Principal’s Report

Year 12 Exams
In our last newsletter, we focused upon the last week for our Year 12 students. They have been diligently completing VCAA exams and our Year 12 VCAL students have also been finalising assessment tasks. Exams, at this stage, have not finished and we continue to wish our students well with their end of year assessments.

Congratulations
Congratulations are extended to two of our Year 9 students, Nigel Toafa and Romann Leota, who have been selected for inclusion in the Melbourne Rebels Junior Gold Cup Program. They are advocates for Rugby and will be participating in interstate competitions as part of the state team. Both boys are worthy competitors and excellent representatives of the College. Well done boys!!

Information Packs for 2014 being distributed this week.
This week students will be receiving important information packs regarding arrangements for 2014. These include their subject selections, fee sheets, booklists, diary dates, second hand book information, Step Up Program (December 2013), netbook information, instrumental music expression of interest and immunization form.

If you do not receive this information pack, please contact Helen Karagounis (Junior Sub School Leader) for students in Years 7-9 and/or Jamie Sweatman (Senior Sub School Leader) for students in Years 10 & 11.

Course Confirmation Days
Please take note that for students in 2014 Year 10, 11 and 12 Course Confirmation Day will be Wednesday 20th November (see information pack for more details) and for students in 2014 Year 8 and 9, Course Confirmation Day will be Wednesday 27th November.

Student Free Day
Friday 29th November is a student free day allowing staff to participate in professional development.

Dates to Remember

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Pam Dyson
College Principal
**Racism Conference**

A group of our Year 7, 8 and 9 EAL (English as an Additional Language) students were invited by Noble Park English language school to attend a Forum Theatre, held by the City of Greater Dandenong and SEAC on Wednesday, 30th October.

The project was called ‘Racism, Get Up, Speak Out’ and was developed in accordance with the City of Greater Dandenong and their plan to create a safer community where people feel secure, supported, valued and where people celebrate each other’s differences.

Diana Nguyen, facilitator of Forum Theatre provided a wonderful experience for our students and for all others involved. Forum Theatre is a problem solving technique in which an unresolved scene of oppression is present. It is then replayed with the audience invited to stop the action, replace the character they feel is “lacking power” (ie the person facing racism) and improvise real solutions.

Our students broke the ice by volunteering to participate in the play and provide real solutions to the problem of racism. It was certainly very empowering for the students to be given the opportunity and become involved in providing possible solutions to a very real problem.

Special acknowledgement goes to Abdi Gammechu Feyera of Year 9 who was one of their key actors in the play.

It was certainly a job well done. Congratulations to the following students for their involvement and enthusiasm in the program.

**Year 7**
- Melvin Manoj
- Mariam Mohammad Rahim

**Year 8**
- Si Yong Sakura Chen
- Moises Tangarife Vargas
- Laksika Umarahan
- Steve (Thanh Hai) Tran

**Year 9**
- Amid Lalizada
- Joan (Tzu) Lee
- PanHa Lon
- LerPwe Say
- Abdi Gammechu Feyera

As a follow up from this Theatre Forum, the students have been invited by the Mayor of Greater Dandenong to an afternoon Tea on Monday, 25th November. Guest Speaker will include RIVKAH NISSIM, Principal Adviser, Race Discrimination, Australian Human Rights Commission.

Helen Karagaunis
Junior School Leader

**Remembrance Day Service**

On Monday 11th November two of our College Leaders, Kynan Wilcox and Elizabeth Nguyen represented Noble Park Secondary College by attending the Remembrance Service at Noble Park RSL. This service was a moving tribute to those who gave their lives.

Kynan & Elizabeth, School Representatives at the RSL Remembrance Service
Year 11 Outdoor Education

On Wednesday the 6th of November we enjoyed a day’s canoeing in the 30 degree weather. Students explored the different areas of Patterson River and had fun with capsize drills and swimming at Carrum Beach after a hard day paddling. Thanks to Mr Keane & Mr Barry for helping with the day.

John and Maud Askew Scholarships II

Scholarship details

- Sponsored by ANZ Trustees
- Valued at $700
- Available for one year
- Several scholarships awarded each year

Who can apply?

- Students completing Year 7, 8, 9, 10 or 11 in 2013 in a Victorian government school
- Students involved in school and community activities
- Families or students who demonstrate financial need

What documentation you need to provide?

