

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Lilydale High School 90th Birthday Celebrations

This week, Lilydale High School celebrated 90 years of service to its community with a range of activities for students past and present, teachers past and present and other members of the school and wider community.

On Monday students attended year level assemblies for a brief presentation on the school's history and on Tuesday invited guests and visitors to the school took a tour of the grounds and facilities and enjoyed a morning tea together. On Thursday, a whole school photo was taken on the school oval.

New media facilities

Our new media facilities are almost ready for use. Two new rooms have been added to the multi media centre and have been equipped with the latest Apple computing systems for use in VCE studies in Media, Art and Photography. These facilities have been a long time in coming and were originally financed by the federal Investing in Our Schools Program. There are two new rooms in this facility - one is pictured below.



Leon Bishop, Principal

STUDENT NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS

There are an increasing number of websites and programs which try to fool people by saying that you have a virus. You should not always trust a website or another program unless you know that it is your anti-virus program. School computers use Symantec. If unsure, shutdown the computer and manually run a scan or bring your school notebook to the notebook administration team.

Mr Stebbing

LILYDALE ENVIRONS/OUT OF BOUNDS

The **Market Place Shopping Centre, Olive Tree Shopping Centre and NQR** are out-of-bounds to students **before, during and after school**. **Exception:** if students are in the company of a parent/guardian or with a specific pass and note validated by the school's Year Level Coordinator in conjunction with a parent/guardian. Students are expected to remain within the school grounds during each school day.

UNIFORM SHOP

Students are required to wear correct school uniform every day. The co-operation of parents/guardians is expected in delivering in a high standard of appearance for students. School uniform policy is determined by school council and reviewed on a regular basis.

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

- **Tuesdays** 12.30pm to 5.00pm
- **Saturdays** 9.00am to 11.30am

For enquires please ring the Blackburn store on 9877 8388.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 2

Monday 25 May

Year 10 History Vietnam Veteran Visit
 Year 9/10 Soccer/Netball/Badminton
 Reserve Day

Tuesday 26 May

Year 7 Leadership Camp 1
 VCE GAT Preparation Period 1-4
 Year 7-8 Boys Netball
 Year 7-9 Girls Football

Wednesday 27 May

Year 7 Leadership Camp 1

Thursday 28 May

VCE Music Recital in P1 7pm

Friday 29 May

Year 10 Craft of Writing Excursion 'La Porchetta' 11 am - 12.30 pm

Tuesday 2 June

VCE Theatre Studies Production Dress Rehearsal 3 - 7 pm
 Year 8 Soccer/Netball/Badminton

Wednesday 3 June

Accounting Exam Revision Aust Catholic Uni 6 - 8.30 pm
 Year 7 History IMAX & Museum Excursion

Thursday 4 June

Unit 1/3 Theatre Studies Production Evening

Friday 5 June

Unit 1/3 Theatre Studies Production Evening
 Music students Excursion to Army Band

STUDENT FREE DAYS

Monday 8 June

* **Queen's Birthday** *

Friday 12 June

* **Report Writing Day** *

END OF TERM 2

Friday 26 June

CURRICULUM

ENGLISH

Hearty congratulations must be given to our winners of the **'The window was shut to keep out the cold'** short story competition.

Bayley Peters of Year 7, Luke Weavell of Year 8, Katrina Bird of Year 9 and Hayley Davies of Year 10 all wrote captivating but diverse stories using the same prompt sentence: *'The window was shut to keep out the cold.'*

These winning students and their families were invited to our Literary Lunch which was held during Education Week. Moreover, their wonderful stories will now be entered into the 2009 Henry Savery National Short Story competition where the first prize is \$400 and the second \$100. Good luck to you all!

Well done to these students and to all students who participated in the competition as part of Education Week. The standard of entries certainly made selecting a winner a difficult task.

Ms Sayers, Head of English

PASE / SPORT NEWS

Cross Country/Fun Run

On Wednesday 13th May, the school Cross Country was held at Lilydale Lake. All Year 7 students along with a number of other students from all other year levels participated. Congratulations to all the participants, particularly to the following winners.

U13 Girls	Stephanie Butler
U13 Boys	Zac Hill
U14 Girls	Samantha Butler
U14 Boys	Zac Paterson
U15 Girls	Holly Allen
U15 Boys	Mitchell Shanks
U16 Girls	Georgia Brock
U16 Boys	Joshua Paterson
U17 Girls	Melissa Thomas
U17 Boys	Luke Boontjes
U20 Girls	Chantal Pernet
U20 Boys	Thomas Rosewarne

Senior and Intermediate Boys Netball - May 11th

Our Senior and Intermediate boys played very well over the course of the day. The Senior A team going into the Grand final undefeated, beat Mooroolbark 19-7, progressing onto Eastern Zone which will be held later in the year. MVP Shaun McManus.

