Maribyrnong College - Term 2 2014

YEAR 7 ANCIENTS DAY

Maribyrnong College held its 3rd Annual Ancients Civilizations Day for Year 7 on Friday 20th June. Students participated in a range of cross-curricular activities including: Greek theatre, bread making, lip gloss production, kite construction, gardening, wreath making, Roman calligraphy, print making, mythology, performance... and 'Maths like an Egyptian!' The day ended with a BBQ lunch and fun was had by all involved!

Calendar of Events

**JULY**

14  TERM 3 BEGINS
15  Yr12 TIS Event Vic Uni
17-18  Yr11 Study Camp
18  Yr9 Acceleration Exam
21  Debating Round 5
22  Senior School Principal Awards
23  Yr12 Parent Teacher Interviews
24  Junior School Principal Awards
25  Production Band Workshop
28  Middle School Principal Awards

**AUGUST**

4-8  Yr11 Ski Camp
6  School Council Meeting
15  CURRICULUM DAY - PUPIL FREE
19  Production Full Dress Rehearsal
20-22  Annual Production
22  Yr11 Bell Shakespeare
26  Curriculum Expo

**SEPTEMBER**

1-2  Yr12 Leadership Camp
2  Yr9 Course Counselling
3  Yr10 Bell Shakespeare
8  Yr10 Course Counselling
16  Parent Teacher Interviews
19  Yr12 English/EAL Practice Exam
19  LAST DAY TERM 3

Discounted Hoyts Movie Tickets are available from the General Office

Students  $11.00
Adults  $13.00
MARIBYRNONG SPORTS ACADEMY UNVEILS ARTWORK

On Tuesday May 27, Maribyrnong College celebrated National Reconciliation Week by hosting a Morning Tea to recognise and honour the achievements of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at the school. A feature of this event was the unveiling of artwork created by Indigenous Portrait Artist, Jandamarra Cadd, to celebrate the diversity and unity at Maribyrnong College and Maribyrnong Sports Academy. The artwork features four of our past and present students: Kirra Hill-Carter (Basketball), Gronya Somerville (Badminton), Nathan Pellissier (Table Tennis) and Melvin Becket (Soccer) who display the inclusive spirit of the College. Gronya and Melvin were in attendance for the unveiling and they were joined by Cr Grant Miles - Mayor of Maribyrnong, Ms Julianne Fraser - DEECD Koorie Engagement Officer, Mr Rod Gurry and Ms Susan Crebbin from Mr Bill Shorten’s Office, together with current and former Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their family and friends. Mr Scott, Mr Carroll and Mr Gilbert welcomed all to the celebration.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to our three fantastic Year 9s who competed in the DAV Junior Public Speaking Competition held at Maribyrnong College. Ellen Polacek (9A), Jordan Zoch (9E) and Abdul Mohammed (9G) represented our College magnificently. They each presented a 4-5 minute prepared speech as well as a 1-3 minute impromptu speech. During the morning, they participated in a training session run by the DAV. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mrs Olivia Grant
STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Parents are reminded that the school and the Department of Education do NOT provide accident insurance for students whilst at school, on excursions, swimming, sporting programs or on camps. Parents/carers are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including transport costs.

For your information: reasonably low cost accident insurance policies are available from commercial insurers.

YEAR 7A SCULPTURE

This term 7A participated in creating sculptures in Mr Morgans Art class. Sustainability was the theme and all materials were recyclable, the only methods of attachment were binding techniques.

YEAR 9 MUSIC CONCERT

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HEALTH AND SAFETY

As part of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s Health and Safety Management Plan, new labelling has been installed at our school.

The labels remind people to contact school reception prior to undertaking any works at the school, to ensure they have up-to-date information from the school’s asbestos register.

Asbestos - which was used extensively in building materials in the past but is now banned - is considered safe unless damaged or in poor condition.

The new labels form part of a comprehensive program to ensure Victorian government schools remain safe. Children’s safety is our number one priority. That is why we are taking this extra step as a precaution.

