

THE HEIGHTS News and Information from Lilydale Heights College

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Assistant Principal: Ms Isabella Phillips

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Principal's Report

How difficult it is to believe that we are already at the end of Term 3 and welcoming spring after a cold, wet winter. Term 3 has, again, been a very busy term at Lilydale Heights College and I am always astounded by the number of amazing opportunities prepared and presented to students, both in and out of the classroom, by an outstanding team of teachers and support staff.

Japan Tour

Last week we farewelled two staff and six students on the annual trip to visit Japan to spend time with our sister school, **Ota Daiichi Senior Secondary**. Mrs Phillips, Ms Serle and our students have arrived safely and are now immersing themselves in Japanese culture and embracing the Japanese way of life. We look forward to them sharing their travel experiences on their return.



Year 12 Practice Examinations and Masterclasses

The class of 2017 are now nearing the final phases of their formal secondary education and preparations for the final examination periods are well underway. All Year 12 students recently completed an intense week of practice exams completed under VCAA conditions. This has been followed up with a series of masterclasses made available to students over the term break. The aim of these sessions is to provide students with access to specialist examiners' insights into how best prepare for the November examination period. Thank you to Mr Wright and the Senior Teaching Team for the coordination of these opportunities for our Year 12 cohort.

COLLEGE CALENDAR 2016

3 October	First day of Term 4	
17 October	Year 12 Final Assembly and Celebrations	
26 October— 18 November	VCAA Exams	
7-11 November	Year 11 Exam Week	
12 November	Year 7 2017 Welcome BBQ 12pm-2pm	

Please note: all dates and times are subject to change

Rolling Hills Primary School Visit

On Wednesday, September 14, Lilydale Heights College welcomed the whole Rolling Hills College community. The Rolling Hills students were presenting their dance concert to their parents and friends and we were happy to host the event for them. The talent on display was impressive and many of our students were amazed by the show.

College Production

This week saw the annual College production of "A Shakespearean Experience" a compilation of performances from: *A Midsummer Night's Dream, Hamlet, Macbeth* and *Romeo and Juliet*.

The production was performed over four nights and included a cast of 74 students from all year levels. Audience members were impressively entertained by the rich supply of energy and talent displayed by all participants. The show has been a huge success and is the culmination of weeks of rehearsals, planning, writing and preparation. Congratulations to all students involved and countless thanks must be extended to Mr McKenzie, Ms Meara and all staff who contributed to the production in any capacity; it has truly been a team effort.

Debutante Ball

Councillor Maria McCarthy and her husband Bryan, along with myself and my husband Ron, had the pleasure of being special guests of honour at the annual College Debutante Ball. Twenty-two beautifully attired couples were presented to us. Each couple looked resplendent in their smart suits and perfectly selected dresses. Weeks of rehearsal paid off as the couples danced their rehearsed repertoire to the delight of family and friends. Nights like this are an important part of the College social calendar but exist because of the dedication of staff. Thank you very much to Ms Emily Gerson and the Senior School Team for organising this event and well done debutantes!!!!







Music Awards

The College has an outstanding record and is recognized across the state for its results in Music competitions and festivals. This year has been no exception.

At Victorian Schools Music Festivals this year, Lilydale Heights College has received the following awards:

Intermediate Band Silver Shield
Big Band Silver Shield
Senior Concert Band Silver Shield
Senior Stage Band Bronze Shield

At the Southstreet Competition held in Ballarat last week, the Senior Concert Band gained a very commendable fourth place.

All of these results are directly linked to the efforts and commitment of the staff involved in creating and preparing the opportunities. This includes Mr Veevers and all his instrumental team as well as every student involved. Your practice and work has produced outstanding results of which you should be proud.

In conclusion, I wish you all a restful term break. Enjoy the warmth spring promises and we look forward to a productive and busy Term 4. School resumes for students on Monday, 3 October at 8:50 am.



BUS - Conditions of Travel

To ensure the safety of all passengers on school buses, the following conditions apply at all times.

