Friday, August 30th 2013  
Term 3, Week 7

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Building Progress
Building works are still on track to be completed by the beginning of the 2014 school year. Presently we have three works in progress – the construction of the P-8 area, refurbishing of the Admin block and the construction of a new Foods area in the Community Centre. College Council is also hoping to have maintenance to the Year 12 Common Room completed over the coming months.

The shift from the Primary Campus up to the P-12 Campus will be a huge task and the school may need support in the form of Working Bees at this time.

Wellbeing Worker
Ouyen P-12 College has had the services of Mrs Marie Kilpatrick two days per week for most of the year. Marie’s role is that of Wellbeing Worker, she engages with staff and students to assist with any problems which may arise. This program is overseen through ACCESS Ministries and in part funded by National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Program.

Advancing Country Towns
The school and local community will be beneficiary of the Keeping Kids Connected project which is part of the Advancing Country Towns - Mallee Track initiative. The goals of our part of the project are increased participation in further education & training and increased retention and attainment of Year 12 or equivalent. We look forward to seeing this initiative rolled out in the coming months.

Thank You
Thank you to Mrs Raelene Vine for her work over the past seven weeks in the Years 3/4 classroom. Raelene has been filling in Amanda McGregor’s absence. We are fortunate to have such experienced relief teachers in our local community.

Leanne Dawes
Principal

SECONDARY CAMPUS
SCHOOL SERVICE
Charlee Pengelly & Lucy Morrish

Monday
◊ Free dress day
◊ Main day for jobs
◊ No student will miss English or Math classes.

Tuesday - Friday
◊ Empty bins (during afternoon Home Group time)
◊ No classes will be missed.

VCE NEWS:
Practice exams will be held for students completing a unit 3/4 subject. The exams will take place on Monday, September 23rd & Tuesday, September 24th (the first week of the holidays).

The exams have proven very beneficial to both students and subject teachers and ensure all students to attend.

If students are unable to attend and parents contact the College other arrangements may be made.

A copy of the practice exam timetable has been provided to the students and is in the newsletter this week.

Marie O’Connor
VCE Coordinator

Our Primary/Middle Years classrooms are progressing very quickly. Brickwork began this week. ▼ ▲

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YEAR 2: Parker Fawcett
YEAR 3: Sarah O’Callaghan
YEAR 4: Lauren Grace
YEAR 5: Liam Vine
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PRIMARY CAMPUS AWARDS
STUDENT AWARD: Ned Scott
TIDY ROOM AWARD: Year 5
ATTENDANCE BEAR: Year 2

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
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On Tuesday, August 27th the year 1’s & 2’s were fortunate enough to have a visit from Wild Action. As we have been learning about Reptiles in our Literacy block this term, this incursion came in very useful, seeing and feeling the different animals we have been learning about. The show was called Australian Animals, so there were many other animals that we learned about as well as reptiles. It was such a great experience and we would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Jan Morrish for organising this for us!

My favourite animals was Bobbie because he was good at dancing- Porscha
My favourite animal was Rex the crocodile. He is a reptile- Rhyce
My favourite animals was Rex because I had a photo with him- Ethan
My favourite animal was the black-headed python. I liked Bernie because he has a 250 pack!- Isaac
My favourite animal was the black-headed python because it strangles its prey and it has no fangs- Benjamin
My favourite animal was Penelope the ring-tailed possum because its tail curled around me- Ziyoun
My favourite animal was the possum because he wrapped his tail around a finger- Connor
My favourite animal was the possum because her tail has a white tail and it is harmful- Courtney
My favourite animal was the Olive python whose name is Ollie because Miss Lacey nearly cried and Mrs Geary screamed!- Joel
My favourite animal was Ollie the Olive python because he made Miss Lacey almost cry- Samuel

