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### Principal's Report

#### Brentwood Alumni

Staff at our college often speak about former students, their career paths and accomplishments. It is always a topic of great interest for the staff and it has been suggested that we include an 'Alumni' item in the newsletter. In this way we would like to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of our graduates and it is an appropriate time to commence this initiative as this year is the fortieth anniversary of the founding of Brentwood Secondary College.

Barbara Atkinson will be the contact person for details about our Brentwood Alumni. It is essential that if a proxy is providing the information about a graduate, that permission has been gained from the ex-student to have their accomplishments published in the newsletter.

Details can be forwarded to Barbara by e-mail at [bsc@brentwood.vic.edu.au](mailto:bsc@brentwood.vic.edu.au). Please include:

- The graduates name
- The years they were at Brentwood
- Post-secondary education including apprenticeships, traineeships, TAFE and university,
- Details of their career path and current position
- Sporting achievements
- Personal achievements, e.g., climbing Mt Everest

We look forward to hearing from our Brentwood Alumni.

#### Visitors to Brentwood

Over the last decade the standing of the Victorian Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) within the international education community has grown from strength to strength.

A manifestation of this distinguished international reputation was clearly demonstrated in the opening of the Victorian International School of Sharjah in September 2007. This school is designed to cater for 2600 students from prep to year 12 with the prep-year 10 curriculum being based on the Victorian Essential Learning Standards and the VCE being offered at year 12. One of Brentwood's senior teachers, Mr Peter Rhodes, who held the position of Head of Senior School at our college, was seconded to Sharjah to lead the implementation of the VCE within this new school.

As a result of the education reforms that have occurred within the Blueprint for government schools delivered through the seven Flagship Strategies, DEECD also receives many requests to facilitate visits by delegations of educators. These requests include countries that are looking at system wide reform, academics from education faculties within universities, administrators within education systems, principals, teachers and student teachers. Commonly, they ask to have access to schools to experience a snapshot of daily life in a Victorian school. They also want to speak to Victorian principals and teachers about their work.

Parents who are new to the Brentwood community may not be aware that over the past three or four years our college has had the honour of being asked by DEECD to host many delegations of educators. These visitors have included visitors from Dubai, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, Japan, Canada, Japan, Thailand and New Zealand. Interstate visitors have come from Western Australia, Tasmania and New South Wales. We have also hosted many Victorian schools both primary and secondary.

There has been a broad range of areas that the visitors have been interested to see during their visits to Brentwood. The whole school focus on teaching and learning and improving pedagogy to improve outcomes for students. The design of the new buildings and in particular the link between floor plan, equipment such as the Apple Mac laptops and iPods, and the integrated curriculum in the year 7 TLC Centre is of particular interest. The provision of ICT throughout the college and the innovative Digital Divas program in year 8. The professional learning program that has been conducted for staff and the Performance and Development Culture annual review process that all staff participate in. The work of the Wellbeing Team and Student Managers including college practices in Restorative Management and management policies for bullying and harassment. The leadership structure within the college and how we accommodate succession planning for teachers wanting to learn from experienced school leaders.

The groups that visit our college also bring knowledge and experience that results in stimulating conversations about schools, students and learning. This week we have hosted a South Australian delegation comprised of two Regional Directors and three principals. This group spent two days visiting six schools across Melbourne. The principals will be leading schools in the northern suburbs of Adelaide that will be the result of three regeneration projects on completely new sites. One of the schools will have enrolments of birth to year 12 which is from crèche to the end of schooling. The second school will be birth to year 7. The third school will be a multi-campus college consisting of one co-educational campus, an all-girls campus and a special school. These structures are innovative and the principals have taken a leap into the unknown.

Next week we will be hosting a delegation from Parramatta in NSW. It will be fascinating to hear their educational journey as well!

**Barbara Laidlaw, Acting Principal**

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### **Active Life Challenge**

On Tuesday 24 March there will be an “*Active Life Challenge*” twilight evening from 6.30pm – 7.30pm. While this event was specifically designed for students who are studying PE234: *Fit-4-Life*, we would like to extend the invitation to all Brentwood students and families.

The evening will comprise of a variety of fun activities that are suitable for people of any age

or level of fitness. So come along and have some fun.

