

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

College Tours

Over the last week I have commenced conducted tours for parents of prospective students to the College in 2015. All of the people on the tours commented on the calm and orderly environment in the College and the excellent manner in which the students are conducting themselves when in class. It is also pleasing to see the students' efforts in presenting themselves neatly and in correct uniform as I move around the school.

Regional Athletics

Last week Heathmont College participated in the Regional Athletics Day held at Proclamation Park Ringwood. We competed against Norwood Secondary College, Ringwood Secondary College and Melba College. Heathmont students performed very well, coming third overall in the school rankings but first for the Per Capita award – recognising the College was the leader in winners when calculated by the number of students. I was at the venue handing out ribbons to placegetters in various events and enjoyed being able to congratulate the students as they received these tokens of recognition for their achievements. Well done to all those involved!

<u>Pathways</u>

The Senior School and Pathways team held a fantastic evening for the Year 12 students and their families last week, with a VTAC and SEAS workshop held in the Study Hall. Mrs Ling and Mrs Lopez ran an informative 'hands on' workshop which involved students logging onto the VTAC website and selecting their preferences for tertiary courses for 2014.

Mrs Barton, Mrs Anketell and Mr Brasier were on hand to provide one on one support to students as they navigated the process. Thank you to all those staff members involved who gave up an evening to provide assistance to families. The commitment of staff at the College to the outcomes of the students is once more demonstrated when these events are held. Families are reminded that they need to have this application in by September 27 in order to pay a fee of \$27 – after that date the application cost will rise to \$91.

Work has commenced within the College on the subject selection for students for 2014. Students are reminded to return their course selection forms, in order for them to have the best chance of gaining their subject preferences. Any families who need advice on Pathways should ring Mrs Lopez at the College.

Johanna Walker

Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES

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SEPTEMBER 2013		
Fri 6	Sport: Year 8 Winter	
Tues 10	Asian Interculture Day	
Wed 11	Reports available to parents	
Thur 12	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews: 1:30pm-8:30pm (Changed from Sept 10)	
Fri 13	German Tour begins	
Sun 15	Central Australia Tour	
Thur 19	Music Soiree Night: 7:30pm	
Fri 20	Excursion: Year 8, Scienceworks, Spotswood Final Day of Term 3 - students dismissed at 3:01pm	

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On Wednesday August 21, all year 8 students participated in "Medieval Day". The students were broken up into groups and joined in many activities throughout the day; it was fantastic to see many students get into the spirit of the day by dressing in medieval clothing.

The morning sessions started off with 'Medieval Dance' where we learnt about specific moves and traditions and, although this took many students out of their comfort zone, all were enthusiastic. This was then followed by 'Weapons and Armour' which taught us all how to put on armour and all about the kinds of weaponry and their individual uses.

Other activities included:

- Tournament', which taught us the many ways battles were fought and which armoury was used and was most effective.
- 'Crime and Punishment' indicated the types of punishments that were handed out during the Middle Ages period.

I would like to thank all students for participating well throughout the day; it was fantastic to see everyone involved and having a good time.

Nicholas Barca - Year 8 Humanities Teacher







ATHLETICS



Eastern Metropolitan Region Athletics day was held on Friday the 30 August and we were blessed with a great day weather wise and a very enthusiastic group of students. Athletics is an exclusive collection of sporting events that involve competitive running, jumping, throwing and walking. Heathmont students competed extremely well with some fantastic results as shown below. The feeling and buzz around the track was magnificent. Heathmont's culture is built on conversation, enthusiasm, encouragement, sportsmanship and participation which was shown by all students. Our students came together to write themselves into the history books. This group performed and participated so well that they won the coveted per capita shield. These successful events help to give our students hope, encouragement and confidence in shaping their life to come.

