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# MONBULK COLLEGE NEWS

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## Dates to remember:

**Wednesday June 12**  
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**Thurs June 13**  
Units 2 and 4 start

**Mon 17 to Fri 28 June**  
Year 10 Work  
Experience

**Friday June 28**  
Last day Term 2  
(normal finish time)  
Reports available to  
parents

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## Term 2 Sport Dates

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June**  
- Year 8 Sport Day  
(Football & Netball)

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**  
Eastern Region Cross  
Country

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**  
Whole College  
Athletics Carnival

## Principal's Report

### Official Opening - Building Upgrade Stage 1



Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> saw the Honorable James Merlino MP officially open our new Library and Administration building. Despite the wet weather the opening ceremony was well attended and the facilities the college now has are fantastic thanks to the Victorian State Government.

### Student Successes

Since the last newsletter our students have had some amazing successes. Our Senior Girls' Volleyball team won the State Final - what a fantastic way to end their time. Elaya Carbone won the OELLEN Intermediate VCAL Award and is a finalist in the Industry Award for Apprentice Chef which is judged in July. Shayla Anderson has been nominated for the Junior Sports Star for her involvement in Endurance Off Road Bike Racing. Congratulations also to our medal winners from the Division Cross Country: Grace Belloni - 1<sup>st</sup>, Ollie Grujic - 1<sup>st</sup>, Erwin Berger - 1<sup>st</sup>, Josh O'Connor - 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ripleigh Hayes- 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jayden Spencer- 3<sup>rd</sup>, Josh Yuki-3<sup>rd</sup>.

Well done to all of you on your achievements.

### Senior School Exams

This Monday saw Year 10 and Year 11 commence their mid-year examinations. Year 11 students will commence Unit 2 on Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup>. Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> is a particularly important day for students in Year 10 as they will have the opportunity to obtain feedback on how they performed in their examinations prior to commencing their Work Experience. Work Experience diaries and any final forms for employers will also be distributed on the day.

### Year 10 Work Experience

All Year 10 students are expected to complete a two week block of work experience. This real world experience is an essential feature of the process of discovering what the world of work is like and is designed to assist them to think about their career aspirations. When they return to the college in Term Three they will begin the process of VCE/VCAL course selection which includes looking at the requirements for their preferred career pathway.

### World Challenge

With less than a month to go there are several very excited students about to undertake a World Challenge expedition to Cambodia with Narelle Gleeson and Fran Ibbott. I hope the expedition is all you have wished for and that you find the experience both challenging and enjoyable.

**Presentation Ball**

Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> saw 15 couples presented to Loretta Goldsmith and myself at the first of our two Presentation Balls. They all looked superb and it was a fantastic night. Thanks to Kerrie Cotterell who organised the rehearsals and to Robert, the dance teacher, who ensured all the students knew the four dances which looked very smooth on the night and to all the staff from the college who assisted to ensure the night ran smoothly.

**Semester 1 Reports**

These will be available for parents on Compass at the end of this term. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the college at the start of Term Three.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**

Woolworths are again running their Earn and Learn promotion. The stickers have been coming in and the monitors have been sticking them on to the sheets. Thanks to everyone who has put them into the collection box at Woolworths. The promotion ends on June 25 so please make sure all your stickers are sent to the college by the end of this term.

Margaret Uren

## WORKING BEE THANK YOU

A big thank you to the following who attended our recent Working Bee. Colin May, Leon Litovkin, Martin French, Wendy Neagle, Tony Hylard, Margaret Uren and Daniel Mackney.

Our next and final Working Bee for this year will be on Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup> between 9am and 12 noon.

**Kevin Osborne**  
Assistant Principal

## Year 7 Digital Devices

The college is in the process of reviewing digital devices for our Year 7 students.

Student Voice has suggested that our Year 7 students should be using a laptop instead of an iPad as they feel that iPads are viewed more as a tool for entertainment and distraction rather than a tool to aid in work and learning. They have also identified that cost would be a consideration, both initially and in the future when devices need replacement due to age.

We would like to invite parents, families and the wider community to give us feedback on preferred devices for future Year 7 students. If you would like to provide feedback, please email [butterley.alan.d@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:butterley.alan.d@edumail.vic.gov.au) or respond on Facebook.

Alan Butterley  
eLearning Leader



## *Monbulk College Presentation Ball 2019*

*On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May, the first of our Presentation Balls took place at Linley Estate, Kilsyth.*

*What a beautiful scene it was seeing our gorgeous and handsome couples alighting from huge Hummers and stretch Limousines at the entrance of Linley Estate.*

*The young couples were extremely excited and very nervous. Photographs were taken, a quick run through of the program, something to eat and finally they were ready and waiting anxiously for their special night to begin.*

*The evening commenced with our Master of Ceremonies Mr. Hyett introducing flower girl Olive Cotterell and pageboy Hunter Cotterell who escorted our Guest of Honour, Mrs Goldsmith and our Principal, Mrs. Uren to their presentation positions above the dance floor.*

*The couples were presented one by one and how elegant and handsome they were dancing the night away. The many weeks of practice had certainly paid off. A great night was had by all.*

*I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped with the organisation of the Presentation Ball.*

*Kerrie Cotterell  
Presentation Ball Coordinator*



# Sport News

It has been a busy month on the Sporting scene. We have participated in Senior Basketball, Year 7 Netball and Soccer, Division Cross Country, Senior State Volleyball, and Intermediate Footy, Netball and Soccer. Once again our students were awesome in their participation, effort, and sportsmanship. Well done to all students involved.

