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Principal ● Heather Redmond

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Inspirational.

From the Principal

What is the image of our school in the community? Who is responsible for that image? How do we manage the publicity around all the good things that happen here?

If these questions are ones that intrigue you, why not join our Marketing committee? It meets one Monday each month, in the Prince Street staffroom. Our next activity is media training conducted by Fishbowl Communications where we will learn how to manage the communication with media outlets. The task after that is to redesign our website.

However, underpinning these formal avenues of communication are the informal ones and they are what I need your help with.

Do you ever talk about the good things that happen at MP12? Last night one of our school Councillors commented that her children are always happy to come to school here. How many of you think the same thing, but never say so? Recently a new student remarked that this is the best school he’s ever been to. Are we sharing these positives? Next time you are chatting to someone in the supermarket aisle, tell them those things. If you know of a problem, come and tell us. If the problem doesn’t appear to be solved promptly, come back and check what is happening.

If we all work together to respond to problems and concerns, and keep them “in house” we will all reap the benefits of belonging to a school that is highly regarded in the community.

And here are some more items to share with the world:

- Our senior girls netball whose sterling efforts at zone on Tuesday against much larger schools have been commended by those who saw them play;

The Senior Stories DVD, produced by 4 Year 10 girls, who

- interviewed Rosa De Fazio and John Taylor, with a highly professional film the end result.
- The sense of responsibility evident among our students as we deal with the impact of building works. All our bus travellers walked to St Marys Tuesday night to catch buses, with no word of complaint. Yesterday there was an interruption to the water supply at Prince St, and again, we all took it in our stride. Movement between our two sets of buildings is quite difficult at present, but good humour characterises our students’ response.
- Angus Goodman is coming to the end of his term on the statewide body governing Student Representative Councils – quite an achievement in the first place, and quite a commitment over that term. Well done, Angus.

As always, I am proud to be the Principal of our school: share that thought with the world, also.

Heather Redmond

**INFORMATION SESSION
 YEARS 11 & 12 - 2011**

All Year 10 and 11 students are invited to the Year 11/12, 2011 Information Evening held at Marian College Hall on Monday 26th July.

The evening starts with a Subject Fair at 4:30 to 5:45pm where students and parents can seek specific subject knowledge from staff currently teaching the subject. This is then followed by the Information Session that outlines specific details about VCE/VCAL/ATAR and the subject selection process.

DIARY		~ SCHOOL BANKING - TUESDAYS ~	
July Sat 24 MART Wed 28 Year 4 – 6 Inter-school Sport Thur 29 MART Sat 31 MART	August Wed 4 Music Performance Thur 5 Maths Competition Mon 9 Staff Ultranet Training – Student Free Tue 10 MART Sat 14 MART Thur 12 Year 5/6Ki - Learning Community Assembly Wed 18 MART Sat 21 MART Thur 26 MART Mon 30 Year 9 Party Safe	Sept Thur 16 Year 5/6K – Learning Community Assembly Fri 17 Term 3 Ends - 2:30 Finish	

60 SECONDS WITH....

Barry Holden



Grade/Subjects Taught: Maths

Why do you enjoy teaching: I love to contribute to peoples futures, especially young people who have it all in front of them.

The person who has influenced you the most in your life: My wife, Bernadette.

My Hometown growing up was: Reservoir/Heidelberg.

I've always wanted to learn: 'Why we are here'. How the universe operates.

Favourite Book/Film: One flew over the Cuckoo's Nest.

My passion is: Music/Teaching.

My dream Dinner Party Guests: The Beatles.

Most often described as: Quote, Jenna White 'Inspirational'.

60 SECONDS WITH....

Bronwen Martin



Grade/Subjects Taught: Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning. Working as a Coach in 2/3W, 7/8 Maths and assisting with Planning Project Science and Humanities, Year 10.

Why do you enjoy teaching: Connection with 'kids' and a huge belief, that learning gives people life choices.

The person who has influenced you the most in your life: My father

My Hometown growing up was: Melbourne.

