



PRINCIPAL CLASS TEAM: College Principal–Julie Myers / Senior School Principal–Rob Porter / Middle School Principal–Bob Hartmann

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PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

Welcome back to term 4!

Hopefully we have all come back to face term 4 feeling rested and ready for the challenges that this term presents us.

Rock to Reef 2009

Congratulations to the team of staff and students who went away on the annual "Rock to Reef trip". From all reports it was a most successful and enjoyable trip with many highlights. A big thank you to Daryl Richardson, Meleah Zanos, Jenny Church and Marion Hill who planned and led the trip.

VCE Revision Week

Once again this program was held during the Term break and well attended. Thank you to all staff who involved. I am sure that our students appreciated the opportunity to put in extra preparation for the coming final assessment period.

Step Up Program

After the exam period all students in Yrs 9-11 will be involved in the step up program which prepares our students for next year. Both Brauer College and the DEECD have an expectation that all students will be in attendance until the final dates as specified on the College calendar. Please do NOT allow your son/daughter to finish school early to commence part-time employment or to go on holidays until after the final date.

Uniform Code

Please support us by checking your son/daughter's appearance before they leave home in the morning to go to school. The school uniform code is in the student planner if you need to check the expectations. This also includes jewellery and makeup. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Julie Myers
Principal

| CALENDER OF EVENTS - 2009 | |
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| OCTOBER | |
| Mon 12 – Fri 16 | Maroon Week |
| Tues 13 | WDSSSA Jnr Summer Sports |
| Wed 14 | Port Fairy PFA Fashion Parade |
| Mon 19– Fri 21 | Green Week |
| Mon 19 | Koroit PFA Meeting 7.30pm Mickey Bourkes Hotel, Koroit |
| Wed 21 | Year 12 Farewell Assembly (passing the flag) |
| Thurs 22 | Year 12 Last Day Year 12 Graduation Dinner |
| Tues 27 | Warrnambool PFA Meeting 1.30pm Conference Room, Brauer College |
| Fri 30 | World Teachers Day |
| NOVEMBER | |
| Wed 4 | John King Assembly |
| Wed 11 | Remembrance Day Assembly |
| Thurs 19 Nov-1 Dec | Daly College (India) Exchange Cricketers/Adventurers |
| Fri 27 | Year 11 Last Day |
| Fri 4 Dec | Year 10 Last Day |

*"You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face."
– Eleanor Roosevelt*

OFFICE HOURS

The Front Office hours of operation are:

8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Thursday

8.30am to 4.00pm Friday

Please note that the office has B-Pay available.

FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP SHOP HOURS TERM 4

2.30 - 4pm (sharp) Monday and Thursday

12.30 - 2pm Tuesday

Michelle and Elizabeth

BULLETINS AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE

These bulletins are available on our website.

If you do not require a hard copy of the bulletins please advise your child not to collect them from school when distributed.

FREE ENGLISH TUTORIALS

Would you like some extra help in English? Is there a skill area you want to improve? Have you got an assignment that is worrying you? All students in Year 7-12 are welcome to attend after school English tutorials in C3, every Monday from 3.40-5pm with Mrs Vallence. Come each week or just when you need help with something specific. See you there!

FREE MATHS TUTORIALS

As most parents would know the Mathematics department offers tutorials every Wednesday afternoon for students who want to set aside a regular time for homework or get a little extra work with their Mathematics on either a regular or casual basis.

You may also have seen advertisements for a new website <http://www.mathsonline.com.au>. This site contains a large number of useful tutorials that students may find helpful when reviewing their work, in addition to their own notes and textbook resources. If you have any questions about the college tutorials please contact Marion Hill (Mathematics Coordinator), Mark Alexander (Maths Tutorial supervisor) or your child's maths teacher.