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ANNUAL PRODUCTION REHEARSALS

YEAR 7 BAND CLASS CONCERT
I couldn't wait to prepare, cook and taste the delicious wood fire pizza which I thought was the best kind of way to cook a pizza. We started off with learning some Italian words and facts about the pizza and Italy. It was fun and interesting and was a great start to the incursion. After that we went on to watch and learn the steps of the pizza making. The dough contained water, 00 flour, yeast and sea salt. We then flattened the dough with our hands and the rolling pin. This was followed by adding pure tomato sauce or passata and spreading the white cheese across the pizza base keeping the edge of the base for crust. The skills that the ladies showed flattening and making the dough was amazing. I couldn't flatten dough that well as my pizza looked misshaped. I was one of the last ones to finish making the pizzas, I could see other people’s pizzas come out the oven nice and round. I thought my pizza would never taste as good as theirs due to the shape of my base. I really like wood fire because it cooks pizzas in 90 seconds and I like quick food. The portable oven was huge and warm. As they pulled my pizza out of the oven I picked it up and sat down. I tried eating it but it was so hot just coming out of an oven at 480 degrees. I took my first bite. I loved it straight away, even though the pizza was shaped weirdly it tasted great. As I came to the last piece I enjoyed it and ate slower. It was great and I ate all of it and I wish I could make another. It was a great experience for Italian week and I learnt a lot.

James Wilkinson 7E

The pizza making incursion was fantastic and it was the first time we ever witnessed the wood fired oven in action. Did you know that a wood fired oven is set at 500 degrees Celsius and only takes 90 seconds to cook a pizza? Also the dough we made was the best part of our scrumptious margarita pizza as it was so crisp, fresh and golden brown. We also got to pick some basil straight off the plant. This pizza making experience was AWESOME!

Hannah Joynt 7A
FROM THE LIBRARY

Term two has been a busy term in the library with lots of activity and a continued focus on making the library a welcoming and enjoyable place for all students to socialise, study, read and play games. A reminder that we are open from 8.15 am to 4.00 pm everyday.

eBooks

So far this year over 100 e-Books have been added to our online collection through Overdrive, and the results have been great with 320 eBooks having been borrowed this term alone. Well done to the students of 7G who borrowed the most! Remember that to borrow an eBook students need to log in using their school computer username.

The most popular eBook this term was “Looking for Alaska” by John Green, followed closely by “Divergent” by Veronica Roth.

If you need any assistance on downloading an eBook please come to the library or email Ms Collett: collett.jesica.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

We have just recently added 25 non-fiction titles covering SOSE and Science topics, and look forward to seeing how these eBook titles will be received by the students.

Premiers’ Reading Challenge

The Premiers’ Reading Challenge is well on its way with many Year 7 and 8 students taking up the challenge.

So far 891 books and eBooks have been recorded for the Challenge. 7A students are doing a fantastic job! They have read 321 books!

Students who are registered in the Challenge need to keep on adding all the books and eBooks that they have read this year.

Remember the website address for the Challenge is: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc/

The Challenge finishes at the beginning of September.

FIFA World Cup

FIFA fever has come to the library with games being televised before school, at recess and lunch, and all our soccer related books and magazines being showcased. We would like to thank Big Kahuna Beanbags for so generously donating some beanbags to our library. The students have loved the relaxed atmosphere that the bean bags have helped to create and it has been great to see so many new faces in the library coming to celebrate the Cup.

Chess and Backgammon

The library is a great place to unwind and to learn new skills. Students have been coming to the library during lunchtimes to learn how to play backgammon, one of the oldest board games in the world for two players. The game requires skill, strategy and luck but is very easy to learn. Students have been having a great time.

As always Chess continues to be a popular pastime in the library and we look forward to our Chess Master competition which will take place next term.

Looking forward to Term 3 …..

Commonwealth Games

Commonwealth Games will be another theme within the library and once again we aim to showcase books on athletics, athletes and the Commonwealth countries. We will televise the games through the library plasma tree, and we hope to see many of the students enjoying the spectacle.

Book Week

This year book week will take place in August, with the theme “Connect to Reading”. The library has organised Oliver Phommavanh, author of ‘Thai-riffic’, ‘Punchline’ and ‘Con-nerd’ to do a book talk to all Year 7 and 8 students on Monday 11th of August.
SCIENCE FAIR

The Maribyrnong College Science Fair was held on Friday 30th May and this year’s theme was “Food for our future: Science Feeding the World”. It was open to Year 7s, 8s and 9A. The students entered their projects under the following categories: Posters, Creative Writing, Inventions, Photography, Working Models, Experimental Research, Video Production and Games. This year’s chief guest was Ben from Fizzics Education who put on a cool “Liquid Nitrogen Show”.

