Our Year 12 students finished formal classes last Friday and we wish them all the best during the examination period and of course in their endeavours in the future. The farewell breakfast on Friday morning was well attended by students, staff and College Council representatives. The breakfast provided a great opportunity for members of the College community to personally wish students all the best for the examinations. The farewell assembly at Crofton Street campus was a great success and it provided the Year 12s with the opportunity to say farewell to their peers from both campuses. I was very impressed by the way our senior students conducted themselves and clearly they have set a bench mark for future cohorts. I would to like to thank our College Council for supporting our students by providing the breakfast and congratulate College staff on their organisation of the end year program. Of course the final event is still to come in the form of the examinations over the next three weeks.

VCE end of year examinations start with the English exam today. The English examination started at 9.00 am and is conducted over 3 hours, concluding at 12.15 pm. All students should note that under no circumstances are mobile phones to be taken into examinations. The VCAA policy is very clear; students caught with phones in examinations will automatically fail the examination paper. The College wishes our Year 11 students sitting VCE examinations all the very best over the coming weeks. I would also like to thank staff for their hard work and efforts in preparing students for their examinations.

Next Monday all Year 11 students will be involved in a ‘course confirmation’ program. Students will attend an interview with a course counsellor to review the subjects they have selected for 2008 and to talk about any last minute issues. While our subject blocks for 2008 are almost settled there may need to be further discussion with students towards the end of year to make sure their program meets their needs for the future. It is very important that all Year 11 students attend this program on Monday by making appointments at the study centre.

Last week the College held an information evening for students in Year 8 moving into Year 9 in 2008. This was the first time the College has provided an opportunity for both students and parents to participate in such an evening. An audience of over 300 was able to discuss, with teachers, the program being offered at Year 9 in 2008.

The evening also provided parents with an opportunity to view the Year 8 Neighbourhood and to be brought up to date with our new Year 8 program.

Principals report continued….

While the main focus of the evening was to discuss subjects for 2008, the opportunity was not lost by some students to show mum and dad the work they had completed over the last term. The success of both our Neighbourhoods in this short time can not be ignored and while there is still much to be learned and improved upon for the future, I think it is fair to say that student learning has been enhanced as a consequence of our new approaches to learning and teaching. I would like to thank our parents, students and staff for their participation in last week’s Year 8 into Year 9.

Below is the winning entry in the National Water Week River Yarns competition, which was won by Laura Stevens of Year 8. Congratulations Laural

Chris Eeles
College Principal

“Bush Memories”

By Laura Stevens – Year 8

The fish gliding through the water
The birds flying silently overhead
Trees moving gently in the breeze
Yabbies being caught in nets
Snags being cooked on the BBQ
The soft snoring of the fishermen
The squelch of the mud between your toes
Sunscreen being smeared
Fun with family and friends
Freshly cooked bacon and eggs off the BBQ
Creaks of the caravan when you roll over
Hot Milo
Crunch of the dead leaves beneath your feet
The deafening silence of the bush
The occasional boat speeding past
Cracks in the dusty ground
Crackling fire
Pictures within the flames
Flies and mozzies that never seem to go away
The hot sun
The bright white moon
Bites on the fishing rod
Beer cans
Chip Sandwiches
Hot freshly cooked stew
The billy being boiled
Feathers dancing in the breeze
Droplets of water moving with the swish of the fish’s tail
Kookaburra’s laughing in the early light
Many chairs being placed around the campfire
Dirt like talcum powder
Motorbikes roaring down the tracks
Hot fresh damper with jam and cream
Shovel and a roll of paper
The dreadful job of cleaning
The annoyance of having to leave but happy that as soon as
You get home you can have a nice hot shower
Information Evening
Thank you to all who were able to attend the information evening last Monday for current Year 8 students going into Year 9 for 2008. The evening attracted over 300 participants. Students and parents were given an overview of the Year 9 curriculum and selection process for electives. With the larger cohort of students that Echuca College now enjoys, students now have a greater range of electives to choose from. Selection sheets are now overdue and should be returned to home group teachers ASAP.