DISTANCE EDUCATION CENTRE VICTORIA (DECV) CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

The Distance Education Centre Victoria (DECV) is celebrating 100 years of Victorian government distance and correspondence education. A celebration for past students, teachers and friends of the DECV and the Correspondence School will be held at DECV Thornbury on the afternoon of Sunday 18 October 2009 starting at 2.00pm. They also seek memories or memorabilia of the last 100 years. Please RSVP to centenary@distance.vic.edu.au or write to the DECV at 315 Clarendon Street Thornbury 3071.

PORT FAIRY PFA BLUE ILLUSION FASHION PARADE

Annual fundraiser

7.30 p.m. Wednesday 14th October

147 Koroit Street

Warrnambool

Blue Illusion Store

**All profits from evening go towards
students of Brauer College**

**Come and see the new spring/summer fashions
Have a wine or supper and enjoy the show**

Koroit Parents and Friends will next meet on
Monday, October 19th at Mickey Bourke's Hotel in
Koroit at 7.30.

Topics to be discussed are: awards for school assemblies, fund raising for next year and our end of year dinner!

All welcome! Come along and join the fun!

Anne Knappett – secretary

WARRNAMBOOL PFA

Next Warrnambool PFA Meeting

is to be held Tuesday 27 October

at 1:30pm in Conference Room, Brauer College

All welcome to attend

YEAR 12 FINAL DAY ARRANGEMENTS

The final day of school for year 12's is Thursday Oct 22nd. A BBQ breakfast will be supplied from 8.30am and the students will depart the school at 12pm. Can parents please ensure a safe method of arrival and departure is organised? The Graduation Dinner is held that evening at 6.30pm at the Wannan Room. Tickets for this event close this Friday – October 9th. All arrangement details have been posted out to all families this week, including exam information. If anyone has any concerns please call 55 603 812.

BUILDING AND RESTORING RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS IN SCHOOLS

Dear Parents,

If your child is in years 7 or 8 then chances are they have heard of a slight change to student management over the last few days at school. At times, some students step outside the accepted boundaries of a classroom. When this happens, Brauer College is using the values for which it stands; Participation, Responsibility and Respect to guide the student in learning strategies to manage their behaviour. We teach Maths, English, Commerce and Health, it also stands to reason that we teach behaviour as well.

If a student crosses the accepted boundary of a classroom, the teacher's focus is one of education. What happened? What were you thinking? Was it a good choice or a bad choice? Who has been affected? and What do you need to do to fix this? are questions the student will hear. The notion of 'fairness' for all is considered and discussed. Is it fair that you take learning time from others? Is it fair that you take the teacher's teaching time? , are all questions that the student will have to face and answer if they choose not to work with the teacher and focus on their learning and their tasks.

This management strategy gives the student a chance to tell what happened as well as the student learning what a better choice may have been in the circumstances. Building, fixing and maintaining relationships is at the heart of this student management plan so that our environment at school is one of respect for all and a place where real and active learning occurs.

So, parents, next time you find your own child on the other side of your accepted family rules, ask; What happened? What were you thinking? Was it a good choice or a bad choice? Who has been affected by your actions? and, What can I do to help you fix this up?

You may just find that you are building, fixing and maintaining your relationships quite well.

Sue Gray, Special Needs coordinator

PE/ SPORT UNIFORM

A reminder to parents and students that Brauer PE uniform is only to be worn during PE and Sport lessons. Students must arrive to school in full school uniform and change in to PE uniform at the start of their lesson. They must then be changed back in to full school uniform at the end of PE ready for other classes for the remainder of the day.

At the end of the day, students may leave school in PE uniform. Blue shorts are not Brauer uniform. Students are not permitted to leave school in non-Brauer attire, this is the case for all students even if a note was provided for not being in the appropriate PE uniform.

If your child is unable to wear PE uniform for class, it is expected they will have a note from a parent explaining the reason. The student is then required to wear a plain Tshirt/shorts so they can still participate in the class. It is not acceptable to not participate because shorts are in the wash etc.

