

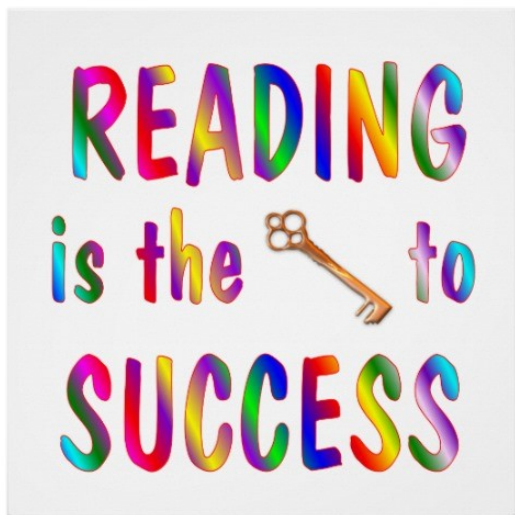
Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 3. I trust everyone had a warm winter break. The school term has started well and students are now well engaged in their classes as we move into the second half of the school year. This term, the College welcomes two new staff members; Mrs Michelle Pezzimenti who will join the Japanese Language faculty and Ms Priya Smith adds some more strength to our Education Support team.

Learning Focus

As a follow up to the reporting and examination period, students have been completing some self-reflections during their SELF classes. The aim of these sessions is for students to identify areas where they have shown growth in their learning as well as to identify areas they need to target for more improvement throughout semester two.

Independent Reading Program



Many parents of students in Years 7 to 10 may be aware of the Independent Reading Program that operates at the College. This program has had outstanding success in terms of student learning outcomes and recently, the College was asked to present at the State Principals' Forum. The aim of our Independent Reading Program is

COLLEGE CALENDAR 2017

1 Aug, 6pm-8pm	Middle School & Senior School Info Night
4 -11 August	Chinese Sister School Visit
15 August	Curriculum Day— No students required
17 Aug, 6pm-7:30pm	Science Night
21-25 August	College Production Week
1 Sept, 7pm-11pm	Debutante Ball
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to enhance the enjoyment of reading, to create a culture of reading, and to improve the literacy skills of students. Our Independent Reading Program runs every day for 20 minutes, rotating through the timetable each fortnight to ensure an equitable distribution of time between subjects. In order to further support the program, parents are encouraged to discuss reading with their children and to model and encourage reading at all opportunities in and around the home.

International Mathematics Olympiad

On Tuesday July 25, Lilydale Heights College hosted the International Middle Years Mathematics Olympiad. Over 120 students from Asia and surrounding schools competed in the one-day event. The aim of the event was for participants to develop an enthusiasm and a love for Mathematics, develop skills in problem solving and critical thinking and to provide opportunities for intercultural acceptance and understanding. The event was a huge success and the program of activities allowed students to test their skills as well as develop new friendships.

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Congratulations must be extended to all the students from Lilydale Heights who competed. Special congratulations to **Seb Dickson** who received a Gold medal in the competition. An outstanding achievement Seb!

Thanks must also be extended to Mr Greg Hancock for his support with the co-ordination of the program and to the many student helpers for their work on the day.

Rosina Fotia
Principal



Parent Opinion Survey 2017

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school.

It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August**.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey results will be reported back to our school at the end of September. Last year we used the survey results to plan for the Student Engagement in Learning for the Future Program and to design new and engaging units of work.

For further information, please speak to you child's teacher or visit: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/management/improvement/Pages/performsurveyparent.aspx>

Senior Concert Band Tour - New Zealand

From 26 June to 2 July, the touring band, comprised of students from the Senior Concert Band, went to New Zealand to compete in the Rhapsody Rotorua Music Festival. The band left the school on 26 June at 3 o'clock in the morning to catch the plane from Melbourne to New Zealand.

Over the next few days the band did all sorts of different activities, including performing their pieces at local schools and at the Sir Howard Morison Performing Arts Centre. We were also judged by professional musicians to see what we could improve on. Harry, Britney, Maddy and Jessy got the opportunity to rehearse and perform in the honours bands. Everyone else was able to rehearse and perform in the festival bands and the band was able to perform its pieces in a public concert. We also did other exciting activities, including the Ogo ball rides, experiencing the agrodome, the Tamaki Maori village cultural experience, Amazeme and The Agro Adventures. We also visited Hell's Gate.

The tour was an amazing experience for everyone and in the Music Captain's opinion. It was the best tour we've been on. Huge thanks to Mr Barker, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Butterworth for making this tour the best tour ever and going through the exhausting organising process.

Jessie Cooban



2017 Music Rehearsal Camp

In the first week of Term 3, I had the pleasure of attending the Lilydale Heights College annual Music Rehearsal Camp. The camp was held in Healesville and hosted students from the College's junior ensembles: the 7C Class Band, 8C Class Band, and the Intermediate Concert Band. The bands experienced a great level of productivity, with the Intermediate Band beginning to prepare new pieces for its upcoming performance at the Victorian School Music Festival and the 7C and 8C Band Classes using the time to rehearse new music to expand their repertoire for upcoming performance opportunities.

Music Rehearsal Camp offers many wonderful experiences for our students, including intensive rehearsals, sectionals and workshops to enhance their musical abilities and ensemble performance skills. The camp also allows students some time for socialising and other activities such as the use of the camp games room, low ropes course, trampolines, basketball and beach volleyball courts and rock climbing.

To add even more fun to our camp, the students also participated in an evening of team-based games and activities, trivia competition, and a relaxing movie night!

A massive thanks to all staff that helped with organising or played a role in the running of the camp.

All students and staff involved had an absolutely fantastic time and we cannot wait to do it all again next year!

Tyson Barker

Music Co-ordinator



Year 10 Formal

The Year 10 Formal at the RACV Healesville on Friday night was a fantastic event. Everyone seemed to have a really fun evening and were inclusive. The venue was a new one for the College this year and to say we were impressed was an understatement. The atmosphere was really electric and the evening sped by as we ate and danced to our hearts content. Every single student had made a real effort with their outfits – stunning frocks and suits all round.

The organising committee; Emma Franklin, April Buttress, Kacey Buller, Shae Scott and Annie Ryan did a great job of creating invitations, determining the delicious menu, creating place tags and organising the tables. Emma even made an impromptu speech on the night which was a real treat for all present. Her heartfelt words symbolised the strong connections and bond within the cohort.

The night was a flurry of photography and dancing. Many of the moves on the dance floor were very impressive from teachers and students alike. The evening culminated in a loud and enthusiastic rendition of “Black Betty/Jack Petty” which ensured we all felt we had used up our energy ready for the trip home.

Big thanks go to Ms Doughty and Mrs Butterworth for all their efforts in organising the evening. Mrs Buttress made some creative centrepieces which were very much appreciated. Thank you also to Mrs Phillips, Ms King, Ms Riazati, Mr Chapman, Mr McKenzie, Mrs Sutherland, Mrs Sargeant, Mrs Barrett, Mr Waddell and Mr Payne for attending the night. Having so many teachers supporting the students and enjoying the atmosphere made it an extra special evening.

Thanks again one and all. We can't wait to see the photos!

Ms Gaudion
Middle School Leader



Year 10 Formal Photos



Year 10 Formal Photos continued...



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- Complementary bus service (Healesville) with Lilydale, Chirnside Park, Mooroolbark and Mt Evelyn starting term 3.
- Student health clinic on site at both campuses (Yarra Junction and Mt Evelyn).

WEDNESDAY 2ND AUGUST 7PM - 8PM

Kimberley Place - 33 Kimberley Dr, Chirnside Park (light supper inc.)

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