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NEWSLETTER

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

EXCELLENCE ~ INTEGRITY ~ RESILIENCE ~ RESPECT ~ RESPONSIBILITY

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 22 nd September	Last Day Term 3
Monday 9 th October	First Day Term 4 / Yr 12 Practice Exams & Performance & Language Orals Commence
Friday 13 th October	Eastern Metropolitan Region Athletics
Monday 23 rd October	State Athletics
Friday 27 th October	Yr 7-10 Exams Commence / Yr 12 Graduation Dinner
Tuesday 31 st October	Yr 11 Outdoor Ed Wilsons Prom Camp Departs
Wednesday 1 st November	Yr 12 Exams Commence
Monday 6 th November	Curriculum Day (no classes)
Tuesday 7 th November	Public Holiday (no classes)
Friday 10 th November	Yr 11 Studio Arts Exhibition @ Deakin Uni 6-7pm
Wednesday 15 th November	Intro To Outdoor Education Brisbane Ranges Camp Departs
Thursday 16 th November	Junior Music Concert
Monday 20 th November	Yr 11 Exams Commence
Thursday 23 rd November	Yr 7 Immunisations
Wednesday 29 th November	SC609 Planetarium Excursion
Monday 4 th December	VCE Headstart Program Commences
Monday 11 th December	Yr 7-9 December Program Commences
Monday 11 th December	Yr 8 Tasmania Tour & Yr 9 Sydney Tour Commences

CAREER NEWS



Click the link(s):

[Career News 15th September](#)
[Career News 22nd September](#)



Uniform Shop Hours

Tuesdays 8.00am to 11.00am
 Wednesdays 1.00pm to 4.00pm

Click [here](#) for Uniform Order Form

2017 Term Dates

TERM3: 17th July – 22nd September
 TERM4: 9th October – 22nd December

Canteen

Canteen Price List click [here](#)

Student Absence Reporting Hotline

9803 5144 press 1 - Please call before 9am



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Regional Report

Over the last five weeks I have had the privilege of taking on a Senior Education Advisor role in North Eastern Melbourne Region. This has seen me work closely with senior levels of the Region and Department to implement and support the Government's Education reforms. I have learnt a great deal about the operation of the Education Department. A major part of this role has been supporting the 30 schools in the Monash LGA. This has included assisting with school reviews, brokering solutions to complex problems, fostering increased cooperation between schools and supporting parents.

I would like to thank Mrs Carr who has been my replacement at Highvale over this time and Mrs Patti who has acted as Assistant Principal. They have both done a fantastic job.

Parent teacher interviews

If any parents were unable to attend the parent teacher interviews, could they please contact the relevant teachers in order to arrange a time to discuss your student's progress.

Debutante Ball

The 2017 Debutante Ball was held at the Freccia Azzurra Club last Saturday night. It was fantastic! I would like to thank everyone from the PTSFA Deb Ball committee and Mrs O'Loughlin in particular for all of their work in bringing this year's wonderful Debutante ball together. I would also like to thank Mr Neil Angus, Member for Forest Hill for participating in this important event.



Holiday wishes

I would like to wish everyone a safe and restful term three holiday. It has been a very full term. To our Year 12s – you are nearly there!!!

Ian Watkins
Principal

SCIENCE NEWS

CERES Excursion – Year 8-10 Physics in the Real World

On 28th August, the Physics class journeyed to CERES Environmental Park accompanied by Mrs Dimou and Mrs Christensen as part of their study on Energy. The class learned about applications of the energy we use every day and how we can use them sustainably.

CERES was once a mining quarry that was turned into a landfill area. After a period of time, the local community transformed it into an environmental park for everyone to enjoy and learn. The park is cared for organically, meaning that most of the maintenance is done without the use of manmade chemicals like pesticides. As a fun fact, the word Ceres is derived from the Roman god of agriculture.

The Physics class enjoyed their time learning about the various ways that energy is used and produced, as well as how to reduce the amount of energy they use at home. They also learned about the ways homes are constructed to reduce energy waste and just how much energy is needed to power certain appliances around the home. We learned about fossil fuels - what they are and how they affect the earth's environment negatively.

Overall, the students were engaged and very intrigued during their time at CERES and learned many things about sustainability and energy conservation.

By Sean Lee and Cameron Jones (Yr 9 students)

REMINDER – COURSE PREFERENCES

Just a reminder to all Year 7 to 9 students and parents that course preferences need to be entered online by Tuesday 10th October. Please email Mr Mitchell if you have any difficulties completing the form.

