Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to term 3, though a very cold and wet term thus far! I also would like to extend a special welcome to all of our new families joining our school this term, some from interstate and overseas and a number of local students transferring in to take up broader curriculum opportunities.

This newsletter presents a large number of items our students and staff have been or are involved in. I congratulate all students and staff for their endeavours and commitment to the school. It is certainly wide ranging! These activities range from Sport to Music to Dance to academic work and Robotics.

We hope you enjoy reading about them in this edition of the school newsletter.

I am also pleased to report that the designs for the new office block on the 7-10 campus and new science, media and maths centre on the senior campus continue to progress and I look forward to presenting more detailed information in the coming newsletters.

Allen McAuliffe, Principal

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**Teacher scores top spot**

A BAYSIDE teacher is pushing the boundaries of his profession, using new methods to educate through technology.

Ben Pisani is a Sandringham College director of music and digital technology teacher, and has been hand-picked to be part of Apple’s Distinguished Educator Program being held in Singapore this week.

Mr Pisani, 33, has been at the school for 12 years, and was chosen for the Apple project due to his innovative use of the iTunes U program.

“I’m really excited about the trip, it will give me an opportunity to be part of an experience and sounding board of like-thinkers,” he said.

The conference is one of five worldwide events, involving 2500 educators.

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**KEY DATES**

**August**
11th School Council Meeting
12th - 14th Year 10 Camp
18th SRC Student Morning Tea Bluff Rd Campus.
18th Senior Campus Subject Expo 7pm
26th Night Of Notables (Year 7s) 630pm
29th Sandringham College Trivia Night - booking details see below.
31st Parent Teacher Student 3-way conference. Student free day.

**September**
3rd Kingston Athletics
8th State Basketball
10th - 13th College Musical ‘Little Shop of Horrors’
18th Applications close for CSEF
18th Last Day of Term 3

**October**
5th First day of term 4
5th VCE performance & oral exams start
6th Year 7 immunisations
8th SMR athletics
20th Last day Year 12
20th State Athletics
21st SMR Basketball junior
22nd Year 12 Graduation Night
23rd SMR Basketball inter
Accidents at school

Sandringham College is an active and vibrant school and our students are involved daily in various Sports, Physical Education and lunchtime activities. We also have a large number of students representing our school in regional and team sporting events. Unfortunately, from time to time, accidents occur and students are injured.

In some cases where the school has concerns for the safety of the student the Department of Education and Training requires schools to contact the ambulance service. In the event an ambulance is called the Department and school are not responsible for costs incurred. It is a timely reminder to parents to update their ambulance registration.

College Office Open for Parent Teacher Interviews

The College Office will be open for payments until 7pm during Parent Teacher Interviews on Monday 31st August. The office will be closed between 5.30pm and 6pm for the dinner break. Statements were posted home at the end of Term 2. Thankyou for your payments, your contributions provide quality programs for our students. If you have an outstanding account your prompt attention to payment would be appreciated. The final instalment for Materials and Resources is due on 10th August 2015.

Sandy Success at Art Exhibition

Sandringham College should be very proud of the performance of their Visual and Performing Arts students at the Young People of Bayside Art Exhibition, held at Beaumaris Library last month. Year 12 student, Annie Ji, was the Major Prize Winner for her piece, “You Are My World” (above), and Lochie Kenny from Year 11 took out the Senior People’s Choice award for “Portrait of a Girl” (below).

The Celebration Night, held on July 15, featured a dance performance by student, Domanique Regos, and some live music from ex-student, Sarah Rzek. The night was also hosted by ex-student, Steven Reinhardt, who is a member of the Bayside FReeZA Committee.

Annie, whose work was chosen from 80 entries, was keen to make sure that people understood that her painting was not meant to be scary, but rather focused on the moment when two people meet and fall in love.

"...There’s no need of sweet talks between true love, because the moment I saw you, you become my world.”

No doubt we will see more work from Annie and Lochie in future exhibitions.

The exhibition is on at Brighton Library, 14 Wilson Street, Brighton from 6 August to 4 August 2015. Follow this link to the Bayside City Council website to see the article: http://www.bayside.vic.gov.au/community_services/Youth_art.htm

Rob Neale, Arts Faculty Leader

Poem Submission for Magazine

Students from all year levels can submit poems for the college literary magazine at following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1EaJE8pvrVyAejcyvmj1IVRcKe2PfKvWSauIVxqyhE/viewform?usp=send_form

(CSEF) Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund - deadline extended to 18 Sep

Applications are still open for the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund. Applications must be lodged with the school by 18 September 2015.

The Victorian government has announced $148.3 million over four years for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF), to ensure all eligible students are able to participate in school trips and sporting activities. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card will be eligible to apply. Sandringham College requires a copy of the valid concession card to be submitted at the time of application.

Eligible families will need to apply for the CSEF. Please visit our College Website at http://www.sandringham.vic.edu.au/applications-are-now-open-for-the-camps-sports-and-excursion-fund/ for an application form an information flyer and the CSEF Policy. A payment of $225 for secondary school students will be paid directly to the school to be used towards camps, sports, outdoor education courses and excursion costs.
Principal’s Report

Transition & Subject Choice 2016

Senior Campus has hosted two significant Year Transition events early in Term 3. The Year 10 Parent and Student Evening was very well attended by our own students and external families. In week 3, the Year 10 cohort came back to the Senior Campus and each of the Domain Leaders outlined each of the specific VCE and VCAL units. The next events are careers counselling, camp and EXPO (August 18).

