Congratulations to Ellen Turner who has been part of the squad which went to Adelaide this week for the National Under 19 School Girls Football (Soccer) Championships. The team left last Saturday and played Western Australia, winning 2-0 on Sunday, lost 2-1 to South Australia on Monday, and lost 1-0 to ACT on Tuesday. On Wednesday, Victoria had a fantastic game against the Northern Territory in which Ellen scored 2 of the final 9 goals for Victoria to defeat Northern Territory. They play Queensland and New South Wales on Thursday. Well done Ellen and we look forward to hearing all about the teams’ efforts next week when Ellen returns to school.
PRINCIPAL’S PERSPECTIVE

School Assembly

Thursday saw our last assembly in Beaumont Hall and it certainly went out with a bang! It was great to see parents there also reliving the memories and enjoying the celebration. We welcomed back past student Jenny Donnet who represented Australia at four Olympic Games. We reminisced through Jenny’s experiences and gained a sense of the school as she saw it in the 70’s. It was great to hear the wide range of experiences that she gained that have developed her wide range of talents and we thank her for taking the time to celebrate with us. It was great to see Tom Lawrence back for the final celebration. The memories from the hall have been gathered and we will endeavour to create a display in the new buildings to commemorate our history.

As I reflect on this assembly it once again reminds me of our best asset at our school, our students! The respect and enthusiasm in which they both delivered, listened and warmly applauded throughout the assembly speaks volumes for the values of our students. Congratulations to all of the students and staff involved in the organisation of this assembly, it was one to remember.

Years 7-10 Student Progress Conferences- Wednesday 14th September. You will receive details of the online booking process closer to the evening.

Bands Festival

This is currently occurring at Monash University with many students and their supportive parents attending together with our Music staff. We have had much success, with the adjudicators marvelling at our level of talent. Well done to all of the students and staff involved.

Sandra Woodman

Principal
Music and BER

The Music Dept is using BER Centre until the end of the year when it will become our Centre for Global Learning. There have been some issues relating to getting all the equipment and groups organised. Thank you to all the staff and students who have helped with the move and putting up with the inconvenience. A special thank you to David Howes and Steve Hardie for their time and organisation. The builder has started work on the current Instrumental rooms in readiness for the beginning of next year. Work will start on the extension to the Music facilities when the Hall has been demolished. No works are planned for 601 (large rehearsal space) but as a school we are hoping to do some minor refurbishments (painting and shelving).

The PE Dept has moved temporarily into 601 and the two site sheds will act as changing rooms until the new Gym is complete. Demolition of the Hall will commence on the 22nd of August. We had a very successful final assembly on Thursday and student party held at lunchtime today. Construction of the Gym is progressing well with the steel work well advanced (90%). Roofing commencing next week.

Year 7/Admin building

Is still on track to be available at the end of this term with fixtures installed and painting complete. The electricians are fitting off the lights and data cables. There is the possibility there may be some disruptions to phone and communication systems when we move into these buildings. We are aiming to move over the September holidays and have booked the semi government bodies for this period (Telstra) but as we all know there are no guarantees.

I have attached some photos of the final indoor soccer game held in the Hall.

Tim Dalton, Assistant Principal
Our Senior Girls Hockey team finished runners up at the regional Hockey finals last week. The girls defeated Vermont 2-1 in a close game which was dominated by Blackburn’s attacking play. The girls got better and better as the day went on and they defeated the John Monash School 6-0. There was great play by Ing Lim and Lydia Wilson in defence and Mielikki Spratt was again ‘impassable’.

Our comprehensive 10-1 demolition of Fairhills proved a fruitful day for forwards Emma Morrow and Ellen Turner and Bec Lamberg scored a sensational ‘hat trick’ (3 goals).

In the end it came down to our game against Doncaster who boasted two state reps and two other players from local clubs. Despite the valiant efforts of Evelyn Wilson and Goalie Saranda Paqarada we went down 2-0 to a polished team. Special mention to Hepi Tuiono of Year 10 who filled in and played brilliantly all day. Also, our wonderful captain Louise Erasmus who dominated every game and scored a number of sensational goals.

Well done girls on this great achievement of second place.

Mark Pasquali – Proud Coach

Our Inter Boys Soccer team recently participated in the regional finals at Hislop Reserve. Having won a thrilling Division competition last term, the boys were quietly confident that their level of play would stand them in good stead against the might of the region.

The games were played in atrocious conditions with the mud slowing down our normal free flowing game. In game 1 we were up against a strong Vermont outfit. The final score of 2-0 to our opponents was a fair result as Vermont used their strong defence and mid field to thwart any Blackburn attacks.

