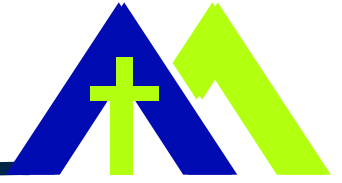


Pulse



The Heartbeat of Mountain District Christian School

YEAR 12 LAST DAY



A REAL-LIVE CIRCUS!



Plan, Engage, Celebrate

This week was the culmination of thirteen years of schooling for our Year 12 students. Friday was like going to circus as the Year 12's celebrated their last day of school. On Tuesday we shared a meal at the more formal occasion which was our Valedictory dinner. This last week has allowed the students to fulfil one of the key words that we have been discussing with our VCE students, to celebrate. Following is

a brief reflection on all three words.

Plan

Josh Vogrinec spoke to students at our last secondary assembly about finding the 'why' for what they do and seeking God for their purpose. This spoke of the starting point and planning for VCE that is required to achieve their best outcome.

Engage

Not only have we seen the students engage in their studies, engrossing themselves in the revision process, we have witnessed a cohort who have had a passion for the whole school. This was evident in the circus theme they had to celebrate their last day. Sometimes we hear reports of students behaving badly on their last day, rather we witnessed our Year 12's giving away popcorn, lollies and fairy floss, running games and wanting the whole school to have fun and come together as one.

Celebrate

At the EGM, where our Year 12 cohort join the Association for a meal, Kyle Van Bockel shared his motivation for completing VCE. As he is not planning on attending university at this stage, he has no need for a specific ATAR required for a

particular course. Rather, his motivation has been his belief that VCE is the place where God has called him for these years, and he wants to honour God by doing his best and giving the glory back to Him. The question arises, with no worldly goal for his VCE, how did he go? Kyle received the top result in school assessment for three of his six subjects. Kyle is a glowing example of the cohort, some with ATAR aspirations and some without, who have faithfully committed to their studies to bring glory to God. Each and every one of our VCE students have been faithful through managing their time wisely, committing to studying hard, and seeking to delve deep into each of the areas of study undertaken throughout their VCE. They have exemplified 1 Corinthians 10:31, "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

1 Corinthians 10:31

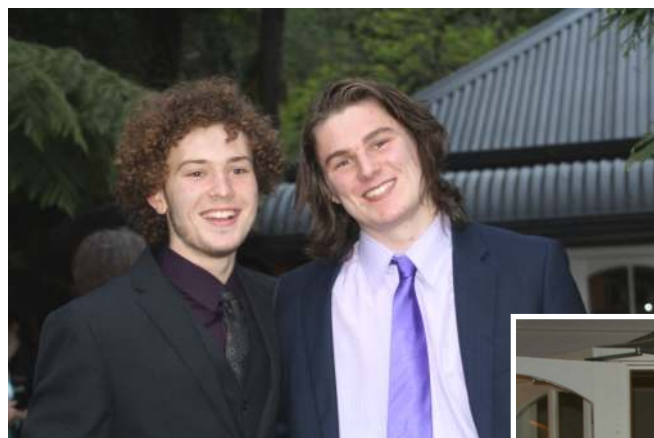
..."So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."...

This is not the conclusion to their year and efforts, but an interlude as they continue to prepare and sit their VCE external exams.

The verse on the Year 12 jumpers says: "In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the

plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will" (Ephesians 1:11). We want to farewell our Year 12's with the knowledge that they are loved by a living God who calls them and has a plan for each and every one of them. Each of their journeys will look different and we encourage them, whatever path they travel, to keep God as their guiding light. We look forward to hearing of the great achievements they have through life, as we know there will be many, not so that any of us can boast, but so that we can give the honour and glory back to our loving Father.

Paul Lock
Head of VCE
Head of Senior Secondary



COMING HOME THIS WEEK:

- Yr 5 Scienceworks Exc
- Yr 7/8 Volleyball/Badminton
- Yr 8 Snowy River Camp
- Yr 9 Work Study Experience Days

- Yr 11 History Exc
- VCE 2018 Retreat

REMINDERS:

- SHOOOL BANKING TOMORROW

Parents please note...

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serve up
some justice.



PING PONG-A-THON TOMORROW

Cupcakes: \$2.00

Sausage Sizzle lunch: \$2.50

Sorry, no drinks for sale

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THIS MONDAY!

30th October

❄ 6.30pm light supper

❄ 7.00pm start

Student Art & VCE Product & Design
works will be on display at
this event.



