Term 4—Week 9—3rd December 2014

School Uniform

As the school year comes to a close I would like to draw attention to the issue of school uniform. The college school council sets the uniform that is expected to be worn by all students. However, on any given day we have a considerable number of students out of uniform and often the issue is footwear. The school policy is that black leather shoes must be worn. Canvas shoes are not acceptable nor are sports shoes! The school has a supply of second-hand shoes that will be provided to students on a daily basis if they do not wear the correct shoes.

As has been mentioned many times ‘hoodies’ are not permitted at school. If a student’s school jumper cannot be worn on any particular day students will be permitted to wear an alternative jumper, but it cannot be a ‘hoodie’.

The new school year provides an opportunity for all students to start the year with the correct uniform and the expectation is that every student in the school adheres to the uniform policy. If the provision of correct school uniform is an issue then I would encourage you to have a discussion with Dot Jenkins, our Business Manager or myself to see how the school can support you. A copy of the school uniform policy is included in this newsletter.

Orientation Day

Next Tuesday, December 9 is our official orientation day where we will be welcoming the 2015 Prep class to the school. They arrive by 8:55 and stay till 1:00. The new Preps will enjoy a day of fun, getting to know each other, Mrs. Amos and the school environment. Please make sure your child has a snack, drink bottle, lunch, a piece of fruit to share and their sunhat (named). All new Prep parents are invited to a brief information session at 12:30 in Rm 13 before they pick up their child.

Donation of a defibrillator

Last week we received a defibrillator and a first aid kit courtesy of a local business which prefers to remain anonymous. This is a very generous gesture which we really appreciate. In the accompanying letter, the donor, wrote;

“While we sincerely hope you have no need for this potentially life-saving device, we also hope that it gives your staff and students some degree of comfort knowing that there is a defibrillator in your school.

We value the health and wellbeing of the communities where we live and offer this defibrillator purely as a support network for schools who may not be able to fund a device themselves. Wishing your staff and students the best of health and happiness.”

Year 4 Graduation and Years 5-12 Presentation Night

As I mentioned in last week’s newsletter please keep in mind the Year 4 Graduation assembly and the Years 5-12 Presentation Night which are coming up this week and next. The Year 4 assembly will begin at 9:30am on Friday of this week and the Years 5-12 evening will begin at 7:30pm next Tuesday 9th December. Both will be held in the BER building. All students in Years 5-12 are expected to attend Presentation Night and wear full school uniform. Please try to be seated by 7:25pm.
Years 5-10 Picnic Day

On Friday the Years 5-10 students will have an end of year house celebration day in Warrnambool where they will spend time at Aquazone before they travel to Lake Pertobe for a range of activities. Following a BBQ lunch the students will participate in an ‘Amazing Race’ activity. Students will need to bring bathers, towel, water bottle, snacks and a hat!

Congratulations to Lachlan Wareham and Kira Firth

Congratulations to Lachie and Kira who have been selected for their respective Under 16 Western Waves cricket teams to compete over the summer holidays. They will join Isaac Wareham and Georgia Wareham who are also competing. Good luck to all four of our representative cricketers.

End of Semester 2 Reports

Semester 2 reports will be distributed to all students on Friday 12 December. For senior students who will have finished school prior to that date, the reports will be posted home.

Arrangements for the start of the 2014 school year

Teaching staff will commence at school on Wednesday 28 January. On Thursday 29 January all students will be required to attend school for a short period of time. The purpose of this day is to ensure that every student and their parents are fully informed on how to make a successful and focused start to the year

Details are as follows;

Students in Years Prep-4 will be required to attend school with a parent/guardian to enable interviews and/or testing to take place.

Students in Years 5-12 will be required to attend a 15 minute ‘Entry’ interview accompanied by a parent or guardian. The interviews will be conducted by the house mentors or another teacher assigned to the house on that day. At that interview mentors will discuss, for example, student goals and expectations for the year and highlight any concerns that were evident in the end of year reports.

