PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Wednesday evening was the Year 12 Graduation Dinner, which was well attended by the Year 12 students, their families and staff. It was a lovely way to celebrate the achievements of the Year 12 students; all have successfully passed their VCE. Now is the count down until their final results are released in December, to show the rewards for all their hard work over the year. Thank you to Jodee Betheras for organising such a successful evening and to Roi, Sue and the staff at Roi’s Diner for hosting the event. I would also like to thank the parents, for working with the College over the years to help achieve the best outcomes for their students. From all the staff at the College, we wish the Year 12s every success in the next stage of their lives.

With Year 12s finished and Year 11s finishing next week, I would like to ask students and parents to make the effort to look for, and return, any library books they have finished with, as stocktake will be starting in 2 weeks. Returning of class set books is vital, as it is the ability of school to loan these expensive texts to students for a small charge that helps keep the book list prices down to parents.

SCHOLARSHIPS:
The Department of Education and Training (DET) scholarship applications open on 16th November 2015 and close on 1st February 2016. Some scholarships identify financial need; students receiving the Youth Allowance, or whose families are receiving Centrelink payments meet this criterion. For any queries about upcoming scholarships, please contact Andrea Constantino at constantino.andrea.a@edumail.vic.gov.au or on 9637 3367, or you can visit the Department’s scholarship website on www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/scholarships/
Homework is a weekly or fortnightly task. Students are expected to hand in homework on the due date. Unsubmitted homework, after one period’s grace, will result in detention until the work is completed. It is a student’s responsibility to collect homework if you have been absent. You can ask your teacher for the task.

NB: Students may receive other homework as necessary for other subjects.

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**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Dear Parents,

End of Year Activities- December 7th -14th

Forms and money have been returned and we are looking forward to the fun to be had in the last two weeks of the year. If your son or daughter has other arrangements for this time like work or holidays could you please send a note to the General Office. We are still obliged to account for all student absences for Year 7 to Year 9 students. The 3 day mountain bike trip has been cancelled due to lack of numbers so students can reselect other activities for those days. Students can receive a refund or transfer their money to the Laser Tag Trip to Albury. Don’t forget that you can use your CSEF grant money that the school holds on your behalf of your child/children, to help pay for any of the excursions.

**Presentation Evening-Monday December 14th**

This is a fabulous opportunity for all families to celebrate the achievements of our students. We are so fortunate that our community supports many awards including for academic success, endeavour, attendance, sporting prowess and citizenship. Student reports will also be given out on the conclusion of this evening.

**Picnic Day- Tuesday December 15th**

This is the last scheduled day for all students and we traditionally head up to Bogong Village for the day. Students enjoy walks, fishing, canoeing, cricket or just relaxing. This activity is free because Falls Creek Coach lines have been generous and provided a free bus to our school community. Please note that if Tuesday 15th is a risky weather day, we change to the venue to Mountain Creek or a safe alternative.

Thankyou,
Rhonda Gargan
Assistant Principal

**FUTURE MAKERS PROGRAM 2016**

Information and medical forms were given out to Year 8 students and their families who attended the information night on Tuesday 17th November. These forms will be given out to students who did not attend the meeting and will also be available at the General Office. The cost of the program will be $120 and we ask that forms and a $30 deposit be returned by the end of the year.
ADVANCE CFA YOUTH CREW 2016
INTAKE

Year 8 students are invited to apply for a place in the 2016 Advance CFA Youth Crew program. The program started in 1997 and is a partnership between Tallangatta, Corryong and Mount Beauty Secondary Colleges and the local CFA brigades. Ten students from Mount Beauty will be selected to join the continuing Year 9 students.
The Advance program, which is funded by the state government, provides students with the opportunity to engage with local community groups, develop leadership skills and gain formal qualifications. On successful completion of the program students will gain their ‘Minimum Skills’ in wildfire firefighting qualification and the Certificate II in First Aid.
This year the program is seeking applicants with a wide range of skills, who work well in teams and who are committed to helping their community.
Applications close 4:00pm Monday 23 November.
Shaun Thorpe