The Senior B team played against Lilydale Heights College for third place, proving victorious. MVP Daniel Case.

The Intermediate boys also made the Grand Final but unfortunately were beaten by Mooroolbark on the day. The B team finished third in their pool which was a great effort considering they only had 5 players. MVP's A team - Jake Mathews, B team - Daniel Cope.

EIS Basketball - McDonalds School Championships

On Friday 15th May, students from the Year 10 EIS Basketball program participated in the McDonalds School Championships at Ringwood Basketball Stadium. The students had a great day with the boys losing a close semi final match, while the girls made the grand final but went down to a taller more experienced opposition. Great effort by the girls considering the team was made up of 3 Year 8 students, 3 Year 9 students and 1 Year 10 student.

Senior Girls Netball

On Tuesday 5th May, the Senior Girls Netball team played off to progress to Eastern Zone. Lilydale High School entered 3 teams; 1 A team and 2 B teams. The other schools were Mooroolbark, Healesville and the Heights. The A team were undefeated and very few teams got close. The girls displayed excellent skills and team spirit. Melissa Thomas was excellent in reading the play and intercepted many passes in defence. MVP for the A team was Nicole Chatterton. The B1 team did have some close games but were able to shoot goals when it counted. MVP for B1 team was Shannon Quick. The B2 team were also undefeated until they played the B1 side in the final. It was a tight contest with the B1 team just scraping through. MVP B2 team Chloe Danahay. Well done to all the girls.

Mrs Connolly

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

Where Room 42

When Every Tuesday and Thursday

Who Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students

Lunchtime Activities runs every Tuesday and Thursday for students in Years 7 to 10. Each week there will be structured activities that students can become involved in or they can just use the space at their leisure to play games, cards, puzzles, read or chat with friends and **make new friends!**

Posters are put up weekly at the lockers and there is a notice in the Daily Bulletin.

Activities this term include:

Alka-seltzer rockets, the chocolate game, making super goop, lava lamps and more great fun!

Mrs Seker

LOOK WHO'S ON NEIGHBOURS

The episodes our students will be extras in will be airing from Monday 15th June to Friday 19th June. Sit back and enjoy some very energetic performers in action!

There's no business like show business!

Miss Nicholas

EQUESTRIAN NEWS

On Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th May, three of our students competed at the Victorian Interscholar Horse Trials Championships at Wandin Park. They rode in Dressage, Cross Country and Showjumping events.

Taylor Hague (Year 8) was placed 9th in Dressage and rode clear rounds in Cross Country and Showjumping. She was placed 7th overall in her class of 30 riders.

Leah Montebello (Year 8) rode a personal best in all events, being a newcomer to these competitions. She was thrilled to ride a clear Cross Country round.

Katie Harris (Year 7) rode exceptionally well, winning the Dressage event and having clear rounds in Show Jumping and Cross Country. Katie was the overall winner in her class.

Congratulations to all of the girls for riding so competitively against entries from across the state.

Jeanette Kimball

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Lilydale High School Fun Run

Congratulations to all of the Junior School students who took part in the annual Lilydale High School Cross Country last Wednesday 13th May. Thankfully the rain stayed away and we all made it safely around the lake, either running, jogging or walking. I think we may even have seen Mrs Hemmings running with the Year 7 girls! The winning students were:

U13 Girls Stephanie Butler U13 Boys Zac Hill
U14 Girls Samantha Butler U14 Boys Zac Paterson

On Friday 15th May, the Yarra Group Cross Country was held, again at Lilydale Lake. Congratulations to the successful Junior School students Stephanie Butler, Zac Patterson, Samantha Butler, Jamie Schroen and Shelley Hemmings. We wish all of our students the very best as they move on to the Eastern Zone competition.

90 Years Celebration – Monday 18th to Friday 22th May

Many of our Junior School students have been involved in the 90th Birthday celebrations at Lilydale High School. Our year level captains have been researching about our school, looking at archives, old photographs and memorabilia and reading some very old Salamanders. They have written speeches which highlight the significant events in our school's history. Our form representatives helped cook the sausage sizzles, catering for over 600 Junior School students. Students from 7.37A have taken part in role plays which depict some very entertaining and amusing events that have happened in the past. It has been wonderful to see the anticipation and excitement build as we celebrate such an important milestone.

