from Miss Holt
Principal

What a fabulous fortnight it has been for our College! There has been so much to celebrate!

Debating

Last Monday our College was indeed overjoyed by the outstanding efforts of our three Debating Teams who participated in the South Street Debating Grand Finals. Firstly, I congratulate our Middle Learning Community Team, Year 10 students Jade, Lotus and Callan, who won their Grand Final, successfully defeating the opposing team. I feel greatly for our Year 11 students, Lily, Eamonn and Kelly and our Year 8 boys, Lachie, Aidan and Oscar, who narrowly missed out on taking out the title! All three Grand Final debating teams were totally captivating to watch and listen too! It would seem that I know very little about the rules and regulations of debating competitions, as, with all bias aside, I absolutely believe we should have been triumphant in all three grand finals!! In saying this, 2013 has certainly been an incredible year for College debating. Ms Robinson has arranged and coached a total of 19 debates over the previous month, in which our students won 15 of these. She has transported our students to Ballarat both in and out of school hours, and has generally ensured they have been prepared in every way possible. It goes without saying that this has been a tremendous effort by Ms Robinson, but also everyone who has been involved. I would like to express my sincere thank-you and appreciation to the parents of our debating students who took time out of their busy days and evenings to attend the Grand Finals and not only support their children, but also our College. This is priceless on every front - Thank you!!

Our Year 11 Team

Our Winning Team

Our Year 8 Team and their wonderful parents

College Production

Last week also saw the opening our 2013 College Production- ‘The Rocky Monster Show!’ As with previous years, our 2013 College Production is completely fabulous, thanks, yet again, to the tireless efforts of Mr Wayne Pickering, Ms Susan Verbyla, and their incredible team of behind the scene helpers who also make this show an
unforgettable event! Approximately one quarter of our student population are involved in our college production, and to this extent, I continue to be amazed at what we are able to create and deliver every year, and again, all due to the tireless work of our dedicated production team….I will most certainly follow up in our next newsletter with a big thank you to everyone who has been involved, cast and crew! If you are yet to see this year’s College Production, there is still time tonight and tomorrow evening, beginning at 7.30pm.

Visit from Senator John Madigan
Our College was also privileged last week to have received a visit from Senator John Madigan, who has generously donated to our scaffolding for Mr Sayn’s VET Building and Construction Class. I have included in this week’s newsletter a press release by Senator Madigan regarding his visit. We were also delighted that the Senator delivered an outstanding lesson to our students using his forge and amazing blacksmithing skills, and our students were indeed captivated by the presentation. Furthermore, the visit also included filming by the ABC’s 7.30 Report, and we can’t wait to see this documentary. We are truly grateful for this visit and generosity, and our College cannot thank Senator Madigan enough for giving up his valuable time to support our school and teach our students something very new from the good old days! Thank you also to Mr Sayn for seeking this wonderful opportunity.

VCAL Warrnambool Camp
Our VCAL students have headed off to camp at Warrnambool this week, an event that has been planned by them, and supported by Mr White as part of their Personal Development Assessment requirements. The students will be learning about team work amongst other important life skills, whilst also enjoying some fun in the sand and surf!

Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disabilities
Our school has been selected to participate in the 2013 Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disabilities (Data Collection). This national Data Collection is taking place in schools across Australia and will provide information about the number of students with disability in schools, where they are located and the adjustments they receive. The information provided by this new data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources. This will assist students with disability in government and non-government schools across Australia to complete school and go on to further education or find employment. If your child is eligible to be included in the Data Collection, you will be sent a Privacy Information and Consent Form in the next few weeks. Inclusion in the Data Collection is voluntary. If you wish your child to be included in the Data Collection, you can complete the Privacy Information and Consent Form and return to the school. If you do not receive a Privacy Information and Consent Form and believe your child has a disability and should be considered for inclusion in the Data Collection, please contact the Principal.

For further information about the Data Collection, please contact the Principal or visit Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/ principals/health/Pages/datacollection.aspx

Spirit Week
Spirit week is also approaching! The SRC are eagerly preparing for this year’s Spirit Week that occurs during the final week of Term 3. Spirit week allows our students to celebrate the year so far, and to enjoy the beginnings of spring. During the week, our Year 9 students will also be running daily lunch stalls and entertainment as part of their Personal Development “Enterprise” class.

Year 12 Practice Exams
Our Year 12 students are currently working hard to complete their Unit 4 Assessment requirements, and are now beginning their preparations for their final exams. I encourage all students to continue their great efforts as their final weeks are passing by very quickly. All Year 12 students are reminded to attend the College on Friday 20th September for their Practice English Exam.

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
Interim Reports will also be sent home with students next Friday. Parents will also receive information within the report on how to make bookings for Student/Parent/Teacher interviews the following week 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).

