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Farewell and best of luck to year 12 students.

Dear Parents Guardians and Students

The College farewelled year 12 students this morning with a terrific assembly featuring a number of student performances and speeches. Year 12 students are to be congratulated on completing their year. They are a very fine group of young people. I wish them all the best for their exams, their further study or transition into work. Students are encouraged to come to school and catch up with their teachers prior to exams and then, once the results come out. Any student who continues to require assistance with the transition to further study or work can also access the careers staff at school.

Two new Assistant Principals appointed.

Our College community congratulates Bernadette Bowling and Mandy Bastin who have both been appointed Assistant Principals.

One of the federal governments initiatives under the Building Education Revolution was the National School Pride fund where schools our size received \$200,000. At our school we:

- Fixed the roof.
- Completed some repair and maintenance of the heating system
- Began some signage and fencing
- Fixed the walls on the side of a couple of classrooms and painted them
- Painted the English rooms
- Installed a data projector and motorised screen in the theatre.
- Replaced bench tops in science

Sub School Model 2010

For 2010 we are looking to move towards a student wellbeing and management system where students and teachers are linked through the common interest or passion in their program to ensure we are connected. This model will include Leading teacher, program leaders, assistant to the LT, teachers and ES staff all developing a culture within their program to keep the students connected with school and all on a path to positive outcomes. Parents will have a clear line of contact with this model. It is an exciting development for the College as we build a culture that values all students achieving their potential.

End of year dates

Could parents please note the dates for years 10 and 11 exams and end of year, activities including transition. It is very important that students are aware of these dates.

Anne Martin *Principal*



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Multicultural Day 2009



On Wednesday 7th October 2009 the College held its annual Multicultural Day. Originally planned for late in term 3 it was rescheduled to due extreme weather warnings (And as history shows it was a wise decision).

Many students proudly displayed their cultural dress, foods and performances. There were performances from many areas of the world and students enjoyed food from around the globe as well as some snags cooked on the College's new mobile BBQ Trailer.

Payments 2010

To assist families with payment of 2010 subject materials charges the College's Finance Office will extend their hours of operation to extend some times out of normal business hours:

Tuesday 10/11:	8:15 – 7:00 pm
Thursday 26/11:	8:15 – 7:00 pm
Wednesday 9/12:	8:15 – 7:00 pm
Normal Hours:	8:15 – 3:30 pm

It is important to note that the school encourages families to contact the finance office to arrange payment plans if they are experiencing difficulty making payments. Should subject materials charges remain unpaid with no agreed payment plan in place by the second week of term one students may be counselled into other subjects.

Families with students undertaking a VET subject timetabled elsewhere should be aware that a two hundred dollar deposit is payable to secure a place. These VET payments must be paid in full or an agreed payment plan in place by the end of the second week of term one. If not students will be withdrawn and counselled into another subject.

The Big Issue

On the 20th of August 2009 Ms Crotty and Mr Caughey took our year 11 VCAL class to the city to THE BIG ISSUE on Lonsdale street where we listened to a talk on THE BIG ISSUE and what it is and the benefits to the homeless.



Thirteen people attended including our group which consisted of me (Charlene Dike), Michael Giakoumakis, Simone Wright, Lynton Batt-Ludenkens and Fazilat Abbas. After leaving the talk we were off to have lunch, the teachers giving us one and a half hours for lunch and have a bit of a look around the city.

After meeting up back at the Melbourne state library we were all given cameras kindly lent by the school and sent off again to take photos of marginalised people. Our group was lucky enough to actually find people on the street from the Big Issue and they were kind enough to let us take their picture.

When it came close to the time of meeting back up our group went and checked out St Paul's cathedral across from Flinders Street Station, our group was stunned by how beautiful it really was inside as it was a first for nearly the whole group to actually be inside the church. That led to the end of the day walking back across the street to meet back to depart from Flinders St where we were dismissed.

Overall I think that the entire group of students had a great day and really enjoyed themselves and listening to the shocking stories of being on the street. THE BIG ISSUE has really changed all our opinions on homelessness and being on the street.

Charlene Dike

School Welfare Service

Hallam Senior College offers a student support/welfare service by way of a full-time Social Worker to help support students and their families who experience personal issues during the senior school years. This service is available daily between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm. This service is located at the school in the "Welfare Centre" which is located off the Upper Courtyard (between the Library and Kitchen). The welfare service can be contacted on 9703 1266 or by email on hallam.senior.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Pre-loved Uniforms

As the end of the school year approaches many of you will have out grown or will no longer need your school uniform. If you have a school uniform that is in good condition that you would like to see go to a new home the Welfare Department at Hallam Senior College would appreciate donations to provide to students in need. Thankyou, Julia, Welfare.