All Year 10 and 11 students will be making subject choices for 2016 in the latter stages of August. Parents with concerns are encouraged to communicate with Student Managers.

Year 12 Students and parents attended a VTAC session with Jeni Ritterman on August 6. A lunchtime session will follow for any students who missed this.

Congratulations

Ben Pisani is in Singapore as a part of Apple’s Distinguished Educator Program directly as a result of the innovate work he did with the use of the iTunesU program at Sandringham College. Front page of the newsletter this month is an article in this week’s Bayside Leader.

Congratulations also to Meg Lee and her talented and dedicated troupe of dancers who performed so beautifully at Winter Dance.

As always life is super busy and there are lots of opportunities on and around Senior Campus: Rehearsals have begun for the Production, 39 students are on Ski Camp, Folios are almost due in Visual Art subjects, Senior Girls netball team played in State competition and Girls Badminton and Football went through to Southern Final.

Melinda Gall, Acting Campus Principal

Year 12 Graduation Night

Thu Oct 22

Year 12 Graduation Night is Thursday October 22 at Robert Blackwood Hall, Monash University Clayton Campus. All Graduating VCE and VCAL students, their parents and family members should mark this date now on their calendars.

Senior Maths

A Probability Puzzle

‘The King called the three wisest men in the country to his court to decide who would become his new advisor. He placed a hat on each of their heads, such that each wise man could see all of the other hats, but none of them could see their own. Each hat was either white or blue. The king gave his word to the wise men that at least one of them was wearing a blue hat - in other words, there could be one, two, or three blue hats, but not zero. The king also announced that the contest would be fair to all three men. The wise men were also forbidden to speak to each other. The king declared that whichever man stood up first and announced the colour of his own hat would become his new advisor.

If you were one of the wise men, what should you do?’

Some reminders for all VCE Math students

Check your CAS is in good health and keep a set of spare batteries in your pencil-case. Please see your teacher now if there are any problems, so we have plenty of time to fix machines before the exam period.

Unit 4 SACs are this term.

Please keep up with your chapter questions, Edrolo units, and A+ Study Guides or Checkpoints exam preparation questions.

VCE Math students


Units 3, 4 Math Method students can now get their bound copies of past exams and solutions from the College Office.

Competition News

Congratulations to Kyle Borbiro McKinnon for his correct winning entry in the Term 2 Sandringham Math Competition: Junior Section.

We had a number of entries for the Senior Section, but we have not yet received the correct answer. The question will go back up on Daymap and we encourage all entrants to have another go. First correct entry wins the prize.

Justine and Cathie
Inspiring Cooking in Food Tech
Food & Technology is going strong at Sandy College. The Unit 3/4 students have just completed their cooking component of their School Assessed Folio Task. They did us proud, creating beautiful innovative food. We have some budding Masterchefs!

Annette Vichie, Food Tech

RIP - Ag Hort News
Unfortunately, our three hens died during the holidays. Somewhere in Sandringham there is a very happy and contented fox.

The students, although teenagers were obviously upset with the news and hoped for three new ones.

Not so, with winter being so cold and only three months of school left I will buy three more next year.

Fortunately, Biology classes have eggs which will begin to hatch soon, so the Agriculture and Horticulture students can enjoy the beginning of a hen’ life.

Lesley Parker, Ag & Hort Teacher

VET Technical Production
On Wednesday 29th July the VET Technical Production students were visited by an icon in the sound engineering community. Mr Peter “Hank” Jackson was a sound technician at the famous Abbey Road Studios in London. He shared stories of working in the iconic studio with the Beatles, recording their albums, jamming with Sir Paul McCartney, chatting with John Lennon and standing behind the band as they performed the historic rooftop gig. It was a brilliant and awe inspiring afternoon which we are all very excited to have experienced. A huge thank you goes out to VET student Paige Hutton and her family for arranging this amazing opportunity for us.

Ben Pisani

Senior Girls’ Football Team Win
Our Senior Girls’ Football Team won the right to play in yesterday’s SMR finals at King George V Reserve, next to Bentleigh SC.

This resulted from being the undefeated winners from 6 teams who played a Round Robin event there on April 30th.

Gaby Kidon, who came into the May competition at the eleventh hour to help out when a player withdrew at the last minute, had then just recovered from a broken ankle.

Just a few minutes before half-time in the final that
day, Gabby got crunched and suffered a badly broken collarbone that required an ambulance to hospital and subsequent surgery.

She still wanted to be a part of the action yesterday (in a non-playing role) so she volunteered to help me out with goal umpiring. Gabby and I spent most of the day at the windward end of the ground with an arctic 85 kph wind in our faces.

In the team photo you can see her struggling to even keep her hat on!

Our girls did us proud but were beaten by stronger opposition on the day. Their sportsmanship was highly commendable – shaking hands with every opposition player at the end of each game.

It was great to have two students from our junior campuses – Ash Cooke from Year 9 and Poppy Marks from Year 10 – play in the senior team and the number of Year 11s in the side augurs well for next year.

