CONCLUSION OF SEMESTER ONE 2014

Thank you to all staff & students for their significant contribution throughout the first semester of the 2014 school year conscious that we started Semester Two subjects last week! Thank you also to the parents/guardians who have also contributed via the upcoming college production, VSC Community Association, College Council, volunteering in the school canteen, attending and assisting at sporting events and through a range of other support mechanisms. The support of the school community is always greatly appreciated!

With over 1,023 families, 1,300+ students and 135 teaching and support staff I am always proud of how such a large educational institution can successfully run so many purposeful activities in a semester of approximately 20 weeks in association with the extensive learning & teaching program aimed at improving student outcomes.

A reminder to students, particularly those in VCE, the two week ‘study break’ is an excellent opportunity to combine revision and further study with time for rest and relaxation. This time will allow students to consolidate their understanding of the skills and knowledge gained throughout the first semester.

2014 VSC SENIOR FORMAL

The Senior Social is a highlight of the student calendar and on Friday 13/6/14 the VSC Senior Formal was held at the ‘Manor on High’ in Epping. The staff in attendance, including myself, were extremely proud of the exemplary presentation and conduct of our students on this special occasion. The senior student body were excellent in displaying mature behaviour throughout the evening plus the way they presented themselves as young adults was tremendous.

I would like to also commend the excellent behaviour of the young people who do not attend Vermont Secondary College but came along as partners for the evening. Attendance at the Senior Formal totalled some 430 students and their partners.

Thank you to the Senior School team and other teaching staff who attended the evening to share the enjoyment of the evening with their students. Thank you also to the parents and guardians who collected the students so promptly at the conclusion of the evening, it was greatly appreciated!

I would like to formally thank the students in the VCE Senior Formal organising committee for all their input and work in planning this major school event.

Very special thanks goes out to Laura Gerbing and Narelle Trippett for the enormous amount of work they have both put into planning the social, attentively working on the finer details, and in guiding the student social committee through the process of such a major event via regular meetings. I trust that all senior students are fully appreciative of the time and commitment Laura and Narelle have put into this event to ensure the evening ran so well.

On behalf of the college thank you again to the organising committee, the student body, staff attending and Laura and Narelle. A really fantastic evening showcasing our young people!
2014 MID-YEAR REPORTING PROCESS
Below is a summary of the key dates for the mid-year 2014 reporting process. Parents can access Student Reports and make all their online bookings for the Year 12 Student Progress Conferences using their unique ID and Passwords. If you have any problems accessing the reports as you have misplaced your ID and/or password then please contact the General Office.

Wednesday 16 July: At 6.00pm parents and students can access the online Semester One Student Year 7-12 Reports via the Parent Portal using their unique ID and Passwords.

Monday 28 July - Thursday 7 August: Year 12 (unit 4) students and their parents can make their online interview bookings for the Year 12 (unit 4) Student Progress Conferences. Final interview bookings must be made by 4.00pm on Thursday 7 August as the booking system will close at this time.

Thursday 7 August: Year 12 (Unit 4) Student Progress Conferences from 5.00pm to 7.00pm with teacher locations in the Senior Study Centre and Year 7 Centre.

If you have any other queries regarding the reporting process, please contact Joanna Alexander, Assistant Principal on 9873 1077.

2:30PM FINISH - FRIDAY 27 JUNE, 2014
A reminder to the school community that tomorrow, the last day of Term 2, we have a 2:30pm finish.

School resumes for Term Three on Monday 14th July concluding on Friday 19th September.

Term Four dates are Monday 6th October until Friday 19th December

TAX DEDUCTIBLE BUILDING AND LIBRARY FUNDS
As tax time is approaching, parents are reminded that donations to Vermont Secondary College’s Library Fund and Building Fund are Tax Deductible and the College welcomes donations of any size.

