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BPC NEWS

VALEDICTORY DINNER

Visit our website under current events, for further information.
What a fantastic year it’s been for our school. I am so proud of the achievements of our students.

As 2014 has rolled along to its conclusion, we’ve been busily working on our School Review process, structuring our strategic direction for the period 2015 – 2018. I’m delighted with what we’ve achieved during this process and with the improvement agenda we’ve begun to put in place for the future. At BPC, we are working from a position of absolute strength and while there will be changes ahead, these changes are diligently planned and are an integral part of our need to continuously improve, a firm eye on the future. We strongly intend to do just that.

This is such a busy time in schools. Every day I see conscientious students working hard and maintaining their focus. Every day I see students smiling too. Of course there are some nerves from our Year 12s about results; I’m not nervous as I know our students have done their best, and that’s all we’ll ever ask of them. Of course, there are important school events taking place; reports are being written; we meet many new students and families and complex planning is taking place for the 2015 school year ahead. It really is a hectic time, but it’s also an exciting time at BPC.

These past few weeks alone have provided some memorable events showcasing the talents of our students and staff again. Recently the Annual Art Exhibition took place here at school in the PAC. The opening night was a wonderful success as we awarded prizes to students from every year level. The standard of the work this year is truly amazing; even better than what we saw last year. For me, I noticed some truly sophisticated photography this year, as well as some individual pieces which reflected deep and insightful thinking. There are also some pretty fantastic ceramics pieces too.

It was great to share the energy of opening night with so many families who were with us to support our students and their myriad talents. Thanks for your support. My sincere thanks also to the Art, Technology and Media teachers for their passion, vision, commitment and skill in preparing and exhibiting the 2014 collection.

On Thursday November 20, we celebrated our graduating class of 2014 with the annual Valedictory Dinner. Held in a large reception centre, the dinner each year is an important evening where students, parents and teachers celebrate the achievements, friendships and future plans of the Year 12 class of 2014. This year was no exception – it was a great evening.

Our School Captains, Hannah and Kosta joined forces one final time as they delivered yet another poised, entertaining and moving speech reflecting on their years at our school. Along with the Captains, we also listened with smiles and laughter as the students’ Year 12 Coordinator, Kathleen McGarrity entertained the appreciative crowd with stories about the students as they have grown up together at BPC. The whole evening wouldn’t be the success that it is without Ms McGarrity’s leadership and I thank her too.

The night before the Valedictory Dinner, the Buckley Park College Music Concert was held at The Clocktower Centre. This year’s concert was themed around the title Move On Up. The concert featured students from across all year levels performing in the concert band, strings groups, the choir, the stage band and of course back-stage crews as well.

It was such a pleasure to be part of the audience watching and listening as our students created a flawless display of musical prowess. On behalf of the whole school I warmly congratulate each of the students and our team of outstanding music teachers for their excellent performances. I also thank you, the families and friends of our young musicians for the support you give to the program.

It’s such a privilege to be part of these special events. It’s nights like these that our students will remember long into the future, and so too will we, their teachers and families. We’re lucky at our school to have students who are willing to have a go, to take the stage, to paint for an audience and who are so pleased to share their successes with their families.

This doesn’t just happen; it takes work, it takes inspiration and it takes the commitment and talents of our teaching staff. As we approach the end of this year, I know you will join me in thanking our teachers and support staff for the work they do every day to enable our students to do their very best.

We have teachers leaving us this year as they move on to new opportunities, to promotions and in a few cases retiring from the profession. I especially acknowledge the contribution of a career in the teaching service of: Mr Don Laurence, Mr Bernie Gibney and Mr Barry Russo, who will all be retiring at the end of 2014.

As these teachers move on, we thank them for all that they’ve brought to our school and our students. We now look forward to welcoming some new staff to our school, confident in the knowledge that each of these newly appointed teachers will add their own special skills and insights as we focus Buckley Park College firmly on the future and future success for every single student here with us.

