



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

26th February, 2016 Newsletter No. 2

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students

During the last fortnight we have successfully conducted a number of whole school and year level events and meetings which has included both students and parents. On Thursday 17th February, we held our first whole College assembly for 2016. Complete with a large number of proud parents and grandparents as special guests in the audience, our College Captains, House captains and Senior Leaders were announced and presented with their badges by Council President, Neal Topia. This included our four elected College Captains for 2016, namely Madison Carroll, Brittany Fiddes, Melony Jones and Tully Scales and each of these students embody and represent our core values of courage, friendship, achievement, trust, happiness and teamwork. Also at the assembly we had Jodie Dowling and Savva Giannikos announce that WaterMarc from Greensborough has again chosen Montmorency Secondary College as its community partner in the worldwide campaign 'Lets move for a Better World' beginning on Tuesday 1st March. The mission of the campaign is to bring awareness to the local community about the importance of being active from a very young age, highlighting the growing issue of childhood obesity. The community is invited to join in and donate its physical activity from Tuesday 1st March, 2016 to Saturday 19th March 2016 (11:59pm) to help WaterMarc win the Technogym

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 4TH MARCH, 2016

**WEAR YOUR RELAY FOR LIFE TOP (IF YOU HAVE ONE)
OR DRESS IN PURPLE TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT**

GOLD COIN DONATION FOR RELAY FOR LIFE

training equipment up to the value of \$50,000 for our College. Please see details later in this newsletter about this competition and how you can make a difference.

During the past fortnight we have also had two very well attended and most informative Parent Information evenings conducted by our Senior sub-school and Junior sub-school teams. The first was our Pastoral Care and Instrumental Music recruitment evening. Parents and students met their home group teacher in each of the seven home rooms and this was quality time for the transfer of information and getting to know each other and the College Year 7 Program. Following this initial session everyone relocated to the Resource Centre to learn about the Instrumental Music Program and to meet our talented team of Instrumental Music teachers. Our classroom Music staff of Matthew White and Melanie Hunt is complemented by a large team of instrumental teachers delivering weekly tuition for a full range of instruments for students who have an interest in this co-curricula area. Instrumental Music Co-ordinator,

Anthony Citino gave an impressive presentation about the program and our staff. We had performances from our Stage Band, Woodwind Ensemble and Strings group. Some of our current instrumental students then demonstrated a selection of the instruments and were available to speak about them to the Year 7 students and their parents. We have many of the instruments available for student use at the College and there are also commercial instrument hire and buy-back schemes available. Anthony Citino can provide expert advice and details of these schemes.

The second session was the Year 12 Parent Information Evening and presentation by Senior School Leader, Bronwyn Mackey, Year 12 Co-ordinator, Deb Metcalf and Careers and Pathways Co-ordinator, John Hallsworth, were both assuring and insightful for parents advising them about the year ahead for our Year 12 students.

On Monday 15th February we again held our Annual House Swimming

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Carnival at the Doncaster Aquarena. We were treated to beautiful weather and a lot of outstanding swimming and diving talent on display in the pool and on the boards. The bombing competitions and lawn sports also attracted great excitement and support from spectators. The hard work of Sports Co-ordinator, Bruce Collins, ensured a wonderful event for the 550 students who attended, most dressed in their house colours. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the parents and grandparents who attended on the day to support our students and they joined with us in being treated to some outstanding individual and team achievements. House competition and spirit was keen throughout the day and together with the waterslide and grass sports competition, was the formula for some tired but happy students and staff.

At the end of 2015 our College community lost a wonderful former

teacher and we acknowledge her outstanding contribution to Montmorency Secondary College, its students and staff. Chris Walsh taught Mathematics, Science and Health and Human Relations at Montmorency for 17 years from 1991 to 2008 after teaching at Heidelberg and Coburg Technical Schools in a teaching career that spanned 30 years. In three separate years, 1992, 1997 and 2005, Chris was awarded an International Teaching Fellowship and taught in both Canada and Scotland. In 1991, then 1993 and 1994 she was also a Year 9 and 10 Year Level COordinator at our College. Chris was definitely a larger than life character who was admired and respected by students and fellow staff for her outstanding teaching skills and dedication. Chris genuinely cared about students and her colleagues and always had this uncanny ability to support those in most need and in doing so had a positive influence on many lives. Chris mentored many colleagues to help them develop their

own teaching skills and careers. She was also highly successful in always developing a wide range of teaching strategies to assist all her students. Chris will be remembered with admiration and affection and at the same time sadly missed.