To ensure safe travel on school buses, students must agree to the following:

- Not to play on the road at the bus stop or try to get on the bus before it has stopped.
- Make sure you and your belongings are inside the bus at all times.
- Not to throw anything from a bus window or have anything hanging out a window.
- Place bags and other belongings in the allocated storage areas.
- Get on and off the bus quietly and in an orderly manner.
- Stay in your seat while the bus is moving.
- Not distract drivers with screaming, shouting or unruly behaviour.
- When you get off the bus only cross the road when the bus has left and it is safe to do so.
- No dangerous or flammable goods are allowed on the bus, for example aerosol cans.
- Travel on the bus service allocated to you, to and from your approved bus stop only. Do not change to one that will take you to a sports or social event.
- Wear a seatbelt where fitted.

To ensure students are considerate to one another and their bus driver, they must agree to:

- In the morning, arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes prior to departure.
- Not eat, drink or smoke while on the school bus.
- In the morning, let the school and driver know if you will not be travelling home on the bus that day.
- Use a standard conversational tone and not use offensive language or call out to others on board or to passing traffic or people.
- Listen to the bus driver and bus captain. They are responsible for maintaining school bus safety and also
 have the authority to report any vandalism or misbehaviour including but not limited to bullying, teasing or
 aggression.
- Leave your bike in a safe and secure place if riding to the bus stop. Public Transport Victoria and the Department of Education and Training are unable to accept responsibility for the safety of your bike.
- Behaving inappropriately on a school bus places the safety and wellbeing of all on board at risk.

Non-compliance with any of the above conditions may result in the following:

- The driver will stop the bus.
- The student's name and full details of the breach will be recorded.
- The student will be transported to school or to their normal drop off.
- The breach will be reported to the coordinating Principal.
- The coordinating Principal will take disciplinary measures in accordance with the guidelines bellow.
- In rare and exceptional circumstances, and only as a last resort, drivers are authorised to eject passengers from a bus.

Following the report of a relevant incident, the coordinating Principal may take the disciplinary action below:

- First offence verbal warning to student.
- Second offence written warning to parent/guardian.
- Third offence one week suspension of student from school bus travel.
- Fourth offence the student will not be allowed to travel on the school bus for the remainder of the year.

A serious offence that endangers other student, bus staff or property will result in immediate suspension.

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Responsibilities of parents/guardians

- Parents/guardians are responsible for transporting their children to and from authorised bus stops and their safety at the bus stop while waiting for the bus.
- Supervision is not provided at roadside stops. Parents/guardians are responsible for their children upon

World Maths Olympiad

Three Lilydale Heights College students have just returned from Korea, after representing Australia in the World Mathematical Olympiad. Along with three other year six students from Mooroolbark East Primary School, the children, Jonah Go, Taylah-Rae Jacobs and Lauren Atkinson-Ladic, competed in the five day event which started on 13 August.

The students were nominated for the Olympiad after excelling in general maths testing at the beginning of the school year. "Our results were some of the highest around I guess, so they picked us out of the year sevens," said Ms Atkinson-Ladic.

Jodie Smith, a Maths teacher at Lilydale Heights has all three children in her year seven Maths classes, and had no doubts about their ability. "They're definitely high achievers, they are students that like to excel, push themselves, solve problems, take initiative and they are always seeking and rising to new challenges," Mrs Smith said. The competition consisted of an independent test for each student followed by group problem solving tasks, where each of the eight countries worked together as a team on separate problems.

"The kids identified that they're good collaborative workers, when they compared themselves to students from other countries, they might not have done as well on the independent test, but on the group task they found they worked better than most," Mrs Smith said. Despite their strong showing in the group work, Australia did not receive any of the 46 medals awarded at the Olympiad.

The trip also allowed the children to tour South Korea, and for two of the three, it was their first time overseas. They were lucky enough to get a glimpse of the de-militarised zone on the border of North and South Korea, as well as being able to mingle with other students, despite the language barriers. "We had a cultural exchange, and we got the chance to meet some of the students, they could speak some English, but not a lot," said Ms Jacobs.

New Principal Rosina Fotia hopes that these achievements raise the profile of both maths and the College as a whole in the public eye. "This helps enhance the message we've been pushing with the community, about our values of excellence, respect and responsibility," said Mrs Fotia.

