

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### VCE Information Evening

A very well attended parent information evening was held on Tuesday 4th August. Parents of Year 10 and 11 students viewed a presentation about the structure and requirements of the VCE. This was followed by an opportunity to visit subject displays and a light supper.

### City Experience

The Year 9 City Experience Program has been a big success in its first year with excellent participation from students, positive feedback from parents and staff, and smooth operation. We have received several emails from members of the public making complimentary comments about the behaviour and presentation of our students in public. Thanks to the Middle School team and the many staff who have helped with this program.

### Managed Individual Pathways Interviews

The MIPs interviews last Thursday and Friday were well attended by students and parents. Year 10 and 11 students met with counsellors who helped them to develop a Managed Individual Pathways plan that will help them make the right choices in moving towards their chosen career. The interviews were conducted by trained staff and coordinated by the MIPs Coordinator Ms Kath Rudd.

Parents are reminded that Careers counselling and information is always available through the Careers Department. Our Careers Coordinators are Michelle Dowsett and Sara Hack.

### Anaphylaxis Management Training

All staff at the school have participated in a three hour anaphylaxis training program over the last two weeks. The program, presented by St John's Ambulance, covered the causes of anaphylaxis, management of victims, risk management and the use of epipens in an emergency situation. The training is mandated by the DEECD for all those working in schools and must be updated every three years. The school has developed a fully compliant anaphylaxis management policy and photographs of students who suffer from severe allergies are prominently displayed in staff areas. Parents are reminded to update medical and contact information on a regular basis. Any changes in contact details, mobile phone numbers or changes to medical conditions should be notified via the General Office.

### New Shelter in Junior School area

A new shelter has been constructed in the Junior School play area which will provide both shade and protection from the rain. It covers a fairly big area adjacent to the playground equipment and is fitted with outdoor chairs and tables. The shelter was built by our resident maintenance and grounds staff who have done an excellent job integrating the new structure with the existing buildings.

Leon Bishop, Principal

## SCHOOL PRODUCTION

### Show times

Friday	August 14	7.30pm
Saturday	August 15	7.30pm

### Venue

Lilydale High School Hall

**Tickets** for this Friday and Saturday nights performance of Oliver can be purchased on the night at the door. **Tickets - \$15 Adult, \$10 Student/Child.**

### Directors

Ms Helen Nicholas, Mrs Jane Hemmings



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### TERM 3

#### Saturday 15 August

School Production, 7.30pm School Hall  
 UNYA Thant Competition

#### Monday 17 August

Year 7 Basketball

#### Tuesday 18 August

PISA Testing Year 9, 10 and 11

#### Wednesday 19 August

Equestrian Event  
 Year 9 and 10 Awards Ceremony

#### Thursday 20 August

Inst Music demo M'bark East 9 - 10.30  
 VCE Theatre Studies 'Taming of the Shrew'  
 Excursion 8 pm

#### Friday 21 August

Year 8 and 9 Course Selection Sessions  
 Year 12 Achieve Your Best Periods 5 and 6

#### Monday 24 August

Year 8 and 9 Course Selection Sessions

#### Tuesday 25 August

Principal for Day  
 Year 8 and 9 Course Selection Sessions  
 Year 7 Writing Speaker - Tempany Deckert  
 Year 7 to 10 English Melbourne Writers  
 Festival Excursion

#### Wednesday 26 August

Year 11 Literature Chicago Excursion  
 Year 7 Hockey, Basketball, Table tennis,  
 Squash

#### Thursday 27 August

Business Management Market Day  
 Middle School Course Information Evening,  
 7.00pm, School Hall

### UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

The Uniform Shop located in Room 53 is open during the following times;

<b>Tuesdays</b>	12.30pm to 5.00pm
<b>Saturdays</b>	9.00am to 11.30am

For enquires please ring the Blackburn store (Campus Choice) on 9877 8388 or 9877 9188.

# CURRICULUM NEWS

## ENGLISH

### Melbourne Writers Festival

A reminder that payment and indemnity forms must be returned promptly for this wonderful opportunity to hear the experiences of a number of renowned Australian authors. Places are extremely limited for this event taking place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August. Don't miss out; see Mr Webb or Ms Sayers for further details.