**David Hose, Head of Health and Physical Education and Sarah Hatley, Fit-4-Life Coordinator**

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### **Dates and Deadlines**

23 Mar	Year 8 Study Skills (Periods 2 & 3) School Council Annual Reporting Manual
24 Mar	Active Life Challenge 6.30pm
26 Mar	Year 12 English – Guest Speaker VCE Afternoon
27 Mar	Year 7 Sport
2 April	State Swimming Parent/Teacher Interviews 4.30- 7.30pm Families A-L
3 April	School Ends 2.30pm
23 April	Parent/Teacher Interviews 4.30- 7.30pm Families M-Z

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### **Brentwood Secondary College Staff Perform for Charity**

Brentwood Secondary College staff, by arrangement with HLA Management, will present a performance of Louis Nowra's classic *COSI* to the Brentwood School Community.

Cosi is the story of Lewis, a struggling actor and director who takes up a job at a local mental hospital to put on a show. There he meets a range of colourful characters who at first frighten him, but end up finding a place in his heart. Cosi is a play normally studied in VCE and has some particular themes and references suitable for mature audiences. This community performance has been censored to make it appropriate for younger audiences, however some themes and references remain for contextual purposes.

The performance will be held in the Brentwood Secondary College Hall on Tuesday 21 April at 7pm. There will be no ticket price, instead audience members will be asked to make a donation money upon entry.

Proceeds from the performance will go to State School's Relief and Diabetes Australia.

For bookings go to [www.trybooking.com.au/NT](http://www.trybooking.com.au/NT) or visit our website and follow the links from the homepage. Bookings are essential as there will be allocated seating and only a limited number of seats available. **BOOK NOW.**

Contact Mr Batalha if you have any questions about this production.

### Cast

Lewis - Mr Evan Miller  
Lucy - Miss Michelle Luckman  
Nick - Mr Shane Hunt

Roy - Mr Joel Batalha  
Doug - Mr Bill Exton  
Cherry - Miss Katrina Katz  
Ruth - Mrs Kate Hender  
Julie - Mrs Jane Sahhar  
Henry - Mr Leon Lilly  
Zac - Mr Daniel Mackay  
Justine - Miss Jessica Murray

Directed by Mr Joel Batalha

A great opportunity for students to see their teachers in a whole different light.

We hope to see you at the show.

### Cast of *Cosi*

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## Brentwood Athletics Carnival

The Athletics Carnival was held last Tuesday at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve and it was a rare chance to compete in the old Melbourne weather of drizzle and light rain. With a few glimpses of blue sky, the students were keen to compete in their chosen events. Again it was extremely pleasing to watch as 66 students competed in the 12/13years long jump or the 8 heats of the 12/13years 100m races was fantastic.

The carnival had a full program, and competitors managed to find their way around to their various events. With the four houses being represented in all events the *final team scores* were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Reardon	1386
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wheeler	1375
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Macpherson	1323
4 <sup>th</sup>	Armstrong	1010

*Divisional scores* were:

### Junior (12/13yrs & 14yrs)

1 <sup>st</sup>	Reardon	732
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wheeler	558
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Armstrong	486
4 <sup>th</sup>	Macpherson	424

### Intermediates (15yrs & 16yrs)

1 <sup>st</sup>	Wheeler	548
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Macpherson	404
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Reardon	320
4 <sup>th</sup>	Armstrong	260

### Seniors (17 yrs & 18/20 yrs)

1 <sup>st</sup>	Macpherson	495
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Reardon	334
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wheeler	269
4 <sup>th</sup>	Armstrong	264

4 individual new **records** was set this year –

14yrs	Javelin	Stephanie Mann	23.35m (2001 Jacqui Maunder)
14yrs	High Jump	Lesina Lalotoa	1.41m (1993 Jess Taylor)
15yrs	Triple Jump	Emma Paolucci	9.57m (2008 Georgia Corbett)
16yrs	Triple Jump	Lin Jong	11.69m (1991 Andrew Michel)

With the introduction of new weights for certain field events, we had to retire a few older records and new records have been recorded.