Direct deposits to: BSB 313-140; Account No: 12050892, Account Name: Vermont Secondary College. Please use your child’s student code as the identifier. All money raised is used to enhance facilities for your student/s. Receipts will be forwarded to you for tax purposes

POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM
A reminder that the VSC Instrumental Music Program is enrolling new students into the program for the second half of the year. We have places for lessons on the following instruments: Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, French Horn, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone (Alto), Violin, Viola and Cello.

For an enrolment handout and to sign up, please speak to Khristian or Jeremy Shannon in the Music Centre.

UPCOMING VSC PRODUCTION – ‘SEUSSICAL’ STARTING 14TH AUGUST!
A reminder that the annual Vermont production is not far away and dates are listed below. The production team has been busy as always in preparing this fantastic annual event with the team skilfully led by Lauren Seymour, Tracy Mills and Jasinta Savage.

Production dates are:
Thursday August 14, Friday August 15, Saturday August 16
Thursday August 21, Friday August 22, Saturday August 23.

All shows start at 7.30pm and bookings, with allocated seating, open early next term so be ready!
On Monday of this week the principal class attended a professional development program provided by North East Victoria Region and the department Infrastructure and Sustainability for schools that have received funding for new buildings. As the college community is aware Vermont Secondary College has been allocated 2.7 million dollars in this year’s State budget to fund the building of a Senior Maths Science building. The program contained modules around:
   - Planning for capital works projects.
   - Finalising an asset management plan.
   - Planning for condition assessment projects.

Over the next few weeks the college will be developing its Asset Management Plan, which is a precursor to tending for the building of the new buildings.

Cyber Safety
Parents need to be aware that over the last few weeks the college has had to address several serious inappropriate breaches of internet and cyber safety policy. It is important that as parents you are aware of how your sons/daughters are using social media sites and reinforcing the idea of being good cyber citizens. Police can become involved if pictures are posted without permission or another individual is being bullied or harassed online. The message is simple, ‘treat other as you would like to be treated yourself’.

VSCCA Fundraising
Our hard-working VSC Community Association will be running a chocolate drive in Term 3. It will work on an opt-in model, so your family will have the choice whether to participate. Needless to say, the college is always in need of extra funds to supplement programs, maintain facilities, and update furniture and equipment. A focus of future fundraising will be the new Science Centre and the planned Year 8 Centre.

Student Wellbeing and Pathways at VSC
Our House teams, together with the Wellbeing and Pathways teams, have been busy delivering programs and reviewing student progress over recent counselling weeks. Next term will be a particularly busy one with the always-hectic course and subject selection processes for 2015! Student and parents will be informed of the various programs and information nights via letters, email, the newsletter and bulletins. In recent weeks, all of our House teams met to discuss Junior Transition issues. They reviewed data from Years 7, 8 and 9 and discussed any required follow-up with individual students, families or classes. In this way we are able to ensure that, even though we are a large school, our students are carefully tracked and their concerns heard and addressed.

A reminder that should you have any concerns for your child, your first point of contact is your child’s Student Manager (SM).

Politicians address the School Council
Both the Liberal member Neil Angus and the Labor candidate Pauline Richards for the state seat of Forest Hill addressed a number of key issues with the School Council. In particular, the School Council members were keen to discuss public education funding. We thank Neil and Pauline for taking the time to come to meet with members of the school community.

Are your family details up-to-date?
With more staff now using email to contact parents and students, especially regarding key dates and assessment tasks, it is important to keep the college informed of changes to email addresses. If yours has changed, please ensure the college has it by contacting our General Office on admin@vermontsc.vic.edu.au

Joanna Alexander, Harry Ruff, Mike Stevens
Assistant Principals
Sports Captains Leadership Forum - Hawthorn Football Club
Ricoh Centre, Waverley Park - by Maddie Johns and Claire Dyett

On June 10, 2014, the House Sports Captains and notable others attended a sports leadership forum run by the Hawthorn Football Club. In previous years the Hawks would send players out to Vermont to run a clinic, this year we got sent to them.

