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Important Dates

**Wed 17th November**
2011 year 7 social evening
6.00pm until 7.30pm

**Mon 22nd - Thurs 25th November**
Year 9 Camp

**Thurs 25th November**
7.30pm until 9.00pm
Rock Bands Night

**Mon 29th November**
7.30pm until 9.00pm
Chamber Concert

**Frid 3rd December**
Year 7 & 8 Swim Carnival

**Sat 11th December**
9.00am until 11.00am
Second Hand Book Sale

**Sat 11th December**
School Uniform Store
Special Trading Day
9.00 am until 4.00pm

Principal Report

Celebrating Teaching

World Teachers' Day is held annually in recognition of the work that teachers do to improve student’s life chances and opportunities and their vital contribution to education and development worldwide. Rather than celebrate World Teacher’s day last Friday, as we have previously mentioned the 2010 Year 12 students demonstrated their gratitude to teaching and Education Support staff through a range of generous gestures that were incorporated into their final day of school.

It was pleasing to see the students acknowledge the contribution of all the teachers they have had throughout their time at Brunswick and not only in their final year. It is also pleasing to know that several of our students wish to pursue a career in teaching. They will find as we have, that teaching is challenging but immensely rewarding work. For our teaching colleagues in developing countries, the moral imperative to improve student's opportunities is great in the face of inadequate resources and conditions. However, as we were reminded when a group of Fijian teachers visited us last year, teachers worldwide are motivated and united by the desire to make a positive difference to the lives of children in their care. We know from our own experiences as students and teachers, that the memory of an influential teacher stays with us always. For me the uniqueness of teaching as a profession is captured by the following quote that I give to each new teacher who begins work at Brunswick Secondary College. "I've come to the frightening conclusion that I am the decisive element in the classroom. It's my daily mood that makes the weather. As a teacher, I possess a tremendous power to make a child's life miserable or joyous. I can be a tool of torture or an instrument of inspiration. I can humiliate or humour, hurt or heal. In all situations, it is my response that decides whether a crisis will be escalated or de-escalated and a child humanized or de-humanized." -

Administration

Principal
Ms Vivienne Tellefson
Assistant Principal Year 7-9
Ms Heather Secomb
Assistant Principal Year 10-12
Mr Graeme McKinnon
Student Services
Mr Michael Bartley
Student Welfare Coordinator
Ms Katie Archibald
Student Leadership & Enrichment Coordinator
Ms Kimberley Crowley
Careers Counselor
Ms Catherine Jones
International Student Coordinator
Ms Lauren Flannery

Business Manager
Mr Froilan Altarez
Year 12 Exams

Exams are now in their second week and are proceeding well. There continues to be a very strong Year 12 student presence in the school as students seek help from teachers and make use of the library for revision and study. Results will be published on Monday 13th December. We can be confident that, regardless of the absolute scores that the 2010 cohort achieves, they have worked hard, collaboratively and persistently throughout the year and have been good role models in learning to the other year levels.

Vivienne Tellefson
Principal

MUSIC NEWS

Upcoming student performances for the remainder of the term:

Year 7 2011 Social
Wednesday 17th November
Stage Band
6.30-7.00pm Brunswick Quadrangle

Chamber Concert
Monday 29th November
An evening of variety from our wind, string, keyboard, guitar, percussion and vocal groups
7.30pm in the Performing Arts Room
$10 adults, $5.00 students, performers free

Rock Bands Night
Thursday 25th November
VCE Bands, GirlBand, Year 10 Band, Guitar Class Bands
7.30pm in the Performing Arts Room
$10 adults, $5.00 students, performers free

Festive Harmonies
Thursday 2nd December
Stage Band and String Ensemble
Federation Square

More details in later Newsletters

Suzanne Kurick, Music Coordinator

Zero Carbon Moreland

Zero Carbon Moreland will help our school to reduce our energy use and greenhouse pollution by 20% in the next year.

Zero Carbon Moreland is a free community program run by the Moreland Energy Foundation as part of the Moreland Solar City project helping households, businesses and schools to reduce their energy use and greenhouse pollution.

You can join too and get FREE sustainability advice from Zero Carbon Moreland

Zero Carbon Moreland will donate $600 to our school

Our target is to get 20 households to take part in the program

If you are interested in joining you can sign up online
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If you join up online please let the school know that you have joined so we can count you into our 20 household target brunswick.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au

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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 enquires 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