Lost property is kept at the Gym for a few days and then taken to the uniform shop. If your child has lost anything ask them to check these areas. New and secondhand PE polo shirts and maroon shorts are available from the uniform shop should you need to replace lost items.

Thank you for supporting your child in following Brauer requirements for PE and Sport classes.

If you have any queries regarding PE/Sport uniform or procedures please contact your child's PE teacher or Julie Roberts on the school number.

COMEDY DEBATE 2009

Congratulations to our 2009 Comedy Debate team who were victorious against Warrnambool College in the recent comedy debate during the Port Fairy Book Fair.

Our topic was 'The book is Dead' and we debated the negative with much colour and vigour! Our team consisted of Liam Wright whose music really saved the day; Hannah Barker who fought by stealth and intellect and Meg Lumsden who summed it all up with her hilarious energy!

Each speaker debated for 10 minutes and ably defended their case against a variety of IT tactics!

The debate was close but skilfully won and special thanks go to the Warrnambool College team who argued so ardently, Mrs Emma Miller who coached them, Mrs Mary Delaney who organised the debate and Liam Wright who received Best Speaker Award!

Keep this date free next year. You should not miss it for entertainment value!

Anne Knappett – Debating Coach

LEGACY JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD; ZACH REACHES STATE FINAL!

The Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award aims at enhancing the oral communication and public speaking of junior students and also to help young people appreciate the ideals of Legacy-voluntary service, caring, mateship and remembrance.

Last semester our college was capably represented by Molly Murnane, Shannen Bartlett, Jackson McKenzie and Zach Mooseek at the regional final. Zach was declared joint-winner.

As a result, Zach represented the Western Region competing in the preliminary final in Melbourne last term. He was most successful and will now proceed to the State Final in October. This is a *great achievement* as over 2000 students have competed statewide in this event.

As a condition of the competition, Zach had to write another speech. He chose a topic that concerns us all "Teen Suicide". His speech was well received and passionately delivered.

Students then had five minutes to prepare for the two minute short-notice speech topic of "a spoonful of humour". Zach really entertained the audience with his thoughts. Zach can be very proud of his performance and the hard work that he put in preparing for this event.

We have had great success in this competition. Brauer College has had four State Champions and is the **only school in the state** to have had multiple winners.

We wish Zach well when competing at the State Final and know that he will gain much from this experience.

Jennifer Buchanan
Public Speaking Director

BRAUER COLLEGE PRIMARY SCHOOL PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

For fifteen years Brauer College has run a Public Speaking Competition for Primary Schools as an excellent extension to their own public speaking programs. Eight students competed this year, delivering a three minute speech and then a short-notice speech. They were confident and entertaining and handled the challenge well.

Special thanks to our capable and often humorous hosts and time keepers Zach Mooseek and Joel Medley. Thanks also to the Year 7 mentors who provided valuable support as well as a friendly face to our guests. They were Braiden Pace, Tim Chenoweth, Nick Mooseek, Rachelle Casley, Bonnie Burleigh, Emily Bouchier and Maddison Cust.

The difficult job of adjudication was performed admirably by Anne Knappett and Matthew Chenoweth (Public Speaking Captain).

It was a most successful night. It was great to see the competition largely being conducted by our students and to see the development and breadth of their public speaking skills. A wonderful team effort!

Jennifer Buchanan
Public Speaking Director



What's new in the Brauer Teaching and Learning Resource CENTRE

Our annual Book Week celebrations took place in September and the theme this year was 'Book Safari'. Resource Centre Staff are renowned for their willingness to dress up and lose some dignity for a while; this year was no exception!

Resplendent in solar topees, broad-brimmed 'bush' hats, khaki shirts and boots, Mrs. Anderson, Baker, Hayes and Zanos were absolutely convincing in their new book-hunting roles. The Resource Centre was suitably decorated and the air resounded to the cries of the jungle (including drums and Tarzan). We ran our usual book displays and contests, including our famous 'match the teacher' photo competition. This year it was 'match the teacher to the destination' as teachers had given us some wonderful photos of themselves 'on safari' – in places as far flung as Machu Pichu, the plains of Africa, the World Trade Centre New York, India and Indonesia.

