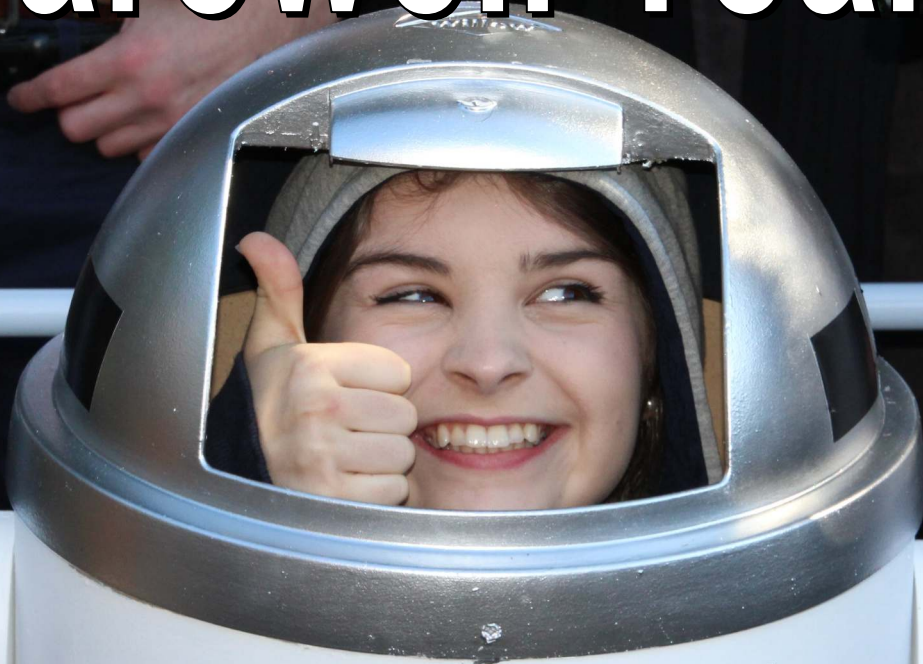


# Farewell Year 12!



*"13 years ago"*

*on a mountainside*

*far, far away.....*





## From the Principal...



Last week saw many things celebrated. On Friday, our Year 12 students had a fantastic last day of dressing up and sharing their celebrations with the whole school. The class gifts, during the assembly, were wonderful reminders to our Year 12 students about the importance of prayer and submitting themselves to God as they approach this busy and important time preparing for their final exams.

The night prior to the Year 12 final day was the EGM. We enjoyed a delicious Chinese meal and heard from a number of people. Jonathan Finlay shared some of his story of what has shaped who he is today. He reminded us that behind every person there is a unique story that has formed them. He told of the way in which God had faithfully directed his path through so many difficult circumstances. It was wonderful to finish in song as we sang together the hymn, 'Before the Throne of God Above'.

The theme of 'what shapes our lives' continued into the evening as three of our Year 12 students, Bryce McLean, Bindi Schroder and Jessica Rowe gave testimony of their journey and the way in which the school had helped to guide them to become the people they are. Their stories reflected their struggles, their successes and their gratitude.

Another highlight of the evening was sharing our goals for the future and the strategies that have been implemented to achieve these goals. These areas included the development of a Teaching and Learning plan, the continuing refurbishment and development of our educational resources and learning spaces (including the outdoor spaces) and finally, improving our access to technology. In next week's Pulse I will share more about each of these areas.

The last item on the agenda for the EGM was the Budget for 2017. Our Business Manager, Andrew, outlined the plans and goals for the budget that seek to meet our educational needs

and requirements. The new fee schedule that was approved at the EGM has been included in this newsletter.

Next year we look forward to welcoming back Mrs Holland from maternity leave. The primary classrooms will be staffed and organised in the following way: Miss Bennett - Prep, Mrs Knight and Mrs Holland - Year 1/2KH, Mrs Leonardis and Mrs Heading - Year 2/3LH, Mrs Williams and Mrs Chaney - Year 3/4CW, Mr McDowell - Year 5/6KM and Mrs Bratton and Mrs

Hanscamp - Year 5/6BH.

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tonight with my family. Well done to all the primary students, staff and parent helpers in making last night's performance a huge success!

Have a great week

Jason Riding  
Principal



## COMING HOME THIS WEEK:

- Nurture magazine
- UPDATED TUCKSHOP MENU TERM 4

### REMINDERS:

- Tuckshop tomorrow
- School Banking



# Daniel

## A Hard Act To Swallow



### PRIMARY PRODUCTION

### LAST PERFORMANCE TONIGHT!

7.00pm Supper—7.30pm start

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

Family Ticket \$20

Adult Ticket \$10

Child/Conc Ticket \$5



## Parents please note...

The 3D elective art block needs a working large microwave.

Please contact Lia Burke if you have one to donate.

Thank you in anticipation.



**Community Levy Reminder** - Just a friendly reminder to those that have not listed their hours in the Community Levy Folder. Please do so before 18<sup>th</sup> November. The Community Levy Folder can be found in reception.



