Diary Dates

**Term 2, 2015**

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**From the Principal**

As the term is quickly coming to an end it is a chance to reflect on the learning that many of our students have undertaken already this year. The year 12’s are well into their studies and are making use of the support provided by the Library to ensure they are making the best use of their study time. The Year 7’s have settled in to School now and are looking happy and engaged in their classes. For many of the student this term has had a focus on The Arts the Castlemaine 40th State Festival has allowed many of our students to work with National and International Musicians and visual artists. One student commented to me how much they had learnt by spending time working with the Cuban musician, and how they now had a different role model, and how talented the artist was. The student is now inspired and motivated to achieve beyond what they thought was possible. It will be the same for many of the students who are learning outside of the traditional timetable and classroom from “experts” in their field. We appreciate the partnership that we have with the Castlemaine State Festival and how it adds a depth and richness to our students learning.

Our building program is slowly getting underway with a planning group now established, which will meet regularly through next term to undertake the schematic drawings and design work with our Architects. Our planning group consists of students, staff, parents and community members keen to ensure that the money provided is used to its full potential to achieve our next building – Engineering Precinct. I know that the School Council are currently underway with some documentation about buildings that they will send out to provide further details to our families. It appears that at this stage that building will commence in October 2015 and be completed in April 2016. This will allow us to move to one site in 2017. As part of this process there will be some evening sessions with the Architects to discuss the drafted design and hear feedback from our broader school community prior to finalisation of the design. Communication will be sent out about these sessions next term with the hope that we can have interested community members and families attend so that a broad range of feedback can be included in the design.

Later this year there will be a School Review to determine the School’s Strategic Plan for the next four years. The School Council have established a sub-committee who are planning on how to ensure that as many ideas and thoughts from our current families and students as well as our future families are gathered and utilised for the greater good of the school. This will also include some survey’s for all of our families, students and staff, interviews and forums as well as specific small group meetings to look at specific ideas in depth. If you are keen to know more you can contact the School Council President David Woodgrove.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the teachers and support staff who have worked with our students this term. I have been meeting with them over the past five weeks to learn more about their ideas and what they have achieved. It is wonderful to hear the teaching staff speaking with passion about their students, their students learning and the hard work that they are putting in to assist their students to achieve at their studies. I know that our teachers are looking forward to meeting with parents at the start of next term at the Parent Teacher Day to discuss your son/daughters reports. These meetings will give parents and teachers time to discuss their child’s achievements and identify ways to assist in areas that they need help.

I hope that everyone has a safe holiday break.

Mary McPherson
College Fees and Subject Contributions

The Castlemaine Secondary College Council works hard to ensure that Parent fees and contributions are kept to a minimum. In order to ensure that this can continue and that student continue to have access to the broad curriculum that the College offers, it is important that parents understand the importance of timely payment for agreed subject contributions.

At Castlemaine Secondary College, parents are only asked to pay for essential education items including:

- Items which students take possession of, including text books and student stationery
- Materials for learning and teaching where your child consumes or takes possession of the finished articles (for example, home economics, ceramics, photography, catering).

All families will now have received notification of any outstanding payments from the College.

We would really appreciate if families could ensure that their accounts are up to date as soon as possible, or contact Karen Burton at the College if you are experiencing any financial hardship, we would be really happy to be able to assist.

If you have any queries in relation to your accounts, please contact Karen Burton at the College BR Campus office on 5479 1111.

Parent and Visitors Access to the College

Parents and Visitors are reminded that all parents and visitors to the College need to report to reception before entering the school premises, this ensures the safety of all staff and students is maintained. Parents needing to pick up students early need to sign students out at reception before students leave.

Parking and Pick up and Drop off—Blakeley Road

Parking, pick up and drop off is only permitted at the front of the College not in the staff car park area.

Cars are not permitted in the bus turnaround area at any time.

Etty Street Library—After School Study Group

CSC recognises the value of Year 10, 11 and 12 students having the opportunity to study as a group, led by a staff member, either their specific subject teacher for revision and tutorial type sessions and for catch up study time supervised by staff members, including the Teacher Librarian, Judith Hansen. The Wednesday After School Study Group in the ES Library will facilitate these study opportunities.

The Library Space will be available on Wednesday afternoons between 3:15pm to 4:30pm.

