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Mr David Shelton

Principal's Report

Tomorrow sixteen of our students head off to Japan accompanied by one of our senior Japanese teachers, Lakshmi Weeraratne and Assistant Principal, Barbara Laidlaw, to learn from first hand experience about the everyday life of a student in Japan. The students will attend classes in our sister school - Ono Senior High School – as well as visiting some of the interesting centres of Japanese cultural significance including the old Japanese capital, Kyoto, Himeji and the atomic bomb site in Hiroshima. They will live in Japanese homes with their host families, travel to and from school with their host brothers and sisters and will, I am sure gain significant personal growth from their experience. I am confident that they will acquit their roles well as ambassadors for Brentwood Secondary College and on behalf of the school community, I wish them bon voyage as they fly out early on Saturday morning.

With one week of Term 3 left it seems as if 2007 has simply flown by. Students studying VCE unit 4 subjects have just eleven days of timetabled classes left in addition to the October test program that will run early in Term 4. Many students will be involved in classes during the term break as they work to achieve their best in the final exams.

There will be a full program of classes on the final day of Term 3 next Friday 21 September. Students will be dismissed at the previously advised time of 2:15pm, however the Ventura Bus company will not agree to run early services to pick students up. While Venture has run early services for many years at the end of each term, the normal bus timetable will apply. If you are unable to make other arrangements for your son or daughter's transport home on that day, I can assure you that they will be supervised inside the school courtyard area until the normal

timetabled buses are due. This problem does not appear to exist where schools are serviced by other bus companies.

Finally, you will have noticed that there has been considerable movement on the building site with the TLC beginning to take shape. The project is now running about a month behind largely due to the unavailability of skilled draughtsmen in Australia for the engineering drawings for the steelwork. The drawings had to be completed overseas – perhaps this is a career path that some of our current students may take.

David Shelton, Assistant Principal

Dates and Deadlines

18 Sept	District Sport – Year 7
21 Sept	Students dismissed 2.15pm for school holidays.
8 Oct	Students return for term 4
10 Oct	VCE Music Night
12 Oct	Curriculum Day

Congratulations to Kyle Howland of Year 12

Kyle is completing his two year VET course in Automotive Technology this year. He has been awarded a 2007 Australian Vocational Student Prize for his commitment to vocational education and training. He will receive a cheque for \$2000 for his efforts.

Well done Kyle. The College wishes you success in your chosen career.

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Reflections on Literacy and Numeracy Week

Congratulations to all students who participated in our Literacy and numeracy activities over the course of the week. In particular we would like to acknowledge our budding Word Champions:

Year 7	Stephanie Quan
Year 8	Brandon Fredericks
Year 9	Jared Dougheney-Earle

We would also like to celebrate the wonderful efforts of our students who took part in our annual Passage Reading competition, hosted by the library and judged by our Librarian, Barbara Smith and our Curriculum Leader, Kerry Bainbridge.

Special Mention

Joshua Sheppard (Year 8)
Jessica Blake (Year 8)

Third Place

Anthony Yap (Year 9) who read a poem entitled "To Thomas Moore".

Second Place

Justin Nguyen (Year 8) who read an extract from the Harry Potter series.

First Place

Jessica Robinson (Year 8) who read an extract from the novel "A Boy Called It".

We would also like to thank Endeavour Books who provided prizes for our successful participants.

Fern Brisbane, Head of English and Literacy

Music Madness 2007 The Success!

On 31 August, Brentwood Secondary College held its annual Music Madness. The day was a vast success, well organized and ran smoothly.

The event solely run by the students and SRC members was an enjoyable show for all the contestants, as well as the captivated audience, who were overwhelmed with the musical talent presented to them.

The event was planned months in advance, where the SRC received over 30 applications to perform. It was a difficult procedure to eliminate many talented students as only 12 spots were available.

We thank all the participants and applicants as they all have talented musical ability.

On the day, the 12 bands played in 2 sessions, one for the junior school and the other for the senior school. They put all their heart and soul into their performance blowing the audience away. The judges were impressed by the amount of work and practice that went into creating such a huge event.

All the students were excellent, and in the soloist/duet category first place went to Charlotte Rowe who brought to life the song, *Hero* by Mariah Carey. Second place went to 'Stud to the Power of 2', Dean and Ryan of year 12, who bedazzled the audience with their stylings singing *Hero* by Enrique Iglesias. Third place was then given to Jason Bujaki of year 11, with his acoustic guitar and fine voice presented a flawless rendition of *Hey There Delilah*.

On the other hand in the band category, first place was awarded to 'The Chris Lobo Quartet'. 'Apricot Steam Train' was honoured with second prize and the third place was given to 'Rising Suburban'.