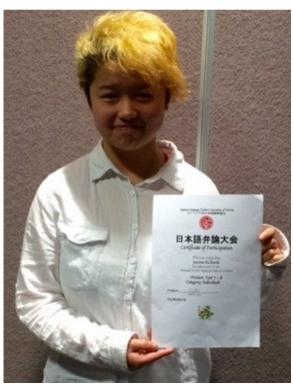
The children hope their trip changes their peers' views on maths. "Most kids don't think they'll ever use Maths, so hopefully now they can see that it can give them a chance to see new places and meet new people," said Ms Jacobs.

Lilydale Heights will be hosting the Olympiad in August 2017.

JLTAV Speech Contest 2016

Jacinta Richards Year 8 and April Buttress Year 9 represented Lilydale Heights College at the annual Japanese speech contest. Both girls entered the individual section, reciting a set passage followed by their own individual speech. It was such a daunting experience to stand up on a big stage in front of three judges and a room full of contestants, parents and teachers. However, Jacinta and April showed no signs of nerves and presented themselves extremely well. A great achievement and a great opportunity for our talented students of Japanese. Special thanks to Tomomi who helped the girls with their preparation, and to the Richards and Buttress families for driving all the way to Brighton on a Sunday morning.





eSmart Top Tip



You cannot always tell if someone is joking when you cannot see or hear them - even with emoticons - so be careful when you are chatting, to make sure that what you say will not be taken the wrong way.

Book Week - Flash Writing Winners

To celebrate 2016 Book Week last week, the English Faculty ran a Flash Writing competition for all students. We called for entries of just 50 words in the categories of Flash Fiction, Flash Horror, Flash Poetry, and Flash Fan Fiction.

Fortunately, we were overwhelmed with a large number of amazing responses from students! The judging process was so difficult that we decided to award two winners per category. Congratulations to all who entered; it was a fantastic field of young creative talent!

Flash Fiction - General

Anti-climax

I'm in front of the fire, reading my latest book. It was getting good; the main character was fighting the bad guy who wants to destroy the world. Wait. What? He just threw himself over the cliff. He's dead. Last page. That doesn't make sense. That's the worst ending ever.

Bianca Molloy, Year 8

The Dragon's Demise

The dragon plummeted from the sky. The wind howling around its ears. It yelped in pain, fire spluttering from its nostrils. It flapped its wings, but it had no wings, they had been ripped off by the hurricane. The dragon spiraled into a tree. It landed with a thump.

Imilia Popa-Jeske, Year 8

Flash Fan - Fiction

Godzilla

He is something like a god. Over 500 feet tall, sharp claws and atomic breath, a muscly tail to attack and defeat his enemies. Godzilla once took a meteor to the face and didn't even flinch. He is victorious over his enemies and after is swimming off into the sunset.

Alistair Marshall, Year 11

Dinner Time

"Crookshanks!! Where are you?" Hermione yelled. "Crookshanks this is the third time you've done this; you better not be chasing Scabbers again!"

"HERMIONE! GET YOUR BLOODY CAT!" Ron yelled from the boys' dorm. "SHE IS EATING SCABBERS!" Hermione ran to Ron to find Crookshanks eating Scabbers.

"CROOKSHANKS! I'm sorry Ron."

Lachlan Cottier, Year 8

Flash - Poetry

Play Your Part

Take a bow, stiff posture

Take a deep breath, then let it out

Stiff steps, you're walking funny

Something flutters in your stomach

Each step shaky with the horror

You begin to shake with fear

Goose bump break out against your skin

Then you take a steady seat

And play.

Kiera Harvey, Year 8

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Book Week - Flash Writing Winners continued...

The End

Blackness... Enveloping your wounded soul

Tears pricking your eyes

"What's happening? Where am I?"

Every limb in your body aching and slowly fading into mist

"Is this really how it's going to end?"

Your lips turn blue and your eyes fade to grey

All colour gone from your being

"Goodbye...Life..."

Jacinta Richards, Year 8

Flash - Horror

What was that horror?