I've always wanted to learn: Piano

Favourite Book/Film: The Little Prince

My passion is: My son.

My dream Dinner Party Guests: Tim Costello and Kurt Hahn.

Most often described as: Funny and committed, but sometimes a little difficult to get to know.

ART ROOM NEWS, PREP - YEAR 6, JULY 2010.

The Year 5/6's & 3/4M have begun this term's Art lessons in the computer laboratory, using computer technologies on a variety of internet sites, to create some amazing art works. Try www.nga.gov/kids/zone/zone.htm or <http://bomomo.com/> for some wonderful art programs and <http://www.jacksonpollock.org/> for some paint-free blue poles.

Year 2/3W are making papier mache models, using balloons, lots of newspaper and flour & water glue. Their cleaning-up skills have progressed as well as their models!
Year 1/2H are enjoying a series of woodworking lessons. They aim to create a vehicle, using their amazing hammering skills.

MANY THANKS TO McPHERSON 'S EARTHMOVING CONTRACTORS for the generous donation of pine off-cuts.

Prep/1 made stained glass "windows", using cellophane and laminating sheets. They experimented with colour mixing as they made their windows, which are displayed on the classroom windows. After viewing some pictures of Dale Chihuly's blown glass creations (<http://www.chihuly.com/>) they have made a large mobile using balloons and rice, which is hanging from pieces of wood they found in the school grounds. The resident Art Room mice will no doubt appreciate the addition of rice to their diet.

Some of Term 2's Prep to 4 Artwork with a spidery theme is now displayed in the Prince Street Foyer and corridor. Please make time to view the "gallery."

THANKS also to those who have sent spare or unloved socks to the Art room.

We now have enough for some classes to make sock puppets.

Beryl Strang
P-6 Art.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Applications for Semester 2 are now open.

If you are the holder of a Pension, Healthcare or Veterans Affairs card, and your child is under 16 please call at the Office to collect an application form.

Applications close 6th August, 2010.

FIREWOOD

There is an opportunity for parents to collect River Redgum and Claret Ash Firewood (Green) at the school.

Please ring the school to make arrangements before collecting the wood.



What's happening in Grades 5/6?



This term we are learning about healthy living, healthy bodies and human development as part of our Integrated Studies Curriculum.

Kerrie Conner, a Community Health Nurse from Alpine Health, is teaching us about Human Development. So far we have learnt about the growth of a baby and the birthing process. We have a special question box so we can ask Kerrie any questions we want without feeling embarrassed.

In our classrooms Mrs. King and Ms. Chapman have been teaching us about nutrition and making healthy food choices. We have been using the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating and the food chart as resources. We have made healthy living posters to remind ourselves to make good food choices and to keep our bodies healthy so they grow and develop properly.

In Mrs. King's class we have used the IWB to learn about different body systems and organs in our bodies. We have made body maps and drew different body parts on them. We have also researched our birth date and milestones at home and made a timeline at school. We have looked at and compared how differently we all developed. In our Maths class, we made bar graphs to illustrate birth weights and the age at which we all walked. Some students even brought their baby books in to share. We are also going to make a quiche and fresh bread for lunch.

In ICT we are also using the computer to access kids' health websites to research some 'weird' things about the human body. We found out why our armpits smell and why we have earwax in our ears. It has been very interesting!

In the next couple of weeks we are going to learn about drugs and alcohol. We are also going to learn why it is important to be positive and happy in order to have a healthy state of mind to go along with a healthy body.

By: Kaitlyn Scutchings, Chloe Sinnett, Brooke Sinnett & Molly McKibbin

COLLEGE SENIOR SPORT

Year 7 and 8 Sport Program

In Sport Education held on Tuesday the students are undertaking a week of Badminton, Hockey, Basketball and Squash over the first 4 weeks of term 3. Once that 4 week block is completed, students will select from Basketball, Hockey or Squash to prepare for the last Ovens and Mitta day for the year. The Year 7 and 8 Ovens and Mitta day will be held on Tuesday 7 September. Consent forms will be distributed at the first training session on Tuesday 10 August. This will need to be returned by Friday 27 August. Students will not be permitted to attend the Ovens and Mitta Sport Day if their effort and enthusiasm is poor; if there is a pattern of not wearing sports uniform or the consent form is not returned by the due date.

