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Athletics Carnival 2010

A fantastic volunteer who loves to work with kids. Somerville Community House needs a capable person to run our playground for two hours on a Monday afternoon from 1-3pm. Just for organising activities, and meet and greet. Please call the office on 5977 8330. Remuneration in tea/coffee and biscuits, also our never-ending gratitude.

With thanks



Kerryn Ladell
Co-ordinator
Somerville Community House

11th June 2010 #6
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Principal's Report—June 11th, 2010
FANTASTIC NEWS FOR SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE

I am very happy to inform the school community that on Monday June 7th 2010, the Honorable Bronwyn Pike MP (Minister for Education) signed the documents to grant the extension of enrolment for Somerville Secondary College to year 11 in 2011 and year 12 in 2012. As a mathematics teacher I see symmetry in the alignment of the Year Level with the calendar year but that just might be me! This significant milestone is due to the hard work of many groups over a long period of time. More recently the following actions have taken place:

- Community members who have been consistent readers of this newsletter will also know that I wrote a detailed letter to the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development (DEECD) in late March regarding the future structure of the school, requesting serious reconsideration of the school's current 7 – 10 arrangements. The Deputy Secretary DEECD agreed with the proposal, requiring briefing papers be prepared for consideration by the Minister for Education.
- School Council President – Mrs Debra Hollands – wrote on behalf of the School Council and the school community, to the Minister for Education urging a review and rethink of the current 7 – 10 structure of the school.
- School Student Leaders – Maddie, Jordan, Minnie and Michael – organized a student petition and also wrote to the Minister for Education and the Deputy Secretary of the DEECD urging a reconsideration of the current school structure.
- Somerville community meeting organized by Mr Greg Hunt (MP – Federal Member for Flinders) and Mr Neale Burgess (MP – State Member for Hastings) where issues of local concern were discussed, including that of “Years 11 & 12 for Somerville Secondary College”.
- Victorian Liberal Party launch last week of their commitment to adding Years 11 & 12 to Somerville Secondary College if they form a Government after the next election.

Dates to Remember

14th June 2010
Queen's Birthday holiday

23rd June 2010
Later Years Info Night

25th June 2010
Term 2 ends (2:30 finish)
Reports issued

12th July 2010
Term 3 commences

Later Years Information Evening
We will be holding our inaugural “Later Years” Information Evening for parents and students on Wednesday June 23rd at 7:00 pm. “Later Years” in the current jargon for programs that involve students in the final two (or three) years of secondary education. The school will be mailing a personal invitation to the Information Evening to each family currently enrolled in Year 9. Parents of students in Years 8 and below are also welcome if they would like to be informed about the approach to VCE/VCAL and VET that the school intends to take. We will be issuing a “jargon and acronym buster” on the night to assist in understanding terms such as VCE, VCAL and VET. The letter to Year 9 students and parents will include a reply slip which we would appreciate being returned to the General Office to allow the school to plan venue and seating arrangements. If parents of Year 7 or 8 students would like to attend, please write a brief note to the school to this effect and have your son or daughter deliver it to the General Office.

Ultranet
I wrote in the last newsletter about the introduction of the Ultranet to Somerville Secondary College. All teachers now have access to the Ultranet and professional development around its implementation has commenced. An additional “pupil free” day in August has been committed to the calendar for August 9th. I expect students to have access as of August 1st. Parents are expected to have access as of October. Students and parents will be issued with an Ultranet invitation which will include a username and initial password. Further information will be included in future newsletters.

Chris Lloyd

(So far your child should have received : Yr 7 Girls – 2x Gardasil , 1x Hep B and 1x Chicken pox, Yr 7 Boys – 1x Hep B and 1x Chicken pox. Yr 10 – Boostrix – Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough)

For the catch up program, you can take your child to any shire immunisation session – see website for timetable.

NB: There is no fee for this service

After hrs sessions are run every month 5.30- 6.30pm

Hastings (1st Monday of each Month) at Hastings Community Health
Rosebud (2nd Wednesday of each Month) at Rosebud Shire Office
Morrington (4th Wednesday of each Month) at Morrington Shire Office

For any further information contact 59501647 or 59501652

Somerville Year 7 Football June 9th at Mount Eliza

Somerville College competed with five other schools in wet and cold conditions. Whilst they didn't score a win.....the boys were real winners with their fighting spirit and valiant efforts on the day....covered in mud looking more like army commandos they toughed out the day. It was wonderful to see parents and family at the game to cheer our players on. A fabulous effort from all the team players. Led by Captain Burton (Tom Burton), supported by Vice Captain Macca (Josh McMahon). Best on ground were Tom, Josh, Pagey, Brock, Kaylen, Dawson brothers, Jake and Jack. Speckie of the day taken by Brock.....a definite future entry for Hall of Fame. Best helper was Trey. Thank you to Doug Sherlock and Ben Mooney for their valuable contribution and leadership shown.