YEAR 9 BAKE SALE

WEDNESDAY 1/11



JACK & CO



Shortbread 50c

Brownies \$1.50

DON'T MISS OUT!

This weeks profit donated to the Ping
Pong-a-thon.

WHO will be next??

More info to come...



SCHOOL CALENDAR

OCTOBER

27th - Yr 9/10 Social Justice Ping Pong-a-thon

30th - Secondary Assembly

- Whole School Soiree

NOVEMBER

1st - VCAA exams begin

- 2nd Indo Trip Information night

2nd - Yr 7-11 Interschool Athletics

6th - 7th **MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY**

8th - 10th Yr 11 Study Break

9th - Yr 7/8 Volleyball

10th - Yr 2 Sleepover

13th - 17th Yr 11 Exams

13th - Secondary Assembly

15th - 17th Yr 8 Snowy River Camp



Year 9/10 Volleyball & Badminton...

On 24th October, Year 9/10 students travelled to Casey Leisure Centre to compete against other Christian Schools in our district. All of our students competed with great skill and sportsmanship. We had all teams win at least one game and we had 3 teams who won a place in the Grand Finals.

The teams were:

Yr 10 Volleyball (boys shown)

MDCS 45 defeated Edinburgh 35

Yr 9 Volleyball (boys)

MDCS 30 lost to MECS 35

Yr 10 Badminton (Girls)

MDCS 37 defeated Bayside 25

Yr 9 Badminton (Girls)

MDCS 32 lost Edinburgh 45

Well done to all our teams. Participation was outstanding and that means progression!!

Ed Eadon
Chaplain



Community News...



QFO's Annual Quilt Expo and Sales

Weekend 11 & 12 November 2017

10am to 4pm

\$5.00 entry donation

345 Macclesfield Road Monbulk

Melways Ref: 123 J8

(next door to Mountain District Christian School)

Beautiful QFO quilts will be on display.

FOR SALE

Magnificent Quilts of all sizes,
Christmas items, handmade gifts
and fat quarters galore.

\$3.00 Light refreshments available



Monbulk Rangers Soccer Club



GIRLS SKILLS CLINIC

PROGRAM FOR 8 - 12 YEAR OLDS



Our Mission is to provide Girls an opportunity to learn and develop Soccer Skills in an instructional, friendly and injury safe environment

This program, lead by our Women's and Girls' Coach Samantha Wilson, will cover all facets of Soccer. It will improve skills and increase confidence.



TECHNICAL:

Dribbling/Ball Control, Passing/Receiving,
Shooting, Heading the Ball

TACTICAL:

Understanding the dynamics of play through 1v1, 2v2 and
focusing on attacking, defending and ball movement

DATES:

Starting Monday the 13th of November,
and running every Monday until the 4th of December.
From 5-6pm

VENUE

Monbulk Synthetic Pitch
Moore's Road, Monbulk

CONTACT DETAILS:

To register contact Sam via her mobile or club email.
JuniorCoordinatorGirls@monbulkrangers.org.au
0448 819 368



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Year 12 Last Day Celebrations...

On Friday, we celebrated the year 12's last day. The year 12's stayed over at school and spent a large proportion of the evening and early morning setting up a carnival to celebrate their last day with the rest of the school community. The morning was a wonderful time with popcorn and fairy floss, carnival games, jugglers and unicyclists. All of this proceeded a fabulous graduation assembly under a bigtop set up in the gym. As is the tradition, the students had last opportunity to defeat the teachers at volleyball, although this was not to be and the teacher team was humble in their victory. The day concluded for the Year 12 students with a luncheon with their parents and teacher, and then a chance to be farewelled by the whole school.

Paul Lock



Year 12 Last Day Celebrations cont...



Year 12 Valedictory...



Year 12 Valedictory!...

On Tuesday night the Year 12 students, along with their parents and staff, celebrated their achievements through their VCE journey. It was wonderful hearing reflections from the teachers about the students, and seeing the students connection to the staff through the giving of awards. Bron Van Bockel thanked the school and teachers, on behalf of the parents, and encouraged the Year 12 class. Kyle, her son, has completed his schooling from prep through to Year 12 at MDCS. Academic awards were given for students who achieved high results in their subjects.

Finally, our Valedictorian was named after displaying aspects of Excellence, Success, and Faithfulness throughout her final two years of schooling. Our Valedictorian for 2017 is Saskia Ventham, who spoke eloquently on behalf of her class, and rightly stated that they all had worked to a standard that would be deserving of the award.

Congratulations Saskia.

Paul Lock
VCE Coordinator