### Would you like to join the Vampire Academy?

Calling all Vampire fans: the 'Vampire Academy Expose' is coming. Join Richelle Mead author of the thrilling series set in a world of privilege, intrigue...and vampires as she regales readers with her fascinating tales of the vampire world.

**When** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September

**Where** Federation Square, Melbourne

Please see Ms Sayers in Staffroom 1 or Ms Schneider in the Library for further details, or download the excursion notice from the Lilydale High School website. Places are limited – book now to avoid disappointment.

### Senior School students

Year 12 students completed their penultimate SAC this week and will shortly begin work on their final text, 'The Crucible' for 2009. All students are encouraged to begin reviewing their notes on all aspects of the Study Design covered this year in preparation for the final exam on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Students are reminded that Ross Huggard, Assistant Chief Examiner, will be here on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September to give students timely tips for the English exam. This is an opportunity not to be missed. \$5 is all it will cost to hear this invaluable information and that includes afternoon tea. If you have not yet paid, it's not too late. All information is available under 'school notices' on the website, or see Ms Sayers in the Ramp staffroom.

Robert Bolt's play 'A Man for All Seasons' at the Whitehorse Theatre in Nunawading was enjoyed by students and teachers alike last Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August. Students certainly enjoyed seeing the characters in 'the flesh', giving them a fresh perspective and understanding of the play.

VATE (Victorian Association for the Teachers of English) review sessions will again be offered on the 10<sup>th</sup> October for English and 11<sup>th</sup> October for English Literature. Past students have found these sessions most helpful with their review of the year's work; we would encourage all students to attend these most worthwhile lectures. Return completed forms and payment by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September to secure a place.

### Middle School students

Year 10 students were enthralled by a rendition of William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. Members of the production group Complete Works Theatre included four of our students in this production that took place in the Hall on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August. Thanks to Georgia, Glen, Emily and Holly for their terrific acting. Most entertaining!

### Junior School students

The Premier's Reading Challenge winds up in August. Students have been reminded and encouraged to read at least fifteen books as required to meet the challenge.

### English Literature

*"Does one as a physicist have the moral right to work on the practical exploitation of atomic energy?"* (Copenhagen, p 88).

Copenhagen is being studied by Year 12 Literature students this year. Students of Literature have the wonderful opportunity to ruminate over many of the issues facing humankind today, just as *Kia Tzounos* of **12.02** has done in this review of the play.

*Copenhagen* by Michael Frayn is about the ambiguous meeting between two famous physicists at the beginning of World War 2. The play pushes typical boundaries by only having three characters, not having any stage directions and using a disjointed time sequence; this leaves the reader feeling 'uncertain' about the events that are occurring. The three characters (Werner Heisenberg, Neils Bohr and his wife Margarethe) move disjointedly through the past, present and the afterlife; language and tense are important when recognising where the three are located. Though the play has a major focus on the morality of science, the play also considers the pain of divided loyalties and the uncertainty of human relationships, including the many forms relationships may take. When studying *Copenhagen* in Semester 1, the purpose was to look at adaptations and transformations of the script to a screenplay. It was interesting to see how the director took the intricacies of the play and unfolded these on the screen. The class really enjoyed studying *Copenhagen*, as everyone could take something different or new from the text each time we reviewed it. Many students are planning to write about this text in their end of year Literature exam.

Janine Sayers, Head of English

## MATHS

Term 3 is off to an excellent start.

### Logsheets

Please continue to check your child's logsheet for teacher signatures. This is a good indication of how your child is progressing and what work is being completed in and out of the class.

### Lunch time catch-up classes

The lunch time extra assistance classes will continue to be offered in Room 31 on Tuesday and Thursdays. Please suggest to your student(s) that they attend these sessions if they would like some extra help.

Chris Stebbing is holding a lunch time catch up class for all Year 10 students on Mondays in Room 68.

### Australian Maths Competition

Forty two students participated in the Australian Maths Competition on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August. The results will be available next term and participants will receive their certificates in a year level assembly.

