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Important Dates for Term 1 & 2 2012

| March | | |
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| 19 th – 30 th | Monday – Friday | Hatsushiba Junior High School Osaka Japan – exchange students visit |
| 27 th | Tuesday | Yr 7 Immunisations |
| 30 th | Friday | Cross Country Yr 7 – 10 |
| 30 th | Friday | Last day of Term 1 – 2.30pm Dismissal |
| April | | |
| 16 th | Monday | Term 2 commences |
| 17 th | Tuesday | Whole School Athletics Carnival |
| 25 th | Wednesday | ANZAC Day – Public Holiday |
| 26 th | Thursday | Yr 6 into Yr 7 Parent Information Evening |
| 30 th – 2 nd | Monday – Wednesday | Student Leadership Camp at Forest Edge |

Principal's Message

Dear Parents

Brilliant Working Bee

On Saturday 17 March (St Patrick's Day) a small but dedicated troupe of parents, staff and student volunteers participated in a Working Bee. Most of the work involved the planting of trees and shrubs in many areas of the school grounds. Rob Swebb of Men at Work Excavations made our task so much easier with the assistance of his earth moving machinery. Approximately \$1800 worth of plants was planted out. Many thanks to all who contributed. This work will benefit our students for many years to come.



Last week, former student Yoshi Karunakaran was tragically killed in a car accident at Nar Nar Goon. Yoshi left Kambrya College at the end of last year and would have been in Year 11 had he remained. His younger sister Shahmini is currently a student in Year 9. Yoshi was well known by many students at the College and the impact of his death as the school has been very strong. I am very grateful for the work of Keith Perry, Sue Kirkham and Andrew Reeves in dealing with the fall out and grief experienced by many as a result. I would also like to thank students Amy Erlenwein, Taylor Richardson and Michelle Sirant for their efforts in seeking donations to assist the family at this dreadful time. So far over \$520 has been raised.

Michael Muscat
Principal

Attendance and Notifying of absences

Attendance at school is compulsory. If students are not attending school regularly they will miss out on vital information and learning and may not meet the course requirements for their subjects. Parents/caregivers are responsible for ensuring that their child attends school every day.

If a student is absent from school parents/caregivers must advise the college of the absence.

1. Ideally parents/caregivers would contact the College prior to the absence (i.e. on the morning their child is going to be absent); or
2. Kambrya College is now using SMS notification of absences. When parents receive an SMS regarding their child's absence they should reply to the SMS or phone the College to advise the reason for the absence; or
3. When the student returns to school they should provide their Home Group teacher with a note explaining the absence.

(The SMS system the College uses is a premium number and some parents may have mobile phone plans that do not allow them to reply to these particular numbers. In these cases parents are advised to either phone the College directly on 9707 7600 or to provide the student with a note upon their return. Also parents should be aware that due to the automated nature of this system the College is not able to respond individually to parents to confirm the receipt of their SMS reply.)

LANGUAGES News

On Sunday, after being delayed for a considerable time in Adelaide, 19 visiting students and their two teachers arrived from Japan. The students and teachers are from our sister school, Hatsushiba Ritsumeikan, located in Osaka, Japan. Some of the students have had a rough start to their first ever visit to Australia with a handful beginning their trip with a few days sick in bed with a virus. However, we hope them a speedy recovery so that they can participate fully in the remainder of the planned program. A Welcome Ceremony was held in the main gym for the students on Monday. College Principal, Mr Michael Muscat, spoke about the importance and value of the relationship between the two schools and the Japanese students performed two songs to an audience of Kambrya students and staff.

Japanese students have been participating in classes and have had some special lessons of their own; cooking ANZAC biscuits in Food Technology, experiencing a Kambrya Wood Technology and Textiles class, and learning how to kick and mark an Australian football. Trips to the Victoria Market, Great Ocean Road and Healesville Sanctuary will ensure that our Japanese visitors have a memorable time in Australia.

Thank you to the many host families who have been taking good care of our visitors. In particular, thank you to those families who are hosting students who have been unwell and who have treated these students as their own.



Ben Forbes
International Programs Coordinator

A Year 10 male student is seeking a carer. Student is warm natured and motivated, but unable to stay in current care situation.

The carer could be a single person, couple or family and would be required to accommodate and provide day to day support to the student, preferably living in local area.

