Principal’s Report:

School Production: Oliver

The school production, “Oliver”, concluded on a wonderful note last Thursday and Friday nights with very appreciative audiences enjoying the evenings. Once again I would like to congratulate and thank everybody who has been involved with the production; the staff members led by Lyle Russell who have worked tirelessly for many months, the parents who contributed so much behind the scenes, and, of course, the students who performed so well on stage or backstage. It is a huge undertaking each year but the benefits for the students are very significant. Five of our Year 12 students made their final appearance at Friday’s performance and all have been involved in school productions for many years. We can now look forward to the P-4 concert which is being held in the second-last week of this term.

Parent-Teacher interviews & VCE Information sessions:

Thank you to all parents and students who attended the Parent-Teacher interviews this week. If, for any reason you were unable to attend and would like to discuss your child’s progress please contact the school. Thank you also to those who attended the VCE Information sessions that were held on Tuesday evening. It is a particularly important time for students in the later years of secondary education as they select subjects, develop pathways plans and consider options beyond school. Thank you to Anthea Good for all her work in preparing for, and conducting the evening, and also to Ken Bell and Mark Croucher for their support. As mentioned during the session we encourage parents and students to take the time to discuss subject selections with house mentors and staff generally so that they are fully informed. Similarly, for students considering VET or School Based Apprenticeships it is critical they discuss their options with Mr Croucher, our Careers co-ordinator. Parents, of course, are encouraged to join in those discussions.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden

Thank you to all who attended the working bee last Sunday to establish the Kitchen Garden. Despite the unpredictable weather the day was a great success and a lot was achieved. The Kitchen Garden is a very exciting project that will have benefits for students across the school.

Car Parking

Parents are reminded of the need to park in designated parking bays when dropping off or picking up children at school. Please do not use the staff car park at the eastern end of the school. With cars reversing out of parks there it is very unsafe for children. Please remember also that the area on the southern side of Hood Ave is a ‘No Standing’ zone between the hours of 8-9am and 3-4pm and, like the staff car park, is not a safe option.

Reminder- Pupil-free day this Friday!

I would just like to remind parents again that this Friday, August 23 is a pupil-free day to enable staff to undertake Professional Development. The focus of the day will be the most effective use of technology in learning and in one of the sessions we will be exploring how best to use the Polycom videoconferencing unit to expand opportunities for our students at all levels. Last week I mentioned how Ms Matters’ class had successfully used the unit to have ‘lessons’ with children’s authors and illustrators based interstate and we are certainly looking at expanding on those opportunities.

Graeme Good
**Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Working Bee**

Thank you to everyone who attended our first working bee last Sunday. Despite the bad weather we were able to complete the first stage of our garden beds.

Our new garden beds look fantastic and are ready for students to begin planting in. We look forward to further developments in the near future.

We have also been lucky enough to have had support from businesses and the wider community towards our garden. Our first SAKG newsletter will list these.

If you would like to know more about this program please contact Jane Povey or Kath Tanner.

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**WANTED!**

We need any Old Rusty farm equipment

eg. Springs, hand tools, old discs, tractor parts, metal objects, garden tools etc

To be used for a sculpture in our new Kitchen Garden.

Please drop off to general office by Friday 6th September..

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Inspire House has had a great year so far, filled with a variety of fun activities and achievements.

Wednesday is ‘Show and Tell’ day, and the students who have volunteered to take responsibility for presenting so far have been outstanding. We have met Max the goat, been inspired by various YouTube clips, and have been enlightened by the information about the various TAFE courses that some Inspire students are currently enrolled in.

At the end of last term we held a very successful fund-raising ‘Pirate’ day filled with fun activities for all. Money raised went towards ‘Vision Australia’ and the guide dogs.

Currently all houses are in the process of making a music video to encourage participation and engagement across a variety of year levels. We are all looking forward to sharing the results of our work at the end of term.

Last but not least on behalf of the Inspire House we would like to congratulate all students who were involved in the production of ‘Oliver’. It was a very inspiring performance!

GO INSPIRE!        Tayla Hobbs and Tara Anderson
Inspire House Leaders
Grade 2/3 Class captain report

So far this term we have been learning more about Maths, Humanities and reading Indigenous dream time stories and fairy tales.

In Maths we have been learning about multiplication and space. In Humanities we have been learning about the government. We have learnt that voting is very important as it ensures decisions are made fairly.

We have also been learning about narratives. This is the start of a story our class has been working on.

Investigation: Frog

Boom Boom, Rocks and Groovy awoke in the morning to find their Mt Elephant home full of snakes. They furiously packed their things and raced to Mt Shadwell.

At Mt Shadwell it was a freezing day, but there were copious amounts of food and water. They quickly found a suitable place to make their new home and began digging straight away.