The team came back strongly in game 2 against Lilydale SC. Led by our dynamic mid field duo of Jack Branagan and Dan Carr the boys forged ahead and finished with a convincing 4-1 victory. James Canik, Tom Haylock and Alex Royle were great in defence. It was also good to see super sub Sagan Pillay come on late and make some good contributions.

The third game saw us up against Maroondah, a quick and stylish team. Stefan Boskovic put us on the board with an early goal and was yellow carded by his own coach for an outrageous celebration. Despite our opponents equalising twice it was Blackburn that pulled away with the final scoreline of 5-3 with Oliver Rocha starring in defence and Remi Highton, Ashkan Roshdi and Matt Hegedus doing the job up front. It was also good to see Chammath Dissanayake and David Woods make some excellent contributions. Our amazing goalie for the entire tournament was Andy Harrison who covered himself in glory. Well done to all the players on finishing equal third at regional level. A great achievement.

Mark Pasquali – Proud Coach
STUDENT FORUM HELD

Last week a student forum was held to talk about next year’s organisational model. The forum was well attended by students and staff members as well Ms Woodman and the Assistant Principals were in attendance.

Students were able to put forward any concerns or questions they had regarding the new model. Many students stayed and chatted to the Principal after the forum.

Thanks to the SRC who organised the forum and to all the students who took the time to attend. It is planned to hold more forums in the coming weeks in year level groups.

LONG TAN AWARDS

Nominations are currently being called for the Long Tan Student Leadership Awards. The Awards can be given to one student in each of Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12. The awards are made available by the Australian Defence Forces.

The awards have a cash prize associated with them Year 10 ($100), Year 11 ($250) and Year 12 ($500).

The criteria for the awards can either be leadership, teamwork, values, problem solving, resourcefulness, communication, cooperation or community involvement.

To apply for the awards you must fill out a copy of the application form from the General Office and return it by Thursday August 25th.

40 HOUR FAMINE

Today at lunchtime students were able to sign up to partake in the 40 Hour Famine. We will be doing the 40 Hour Famine next weekend August 26-27. If you wish to raise money for this worthwhile cause you can still get books from the General Office.

HOUSE NAMING COMPETITION

Thankyou to all the students who entered the House Naming Competition. We received 35 entries altogether.

The judging panel has had their first meeting and soon will announce the names that will be considered for a student and staff vote.

Stay tuned!!!!

PINJARRA MAGAZINE GROUP

Congratulations to the students who have been working as a committee on this year’s school magazine Pinjarra under the guidance of Ms Denise Strahan. Any other students who wish to attend the group please see Mr Pasquali or Ms Strahan.
Upcoming Events

Aug 10-23       Melbourne Schools Bands Festival
Sat 27 Aug      South Street String Events
31 Aug - 5 Sept Music Camp / South Street
10 Sept        Sym Orch performing with the Heidelberg Choral Society
Thr 27 Oct     Senior Ensembles Concert 7.30 Besen Centre
Thr 24 Nov     Junior/Intermediate Ensembles Concert 7.30 Yarra Valley

A very busy period is fast approaching with the MSBF held at Robert Blackwood Hall, Monash University. For ensembles that are scheduled to be there at 8.40am, we will be leaving school at 7.30am and in order to get through the traffic it is important that we have everyone there at that time. Permission forms have been posted home and at the time of writing, 100 forms are still to come back to the music office. Please ensure that we receive these by Monday 15 August.

Performance times for the following ensembles are as follows:

Aug 20    Intermediate Stage Band  3.05 – 5.30pm
Aug 21    Senior Stage Band        7.05 – 9.50pm
Aug 22    Junior Stage Band        3.45 – 5.50pm
Aug 26    Concert Band             7.15 - 10.00pm

Students performing in the evening or weekends will need to make their own way to and from Robert Blackwood Hall, Monash University.

Ensembles that have performed so far across all levels have received some very positive remarks from all adjudicators. A larger report of results will be in the newsletter at the end of the festival.

Music Camp and South Street August 31 – September 5

The music camp will soon be upon us as well will be the movement of students up and down the highway. Forms and payment were due back last Wednesday and the last remaining are due back so that we can organise the next part of the administration. For those family and friends who may be interested in coming, the performances of our ensembles are listed below.