### SCHOOL FEES 2017

Annual Tuition Fees	1 <sup>st</sup> (Eldest) Child	2 <sup>nd</sup> Child	3 <sup>rd</sup> Child
Prep	1,250	1,250	1,250
Year 1	1,750	1,750	1,750
Year 2	2,250	2,250	2,250
Year 3	3,300	3,300	3,300
Year 4	3,700	3,700	3,700
Year 5	4,200	4,200	4,200
Year 6	4,600	4,600	4,600
Year 7 to Year 10	\$7,200	\$5,400	\$3,900
Year 11 to Year 12	\$8,300	\$6,000	\$2,200

## GASTRO ALERT

Parents please be aware that there is a strong viral gastro in the community. **If your child is showing signs of sickness, please keep them at home until they have shown no symptoms for at least 24hrs.** Hand washing and good hygiene are the best defense against this highly contagious illness. Please remind your children to wash their hands after using the toilet and before they eat.

## Primary Production Supper

On the **19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of October**, the primary production will be held. A group of students from Year 9/10 Event Management will be catering for this event. There will be a wide variety of savoury and sweet foods; there will also be drinks, and coffee and hot chocolates from the coffee machine. They will be at a small cost ranging from \$1-\$5.  
Cafe will run from 7.00pm-7.30pm



### OCTOBER

- 21st - 23rd - Year 8 Snowy River Camp
- 24th - Yr 9/10 Volleyball
- 26th - VCAA Exams Commence
- 27th - Year 7/8 Volleyball (selected students)
- Experience Year 7 Day

### 31st - MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY

### NOVEMBER

- 1st - MELBOURNE CUP DAY
- 2nd - 4th Year 11 Study Break
- 7th - 11th Year 11 Exams
- 7th Volunteers Afternoon Tea



## Year 9/10 3D Art...

The Year 9/10 3D Art elective group enjoyed the very tactile experience of throwing clay pots with potter and teacher, Barry Van Es. All students loved the experience and would love to develop their skills further.

Thanks Barry.

Mrs Lia Burke



## Community News



# Children's Week FUN DAY

Free activities for  
young children and  
their families!



Friday 28 October 2016, 10am - 1pm

Town Park - Civic Square, Croydon

**Entertainment, parent information and much more!**

- 🕒 "Ants" performance by Polyglot Theatre
- 🕒 Special performance by Paul Jamieson "The Music Man"
- 🕒 Road safety with Lottie the Lollypop Lady

- ★ Storytelling
- ★ Bubbles
- ★ Fishing fun
- ★ Face painting
- ★ Sensory play

Free  
sausage  
sizzle

Turn over for a list of activities to enjoy in Maroondah during Children's Week

**1300 88 22 33 or 9298 4598** [www.maroondah.vic.gov.au](http://www.maroondah.vic.gov.au)



## Term Dates for 2017

### TERM 1

Prep & Year 7 start - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January

Whole School start - Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Labour Day Holiday - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March

Parent Teacher Meetings (Friday student free day) - 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March

Term 1 ends - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Good Friday - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April

### TERM 2

Easter Monday - 17<sup>th</sup> April

Students start - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Anzac Day Holiday - Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Queen's Birthday Holiday - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Term 2 ends - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June

### TERM 3

VCE Students start - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Whole School start - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July

Parent Teacher Meetings (Friday student free day) - 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September

Term 3 ends - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

### TERM 4

VCE Students start - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Whole School start - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October

Melbourne Cup Day Holiday - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Term 4 ends - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Day - Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December



## Mini Olympics in Primary...



Late last term, Year 5 divided into groups to create a Mini Olympics Competition for our Preps and their Year 6 Buddies to enjoy. Racing, Target bowling, Balloon Tennis, Horse riding, Water Balloon targeting, Martial arts and Distance throwing were the events, but each had its own novelty flair. The Year 5's preparation paid off and the afternoon was an enjoyable success. - Mrs Stephanie Hanscamp





## Year 8 Media Excursion....Light FM!

Last week, the Year 8 WB class visited the studios of Light FM in Mitcham. We were able to learn about how all the promotional sound and music was created by their production guru, Andy. Also, MJ gave us a tour of Studio 2 where all the on-air magic happens. It was really helpful for the students to hear how the technical production is done, as well as how Christians are able to make a difference in their cities via community radio. We were very impressed by their setup and friendly personnel. Many of the students had questions for their hosts, and even when they thought the questions were finished Amy had more to ask. As the Multimedia teacher, I was pleased that the students could see how some of the things they have learnt in class are applied in a professional field, as well as the sort of people and mission of the organisation. I hope we'll make the trip again soon enough.

Mr Jason Beer





# Year 12 Last Day Celebrations...





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Last Friday, we had the opportunity to say goodbye to our Year 12 students on a wonderful sunny day, with a graduation assembly sharing memories of the journey they have been on during their time at MDCS. The Year 12's shared their last day with the School through dressing up and transforming a number of rooms into locations found in the Star Wars universe. They showed how they have not grown up in many ways as well, with an amazing display of their Lego. The day also included a Staff v's Students Volleyball match and, through the solid commitment of Mr Baird, the staff managed to win the match.

As they move into the next adventure in life, we pray that God continues to bless them. - Mr Paul Lock