We have also had some amazing success with our Year 7 & Senior Girls Soccer teams both winning through to the Eastern Region. Our school WON the Division Cross Country and our Senior Girls Volleyball team became STATE CHAMPIONS.

Unfortunately our whole school Athletics Carnival had to be postponed due to the weather last week. It is now scheduled for Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July (1<sup>st</sup> week in Term 3).

State Volleyball Finals. - Senior Girls State Champions!

**Congratulations to: Laura McClelland, Sarah Kennedy, Bridget Arkell, Jasmine Defina, Emily Arkell, Nikita Young, Bella Strathairn, Amity Clarke, Caitlin Currie, Jomique Arcaro & Craig Smith (Coach)**

## Division Cross Country - WE WON

Well done to the 82 Monbulk students that ran the Division Cross Country at Lillydale Lake. Awesome efforts and cheering by all concerned saw Monbulk WIN the overall champion school by 1 point - Congratulations.

All the students that finished in the top 15 have qualified for the Eastern Region XC on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

Special congratulations to our medal winners which were: Grace Belloni - 1st 12-13 Girls, Ollie Grujic - 1st 15 boys, Erwin Berger - 1st 17-20 boys, Josh O'Connor - 2nd 14 boys, Ripleigh Hayes- 3rd 14 boys, Jayden Spencer- 3rd 15 boys, Josh Yuki-3rd 17-20 boys

## Remaining Term 2 Sport Dates

Year 8 Sport (Footy / Netball)	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June
Eastern Region Cross Country	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June

**Victorian Volleyball School Cup**  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July

Steve Utting  
Sports Co-ordinator



## Bravery Brunch

On Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> May, the VCAL students held a breakfast for a number of Vietnam Veterans at the Monbulk Hub, and called it the Bravery Brunch. It took a fair bit of time to prepare for this event, from little things such as organising music and a speaker, finding the right equipment they would need, to picking the venue out of the school food room and the Hub. From the start everyone got assigned a job that we would need to focus on throughout the day, these jobs included being a chef, waiter/ waitress, ushering, and a job for everyone was to go around the table and have a conversation with the veterans about their experiences. There were troubles at the start of the day with no one bringing a speaker but with everyone coming together the problem was sorted out by using one of the teacher's little speakers that they brought along which worked perfectly.

We had around two hours to prepare and arrange the room with the chairs and bringing tables out, make sure that the kitchen had everything it needed to make the meals that the class had put on the menu and make sure that the tables were set correctly with placemats, cutlery and flowers that one of us had brought from the nursery he worked at.

When the veterans started arriving it was time for all of us to go to our positions which included the ushers going outside and welcoming them in and the chefs to the kitchen to start preparing the food. I was an usher and enjoyed walking the veterans down to the room and having a little conversation with them on the way. After the veterans had arrived and taken a seat at one of the tables, all of us that weren't too busy went and took a seat with them and had a conversation about their life experiences from what their childhood was like before the war to what their job/ role was during the war. I was talking to a veteran that specialised in gunmanship and he told me about a time when he volunteered to be a student in a target shooting exercise and he and his teacher got into a big argument because the teacher was telling him that he was doing it wrong and pulling the weapon, but he knew for a fact the he wasn't. He also told me that when he was in his youth he was a pretty loud and out their kid and was always getting himself into trouble.

After having a good and sometimes deep conversation about what they went through the waiters came out and took their orders, not long after the food came out so we all had a good feed and talked a little more. Some of the food that was prepared were homemade pancakes, egg and bacon muffins and BLT burgers. After we had all finished eating, we all sat in a circle at the front of the room and some of us asked some questions and it went around the circle with the veterans answering the questions, some of the questions included 'what was your role in the war' and 'what did you do to pass time' and the most popular answer to that one was to play cards and drink beer. It was amazing to not just hear from one veteran but to hear each of their stories and what they did for our country.

I am grateful for the opportunity to meet some of the veterans that served our country and am proud of the effort that each and everyone of the VCAL students put into this event to make it so successful and this is an experience I will not soon forget.

### Bailey Sunderland





# Understanding Apprenticeships & Traineeships

**Free information evening for students and Parents**

Did you know that Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships can lead to some amazing careers in over 500 different job areas?

OELLEN, in partnership with local TAFE providers, is holding a free information session for young people looking for alternative pathways to great jobs for the future with a particular focus on:

- Building & Construction
- Horticulture
- Engineering
- Girls in Trades.

Join us to hear about Apprenticeships, Traineeships and TAFE pathways from a range of industry and vocational training experts.

**Date:** 20 June 2019

**Time:** 6.30pm – 8.30pm

**Location:** ~~Karralyka~~ Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood

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