Next year will be a huge year for our school. Next year is the first year of our new Strategic Plan and is the year where we begin to put the vision of the future into practice. In 2015, we’ll begin to look at some of the following key improvement areas:

- **Assessment practices.** This means developing new systems, processes and accountabilities around tracking actual learning growth, differentiating learning appropriately and building a learning culture where formative assessment and effective feedback is prioritised.
- **Review how we extend and enhance the learning of our high achieving students:** review of SEALP with a focus on how to improve breadth and ensure learning growth.
- **Engage more closely with students to seek out feedback on teachers’ practice, assessment methods, etc.**
Track student progress better across the school from Year 7 – 12 and monitor growth at all times during their learning journey at our school.

Engage more closely with the AusVELS and ensure that our curriculum meets these expectations.

Continue to develop pathways for all Later Years students (10–12) and further refine the VCE and VCAL programs to improve learning outcomes.

Effectively resource and support a balance between developing a climate of high expectations and student mental health and wellbeing.

Review the core purpose of an instructional model; review the research behind IMPACT and re-commit to this important work.

Further develop the Student Learning Team structure across the school and invest greater resources into the professional learning of leaders.

A focused team will be developed to review our Year 9 program and to explore exemplary Year 9 Programs, explore alternative settings and practices for the teaching and learning of our Year 9 cohorts with the aim of developing a unique Year 9 approach for BPC to begin in 2016.

A focused team will be developed to review how to integrate Years 10 with Years 11 and 12; to explore exemplary 10-12 approaches and practices for the teaching and learning of our 10-12 students with a commitment for full implementation in 2016.

Review the school’s approach to wellbeing and pastoral care with a focus on assembly times and how best to work towards the teaching of a structured approach to wellbeing across the school.

Continue the structure of student focus groups that has been begun in 2014.

Review school organization processes (including course counselling and mentoring, period length, VCE blocking arrangements, movement between classes and the meeting structure) to ensure that they support student learning improvement.

This is a flavour of the work that we’ve decided is most important to move our school onto the next stage of our learning journey. It’s a challenging and exciting time for us all and the unerring guiding principle of ensuring success for all students will drive us forward.

And, so as 2014 draws to a close, I’d like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support of our school. I’m so excited about what the future holds for our school and I look forward to working with you again in 2015 to make this all happen.

It’s a bit early, I know, but Merry Christmas. I wish you a safe and happy holiday break.

Nathan Chisholm
Principal

PS: Please keep selling those raffle tickets.

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2016 Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars

Our sincere congratulations to the following students who have been accepted into the Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program for 2016.

Sanamdeep Shokar
Shanna Lam

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2015 Study Planner Cover Design Competition

Each year, a competition is run to design the front and back cover of the student study planner.

Well done to Karina Hatzis of Year 11 for submitting the winning design for 2015.
Student Learning

BYOD 2015 (Bring Your Own Device)

At Buckley Park College we believe that today’s students think, connect and communicate differently to students who were at school even a few years ago. We are aware that our students live in a world where information can be accessed and shared quickly over the Internet, where they can communicate with peers and create new knowledge.

This program has been very successful this year with over 95% of families supporting the school by providing a device for their child/children. The school has been able to provide lend laptops for students as the need arises.

We are planning on rolling out the BYOD program to whole school, Years 7 to 12 for 2015. Currently students in Years 10, 11 and 12 have a school provided netbook, under the NSSCF 1:1 program, however some of these devices are beginning to underperform. Hence these students will have the option to join the BYOD program from 2015 onwards.

The recommend device for 2015 is one of a range: we know some students like working with tablets and we want to utilise their enthusiasm and interest. Equally this applies to netbooks and other devices.

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Recommended Device list

- **Tablet**
  - iPad – (recommend 10") or Windows 8 Tablet

- **Basic Notebook/Laptop**
  - Any 12" – 15.6" screen
  - Core i5 or above
  - Windows minimum

- **Ultrabook**
  - Macbook Pro or Air or Windows 8 Ultrabook

For further information or any queries please contact Daniel Crosbie.

Education Perfect 2015

This is a web based resource which supports student learning, with a focus on academic vocabulary and subject based content, will be available, again, to all students for all subjects in 2015.

This resource will be available for one year at no additional charge to families. It’s fun, interactive, competitive and encourages students to master their concepts in different subjects. Students will receive their login details early 2015.

It complements our current use of Language Perfect, which has been highly successful in supporting student learning in Languages.