All interview times will be sent home in the coming week and every effort will be made to match times for children in the same family. We understand that work commitments for some parents will present difficulties and where that is the case I encourage you to contact Anne DeManser as soon as you can so that an alternative time can be arranged.

Booklist items will be able to be collected and school fees paid on either Wednesday 28 or Thursday 29 January.

Timetabled classes for all students will commence on Friday 30 January.

Graeme Good

 Wednesday 17th December -
 Students last day
 Thursday 29th January 2015 -
 Students/Mentor meetings & P-4 Testing
 Friday 30th January 2015 -
 Classes start
Mortlake College Uniform Policy

All students are expected to wear the correct school uniform at all times

Boys Uniform:
- Grey trousers or shorts, grey or white socks. Black leather shoes.
- White shirt/polo shirt.

Girls Uniform:

Summer: Green gingham school dress. Black leather shoes. White or black socks. Tailored shorts and white shirt/ploy knit shirt may be worn as an alternative in summer.

Winter: Fletcher Jones style skirt or bottle green slacks, navy blue for VCE students. White shirt/ploy knit shirt. White or black socks. Black or navy tights (not leggings)

School Jumper: The designated jumper is a woollen v-neck bottle green jumper. Students in VCE have the option of wearing navy blue jumper with the college printed on it. There is also the option of a green windcheater with the college logo for the junior school.

Sports Uniform: All students are required to change clothing prior to sport or physical education. (Change room and hot showers). Pupils must wear the sports uniform mentioned below. When students represent the college at an interschool carnival they must wear the college sport uniform.

Girls sport uniform:
- Red polo knit shirt. White socks and non-marking sports shoes. Black sport skirt or black shorts.

Boys sports uniform:

Hats
The school has a SunSmart policy that dictates hats MUST be worn outside at recess and lunchtimes during Terms 1 and 4. Students who do not have a hat must remain in a designated shade area.
ADVANCE CAMP

Last week, we had the Advance Camp in Lorne for 3 days.

The first day, we leave Mortlake College at 9:15, and headed to Geelong. Up there, we tried Rock climbing and Abseiling, which was really fun.

Steph Jubb won the price for the ‘best climber’.

After that, we visited the surf museum in Lorne, and learned about the history of the surfing in Australia.

Around 6:30, we got to ‘Cumberland River’, the camp site we stayed. We set the tents, and had BBQ for tea.

The second day, we woke up at 7:30 and had breakfast. About 9 o’clock, we started the Erskine Falls 10km walk, which was for about 4 hours. We picked up a little kitten during this walk, so we visited the visitor centre to leave the kitten there.

After we had wraps at the camp site for lunch, we went to the Lorne beach for swimming for few hours, also went to the Teddy’s lookout.

We made groups to cook tea by ourselves, and each group cooked tea using the trangias. We also had camp fire and went to bed around 10:30.

The last day, we woke up at 7:30, and went to the Lorne beach to do surfing. We did surfing for about 2 hours. Although some of us had never done it before, everyone enjoyed a lot.

We stopped at Colac for lunch, and came back to school at 3 pm.

Thanks Mr. Bennett and Ms. Coate for organizing this camp.

It was a great opportunity to participate this camp and I had great time with great people.

I hope I get the chance like this in Japan.

By
Yuri Yamaguchi
THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAMME

On Friday Aplpha Shows came to the school to present the “The Hunchback of Notre Damme”

All students from Prep to Year 10 were entertained by the lively performance and joined in with the many jokes and songs

YEAR 3/4 LITERACY

In celebration of one of our literacy groups finishing their class reading book “Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone”, today the students watched the DVD of the book and then played Quidditch. All students had an enjoyable day.
We have been preparing for Christmas by planting some seeds to give as gifts. As the weather has been beautiful, we have all really enjoyed these end of year activities.
**Yr 5-12 Presentation Night**

The Year 5-12 Presentation Night will be held on Tuesday 9th December in the BER Building starting at 7.30pm. Please ensure you are seated before then. All students are required in full school uniform. All welcome.