The overall winners of the science fair were Stefan Cvetkovic & Stefan Sormaz from 7B for their “Butter Spread” [Invention] project. The winners at each year level are as follows:

**Year 7**
**Winner:** Dale Foreman (7D) “Growing sugar crystals” [Experimental Research]
**Runner Up:** Alexander McConville (7D) “Growing Moulds” [Experimental Research]

**Year 8**
**Winners:** Jackson Hawkins (8D) “Potato Gun” [working model]
Catherine Mendes & Jennifer Mendes (8A) “Digestive system” [Model]
**Runner Up:** Ruby Guppy & Erin Keenan (8B) “Mousetrap Catapult” [Working model]

**Year 9**
**Winner:** Andy Le & Oscar Jap (9A) “Periodic Table” [Game]
**Runner up:** Louise Adams-Newey & Michelle Duong (9A) “Gatorade Investigation” [Video Production]

Congratulations and thank you teachers, students and parents for your support in making this Science Fair a huge success.

Ms Kyris & Ms Lata

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HAT DAY

We would like to thank the Maribyrnong community for their support of this fundraising project. The Business Management students are very proud to say that they raised $1,148.66.
YEAR 8 TASMANIA CAMP

Tassie, the word has meant so much to 45 Maribyrnong students. It has meant fun, friends, adventure and learning. This camp has also meant so much to me in particular. All of the sight seeing we did was mesmerising, the views that I witnessed firsthand were once in a lifetime. I had some very special moments, like eating lollies until my stomach hurt with my friends. As well as some not so good moments, like feeling really sick on the Spirit of Tasmania.

This being my first time in Tassie, I was thrilled to learn about all of the convicts at Port Arthur and to experience my very first ghost tour, of which I was a front lantern bearer.

I also got to learn about how my all time favourite Cadbury chocolate is created as well as pigging out at the gift shop. My hotel room was the best! I shared with 3 of the best girls; Mignon, Holly and Elicinda and we created some of the best memories and had so much fun together. I made some great new friends too.

Tasmania has been such a great experience and I am so glad I had the chance to go. I couldn’t have asked for a better trip and I would gladly hop on a plane (not a boat) and do this trip again.

I would like to thank all my friends, my teachers and John the bus driver for making this the best trip ever!

Jamieson Battistella, 8A

YEAR 9 COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

This semester the Community Participation class has been busy on Thursday afternoons volunteering at SCOPE Industries, Footscray Aged Care, Ascot Vale Special School, Haymarket Opportunity Shop and Arcare Aged Care.

They have also undertaken accredited courses in First Aid, Food Safety Handling, Occupational Health and Safety and Barista Training. All of the students showed great dedication to their volunteer work, training and classwork.

A fantastic effort!

Ms Fusinato
NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

Tony Tran has transferred to Maribyrnong College from Taylors Senior Secondary College for Unit 2 of the VCE. We welcome him to our school.

Ms Cameron

HOMESTAYS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Each year, we have a few International Students who need the school to find them a place to live while they are studying here. These placements are called homestays. Currently, we have three students in school arranged homestays, all Year 11 girls, with two more placements needed for girls in late January next year. If you have a spare room in your home and would be interested in finding out more about our homestay support program, please contact Judy Cameron, International Student Coordinator, by phone or email.

Phone: 9091 8100
Email: maribyrnong.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au

OLIVE PRESERVING INCURSION – ITALIAN WEEK

Year 9 & 10 students learnt about the variety of techniques which have been used for hundreds of years to preserve olives. They then preserved their own jar of olives using a (secret family recipe) mixture of water, salt, vinegar and lemon.

On the 8th of May in periods one and two, students in Italian had the chance to learn how to preserve olives. Signora Tascone and Signora Susie educated us about the history of the Tascone family and after we made our own jar of preserved olives to take home. We also had the opportunity to taste some preserved olives and dips. I really enjoyed this experience and feel like I’ve learnt more about the Italian culture.

Becky Mach, 9A

VOLLEYBALL NEWS

Victorian Schools 1 day event Champion School
Maribyrnong College won the 2014 Champion school shield- this is the third time!
Our teams won gold in the following divisions- Open Girls, U16 Girls, U15 Girls and U14 Girls. Silver medals were by the U17 Girls and U14 Boys. The U17 boys won the Bronze medal.

State team captain selection
Caitlyn Waterfall was selected as captain of the Victorian U17 Girls Blue team. Mikayla Adam was made the vice captain of that team.
Brianna Pyritz was selected as captain of the Victorian Girls U17 White team.
Zac Santamaria is the captain of Victorian Boys U17 Blue team.

