



Brentwood Secondary College

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Assistant Principals
Mrs Barbara Laidlaw
Mr Leon Lilly
Mr David Shelton

Principal's Report

During week 9, our School Captains and Vice-Captains conducted a Leadership Forum for Year 7 students. Our school leaders are to be commended for both their preparation and presentation. The session was vibrant and informative, and a great example of leadership from Mitzi Constantinou, David Bedgood, Scott Sittampalam and Kristen Moore.

As usual, the Brentwood Secondary College sport teams have excelled at local and state level. Our junior golf team was runner up in the Eastern Zone final, with Crosby Kang winning the girls tournament and Robert Tomlin also qualifying for state finals. Well done and best of luck to Crosby and Robert.

Our Year 7 girls squash and basketball 'B' teams deserve our congratulations also, for winning their district competition. Best of luck to these girls in their next round which is Eastern Zone.

Our Eastern Zone girls soccer team champions competed in the VSSSA state finals on Wednesday. They performed very well and the school is justifiably proud of them as they finished 6th in the state. Again, a great result.

Congratulations go to all Brentwood Secondary College students who entered both the Australian Mathematics Competition and the University of NSW English Competition. A special mention must go to Year 7 student Michael Zhan who was a prize winner in Mathematics and achieved a High Distinction in English. Our results in both subjects were excellent. Congratulations to our students and our extremely talented and dedicated Mathematics and English staff.

Early in Term 4, all Year 12 students will be sitting practice exams from 9th October till 15th October. This is an opportune time for our Year 12 students to fine tune their study regimes and rehearse responses in an organized structure. It is a chance for students to undertake serious practice for their upcoming VCE exams. Year 11 and 12 students are encouraged to intersperse their study with lots of rest and recreation. Senior students however, should ensure their study sessions are structured and regular, with the main focus being completion of practice responses.

Both staff and students at Brentwood Secondary College have completed an extremely busy term. All members of the school community are looking forward to having a short break before the rigours and stress of term 4. I encourage all staff and students to take time to re-charge their batteries as it is vital that all members of the school community are physically and mentally prepared for the final term of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the Brentwood Secondary Community an enjoyable, productive and safe break.

Stud Park Bus

The Venture Bus Company has expressed concern regarding the safety at the Stud Park pick up in the morning.

Students are approaching the buses as they arrive causing drivers to swerve to miss them. Could all students please stand back from the buses until they come to a complete stop.

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Dates and Deadlines

7 Oct	Council Review Meeting
8 Oct	VCE Music Night
9 Oct	October Tests Commence
10 Oct	Whole School PD – Student Free Day
14 Oct	Education Meeting 6.00pm Resources Meeting 7.10pm
15 Oct	TST2 Dress Rehearsal October Test Finish
16 Oct	Year 7, 9 & 10 Injections TST2 Performance
17 Oct	Year 10 Course Preferences Due TST2 Performances
22 Oct	School Assembly Year 12 Last Day Valedictory Dinner
24 Oct	Year 10 PEP Day
27 Oct	School Council Meeting 7.00pm
31 Oct	Unit 4 Exams Commence

Naplan

Brentwood Secondary College has posted the NAPLAN test results to parents of students in years 7 and 9. NAPLAN is the National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy. It was administered to all students across the nation earlier this year. Results were posted on Wednesday and parents / guardians should have received them no later than Friday of this week. In each envelope there is a statement of results for your child and a brochure to explain the results. The purpose of this Commonwealth initiative is to show how your child is performing compared to

- Other Australian students
- The average score on the Naplan tests and
- The range of achievement for 60% of students in Australia.

The Literacy tests measured achievement in writing, reading and language conventions. The Numeracy test measures student achievement in number, algebra, function and pattern, measurement, chance and data, and space.

Your child's result is represented on the report by a black dot. The black arrow indicates the National average for that year level. The light blue area on the diagram represents the range achievement for 60% of students at that year level. If the black dot representing your child's result is in the bottom band, that is at the bottom of the report, their achievement on this test was below the minimum standard. It is highly recommended that you contact the school to discuss your child's results.

Should you wish to contact the school regarding any aspect of the NAPLAN test results for your

child, please do not hesitate to contact either Barbara Laidlaw, Assistant Principal or Kerry Bainbridge, Head of Teaching and Learning.

Kerry Bainbridge, Head of Teaching and Learning

Year 7 Students - Author Visit - Michael Pryor

The 2008 Brentwood Literature enrichment program finishes on Wednesday October 8 with Michael Pryor presenting two sessions to the Year 7 students.

