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Principal's Report

In 2009, as part of a restructure, students in Year 10 will become part of Senior School. This change is consistent with the realignment of the Year 10 curriculum with the Year 11 and 12 VCE program. All students in Senior School will be required to wear the Senior School uniform, for which the main visible difference is the colour of the college jumper. They will also be issued with the Senior School planner which is funded by the voluntary parent contributions. These changes mean that students in Years 10, 11 and 12 will be part of Senior School and students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will be part of Junior School.

The Head of Junior School will be Ms Suzanne Plant leading a team of six student managers:

Year 9: Judy Anderson (Assistant Head of Junior School), Victoria Gallucci
Year 8: Bill Exton, Tracey Campion
Year 7: Shane Hunt, Sonja Ardley

The Head of Senior School will be Mrs Fiona Erwich leading a team of six student managers:

Year 12: Monique Le Grove (Assistant Head of Senior School), Joel Batalha
Year 11: Narelle Wood, Tony Watts
Year 10: Kate Atkins, Robin Gamble

We hope that you find these changes easy to deal with and we will be providing you with more information about the new processes so that the student management teams and parents can work together in the interests of the students.

Brentwood's drama students have received accolades from the Metropolitan Fire Board for their work in presenting dramatised accident situations to assist the MFB in their community information program designed to teach students across

Melbourne about accident prevention and management. Students involved in the dramatised program each received a certificate for their part in the program which involved realistic injury makeup and participation in role plays.

The students were led by our drama teacher, Joel Batalha, who has been involved in the program for the past three years leading and coaching different teams of our students and as a result Brentwood received a Special Commendation plaque for our contribution to this valuable program. The MFB rarely gives such special commendations and we are only the third school every to be recognised in this way.



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NO SECOND HAND BOOK SALE

Parents are reminded that the College can no longer facilitate a second hand book sale. Our bookseller, Endeavour Books provide a second hand book sale facility through their website www.endeavourbooks.com.au for books purchased from Endeavour Books.

Dates and Deadlines

24 Nov	2009 Year 9 Sign-up Year 10 Work Experience Week Year 11 to 12 Course Confirmation School Council 7.00pm
25 Nov	Year 11 to 12 Course Confirmation Year 8 2009 Information Night
26 Nov	Year 9 Maths Test Periods 5/6 Year 11 to 12 Orientation
27 Nov	Year 11 to 12 Orientation Year 11 Formal
28 Nov	Report Writing Day
01 Dec	Year 10 to 11 Course Confirmation
02 Dec	Year 10 to 11 Course Confirmation
03 Dec	Year 10 to 11 Course Confirmation 2009 Year 8 Sign Up Year 10 Graduation Dinner
04 Dec	Year 10 to 11 Orientation Classes Peer Support Training
05 Dec	Year 10 to 11 Orientation Classes Peer Support Training

Year 8 2009 Information Evening

All parents, guardians and students are invited to an Information Evening on Tuesday 25 November. The purpose of the evening is to explain the Year 8 curriculum at Brentwood, and the process by which students are enrolled into their subjects.

The Information Evening will be held in the TLC and will commence at 7:00pm. It is anticipated to take approximately 20 to 30 minutes.

Mark Oudshoorn, Sign Up Co-ordinator

Year 9 2009 Sign-Up

Current Year 8 students have received information this week regarding their subject selections for 2009.

Students are reminded that their yellow unit selection form needs to be submitted to their Home Group teacher by Monday, 24 November.

Any questions regarding the Sign-Up process can be directed to Mark Oudshoorn at the College on 8545 0300 or oud@brentwood.vic.edu.au

Mark Oudshoorn, Sign Up Co-ordinator

Early Supply of English Texts 2009 Year 12 Students

It is expected that year 12 students will have read the first text for English subjects before day 1, 2009. Holiday work will be set using the texts.

Students may purchase copies from the College's booklist supplier during the year 11-12 Orientation on Thursday 27 November at 12.30pm in the Library. Cash, credit and EFTPOS facilities are available.

The first texts to be studied in 2009 are:

Subject	Title	Price
English Units 3&4	Nineteen eighty-four...Orwell	\$17.95
English as a Second Language Units 3&4	Sky Burial...Xinran	\$23.95
Literature Units 3&4	Frankenstein...Shelley	\$9.95

Barbara Smith, Head of Library

November

A team of eleven staff members are cultivating moustaches this November. You are invited to sponsor us and support charity.

The money raised increases awareness of men's health issues and is donated to the *Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia* and *beyondblue - the national depression initiative*. The PCFA and *beyondblue* uses the funds for research and better support networks for men who suffer from prostate cancer and depression.

Last year in Australia 18,700 men were diagnosed with prostate cancer and more than 2,900 died of prostate cancer. Depression affects 1 in 6 men, and most don't seek help.

To donate from your credit card, visit www.movember.com and follow the links to "donate to a team". Our team name is "Brentwood". To donate without a credit card, come and give us some cash. All donations greater than \$2 are, of course, tax deductible.

***Nicholas Hender and Cameron Baulch,
Movember Brentwood Team Captains***

Community Corner

Carols by Candlelight

Sunday 14 December 2008

Jells Park, Wheelers Hill

8.00pm – 10.00pm

Children's show at 7.15pm – 'Gee Wiz Kids'

Free Children's activities from 4.00pm and the Fireworks Finale is at 10.00pm

Free concert and food stalls. Limited parking on site, drug & alcohol free event. Bring a torch.

Canteen News

Mon: H Paterson, G Thompson,
L Creighton
Tues: C Williamson
Wed: S Tighello, L Bult
Thur: C Williams
Fri: R Attwood

Thanks everyone

Shirley & Carol