Wed 31 August           Est Performance Time
Junior Percussion Ens   6.45pm
Senior Percussion Ens   9.20pm
Thursday 1 September
Junior Band             5pm
Friday 2 September
Junior Stage Band       11.20am
Intermediate Stage Band 3.30pm
Senior Stage Band       9pm
Saturday 3 September
Concert Band            12.50pm
Symphonic Band          9.30pm
Sunday 4 September
Chamber Choir            11.30am
Monday 5 September
Jazz Choir 11.30am
Concert Choir 2.15pm

It is timely that students and families are reminded of concert dress requirements which is included below.

The Music Performance Uniform is worn for all concert performances. Due to our profile as a music school, we regard our onstage presentation as a very important aspect of our stagecraft.

The music performance uniform is divided into two codes within the major ensembles. Performance ensembles are divided thus:

A) Junior – Intermediate Dress
Concert Band, Junior Band, Novice Band, Junior String Orchestra, Quattro Strings, Junior Stage Band, Intermediate Stage Band, Concert Choir.

Male
- Black cotton shirt; black trousers; black shoes; socks.
- Boys’ shirt to be worn tucked in.

Female
- Black cotton shirt: preferred ‘fitted’ w/ ¾ sleeves; black pants or skirt; black shoes; socks.
- Girls’ shirt may be worn (tail) ‘out’.

B) Senior Dress
Symphonic Band, Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Choir, Senior Stage Band, Senior String Orchestra.

Male
- Black Suit (or dinner suit), white shirt, black bow tie, black shoes, socks.
- Hair: Any long hair to be tied back with all-black hair accessories.

Female
The senior girls’ outfit is an ‘own choice’ selection and they may choose their own black evening dress/pants, as long as they conform to the following strict guidelines:

Evening Dress
- Dress Style: formal, modest, below knee when seated. Opaque black material. (No t-shirt material)
- Neckline: no cleavage. Black undergarments to be worn.
- Arms: may be sleeved or sleeveless, but must have at least three-finger’s width straps across shoulder.
- Hosiery: black.
- Shoes: may be open or closed black evening shoes. Heels must be practical for onstage / backstage steps, wet or outdoor conditions etc.
- Hair: All longer hair to be tied back with all-black hair accessories.
- Jewellery: Modest use of jewellery is permitted.
THE TIM DAVIES BIG BAND
in concert

Make sure you do not miss this opportunity to hear the Jazz Chief Adjudicator from the 2011 Festival take the stage.

Special guests Blackburn High School Stage Band & Xavier College Stage Band.

Tuesday August 23rd @ 7.30pm
BMW Edge, Federation Square
Adult $20 / Concession $10
Tickets are available at the door or book online http://www.trybooking.com/13212
CAREERS CORNER

1. **Reminders**
   - Work Experience Year 10s - only 4 weeks to go!!
   - Last weeks to get your place organised.
     See Mr McGann in the Pathways Office if you have no place yet.

2. **Year 10 & 11 STUDENTS - Doing a VET subject next year????**
   Students who have gone on the website and submitted their subject preferences and included a VET subject for next year must make sure they have seen Mr McGann to find out the proper online enrolment procedure. Remember, **VET subjects** are a 2-part enrolment process because the subject is at another school or TAFE so you also need to enrol through the VET Cluster.

3. **UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS –**
   - **VERY HIGH-ACHIEVING STUDENTS** – The University is introducing the Chancellor’s Scholars’ Program for applicants for the B Arts, B. Biomedicine, B. Commerce, B. Environments, B. Music and B. Science. **Some benefits:** Domestic students will receive a HECS exempt Commonwealth Supported Place, an annual allowance of $5,000, and access to a Global Scholars Award and will also be guaranteed a CSP in most professional entry masters (coursework) degrees of their choice (eg Doctor of Medicine, Juris Doctor, Doctor of Dental Surgery). **Criteria:** achieve an ATAR of 99.90 or above; **Info:** [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/contact](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/contact)
   - **GUARANTEED PATHWAYS TO GRADUATE DEGREES** – New requirements for guaranteed pathways are being introduced. **See:** [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au)
   - **WIN ONE OF FIVE I-PODS** – Do you think you can design a re-locatable, recyclable classroom for the future? Re-locatable classrooms accommodate up to 30% of Australian students. These buildings are not designed to be environmentally sustainable and do not cater for 21st century learning. The university’s B. Environments program is offering Year 10-12 students the chance to engage in some thinking and design. **See:** [www.msdincubator.com/fps](http://www.msdincubator.com/fps) for details.

YEAR 12 NEWS

**SCHOLARSHIP for 2012 in Sports Therapy at AUST COLLEGE of SPORTS THERAPY**
Interested in the 2 ½ year Advanced Diploma in Sports Therapy at ACST next year?? You can get FEE-HELP but you just may well be able to get a scholarship to help along the way!! This can then lead on to a Bachelor Degree in Exercise Science at ACU (Aust Catholic University) and you get 80 points credit towards it for having done the Advanced Diploma. See Mr McGann for full details.