Samoa Tsunami Appeal

On Wednesday 7th October (Multicultural Day), students, staff and parents dug deep to donate to the Samoa Tsunami Appeal. The school raised \$170.80 which has been forwarded to the Red Cross for the Pacific Tsunami Appeal. Thanks to all those who donated.

Carry On (Victoria) Secondary Education Grant 2010.

Carry On helps any member of the Australian Defence Forces or Allied Forces at the time of conflict who are Australian Citizens, resident in the state of Victoria, and who are:

1. Former or serving members of the military forces who have recognised service in War or on Peace Keeping duties;
2. Former or serving members of the military forces who have been injured in service and whose need or distress has been caused directly by such service; or
3. Spouse, widow, widower and dependent children of the above.

The grant, if eligible, can assist with such things as fees, books, uniforms, excursions etc pertaining to secondary education expenses for the 2010 year. If you believe you may be eligible and wish to apply please contact Julia, Student Welfare, Hallam Senior College."

Thanks Julia, Welfare Coordinator.

Winners are Grinners



Winners of the Rugby League Raffle:

Melbourne Storm Jumper winner: Bill Subritsky

Storm Tickets winner: Keith

Our students have again done us all very proud.

During the first week of the holidays Dandenong Basketball Association hosted the National U/14s club championships. This is the most prestigious event for this age group in Australia with teams from all over the country converging on Melbourne to compete for this coveted title. Over the week the tournament boasted 10,000 spectators, players and officials.

In all approximately forty of our students dedicated the week to work in teams and run the event under the supervision of myself, DBA and Basketball Australia. From court announcers introducing teams and reading advertising at half time, to becoming visiting team liaison officers, to working with the statisticians and writing game reports that were posted on line after every game. In short facilitating the smooth running of the event and making it a wonderful tournament for so many.

I have been inundated with commendations from all officials in connection with the tournament concerning the presentation, behaviour and work ethic of our students. In summary, it was relayed to me that if not for our students the tournament would not have run.

More recently, our students have been again been instrumental in the running of an international event with Basketball Victoria and Basketball Australia.

A six nation world qualifying Wheelchair Basketball event was held at Dandenong Basketball Stadium. This event was televised nationally on ABC sport. Our students have worked late into the night to help make this event very special... again our reputation within the community has been elevated because of the diligence and work ethic displayed by our engaged students.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful effort of Zadrack Adadikam - Who took it upon himself to organise the student roster and be the team leader over the four days. Too often we hear and deal with the negative side of student management - but to arrive at an international event and have officials from Australia and other countries comment on how wonderful our students are is very rewarding.

We are very proud of the students who volunteered their time and did a such wonderful work.

Alan Torcello Director of Basketball

Fresh Words Young Writer's Competition 2009

The Fresh Words competition was launched in 2008 for young writers who live, work or study in the City of Casey. It is an opportunity for writers to showcase their work, and potentially win great prizes. In conjunction with Casey-Cardinia Library Corporation, creative writing workshops were held during the July school holidays to encourage potential Fresh Words entrants to develop their skills with the help of published authors.

City of Casey Youth Services is pleased to announce that one of our Students has been awarded a prize in the 2009 Competition. Congratulations to Tiffany Leong who has won an Encouragement Award (Creative Writing Year 11 & 12).

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End-of-year WRITTEN examination timetable

Each examination commences with a 15-minute reading period. The reading period is included in the times shown in the timetable.

Note: Schools will be notified of the dates and times of the Classical Greek and Classical Hebrew Examinations.

The following examinations have an audio component:

- Music Styles
- Music Group Performance
- Music Solo Performance
- VET Music Industry (Technical Production)
- all LOTEs except Indigenous Languages of Victoria, Classical Greek, Classical Hebrew and Latin.