SECONDHAND BOOK SHOP WILL RUN FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE

Booklists have been handed out to all current students and are due back Friday 20th November. We have in stock a variety of books already including several Ads R Us (priced from $5-$10), Of Mice and Men ($5-$10), The Simple Gift ($5-$8), The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time (($5-$10) and Insight Guides. If you have any text books on the list below to sell, or you wish to purchase, please see the office staff during RECESS or LUNCHTIME. If you wish to sell, bring the book with an envelope attached- your name and the price written on the envelope. The texts must be the same name, version/edition, and ISBN number otherwise they are NOT suitable for 2016.

YEAR 7-12:
- Blueback, T. Winton (U.Q.P.)
- Ads R Us, Claire Carmichael
- Of Mice and Men, John Steinbeck
- The Simple Gift, Steven Herrick, (UQP)
- The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time, Mark Haddon
- Insight Text Guide: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time, Mark Haddon
- Romeo & Juliet, New Classroom Shakespeare (Heinemann)
- Cosi, Louis Nowra (Play)
- The Rugmaker of Mazar-e-Sharif, Njaf Mazar & Robert Hillman, 9781921088551
- Insight Text Guide: The Rugmaker of Mazara- Sharif, Ruth Thomas
- Live It Up 1, VCE Physical Education Units 1&2, 3rd edition, Smythe et al, 9781742461298
- Business Management VCE units 1&2, 8th Edition, Barrile et al, 9781420229332
- The White Tiger, Adiga, Aravind, Atlantic Books, 9781848878082
- Insight Text Guide: The White Tiger
- The View from Castle Rock, Alice Munro, ISBN 9780099497998
- Insight VCE English for Year 12, Beardwood, 2nd Edition, 9781921411779
- Cloudstreet, Tim Winton (Penguin 2007) ISBN 9780140273984
- Nelson Physical Education VCE Units 3&4, 5th Edition
MOUNT BEAUTY SECONDARY COLLEGE
Invites you to the
2015
ANNUAL
PRESENTATION EVENING

Monday, December 14th
Mount Beauty Community Centre
7:30pm
Come and celebrate the successes of another year in academic studies, sport and citizenship.
Dress code: smart casual.
(This is a formal presentation night so please no thongs, shorts, short skirts, singlets – thank you.)

BOOK LISTS AND FEE SHEETS

All booklists need to be returned to school by Friday 4th December.

Packed booklists will be available for collection on Friday 22nd January 2016 between 10am-12pm. Books not collected on this day will be available from College at the start of Term 1 2016 BUT MUST BE PREPAID!

Fee sheets have been given out with booklists but please remember that we won’t be receipting payment until Term 1 2016 so keep your sheet in a safe place until then. Please use your student’s course selection to fill in the Fee Sheet.

The office will be open on book selling day (Friday 22nd January 2016) and will be selling hats ($12), calculators ($20), school planners ($15.50), accepting school fees and answering any queries.

BENDIGO BANK SCHOLARSHIP

Going to Uni for the first time in 2016? The Kiewa Mitta Murray Community Enterprises Limited has set up a scholarship valued at $5000/annum in memory of David Harley. Applications are invited from eligible students in the local district attending university for the first time in 2016. Applications open Tuesday 1 December 2015 and are online only. Drop into your nearest branch at 28 Hollands Street, Mount Beauty (ph 03 5754 4484) or visit bendigobank.com.au/scholarships for more information (available from December 1).

CERTIFICATE II HOSPITALITY

Attention school leavers, if you are looking for casual, part time or full time work when you finish school then enrol into our Summer School program - SIT20213 Certificate II in Hospitality. This course will be hosted by the Neighbourhood Centre and will offer blended learning (face to face & online) and includes industry recognised units of competence:

Tuition fee $75.00 or Concession $15.00 for eligible persons applies.