For more information please contact Student Wellbeing Coordinator, Sue Kirkham, on 9707 7643

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Reminders:

- Melbourne Uni **Veterinary Science and Hospital** Open Day. Attend lectures, pet demonstrations, tours and get course advice; 10am-3pm, Sun 25 March, 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee; www.vet.unimelb.edu.au
- **'At Monash' Seminar series.** Get a head start when considering where a university degree can take you. **Info:** 1800 Monash/9903 4810; **Register/locations:** www.monash.edu/seminars
- Experience **environmental science and engineering day at RMIT.** Thurs 5 April; **Cost:** Free; **Info/register:** www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays; **Ph:** 9925 3699; more 'Get Real Experience' activities coming
- **'Experience La Trobe'**. Year 10-12s join in workshops, find out about student life and check out the campus; 13 April, 3 July at La Trobe (Bundoora); **Register:** www.latrobe.edu.au/experience.

1. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS –

BACHELOR OF FINE ART - The Uni. of Melbourne plans to introduce two new specialisations into the **Bachelor of Fine Art** at the Southbank campus in 2013 – **animation and screen writing** (subject to accreditation). These will be in addition to the contemporary music, dance, film and television, music theatre, production, theatre practice and visual art programs already offered.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT MELBOURNE - If you are thinking about studying engineering at Melbourne, you might want to apply for the Paterson Scholarship of \$4,000pa for the length of an appropriate undergraduate degree. Applicants will need to complete an application form and provide copies of their VCE results along with a letter addressing the selection criteria (including financial need). Browse scholarships at www.services.unimelb.edu.au/scholarships/ugrad.

DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT ABOUT STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE?

- Then **'Meet Melbourne'** may be the program for you. This program involves Uni of Melbourne visits to regional and some metropolitan centres, aiming to give information about courses and careers, scholarships, entry requirements and so on. Sessions are being held at Albury, Ballarat, Bendigo, Caroline Springs, Dandenong, Frankston, Geelong, Glen Waverley, Hamilton, Sale, Shepparton, Warrigal, and Warrnambool. For **details and registration**, go to: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/meetmelbourne.
- Alternatively, **'Access All Areas 2012'** may suit you. This is a series of events especially designed for Year 10-12 students and their families, offering a personalised insight into the University. Find out about undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways, opportunities to enrich your degree (eg concurrent diplomas, exchange and study abroad), admission and entry requirements, Access Melbourne and scholarships, accommodation and transition programs. **When:** 9am-3pm, Fri 13 April, 13 July and 27 Sept; **Where:** Parkville campus; **Cost:** Free, but limited places; **Register:** www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/accessalleas.
- 2. **SCHOLARSHIPS AT VICTORIA UNI (VU)** – The Faculty of Health, Engineering and Science awards a number of scholarships up to the value of \$20,000 to students who have achieved an ATAR of 80 or above. See the VU website along with eligibility criteria and application forms. Get info on 9919 2009, daryl.cornish@vu.edu.au.
- 3. **ZOO KEEPER FOR A DAY** – This is a hands-on school holiday program for students interested

in a **career working with animals**. Help out the animal keepers and learn about a most rewarding job. Speak with animal keepers about their jobs and experience. **When/where:** 9.30am-4pm, 3rd, 10th and 12th April at Werribee Open Range Zoo, K Road, Werribee; 9.30am-3.30pm, 3rd, 5th and 10th April (Year 7/8), 4th and 11th April (Years 9/10), Healesville Sanctuary, Badger Creek Rd, Healesville; **Cost:** \$102 (incl morning tea); **Bookings:** ph 9285 9406 (pay when booking); **Details of holiday programs:** www.zoo.org.au/Learning/Camps-Holidays.

4. **VCE CHEMISRY AND BIOLOGY REVISION LECTURES AT MONASH** – These monthly revision lectures will help prepare you for your exams. The seminars are designed to encourage revision throughout the year, clarifying and consolidating concepts as they are introduced in the classroom. **When:** Biology 4-5pm, Chemistry 5.30-6.30pm, 21 Mar, 18 April, 23 May, 6 June, 18 July, 22 Aug and 19 Sept; **Where:** Monash Parkville campus, 381 Royal Parade; **Register:** (free), but registration essential: www.pharm.monash.edu/events or call 9903 9504. You can attend both Biology and Chemistry if you wish, with afternoon tea provided.
5. **PARENTS AS CAREER TRANSITION SUPPORT (PACTS)** – Parents often want help in planning the future for their **child with a mild intellectual disability**. Do you need to know more about education and training? Would you like to meet representatives from different services? PACTS has two information workshops for parents of secondary school students from 15 years of age. **When:** 6-8pm, 18 April and 2 May; **Where:** Montrose Town Centre Library Room, 935 Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd, Montrose; **Book:** Cherie Messerie, cmesserie@oellen.org.au, 9723 2717.
6. **BIG SCIENCE, SMALL SCIENCE (BSSS)** - Is RMIT's new way of delivering science straight to young minds through Facebook. The page is regularly updated with scientific articles, quizzes, facts, polls and events. Check it out at www.facebook.com/rmitscience.
7. **A CAREER IN LEGAL SERVICES** – Are you aware of the jobs available in the legal sector apart for becoming a solicitor or barrister? **Law clerks, paralegals and legal executives** may be employed by law firms, government

departments, legal aid organisations, financial institutions, corporations and court registries. They perform legal work on behalf of clients under the supervision of a lawyer and can specialise in areas such as litigation, conveyancing, personal injury compensation, criminal law, family law, probate or corporate law. **More about courses/careers:**

www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad015.