Each session was lead by Hawthorn football players of different experience. For example, in one session we were taught leadership and goal setting by the captain of Hawthorn Luke Hodge, Jack Gunston, Shaun Burgoyne, Matt Spangher, Liam Shiels and Alex Woodward.

All session had a similar ratio of students to players of similar experience. The exposure we had to the Hawthorn players, their experience and the club itself, was first class.

As leaders ourselves, to hear from such iconic leaders of AFL was priceless.

As we probably didn’t expect the calibre of players in attendance, we were all a bit quiet and slightly awestruck when it came to question time surrounding the information covered.

This was until the players started to pick on us.

The day was made up of five sessions:

**Step Back Think** – Josh Gibson and Matthew Suckling educated us on a campaign to stop violence on the streets, and at night at parties and possible alcohol fueled events in the future. The consequences of a one punch attack, the ripple effect of that on the individual and their families. Also thinking before we act when we are out in public.

**Tour of the facilities** – Brian Lake and Jarrod Roughead ran a comedy show whilst giving us a tour of the elite sporting facility and Hawks museum. It was interesting to visit the inner sanctum of the club and get a personal behind the scenes look at the place.

**Goal setting and Leadership** – This session was lead by Luke Hodge, Jack Gunston and Shaun Burgoyne. We looked at what it is to be a leader and the qualities of a good leader. Hodgy made us contribute into the conversation although we did feel very intimidated talking to such superstars of the game. From time to time the players picked on us for answers, for example when Luke Hodge singled out Maddie. It was gold!

**Social media footprint** – Cyril Rioli and Jordan Lewis made us aware of the importance of social media through not putting up bad images or tweets as it can have a life long effect.

**Sports and careers** – Sam Mitchell, Brad Sewell and Ben McEvoy showed us an insight of their careers outside of football and to be careful in the public forum as we all have to be on social media.

We even featured on the official @hawthornfc Instagram site, see below.
Sports Captains Leadership Forum (Continued)

Attendees:
Maddie Johns, Claire Dyett, Sean Bell, Kira Nee
Zoe Rohrlach, Caelan Murrihy, Alan Vernal
Matt Brien, Josh Hargraves, Daniel Del Medico

Thanks to Mr Billings for organizing this awesome day and also to the Hawthorn Football Club for offering us this once in a lifetime opportunity. Despite who they were, the players were happy to educate us and provide us with an insight unto their lives on and off the field. Knowing Mr Billings, we were expecting just a few VFL players, but as it turned out there was around thirty players, including their leadership group, which led to a ratio of one player to every two students.

It was a day to remember. It was that good we think Zoe is now a Hawks fan! Maddie Johns and Claire Dyett.

YEAR 12 DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM

On Tuesday 10th June all Year 12 students attended a Driver Safety Education Program in Springvale. We thought that perhaps we knew it all and we were quiet surprised when we found ourselves asking questions about various road offences, safety features on cars and stopping distances. I discovered that I sure don’t have an eye for judging stopping distances and that there is no chance that we’ll ever be able to pay to cover injuries to another person if our car was unregistered and involved in an accident. It was very interesting listening to Anat’s story, who is a survivor of a terrible car accident, and realise how quickly things can go wrong on the road. It was a fun (and educational) day, which I am sure most people benefited from in some way.

Amy Henwood-Jones
SENIOR SCHOOL FORMAL 2014
On Friday the 13th of June the Year 11s and 12s attended the Senior School Formal at the Manor on High in Epping. It was a fantastic night and will be remembered as one of the highlights of our final years at VSC. A big thank you to Ms Gerbing and Mrs Trippett for all their hard work in making the night so special. We hope everyone had a memorable night!
Alana Austin, Crystal Humphries, Hannah McCormack, Amy McKernan & Damita Prakash (the Formal Committee)

SENIOR SCHOOL REPORT

CONGRATULATIONS TRAVIS MAHONEY
Travis Mahoney is to be congratulated on his selection into the Australian Swim Team for the Commonwealth Games this year. Travis is a past student of VSC, already then showing promise as an up and coming swimmer, and still holds school records to this day.