On Monday at a Junior School Assembly a very large birthday cake was presented to the students, who sang Happy Birthday to Lilydale High School. At lunchtime students were treated to a sausage sizzle and a piece of birthday cake. On Tuesday we had a pancake breakfast for all students and a school tour and morning tea for past staff and students, some of which were led by our 'Year Level Captains' Georgia Christou, Jack Van Den Driest, Shelly Hemmings and Michael Johannesen. On Thursday during Period 4 all Lilydale High School students and staff were involved a whole school photo on the school oval.

YEAR 7

NAPLAN Testing

What a busy week we had with the NAPLAN testing (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) taking place on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th May. Our Year 7 students were well behaved, organised and very patient over the three days.

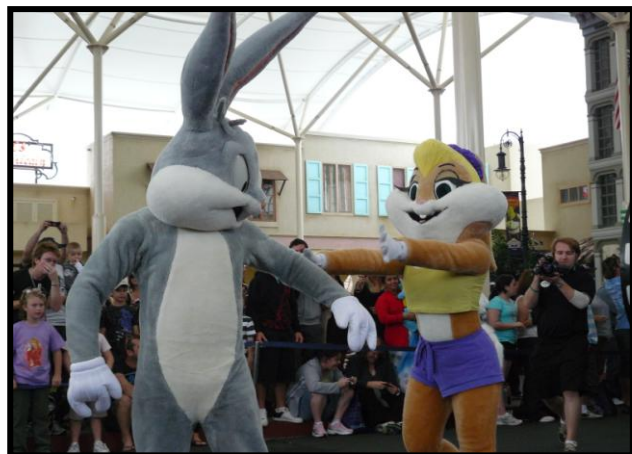
Leadership Camp

The Year 7 Leadership Camp will be held at Oasis Mt Evelyn on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th May. Students, who have been nominated by their teachers to attend the camp, and have received a camp notice, should ensure they return their forms as soon as possible. For those students who may have missed out this time, don't despair, there will be another camp running in September!

YEAR 8

With the semester coming to a close it's important all students have completed all required work for each class. Students who feel they may not have yet completed all necessary work should consult their teachers to find out what is required by them.

Junior School Coordinators



Year 9 Queensland Camp 3rd May – 8th May

129 students and 13 teachers made the journey north to the Gold Coast, full of anticipation and excitement. We went to SeaWorld, WetnWild, MovieWorld and DreamWorld. A fantastic time was had by all and the students were a credit to the school.

On behalf of the Year 9 students who went to Queensland we would like to thank all the staff members who gave up their time to take us on camp. It was greatly appreciated.

Nathan and Emma, Year 9 Captains

NAPLAN testing

May 12th – 14th saw our students complete their NAPLAN tests in Literacy and Numeracy. They are to be congratulated on the way they approached this in a mature and orderly manner. The results for these will be available later in the year.

Steve Gedye and Luke Parker – BMX Champs!

Congratulations to Steve who came 2nd in the National Series and National Titles and Luke who made it to the semi finals; only to be taken out by another bike that stacked.

Year 9 City Experience

An Information Night was held on Wednesday 20th May to address any questions/concerns parents and students had regarding this program. A City Experience Handbook will be sent home at the end of semester detailing further information.

English Exam

All Year 9 students will sit a 90 minute English exam in the Hall on Friday 29th May. English teachers will be speaking to their students about how to best prepare for this.

Laptops

Students are reminded to ensure that they are carrying their laptop in the bag supplied and follow teacher's instructions as to their use.

Outstanding Work Letters

This week, outstanding work letters were posted home to Year 9 and 10 parents/guardians advising the subjects work has not been completed in by their son/daughter. We suggest that you encourage your child to take the necessary steps to complete all required work to allow for the ongoing monitoring of progress and assessment.

Students should **consult with the appropriate teachers** if they need further information about work that is still outstanding. We suggest that they write all outstanding work in their planner.

Catch up classes are available to students every lunchtime. We encourage those students who are behind with their work to attend.

