Dear Families, Students and Community Members,

Grade 5 Immersion Visits
Mordialloc College is committed to ensuring that all students are welcomed to the College through an informative yet nurturing and supportive transition program. As part of our transition initiatives this year we have offered our local feeder primary schools an opportunity for Grade 5 students to experience life at secondary school through a morning immersion program. The program allows students to participate in a range of hands on activities across the College e.g. Food Technology, Design Technology, Art, Drama and Science. Over the past few weeks students from Mordialloc Beach, Chelsea, Edithvale, Chelsea Heights, Aspendale, Mentone and Aspendale Gardens Primary Schools have spent a morning each participating in the program. We understand the process of moving to secondary school can be a very daunting one for young students, which is why our College is seeking to maximise the number of opportunities available to our local primary schools to come and visit our College. Thanks to Director of Middle School, Mr George Tzimourtas for organising the visits and all of the teachers and Year 7 students involved in delivering the program of activities.

It’s Academic
We look forward to the third Mordialloc College Academic Challenge for our feeder primary schools’ Grade 5 students, being held this Friday in the Year 7 Learning Centre. The event is run by our Middle School Captains. In the first year we had three primary schools entered, last year we had five and this year seven of our feeder primary schools are competing in this challenge. It not only offers a unique taste of secondary school life, whilst making learning fun and relevant; it also provides valuable leadership and event management skills for our Year 9 middle school leaders. Thanks to George Tzimourtas and our Middle School Captains, Dilara Isikli, Bailey Bocksette, Annie Ea, Sabrina Berg and Naena Good-Jackson for organising the event.

Award night
As we move towards the end of this school year, preparations for one of the key events on the College calendar are underway. Mordialloc College is holding its Award Night at the City of Kingston Town Hall, Nepean Highway, Moorabbin on Wednesday, 9 December. Every year we come together as a College community to celebrate student successes in a variety of areas such as Academic Excellence, the Arts, Technology, Sport and Community Involvement. Not only are awards given on this evening but high quality entertainment is provided by students in the areas of

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Music and Dance.

It will also be a significant event for our Year 12 cohort as we celebrate the achievements of the graduating class of 2015 by presenting all students on stage in academic gowns. Students will be presented with a graduation certificate on stage in front of the rest of the College community. Subject awards for Year 12 and a number of special awards will also be presented.

We understand that this is a busy time for parents but we also know that you understand the importance of coming together as a group to acknowledge all the wonderful achievements of your children throughout the year. Memories of school include both everyday activities and friendships, as well as grand events such as Award Night. I look forward to a high attendance from our community in support of this very special event.

Alumni

Last Friday morning I hosted the second tour for this year of past students organised through our growing Alumni. They had a wonderful time touring the school and reminiscing in the old buildings still here. They were also interested to see the vast changes that have occurred in not only our facilities, but also in classroom practice!!

The Alumni will again sponsor one of our awards at Awards night, The Dorothy Meadows OAM History Prize. This is an award for a Year 12 student who has shown the most interest in local and/or school history. This will be $100 cash prize. They have also made a most generous donation of $500 to be utilised by the wellbeing team at the College to assist families in need.

Ms Michelle Roberts
Principal

Mordialloc College staff and students share and proudly demonstrate our agreed values of:

- Personal Best
- Integrity
- Respect
- Responsibility

Important Dates

November 2015

- Wednesday 18
  - Y9 Advance Surf Camp (18-20 Nov)
  - Mex City Experience - to Friday 3 December
  - Y11 Headstart commences
- Tuesday 24
  - Y9 Guest Speaker-Peter Keogh
  - 2016 VCAL Information Night-6pm
- Friday 27
  - Facilities & OHS Meeting 8am
  - Y9 Zoo Snooze 30 Nov-01Dec
- Monday 30
  - Y11 Headstart Psychology Zoo Excursion
  - Finance Meeting 4pm

December 2015

- Thursday 3
  - Y10 (2016) Parent Information Night and Senior School BYOD Information Night 6pm
  - School Council 5pm
  - Orientation Day Y7 2016
  - Y7 into Y8 Orientation
  - Y8 into Y9 Orientation
- Tuesday 8
  - Award Night
- Thursday 10
  - MEX Expo
- Friday 11
  - Y9 into Y10 Orientation
- Monday 14
  - VTAC ATARs released
  - Y12 Change of Preference 14-18/12
- Friday 18
  - Last day of school

January 2016

- Friday 29
  - Y7 & 12 students commence

February 2016

- Monday 1 February
  - Y8-11 students commence
Chaplain’s News

I recently attended an information evening on gaming and internet overuse by Thriving Youth Australia called the Cyber Champions Program. This not-for-profit organisation explored the burden of living in the twenty-first century - that is, the pressure to be online all the time and maintaining an attractive and popular online identity.

The increasing issue of internet and gaming overuse in adolescents was also covered but what was most valuable were the personal stories presented by eight Year 10 boys who had, at one time, experienced problems managing their online use of social media and gaming. The boys talked about the costs of their online addictions, the importance of trust with their parents but also acknowledged that their parents, in varying degrees, had to manage their online use to help them overcome unhealthy behaviours.