Regards

MONTMORENCY SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN DAY & SCHOOL TOURS



WEEKLY TOURS

Small group tours and information sessions are conducted regularly at the College throughout February, March, April and May. Tours are capped in size to ensure each participant has a personalised tour. If you are considering enrolling your son or daughter at Montmorency Secondary College we warmly invite you to join us on a tour to see our College in action.

Bookings for College tours can now be made online via the College website www.montysc.vic.edu.au

Please allow one ticket per person (adult or child) attending.

If you need to cancel or change a booking please contact the General Office on 9422 1500. Bookings can also be made through the General Office.

OPEN DAY AND INFORMATION EVENING TUESDAY 19th APRIL, 2016

FUNDRAISING TO FIGHT BACK

RELAY FOR LIFE 19 & 20 MARCH

We are coming together to fight cancer - one step at a time!

One in two Australian men and one in three Australian women will be diagnosed with cancer before the end of their lives. An estimated 130,470 new cases of cancer will be diagnosed in Australia this year, with that number set to rise to 150,000 by 2020.

This is why we fight for funds!

How can you help?

We are sponsoring a range of events to help the Montmorency Secondary College Team raise money:

Casual Clothes Day: Wear purple and make a generous gold coin donation on the **4th of March**. If you have Relay for Life shirts, wear them with pride!

Easter Eggs Guess: Guess the number of Easter eggs in a jar from **29th February to 4th March**. For a gold coin entry, you get two guesses and the winner keeps the jar!

Silver Coin Collection: Send in those pesky silver coins that plump up your purse the week of **7th to 12th March**. This is a friendly competition between home groups and the winning group earns a free pizza lunch through their generosity!

Please get the whole family involved in these wonderful events, as we hope to raise over \$10,000 as a school community.

Of course, it is still possible to join the Team by clicking on the link on the College website – www.montysc.vic.edu.au From our Team Page, click the 'Join My Team' button to register and help us fundraise. If you can't join us, you can also support our team by making a donation online.

We are painting the world purple in a war on cancer.

*How will **you** join the fight?*

Relay for Life Team



TERM 1 AT A GLANCE

Fri 4th March	Nillumbik Swimming
Fri 4th March	Out of Uniform Day
Wed 9th March	Year 7 Vaccinations
Wed 9th March	School Council Meeting—7:30pm
Mon 14th March	Labour Day
Friday 18th March	Student Progress Reports Distributed
Tues 22nd March	NMR Swimming
Wed 23rd March	Student Progress Interview Day
Thur 24th March	END OF TERM—Finish 1:22pm

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

RESULTS

1ST PLACE

YARRA HOUSE

692 Points

2ND PLACE

DAREBIN HOUSE

443 Points

3RD PLACE

DIAMOND HOUSE

363 Points

4TH PLACE

PLENTY HOUSE

342 Points

Swimming, Singlets and Sunshine

On the 15th of February the Swimming Carnival finally came, complete with sunshine and sea breezes.

Our school was filled with a variety of characters ranging from the Pink Ladies, colourful garden gnomes, synchronised swimmers, the characters of Guess Who and even Kath, Kim, Sharon and Kel from Fountain Lakes. With the weather in our favour, the day was shaping up to be a good one.

The first competition of the day was the Year 12 diving, where we saw some interesting takes on dives, specifically Georgia Nulty's now famous belly whacker.

Throughout the day, there were various events in the pool with some great talent on display. It was wonderful to see the huge Junior School involvement, fielding enough relay teams to fill all the lanes in the pool.