Facilities Update
Stage 2 of the College building program is getting closer to completion. The senior wing will be completed before the end of November. In 2008 this will provide an ideal Year 9 learning environment. This includes an open learning area big enough for three classes of students. Two smaller classrooms and three large classrooms that have break out rooms. There is also a large outdoor learning area. Members of the Year 9 learning team will be located within the facility.

The arts/performing arts facility will be completed by mid December. This includes teaching spaces for 2D and 3D art, including a large outdoor undercover area, darkroom, computer facilities, and storage and staff office space. The performing arts area will have a dance studio, drama studio with media booth, 4 practical instrumental music rooms, classroom music room, media studies room with recording studio. The performing arts facilities will have its own entry and foyer/gallery. This will be adjacent to the front car park of the campus.

The technology facilities will be completed by late January. This will include workshops, storage and machine rooms for woodwork, multi materials, systems and automotive studies and metalwork. There will also be a computer room so that students can learn and use design software.

All facilities will be enriched with the latest in information and communication technologies including computers, data projectors and smart boards.

We have a lot to look forward to.

Late to school
We are presently having a blitz on students who arrive late to school and late to class.
Students who are late miss out on important learning opportunities and disrupt the learning opportunities of others by disrupting classes on their arrival. Parents can help by ensuring that students are at school on time. If your child is late to school please write an explanatory note, give us a phone call or come into the office to sign your child in.
Students who are late without explanation can expect a lunchtime detention.

Year 12 Assembly
Last Friday Year 9 students and year 7 and 8 student leaders were given the opportunity to attend the Year 12 farewell assembly at our Crofton St campus. This was a wonderful opportunity for students from both campuses to interact.
The Year 12 presentations to the students were creative and included the entire cohort.
We wish our Year 12 students the very best for their upcoming exams.

Year 12 Final Assembly
Last Friday saw our Year 12 students celebrate their last day of formal classes at Echuca College. The day started off with a breakfast at 7.30am for all Year 12 students and staff. A big thank you to the School Council for putting on the breakfast for our students. After breakfast students walked to school where we had our final assembly which was very funny and enjoyable. It was fantastic to see so many parents and family at the assembly as well as students and staff from College Drive campus. We wish our Year 12 students all the best with their exams over the next few weeks.

Congratulations Lisa McGregor
Our school captain, Lisa McGregor has been invited to dance at the Victorian Association for Gifted & Talented Children Conference at Telstra Dome on Wednesday 15th November, 2007. This is a great honour for Lisa and we are very proud of her selection. She will be performing in front of 1000 people. Good luck Lisa.

Good Luck Luke Hubbard
Our College would like to wish Luke Hubbard all the best at the “World Age Games for Trampolining Sports” in Canada in November. We are all very proud of Luke’s efforts in tumbling over the last few years.

Year 11 Exams
Students in Year 11 commence their exams on Wednesday 7th November. Students have been given their timetable for exams. Exams finish on Friday 16th November. Year 11 students will also have a course confirmation day on Monday 19th November followed by transition and counselling days from Monday 19th November to Wednesday 21st November.

Beacon Day In
Last Wednesday our Year 10 students were all involved in the “Beacon Big Day In” at the Nestle Centre. It was a valuable day to all students who attended workshops that were presented by business houses in Echuca. I really enjoyed watching our students learning life skills such as how to do Ballroom dancing and how to knot a tie.

Summer Uniform
A reminder to all students, that they should be in full summer uniform and wear a broad brim hat whilst in the yard. Students must not wear thongs at anytime whilst at school or on an excursion.

Karl Stenning
Campus Principal

Jack Turners race in the VSSSA state championships. He came 1st in the state.
SPORT NEWS

INTERSCHOOL CRICKET,

The Year 7 Boys cricket team travelled to Kyabram to play against Rochester and Kyabram in two 20/20 cricket matches. They played against Rochester in the first game and with some great bowling performances from James Hales and Marcus Roberts as well as consistent bowling from the whole team they put themselves in a great position restricting Rochester to just 70 runs. The batting was lead by Jackson Delahunty and Mitch McMullan who both retired with 30 runs each and led the team to reach the opposition score in just 10 overs. The second game looked to be a much tougher contest as Kyabram's two opening batsmen looked dangerous early. James Hales snared the opening wicket with some great pace bowling and was backed up well by Rhys Leetham and Dylan Slater to keep Kyabram's total to 103. The run chase began with a minor stumble with Jackson Delahunty out early but once again Mitch McMullan steadied and continued from his first innings to again retire on 30 runs leaving Dylan Slater and Daniel Hegarty to hit the winning runs and win the day for the Echuca team.

