school events. It is also vital in ensuring that the many activities and events involving our students are publicised and celebrated.

STAFF AND LEADERSHIP CHANGES - TERM 2

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Naomi Jallais and Kate Potter well for their Long Service Leave, I am sure it will be a relaxing and enjoyable time.

We welcome Kirsten Winkett as our Chaplain, starting from Term 2. We are delighted to have her with us.

High Achievers Program

We are really looking forward to the commencement of this program in 2012 for a class of Year 7 students. There are application forms available on our website and at the front office. Please note the deadline for their return is 10th May and the testing dates are: 18th and 21st May 2011.

Open Night

Our staff are really looking forward to showcasing our great school- please keep this date free, 9th May.

Congratulations

Finally congratulations to all of our staff on their efforts for this very busy term. We have had a lot of events, celebrations, achievements and innovative student learning practices in place and I know everyone is looking forward to a break to recharge the batteries. I would also like to wish staff and students who are going on leave a great break and quality time with their families.

Sandra Woodman
Principal

New Chaplain

We are delighted to welcome Kirsten Winkett to the Student Services Team as our Chaplain for the remainder of the year whilst Megan Thompson is on study leave. Kirsten will start work on the first day of Term 2 – Wednesday 27th April.

TERM 2

Please note that Term 2 starts on Wednesday 27th April. We start the term in a white week.

Jane Richards
Assistant Principal

School Photos

School photos were distributed to students in assemblies last week. It has been brought to our attention that there is a problem with some of the photobooks as they only contain individual portraits and not the class and year level photos. We have contacted Arthur Reed and they will reprint the photobooks. As soon as the new ones arrive, we will distribute them to the students concerned.

Jane Richards
Assistant Principal

Pinjarra – Yearbook Committee 2011

Do you enjoy Computer Design? Are you in Year 7 – Year 10? We are looking for additional students to join the ‘Pinjarra’ Yearbook Committee to assist with layout, organising and design for our school magazine ‘Pinjarra’. The following students have been invited to join the Committee - Daisy Agius, Alice Wang, Connor Dwyer & Daniel Smith. Please email Denise Strahan if you are interested in joining.

strahan.denise.c@edumail.vic.gov.au
**MUSIC NOTES**

Friday, 8th April, 2011  
Director of Music: David Howes  
Tel: 9894 4572    Fax: 9894 2751  
A School of Musical Excellence

April 8 2011

**Term 2**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday 2 May</td>
<td>Jazz in 601 Mt Gambier</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>May 6-8</td>
<td>Generation In Jazz BHS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday 9 May</td>
<td>Open night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 17 May</td>
<td>Buddies BBQ Mt Gambier 601</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday 19 May</td>
<td>Cluster PS Band Day 601</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday 26 May</td>
<td>EMR Concert Melb Convention Centre</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday 28 May</td>
<td>Band festival BMW Edge Fed Sq.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday 16 June</td>
<td>Novice Soiree Mt Gambier 601</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday 23 June</td>
<td>Winter Concert Beaumont</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hall</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 1 July</td>
<td>Open Mic night 601</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday 25</td>
<td>Snr String Orch departs for Germany</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Holiday Stage Band rehearsals**

In order to be ready for Generation in Jazz at Mt Gambier, the three stage bands will be rehearsing at different times over the holidays. Times and dates are:

- **Senior Stage Band**: Mon 11, Tue 12, Wed 13 April 9am-4pm
- **Intermediate Stage Band**: Tuesday 19 April 9am-4pm
- **Junior Stage Band**: Tuesday 19 April 9am-4pm

Mt Gambier promises to be a very exciting time both playing and hearing a variety of different bands from across the country. A reminder that students will be departing at 7am on **Friday 6 May** and returning around **Midnight on Sunday 8 May**. Forms and payment should be returned to the office by Thursday 28 April.

**Band Success**

Congratulations to Tim Cox, Ollie Iacono and Hayden Jeffery who played at a Battle of the Bands at the Esplanade Hotel in St Kilda last Saturday. They played a number of original songs and despite the much older members of other bands finished up the night with a win. Well Done!!

The **Junior Stage Band** performed at Blackburn Primary School Family Fun Day last Saturday. Even though the wind played havoc with music, it was good to hear the band play with confidence. Thanks to Mr Beasy for organizing the gig.

**SECURITY OF INSTRUMENTS - INSURANCE**

DEECD **does not** provide insurance cover to hired or personally-owned instruments when on the school premises, and whilst every effort is made by the school to ensure their security, instruments remain the responsibility of the student/parent.

The music instrument store is accessible by a buzzer security door only. In this manner students may drop-off or pick-up their instruments before or after school or at recess time. During class times, the store is generally off-limits. Students are recommended **not** to store instruments in their lockers.

**It is strongly suggested that families maintain insurance cover for any instrument in their child's possession. Please check thoroughly the extent of coverage, if it is placed under a household policy.** The Music Secretary has a list of suggested insurers.