Eltham College Challenge match
We will be playing a series of games against Eltham College in our stadium on Tuesday, 15 July.
We will be fielding Boys and Girls U/15 Honours and Division 1 teams.
Games commence at 12 pm.

2015 New Zealand tour
We have received plenty of interest from our squad members and have begun the looking into accommodation and flights. More details will be forwarded soon to those who have submitted an expression of interest.

Mr Dolan - Volleyball Coach
JUNIOR SCHOOL FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Semester 1 in the kitchen proved to be a productive time, with the great majority of students keen and eager to learn new cooking tips and techniques resulting in tasty savoury and sweet dishes. It was always great to hear students report back that they replicated a meal at home for family members after they had acquired recipe skills in class. Ms Tchekmeyan

BOYS ACADEMY LEADERSHIP CAMP

On Wednesday 28th May a group of boys from Year 7 and Year 11 from the Sports Academy packed up the mini buses and trailer and headed away to The Summit Camp in Trafalgar for three days of fun, mud, and leadership. In accordance with the camps G.A.S (Give it a go, Ability, Support) philosophy, and under the guidance of camp leaders James and Tim, the boys were met with a number of significant challenges. From the physical demands of the wet and muddy Monster Course, to the mental demands in overcoming the fear of heights with the Summit Window, and onto the fear of the unknown in the cave and wombat hole, many boys ‘super stretched’ themselves and achieved more than many of them had thought possible before coming on camp. With ‘Leadership’ being the main theme for the camp, it was great to see all of the boys take on leadership roles within the group at different stages. Check out this photo and imagine how you would have fared putting a tyre through mud that is 50cm deep and ‘stinks’. The boys and staff had an awesome time!

All of the boys came away from the camp buzzing (and exhausted), and saying how much fun they had and how much they had achieved in such a short time. We’re already excited and getting ready for a bigger and better ‘Boys Camp’ at The Summit in 2015! Mr Smith

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CONCERT
CAREERS NEWS

REMINDERS

- ‘At Monash’ - 26 June Teaching. Sport/Outdoor Rec’n; www.monash.edu/seminars.
- Monash Computer Games Boot Camp - 5-11 July; https://cgbc.infotech.monash.edu/
- Monash Art, Design and Architecture - Info: monash.edu/mada/workshops.
- Nursing and Midwifery - at Deakin; info: health-enquire@deakin.edu.au, ph 9251 7777

OPEN DAYS REMINDER - Universities and other institutions hold Open Days. The dates are provided.

Sat 2 Aug - Monash University (Berwick & Peninsula campuses)
Sun 3 Aug - Deakin (Warrnambool), Monash (Caulfield, Clayton & Parkville), Swinburne
Sun 10 Aug - Australian Catholic Uni (ACU) (Melbourne), Deakin (Geelong), RMIT (Bundoora, Brunswick, City)
Sun 17 Aug - La Trobe Uni (Bendigo), University of Melbourne
Sun 24 Aug - Box Hill Institute, Deakin (Melbourne), La Trobe (Melbourne), Victoria, William Angliss Institute
Sun 31 Aug - ACU (Ballarat), Federation Uni (Ballarat & Gippsland)

COMPUTER GAMES BOOT CAMP – This seven-day event is for students in Years 9-12, giving an opportunity to experience everything connected to computer games and information technology. Learn from experienced industry professionals, talk to like-minded individuals and expand your networks by participating in workshops, tournaments, presentations, and activities. If you are interested in multimedia, designing or playing games, or looking to a career in IT, this is for you. When: Sat 5 – Fri 11 July; Where: Monash Clayton; Info/register: https://cgbc.infotech.monash.edu/

ART, DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE (MADA) – MADA is hosting a range of three-day workshops for Year 11/12 students interested in studying creative disciplines. Students can build folios and attend foundation workshops in architecture, interior architecture, communication design, industrial design and fine art, and experience life at MADA. Industry professionals and academics will run the workshops and guide students through the lessons and activities. When: 1-3 July & 24-26 Sept; Where: MADA, 900 Dandenong RD, Caulfield East; Enquiries: 9903 1517, mada@monash.edu, Information: monash.edu/mada/workshops.

NURSING AND MIDWIFERY - Deakin University invites you to information evenings to learn about courses. Where/When: Burwood – 6-8pm, Wed 23 July & 2.30-4.30pm, Sat 26 July, Building Y, room 1.11 A and B; Geelong: 6-8 pm, Wed 23 July & 2.30- 4.30pm, Sat 26 July, Building AD, room 2.217; Warrnambool: 7.30pm, Fri 25 July, Timor St. Info: health-enquire@deakin.edu.au or ph 9251 7777.