Students will be encouraged to attend study sessions.
Library News

It is wonderful to see so many students using the Library this year. Each Campus Library has much to offer students, both within and outside the classroom. Via this newsletter we hope to keep our school community informed on Library news and events in 2015.

Our year 7 students have almost completed their L.I.T. Passport (Introductions to the Library program), in which students learn about using the computer network (eg. saving and printing work; are tested on basic research skills; and take part in some ‘getting to know the Library ‘activities.

Book Club has also started up again for all students from year 7 to 12. On the Blakeley Road Campus interest has been so great that we have four groups running. Mrs Ronke and Ms Hererra have kindly offered to help out this semester. Thank you! The Etty Street Campus Book Club has also had a successful first meeting.

Each month we invite one student and one member of staff to share their reading with us. Our guests for the month of March are Dashiel Symon D’Onofrio (year 8), and Ms. Hererra.

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<td><strong>What book are you reading now?</strong></td>
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<td><strong>What do you like about reading, or why do you think it is important?</strong></td>
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<td>I enjoy reading because you don’t have to think about anything other than what you’re reading. I also like how anything can happen because stories don’t have to be real. It is important to read as it builds on conversation skills and literature skills.</td>
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<td><strong>What book are you reading now?</strong></td>
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<td><strong>What was the last book you read?</strong></td>
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<td>A cat out of hell by Lynne Truss The Goddess and the thief by Essie Fox</td>
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<td><strong>What do you like about reading, or why do you think it is important?</strong></td>
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<td>I love reading and I have loved reading since I was a child. I like it for multiple reasons: I love to be transported to strange and new places, or into the past. I love to learn about things I don’t know much about (eg. Everyday life in Elizabethan England). I love how authors can use words to capture emotions, thoughts, atmospheres and whole worlds. I love to see how authors use their language and how they construct narratives. It’s important because reading is an easy escape for everyone – it helps to build empathy and imagination.</td>
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One way in which we want to communicate with our community this year is via our Library blog. Please take a few minutes to have a look, and perhaps give us some feedback.

www.csclibrary.global2.vic.edu.au

password: csclibrary

Andrea McDonald & Judith Hansen
Japanese Students Visit Wednesday 5th to Sunday 9th August 2015

We are again fortunate to have a group of students from Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan visit our College this year.

To enable this to run smoothly, we are looking for students and families to host these students whilst here.

This is a truly rewarding and worthwhile experience. Primarily we are looking for families of year 7 to 9 students, but any year level would be more than welcome.

There are application forms available from both offices for anyone that is interested.

We are also organising another trip to Japan in 2015, so this may be a wonderful opportunity to establish some rewarding friendships.

If you would like more information or have any queries please contact Lyn Ellery on 5479 1111. Thank you.
This Year Castlemaine Secondary College is competing in a different division when it comes to all sporting events. In the past we have been a part of the Goldfields Division where we competed against school such as Kyneton and Maryborough. However School Sports Victoria has ceased this division so we are now participating in the Sandhurst Division. This is a very large division including nine Bendigo Schools. Therefore majority of our sporting days will be held in Bendigo. This will allow for great competition across a variety of schools and sports. If successful at the Sandhurst Division we will still proceed to the Loddon Mallee Region Finals.

The following is an outline for when these sporting events are occurring. If there are any parents who are interested in assisting these days we would love to have you on board. Please get in contact with Shanee Squire to express your interest or require any additional information.

**Shanee Squire**
- email: squire.shanee.e@edumail.vic.gov.au
- phone: 5479 1111

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<td>Sandhurst Intermediate Netball (girls A &amp;B) Intermediate Soccer (boys and girls) Badminton (Boys and girls)</td>
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<td>Castlemaine Cross Country</td>
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Year 10 Work Experience 2015

All Year 10 students at Castlemaine Secondary College in 2015 are to participate in a compulsory one week Work Experience Placement of their choice, between the 10th and the 14th of August.

Work Experience is part of the schools’ educational program where students experience the world of work, often for the first time. It involves students participating in a short-term industry placement, to broaden their experience and understanding of the world of work and possible career opportunities. In general, students will observe different aspects of work within a specific industry and may assist with tasks allocated by their supervisor.