### Retired Records

U/14	Shot Put G	Georgia Taylor	2007, 9.20m
U/15	Shot Put G	Jasmine Chan	2004, 9.17m
U/14	Shot Put B	Mark Woodford	2000, 13.96m
U/16	Shot Put B	Mark Woodford	2002, 13.81m
U/13	Javelin B	Jacob Castricum	2004, 37.07m
U/14	Javelin B	Jacob Castricum	2005, 33.41m
U/15	Javelin B	Mark Woodford	2001, 39.36m
U/13	Discus G	M.Currie	1991, 30.43m
U/14	Discus G	Emily Alexander	2003, 22.93m
U/13	Discus B	Jacob Castricum	2004, 31.57m
U/16	Discus B	D.Hart	1981, 42.70m
U/21	Discus B	P.Limberg	1978, 37.65m

### New Records

12/13yrs	Discus G	Holly Johnson	2009, 14.90m
14yrs	Discus G	Savini Kumaresan	2009, 14.40m
12/13yrs	Discus B	Kelvin Lees	2009, 31.00m
16yrs	Discus B	Shaun White	2009, 27.35m
18/20yrs	Discus B	Joshua Allwright	2009, 30.20m
12/13yrs	Javelin B	Thomas Dwyer	2009, 26.80m
14yrs	Javelin B	Alex Tapanes	2009, 22.30m
15yrs	Javelin B	Dane Rhind	2009, 32.17m

14yrs	Shot Put G	Souad Janzerli	2009,
		7.04m	
15yrs	Shot Put G	Sophie Tarabolsi	2009,
		7.40m	
14yrs	Shot Put B	Alex Tapanes	2009,
		9.28m	
16yrs	Shot Put B	Michael Ilett	2009,
		9.90m	

The **age champions**, students who earned the most points for their house in individual events, for 2009 are

12/13yrs	Luisa Greco Austin Peach
14yrs	Lesina Lalotoa Nathan Fredericks
15yrs	Emily Bray Callan Burns
16yrs	Georgia Corbett Lin Jong
17yrs	Selena Shaikh Michael Genitsaris Lachlan Mann
U/21	Ashlee Rhind Christopher Toth

Congratulations to all participants, and thank you to all staff and student helpers for the effort they put into the day. It ran really smoothly. Thank you.

*Kim Nash, Sports Coordinator*

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## Sport Round Up

### Intermediate Boys Volleyball

On Wednesday 11 March the intermediate boys volleyball teams were ready for a day of tough volleyball competition. They had trained for a couple of weeks mostly at lunchtimes and had also attended some afterschool sessions before the big day.

The 'A' team were first up against Ashwood 'A' and beat them comfortably 2-0. The 'B' team had their first match not long after and lost that 0-2 against Wellington A. The 'A' team won their next game 2-0 and were up against the very strong Glen Waverley 'A' team for their third match of the day. The boys lost the first game 4-15 and decided to forget that game and move on to the second one which they had tied at 14-all, but lost the next 2 points to give away the victory. The boys were disappointed but needed to remember that they managed to save 5 match

points in the second set and that they have the potential to beat them in the future!

The 'B' team won their second game 2-1 and then lost their next one 1-2 but finished the day on a high with a win against the Mount Waverley 'A' team.

The 'A' team went on to win all their games and finished second in their pool overall to Glen Waverley 'A'. The 'B' team finished third in their pool overall. I would like to congratulate all the boys on their efforts on the day, well done!

### 'A' Team

Lin Jong ( Captain)	
Tim Rowe (Vice-Captain)	
Dane Rhind	Callan Burns
John Theos	George Deng
Jack Roper	Christ Brunton

### 'B' Team

Michael Paoluzi (Captain)	
Kevin Ear (Vice Captain)	
Sina Roshan	David Wicks
Kurtis Whitfield	Mark Janecki
Ben Huang	Nick Fabrici

### *Sarah Hately, Coach*

### Senior Boys Volleyball

On Friday 27 February the senior boys volleyball teams were pumped and ready for some volleyball action! They had trained quite hard in the weeks before with the help of a volleyball coach Jarrad Swilks.

The day started off very well for both teams with the A team winning their first game 2-1 against Highvale 'A'. The 'B' team played off against the Glen Waverley 'A' team and almost beat them, only running out of time and ending up with a draw.

The 'A' team then played 3 more very comfortable games against Ashwood 'A', Mount Waverley 'B' and Wheelers Hill 'A' winning all games 2-0. The 'B' team came up against Mount Waverley 'A' in their second game and did really well against them too, losing 0-1, due to, once again, running out of time in the second set. The 'B' team finished off the day with a win against Wellington A, 1-0.

The 'A' team finished on top in their pool and the 'B' team finished in third place in their pool.