VTAC – The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) manages applications for courses taught by universities, TAFE’s and independent providers. The 2012 VTAC Guide is now available. If you wish to apply for courses for 2012 you will need to use the Guide. You can borrow a Reference Copy from the Pathways Office or buy your own copy from newsagents for $15. It gives details of courses available, prerequisites, last year’s ATAR (to use as an indication of what might be required) and how to apply. Applications are on-line at [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au) and it is possible to apply for up to 12 courses. Application costs $25 if you pay by credit card at the time of application or $35 if you ask for an invoice to be sent.

**SPECIAL ENTRY ACCESS SCHEME (SEAS)** – Booklets describing this scheme are now available at school. SEAS is the umbrella program run by most institutions for applicants who have experienced educational disadvantage. The program plays a very specific function in selection. It allows selection officers to grant extra consideration for course entry to applicants, but it is not used as a replacement for course entry requirements. There are six categories within SEAS. Not all institutions recognise all categories.
- Category 1 – Personal information and location
- Category 2 – Non-English speaking background
- Category 3 – Difficult circumstances
- Category 4 – Disadvantaged financial background
- Category 5 – Disability or medical condition
- Category 6 – SNAP (RMIT) and SALT (La Trobe Uni)
If you believe you may be eligible under one of these categories, collect a booklet about SEAS.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE VTAC GUIDE** – Despite the best efforts, some amendments occur:
- **RMIT** has advised that from Semester 1 2012, minimum VCE English study score prerequisites will apply to school leavers for RMIT bachelor degree and associate degree programs. For bachelor degrees VCE (Units 3 & 4) a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English; for Associate degrees it is 25 (ESL) and 20 (other English). Some courses may have higher requirements.
- **FINE ART AT RMIT** – RMIT has restructured the Fine Art course, which is now offered as four separate streams and allocated new course codes: **Expanded Studio Practice 33411 (CSP), 33413 (IFP); Print Imaging Practice 33481 (CSP);**
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS – Monash Uni now allows international fee paying students to apply for the following courses: 30733 Arts and Social Sciences/Education (Primary); 29383 Business/Sport and Outdoor Recreation; 26273 Education (P-10); 27473 Journalism/Business; 29363 Journalism/Commerce (more info: www.vtac.edu.au/courses/codes-fees.html).

4. PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE AT MONASH UNIVERSITY – This degree is offered at Parkville campus. Pharmaceutical science is the science of medicines. The course covers a chemical and biological science base used in researching and developing reliable, accessible and effective medicinal products for patients. The course has three unique specialty areas: formulation science, medicinal chemistry, and new for 2012, drug discovery biology. This new area is suited to students with a passion for biology and chemistry, and especially those wanting to work in the drug discovery field. The biotechnology aspects of drug design and evaluation will be explored. Students will learn how to discover and evaluate new drugable targets and will study the biological effects of potential new drug therapies. Info: www.pharm.monash.edu.au/courses or go on one of the fortnightly tours (call 9903 9635). Some related courses to consider are: pharmacy at Monash, pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences at RMIT, pharmacy at La Trobe (Bendigo).

5. SO YOU WANT TO STUDY PSYCHOLOGY AT UNIVERSITY? Many students who study psychology at university are unaware of what becoming a psychologist actually involves. Step-by-step progress-ion towards becoming a psychologist means proceeding from an undergraduate degree to fourth year (honours) and post graduate study. Places are limited, so only the best candidates will be selected to complete post graduate qualifications. Graduates who do not wish to follow this path are advised to consider career pathways such as counselling, human resources, marketing, child welfare, community work and education. Many universities offer courses in psychology. You are advised to read about different courses, complete Open Day visits, and talk to those with psychology qualifications when deciding where to study. Check out the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) website as well at: www.apac.psychology.org.au. All recognised courses are listed.

6. APPRENTICESHIPS - AUDI, JAGUAR, VW, VOLVO, MAZDA, LAND ROVER, SUBURU ??? Students interested in picking up a prestige motor mechanic apprenticeship with any of the above car makers please see Mr McGann in the Pathways Office by the end of next week.