**Yr 4 Graduation**

The Year 4 Graduation will be held on Friday 5th December in the BER Building starting at 9.30am. All welcome.

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**SPORTS NEWS**

*Kira Firth & Lachlan Wareham & Georgia Wareham – Western Waves Cricket*

Congratulations to the following students:

Kira Firth on making the 16 and under Western Waves Cricket squad, Kira will compete for the 2nd Year in a row.

Lachie Wareham on making the 16 and under Western Waves Cricket squad. Lachie will compete in Melbourne over the summer holidays.

Georgia Wareham will also be playing Western Waves next week and for Victoria under 18’s over the summer holidays. We wish them all the best!

**STATE NOMINATIONS**

Information regarding state nominations and other sports can be found on the School Sport Victoria website.

*Nathan Jones*

*Year 7-12 Sports Coordinator*
A la café has been revamped! Instead of our usual morning tea we would like to add something new to this popular event. The night will begin at 5 p.m with the usual selection of talented acts. From 6 p.m. a bbq tea will be available, there will be sausages, hamburgers, tandoori chicken burgers and salad, & chicken with salad on a plate, followed by coffee/tea and slices. Icypoles will be available for the children.

The night will end with the children from P-4 singing some traditional Christmas carols from approx. 7:30p.m. Come along and meet with other families from Mortlake College and celebrate the end of the school year in a festive way!

When: Wednesday 17th December @ 5 p.m. Where: Outside the BER on the grass

Bring your deck chairs and picnic rugs Bbq available for purchase (Order forms attached)

Menu

Sausages $2 with coleslaw and onion $0.50 extra
Hamburgers $3
Gourmet Tandoori Chicken with coleslaw in a roll $6
Chicken with Salad on a plate $7
Coffee/tea & piece of slice $2
Icy poles $1

ORDER FORM

Please return by Friday 12th December. Money to be paid on the night.

NAME: _____________________________________________________________

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There will be food available on the night without an order form
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC 2015

Well, it’s that time of year again! Music lessons have nearly finished which means it’s time to start thinking about next year. I have been teaching two days a week this year and would like to see that continue. It’s been a very good year, with several teachers taking the opportunity to learn or relearn instrumental skills, as well as a range of students from Grade One to Year Ten continuing on or beginning to learn how to play an instrument.

Learning a musical instrument can be very beneficial for a child. Not only does it assist with their reading and mathematical skills, it can improve hand-eye co-ordination and concentration as well. That is why I offer music lessons for anyone at school.

For children aged five to eight (roughly Prep to Grade Three) I offer piano, recorder, guitar and violin. These are the easiest to learn at that age, and the latter two come in different sizes to accommodate small fingers. For the older students, I also offer flute, clarinet, trumpet saxophone and drums (for anything, please enquire).

I also offer lessons of different lengths. Twenty minute lessons are ideal for those who have trouble concentrating for long periods of time or who are young, and thirty minute lessons are for the older children or those who can sit still long enough! Joint lessons are also available on some instruments for two students who are interested in learning together.

If you are interested in having your child or children learn an instrument next year, please contact me on (03)55623975.

For those with students already learning, please make sure you have sent in any outstanding money owed for lessons and a note about their plans for next year.

Melanie Pocknall
Instrumental Music Teacher
BLUE CHEESE GNOCCHI
(as created by VCE Food Tech students this week while learning about moulds in food!)