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The Year 8 Boys and Intermediate Boys are now playing at the Northern Zone level in Bendigo next week. Good Luck boys.

NORTHERN ZONE BASKETBALL.

The Year 7 Girls Basketball Team consisting of Tameeka Branch, Joy Boyson, Jodie West, Ellie Ralph, Jaklyn Crilly, Tess O'Reilly and Marissa Kerr, despite losing both games played very well by Rhys Leetham and Dylan Slater to keep Kyabram's total to 103. The run chase began with a minor stumble with Jackson Delahunty out early but once again Mitch McMullan steadied and continued from his first innings to again retire on 30 runs leaving Dylan Slater and Daniel Hegarty to hit the winning runs and win the day for the Echuca team.

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The Intermediate Boys and Intermediate Girls all won their respective competitions and have qualified for the State Finals in late November. Congratulations to all the players.

V.S.S.S.A ATHLETICS.

Fifteen students travelled to Olympic Park in Melbourne last Tuesday to compete in the State Athletics Carnival. Echuca College had great success on the day winning one gold, one silver and four bronze medals.

Jack Turners' win in the 800m was outstanding as after chasing down a runaway leader and being headed in the straight he fought back to win on the line. Libby Pellegrino won silver in the 100m and bronze in the 200m and sister Emily won bronze in the 200m. Jordan Williams won a golden run only to be headed in the last 50m and Aleisha Turner won bronze in the shot put. Congratulations to all the participants, a great effort to make the State Finals.

RUGBY UNION.

Rugby Union Victoria ran a clinic for 33 Year 8910 students at Crofton St last week. A team will be selected from year 9 and 10 students to participate in a Gala Day in Shepparton in a couple of weeks.

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARD.

Bevan Main of Year 12 was one of fifty country students in Victoria to receive this prestigious award presented by the Victorian Olympic Council and D.E.E.T. The award recognises students who demonstrate sporting behaviour consistent with Olympic ideals. Bevan is a great role model for all students in Sport showing enthusiasm, commitment, fairness and respect at all times for his team-mates and opposition. Congratulations Bevan.

VSSSA CYCLING.

At the State Final in Melbourne recently Nathan came third out of thirty-five riders in the 15km race. A great effort by Nathan.

TERM 4 SPORT.

Thursday November 15th
Rugby Union Carnival - Shepparton

Wednesday November 21st
Northern Zone Country Inter. & Year 7 Cricket - Bendigo

Friday November 23rd
Northern Zone Metro. Inter. & Year 7 Cricket – Bendigo (If they win Thursday)

Tuesday November 27th
VSSSA Inter. & Jr. 8 Boys Basketball - Melbourne

Wednesday November 28th
VSSSA Inter. Girls Basketball - Melbourne

SPORT CONTACTS.

For all Victorian Secondary Schools Sports Association information visit the website:

vsssa.org.au (EC are in the Northern Zone)

David Pearson / Katrina Shirley - Sport Co-ordinators

Email: pearson.david.g@edumail.vic.gov.au

Nathan Oman who came third at the VSSSA Cycling State final in Melbourne
Wharparilla Times

Community Leaders

Paul Leach  
(College Drive Campus)

Petra Ogden  
(Crofton Street Campus)

Helen Fontana  
(Crofton Street Campus)

It was with much promise for the future that we farewelled our Year 12 students at a Special Assembly last Friday. On behalf of all Year 12 students, I would like to acknowledge not only their dedicated current Year 12 teachers but the teachers on both campuses who have guided their academic progress over the last six years.

It was great to see many Year 12 students return to College Drive to thank their past College Drive teachers. On a personal note I would like to thank Sarah Craft and Nathan Whitten for their efforts as Wharparilla Senior Student Leaders. I am confident their leadership skills will be utilised in the future. At Crofton Street, an additional Community meeting was scheduled for the Wharparilla students to farewell their peers.