The booking system is on our school website and will be available from Tuesday next week. Please note: Miss Anna Deacon will be unavailable during the interviews days. Miss Deacon will be available at a convenient time over the next 2 weeks for parents wishing to discuss their child’s progress.

Uniforms
Finally, as we welcome the warmer weather, I remind all students and parents of our College Uniform Policy requirements. The policy can be located on our College Web site. Some basic reminders include the following:
  •  No black tights with summer dresses
  •  Plain White Socks for boys and girls (no black writing or logo’s)
  •  Black School Shoes. Please note, lace up ankle boots (e.g. Doc Martins) are not considered school shoes.

Summer Dress and Winter Skirts should be no shorter than mid-thigh. I am again concerned by the very short nature of some of our student’s dresses and skirts, and I ask parents to address this ASAP.

I also remind parents that College uniform items can now be purchased via our General Office. Order Forms can be collected from the office, returned with payment, and items will then be packaged and given to your son or daughter to bring home.

Miss Holt 😊
## College News & Notices

### School Magazine 2013
Order your school magazine now! Students wishing to receive a copy of the school magazine this year must ensure they have paid their $15 levy to the general office by September 20th.

Students wishing to contribute to the school magazine should see Ms Low. We are looking for creative ideas, written articles and page designs. There are prizes for best cover design and best contribution!

### Daylesford Secondary College takes a hands-on approach
Democratic Labour Party Senator John Madigan visited Daylesford Secondary College yesterday to announce the purchase of Australian-made scaffolding equipment for the school's VET building and construction program. As part of his visit Senator Madigan also gave about 30 of the school's technology students a blacksmithing demonstration. At a cost of more than $2,000, the scaffolding equipment will be funded via the Australian Manufacturing and Farming Program (AMFP) and will be used as part of the recently launched VET program. Teacher and program coordinator Michael Sayn said the school was thrilled with the assistance. "It's great that John is helping local schools out with Australian-made equipment and promoting the benefits of learning a trade," Mr Sayn said. "Nowadays students often hear that university is the only way to go, but learning a trade offers a whole host of benefits, as John explained to the students." Daylesford Secondary College has a student population of 450 and it offers a range of technology classes, including woodworking, automotive, textiles, and product design. Along with Senator Nick Xenophon and Bob Katter, Senator Madigan founded the AMFP in 2011 to help promote local manufacturers and food processors. Find out more at www.amfp.org.au

### Vaccinations

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Boys now included in National HPV Vaccination Program
As of this year, boys are now included in the National HPV Vaccination Program. The human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, formerly known as the cervical cancer vaccine, has been routinely delivered to girls in Australia since 2007 as part of the school-based National Immunisation Program. Genital HPV is a very common sexually transmitted infection that affects four in five people, but is usually harmless and leaves the body naturally. However, some persistent HPV infections can cause serious illness including some genital cancers and warts that can affect both males and females. The three-dose HPV vaccine can help protect your child from developing these diseases in the future. The vaccine is most effective if taken at age 12–13, before the commencement of sexual activity and when the body produces more antibodies. Girls and boys in Year X are now eligible for the free vaccine.* In 2013–2014 only, boys in Year Y will also be offered the vaccine for free as part of a national catch-up initiative. To coincide with the change to the HPV Vaccination Program, the Cancer Council has developed a new website with updated information on HPV, the vaccine and the school program – www.hpvvaccine.org.au.

The website includes various written and audio-visual resources suitable for parents and teens. We encourage all parents and students to visit the website if they would like more information, or call the Cancer Council Helpline on 13 11 20.

* Time restrictions and conditions apply. See www.hpvvaccine.org.au for details.

Boostrix Vaccines (Diptheria / Tetanus / Pertusis (Whooping Cough)
Students/Parents
This vaccine is available for FREE until the End of September from the local medical centre. The Springs Medical Centre will have the vaccines available to the Students until then. An appointment will have to be made by the parents and the consultation/immunisation will be bulk billed by the medical practitioner (but only for the immunisation purposes – anything else required by the parent/student from the Medical Practitioner – a consultation fee will apply).

### 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.

**Student Engagement & Wellbeing**

**Spirit Week: YEAR 9 Personal Development**

During Term 3 students in Year 9 have been planning to make food, drinks and treats for Spirit Week where they will sell these to the school community. All students have discussed in groups what it is they plan to make and sell and worked on costing and predicted the amount that they may need. It is hoped that these students have discussed this with those at home as you may be asked to finance the initial outlay. This should be reimbursed if a profit is made. Students have worked cooperatively together coming up with ideas that complement each other and entered the world of ‘business’ and ‘money making’.

**Debating - Royal South Street**

We had a very successful debating season indeed. Three of our teams made it through to the semi-finals and then the finals, a remarkable effort considering the large number of teams participating in the competition.