Trent Pitts

Sport Coordinator

- 1st Katie Duncan 17 year old female 100m
- 1st Katie Duncan 17 year old female 200m
- 1st Katie Duncan 17 year old female Triple Jump
- 1st Taylah Perry 20 year old female 100m
- 1st Taylah Perry 20 year old female 200m
- 1st Taylah Perry 20 year old female Long Jump

 1^{st} Jake Meyer 17 year old male 110m Hurdles 2^{nd} Jake Meyer 17 year old male Triple Jump 2^{nd} Jake Meyer 17 year old male Discus

1st Mitchell Graham 13 year old male 1500m Walk

- 1st Renee Christiansen 20 year old female 1500m Walk
- 1st Renee Christiansen 20 year old female Javelin
- 1st Aiden Miller 13 year old male 3000m 2nd Aiden Miller 13 year old male 1500m
- 1st Natasha Khan 15 year old female 3000m
- 1st Daniel Patterson 20 year old male 3000m 2nd Daniel Patterson 20 year old male 1500m
- 1st Will Couch 13 year old male 90m Hurdles
- 1st Jared Babic 17 year old male High Jump 1st Jared Babic 17 year old male Long Jump
- 1st Nyalat Thiwat 13 year old female Triple Jump
- 1st Nyalat Thiwat 13 year old female Long Jump
- 2nd Nyalat Thiwat 13 year old female 800m
- ${\bf 1}^{\rm st}$ Alice Wickham 17 year old female Long Jump
- 1st Maya Kolevich 15 year old female Shot Put 2nd Maya Kolevich 15 year old female Discus
- 2nd Jarrod Cox 15 year old male 100m Hurdles
- 2nd Hayley Leek 16 year old female 100m Hurdles
- 2nd Laura Beecher 17 year old female 100m Hurdles
- 2nd Laura Beecher 17 year old female Javelin
- 2nd Laura Beecher 17 year old female 1500m Walk
- 2nd Benjamin Shield 16 year old male 1500m
- 2nd Georgia Henshall 14 year old female 1500m Walk

- 2nd Campbell Mayne 17 year old male 200m
- 2nd Heather McMillan 16 year old female 3000m
- 2nd Jackson Kolevich 20 year old male 400m
- 2nd Rachel Dao 16 year old female 800m
- 2nd Hayley Benedict 17 year old female 800m
- 2nd Micah Taylor 13 year old female 80m Hurdles
- 2nd Amanda Leek 14 year old female 90m Hurdles
- 2nd Scott Dawson 15 year male Discus
- 2nd Jye Tregear 16 year old male Discus
- 2nd Dylan Thierauf 20 year old male High Jump
- 2nd Dylan Thierauf 20 year old male Javelin
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- 2nd Matthew Neve 17 year old male Javelin 2nd Matthew Neve 17 year old male Shot Put
- 2nd Luke Zammit 13 year old male High Jump
- 2nd Madeline Willis 14 year old female 400m
- 2nd Aimee Morrow 13 year old female Shot Put
- 2nd Nathan Georgiadis 14 year old male Triple Jump
- Heathmont Relay Results

 2^{nd} 4 x 100m Relay 16 year old female 2^{nd} 4 x 100m Relay 17 year old male 2^{nd} 4 x 100m Relay 17 year old female 2^{nd} 4 x 100m Relay 20 year old male 2^{nd} 4 x 100m Relay 20 year old female

Team Scores 1st Ringwood 1,689 points 2nd Norwood 1,172 points 3rd Heathmont 1,075 points 4th Melba 782 points

Champions - 16 Year Old Male equal champion Jye Tregear 30 points from 5 events



LIBRARY NEWS

Mon to Fri: 8:30am - 3:30pm Lunchtime: 1:15 - 1:45

Our GRAPHIC NOVELS collection

Graphic novels are a popular reading format as they cover a wide range of reading abilities. Graphic novels are not limited to Manga but they cover a broad range from the Hardy Boys, James Patterson and Anthony Horowitz to the classic titles such as Frankenstein and 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea.

