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Principal's Report

The news this week has been full of calamitous stories about year 12 students from private and government schools across Melbourne marking the end of their schooling with significant anti-social behaviour. Some of the worst incidents have involved considerable violence and have taken place at parks and schools in neighbouring suburbs. I am pleased to report that the students from Brentwood marked the end of their schooling in a range of thoughtfully amusing activities where they kept themselves safe and did not inflict harm on others. Our year 12 students appointed themselves as carpark attendants and ran a profitable business, charging staff to use their carpark on the year 12's final day. The Principal paid and wasn't even able to access her carpark! I would like to support the Principal's comments made at the Valedictory Dinner, and on behalf of all staff express our pride in the way our year 12 students conducted themselves. It is a credit to the students and their student leaders, in particular School Captains Ellie Schouten and Ricky Alabaster, and to the advice and management by their student managers Monique Burke and Joel Batalha, with the Head of Senior School, Fiona Erwich.

It was the end of an era for our current group of year 12 students, most of whom commenced their secondary schooling in 2004 at Brentwood. Their final assembly presented to students from years 9, 10 and 11 was a happy, yet tearful, event remembering and celebrating their years at Brentwood and saying goodbye to their alma mater.

The Valedictory Dinner, held at *Leonda on the Yarra* on Wednesday night, saw the presentation of the year 12 certificates to each of the students, as well as presentation of the awards for best student in each class as nominated by their class teacher using a range of criteria. There

will be a separate presentation of academic subject awards at Presentation Night on Tuesday 15 December, based on the VCE study scores.

Presentations were also made for Leadership (Ricky Alabaster), International Student of the Year (Ruttanunt Funchien), Citizenship (Fiona Jong) and True Blue Sport (Nick Richards and Georgia Delithodoris). It was a great night of celebration thanks to the organisation by the senior school team, in particular Monique Burke, Joel Batalha, Fiona Erwich and Narelle Wood.

I would encourage you and your children in year 12 to work together to make the most out of the last days before their exams and ensure they have efficient and effective study programs, from which they are able to achieve their personal best. The students commence their final VCE exams on Friday 30 October. Please remember that all students are expected to be punctual for their exams and to be in full school uniform.

Finally, for parents of year 7, I hope that you have coped with your sons and daughters away on camp this week. I would like to remind you that the final round of immunisations (3rd dose of Gardasil for girls and 2nd dose of Hepatitis B) will take place next Wednesday 28 October.

David Shelton, Assistant Principal

Dates and Deadlines

26 Oct	School Council 7.00pm
28 Oct	Year 7 Injections Junior School Concert (Periods 5 & 6)
29 Oct	Year 10 PEP Day
30 Oct	Year 12 VCE Unit Exams Commence
3 Nov	Melbourne Cup Day
10 Nov	2010 Year 8 Information Night 6.00pm Student Media Presentation Night 6.30pm Education Sub-Committee Meeting 6.00pm Resources Sub-Committee Meeting 7.10pm
11 Nov	Year 11 Study Day
12 Nov	Year 11 Exams Commence Year 7 Music Night 7.30pm

T.E.E.N.S. Teaching, Enlightening, Encouraging and Nurturing Safe Drivers

On 28 August, our year 10 Rethinking Drinking class was taken on an excursion to the T.E.E.N.S. program. T.E.E.N.S. is run by the MFB and teaches students about alcohol and its impacts, including the dangers of irresponsible drinking and drink driving. The program was held at Caulfield Race Course and has been successfully teaching year 10 students about the dangers of alcohol for the past 7 years.

Along with our school were 3 others who also watched the presentations, interactive scenarios and role plays presented by MFB road rescue operators. At the end of the program, our very own year 9 Brentwood Secondary College drama class presented a play summarising all the dangers we had learnt about over the day.

Following the year 9 drama performance, was a very horrific scenario of a car crash caused by drink driving where once again, our year 11 Brentwood students starred. This program was a life changing experience and has greatly raised our awareness about the dangers of drinking.

