No 24 26th August

Important Dates

Frid 27th August
Wine & Cheese Tasting
4:30 to 6:30 pm Library

Tues 31st August
Clocktower Music Concert
7.30pm Clocktower Centre

Information Evenings
Subject selection for 2011

Mon 30th August 2010
Yr 10 (2011) + Early Start
Information Evening
7.00pm Auditorium

Thurs 2nd Sept 2010
Yr 10 Pre-VCAL
Information Evening
7.00pm Library

Frid 3rd December
Year 7 & 8 Swim Carnival

Wine and Cheese Tasting and Fund Raiser

Ticket sales for the Wine and Cheese Tasting this Friday Night have been unusually slow. If you will be attending, we would greatly appreciate you letting us know by contacting mcghie.yvonne.y@edumauil.vic.gov.au to book a ticket. This will help us to cater appropriately. If you are unable to attend the evening, you can still support the fundraiser by purchasing some of our specially labelled Brunswick Secondary College wine, to access the order form click here. Those of you who purchased last year will know that red and white varieties were a good quality, and there is also a mixed dozen available. Money raised will be put toward the purchase of out door seating and new sport uniforms for girls. Tell your friends about this fun social and enjoyable occasion (from 4.30-6.30pm.) We hope to see you there.

The Junior Soiree

There is always a nervous and excited air when our music students perform for the very first time. Last Monday's Soiree was a relaxed and entertaining celebration of our junior students' talent and growing confidence as musicians. For many students it was their solo or ensemble debut at the College. One of many highlights of the evening was a stunning opening performance involving the junior choir accompanied by all out string and junior guitar performers. Nearly 60 performers were crammed on stage to perform Sting's melodic "Fields of Gold." The haunting instrumentals and guitar solo complemented the beauty of our Year 7 singers. One of the privileges of being in the one school over many years is to see students grow and develop as musicians and performers from year to year. I know that when watching our VCE Bands at Tuesday's Clocktower Concert, I will think back to their debut performances in Year 7 and marvel at the talent they have developed over the past five years. Tickets are still available and can be booked:

In person at Clocktower Centre Box Office,
750 Mt. Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds
By phone with credit card on 9243 9191 or
online at www.clocktowercentre.com.au

Vivienne Tellefson
Principal
Junior Soiree Monday August 16th

I got to do my first solo ever on the trumpet, I think that was a good experience. One of the things I learnt was that even though I was nervous and I thought I would make a mistake I did well. Straight after the concert my family said I did great and so did the principal and vice principal.

Gus Cox
Trumpet

I enjoyed playing at the Soiree because it was fun and it didn't really matter if you made a mistake because everyone performed to the best of their ability. I felt nervous at first but after I performed I felt excited that I did it.

Jasmine Milne
Saxophone Solo

I thought it was good to be able to perform on my own and I liked that we weren't on the stage so it was not as formal as the Clocktower or even the chamber concert.

Maggie O'Shea
Violin Solo

It was really good because I could hear different notes playing at the same time but it all seemed to fit together.

Adrina Lim
String Trio

I thought the night was fun and enjoyable as I liked playing different kinds of music and working with everyone to complete a song. I felt really happy playing. I got to learn how to play different kinds of music with my instrument.

Stuart Wood
Guitar Ensemble

I enjoyed it as I got to show everyone what my group and I have been working on. It also helped me boost my confidence and give me a go at performing on stage.

Elowen Amos
Keyboard Ensemble

I enjoyed playing in the Soiree very much. It made me feel happy on stage to display what we have been learning through the year.

Caleb Chayna
Guitar Ensemble

My family were all proud of me even though I played some wrong notes.

Jack Zapsalis
Junior Brass Ensemble

I like playing music to others and it was a lot of fun. After performing, I could watch the other performers as well.

Jack Pryce
Guitar Ensemble

I learned to be less nervous and learned more skills to perform my piece.

Andre Akritidis
Snare Drum Ensemble

I think I will feel more confident next time I perform because of this experience. At the time I was nervous. My family thought it was a good performance and that it sounded good.

Evie Durbridge
Snare Drum Ensemble

I felt proud of doing my first solo performance in front of a large audience. It was a bit nerve-wracking at first but I was fine once I got on stage. My family really liked it and enjoyed the night.