What was that?! In the slightest of light shining from the weak street lamp above, cutting though the darkness, I see a flash of movement. I feel my heart rate increase, every noise as loud as a banshee, the wind and a slight patter of footsteps. The darkness consumes me.

Sean Calcaterra, Year 8

The Hatch

"Simon! No!"

He darted towards the forbidden hatch, shadows dancing across his face. Cautiously lifting the squeaking latch, he opened the door, the rusted hinges giving a loud protest. He disappeared from my sight.

He screamed. So I screamed.

Jumping back out, he laughed at me.

"Such a scaredy-cat!"

Skye Jenkins, Year 12

Languages Cultural Day

- Tuesday 9 August
- All Year 7 & 8 students
- Middle School Language students
- Photos on the following pages

Indonesian Theme:

Indonesian Independence

Mr Moningka organised a range of cultural activities relating to Indonesian Indepedence Day celebrated on 17 August.

Japanese Theme:

Hobbies & Interests

Mrs Barrett organised a range of traditional and modern cultural activities, such as Calligraphy, Sumo, Kendo, Karaoke, Cooking & Manga.

The Languages Team - Mrs Barrett, Mr Moningka & Tomomi

Languages Cultural Day Photos





















Languages Cultural Day Photos continued...









Careers

Julie Byrne, Careers Co-ordinator

Reminders:

YEAR 12 VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE (VTAC) - timely applications close 29 Sept MONASH ART, DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE (MADA) WORKSHOPS - 26 & 27 Sept, MADA (Caulfield campus) for Year 11 & 12's; Bookings: www.monash.edu/mada/workshops.

Femmes in STEM – Year 10-12 girls; 11am-2.30pm, Fri 23 Sept; Cossar Hall, Monash Parkville; Register: http://www.monash.edu/pharm/femmesinstem

TAKE CTRL EVENT – Taste IT at Monash Clayton; 10am-4pm, Tues 27 Sept; **Details/bookings**: www.it.monash.edu/TakeCTRL; Taylor Maxwell ph 9905 5845, taylor.maxwell@monash.edu.

SCIENCE IN THE CITY LAB TOURS – at RMIT; 11am-2pm, Mon 19 Sept; Information/registration:

http://www.rmit.edu.au/events/all-events/tours/2016/september/science-in-the-city-lab-tour

BUSINESS AND LAW AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY – Get information about all **VU Business and Law** courses, and see **VU's legal precinct;** 12 Sept; <u>www.vu.edu.au/vu-in-focus</u>.

YEAR 12 NEWS -

REMINDER: If you are planning to study next year, make sure you have your **VTAC** course application done by 29 September - see www.vtac.edu.au. Also, remember that **Special Entry Admissions Scheme (SEAS)** applications close on Tuesday 4 October (first week of term 4) so get onto it as soon as possible.

OFFERS OF PLACES: The **first round of offers of places** will occur on **18 January, 2017**. You can **adjust your preferences** after each offer round, **irrespective of whether you have received an offer of a place already or not**. There will be five rounds of offers. Change of preference will close a few days before each offer round and reopen the day after each offer round.

PATHWAYS – Concerned about your ATAR? Universities have **pathways** into many of their degrees, very useful if you don't achieve a high enough ATAR this year. For example, lower ATAR's are required at **Colleges linked** with the university (eg Monash and Deakin Colleges), **relevant TAFE courses** require a lower or no ATAR, and some universities offer **associate degrees** requiring lower ATAR's. More details in the next newsletter.

AUDITION AND ART FOLIO PREPARATION WORKSHOPS – Hoping for a great audition or art/design folio presentation? Hone your skills/techniques with a Box Hill Institute one-day workshop.

Audition skills for musicians: 26 Sept (Whitehorse campus); **audition skills for musical theatre**: 28 Sept (City campus), **see**: www.boxhill.edu.au/courses/audition-skills-pafas-sc/;

Folio preparation for designers, 28 Sept (Nelson campus); **Folio preparation for visual artists**: 27 Sept (City campus), see: www.boxhill.edu.au/courses/folio-preparation-paffp-sc/.