Date	Time	Subject
Friday 30 October	9:00 am – 12:15 pm 3:00 pm – 4:15 pm	English, English (ESL) Specialist Mathematics Exam 1
Monday 2 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 1:30 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Biology, Music Performance: Group Further Mathematics Exam 1 Specialist Mathematics Exam 2
Tuesday 3 November	Public Holiday	No Examinations
Wednesday 4 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 1:30 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Agricultural and Horticultural Studies, VET: Sport & Recreation, Theatre Studies Further Mathematics Exam 2 History: Renaissance Italy, English Language, Sociology
Thursday 5 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 1:30 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Psychology, VET: Electrotechnology Accounting Literature
Friday 6 November	9:00 am – 10:15 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Mathematical Methods Exam 1, Mathematical Methods (CAS), Exam 1 Health and Human Development Economics, VET: Multimedia (computer based)
Monday 9 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Design and Technology, VET: Equine Industry, VET: Financial Services Mathematical Methods Exam 2, Mathematical Methods (CAS) Exam 2 Physical Education
Tuesday 10 November	9:00am – 10:45am 11:45am – 1:30pm 3:00pm – 5:15pm	VET: Hospitality (F&B), VET: Hospitality (CC) Visual Communication and Design Classical Societies and Cultures, Australian History, IT: IT Applications
Wednesday 11 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 1:30 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Studio Arts Music Performance; Solo Dance, Physics, VET: Business Administration, VET: Community Services Legal Studies
Thursday 12 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Chemistry, VET: Furnishing, VET: Music Industry History: Revolutions IT: Software Development, National Politics, Outdoor and Environmental Studies
Friday 13 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Art, Systems Engineering Geography Business Management
Monday 16 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	VET: Information Technology, Drama LOTE: Latin, Spanish, Vietnamese, Media LOTE: Japanese FL, Japanese SL, Philosophy
Tuesday 17 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Food and Technology LOTE: Greek, Indigenous Languages of Victoria, Italian LOTE: German, Religion and Society, Texts and Traditions
Wednesday 18 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	VET: Engineering LOTE: French, Industry and Enterprise International Studies, Music Styles
Thursday 19 November	9:00 am – 10:45 am 11:45 am – 2:00 pm 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Environmental Science, VET: Laboratory Skills LOTE: Chinese FL, Chinese SL, Chinese SL Advanced LOTE: Indonesian FL, Indonesian SL

Uniform News

Late last term parents, students and teachers were asked for feedback on the uniform for our school. The uniform committee have spent much time considering opinions and sorting through submissions from uniform suppliers.

While the process is not yet finalized because a contract for supply needs to gain formal council approval we are happy to advise that student uniform will consist of a uniform top half – polo shirt, rugby, hooded windcheater & uniform jacket which must be purchased from our official supplier, however, trousers, skirt etc (bottom half) will be of the student's choice of style but must be navy blue and appropriate for the school setting (Absolutely no denim).

Uniform requirements and place of purchase will be published in the near future. Students new to the college in 2010 will be expected to purchase the new uniform while those in years eleven and twelve may wear the existing Eumemmerring uniform. Students in years eleven and twelve who need replacement items will be purchasing the new uniform.

Many thanks to the uniform committee members, Olivia Hogan, Anne Maree Tulloch, Jess Williams, Jeanette Williams, Paula Carr, Trudy Day, Margaret May and Mandy Bastin for their hard work.

Monday 2/11/09

Families and students should note that Monday the 2/11/09 is NOT A PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

Under the Victorian Government Agreement 2008 there are 4 pupil free days allowed. The first 3 days of the school year and one in June usually for report writing.

Therefore the Monday before Cup Day is a normal school day and all students are expected to attend.

There are year 12 exams scheduled by VCAA and year 10 & 11 classes will be running. Students who are absent on the day for an unapproved reason need to understand that their attendance record will be affected.

Important Dates & Upcoming Events

Year 10

Week Beginning 9 Nov
Normal Classes for Year 10

Week Beginning 16 Nov
Year 10 Revision

24-26 Nov Year 10 Exams

27 Nov Year 10 Activities

30 Nov Unit 1 Transition Week

4 Dec Last Day Year 10

Year 11

Week Beginning 2 Nov
Normal Classes for Unit 2

Week Beginning 9 Nov
Unit 2 Revision week in normal class times

Week Beginning 16 Nov

Unit 2 Exam Week
VCAL-Normal Classes, some students may be doing Unit 2 exams

Week Beginning 23 Nov

Transition Unit 3

30 Nov Transition

Year 12

Week Beginning 26 Oct

Exam Preparations at home. Students are able to access staff at school during this week as necessary. Please contact your teacher to arrange a suitable time as Year 10 & 11 classes are still operating.

30 Oct VCAA Exams begin

19 Nov Yr 12 Valedictory Dinner

19 Nov VCAA Exams End

Additional Dates

10 Nov School Council 7:00pm

27 Nov Transition program ends Yr 11-12

8 Dec Yr 9-10 Orientation

15 Dec School Council 7:00pm

16 Dec Reports / VET Certs to students

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