### Numeracy and Literacy Week

This exciting educational extravaganza will occur in the first week of September. English and Maths are combining forces to provide all Year 7 students with a highly entertaining and educational activity involving both subject areas in one for a day of 'Scrabble Mania'. Students will be provided with all the details closer to the day. Stay tuned for more information shortly.

### Year 10 Maths 2010

Please note that all Year 10 Maths students will be required to have a TI-Nspire calculator to use in Maths next year. The cost of the calculators are \$185 and are available from the General Office.

Please note there will be a price increase to \$195 next month.

## VCE Maths Revision - Year 12 Further Maths

Commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August, there will be a multitudinous lunch time exam revision class for all Year 12 Further Maths students in Room V3. These will continue for the remainder of the term and are open to all students taking Further Maths.

### Some Study Tips

Ensure that your summary notes books are very detailed and complete. Annotated examples can be added to your notes to aid with understanding and explanation of the topic. Additional work sheets can be found on the CD in the back of their text books. Past papers have been ordered for all Year 12 Maths students and these will be available by the end of term. Some will be put on Studywiz in the next two weeks. Please make sure you check.

### 2009 Revision Lectures for Year 12 Mathematics

The MAV presents the 2009 VCE Revision Lectures for Students. Students receive comprehensive notes and the lectures are delivered by highly qualified and experienced, practising teachers.

**FULL PRICE** \$38 for 1 lecture, \$66 for 2 lectures (Includes GST)

**DISCOUNT PRICE** \$33 for 1 lecture, \$55 for 2 lectures (Includes GST)

Glen Waverley	Sun 20 Sept	Maths Methods	9.00am to 12.00noon	Joe Ardley
	Sun 20 Sept	Further Maths	1.00pm to 4.00pm	Robyn Crockett
Northcote	Sat 19 Sept	Maths Methods	9.00am to 12.00noon	Michael Swanborough
	Sat 19 Sept	Further Maths	1.00pm to 4.00pm	Anthony Novak

To register, please follow this link:

[www.mav.vic.edu.au/studact/vce-revision-lectures/index.html](http://www.mav.vic.edu.au/studact/vce-revision-lectures/index.html)

For further information and assistance, students are asked to see their teacher.

**Amanda Legg, Head of Mathematics**

## ARTS

### Music

#### Healesville Craft Market Performance

On Sunday 2nd August, three of our Year 11 students, Ryan Vasiliades, Ryan Groenewald, and David Knight, performed at the inaugural Healesville Craft Market held at the Healesville Racecourse. Under the Band name of "Threads" these boys did an exceptional job of performing, representing themselves, their school and their community to the highest standard. Numerous positive comments were received by members of the public who stopped by to take in some music whilst out and about shopping. Well done boys.

### Drama

Last week VET - Acting Film and Television students worked as extras on the set of 'Wilfred II'. Students worked tirelessly for two days at

the Newport Railway yards learning all about the television industry and gaining valuable experience. Thank you to Ms Louis for this wonderful experience.

### Graphic Art

Some of our Year 7 Graphic Art students have been involved in the Google for Doodle competition. The Doodle for Google is a competition where students have the opportunity to reinvent Google's homepage logo. Both our country and our world are undergoing significant change and this year students are invited to doodle around the theme "What I Wish for the World". Thank you to Mrs DeVine, Ms Fraser and Ms Goode for helping their students to take up the challenge.

### School Production

The School Production 'Oliver' has finally made it to the stage. Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August saw the cast perform to a number of primary schools in the area. The performance evenings are Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August. We have been so thrilled with the talent and dedication shown by the cast and all of our wonderful helpers, who have worked tirelessly over the last few months. We hope you enjoy the show.

**Jane Hemmings, Head of Arts**

## HUMANITIES

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents/guardians and students of the following excursions and due dates for payments.

### Year 8 Geography students

Year 8 Geography students are being given the opportunity to visit the IMAX Theatre and Melbourne Aquarium on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September**.

Students will view "Antarctica" and "Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure" at the IMAX Theatre and then explore the **Melbourne Aquarium** as part of their study of Geography this semester. At the **Melbourne Aquarium** students will be given a guided tour of the "penguins" as well as the rest of the exhibitions which are available. The students will be transported by bus to and from the city.

The cost of the excursion is \$34.00 which will need to be paid TODAY, **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August**.