Below are a few of the strategies the boys mentioned that were helpful to them in becoming responsible cyber users.

**Between the hours of 4pm to around dinner time, I was not allowed to have my phone or iPad in my room. This really benefited me as I was able to complete all my homework on time.**

*Sam*

**I am not allowed to play electronic games, such as PlayStation and games on my iPad, during the week.**

*Tom*

**I have no social media at all between 6pm and 9pm. My Dad, with whom I am friends with on Facebook ...can see when I was last active there. I have no iPad or phone up in my bedroom, ever.... I need to spend more time with my family. There are strict punishments if I don’t follow these rules.**

*Michael*

Being boys it can be hard to find a balance, especially during the school week and therefore restrictions have been enforced. Some of these include no phones and iPads upstairs when we are going to bed and to try and keep as few games, if any, on our iPads as possible.

*Shannon*

Overall, I think it’s really important that you make rules that are suited for your son and yourselves as parents. Know when to intervene with use, but don’t overdo it as social media is really useful for connecting with friends and family.

*Alex*

(n.b. names have been changed.)

Lana Paten
Chaplain
We would like to invite parents and students interested in learning about becoming a pilot through commencing a Certificate IV in Aviation or are doing VCAL in 2016 and would like to know about how students can complete their VCAL whilst starting an apprenticeship in a School Based Apprenticeship.

Both of these events are running at Mordialloc College, in the Hub, next Tuesday 24 November, after the VCAL information session from 6-6.30pm.

**6.30 to 7.30**
**Aviation Info session**

**6.30pm to 8pm**
**SBAT expo**

Presentations will be running concurrently for the first 45-60 minutes and the expo from around 7.30 - 8.

We have quite a variety of industries and trade qualifications including representatives from TAFES, RTOs, industry groups and apprenticeship centres offering training and apprenticeships in Automotive, Building, Bricklaying, Civil Construction, Electrical, Hairdressing, Plumbing, Sport, Community Services and a whole lot more.

*Jane Jamieson*

*Careers and Pathways Coordinator*

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**Upcoming Events**

**INVITATION**

FREE information/networking event for Students, Parents/Carers, VCAL, VET and Career Coordinators, SBAT Industry experts, Trainers and Employers

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**Do you want to start an apprenticeship while at school?**

**Or do you want to be a pilot?**

**Come to the School Based Apprenticeship and Traineeship (SBAT) EXPO and the Tristar Aviation VETIS Information Evening**

Learn how School Based apprenticeships and Traineeships will allow you to:

- Start your apprenticeship/traineeship training and gain qualifications
- Earn apprenticeship wages
- How SBATs contribute to your VCAL or VCE program
- Hear from industry experts, SBAT employers and training organisations in many popular industries.

**Date:** Tuesday, 24th November 2015  **Time:** 6.30 – 8pm

**Venue:** The Hub, Mordialloc College, 1 Station Street, Mordialloc

**RSVP:** Geraldine on 8306 8300 before 20th November.
Careers News

AVI40108 Certificate IV (Partial) in Aviation

Course Aims
This program provides opportunities for students to develop skills and knowledge in the aviation industry by working towards or completing a Private Pilot Licence (PPL). The Recreational Pilot Licence (RPL) Test is the first stage in pilot training that ultimately leads to gaining a Commercial Pilot Licence. The students receive around 30 hours flying time for the 1st year (Units 1 & 2) & 20 hours of flight time for the 2nd year (Units 3 & 4).

Outcomes
Satisfactory completion of the two year program entitles students to a partial Certificate IV in Aviation (AVI40108)

Cluster Provider
Mordialloc College

Registered Training Organisation
Tristar Aviation PTV LTD RT22509

Program Length - 2 years

Day & Time - 1st Year: Wednesday 1.30pm to 4.30pm
- 2nd year: Wednesday 1.30pm to 4.30pm

Number of Student Places
25 places per class are available in this program

Program costs (approximate only)
1st year: Flying $7116; Materials $190; Theory $800
2nd year: Flying $7116; Materials $100; Theory $900

Contribution to VCAL/VCE
VCAL: One credit towards a VCAL learning program is awarded on successful completion of 90 nominal hours of accredited VET curriculum.

VCE: Students who complete this program may be eligible for recognition of two or more units at units 1 & 2 level and units 3 & 4 sequences. Students may not be recognised for all eligible credit until the completion of the second year.

ATAR: This subject does not have a study score and therefore cannot contribute towards the student’s primary four. Where a units 3 & 4 sequence is available and satisfactorily completed, it may be counted as a 5th or 6th subject and contribute towards theirATAR (10% of the average of the primary four scaled).

Please note: The student must already have English and three other fully scored VCE/VET subjects to create the primary four.

