MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students, Parents and Staff

YEAR 7 AT KIOSC
Our Year Sevens spent a day exploring the facilities at curriculum and the school’s second campus at KIOSC, based on the grounds of Swinburne, Wantirna.

Students follow a science-based program linked to the school’s curriculum and this is then added to when they resume at school.

Students will spend a second day at KIOSC in Semester 2 to further experience the facilities at this wonderful asset.

THE AUTUMN CONCERT
The Music Department, under the leadership of Peter Croucher and Erica Sykes, put together an outstanding program for family and friends when the Autumn Concert was held last Tuesday.

The program featured our singers, individually and, in a choir as well as a range of musicians playing a variety of instruments.

The development of our talent does great credit to our music teachers, Erica Sykes, Nicole McAlister and Ruth Swift who guided the performances with great pride.

Thank you to all our teachers and to all those family members who supported the evening.

YEAR 11 EXAMINATIONS
The Year 11s begin their Mid-year exams on Thursday June 6, 2013. These will run until Friday June 14 2013.

All exams will be held in the Performing Arts Centre and students have been provided with their timetables.

THE GAT
The General Assessment Test will be held on June 12 2013 for ALL Year 12s and those Year 11 students completing Year 12 subjects. The GAT will also apply to those VCAL students doing a scored VET subject.

The GAT will take place in the Performing Arts Centre.

QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY
A reminder to all families that Monday June 10 2013 is the Queen’s Birthday public holiday. We hope that you are able to enjoy the long weekend.

FUNDRAISER FOR WORLD VISION
The Business Management class held a Free Dress Day on Tuesday May 28 to raise funds for the World Vision program.

Thank you to all students who supported this worthy cause and, to all students and staff who assisted in the collection of the monies.

Russell Poulier
Associate Principal
Host families for Japanese students required
Hot on the heels of the successful visit by Minami Sanriku students, is the visit from KSKK. This is an annual event that brings Japanese culture and language to the school.
We are seeking host families from Friday 26th July – Friday 9th August 2013. If you are interested in hosting, please obtain a hosting form from your Japanese teacher and return to Ms Winstone, the Languages Co-ordinator, as soon as possible.

Zoos Victoria July School Holiday Programs 2013
Healesville Sanctuary: Vet for a Day
Grades 9-12
3, 4, 10, 11 July
Interested in becoming a vet?
Our Australian Wildlife Health Centre receives over 1,500 injured and orphaned wild animals each year. Come and work alongside our vets in a unique program on real life cases involving Healesville Sanctuary’s animal collection, including endangered species, as well as injured wildlife brought to the hospital.

Healesville Sanctuary: Keeper for a Day
Grades 7-12
2, 3, 9, 10 July
Do you want to help save endangered animals?
Come and work as a keeper at Healesville Sanctuary next school holidays and get up close to some of our most precious and endangered Australian animals. Be the first to go behind the scenes and meet our amazing keepers looking after threatened species including Tasmanian Devils and Mountain Pygmy Possums.

Werribee Open Range Zoo: Keeper for a Day
Grades 7-12
2, 4, 8, 10 July
Are you interested in working with animals?
If you are keen to find out what it takes to work in a zoo, caring for the amazing array of different animals, then come out to Werribee Open Range Zoo next school holidays. Come and discover what a keeper’s day really involves! Keeper for a Day allows participants to work in the Zoo for the day, helping out our keepers and learning about one of the most rewarding jobs at a zoo!
Bookings: 92859406
MONASH UNIVERSITY – is once again running a tailored program for Year 10 students entitled “Year 10 Independence Day”. The day will run on Thursday July 4 at Clayton Campus from 11 am – 3 pm and has been designed to give Year 10 students relevant and pertinent information. Here is a chance to explore Monash University’s prerequisites to the Year 10 Guide to University Entry 2016. There will also be a chance to learn about the different ways to choose a university course and pathways, talk to representatives from faculties and take part in a wide range of workshops.
Students can register at the link below: www.monash.edu/year10-day

Work as a Polling Official  The AEC is looking for people from your community to work at the next federal election. Full training is provided and you can even do it at home in your own time. To register, visit www.aec.gov.au or call on 13 23 26.

SAVE THE DATE
The annual Chaplaincy trivia night, to raise funds to support Stewart MacCartney in his work at Fairhills High School, will be held on Friday August 30th. Please put the date in your diary and plan to be there with a table full of friends for a great night of fun.
If anyone can help with donations towards our raffle or silent auctions for the night, then please take these gifts to the school office. Maybe you have been given a gift that is not to your taste, please consider re-gifting it for the raffle. These donations must be new please.
The Chaplaincy Committee is always interested in hearing from anyone in the school community who would like to help us in our fundraising efforts, either by joining the committee or by becoming a donor. Please don’t hesitate to contact me on 9762 2632.
I am looking forward to seeing many of you on August 30th.
Chris Seymour
CAREERS INFORMATION
Careers information can be found on the school Website. Please go onto the school website and click on the link. www.fairhills.vic.edu.au

STUDENT ABSENCES – ABSENCE HOTLINE 9758 5022 – Press 1
Parents are requested to ring the school on the schools Absence Hotline if your child will be absent or late due to illness or for any other reason. Please leave a message outlining the reason for the absence and if known, the length of time your child will be away.

University of Melbourne – Melbourne Law School
Wednesday, July 3 – 9.30 am to 3.30 pm. www.law.unimelb.edu.au/jd
EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS – 2013 Events on now futurestudents.unimelb.edu./events2013

Monash University – I.T. CHALLENGE COMPETITION
Enter this multi-category competition directed at students studying in Years 7 to 12. IT Challenge awards night to be hosted at the Computer Games Boot Camp 2013. The IT Challenge categories cover the following areas: Programming; Database; Game Development; Web Design; Film; 3D Maya/Max; Flash; Digital Imaging; Machinima; Open I.T. Category; Applications. ENTRIES CLOSE 17 JUNE 2013. For more information, visit it.monash.edu/cgbc.
CGBC – Saturday 6 to Friday 12 July 2013. It.monash.edu/cgbc

Lost and Found School Uniforms
Would parents please check that all items of their student’s school uniform have been labelled with their student’s name. It has been brought to our attention that a number of uniform items have gone missing during PE sessions. Could parents please check that your student has not mistakenly brought home another student’s item of uniform. We also have a large number of items that need to be collected. Any lost items of uniform can be collected from the Sickbay.

YOUNG ADULT WRITERS’ GROUP - For High School students from Years 7 to 12. Every second Monday at Belgrave Library from 5.15 to 6.00 pm. We discuss literature and writing, share our own work and support each other, enter competitions and often have guest speakers come along. Contact Damien on 0423 076 100

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