Middle School Coordinators

SENIOR SCHOOL

IMPORTANT VCE DATES

GAT Preparation Day

Tuesday 26th May (Periods 1 to 4)

Business Management Excursion to Olex Cables

Tuesday 26th May (Periods 3 and 4) – Ms Hope's class

Tuesday 26th May (Periods 5 and 6) – Ms Mays' class

Wednesday 27th May (Periods 5 and 6) – Mr Robertson's class

Account Exam Revision

Sunday 31st May – Melbourne University (1:10pm to 4:40pm)

Wednesday 3rd June – Australian Catholic University (6:00pm to 8:30pm)

June Exam Period

Thursday 4th June to Thursday 11th June

Theatre Studies Performance Night

Thursday 4th June – 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Friday 5th June – 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Monday 8th June

GAT

Thursday 11th June

Report Writing Day

Friday 12th June

VCE Semester Two Begins

Monday 15th June

Year 12 English Excursion to ACMI

Thursday 18th June

Airbrushing Course

Monday 22nd June

VCE Ski Camp

Wednesday 29th July to Friday 31st July

June Exam Period

With only **TWO weeks** until the VCAA exams and school based exams commence, students need to be utilising their study time wisely. This includes study periods here at school and study time at home.

Students should not only be completing current coursework for their subjects, they should also be revising for their upcoming exams. We recommend that students have regular contact with their teachers regarding revision tasks and access the VCAA website to download past exam papers.

You will find all the relevant information regarding exams, including the 2009 VCAA exam timetable and past exam papers, on the VCAA website;

- <http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/vce/exams/index.html>

All students completing a Unit 3 subject should have received a personalised exam timetable that lists all of their exams, the exam times and the exam location. If you have not received one of these you need to come to the VCE Coordinators Office immediately.

If students require any assistance with their exam preparation, they should come to the VCE Coordinators Office. We have many practical strategies to assist students with study habits, time management and effective exam preparation. Even if students believe that at this point they are up-to-date, there is always plenty of revision to be done for their exams. Students are encouraged to complete as many trial exams as possible and seek feedback from their teachers on where they might improve.

General Achievement Test (GAT)

In the lead up to the GAT, which is compulsory for all VCE students undertaking a Unit 3/4 subject, students will be undertaking workshops to assist with their understanding of the GAT. These workshops will outline what will be expected of students during the GAT, as well as providing students with practical strategies that can be employed whilst answering essay and multiple choice questions. Although GAT results do not count directly towards VCE results, they do play an important role in checking that School-assessed tasks, School-assessed coursework and examinations have been accurately assessed. They may also be used if a student requires a Derived Exam Score due to illness, accident or personal hardship. This is why Lilydale High School considers the GAT to be just as important as other assessments undertaken during VCE.

Women of Note Breakfast

On Friday 15th May, four of our Year 11 girls, Melissa Thomas, Taylor Lane, Emma Thurkle and Shannon Gerritzen attended the 14th Annual Woman of Note Breakfast. The girls arrived and were given a name badge, a goodie bag and some business cards. The girls were then split up and seated on tables with female mentors who currently work in the professions that they are looking to peruse in the future. With their mentors the girls chatted about their future career goals and got advice on how they might achieve their goals. After breakfast was served, the girls listened to guest speaker, Viv Benjamin and were then able to circulate the room and speak with other professional females who they found inspiring or who they would be able to keep in contact with to further their career ambitions. Of the day, Melissa Thomas stated, "It was a great morning and it has inspired me to continue the path of becoming a Physical Education Teacher."

Lilydale High School 90th Birthday Celebrations

This week Lilydale High School celebrated its 90th Birthday. VCE students were involved in all of the celebrations, which kicked off with a VCE Assembly on Monday 18th May. Our VCE captains presented a history of Lilydale High School to the VCE student body and our principal, Leon Bishop read from a Lilydale High School Year Book from 1949. Interestingly, the message from the Principal to the students in 1949 was the same message that we give our students today; academic achievement is something to be proud of and something we should celebrate. A gigantic birthday cake was also presented to the students, who enthusiastically sang Happy Birthday to the school. At lunchtime students were treated to a BBQ lunch and of course, a piece of birthday cake. The VCE team would like to thank all of the VCE students who helped cook and run the BBQ and of course to our VCE captains who gave a fantastic presentation. On Tuesday 19th May there were more celebrations and the students were given a pancake breakfast to kick start their day. Thursday 21st May saw the conclusion of the birthday celebrations with a whole school aerial photo being taken on the school's main oval. Students worked cooperatively with teachers to spell out LHS 1919 – 2009. All VCE students are commended on their participation in Lilydale High School's 90th birthday celebrations. Like all of the activities the VCE students are involved in, they approached this week's celebrations maturely and were keen participants.

Year 12 Badges

Year 12 badges can now be collected from the VCE Coordinators Office.

VCE Coordinators