INGREDIENTS

GNOCCHI
2 large desiree potatoes, unpeeled
¼ tsp salt
100 g plain flour

SAUCE
40 g butter
1 tbsp flour
1 cup milk
50 g blue cheese, crumbled
¼ cup mascarpone cheese
¼ finely grated parmesan cheese

METHOD

1. Place potatoes in a saucepan. Cover with cold water and bring to the boil over medium heat. Cook for approximately 20 minutes.
2. Remove potatoes from the stove when they are just tender. Drain well.
3. Set aside until just cool enough to handle. Peel by hand and discard skins.
4. Mash potatoes very finely. Season to taste.
5. Add flour to potatoes. Knead until a soft dough forms. If mixture is still sticky, add a little more flour. Turn dough into a lightly floured surface.
6. Cut dough into 4 pieces. Gently roll each piece out to form a long log about as wide as your little finger.
7. Using a lightly floured knife, cut each log into 1cm pieces.
8. Roll each ball of gnocchi over the end of a lightly-floured fork, pressing gently with your index finger or thumb underneath as you go, to form a dent in the back of each one and fork marks on the other side.
9. To make sauce, melt the butter in a saucepan over medium heat until foaming. Add flour and cook, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon, for 1 minute or until mixture bubbles and begins to come away from the side of pan. Remove from heat.
10. Gradually pour in half the milk, whisking constantly with a balloon whisk until mixture is smooth. Slowly add the remaining milk and whisk until smooth.
11. Return the saucepan to the stove. Over a medium heat and stirring constantly, bring to the boil. Continue this for 2 minutes or until sauce thickens and coats the back of the spoon.
12. Remove from heat. Add blue cheese, mascarpone cheese and half the parmesan cheese. Stir until cheese melts and sauce is smooth.
13. Bring a large saucepan of water to the boil. Add a small quantity of the gnocchi, be sure not to overcrowd the saucepan. When cooked, the gnocchi will rise to the surface of the water. Remove with a large slotted spoon and drain well.
14. Repeat with remaining gnocchi.
15. Serve with the Blue Cheese Sauce and sprinkle with remaining parmesan.
LOST PROPERTY

In lost property there are a number of

School windcheaters
Lunch boxes/drink bottles

Please come and see Kate if you are missing any items.

MORTLAKE COLLEGE SECOND HAND UNIFORM FOR SALE

1 x Green Woolen Jumper—Size 16
1 x Sport Rugby Jumper—Size 12
1 x Senior Winter Skirt—Size 16
2 x White Polo Shirts with school logo—Size 14
2 x Equestrian Saddle Blankets
1 x School Tie

If you are interested, please call Libby on 0429 992 042

Health & Well Being

Parenting Strategies: Adolescents & Alcohol
What’s The Harm?

Tuesday 9th December 7pm - 8:30pm

Emmanuel College, McAuley Campus Hall, Ardlie St. Warrnambool

Guest speakers will include: Mr Bruce Clark (Leigh Clark Foundation); Lorri Chandler (Manager, Centacare South West) & Mark Powell (Dual Diagnosis Senior Clinician at Headspace). An opportunity to explore issues around the use of alcohol amongst young people & the implications for them & families. Open to parents from Warrnambool and surrounding districts. The evening will entail each of the 3 guests presenting for about 20 mins each followed by opportunity for questions. Each of the speakers offers a different perspective on the issue of alcohol &
Preparing today’s students for tomorrow - Building Resilience

How to help your children successfully face challenges

Q&A with Building Resilience creator Associate Professor Helen Cahill, Deputy Director Youth Research Centre, Graduate School of Education, University of Melbourne

Why is it important to be resilient?

It’s important to be resilient so that you can build a capacity to cope and to persist when faced with challenge. Persistence is the key to learning. If children don’t understand something and quickly give up, they will learn less effectively, so persistence and resilience are key.

What can parents do at home to help children be resilient?

The number one thing is to be a role model, and then to share with their children the techniques they use to help them face a challenge. Parents can talk to their children about techniques they use to cheer themselves up or to calm down. For example, it can be something as simple as helping a child to make a plan when they are feeling overwhelmed. Or it can be talking with them about counting to 10 when they are angry with their siblings.

What does a resilient student look like in primary school?