Come to the library and check out our collection.





INDONESIAN - YEAR 8 INDONESIAN LUNCH EXCURSION



On the 3rd of September, the Year 8 Indonesian students went for an Indonesian lunch at Papparich restaurant in Nunawading. Students had been learning about food prior to the lunch outing. At the restaurant, they had to use only Indonesian to order food, make payments and to describe the taste and smell of the food. It was a very rewarding and fun day. Students were very excited to use the language and also to taste the different Indonesian foods. The waiters and other patrons of the restaurant were very impressed with the students' enthusiasm in using the language.

Students' observations:

- 'I've never tried much Indonesian food but the Nasi Goreng was really delicious', Jenny M.
- 'I'm glad the teacher insisted that we only use Indonesian to order and make payments, as that really forced me to learn!', Zoe R.
- 'It was fun to use just Indonesian to communicate what we wanted. We should do this more often", Riley M.
- 'Before today, I have never really used Indonesian anywhere other than in class. It was awesome to actually use Indonesian in an authentic situation as in this lunch outing it was really fun', Rees K.

Prema Devathas,

Indonesian Program Manager.



As part of their study on "Forces", Year 7s have been amazed by how many drops of water they can fit onto a 5 cent coin. With great concentration and steadiness of hand, combined with the wondrous property of surface tension of water, some students succeeded in placing an impressive 100+ drops of water on their coin before it overflowed. Well done!

Year 7 Science



As part of their study on "The Digestive System", Year 8s bravely and excitedly performed their first animal dissection. With great precision and strength of stomach, students were able to identify all the major organs and extract the very lengthy digestive system of a rat. The students were amazed by how long this was; approximately 1.5 metres compared to 8 metres for an adult male human!

Year 8 Science





POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS

FREE One day and Two day Workshop and Information Sessions for PARENTS/CARERS of school age students on the autism spectrum

The Positive Partnerships initiatives have been developed and delivered by Partnerships between Education and the Autism Community (PEAC) and funded by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations through the Helping Children with Autism package.

What will PARENTS/CARERS LEARN?

- a greater understanding of the impact of autism both at school and at home
- knowledge about how to develop effective parent, school and teacher partnerships
- information about local school system's processes
- opportunities to network and share strategies with other parents/carers and key community members
- opportunities for discussion around a range of topics relevant to students with an ASD and their families

Some key community representatives that support families living with autism will be identified and invited to participate in the workshop with a view to supporting a community focus beyond the workshop.

To see if there is a Workshop location near our school visit the website <u>www.positivepartnerships.com.au</u>. If you are not able to attend a workshop the website has FREE resources, interactive modules and information about autism.

Positive Partnerships Workshop Information Line number: 1300 881 971





Year 12 Students -

• **Applying For Courses** - A reminder that you need to apply for courses through VTAC for 2014 by 27 September (<u>www.vtac.edu.au</u>). The cost of applying up to that date is \$27.00. If you apply after this date the charge rises to \$91.00. You can apply without paying at the time, but be aware that if you do not pay at all, you will not receive an offer of a place in January 2014. Remember that once you apply, you can change your application. The final time you can change your application is at noon on 23 December.

•Scholarships – Reminder: All current Year 12 students are advised to apply for Equity and Merit scholarships via VTAC. VTAC scholarship applications for domestic students close at 5pm on 18 October 2013. See: <u>www.vtac.edu.au/applying/process.html.</u> Also check individual institution websites for other scholarships. There are also **Student Start**-

Up and Relocation Scholarships available to students receiving income support; these are administered by Centrelink. **Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships** are administered by institutions and will be allocated to students who meet the Commonwealth eligibility as described on the Centrelink website and have had their indigenous status confirmed.