His family have all flown to Britain to support him.

All of Vermont wish you well as you represent your country Travis.
YEAR 7

On June the 19th 7.4 and 7.5 were given the challenge to prepare a dish from variable countries. All the students took action and started planning and marketing their products. The bell rang for lunch and students came rushing through the doors from every direction. The sweet smells! The melting chocolate and the colourful choices of foods meant no one could resist! However the real point of this occasion was to raise money for the Oak Tree Foundation. By the end of the day we were two proud classes for the money we had raised - a total amount of $520.00. Well done to everyone that contributed and put their time and effort in to a good cause. A little help can go a long way!

YEAR 8

CRICKET TOURNAMENT - JANUARY 2014

Congratulations to Thenushi from year 8 Hotham who was chosen to compete for Victoria in the Aussie cricket championships for under 13/14 girls this year in 2014. I remember her being very excited to compete and so happy that she made the team.

Well done! Ashley Dunlop, Yr 8 Hotham SM.

The 13/14 Australian Cricket Championship was held in Bendigo in January 2014 with NSW, South Australia, Northern Territory, Queensland, ACT and Victoria participating.
The atmosphere was amazing with news reporter’s taking photos of every single move we made, whether it was playing the game or in the opening ceremony.
The winners from the girls section were NSW and from the boys section were Victoria. The Victoria girls (my team) came third.
I was very privileged to be able to play and had an amazing time competing!

Thenushi Perera 8.0
YEAR 8 - Continued

YEAR 8 CAMP
Student Managers and teachers are very excited about the 3 camps happening in the first 3 weeks of next term. We encourage students and parents to read through the camp booklets and prepare for what to pack. Check the weather report prior to the camp as we know how unpredictable Melbourne weather can be!
Lots of organisation and preparation has gone into the year 8 camps.

Thank you in advance to Rosemary Neilson and Kylie Natoli who work very hard to put them together and ensure they run smoothly.

Thank you also to the student helpers from Stirling and Hotham who support their Student Managers with administrative duties and organisation, Ashleigh Scambiterra, Annie Kerr, Beth Vernal, Annushka Naidekoff and Caitrin MacDowall.

IPAD and CYBERSAFETY
Is your year 8 student allowing you access to their IPAD? If not you have every right to be suspicious. It should be used as a learning tool and not for social media apps and games.
Reminder that taking a photo of someone and posting it online without asking for their permission is illegal and these types of actions are not acceptable at VSC.

REPORTS
There will be no hard copy reports given out this year. The reports will be available online in the parent portal on Wed 16th July after 6pm.
Please read through the report with your child and feel free to contact the Student Managers if there are issues that we can work through together to best support their learning and make improvements.

YEAR 9

YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY – FOOTPRINTS SCAVENGER HUNT WINNERS
SEMESTER ONE 2014

In Year 9 Geography students go on a scavenger hunt in the city. They spend the day in small groups, jumping on and off trams and using their mapping skills to search for clues and collect objects.

The winning group was from 9.8 (Stirling).
Jess Dixon
Emily Rayner
Jordyn Mayne

The group of students who came second were from 9.4 (Macedon).
Paisley Chiew
Ruth Phun
Natalie Koh

Congratulations girls on a fantastic effort! Prizes will be distributed in assembly.
Mrs Blamey
STUDENT LEADERSHIP FORUM

On Tuesday March 25, Student Leaders (Form Captains), were invited to participate in the Student Leadership Forum.

Students took part in a variety of team building games, leadership activities and worked together in HOUSE teams to develop community events and organize further House activities for later in the year. Students worked with their Student Managers, Heads of House and Principal class.

