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from Miss Holt Principal

Another very busy two weeks at DSC have passed, and it’s amazing to realize that we are already half way through Term 3.

Debating

Congratulations to our incredible Debating Teams who on Monday won their South Street Competition Semi-finals and have now have progressed into this year’s Grand Final to be held on Monday. The debating teams and their topics were as follows:

- Year 8 boys: Lachie, Aidan and Oscar- That reality television should educate as well as entertain- we disagreed, and defeated Ballarat High School!  
- Year 10s: Jade, Lotus and Callan- That Australia is a nation of whingers- we disagreed, and won over St. Patricks High School, and,  
- Year 11s- Lily, Eamonn and Kelly- That the spirit of mateship is dying in Australia- we agreed with this and came up trumps over Damascus College!

A huge congratulation to these students, and again to Ms Robinson, we wish you all great success on Monday evening during your Grand Final!

2014 Planning

Thank you to all our students and families who attended recent information evenings regarding course selections for 2014. Subject selection is a very important part of every child’s education, and it is for this reason our College works tirelessly to ensure we are able to provide an extensive variety in choice and learning experiences. At DSC, we aim to deliver the exact subjects that our students wish to study, and this is why we must begin our planning for next year as early as possible. Thank you to our students who completed their choices on time. Any students currently in Years 8 to 11 who may not have submitted their 2014 subject choices must see their Learning Community Manager immediately.

This is also an opportunity for me to remind all students and parents of our College KICKSTART Program. This program is where our whole school begins the 2014 school year at the end of 2013. The 2014 KICKSTART Program will occur from Monday December 2nd through to Friday December 13th, 2013. Much more information will come out over the coming weeks reminding everyone about the compulsory requirements of the KICKSTART Program, so please stay tuned for more information.

College Production

Opening night is only one week away!! Yet again, Mr Pickering, with the support of so many others within our school, has created another exceptional College Production for us all to enjoy and celebrate. The Rocky Monster Show promises to be another amazing display of our student’s talents, and our whole college dedication to the Arts and Cultural development. I can’t wait to see this show, and we hope you can make the time to see this year’s production and invite as many of your friends and family to also come along to see our students and College shine!
Athletic Sports
2013 has certainly been a very sad year in terms of College Sporting events. Unfortunately, we cannot control the weather, and it was with a very heavy heart that we unfortunately have yet again had to cancel this year’s Athletics Carnival. Whilst the initial postponing of the event was due to upgrade works at the Ballarat venue, and the August timeframe was made available for schools to begin their Athletic carnivals, it was unanimously agreed by the college that only responsible decision to make (after watching weather forecast and considering the health and wellbeing needs of our students, staff, parents and volunteers) was to cancel todays sports. We understand the disappointment our students will feel regarding this decision, so we aim to hold a college fun day at some stage during term four as a replacement for our athletics sports. Again, can I please reinforce our sadness at having to cancel this event, however, everyone’s health and wellbeing is our highest priority.

Year 7 Hearing Tests
Every year our College participates in a program to test all our year 7 students hearing capability. This Year, the Wimmera Hearing Society will be at our College on Thursday 12th September to undergo their annual testing program with all our Year 7 students. Parents will receive more information regarding this in the near future.

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
A quick reminder to all parents that students will receive their Interim Reports towards the end of Term 3, and Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews will occur on the last 2 days of Term 3 as follows:

- Thursday 19th September- from 4.00pm to 6.30pm
- Friday 20th September- 9.00am to 12.30pm (No student classes on this day).

Miss Holt 😊

Stanley Hammond Awards

We would like to award Izzy, Eamonn, Blake, Mitch and Hayden for being responsible and alert for the safety of student welfare.

College News & Notices

Immunisations

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Our Cinema Has a New Mural
The next time you enter the REX, head on through to where you approach the cinema, and on the left you will notice a large ‘film strip Mural’ on the wall. Six of our students worked with artist Aaron McGarry on this project last week and we thank him for the invitation for our students to be part of this process. Lochlan, Sarah, Jesma and Ruby should be pleased with what is an excellent outcome. These students gained valuable experience, confidence and practical skill working under Aaron’s direction, and as a team on this project. The school congratulates you on taking up this offer when it was presented as a possibility some weeks back.