Oliver Rolfe
Trumpet Solo

Flora Anderson-Cleary, Ellen Campion, Zoe Vasilas Shannon Zhong Singing group

Gus Cox
Trumpet

Jasmine Milne
Saxophone Solo

Maggie O'Shea
Violin Solo

Adrina Lim
String Trio

Hellana Kakoliris
Violin Solo

Jasmine Milne & Ben Carter Saxophone Duet

Oliver Rolfe
Trumpet Solo
I got to sing with my friends and I didn't have to do it alone. My family said it was great and they smiled.

Zoe Vasilas
Year 8 Singing Group

I really enjoyed playing in the Soiree because it was a lot of fun and also the first time I used a microphone. My sister’s favourite was the Year 8 song.

Nicole Appiah Cain
Vocals

I liked watching the performances because I could see how much talent Brunswick SC has. It felt good because I was a part of something and standing up on the balcony with the other performers was like we were supporting each other.

Kate Rutherford
Vocals

The concert had a more relaxing and free atmosphere, with less nerves and pressure. Also students who are not in a big band or rock band get a chance to perform. It’s nice to perform something you have spent a while to prepare and it taught performance skills.

Lucy McMillan
Keyboard Ensemble

My family thought the Soiree was great – the performers and the performances were good.

Kelly Tran
Keyboard Ensemble

Digital Future?

In Term Two, Amra Copcic from Deakin University visited the year 9 Digital Art and 9VC&D classes to discuss Digital Media. Amra’s areas of interest and expertise include multi-touch technology and Human-Computer Interaction. She talked to the students about technology from the past, present, and the future, and the influence it has on society. The questions she raised about the implications of new technology were fascinating. Charly O’Connell from 9R wrote the following response to the talk:

Karen Ferguson
Art & Technology

Technological development is moving at a fast pace, so living our busy lives is becoming easier. iPods are making it easier to carry and listen to music, new means of contact like mobiles and msn are making staying in touch a cinch, and researching information is only just a click away through the internet. But what’s in store for the future? If multi touch screens and wireless connectivity are just old talk, what is there to expect in the next 10 years or so? People are already coming up with ideas like projecting touch screens on any surface, interactive tables at restaurants, and even portable microwaves! Sure, the concept of carrying a microwave in your bag may sound cool, but is it really necessary? As new inventions and gadgets come out, the effort needed to do something is decreasing. Books can now be bought and read through a device that you can carry around in your pocket, so less people are getting up out of their seats and going to the local bookstore or library. And now you can buy anything from food to clothes, and then have it delivered to your front doorstep. No physical activity required. New technology and cool, flashy gadgets are also making us more materialistic and selfish. There is always competition to have the latest phone, iPod, laptop, etc etc. Want. Want. Want. Some people can’t afford the latest gizmos, and it may sound stupid, but it is making them feel insecure. Society today has high expectations of what’s to come in the future; and it will be great, but I wonder what impact it will have on our lives.

Charly O’Connell from 9R

Hello from Gnurad Gundidj!

For the past six weeks, myself and five other students from Brunswick Secondary College have been living and learning at the Gnurad Gundidj Campus of the School For Student Leadership. We are part of a group of 45 year nine students from all across Victoria who were selected to attend the school in Glenormiston South.

At Gnurad Gundijd, we don’t do normal classes such as maths, english and science. Instead, we learn about how we think, strategies to resolve conflict and the ways in which we learn best. All these classes are designed to help us become better leaders. We also do other classes such as First Aid, CPR, Safe Food Handling, photography and animation.

Although the focus of the school is leadership we also do a lot of outdoor education. So far I have learnt how to ride a bike, canoe and surf and I’ve gone camping. Just last Friday my expo group, which consists of six students from Brunswick and six from Echuca, returned from a three day Expo. On Expos we ride our bikes to a campsite, cook our food in trangias, sleep in tents and if we are near a lake, we go swimming. On our last Expo we rode 85km in total. It was hard, but so much fun. Mr Evert, who is our liason teacher, came on Expo with us which was awesome. We are part of a group of 45 year nine students from all across Victoria who were selected to attend the school in Glenormiston South.