Semi-final:

- **In the Year 7/8** division we defeated Ballarat High School, taking the negative in the debate that reality television should educate as well as entertain.
- **In the 9/10** section we defeated St Patrick’s College, taking the negative in the debate that Australia is a nation of whingers.
- **In the 11/12** section we defeated Damascus College, taking the positive in the debate that the spirit of mateship is dying in Australia.

Finals:

- **Our 7/8 team** (Oscar, Aidan and Lachie) were amazing but just lost to Damascus College, taking the affirmative in the debate that smart phones do more harm than good.
- **The 9/10 team** (Jade, Lotus and Callan) debated very soundly to win the final, taking the negative in the debate that rights are more important than responsibilities.
- **Our senior team** (Lily, Eamonn and Kelly) debated cleverly but narrowly lost to Ballarat High, taking the negative in the debate that terrorism is distorting our values.

Congratulations to these teams, and all our other teams in the competition. Everyone did a great job and we are proud of you. Further congratulations to Lachie who won best speaker in the 7/8 division and to Eamonn and Lydia who were awarded second-best speaker medals in the Senior division. I would like to thank all students, their teachers who had to be understanding and flexible, and again Rotary for their generous donation which enabled more teams to participate.

Helen Robinson - Debating coach.

**MIPS & Careers Update**

**Week 8 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 - free**

**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 30th, 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/nuclearmedicine

**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/year11-day; Info: Eddie Oates, ph 9903 1613 or onshore-events@monash.edu. Catering provided.
Occupational Therapy information evening; 5.30-8pm, Thurs 12 Sept; Austin Hospital, Studley Rd, Heidelberg; Register: email Monica.williams@austin.org.au

Year 12 Students – Applying for Courses
A reminder that you need to apply for courses through VTAC for 2014 by 27 September (www.vtac.edu.au) – although we hope all applications will be completed by the end of term.
- The cost of applying up to that date is $27.00. If you apply after this date the charge rises to $91.00. You can apply without paying at the time, but be aware that if you do not pay at all, you will not receive an offer of a place in January 2014.
- Remember that once you apply, you can change your application. The final time you can change your application is at noon on 23 December.

SCHOLARSHIPS – Reminder: All current Year 12 students are advised to apply for Equity and Merit scholarships via VTAC. VTAC scholarship applications for domestic students close at 5pm on 18 October 2013. See: www.vtac.edu.au/applying/process.html. Also check individual institution websites for other scholarships. There are also Student Start-Up and Relocation Scholarships available to students receiving income support; these are administered by Centrelink. Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships are administered by institutions and will be allocated to students who meet the Commonwealth eligibility as described on the Centrelink website and have had their indigenous status confirmed.
OFFERS – VTAC has announced that offer letters will no longer be mailed to applicants. When offers of places are released on 17 January 2014, applicants will be able to view their offers in their VTAC user account.
Offers may also be published by newspapers with the applicant’s permission. NOTE: Verbal offers have no status; if you receive a verbal offer, ask for the name of the person making the offer and contact VTAC.

La Trobe Melbourne
La Trobe Melbourne is a pathway into a degree from La Trobe University. La Trobe Melbourne is part of the Navitas group, an internationally recognised education provider with the knowledge and resources of staff in more than 50 different college and campuses worldwide. The diploma programs are in Business, IT, Mass Media and Communication, Bioscience and Health Science. These diploma programs are equivalent to the first year of a University degree, but with smaller class sizes and increased academic contact. After you have completed the Diploma, you progress into second year of a range of Bachelor degrees at La Trobe University (see pages 230-231 of VTAC Guide).
NOTE: This is similar to the Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology’s (MIBT) relationship with Deakin University. Monash College also has pathways to Monash University; Swinburne has UniLink. Another pathway to university is a TAFE Diploma.
As a rule, two years at TAFE equals one year at university (in a related field).

Term Holiday Events – costs
JMC ACADEMY – has workshops in the holidays to help you find out what a career in the creative industries can be like. JMC specialises in courses in 3D animation, audio engineering and sound, entertainment business management, film and TV production, games design and contemporary music performance. Where: JMC, 171 Bank St, South Melbourne; Cost: $10 per day (with lunch); Bookings: www.jmcacademy.edu.au/News/2013-07-05/MELBOURNE-WORKSHOPS.cfm.
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 profession. 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/