NOTE:

Undergraduate law degrees can be studied at Australian Catholic (from 2013), Deakin, La Trobe, Monash and Victoria universities. Postgraduate studies in law can be taken at Melbourne and RMIT universities.

8. **DO YOU WANT TO BE AN INTERIOR DESIGNER?** One question you first need to ask yourself is, do I know the difference between an **interior designer** and an **interior decorator**? An **interior designer** designs and supervises the construction of building interiors, so, among other things, they need an understanding of building construction. To work in this field you would usually have at least a diploma such as the **Diploma of Interior Decoration and Design**, offered at several TAFE Institutes, however, many interior designers have a **university degree** such as **Interior Architecture** from Monash or **Interior Design** from RMIT or Swinburne. **Interior decorators**, on the other hand, plan and implement decoration of homes, offices and so on (eg colour schemes, lighting, furniture) and would often complete the **Diploma of Interior Decoration and Design**. Most courses require applicants to attend an **interview and folio presentation** as part of the application process at the end of Year 12 (all except Interior Design at Swinburne Uni which selects on ATAR). Thus, prospective applicants need to attend **Open Days** to find out more about the course for which they are applying, and to help them decide at which institution they prefer to study. It is also important to be able to explain at the interview why you prefer a particular institution – very difficult to answer if you have never been there!
 - Students interested in design might also consider studying architecture, industrial design, communication or graphic design, building design (architectural), product design, fashion design or visual merchandising.

PUBLIC NOTICES

We would like to inform you of a new mentoring program for girls called **The Sisterhood** offered by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Outer South East Melbourne. The program is a one-hour, structured creative arts session, utilising drama as the ideal tool for discovering one's identity. **The Sisterhood** is designed for young women who want to experience the music, energy, motivation and passion that goes along with being part of **The Sisterhood**.

To be eligible for the program, a young person needs to be female, of secondary school age, and have a specific need for additional adult role modelling and support. Young people targeted for **The Sisterhood** will often be experiencing difficulty making friends, may be displaying anger management issues, have limited social skills and/or have low self-esteem which is impacting on their behaviour.

In this free program, young females meet for one hour each week **Thursdays 4pm - 5pm** during school terms, in a group setting with adult mentors at Big Brothers Big Sisters- **16/94 Abbott Rd, Hallam**. Participants must be able to source transport to and from this venue.

There are only 10 vacancies available for term 2. Please contact **Natalie Zoudlik** (03) 8795 7999 or email natalie.zoudlik@bbbs.org.au for further details.

KAMBRYA SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR SALE

All items in good condition and purchased from Graeme Booth, Beaconsfield. Prices as stated or 10% discount if you buy the lot!

2 x School Bag - \$15 each

2 x Summer Dress size 14 & 16 - \$15 each

1 x Short Sleeve shirt with logo - never worn, size 18 - \$15

2 x Winter Skirt Size 16 - \$15 each

1 x Tie - \$5

2 X School Jackets - Small - \$20 each

1 x Track Pants - Medium - \$15

2 x Sport Polo Tops - Medium - one with green collar – one with red collar - \$15 each

1 x Sport shorts - Large - \$10

1 x Sports cap - \$5

Contact Maggie on 0413 255 681

Moonlit Sanctuary Summer School Holidays Young Ranger Program

Environmental Activities, Native Animal Care,
Fun and Games during **Easter 2012**.

Monday 2nd, Wednesday 4th April
Wednesday 11th, Friday 13th April

Cost: \$39.00 per day, or \$140 for 4 days.
Bookings essential - suitable 7-14 years.

Hours: 10AM – 3PM

Wear closed-toe shoes and long pants and remember your hat.
Lunches: BYO or available for \$7.50

Moonlit Sanctuary
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale
Ph. 5978-7935

Web: www.moonlit-sanctuary.com

Open daily between 10am and 5pm

CRANBOURNE INDOOR SPORTS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

2nd, 4th, 6th, 9th, 11th and 13th of April

9am-3pm

\$15 per child

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and other activities

Ages from 4-17yo

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