A student who is able to identify when they can successfully problem-solve and when they can successfully identify the need to seek help. A child in the playground may be disagreeing with a friend about what to play together and they problem-solve by deciding to take turns playing different games. Help-seeking is about asking a teacher, parent or an older child to assist them when they are unsure.

What does a resilient student look like in secondary school?

In secondary school, students should be identifying those critical moments when they should be sharing certain information with their friends or parents to help them face a challenge.

How can secondary-school aged friends help each other to be more resilient?

Teenagers are more likely to turn to their friends for support and it’s important for friends to provide each other with a positive space to discuss problems. Instead of just sounding-off to each other, they can use open-ended problem-solving skills to help them have conversations where they do not feel judged.

When they engage in this kind of interaction, teenagers are in a better position to think about all the possibilities and to choose what’s right to do for them. It’s important for teenagers to know that asking for help is a strength, not a weakness. It is an act of courage to speak up and ask for help.

If I’m a parent and I don’t think my child copes very well with challenges and change, what should I do?

You can provide positive experiences for your child, something as easy as involving them in conversations between you and your friends and neighbours, or encouraging them to participate in group activities such as sport to build connectedness with society. It’s important to remind children of times they succeeded at something. For example, a time they used courage or were patient. This encourages a child to build on prior, similar successes.


To see how your child is being prepared for their future, visit education.vic.gov.au/futureready

Authorised by the Victorian Government, 1 Treasury Place, Melbourne.
11 November 2014

Mortlake P-12 College
Careers Officer
10 Hood Avenue
Mortlake VIC 3272

Re: Summer School for School Leaver - Warrnambool
2014/15

Dear Careers Officer,

Hospitality Training Australia is excited to announce that it is bringing its popular Summer School for School Leavers program back to Warrnambool, commencing 7 January 2015.

Our Summer School program is specifically aimed at Year 12 school leavers, their friends, family members across the greater Warrnambool community.

I have attached a media kit that includes course flyers and a proposed school newsletter article. We believe that our course offers your students essential certificates and skills necessary to aid their transition from school into the workforce and ask that these materials be distributed to students and their parents.

I have also taken the liberty to forward a similar kit to your Year 12 Coordinator to help in also distributing this information to students.

Thank you in anticipation of your support for this initiative. My contact details are peterh@itle.edu.au or telephone 03 9639 5651 if you require further information.

Kind regards,
Hospitality Training Australia

Peter Hains
Training Centre Manager
Proposed School News Letter Article:

Certificate in IV Hospitality

Summer School for School Leavers

Course Commencing 7 January 2015 at Brauer College


Our Summer School program is a stage one of a two stage program. It is specifically designed for school leavers and university students to help them transition from school to the workforce and start earning money.

For three (3) days a week for three (3) weeks, you’ll learn how to make espresso coffee; prepare drinks behind a bar; serve food in a restaurant; and respond to a first aid emergency. Not only that, you’ll earn your Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA) certificate, your Responsible Service of Gambling (RSG) certificate, your Food Safety (FSH) certificate, your Apply First Aid certificate and more.

Course Outline

Summer school participants complete the nationally recognised Certificate III in Hospitality (stage one of Certificate IV in Hospitality), the units delivered include these industry recognised units of competence:

- SITXWHS101 Participate in safe work practices
- SITXASA101 Use hygienic practices for food safety (FSH)
- SITHFAB101 Clean and tidy areas
- SITHFAB202 Operate a bar (Bar Training)
- SITHFAB201 Provide responsible service of alcohol (RSA)
- SITHFAB206 Serve food and beverage (Waiter)
- SITHGAM201 Provide responsible gambling services (RSG)
- SITHFAB204 Prepare and serve espresso coffee (Coffee)
- SITHFAB203 Prepare and serve non-alcoholic beverages (Mocktails)
- HLTAIDO3 Provide first aid (Level 2)
- SITHIND301 Work effectively in hospitality service
- SITXCCS303 Provide service to customers
- SITHRMA301 Coach others in job skills
- SITHFAB303 Prepare and serve cocktails (Cocktail)
- SITHFAB307 Provide table service of food and beverage
- SITHFAB305 Provide advice on Australian wines (Wine)
- SITHFAB304 Provide advice on beers, spirits and liqueurs