At this meeting Wharparilla Year 12 students spoke in front of the community. Most told of ambitions to do well in exams, party afterwards, get into University, go to Melbourne or interstate, and then getting well paid jobs so they can be “rich”. We wish our Year 12s well for exams and their future, and hope they can achieve the goals they have set for themselves.

The photograph below pictures many of the Wharparilla Year 12 students with their certificates presented at this Community meeting farewell and on behalf of all Wharparilla thank you for your contribution to Wharparilla and the wider College Community.

Wharparilla Yr 12s 2007  

The Year 8 & 9 information night held at College Drive was attended by many parents and students, eager to hear about Year 9 courses available for 2008 and beyond.

Finally I would encourage all students to continue to apply themselves to their studies as the mid way point of the term approaches.

PERRICOOTA

Community Leaders

Frank Bowles  
(Crofton Street)

Carlie Jones  
(Crofton Street)

David Mitchell  
(College Drive)

Year 12 Finish

Our Perricoota Year 12 students were farewelled at a Community Meeting on Thursday October 25th where certificates were handed out and presentations were made to our Captains Reannon Ivancic and Jye Childs. We wish our Year 12 students all the best for their exams and the future.

Student Achievements

Good luck to Luke Hubbard who is travelling to Canada next week to compete in the World Tumbling Championships. Our community is very proud of your excellent achievements.

Congratulations to the just announced 2008 Rocka Leaders who are both from Perricoota. We are sure that Emily Simpson and Amy Connors will do an outstanding job for the College.

Sporting News

At the State Athletics last week, Aleisha Turner came 4th in the Discus and won a Bronze Medal in the Shot Put. Well done Aleisha!

Uniform

All parents and guardians are reminder that students should be wearing correct summer uniform at the moment. We are concerned that some students are wearing “half and half” summer and winter uniform (eg summer dresses with black tights) and also that some shorts and shoes are not correct. No old ESC or EHS uniform items will be acceptable next year and now is a good time to make sure that students are ready for the start of 2008. We look forward to your support in this important matter.

Students of the Month

Our students of the month for October are:

Junior: Josh Jakobi of P82 for his excellent approach to his work and the great example he sets for other students.

Senior: Jack Wilson of P02 for his excellent all-round performance. He sets a great example for other students by his behaviour in the yard, his participation in Sport and the Rocka, his excellent academic achievement and his enthusiastic community contributions.

Wharparilla is the Way!
The Year 12s have bade farewell, now time to study at home. Forget their socializing and ‘muck-up’; less time on the phone, It is critical now to revise, memorize, take great care in preparing, Time now for stability, sound sleep, healthy diet, when it’s all over they can then be daring!!

Thursday of last week Kanyapella students thoroughly enjoyed the farewell Community Assembly lead with great initiative by our senior Community Captain Louise Picone. Many a laugh was had, sometimes at the expense of a few of the year 12s, but it was all given and received in the spirit in which it was meant. The ‘stories’ were a highlight. Chloe’s ‘quotes’ were particularly memorable! As always, Louise had planned the assembly well and the whole Community listened and laughed, groaned and generally became involved in the celebratory atmosphere until the awards were over and the party poppers exploded to signify the end of another era.

These young adults have truly been a special group for Kanyapella leading us through a ‘golden era’ marking the beginning of the new community. We already miss them around the Kanyapella lockers, homegroup and the yard and can only trust they will realize their dreams as the future unfolds.

Special Kanyapella Karma and good luck to - Courtney Blackley; Candice Bowers; Ryan Crocker; Johno Ebert; Jana Farrell; Jodi Frost; Jeff Gambrell; Tom Griffin; Cobi Guthrie; Cassie Hall; Anthony Holland; Ben Holmes; Maddi Kane; James King; Sarah Marchment; Warwick Mitchell; Darcy Muller; Jacob Murrells; Rebecca Perkins; Louise Picone; Jacqui Pitt; Kylie Reithir; Gemma Sheehan; Terri Speight; Chloe Stubberfield; Jacqui Trease; Karyn Winkler and Alice Wilkins.

One of these Year 12s is particularly pleased even before the exams as Warwick Mitchell has accepted a place with the Australian Defence Forces. Warwick passed the rigorous testing and will enlist as a chief on the 4th December thereby pursuing two passions, the army and becoming a chief – well done ‘Wokka’!

Another Kanyapella student is revelling in the final months of her exchange. Ella Givney sent a terrific email from Sweden with stories. Here’s an excerpt “… this month has been really good, just like every other month! I have been really busy, and having lots of fun! I have been with friends a lot, having coffee, movie night, baking kladdkakor non-stop (the best chocolate cake ever)!! Most of my days are spent at school, and straight after school we go to the cafe for our daily coffee and chat. It’s starting to get colder so all the cafes are now indoors, all of the verandah’s are taken down so all of the streets look so dull and a lot bigger…”

Big Kanyapella Karma goes to some sporting stars - Josh Grover, Zara Pearson and Jesse Dunford for being selected in the Victorian Country Basketball Teams; Anthony Holland in the National Lawn Bowls (yes, I said National); James Hales for a double in the cricket and State Athletics (see Mr. Pearson’s report for detail) and Jodie West who was part of the Echuca Pirates Tournament Win a couple of weeks ago in basketball with the Under 16 girls.

Finally, to the October Students of the Month. At College Drive the award goes to Josh Preston for his outstanding leadership as Homegroup Captain, heavy involvement in the school including captaincy of the cricket team and being a general ‘nice guy’. At Crofton St. a young person who epitomizes the concept of ‘involvement’. Charity worker, outstanding student, role model, thoughtful friend, participant and leader, rounded off with a wonderful sense of fun and ‘wicked’ sense of humour – Rebecca Perkins. Congratulations to you both!!

Kanyapella will keep on revvin’ in this new year 2007!!
WELLBEING

HEAD LICE
I'm sorry if the mere thought of head lice gets you scratching, but it's something we all need to know about. Although the head louse can cause significant irritation, it has not been known to transmit disease. Head lice have been common in the community throughout history and will spread anywhere that a number of people work, play or live together. Head lice are a very common problem in schools and institutions everywhere in the world. They affect all groups and are not a sign of poor hygiene. Anyone can get head lice. While head lice are not a threat to health, they do cause a lot of distress and anxiety for families and schools.

Head lice do not fly or jump and they do not live or breed on animals, bedding, furniture, carpets, clothes or soft toys. They are spread mainly by direct head-to-head contact. They have strong claws and move by swinging from hair-to-hair. This can happen when people play, cuddle or work closely together. The only objects on which a few head lice have been found, are combs, hairbrushes and pillowcases. However, transmission from these objects can only occur when the item is used immediately after use by an infested person. This is because head lice can only survive up to a day away from the human host. Detection of adult lice or nymphs on the scalp is the best way to determine if head lice are present. Scratching and the presence of eggs are not reliable signs of head lice. Most people with head lice will not develop an itch. A small number of people develop an itch due to an allergic reaction to the saliva of the louse. Scratching can give rise to secondary bacterial infections on the scalp.

The most effective way to detect head lice is by using the conditioner and combing method. You will need white hair conditioner, an ordinary comb, a fine tooth head lice comb and white tissue/kitchen towel.

1. Apply sufficient white conditioner to dry hair to completely cover the scalp and hair from roots to tips.
2. Use an ordinary comb to detangle hair and evenly distribute the conditioner. Divide the hair into four sections.
3. Comb hair from root to tips using a fine tooth head lice comb.
4. After each stroke, wipe the comb onto a white tissue, checking the comb and tissue for head lice.
5. Comb the whole head, checking for lice.
6. Put all tissues in a plastic bag, tie the top and put the bag in a rubbish bin.

All members of the family/household should be checked once per week using this method.

One of the benefits of using method to check for head lice, is that it can also be used as a form of treatment. When using the comb and conditioner method as a treatment, you do exactly the same process as outlined above, except you continue the process every second day until you have not found any lice for ten consecutive days. There is also a range of insecticide based treatments available, and it is very important to follow the manufacturer's instructions properly. Remember however that lice can become resistant to these, so monitor the situation carefully. If your child should have lice, they are excluded from school until treatment is started. If you are checking weekly with the conditioner and comb method, this counts as having started treatment.