Music

Daylesford Rotary School’s Concert
This year the Daylesford Rotary School's Concert will be held on Wednesday, 18th September starting at 6.00p.m at the Daylesford Town Hall. The DSC Concert band will be performing at this event and it is hoped that all members can participate. The evening should conclude no later than 7.30p.m and entry is by gold coin donation. During the past term rehearsals have taken place of a Thursday from 3.30p.m – 5.00p.m. Thank you to those students who have been able to attend. A rehearsal schedule
for the rest of the term has been given out to all members as some rehearsals will need to be taken during the school day. If you have not seen this schedule please ask for another. No rehearsal on Production night (both weeks). We hope to have all our members perform together on this special night for our local school's music programs.

Preparations are well underway for the 2013 college production. This year’s performance will be “The Rocky Monster Show” described as a “Bizarre, anarchic and very funny, this Rock ‘n’ Roll musical is a riotous mix of the Addams Family, Young Frankenstein and Phantom of the Opera, with Rebecca and The Rocky Horror Show thrown in for good measure!

The cast of eighty students have been solidly rehearsing during their lunchtimes since the beginning of the term. Chorus members Bethany Olver and Ethan Brown said they enjoyed working with students from across all year levels and loved the feeling when it all comes together.

Congratulations
Big congratulations to Jenny, Claire, Melissa, Ruby and Holly. They have created the winning posters for this year’s production of The Rocky Monster Show. Their work will be exhibited in Daylesford and around the school.

Week 6 Term 3 2013
Open Days
- Sun 25 Aug – ACU (Ballarat); Ballarat; Box Hill; Deakin (Burwood); La Trobe (Bundoora); Monash (Gippsland); Victoria; William Angliss Institute
- Sun 1 Sept – La Trobe (Albury/Wodonga)
- 12 Sept - Thurs Occupational Therapy information evening; 5.30-8pm, Austin Hospital, Studley Rd, Heidelberg; Register: email Monica.williams@austin.org.au
- 15 Sept - Sun Medical Radiations tours at Peter Mac; Information: ph 9656 1375, RTEducation@petermac.org, www.petermac.org.

Term Holiday Events
Year 10-12 Next Step - Health Workshop
The Alfred Hospital, Prahran, Melbourne Demystify university life, tour hospital teaching facilities, hear staff and students talk about their experiences in the health professions.
Friday September 20th, 2013
LSAP (Legal Studies & Australian Politics) Workshop Program
Victoria University (Melbourne)
Gain confidence in skills needed for a career in the legal profession: communication, teamwork, leadership. Try debating, mock trials, negotiations.
For all details of both events, go to the LEAP website: www.leap.vic.edu.au
Nuclear Medicine Hospital Visits
What is nuclear medicine? What do nuclear medicine technologists do? Get answers to these questions by joining a free visit to a nuclear medicine department at a major teaching hospital. When: 26-27 Sept; Info: medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au, see www.rmit.edu.au/medicalsciences/nucleararmedicine.
Discover Deakin
Deakin University’s school holiday program is running at all campuses. Meet with current students, find out about courses, and experience what university life is like. When: Mon 23 to Fri 27 Sept; Info: www.deakin.edu.au/discover.
Monash year 11 inspiration day
Be inspired about your future tertiary decisions while discovering a world of possibilities at Monash. This event will give you a chance to explore options, life at university, as well as provide the opportunity to discuss your future with staff. When: 11am-3pm, Thurs 26 Sept; Where: Caulfield Campus; Register: www.monash.edu/monashyear11/day; Info: Eddie Oates, ph 9903 1613 or onshore-events@monash.edu.
Catering provided.