### Year 7 students

The Year 7 IMAX and Museum excursion will be held on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October**. Students will have the opportunity to view the "Mysteries of Egypt" and "Greece: Secrets of the Past" at the IMAX Theatre and then explore the Museum as part of their study of Ancient History this semester. At the museum students will visit the "Day in Pompeii" exhibition, the "Dinosaur Walk" as well as the rest of the exhibitions which are available. This is a great opportunity for our students to take part in this plethora of activities. The students will be transported by bus to and from the city.

The cost of the excursion is \$30.00 which will need to be paid by **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August**.

**For both excursions, students are required to take their lunch, snacks and a drink as they will not be able to purchase food.**

### Year 10 VCE Legal Studies

Mr Blaxland's Year 10 VCE Legal Studies class are visiting VCAT, County, Supreme and Magistrates Courts to oversee civil cases on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Students will be catching the train and will need \$5.60 for their train ticket.

## VCE - Business Management Market Day

As a part of the Year 11 Business Management course and assessment, students establish their own small business to be run on 'Market Day'.

This year, Market Day will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Year 11 students have been busy over the last months planning, conducting market research and writing up business plans.

Students and teachers will have the opportunity to purchase a range of products and services including BBQ sausages, nachos, poffertjes, pie throwing, hot dogs, doughnuts, simulated car racing, pizza, bacon rolls, ice creams, milkshakes, cakes slices, sausage rolls, chicken wings, fairy floss and more..

So, start saving now for Market Day and keep your eyes open in the weeks leading up to the 27<sup>th</sup>. Advertising for products will begin soon. Keep an eye out for coupons and meal deals.

**Tracey Hope, Sharon Wall and Kristy Mays**  
VCE Business Management teachers

**Henri Mouratidis, Head of Humanities**

## TECHNOLOGY

Year 10 students are currently in the process of nominating their VCE preferences for next year. VCE technology subjects include Food Technology, Systems Engineering, Design Technology and IT.

All Year 8 and 9 students will soon be nominating their electives for 2010. An information evening will be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August and I encourage all students and parents/guardians to attend. There are many interesting and challenging technology subjects to choose from and teachers will be present to assist with selections and offer advice.

**Steve Peters, Head of Technology**

## UNITS 3 and 4 HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT 'BIG DAY OUT'

Due to the large number of interest by students, the Health and Human Development Big Day Out, to be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 has unfortunately SOLD OUT.

Student refunds \$25, will be posted home to parents/guardians next week. Thank you for your interest.

**Anna Rossetto**

## PASE

### 2009 Nike+ Schools Challenge

Lilydale High School is entering a team of 100 students into the 2009 Nike+ Schools Challenge which challenges students to run as far as they can in 22 days. We will be competing against schools from across Australia and New Zealand to run the furthest in 22 days between 24<sup>th</sup> August and 14<sup>th</sup> September.

The challenge uses cutting-edge technology that measures each student's running data to excite and motivate students about exercise. Nike provides all the necessary equipment.

### What's up for grabs?

An Elite Performance Experience for our school's team, where they'll live like a professional athletes for 24 hours, being trained, mentored and coached by Nike's elite athletes and their coaches.

Let's go Lilydale.

**Trent Silk, Head of Physical and Sport Education**

## EQUESTRIAN NEWS

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, our Equestrian team competed in the Interschool Show Jumping Day at Glenbrae.

Our riders were; Becky Caudwell, Jacqui King, Kristin Gropper, Maddy Ross, Allysse Smith, Megan Deans and Jessica Martin (all Year 9 students) and Taylor Hague and Alison Tunnard (Year 8). Each student rode in three jumping events – AM 7, Top Score and Equestrian.

Jacqui entered twice and rode the events on two different horses which made it a busy day for her. Kristen, Megan and Alison represented our school for the first time and they all rode very well.

### Individual Results

- Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>
- Jacqui 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>,
- Kristen Equal 1<sup>st</sup>
- Maddy 7<sup>th</sup>

Several of our riders rode clear rounds and were just out of placings. Our team finished 4<sup>th</sup> overall. It was good to see our 'newer' riders competing confidently, and our more experienced riders putting in solid performances to gain placing or to be close to a placing. Well done to all.