Particular care should be exercised as to the treatment of more delicate instruments (esp. stringed instruments).
Having Studied the work of Vince Van Gogh the Year 10 art class has painted their Van Gogh inspired Sunflowers.
Year 10 art teacher Ms Marina Crescia class
Sports Update

Intermediate Summer RR 2
Baseball & Tennis

In the highest standard of school Baseball I have ever seen our Intermediate Boys team finished with 2 wins and 1 loss. The boys first game was against Koonung. We always knew this was going to be a tough game so we went at them with our best line up. Hugo was outstanding on the mound striking out 3 hitters and only giving up 3 hits for the game. Our best hitters for the game were James Z- 2 hits, Hugo- 2 hits, Curtis- 1 hit and Andy- 1 hit. Andy was outstanding in centre field and rolled a double play and Matt caught extremely well. Mark and Ned made some great plays in the field. Unfortunately in a nail biting second game against Doncaster East the boys went down 4-2. Sam was fantastic on the mound only giving up 3 hits and striking out 5 batters. Curtis was solid once again at first base and Jack kept the batters to minimal bases chasing the ball down well in centre field.

Our final game was against Box Hill High, and the boys were still a chance to make District. We needed to ensure we won the game and kept Box Hill to minimal runs. The boys looked tired at the start of the game but came back firing with the bats in the final innings with Cahill bringing in the winning run. However, we only just pulled through in our final game with a 4-3 win.

Hats off to the boys on a great day of Baseball.

Miss Davidson

On Tuesday the 22nd of March, 6 boys represented Blackburn High School at the Intermediate Boys Tennis Round Robin. They competed against students from Koonung and East Doncaster in both doubles and singles matches. The boys represented the school with pride, demonstrating great sportsmanship and character. A couple of the boys made the most of the occasion by equipping themselves with numerous sweat bands, sunglasses and even shin guards. Daniel Carr from year 10 was our only student to win a match, however, in saying this there were a lot of hard fought, nail biting matches where we couldn’t quite get over the line. Needless to say the boys played well and had a lot of fun doing so. At the end of the day it was Box Hill Senior Secondary that defeated East Doncaster in the final to progress on to the zone level.

Mr. Anderson
Sporting Calendar

Term 2

Tuesday May 10th—Senior Winter Round Robin 1
Boys Football, Girls Netball, Badminton, Hockey

Wednesday May 18th—Intermediate Winter Round Robin 1
Badminton, Boys Netball

Wednesday May 18th—Junior Girls Football (Years 7-9)

Thursday May 19th—Senior Winter Round Robin 2
Girls Football (Years 10-12), Boys Netball, Table Tennis

Wednesday May 25th—Division Athletics

Thursday June 2nd—Division Cross Country

Thursday June 16th—Intermediate Winter Round Robin 2
Boys Football, Girls Netball, Soccer

Friday June 24th—Senior Winter Round Robin 3
Soccer, Basketball

Wednesday June 29th—Year 8 Winter Round Robin
Netball, Badminton, Soccer, Football

Friday July 1st—Year 7 Winter Round Robin
Netball, Badminton, Soccer, Football

*** A reminder that the sign up sheets for Intermediate and Senior Round Robins go up early and if we do not get enough numbers on a sign up sheet for a given sport, we will not enter a team in that sport. Also, a reminder that seniors do not play any sporting round robins after Term 2. Intermediates and Seniors can enter more than one sport in Term 2, as long as they are on separate days ***

Any Questions, please see Mrs. Roche
YEAR 7 Humanities
Archaeological Dig at Blackburn High School

There's nothing like playing in the sand! Just ask the Year 7 students who went hunting for artefacts at our unique excavation site (old long jump pits). Seriously though, groups had their own allotted plots where they had to carefully excavate a variety of items for analysis. Some very old rusted artefacts simply had students baffled; others were cause for amusement when thinking about how people did things 'back then'; others again made one wonder at the level of technology used in days gone by. The hands on approach certainly brought the concepts associated with the introduction to history skills alive and real for the amateur archaeologists.

Move over Indiana Jones!

Jocelyn Purcell
Humanities

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dates for Your Diary 2011 – Term 2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Shakespeare on Trial</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BHP Billiton Maths Competition</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Open Night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chaplaincy Book Fair</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Division Athletics Carnival – Nunawading</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Division Cross Country – Ruffey Lake Park</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Europe Tour</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eastern Region Cross Country</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sem 1 Reports Posted Home</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Term Dates 2011 – 2012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Term 1</th>
<th>Term 2</th>
<th>Term 3</th>
<th>Term 4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

Blackburn High School
60 Springfield Road
Blackburn 3130
Postal Address: P.O. Box 114
Blackburn 3130

Phone: (+613) 9878 4477
Facsimile: (+613) 9894 2435
Absences: absences.bhs@blackburnhs.vic.edu.au
E-mail: blackburn.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au
Web: http://www.blackburnhs.vic.edu.au

Music Department:
Telephone: (+613) 9894 4572
Facsimile: (+613) 9894 2751