Fashion Camp Cost: $785
Get a glimpse ‘behind the seams’ of this creative industry with instruction on everything from illustration and construction to styling and visual merchandising. Over five days of intensive fashion you will learn from industry experts how to turn a passion into a professional career. When: 23 -27 Sept (holidays); Where: Kangan Institute’s Centre for Fashion and Creative Industries, Cremorne St, Richmond; Ages: 15 – 18 years; Book: www.kangan.edu.au/short-courses-melbourne/fashion-camp/aosc/tfashn12/
Year 12 it’s time to apply!
Thank you to the students and parents who braved the weather last Wednesday evening and attended our VTAC information session. Students are encouraged to make a Careers appointment to organize applications and SEAS. Note that we have just been advised that University of Ballarat direct application

forms for 2014 will be available in the very near future (currently only 2013 forms available).

**Monash Guarantee**
Monash has a new admissions program for 2014 – the Monash Guarantee. Students who are financially disadvantaged, Indigenous Australians or completing Year 12 at a Monash under-represented school (Daylesford SC is under represented at Monash) could be eligible for a guaranteed place at Monash, even if theirATAR is below the clearly-in. See: [www.monash.edu/study/options/guaranteed-entry](http://www.monash.edu/study/options/guaranteed-entry).

**ACU Melbourne - Bachelor of International Development Studies**
The Bachelor of International Development Studies covers all aspects of reducing poverty and empowering people in developing countries. It equips students with the knowledge and skills needed to work for organisations that try to improve the lives of some of the world’s poorest people. This international studies degree combines theory with practical applications relevant to humanitarian and development work.

A very attractive component of the course, is the immersion experience, which enables students to travel overseas and spend 4 weeks in a developing country in a humanitarian capacity.

**Swinburne University**
Swinburne is introducing guaranteed ATARs for most courses in 2014. This means that if a student achieves an ATAR rank equal or above our published guaranteed ATAR, and they’ve listed that course as their highest successful preference through VTAC, their place in that course at Swinburne is guaranteed.

Some courses are outside the guaranteed ATAR model. These include some capacity-limited courses and those with a range of selection criteria. The ATAR for these courses will be determined through normal competitive selection processes. For these courses, 2013 Clearly-in ATARs represent the best guide for 2014.

**PRAHRAN CAMPUS OF SWINBURNE - Creative Industries**
Swinburne courses offered at this campus will move to the Hawthorn campus in 2014. However, with in-principle support from the Victorian Government, Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE (NMIT) and Swinburne have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to work to ensure the continued delivery of tertiary education at the Prahran campus.

NMIT’s vision for the campus is to progressively develop the campus as an educational precinct with a focus on training in the Creative Industries. Programs would include a wide selection of creative disciplines from design and music to theatre arts and sound production. It is hoped that programs will commence by the start of the 2014 academic year.


**National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA)**
NIDA (in Sydney) is an internationally acclaimed institute for education in theatre, film and television. NIDA is searching for talented students who have a desire to work hard and become successful artists in the arts and entertainment industry. All application, audition, interview and project requirements for NIDA’s tertiary programs are now available on their website, and applications must be made directly to NIDA before Mon 30 Sept ([www.nida.edu.au](http://www.nida.edu.au)). There will be an information night on Thurs 22 Aug which will be broadcast live online and will be available to stream online later for students who are unable to attend. Register for the online streaming at [www.nida.edu.au/info2013](http://www.nida.edu.au/info2013).

**Auditions and interviews** for 2014 are in November. Info: 02 9697 7600, marketing@nida.edu.au.

**Victorian College of the Arts (VCA)**
Fine Arts at the University of Melbourne - Southbank Campus
Those planning to apply for the Bachelor of Fine Arts at VCA in Southbank are advised to see [www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/bfa](http://www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/bfa). For details explaining the application process for domestic students go to the specialisation of interest, click ‘Domestic’, then go to the ‘Apply Now’ tab. **NOTE:** applicants for Fine Arts (Film and Television), (Dance), (Animation) and (Screenwriting) must complete and submit a Supplementary application form. This form is only available to applicants via the link included in the VTAC application acknowledgment email or in the VTAC user account messages. The Supplementary application form must be completed and submitted by 5pm 30 August. Applicants must pay an additional assessment fee of $65 with their Supplementary application form.