CAREER NEWS – IMPORTANT DATES



Reminder: VTAC 2017 Upcoming Key Dates



Timely applications through VTAC	Thursday 28 September 2017
SEAS applications close	Tuesday 10 October 2017
Scholarships through VTAC close	Friday 13 October 2017

Also, students applying for courses that have **extra requirements** (i.e. submitting a folio, a pre-selection kit, arranging an interview, etc.) are reminded that failure to meet the deadline date for these means students may no longer be eligible for selection into their desired course.

Students eligible to apply for **SEAS** are also encouraged to apply for **VTAC Scholarships**.

The VTAC website is www.vtac.edu.au.

MUSIC NEWS

On Monday 18th September, the Junior and Senior Stage Bands from Highvale Secondary join with the Junior and Senior Concert Bands from Highvale Primary School. The day was filled with workshops combining the high school and primary school students.

Apart from tutorials, there was a break from all the hard work with the year 9/10 students from Mrs Linton's Performance class playing music games with the younger students. They were also entertained with a variety of performances by the senior students.

The day culminated with a performance of all 4 bands in the HSC Theatre.

This ended a busy term of performances, and the students will enjoy a well-deserved rest.



Suzi Reid
Stage Band Conductor



Upcoming Performances

Junior Stage Band and Senior Stage Band

Workshops and a performance presentation with the Highvale Primary School students next Monday afternoon (18th September).

HSC Orchestra

Monday 23rd October

- Year 12 Graduation Assembly (final performance for the year)

Wednesday 18th October

- last afternoon rehearsal

Junior Concert

Thursday 16th November

- **Rhythm Riders, Harmonix Choir, Junior Stage Band and the String Orchestra** will be performing

Chamber Strings

Tuesday 12th December

- Orientation information performance

Tuesday 19th December

- Presentation Evening performance

Senior Stage Band

Tuesday 19th December

- Presentation Evening performance

Harmonix Choir

Saturday 11th November

- Livingston Primary School Fete

Anne Linton

Director of Music

MARKET DAY

For one day last week, Highvale became the temporary home to 22 ambitious new businesses as the school held its annual 'Market Day'. Offering a range of food items, from hot chips to satay skewers, donuts to hamburgers, Year 11 Business Management students competed with each other to try and tantalise the tastebuds of the school community. The day was a great success with over 90% of the businesses recording profits.

The students also had to pay "taxes" and "administrative costs" which will be donated to the upcoming Fiji trip, raising over \$500.

Many thanks to all the parents of the business owners for their support and a special thanks to members of the Food Technology team for their assistance and guidance on the day.

Ros Patti and Tom Barton



This is one for the **LADIES!**



“A gym membership is too expensive!”
“I don’t have enough time in the day to exercise”
“I feel uncomfortable exercising in front of other people”
“I want to exercise but I don’t know where to start?”

Whatever voice inside your head that is stopping you from challenging yourself physically, here is something to consider becoming a part of....

**Come along to D3 Wednesdays lunchtime for a 30 minute Bootcamp workout with Ms. Dwyer starting in Term 4.
The first session will be Wednesday 11th October.
This is available to girls ONLY from Years 10-12.**

Exercise is proven to boost your confidence and happiness levels, it gives you that energy boost and helps with your sleep and concentration.

This WILL cater to ALL fitness levels. This WILL be a fun and non-intimidating environment. There WILL be great music to work out to. What are you waiting for?



FREE YEAR 7 - 10 TUTORING

After School Tutoring

Perfect for students to get extra assistance with their studies

Ms Mann - Maths & Science

FREE TO ALL STUDENTS

Mr Barton - English & Humanities

EVERY *Wednesday*
3:00 - 4:00 PM
in the library

FREE VCE TUTORING

FREE TUTORING FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 10-12

MONDAY-THURSDAY | 3.00-4.30pm | SENIOR STUDY CENTRE

MON		TUES		WED		THURS	
Rachael	Biology English French	Rebecca	Physics Chemistry	Reema	English Language	Rebecca	Physics Mathematics Chemistry
Shaun Fortnightly (Week 1)	Specialist EAL	Kylie	Literature Geography	Hazel	Music Chemistry Health	Simone Fortnightly (Week 1)	Accounting Business Management
		Randall	Further Methods	Sarah Fortnightly (Week 1)	Psychology Legal		

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Grand Fete

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Saturday 21 October

8:30am - 2:00pm

Collectables, Toys
Asian Food, Drinks,
Pick a \$2 Box,
Pre-loved Clothes,
Pre-loved Books

Trash and Treasure,
Face Painting, Plants,
Hamburgers,
Sausage Sizzle,
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