Careers in Psychology - Australian Psychological Society
Many students indicate an interest in studying psychology, and are unsure what is it involves. Find out by attending a ‘Careers in Psychology’ free information evening run by the Australian Psychological Society (APS) Student Society. When: 6.30-9.00pm, Fri 20 Sept; Where: Advanced Technologies Centre, Swinburne University of Technology, 427-451 Burwood Rd, Hawthorn; Parking: www.swinburne.edu.au/corporate/facserv/parking.html. Bookings not required.
Automotive Modern Apprenticeship Program
Vantage Automotive P/L is a major provider of government funded vocational learning and outsourced services to major vehicle manufacturers. Applications are being sought from people interested in joining the motor trade. Applicants from all over Australia are encouraged to apply, and if you are selected will be offered full time employment at a dealer close to your home. Positions are already available for 2014.
Info/apply: www.vantageautomotive.com. Another suitable organisation is the Victorian Automo-bile Chamber of Commerce (VACC); see www.vacc.com.au and go to Apprenticeships and Training.
Partner, Arnold Bloch Leibler and George Georgio. Guest panel members include Jackie Fristacky, organisations. It is an opportunity for students to influence policy or fulfil a critical role in employment path, while others use their degree to find out about the benefits and opportunities from studying law.

Australian Catholic University (ACU) Bonus Schemes
ACU offers a number of bonus schemes to Year 12 applicants, including the Early Achievers Program (EAP) and the Elite Athlete Bonus (5 point bonus). Some of these schemes apply to applicants automatically, while others require an application form. For details see: www.acu.edu.au/accessacu. Applications for EAP close on 21 October; applications for the Elite Athlete Bonus scheme close on 1 November.

Audio-Visual Technology
Do you want to learn the broad skills of the audio-visual industry including lighting, sound, TV production, design, installation and event management while working on real-life productions and events around Melbourne? If so, you might be interested in the one-year Certificate IV or the two-year Diploma in Audio-Visual Technology at RMIT. Audio-visual technologies have a worldwide presence in home, shopping, government and corporate environments, and their evolving applications are one way for companies to differentiate themselves from competitors. As AV technology is aligning with computer technology, new job roles are being created to cater for a new market. Industry professionals often look to employ RMIT graduates due to their professionalism and strong can-do attitude. Info: www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c4230.

More than One Career – A Law Panel Event
The Faculty of Law at Australian Catholic University (ACU) is hosting a panel of law professionals to discuss the benefits and opportunities from studying law. It is an opportunity for students to find out about the range of careers that ACU law graduates may undertake.

The Other Talk
Check out this website www.theothertalk.org.au from the ADF (Australian Drug Foundation).
The Other Talk is about Australian families talking openly about alcohol and other drugs. It's an initial conversation and an ongoing understanding that when it comes to alcohol and other drugs, no question is too silly and no topic is off limits. It's about letting your child know that they can come to you to discuss not only drugs and alcohol, but also related issues such as peer pressure, health, parties, safety and expectations.

Thanks to Parents Victoria for presenting this at their recent conference.

Contact Details for FSPC
Donna O‘Mara on fspc@daylesfordsc.vic.edu.au or 5348-7970.

Community News

Melissa Banks  Music Studio  Daylesford

Teaching Piano, French Horn, Trumpet and Theory Member of the BSO (Ballarat Symphony Orchestra) And BWO (Ballarat Wind Orchestra) Beginners to advanced: AMEB, Jazz or Popular. BMUS (Bachelor of Music)

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Bubble Dome’s Spring Holiday Courses

Don’t miss out - Book Now! For students aged 6-15. Learn the latest in Minecraft on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop these holidays!

We are running four different exciting Minecraft courses these July Holidays: All New! Minecraft Advanced, Minecraft Inventions and Challenges, Minecraft Tekkit and Ultra Minecraft Java + Mods as well as Lego Architecture & Robotics, 3D Animation and Games Design, and App Building.

Tel: 1800-11-55-62
Email: info@bubbledome.co.nz or
Book Online: www.bubbledome.com

Daylesford Junior Football Club

Presentation Night
Sunday 15th September at 2pm
Town Hall
Please Bring Game Day Jumper

AGM - Monday 18th November 2013
Daylesford Bowling Club 7pm
Election Of Office Bearers + Committee
All Positions Vacant
All Members + Interested Parties Welcome + Encouraged To Attend

Little Athletics

Registrations now open for the upcoming Track and Field Little Athletics season at the Kyneton & District Little Athletics Centre at www.lavic.com.au.

The Little Athletics program is suitable for children of all abilities between the ages of 5 and 15. We foster a culture for children to try to improve on their own Personal Best performances.

The Kyneton & District Little Athletics Centre will hold a registration/ sausage fundraiser morning outside of Woolworths in Kyneton.

Date: Sunday15th September 2013
Time: 10am to 12pm
Venue: In front of Woolworths Kyneton

Registration can be completed online at www.lavic.com.au
Registration packs will be available on the first day of competition on receipt of registration payment.

Season starts the 12th October.

DAY OF COMPETITION /
TIME: Saturday mornings from 9.00 am
VENUE: Kyneton
Showgrounds, Mollison St Kyneton

Enquiries: kynetondistrict@lavic.com.au

Little Athletics Victoria