**Dentistry**
We have comprehensive information regarding applying for Dentistry in Australia and New Zealand. Any interested student should come and collect a copy. (Thanks to John Gowans).

**Cadetships in Logistics**
The Victorian Transport Association has a successful Cadetship program, with cadets enjoying the program and looking forward to bright futures in the industry. It is a two-year program which has young people employed full time with logistics companies while studying for the Cert IV in Logistics and a Diploma of Logistics. Info: Kristie, ph 9646 8590, see [www.vta.com.au](http://www.vta.com.au).

**Catch-up, Cuppa & Cake**
NEXT Catch-up, Cuppa and Cake is Friday 30th August 9-10am (last Friday of the month).
Staff from the college Student Wellbeing Team is present from 9’ish to 10 and the principal often drops in. Stay on for a chat and something to eat or drink. Cuppa & Cake Deal for $6.50 @ Harvest Cafe 29 Albert St, Daylesford or just have a cuppa.
Focus this year is communication, homework and volunteering.

**Parent Opinion Survey**
Of the 72 sent out only 12 parents returned the survey.

**College Production - Rocky Monster Show**
Tickets now on sale at the office – the production is always entertaining and includes many students.
Come along to one of the 4 nights to see another side to the college - 29th & 30th August and 5th & 6th September.

**College Backpack Parent Survey**

The parent survey has finished but only a small number of families responded, again just 12 – was it the same 12? The parent survey results show those parents support a college backpack, that it should be available through the college and Daylesford Clothing but there are concerns around its size, students not wanting to use one even if the parents supported this and a few raised the question should it be compulsory or not.

The top 3 things these parents considered when buying a bag/backpack for school were: was it suitable for carrying books, computers etc to and from school; quality and size. These results will be presented to school council to consider.

**Parents Victoria Conference**

Alison and I attended the 2 day conference in Melbourne where the theme – An Elephant in the Room set the scene for the topics presented. Topics covered were: Creating a Safe Supportive School for Kids; Facebook and Safety; The Digital Gap, The Other Talk (Australian Drug Foundation taking about alcohol); Safe Partying; Inclusion, Communication & Dispute Resolution; and the Digital Gap. It was a successful conference with most of the topics applying to secondary schooling. I will present a report to school council with some things to consider.

We met the Minister for Education, Martin Dixon MP and found he has a strong personal link with Daylesford and Glenlyon, as well as being a former teacher and principal. He spoke about Better Schools funding and the challenges in coming to an agreement to provide the best outcome for students; the phasing out of the Ultranet; a reporting and assessment portal for parents; review of school governance; EMA ; and the accountability requirements for the new funding coming into the school from next year.

**Contact Details for FSPC**

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**Dear Parents & Friends**

If you missed the recent Cultural Bends meeting, don’t worry. There has been some interest from a number of parents to get together again, and we’d love to see a few more of you.

Encouraging the influence, participation and understanding of arts and culture within the school is our key focus.

Again may I say, there is no obligation or expectation apart from discussing ideas around the above ‘key focus’.

I have confidence that there are those amongst you who appreciate this call, recognise its importance, and have something to say about it.

Our next meeting, **Where**: at the school, in the art room (drive down)

**When**: Monday Aug 26th , 7pm - Bring a plate if you wish.

Regards Alec Cimera

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**New Edible Garden**

A new edible garden is just about to happen at the Daylesford Community Park (skate park) cnr Duke and Stanbridge Streets and we want you to be part of it!! All ages welcome working bees start: Thursday 15th August (mulching) and Saturday 24th Aug 2 – 3pm (perennials). Please bring protective footwear and clothing, gardening gloves and shovel! Community and social groups as well as school groups and individuals are all invited to join in. All plant donations welcome or drop in at St Mel Cyclery & Café and sponsor a tree of your choice for $20. For ongoing information about this exciting project visit: www.justfreefood.blogspot.com.au

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**Community News**

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WHEN: September
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Elaine 0409359992

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