Our week culminated in something new: our book hurling competition. Students were invited to toss some old books through a target – in this case, the open mouth of a lion. Contestants waged a fierce battle indeed and the atmosphere was electric as students of all ages vied for the honour of top score.

Our *Living Library* books this year comprised Warrnambool's Mayor, Michael Neoh; Kim Sweetnam (Communications Manager WCC); Lisa McLeod (Fun 4 Kids co-ordinator and Events Manager WCC) and David Williams who is in charge of the Penguin Protection project with the beautiful Maremma dogs. Many classes as well as individual students, benefited enormously from being able to access their expertise and listen to their experiences. We felt very privileged to have such a special and talented group of people share their life story with us.

As always, we have many new books arriving regularly in the Centre. They are displayed on the tables near the door. Please drop by and take a look!

Sharyn Anderson and Resource Centre Staff

Careers Corner

School Based Apprenticeships

Generally an Australian School Based Apprenticeship involves attending school 4 days per week and one day out of school working with an employer in a career you wish to pursue. The program is generally completed over two years and students are paid the National Training Wage for the industry they work in and they work toward certificate II or III level qualification.

WestVic are seeking expressions of interest for the following School Based Apprenticeships. See Mr Jackson in the careers office for further details.

Meat your future!



Are you a motivated, fit, energetic person who always strives to perform your best? A career in the meat industry is waiting for you...

Westvic Staffing Solutions in partnership with Midfield Meat International is seeking expressions of interest from students wishing to take up an Australian School based Apprenticeship in the Meat Processing industry.

For the right applicant, this could be the ideal opportunity for you to obtain a nationally recognised qualification whilst still completing your secondary education.

An expression of interest form can be collected from Westvic Staffing Solutions' reception or alternatively you can contact David Gladman on 0408 058 508. Expressions of interest can also be made at the careers office with Mr Jackson

Following submissions, an information night will be held for students and their parents outlining details of this exciting venture!

Warrnambool Cheese and Butter School Based Apprenticeships

Opportunities are available in the following areas:

- Administration
- Logistics
- Laboratory
- Maintenance
- Retail

See Mr Jackson in the careers office for further details

2010 Tertiary Scholarships

Monash University

Faculty of pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences rural entry scheme and scholarship

The rural pharmacy scholarship is valued at \$6000 per year and students must achieve an enter score of at least 95. Applications close October 31 and further details can be found on

www.adm.monash.edu/scholarship/applicants/year12

The rural entry scheme favourably re-ranks applicants during the selection process for the Bachelor of Pharmacy. Further details can be found on

www.pharm.monash.edu.au/courses/pharmacy/ruralentryscheme

Wannon Water Engineering Scholarship

This scholarship is available to a year 12 student applying to study Civil Engineering. The scholarship includes:

- An annual cash amount of \$5000 for educational expenses.
- Christmas vacation employment.
- A minimum of two years post graduate employment.

For further details go www.wannonwater.com.au.

University of Ballarat

Harold Carroll memorial scholarship

This scholarship is available to students who have been to primary or secondary school in the western district with a preference given to students who attended Port Fairy consolidated or Port Fairy St Patrick's Primary.

The scholarship is worth \$4000 over 4 years. See Mr Jackson in the careers office for an application form or go to www.ballarat.edu.au/scholarships

The University of Adelaide Undergraduate Scholarships

A range of scholarships are available and can be accessed on www.adelaide.edu.au/scholarships.

Scholarship applications through VTAC (www.vtac.edu.au)

Close at 5pm on October 30th.

Work Experience

The final two groups to do work experience will be 10I and 10J. These groups will go on work experience from October 26-30.