Freddie the white lipped green tree frog was my favourite because he has a green body and he is nocturnal. He can breathe through his skin when he is wet- Brylie
My favourite create is Penelope. She is a ring tailed possum. She is 4 months old. She can see in the dark. She can see in the dark. She lives in a pouch. She feels her way around- Mady. P
My favourite reptile was the black headed python called Bernie. I liked him because I like his black head. He was scary, he was long, he was smelling the man who was holding him- Dustin
My favourite animal is Penelope the ring tailed possum. She is four months old. She doesn’t like the light but she likes the dark. She lives in the pouch. She uses her whiskers to find her way around- Laura
My favourite animal was Penelope the ring tailed possum because she was cute and soft. She lives in her own pouch. She is four months old. He has whiskers to feel things in the dark. She is nocturnal. She eats fruit- Kodie
My favourite reptile was the black headed python and his name was Bernie. I liked the snake because I got to hold it. It is cold blooded. They grow very big. He lives in the rainforest- Billy
How healthy are you?

Next week we celebrate National Health Week and can have a look at how healthy we are and what changes we can make to become healthier.

Thursday will be our focus day with plenty of opportunities to get active and eat a balanced diet.

- Families and students are invited to **Walk to School**. Juice will be available on arrival along with a raffle ticket to go in the draw for a Healthy Prize. Bus travellers are also eligible if they walk to the bus stop or walk 2 laps of the oval when they get off the bus.

- Thursday is also **Footy Colours Day**. So as well as walking to school proudly in your favourite footy colours (eg Carlton), P-2 students will participate in skills clinics with the Year 9 Community Group.

- **Nude Food Day** (known also as rubbish-free day) is when students are invited to choose snacks that are fresh and don’t have disposable packaging. Each classroom has a fridge for storing fresh food and snacks to ensure their freshness.

- Healthy living is about balance, so after our pie lunch pieces of **fruit** will be available for all students. For families who have fruit trees with an abundance of fruit, we would greatly appreciate any donations.

Over the week class groups will be asked to record/tally the steps they take in a day. Some students have been fortunate to receive a **Step-a-thon** pedometer (see last week’s newsletter) and are welcome to use these to count their steps. Others will be able to use the school’s set of pedometers. It will be interesting to see if the predictions made match the outcomes.

**Please note that Mrs Morrish is no longer able to ride to school with students. We are grateful for the time Mrs Morrish has given to highlight road and bike safety and hope that families have been encouraged to get on their bikes!**
SOUSAPHONICS:
Matt, Dan, John and Evan were the very entertaining Sousaphonics. Much of the music they play is their own composition based on various cultural styles from around the world. They played Fandango - Spanish dance, samba - South America, and Hora Bora - Central Europe - all different musical flavours. They also performed thematic music. The Big Top characterised various aspects of the Circus, while another piece had us riding camels in Afghanistan and imagining the snake charmer at his work. They were very talented - especially when students conducted them and altered dynamics and tempo.
they played trombone, clarinet, trumpet, saxophone, sousaphone (weighing 15kg) and percussion. Beulah Primary School students and staff joined us for this Musica Viva show.

VCE Trial Exam Timetable

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**Apprenticeships Currently Available**

Refrigeration Mechanic Apprenticeship - Thermotec commencing January 2014.
Applications close Saturday, August 31st 2013

Heavy Diesel Apprentice - Mildura Cranes & Hire.
This position would ideally suit someone who is currently completing Year 11 – 12 and currently enrolled in Certificate 11 Automotive.
Applications close Friday, August 23rd at 5pm.
Further details for both the above positions are available from Sue Sly.

**GAP Year Opportunity – Fully Funded**

Baptist Camping Victoria, Camp Wilkin Anglesea.
Gain a Certificate IV in Outdoor Recreation.
Work towards a Diploma in Theological Studies.
Phone: 52633 222 or Visit: www.baptistcamping.com.au

**Scholarship News**

**Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship and Support Scheme (NAHSSS)**  http://www.rcna.org.au/wcm/
Applications close Friday, September 13th

**Aged Care Nursing Scholarships (ACNS): Undergraduate**

Applications close Friday, August 30th

**C.A.S Hawker Scholarship**

Opens Monday, December 9th & closes Friday, January 3rd 2014.
The application form is now available - www.hawkerscholarship.org