**Jeanette Kimball**

## SPORTS REPORT

### Year 8 Boys Netball - Tuesday 28th July

After many early morning training sessions in the cold stadium, the following boys represented LHS at the Eastern Zone Netball;

Taylor Hohepa, Zak Kennedy, Fraser Smith, Lalu Gautam, Mason Bartley-Rayner, Troy Rimando, Daniel Chapman, Jack Leithhead, Kyle Staple and Rory Lehmann.

Our first match proved tough, going down to Camberwell 13 -17. However, the boys were convinced they could play better and that they did, beating both Parkwood (16 - 9) and Box Hill (18 -17) to secure them a place in the Grand-final where a rematch against Camberwell was to occur. It was a team effort and each player gave it their all, but unfortunately the boys lost to Camberwell 8 - 10.

The boys should be pleased with their efforts and look forward to next year. A big thank you to Jess Knight and Allie Grey-Smith for their assistance with training and match day preparations.

**Assistant Coaches** Jess Knight and Allie Grey-Smith

### Year 9/10 Girls Netball - Wednesday 5th August

The following girls represented LHS at the Eastern Zone Netball: Sharn Henderson, Katie Rhodes, Ellen Brown, Stephanie Fawthorpe, Kate Williams, Kirstie Heard, Bec Caudwell, Renee Cardilini, Ashley Shanks and Jacqui King.

The competition was fierce with lots of talent on court. The girls played three matches - Lilydale 14 d Camberwell 12, Ringwood 18 d Lilydale 10 and Vermont 20 d Lilydale 6.

Kate Williams and Katie Rhodes were kept busy in defence but did a brilliant job. Our shooting combination for the day was played by Ellen Brown and Sharn Henderson. Ashley Shanks and Stephanie Fawthorpe were run off their feet rotating as mid court players for most of the day. Overall, the girls played competitively and as a team. Well done.

**Emma Cook**

# SUBSCHOOL NEWS

## JUNIOR SCHOOL

### Junior School information

This fortnight the Junior School team would like to encourage our new Year 7 and 8 parents and guardians to access our school website on a regular basis to keep informed of current activities, download recent school notices and to have a look at your student's attendance. The Learning Management System "Studywiz" is well underway with many staff uploading information for student access. Please be aware that this information, however, will roll out progressively and it will take some time for new students, parents/guardians and teachers to become accustomed to using the program.

### Notebook Computers

Students who have a notebook computer as part of the school's notebook program are reminded that their computer must be fully charged every night and brought to school every day. It's important that students do bring their computer everyday to ensure they are correctly prepared for class.

### Uniform

Students and parents/guardians are reminded that correct uniform must be worn every day. If an item of clothing cannot be worn a note with an explanation must be supplied. All students are reminded that "long-sleeve t-shirts" are not to be worn underneath the school polo top. Female students are also reminded that black tights/stockings are not to be worn with the summer school dress and white socks are not to be worn over the top of black tights/stockings. If any families are experiencing difficulty with regards to providing their children with the correct school uniform they should contact a Junior School Coordinator.

### Year 7 Information for digital portfolios

Year 7 students do have access to their Digital Portfolios through Studywiz and should be considering developing evidence to prove the achievement of their learning goals this term. The three-way conferences, which enable students to present their portfolios to their guardians, will take place later in the term.

### Year 7 Band Performance

The following students performed in the Junior School Band during our Awards Assembly. Mr Pointon organized the performance and Miss Ventura conducted. This will have been the first performance for many of the students and they are to be congratulated on their efforts. Well done!