- Applicant’s 2013 academic results
- Statement confirming the applicant’s involvement in school and community activities
- Evidence of the applicant receiving Youth Allowance, the applicant’s family receiving Centrelink payments or the Education Maintenance Allowance (for those students under the age of 16 years)

Further information

- John and Maud Askew bequeathed funds for the benefit and advancement of Victorian government primary and secondary school students.

Quick Links:

Student Scholarships Website – Information and online application process: www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/scholarships/


Junior School Fun Run

On Friday the 7th of November the whole junior participated in a fun run that was organised by the VET and VCAL students as a part of meeting their outcomes for the subject. The purpose of the event was to promote healthy living through active participation as well as raising money for our schools VET/VCAL programs.

Junior school students completed a 3km run as well as a number of small activities throughout the event. Overall both the junior school students and the VET/VCAL students did an excellent job and the event was a great success.
Year 7-11 End of Year Exam Timetable 2013

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ACTIVITIES WEEK DECEMBER 16TH 2013

Activities Week will run in the last week of the school year from Monday 16th December. Student have lodged their selection forms. Any student who has not lodged their selection sheet or paid for their activities should do so promptly.

Additional copies of Activity week schedules are available from the office from Ms Papas or Ms McLean. Friday 15th November is the last date payments will be accepted for excursions, after this date students must select non payment courses to be held within the school grounds.

If you have any queries please feel free to call the school and request to speak to Ms Papas or Ms McLean.
This is the last CareerNews for 2013. Hopefully you have found the newsletters helpful and good luck as you move on to higher levels at school, or for Year 12’s, onto university, TAFE, a gap year, an apprenticeship or traineeship, or to employment. Remember that you are likely to have several careers in your lifetime, and be prepared to gain further education throughout your lifetime.

1. YEAR 12

CHANGE OF PREFERENCE PERIOD – After you obtain your results on Monday 16 December, there is a period when you can change your VTAC preferences. You may have changed your mind, or done better (or not as well) as expected. It is a good idea to review your preferences at this stage, up till 12 noon on Monday 23 December. Universities and TAFEs offer the following assistance to Year 12 students at this time.
- Australian Catholic Uni. – Hotline: 1300 ASK ACU (1300 275 228); Info. Expo: 3-7pm, Tues 17 Dec (Melb), 6-7.30pm, Wed 18 (Ballarat)
- Box Hill Institute – Change of Preference Evening: Wed 18 December; Hotline: 1300 BOX HILL or Andrea on 9286 9553
- Charles Sturt University - Call 1800 334 733
- Chisholm: Call 1300 CHISHOLM
- Deakin University – COP Hotline: 1300 DEGREE; Info evenings: Burwood 5-7pm, 17 Dec; Geelong Waterfront campus, 5-7pm, 18 December; www.deakin.edu.au/preference
- Holmesglen Institute: Hotline: 9564 2720; COP Event: 4-7pm, Wed 18 December
- Kangan: Hotline: 13 TAFE
- La Trobe University – Change of Preference Advisory Day, 11am-2pm, 18 December (Melbourne and Bendigo); Hotline: 1300 362 203; www.latrobe.edu.au/choices
- Monash University: Change of Preference Expo, 3-7pm, Building H, 900 Dandenong Rd, Caulfield; Hotline: 1800 MONASH (1800 666 874), or see www.monash.edu/cop
- NMIT – Hotline: 9269 1200
- RMIT University/TAFE – Info line: 9925 2260; COP Expo: 11am-3pm, Wed 18 Dec, Swanson Academic Building, Building 80, 445 Swanson St, Melbourne; visit Info Corner, Cnr Swanston and La Trobe Sts, Melbourne; info www.rmit.edu.au/cop
- Swinburne University/TAFE - Hotline 1300 275 794 (1300 ASK SWIN); 10am-4pm, 18 December: one-on-one interviews in ATC building (no appointment needed); appointments can be made on line for other days
- University of Ballarat (Federation Uni) – Info Day, 11am-3pm, Wed 18, Ballarat and Gippsland
- University of Melbourne: Course Information Day, 10am-2.30pm, Wed 18 December; see www.cop.unimelb.edu.au/2013 or Hotline: 13 MELB (13 6352) or 13MELB@unimelb.edu.au, or visit the Information Centre, Gate 3, Swanston St, Melbourne
- Victoria University/TAFE – Course Advice appointments – 1-6pm, 16-20 Dec; Change of Preference Expo: 3-7pm, Tues 17 Dec (Footscray); Hotline: 1300 VIC UNI (1300 842 864)
- William Angliss Institute – Experience Angliss Day; 2-5pm, 18 December