Booklists and Textbooks

These are now all finalised for 2015. For 2016 we will once again be investigating and encouraging the use of e books to enhance our BYOD program.

Richard Jones

Assistant Principal – Student Learning
Student Leadership Positions 2015

A new student leadership structure is being implemented into the school for 2015. The rationale is to give students greater responsibility and voice within the school and the community. This month, students applied for the positions of School Captain, School Vice-Captain and House Captains. This group will have an important part to play in deciding other student leadership positions as well deciding the responsibilities of our student leaders. They will meet regularly with the principal class.

The system for selecting the leaders was also changed. Applicants submitted a written application, were interviewed by a panel of teachers and students and then addressed the whole school assembly (school captains) or house assembly (house captains). All students then were given an opportunity to vote. The successful candidates are shown below. All applicants (both successful and unsuccessful) are to be congratulated on their great work within this process. We are lucky to have so many worthy students within our school.

School Captains - Emilija Savic, Alex Iozzi
School Vice Captains - Jessica Edgar, Mitchell McDonald
Music Captain - Stefan Paparakis
Hoffman House Captains - Courtney Doyle, Tom Borthwick-Bets
Graves House Captains - Opal McKenzie, Jeremy Katanas
Croft House Captain - Pavithra Santhiapillai, John Tetradis
Buckley House Captain - Callum Cross, Becca Pane

School Uniform 2015

The Buckley Park College school jacket that was phased in this year will be the only permitted over garment for students to wear to, from and at school in 2015. It can be worn over the school jumper or instead of the school jumper. Black jackets will no longer be acceptable as part of uniform. The jacket is available from the uniform shop – see elsewhere in this newsletter for details.

Compass Parent and Student Portal

The school will be moving to a new parent portal which will be active before the end of the year. Parents will receive a letter soon which will have the new login details. More information about this exciting initiative will be out shortly.

END OF YEAR ARRANGEMENTS

Year 7 and 8 Students

Lockers cleaned out: Friday 12th December, 2014
Special program: Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th December, 2014. Details have been sent home with students.
Last day of school: Thursday 18th December, 2014

Year 9 Students

Lockers cleaned out: Friday 12th December, 2014
Last day of school: Tuesday 16th December, 2014

Year 10 Students

Year 10 to Year 11 Senior School Orientation Program – Monday 1st December, 2014 to Friday 5th December, 2014
Friday 5th December 2014, last day of classes

Year 11 Students

Year 11 to Year 12 Senior School Orientation Program – Monday 24th November to Friday 28th November, 2014
Friday 28th November 2014, last day of classes for Year 11 students

BUCKLEY PARK COLLEGE AWARDS PRESENTATION CEREMONY

Tuesday 16th December, 2014 1:30pm College Sports Hall

Families are reminded of the annual Awards Presentation Ceremony to take place on Tuesday 16th December, 2014. This assembly will recognise our top achievers and all-rounders in all levels as well as our Year 12 graduating class.

All students are expected to attend.
Students are required to wear full school uniform for the assembly. Family members are welcome. Please advise the office if you are attending.

Student Reports

Student end of semester reports will be available after 3:00pm on Tuesday 16th December 2014. The reports can be downloaded from the student and parent portal (Compass).

SCHOOL GENERAL OFFICE CLOSES AT 10:00am ON FRIDAY 19th DECEMBER, 2014

2015 TERM DATES

Term 1: 28th January (teachers start) 30th January (students start) to 27th March
Term 2: 13th April to 26th June
Term 3: 13th July to 18th September
Term 4: 5th October to 18th December

Geoff Currie
Assistant Principal – Student Engagement and Wellbeing
FROM THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

The end of the school year is not far away and our Year 12 students will be moving along a range of different paths after they leave the school. On behalf of the Council, I wish them all the best in their endeavours of the future. I trust they will look back at their time in the school and be proud of their achievements – both academically and their personal development.

Our students' learning is more than measured results – it is also their personal development; values; & leadership. The College encourages student led initiatives and the School Council recently approved a change in the School Uniform policy to accommodate a Year 12 Jumper. “Who said it can't be done?” This was a student initiated activity and they presented a researched proposal to Council which was discussed and then accepted.