Boom Boom, Rocks and Groovy had been digging away for what seemed like hours when a sparkle caught Groovy’s eye. At first she thought her eyes must be playing tricks on her and so she kept on digging. But as she dug the sparkle got bigger and bigger! Just as she was about to say something, Rocks lets out a huge "WOOOOOWW! Look what I have found!"

While the three of them were admiring the many sparkly, green rocks they had discovered, they didn’t notice a tiny green frog that wandered into their newly dug cave. When the frog let out an almighty "BUUURRRP", they turned around in shock! It was such a beautiful frog that they forgot all about the rude burp and decided to let it stay with them.

The next morning, after breakfast, Boom Boom, Rocks and Groovy ate a big breakfast and got back to finishing their new home. After about an hour they were surprised to see a strange pair of men walking towards them.

As they got closer the two men, both wearing white coats, gloves, glasses, black pants and safety helmets demanded that the cave men stop digging. "STOP,” they screamed, “the mountain is going to erupt. You must get out of here as quickly as you can!”

Boom Boom, Rocks and Groovy weren’t sure if they should believe these crazy looking men. Maybe they just wanted to live in their new cave. So they just ignored the scientists and kept on digging.

What will happen to Boom Boom, Rocks and Groovy?

Just a reminder that “Issue 6 Scholastic Book Club”

is due back at office Tuesday 3rd September
Parents Association

We are holding an "Alligator Pasta Drive" in Term 3 - please find an order form in the pages following in the "Classifieds" section of this newsletter.

Please return order form and payment to school office by Friday 30th August.

School Fete Saturday 19th October

As the fete is fast approaching, I am putting the call out for donations of:
* plants  * preserves  * chocolates/lollies for prizes

Also looking for:
* stall holders/party planners  and  * sponsorship of rides

Once again we will be holding the washing basket raffle where each grade will need to fill a washing basket with goodies. A letter will be sent out in the near future detailing your child’s classroom topic.

We will also be conducting a car boot sale, so if you need to have a clean out, fill your car boot and bring it along on the day.

To book your car boot spot, if you have any donations of goods or can help out in any way, please contact Natasha Gibson on 0418129371 or contact the school.

Mortlake College P-4 Students present

“Rapunzel - The Untold Tale”

Matinee: Wednesday 11th September - 12.30pm
Night Performance: Thursday 12th September - 7.00pm

Adults: $8
Students/Children: $2
Under 5yrs FREE

TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY 26TH 2013
We took part in BBQ with the boys last Wednesday in the Activity centre and the BER.

This session was run by two presenters from the Beacon foundation, Darren and Ben.

We started the day with a contest. Balloons tied round our ankles, then we had to try to pop each other's balloon. It ended with a tie between Corey and Sam. We then formed two teams and raced each other through and obstacle course. The winning team took 45 minutes to complete the course. The hardest activities were throwing a ball into a bucket and walking through a minefield while blindfolded.

We then went to the BER. We had to pick out ten values, and then tell the group our top three and why they are important to us. Then we looked at strengths and weaknesses. We then had to tell the group what we were really good at and why. We also had to do this for a weakness and tell the group what we were passionate about.

After our BBQ we completed a session on goal setting and had to come up with three goals for the next three months.

We would like to thank the Beacon presenters and Chris Holloway from South West Tafe and Tim Rantall from Westvic staffing for attending for the day as mentors.

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**LIBRARY NEWS** - Thankyou to everyone that made a purchase at our recent Book Fair, as a result we have been able to purchase over $500 of new books for the Library and our students. The Premiers Reading Challenge will be finishing soon with some of our students already achieving their reading goal, so parents please help your child keep the register up to date with books they have read!

This week is Childrens Book Council ‘Book Week’, we have the winning books in our library for borrowing:-

**Older Readers** – “Sea Hearts” by Marg Lanagan

**Younger Readers**- “The Children of the King” by Sonya Hartnett

**Early Childhood** – “The Terrible Suitcase” by Emma Allen
VCE INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

SUBJECT SELECTION SHEETS

Thank you to those who attended the VCE Information Evening following Parent/Teacher Interviews. Remember that if you or your child have further questions please contact me at any stage.

Students going into Years 11 and 12 next year, along with those students intending to study a VCE subject, need to submit their VCE Student Program Chart to me by next Monday 26th August. I will then use that information to organise subject blockings for 2014. Once subject blockings have been finalised, students will not have the same flexibility if they change their mind, so it is very important that they make their choices carefully now.

It is important that students consider their entire VCE program when choosing subjects. Students need to remember that their subject selection sheet needs to be approved by myself, Mrs DeManser (Curriculum Co-ordinator) or Mr Croucher (Careers Co-ordinator).

Please discuss subject selection with your child. It is important for them to be able to justify why they have chosen a particular course. Hopefully they have not chosen a subject based on whether their best friend is doing that subject! It is also important that students research carefully any prerequisite subjects particular tertiary courses might have.