This then led to the Brentwood 'A' team heading into a finals match against Mount Waverley 'A', the first set was not too good with some nerves coming through in the final points of the game which the boys lost 13-15. The next game was much better with a win 15-12. The final set was

a bit of a nail biter but the boys kept their cool and played their positions which led to a win 15-7. Congratulations 'A' Team, top effort! The boys will now be advancing to the District Competition which will be on 28 April.

I would like to thank Jarrad Swilks for his assistance in coaching the 'A' team and am sure the boys appreciated his advice and expertise in the game.

#### **'A' Team**

Chris Toth (Captain) (ace server)  
Lyombe Lyimo (Vice Captain) (all rounder, back up setter, digger and spiker)  
Niz Janzerli (great spiker and tips)  
Kyri Konstantinides (team joker, awesome spiker and blocker)  
Jason Szeto (awesome server and team setter)  
Andrew Joyce (fantastic server and blocker)  
Rory Neate (great back up and tips)  
James Lomax (awesome hitter off the net, front court player)  
Matey Terek (fantastic team setter)

#### **'B' Team**

Jono Adams (Captain) (great setter)  
Josh Allright (Vice Captain) (consistant server)  
Nathan Madder (great spiker and blocker)  
Mason Chan (consistant server and digger)  
Calvin Chan (great server and hitter)  
Thomas Drewitt (great digger and setter)  
Chris Sutherland (awesome server and spiker)  
Michael Genitsaris (all rounder, setter, digger and spiker)

*Sarah Hately, Coach/Team Manager*

#### **Intermediate Softball**

Our victorious year 8 girls softball team had to step up to intermediate level this year – and being all bottom age year 9s we were a bit worried about playing against bigger, stronger, more experienced year 10s. Our first match was against Wheelers Hill who had a seriously fast pitcher – we were scared! Unfortunately for them – so was their catcher! After our first two batters went out (and we were now really worried) we had a two down batting rally to score 7 runs with smart batting and fast attacking base running.

Our pitcher Cassie and catcher Meaghan did a terrific job and clever fielding by Sienna at third base shut them out for only two runs. Their seriously fast pitcher then started pitching a lot of walks and with strong batting by Adele and Cassie we won 8-5.

Our second game against Highvale was a whitewash. The inexperienced opposition were no match for our strong batting led by homeruns

from Meaghan and Cassie and great hits from Emily, Sienna and Alysha. Great fielding by Emily at centre field and Georgia at first base resulted in a 17-2 demolition.

Our third game against Glen Waverley coincided with the hottest part of the day and the girls were all struggling in the heat. Their pitcher and fielders were also struggling – our base runners took advantage and scored 17 runs in two innings. Great pitching from Cassie and solid catching by Meg, especially an awesome throw to Sienna at third to tag out a Glen Waverley runner, combined with a great fly ball caught by Jenny at leftfield left us in an unbeatable position. In the last fielding innings we all changed our positions and Emily did a great job pitching and Caitlin took over for Georgia when she was wiped out at first base. Another great win 20-3.

After our bye we played our final game against Mt Waverley and we still don't know if we were over confident (unlikely), it was the conditions (it was hot!) or we just didn't play to our true potential (most likely!) but we were beaten 7-4. We played poorly losing 4 base runners running home and made several fielding errors. It is a reflection of how far the girls have come that they were very disappointed by their performance knowing it was well below our best.

As the competition was a straight round robin, there was no final and we soon realised we were in a three way tie with Wheelers Hill and Mt Waverley who had also lost one game. The screams and cheers of delight could have been heard back at Brentwood when we found out that we had won on percentage.

So we are again off to Eastern Zone, this time in April, not at the end of the year and we will return to training with some areas to work on and think about.....well done girls! Thank you to Micah Ropata for helping coach on the day.

#### **Team Members**

Cassie Rowe (Captain)	Jenny Xu
Meaghan Gleeson	Alysha Taggart
Georgia Harkness	Emily Bray
Kate Tyrell	Caitlin Cross
Sienna Head	Jess Powers
Adele Fox	Meg Wrench Joseph

*Suzanne Plant, Coach*

#### **Year 8 Boys Baseball**

On Monday 16 March the boys travelled to Napier Park to contest the district round robin competition.

In the first game Brentwood played Glen Waverley and scored a convincing victory 16-1. Strong hitting from Scott Deluca, Scott Cooling (3 base hits and home run), Rob Tomlin (home run), Kelvin Lees and Michael Hague set up the win. Excellent pitching from Brad Edwards kept Glen Waverley to one run due to his accuracy and control of his pitches.