The four yearly school review has recently been completed and the final report is due to be presented to Council in December. The review analysed school performance data and used feedback from students, teachers and parents. It culminated in a full day meeting with the reviewers, members of the school leadership team and a range of teachers. The review confirmed that we have a well performing school but it also highlighted areas where we can improve. I was fortunate to be able to participate for most of the review day and was impressed with the reflective and honest input from all participants and the enthusiasm to make Buckley Park College an even better school. The review findings will be used to shape the School Strategic Implementation plan for the next four years.

During this term Council has committed to delivering the School Theatre upgrade to the PAC. This is a significant undertaking and will cost in the vicinity of $1.5m but the benefits to our children will be immense and be available for many, many years to come. The new facility will enable more students to participate in a true Theatre environment as they develop their performing arts skills. It will also operate as an open teaching space integrated into the school surrounds and be available for parent and community activities as well. At this time there are no State Government funds available for the project so we will be raising the money ourselves using a combination of existing funds, a co-operative loan, and local fundraising. The Council are also exploring other sources of funding so we can make this Theatre become a reality sooner rather than later. However, we need to raise the $350,000 shortfall in order to proceed and you will have received a brochure outlining some of the ways that you can assist with contributions. But these are not the only ways you can help. You can assist Friends of Buckley Park in fundraising activities; or you may have some other expertise that can be used. So if you can assist in some other form, please contact the College.

The learning experiences of our children are not limited to the classroom. There are sporting events; school plays, musical performances, camps, excursions, Art Show, Debutante Ball and a range of other activities. The delivery of all this depends on having dedicated and enthusiastic staff and on behalf of the Council I thank all the staff at the College for making this another successful year.

Thank you also to Friends of Buckley Park who have worked tirelessly over the year to raise funds and have facilitated a number of activities including the Debutante Ball.

And finally, I wish everyone a safe and relaxing Christmas holidays.

Robert Ferlazzo
School Council President

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

End of Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
From 1 January 2015, the government will no longer provide extra financial support directly to parents. The final EMA payment was made in August 2014 and has now ceased.

Only Victoria’s neediest schools will receive financial support from the government of which Buckley Park College is not one. We understand that this will make things difficult for some families so I encourage you to organise a regular payment plan with the school to meet your financial obligations.

I remind you that payment of the Education Resources Charge is compulsory as it is used to provide a range of resources and materials used by students but not funded by the Government. Please be reminded that School Council has determined that where there are no arrangements for payment of the Education Resources Charge or other required payments those students will not be able to participate in a range of the optional, extra programs that also require substantial extra funds from families. These include, but are not limited to, the Debutante Ball, Year 12 Formal, Valedictory Dinner, and overseas trips (i.e. Germany, Japan).

Emailing of Statements
As we are moving into a new year we have decided to send out statements to the email address you have provided to the school. This will be a new process for us and we hope all will go smoothly however it will only work if we have your current email address. If you have a new email address in 2015 please send it through to the school via buckley.park.co@edumail.vic.gov.au providing your family and child’s name in the subject field.

If you do not have an email address please advise the school as soon as possible.

Please be reminded that all voluntary charges are marked with an *and they are the Building & Library Funds and the Voluntary Charge.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Helen Spargo
Business Manager
As we move towards Year 8 2015 it remains a busy life at Year 7 both in and out of the classroom. Most of the level are moving smoothly towards the next level. Some great individual achievements and attitudes as citizens of BPC. Some of course still have a bit of work to do to catch up in work ethics like handing work in on time, respecting others needs in the classroom and doing their best. All things we value in getting the best out of our education. I wish all well in Year 8 and beyond. There will be a few changes between classes as we continue to strive for the best balance.

Speaking of busy over the past little while we have experienced ‘Wheel Talk’ which in no uncertain terms raised our awareness on disability. Some wheel chair champs in the group. Last Monday we had Class Act visit and present their entertaining Cyber Busters Show. This gave everyone a new insight into how easy we can get entangled into negative on line activity. At the moment with this issue to be forewarned is certainly to be forearmed. Classes have had a pastoral experience also lately with great reports about them. It is also wonderful to see that each of our Year 7’s contributed a piece of work for the Art Show. Our last great activity for the year is our zoo trip on Wednesday 17 December. A great day out together with an engaging hands on lesson. Of course all are expected to attend this wonderful way to end the year. Don’t forget the Miki.