Students are reminded that it is important to contact your employer prior to the work experience. Students should check on the following details with their employer:

- Your start and finish times each day
- What you should wear
- Lunch arrangements
- Any other special arrangements
- The types of tasks that you will be expected to do during your placement

If you are unable to attend work during your placement make two phone calls: one to your employer and one to Brauer.

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CANTEEN ROSTER

October

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| Monday 12 | J Gapes, P Stenett, D Wilkinson |
| Tuesday 13 | J Huffer, S Wines, J Sack, N King |
| Wednesday 14 | L Bramich, M Smith, A Carlsson, C Pontonio |
| Thursday 15 | G Taylor, C Parsons, J Ballinger, R Ross W Smith |
| Friday 16 | L Brind, J Gysen, K Sanders, A Elliot, L Pike |
| Monday 19 | S Bailey, G Dews, M Kidd, S O'Sullivan |
| Tuesday 20 | R Sharpe, J O'Brien, M Sinnott |
| Wednesday 21 | F Rule, M Umbers, S Johnson, C Burleigh |
| Thursday 22 | G Taylor, C Parsons, T Trigg, A Senior J Bartlett |
| Friday 23 | K Murnane, F Martin, J McDonald, A Pettit |

Dear Helpers, if you are unable to attend your rostered day could you please give us a call in the canteen and let us know. This will allow us time to phone around and find a replacement.

HEALTHY CHOICE – WEEKLY SPECIALS – TERM 4

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| Mon | <i>Savoury Chicken Pasta</i> |
| Tues | <i>Sushi</i> |
| Wed | <i>Salad Boxes – Caesar or Vegetarian</i> |
| Thurs | <i>Fried Rice / Brunch Burgers</i> |
| Fri | <i>Mediterranean Lamb Wraps</i> |

***** Brauer Burgers now available every day**

Fiona

ARE YOU EX NAVY, ARMY, OR AIR FORCE?

Then Carry On (Victoria) may be able to help you with your child's education costs if you meet our eligibility criteria.

Carry On (Victoria) assists Secondary School students in Years 7-12 with grants for expenses such as fees, books, uniforms, excursions etc.

Children whose Parent/s or Legal Guardians have a need for financial assistance and comply with our eligibility criteria can apply. All grants are income tested and the closing date for applications is 5 November 2009.

If you have served in Australian Defence Forces or Allied Forces and you wish to apply for a Secondary Education Grant for 2010, please telephone Carry On on 03 9629 2648 to establish eligibility and request an application form.

BRAUER COLLEGE-DALY COLLEGE (INDIA) EXCHANGE

Twenty five students (all boys) and three teachers from Daly College, India, will be visiting Australia between the 19th of November and the 1st of December. After spending a few days in Sydney or Melbourne (yet to be confirmed) the tour group will spend some time at our Dunkeld camp facility, before the cricketers arrive in Warrnambool for three one day games at Davidson oval (this is generally played over five days, dates to be confirmed). The rest of the touring group will spend an extra three days at camp before heading down to Warrnambool for the final game.

Currently Daly College hold the Hanumant Singh trophy, so we are looking for any cricketers interested in playing in these games so the trophy can stay here in Australia before defending the title in India next year.

Students from any year level can participate, but it is expected that those who do play will have to host an Indian student.

Team will be decided by mid October. Please complete and return the slip below by 10th October if your child is interested in playing and hosting a student in the upcoming cricket series. Further information can be obtained by contacting Mrs Trish Blakeslee or Mr Ricky Carr on 5560 3888.

Trish Blakeslee and Ricky Carr



BRAUER COLLEGE-DALY COLLEGE (INDIA) EXCHANGE

PARENT'S CONSENT: I hereby give my consent for my son/daughter Form to be involved in the forthcoming cricket matches and formal celebrations held between the 22nd and 27th of November.

I understand the expectation that we will host a cricketer or adventurer and will be able to accommodate student/s for the duration of their stay.

Signed (parent): Date:

