A dynamic learning environment where the whole community takes responsibility in preparing for the future.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**Principal's Notes**

**Liam Wilson**
As I have noted previously, Liam Wilson is currently overseas in Hollywood competing at the ‘World Championships of Performing Arts’. I congratulate Liam on his success within these championships. Liam managed to achieve a position in the finale showcase and a range of awards: a first place, four second places and two third places. Liam was also awarded a four week scholarship program with a Los Angeles based dance company. I look forward to finding out more details upon his return. Well done Liam!

**Snow sports**
The Wednesday snow sports program has commenced, with 74 students attending last week to good snow conditions. I remind parents that payments need to be finalised by 11am on the preceding Friday. If payment is made by **Bpay**, please notify the college by email (or phone) that the transfer has occurred, as we have had two instances where parents had paid on time but the transfer from bank to school did not actually occur until the Monday. Thanks!

**Mt Buller Annex**
The Mt Buller Annex has commenced for this year, with students from a range of schools participating. The curriculum that was developed works on a four year rotation, meaning that the core foci for each year changes. This year the academic outcomes are driven through engagement with four key structural frameworks:

- Athletes - nutrition, growth & strength
- Alpine communities - food, geography, housing
- Water & snow-making
- Clothing - climate & racing technology

Students working at the Annex seem to be motivated and focused. Certainly the recent snow falls have improved morale on the Mountain.

**Victorian State Schools Spectacular**
We have a range of students involved in the ‘School Spec’ this year. Of particular note is the school choir, under the tuition of Shayne Byrnes, who are performing with the School Spec Mass Choir. In addition, individuals involved this year are Kiera Price (School Spec Choir - alto) and Tyson Poole (orchestra – percussion). They will have a number of rehearsals over the course of the semester, including Wednesday this week, in the lead up to the final production on 12th September. This year’s theme is ‘What’s Your Story’ and draws together the art of storytelling.

Regards
Timothy Hall
LATEST INFORMATION ON STUDENT’S APPLYING FOR A TAX FILE NUMBER

Students can either download a TFN application form from the ATO website, or they can collect one from the front office.

They will need 100 points of verification. This can be one Primary document and two Secondary documents, or two Primary documents.

Primary Documents can consist of:
- Birth Certificate
- Current Passport
- Learner’s Permit

Secondary Documents can consist of:
- Medicare Card
- Student ID Card
- Bank Statement no older than 6 months
- *(Any addresses on these documents must match the address on the application form)*

The student will need to photocopy their documents, take them and the originals to either the Police Station, Doctor or Chemist for verification. Then post the application form and the verified copies to:

ATO
PO Box 9942
Moonee Ponds Vic 3039

Parental Occupation Groups

Important for Parents to notify the school of any change in occupation details

The Student Family Occupation (SFO) information is used to calculate school’s equity funding.

Please note the SFO index is calculated from the student enrolment form (parent occupation information) and remains fixed for the remainder of the student’s enrolment at MSC.

Inaccurate or out of date data can potentially disadvantage the school when it comes to equity funding. When there is no parental occupation information, the occupation group defaults to group A (the highest group). This group does not attract equity funding.

If you have changed your occupation since you enrolled your child, can you please advise the school. If you are unsure of the occupation we have on your records, please contact the school for assistance.

Please note this information is confidential

‘CYCLEOLOGY’

Our school chaplain, Brad Freind, is heading up a 10 week program commencing this week at the Mansfield Mens Shed. With support from the Mansfield Shire’s Youth Engagement Program, Terrain Cycles, Carey’s Paint Place and Mansfield Community Bank, the program will also run with the help of volunteers and support staff.

Aimed at students in Years 8-10 who are at risk of disengaging, the program ‘Cycleology’ is designed to “improve participant’s engagement and connectedness to school while improving peer relationships”.

As part of the program, participants will restore a second hand bicycle which they will then own for their personal use. Participants will be encouraged to ride their bikes to improve health and fitness.

Brad Freind
*(photo courtesy of Mansfield Courier)*
IMPORTANT

Please note that participation in the Wednesday SNOWSPORTS PROGRAM is DEPENDANT UPON STUDENTS MANAGING THE FOLLOWING:

- Subject to Work Up To Date
- Behaviour AND Incidents While At School
- Consistent Wearing Of Correct Uniform

Failure to comply with the above will result in EXCLUSION (& REFUND) FROM THE SUBSEQUENT WEEK. Communication will be made directly to parents if this exclusion applies to their child.

THIS SUPPORTS THE MSC ‘RESPECT’ STRATEGY.

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WEDNESDAY SNOWSPORTS PROGRAM

- Bus departs from school bus stop at 9am and returns between 5pm - 5.30pm
- PAYMENT for Wed Program MUST be paid BEFORE 11AM on the previous Friday.
- BPAY– if paying online could you please advise the front office that you have made a payment BEFORE 11AM on the previous Friday as it can take up to 3 working days for the funds to get through to our bank

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CANCELLATIONS

Please note any cancellation after 11am on the previous Friday of snowsports will incur a $30 cancellation fee

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‘Tuckwell Scholarship’ Recipient
Tim Hume

After Tim’s offer of a Tuckwell Scholarship as mentioned in last week’s newsletter, he has been in high demand with various media identities. You may have heard Tim speaking with the ABC Radio last week and this week he will be seen on WIN News either tonight (Tue 21 July) or tomorrow night. (photo courtesy Mansfield Courier)

Uniform Update

SOFTSHELL JACKETS

Students who have ANY softshells (that includes older jackets) with broken zips could please drop off in a named bag to the front office by THIS Friday 24th July. You will be given a replacement jacket if available, if not we are placing another order. Our supplier needs them to show the manufacturer the fault.

Any enquiries please contact the Uniform Shop via email below:

Uniform Shop Hours
Semester 2
2015
Thursdays only, 3.30 to 4.30pm
Or by appointment.
Contact the Uniform Office by email only for appointments and all enquiries:
uniform@mansfieldsc.vic.edu.au

CANTEEN DUTY REMINDER

Tue 28 July  Jo Noble
Wed 28 July  Daniela Friday

(photo courtesy Mansfield Courier)
Welcome to Our New Staff Member

Eden Wheatley is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame in Western Australia and has spent the past few years strengthening her passion for Outdoor Education, working with The Mountain Training School in Patagonia and Alaska, prior to returning to Australia to work for The Outdoor Education Group in Eildon.

Eden is a keen skier and kayaker, and is hoping to soon call the Mansfield Eagles her home netball club.

Eden has asked the community to: “please feel free to introduce yourself or contact me should you have any queries. I look forward to meeting you”

Eden commenced with Mansfield Secondary College last Monday 13 July 2015
OPEN DAYS

These are all happening over the next two months. They are very useful to gain an insight into location of institutions, courses, accommodation and costs.

Reminders:

1. OPEN DAYS COMING SOON…..make sure you attend!
- Sat 1 Aug – Monash (Peninsula campus)
- Sun 2 Aug – Deakin (Warrnambool); Monash (Caulfield & Clayton); Swinburne (Hawthorn)
- Sun 9 Aug – Australian Catholic University (ACU) (Fitzroy); Deakin (Geelong campuses); La Trobe (Bundoora); RMIT; William Angliss
- Sun 16 Aug – Monash (Parkville – Pharmacy); Deakin (Bendigo)
- Sun 23 Aug – Box Hill Institute; Deakin (Burwood); Victoria (Footscray)
- Sun 30 Aug – ACU (Ballarat); Federation (Ballarat & Gippsland)

2. HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF OPEN DAYS – Don’t just wander, try these:
- Allow sufficient time for your visit; two hours or so would be advisable
- Speak to staff about courses which interest you - note your questions beforehand
- Get a student perspective - speak to students studying courses which interest you
- Collect information/brochures
- Ask about industry based-learning (IBL) opportunities; ask about international study opportunities – a popular option
- Consider transport issues; is the campus accessible from where you live?
- Check the environment where you will study; will you be happy there for three/four years?
- Consider the facilities/clubs offered at your preferred institution
- Consider visiting a rural campus, especially if you think you won’t obtain a high enough ATAR for a metropolitan campus. ATAR’s are often lower and they often offer more personal assistance, accommodation, and a lifestyle which will suit some students.

NOTE: If you are applying for a course involving an interview/folio presentation/audition as part of the selection process, attendance is A MUST! You might be asked what you learned at Open Day.

Year 12: Many students have been asking about VTAC and when does it open?

Mon 3 August, 9am: Registrations and applications for courses, SEAS and scholarships open via VTAC http://www.vtac.edu.au/

I will discuss this further with students this term. I encourage all families to keep discussing options for their children over the next month in preparation for choosing courses for next year. Likewise, not all students are seeking immediate further education studies. Start talking about job options for next year, having a resume, know where to look for jobs and consider jobs that lead to further training options. Also Gap Year programs, Camp America and volunteering overseas.
Early Entry to University Courses:

Some courses offer early entry. These students are offered a course in September before the exams. LaTrobe and the Australian Catholic University are two institutions that do this. The whole process revolves around volunteer work that has been undertaken. Coaching, positions of responsivity, Freezer, youth work, netball canteen, CFA, St John’s Ambulance could all qualify you if you have had a continued participation over a year or more. See Mr Sampson for more information or go to the University Websites.

VCE Planner for Year 10 students:

Tuesday 21st July (today’s paper) has a lift out on VCE for Year 10. If you can get a copy, if you missed it, try and get one from a friend etc. it makes interesting reading. More about Year 10 Selections for VCE from the Senior School office soon. Stay tuned!

Work Experience Year 10 Block Release:

Work Experience week is Monday 14th – 18th September

⇒ all students are expected to do work experience in this week
⇒ current ASBNA student can continue with their current employer if they want during this week
⇒ paper work (information packages) work experience forms will go out next week
⇒ all placements (except ASBN) must complete all Work Experience placement forms before a student can do work experience e.g. signed by student, parents, employers & school

Update on Work Experience:

Thank you to all the students who have returned expression of interest forms. I have placed you in those jobs and am awaiting confirmation form the employers. Also, thanks to parents who have contacted me about jobs or have arranged out of town jobs for their children.

We have 90+ students to place in jobs. At present I have 45 students placed in possible job placements. If parents or friends of the school know of any other businesses that could provide a placement please contact me. It’s been amazing how many new job people have contacted me about!
**Timeline:**

- **Week 2-4:**
  19th July-2nd August all students should have a possible job placement in mind. Work Experience forms go home to confirmed jobs week 4.
- **Week 5:**
  9th August meetings held for students without a placement and families contacted
- **Week 6:**
  16th August all confirmed Work Experience forms returned to the school
- **Week 7-9:**
  23rd August-12th September students are briefed on their placement and requirements at meetings at school. Staff at MSC continue to try and place students without a job placement
- **Week 10:**
  Students commence Work Experience placements

Please ring me: 57752022 (w) or email sampson.mark.m@edumail.vic.gov.au if you have any questions.

Mark Sampson  
Careers & Work Experience Coordinator

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**RESPONSIBLE SERVING OF ALCOHOL**  
and  
**CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY WHITE CARD COURSES COMING UP**

MACE is running a Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) course and a Construction Industry White Card Course. Please see Mr McInnes or Mr Sampson if interested:

- RSA—Wed 19th August, 6pm-9pm—cost $70
- White Card - Friday 4 Sept, 9am-5pm, cost $80.

Both courses will be run at MACE. Please give your name to Mr McInnes or Mr Sampson—PAYMENT TO BE MADE TO MACE (not school)