The SRC would like to thank all the people who helped out with the major organisation: Kristen Moore, Carlee Mückner and their team Fiona Jong, Paris Ballis and Jane Hart. Another special thank you goes to the sound and lighting crew who did a fabulous job on the day.

Lastly, thank you to the sponsors of Music Madness 07 who were kind enough to provide us with much appreciated donations. Music Madness would not have been possible without their contributions.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

Brandon Park

Fasta Pasta, Gloria Jeans, Hairhouse Warehouse, McDonalds, Muffin Break and Quattro Hair Design

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Glen Waverley

Lim, Intensity and Village Cinemas and Achieva Technology.

Carlee Mückner & Michelle Grant on behalf of the SRC

Rugby Jumper Replacements

The first delivery of Brentwood rugby jumpers was faulty – this was because they were not properly colourfast. The original stock has been returned to the suppliers and the uniform shop has had a small replacement delivered.

All rugby jumpers that have been purchased prior 1 August need to be returned, and the uniform shop will replace it with a brand new one. Currently the sizes available are 2XS to Medium. The Large to 2XL will arrive shortly.

The uniform shop is open on Wednesday's in the hall from 12 to 4pm.

Victorian Schoolwear Company

District Athletics 2007

With a large team of athletes keen to compete in their favourite events, we travelled to Knox Athletics track for the Waverley District interschool competition last week.

The goal for 2006 was to beat Mount Waverley – we accomplished that! The goal for 2007 was to bridge the gap between Brentwood and 1st place. In 2006 it was 500 points difference and in 2007 it has shrunken to a 300 point difference – It's looking good for a closer competition in 2008!!

Managing to fill all but 3 events prior to the day, I was quietly excited about our chances to do well throughout the day. But again Brentwood was let down with the last minute withdrawals and no shows. We are bridging the gap between us and 1st place. It can be done!

Final Results are -

Junior

- 1st GWSC (424)
- 2nd MWSC (387)
- 3rd Brentwood (307)
- 4th Wheelers Hill (259)
- 5th Ashwood (205)
- 6th Highvale (179)
- 7th Wellington (155)

Intermediate

- 1st GWSC (524)
- 2nd Brentwood (406)
- 3rd MWSC (265)
- 4th Wheelers Hill (221)
- 5th Highvale (196)
- 6th Wellington (164)
- 7th Ashwood (152)

Senior

- 1st GWSC (511)
- 2nd Brentwood (417)

- 3rd MWSC (285)
- 4th Wheelers Hill (225)
- 5th Highvale (169)
- 6th Ashwood (164)
- 7th Wellington (140)

Overall

- 1st GWSC (1459)
- 2nd Brentwood (1130)
- 3rd MWSC (937)
- 4th Wheelers Hill (705)
- 5th Highvale (544)
- 6th Ashwood (521)
- 7th Wellington (459)

Junior Girls

Brentwood athletes have also smashed 3 records at the carnival –

U/14 Long Jump

Tim Rowe =5.66m (T. Pothecary WHSC 2005, 5.66m)

U/21 Shot Put

Samantha Yap 10.86m (M. Fleming GWSC, 1999, 9.41m)

U/17 Girls Relay

Jasmine Chan, Emily Alexander, Tara White & Amelia Aslanides, 55.31sec (GWSC 2006, 56.37sec)

With a team of over 100 athletes, Brentwood has 33 students (**bolded** below) who have made it through to the Eastern Zone Competition in 46 events. Eastern Zone is on Friday October 12 (first week back in term 4) again at the Knox Athletics track. Well done to the entire team.

Intermediate Boys

Team members

Aaron Conlon	Aaron Johns
Alec Farragher	Alex Castricum
Amelia Aslanides	Andrew Madder
Andrew Pollard	Anthea Samargis
Ariel Garpian	Ashlee Rhind
Bec Corbett	Ben Huang
Beth Alexander	Behel Loh
Blake Roberts	Callan Burns
Carlee Mückner	Cassie Rowe
Cecilia Xu	Charmaine Dale
Chris Birthisel	Chris Brunton
Christina Maniatakis	Christopher Toth
Dane Rhind	Dave Mathers
David Bedggood	David Michalowsky
Debbie Ng	Dilan Somaratne
Em Paolucci	Emily Alexander