The day was organised to recognise and continue to support Student Leadership within the college and the school hopes that this will be the catalyst for further Student Leadership involvement, and work towards promoting student voice and building the leadership capacity of our students.

SEMESTER ONE REFLECTIONS
HOUSE REFLECTIONS

SEMESTER ONE REFLECTIONS

Swimming Carnival

Year 7 Camp
REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY
On Tuesday the 17th of June approximately 50 students set off to Yarra Valley to run the Region Cross Country. All students ran well and achieved an excellent result. Congratulations to Ella Garrett, Harry Morgan, Jordan Hansen, Trent Callen, Harry Moschetti, Luke Bain, Zach Vaughan, Corey Bruhn, Rachel Toose, Tarsha Kennedy and Alan Vernal who have all made it through to the State finals.

Year 8 Boys Football – Region Quarter Finals
In Game 1 VSC played Rowville SC who went on to be the eventual winners of our pool. After a very tight first half where scores were level, Rowville broke through our defences in the second half and scored 4 unanswered goals to win comfortably by 26 points. Unfortunately we sustained a couple of injuries that did impact on our competitiveness.

Game 2 against Brentwood SC saw us return to the type of form we had displayed in the District round. Our onballers in Alistar Chiodo and Riley Beaton were winning plenty of the ball and forwards Jonno Hardman and Cameron Gatt were benefiting from the good supply, with Cameron bagging 3 goals. A big win was the result. In the final game of the day against Emerald we showed our class and had a runaway victory. All players contributed to a great win but Rhys Johnston in defence was a standout. The team was very ably led by Jack Pharmicis as our Captain and well supported by Joseph Moschetti and Will Robinson who fulfilled a number of assisting roles on the day.

YEAR 7 DIVISION ROUND ROBIN
On Friday the 20th of June, Vermont SC students in year 7 played a soccer round robin at Terrara Park Vermont. The girls team performed well and earned a well deserved 3rd place. The Girls played against Highvale, Mt Waverley and Glen Waverley. Playing three games the girls won 1 and lost 2, with a great win of 9-2 against Highvale. Player of the day was awarded to Isabelle with 5 goals. Special thanks to Anthony and Emir for coaching the girls on the day.

The Year 7 Netball team won 4 games against 4 schools. The first game we played Ashwood and won 45-0. The second game we played Highvale and won 27-1. The third game we played Glen Waverley and won 30-2. The last game was Mount Waverley and won 21-15. The B team also won all of their games. Thanks to Mrs Powell and Ms Callegaro for coaching the girls and taking them on the day.

The VSC Badminton team competed against highly skilled opponents with the girls team finishing 3rd and the Boys team finishing 4th. Students had a great time and they learnt more about the game. Thank you to Mrs Freeman for coaching and Ms Angland for going on the day.

Year 7 Boys Football
VSC 5-6-36 def 2-5-17; VSC 15-13-103 def Glen Waverley 0-0-0; VSC 10-9-69 def Highvale 1-0-6
Goals on the day:
F Smith 10, B Mirtschin 4, C McKenzie 3, O Maharaj 3, L Jose 3, J Riddle 3, F Phillips 1, H Morgan 1, I McCormick 1, J Moffitt 1
Best players on the day- Team Effort but special mention to F Smith, T Dobay, C McKenzie, T Callen, L Jose, J Riddle, L Coghlan, M Joseph
Well done Boys, Mr Henderson

Term 3 Round Robin Sports
The sports on offer for division round robins in term 3 are: Basketball, Table Tennis and Hockey. Staff coaches will be published in the next newsletter.

Cara Macfarlane
Sports Coordinator
WORLD CUP FEVER HITS THE LIBRARY
With students learning how to make Truncated Icosahedron's (soccer ball shapes) courtesy of the Maths Dept and Ms Davey.