The two sessions will be in the Library -:

- ❖ Session One – period 2 – Yr 7A to 7E
- ❖ Session Two – period 3 – Yr 7F to 7J

Margaret Brudenell, Teacher Librarian

Sport

Brentwood has again done exceptionally well in 2008 with sport. We have had at least one team in all sports available at the Interschool round robin days. Our participation in sport is fantastic.

Without the dedication of the staff at Brentwood who give up their time to coach and manage teams, we would not be able to enjoy the friendly competition the Waverley District offers. Below are the 'Supercoaches' (from term 2) for 2008 who are competing or have already competed at the Eastern Zone Competition. Congratulations -

Supercoach

Mrs Marveggio
Mr Kumar
Mr Pirrie
Mr Attard
Mr Hose
Miss Bishop
Mr Rutherford
Mr Claney
Mr Pirrie
Miss Bishop
Miss Nash
Mr Davatsis
Mr Rutherford
Miss Bishop
Mr Pirrie
Miss McClusky
Mr Hose
Mr Hunt
Mrs Crow
Mr Newcombe
Miss Burrows
Mr Cooper

Team

Yr 7 boys baseball
Yr 7 boys tennis
Yr 7 boys cricket
Senior girls squash
Senior boys football
Senior boys basketball B
Senior boys badminton
Senior golf
Intermediate boys football
Intermediate girls netball A
Yr 8 girls badminton
Yr 8 girls Soccer
Yr 7 boys badminton
Yr 8 girls netball B
Yr 7 boys football
Yr 7 girls soccer
Junior girls football
Intermediate boys netball
Yr 7 girls netball B
Yr 7 girls squash
Yr 7 girls basketball
Junior golf

Mr Pirrie
Intermediate boys
basketball B

Thank you also to all the staff who have coached throughout the year. Your dedication and enthusiasm is greatly appreciated by students, the school, and me.

Missing Uniforms

Just a reminder to parents and students that if you have a numbered football, athletics, basketball or soccer/hockey Brentwood sports top or school socks at home could they please be returned to the school as soon as possible. We have a couple of incomplete sets.

PE Uniforms

Parents please **label all uniform items** – it can't be returned to your child if there is no name on it. Thank you for your cooperation.

Kim Nash, Sports Coordinator

Sports Round-Up

Junior Golf Team Eastern Zone Runners-Up 2008

The Brentwood Junior Golf Team competed at Churchill Park Golf Course on Friday 12 October. In very difficult conditions, including gale force winds, all students successfully completed the 18 hole Stroke event.

School Team Aggregates (Best 3 scores)

1 st	Rowville	283
2 nd	Brentwood	312
3 rd	Maroondah	333

Team

Crosby Kang	Nathan Thiele
Denny Kang	Robbie Tomlin
Jake Lever	

Further congratulations also go to Crosby Kang who was the winner of the Girls event and will now compete at the State Final in October, along with Robbie Tomlin who qualified with one of the best scores in the Boys event.

The students who represented Brentwood are to be congratulated for their conduct and great efforts in both the District and Zone events. Well done.

Ashley Cooper, Team Manager

Year 7 Girls Soccer - State Competition

On Tuesday 16 September the Year 7 girls soccer team was lucky enough to head off to the state all day round robin. Their presence there was the result of months of hard work and getting through

the district and zone competitions with not a single loss. The state competition was a long windy day of only 3 matches but waits of over an hour between games.

The first game was against a very strong side from Mentone Girls Grammar. Alex Knock scored the first goal of the game in the first half. However, Mentone scored two more goals and won the game 2-1. The second game was against Brauer, another strong side. Although there were many close goal attempts by Drew Valiotis and Natalie Semercioglu the game was lost 1-0 to Brauer. The third match was against Flora Hill. This was a close match with many near goals by both teams which ended in a 0-0 draw.

Sarah Vong was awarded a special player of the day award by the teams' student coaches. Her speed, skill and fitness meant that few balls got past her in defence, especially with the help of Jayme James and Souad Janzerli (goalie).

A big thank-you to all the parents and Kim Nash who travelled all the way to Thornbury to support the team on the day.

Student Coaches

Erick Bakhaazi Melanie Murray

Co-captains

Alex Knock Jayme James

Team

Samantha Noonan	Stephanie Gardner
Mackenzie Curtis	Sarah Vong
Laurina Collyer	Michelle Wong
Natalie Semercioglu	Veronica Topcu
Lucy Palmer	Drew Valiotis
Lauren Crupi	Souad Janzerli
Natalie Elias	Jayme Merrill (absent from state)

Sophie McCluskey, Team Manager.