Costs & Inclusions

$125 Enrolment fee, or $50 for Certificate III in Hospitality and a second payment of $75 to continue to complete Certificate IV in Hospitality (*eligibility criteria applies for government subsidised training) covers all you need:

- All learning and assessment materials, equipment, ingredients and resources;
- Full participation in all training and activities;
- A Statement of Results and compliance certificates.

Graduate opportunities for casual or part-time employment exist with the following contract catering companies this summer:

- Delaware North
- Spotless Food Services
- Peter Rowland Catering

How to Apply

Summer School for School Leavers

Hospitality Training Australia is bringing back its popular Summer School for School Leavers program, commencing 7 January 2015.

For $500 get essential certificates in RSA, RSG, FSH and First Aid. Plus you receive practical skills training in Coffee, Bar, Waiter, Wine and Cocktails. It is specifically designed for school leavers and university students to help them transition from school to the workforce and start earning money.

Course Outline
Summer school participants complete the nationally recognised Certificate III in Hospitality (stage one of Certificate IV in Hospitality). The units delivered include these industry recognised units of competence:

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- SITXFA301 Use hygienic practices for food safety (FSH)
- SITHFAB101 Clean and tidy areas
- SITHFAB202 Operate a bar (Bar Training)
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Dates & Duration
Summer School commences 7 January 2015 for 3 days a week for 3 weeks with 1 extra session for First Aid and concludes 23 January 2015. A detailed timetable is available online.

Location
Brauer College
37 Caramut Road, Warrnambool 3280

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Sydney Training Centre
Level 6, 773 George Street
Sydney NSW 3000
Telephone: 02 9281 4111
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Email: info@hosptrain.nsw.edu.au

Learn More
Course Commences:
Date: Wednesday 7 January 2015
Time: 9am-4pm

Location:
Brauer College
37 Caramut Road
Warrnambool 3280

Summer School for School Leavers
Certificate IV in Hospitality
Enrol now to gain your RSA, RSG, Food Safety Handler, and First Aid certificates and training in Espresso Coffee, Bar, Wine, Cocktails, Waiter Operations to position yourself to get a job and start earning your own money.
From $50.00 on payment plan.

www.hosptrain.vic.edu.au/summerschool/warrnambool

@hosptrain #HTASummerSchool
School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children’s services listed on the DEECD Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.

Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter and SMS message. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day.
- Active After School Care will also be cancelled on these days.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.
- As a bus co-ordinating school all bus routes will be cancelled.
- Depending on which Bureau of Meteorology district is impacted bus route cancellations may affect our school.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan—on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the CFA advise that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day.

As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan.

What can parents do?

- Make sure your family’s bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, checking our website and by talking to your child’s teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.
- Most importantly at this time of year, if you’re planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family’s bushfire survival plan.
- For up-to-date information on this year’s fire season, visit the CFA website at www.cfa.vic.gov.au or call the 24-hour Victorian Bushfires Information Line on 1800 240 667.
WANTED : STUDENT EXCHANGE HOSTS

This year we have been fortunate to have three long term exchange students enrolled at our school. Florence, Yuri & Pascale have been wonderful additions to our student cohort. They have willingly shared their experiences and knowledge of their home countries with us and they have been great role models in goal setting and work ethic.

Next year we already have two more exchange students enrolled and we are looking forward to meeting them at the start of next year.

We have been contacted by the AFS exchange organization asking for help in attracting more host families to the program. There are lots of international students hoping to do an exchange year in Australia and they need homes to stay in. I have included part of the AFS letter below.

“At AFS we are very grateful to your school for your interest in hosting our exchange students from around the world. We know that you will have positive experiences with our students and hope you will consider hosting AFS students in 2015.