Emily Bray	Emily Maciszewski
Erica Purcell	Erick Bakhaazi
Gabbi Tarabolsi	Gary Guo
George Deng	Georgia Bryon
Georgia Corbett	Georgia Taylor
Hayden Denbesten	Izayah Ropata
Jac Feinberg	Jack Tyrrell
James Konstantinides	Jasmine Chan
Jason Stoop	Jason Szeto
Jenn Elphinstone	Jessica Bond
Jessica Eden	Jocelyn Chan
Kasey Fredericks	Kate Brown
Kim Roe	Kylie Chan
Lachlan Mann	Laura Stillitano
Lauren Cruse	Lesina Lalotoa
Lin Jong	Martin De Luca
Mason Chan	Matt Jago
Matthew Alexander	Melanie Murray
Melyce Cavanagh	Mustafa Ozak
Natascha Amend	Nathan Canning
Nathan Madder	Nick Ahearn
Nick Delithodoris	Nick Richards
Nuisha Mehdinejad	Nuru Jammeh
Onur Kadir	Philip Vang
Rachel Manning	Reyne Harris
Rory Neate	Rosey McDonald
Sam Tyrrell	Samantha Karakinos
Samantha Yap	Scott Rojo
Sean Sripapattanavon	Shane Savanagh
Shaun White	Simon Genitsaris
Sio Kavapalu	Sophie Tarabolsi
Stefan Johanson	Stella Tsakiris
Steven Georgiou	Tara White
Tiarne Butler	Tiarne Ecker
Tim Rowe	Tyson Frankland
Vanessa Clough	Vanessa Joyce
Victoria Chhen	

Lachlan's winning jump

There Off

Thank you also to our officials on the day - Mr Rutherford, Mr Hose, Ms Hatery, Ms Bishop & Mrs Jones. Thank you to Ms Plant for team management throughout the day. Thank you also to the student teachers, Ms Thomas and Ms Cleary, for taking photos.

Kim Nash, Sport Coordinator

Sports Round Up

State Finals – Intermediate Boys Badminton

Round 1: Swan Hill

played an excellent match. The tension was high with the scores locked at 18 all. Unfortunately,

Joel eventually lost 18-21. After Luke Chung lost his match 21-10, things weren't looking so good.

Enter Jason Szeto. Jason stepped onto the court and played an excellent match crushing his opponent 21-6 and putting Brentwood right back into the match. Inspired by this Andrew went onto to the court to play a very tough number 4 from Swan Hill. In a tight and fiercely contested match Andrew prevailed 25-23 to tie the match at two wins a piece with Brentwood in front by a slender 3 points.

So it was off to the doubles to decide most probably which school would finish on top of our pool. The standard of play had been extremely high in the singles and this did not change in the doubles. Our boys were to eventually lose 15-21 and 19-21. A great performance in going down 4 rubbers to 2 and 108 points to 113.

Round 2 and 3 Warragul and St Albans

After our close loss to Swan Hill the boys were very determined to secure second sport and try and advance to the final. They managed to sweep past Warragul and St Albans 6 rubbers to love and set up a show down with Melbourne High School.

State Semi Final

Melbourne High

In an excellent opening match Joel triumphed 21-18 over a strong highly accomplished Melbourne player. Joel demonstrated excellent shot making and concentration. After Luke went down to his very polished player it was one rubber all. Andrew and Jason both had to play ex-Brentwood students with Jason losing 21-11 (his first loss of the season), it was up to Andrew to try and tie things up. Unfortunately Andrew went down 18-21 in an excellent match.

Joel and Jason won their doubles (21-15) and Luke and Andrew lost 21-11 and Brentwood went down 4-2 to a Melbourne High team that was just too strong on the day. The season was over, but not before Brentwood finished 3rd in the state.

A special mention to Stan Kwan and Derrick Qua, for your patience at the state finals even though you both received limited court time. It should be noted that Stan won 2 doubles matches and his singles and Derrick won his doubles with Stan.

Congratulations to all the members of the team on the efforts this year. You have a fantastic team to work with. The support for each other, the sportsmanship and the dedication to training (over 30 training sessions), have made you a special group of young men to work with. Good luck next year.

Team

Joel Yap Luke Chung
Jason Szeto Andrew Lee
Stan Kwan Derrick Qua

Geoff Rutherford, Coach

Community Corner**Creative Parenting**

When: 11 October 2007
 6.30pm – 9.00pm
Where: Function Centre, Manningham
 City Council
 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster
Presenters: Dr Rick Jarman – Paediatrician
 Andrew Fuller – Clinical
 Psychologist & Family Therapist
RSVP: 9840 9315 by 5 October 2007

Canteen News

Mon: S Newsom, V Mason
Tues: M Levey, L Mossenton (L)
Wed: J Lindrea, C Brown
Thur: C Ryhanen, C Kirwan
Fri: S Watts, J Knight

Thank you everyone.

Shirley & Carol