Eastern Zone Cross Country

A team of 21 athletes represented the College and Ovens and Mitta at Broadford on Wednesday 16 June. There were many great performances during the day. The results were:

13 Boys		14 Girls		14 Boys		16 Girls	
15 th	Dylan Margetson	17 th	Olivia Hamilton	15 th	Aiden Varley	1 st	Paige Zamperoni
34 th	Luke Quirk			17 th	Tyson Rouse		
43 rd	Simon De La Rue			35 th	Vitaly Leschen		
44 th	Luke Hodgkinson			39 th	Josh Chaplin		
6th	Team Result			11 th	Jake Hodgkinson		
				3rd	Team Result		
20 Girls		20 Boys					
1 st	Saige Broz	7 th	Jack Crisp				
15 th	Eleisha Kneebone	10 th	Ben Paul				
20 th	Brooke Hodgkinson	17 th	Steven Perkins				
17 th	Meaghan Evans	24 th	Luke Wentworth				
18 th	Megan Luke	20 th	Aubrey Dean				
2nd	Team Result	2nd	Team Result				

As a result, Jake Hodgkinson, Paige Zamperoni, Saige Broz and Jack Crisp qualified for the School Sport Victoria Finals that were held on Tuesday, 13 July at Bundoora Park, Melbourne. All 4 athletes performed exceptionally well in big fields of 120 runners. Jake finished a creditable 92nd, Paige finished 16th, Saige 11th and Jack finished 39th.

Eastern Zone Basketball

The Senior Boys Basketball won their section at Ovens and Mitta and have qualified for Eastern Zone to be held in Shepparton on Tuesday, 27th July. The team comprises Steven Perkins, Chris Jupp, Luke Wentworth, Keegan Barker, Jack Crisp, Ben Paul, Tom Malsem, Kane Micheline and James Monshing. We wish them well.

Eastern Zone netball

The Senior Girls Netball Team competed at Eastern Zone on Tuesday 20 July in Wodonga. Results will feature in next week's newsletter. The team comprised Megan Luke, Paige Zamperoni, Nicole Ives, Saige Broz, Eleisha Kneebone, Tayla Broz, Andrea O'Keefe, Jamie Toohey and Rebecca Franks.

Term 3 Sport

The year 7 and 8 students continue with their regular Tuesday Sport Program and this will culminate with the Ovens and Mitta Day on Tuesday, 7 September. Year 9 and 10 students will have last Ovens and Mitta Day on Thursday, 9th September. The sports available to all Year 7 to 10 students are Hockey, Basketball or Squash. The Ovens and Mitta Athletics Championships will be held on Wednesday, 15th September. A strong team has been selected and will start training soon during lunchtime.

During Term 4, two teams from Year 7 and 8 will be competing at Eastern Zone. They are the Year 7 Boys Volleyball Team and the Year 7 and 8 Girls Softball Team. Training will commence at the beginning of Term 4 for these teams.

Peter Ternes

Sport Coordinator

STATE TEAM



State Team – Paige, Jack, Saige & Jake



Jack



Saige



Paige

EASTERN ZONE



Luke, Jack, Albury, Steven & Ben



14 Years Boys Team



Paige



Olivia



Paige, Megan, Saige, Eleisha, Brooke & Meaghan



Dylan, Luke H., Luke Q. & Zoe

PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

Next Meeting: Monday 16th August, at 9:15a.m.

ALL WELCOME!

Pasta Day – Wednesday 4th August.

Order Forms have been given to students in Prep – Year 8. Any students in Year 9 and above wanting to order, please pick up an Order Form from the Library or the Mummy Road Office between 8:30 and 9:00am. **Orders need to be returned by Friday 30th July.**

We cannot accept any late orders.