Ross W. Down, Leader, Student Wellbeing

Special exam arrangements for Year 12 students

If a student has developed an ongoing health condition that is going to affect his or her ability to complete their final exams, he or she should contact Sheryl Burgess, the VCE Exam Coordinator, as soon as possible to obtain advice about how to apply to VCAA for special exam arrangements. Specific medical evidence is required and a form must be submitted to VCAA for approval. Some students already have special arrangements in place for the year and they will have received official notification from VCAA.

In the two week period leading up to the final external exams, including those for Performance and LOTE, there are emergency arrangements that can be set in place if a student should become ill or experience a traumatic event or accident. Further information will be provided in coming newsletters.

Please ring if you have any questions on 8599-0516 or email: burgess.sheryl.s@edumail.vic.gov.au

Work Experience placements needed – Can you help?

As part of the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) program students are required to obtain 100 hours per year of meaningful work placement or part-time work. Some industries our students are looking at:–

• Agricultural & Horticulture (Florists, nurseries); Personal & Sports/Recreational Training (sports stores);
• Educational (kindergartens, primary schools); Carpentry, building & construction, gardening; landscape work;
• Business (Office, insurance, reception work); Music, performing arts; Catering and Hospitality; and Communication & Design.

The VCAL students are not at school on a Friday to allow them to work part-time and many are willing to work on weekends. Please note that work cover and public liability is covered by the DET. The only expense to the employer is the $5.00 per day minimum rate of payment. If you think you have such an opportunity or would like further information, please contact Margaret Forbes on 0413 582 884 or email forbes.margaret.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

Thank you in anticipation.

Margaret Forbes
Work Placement Officer

Are you 17 Years or older?

If you are 17 years old or older you must carry a Student Concession Card (SCC) if you use public transport. Failure to do so can result in fines over $200 - as several of our students have recently discovered! The SCC only costs $9.00.

Copies of the Student Pass Application Form are available from Senior Student Managers Office, Senior Admin Office or online at ptv.vic.gov.au. Fill out form, get an ID photo taken (from chemist) and hand in to office to be signed and stamped. This completed form can then be handed in to any major railway station for payment.

Year 11 & 12 Health & Human Development Students get to P.A.R.T.Y.

At the end of Term 2 a small selected group of Yr 11 and 12 Health and Human Development students were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to participate in an excursion to The Alfred hospital as part of a trauma prevention program. Known as the P.A.R.T.Y Program (Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth), students were exposed to an experience of life post trauma with the aim of altering their perceptions and choices of risk-related activities such as drink-driving.

In class students have been studying the fact that young people are over-represented in trauma statistics in terms of both death and disability, but what better way to see the reality of poor decisions related to drugs and alcohol than spending the day in Melbourne’s biggest trauma hospital. We were confronted with the stories shared by emergency service professionals, doctors, nurses and therapists and got to see them in action. Across the program students also visited the room of a burns victim and spoke with a young male whose life has been heavily affected by trauma and is now confined to a wheelchair.

The students who attended came away with some very clear messages. Definitely one of the most powerful excursions to go on in our area of study.
Principal’s Report

Although we are only a few weeks into Term 3 we have already been delighted by the variety of events our students have excelled in. These include the always impressive Winterdance concert, which featured so many students for the 7-10 campus in a most professional performance. Our instrumental music soiree reaffirmed the pride our college takes in our talented performing arts students.

Further success was enjoyed our new Robotics program as our Year 8s competed against other schools in the LEGO Robocup over a weekend in July and returned triumphant with success in the finals. They are now looking at the challenge of the next round of championships. I thank Andrew Wilkinson for overseeing this program and parent Darren Wolchyn for initiating it and ongoing support.

In the first week of the holidays our international tours of Noumea and Indonesia returned with glowing reports about each of these experiences. Thank you to Mel Merry and Barbara Hamilton for ensuring that once again our students’ time in international destinations was well-organised, meaningful and a time to remember. The students and parents were also very appreciative of the care and support of the wonderful teachers who were on these tours.

Our Year 10 students have returned from their work experience. We value the positive feedback we always receive about our students’ time in the workforce. Year 10 students will now consider their pathways for Year 11 as over the next few weeks they will attend important information sessions about course selection for VCE and VCAL. The Year 10 camp in August also forms part of this transition program.

Year 7 students have commenced work on their “Night of the Notables” project. This is a considerable endeavor for each student as they explore the lives of someone who has made a positive contribution to our world. Beyond the research students present their knowledge and understanding through a variety of task in the English and Humanities classes, culminating in a spectacular presentation for parents on the evening of August 26th.

Transition 2016

As our Year 10s prepare for their transition to VCE, we are also preparing for the transition of the Year 7 2016 class from their primary schools. Earlier in the year we had Grade 6s from our feeder primaries visit us for ‘The Amazing Race’, and local Grade 5 students recently enjoyed a performance of our ‘Winterdance’ production.

Throughout the year we have had strong interest in Year 7 2016 and beyond, with campus tours running at capacity. We are delighted that this interest has carried through in our indicative enrolments for next year: we will be adding at least one extra Year 7 class due to a high demand for places.

This is great news for the College. It reflects our outstanding programs, staff and student culture: we should all be proud of our school. We will look forward to welcoming the 2016 Year 7s in to our new Learning Centre!