**Student Start-up Scholarship**

Applicants must be receiving income support through Centrelink (Youth Allowance, Austudy, ABSTUDY and students assisted under veterans’ schemes). Administered by Centrelink; no competitive application process (all students who meet eligibility criteria can access this scholarship).
Valued at $2,050 per year (indexed).
For more information contact Centrelink on 132 490 or visit: www.humanservices.gov.au

**Relocation Scholarship**

Applicants must be receiving income support through Centrelink (please see above) and must live away from the family home for study.
Valued at $4,000 (indexed) for the first year of enrolment, and either $2,000 or $1,000 for each subsequent year.
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**La Trobe University Scholarships**

La Trobe University has scholarships that reward students for outstanding academic achievement or community involvement, as well as ones that support those facing financial hardship.
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/scholarships

**COURSELINK Student Access**

Students undertaking VCE/VCAL for the first time can now use student access CourseLink using their VCAA student number and the first four digits of their date of birth, providing they have entered it as it has been included on VASS. Year 11 and Year 12 students will now be able to compare their programs with prerequisites for VTAC Guide 2014 and VICTER 2015. Year 10 students will be able to compare study programs against prerequisites for courses commencing in 2016 using an email address and a four digit PIN. www.vtac.edu.au
If you require any assistance please see Sue Sly.

**La Trobe University Living on campus: Residential services**

Our 2014 new applications now open for Melbourne & Bendigo. Check out their resources online and find out more about accommodation http://www.latrobe.edu.au/accommodation at one of their campuses.

**MAAP My Future**


**MYFUTURE** is Australia’s national career information and exploration service. The interactive website contains career tools and information for all Australians seeking information about their own career development and for those assisting other people with career planning.

The newest feature is the myfuture Forum, which allows individuals to have discussions with somebody who works in an occupation that they are interested in. Each session, a different person will be online to answer users’ questions.
You can follow myfuture on Facebook and Twitter to keep up-to-date with the redevelopment. myfuture.edu.au

**Work Experience Opportunity at NOVA 100**

"Money Can't Buy" Work Experience placement at NOVA 100 Richmond studios.
**Date:** 3 days during 2013 September/October school holidays
**Venue:** NOVA 100, Level 2, 678 Victoria St, Richmond
**Opportunity to include:** behind the scenes access to departments of the station including marketing, sales, production and administration.
To ENTER the Competition please guide your students to visit the “Work Experience Opportunities” tab at www.justbu.com.au

**Public Interest Law Careers Guide**

The Castan Centre for Human Rights Law and the Progressive Law Network are pleased to present their new Public Interest Law Careers Guide. This guide details a number of public interest law organisations that offer schools trips, speakers, work experience or other resources to secondary schools. While most of the focus is on jobs available to those who undertake a law degree, some career options that do not require a law degree are included. This may be of interest to those advising students who are interested in law as a career, but lack the requisite marks.

Sue Sly
Careers Coordinator
SSV MALLEE DISTRICT ATHLETICS

We will welcome competitors from Robinvale, Manangatang, Murrayville, Werrimull and Tyrrell. next Tuesday for our Annual SSV Mallee District Athletics. Geoff Amos has been busy preparing the oval so that it is ready for competition.

Starting Time - 10.00 a.m.

The teams have been put up on general noticeboards and in HomeGroup rooms so that all students know what events they are now in after the challenges have been completed.

If for any reason students cannot compete in events, changes MUST go through Mrs. Lonergan. No student should find their own replacement for an event.

Please check the teams and program so that you know what events you are in and at what time they are scheduled.

Good luck to all of our competitors.

Thank you to the three parents who have offered their assistance in running the sports - more help would be greatly appreciated.

Please let the office know if you are available.

SPORTS SINGLET
WE NEED THEM!!

There are still a lot of sports singlets that have not been returned from previous events.

These shirts are school property and it is disappointing that some students don’t return them straight after events.

If you have one at home please return it on Monday as we need them for the Athletics team.