Thanks to our form teachers this year who of course have been the most important people in helping the group make a successful transition and become engaged members of the college community. They have been Jem Kolber, Kathleen Thomas, Dayna Laurence, Sue Mitchell, Matthew Majewski and Anne Scoed (helped out by Louise Jones in term four) again a great team effort from a wonderfully committed group. I hope each of the Year 7’s remember to thank them too. I know they will remember them.

This is my last ever Year 7 report as I move into a well earned retirement at the end of the year. I have felt honoured over my time here to have had the best job in the school. I take a lot of satisfaction in seeing most of our new students set off on the right way each year to go on and help Buckley Park to be what it is. I know I will miss this part because education is all about kids moving forward. Thank you to all past and present for your ongoing support and remember to continue to ask your child “Are you proud of this outcome?”

Thank you and good luck to all.

Don Laurence
Year Seven Wellbeing Leader

CAREER NEWS

The careers calendar continues to be very busy with students preparing for work experience, finalising VCE subject selection and preparing for transition to the tertiary sector or work.

Year 9
During 1 – 5 December students will be participating in the Preparation for Work Experience program. Guest speakers and workshop activities should stand students in good stead to organise their work experience placement over the summer vacation. Work experience dates for 2015:

22 – 26 June For students on Gold Coast camp
29 June – 3 July For students on Central Australia camp (this is in school holidays)

The career news website (link below) has information relating to work experience.

Years 10 and 11
Students in Years 10 and 11 requiring assistance with career pathways or further discussion relating to VCE subject selection are encouraged to see me. The careers library has a variety of resources that can assist students with these important decisions.

Year 12
Students can look forward to receiving VCE results online or via SMS on Monday 15 December. The Victorian Tertiary and Admittance Centre (VTAC) will accept change of preference from 24 November – 22 December (12 noon). Students should fully understand the pathway options available and are encouraged to see me if assistance is required when changing preferences or pathways. University, TAFE and VTAC websites are also valuable sources of information during this time. I wish Year 12 students all the very best as they commence the next phase of their career journey.

Career news, on the school website http://www.buckleyparkco.vic.edu.au/page/213/Careers-News and fb@careersbpc are valuable information sources.

Please contact me should you have any queries relating to careers.

Judi Alexander
Post School Transition Coordinator
New Books
Students will be able to borrow some great new books before the end of term. The library was able to replace some of our very popular, well-borrowed older series as well add new fiction and biographies to complement our reading resources.

Visit the library and check out these and many more new titles.

Some of the new books added to the shelves

New Graphic Novels
The library has also purchased new graphic novels including additions to popular manga series and a new collection of comic books, which have been flying off the shelves.

BPC E-BOOKS
Instead of purchasing a book to read over the holidays download an e-book to your device from our e-book library. To register online follow the links below.

E-Books Registration and E-Book Borrowing
https://bpc.wheelers.co/account/register

Search and Download
https://bpc.wheelers.co/account/logon?ReturnUrl=%2faccount

Please see library staff if you would like more information about e-books.

FOYER DISPLAY
In the display case foyer is a collection of beautifully decorated cakes, and creatures and critters made with loom bands. They are on loan from our Food Assistant Lisa Adam and her daughter Kaitlyn. Both Lisa and Kaitlyn have won prizes at the Royal Melbourne and Whittlesea shows. The colourful display has been of great interest to students and staff.

The Library Team
STUDY TOUR TO GERMANY 2015

Study Tour to Germany 2015
Fantastic news – great interest in the tour to Germany (and Austria) for next year! The Study Tour to Germany comprises three weeks in Germany – November 23rd to December 11th 2015 – visiting top to bottom, experiencing the lead-up to a cold (snowy?) German Christmas and including a homestay with families from our new sister-school, the Rottmayr Gymnasium in Laufen, Bavaria (not far from Salzburg in Austria). Twenty students have already signed up, and are eager to participate in this amazing in-country cultural experience. The tour is capped at 25 students so there are only 5 places left!!

If you are interested in the tour, come and see Ms Lloyd or Ms Mitchell and pick up the information kit as soon as possible.