Transport to and from school

Our Student Managers have recently been working with students to remind them of the need for safety travelling to and from school. Please continue this discussion with your son or daughter, including:

- Crossing roads and train tracks safely and legally
- Waiting in designated areas, well back from the road, at bus stops
- Maintaining awareness of traffic at all times (be careful if using headphones, mucking around with friends)
- Wearing a helmet and obeying road rules if cycling.

In the colder weather our carpark becomes more congested at pick-up and drop-off times. Parents, please help us to ensure student safety by driving at walking pace in a one-way circuit around the Lansell Ave carpark. Please leave the driveway near the shed clear for our College Shuttle Bus.

Ciar Foster, Assistant Principal

SRC student morning tea Tue 18th August

Come along and join the fun! On Tuesday the 18th of August the Sandringham 7-10 campus is throwing it’s first Student Morning Tea. The Student Voice and SRC representatives encourage students to enter our baking competition or to bring something else to put on the table! Please include a list of ingredients with all home baked goods. It’s a gold coin donation to attend and all money raised will be donated to the Cancer Council who work to prevent more than 30% of cancers. With your help we can make a difference.

Building News

The Sandringham 7-10 build continues to progress to schedule, with paint work and interior finishes going in. The timber linings in the Theatre and classroom spaces are all in and the cabinetry for the science labs are all in place. The mix of colour and natural timber is creating an exciting interior which we can’t wait to move in to!

We are continuing discussion with our Architects around the design planning for the new buildings to commence at the Senior Campus and Administration building at Sandringham 7-10. We look forward to releasing the design details soon. Building works are looking to commence at the Senior Campus early 2016 and will see a brand new teaching and learning space developed.

Suzanne Reinhardt – Campus Principal
**Year 7**

Welcome back to a chilly start to Term 3. This year was the first time that we switched over to Term 3 in the last two weeks before the July holidays. It was great to see how confidently the Year 7’s transitioned into the new term with a change in timetable and elective subjects.

Winter Dance took place in the first few weeks and the Year 7 dancers made me proud, not only dancing in their year level performances, but also with other year levels. There are many opportunities to get involved in College activities across the year levels and I am looking forward to watching the Year 7’s perform in the Instrumental Music night and College production. Night of the Notables is around the corner and the Year 7’s have already started working hard on this integrated project. Do mark this on your calendar as it is a great evening that they are all looking forward to.

A few housekeeping reminders:

All Year 7’s must still be in winter uniform until the end of this term. Please ensure that all items are clearly marked and that the correct school uniform is being worn, especially the school tie, and that shirts are tucked in.

Students arriving late, without a note, will incur a lunch time or after school detention.

Mariza Pagel, Year 7 Student Manager

**Year 8**

Congratulations and well done to the many Year 8 students who worked hard to make and enter their robots in the Districts Soccer Robotics Competitions. Sandringham entered many teams and one of those teams made the grand final losing by a golden goal in extra time. The students are now preparing for the state finals and they cannot wait.

With the very cold weather recently there has been a drop off in the uniform standards. Please make sure that sports uniforms are the actual school shorts and white socks. Also that jackets are the school jackets only.

There has been a blitz on lateness this term with regular offenders attending regular detentions. Please make sure that if your child has a legitimate excuse for arriving late or being out of uniform that they come to school with a signed note explaining why.

Parents/Guardians please do not forget to call the absence line on 95995606 when your child is absent or late. Lots of blue raffle tickets have been handed out recently for students being good with Olivia Kelson and Rose Ireland receiving $5 canteen vouchers so far this term.

Jim Hiotis, Year 8 Student Manager

**Robo Cup**

This term thirty Year 8 students participated in Monday lunchtime Robotics Club. Preparation for the Robo-Cup has involved individual and team-based learning where students create robots that can be directed to play – and win – a game of soccer!

With the help of parent Darren Wolchyn, students built, programmed and competed against each other in preparation for the interschool competition.

Robo-Cup Regional Championships was last Saturday – and we were excited to send five teams:

- **Soccer 1** - Angus Whiting, Theo Livingston, Connor Malcolm, Cameron Martin and Matt Stratton.
- **Sandy United** - Dylan Pouch, Aden McCusker, Harry Dentry, Zane Collins and Alex Anthakis
- **Avengers** - Tara Gowers, Tash Grant, Thea Barry, Kate Roser and Lauren Hucker
- **PGA** - Cameron Armstrong, Thomas Lenne, Parker Wolchyn, Nathan Emsley and Alex Grigorijevic
- **Sandy Storm** - Raz Cohen, Zoe French, Meg Nicholls, Ash Lowe, Maddy Jimmink

Against 15 other school teams, with 20 games of 5 minute halves, 3 of our teams made the quarter finals. 1 team made the Semi-finals. And we made the final!

In the final after 10 minutes the scores were even. After 3 more minutes the scores were:

- **Soccer 1’** 2 versus **‘Master Builders’ 3**

We are proud to announce Sandringham College team ‘Soccer 1’ came second - Victorian Championships here we come!

Congratulations to all students who participated!

Andrew Wilkinson (Wilko), Science Coordinator
Year 10 Transition 2015-2016
In Term 3 the Year 10 students will be involved in a number of activities to assist them with subject selection and transition to the senior campus. It is important that students attend each of these events and that parents support their child through this process.