Mrs. Beggs

Fundraising at Somerville SC

Throughout Term Two the SRC has supported various organisations by selling wristbands and having a free dress day. We believe it is important to “give back” to the people who put in so much for us and the community. We were thrilled to donate \$500 to the State Schools Relief Fund and through sales of wristbands raised \$50 to present to SCOPE – See the person not the disability. As a college we would like to continue to support local and wider known charities so stay tuned for our next fundraiser!



Discussion Group on Raising Girls

Raising and Understanding Girls

A SIX WEEK DISCUSSION GROUP FOR PARENTS OF GIRLS AGED 10 - 14

Fun Interactive Sessions:

To learn to build strong and supportive relationships with our girls - keeping ourselves relevant in their lives.



To ex -

Where: Hastings Primary School
10 - 20 Hodgins Road Hastings

When: Tuesday - 10 am - 12 pm
20th July - 24th August 2010 (6 weeks)

Contact: Andrea Gerolemou or Lynette Norton
Phone 59719444 or email
a.gerolemou@goodshepvic.org.au or
l.norton@goodshepvic.org.au to register



Parent Information evenings

Tuesday 22 June – Westport Secondary College
 Tuesday 13 July – Rosebud Secondary College

Monash University Peninsula campus and Monash University Scholarship Unit are presenting two opportunities for parents from the Frankston and Mornington Peninsula area to attend a

Parent Information evening

Aim
 To provide information and advice to parents of Year 10, 11 and 12 students in the local Frankston and Mornington Peninsula region about university study opportunities and Monash courses.

Areas to be covered

- The Monash environment including campuses, faculties and courses
- The university environment:
 - applying
 - course structures
 - learning environment
 - fees and costs
 - services available
- scholarships
- Tips for parents
- Questions

The first evening will be held at Westport Secondary College in Hastings in the Community Meeting Room on Tuesday 22 June at 7 pm.

The second evening will be held on Tuesday 13 July at Rosebud Secondary College in the Performing Arts Centre at 7 pm.

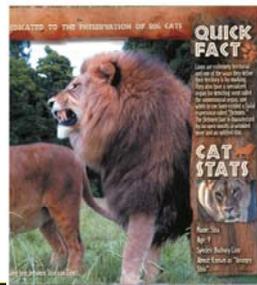
These evenings are open to all parents from all schools in Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula region.

This is a free event but registrations are required by contacting Julie Baxter on 9904 4015 or email peninsula.campus@monash.edu



Art imitating life

Aspiring painter Chloe Barker of 8D chose this lion article in a calendar as the inspiration for her painting (right). Her Art teacher Mr Osborne admired the portrait and noted that Chloe is a very keen Art student.



Spotlight on Student Leaders

Student leadership profile – Jordan (Jordz) Turnbull—School Captain

Look for the humour in every situation!

- Q** So, sibling rivalry has always prompted you and your twin brother to try and outdo each other?
- J** We haven't been in the same class together since grade one because we are always trying to go one better than the other!
- Q** Have you noticed any improvement in Somerville since you have been here?
- J** Some teachers have loosened up a bit and are happy to have a chat – maybe that is because I am a bit more mature too.
- Q** How do you feel about the College going to a 7-12 school now?
- J** I think it is a good thing for the students who were going to have to go to a different school next year. I am doing an Electrical and Carpentry apprenticeship at the end of the year, but if I didn't have that as a plan then I would definitely have stayed!
- Q** Why did you put your hand up for a leadership role in the College?
- J** The truth is, when it was all happening and we were being asked to consider putting our names in for this job, we



Jordan after being 'made up' for an accident commercial during a visit to the RACV 'Transmission' workshop.

No students were harmed during the making of this movie!

Q What changes did you want to see happen under your leadership?

J I would like to see iPads in classes – I would also like supervised visits to the shopping centre at lunch – maybe three teachers on duty down there once a week. And if students wanted to go on a Friday, they would have to sign up on the Monday, and behave all week. Another thing is the shoes, the black 'Globe' shoes that I got at the beginning of the year are being phased out this term.

Term 2 Sports Reports

Cross Country

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Reece Twyford

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Cheryl Owens

Sports Coordinator

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Somerville Secondary College wishes the boys well and looks forward to continuing its relationship with Melbourne Storm Development.

Mick Cannon

Rugby League Coach



A busy term for Technology with Cushions, Cupcakes and Gingerbread Houses!



Our Textile classes have had their cushions on display in the front foyer for a while this term. They were replaced by Ginger Bread Houses. These had to be removed at lunchtime each day as the foyer and the glass made it too hot for the icing! The cupcakes were not put on display—they were eaten!



Fortunately the cupcakes were graded by the teacher quickly as they rapidly disappeared into hungry mouths.



"where's your assignment?"

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