NOTE: Free if applying for a Box Hill Institute music, musical theatre, design or visual arts course. Call 1300 BOX HILL to book.



Careers Continued

IN YEAR 10 AND INTERESTED IN ENGINEERING AND IT? If so, ENGenulTy is for you. Year 10 girls are invited to spend a day discovering the excitement and creativity of engineering and information technology at Monash. Staff and students will be on hand to present workshops and demonstrations, practical activities and experiments; find new role models in women who work in engineering and IT, and get an insight into the diverse experiences and career paths available. When: 10am-4.30pm, Wed 28 September; Who: Year 10 girls; Where: Monash University Clayton; Register: http://eng.monash.edu.au/engenuity; Email: anna.siassios@monash.edu.

THINKING OF STUDYING MARINE BIOLOGY AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY? From 2017 you will be able to study Marine Biology at either Deakin's Geelong Waurn Ponds or Warrnambool campuses. You will learn about how marine ecosystems function and how organisms interact with their living and non-living environments. There will be hands-on experience through fieldwork in temperate marine environments on the Victorian coast. There will also be opportunities to study tropical marine environments within Australia and overseas. More information see: http://www.deakin.edu.au/course/bachelor-environmental-science-marine-biology

CONSIDERING AVIATION?

WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE NEWS – Located in La Trobe St, Melbourne, William Angliss is a specialist centre for **food, tourism, hospitality and events** courses. William Angliss has been teaching and mentoring students for 75 years. It has **modern training facilities, training restaurants and demonstration kitchens** ensuring that skills learned occur in a **realistic environment**. If you wish to apply for a **Cert IV, Advanced Diploma or Bachelor Degree** at William Angliss, you need to submit a **VTAC** application. Apply **direct** to the Institute for all **Certificate III courses**. **International students** apply direct to the Institute; **see:** www.angliss.edu.au/international/how-to-apply.

William Angliss is holding an **Information Evening** where you can get your questions answered. **When**: 5.30-7.00pm, Wed 21 Sept; **Book**: www.angliss.edu.au/first.

Due to limited places, the **Certificate III Aviation (Cabin Crew)** interview process is now more **selective**. Applicants will be invited to attend an interview in late November and **must RSVP to the invitation**. **Interview format**: registration and induction; team activities looking for teamwork, initiative, enthusiasm and communication skills; lunch break; panel interview.

Beauty Therapy is suspended for 2017 at the Institute

MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS -

MONASH INDIGENOUS ENTRY SCHEME — The new Monash Indigenous Entry Scheme guarantees an offer to **Indigenous Australian students into a range of courses** with an achieved ATAR of 50+, the required course **prerequisites** and the completion of a **supplementary information form**. All indigenous students at Monash are eligible to apply for a range of **scholar-ships**, and receive support through the **Yulendj Indigenous Engagement Unit**. **Information**: https://www.study.monash/how-to-apply/indigenous-student-applications.

VCE SCIENCE REVISION LECTURES – Monash Science (Clayton) is providing free VCE exam revision in the September break. The seminars are designed to reinforce key competencies and will be delivered by qualified VCE teachers. 3/4 Maths Methods: Mon 26 Sept; 3/4 Chemistry: Tues 27 Sept; 3/4 Physics, Wed 28 Sept; 3/4 Biology, Thurs 29 Sept; 3/4 Specialist Maths, Fri 30 Sept; Register on line at: http://www.monash.edu/science/about/events.

SCIENCE PRECINCT TOURS – Monash is providing these tours in the holidays. Be guided by current students, find out more about studying science at Monash, and obtain course advice. Register: http://www.monash.edu/science/about/events

SCHOLARSHIPS – The Monash program recognises exceptional achievement, and support students who have experienced financial disadvantage. Through the merit and equity categories. Students with at least one Monash course listed in their VTAC application will be considered fro the merit scholarships. No separate application is required. Other scholarships must be applied for through VTAC, with applications closing 5pm, 15 October. See: www.vtac.edu.au/scholarships. Applications are now open for the Monash Community Leaders Scholarships. This rewards and supports students who want to use their Monash education to make a difference, and recipients receive \$4,000pa and join a network of other high-achieving students who help inspire young people to pursue university study. Info: www.monash.edu/access/mentoring/become_mentor

HOW DO I GET A JOB? A helpful website has suggestions on how to present yourself, what employers are looking for, and so on. **See**: www.employment.gov.au/posters-job-seekers.