Preventing head lice
There is no product available that prevents head lice. However, tying long hair back and checking weekly for, using the conditioner and comb method, can help prevent the spread.

Where to get help
- Your doctor
- Your chemist
- Your local government health department
- Department of Human Services, Public Health and Development Division Tel. (03) 9096 0000

More information is available from the Better Health Channel
Cheers!
Denise ☺
VCAL HAPPENINGS

What a busy couple of weeks we have had in VCAL! Last week we hosted 7 students from South Oakleigh Secondary College. The students and 3 teachers arrived Monday 15th October at lunchtime and spent 3 days with us on a cultural exchange. Some of the activities we participated on included; a Port tour and Paddle steamer cruise, Ten Pin Bowling, a day at Billabong Ranch which included horse riding and a visit to the Golden Cow. Each activity gave the Melbourne students an insight into life in and around Echuca. We were able to dispel many myths that the VCAlers from Melbourne had, such as 'yes – we really do have electricity'! As well as, we also know what a hair straightener is!!!

This week we got to experience how the other half live… Monday we boarded the bus to Bendigo and then caught the train to Melbourne to meet with our new South Oakleigh buddies so they could host us for a few days. It was great to see our new friends once again and we had a chance to visit their school. Other activities on the trip included Sidetracked amusements, Galactic Circus at Crown Casino, shopping at Chadstone and learning how to use public transport. Our accommodation in South Yarra was pretty good too.

Tuesday we got to complete ‘Race around Melbourne’ visiting sights and attractions around Melbourne. The South Oakleigh students were our guides and working in small groups we got to explore places like the Queen Victoria Market, Museum, Eureka Tower and Botanic Gardens. The Race was a great way to see Melbourne and competition was fierce as each group had to collect 200 points and be the first to check in. All teams did extremely well and luckily no one was lost along the way.

Wednesday we travelled home to Echuca on the train; tired, broke and sad to say goodbye to our South Oakleigh friends; Cory, Aleisha, Ezra, Jill, Skye, Vlad, Miss Dixon and Mr Jury. It was a wonderful experience and it was so satisfying to see everyone have a good time.

Please enjoy a few pics from the exchange;

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Year 12 students will attend an overnight Motivation and Goal Setting Seminar during February.

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to officially congratulate

EMILY SIMPSON and AMY CONNORS

for acquiring the ROCK EISTEDDFOD LEADERSHIP positions for 2008!

WELL DONE GIRLS AND “CHOOKAS
AN INVITATION TO ALL PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Our children are early settlers in a remarkable new world, a frontier that is as dangerous as it is wonderful. The adults charged with the care of the next generation feel as though they are shut out, neither knowing nor understanding what happens in this world:

CYBERIA

Parents pray this is just a phase. It isn’t.
Schools think it will be harnessed. It won’t.
Government believe it can be restricted. It can’t.

For young people, the Internet is an important research, communication and information tool. They are accessing the Internet and using Internet services such as chat rooms from an increasingly early age. Cyberbullying in the online world of the ‘Always On’ generation is, however, on the increase due to the ubiquitous nature of Internet connectivity taking place not only in homes and at school, but by mobile multimedia, computers and mobile telephones.

This presentation will explore cyberbullying; problematic usage which includes chat rooms, games and mobile technologies; the digital footprint-publishing on the web; strategies for parents

Robyn Treyvaud has 30 years teaching and school leadership experience in the government and independent sectors prior to establishing her consultancy. She has a long involvement in and passion for the use of Information and Communications Technologies in education and beyond. Recently Robyn has taken a lead role in the area of Cybersafety in Australia, establishing the CyberSafeKids Project and is a member of the US based Internet Safety Coalition's International Advisory Board. She works with parents, schools and students in understanding the many issues associated with computer and mobile technologies.

www.cybersafekids.com.au

WEDNESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2007
7.30PM–9.00PM
MOAMA BOWLING CLUB

COST—NO CHARGE
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