Students also were able to view matches at lunchtime, make Carnavale masks or have fun with German and French word puzzles.

iPAD CLUB
Students in our iPad club starting exploring, creating and producing their own games during meetings this term.

Here is Didi's explanation of his game.

"My Video Game:
Geodeath is a fun and challenging game that is about geography. The game uses physics, looks cool, is fun and challenging. You answer tricky questions about geography through a fun gaming environment. It had a few glitches and lags at first but they're all fixed now. It took about half an hour to make and turned out awesome."

If you want to try learning about geography in the funniest way ever - find Didi in 7.9 and ask to play "Geodeath!"
SEMESTER ONE REFLECTIONS
On Thursday 12 June, Mrs Alexander’s Year 9 Chemistry Experiments and Nanotechnology class visited the Australian Synchrotron in Clayton. Mr Jacobs, the principal drove the minibus. The students participated in an educational tour of the Australian Synchrotron located next to Monash University. It is a world class working research facility running twenty four hours a day. It is open to secondary and tertiary students so that they can become excited about science, increase their awareness of the importance of science and if possible, interest them in research careers.

Inside the Synchrotron.

Students in the Chemistry Experiments and Nanotechnology class have been making moisturiser and sunscreen.

Joanna Alexander
Assistant Principal
The value of home study in language learning in junior years.

Learning a second language can be an arduous task when students are not approaching it with the right mindset. Some get frustrated because they find recalling a vast number of words challenging, which is understandable but in no way incurable. Because languages are academic subjects, they require an academic approach.

Language learning can be loosely divided into two distinct areas, namely vocabulary and grammar. Whilst grammar usually demands a certain level of understanding, the bulk of it can simply be rote-learned. Do not under-estimate the power of good old rote-learning, as it is an approach which will serve you well in all of your subjects, especially as you enter VCE years. Memorising vocabulary and grammar items is part of a healthy home study program. Every student who does a language at Vermont Secondary College has a word list to revise or learn every week. The question is, however, how do you effectively study for French or German?

There are many learning styles and thus, it is paramount to identify what works best for each student. Some can just retain vocabulary having heard it a handful of times, but in my experience as a language learner and teacher, most students need a lot more input. I often ask my students how they revise and most are unable to rationalise how to best to do it. One of the most effective methods is repetition. Copying the word list/verb/phrases to be memorised a number of times settles the information in the student’s mind. This needs to be done as many times as it takes. Parents can be helpful and quiz their child on a weekly basis. Students can make themselves cards with the words to be memorised and pin them around the house, so that they see them often enough to recall them. Just reading the words a couple of times will not achieve any worthwhile results, mark my words.

If pen and paper are too old-fashioned for you, the ubiquitous use of technology has much to offer. There is a myriad of websites and apps which can be used by students in order to revise effectively. Students should use these in conjunction with traditional revision methods.

- **Linguascope** ([http://www.linguascope.com](http://www.linguascope.com)) is a UK-based website which the school subscribes to annually and which has a ton of interactive vocabulary exercises. Students know this website well, as it is used in our classes. It can be downloaded as an app for mobile devices.
- **Languagesonline** ([http://www.education.vic.gov.au/languagesonline](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/languagesonline)) is a free Australian site with lots of exercises on a broad range of topics, with fun games to practise vocabulary and grammar skills.
- **Languagesonline.uk** ([http://www.languagesonline.org.uk](http://www.languagesonline.org.uk)) is a more advanced UK-based free site with a specific focus on grammar acquisition.
- Duolingo is a great vocabulary learning app for iPad, which has a lot of useful exercises. The **BBC** ([http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/)) is a great online resource for language learning.
- **Quizlet** ([http://quizlet.com/](http://quizlet.com/)) allows students to design their own sets of flashcards and practise independently. They can also use the thousands of sets created by the online users. Quizlet also allows students to compete with one another and try to get the best scores.
- **Quia** ([http://www.quia.com/](http://www.quia.com/)) is similar to Quizlet but has a wider variety of games such as battleships and quizzes.