Julie Byrne—Careers—VET—Work Experience

Athletics Carnival

After the completion of all the Athletics events during Athletics Week, the House scores are as follows:

House	Points	Place
Yarra	2146	1st
Castella	2108	2nd
Melba	1988	3rd
Olinda	1934	4th

Congratulations to Yarra House!

Age Group Champions of 2016 were:

- Sam Evans U13
- Jade Mason U13
- Alex Newey U14
- Sam Di Gregorio U14
- Dean Warren U15
- Shae Scott U15
- Jett Buller U16
- Rickeylee Brown U16
- Jacob Marshall U17
- Georgie Haynes U17
- Maddison Thompson U17
- Brody MacDonald U21

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Athletics events and to all our first place winners who represented the College at the Yarra Division Carnival on 6 September at the Knox Athletics Track.

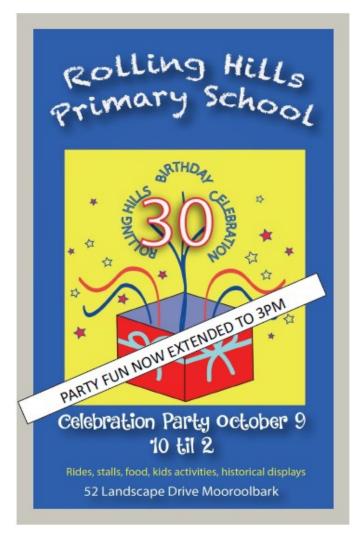
Some notable mentions from the Yarra Division Carnival were:

- Zane Wheeler 1st U15 High Jump with a personal best of 1.72m
- Pippa Bennett 1st U16 Discuss
- Phaelin Senior 1st U13 Shot Put
- Dylan Briggs 1st U13 200m
- Sam Evans 1st U13 400m
- Rickeylee Brown 1st U16 Javelin

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Opening ceremony at 10am, on the stage.

Come along to see our special guests, sing happy birthday and enjoy some birthday cake!



For more information follow us on Facebook at Rolling Hills Primary School 30th Birthday Celebrations 2016

30th birthday photography competition for students



Use any kind of camera to take a photograph on one of the two themes:



School Days or Party!

Print your photo no larger than A4 size and submit it, along with your name, phone number and the \$5 entry fee to the school office or rolling.hills.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au before Wed 5th October.

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MOOROOLBARK JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB REGISTRATION DAY 2017

Registrations accepted for players in

Under 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 17's

*a player must turn 8 during 2017 to play

We are also looking for players for Girls Teams in Under 12's and Under 15's

DATE: Sunday 23RD October 2016

TIME: 10:00am - 1:00pm

VENUE: MFC -Heights Reserve

Longfellow Avenue, Mooroolbark

All registration forms and information is available on our website

www.mooroolbarkfc.com.au

If you have any queries regarding registration for 2017 please contact

Mick Kist (President) 0409 460 499

or Tina Danisch (Registrar) tina.danisch@gmail.com





New Knights Welcome!

District Cricket coaches assisting!!!

Saturday September 10th 2016 from 10am – 12 noon Hughes Park Cricket Ground, Maroondah Highway, Croydon North (bring ya gear for a hit!)

New U10 players registering will receive a New 10's Players Package which includes a playing shirt, cap & club drink bottle!
Uniforms available to try on and purchase/order

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Boys and Girls aged 5-16 of all abilities Milo in 2 Cricket Registrations

T20 Blast is Big Bash for kids!!!

Cam says we may play on the MCG!!

Tell all your friends the exciting news!!!
Fun Team Environment with qualified coaches.

If you are unable to attend or need more information call

Karen Witchell – 0450 107 457 (Junior Co-ordinator) Kati Wilkins – 0409 411 889 (Junior Secretary) Peter Nanscawen - 0400 220032 (Ordinary Shmo)

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