INTERESTED IN A CAREER WITH ANIMALS? Holiday programs are on offer:

‘Winter Wonderland’ is the theme this year.

Healesville Sanctuary - a chance to get close to some of our most endangered alpine animals. The Keeper for a Day program allows you to help keepers and learn about their job.

Vet for a Day, Healesville Sanctuary - see the vets working with real life cases

Keeper for a Day at Werribee Open Range Zoo - find out what a keeper’s day is really like.

CAREERS NEWS CONT.

MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS - Year 10 Independence Day - hear about prerequisites, ways to choose a university course, pathways, talk to faculty staff, take part in workshops. **When** 11am - 3.30pm, Thurs 3 July (lunch provided); **Where**: Clayton campus; **Register**: www.monash.edu/year10-day.

Year 11 Inspiration Day - learn about course options, and the difference you can make with what you study, pathways, choosing a course, join in workshops. **When**: 11am-3.30pm, Wed 9 July (lunch provided); **Where**: Caulfield campus; **Register**: www.monash.edu/year11-day

CAREER DISCOVERY IN FASHION AND TEXTILES AT RMIT - Careers in fashion and textile are diverse and many faceted. RMIT is aware of the skills and knowledge required by graduates to participate and contribute in today’s competitive marketplace. To assist you in selecting the most appropriate program and career option, RMIT will conduct a Career Discovery program; **Who**: Year 11 & 12; **When**: 9.30am-4.30pm, 1-3 July (3 days); **Where**: RMIT, Brunswick; **Cost**: $350; **Book**: 9925 8111; www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au; **Course**: S350337

NURSING AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY - Health courses at VU give hands on experience and learning through scenario-based placements and clinical assessment. Students gain the latest knowledge, skills and experience to be work-ready and career focussed before graduation. The three year B. Nursing prepares graduates to be qualified registered nurses recognised by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council. It is also a pathway to paramedics through the B. Health Science (Paramedic). **See**: www.vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-nursing-hbnb. **NOTE**: Division 1 Nursing is also offered at ACU, Deakin, Federation, La Trobe, Melbourne, Monash and RMIT Universities.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND MARINE CAREERS EXPO - Join the experts for a careers, employment and training expo at Melbourne Aquarium. The Expo brings together professionals from a variety of industries and tertiary institutions. **When**: Twilight session 4.30pm-8pm, Thurs 7 Aug; **Where**: Sea Life, Melbourne Aquarium; **Cost**: $20 per person early bird (by 27 June), $25 afterwards; **Bookings**: 9923 5911, bookings@melbourneaquarium.com.au; **Info**: www.melbourneaquarium.com.au/schools.

INTERNATIONAL COURT RULES DEAKIN LAW STUDENTS BEST IN WORLD - Deakin University has taken one of the world’s most prestigious law student competitions, winning the team’s award in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna. The mock court competition, known as the Vis Moot, is a highly prestigious event, with 290 law schools form around the globe competing. The competition requires students to prepare materials for a hypothetical international commercial law dispute and then argue that case against other teams.

IT@DEAKIN - Deakin offers a range of IT disciplines, including games design and development, IT security and computer science. The perception of computer games has completely shifted. Games are now fundamental tools used in sales and marketing, business strategy, education and science—much more than just entertainment products and graduates are well prepared for careers beyond traditional roles in gaming companies. IT security is suited to students interested in tackling cyber-crime and cyber-security head-on. Graduates with computer skills in this area are highly sought-after. Computer science focuses on the technological aspects of computing and IT, including development of analytical skills and an understanding of programming and software engineering.

INTERESTED IN LOGISTICS? Logistics is about getting materials/foodstuffs to the right place at the right time. The Victorian Transport Association Logistics Cadetship is a 2 year program with recipients employed fulltime with logistics companies while studying for a Certificate IV/Diploma in Logistics. Cadets are released from work to study at VU. Cadets earn a full time wage while studying. If you want a career in business, this could be the one for you. **Info**: Leni Carrion, Ph 9646 8590, cadetship@vta.com.au; **See**: www.vta.com.au.

SECURE YOUR PLACE AT LA TROBE UNI BEFORE YOUR ATAR - Don’t forget that Aspire Early Admissions Program applications open on Tuesday 1 July. Check out the program and key dates to http://www.latrobe.edu.au/school/aspire.