Offers – VTAC has announced that offer letters will no longer be mailed to applicants. When offers of
places are released on 17 January 2014, applicants will be able to view their offers in their VTAC user
account. Offers may also be published by newspapers with the applicant's permission. NOTE: Verbal
offers have no status; if you receive a verbal offer, ask for the name of the person making the offer and
contact VTAC.

JMC Academy – has workshops in the holidays to help you find out what a career in the creative industries can be like. JMC specialises in courses in 3D animation, audio engineering and sound, entertainment business management, film and TV production, games design and contemporary music performance. Where: JMC, 171 Bank St, South Melbourne; Cost: \$10 per day (with lunch); Bookings: www.jmcacademy.edu.au/News/2013-07-05/MELBOURNE-WORKSHOPS.cfm.

Audio-Visual Technology - Do you want to learn the broad skills of the audio-visual industry including **lighting, sound, TV production, design, installation and event management** while working on **real-life productions and events** around Melbourne? If so, you might be interested in the one-year Certificate IV or the two-year Diploma in Audio-Visual Technology at RMIT. Audio-visual technologies have a worldwide presence in home, shopping, government and corporate environ-ments, and their evolving applications are one way for companies to differentiate themselves from competitors. As AV technology is aligning with computer technology, **new job roles are being created to cater for a new market**. Industry professionals often look to employ RMIT graduates due to their professionalism and strong can-do attitude. **Info**: www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c4230.

Find a casual job in Melbourne! Go to <u>www.melbourneCBDjobs.com</u>, upload your resume and a photo, choose the type of work you would like to do and employers will be able to view your profile.

La Trobe Melbourne – La Trobe Melbourne is a pathway into a degree from La Trobe University. La Trobe Melbourne is part of the Navitas group, an internationally recognised education provider with the knowledge and resources of staff in more than 50 different college and campuses worldwide. The diploma programs are in Business, IT, Mass Media and Communication, Bioscience and Health Science. These diploma programs are equivalent to the first year of a University degree, but with smaller class sizes and increased academic contact. After you have completed the Diploma, you progress into second year of a range of Bachelor degrees at La Trobe University (see pages 230-231 of VTAC Guide).

NOTE: This is similar to the **Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology's (MIBT)** relationship with Deakin University. Monash College also has pathways to Monash University; Swinburne has UniLink. Another pathway to university is a TAFE Diploma. As a rule, two years at TAFE equals one year at university (in a related field).

PATHWAYS NEWS ... continued

Australian Catholic University (ACU) Bonus Schemes – ACU offers a number of bonus schemes to Year 12 applicants, including the Early Achievers Program (EAP) and the Elite Athlete Bonus (5 point bonus). Some of these schemes apply to applicants automatically, while others require an application form. For details see: www.acu.edu.au/accessacu. Applications for EAP close on 21 October; applications for the Elite Athlete Bonus scheme close on 1 November.

Upcoming Events

JMC Academy Information Session: The next session is being held at the Melbourne campus on Saturday 21 September. For more information, go to http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/

JMC Academy High School Workshops: Come along to one of JMC Academy's introductory workshops in the September school holidays and learn what a career in the creative industries would look like. Workshop dates are as follows:

- 27 September: Film
- 1 October: Entertainment Business, Animation, Music, Games Design
- 2 October: Audio Engineering
- For more information and to register, go to http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/