All students are encouraged to research and find a placement for themselves to maximise their learning from the program. If you can assist your child, please do so but encourage them to be involved in making the contact with the employer. If your child is unsure about what area he or she would like to explore, please have them contact me (Mr. Cook) as soon as possible. Placements can very competitive and some organisations will quickly fill up their quota of placements.

In the past, many students undertaking Work Experience have been offered apprenticeships, traineeships, school based apprenticeships or part-time work opportunities.

**Students in Year 10 undertaking a VET subject are strongly encouraged to use the Work Experience dates to complete their VET placements.** Students need to confirm with Ms Naimo their VET Placements and to organise the paperwork.

If you have any questions or there is any reason your child may not be able to participate in a Work Experience placement during these dates, please contact me as soon as possible on 54794243 or by my email (cook.ian.a@edumail.vic.gov.au).

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**Important Message from Cathy Naimo – VET co-ordinator**

**VET students – Unique Student Identifier (USI number)**

Last month I issued a letter to parents and students enrolled in any VET subject explaining the new government requirement for students to create a USI number. Students cannot, legally, be issued their certificate or results by the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) if they have not provided their USI number.

Some students have created their USI and are able to proceed with their enrolment, however there are still many students who have not done so and the College is therefore unable to finalise their enrolments with the RTO.

Below is the extract from the website [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au) which explains the process.

If students require help, I am available in the library at lunchtime on Thursdays, or they can create their USI number during their VET class – BUT students MUST have their ID with them or the relevant details.

For instance – if using their Medicare card, they must have:

- The number at the top
- Their individual reference no. that is number next to their name
- The expiry date of the card
- The colour of the card
- The exact spelling of their name on the card
8A and 8B have been studying Medieval Europe in their Humanities classes, and have been busy creating their own artworks that have been inspired by the different medieval art movements. Some students have created Gothic stained glass windows, while others have focused on the intricate art of the illuminated manuscript. These artworks will be on display in the Blakeley Road campus library, so come along and be amazed!
Have you ever thought how good it would be to be able to:
Learn what it’s like to live in another country?
Learn a new language and experience a different culture.
If you are in years 9, 10 or 11 now
Rotary Youth Exchange can offer this and more.

Contact; Vanda Mullen, ph 0408 109 368
www.rotaryyouthexchangeaustralia.com.au

Rotary Youth Exchange

A Chance of a Lifetime!

Host Families Invited Now!

Rotary Youth Exchange invites kind and caring Host Families within the community to assist local Rotary Clubs offer an outstanding exchange program to young people from all over the World.

A Host Family is a vital part of this cultural and educational exchange and typically hosts a student on a voluntary basis for a period of between 10 to 16 weeks. In doing so, a Host family officially becomes a Friend of Rotary International. The Host Family plays an integral role in offering the student the experience of a new culture and language, whilst at the same time learning itself about a different culture from a young leader. It is a direct window to the world for all members of a Host family.

You not only share a young person’s hopes and dreams, but more importantly, you make those dreams possible. Hosting is the beginning of a lifelong friendship and connection with a student and family overseas. Whilst it can be challenging to help a young person transition to a new culture and ease into the surroundings, it is always fun and the rewards are immeasurable.

Host Families in the Rotary Youth Exchange program come in many shapes and sizes! Young children, older children, and no children at all, extended families and older generations – all have been successful in hosting exchange students.

Please consider this amazing and rewarding opportunity now. Enquiries are most welcome.

Further information is available at
www.rotaryyouthexchangeaustralia.com.au

Vanda Mullen
Chair: District 9800 Youth Exchange

Now Accepting Applicants for 2016 Rotary Youth Exchange!

Are you a Year 9, 10 or 11 student? You may qualify as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student and have the opportunity to live and study in Germany, France, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Japan, Taiwan, Brazil, Hungary, Norway, Spain, Poland or USA.

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program is a unique opportunity for students to experience the culture of a new country, to learn a new language and develop new friendships.

Applications are now being accepted and close on Thursday 2nd April 2015. Students must be under the age of 18 years, as at 1st January in the year of departure.

Further information is available from -
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Vanda Mullen
Chair: District 9800 Youth Exchange
0408 109 368
vmullen@netspace.net.au
Community News

St Mary’s Sacramental Programs.

St Mary’s Parish Church is interested in hearing from anyone, young or old, who would like to be baptized or partake in the Reconciliation, Holy Communion or Confirmation programs held through the church.