These are only a handful of useful online resources. There are many more available if you do a search. The bottom line being that there’s no excuse to not complete your home study on a regular basis, and there’s certainly no excuse for not mastering your vocabulary and grammar.

Fred Bussu
Languages Leader
The 2014 FIFA World Cup, the 20th FIFA World Cup, started in Brazil. 32 nations have qualified for the 2014 World Cup Finals and are now competing for the title. Germany is one of them. Head coach of the current team (“Bundestrainer”) is Joachim Löw. Among the players are the World's Best Goalkeeper 2013, Manuel Neuer, former Real Madrid starlet Mesut Özil and Thomas Müller who was named Best Young Player at the 2010 finals. Having won three World Cup (“Weltmeisterschaft”) titles and three European championships (“Europameisterschaft”) Germany boasts one of the world’s most successful teams. Germany finished as semi-finalists in the last two editions of the FIFA World Cup and was runner-up in 2002 so that the German supporters are again expecting a lot from their team. Since the 2006 World Cup “public viewing” (the viewing of a match in a public crowd) is very popular in Germany. Many people gather in beer gardens, event-halls, stadiums or big squares to watch the games on big screens – almost half of the people watching are female.

The biggest public viewing event takes place in Berlin in front of the Brandenburger Tor (see picture). Many supporters are wearing German soccer jerseys and accessories in the team colours.

This week some of the Year 8 and 9 German classes learned some facts about the German national team, some soccer vocabulary and how the German supporters celebrate the World Cup. Some of the Year 9 and 10 students have been assigned two participating countries each and have to track how they are doing in the World Cup.

In the last weeks the students of Year 7, 8 and 9 have also been practicing reading German poems aloud. The students can also volunteer to recite the poem by heart to enter the AGTV (Association of German Teachers of Victoria Inc.) Victorian Poetry Competition.

Auf Wiedersehen
Eileen Kaiser (German language assistant)

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It’s rare that the past is so vividly part of our present. Thankfully places and locations can offer the astute historian an opportunity to explore the world of the past. The Year Nine history city excursion offers this in a number of ways. In late April this year half of the year nine cohort went into the city, Ned Kelly’s city, and relived some of his moments.

They re-enacted Ned Kelly’s final trial, with wigs and all. A trial that included Kelly’s immortal words of warning after his death sentence to judge Redmond Barry of “I will see you there when I go”. Barry was dead within a month. Students saw the manipulation of the legal process to railroad Kelly into a guilty verdict, but were asked the wider question of his guilt or innocence for the crimes of which he was accused.

The courtroom drama was followed (or preceded) by the place of Kelly’s final moments, the Old Melbourne Gaol. But more than Kelly, the Gaol experience was also about attitudes to crime and justice and the barbarism inflicted on prisoners in the name of rehabilitation. The pseudo science of phrenology and the mental torture of isolation was also encountered.

They finally went to the State Library, an institution founded by Kelly’s nemesis Redmond Barry. The public wealth of the library was pored over from the paintings in the library’s gallery to chains like Hoddle’s. Before the final sight of his Kelly’s armour, almost completely restored to its original state of completion.

It’s easy to be a historian with the right set of eyes. Look around the places where you live and become a historian, experience the past today.