SUCCESS EQUALS PRODUCING YOUR BEST WHEN IT COUNTS

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THE MORE WE DO FOR OTHERS, THE MORE WE DO FOR OURSELVES

SHOT / DISCUS / JAVELIN athletes MUST enter and leave through the back of the circle/throwing area. All spectators and waiting competitors must remain well behind the throwing areas.

Please check the program carefully and ensure that you are at the appropriate area on time. Running events take priority over field events. If you have a clash in events, report to the field event before going to compete in your track event.

After your track event, return promptly to your field event.

Please check the team sheets to ensure you know what events you are in next Tuesday. Competitors placing 1st will qualify to compete at Northern Zone in Bendigo.

Forthcoming Dates

NWSSSA Athletics
Tuesday, September 3rd
Ouyen

VSSSA Northern Zone Athletics
Thursday, October 10th
Bendigo

REMINDERS FOR SPORTS

Students will be selected to help out at the various events next Tuesday.

All competing and assisting students are expected to be appropriately attired in Inter school School Sports Uniforms on sports day. NO casual/fashion Tshirts will be allowed. Inappropriate sports uniform may lead to removal from events. Track pants can only be worn to compete in Shot Put, Javelin and Discus events. Track suits/ rugby tops should be worn between events if the weather is cool, but also be prepared for warm weather.

All competitors in 100m, 200m, 400m and 4x100 relay events must use a crouch start - “ON YOUR MARKS” “SET” “GO” (The Gun)

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Congratulations:
Best wishes to Andrew Lanigan and Renae Bonica as they marry this weekend. Have a wonderful celebration.

Meeting:
Our next meeting is set for September 9th which is also 3 way conference day at the Primary Campus. Looking for feedback as to whether to keep to 7:00p.m. or hold it after school (3:30ish) and give those parents around at the time the chance to attend a meeting. Please let Justine or Raelene know your thoughts on this by Wednesday, September 4th so we can advertise the meeting time in the newsletter.

Catering:
The Year 5 families are taking on the catering for the Lions’ Club dinner on Thursday, September 19th at Blackburn Park to help out with the Pushcart fundraising target. This group is the smallest in the school – 8 or 9 families - and will be grateful for any offers of help from school families, or students not going to the formal. It will be a two course meal (roast plus dessert). Details will be on next week’s newsletter but you can offer before then. Need help with food – donations and preparation, serving, and dishes!! Contact Raelene [0407849174] if you think you may be able to help.

Pedestrian Crossing:
Parents Association has been pressing for pedestrian crossing markings to be painted at the Oke and Cooper St intersection for quite some time. There are regular close shaves at the intersection as children make their way home or to the street. This will remain an intersection of interest after the school is on one site being the northern entrance to the main business precinct, and an access area for Senior Citizens, mobile library users, Preschool, and Maternal and Child Health Centre users. Any parents wishing to write their own letters to MRCC or Vicroads supporting this notion is encouraged to do so.

A Few Words on Happiness
“Every parent wants their children to grow up to be happy people. Happiness and learning are linked. Many people think happiness is related to relaxation and putting your feet up (tropical resorts, swimming pools, daiquiris etc.). It’s not. People consistently report their optimal experiences in their lives as times when they become engaged in an activity that captivates them; that absorbs them; that captures their interest so much they become immersed in the experience and they forget about what they are doing as well as forget about their day to day worries. These are activities where people ask themselves later, “Where did the time go?” This state is described in psychology as “flow”, in sporting circles as “the zone”, and as the level of optimal learning.
Andrew Fuller – Help Your Child Succeed at School
Inyhead Press, Queenscliff, Vic.

Justine Cresp – President
Raelene Vine – Secretary
Dear Parents

The Year 5 Pushcarts team is selling home-made gingerbread men for $2 each, as part of their fund-raising efforts. These will be available on September 11th. If you would like to purchase some, please fill in your details below, and return the form to the school with your money by no later than Friday, September 6th.

Name__________________________________________
No. of gingerbread men__________________________________________
Total cost _____________________________________________________

Marie Kilpatrick - SWW