Week 5 - Yr 10 Camp
Wednesday August 12th - Friday August 14th

Week 6 - Senior Campus Expo
Is Tuesday August 18th 7-9pm- Students and parents can wander around the displays and talk to teachers about specifics of studies, assessment and pathways.

Week 6, 7 - Subject Selection On line
(SSO) will open after EXPO (Tuesday August 18 and close on Monday August 24th)

Please contact Melinda Gall (Assistant Principal, Senior Campus) or Adam Patterson (Engagement & Pathways Yr 10, Sandringham Campus) with any questions.

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015
The Sandringham 7-10 campus is still participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program runs to Tuesday 8th September. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box at the campus office or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. ‘Earn and Learn’ campaigns in the past have enabled us to purchase furniture, maths, art and sport equipment. This year, we will work with our SRC and Student Voice leaders to help choose the equipment that they think is most beneficial to our school.

If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Annual Girls’ Chess Comp.
Congratulations to our Sandringham Girls’ Chess team (Honour Charles, Sammi Nievaart, Jess Rodda Rowe, Tessa Pinczes and Alison Schmidig Schlatt) which recently competed in the annual Girls’ Chess Competition held at Mac Robertons Girls High School. This is the fourth year that they have competed and over the four years there has been a great improvement in their abilities and successes. Both Honour and Tessa won half their games which is no mean feat since they are competing against students from Year 7 to Year 12. The girls always enjoy the competition and were excellent representatives of Sandringham College.

Mel Merry

Library News
The Libraries continue to be a popular place to be during lunchtimes, especially in the cold weather. At the Bluff Road Campus, Games Day runs every Thursday and there is lots of interaction as students play what seem to be very challenging and complex manoeuvres on their iPads! Others enjoy the more traditional card and board games.

The Reading Challenge is coming to an end and those who have read fifteen books this year will celebrate with a special morning tea at the end of August, during Book Week.

Bookclub members are preparing a display of books they think other students would enjoy reading. We encourage students to recommend books to each other as this is the best way to promote a title.

Popular new titles in July were Lullaby by Bernard Beckett, Charlie presumed dead by Anne Heltzel and Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson. This is the story of Woodson’s childhood told in free verse. Young Adult fiction is diverse and we encourage parents to talk to their children about what they are reading.

We have recently subscribed to several new magazines including biking, cooking and craft titles.

There is something for everyone in the Libraries at Sandringham College.

Kerry Holmquest, Librarian Bluff Road Campus
Following the excitement of concluding term 2 with our Year 9 Extended Research Project Expo, Term 3 has commenced quite seamlessly. The roll over in to semester two timetable commenced last term and students have returned from break well organised and ready to work.

We have welcomed three new students to the Campus in addition to the four Chinese International students who started last term. The new form group 09F is in full operation and the students existing to the College in this group have been exemplary in the manner they have embraced and welcomed our new students.

The Beaumaris Campus is pleased to welcome new staff to our Campus Ms Meaghan Trenfield, Mr Aleks Vidanovic and Mr Steven McLaughlin are replacing staff on leave this term. They bring a wide range of experience and expertise and have settled in well to work with our students.

The year 7 students have added Woodwork class in to their cross campus experience and now spend Friday morning working with Mr Sosnowski at Sandringham 7-10. This has enabled the boys to become more familiar with the Campus in readiness for our move to Sandringham later in the year.

The Initiatives groups for Year 9 include Mixed Challenge, Community Service, Helping Hands, Telling & Selling Your Story and Retrain Your Brain. Students again are reporting very positive experiences from these experiences and I thank their staff for their coordination and efforts in organising these wonderful opportunities.

This week I had the pleasure of attending the Style Fusion, winter season dance evening. I was yet again amazed by the very talented array of dance students we have in the College and was particularly pleased to see the efforts of the year 9 dance elective class up on stage. Congratulations to Ms Meg Lee on her running of this event, and also to the year 9 girls who for some, this was their first experience in a dance show. Well done!

Suzanne Reinhardt – Campus Principal

Year 9 Initiatives: Helping Hands

This term a keen group of students are involved in the “Helping Hands” initiatives challenge. Students are making a range of products to support those less fortunate. Projects include:

**“Knit One Give One”** where students will be knitting or crocheting beanies, scarves or blankets.

**Chemo Caps** – creating head covers for people who lose their hair while undergoing chemotherapy.

**Dog blankets** – for a local animal shelter.

**Beanies, blankets and sleeping mats** – for a range of local homeless support centres.

If anyone has good quality wool, knitting needles or crochet hooks lying around gathering dust we would be grateful for any donations.

If anyone has connections to local charities who would appreciate our donations please contact me at 02093895@sandringhamsc.vic.edu.au

Suzanne Arnott, Year 9 Horizons Initiatives Program

Congratulations all Year 9 students on their fantastic ERP (Extended Research Project) expo at the end of Term 2. As part of their Horizons program, students chose a topic that they would like to find explore in depth, formed a research question and then conducted primary and secondary research into their topic before reviewing and evaluating their data and evidence.

Their work cumulated in an afternoon of displaying their findings to parents, friends and other students. Thank you to all parents who came along, a fantastic celebration of the achievement, creativity and independence in learning.

This term, students are up and running with their new electives and units for Horizons. Once again, we have also secured 6 place at the School of Student Leadership for November.