The novelty events of the day provided a laugh for all and included fashions on the pool deck, the flag race, tunnel ball and the infamous Staff vs Students competition. This year all year levels participated in the relay against the teachers, with the Year 12 team taking the win. However, all year levels put up a good race.

In the bombing competition, we were amazed by Maddi Carroll who took the title of Best Bomb of the Day.

Overall, the day was a great success with plenty of fun had by all year levels and we are sad to say good bye to our last Swimming Carnival with the college.

Marli Evans and Zoe Liberona



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

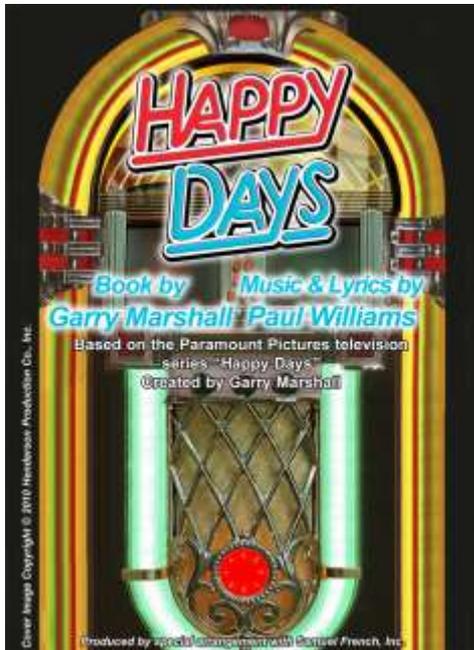


Montmorency Secondary
College is proud to
announce this year's
College Production

Goodbye grey skies, hello blue! Happy days are here again with Richie, Potsie, Ralph Malph and the unforgettable "king of cool" Arthur "The Fonz" Fonzarelli. Based on the hit Paramount Pictures television series, *Happy Days*, A New Musical reintroduces one of America's best loved families, the Cunninghams -- yes, Howard, Marion and Joanie are here too -- to a whole new generation of kids and parents.

If you like Grease you will love *Happy Days*. A power house, rock and roll trip down memory lane, HAPPY DAYS IS NOT TO BE MISSED!

Auditions will begin at the end of
February for this exciting
production
showing on 5th & 6th August, 2016



HAPPY DAYS

A New Musical
Book by Garry Marshall
Music and Lyrics by Paul Williams

BY ARRANGEMENT WITH ORIGIN™ THEATRICAL
ON BEHALF OF SAMUEL FRENCH INC.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC ENROLMENT

Dear Parents, the program is almost full for this year with regards to enrolments and instruments for hire. If your child intends to enrol and learn then please have them return the forms asap. At this stage, there will be no guarantees given the numbers.

Please be aware that there is still plenty of opportunity for

- Voice lessons
- Joining the choir (even if you are not having lessons)
- Drumming (students can learn without owning a drum kit and still make good progress)
- Bass Guitar (must own their own instrument)

If there are any enquiries or questions please feel free to call or email.

Anthony Citino

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SUNDAY, MARCH 6TH 2016

LOWER PLENTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

CAR BOOT SALE

TO BOOK A STALL,
CALL LPPS
(03) 9436 2585
\$20 EARLY BIRD
\$25 AFTER 27/2/2016



Everyone is
Welcome
to
our friendly
School Fete!

HUGE JUMPY CASTLE & SLIDE
HOME MADE BREAKFAST & BBQ
COFFEE & CAKES - PLANTS & CRAFTS
HEAPS OF KIDS ACTIVITIES

YEAR 7 BOYS CRICKET

On Wednesday 10th February we had 15 year 7 boys compete in the Interschool Super 12s Cricket round robin. Montmorency played off against St Helena, Diamond Valley and Eltham High securing top spot beating all other schools significantly. Excellent bowling from Luke Jurkovic and batting from Joa Page and Joshua Rae. Our wicket keeper, Sam Miller, was fantastic and also a special mention to Van Page who helped umpire and score throughout the day. We play off in the next round Robin in mid-October. Well done boys.
Mr Peter McCoy.