Thank you to Ms Warner and Ms Hatley for arranging this program and supervising our class.

Lin Jong, Year 10E

SRC Update

The SRC have been hard at work, conscious of the fact that there are only weeks now left of the school year. The school's final casual dress day which was held on Friday 16 October was a great success. The money raised will be going towards firstly providing special walkers allowing children with Cerebral Palsy to walk for the first time in their lives. Secondly, some of the money will be going to a volunteer project in Thailand at Baan Luuk Rak. This will go towards supporting a former teacher from Brentwood's volunteer group who are going to be building a library for children at an orphanage in Khon Kaen, North East Thailand.

Along with the casual dress day, the annual SRC breakfast was held where students were treated to a free breakfast of scones in the morning. Over 500 scones were cut by the extremely dedicated SRC members, and served for the benefit of the school community, promoting the eating of breakfast before the stressful exam period soon approaching for many senior students.

Finally, it is with great pride that I inform the Brentwood community that our contribution to our sponsor child Edson has drawn to a close after 10 years of support. The Rakai Birungi Byokka III project has been successfully completed by World Vision, and so Edson's community has moved towards a future of opportunity and self-reliance. We now look forward to supporting Juliet Mazivisa as our sponsor child, and hope for another amazing 10 years of sponsorship and support!

Patrizio Briganti, President SRC

Eastern Zone Athletics

Congratulations to all athletes who competed at the Eastern Zone Athletics competition held at Knox last week. Brentwood athletes achieved some outstanding personal best results, and we have 6 athletes who have qualified to compete at the State Championships at Olympic Park next week. Well done.

Luke Johnstone	3000m	10 th
Callan Burns	Discus	8 th
	800m	BRONZE
	1500m	BRONZE
Daniel Fredericks	Shot Put	6 th
Stephanie Mann	1500m Walk	GOLD
Chris Brunton	1500m Walk	GOLD
Beth Alexander	1500m Walk	GOLD
	1500m	GOLD
	800m	SILVER
Erica Purcell	1500m Walk	7 th

Brandon Fredericks	1500m Walk	BRONZE
	Javelin	4 th
Ashley Savanah	110m Hurdles	GOLD
	100m	GOLD
Tina Pham	High Jump	7 th
Kate Brown	Hurdles	DNC
Tyson Frankland	High Jump	DNC
Ishan Rajapaksha	800m	5 th
Jayde Viccars	800m	6 th
Sophie Tarabolsi	Shot Put	GOLD –
(new record)	Javelin	4 th
Matt Alexander	800m	5 th
Tim Rowe	High Jump	SILVER
Lachlan Mann	800m	SILVER
	1500m	4 th
Michael Ilett	Shot Put	7 th
Dane Rhind	200m	5 th
Taylah Bennet	1500m	4 th
Shaun White	400m	6 th
Girls 16 Relay	SILVER	
Kate Brown, Jessica Eden, Melanie Murray, Cecilia Faalili		
Boys 17 Relay	BRONZE	
Ashley Savanah, Cohen Howell, Lee O'Hara, Kav Jayawickrema		

Canteen News

Mon: H Paterson, G Thompson L Howard (L)
 Tues: A Clegg, M Yeogorian
 Wed: L Bult, M Hollingworth, M Yeogorian (L)
 Thur: **Help Wanted Please**
 Fri: M Hayes, M Leece, B Kuek

Carol & Liz

Junior Walker off to State Finals

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New record in shot put

Senior Walkers off to State Finals

State finalists 110 hurdles and 100m

U16 Relay Team – Silver Medallists

U17 Relay Team – Bronze Medallists

Thank you to Ms Bishop, Ms Hately, Kasey Fredericks, Cassie Rowe and Sarah Bigg for being officials and team photographers at the carnival.

Kim Nash, Sport Coordinator

Community Corner

Glen Waverley Tennis Club Open Day

Sunday 25 October, 11.30am – 2.00pm. Free sausage sizzle, games and prizes, free coaching from Tennis Australia qualified coaches. For more information call Brad on 9562 2344 or 0417 327 880.