CURRENT YEAR 12 STUDENTS

It is a critical time for Year 12 students in that they have a very limited amount of class time left in Unit 4 subjects, so it is important for them to make every effort to develop their learning prior to exams. It is also important for students to take care of their personal wellbeing so that they do not miss days due to illness or tiredness.

Year 12 students also need to have plans in place for 2014. Students intending to go onto tertiary study should be considering course preferences, and also researching scholarship and accommodation opportunities. Those not intending to study in 2014 should see Mr Croucher so that he can help put them in touch with relevant employment or apprenticeship agencies.

Anthea Good
VCE Co-ordinator
NATIONAL ASTHMA WEEK - Sep 1st – Sep 7th 2013

Over 2 million Australians have asthma – about 1 in 10 adults and about 1 in 9 or 10 children.

National Asthma Week 2013 - Take Control of Your Asthma!

This year Asthma Australia and member Foundations aim to raise significant awareness about improving the lives of people living with asthma.

Three things to remember this National Asthma Week:

• Three or more is very poor.
  If you use your blue asthma puffer three times or more a week then your asthma may be poorly controlled and you should contact the Asthma Foundation or your local GP for help and advice.

• Most people with poorly controlled asthma don’t have to put up with it.
  Gone are the days when people with asthma had to rely on reliever medication all the time. Now we have medication that will prevent asthma flaring up in the first place.

• Preventer medications have been around for decades, but many people aren’t taking them.
  Up to 75% of those who are prescribed preventers are not taking them
  This means your asthma will not be as well controlled as possible
  Your airways can become permanently damaged and cause serious breathing problems for the rest of your life.

1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462)

www.asthma.org.au
www.nationalasthma.org.au
www.asthmafoundation.org.au


South West Health Care Warrnambool Community Health: Michelle Evans & Sarah Irving; Asthma Educators 55634000

The Asthma Foundation has provided Asthma Information Packs for Teenagers. Contact Adolescent Health Nurse at school for information. Available Wednesdays & Thursdays.
PHOTO SHOP

More Kitchen Garden Working Bee Photo’s ...

Luke Welsh & Ethan Pearson-Leone at assembly ...

Week 6 Award Winners—P-4 ..

Shane Woods gives his Yr 2/3 Report ..

Winter Sports ...
RIST would like to invite you to the:

2013 RIST Information Session

Monday 02 September 2013 - 4pm to 6pm or 7pm to 9pm

RIST, 915 Mt Napier Rd, Hamilton

This is a great opportunity to learn more about RIST and to see what study options are available for 2013/14. Along with presentations, staff will be on hand to provide specific details and answer any questions you may have about the following programs:

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Please RSVP by 29th August 2013 to:
ristvic@rist.com.au or (03) 5573 0943

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**Terang and District Netball Assoc AGM**

Thursday the 12\textsuperscript{th} of September at 7:30pm at the Terang Stadium.

Election of Office Bearers

**Calling for teams for the 2013 Spring/Summer Ladies & Mixed seasons.**

A representative from each interested teams will be required to attend.

For more details please contact: Stephanie Mathew on 0458 988 121 or Gill Hampson on 0417 503 230

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**Terang Tornadoes Basketball Squad Tryouts**

Try out Dates listed below for some of the squads for 2013/14 season.

Try outs will be held in age groups.

- **U/12 Boys - Tues 27/8, 3/9 & 10/9** 4.00 – 5.00 pm
  - Born 2003 / 2004

- **U/14 Girls - Wed 28/8, 4/9 & 11/9** 4.30 – 5.30 pm
  - Born 2001 / 2002

- **U/14 Boys - Tues 27/8, 3/9 & 10/9** 4.30 – 5.30 pm
  - Born 2001 / 2002

- **U/16 Boys - Wed 28/8, 4/9 & 11/9** 4.30 - 5.30 pm
  - Born 1999 / 2000

Try outs will be held at the Stadium. Players will need to attend all sessions.

Any questions you can see April Hookway or contact her on 0407 607 075

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**Dyslexia / Irlen Syndrome**

**Why is my intelligent child struggling to learn?**

- What is Irlen Syndrome/Perceptual Dyslexia?
- What is Dyslexia?
- How does it affect learning?

Do you or your child have reading difficulties, light sensitivity, headaches or migraines?

**Free Parent & Teacher Information Session**

Presented by: Fiona Baudinette

Clinic Director, Irlen Dyslexia Centre Bayside

Kings College, 44 Balmoral Road,
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**FRESH PASTA FUNDRAISING**

**Melbourne Metro 2013**

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| **DECEMBER** |
| Mon 9th Parents Association Meeting |
| Tues 10th Presentation Night |
| Tues 17th School Council Meeting |
| Wed 18th STUDENTS LAST DAY |

**REMINDER**
Friday 23rd August - (This Friday !)
PUPIL FREE DAY