Students are encouraged to apply for this fantastic opportunity where they will educated at the Snowy River Campus for 4 weeks, engaging in leadership challenges and a community learning program.

Congratulations again Year 9, keep up your hard work and effort.

Rosie Hindle, Year 9 Coordinator
Year 10 Work Experience 2015

I would like to congratulate all the Year 10 students who prepared themselves adequately to handle the demands of the real world of work during their week of work experience. After six months of preparation, it was really pleasing to see all students actively participating and successfully completing the program. They were a credit to the school and need to feel very proud of their achievements.

The majority of students had profitable experiences and have really lived up to the challenges. Employers’ glowing reports repeatedly praised students’ “enthusiasm”, “politeness”, “co-operation”, “dedication to the task”, “communication skills” and “willingness to learn”.

I would also like to thank Kerri Deegan for the excellent display of work experience photos which is on display in the library.

Great work Year 10!

Term 3

Continues to be a very important time for all Year 10 students. In order to assist them in their course selections for VCE/VCAL/VET subjects for 2016, students attended several information sessions and workshops that were organized by the senior campus as well as the Careers Expo. All Year 10 students have also signed up for their Individual Pathways Counselling session commencing Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th August and will continue from Monday 17th – Friday 21st August. I will like to thank Jeni Ritterman and Deb Hanlen (Senior Campus) for their support in assisting with the counselling sessions.

The Melbourne Careers Expo 2015 – July 24

All Yr 10 students attended the Expo at Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, Southbank on Friday 24th July the Expo. Students had an opportunity to:

- Meet major Australian organisations and discover the career opportunities available.
- Gain career and training advice from Victorian TAFE, universities and private training providers.
- Learn about government employment programs.
- Meet and talk to representatives from some of Australia’s top 100 companies.
- Collect lots of show bags with loads of information.

Feedback from staff and students was very positive as they all enjoyed themselves.

Zoos Victoria Secondary school work experience

The online applications for Year 10s in 2016 Secondary School Work Experience placements will be open from Monday 24th August until 5pm Friday 18th September 2015. Only applications submitted between these dates will be accepted.

The Role Description for each property as well as the Proposed Work Experience with Animals Summary of Students’ Experience Form are accessible now and can be viewed via the link below:

http://www.zoo.org.au/search/site/work%20experience

Students can only apply for one Zoo property (either Werribee Open Range Zoo, Melbourne Zoo or Healesville Sanctuary). Students must be chosen and endorsed by school Careers teachers and only ONE student application will be accepted per school.
Open Day – University of Melbourne

Save the Date - Sunday 16 August 2015
10.00am-4.00pm https://openday.unimelb.edu.au/

Open Day is just around the corner, on Sunday 16 August, at Parkville and Southbank campuses.

Get your account and view the program at: openday.unimelb.edu.au/2015

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Please check the VTAC website- www.vtac.edu.au to access other Open Days. You are encouraged to attend the Open Day for any institute that you are considering applying for after Year 12.

Astronomy and Light Festival
5-9PM, Saturday 22nd August (National Science Week) Scienceworks.

The Astronomy and Light Festival festival will be a showcase of Australian Astronomy and Light for the International Year of Light during National Science Week. Contributors and sponsors of the event are coming together on this evening to share the wonders of light with you.

There will be plenty of fun and interesting activities for all ages. Talks, shows, panels, demonstrations, hands-on activities, a field of telescopes and much, much more will be available to make your evening one to remember.

Full details at: https://aliv2015.wordpress.com/home/
Follow on Facebook /ALiV2015 and on Twitter @AstroFestVIC

Victorian Schools Photography Competition Theme: How we see the Universe
Categories: Light and Astronomy
Due date: Monday 10 August 11:59PM
Open to all students and teachers of Victorian Schools with great prizes available.

Presentations will be made at the Astronomy and Light Festival
Visit https://telescopesinschools.wordpress.com/2015/06/16/2015-photography-competition/ for details and terms and conditions.

Open Day at Burnley for your green thumb students!
The University of Melbourne’s Burnley campus, which runs a range of accredited and non-award horticultural courses has a special Open Day of its own each year, and this year will be held Saturday 5 September 10.00am-4.00pm.

Visitors can learn all they need to know about sustainable gardening and horticultural practice at Melbourne’s famous heritage-listed Burnley Gardens.

More about Burnley Open Day here: https://events.unimelb.edu.au/events/5398-burnley-open-day
Mary Tonios, Sandringham 7-10 Careers Coordinator

Sandringham College - TRIVIA NIGHT & DISCO
Black & White with a touch of Bling!
Saturday 29 August 7pm - Midnight
@ Cheltenham Golf Club (Near Entrance, Park Road Cheltenham)
(BYO food & table decorations. Prize for best decorated table - drinks to be purchased at bar)

College Trivia Night 29th August

Based on the huge success of last year, we’re excited to announce Sandringham College is hosting another fun filled Trivia Night! Put Saturday 29th August in your diary and get your ticket online now at http://www.trybooking.com/IOXU

Arrange your table of 8-12 and choose a table captain. Individuals and smaller groups are more than welcome. Tickets cost $25 per person.

A great event is planned, with some fabulous prizes on offer including a weekend getaway valued at over $600.