DEUTSCHKLUBFILMFEST – GERMAN CLUB FILM FESTIVAL 2014

The Buckley Park College German Club Film Festival was held on Friday the 17th of October and was a big success again this year. The theme is set by the Goethe Insitut each year for the Australia wide Student German Film Competition. This year’s theme was “Deutsch feiern” (Celebrating German). Danke to everyone who participated and helped and to all students who created a German film – making the whole event possible. A special thanks to 8SZ for their performance of “Ode to Joy” by Beethoven and for the technical team who made everything run so smoothly. Displays and films were run by David Shoben of Year 11 and Lachlan Janes of Year 8. Lighting was by Will Kelcey of Year 10 and Anton Strunz of Year 10 was DJ. Danke also to all those who baked and/or assisted with the “Kaffee und Kuchen” for Deutschklub guests. Anastasia Vassiliadis and Jasmin Burford of Year 12 delivered a presentation about Celebrations in Germany. The president of the German Club, Lillie Gabi Butler, officiated on the day as MC.

The judges were former students and German Club members Melanie Basta, James Bashford, Davide Pantelone and Tobias Gustavsson and also Frau Gosling, President of the German Teachers’ Association. There were twenty two films selected for the competition and all were creative and entertaining and the judges had a hard time deciding between them. Third place was awarded to the film “A German Film 2014” by Cassidy Oreo, Amy Stewart, Natalie Tsembas and Johanna Gustavsson of Year 7. Second place was given the film “Die guten alten Zeiten” by the Year 11 German class. First place and winner of the Deutschklub Film Pokal (German Club Film Cup) was the film “Der rote Karton” by James Goldby and Jango Mikkelsen Rust of Year 8.

Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all the students who participated in, organised, helped with and ran the 10th annual German Club Film Festival and made it the enjoyable and successful event it was.

YEAR 9 SEAL AND YEAR 10 STUDENTS 2015

Year 9 SEAL and Year 10 Students 2015
In Year 10 Maths, students will be required to purchase a Casio Classpad 2 Calculator. There are 2 options for their purchase.

1. They can be purchased through the booklist from Campion for $229
2. They can purchase them from The Calculator King for $205. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter as to how this can be done.

If students have siblings that has the old version, these can be passed down.

Any further questions can be directed to Kelly Salpietro, Mathematics Domain Leader
**LANGUAGE LINKS PROGRAM**

Buckley Park College and Aberfeldie Primary School

On October the 28th 9 amazing Year 11 students (Emily Alexander, Emily Brinsmead, Patrick Lieu, Scarlett Menta, Alicia Monsone, Erica Royle, Matthew Si, Liam Ward and Maree Widdicombe) studying Japanese designed and delivered the first ever Language Links program to a group of excited and energetic Grade 2 students from Aberfeldie Primary School. The Year 11’s covered the art of Japanese calligraphy, teaching the children how to write their own names as well as a lesson on anatomy in Japanese.

This program is designed to build connections with the local primary school which now offers Japanese Language. In addition, it gives the students the confidence and ability to use the language they have learned in an authentic and rewarding way.

We look forward to strengthening this relationship and program in the years to come!

**ART SHOW**

The Art Show was a fantastic event once again on the school calendar. Student work was of an exceptional standard across art and design and all students should feel very happy with their achievement of having their work in the show. The opening was a wonderful event with the school band playing, awards given and more than 100 members of our school and local community in attendance. Congratulations to all award winners (below) who won the photography, art and design prizes for their year level.

John Maher Memorial Award: Catherine Le, Year 12 Studio Arts
Year 12 Visual Communication Design Award: Alicia Monsone
Year 11 Studio Arts award: Maxim Haslett
Year 11 Visual Communication and Design Award: Neeshma Sadanandhan
Year 10 Art Award: Lilly Holden
Year 10 Visual Communication and Design Award: Rachael Hart
Year 9 Art Award: Olivia Roskovic
Year 9 Visual Communication and Design Award: Anna Strunz
Year 8 Art Award: Shakira Anthony
Year 8 Design and Technology Award: Isabella Colasurdo
Year 7 Art Award: Lani Nguyen
Portrait photography Award: Mimi French-Wright
Landscape photography Award: Glenn Alexander
Cityscape photography Award: Oscar Spiteri
Still life Award: Megan Overman