The Reconciliation program will begin on Wednesday 15th April from 4:30pm to 5:30pm in the Buckley Room (just behind the church).

CROSS COUNTRY SEASON 2015

*Want to develop your running skills?

*Want to improve your chances of success at school sports?

*Want to keep fit for other sports?

*Want to have fun with other children?

Cross Country running is the answer

The Cross Country season is run by the Maryborough Little Athletics Centre and is held every Friday afternoon at various places around Maryborough and district from late April through until August. Assemble for events at 4pm with race start time at 4.15pm. Events are usually completed by 4.45pm.

Come along on Friday, APRIL 1, at 4pm (assemble at 4pm, race starts at 4.15pm sharp) at Maryborough Little Athletics Centre

Jack Pascoe Reserve, Gillies St,

Norwood Hill Netball Club

Yes it’s netball season! If you would like to play in the Castlemaine and District Netball Association 2015 season for a great club then come along to our sign up afternoon.

Thursday 19th March 3.45 – 5pm at the Wesley Hill Sports Complex.

Contact Kellie 0448 591 566 for further information.
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Jack Pascoe Reserve, Gillies St, Maryborough (near the indoor swimming pool)

For more information contact: Lorraine Richardson 0400 870 137 or 54762 538

2015 SEASON

Castlemaine & District Netball Association

Registrations: Net Set Go 23rd March 2015 5:30pm to 6:30pm
All other divisions 18th April 2015 9:00am to 11:00am

For further information please contact
President Vicki Cole 0438 994 238
Secretary Jan Hull 0402 718 681

Email:- castlemainenetball@hotmail.com

Season Dates
Net Set Go 19/4/2015 to 24/6/2015

Saturday Morning 2nd May to 12th September
Modified (7yrs to 10yrs of age)
11 & Under
15 & Under
Open / Masters / Social

Wednesday Night 6th May to 9th September
15 & Under
13 & Under
19 & Under
Open

Umpire Training Starting on Wednesday 6th May 2015
The 2015 Thursday Winter Senior Competition will commence April 30, 7.30pm. It is open from Secondary School students through to adults.

Entries close April 17
The Club also run a social Wednesday afternoon from 1.15pm onwards, ages 20 up to 60+.

Enquiries: Naomi Jones
03 54 721 490 or 0408 544 887

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**Castlemaine Badminton Club Inc.**

**Entry Form 2015**

**Thursday Winter Senior Competition**

Competition commences Thursday April 30th @ 7.30pm to Thursday September 17th 2015.

Entries close April 17th 2015.

All players will agree to play in the grade and team as graded by the committee.

The rally point system of scoring will be used with all games played to 41 points.

(No play July 2nd and 9th school holidays, Grand Final night Thursday September 17th)

Players will be required to pay annual membership fees by week 2 of play, this is for Badminton Victoria Full Year Registration

Seniors - $45.00, Student/Junior - $35.00, Social - $35.00

Nightly Fees – Thursday $8.00 per person – Wednesday $6.00 per person

All players that have paid membership fees will be registered with Badminton Victoria and will be covered for Personal Accident Insurance when playing in the above competition.

Practice nights March 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th and April 16th & 23rd

Forms can be handed in on Practice nights (Thursdays) or left at Potters Family Store

Players name: ____________________________________________ Phone Number: __________________________

Address: _________________________________________________

E-Mail Address: __________________________________________

Date of birth: ____________________________________________

Last year played: __________________________ Grade: ________________

**Personal Information**

The above personal information may be disclosed, by use of the internet / Facebook or otherwise, to other parties, including Badminton Victoria, Insurance Providers and other third parties as required.

I agree that any photo taken of me during the 2015 Badminton Competition can be printed in local papers and / or placed on the Castlemaine Badminton Facebook Page.

Signed: ____________________________________________

Please wear appropriate white sole shoes. Please check shoes are clean or bring a change of footwear to play.

If you are interested in playing singles please indicate by circling YES NO
Life is always full of surprises! Twists, turns, new opportunities. After nearly 20 years we are back. **As of Monday 9th March 2015 Castlemaine Fitness will re-open**

Phone—03 54 723 695
Livio : manager@castlemainefitness.com
Marcus : marcus@castlemainefitness.com