**UNI & TAFE OPEN DAYS – 2011
***Asterisks & Capitals mean it’s on this weekend

| AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE of SPORTS THERAPY          | Sunday 11th September - 12.00noon-3.00pm | Wednesday 14th September - 4.00pm-7.00pm |
| Box Hill Institute                             | Sunday 28 August, 10.00 - 3.00pm        |
| ***DEAKIN UNIVERSITY***                       | Warmambool Campus: Sunday 21 August, 10am - 2pm |
|                                                 | Melbourne Campus Burwood: Sunday 28 August 10am - 4pm |
| ***HOLMESGLEN***                              | Chadstone, Moorabbin and Waverley campus: Saturday 20 August 10am - 3pm |
| ***SWINBURNE INSTITUTE of TECHNOLOGY***       | 21 August (10.00am - 4.00pm) at Hawthorn, Lilydale and Prahran campuses. |
| University of Ballarat                         | Sunday 28 August                        |
| ***UNIVERSITY of MELBOURNE***                 | Parkville: Sunday 21 August             |

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Year 12 Students and Parents - Tertiary Course Information Session

We will be holding a Tertiary Course Information Session for Year 12 students and their parents on Thursday 25th August from 7.00-8.00pm in the Library. This session will outline the process for putting in course selections with VTAC and how this can be changed at the end of the year when results come out. We will also outline the process for SEAS applications and it will provide parents and year 12 students with an opportunity to ask questions about these processes. The session will be run by our Pathways and Transitions Coordinator, Mr Terry McGann and our Senior School Coordinator, Mr Martin Baxter.
Thursday 25th Aug

**Burritos—$5**

Beef or bean burrito—baked flour tortilla packed with beef, and/or beans, salsa and melted cheese., Dressed with lettuce, salsa, sour cream. Served with rice.

**Chile Con Carne (mild)—$4**

Slow cooked dish containing beef, tomato, kidney beans, and onion blended into a mixture of Ancho chilli powder, spices, a hint of coriander and vinegar. Served with rice.

**Enchiladas—$5**

Beef - baked corn tortilla filled with beef, enchilada sauce, and Egmont cheese. Served with frijoles topped with salsa and grated Cheddar cheese.

Vegetarian - baked corn tortilla filled with tomato, broccoli, mushrooms and Egmont cheese. Served with frijoles topped with salsa and grated Cheddar cheese.
The following activities will be run by the Maths department in room 203 during lunchtime for Numeracy Week (Monday 29th August to Friday 2nd September)

**Monday 29th August - Paper Tower Construction.**
The objective of this activity is to design and build the tallest free standing tower using only one sheet of A3 paper, 1 metre of scotch tape and a pair of scissors. The tower may **NOT** be taped to the floor. The scotch tape is only to be used to fasten pieces of paper together and may not be used to provide extra height to your tower. Each team will have 30 minutes to build their tower. You may pre-plan your tower. Your tower must be freestanding for at least 5 seconds. You must work in a team of two. You may only produce one tower per team.

**Tuesday 30th August - Gamers Bloxorz Play-off.**
There are 33 stages to complete. There is no reason why you can’t practise beforehand. Who will get through the most levels in 30mins?

http://www.bloxorzgame.com/

**Wednesday 31st August - Sudoku Face-off**
Students can battle for the title of Supreme Sudoku Master; different skill levels will be made available!

**Thursday 1st September - Icosahedron Construction**
Marvel at your skill in constructing a regular polyhedron with 20 identical equilateral triangular faces, 30 edges and 12 vertices.

**Friday 2nd September - BHS Number Target Competition**
Six numbers will be placed on the board; three two digit numbers and three single digit numbers. A target number will also be placed on the board. You can use basic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and the use of brackets to try to achieve the target number. A prize will be provided to the person who either gets the target number first OR gets closest to the target number after three minutes have elapsed.

If you want to practice, check out the “Numbers and Letters Show”, each weekday at 6:00pm on SBS1!
Maths "Catch Up" Sessions

The Maths Department is running “catch-up” sessions every lunchtime in room 203 from 12:45 to 1:15pm. Students who have fallen behind in either their class work or their homework may be referred to these sessions by their Maths teacher. The session is seen as a way of assisting students to complete work essential to their understanding. Other students are welcome to attend.

YEAR 9 CITY EXPERIENCE

This program will run between Monday 24th and Friday 28th October. More information will be posted early October.

On Tuesday 6th September members of the Police Force will be speaking the Year 9 students about travelling safely to and from the City. They will also provide helpful suggestions to assist the students during their week in the City.

Thank-you to those parents who have returned the permission forms. If you have not returned the permission form, would you please return the form soon. If the form has been misplaced there are extra copies available at the office. We are busy preparing for the program and your assistance is appreciated. Geoff Vezey.

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