Course Commences Tuesday 8 December 2015
9:00am to 4:00pm
To enrol or find out more call 1300 659 557, or visit www.hosptrain.vic.edu.au/mountbeauty today!

COMMUNITY NEWS

SWIMMING POOL MEMBERSHIP

Early-bird, local family seasons pass for just $99. This entitles all members of a family to access the pool during ‘Public Sessions’ and is only available until the 22nd of November. After this time, the cost of a family pass will be $221. Passes may be purchased from the Information Centre.
LAKE VIEW CHILDREN’S CENTRE
PRESENTING LIZ CAMPBELL

An important presentation for families with children of all ages on speech, language, literacy and learning
When: 5.30pm to 8.30pm on Thursday 26 November 2015
Where: Mount Beauty Auditorium/Hoppet Office
Cost: $10 (includes light refreshments)
RSVP: To Lake View Children’s Centre (with money) by Monday 23 November for seating and catering purposes. Call 57 544848 for further information.
Liz Campbell is a speech pathologist & teacher and will be covering the following topics:
- Speech and language development in young children
- Neurological components
- How to read school readers
- Responsibilities of parents and educators
- Question time

For more information on Liz Campbell please refer to http://www.myspeechie.com.au/

Carols by Candlelight 2015
Proudly presented by Upper Kiewa Valley Lions Club

Tuesday 15th December 2015
Venue: Mount Beauty Secondary College, outside the Jessie Hollonds Studio Building.

6.00pm –
BBQ and soft drinks, snow cones, popcorn and fairy floss all available from 6.00pm.

8.00pm –
Carols by Candlelight with local artists, community band and community carols, followed by a visit from Santa Claus. Santa will give out bags of lollies for all the children under 12 years of age.

Parents, teachers, mark this in your diary to come along, bring the children and make this a fun night for all. We encourage all to bring your own blankets, rugs and chairs. After Santa Claus arrives at approximately 9.15, and once lollies have been given to all the children, there will be an extended Carols by Candlelight community singalong.

For more information please call Keith Pike on 5754 1668 or 0408 652 471.

MOUNT BEAUTY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY BAND
End of Year Concert
‘A Year to Remember’
featuring Music of War, Hope and Peace

The program includes a medley of much-loved Songs of the Great War, rousing marches, an upbeat version of Amazing Grace and more.

Mount Beauty Community Centre
Saturday, November 21st at 8.00pm
Admission: Adults $5.00
Students $2.00
Under 5s Free

For more information: 5754 4586 or 5754 1668

Tawonga Primary School
Kitchen Garden Benefit Dinner
Community Sunday Roast
29th November 2015
5-8pm

Our community is invited to join us for a relaxing three course Sunday roast dinner prepared by Ezra (Flour + Water chef) in our newly oped student kitchen. Dinner will be served outside undercover. Drink will be available to purchase. There will be an auction of goods and services donated by our community. Plus light entertainment.

Adults $30
Children $10

Tickets on sale by contacting the school office on 5754 4468
Pre-purchased tickets only on sale until 24th November.
This is a NO Alcohol and No BYO event
All proceeds go back into supporting our kitchen garden program.
School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children’s services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. **Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.**

Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter and phone tree. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

**Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast.** This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.
- As a bus co-ordinating school all bus routes will be cancelled.
- Depending on which Bureau of Meteorology district is impacted bus route cancellations may affect our school.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the CFA advise that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day.

As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan, and cleared our facility’s grounds and gutters.

**What can parents do?**

- Make sure your family’s bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, by checking our website [www.mbsc.vic.edu.au](http://www.mbsc.vic.edu.au) and by talking to your child’s teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.
- Most importantly at this time of year, if you’re planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family’s bushfire survival plan.

For up-to-date information on this year’s fire season, visit the CFA website at [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au) or call the 24-hour Victorian Bushfires Information Line on 1800 240 667.
WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING?

Buddy Day (a transition day) at Outdoor School – Bogong. Anything can happen with team work.

The mice have returned, as have their smell. But Year 7s just love their mice!