Time to start thinking about your outfit for the night – the theme is Black & White (with a touch of bling).

A huge thank you to all of you who have kindly donated to the school event. Any further donations would be gratefully accepted and can be handed in to the college admin offices.

See you on Saturday 29th August at the Cheltenham Golf Club.

PTF Committee, Sandringham College

PTF Entertainment Book

If you are interested in purchasing an Entertainment Book for $65 please contact Winsome cauncew1@optusnet.com.au

Achievement • Creativity • Independence • Integrity • Respect
VCAA Student Leadership Finalist!

Congratulations to Makayla Bulte for being selected as a VCAA Student Leader finalist for 2015. Makayla has served the school and wider community for several years and is a wonderful role model.

Makayla will attend the award ceremony at Parliament House in November where the winner will be announced. In the meantime, Makayla is busy with her SRC team planning ‘Sandringham College Wellbeing Week’, which is scheduled to take place in September. Great work Makayla! A profile of Makayla will appear in the next edition of the VCAA Bulletin and there will be a short article in The Herald Sun Learn section.

Excerpt from the VCAA bulletin:

The VCAA is proud to announce this month’s winner of the VCE Leadership Awards: Makayla Bulte from Sandringham College. Makayla has demonstrated an engagement with, and commitment to, her local community, and outstanding leadership skills.

Year 11 Debating

Our interschool debating teams concluded their season last week with some high quality debates. We have been very impressed with the levels of dedication shown by our debaters. They put in many hours after school and at lunchtimes to prepare for each debate. As the season progressed we saw their skills and confidence grow enormously, with many team wins and several ‘best speaker’ awards going to Sandringham teams. We’re looking forward to seeing them in action next year!

Congratulations to
Year 8: Luc Dann, Eilidh McDonough, Ellen Carey, Matt Stratton, Connor Malcolm, Jess Monastirski, Zoe French, Meg Nicholls, Hamish Fleming-Jolly
Year 10: Luis Calleja, Noah Dixon-Sole, Ella Beattie-Powell, Nic Mouselemis
Year 11: Isobel Dean, Thiamando Pavlidis, Mikaela Copland, Wilma Skattang-Stone, Zac Rose, Andrew Gurrin, Lougie Foley, Maddy Simioni, Calvin French

A big thank you to Jenni Howard, Kerry Holmquest, Heather Fehring, Peta Prokopos and Adam Paterson for supporting our teams throughout the season, and also to all the parents who have been coming to watch the debates.

Our next generation of debaters have also begun their training. Twelve keen Year 7s and 8s attended the first night of the Junior Secondary Program this week, which is a four-session course aimed at teaching students how to debate. Their first debate, ‘That we should ban extreme sports’, is coming up on August 17th. Good luck!

The Debaters Assoc. of Vic - Senior Public Speaking Comp.

Wishing Thiamando Pavlidis (Year 11) best of luck, as she competes in the Senior Public Speaking Competition being held on August 23rd at St. Kevin’s in Toorak. The planned speech of 6-8 minutes that Thiamando has selected is, ‘Multiculturalism in Australia’, followed by an impromptu speech of 4-5 minutes.

Any student interested in competing in the Year 12 section of the competition, please see Jenni Howard for details.

Student Leader - Campus Assembly - 30th July

It was great to have Senior students leading our recent ‘Creativity’ campus assembly. Callan Delbridge and Thiamando Pavlidis hosted the assembly and the Student Leadership and Student Voice teams presented information to their peers about the upcoming College production, Winterdance and SRC fundraising. Behind the scenes, our Music Leaders organised a beautiful performance by Rebecca Eldridge and Polly Garrett. Well done everyone!

Empowering Young Women Breakfast

After an early morning meeting at Sandringham station to catch the 6:50am train, we were greeted by fresh pastries and fruit and we were interested in what else was on offer. There were warm welcomes and free goodies as well as motivational speeches from inspiring women from all walks of life.

Vy Anna Tran was our first speaker, telling us about growing up Broadmeadows and struggling with her identity, soon to find her place amongst the debate team. She was able to convince us that our final Year 12 score doesn’t have to be life or death. After she didn’t make it into the course she wanted, she now works for NAB in a job she loves.

Our second speaker via video link, Yasmin Abdel-Magied was the winner of Young Queenslander of the Year and Young Muslim of the Year. She broke stereotypes with her love for boxing and race cars. Her stories showed the importance of putting yourself out there and expressing your ideas.

Our final speaker, Sam Sheppard, left school at 15 years of age and found herself in Queensland at 16 and went into the business of cabinet making. Through this she discovered her love for trade and is now a proud ambassador for women in non-traditional careers.

Afterwards we had a Q&A with our speakers about how they deal with sexism, discrimination, working towards goals and having important role models. We left feeling inspired and confident.

Ella Beattie-Powell, Year 10
Indonesian Study Trip to Jogjakarta – Bali

On Tuesday morning, the 28th of June, 30 students from year 9 and Year 10 plus 3 teachers were leaving Melbourne on an adventure. We left Melbourne airport at 9am to Bali for two hours transit then flew to Jogjakarta.

We stayed in Jogjakarta for 4 nights. In Jogjakarta, we visited the Sultan Palace, the Sultan Museum, underground Mosque, and the Water Palace.