From back: Auerin Sarson-Lawrence, Nick Manley, Colin Watson, Mr. Easton (Gnurad Gundijd liaison teacher), Mr Evert, Mimi Award, Charlotte O’Connell, Alex Brown. On Expo at Lake Elingamite.
Over this past month and a half, we have all made such amazing friends and have done so many fantastic things. This is definitely a once in a lifetime experience for all of us.

By Alexandra Brown

Year 8 Zone Soccer Report

Friday the 13th of August proved to be a lucky day for the year 8 boys soccer team as they won the Northern Zone competition to progress through to the State Finals and a chance of defending their title they won last year. However it did not all go to plan early in the day. In the first match against Northcote High School the boys were trailing by 2-1 with only 5 minutes left on the clock. A loss would have made it extremely difficult to progress to the next stage. It took some strong defending and a wonder strike from Tom Demelis to level the scores. He was unlucky not to win the match in the final seconds when he struck the cross bar with another powerful strike.

After the shaky start the boys needed to win their next two matches and win them handsomely to make it through to the state finals. They achieved exactly that with a 6-0 win over Lalor and a 5-0 win over St Helena.

Congratulations boys on the high level of work ethic and skill you displayed on the day. Hopefully it will continue on Thursday the 16th of September at the state finals.

Mr Evert

Active Girls Breakfast

On the 30th of July, Sally Goss, Kate Archibald and 17 enthusiastic girls got chosen to participate in the Active Girl's Breakfast at Etihad Stadium. The girls participated in a range of activities such as the new dance craze Zumba, breaking a world record and got to listen to various female sports stars talk about their life and how they achieved their goals. The Zumba class was a favourite for most of the girls, it got everyone off their feet and we all had a great time. We got the chance to hear inspiring speeches from Carrie Bickmore (7pm Project), Shannon Ponton (Biggest Loser host), Julie Corletto (netball player), Giaan Rooney (Swimming Champion) and Nikki Van Dyk (Up and coming female surfer). They had a nice healthy breakfast that everyone enjoyed and Mallory even got to sample Shannon’s healthy omelette. We had a chance to win prizes and our school was lucky enough to win a free cricket session for 30 girls. Everyone had fantastic time and it is a great experience for all girls who took part in this wonderful day.

Souha Abbouchi and Lina Welderfael.

BSC Chinese Study tour 2011 information night

An Information night will be held in the Auditorium on Thursday 9th September from 6 to 7 p.m. for students and parents interested in the first BSC Chinese study tour. All relevant information will be presented on this night. To register your participation at the information night, could you please email me at xu.jiwei.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

Kind regards,

Jiwei Xu
**MUSIC NEWS**

**Clocktower Music Concert**
Pop, jazz, classical, African, Greek, rock – a bit of everything for everybody!

Come and see our students play and sing pieces by Michael Jackson, Super Mario Bros, Schubert, Tickle Me Pink, Blues Brothers, Van Morrison, Carl Orff, Blink 182, Womack/Womack to name a few.

Our New Orleans-Style Street Band, Girlband, VCE Bands, Percussion and Saxophone Ensembles, Greek Band, Stage and Concert Bands, Soloists, Strings, Keys, Choir and lots more are busy rehearsing and preparing for the night’s entertainment.

Tuesday 31st August
Clocktower Centre
750 Mt Alexander Road

Tickets are now available from the Clocktower Centre Box Office
in person
by phone with credit card on 9243 9191
online at www.clocktowercentre.com.au

**Student Medical Conditions**
Could parents of students who have anaphylaxis or other serious medical conditions please hand in a completed action plan for your child to the front office. If your child has a medical condition that the school needs to be aware of, please contact the level coordinator or Jeremy (school nurse).

**BSC Office hours** are between 8.30am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday. Phone calls and office enquiries outside these hours will be recorded by the answering machine.

NB: If you are contacting the school to let us know your child is going to be absent, you can also e-mail the school on Brunswick.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au

---

**Suzanne Kurick**
Head of Learning: Music

**Brunswick Secondary College**
47 Dawson Street Brunswick 3056
Telephone 9387 6133
Facsimile 9387 0061
Email Brunswick.so@edumail.vic.gov.au
Web www.brunswick.vic.edu.au

**EMERGENCY CONTACTS !!**
Could all parents ensure we have accurate contact numbers both for themselves and for other available emergency contacts persons (other than themselves).

We have had several students needing medical attention recently and have not been able to contact either a parent or emergency contact.