Hayley Anthony 7.37	Miranda Haasjes-Dawe 7.37
Adele Welland 7.37	Bethany O'Donoghue 7.41
Gemma Larsen 7.48	Paige Wyatt 7.48
Bayley Peters 7.50	Sebastian Carr 7.41
Scott Huddleston 7.50	Brennan Nyhouse 7.54
Jesse Reid 7.50	Jeremy Mullins 7.37
Harley Constable 7.37	Lucas Taylor 7.37
Carlee Pepyat 7.41	Kara Wood 7.53

### New Class Representatives

New Year 7 class representatives to stand for Semester 2 have been elected and will have received their badges at the Junior School Assembly. This is a good opportunity for your child to take on some leadership responsibilities, particularly if they have attended a Leadership Camp. All Class representatives are expected to attend Focus Group meetings once a month and may be called upon to do special tasks as a result of their position/role. A yellow slip of paper describing this has been distributed to all the relevant students. We congratulate these students on their being selected as class representatives for Semester 2:

<b>7.37</b> Mitchell Wynd Katie Harris	<b>7.49</b> Demi Thomson Ben Wood	<b>7.53</b> Danielle Knee Daniel Rishworth
<b>7.41</b> Natasha Bucci Sebastian Carr	<b>7.50</b> Tayla Watson Dylan McDonnell	<b>7.54</b> Travis Lindeman-Collins Sarah Corker
<b>7.46</b> Brad Thomas Larissa Gibbons	<b>7.51</b> Hayley Beekman Nick Hall	<b>7.55</b> Amity McDonald Mitchell Smith
<b>7.48</b> Ryan Vaux Jessica Flavel	<b>7.52</b> Matthew Haughey Olivia Murray	<b>7.56</b> Asha Puche Lochlan Fennell
<b>7.57</b> Matthew Karwan Alannah Smith		

### Focus Group

The position of Class Representative requires Year 7 students to take on some leadership roles. The teachers and Year 7 Coordinators may ask these students to do small jobs or assist them in some way. There also may be occasions where these Year 7 students will need to take responsibility or demonstrate initiative.

One important role will be the attendance of class representatives at the "Year 7 Focus Group" meeting held every month in Room 37. The meeting day and time will be advertised in the student Daily Bulletin which is read every morning. This open forum provides students at Year 7 to have a say in what goes on around the school. We will discuss various things and make recommendations to the school administration. In the past, Focus Groups have arranged for the year level to participate in "Activities Days", they have had a say in changes with our school uniform and have been instrumental in the building of shade and tables near our playground.

The next "Focus Group" forum for all Year 7 class representatives will be held in Room 37 at lunchtime on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August**.

### New Year 8 Class Representatives

Congratulations to the following students on being nominated to these positions. Focus groups will be run in the coming weeks.

<b>8.27</b>	Tahlia Disher	Teagan McLean
<b>8.28</b>	Nathan Proctor	Nicole Michael
<b>8.29</b>	Tyler Koelewyn	Amber Toohey
<b>8.30</b>	Taylor Hohepa	Cody Cooper
<b>8.31</b>	Courtney Jordan	Lahni McKenzie
<b>8.39</b>	Ron Sandfort	Rachel Young
<b>8.40</b>	Josh Betts	Nikki Bedwell
<b>8.42</b>	Ryan Mauch	Maddy Beckwith
<b>8.44</b>	Brad Long	Madelyn Meyland
<b>8.61</b>	Dearne Hoefs	Jamie Schroen
<b>8.62</b>	Christian Sands	Kate Gebbing
<b>8.63</b>	Mitch Haag	Hayley Farnan
<b>8.69</b>	Riley Fatur	Katelyn Boehringer

### Year 7 Leadership Camp 2

Offers for the second of these camps were distributed last week. A swift confirmation will assist in finalising numbers. The camp will be held at the Oasis Youth Camp in Mt Evelyn on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

If you have any questions or concerns related to this initiative, please contact Ms Knight in the Junior School Office.

## Up-Coming Events

Year 7 Sport Day	17 <sup>th</sup> August
Year 7 Focus Group meeting	20 <sup>th</sup> August
Whole School Market Day	27 <sup>th</sup> August
Year 7 Scrabble-Mania	1 <sup>st</sup> September
Year 8 Sport Day	4 <sup>th</sup> September
2 <sup>nd</sup> Leadership Camp	3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 8 Geography Excursion	8 <sup>th</sup> September
Yarra Group Athletics	9 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 7 Science Zoo Excursion	4 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 7 Immunisations	17 <sup>th</sup> September
Three-Way Conferences	17 <sup>th</sup> September
Last Day of Term 3	18 <sup>th</sup> September
First day of Term 4	5 <sup>th</sup> October

## A Quote to Ponder

*"The truest greatness lies in being kind, the truest wisdom in a happy mind."* Ella Wheeler Wilcox

## Junior School Coordinators

# MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Middle School Course Information Evening

Lilydale High School is providing a Middle School Course Selection Information Evening on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August**, starting at 7pm in the School Hall.