BINGO

Tuesdays 1:00pm at the Railway Hotel.

We are always in need of door prizes for Bingo. Donations, no matter how big or small are appreciated.

Donations can be left at the office.



INVITATION TO OUR COMMUNITY EVENING

Speaker: Professor Loretta Giorcelli OAM

As part of the Hume Region's Educator-In-Residence Program Professor Loretta Giorcelli will conduct a very informative evening on the topic:

HOW CHILDREN LEARN

Helpful hints for parents supporting their children's academic and social learning.

Date: Tuesday 27th July

Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Venue: Bright P-12 College Library



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STEER CLOTHING has 20% off their '*Absolutely Everything Sale*' which started on Wednesday, 21st July and will continue until the Thursday 5th August, 2010. **(Includes School Uniforms)**

Also, our website is now completed and going. The 20% discount applies to all web sales, for the duration of the sale. www.steerclothing.com.au



ARE YOU WONDERING HOW YOU AND YOUR CHILD WILL SURVIVE THOSE ADOLESCENT YEARS?

Then this parenting program is for you!

This program aims to promote happy and healthy relationships within families. Developed for parents of children from 9 to 14 years of age it runs over four enjoyable weeks and covers

- communication
- adolescent development
- problem solving and negotiation
- building positive relationships

The program is aimed at parents of young people in the upper primary school and lower high school levels and focuses on the critical transition years from primary to secondary.

When: Wednesday July 28 to August 18

Where: Ovens & King Community Health

Time: 7:00 to 9:00pm

Cost: \$20.00 (negotiable)

Bookings Essential
Phone: (03) 57 313500



Help us support the 94 Alpine residents diagnosed with cancer each year

Cancer Council Victoria urgently needs people affected by cancer to provide telephone support to others in a similar situation.

If you have been diagnosed with cancer or are a partner, family member or close friend of someone with cancer, register your interest in our Cancer Connect Program today.

Training will be provided in Bright and you will need to be at least 2 years post treatment or bereavement to volunteer for the program.

Email cancer.connect@cancervic.org.au or call 13 11 20 for more details.

Myrtleford High & Primary School Reunion Saturday, 30th & Sunday, 31st October 2010

Myrtleford Primary School will be 70 years old & Myrtleford High School will be 50 years old.

It's now time to get your contact details, and anyone else's details you might know, to registered for the Myrtleford High School & Primary School Reunion to be held on October 30th & 31st. Lots of people have already registered but there are still lots who haven't.

Invitations will be sent out next month and the Committee would like all past students/teachers/parents to receive one, whether they will be able to attend or not, so please email your Registration to the school as soon as possible to:

Carmel Wyatt
wyatt.carmel.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

For those who are interested there is a Facebook Page that will be updated with the program and details.

(Come along and see if the spunk in your year still looks good....)

Please forward this email to family & friends

NEWSLETTER WEBSITE

<http://www.myrtlefordp12.vic.edu.au/newsletter.pdf>

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Students entering and leaving Myrtleford P-12 College during the school day.

For legal and safety reasons, we need to know where all of our students are at any given time. As there is now one school office, all signing in and out occurs at Prince Street.

Students who arrive late at school need to come to the Prince Street office, with their note, and sign in. The Mummy Road office is open daily until 9.30am for year 7-12 students to sign in late. After that time all students should go through the school office at Prince Street.

Students who need to leave school during the day are to sign out at the Prince Street office, again presenting a note from a parent explaining the reason. Students in Years prep to 8 will not normally be able to leave the school unless a parent is there to collect them; for students in Years 9 – 12, the parent note should indicate the exact arrangements.

These guidelines do not apply to students coming and going from VCE classes at Marian College who continue to simply move from one school to the other.

We have now implemented consistent expectations across the school in the matter of lunch passes. No student will be issued with a lunch pass for the whole year. Parents retain the right to send a note for occasional school exits at lunchtime but that note should specify the exact date or dates

As always, if this causes distress or concern, do not hesitate to make an appointment to discuss the matter.

Heather Redmond,
Principal