Students had the chance to try playing Gamelan, which is the traditional musical instruments, visited the Orang Utan conservation centre and Borobudur temple (the largest Buddhist temple in the world) and tried plenty of local dishes.

In Bali, we had the opportunity to try cooking some Indonesian food, made batik and some offerings, and morning walk through rice paddies. Even though the itinerary was packed with different activities, we still managed to do shopping and of course practice the bargaining skills in Indonesian.

We all had so much fun and would love another opportunity to do the experience once more, but it’s good to be home when we arrived back in Melbourne on the 1st of July.

Thank you Mrs. Merry for organising the trip, Ms. Foster, Mr. McGowan and Ms. Tielman for the great trip, and of course for the Year 9s and 10s students who went and make the trip memorable.

Astrid Tielman, Indonesian Teacher
French Study Tour to Noumea

In the last week of term 2, 26 of the French students left for Noumea, New Caledonia. Our experience started the minute we sat down on the plane, with the safety courses being in French. As we flew we saw beautiful islands beneath us surrounded by reefs. It felt surreal.

On our first day we boarded the “Tchou Tchou Train”, which took us on a tour around the mountains and local shops. The guides gave us a brief overview of the New Caledonian traditions and history. We learnt a local saying – “Casse pas la tête” meaning don’t break your head. It was a way to express the life that the locals live in Noumea, meaning they don’t worry too much and live a leisurely life. Along that journey we were driven to the top of a hill, where we could see the main city and beautiful beaches. It was magnificent.

On our second day we visited the local market. It sold all kinds of trinkets, clothing, jewellery and food. A popular treat was the green coconuts, hacked at by the local sellers and then with a straw stuck inside. We sipped at the sweet coconut water and strolled around the market buying gifts for our families and ourselves, making our best effort to communicate in French. From the market we ventured to Coconut Square, which was the central part of the city. It was really great visiting the city centre, because we got a true feeling of life in Noumea and the laid back calm attitude that surrounds the entire city.

The highlight of the trip was our day at Amadée Island. We took the ferry, with the locals singing as we got onto the boat. The island stood on its own surrounded by white sand and reefs bursting with wildlife. We began the day with snorkelling- we saw many species of fish as well as a rare sea turtle. We were also lucky enough to take 2 different boat rides out to the reefs. The first one took us to the edge of the reef where we saw many large fish as well as a shark. The second boat had a glass bottom and allowed us to see the many species of fish and corals.

Our most interesting day was spent at the local school, Collège Georges Baudoux. We were split into pairs when we arrived and were taken off to various classes by students from the school. It was daunting entering a fully French speaking class, although many of the students made an effort to make us feel welcome. After going to morning classes we joined in a room with the older students of the school to exchange presentations on our countries. We spoke to them about Australian culture.... In French! Then we concluded by presenting them with some books and an Australian football. We soon discovered that the students at the school spoke near perfect English as we listened to their presentation, learning all about their everyday lives and how the education system work in New Caledonia. Afterwards we tried some of their traditional meals and treats and mingled with the students.

Overall the trip was truly amazing! The pristine beaches, the friendly locals and the scrumptious food made an experience never to be forgotten. Not only did we see many beautiful sights but we experienced a whole other culture. We would like to thank Miss Ritchie, Mrs Hamilton, Mr Wegner and Tom Hamilton for taking the time to organise and carry out this amazing trip!

Emma Williamson & Renée Lee Year 10
VET Dance Workshop at Melbourne Opera Centre

On Tuesday July 21st, the VET Dance students attended a workshop at the Melbourne Opera Centre with renowned choreographer Marko Panzic.

The students participated in a Jazz technique class with Marko in the morning and had the opportunity to ask him questions about the dance industry and his journey.

In the afternoon Marko was joined by a panel of industry professionals who took the students through a ‘mock dance audition’, in-line with the current industry standards.

Winter Dance showcase ‘Style Fusion’

In the last week of July, Year 7-12 dancers performed in the Winter Dance showcase ‘Style Fusion’. The students performed works by industry choreographers as well as in works they choreographed themselves. There were a range of styles on show including Jazz, Contemporary, Lyrical, Hip Hop, Song and Dance and Tap. The students worked tirelessly to put together an amazing performance which really showcased the talent of our dance students.

College Production - Little Shop of Horrors

Rehearsals are well underway for the College Production “Little Shop of Horrors”

A down-and out skid row floral assistant becomes an overnight sensation when he discovers an exotic plant with a mysterious craving for fresh blood. Soon “Audrey II” grows into an ill-tempered, foul-mouthed, R&B-singing carnivore who offers him fame and fortune in exchange for feeding its growing appetite, finally revealing itself to be an alien creature poised for global domination!

Performance dates

Friday 11th September 2015 at 7.30pm
Saturday 12th September 2015 at 7.30pm
Sunday 13th September 2015 at 2.00pm
Monday 14th September 2015 - no show
Tuesday 15th September 2015 at 7.30pm
Wednesday 16th September 2015 at 7.30pm

Tickets available from August 14th on www.trybooking.com/INSB

Set Construction Working Bee

We will be holding working bees to construct our set. These are planned for Saturday 8th & 15th of August. If anyone is free to assist please contact Chris Purtle via email purtle.christopher.d@edumail.vic.gov.au or text 0407 052 798.