Hannah Williams and Fiona Cerni
DOBSONS UNIFORM SHOP

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Enter via the gate at the basketball courts on Nimmo Street

Telephone: 9337 3651
email: buc@dobsons.com.au

Regular Trading Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1.00pm – 4.00pm

LAST TRADING DAY
Please note that the last trading day will be Thursday 11th December 2014

SECONDHAND UNIFORM
To buy and sell secondhand uniforms visit: www.uniformswapshop.com.au

PAYMENT OPTIONS
While all purchases can be paid for in store by cash or card, Dobson's does not accept payments over the phone. You can however, make a payment by using a Dobson's Credit Card Authority Form Download one from the school website by going to: Latest News - Useful Documents
Just make sure you complete the details correctly before sending it in with your child.

PRIVATE APPOINTMENTS FOR UNIFORM FITTINGS
The private appointments for uniform fittings in October and November once again proved popular, with many Year 7 2015 parents taking up the offer. Children were fitted for uniform items with relative ease, taking on average, just under 30 minutes.

CHRISTMAS STOCKING FILLERS
Dobson's supports the Alannah and Madeleine Foundation, whose mission is keeping children safe from violence. Dobson's is currently selling stationery packs with proceeds from each sale going to the charity.

At $5 each, the packs are a bargain because they come full of stationery items and are the perfect Christmas stocking filler :)

2015
The uniform shop will re-open on at 10.00am on Thursday 22nd January 2015
We have had a wonderfully active and successful quarter since September and are looking forward to your support for the events that are coming up.

The Debutante Ball held in September was outstandingly successful. Students, parents and friends all had a wonderful time. I would like to offer our sincere thanks to Nelson Alexander for their ongoing support of this event.

Your committee is currently supporting and planning three events. Firstly, our focus right now is on the school’s Jubilee Raffle, raising funds for a new PAC, and we trust that you are all actively involved in selling or buying the tickets. We have had excellent contributions from our local community and to this effect would like to thank the following restaurants for their support through their donations.

- Thai Herbs – Buckley Street
- Amiconi – Victoria Street, West Melbourne
- The Boathouse – The Boulevard
- Mammalina’s – Keilor Road
- Brass Tavern – Pascoe Vale Road
- Status 233 – Union Road
- Scoozi – Union Road
- Hey Jude – Keilor Road
- La Porchetta – Keilor Road

We ask that if you frequent these diners that you mention our school’s name so that they are aware of the impact their involvement is generating.

Secondly, we will be hosting the muffins and sausage sizzle on Election Day on the 29th November at the school. The coffee and coffee cart have been very kindly donated and hosted by Bean Alliance. Since most of us will be voting, please support the school by coming along to our voting station and grabbing a cup of coffee, muffin and/or sausage while you debate the merits of your various voting options.

And lastly, we have secured a sausage sizzle spot outside Bunnings in Maribyrnong on Saturday the 28th March 2015, look out for more notices on this and remember to stockpile your DIY needs and hunger for this event. If you are keen to be involved in this iconic fundraising event, or are able to donate ingredients for this event, we would love to hear from you. Please see email address below.

All of this activity has replaced our Market Night that is typically held around this time of year.

I would like to thank the committee for all their hard work and tireless efforts in supporting our endeavours. Special thanks go to Cath Cram who has diligently and creatively designed all the boards, adverts, programs and tickets for these events!

Brenda McDonald
Friends of Buckley Park
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THREE BIG CHANGES TO THE VACCINE PROGRAM

In 2015 three major changes to the vaccine program will impact on parents of secondary school students:

1. The Moonee Valley City Council’s immunisation service may contact you about the secondary school vaccine program. Schools have been authorised to provide parent contact details to local councils for this purpose. Contact the school by 28 February 2015 if you do not want your contact details given to the Moonee Valley City Council.

2. In 2015 only the vaccine that protects against diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough will be offered to all students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10. From 2016, this vaccine will be offered to Year 7 students only. This will provide earlier protection from these diseases.