Andrew Doyle
History Leader
monday 14 july to friday 18 july

monday   jenny hansen (r)    diana reaves (r)
          georgia vassis (l)    kathryn davison, (a)
          natalie scott-zapia, (a)    jenny bennett (l)

tuesday   renae hardman (a)    janine anderson (a),
          elissa schmidtke, (l)    donna davies (l),
          tracey lont (a),    tracey ware (r)

wednesday  rhonda caddaye (a)    heather pinolo (a)
          louise porteous (r)    yi shen (l), sandra sievewright (l)

thursday  robyn nash (a),    keryn jean (a)
          sandra weissell (l),    christine ruff (l)

friday  paula anastasoglou (r)    lucy liu, (l) amy tai  (a)
          carolyn doby (r)    belinda mcnulty (l)
          jenny pickard (l)    mandy cooke (l)

monday 21 july to friday 25 july

monday   jenny hansen (r)  merryn ridley (a)    georgia vassis (l)
          catherine reidy (a)    sue allen (a)    Julie Cleary (R)

tuesday   melanie smith (r   annette field (a), hayley russell (a)
          vanessa vanco (R )    dee reid (a)

wednesday  catherine ganine (l)    jane moschetti (l)
          mary salatas (r)    cornelia dorfer (a)    virginia teese (l)
          louise toose (a)

thursday  helen turley ( r)    kerryn downes (a)
          katrina shanks (a)    isabella pakpahan (R )
          elisa dawson (a)    kelly manning (l)

friday  rick durr (l)    deb myntt (a)    kelly finlayson (a)
          sandra howells (a)    justine hervatin (l)    nikki ferris (a)

if you are not available for your duty
please contact sue or shirley in the canteen on 8872 6330

(A)  All Day        (R)  Recess Only        (L) Lunch Only
11.00am - 11.45 am & 11.00 am - 11.45 am  12.45 pm - 1.55 pm
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The Leos Club has a new project!

Over the next term, the Leos Club will be supporting the 123 Read 2 Me project. This involves collecting children's books to distribute to underprivileged children at places like MCH offices and hospitals, Homeless shelters, Koorie Playgroup, Pregnancy Assistance and Refugee Resource Centre.

If you have any children's books (appropriate for ages 1-15) that you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please leave them in the box at the General Office next term.

For more information, email 123Read2Me@gmail.com or go to www.facebook.com/123Read2Me
VSC Ritchies IGA Community Benefit Card Program
Ritchie’s Community Benefit Card Program donates a percentage of the money spent by you to your nominated club, school or charity. Nominate VSC to help raise funds for the College.

VSC Bakers Delight – ‘Dough Raiser’
Present your card at Bakers Delight in Brentford Square each time you make a purchase to raise funds for VSC.

FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN!

Come and have fun at the Eastern Raptors and NRL Rugby League School Holiday Development Program.
For ALL Boys & Girls ages 8 to 12yrs
The venue is: Colchester Reserve Corner of Colchester Road & Beresford Drive, Boronia
When: Wednesday 9 July 2014
Time: 10.30am – 12 pm
Cost: FREE!

No experience necessary
The program is run by fully accredited and highly experienced NRL Game Development Officers and local Eastern Raptors accredited coaches.

DON’T MISS OUT - REGISTER NOW!
Please call 0421 154 776 or email: secretary@easterraptors.com.au

Get Active with Rugby League

Yarra Valley Water
Be Smart Choose Tap
July School Holiday Netball Clinic
Learn from the best these school holidays.

Coaches include
ANZ Championship player Joh Curran & Monash University Storm VNL players
Meet Australian Diamond Bianca Chatfield

Friday 11th July 2014
Sportlink Vermont South
2 Hanover Road, Vermont South
9:30am – 12:00pm
Registration 8:45am

Cost: $10.00 per child
Future stars aged 5yrs – 14yrs
Register online
www.monashuniversitycentral.com.au

SEUSSICAL UPDATE

On learning 33 songs and dances, we are all working hard
So in no way will Seussical The Musical be marred.
The costumes have been ordered, the set is on its way
And no-one believes the number of times they have to say ‘Seuss!’ in this play.

What we need now is total commitment from the cast

By PRACTICING over the school holidays - it’s really a must!
The videos of the dances and tracks to the songs
Are on our moodle page and now it’s really not long
Til tickets are for sale and you can all come see,
The incredible world of Seuss for a reasonable fee.
See you there!
(Tickets available via the school website soon)