In particular, we have over 11 students arriving into Victoria from Japan, France, Chile & Finland who are all requiring host placements in Victorian schools. These students arrive in February and will be here on either a 5 or 11 month program. Your students may not only increase their intercultural understanding through their experience, but learn how to interact with people from different backgrounds and through this develop themselves as young leaders in a global environment.

We are still looking for schools and host families for

6 Japanese students
2 French Students
1 Chilean, Finnish & German student

These students are set to arrive into Australia on February 6 2015.

AFS Exchange Students in Australian Schools

AFS Australia has been a trusted leader in intercultural high school student exchange for more than 65 years, and is registered with all Education Departments across Australia. More than 200 trained AFS Volunteers live in communities where we place our students. AFS works in partnership with educators to provide opportunities for intercultural learning and global competencies.

Who are AFS Exchange Students? AFS welcomes more than 200 international high school students to Australia from 50 countries annually. Our students:

- are seen as role models and leaders in their home communities
- must be accepted by an AFS office in their home country, as well by AFS Australia on the basis of academic achievement and motivation to study abroad
- are required to make an effort to do their best regardless of whether grades transfer home
- have a tested level of proficiency in English and strive to increase language skills
- are ambassadors for their countries and provide invaluable opportunities for global learning

If you would like to discuss hosting an AFS student further, please do not hesitate to contact me. Here at AFS we are constantly evolving the programs we offer and are open to working closely with your school to provide inbound and outbound programs to suit your school community.”

Kind Regards,

Lian Drinan □ Hosting Coordinator □ AFS Year Program Returnee to Japan □ Phone: 02 9215 0077 □ Email: aus.hosting@afs.org □ AFS Enquiries: 1300 131 736 □ Website: www.afs.org.au/host/

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The Man They Call The Banjo
By Felix Meagher and Dennis O’Keeffe
Directed by Wolf Heidecker

The year was 1895. Banjo Paterson and his fiancée, Sarah Riley, travelled to outback Queensland. Sarah hoped to announce their wedding date. But then Christina Macpherson sang Craigtiee...
The secret love story behind Australia’s favourite song Waltzing Matilda.

Proudly presented by Mortlake College P-12 Parents Association

 Appearing At: Mortlake Soldiers Memorial Hall Friday 23rd January 2015 7.30pm
 Tickets $35.00 Tables of 10 or individual tickets
 BYO Alcohol Aussie supper provided

Buy Tickets: Liz Fowler – phone 0418299644 or email liz@o2media.com.au
Produced by Man Called Banjo Production in association with the CAA - Wyndham Community Arts Alliance Inc.
Contact felix@bushwahzee.com 0413-801294 www.bushwahzee.com/banjo.html www.facebook.com/Banjobwz
Christmas Family Night
Thursday 4th December 2014
6pm – 8pm

Come and join us for a night of fun for the whole family!

FREE activities include –
• “Dazzling Dan the Magic Man” Show
• Animal Farm
• Photo Booth
• Fairy Floss
• Jumping Castle
• Face Painting
• Salvation Army Band
• Games, Fun and Competitions
• Santa in store with Lollies for kids
• Christmas Craft Activities for Kids
• Interactive Tool Demos for Adults
• Light Supper and Refreshments supplied

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL  5564 1800, in store or warrnamboolao@bunnings.com.au
TERANG – WARRNAMBOOGL SCHOOL HOLIDAY BUS SERVICE
Via Noorat – Mortlake – Purnim - Bushfield

TIMETABLE – Monday to Friday

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Operating Monday to Friday excluding Public Holidays.

Time tables will be available in locations at Terang, Noorat and Mortlake.

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TIMBOON – WARRNAMBOOL SCHOOL HOLIDAY BUS SERVICE
Via Port Campbell – Nullawarre - Allansford

Please Note – New timetable with additional days of operation during the school holidays only.

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