3. The time-limited human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine program for Year 9 boys was completed in December 2014. HPV vaccine will continue to be offered to all students (both male and female) in Year 7 from 2015.

Look out for the vaccine consent form/s coming home from school with your child. You need to read, complete and return the form/s regardless of whether your child is being immunised at school.

To learn more about the changes, the diseases, the vaccines, or how you can prepare your child for vaccination go to immunehero.health.vic.gov.au
Dear Parents and Families,

At Buckley Park College, we believe that establishing and maintaining good international relations is the key to student development, motivation and drive for the future. In 2010 Buckley Park College set up their first sister school relationship with Nanto Fukumitsu High School.

After the success of the Exchange Program this year, the Languages Faculty is very excited to announce that 26 students from our sister school will be visiting us in March of 2015.

The Languages team is currently looking for expressions of interest for the Homestay Program. This would entail hosting a Japanese student for one week from the 6th-13th of March, 2015.

There are many benefits of hosting a Japanese student from the exposure to another culture and language, especially if your child is studying Japanese, to the rewarding sense of fulfilment.

If you are interested in the Buckley Park Homestay Program or would like to learn more, please fill in the slip below and hand into the general office by Friday 12th December 2014.

If you would like to know more, please contact me at the college.

Jessica Suh
Languages Faculty
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NAME OF STUDENT: ____________________________ FORM: __________

We are interested in/ would like to know more about (please circle) hosting a Japanese student from Fukumitsu High School from the 6th till the 13th of March 2015.

Signed: __________________________________ Date: ______________________

Parent/Guardian

Phone (Home): ____________________________ Mobile: ______________________

Email: ___________________________________
Congratulations to Charlotte Grech and Adelle Whiteway on winning the “Great new name for the school canteen competition”. The Healthy Eating Team called on students to help give the canteen an identity and the winning entry is BUCKLEY BITES.

We will be arranging signage for the canteen and some of our VCD students will be designing the logo.

If you would like to come and volunteer in the Canteen please contact Connie Zahra 9331 9908.
Buckley Park College

Casio Classpad 400 @ $205

This order form is provided for your convenience. The purchase of the Casio Classpad 400 will be between the parent and Organiser & Calculator King, and only the delivery of the goods will be handled by the school. If you wish to take advantage of this offer simply follow the instructions below.

A Representative will be at the School on Wednesday, 10th December, 2014 between 8.00-9.00 AM

**Method 1**

| Payment by CHEQUE or CASH ON THE DAY |

- Cheque to be made out to: “The Organiser & Calculator King.”
- Please ensure your name and phone number is included on the back of the cheque.

**NO NEED TO PRE-ORDER, CALCULATORS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE DAY**

**Method 2**

| Pre-Payment by Credit Card or PayPal |

* Please Note only Amex or Diners cards incur a surcharge of 3%

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY Monday 08th December 2014

If you would prefer to pay by credit card or PayPal you can pre order and pay via our website www.calculatorking.com.au and your child can pick up their Calculator on the 10th December 2014 at the School. Payment must be made by the 08th December.

To receive this special offer go to our Website www.calculatorking.com.au
1) Search for Casio Classpad 400, (CODE: CLA400)
2) Add to cart and enter discount code BUCKLEY in the coupon area & apply coupon.
3) Fill in your billing information using your child's name
4) Your child’s calculator will be ready for pick up on the 10th December between 8-9 AM.

If you have any queries please phone Calculator King on (03) 98085633

Please note: Calculators are covered by a ONE (1) year warranty.
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The Organiser & Calculator King
Unit 6, 25-37 Huntingdale Rd Burwood 3125 Tel: (03) 9808 5633 Fax: (03) 9808 2955
email: sales@calculatorking.com.
Can you help in the Canteen?

The school’s canteen is a very important service to students and staff. It is only able to operate because of the commitment and dedication of our volunteers.

The canteen is a busy, friendly, work place and even if you don’t feel that you could serve the counter or handle money, there are plenty of things to do that would be of great assistance.

We would love you to call in and see for yourself just how important the canteen is to the school community. All profits from the canteen go to the school to provide facilities for our students.

So if you have a spare few hours once a month or once a term, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact
Connie Zahra
Canteen Manager
on 9331 9908
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Cooper Street, Essendon 3040

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