2. INTERESTED IN AGRICULTURE AND/OR SCIENCE? Are you passionate about agriculture, and want to undertake tertiary study in this area? Would you like to experience University of New England (NSW) life, and see the opportunities that the UNE School of Environmental and Rural Science can provide? Then, UNE’s GENERATION 2050 is for you. 100 passionate agriculture students from around Australia will be chosen to take part in UNE’s inaugural Generation2050: Project Feed the World conference. When: Sun 1 – Wed 4 December 2013;
Where: UNE, Armidale, NSW; Cost: Free (residential college, meals, etc); Travel: UNE will subsidise this according to the distance travelled; Info: www.generation2050.com.au.

3. DID YOU KNOW? Many TAFE Institutes have articulation arrangements with universities. For example, upon completion of the Box Hill Institute’s Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology, students will receive 18 months credit and so can enrol into the fourth semester of the Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering at Deakin University. This course
also leads to further study at other higher educational organisations. Similar arrangements apply to many other TAFE diplomas.

4. CHECK OUT WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE – Interested in a career in foods, tourism, hospitality or events? You might wish to book an appointment with a Future Students representative for a tour of facilities, and to learn about programs and applications. Contact: Andrew Plisi on 9606 2480, andrewpl@angliss.edu.au or Alex Lloyd on 9606 2444, alexl@angliss.edu.au.

5. MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS –
   - Federation University Australia held its official media launch on 1 October. The new university amalgamates the University of Ballarat and Monash University’s Gippsland campus, and begins operations from 1 January, 2014. VTAC applicants who have included at least one University of Ballarat and/or Monash University Gippsland campus in their preferences are advised that these preferences will be for Federation University Australia, with the VTAC codes and university name automatically updated on their preference list. With the exception of the Graduate Entry Medicine and Surgery degree, Monash University will no longer assess or make offers for Gippsland courses, however, applicants who received an offer this year and deferred for 2013 will be able to enrol as a Monash student at Gippsland (some exceptions). Info: ph 5122 6767; see www.federation.edu.au.
   - INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS – Year 12 students with Monash University course queries can book a one-on-one interview. When: 2-5pm, every Tuesday through to 17 December; Where: Monash University, Office of Future Students; See: www.monash.edu.au/international-course-advice-sessions/
   - NEW ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATE ENTRY MBBS (MEDICINE/SURGERY) – From 2014 there will be amendments to entry requirements for this course. If interested in pathway options to MBBS, register on www.med.monash.edu.au/medical/gippsland/mbbs-pathways.html to be kept up to date with the latest information. Details will be published on this website as they become available.
   - PHARMACY AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES – Students who do not meet the entry requirements to enter the Bachelor of Pharmacy direct from Year 12 can enter the program at third year as graduates of science-based degrees. This new entry point means that graduates wanting to become pharmacists will no longer need to commence their studies at first-year level and will qualify for their pharmacy degree in just two years. Those eligible have successfully completed an approved degree with a 70%+ GPA in the following disciplines: pharmaceutical science, pharmacology, biomedical science, biomedicine, chemical engineering and science (conditions apply). A six-week summer bridging program will be required. Info: www.monash.edu/pharm/future/courses/grad-pharmacy/index.html

6. SCIENCE EXPERIENCE AT RMIT – This is a 3-day hands-on activities program for those entering Year 10 in 2014. Go behind the scenes in the world of science and technology. When: 21-23 Jan, 2014; Cost: $115; Register: www.rmit.edu.au/scienceexperience; Info: Sarah, ph 9925 9570.

7. NEW NUCLEAR MEDICINE SCHOLARSHIPS – The Dept of Health (Victoria) is offering scholarships of $10,000 for five nuclear medicine students in RMIT’s B. Applied Science (Medical Radiations) for 2014, 2015, and 2016 intakes. Info: evan.read@rmit.edu.au; www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships

8. ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIPS – NECA (National Electrical and Communications Association) Victoria has partnered with E-Oz Energy Skills Australia to provide industry with access to quality apprentices. You can undertake the Energise Oz readiness Assessment free of charge, and if you meet the requirements, your details will be sent to NECA members in Victoria for employment selection. To sit the Readiness Assessment, select the NECA Pre-selection session at: http://www.energiseoz.com.au/index.php/apprentice/register.