In game two Brentwood played Wellington and continued their good form, recording an 11-2 victory. Accurate pitching and excellent fielding by Alex Liolios kept Wellington in check and the bats kept hitting the ball. Hits from Scott Cooling, Scott Deluca, Alex Liolios, Josh Hicks (home run and 3 base hits) and Daniel Kim.

#### Final-Brentwood vs Wheelers Hill

In a tight game the Brentwood boys hung tough playing excellent defence to keep themselves in the game. Wheelers Hill lead 3-1 after one innings, 4-2 after two and 4-3 after three. In the final inning (4<sup>th</sup>) Brentwood again held Wheelers Hill scoreless and came out to try to win the game. The bats exploded with hits to Luke Hadaway, Rob Tomlin, Brad Edwards and Mat Morton scoring 7 runs to run out 10-4 winners. Great pitching in this game from Brad Edwards and Scott Cooling to restrict Wheelers Hill. Good catching off fly balls by players in the field helped to finish each innings.

Congratulations to all players on an excellent performance on the day.

#### **Team Members**

Scott Deluca	Luke Smart
Scott Cooling	Brad Edwards
Michael Hague	Daniel Kim
Rob Tomlin	Kelvin Lees
Sam Williamson	Liam Rowe
Josh Hicks	Alex Liolios
Charlie Kittle	Luke Hadaway
Mat Morton	

#### *Geoff Rutherford, Coach*

#### **Intermediate Boys Baseball**

On March 11 the Intermediate Boys Baseball team travelled to Napier Park to try to become district champions. In their first game of the day the prospect of this occurring looked slim as they were well and truly trounced by Glen Waverley 6-1. The only notable highlight was a three base hit from Sam Kassianou.

However, the boys gradually began to wake up and proceeded to trounce Highvale 13-0. Strong pitching performances came from Nathan Thiele and Alex Tapanes. Hitting highlights were: Sam

Kassianou - 2B hit and a home run, Nathan Thiele-home run, Tom Maxfield-2B hit, Jake Matchett- 2 x 2B hits and an error home run, Brett Tyler-home run and Alex Tapanes-2B hit.

In the game against Mount Waverley the boys knew they had to win to advance to the final to play Glen Waverley again. After a scoreless first innings for both teams, the boys came out firing in the second scoring 7 runs. The bats cracked the ball lead by Thiele, Kassianou, and Matchett. In the final innings Brentwood scored another 4 runs to 2 to run out winners 11-2. Great pitching in this game from Sam Kassianou (no runs conceded) and Alex Tapanes.

On to the final and the Brentwood boys showed they were ready to play and avenge the defeat from earlier in the day. Brentwood came out firing scoring 5 runs in the first innings. Hits from Thiele, Kassianou, Tapanes and a home run from Jake Matchett saw 4 runs from 4 batters cross the plate. A triple base hit from Brett Tyler and an outfield hit from Chris Renwick scored the fifth run. Glen Waverley hit back with 5 runs of their own. In a tight game Brentwood added another 2 runs and outstanding pitching from Sam Kassianou shut Glen Waverley down and Brentwood hung on to win 7-5 in a tense game. A sensational 15metre run and full stretch catch from Chris Renwick caused the second out and prevented 3 runs and a Glen Waverley lead.

Congratulations to all boys on your performance on the day on winning the district and proudly representing Brentwood Secondary College.

#### **Team Members:**

Sam Kassinaou	Rainer Deitenbach
Jake Matchett	Luke Ludorf
Brett Tyler	Matt Alexander
Tom Maxfield	Chris Renwick
Alex Tapanes	Jeff Bere
Nathan Thiele	Peter Khrustal(absent ill)
Ben Richards	

#### *Geoff Rutherford, Coach*

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### **Community Corner**

#### **Indoor Soccer**

New clinics commencing April for both boys and girls 5-9 years and 6-12 years. Competitions for under 8s – under 21s. Bialik College/Ashburton/Camberwell/Knox

Gain some new skills while having fun.

Registrations forms or more information can be obtained by contacting Sally Waterfield on 0409 764 165.

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## Canteen News

Mon: H Paterson, G Thompson, L Creighton  
Tues: D Lawless, M Yegorian  
Wed: L Bult, M Hollingworth, M Yegorian (L)  
Thur: C Williams, C Prosser  
Fri: R Attwood, J Hadaway, L Whelan

*Carol & Liz*

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