Information notices regarding this evening will be given to all students early next week.

The information provided will assist all Year 8 and 9 students with regard to the courses Lilydale High School provides. Teachers will be on hand to meet with parents and guardians and discuss the intricacies of the subjects they teach. Refreshments will also be available on the night. All parents and guardians of students in Year 8 and 9 are welcome.

## YEAR 10 FORMAL

**Venue** York on Lilydale  
**Date** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September  
**Time** 6.30pm – 10.30pm  
**Cost** \$50.00

The cost of the evening \$50 includes: 3 course meal, soft drinks, DJ and decorations. Students will be issued with a 'Formal Entry Ticket' which must be brought on the evening to allow entry.

Payment of \$50 and the return slip at the bottom of the Formal notice must be returned to the Administration Office by **Friday 28 August, 2009. NO LATE PAYMENTS will be accepted after this date.**

## Middle School Coordinators

# SENIOR SCHOOL

## IMPORTANT VCE DATES

### 2010 VCE Course Selections Close

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August

### Theatre Studies 'Taming of the Shrew' Excursion

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August – 7.45pm

### Year 12 'Achieve Your Best' Seminar

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August – Periods 5 and 6

### Year 11 Literature 'Chicago' Excursion

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August

## Year 12 English Assistant Chief Examiner Lecture

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September - 3.30pm

## Three Way Conferences

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September

## Last Day of Term 3

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

## VCE Course Briefings and VCE Information Night

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August the Year 10 and Year 11 students underwent an intensive VCE course information briefing. Here they were given a thorough run down of how the VCE works and how they go about selecting their subjects for 2010. This was followed by the VCE Information Evening, which was well attended and an opportunity for students and parents to seek further information on specific VCE subjects. Please consult the VCE handbook during the subject selection process, as it contains important guidelines and information relevant to the selection of subjects.

## Subject Selections for 2010

This past week has been a critical time for Year 10 and 11 students, as they have had to select their subjects, for 2010, online. The online selection process opened on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August and will close on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August. Students were given a handout with detailed instructions on how to access the website and how to go about making their selections. Students were also given a '2010 VCE Handbook' during the VCE Course Briefings. The 'VCE Handbook' contains all of the relevant guidelines and information required for students studying VCE in 2010, as well as information on the subjects that are being offered in 2010. Once students have selected their subjects online, they need to print off their selection sheet and have a parent or guardian sign it. The final step in the process is to hand their signed selection sheet into the VCE coordinators office.

## Important VCE Information

We encourage all students who have any concerns or are experiencing any difficulties to come to the VCE Office and speak with the VCE Coordinators. It is important that students are aware that assistance is always available to them and that the sooner they come and discuss their issue with a VCE Coordinator, the sooner things can be resolved.

## Student Attendance

Lilydale High School believes that there is a direct correlation between attendance and achievement. At both Year 11 and 12 we are running monthly Attendance Competitions. At the end of each month the form with the highest attendance rate will receive a prize.

For all VCE students, **attendance at morning form assembly is compulsory**. Students receive many important messages and copious amounts of information during form assembly, making their presence essential. Students who have study periods during Periods 1 and 2 are still expected to be at school and in form assembly by 8.40am.

## Study Periods

VCE students are reminded that they are not to leave the school grounds during study periods, unless their study period is during a Period 5 and 6 double study, or a Period 6 single study. Study periods are to be used productively completing work, either in the Study Hall or in the Library. Under no circumstances are students to leave the school grounds prior to their Period 5 and 6 study periods. When a student has a double study during Periods 5 and 6 they are able to leave, once they have signed out, at the beginning of lunch time. When the study is Period 6 only, students are only permitted to leave the school grounds at the beginning of period six and once they have signed out. The sign out book is located outside the VCE Office. It is imperative that students sign out prior to leaving the school grounds, so the VCE team know that they have left.

VCE Coordinators