Year 7 Boys Hockey

It was a warm sunny day, a perfect day for hockey. The year seven hockey team was heading to Waverley Hockey Centre to challenge the rivalry schools. The team was pumped and were eager to play.

Game 1: Brentwood vs. Mount Waverley

Our first match against Mount Waverley was a nail biter and came down to the wire. Our defence was unbreakable for almost the whole game but Mount Waverley scored in the dying seconds off a penalty, which came from a dubious decision by the umpires. We had many chances to score but unfortunately we could not capitalize on the opportunities we had. Although we lost, the boys played a great game and showed some great

potential. The entire team had a great match. Our defence was amazing, the stand out defenders including Ben Roberts and Alex Banane, who were unbreakable. The end result was 1 – 0 to Mount Waverley.

Game 2: Brentwood vs. Highvale

In the second match, Brentwood played an exciting game against Highvale. Easing into the day, the boys started off the match a little bit too confidently and found themselves running after Highvale. However, finding their feet the boys started winning the ball. The attacking forwards such as Anthony Verity and Josh Hicks had made an everlasting fight for the ball, while Brayden Fraser at centre forward and Scott Deluca at centre back set good examples for the team for their efforts at winning the ball. Unluckily for Brentwood however, the umpires weren't calling in our favour, which influenced the overall score. The end result was 2 – 0 to Highvale, Brentwood putting up a big fight, but unfortunately not getting the result that we hoped for.

Game 3: Brentwood vs. Wellington

Our last game of the day was against Wellington, the boys were pumped up and really wanted to get a score on the board.

After a little bit of advice from the coaches they were ready to play a more attacking style of hockey. We started off the game with Wellington almost scoring twice, and were playing the game on their terms. The second half Brentwood started to dominate. We had our first short corner of the game which nearly resulted in a goal. From then on the boys played the game they wanted to play and controlled the right side of the field, taking many shots at goal without success. Anthony Gullifer was goal keeper for the whole day and didn't let many through; he was strongly supported by Alex Banane who was a solid defender at right back. Also, Reyne Doyle came off the bench and provided a fantastic option along with Sagar Iyer.

Brentwood came out with a nil all draw, however due to lack of time we needed to decide the game by the flick of a coin. Our captain Josh Hicks chose heads and WON!

It was a great effort from the all the boys playing in the spirit of the game and playing as a team, finishing 5th over all with a few dubious decisions. On behalf of the players and coaches we would like to thank Mr Hose for his help and encouragement on game day and at trainings. GO BRENTWOOD!!

Team

Anthony Gullifer	Alex Banane
Sagar Iyer	Kabir Gill

Reyne Doyle	Ben Roberts
Scott Deluca	Adam Hollingworth
Josh Hicks	Anthony Verity
Brayden Fraser	Ozzie Salahi-Bilgin

Coaches

Nick, Jenn, David

David Hose, Team Manager

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Community Corner

Free Public Forum: 'C21st Learning and the National Curriculum'

On Monday 10 November 2008, a free public forum 'C21st Learning and the National Curriculum' is being presented by Curriculum Corporation as part of the 2008 Curriculum Corporation national conference.

Professor Barry McGaw (Chair, National Curriculum Board), and internationally renowned experts Chris Wardlaw (Hong Kong) and Valerie Hannon (UK) will join in conversation with ABC Radio National's Richard Aedy.

Parents and members of school communities are invited to join the audience for this free forum. This is a free, ticketed event; entry is by issued ticket only. Seats are limited. Tickets will be mailed out to registrants. To secure a ticket, you must complete the fax-back registration form.

To register, visit

<http://www.curriculum.edu.au/conference/2008/default.asp?id=24769>

Yarra Valley Railway Holiday Timetable

Trolley rides will depart Healesville station on the hour between 10.00am to 4.00pm on the following dates: Sunday 21, Wednesday 24 – Sunday 28 Sept, Wednesday 1 – Sunday 5 October. For more information please call 5962 2490 or visit www.yarravalleyrailway.org.au

Canteen News

Term 4

Mon: M Yegorian, J Hadaway
Tues: J Hovenden, G Sitnikow
Wed: C Huebner
Thur: S Remmington, I Wilmott

Fri: Pupil Free

Thanks everyone

Shirley & Carol