September Events

- Deakin at Your Doorstop Information Sessions, For the session closest to you, go to http://www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/study-options-and-pathways/pathways-to-deakin/deakin-at-your-doorstep
- 7: Open Day and Scholarship Assessment, Bedford College, <u>www.bedford.edu.au</u>
- 8: TVSA Pilot Training Careers Seminar, Bacchus Marsh Airfield, <u>www.tvsa.com.au</u>
- 11: Deakin Information Evening, Geelong Waterfront Campus, <u>http://www.deakin.edu.au/infoevening</u>
- **12: Pop-up Horticulture Seminar,** University of Melbourne, Burnley Campus, <u>www.land-environment.unimelb.edu.au/pop-up-horticulture</u>
- **15: Creative Careers Day:** Academy of Design Australia, Melbourne, Joanne Brodie, <u>marketing@designacademy.edu.au</u>
- **19: More Than One Career Law Panel**, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne campus, <u>http://www.acu.edu.au/about_acu/faculties, institutes_and_centres/law/news</u>
- 22 26: ConocoPhillips Science Experience, University of Ballarat (22 24) and Swinburne University, Hawthorn (24 – 26), <u>www.scienceexperience.com.au</u>
- Zoo Keeper for a Day, Healesville Sanctuary: 24 & 25 September and 1 & 2 October and Vet for a Day, Healesville Sanctuary: 25 & 26 September and 2 & 3 October, <u>http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/</u>
- Zoo Keeper for a Day, Werribee Open Range Zoo: 24, 26 & 30 September and 2 October, http://www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/
- 26 27: RMIT Nuclear Medicine Hospital Visits, http://www.rmit.edu.au/medicalsciences/nuclearmedicine

Linda Lopez

Pathways Coordinator



Notice Board

If you spend \$300 or more on school clothing you receive one free polo.



MYKI REMINDER

'From Monday 27 May 2013 the sale and top up of myki cards will commence on metropolitan buses. Bus drivers will sell and top up MYKI cards. A Full Fare myki costs \$6. A Concession, Child or Seniors myki costs \$3.

If a student purchases a myki on board the bus for immediate travel they must also top up with myki money at the same time. **The student will then need to touch on their myki for that trip.**

Students must purchase or top up their mykis with cash. The minimum top up is \$1 and the maximum top up is \$20. EFTPOS or credit cards are not accepted for top up on board buses.

Students with invalid mykis or negative balance

Any student who does not have a valid myki (e.g. their myki is defective or cannot be topped up), shall be requested by the driver to purchase and top up a myki on board and directed to a staffed railway station or the PTV Call Centre 1800 800 007 to resolve any issues with their defective card.

If a student presents a myki with a negative balance, the driver will request the holder to top up the myki with sufficient money so it can be touched on for travel.

A myki which cannot be touched on for any reason is not valid for travel."



A Seminar for Parents, Educators & Youth Leaders

It has been said that it takes a village to raise a child. Parenting can have its challenges, however the good news is that you are not alone in your journey, and there is an abundance of collective wisdom that we can draw on.

In this one hour presentation (plus additional time for questions) parenting expert, author and educator Sharon Witt, shares her many years of experience immersed in education and offers sound, practical advice and strategies to help you better understand your child's world including:

- Understanding how to help your child through the Primary School years, including developing skills in independence and resilience
- Understanding the different parenting styles, including helicopter parenting and how yours might be influencing your child's behaviour
- Helping your child through social issues relating to the school environment, including friendships and bullying

How to ensure your child becomes a responsible cyber citizen when it comes to use of technology and the internet
 What you can do if your child is experiencing difficulty at school.

Date: Tuesday 17th September Time: 6.30pm Location: Bayswater North Primary School

School Hall, Stuart Street, Bayswater North *Light Refreshments Provided

About the Presenter Sharon Witt has been immersed in teen world for two decades

in her role as a Secondary Teacher, Mentor and Presenter to teens and their parents. Sharon is also a regular media commentator and is often called upon to comment on teen nting issues on radio. print media and national television. She is the

and parenting issues on radio, print media and national television. She is the current parenting expert on LightFM's Ken & Lucy Show. Sharon is also the author of the best-selling Teen Talk Series of books that have helped many thousands of teenagers across the country navigate their adolescent journey. Her latest book Teen Talk - Parent Talk provides an abundance of collective wisdom and common sense principles in raising resilient and happy teens. Resources Copies of Sharon's best-selling Teen Talk books will be available for purchase at the conclusion of the seminar. For enquiries contact:

Angela Morris Ph: 0458 150 008

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