Enrolment Type - VES

Potential Pathways
- Diploma of Aviation
- Advanced Diploma of Aviation
- Degree Courses in Aviation

Potential Occupations:
- Emergency Services Pilot
- Air Force Pilot
- Airline Pilot
- Flying Instructor
- Licensed Aeronautical Engineer
- Airline Program Manager
- Agricultural Pilot (Crop Duster)
- Helicopter Pilot

1st year Units of competency
- Maintain aircraft radio communications
- Manage pre & post-flight actions
- Control aero-plane on the ground
- Control aircraft in normal flight
- Manage aircraft passengers and cargo
- Manage human factors in aircraft flight
- Take-off aero-plane
- Land aero-plane
- Manage aircraft fuel

2nd year Units of competency
- Execute advanced aircraft manoeuvres and procedures
- Cross country navigation

Manage abnormal aero-plane flight situations
Occupational Health and Safety Students may be required to wear protective footwear and other protective items as required under OH&S legislation. More information will be provided at commencement of the program.

Additional Requirements/Information
- Students are required to have CASA medical before commencing flying. This medical needs to be completed before the end of term 1 and the cost (approx.) $150.
- Students may be required to do extra flying time to be deemed competent, this will be charged separately at $305 per hour.

Information Evening
for Parents, Students, VET Coordinators

Tuesday November 24th 2016
6.30-7.15pm
Mordialloc College, 1 Station St, Mordialloc
Enquiries: Jane Jamieson Ph: 9580 1184
Careers and Pathways, Mordialloc College
jamieson.jane.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
Primary, secondary and tertiary students are invited to apply for student scholarships that range in value from $300 to $2500.

The scholarships support students and families to cover the costs of continuing to study and to engage in further study at senior secondary and tertiary levels.

Eligibility for scholarships is mainly based on financial need, academic results and involvement in school and community activities. However there are scholarships with other criteria.

Many of the 250 available scholarships are one-off payments, while some are paid annually for each year of the student’s study.

A range of scholarships are available including R.M. Ansett Trust Scholarships, which encourage students from disadvantaged backgrounds to complete their secondary education. Previous recipient of the scholarship, Dana Flahavin from Mirboo North Secondary College, became school captain, as well as dux and was awarded a VCE Leadership Award.

Applications close on Monday 1 February 2016 and are only accepted online.

For more information visit the Student Scholarships website:

Student Scholarships

To download Scholarship FAQs click here (PDF - 252Kb).

College Values - Student Pledge

“As students of Mordialloc College, we are determined to achieve our personal best, not only academically, but in sports, the arts and in the wider community. We will constantly strive to be the best we can be. We will endeavour to take responsibility for our actions, owning up to mistakes and helping others out when in need. We will be respectful towards all teachers and students, and we will be true to ourselves by being honest and trustworthy.”
You can find Mordialloc College on Facebook by typing Mordialloc College into the search bar, then clicking ‘Like’. If you like us you will receive information about upcoming news and events within your newsfeed - just another way we are improving digital communication within our College community.

For more information contact Mrs Lisa Ip.

Dobson’s Uniform Shop at Mordialloc College

Trading Hours

Monday 8.30 - 11.30
Wednesday 12.30 - 4.00
Situated off the foyer of the School Hall

Telephone: 9587 0738

Please note the Uniform Shop is not open during the school holidays.

Uniforms

Extended Trading Hours - Uniform Shop

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AUSTRALIA DAY

Friday 29/1 8.00-11.30 am
Saturday 30/1 9.00-12.00 noon
Monday 1/2 8.00-11.30 am

Normal Trading Hours will resume on Wednesday February 3, 2016.

For personal fitting appointments outside of shop hours, please contact Melanie at the uniform shop on 9587 0738 or email mdc@dobsons.com.au.

Alternatively shop online at www.dobsons.com.au
News from Chelsea Heights Community Centre

Have fun getting fit for summer with Tuesday night Zumba classes, 7.30pm to 8.30pm or Thursday morning 9.15am to 10.15am. These friendly calorie burning classes are Latin inspired, easy to follow and your first class is free!

Our popular Christmas Gingerbread House Workshops are back with limited vacancies in the Friday afternoon classes.

If you are looking for a venue for your child’s next birthday we have the perfect room, with tables and chairs for 1 children, a fully equipped kitchen and a playground to the side of the room.

Ring 9772 3391 to book, for more details or our Term brochure, and please visit our website for a full program at www.chelseaheightscommunitycentre.com.au or just drop on by.

Find your international experience with WEP Australia!

WEP Australia offers not-for-profit student exchange programs to over 25 countries around the world! Are you dreaming of a white Christmas in Europe next year? Maybe you’re keen to discover the ‘real’ USA or Australia’s cooler cousin, Canada! Whatever your style, there’s a place for you! To find out more, visit our website: wep.org.au or connect on social media at @wepaustralia and /wepaustralia!

Not the right time for you to be jet-setting? Hosting an overseas exchange student allows families to gain insight into another culture and way of living, without leaving the comfort of their own home. WEP host families live all around Eastern Australia. Some live on farms in the country, others live in apartments in the city. Not all our host families have kids, some are young couples and some are single. In fact, host families can come in any shape or form, but they all share a desire to learn more about other peoples and cultures! For more information and to view the profiles of students eagerly awaiting news of their host family, head to our website, www.wep.org.au/host, email info@wep.org.au or call 1300 884 733 to speak to our friendly hosting team!