Jordan Barrett, Aaron Bof, Riley Cameron, Morgan Cutler, Patrick Dooley, Brodie Jones, Luke Jurkovic, James McDonnell, Samuel Miller, Bronson Neave, Joa Page, Benjamin Park, Jamie Ramsdale, Joshua Rae, Callum Rees, Edward Dorgan, Van Page

LOTE NEWS



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MELBOURNE 2-24 MARCH



The Summer Festival is an annual event in Japan and comes to life on the 28th February 2016 in Melbourne at Federation Square!

<http://jcci-jsm.org.au/fest/>

INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA AND TRANSPHOBIA IN MAY 2016

MONTY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Montmorency Traders in conjunction with Banyule City Council are running a Photography competition to mark International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia. The aim of the competition is to promote and celebrate the diversity within our community.

Invitation to submit your photo that reflects the theme
Inclusion - "What makes a Family"

Launch 14th May, featuring BLUEHOUSE at 11am



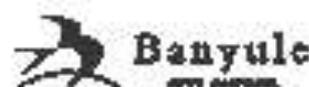
- Competition is NOW open - closes 5pm on the 4th May
- 1st prize \$250 cash
- Plus encouragement prizes (Monty Cafe Vouchers)
- Register & more info see reverse of flyer



- Official launch Sat 14th May at 10.30am
- Winner announced 11am in Were Street park
- Live performance by BLUEHOUSE from 11am (Heavenly harmonies and folk pop with grunt)



- IDAHOT Party Tue 17th May at 6pm
- Max's Burger Bar - Were Street Montmorency
- Free event, online booking essential at www.trybooking.com/KKVU



LET'S MOVE FOR A BETTER WORLD



WaterMarc from Greensborough is competing to win training equipment for Montmorency Secondary College.

WaterMarc is taking part in a worldwide Campaign promoting sport and physical activity. The mission of the Campaign is to bring awareness to the local community about the importance of being active starting from a very young age. In the past 30 years childhood obesity has more than doubled in children and quadrupled in adolescents. By 2025, 70 million children under 5 will be overweight or obese, if current trends continue*.

The official launch of the Let's Move for a Better World Challenge will take place on Tuesday 1 March 2016, 5.00am at WaterMarc, 1 Flintoff Street, Greensborough 3088.

The community is invited to join in and donate its physical activity from Tuesday 1 March 2016 to Saturday 19 March 2016 (11.59pm) to help WaterMarc win Technogym training equipment for Montmorency Secondary College.

You are welcome to join us by taking advantage of our special challenge offer of 19 days for \$19, if you are not currently a WaterMarc member. This is available to anyone 15 years or older, participants under 18 years require parental permission to participate.

Learn more about Let's Move for a Better World Challenge at www.technogym.com/letsmove



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SECONDARY COLLEGE

**WaterMarc | 9422 6111 | watermarcbanyule.com.au
1 Flintoff Street, Greensborough VIC 3088**

* Sources: World Health Organisation (<http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs311/en/>), European Public Health Alliance (<http://www.epha.org/a/6055>), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (<http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/obesity/facts.htm>)

Twilight Conference on Cyber Safety

Commencing at 6pm, St Helena Secondary College is proud to host our first Twilight Conference on Cyber Safety,

- When: 6pm
- Where: Theater
- Cost: \$15 p/p
- Finger food and drink on arrival

Guest presenter **Brett Lee**, founder of INESS will be exploring his work as a Police Officer for 22 years, 16 of those as a Detective in the field of Child Exploitation. In his last five years of service, he was a specialist in the field of undercover internet child exploitation investigations. Brett has been personally involved in the online investigation, arrest and prosecution of numerous offenders, who's medium for preying on children is the internet.

We will also have

- Area specific stalls in relation to child and student safety online, including ELTHAMbookshop with a table of relevant books for sale,
- Q & A session hosted by members of the community, so think about those hard hitting questions,
- Various workshops run by
 - Victorian Police
 - Local Councils
 - Past students
 - ... and so much more

Head to <http://bit.ly/cybershsc> to secure your place in this event. For more information, please contact us and ask to speak to **Anna Shearman**, our Wellbeing Co-ordinator of the College.

